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Rev. L. T. Mays, of Austin, Tex., has accepted a call to Thomasville, Ga., and is now in his new field.

Let's go to Albertville in great numbers, for this hustling little city on Sand Mountain is prepared to take care of a host of Baptists.

President Harry Pratt Judson, after convocation of the University of Chicago, goes to Williams college, his alma mater, to be present at the fortieth anniversary of his class.

Dr. R. C. Buckner, of Texas, the great orphanage worker, is thinking of making a visit to China in the fall in the interest of orphanage work, and he will also visit his son and grandson, who are missionaries in that country.

Evangelist Weston Bruner has been assisting Rev. W. R. Owen in meetings at Capitol avenue, Atlanta, Ga. Between 50 and 60 persons confessed Christ. Thirty-seven parents dedicated their children to missionary work.

The editor of the Alabama Baptist wants to give the Baptists of Alabama a paper which will not only serve, but interest them, and therefore earnestly begs the brethren to help us make it better from week to week.

You are giving us a fine paper now. Our church and Sabbath school are in a flourishing condition under the leadership of Bro. J. M. Cook, who preaches for us once a month.—R. H. Stroud, R. 2.

We just happen to think of three brilliant and consecrated young men who are assisting pastors in Alabama in meetings. They are all pastor-evangelists. Louis Warren is helping Farrington at Roanoke; John Wray is aiding Rosser at Selma, and Ashby Jones is here in Birmingham with Dickinson. God's blessings on the labors of these visiting brethren.

Rev. Louis B. Warren, D. D., of Owensboro, Ky., together with Mr. Louis Malhard, the evangelist singer of Texas, is assisting Rev. F. H. Farrington in a meeting at Roanoke. Brother Warren has been singularly blessed, both in the pastorate and in evangelistic work. The above two visiting brethren assisted Bro. H. W. Fancher in a great meeting at Pelmetto street church, Mobile, in April.

We are now in the third week of a meeting begun at Southside on May 29th. We expected to have closed last Sunday night, but the interest was such that we did not feel that we could close. The meeting will go on this week. The church has already been greatly blessed. Only 19 members have been received thus far, but we are having a great blessing. W. P. Price, of the Home Mission Board, is preaching for us. He is a strong and safe evangelist. I wish the brethren in Alabama might use him more. We are happy in our decision to have him here.—S. A. Cowan.



Rev. J. W. Long, Jacksonville, Ala.

Rev. J. H. Jowett, of Birmingham, England, tells of a lay preachers' conference, in which a veteran described this method of sermon preparation. "I take my text," he said, "and divide my sermon into three parts. In the first part I tell 'em what I am going to tell 'em; in the second part—well, I tell 'em; in the third part I tell 'em what I've told 'em."

It may interest you to know that I have been accepted as a member of Wadham college in Oxford. This is not among the largest colleges, but is one of the oldest, and quite desirable. I expect to sail about September 1. My present hope is that I will be able to go a little earlier and witness the Passion Play at Oberammergau.—C. E. Crossland.

(It does interest us greatly, for we are proud of this gifted Alabama and Howard college graduate.)

Since I have kept you waiting so long I will send you renewal for two years instead of one. I hope to be in position to make a thorough canvass of my field in the interest of the Alabama Baptist real soon. We have been holding some Baptist rallies and fifth Sunday meetings over in this neck of the woods which we think have done a vast amount of good. I was with the Winston county brethren last fifth Sunday at Double Springs and we had a good meeting; while the other pastors in Walker county held forth at Pleasant Grove. They report a most profitable meeting. The protracted meeting season is on now, and we will be quite busy in that direction for the next few months. I am praying for you whether I pay promptly or not.—J. H. Longier.

The new pastor, Rev. Jesse Cook, at Clayton Street Baptist church, Montgomery has received a warm welcome among his people and the Baptists of Montgomery are delighted to have this consecrated young brother in their midst.

Stanley Jordon, the well known Episcopal minister, having cause to be anxious about his son's college examinations, told him to telegraph the result. The boy sent the following message: "Hymn 342, fifth verse, last two lines." Looking it up, the father found the words: Sorrow vanquished, labor ended, Jordon passed.—The Circle.

From a revival at Bay Minette I have recently baptized 12 into the membership of our church. We will close the year with an increase of perhaps \$150 over contributions for denominational work last year. By November we hope to break ground for a new church house. The tent meetings in destitute locations in the city of Mobile have commenced. We hope they will be fruitful.—J. D. Anderson.

Richmond Place Baptist church was organized Sunday afternoon with 43 members. This grew out of what was known as Station A of the Southside Baptist church, Birmingham. Rev. J. R. Stodghill, moderator, J. O. Colley, clerk. The charge to the church was given by Capt. W. C. Ward. Rev. J. A. Beal was called. We welcome him back to the Birmingham district and are doubly glad to have him this time as he is to bring a charming bride from the blue grass. He is to be married to Miss Owens, a daughter of ex-Senator Owens, of Kentucky.

Three places are now competing for the world's Panama Exposition, 1915—New Orleans, San Francisco and Santiago.

At Adams Street Baptist church, Montgomery, where they have no pastor, they expect to depend on supplies until they call a permanent pastor.

Teacher training awards made from Nashville office during the week ending June 11, 1910: Alabama, Crossville, Rev. A. L. Stephens, diploma.

Pastor Otto, of West End Baptist church, Montgomery, is happy over the results of the revival services conducted in his church by O. P. Bentley.

Dr. E. E. Folk expects to be back at his desk the latter part of this month. We know he had a good and profitable trip. We are glad, however, that he is back home.

Evangelist Price, one of the home board's faithful and consecrated workers, held a good meeting with Pastor S. A. Cowan at the Southside Baptist church, Montgomery.

Montgomery Baptists have lately added a seventh church to their list of white churches, namely, at Chisolms. Rev. W. R. Otto is serving this and the West End church.

I want my paper sent to East Lake. I expect to remain there to finish my college work. I expect to spend the summer in study and preaching and if any of my friends desire my services I shall be very glad to respond in any way that I am able.—James E. Dean 7742 Underwood avenue.

Prof. Noah K. Davis, of the University of Virginia, died recently in Charlottesville, Va. He was for years the teacher of moral philosophy. He was one of the most distinguished teachers and scholars in the south and a writer of note. He left his impress upon many southern youth.—Standard.

Blessings on you and the cause for which you so nobly stand in Alabama. We are expecting to see all of our old Alabama friends at the Jacksonville convention. Ten years of absence in the Flowery State has changed many things with all of us, but my love for the Baptists of my native state remains constant, and I rejoice with them in their splendid achievements.—W. A. Hobson.

It is evident that Baptists are not going to stand for such folly as was enunciated by Prof. Foster, of Chicago university. The retention of this gentleman in the membership of a church in Illinois had something to do with the division of the Baptists of that state into two conventions. Now the statement comes that Rev. Dr. D. D. MacLaurin has resigned the Second church, Chicago, to enter business. He supported Prof. Foster before the Chicago ministers, and his church divided at once with reference to him.—Christian Index.

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Room.

Y. W. A. MOTTO:

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

There is always Time
To do the
Will of God.
If you do the
Will of God
All the Time.

GREETINGS:

Dear Friends:

Today closes one week's work with you, and it finds me with a happy heart. To be in the service of my master is a great pleasure for me, but to be united with you in His service fills my heart with a joy unspeakable. Even after this short stay, I am made to feel very much at home, thanks to the true Southern hospitality of the Montgomery people. I have found this a busy workshop and I am happy that it is so, for when we are busy for Jesus we know that He is well pleased.

Dear sisters, although my work is primarily with the young people, I am interested in you and want you to feel that I am here for you to use whenever you so desire. And dear young women, my heart longs to know you. Already I love you, and my one great desire is that you and I together will do our best in our work, for our Lord wants and deserves nothing short of "our best." Come on, dear girls and boys, join hands with me and let us do our part, which is no small part, for Jesus. I have heard much of you and what you are doing and I know that I am going to be happy with you.

To the Woman's Missionary Societies, the Young Women's Auxiliaries, the Royal Ambassadors and Sunbeams, I pledge my heartiest support. If, at any time and in any way, I can serve you, just call on me, and with Christ's help, "I will do whatsoever my hand findeth to do."

Yours ready for service,

MARY RHOADES.

A PLEA FOR ORGANIZATION.

During May, the financial report aggregated the gifts from only twenty-one of our fifty organized associations. We hate to think of twenty-nine unheard from, but we do rejoice that every society that sent in an offering was in an organized association. It is far easier to keep in touch with the societies if they have an associational superintendent, and we do most sincerely hope to find several during this summer. In the securing of them, each one of us may have a part. If you know of any one in your association who could do the work, won't you let it be known at the Mission Room?

Another reason for organizing is that we do want every association to hold a woman's meeting this year. Woman's work by women is a recognized factor in the church today, and the women in each association should be busy about it. One of our state workers will, in the general plan of things, be at your associational meeting and will gladly co-operate with your associational superintendent in making the meeting a success. Will you do your part in seeing that she has a superintendent with whom she may co-operate?

BE SURE.

Friends, please be sure to see to it that your society does its very best for State Missions by June 30. The Board is our best friend and the work it fosters deserves much of our best effort.

APPORTIONMENT CARDS.

In the course of the next week, we hope to have in the hand of every society president the apportionment card for this new conventional year. By the recent action of our Executive Board, our apportionment will henceforth cover the time from July to July. As many of the associations meet in the late fall, the societies were until then receiving their apportionment, so the Board has appointed a committee to prepare the various apportionments and to send them directly to the societies. The superintendents will be sent the itemized lists for their associations, and we do hope that they will carefully study them and urge their societies to go systematically to work to meet them. The superintendents will please have these apportionments read at their associational meetings just as in former years so that the societies may be stimulated to do their part of the whole.

In spite of the fact that a misprint in last week's page of "not" for "now" said that it was not hot enough, we can but admit that we find it quite to the contrary; still much of our best work, especially in the rural districts, is done during the summer. The solstice is passed, the days are now growing shorter, and we must be faithful and alert in our work. These cards will be helpful guides to systematize interest and activity.

HALEYVILLE INSTITUTE, MAY 14, 1910.

Some time previous, Mrs. J. W. Partridge, of Russellville, together with the ladies of Haleyville, had arranged for the institute by advertising and outlining a program, so at the appointed hour a large number of ladies from Russellville met with the Ladies' Aid Society of the Haleyville Baptist church. Mrs. Will Cleere, of Haleyville, in her welcome address, gave the ladies a most cordial greeting, to which Mrs. Massey, of Birmingham, responded. Mrs. Partridge was elected president and conducted the devotional service. Mrs. J. B. Warnock, of Russellville, was elected secretary.

A talk on "Personal Devotion," by Mrs. Cunningham, was heartily listened to, for we knew that this mother in Israel could speak out of a heart of experience on this subject. "Woman's Work" was ably discussed by Mrs. D. M. Malone, of Birmingham. "Special Objects of Woman's Work" was then presented in a most beautiful manner by Mrs. Massey, of Birmingham. The morning session was closed with prayer by Mrs. Crittendon, of Russellville.

The afternoon session was opened with the reading of the twelfth chapter of Romans by Mrs. Crittendon and prayer by Mrs. Moore, of Haleyville. "Seven Reasons Why I Belong to the Ladies' Aid Society" was given by Mrs. J. B. Warnock, of Russellville. "Young Woman's Work" was then discussed by Miss Hardnett. "Sunbeam and Royal Ambassadors' Work" was discussed by Mrs. Partridge and Mrs. Malone. Mrs. Cleere then gave us a good talk on the work of an associational superintendent. "What Devotional Services Means to a Society" was discussed by Mrs. Massey.

A deep spiritual feeling pervaded the meeting and we trust much lasting good was done. We wish to say with emphasis that the good ladies of Haleyville can not be surpassed for courtesy and hospitality, and most especially do we wish to thank Mrs. Cleere for the courteous manner in which she entertained us.

INSTITUTE SECRETARY.

NEWTON INSTITUTE, APRIL 5.

The long expected day arrived, and with it came many friends and delegates. Old Newton, ever known for its kindness, threw wide open her doors to receive her guests.

We wanted to make an impression lasting on this section (for mission work), so through the kindness of our Executive Board, Miss Mallory, our new Secretary-Treasurer, was sent to us. What a blessing she was, if only we could have had her longer.

The first thing our delegates did was to visit off Collegiate Institute, of which we Newtonites are quite proud and for which we are trying to build a suitable auditorium, with the help of our State Convention. Oh, we wish we could get every Baptist—man, woman and child—to awake to our great need in this school, so that our girls could have a place for studying and reciting in the same building.

At the hour of 9:30, Mrs. Riley, of Elba, conducted very forcibly the devotional exercises, and all felt glad that we had listened to her sweet words. The Associational Superintendent gave a warm welcome direct from her heart to the visitors. Miss Lillie Howell, of Dothan, read an excellent paper on Y. W. A. work, and we trust that ere another institute rolls around many more auxiliaries will be reported. Miss Mallory fitted in all of the vacant places and gave us talks on our work in its different departments.

Mrs. Brock read a paper on "Two Ways of Conducting a Mission Society." Miss Emma Ray cheered us by her sweet voice in a solo. Miss Pearl Norton recited "The Cap Fits." Miss Bessie Martin, one of our school girls, acted as secretary for our meeting. "How to Make Our Missionary Societies Interesting" was treated in an instructive manner by Mrs. Tyner, of Brundidge. "Should Associational Meetings Be Held?" was the subject ably discussed by Mrs. B. P. Poyner, of Newton. We then adjourned for noon lunch, which was a bountiful spread on the church lawn.

After spending a pleasant time socially, we again assembled in the church. This hour was given over to our Sunbeam Band, and in a sweet manner they entertained us. When the first notes of the organ began, a host of sweet little voices came up the aisle singing. After the children were all on the rostrum, Ina May Jones gave a short poem on "The Bible." Then, wishing to show us how to make the world better, wiser and happier, Mary Stokes, Janie Millgan and Maud Poyner gave a few words to that effect. Pattie Rosa Poyner, Pattie Trawick and Ernestine Calloway sang a trio. Alma McDowell read the 1st Psalm, and quite a number of Bible verses were quoted by other children. Miss Mallory gave the children a talk and offered prayer. They then marched out to their school duties, singing as they went.

Miss Mallory talked to us on the Four Seasons of Special Prayer and the apportionment. Mrs. Riley told us about the Training School. Mrs. R. L. Jones dismissed us with a touching prayer. In the evening the Sunbeams presented to Miss Mallory a lovely bouquet of roses.

MRS. R. M. HUNTER.

SCRIPTURE THOUGHT.

Fear not, for I am with thee, and will bless thee.
Gen. 26:24.

"WATCHMAN, WHAT OF THE NIGHT?"

By W. F. Yarberough.

Having been identified with every phase of the general denominational work in the state from which I have so recently come, I naturally feel a similar interest in the affairs of Alabama. I have been trying to behave myself with becoming modesty, as a newcomer, and have succeeded in keeping hands off up to this point, except to have my church send in since January 1. something like \$1,500 for missions. Now that I am beginning to feel at home, I trust that the readers of The Alabama Baptist will not consider me officious in expressing my interest in the campaign now on for State Missions.

I like Dr. Crumpton's calendar system, and we are using it with some adaptations, but no plan is effective for raising funds in the Lord's work, or for any other cause, unless it has a man behind it and is used with some flexibility with reference to local conditions. It may not be State Mission month in some districts, but the situation just now calls for a hard pull and a pull together on the home stretch just as we go up to the State Convention. We can not afford to have any loose traces.

Our deficit in Home and Foreign Missions ought to bestir in us a greater zeal for missions. Our failures ought to be stepping stones to higher things. Let us begin at home to do better by enlarging our State Mission offerings. Mississippi has long regarded Alabama as a rival in missionary gifts, but with a lead of \$20,000 on Home and Foreign Missions for last convention year, she has left use hopelessly behind unless we bestir ourselves. What excuse can we offer with 40,000 more Baptists and a great deal more wealth?

If I read history correctly, the Baptists of Alabama have a weightier responsibility than any other denomination in taking Alabama for Christ. Providence has signally honored us in giving us a large place in the state's making and has put us right in the vanguard of evangelical forces in numbers and influence. It is in keeping with the revealed policy of Jehovah, when His people prove recreant to a trust, to raise up others to whom he commits the interests of His kingdom. This fact is plainly written on the page of history and human experience.

There is a chapter in the history of Israel worthy of our consideration in this connection. When the conquest of Canaan was completed and the territory was assigned, Ramoth Gilead was set apart as one of the cities of refuge. In some of the wars with Syria this city with others fell into the hands of the king of Syria. Finally there was a turn in the tide of affairs and the king of Syria promised to restore the city, but the promise remained unfulfilled. Israel's king, awakening to the situation and feeling encouraged by an alliance with the king of Judah, said to his servants, "Know ye not that Ramoth in Gilead is ours, and we are still, and take it not of the king of Syria?" The allied armies marched up to Ramoth and attempted to claim the city, but met with a disastrous repulse and were hopelessly defeated. Israel had slept on his rights and the day of opportunity was gone forever. Have not the Baptists of Alabama much of unclaimed possessions yet in the hands of the enemy? These mountain fastnesses, these rich valleys, these widestretching plains, are ours by right of original possession, and by the logic of events, but there is danger that we keep still too long. It is possible for Israel's experience to be duplicated in a measure by Alabama Baptists. We may awake to the value of our unclaimed possessions when it is too late. How much longer will the door of opportunity remain open to us?

There is no higher claim that can be made on us than loyalty to our King, but this appeal is strongly reinforced by the appeal of patriotism. A justice of the Supreme Court of the United States is quoted as saying that no greater patriotism can be found than that which seeks to supply one's own people with the gospel. There is no better service we can render to our state than to lay it as tribute at the feet of our Lord. Alabama is almost certain to be at no distant day one of the very richest of the Southern states. She is already in the eye of the nation; as her agricultural and industrial possibilities assure her a place in the forefront of the

South's rapidly developing resources. As I see her glorious future I am jealous for my Lord. What of all this prosperity if He is not given His rightful place? What will be the real worth of our civilization if it turns out to be base, sordid and Godless? Will it not prove a curse instead of a blessing?

Baptists of Alabama, the answer to these questions is in your hands, and we will render the answer largely by our State Mission policy for the next ten years. "Arise, shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of Jehovah is risen upon thee. For, behold, darkness shall cover the earth and gross darkness the people; but Jehovah will rise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee." Andiston, Ala.

WELCOME TO ALABAMA.

The following was sent to us by August Wolf:

Rev. Dr. C. Ross Baker, who resigned the pastorate of Emmanuel Baptist church of Spokane, Wash., to become pastor of the First Baptist church at Opelika, Ala., was presented with a purse of gold totaling \$600 by members of his former congregation and friends, and the annual conference of the Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho Baptist Association, in session at Spokane June 5 to 9, adopted these resolutions:

"Our brother, Dr. C. Ross Baker, has during the last four years served as pastor of Emmanuel Baptist church of Spokane, during which time he has won the confidence and esteem of the entire city and the Baptist brotherhood of the Inland Empire of the Pacific Northwest. He has been led of the Lord to accept an unsolicited call from one of our sister churches in the Southland; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we extend our appreciation of his faithful ministry among us, his sound theology and spirit of brother love; and, be it further

Resolved, That we commend him and his estimable wife to the general Baptist brotherhood and especially to the field into which he is going."

Dr. and Mrs. Baker have gone to Boise, Idaho, to visit their son, after which Dr. Baker will go to Opelika, where Mrs. Baker will join him after visiting her parents in Michigan. Dr. Baker came to Spokane from Boise four years ago to take charge of the Emmanuel congregation. The membership has increased from eighty to more than 300. We welcome Dr. Baker to Alabama.

A MEMBER OF STATE BOARD WRITES.

As a member of the State Board of Missions I am very much interested in our state work, and so much desire seeing all debts wiped out before our state convention. The earnest appeals of our state secretary induces me to bestir myself to interest the churches in these parts of the vineyard to come to his rescue. It is amazing how so many of our church members will content themselves with giving what they did ten or twenty years ago, when the membership has increased a hundred fold, and the value of their real estate has increased from a hundred to a thousand fold. It seems to me we need more preaching and teaching along scriptural lines as to our duty concerning giving, systematic giving.

So many churches in these parts, and I suppose other parts, forget all others but the residents of their own town, and many lose sight of the fact that there are others to be saved outside of their own congregation. To say the least of it, I am impressed that if a church pays two thousand dollars pastor's salary that it ought to pay as much for the salvation of others. Why not? Unless we do, are we not selfish? If all of our churches would adopt this rule, and they could, there would not be so many distress signals hung out by the secretaries of our boards.

I have adopted this plan and expect to stick to it. If I give ten dollars, fifty dollars or one hundred dollars to pastor's salary and incidentals, I intend to give as much for missions and such purposes. I would like to know that many others will follow this plan.

I do hope all of our churches and Sunday schools will make a special effort to send Brother Crumpton by the last of this month as large a contribution as possible, so that we may go up to Albertville proud of what we have done. Very truly,

R. E. PETTUS.

THE JOHN M'COLLUM HOME FUND.

I have received to date the following amounts for this fund:

John R. Sampey	\$ 5.00
Pratville L. A. S.	14.25
Perryville Church	4.35
Gallion L. A. S.	14.00
Hopewell Church (Cahaba)	5.00
Greensboro L. A. S.	25.00
Brewton Y. W. A.	5.00
Siloam Church (Marion)	100.00
Miss L. Longshore	1.00
Miss Mary Watkins	5.00
Total	\$178.60

The good women who have this matter in hand are grateful for these contributions, but they would like to hear at once from all the other churches in the state. Surely we owe it to the sacred memory of John McCollum, who spent himself and his all in mission work, for us to contribute enough to buy a modest home for his family. And what is to be done ought to be done at once. Will not more of the churches, both large and small, send in their offerings? I have agreed to receive and hold all contributions preparatory to final investment.

Siloam church expects to make her offering \$300. Will any other church do likewise? Or any individual? We welcome contributions from individuals as well as churches. And we wish every offering to be a free-will offering. There will be no pressure brought to bear upon any one or upon any church. Simply an opportunity offered to pay this debt which we as Southern Baptists owe. And if Southern Baptists owe it the only way they will ever pay it is for each one to do his part.

PAUL V. BOMAR, Agent.

A TIMELY ARTICLE.

was that of C. W. Hare about the Anti-Saloon League. Some good prohibitionists have had nothing to read but the papers that abuse the Anti-Saloon League and vilify its superintendent.

They have been led to believe the organization must be of foreign origin with some dark designs on the people of our fair state.

The very fact that it and its superintendent is hated by the liquor people ought to be the best reason why prohibitionists should freeze to it. They would be glad for it to go out of business and its superintendent leave the state. Let us all sit steady in the boat and hold what we have.

The Anti-Saloon League of Alabama is an Alabama affair, devoted to the best interests of our beloved state. It is marvelous what it has accomplished! It will be heard from again on the firing line. Those who want to see things doing along prohibition lines will stand by the League. Those who want us to blow off the hounds and quit, won't like the League, its ways or its officers!

W. B. C.

Daniel O'Connell had a favorite story of one Parsons, an Irish barrister, who hated the whole tribe of attorneys, and one day was approached in the lobby of the Four Courts by an attorney who was soliciting shilling subscriptions to pay the burial fee of an attorney who had died in poverty. Parsons offered the gentleman a pound note. "Oh, Mr. Parsons," said the applicant, "I do not want so much. I only ask a shilling from each contributor. I have limited myself to that, and cannot feally take more." "Oh, take it, take it," said Parsons blandly. "For God's sake, my good sir, take the pound, and while you are about it, bury twenty of them."

The Roman Catholic church is to began an aggressive campaign of missionary work among the American negroes. Rev. John F. Burke, who has been pastor of a colored Catholic church in New York city, has opened headquarters in the Metropolitan Life building, and announces that he will move to establish a Catholic institution in the South similar to Booker T. Washington's school at Tuskegee.—Baptist Commonwealth.

A PAGE OF INTERESTING SHORT ITEMS

A minister should have his salary paid promptly, and it should be sufficient to cover all reasonable expenses and leave something over.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, says: "The time has come when the saloon and the labor movement must be divorced."

The digestive tract is about thirty feet long. The combined length of the blood vessels of the body is many miles. If you want your food to go a long way chew it thoroughly.

The standing army and, even worse, its elephantine brother, the Dreadnaught navy, have become such a drain on the purses of all nations that universal bankruptcy is inevitable if the present senseless program is followed to its logical conclusion.

A thoughtful writer in summing up the causes of European wars gave these as the chief influences: "Bad government, the arbitrary power of an aristocracy, the necessity of finding occupation for a standing army, the ambitions of princes, the misguiding lessons of romance and poetry."

Happy the man, who, probing what is meant—
By the vague gnawing of his discontent,
Traces it back to discontent with self,
And then stops cursing his environment.
—Ernest Crosby.

Financially, the missionary agency is one of the greatest forces at work on the non-Christian world. Its total annual expenditure for foreign missions is less than the cost of three battleships and not as much as the annual maintenance of the Italian navy.

Rev. O. C. S. Wallace, D. D., of the First church, Baltimore, will preach this summer at Calvary church, Washington, July 3 and 10; the First church, Worcester, July 24; the First church, Lowell, August 14, and on July 31 in the country, where he was born, to a little congregation of farmers.

Two churches in an eastern city are said to have united recently on a basis of belief—if it be a belief—which omits even the Apostle's Creed, and merely pledges the members to "moral Christian purposes." It seems to us they ought to try and get in a third church which believes something, for they do not possess enough together to form a working basis.

There are at the present time in operation in the United States three dispensaries exclusively for negroes suffering from tuberculosis. The Richmond, Va., department of health conducts one, and another has been opened recently by the Norfolk, Va., board of health. The third has just been opened in Atlanta, Ga.

We do not realize how important present world conditions are. First, the world is growing to be a very small place, especially since distance must be measured by time. In one of the principal railway stations of London is the notice: "Fourteen days to China and Japan." The world is shrinking. Owing to the girding of the world with telegraph service and the extension of the press, what happens in one part of the world is intimately affecting another part of the world.

The Detroit House of Correction is one of the best of its kind in the United States. It is not only self-sustaining, but turns into the city treasury from \$25,000 to \$40,000 annually. Its generous and broad-minded superintendent, Mr. McDonald, has come forward with a proposition which certainly is prompted by the Christian spirit. He has proposed that such a proportion of this surplus as is needed shall be used to provide for the families of the prisoners. This proposition has been heartily approved by the city press, the common council and the public generally.

In Yonkers there has been established a women's institute, for the exclusive use of domestics. It has an employment agency and supports classes in domestic science for those girls who wish to become more expert workers. There are club rooms and recreation parlors where the girls receive and meet their friends—including their men friends. A group of liberal-minded women established this unique institution, which is well patronized by the superior class of domestic workers in Yonkers. The dues are small, and members are allowed to share club privileges with friends. It is not unusual for employers to present their domestics with membership cards. It cannot be said that the Women's Institute has solved the servant problem for Yorkers, but many women testify to its happy effects on their own individual problems.

Tremendous as telephone progress has been in the past, the advance likely to be made in the immediate future will dwarf it into comparative insignificance, according to Herbert N. Casson, who furnishes the May World's Work with an article containing numerous graphic illustrations on "The Future of the Telephone." While listening to your own voice come back to you around the world is still a poet's dream, and few have sufficient imagination to give credence to the prediction of the transmission over the wires of vision as well as sound, trans-continental and trans-oceanic telephony is no longer visionary, but is discussed by even the most conservative engineers.

Governor James H. Brady, of Idaho, once appealed to his people by acting as fireman on an engine. He was due to speak at Bonner's Ferry, but his passage was blocked by a freight wreck. He saw a light engine standing on the track beyond the blockade and appealed to the engineer to carry him forward. "No chance," was the answer. "My fireman's gone away, and I can't fire the engine and run her, too." The governor pulled off his coat, seized the coal shovel, and told the engineer to go ahead. He stoked the rest of the way to his destination and reached there on time.

The recent payment of \$500 for a Frans Hals, the sale of the celebrated Yerkes collection, and the almost daily notices of lesser, though still large, purchases of rare paintings in this country, is sufficient testimony that American art collections have attained a position worthy of the respectful attention of the old world. The private collections in America today contain a surprising number of great rare paintings. The value of all the old masters privately owned in America may be roughly set down as \$25,000,000.

"My good woman," said the learned judge, "you must give an answer in the fewest possible words of which you are capable to the plain and simple question whether, when you were crossing the street with the baby on your arm, and the motor car was coming down on the right side and the dog cart was trying to pass the motor car, you saw the plaintiff between the carriage and the dog cart, or the motor car and the dog cart, or whether and when you saw him at all, and whether or not near the carriage, dog cart and motor car, or either, or any two, and which of them respectively, or how it was."

Rev. P. S. Henson, D. D., and Mrs. Henson have been for some time at North Brighton, Me., at their summer home, "Elm Cottage." In that quiet retreat and fine air the doctor is getting back into capital condition. They will spend a few weeks of the summer at the Langford house, Cape Porpoise, Me., and in the fall will establish their home in the Dorchester district of Boston.

There is one question upon which for nineteen long years I have kept silent, but I propose to keep silent no longer. The day has come when the corrupt liquor interests must be driven out of the Democratic party and out of power. It is the liquor interests that furnish the money to debauch and corrupt our states.—William Jennings Bryan.

Pastor Adiel J. Moncrief, of the Raleigh Tabernacle, is giving a series of "Sunday Night Talks on Live Subjects."—Baptist Recorder.

Who goeth in the way which Christ hath gone,
Is much more sure to meet with Him than one
That travelth by-ways. —George Herbert.

Why comes temptation but for man to meet
And master and make crouch beneath his feet?
—Robert Browning.

For if it is, it is, you know;
And if it ain't, it ain't;
Maybe you wish that spot was snow;
But if it's paint, it's paint! —Life.

Amidst my work open Thine eyes on me,
That I may wake and laugh and know and see,
Then with healed heart afresh catch up the clew
And singing drop into my work anew.
—George McDonald.

"And His life. 'Twas the best gift He gave us;
What more could He offer than this—
To die on the cross for His loved ones,
And dying, draw our lives to His."

It is the tragedy and the defeat of life when a man becomes contented and has no ambitions, and is willing to live along on the same level of achievement.—Victor Charbonnel.

How often we reckon without our host!
No matter what knowledge we hold,
It takes more wisdom than one can boast
To answer a four-year-old.
—Judge.

Workman—Mr. Brown, I should like to ask you for a small raise in my wages; I have just been married.

Employer—Very sorry, my dear man, but I can't help you. For accidents which happen to our workmen outside of the factory the company is not responsible.

Officious Offspring—Pop, may I ask just one more question?"

Patient Pop—Yes, my son. Just one more.
Officious Offspring—Well, then, pop, how is it that the night falls, but it's the day that breaks?"

An indignant letter, dictated by a clever old gentleman, runs thus: "Sir, my stenographer being a lady, can not take down what I think of you. I, being a gentleman, can not express it; but you, being neither, can readily divine it."

That there are in the schools of the United States about 12,000,000 children in immediate need of medical and surgical attention, a large minority of which are doomed to invalidism or death, is an appalling fact brought out in Rheta Childe Dorr's amazing article, "A Fighting Chance for the City Child," in the July number of Hampton's Magazine.

Field Marshal Lord Kitchener, of Khartoum, received a rousing welcome on reaching England after his tour around the world, representatives of the king meeting him at Waterloo station, and the London crowds cheering him heartily as he drove away with Lord Roberts. Lord Kitchener expressed himself as delighted with his experiences in America.

At the one hundred and fourth annual sessions of the general synod of the Reformed Church in America, held at Asbury Park, N. J., with 200 delegates present, the Rev. James I. Vance, D. D., of Newark, was elected president. We had the pleasure of knowing Dr. Vance when we were at the First Baptist church in Nashville, and he was serving the First Presbyterian church of that city. He is a brilliant and consecrated Southerner who is making his personality felt in the North.

BRO. CRUMPTON'S TRIP NOTES.

In the winter I was at **Monroeville**, the county seat of Monroe county. I have just been there again on my way to a dedication service at Zion church. Bro. J. M. Gilmore preaches at Monroeville for two Sundays and fills five other appointments each month. Deservedly he is much esteemed by all the people in these parts. We have a strong church at the county seat, where they furnish a nice home to the pastor. Some of the oldest churches in the state are in Monroe county. There must be several nearing the one hundredth mile post, but we fear the records of some of them are lost.

It was thought, after our great celebration in 1908, of the organization of the First Baptist church in Alabama, we would have many such celebrations of churches; but I believe the Huntsville church is the only one that has had such a celebration. Surely the pastors and members of these old churches are not going to allow these opportunities to pass unimproved! What a chance to have a roll call, an historical sketch, a restatement of Baptist principles and doctrines! Two whole days can be profitably given to such a celebration. If the force on the field is not sufficient, some entertaining and instructive speaker can be imported.

At Zion, organized in 1824, where the meeting was held, in a beautiful location, in a fine community of thrifty farmers, they have erected a neat house of worship, and the dedicatory service came at the close of a well arranged program, extending over two days, Bro. M. M. Wood, of Furman, preaching an instructive and uplifting sermon.

Dinner on the Ground

was an important feature. And such a spread it was! Who blamed the boys for coming from many miles around when they knew so well the reputation of the community for its great feasts? Of course, many of them didn't care for the meeting and didn't try to hear a word that was said. When it was all over, doubtless every woman in the community was glad, because she was broken down with the preparation. So it goes in every country neighborhood in Alabama. After a little, the women are going to rebel, and who can blame them? It is a burden which ought not to be put upon them. And yet, I am heartily in favor of "dinner on the ground."

Our city women have already solved the problem. The Birmingham Association, the largest in the state, furnishes a lunch, which is ample, with very little trouble or expense. It consists of sandwiches and coffee. Not a cake or a pie is to be seen. Our country women must come to this, and the preachers ought to insist upon it. This will be done or, as in Kentucky at the associations, the dinners will be abolished.

A New Thing Under the Sun

I saw. I have known Sunday schools to close at the first breath of winter in October. I have known the protracted meeting season to break them up, the all-day singings to knock them out, but at Zion the Sunday school passed safely through the winter months, and when spring came, while the birds were singing and the flowers blooming, it turned its little toes up to the daisies and went out. It was an afternoon school, maybe that was the secret of its death. Before we closed we had pretty good evidence that it would be reorganized the next Sunday morning.

I preached at night

At Peterman,

a thriving town on the railroad, to a good congregation. This is another one of Bro. Gilmore's numerous churches. They have a good house, a large membership and a flourishing Sunday school.

Bro. J. R. Conger, from Tuscaloosa, I was glad to meet at Zion. He has settled in this section and is well pleased. The people will be more and more pleased with him as they know him. Many a man in the "hill country of Judea" might better his condition by moving to the beautiful section of South Monroe.

All the winter and through the spring, as I have had opportunity, I have traveled in South Alabama. Now I must give the summer to North Alabama. The farther I go in this work the more I am impressed with its ever increasing importance. Brethren everywhere receive me gladly, chide me for neglect of them and beg that I come again. It nearly

breaks my heart to turn down an invitation. Yet it is a serious question, when I return and see the stacks of letters on my desk, if I could not serve the cause better by giving more time to the office. Another heart-breaking truth is the growing scarcity of acceptable preachers.

Think of Gilmore and many others who are serving six or eight congregations. Truly "the harvest is great and the laborers are few!" If the churches would only pray the Lord of the harvest, I am frequently overwhelmed and cry out with Paul: "Who is sufficient for these things?" W. B. C.

Few people are aware that the dyke system of the United States is far larger and protects a far greater area than the dyke system of Holland. There are now 1,486 miles of levees along the banks of the Mississippi river, but even this stupendous amount of earth does not insure absolute protection, as was shown by the Holly Bush crevasse in 1903 and other disasters. Not until sixty-four miles of new levee are added, representing 55,000,000 cubic yards of earth (including the raising of the old levees in places) will the system be complete and perfectly safe from a flood equal to the greatest on record, that of 1882. Then the system will contain 280,000,000 cubic yards, nearly three times that of the excavation in the Culebra Cut of the Panama canal, where conditions permit the use of machinery instead of negro and mule.

The Social Service Series, published for the Social Service Commission of the Northern Baptist Convention, under the editorship of Shaler Matthews, dean of the Divinity School, University of Chicago, is proving helpful. We have received the following pamphlets: "The Churches Outside the Church," Coleman, 15 cents net; "The Home as the School for Social Living," Coke, 10 cents net; "The City—As It Is and as It Is To Be," Woodruff, 15 cents net; "The Social Mission of the Church," Wishart, 15 cents net; "The Child in the Normal Home," McCrimmon, 10 cents net; "The Church and the Labor Movement," Stelze, 10 cents net. They are worth while and can be had of the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia.

The physicians who are members of the American Medical Association are not a little stirred up over the allegations which have been made by the members of the National League for Medical Freedom, that the doctors in the former organization are in a "doctors' trust." The American Medical Association men are fostering the bill which is in congress calling for the creation of a department of public health, and the National League for Medical Freedom is said to oppose the measure. This opposition, say the American Medical Association men, being inspired by the anti-vaccine and anti-vivisection organizations.

CONVENTION RAILROAD RATES.

Round trip tickets at reduced rates will be on sale from all the principal stations for the approaching state convention at Albertville, which will be in session July 19, 20 and 21. Tickets will be sold July 18 and 19 for trains scheduled to arrive in Albertville before noon of July 20th; returning will be limited to reach starting point not later than midnight of July 23d.

Persons residing at non-coupon stations on the Atlantic Coast Line and Southern railway should give notice to the ticket agent at least two or three days in advance in order that they may secure through tickets. It is a precaution worth taking at all small stations to inquire several days ahead if the agent has received instructions to sell such round trip tickets.

Rates will be about the same as heretofore, that is, figured on approximately 10¢ per mile for the round trip. Tickets are good alike for delegates and visitors. Be sure to ask for round trip tickets.

WILLIAM A. DAVIS,
Chairman Transportation Committee.

ALABAMA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

The eighty-ninth session will be held in Albertville beginning Tuesday, July 19, 1910, at 11 a. m.

The convention sermon will be preached by Dr. Paul V. Bomar, Marion, Ala., or his alternate, Dr. A. J. Dickinson, Birmingham, at 11 a. m. the first day.

All information about trains and rates will be furnished by William A. Davis, Anniston, Ala., chairman of transportation committee. Basis of representation is as follows:

ARTICLE I—This body shall be known as "The Alabama Baptist State Convention," and shall consist: (1) Of three delegates from each Baptist District Association in Alabama co-operating with this convention, if said Association shall have five hundred members, or under, and one additional delegate for every five hundred members, or fraction thereof, above the number, whose annual election or appointment shall be duly certified by the printed minutes or certificate of an officer of the Association represented by them; (2) of one delegate from each church co-operating with this Convention, if said church shall have fifty members or under, and one additional delegate for every fifty members, or fraction thereof above that number; (3) of persons who contribute funds or are representatives of churches contributing funds for the regular work of this convention, on the basis of one representative for each one hundred dollars actually paid into the treasury of the boards of this convention during the fiscal year preceding its assembly. But in all cases must delegates to this body be brethren of Baptist churches in good standing.

Rev. A. B. Metcalf is pastor of this church at Albertville, and chairman of the entertainment committee.

M. M. WOOD,
Secretary of the Convention.

Furman, Ala., June 16, 1910.

For the benefit of the friends of Brother and Sister J. L. Jackson, of Hurtsboro, Ala., I wish you would make a note of the death of their little baby boy. He died of tubercular meningitis at St. Margaret hospital in Montgomery last Thursday. He was a fine little fellow six months old and of course their hearts were set on rearing him. But when they were assured by the doctors that the little fellow could not live they were resigned to the will of God. I have never seen people so grieved and at the same time so beautifully submissive. I have never seen a more beautiful demonstration of what Christ can do for those who are in grief. It was a blessing to be with them. I went to Hurtsboro to conduct the funeral and found that the people of the little town were doing everything in their power to make the burden light for the sorrowing young father and mother.—S. A. Cowan.

(Our hearts go out to the bereaved parents.)

"Beg pardon," said the hotel clerk, "but what is your name?"

"Name!" echoed the indignant guest, who had just registered. "Don't you see my signature there on the register?"

"I do," answered the clerk calmly. "That is what aroused my curiosity," and our printers have the same yearning to know the names of some of our good friends who send articles to be printed and then wonder why they were not properly set up.

A news article recently stated that Rev. G. L. Lambert, of Bay Minette, county superintendent of education, who is at the head of the boys' corn show movement in his county, reports that excellent crops are being grown by the boys of the club. He states that a number have predicted that they would make as high as 100 bushels to the acre. Now, this is a good work and we hope the superintendents in other counties will interest themselves in this kind of work. Bro. Lambert is a widely useful citizen.

Forty per cent of the pupils in one London school, it is found, drink alcohol regularly, and it is estimated, says the Alliance News, that there are some two million school children throughout England who are addicted to the use of intoxicating liquor.

If you want to hit the liquor traffic and array the government against it, you must not expect its political friends to undertake the job.

MY SHADOW.

I have a little shadow that goes in and out with me,
And what can be the use of him is more than I can see.
He is very, very like me, from the heels up to the head,
And I can see him jump before me, when I jump into bed.

The funniest thing about him is the way he likes to grow;
Not at all like proper children, which is always very slow.
For he sometimes shoots up taller, like an India rubber ball,
And he sometimes gets so little that there's none of him at all!

He hasn't got a notion of how children ought to play,
And can only make a fool of me; in every sort of way;
He stays so close beside me, he's a coward you can see;
I'd think it shame to stick to nurse as that shadow sticks to me.

One morning very early, before the sun was up,
I rose and found the shining dew on every buttercup;
But my lazy little shadow, like an arrant sleepy-head,
Had stayed at home beside me, and was fast asleep in bed.
—Stevenson.

NEW CANDY GAME.

What candy is a spice and a money making establishment? Peppermint.
What sweets are wild flowers of the spring fields? Buttercups.
What goodies result when a sour fruit rolls off the table? Lemon drops.
What candy is a lively goat and a near neighbor of the English? Butterscotch.
What candy is rubber and "to fall"? Gumdrops.
And which consists of a famous river in the east and a variety of nuts? Jordan almonds.
What candy good for the throat is gray with age and a hunting dog? Hoarhound.
What American dainty is "to explode" and an important food product? Popcorn.
What species of caramels are an uncomplimentary exclamation? Fudge.
What popular flavor is like holly and mistletoe? Wintergreen.
What bonbons should show which way the wind blows? Straws.—Exchange.

A GAME YOU WILL LIKE.

A simple hiding game may be played as follows:
Children are sent away to blindfold their eyes, and some object, either a ball, box, toy or block, is used to hide where it will be in sight.
The children come back and look all about. No child says a word or points to the object, but when he sees it he goes quietly and sits down. The ones who know do not look at or point to the object. The point of the game is self-control. Children would point naturally or speak or rush toward the object, but in this they control themselves to a wonderful extent.
The child who sees the object first is chosen to hide the object and chooses the ones to blindfold their eyes. There is little speaking in the game.—Exchange.



RULES FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS.

Never neglect daily private prayer, and when you pray, remember that God is present and that he hears your prayer.—Heb. 11:6.

Never neglect daily private Bible reading, and when you read remember that God is speaking to you and that you are to believe and act upon what He says. I believe all backsliding begins with the neglect of these two rules.—John 5:39.

Never profess to ask God for anything which you do not want. Tell Him the truth about yourself, however bad it makes you, and then ask Him, for Christ's sake, to forgive you for what you are and make you what you ought to be.—John 4:24.

If ever you are in doubt as to a thing's being right or wrong, go to your room and kneel down and ask God's blessing upon it.—Col. 3:17. If you can not do this, it is wrong.—Rom. 14:23.

Never believe what you feel if it contradicts God's word. Ask yourself, "Can what I feel be true if God's word be true?" and if both can not be true, believe God and make your own heart the liar.—Rom. 2:4; I John 5:10-11.—Presbyterian Banner.

FORGETTING TO THANK MOTHER

Of course, you boys and girls are not the kind who forget to say, "Thank you," when any one does you a favor. When you were very small, before you could so much as talk plainly, papa and mama taught you these two little words, and ever since you have been careful about using them at the right time.

There are a good many people who are careful to say "Thank you" when somebody passes them the bread at dinner or lends them a book to read, but who receive other and greater kindnesses without saying a word. "Where are my rubbers?" cries Jack, as he is about to start to school some rainy morning. "Oh, dear! I wish folks would let my rubbers alone!"

"Here they are, Jack," mama says quickly, as the sound of the impatient voice comes to her ears. "I set them beside the register to have them get nice and warm." And perhaps Jack says, "Oh," and perhaps he says nothing at all. It is not likely that he says "Thank you." We fear his mother is used to it, however. Most mothers are.

How many boys and girls think of saying "Thank you" for the hours mother spends mending their torn clothes, or for her care of them when they are sick, or for any of the little sacrifices she is making all the time? If they want any help on their lessons, mother gives it as a matter of course, and they usually forget it is anything for which to thank her. They take it for granted that whatever they want, mother will give them, if she possibly can. And so she will, but her willingness and her love and her unselfishness are no excuse for their being ungrateful and discourteous.

Start in this very day to say "Thank you" whenever mother does you a kindness. Perhaps you will be surprised to learn how many chances there are in a day to use those two little words. And you will be even

more surprised to see how much it means to mother that you do not forget them.—Exchange.

THE GIRL WHO NEVER GOT THERE.

Mrs. Kent was standing by the library table, pulling on her gloves and looking anxiously at Rose.

"Are you writing to accept Mrs. Lange's invitation for the piazza tea?" she asked, at last.

"I am," answered Rose, with a final flourish. Then she patted the stamp in place with energetic little thumps, and handed the letter to her sister.

"Just drop that as you go by the box, please."

"But," urged Mrs. Kent, "it's not only are you going to accept, but are you going to be on time? No, you needn't smile fascinatingly at me, Rose. You know you never are anything but 'the last, belated guest.' People are beginning to call you 'the girl that never got there,' and I'm at the end of my apologies. Do be early!" she urged. "I should so like to put the finishing touches to your pretty frock. I'm sure you can't manage it yourself."

"Dear old Philippa!" said Rose, giving her a hug. "Still mothering me, although you've a baby of your own now. And how is my beloved 'Peachess'? I think I'll have to start early so I can stop in and play with her for an hour or two."

"Peaches," answered her mother from the doorway, "is invited, too. So you'd better come early, you see. She's the main attraction," added Mrs. Kent, modestly, as she left the room.

After her sister had gone, Rose sank back in her chair and yawned.

"Why are people always hurrying me?" she demanded, plaintively. "Now I always say, 'We dine at seven, and please be late.' It simplifies things so."

But somehow, when the day came, an easy chain of circumstances, duties that slipped quickly by, unconsciously hurried Rose forward, and she found herself dressed and ready with quarter of an hour to spare. "I'll be in time," she said, with a laugh. "I'll be the first person there, and I only trust my friends won't faint from the suddenness of the shock."

Once started, Rose, for all her shilly-shallying, was impetuous. Now, as she swung up the box-edged path, she thought, "I'll jump out and grab Peaches when she comes. Won't she be surprised to see her aunty?"

No hostess was waiting for her on the long veranda, but beyond, among the vines, there was the flutter of a child's frock, the glimpse of chubby bare arms and a fluffy golden head.

"It must be Peaches. Peaches in the dress I made her," thought Rose. "But what is she carrying? Oh!" The girl ran forward just as the lighted Chinese lantern fell and flamed against the muslin ruffles. Her long coat was off in an instant and flung round the struggling, screaming child. Another moment, and the veranda seemed crowded with excited people, but just that one first little minute, and that only, had been enough to save Peaches!

Rose lay awake that night a long,

long while. Somehow it all would not come straight in her mind. She seemed to see Peaches there, burning, burning, and no one to help her.

"Suppose I hadn't come early," she thought, shuddering. "But I did!"

Then a suspicion of her old whimsical smile curved her mouth.

"I do hope it won't seriously inconvenience them," she said, aloud, "but really, people will have to stop calling me 'the girl who never got there,' because after this I'm going to be 'the girl who is always on time.'—Youth's Companion.

THE CHILD TO THE WIND.

I saw you toss the kites on high
And blow the birds about the sky;
And all around I heard you pass,
Like ladies' skirts across the grass—
O wind, a-blowing all day long,
O wind, that sings so loud a song!

I saw the different things you did,
But always you yourself you hid,
I felt you push, I heard you call,
I could not see yourself at all—
O wind, a-blowing all day long,
O wind, that sings so loud a song!

O you that are so strong and cold,
O blower, are you young or old?
Are you a beast of field and tree,
Or just a stronger child than me?
O wind, a-blowing all day long,
O wind, that sings so loud a song!
—Robert Louis Stevenson, in A Child's Garden of Verses.

OBITUARY OF MISS ADA PRINCE.

On Monday evening, March 15, the death angel came into our town, Falkville, and took away one of our noblest young ladies, Miss Ada Prince. She had been sick for several days and had suffered intense pain with the awful disease, pneumonia. She was just in the bloom of youth, being near her twentieth birthday when God saw best to take her from our midst. She was a member of the Falkville Baptist church and as a church member and Christian she was always willing to do whatever she could for the cause of Christ, and so far as we can judge, was ready to answer to the summons which called her into God's presence. She leaves a father, mother and other loved ones and a host of friends to mourn her death. But why should we mourn the death of a loved one who has gone to a better land? It is our selfish hearts that cry out for their love. We should not question God's infinite wisdom, goodness and love, yet we do not understand; we know His ways are not our ways. While we miss her presence and feel the loss so keenly, still we must remember:

"Not now, but in the coming years,
It may be in the better land,
We read the meaning of our tears,
And there sometimes we understand.

"God knows the way, He holds the key;
He guides us with unerring hand;
Sometimes with tearless eyes we will see;
Yes, there, up there, we will understand."

If you want a copy of the Southern Baptist convention minutes write Bro. Crompton and send 5 cents for postage.

Why Not Alabama Also?



By C. E. CROSSLAND, Field Secretary

A Statement of the Situation in the South—An Earnest Appeal and a Few Fraternal Facts

I have it on my heart to say something to those who are interested in the welfare of our denomination in Alabama and in the welfare of all the agencies through which our churches are doing their work. This includes the following classes:

Pastors.
Sunday school officers.
Sunday school teachers.
B. Y. P. U. workers.
Laymen's movement leaders.
W. M. U. workers.
Y. W. A. workers.

I believe the Alabama Baptist is the medium through I can speak to these men and women all over the state.

The Situation in Other States.

As I sit here at my desk there is right in front of my eyes a large map of the southern states. It is the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention and is my field of labor as a field secretary. In the past several years I have been all over this field from Maryland to Texas and from Kentucky to Florida. I have been at the winter training schools and in the summer encampments all over these southern states.

As I sit here and study this map I can trace the growth of a great movement which has found great favor in the eyes of our Baptist peoples. In this article I want to describe briefly the status of the movement over the south.

The movement I refer to is that of the "Baptist Summer Encampment or Assembly."

The status I want to describe is simply this: "Every state in the Southern Baptist Convention (save Alabama alone) has an annual Baptist encampment."

A Survey.

Let us take up these states geographically and see what is being done this year in each. We will go from east to west.

Virginia—Here at Virginia Beach, on the Atlantic ocean, is the "Virginia Baptist Summer Encampment," with a ten-day program, using nearly a dozen specialists on their morning schedule and with a number of attractive chautauqua features at other periods. Every speaker, however, is a Christian worker and a Baptist—no professionalism. The Religious Herald recently gave over an entire issue to an encampment number. In a personal letter I am informed that already several hundred reservations have been made. The rates are reasonable, but not cheap.

In North Carolina the Baptists have the advantage of the "Southern Baptist Assembly" at Blue Mont, in the mountains. This assembly is south-wide (yes, world-wide) in its scope. It offers to North Carolinians a full summer's program. It differs from most encampments in that it is a permanent enterprise like Montevallo, Tenn., Lake Chautauqua, N. Y., etc., whereas the majority of the others in

the south are arranged temporarily from year to year.

In South Carolina at Greenville the "South Carolina Baptist Assembly" has an annual session. The campus and buildings of Furman University are used for this purpose for a week or more.

Georgia Baptists have at Blue Ridge, Ga., one of the finest possible homes for their "Georgia Baptist Assembly." They own a beautiful tract of land on the highest railroad point in the state, on which is located an almost ideal auditorium, immense in size. For two weeks in August they expect to have a first-class program.

The Baptists of Florida have plans on foot for holding a "Florida Mid-winter Baptist Encampment" somewhere in the southern part of the state. Their plans are almost sure of success. They can easily command the best speakers in the country and large crowds.

Geographically speaking, Alabama comes next; but what do we find? Not a single place to which our people are invited for a profitable summer vacation period. The result is that they go to those attractions in other states. At the Baptist encampments in other states there are present enough Alabamians each year to guarantee the immediate success of such an enterprise in Alabama. I have almost seen this number personally at the encampments I have attended.

But we must skip Alabama.

At Estill Springs, Tenn., July 4-12, will be held the fifth "Annual Encampment of Tennessee Baptists." This is conducted under the auspices of the state B. Y. P. U. and in this particular it differs from those heretofore mentioned. For a program this year, Tennessee has all that could be desired. Their speakers will cost them about \$600; their printed programs about \$100 (and they are works of art under the hand of Brother Frank Cole); incidental expenses \$100, making a total this year of about \$800. They are not afraid to put this much money into it, because in past years they have put as much as \$1,000 and have found it to be worth while in every particular. Neither was there any difficulty in meeting obligations. This success is largely due to the fact that Rev. T. B. Ray and Prof. W. D. Hudgins had charge. There are two encampments in Tennessee; just following Estill Springs "The East Tennessee Baptist Encampment" will meet at Jefferson City. The plant of Carson and Newman college will be used, as last year. Two encampments for Tennessee, and the Baptists here not half as strong as they are in Alabama!

In Kentucky this summer they are to have two meetings. The first and more important is at Georgetown. This has been a success for several years past. The other meeting is to be held at Dawson Springs, a very popular resort in the western part of the state. All the denominational machinery in

the state lends itself to make these enterprises successful. Last year even the Baptist World issued a Georgetown encampment number. Dr. W. D. Powell, the state mission secretary, is the chief leader in the Dawson Springs movement.

Missouri will continue her encampment at Arcadia Heights. The program and all arrangements promise to attract large crowds the first two weeks in August. The leading ministers in the state, including St. Louis, are hearty supporters.

Arkansas will have her sixth annual assembly at Arkadelphia the middle of July. This meeting has always been conducted by the state B. Y. P. U. The state union holds its regular annual convention during the dates of the assembly. There is no clash, and the entire arrangement is thoroughly harmonious.

As for Texas, they are not satisfied to have the largest encampment in the south; but as a state they also have the largest number. Their most important meeting is at Palacios, Tex., located on the gulf of Mexico. They have a program for ten days that attracts more than 5,000 people from all parts of the entire state, some of them traveling night and day for 1,000 miles to be present. This is an encampment right. Palacios' encampment is conducted entirely by the state B. Y. P. U. of Texas, the property is owned, the program is arranged, and the entire responsibility is with the officers of the Texas B. Y. P. U. In addition to Palacios, there are a half dozen other Texas encampments, Stamford, Decatur, Goodnight, Mt. Pleasant and Lampasas. The last one named (Lampasas) is second only to Palacios in its size and program.

And so, this is the situation in the south. Alabama is the only state in the Southern Baptist Convention where the encampment idea has not taken root and produced good fruit.

The Plea.

The purpose of this article is to make a direct plea that the matter of the "Alabama Baptist Encampment" shall have a thorough discussion at the meeting of the state convention at Albertville the third week in July. Will the leaders in the denomination not take some definite, business-like, sensible steps toward the holding of such a meeting in 1911?

Will some one not see that the matter is attended to at Albertville? It can be done in Alabama, because it is being done. It surely ought to be done, because the encampment idea is such a success. It will not "do" itself. Somebody will have to bring things to pass, just like T. B. Ray did in Tennessee, and Joseph T. Watts did in Virginia.

Some Demonstrated Facts.

A careful study of the encampment idea as it has taken shape in various states shows several facts to be demonstrated beyond all doubt. I shall mention a few of them.

1. It has been demonstrated that

the encampment is really worth while. There were many reasonable doubts at first. Many thought it a plaything—a picnic for children. Many thought it a fifth wheel to the state convention—useless, if not absolutely harmful. But in every instance where the encampment has had proper handling, it has shown valuable results. It has created a closer bond between the Baptists of the state in which it is held. They meet and know each other personally at the encampment, and then go back to their homes with a new sympathy for each other and for the cause over the entire state.

It has been a source of inspiration and instruction to those doing active Christian service in all departments of church life. Specific instruction, lectures and classes will be found. The busy layman who came out for his brief vacation; the preacher who ran out between Sundays; the Sunday school teacher; the B. Y. P. U. leader—all came out and enjoyed the pleasure, the rest, the profit.

2. It has been demonstrated that the encampment can be held. There have been obstacles in every other state, just as there will be obstacles in Alabama. But these have been overcome in other states and these must be overcome in Alabama. As to the item of cost, this has always been taken care of, whether with difficulty or with ease, and usually with ease. As to time and place these have been decided in other states, and can be decided in Alabama. The way has been opened up by the pioneers, and now the encampment idea is on sure footing—it is past the experimental stage. All that needs to be done (if Alabama wants one) is to get in line and follow where others have led, using to advantage the experience of other states.

3. It has been demonstrated that the encampment will not evolve itself into existence. In each instance there has been one man, or there have been several men, who have had the matter on their hearts and who were willing and able to bring things to pass.

It is a noticeable fact that in every state the encampment has the active support of the leaders in the denomination, including press and pulpit. This may or may not have been true in the beginning, but certain it is now that the very best talent in each state recognizes the value of the encampment and heartily supports it.

Some Suggestions.

The writer may be subjecting himself to misunderstanding and criticism, but for the sake of my beloved state I make bold to offer a few suggestions concerning the "Alabama Baptist Encampment" of the future.

At the Alabama State Convention at Albertville there should be appointed a committee with unlimited power to arrange and conduct the encampment. This committee should be small in number, but should consist of men who know how to make the necessary

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A few years back this was a live topic in Alabama; in fact, one had been arranged for at East Lake and the Alabama Baptist had featured the speakers and "boosted" it for weeks, but along came a strike of the street car men and it was called off, and has been on a side track waiting to get back on the right of way. Elsewhere we print a live story about encampments from the versatile pen of Clayton Crossland, and the idea is backed up by Drs. VanNess and Ray.

Remember the aim of such a meeting is twofold: First, to inspire the workers to want to do more and better work.

Second, to teach them how to do more and better work.

That the encampment idea is bringing to pass this twofold result is not to be doubted for an instant. Its success in any state is proportionate only to the care and common sense bestowed on the preparation therefor, and it's high time for Alabama Baptists to push the encampment idea back on the main line. Bro. Crossland well says:

"By far the largest part of the program at the summer encampment is given to Sunday school work. This is as it should be, because by far the largest part of the people present at these summer meetings have the Sunday school as their great life work. A good encampment program always has a series of addresses, or rather, instructional lectures, by some capable Sunday school specialist, together with a series of periods set aside for conferences on Sunday school problems. These are usually the most popular features of the program for those who really mean business.

"The result of this Sunday school part of the program is in keeping with the twofold purpose of the encampment idea, as mentioned above. Sunday school workers go home from the summer encampment with a purpose to give themselves more fully to the superintending of their Sunday schools, or the teaching of their classes, or the keeping of their records, or the work of their Baracé and Philathea classes. At the encampment they have met other workers who have done successfully the thing which they are trying to do, and they are encouraged to go home and put forth renewed efforts. They want to be better Sunday school workers.

HELP US TO CARRY OUT OUR WISH.

For some time we have had a consuming desire to not merely make the Alabama Baptist the servant of the Baptists of Alabama in featuring the organized work, but to enliven its pages so that it will grip all in the home from the boys and girls to grandfather and grandmother. In other words, we want its coming each week to be awaited with interest by all in the home. With this purpose before us we foregathered with many makers of papers, secular and religious, on our recent trip east, and we got some good ideas that we are going to try out. We have spent considerable money in getting pictures and materials for some new departments, and we confidently expect to surprise our readers with the innovations. There is one department that we want to make newsy and helpful, but it seems the brethren will not help. We want pastors or some correspondent to send us short news items on postal cards about the work. We want this information while it's news. If correspondents will get in news items not later than Monday morning we can get them in following issue. Now who will help? Then we want our thoughtful men to send us short articles on live topics. (We get more long ones than we can print.)

The members of Lieut. Shackleton's party were invariably good-humored and polite, but one scientific man was especially conspicuous for this virtue. "Are you busy, Mawson?" he called out one night to another member of the party, who was in the tent. "I am," said Mawson. "Very busy?" asked the professor. "Yes, very busy." "If you are not too busy, Mawson, I am down a crevasse." The professor was found hanging down a crevasse, a position which he could not have occupied for any length of time.—London Chronicle.

(If some of our delinquents are not too busy we wish they would send in their back dues, for we are in a hole.)

EDITORIAL

GOOD FOR GOVERNOR GILLETTE.

Governor J. N. Gillette has instructed Attorney General Webb to take the necessary steps to prevent the Jeffries-Johnson fight which is scheduled to take place in San Francisco July 4.

The action of the governor is believed to be due to the heavy pressure which has been brought to bear by the church federations not only of California, but of the country, against the holding of the proposed fight. This piece of pleasing news was sent out by the Associated Press under the date line of the 15th.

His action created consternation among the persons interested in the affair and Promoters Tex Rickard and Gleason are now looking for another spot to carry out their scheme. Work on the amphitheater in San Francisco has been stopped.

The governor, in his letter to the attorney general, wisely says:

"The whole business is demoralizing to the youth of our state, corrupt public morals, is offensive to the senses of a great majority of our citizens and should be abated as a public nuisance and the offenders punished.

"If the court upon your petition refuses to grant the relief prayed for therein and permits the parties interested to proceed as advertised and the parties fight for a purse or for a reward or inflict upon each other bodily injury, then you are to cause the arrest of the principals and those interested with them in promoting the fight and try them on a felony charge for violating section 412 of the penal code.

No wonder we are informed that Jeffries appeared crestfallen when told that there was no doubt about the governor's intention to stop the fight and that Johnson's feelings are hurt and Promoters Rickard and Gleason have raised a howl, and that there is gloom throughout the sporting fraternity, but the sorriest bit of the whole affair is the wall of District Attorney Fickert, who displayed some bitterness when asked for a statement. He said the state executive had "heeded the clamor of the mob" and made satirical reference to "political capital."

It's a sad comment on the officers in San Francisco when a public official can deliver himself in such a silly way.

PROHIBITION.

Prohibition enthusiasm reached high water mark and registered in militant declaration at the general assembly of the Presbyterian church just closed at Atlantic City, N. J.

The aggressive work carried on by its permanent committee on temperance was heartily approved by the assembly, and in ringing resolutions that spoke with concrete effectiveness, the official representatives of the great Presbyterian denomination went squarely on record as opposing every compromise and complicity with the liquor traffic, again voiced its approval of the National Inter-Church Temperance Federation, warned its members both against the use of intoxicants, signing applications for saloon licenses, renting property for liquor purposes, endorsing bonds of saloon keepers, or "in any other way aiding or abetting this heinous evil."

"SALOON ORIGIN"—A FIRE INSURANCE BUG-BEAR.

The "high moral character" of the average saloon-keeper is graphically illustrated by some items which are frequently appearing in current fire insurance periodicals. Only a short time ago, fire insurance companies with a large number of policies throughout Illinois forewarned their agents to be careful about re-insuring liquor sellers in communities where dry sentiment was growing. The following statement along the same line appears in a current issue of the Western Underwriter, and shows how the fire insurance companies are affected by the dry election in Michigan (capitals are ours):

"Companies are watching saloon properties in Michigan districts that have voted dry. SOME HALF DOZEN RECENT LOSSES HAVE BEEN TRACED TO SALOON ORIGIN."

MUTUAL AGREEMENT.

All argument in favor of the universal fatherhood of God breaks down in its application to many of those Bible statements which show a most marked distinction between those who are in agreement with God, and those who are opposed to Him in spirit and practice. Another difference is seen in the attitude of those whose hearts are in happy agreement with the Bible, and those who are in rebellion with the inspired Book. An outstanding feature of the Bible is its complete adaptation to the wants, yearnings and tastes of a regenerated heart. An unregenerated person finds no sweet satisfaction in reading and meditating upon the spiritual truths of the Divine Word. This has been the open and frank confession of multitudes of people after they became Christians. In their days of unregeneracy they had no precious and abiding interest in the Word of God. Plainly enough, it was because there was no spiritual agreement between their souls and the Bible. There was a principal lack in them which accounted for such a disagreement. The love of God was not in their hearts. The Holy Spirit had no abode in them. Eternal life did not reign in their being. But all this was changed when a new nature was imparted to them. The new and heavenly nature made a basis for agreement with God and the Bible. The Christian life delightfully agrees with the life-pulsating Word. The Christian heart responds to the voice of God in the Bible. The believing soul has a satisfaction in contemplating the blessed truths of the sacred volume which it never has in any other book. The soul is attracted toward it as steel is attracted toward a magnet. When the Christian heart is troubled, it naturally looks into the Bible for consolation and healing. The mourning Christian does not take up a novel, or some story book of human authorship, for soothing comfort. He first of all turns to the Bible with a prayer for grace from its pages. Here are the wisdom and goodness of God.

DEATH OF A GOOD MAN.

The following telegram, sent out from Mobile on June 19, will carry sorrow throughout the state:

"Ex-Mayor J. Curtis Bush, of Mobile, retired cotton factor and who had been prominent in the affairs of this city for the last forty years, both commercially and socially, died today at 12:30 o'clock at the family home, Government and Franklin streets, after an illness that dates back for a number of years. He was born at Pickensville in 1845, and had been a resident of this city for a number of years."

Brother Bush was a member of the St. Francis Street Baptist church and gave largely to it and to other Baptist enterprises. He was a great friend of the orphanage and the memorial to his father and mother in the shape of a seminary in China will always stand as a monument not only to a son's devotion, but as an evidence of his belief in foreign missions. We extend to the bereaved family our sincere sympathy.

The "palson" had just finished a "mighty powerful fine sermon." Catching a fresh breath he concluded: "And now, bredren, we will repah to the Ribbah Jo'dan, whar the baptism am to be puformed. I sees some whi' folks heah what might take 'sception to dat name, but in a few words I kin prove to dem dat dis am de Ribbah Jo'dan. De Jo'dan flows in to de Dead Sea, an' de Dead Sea empties into de Atlantic, and de Atlantic fills de Pacific, de Pacific fills de Gulf ob Mexico, de Gulf ob Mexico fills the Tombigbee—cause I've seen it!—an' de Tombigbee fills dis yere stream. So you see, bredren, dat dis am de veritable Ribbah Jo'dan."

Standing thirteenth in his class, Walter D. Seed, Jr., son of State Treasurer and Mrs. W. D. Seed, of Montgomery, graduated from Annapolis with the rank of midshipman at the recent commencement. We congratulate the father, mother and son, and hope the young midshipman will follow in the footsteps of his worthy sire and stand for temperance in the navy as does his sire stand for it in Alabama.

Though the arbitration of disputes is now the regular order, nearly all the governments persist in refusing to agree to submit questions of "honor" and "vital interests" to the Hague Court.

LETTER FROM DR. FROST.

Dear Brother Moore: I venture to suggest some things to keep in mind concerning the question of graded lessons to which the Southern Baptist Convention has set its hand, and which was referred to a special committee. Perhaps my first word should be an apology for saying anything at all. Your article prompted this word, and my high regard for you and our close relation for the furtherance of the cause seem to me to justify this liberty.

I have no desire at this juncture to go into a discussion of the several questions which are involved. Such discussion indeed seems to me premature, almost an encroachment upon the prerogative of the convention's committee. That committee was chosen with earnest care; not one of the fifteen was selected because of predilection he was thought to have, but as representative men who can investigate a question or situation and determine wisely what shall be done. Of course, I am anxious as to how they shall view these matters which give me such grave concern. But I have absolute confidence in these men as individuals and as a committee working together for the best results. And it seems to me they should be left untrammelled, and that we should not forestall them in their important and difficult task.

If there must needs be discussion, then surely we should hold ourselves to the main issue of the graded lessons. It seems to me, I venture to suggest, unwise and unjust to bring the Uniform Lessons into this present issue. As you know, I believe in the Uniform Lessons, and so stated in the Biblical Recorder some months ago, but have high regard for the brethren who hold a different view and have no desire to dictate to them or to outline what course they should pursue. However, a discussion of that point now will only detract from the main issue, which is vital and urgent, and on which there is practical agreement among us so far as I know.

And furthermore, the convention itself expressly eliminated the Uniform Lessons from the present issue, marked how they have "served, and are serving to unify the Sunday school world in studying the scriptures," and commended the Lesson Committee for the good work done. We gain nothing in going apart from this, and weaken our contention and divide our forces at the vital point. The convention made its protest to the International Association and against the Graded System of Lessons as lately promulgated and now being pressed by the agencies of that association.

And surely that system is bad enough, and the larger question of graded lessons is big enough to enlist all our energies for the present. I shall count myself happy when our committee has mastered this task. Give them time; leave them untrammelled and believe in them, that they will work out the problem for us and set out a denominational policy, broad and effective, such as will command the attention and even admiration of the Sunday school world. This is my expectation.

Some seem to think it easy to cure the egregious wrongs fundamental in the Graded System, and some that the cure has already been made, and consequently there is no further need for the Convention Committee. But the committee itself can determine that when it comes to consider the interests entrusted to it, and can discover it as quickly as any of us. I am glad to leave the task with them even as the convention has done, and will await their answer with eagerness and confidence.

As a matter of new information, the Lesson Committee, in session since the Baltimore meeting, decided as its future policy to select and issue as its own the graded lessons which are to follow, but deemed it unwise, if not out of its province, to attempt anything with either those Graded Lessons now in use or those now being printed for circulation. So that strictly speaking, the Lesson Committee left untouched the point of our protest, but was gracious and considerate of the action of the convention, recognized the right and even expressed the willingness for the Convention Committee to alter these Graded Lessons to make them acceptable to our people. Indeed, so far as I know, the Lesson Committee has not failed in spirit or action in its bearing toward the convention and its protest. This is no more than we expect when we remember the man who serves us on that committee. We need his

JULY 4TH

Is a good day to close the state mission books. This will enable some who have not, to get in collections from the Sunday schools and all the churches meeting on the first Sunday in districts two and eight can get in their July collections.

W. B. C.

services there, and he needs our support, and should have it without reserve.

And we must not forget that the convention's protest was not made to the Lesson Committee nor against any work which it has done. In sheer justice we must distinguish between the Lesson Committee and its work on the one hand, and on the other the International Association with the Graded Lessons for which it is responsible and its administrative work in fostering and pushing these lessons. Here is the point of our complaint, here is the work of our committee, and I am satisfied to leave it to that committee for adjustment, as the convention has done and as the Lesson Committee itself has done.

J. M. FROST.

Nashville, Tenn., June 10, 1910.
(This in reply to Dr. Moore's article in last week's paper.)



ROBERT G. HIDEN,

Associate Editor of the Birmingham Ledger.

Robert G. Hiden, whose keen literary insight, deep study of social problems and fearless championship of the best in civic life, had won for him the best berths in southern editorial sanctums, recently got a firmer footing in the journalistic world by purchasing \$25,000 worth of Ledger stock (a fine investment for him and a good sale for them, both getting their money's worth). He won a place in the hearts of the best people in Alabama by his untiring and brilliant work for temperance under the lamented Rhodes, and all who love the cause will hail with delight that his talents will now be used as associate editor of the Birmingham Ledger. We can not help being interested in this paper, for its president, Jan Smith; its managing editor, Dick Johnston and its associate editor, Bob Hiden, are old and true friends of ours, and we wish them great success in making the Ledger the great home paper in Alabama.

Senator Taylor, of Tennessee, said the finest example he knew of the ante-bellum negro's use of the English language was the remark made by an old negro whose worthless son was married secretly. The old man heard of it, and asked the boy if he was married. "I ain't saying I ain't," the boy replied. "Now you, Rastus," stormed the old man, "I ain't askin' you is you ain't; I is askin' you ain't you is."

The commencement exercises of the B. C. I. has closed. We had a great year, about 400 were enrolled. Our buildings are going up. Our beautiful auditorium will soon be complete. We hope to complete the whole building by the close of the year. Then, if things go as we think they will, we will show you the biggest school in the state and the best of its grade.

Since the school crowd went away it has left Newton pretty lonely but for the coming in of about a hundred students to the drill. Pastor Hunter is holding the fort in good shape. He will be away in meetings most of the summer.

We are getting our vacant churches pretty well supplied again. The First church, Dothan, is delighted with their new pastor. Headland Avenue expects Brother Crumbley, from Georgia, to take charge as pastor the first of September. Hartford has called Rev. Frank Flemming, Enterprise R. S. Gavin, Cowarts and Slocum are on a warm trail for men to become their under shepherds. Headland and Samson suffer your scribe to supply for them at present. Both these churches ought to have a man on the field for all time and will have at an early date I am sure. Rev. J. W. Malone is pastor at Pinkard and Midland City. With Lee at Elba, Loflin at Brocton, Culpepper at Opp and Lockhart, Edwards at Florala, Sims at Geneva, Blizzard at Ozark, Gable at Abbeville, P. L. Mosely at large, with a host of other men true and tried making our country and village churches, we feel that a brighter day is upon us, and what shall we say when we think of the future of this part of the state when we think of the thousands of educated young men and women who are coming out of our own school here and the state schools in our cities and towns, many of which are now crowded to their utmost limits? Well, if we instruct them as we should, and as we hope to do in the doctrine of God's word, marvelous things will surely come to pass, and we must see to it that the best and highest things are put ahead of everything else as we go on to the future and this will we do God helping us.

S. O. Y. RAY.

A love of the beautiful, which is natural in every child, should be cultivated. Teach them to observe the bright ribbons of the rainbow, the glory of the sunset's open gates, and "the frail wonder of the flower." To see beauty and to love it is to possess one of the chief requisites of a happy and contented mind. Cruelty can have no place in mind and heart that have learned to take note of Beauty, which is the twin sister of joy!

Thomas Fuller in his Holy and Profane State says that a good teacher "studieth his scholars' natures as carefully as they their books," and that "experienced schoolmasters may quickly make a grammar of boys' natures." Too many college teachers regard the callow youth largely as material for tests and examination, rather than an unformed boy who goes to college to be trained and instructed, and not merely to be quizzed and treated as matter for experimentation.

The personnel of the American working force on the canal represents such an industrial army as has never before been mustered. The postoffice records show that many hundreds of thousands of dollars are sent back to the states every month. One blacksmith, who came from New York state, has saved \$2,900, has lifted the mortgage on his home and provided himself with a little farm beside.

For setting a bulldog on a pet cat, a man in Jersey City was recently arraigned in court on the charge of cruelty to animals and fined \$50 by the Judge. For nine years the cat had been the pet and pride of the firemen at their station house. The wanton act which deprived their pet of its life was an injustice which they could not allow to go unpunished.

"All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." The truth of this saying applies with greater force to "Jack" the man than to "Jack" the boy. Men who are ambitious and earnest too often overlook the necessity for play.

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WHY NOT ALABAMA ALSO?

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plans and who are willing to give themselves to it seriously.

Of course, no encampment is possible for 1910. But the committee should begin its work before leaving Albertville, making plans for 1911. It is necessary to begin promptly because even now the programs for 1911 are being arranged in other states. It may be surprising to some, but the field secretaries of the Sunday school board are now making definite engagements for June, July and August, 1911. Engagements are now planned one year in advance. The Alabama committee can not sit down in January and think they can get up a meeting for the next summer.

As its first duty, this Alabama committee on encampment will want to find out how the thing is being done elsewhere. They will, therefore, visit other states as soon as possible. One man will go to Blue Mont, N. C., at once for an investigation. August 1st another will go to Blue Ridge, Ga. This is quite important.

As to the place of meeting, I venture no suggestion. That can easily be arranged. It should not be in or near any large city; rather, the best place will be in the mountains or on the coast. At random these places might be named—Blount Springs, Shelby Springs, Cook's, the Gulf Coast District, Sulphur Springs, Marion, and many others.

As to the time, I appreciate the fact that this item should be handled wisely. There is no reason, however, why an encampment in August should interfere with the state convention. No matter what date be selected, there is sure to be something conflicting. The date can be taken care of by a wise committee.

As to cost, this can be made great or small, just as the committee desires. An excellent program could be had for as low a figure as \$250, including speakers, place of meeting, advertising, etc.; of course, such a program would be cutting the corners pretty close. Any amount up to \$1,000 may be invested in a year's program if a few laymen who have the means will put their shoulders to the wheel and guarantee the margin in case pledges are not collected. Let it be remembered there are quite a number of the features on a good program which may be secured without any cost whatever save the entertainment of the speakers. The encampment may be put on as economically or as liberally as desired.

Conclusions.

I am perfectly aware that several years ago there was some discussion of the matter of an encampment; but I am also aware that heretofore the matter has only been played with. At least, all plans set up came to failure, and Alabama still has no encampment.

If any reader of this article is at all interested, I shall be glad to have sent to him a copy of several of the programs of the 1910 meetings which are now being held over other states.

I do trust that the matter may have some real attention, so that the people of Alabama may enjoy the same privileges which the people of our sister states are having. It means hard work for somebody, but it is altogether worth while.

Will Alabama continue to be the

only exception?

Nashville, Tenn., June 15, 1910.

A Strong Editorial.

Dr. I. J. VanNess, editorial secretary of the Sunday school board, edits all of the periodicals which the board publishes.

In the current issue of one of the board's most important magazines Dr. VanNess has the following editorial. By reason of his close study of movements in the denomination, he is well fitted to discuss the matter of the encampment idea:

"EDITORIAL.

"It is a very significant movement. One of its striking features is that it is so general. The movement has come within the last five years, and today there are but one or two states where the Baptists are without one of these summer encampments. While some of these institutions are struggling still for existence, others are firmly established, and number their attendance by the thousands. It looks as though the Baptists of the south had taken the old fashioned Methodist camp meeting and made it a school. Of course the general Sunday school movement has had its effect and made possible what otherwise would have been a failure.

"These encampments build up all their work about the teaching idea. In the main they all follow the same general plan of having four or five hours of solid work every morning, with some entertaining lecture at night. In most of them the teaching hours are the most profitable hours. Great companies of young and old gather for genuine work. The three great objects of study are the Bible, the Sunday school, and the B. Y. P. U. The encampment has largely taken the place of the State Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. convention. There is no estimating the service which has been rendered to the cause in these meetings. In addition to the program they have given to practical workers what is really equal to another training school—that is, the opportunity to talk freely with fellow-workers. Almost as much good comes from these familiar talks as from the public teaching.

"Our general denominational work has also been helped forward by these summer meetings. The missionary secretaries have had no better hearing anywhere; they have been able to come in touch with the masses of the people, and to get acquainted with the men and women who are actively at work in the churches at home. The development of these summer meetings has put an added burden upon the secretaries, and has made the summer season, which used to be a restful season, one of strenuous toil, but it has opened a new channel for influencing our people for renewed activity, and to induce them to have larger conceptions of the work.

"One of the greatest blessings in the summer meetings has been the spirit of fellowship and brotherhood. Baptists need to be acquainted with each other to get along well. In the encampments the spirit of brotherhood has been at the forefront. It has given an opportunity for people from different parts of a state to get acquainted with the men who lead in Baptist affairs; they do not simply get to look at these men, but they get to know them, and the workers from different parts of a state get acquainted

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with each other. Naturally enough, where there are plenty of young people the young men and young women show some delight in each other's society. Even this is an advantage; they meet each other under circumstances where the best is apt to be at the forefront. We rejoice even in this interchange of Baptist affection through these summer encampments. Year by year, however, they are helping to make of our Baptist hosts in the different states a compact and brotherly body. They are enabling us to raise up laymen who know what is going on in the kingdom, and who know the folks who are working to make these things go on.

"So we urge upon our readers that they carefully examine this list of the summer encampments and assemblies. Of course each teacher will turn to the state in which he lives. Naturally enough, each one should desire to go among the workers of his own state, but if the time does not suit, you will find a meeting in some state near at hand. But by all means, as you plan for your summer, both for yourself and your household, give consideration to these Baptist meetings. You will find no better company, no more profitable fellowship, and no more useful way in which to spend your vacation. We wish we could stir up interest enough through this publication to double the attendance at these meetings. We can not make the plea too strong, especially for our teachers, that they go to school somewhere this summer. You will thank us if we influenced you to do this. Take down your calendar and mark the dates and get ready to join the company headed toward the encampment in your own or some other state."

The Possibilities of the Encampment.

T. B. Ray, D. D.

If we will make a clear-cut distinction between the State Convention and the encampment, we shall understand better the possibilities of the encampment. The State Convention is an organization designed to look after the general co-operative business of the denomination of the state. Its sessions are crowded with the consideration of the plans on which the denomination will conduct its work. It is a business organization. The encampment has little denominational business to look after (except where occasionally the B. Y. P. U. state convention meets on a day or two during the sessions of the encampment). Its design is educational and inspirational. Instead of three days it occupies six to ten days, thus giving time for continuous study of the Bible, Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. methods.

In short, the convention looks after the denominational polity and business; the encampment attends to the training of leaders for the various activities of the church.

If this distinction is true, the possibilities of the encampment are as great and varied as are the needs of the churches for trained leaders. The life and the usefulness of the encampments depend upon the faithfulness with which the training idea is carried out. A balance between the recreational, educational and inspirational features must be preserved. Too much of either will injure the whole. In some of the encampments the inspirational feature has been given prominence to the neglect of the educational. In others the amusement

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feature, especially the popular amusing lecture, has had too great prominence. In no one of them yet has the educational feature had its proper place.

We believe the final usefulness of the encampment will consist in the contribution it makes educationally by putting trained leaders into the activities of the churches. The amusement and inspirational features have an unquestionable place and value, but the main thing is to develop the educational work.

We believe a proper equilibrium can be preserved between these features. A certain amount of amusement and recreation to lighten the program, and a very decided spiritual atmosphere for the inspiration of deep purposes and consecration are essential to the success of these encampments. But underneath everything there must be placed the educational work which will give prominence and direction to the impressions made.

Certainly, with such an understanding of the mission of the encampment there can be no question as to the possible good it may bring to our people. It offers the time, the environment, the social stimulus that will develop in our young people the wholesome, consecrated, trained leadership which is the greatest need in our churches. The encampment affords about the only place for this training. It has, therefore, the largest possible usefulness in our denomination, and we hope to see the encampment idea grow to even larger proportions, and to receive from the denomination that appreciation which it so justly deserves. The possibilities for good coming from the encampment are limitless.

An Unnecessary Explanation.

I sincerely trust that my action in making such an insistent suggestion for the Alabama Baptist Encampment will be received as a personal one rather than official as coming from a field secretary of the Sunday school board. Neither the board nor any of its secretaries desires to interfere or make suggestions concerning the affairs of any state convention. The department of field work is intended to give assistance to those encampments which may call on them for speakers, and this is done without any cost whatever to the encampment management. The field secretaries have now more calls for engagements than can be filled without "drumming up" meetings.

As field secretary, my official duties have brought me in touch with the various encampments in other states, and this experience has shown me their great advantage. And now it is because of my personal interest in the state that I suggest such a meeting for Alabama for 1911.

It ought not to be necessary to make this statement, and yet I wanted it presented, because some one might think the board was trying to meddle with Alabama affairs.

C. E. CROSSLAND.

A few renewals would be appreciated while we are climbing up the June Hill.

FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING HELD WITH STEVENSON BAPTIST CHURCH MAY 27-29, 1910.

Introductory sermon by Rev. A. N. Varnell. Theme, "How to Shine," Matt. 5:16. After being entertained in the hospitable homes of Stevenson we met at 2 p. m. and elected G. W. Chapman moderator and A. N. Varnell clerk. Then, first question, "Some Things We Need to Realize in the Development of Christian Experience," was discussed by Rev. W. R. Thomas and Prof. Glenmore Garrett.

The use of books and tracts was discussed with interest by a number of ministers and laymen. After discussion the associational board was requested to employ a colporteur. Rev. W. W. Stout, pastor of Bridgeport church, preached an interesting sermon Friday evening. Theme, "Price of Power."

Saturday morning Sunday school conference was held. First question, "Pastor's Relation to Sunday School," discussed by A. N. Varnell, S. C. Richards and others. Second question, "Hints to Teachers," discussed by C. F. Hood, superintendent of Bridgeport Baptist Sunday school, and Miss F. Gunter, who read a paper which was very interesting.

AFTERNOON—MISSIONS.

1. "Missionary Effort a Necessity to a Live Church." Discussed by A. N. Varnell and J. H. Roach.

2. "Business Methods in Making Contributions," discussed by G. Boul-din.

3. "Value of Mission Study," discussed by Prof. Glenmore Garrett.

"Is our Association Up to the Standard?" discussed by Rev. Jenkins.

Saturday evening sermon by S. C. Richards.

SUNDAY.

Sunday school.

Sermon by Rev. W. R. Thomas.
A. N. VARNELL, Clerk.

On the morning of December 20, 1909, the messenger of death came and took from our midst the beautiful life of our grandmother, Mrs. Elizabeth Thornton Gary, who was born November 17, 1818.

She was born and reared in Hancock county, Georgia, joined the Baptist church and was baptized at Island Creek church about the age of 16. She was married in 1837, moved to Barbour county, Alabama, in 1858 with her husband, who died 23 years ago.

No mother was more kind and affable, no friend more true and faithful. She lived a consecrated Christian 75 years. Christ was to her the way, the truth and life and now she has entered into the fullness of life with her Lord.

During the last fifteen months of her life she was a great sufferer from a cancer, but through all pain she smiled a smile of heavenly patience. She was tenderly nursed by loved ones and skilled physicians, but they could not keep her. She will be sadly missed by us, but she has filled her mission here and it was God's will to take her home where she will watch and wait at the open gate.

May this noble Christian character

encourage us to be active and earnest in the Master's work. Though her presence from us has fled, her voice to us is still, her exemplary life will live on and be a source of comfort to many.

Those of her family who are left to mourn the loss of her are nine children and a host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren. The pall-bearers were her three sons, W. P., B. F. and R. R. Gary, and her three grandsons, Lonnie, Loren and Charles McKee Gary.

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Lot 18, in block 6, in Kenilworth, according to the map and plat of Kenilworth of the Rugby Land and Improvement Company, recorded in map book 5, page 93, in the office of the probate judge of Jefferson county, Alabama, and being the property conveyed in the above described mortgage.

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NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, Probate Court, 8th Day of June, 1910.

Estate of James T. Stevenson, Deceased.

This day came Sarah L. Stevenson, administratrix of the estate of James T. Stevenson, deceased, and filed his account, vouchers, evidence and statement for a settlement of the same.

It is ordered that the 9th day of July, 1910, be appointed a day for making such settlement, at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

S. E. GREENE,
Judge of Probate.
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NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENTS.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, Probate Court, June 7, 1910. Estate of H. Abel, Deceased.

On this day came Mrs. H. C. Abel, administratrix, with the will annexed, of the estate of said decedent, and filed her application in writing and under oath, praying for a sale of certain lands therein described belonging to the estate of said decedent, for the purpose of paying the debts due by said estate, and setting forth therein, among other things, that the following heirs of said decedent are non-residents of the state of Alabama, viz.:

Mrs. Carrie Hall, residing in Atlanta, Ga., and Miss Maymie Abel, residing in Asheville, N. C., and the 9th day of July, 1910, having been set as a day for hearing said application and the testimony to be submitted in support of the same.

It is therefore ordered that notice of the filing of said application, and of the day set for hearing same, be given said non-residents, and all other parties in interest, by publication once a week for three successive weeks in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in this county, so that they may appear on said day and contest said application if they see proper so do to.

S. E. GREENE,
Judge of Probate.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, Probate Court, 4th Day of June, 1910.

Estate of Nora P. Tompkins, Deceased.

This day came Blanton E. Fortson, administrator of the estate of Nora P. Tompkins, deceased, and filed his account, vouchers, evidence and statement for a final settlement of the same.

It is ordered that the 6th day of July, 1910, be appointed a day for making such settlement, at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

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Under and by virtue of a mortgage executed to the undersigned by L. W. Moore on the 14th day of February, 1910, and recorded in Vol. 551, record of deeds, at page 564, in the office of the judge of probate of Jefferson county, Alabama, the undersigned will proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, in front of the court house door in Birmingham, Ala., on the 5th day of July, 1910, within the hours of legal sale, the following described property situated in Jefferson county, Alabama, to-wit:

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After a bountiful dinner, which was spread on the ground by the good ladies of the neighborhood, the body met again at 1:30, and the afternoon exercises were begun. Rev. J. W. Merrill, of East Florence, discussed missions; also Rev. Mr. Willis.

Saturday night at 8 o'clock Rev. Mr. Merrill preached a very interesting sermon to a large crowd from Deut. 32:39. Rev. W. R. Puckett discussed close communion in his mild and gentle way, which was listened to very attentively.

Sunday morning at 9:30 we had a few prayers and the Sunday school mass meeting was led by Prof. H. C. Gloert, of Florence.

At 11 o'clock Mr. Willis preached a fine sermon from John 5:36. After the sermon a collection was taken for state missions, which amounted to \$9.76.

The brethren and friends from a distance offer their sincere thanks to the friends and all who showed such great hospitality while among you.

W. J. N. WYLIE, Mod.

J. P. PAULK, Sec'y.

Perhaps some of the readers of the Alabama Baptist would like to know how we are progressing in the little town of Brantley. Everything seems to be moving on nicely. Our new pastor, Rev. H. D. Wilson, who accepted this call about two months ago, is giving us some excellent sermons and doing other good work. He will begin a series of meetings on the first Sunday in July and will be assisted by Bro. J. A. Jenkins, of Montgomery. We ask the prayers of all the brothers and sisters that we may have an outpouring of the holy spirit and a glorious revival, and that many souls may be converted. We have a flourishing Sunday school and B. Y. P. U.; also interesting prayer meetings each Thursday night. Bro. Wilson's native home is in Mississippi, but he accepted this call from Louisville, Ky., where he has just completed his course at the Theological seminary.

(We welcome Brother Wilson to Alabama.)

HAYES.—Mrs. Martha Hayes, wife of J. M. Hayes, Six Mile, Ala., departed this life May 29, 1910. She was rarely equaled as wife, mother or Christian. She was converted at 11 years of age, joined the Baptist church at 14, was baptized by her half brother. She was 69 years old. She leaves a husband, six children and quite a number of grandchildren to mourn their loss. Her funeral was preached at her church at Six Mile and her body most decently interred at the Six Mile cemetery.



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Elfin music fills the crystal air;
All wicked fairies have long since vanished—
Now nymphs of glee twine their golden hair.

The world is filled with love and goodness,
There's nothing else on this earth below;
Songs of love and of tried devotion
Weave for me a starred halo.

And I walk to unknown music treading,
Blissfully watching love's stars a-gleam.
Nay! do not wake me! let me slumber,
For my life is a charming rose-dream.

DEATH OF MISS VERA TALLEY.

On Thursday, June 9th, the death angel visited the home of Rev. J. M. Talley and claimed for his own his beloved daughter, Vera. She was in the bloom of youth and was the joy of their home. She joined the Missionary Baptist church at Elba when very young and lived a Christian life until her death. She was greatly beloved by her young friends and every one that knew her. She has gone to be with her dear mother, who had gone on before her.


Weep not for her, dear relatives, for we know not at what time God will call us to join her in his happy home. If we could behold her in the arms of Jesus, we would not call her back to this sinful earth again.

Sometimes when we think of our loved ones who were called from us when it seemed like we most needed them, we wonder why God called them just at that time, but God alone knows why. The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away. We must submit to the will of God. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved father, the mother, brothers and sisters, and pray that the Lord will ever direct them to that land where parting is no more.

We shall meet to part no more,
By and by, by and by;
We shall meet to part, no never,
In that home beyond the sky.

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The Baptist Advance has figured out the ratio of preachers from each state who preached at Baltimore during the convention as follows: Alabama, 8; Arkansas, 9; Georgia, 42; Florida, 3; Illinois, 1; Kentucky, 26; Louisiana, 5; Maryland, 0; Mississippi, 7; Missouri, 8; North Carolina, 11; Oklahoma, 4; Pennsylvania, 2; South Carolina, 20; Tennessee, 17; Texas, 22; West Virginia, 0; Virginia, 22; England, 2. Georgia seems to have "stood in" with the committee, and Kentucky, Virginia and Texas did fairly well.



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A LETTER FROM WILL GAY.

I felt hungry to hear from you; decided to write my friends (if you see fit to publish my letter) so please send me a copy.

It has been five years since I did any preaching, though we still have morning and evening prayer at our family altar.

I find religion, and especially Christianity and civilization, is on the increase in almost every quarter of the globe. This seems to be the opinion of all the world watchers. All the great churches here are crowded. Herbert S. Johnson is a free lance among the Baptists and says what he seems to think on political as well as theological lines. He is not foolishly independent; his church supports all denominational institutions. He began his sermon on "The Puncher" (referring to a converted prize fighter) last Sunday night by announcing that he desired a job for a worthy brother, and those who wanted to hire him would please see him (the pastor) at the end of the second service. You are not surprised that people were standing to hear him preach. Courtland Meyers at the great Tremont Temple seems to be making good. He decided yesterday that he believed in women voting. Nearly all these men are taking the position the pastor of the Adams street church had ten years ago. Of course, there is no question about the rightness of his thinking. The Catholics and Christian Scientists and Unitarians have magnificent success here also. I live with in a stone's throw of Prof. James, the most eminent psychologist, and President Charles Elliott is in the same block; he seems to love to talk to my children. We have seventeen Harvard professors near us, and know them personally. I agree with nearly all of them on some theories. Our pastor (my wife's) at the old Cambridge Baptist church is a new theologian; he has some trouble with one or two blessed ministers who have been left over in the harvest field by the sickle which some preachers in the pulpit wish had cut more closely. "Dead ones" should be garnered, tell the Lord, brother. Shimie was necessary.

I have no dogmas or laps, I suppose. I found out it was my fortune or misfortune to believe every authorized thing for a while until today he that worketh righteousness is extending the kingdom of God. This kingdom does not seem to be in my hands solely, and this is about all the account I can give of myself to my alma mater.

Brethren, I know you will succeed; and I know God will bring us out of it all into the light and liberty some day, somewhere.

With love from a healthy, happy home.

WILLIAM D. GAY.

30 Irving St., Cambridge, Mass., May 30, 1910.

Rev. J. L. Gross, of Houston, Tex., occupied the pulpit of the church at Thomson on the fourth Sunday in May both morning and evening, and greatly delighted large congregations. Bro. Gross is doing good work in Texas and is deservedly popular both there and here.—Christian Index.

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A GOOD MEETING.

By request of the church at Sanford I am giving you an account of the meeting held with that church.

I began preaching Friday evening, May 27, and continued until Saturday, June 4, closing at the water after baptizing ten precious souls in the beautiful lake used by the Sanford Mill Company for water supply at one among the best mills in that section.

Bro. W. P. Howell is the pastor of this church, but was forced by previous arrangements to leave the meeting with the writer Tuesday morning, when he left for Georgia on a visit to children.

We received twenty-five into the church during the meeting. Quite a number of good working members who had held their letters for several months came to the church, confessing their indifference, and now are at work in earnest. We would not fail to mention that Mr. Allen Gaskin, bookkeeper for the Henderson Mill Company, was one among the ten baptized. Allen is one of the best young men in the country, and together with a number of those received during the meeting has added great strength to our Baptist cause. He was once a citizen of Laurel Hill, Fla.; in fact, this is his home proper. He left here about two years ago, resigning as cashier of the Laurel Hill bank. He will give the pastor for the next year at Sanford \$25. He also stated to the writer that he had \$100 for the erection of a Baptist church in Laurel Hill town.

The church and people at Sanford are greatly revived, and when the pastor returns he will rejoice with them. I have plans for several meetings in Alabama the coming summer. May the great head of the church be our ruler and dictator, and may many souls be added to our cause over the state. When I return to Sanford, which will be soon, I will send you some names for the Baptist. So busy during the meeting I could only speak of the paper, but will take more time on my return. WILEY F. MARTIN.
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