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The Special Missionary Offer by which new subscribers get the Alabama Baptist, Home Field and Foreign Mission Journal one year for \$2.00 cash has been extended to January 1st in order to give our friends an opportunity to work during the Holidays.



The First church, Griffin, Ga., has extended a unanimous call to Rev. J. E. Sammons, of the First church, Brunswick, as pastor.

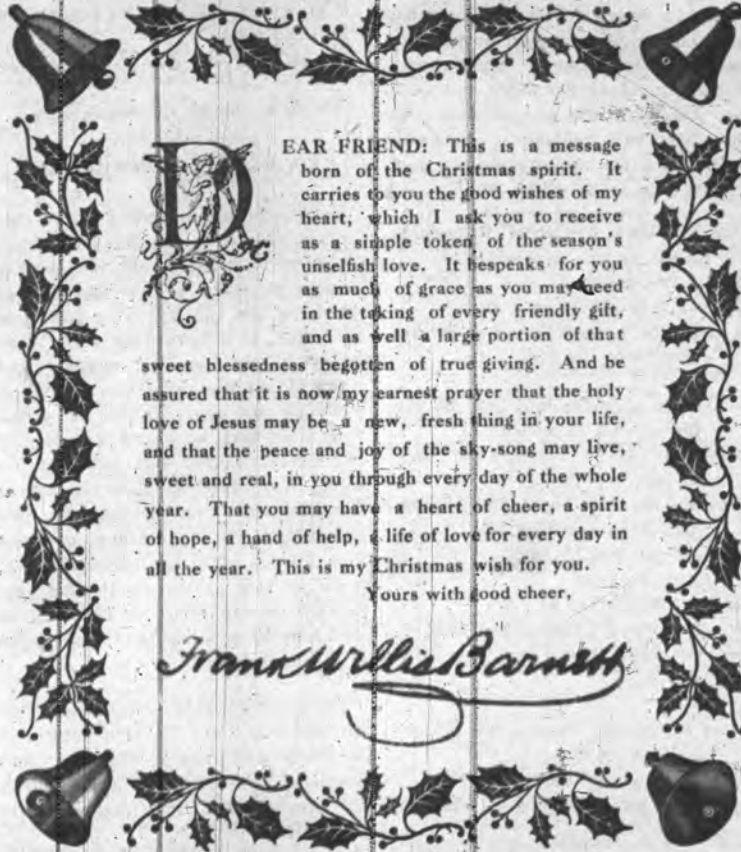
Evangelist M. F. Ham has just closed a great meeting with the venerable Street church at Richmond, Va., Rev. J. R. Johnson, pastor. One hundred and thirty additions, eighty-six by baptism.

The saints at Fort Gaines evidently love "Hash," for when other churches called our good brother, Albert G., they said "No, we like your diet" and they just kept him. We had hoped he would come back to Alabama.

New Year is coming and people are thinking of presents. One of the best presents for a son or daughter who has married and gone from the old home to set up a new one is a year's subscription to the Alabama Baptist, Foreign Mission Journal and Home Field.

Dr. John E. Clough, one of the most remarkable missionaries of modern times, died in Rochester Thanksgiving morning. He was styled "the Apostle to the Telegus." Dr. Clough was born near Rochester in 1836 and worked his way through college, gave up his ambitions for a public career and went to India in early life.

Make the New Year merry for the Alabama Baptist. Look on your label, and see how you stand. You have no idea how much your little amount will help us in our plans. Send us your subscription, new or old. 'Twill help to fill our stocking. 'Twill help us to carry cheer and comfort and inspiration into more hearts and homes, in His name. Don't think "I will tomorrow." Do this now.



DEAR FRIEND: This is a message born of the Christmas spirit. It carries to you the good wishes of my heart, which I ask you to receive as a simple token of the season's unselfish love. It bespeaks for you as much of grace as you may need in the taking of every friendly gift, and as well a large portion of that sweet blessedness begotten of true giving. And be assured that it is now my earnest prayer that the holy love of Jesus may be a new, fresh thing in your life, and that the peace and joy of the sky-song may live, sweet and real, in you through every day of the whole year. That you may have a heart of cheer, a spirit of hope, a hand of help, a life of love for every day in all the year. This is my Christmas wish for you.

Yours with good cheer,

Frank Willis Barnett



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Our heart goes out in sympathy to Brother F. H. Watkins and his dear wife. Their darling little girl left them on Thanksgiving day for her heavenly home.

Rev. M. P. H. Potts, of Elkins, was in our office last week en route for Millin, Ala., where he goes to visit relatives and spend the winter.—Baptist Banner.

Dr. L. L. Henson, for ten years pastor of the Cranston Street Baptist church, Providence, R. I., has accepted a call to the Hanson, Place Baptist church, Brooklyn.

Several weeks ago a Kansas editor advertised the fact that he had lost his umbrella and requested the finder to keep it. He now reports: "The finder has done so. It pays to advertise."

Rev. Thos. J. Watts, until recently one of the field agents to raise the endowment of the Southern Baptist Theological seminary, has been elected financial secretary of the Baptist Education Commission of Kentucky to raise \$25,000.

Dr. G. Campbell Morgan will complete in September, 1911, seven years at Westminster chapel, London. He has accepted an invitation to visit India and will leave London at the beginning of November. He expects to be absent about five or six months.

Dr. Campbell Morgan, of London, is to have a prominent part in the dedication of the new house of worship of the church of which Dr. Len G. Broughton, of Atlanta, Ga., is pastor. The exercises are to take place next March.

WE CAN'T AFFORD IT.

Often we hear some one say the price of the paper is too high and they can't afford it. Well, here is a chance for new subscribers to get more than their money's worth.—The Alabama Baptist, Foreign Mission Journal and the Home Field, all three, one year for \$2 cash. No use to say you can not afford it when you spend this much on trifles in a month's time. We ask our helpmates who have joined the "Get-One Club" to ask the man who says he "can't afford it" the following:

Can an active Baptist, desiring to be useful and fill his place in the world, afford to be uninformed as to the progress of Southern Baptists, the methods that are employed, the resources for advancing the cause of righteousness? Can he afford to miss the inspiration that comes from knowledge of the activities of how Southern Baptists are now engaged in the supreme task of sending the good news to all the world? It is a story of heroism and it calls for more volunteers.

If members can't afford to take these papers, we are sure from our experience as a pastor, that pastors can't afford for them not to take them. These papers in the homes of the people become the pastors' best assistants, for where they are read they had most consistent and active and appreciative members. This being true, then a pastor can not afford not to take time to be a Helpmate when by so doing he can summon to his aid so many helpmeets.



A Merry Xmas and Happy New Year

What Money is Doing.

The inhabitants of Germany spend annually \$50,000,000 for eggs, \$60,000,000 for cheese, \$100,000,000 for coffee, \$105,000,000 for sugar, \$120,000,000 for milk, \$125,000,000 for wine, \$175,000,000 for whiskey and \$394,000,000 for beer. On an average every German contributes annually 4 cents to foreign missions and 1-4 cents to home missions, while he spends \$7 for beer alone, and \$12 for wine, whiskey and beer together! The whole Christian world of 150,000,000 contributes only some \$17,000,000 for missions. The state of New York, with a population of nearly 8,000,000, pays nearly \$17,000,000 every year in license for the privilege of selling liquor itself. The liquor dealers must take considerably more than this amount to pay the license tax.

What Money Will Do.

Twenty-five thousand dollars will pay for a college or church building; \$13,200 will send out twelve medical missionaries for one year; \$10,000 will build a hospital and dispensary or a girls' school; \$5,000 will build a girls' school, or an operating room and surgeon's ward, or will support a station; \$3,000 will build a Bible training school; \$2,000 will build an orphanage; \$1,500 will support a small mission station or a married missionary for one year; \$1,100 will send out for a year an educational, a medical or an evangelistic missionary; \$1,000 will permit expansion where greatly needed; \$600 will support an unmarried missionary; \$400 will provide for a day school; \$150 will provide for a native doctor; \$75 will pay for a native hospital assistant or a native teacher; \$40 will provide a scholarship for a native medical assistant; \$30 will provide a boarding school scholarship; \$25 will provide a Bible training school scholarship; \$20 will provide one of thirty shares in a missionary's salary.—Selected.

It would be interesting if the church officers, as they count the money which a congregation contributes, could somehow read back from each piece to the person who gave it, and could find in each check, bill or nickel a sly symptom of the impulse that prompted it. That would enable us to have some idea of the real value of the contribution considered from a distinctly Christian standpoint. The amount in dollars and cents—the amount viewed from the standpoint of the mint and the stock exchange—might be stated in figures, but only God knows how much love is represented by those drafts, bills and pennies.—Charles H. Parkhurst.

The first requisite of successful church finance is a strong and active finance committee. It may be called by some other name, but its members should be chosen for their fitness for the financial work. The duties may be combined with those of the board of trustees, but should not be with those of the board of deacons. The qualifications that make an ideal deacon do not fit their possessor to control the financial policy of the church. The combination of oratorical power, spiritual insight, ready sympathy and social gifts that goes to make up the ideal pastor, is not the ideal equipment for the man who is to raise and disburse the funds of the church. The

men on whom this duty is imposed should be selected with the utmost care and should take their duties with the utmost seriousness. They should be men in whose character and business judgment the church and the community have confidence—men willing to work for the cause and men able to give to it.—Chas. McG.

HAMLET—ON CHURCH FINANCE.

To pledge or not to pledge: That is the question. Whether it is nobler in a man To take the gospel free and let another foot the bill,

Or to sign a pledge and help to pay the church expenses.

To give, to pay—aye, there's the rub—to pay.

When on the free pew plan a man may have a sitting free,

And take the gospel, too,

As though he paid,

And none the wiser be.

Save the church's committee, who—Most honorable men—can keep it a secret.

To err is human; human, too, to buy at cheaper rate.

I'll take the gospel so.

For others do the same—a common rule.



MONEY AND STEWARDSHIP

I'm wise; I'll wait, not work; I'll pray, not pay; and let others foot the bills,

And so with me the gospel is free, you see."

(With apologies to Shakespeare.)

GIVING AND COMMUNING.

Some one has observed that the longest chapter in the Bible is wholly given up to a list of offerings by the princes of Israel, and in this chapter when the last gift had been laid upon the altar of Jehovah we read these beautiful and touching words, "And when Moses was gone into the tabernacle of the congregation to speak with Him, then he heard the voice of one speaking unto him from off the mercy seat that was upon the ark of the testimony, from between the two cherubim." We can not buy our blessings by our gifts, but the spirit that loves to give is the spirit that gets nearest to the heart of God and is best able to understand His messages of peace and love.

Bishop Mills says: "Each minister can indirectly aid his own salary by faithfully and wisely teaching and practicing the claim of Jesus Christ and His kingdom upon the wealth of the world."

MISSIONARY DEBTS.

Men said:

We would give to the Lord if He gave us more,
But the times are hard and the world wants war;
The mouths of our canons are yawning for gold;
The Lord must wait till the ships are coaled.
His armies must shift for themselves this year,
For our own boys need us, and they are near.
Our taxes are rising, and profits fall;
The news, and the noise, and the bugle call
Have made us deaf to the still small voice.
The debts must stand; it is not our choice.

God said:

My world is larger than yours this day;
My armies march when yours delay,
Where the smoke is thickest the light shines clear,
And my captains know not the name of fear.
Are your pleasures greater than black men's pain?
Is your ease the pride of a dark world's pleasures,
And lavish on silken flags your treasures,
While the prophets lack for the needs of life,
And my flag droops tattered above the strife?
There are left some faithful stewards still
That heed not the passing or ill,
But serve me steadily day by day,
I can call on them in your long delay.
—World-Wide.

WHAT TO DO WITH THE MONEY.

Once in a great while a church is fortunate—or unfortunate—enough to come into the possession of great wealth which immediately raises the question what is it to do with its great resources? The first thought generally, is to endow the church so that its future will be insured and it can go on doing a larger work. That is good providing the work goes on, but it has been discovered that an endowed church without people in it is about as useless a thing as there is on the earth! Many seem to think that there is an obligation to spend all the income on the local church, when nine times out of ten the money was originally given for the purpose of spreading the faith of the church abroad. We have many instances where the very possession of large means not only ties up the money itself, but saps the real life of the society, and through the example of not doing balks the work of the whole denomination. It seems that a ray of light has found its way into a rich church out in Pittsburg and its example should be contagious. The society has decided not to endow the church. It is one of the few churches which have been able to live and grow in a down-town district "by giving away to missions as much as it spent on itself," and now it is the wish of the membership to use less than one-half of the \$560,000 on the new site and buildings; next to provide a down-town denominational headquarters and foreign mission station, and also to



A CORN RAISER

A great many of your readers who visited my prize patch of corn wanted to know final results. The committee found the patch to be about seven-eighths of an acre and produced one hundred and thirty-two and three-fourths bushels of corn. This is very poor piny woods, sandy soil, once called Poverty Ridge, and the land sold for 25 cents an acre. The corn crop this year was made for less than 25 cents a bushel. The secret lay in thorough preparation, rapid, shallow cultivation and continuous fertiliza-

tion, a thousand pounds being used in all. The patch drew three prizes—

State prize	\$25 00
County prize	25 00
Batts prize	10 00

	\$60 00

This is the answer to Dr. Dickin-son's plea for the farmer pastor. Comment is unnecessary. Truly a great day is dawning for the farmer. Will the pastors be left out?

P. G. MANESS.

The Place of the Denominational College in Education

By A. P. Montague, President of Howard College.

help to secure proper homes for its two missions; and then to put the remainder of the money into a fund, the income of which shall be used for church extension and missions, including the foreign-speaking population of greater Pittsburg. This church feels that it is a trustee for the spread of the gospel and ought not to spend so much as a half million on itself. So far as is known the membership is unanimous in this attitude.—Selected.

The pastor must lead his flock by an example of liberality. When he is stingy and close his people will develop the same disposition.

There is probably no scriptural prohibition of money raising by suppers and socials, but it would require a stretch of the imagination to picture Peter and Paul dealing out tickets for suppers and concerts. You can not think of Mary and Martha and the other women conducting the bazaar or other device so common today for the raising of money for the early church.—Dr. J. S. Kendall

John Wanamaker says that "80 per cent. of our churches are sufficiently able to care for all the interests of the kingdom, and pay the pastor a good living salary, and will do so when the slipshod, spasmodic ways of raising money, such as by fairs, festivals and suppers are given up, and the church puts her finances on a business and scriptural basis, holding the members to an honest fulfillment of their vow as to giving."

BISHOP MIUS says that the minister should encourage his people to acquire the virtues of industry, economy, and thrift, that the average person may produce and lay up more wealth that he may have more to give.

BRO. T. L. JANDON,

When young, trusted Christ for salvation and united with the Baptist church, of which he lived a consistent member until God called him home on the morning of Dec. 8. He was a kind and affectionate husband and father, a good citizen and neighbor, a devout Christian whose life was above reproach.

His companion preceded him to heaven by 41 years. He never married again. He leaves several sons and daughters to mourn their loss. The Lord prolonged his life to the advanced age of 86 years, and as he was going about his daily work he was not for God took him. The writer conducted his funeral and he was laid to rest in the old cemetery at Grant's Creek. His pastor,

J. G. LOWERY.

PILES CURED AT HOME BY NEW ABSORPTION METHOD.

If you suffer from bleeding, itching, blind or protruding Piles, send me your address, and I will tell you how to cure yourself at home by the new absorption treatment; and will also send some of this home treatment free for trial, with references from your own locality if requested. Immediate relief and permanent cure assured. Send no money, but tell others of this offer. Write today to Mrs. M. Summers, box 543, South Bend, Ind.

The Machiavellian theory in the plan of education and in the evolution of mental power is found in the words: "Be wary and mistrustful: The sinews of the soul are there."

As the very antipodes to this conception of the purpose of education we find the aim and practice of the denominational college, the essence of whose life and activity is trust in men and trust in God. Without faith in God the denominational college would have no reason for existence; without the practical application of trust in men it would be foredoomed to failure, and that, too, right early.

The foundation, then, of the Christian or denominational school is laid upon faith in God and confidence, clear-cut and decided, in His word.

Seeing that this is true, the Christian school that is faithful to its first purpose must stand for "pure religion and undefiled"; and, therefore, it must be reckoned the strongest force known in a civilized land for the conservation and dissemination of the truth as it is in the Lord Jesus Christ. Why is this claim made? Because from the class rooms and lecture halls of the denominational college go over 90 per cent. of the preachers who proclaim the truth; from it proceed the ideas and plans that, taking shape, under God, direct the activities of the several denominations.

These things being true—and no enlightened man or woman can question them—the place of the denominational college being on the Lord's side and its highest aim being the spread of the gospel through forces which it forms and strengthens, the duty of every man and woman who would see the advance of the kingdom is to give unwavering allegiance and unceasing support to the denominational college.

In the development of education in America over 80 per cent. of the colleges and universities that are today reckoned the greatest were mighty forces for the upbuilding of the religion that God gave the world. Some of these institutions have wandered away from their first love, and they are not known in this day as essentially Christian schools; but by far the largest portion of the activities of even such as these has been for religion and its growth. For God, for the truth and for humanity Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Columbia, Brown and other great Eastern institutions were founded; and most of them are today true to the spirit of their establishment.

Dr. Wallace Buttrick, executive secretary of the General Education Board of New York, said in Birmingham to a gathering of educators that of the six hundred schools whose records were on the books in their offices in New York—and these are the leading American colleges—501 were established as denominational institutions.

No mind can grasp the influence of these colleges in shaping the destiny of the American republic.

In the south, apart from the comparatively few institutions of higher learning that are owned and controlled

by the several states, nearly every important school is the property of a Christian denomination. Hence the place of the distinctively Christian school in education in the south alone is not only one of splendid dignity, but also of influence so far-reaching that only eternity can reveal the extent thereof.

Who can question the need for our country of the denominational school when one realizes, as every fair-minded person must realize, that from this school must come our preachers, our laymen who from its halls go to their life vocations trained for Christian service, the influences that make for true religion and the ideals and ambitions, high in conception and high in execution, whose vision is America and the world for Christ?

Again, the right of the denominational school to exist and to rejoice in existence is found in the fact that therein may be studied with safety to young minds and young hearts every science, theoretical or applied, with no fear that upon the sacred pages of the Bible or upon the precious traditions of the Christian church some iconoclast will lay his polluting touch.

The scoffing teacher can not hurt the Bible, the impregnable Rock of sacred scripture; but he can with an enchanter's wand of sophistry bring between the eye of an impressionable lad and the promises and facts of God's word the dark shadows of doubt. Who can say that these shadows may not become a cloud that never lifts between the young man and God?

In the next place, the denominational school is the best educational home for young men of limited means. There no lavish display of wealth brings to a sensitive nature heart pangs because of comparative poverty; there temptations are few to spend money merely to gratify extravagance; there simplicity of living and wise frugality teach lessons of economy, which make for thrift, clean manhood; there the spirit of democracy destroys caste and makes all men equal; there the serious, industrious boy realizes that his life work has begun and he builds for a prudent, sturdy manhood.

The function of the denominational college is to teach the arts and sciences, to lay broad and deep the foundation of true education, to cause men to realize that real education is not merely the mastery of Greek and Latin, not merely ability to make one's mental way through mazes of psychology, not only power to solve problems of arithmetics and physics, but that education in its highest sense is development of intellectual force with accompanying and equal growth of the spiritual, that education is preparation for science, that it is the comprehension of obligation and the apprehension of opportunity, that it is conscience on guard, vision broadened to see men the world over as brothers to be helped, women in every land to be treated with the chivalry of the Christian knight.

If this, then, is the place of the denominational school, what shall we say of its need of support, of patron-

age in boys and girls, of pecuniary assistance?

The South is able to make its schools and colleges far more efficient than they are today. So far as the religious denominations are concerned, they are financially able to give to their institutions of learning ten times as much as they are now giving, and yet not strain themselves.

If we wish to keep our section of the country patriotic and sound religiously, we must strengthen our schools. Most of these are comparatively weak in buildings, libraries and the physical sciences. If we would give our young men what they deserve and what they will seek elsewhere, if we fail to meet their needs, we must put many thousands of dollars into the equipment of every denominational school and college in Alabama.

While during the last ten years the denominational schools have been greatly improved, and while credit is due the Christian men and women who have aided their development, theirs has been a hard struggle.

The denominational college must contend against difficulties on every side. Thousands of its natural supporters, members of the denomination whose property it is, are indifferent; some are even hostile; now and then a minister, whose high duty it is to support the college, indulges in what he deems a clever fling at the institution or by sharp criticism makes the work harder for president and faculty. Men who subscribe to its endowment or the fund to meet current expenses ignore their signed obligation and refuse to meet their special pledges.

The state college, receiving annually from \$50,000 to \$300,000 against the \$5,000 to \$10,000 of the denominational college, is a powerful rival.

And yet the college of the Christian denomination must live. It is necessary for the intelligent work of the denomination, for the development of the church, for the religious safety of the republic.

No finer exponent of genuine patriotism, of learning consecrated by faith in God, of the culture of a Christian people, exists on earth than the denominational college. As such, it appeals not only to the church member, whose duty it is to support it, but to the far-seeing man of the world, who knows the value of education obtained by sacrifice and of the refining, elevating influences that are found in the denominational school.

Books of Interest to Sunday School Workers.

The Alabama Bible Society, at Montgomery, Ala., takes pleasure in quoting prices on the following publications of interest to Sunday school workers:

Tarbell's Teachers' Guide for 1911, 80 cents each, postage 15 cents.

Peloubet's Notes on lessons for 1911, 80 cents each, postage 15 cents.

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W. M. U. Watchword:

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Y. W. A. Watchword:

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

DURING DECEMBER.

We study about China.
We give to Foreign Missions.
We tithe for the Christmas offering.

MISSIONARY JUBILEE.

All of human nature tends toward bearing in memory the past, especially when that past has made a definite impress upon the conscience and life of more than one. We find this exemplified by the wonderful art galleries, the great musical compositions, the monuments to deeds of heroism, and even in the common, every-day speech of life. As women who are interested in the spread of God's kingdom, we find ourselves this year bearing in memory the time when we first undertook definite mission work, and are trying to see what progress we have made with the desire to find out how to do more in the future. This year marks the fiftieth year of organized mission work by American women, and all over the country there are being held in the leading cities Jubilee Missionary meetings to commemorate this fact. These meetings are interdenominational and are planned on a very extensive scale. So far as the South is concerned, there is no meeting of this movement to be held south of Louisville, a reference to which is made in Miss Register's letter, given below. However, since imitation is the best flattery, and is oftentimes, as well, the best policy, we want to hold in Montgomery in January a miniature meeting of this character, for the occasion is certainly worthy of our appreciation.

The Montgomery meeting will be held in the First Baptist church of the city, and to it will be invited all the women of all Protestant churches in the city. Talks will be made by a representative of each denomination, showing what its women have done to advance the cause of missions during these fifty years of organized work, and then we will have a talk which shall give an outlook into the future, to try to see what we may, as women of all denominations, confidently hope to accomplish in the next fifty years, that we may be able in a royal manner to celebrate our centennial!

A LETTER FROM MISS REGISTER.

Louisville, Ky., December 10, 1910.

My Dear Miss Mallory: So many good things have been told me about the training school that I expected, of course, to find it excellent in every particular; but I find since I have experienced a small portion for myself that the half has not yet been told. There are so many things that one can not tell in mere words, only the heart can feel. I believe I have never been among people who are more deeply spiritual than are the students here in the Training School. I find Mrs. McLure, the principal, a perfect embodiment of sweetness and nobleness. I am sure it would help any one just to come under the influence of her Christian character.

I reached here Saturday morning just in time for the monthly missionary meeting. Heard an appeal for China from Dr. Glass. I enjoyed his lecture very much; I think I never had the need of missionaries in foreign fields brought so vividly to me before. It makes our hearts burn within us to listen to some

of the appeals for help brought before us here. I think there are more things of vital interest to the worker in God's kingdom continually forcing themselves before us here in Louisville than any place I have ever known. During this entire week we have a Sunday school institute in session here in one of the Baptist churches, and have had the opportunity of hearing the best Sunday school workers in the South. We are frequently having student volunteer meetings which are very uplifting. These and other similar things are in themselves educational aside from the class work done in the seminary.

The last week in January we are to have the Woman's Jubilee of Missions here in Louisville. I'm sure you have already heard about this and know what it is.

A realization of the fact that you dear Alabama women are remembering me in prayer bears me up in all that I try to do. Only our Heavenly Father can know now it strengthens me and how it warms my heart toward you.

I am well situated and well pleased and shall try to make good your trust. Faithfully yours,

MARIETTA REGISTER.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR NOVEMBER.

State Missions.

Collerine S. B. B., 49c; Montgomery (Clayton St.) W. M. S., \$2.13; Collerine R. A. B., 87c; Talladega (1st) W. M. S., \$6.63; Thomaston W. M. S., \$10; Auburn W. M. S., \$20; Camp Hill, W. M. S., \$9; LaFayette W. M. S., \$10; Nicholasville W. M. S., \$3; Birmingham (56th St.) L. A. and M. S., \$15; delegates to Evergreen convention, \$45; Pine Apple S. B. B., \$2; Demopolis L. M. S., \$5; Birmingham (East) L. A. and M. S., \$4; Dothan W. M. S., \$25; Haleyville W. M. S., \$1.06; Ensley W. M. S., \$30; Selma (1st) Y. W. A., \$12.25; Castleberry W. M. S., \$1; Sylacauga W. M. S., \$4.30; Livingston W. M. S., \$17; West Woodlawn L. A. and M. S., \$8; Oxford S. B. B., \$4; Troy W. M. S., \$39.30; Brundidge W. M. S., \$1.25; Huntsville (1st) W. M. S., \$15; Pine Apple L. A. S., \$5; Athens W. M. S., \$2; Anniston (P. M.) W. M. S., \$20; Olive Branch Church (Birmingham Association) S. B. B., \$1; New Decatur (Central) L. M. and A. S., \$10. Total for State Missions, \$357.28.

Howard College Library.

Friend, \$2.75; Cuba W. M. S., \$1. Total, \$3.75.

Ministerial Education.

Greensboro W. M. S., \$1.25; Brundidge W. M. S., \$2. Total, \$3.25.

Alabama W. M. U. Expense Fund.

Union Association, \$5.50; Montgomery (Clayton St.) W. M. S., \$5.50; Talladega (1st) W. M. S., 50c; Scottsboro W. M. S., \$2; Wetumpka Y. W. A., \$1.50; Gadsden (1st) Y. W. A., \$1.30; Tuskegee Association, \$5.50; Newbern Y. W. A., 90c; Troy W. M. S., \$5; W. M. U. of Mobile Association, \$8.20; Cedar Bluff Association, \$5; Columbia W. M. S., \$2; Tuscaloosa Association, \$5.70. Total, \$45.60.

Orphanage.

Lapine S. S. Class, \$1.30; delegates at Evergreen convention, \$1.25; Prattville L. A. S., \$24; Holt W. M. S., \$5; Haleyville W. M. S., \$5; Trussville W. M. S., \$5; Camp Hill W. M. S., \$15. Total for orphanage, \$73.24.

Home Missions.

Montgomery (Clayton Street) W. M. S., \$62.13; Tuscaloosa (1st) W. M. S., \$28.70; Birmingham (56th St.) L. A. and M. S., \$15; delegates to the Evergreen convention, \$21.25; Birmingham (East) L. A. and M. S., \$6; Montgomery (1st) W. M. S., \$25; Castleberry W. M. S., \$2; Birmingham (27th St.) W. M. S., \$2; Orrville W. M. S., \$10; Notasulga W. M. S., \$5.50; Greenville W. W., \$5.86; Cuba-hatchle W. M. S., \$3.15; La Place W. M. S., \$3.15; Trussville W. M. S., \$2.00; Burnt Corn M. S., \$5; Prattville W. M. S., \$50; Midway L. A. and M. S., \$18; Pine Apple L. A. S., \$5; Newton W. M. S., \$1; Athens W. M. S., \$5.20; Gordo W. M. S., \$2; Birmingham (West End) W. M. S., \$0; Shiloh (Selma Association) L. A. and M. S., \$3; West Bend W. M. S., \$3; Gallion L. A. S., \$5; Dadeville W. M. S., \$5. Total for Home Missions, \$313.99.

Mountain Schools.

Alex City Jr. Y. W. A. and R. A. B., \$5.
Incians.
Huntsville (Dallas Ave.) S. B. B., \$1; Pine Apple S. B. B., \$5; Birmingham (Richmond Place) S. B. B., \$1.50; Olive Branch church Birmingham Association) S. B. B., \$2. Total, \$9.50.

Foreign Missions.

Talladega (1st) W. M. S., \$15; Opelika (1st) W. M. S., \$17; delegates to the Evergreen convention, \$21.25; Castleberry W. M. S., \$2; Hartford L. A. and M. S., \$10; Red Level W. M. S., 75c; Uniontown W. M. S., \$6.40; Greensboro L. A. and M. S., \$1.20; Glencoe W. M. S., \$1.05. Total for Foreign Missions, \$74.70.

Miss Kelly.

Jacksonville L. W. U., \$5; Huntsville (1st) W. M. S., \$10; Montgomery (Clayton St.) W. M. S., \$5. Total, \$20.

Miss Hartwell.

Pratt City L. A. S., \$6.25; Avondale L. A. S., \$6.25. Total, \$12.50.

Miss Miller.

Montgomery (Clayton St.) W. M. S., \$2.84.

Native Worker.

Columbia W. M. S., \$25.

Chinese Student.

Mobile (1st) W. M. S., \$25.

Hospitals.

Newbern Y. W. A., \$6; Uniontown Y. W. A., \$5.55. Total, \$11.55.

Africa.

Olive Branch church (Birmingham Association) S. B. B., \$2.

Training School Enlargement.

Huntsville (1st) W. M. S., \$5.
Lucy Stratton Scholarship.
Alex W. M. S., \$1; Tunnell Springs W. M. S., \$2.50; Friend, \$25; Anniston (P. M.) W. M. S., \$5. Total, \$33.50.

Bible Fund.

Pine Apple S. B. B., \$1; Huntsville (1st) W. M. S., \$1. Total, \$2.

Margaret Home.

Roanoke S. B. B., \$1.50; Jacksonville S. B. B., \$2; Coatopa S. B. B., \$. Total, \$5.50.

Mrs. McCollum Fund.

Gadsden (1st) W. M. S., \$7.10.

Miss Kelly's Chapel.

Jackson L. A. S., \$3.79; Jackson S. S. Class, \$1.21. Total, \$5.

Grand Total for November, \$1,043.30.

Are Cooks Born or Made?

There is no question but that cooking is an art, but there does arise a question as to whether cooks are just "natural-born," or whether a good cook can be developed from study and observation. Cooking is just like everything else, and if one possesses a "natural talent" for cooking, it stands to reason that they would make a better cook than one not so inclined. To be successful in any undertaking, one's efforts must be guided by personal interest, or a natural love for the work engaged in, and this being the case we reach the conclusion that the best cooks are "natural-born," but that good cooks can be developed by instruction.

There is no question but that the present generation has been materially benefited by the marked advancement in cooking methods; however, the preparation of meat dishes is practically the same today as it was hundreds of years ago, and the reason for this is inexplicable, as there are numberless ways in which the most dainty, appetizing meat dishes can be prepared. One oversight the majority of cooks make in preparing meats is their failure to use the proper seasoning. Meats are not fit for eating unless properly seasoned. It is just as reasonable and practicable to eat bread without salt as it is to eat meat without Gebhardt's Eagle Brand Chili Powder. If you want to get the true meat flavor, and make your soups, stews, gravies, etc., with a delicious relish, just try a little of Gebhardt's Eagle Brand Chili Powder as a seasoning, and you will at once realize how delightfully palatable you can make your meat dishes.

Following is a good recipe for making that famous Mexican dish "Chili con carne," and is a good recipe to preserve:

Cut into small slices one pound of beef; add a small quantity of chopped tallow and salt, also a large onion and a button of garlic, both thoroughly chopped and one tablespoonful of Gebhardt's Eagle Brand Chili Powder; add all this to the meat and mix; place into a granite ware pot in which you have previously heated two tablespoonfuls of lard; let this cook for about ten minutes, constantly stirring; then add one quart of hot water; then let cook slowly till tender. Tomatoes, Irish potatoes, onions, etc., may be added to Chili con carne to suit taste, while tomatoes may be served as a separate dish. It is customary to serve frijoles (Bayo beans) with Chili con carne in equal portions or separately. Soak the beans over night in water to which a little baking soda has been added; pour off the old and add fresh water, salt, add some lard or a piece of bacon; boil until tender.

Be sure to specify "Gebhardt's Eagle Brand" to insure getting the original and genuine Chili Powder. In the manufacture of Gebhardt's Eagle Brand Chili Powder only the finest Mexican Chili Peppers (grown especially for this purpose) and the purest Mexican spices are used. Your grocer can supply you in 10c and 25c bottles, and will also give you one of our recipe books, "Good Things to Eat," free. If you are unable to find it at your grocer, write the Gebhardt Chili Powder Co., San Antonio, Tex., and they will send direct a sample bottle for 12c, all charges prepaid; or, if you prefer to test it before buying, send them the name of your dealer and they will supply you with a free sample of this celebrated meat seasoning.

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WILLIAM R. PIERSON.

The subject of this notice was born in Upson county, Georgia, January 4, 1855. When quite a child he moved with his parents to Chambers county, Ala., and settled near Milltown, when that section was a new and undeveloped region. Here he grew up on the farm and received his education in the schools of the time. On November 15, 1855, he was married to Miss Salemmah Trammel, whom he had known from early childhood. The same year of his marriage he moved to Pike county and settled near Brundidge. Since his residence in Pike county, covering a period of nearly 56 years, he has lived in and near Brundidge, having never lived farther than two and one-half miles from this place. Not long after moving here he and his wife joined the old Salem (now Brundidge) Baptist church, and were baptized at the same time by the Rev. B. A. Jackson, late of Kemer, Ala., and at the time of his death he was a member of the church he joined in his early manhood. As a citizen he was patriotic, public spirited and generous, always interested in the welfare of the community in which he lived, as well as the country at large. No worthy enterprise ever appealed to him in vain, and many hearts have been made glad by his kind benevolences. As a citizen his life was strictly exemplary. His going leaves a vacancy in the community that will be hard to fill.

As a church member he was devout, earnest and consecrated. Until his health failed he was a constant attendant upon the services of the Lord's house. He could truly sing with the poet, "I love my kingdom, Lord, the house of thine abode." Unlike many of the present day, he regarded his obligations to his church as the most sacred of all, and always met them promptly and cheerfully. He was not demonstrative, but his quiet, every-day life told the story of his strong Christian character far more forcefully than words.

But the life of our brother shone more beautifully in the home than anywhere else. In the home he was as gentle and refined as a woman. He loved his family and home as few men do. Consequently he did everything he could to make his home pleasant and attractive, and he was never happier than when surrounded by his wife, children and grandchildren in his home. For his wife, who had journeyed with him for more than a half century, he cherished an unalterable and undying affection. He was as tenderly thoughtful of her in his last days as he was during the first weeks of the newly married life. The attachment of the two was touchingly beautiful. Then the children and grandchildren, each and every one of them, delighted in his companionship, for they knew he loved them and loved to make them happy.

For a long period of years he was a regular attendant at the meetings of the lodge of which he was a member, for he was a Mason of long standing. He was treasurer of the lodge till his failing health made it necessary for him to retire from that responsible position. He could have held any office in the gift of the lodge had he so desired, but his natural modesty always made him feel that he would rather serve in a more humble sphere.

When the war clouds hovered over the Southland during the sixties, he, in common with others of his neighbors, joined his fortunes with the Confederacy, shouldered his musket and went to the front, where he was as conspicuous in his fidelity to duty as he was in any other relation in life. He served through that long bloody struggle, and when the flag under which he had fought was furled, he returned to his home to take up anew the duties of American citizenship, in which relation he served faithfully till the close of his long and useful life. On the second day of December, 1910, he fell asleep in Jesus at his home in Brundidge, Ala., surrounded by his children and grandchildren. God took him after his long journey of

nearly seventy-six years. On the second day after his death an unusually large concourse of people from all the walks of life gathered to attend the funeral, which was held from the Baptist church. His body was then escorted to the cemetery by the Masonic fraternity, and there deposited in the grave with Masonic honors. A truly good man has gone from us. An exemplary life has been lived, and that life shall live on.

I must not forget to state that Bro. Pierson has been a subscriber and reader of the Alabama Baptist from its very first publication, beginning with the initial number.

Many floral offerings of beautiful design were placed on the new made grave, coming from different parts of the state as they did, silently spoke of the love and affection in which he was held by those who knew him in all the surrounding country.

Our brother leaves a widow and three children: Mrs. Mollie Leverett, of Prouto, Ala.; Mrs. Armillan Dewberry and Miss Willie Pierson, of Brundidge, together with a number of grandchildren and a host of friends all over the county and state, who feel that his going is a personal loss to them. I as his pastor lay this tribute upon his newly made grave and commend his bereaved loved ones to the loving care of the God he loved and trusted so implicitly.

J. L. THOMPSON.

Brundidge, Ala.

IN MEMORIAM.

On the 22d day of October, 1910, heaven's gate opened wide to admit the sweet spirit of our beloved brother, Rev. F. W. Williams, a devoted father, a faithful husband and one of the sweetest Christian characters, who was carried on the wings of a swift death to the courts of heavenly bliss. Besides a heart-broken wife, he leaves six children, whose hearts are heavy with the burden of grief. How could it be otherwise, when he was so gentle, earnest, consecrated and true to all the virtues that glorify a good man's life? Words are not adequate to express our sorrow, nor are we able to pay a just tribute to all the graces he possessed as a father and loyal Christian. With sad hearts we turned our faces away and left a cherished spot made sacred by the memory that one of the best men that ever lived is sweetly sleeping beneath the roses and evergreen, but who will some day awake in the likeness and glory of his Lord.

Mrs. Monroe Henderson, Phenix City, Ala.

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There are lots of things that are indispensable in the home, among them is the old medicine chest, especially in those sections of the country where the Doctor is miles away, and it takes hours to get him. Take, for instance, little Willie who struck a nail in his foot, and all at once it begins to pain awfully, and looks like blood poison. Then mother runs to the faithful old medicine chest, gets a box of "Gray's Ointment," makes several applications, and Willie is well again. No blood poison, and no Doctor's bill. "Gray's Ointment" also cures cuts, bruises, boils, insect bites, burns, sores, frost bites and skin eruptions of every description. Now, isn't it a household necessity? If you want a free sample, send your name and address to Dr. W. F. Gray & Co., 500 Gray Building, Nashville, Tenn., or you can get "Gray's Ointment" from any drug list at 25c per box.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, Probate Court, 6th day of December, 1910.

Estate of Ida M. Nash, deceased. This day came Kate Marshall Sibley, executrix of the estate of Ida M. Nash, deceased, and filed her account, vouchers, evidence and statement for a final settlement of the same.

It is ordered that the 31st day of December, 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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Mix one pint of granulated sugar with one-half pint of warm water, and stir for two minutes. Put two and one-half ounces of Pinex (fifty cents' worth) in a pint bottle; then add the Sugar Syrup. Take a teaspoonful every one, two or three hours.

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If there is one calendar more than another on the market, this year which is antique it is the Bible Reader's Calendar. While it is prepared to meet a general need, it is designed especially to be of service to Sunday school workers, pastors and Christian people generally who want to give inexpensive but substantial gifts at Christmas time, and a gift which has in it a personal touch. This is the third season for this calendar and each year brings a larger response from the thousands of people who use it that its daily messages are full of just the things which inspire and encourage. One of the Bible lessons follows the reading of the International Sunday School Union, while the second is taken from the Scripture Union readings. There is a verse for memorizing, a custom which surely needs reviving. Mention of church and national holidays, birthdays of missionaries and of great events in the Christian world add attractiveness to its pages. The quotations, many of them rare and very beautiful, are in harmony with the memory verse of Scripture. It is so designed as to admit of a space for the writing of engagements and thus is practical. It makes an ideal gift. Descriptive circular of the various styles costing from 35 cents to \$1 may be had by writing to the office of the Bible Calendar and Publishing Company, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

The Teacher's Handy Helper.

This new book by C. D. Meigs has elicited highest praise as a vigorous stimulant to both teacher and class, from some of the world's greatest leaders, viz., Dr. Bailey, president, and Marion Lawrence, general secretary World's Sunday School Association, Hartshorn, Pearce, Pepper, Brown and others. Send 25 cents for it (returnable, if not liked) or ask for particulars: Meigs Pub. Co. (S. S. T.), Indianapolis, Ind.

Bible Studies.

This Bible Study in Bible words arranged by Dr. G. A. Nunnally, Rome, Ga., is now in its third edition and no wonder, for it is truly worth a place in the desk of every working pastor, Sunday school superintendent or teacher. The book is interleaved so that any one can use it as a valuable place to write or paste in such things as are worth preserving. It can be had of the author for \$1 in cloth or \$1.25 Oxford divinity binding. In the back of it one finds a lot of very quotable poetry.

The Book of Ruth.

This beautiful gift book issued by the Dodge Publishing Company, New York, at \$1.50 net, in cloth, is a credit to the bookmakers' art. William A. Quayle, the author, says: "The Book of Ruth is of the orient. It lieth in the land of the morning sun close against the dawn and hath a sunburnt look. In those idylls here compared they are the ends of the earth met. From every whither comes the hearts that love, the hands that serve, the hearts that break, the joys that laugh aloud, rejoicing like the seas." This sweet book, "Ruth," is a hollow of orient hills, crowded with a bewilderment of light. The illustrations by W. Martin Johnson are pleasing and effective.



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This is the title of an old book, published in England in 1765, A. D. It is said to be a translation of an ancient manuscript found in a heathen temple in Thibet. The author is unknown. The book is a system of morality of a very high order, many of the maxims bearing a striking resemblance to the Proverbs of Solomon and the writings of Job. Besides its intrinsic worth it possesses a value as a rare literary curiosity.

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The Journal and Messenger says: "Thoroughly evangelical, a mighty soul winner, Dr. Broughton wields the Word of God with power and holds forth the truth to the convincing of all. He is true to God and men. He excites thought, and thought, Godward, is life."

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The New Christmas Book issued by A. Flanagan Company, Chicago, paper 30 cents, contains recitations, plays, dialogues, drills, tableaux, pantomimes, quotations, songs, facts and the novelty, a living Christmas Magazine, edited by Joseph C. Sindelar.



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Franz Liszt.

The story of his life, by Raphael Ledos De Beaufort, to which are added Franz Liszt in Rome, by Nardine Reppig, a list of the composer's chief works, a summary of his compositions and a list of his noted pupils. Published by the Oliver Ditson Company, Boston. \$1.25.

To lovers of music and to the admirers of Liszt, this book will excite peculiar interest and give great pleasure. It is a story of a life full of incident, associated with many of the notabilities of the earlier part of the last century, though reaching up into the last quarter. From Hungary to Paris, from Paris to Rome, the name of Liszt was potent in artistic circles, and his presence was a call to the great halls where music was expected to charm the most cultivated ear. The story of his life is a story of triumphs and justifies his enrollment among the immortals.

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The Designer.

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The Twentieth Century Magazine.

This magazine is a review of political, social and economic advance.

Some features of the January issue are: The story of Senator LaFollette's victorious battle for the people's interests, by William Kittle. Making the Desert to Blossom; the Reclamation of the Yuma valley, by George Wharton James; Woman's Suffrage in Norway, by Saint Nihal Singh. Edited by B. O. Flower, 5 Park Square, Boston. \$2 year.

A History of New Testament Times in Palestine.

By Shailer Mathews, D. D. A revised edition of this volume in the series of New Testament Handbooks edited by Dr. Mathews, has been issued by the MacMillan Company (\$1 net). It traces clearly and graphically the transmutations in the political, religious and social conditions of the Jews from the Conquest of Alexander the Great, 333 B. C., through the troubled times of the Seleucidae, the profanation of the Temple by Antiochus Ephiphanes, the brilliant victories of the heroic Judas Maccabaeus, and the conquest of the Romans, to the times of Herod the Great and the division of Palestine into various Roman provinces. We consider this a most useful handbook for the student of the New Testament and the life of Christ. It is hardly worth while to tell Baptists that anything Dr. Shailer writes is well worth reading.

The Building of the Church.

By Charles E. Jefferson, D. D.

Dr. Jefferson is the pastor of the Broadway Tabernacle church, New York. The MacMillan Company, New York. \$1.25.

We have many lectures on preaching and preachers, the church and the people, all trying to tell us just what can be, or ought to be, and has not yet been done to restore preaching to its old supremacy and the church to the impregnable position which it

ought to but does not occupy.

The lectures in the book were delivered before the Divinity School of Yale university in the months of April and May, 1910, on the Lyman Beecher Foundation, and are timely. Dr. Jefferson's lectures offer as much of a panacea as is probably available, there being, of course, no one remedy. He is sensible, alert and alive to all difficulties, and still more to all the good influences that may come to minister and people. As a whole, these lectures are marked by common sense, humor and a wise recognition of the real needs of humanity, which the minister must know how to meet, as only through this knowledge can "the building of the church" be carried on with any lasting success.

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We have received a copy of the "Lesson Analogy" for 1911 by Philip Wendell Crannell, D. D., president of Kansas City Baptist Theological Seminary, together with explanatory and suggestive notes, maps, chronological tables, daily readings, prayer meeting topics, etc., published by Western Baptist Publication Society, Kansas City, Mo., in vest pocket size, 25c.

Medical Men in the Time of Christ.

By Robert N. Willson, M. D. An article written by Dr. Willson for the Sunday School Times gives promise of so much valuable material of permanent interest to every Bible student that Dr. Willson has extended his studies in this field, with an illustrated volume as the result. He gives a review of medical history from early times to the time of Christ; a study of lay conditions in which medical men worked; a description of the Asklepien temples of health; a study of Luke the physician; and a crowning chapter on the Master Physician. The book is rich in historical material and with a distinctly spiritual message. Illustrated. 157 pages. Price \$1.00 net.

The Sunday School Times Co., 1031 Walnut street, Philadelphia, Pa.

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Animals for coloring. Thirteen good animals. The thirteen domestic animals all children should know. Opposite the drawings are printed rhymes appropriate to the animals represented. The book is 10 inches square; water-color paper; brown cover; tied with brown cord; unique end papers. Price, 75 cents. Atkinson, Mentzer & Grover, 24 West 39th street, New York City.

The Wise Man's God.

By Anthony Hobart. A charming Christmas booklet, bound in mauve and gold, with illustrations. The story turns upon the experience of a bit of gold through the centuries, and its observations of our varied human nature. It is really an allegory of life, with many a lesson for the man and woman of today. The Sunday School Times Co., 1031 Walnut street, Philadelphia, Pa. 35 cents.

The Land of the Tamed Turks.

This is the story told in a most interesting way by Blair Jaekel and illustrated with special photographs, setting forth the Balkan states of today, being a narrative of travel through Servia, Bulgaria, Montenegro, Dalmatia and the recently acquired Austrian provinces of Bosnia and the Herzegovina, with observations of the peoples, their races, creeds, institutions and politics, and of the geographical, historical and commercial aspects of the several countries. This book tells us about that part of Europe which is little known even to those who make the "grand tour" and yet we ought to study up on these countries, if for no other purpose than to be able every spring to know what is meant when the news from abroad says "look out for trouble in the Balkans." The book is truly a work of art and as we fingered it it brought back our student days at the University of Vienna and of a trip we made with our younger brother, Paul, one holiday down the Danube to the Black Sea and thence to Constantinople, etc. L. C. Page & Co., Boston, or Loveman, Joseph & Loeb, Birmingham. \$3.

Brazil and Her People of Today.

In traveling abroad we used to think it quite funny when the continentals always supposed we came from South America because we hailed from the "South," and yet we confess that our ideas about the inhabitants south of us are about as hazy as those of the Europeans about our South, but now Nevin O. Winter has made it possible for us at least to know something of the life and the country of the Brazilians, for he gives us an account of their customs, characteristics, amusements, history and advancement and the development of the resources of the country, which reads like a romance. The illustrations from original and selected photographs add

much to the interest and helpfulness of the text. L. C. Page & Co., Boston, or Loveman, Joseph & Loeb, Birmingham, \$3.

Panama and the Canal Today.

When the papers and magazines are filled with such contradictory statements about this great national undertaking it is at least comforting to have Forbes Lindsay's volume at hand with an historical account from the earliest times, with special reference to the enterprises of the French and the United States, with a detailed description of the waterway as it will be ultimately constructed, together with a brief history of the country and the first comprehensive account of its physical features and natural resources. The 53 illustrations from recent photographs give a vivid idea of the vastness of the undertaking and the five maps are helpful. It is gotten out most artistically. L. C. Page & Co., Boston, or Loveman, Joseph & Loeb, Birmingham, \$3.

The New Christmas Book.

Children's entertainments for school and church; recitations, dialogues, drills, songs and music, tableaux, pantomimes, quotations and the novelty: A Living Christmas Magazine. All in one volume. 165 pages. Price, 30 cents, postpaid.

A. Flanagan Company, Department 2, Chicago.

The Task Worth While; or, The Divine Philosophy of Missions.

By Henry Clay Mable, D. D. The gist of this book can be gathered from this extract therefrom. Few lines could be more suggestive: "Christ's religion is more than a set of opinions, more than a code of laws. It is ever an advancing spiritual realization. Its degree of perfection is ever a flying goal because with every attainment the ideal advances. And so Christianity is able to be the religion of all men and for all times. In its very nature it is personal, self-giving love for the benefit of others."

These lectures delivered by Dr. Mable are well worth being preserved in book form, and we are glad that the volume containing them can be had of the Griffith & Rowland Press, Philadelphia, for \$1.25 net.

Prince Domino and "Muffles."

By Seymour Eaton. Illustrations by C. Twelvetrees. In "Prince Domino," Mr. Eaton has conferred a favor on young folks by introducing to them an entirely new character in the realm of juvenile literature. This young prince of mysterious parentage, accompanied by his faithful band of adherents, "Dinkey Dadd," "Dutchy" and "Jappy," as well as his wonderful Siamese cat, "Muffles," with his hypnotic blue eyes, travels all over the country smoothing out the many difficulties of the boys and girls he meets. They live as gypsies in the open air, under the bright skies and green trees, and their adventures come thick and fast. The story is clean, wholesome and interesting, and will appeal to every boy and girl who loves the freshness of out-of-doors. Its publication as a serial in twenty-seven of our leading daily and Sunday newspapers is attracting universal attention and has enormous advertising value.

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Edward Stern & Co., Inc., Philadelphia.

Seven Little Wise Men.

This delightful little volume, by Frances Margaret Fox, is dedicated to three little boys, dear friends of hers, in memory of one happy Christmas day with their Aunt Florence, Uncle Dan and Cousin Palmer in the San Bernardino valley. The story opens in a rain and umbrellas are hoisted. The book is illustrated, in colors by Ethelred B. Barry.

L. C. Page & Co., Boston, Mass. \$1.00.

A Little Shepherd of Provence.

This volume, by Evalene Stein, is one of the delightful "Rose Series" and is beautifully illustrated in color by Diantha Horne Marlowe. The story of little Jean Faverre, the shepherd lad, is interesting and Provence is a land of delight. It is a good gift book.

L. C. Page & Co., New York, or Loveman, Joseph & Loeb, Birmingham. \$1.00.

Royal Palaces and Parks of France.

This is a royal book, for while it is published at the low price of \$3.00, it comes boxed, and the cover page is a delight to the eye—as the white, gold and blue blend beautifully. If the outside is lovely, it is hard to tell of the beauty inside with many illustrations reproduced from paintings made on the spot by Blanche McManus, who had greatly aided Francis Milton, the author, in giving reality to his interesting and informing text. We might well wish that a copy of this book could find its way into the hands of every park commission in America.

L. C. Page & Co., Boston, or Loveman, Joseph & Loeb, Birmingham.

The Rescue of Cuba.

By Andrew S. Draper. This book will be a valuable addition to your library. Because it contains a record of events whose influence is felt today. It gives a judicious and impartial account of the events of the war. Each battle and event is treated in a separate chapter, thus clearly defining the various steps of the contest. The descriptions are as graphic as an eye witness could have written. It manifests the chivalry of the American people and the courageous spirit of our soldiers and sailors. It is profusely illustrated and printed in an attractive manner on good paper. Silver, Burdett & Co., New York. \$1.

We have just received a copy of "Winona Echoes," containing the splendid addresses delivered at the Winona Bible Conference last summer. They make a book of 250 pages and every page is worth reading.

The address of L. C. Page & Co. is Boston and not New York. Last week in our notice of the beautiful "Whistler Book" we gave their address as New York.

From time to time it is debated as to which is the most powerful, the pulpit or the press. You may remember Carlyle's dictum, "The true church of England is the newspapers," a proposition from which we earnestly beg to dissent, and yet the sage of Chelsea was wise in his day and generation in both seeing and acknowledging the power exercised by journalism in his time. We set forth the above to try and get our people to utilize this great agency at their doors for giving more publicity to church news and views. The press, both in city and country, would gladly handle more religious news if only some one in each city, town or county would furnish such items. We hope our Baptist people will take pains to see that the Baptist news of their communities will get into our secular papers.

IT MAY BE YOUR BOY.

Pointed testimony is given in the national prohibition year book for 1910 showing the moral blight of the retail liquor business as revealed from behind the bar by men who have become disgusted with the trade. Data from recent articles are well summarized for the busy reader.

One typical bit of testimony from this material is the quoted story of "An Alcohol Slave," whose bitter experience prompts this epigrammatic declaration:

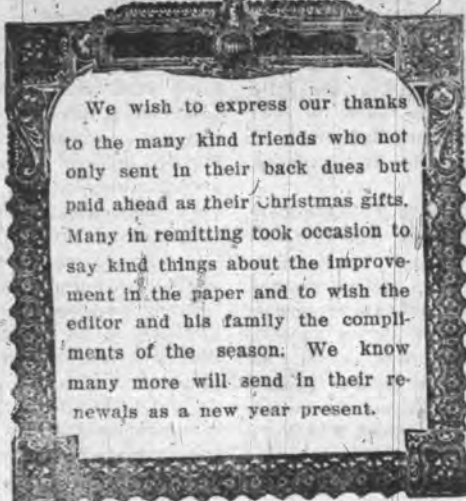
"Every day that the saloons are open in saloon licensing states some saloon keeper or bartender shoves across the bar a glass of 'cool, refreshing beer' to a young man and says, 'You are big enough to drink beer now.'"

And yet if we are to believe reports our Jefferson county delegation proposes to give Birmingham saloons—a poor Christmas gift indeed.

A WHOLE GOSPEL.

There are religious people who have much to say about the alleged failure of certain Christian bodies to preach what they call "a full gospel." They assert that they themselves proclaim "a whole gospel." It is not difficult to learn what some of these people mean by that term, for they are constantly saying that baptism is essential to one's salvation. They are all the while quoting certain passages of scripture which, taken from their proper connections, seem to confirm their contention. It matters nothing to them how illogical their position is nor how contrary to the general teaching of the Bible their theory is, they just stick to the cry that those who do not say that one must be baptized in order to salvation are not preaching a whole or full gospel. Yet those very people are not giving a whole gospel. They are withholding the gospel truth that repentance toward God and faith in Jesus Christ are the essential conditions of one's salvation, entirely independent of any ordinance. The divine proclamation is "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved." The spiritual contact between the sinner and Christ is a faith which at once accepts Him as the full Savior of the soul. A spiritual salvation is a spiritual work, produced by the Holy Spirit, without any reference to any physical act. Any sort of gospel which takes from God the whole glory of one's salvation is a spurious gospel. But aside from this feature of the question, the fact should be considered that the whole gospel is not at all confined to the work of personal salvation. Other things of great importance are involved. One of them is the establishment of churches on the right foundations. Many reputedly "Christian" churches are not true churches. They have not been scripturally organized. Their officers are not divinely sanctioned. Their pastors are self-chosen. They do not believe in a divine call to the ministry. Surely, these things are not according to the whole gospel of Christ. That gospel is far more inclusive than some religious people are aware of. It is a world-wide missionary gospel. It is broadly and powerfully progressive. It calls for full-hearted conquest.

EDITORIAL



HAVE YOU JOINED THE POST CARD BRIGADE?

We are rather proud of the showing made by the Post Card Brigade in last week's paper. Quite a number marched in too late to get in last week. We ask all enlisted ones to get into "camp" (the editor's office) by Monday morning. A bright pastor's wife writes: "I want to tell you that your paper is improving all the time. I like your idea of getting short, newsy paragraphs or squibs."

If you want to be enrolled drop us a line and we will send you a pack of post cards.

SOUTHERN EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

The executive committee of the Southern Educational Association has just decided to hold the next annual meeting at Chattanooga, Tenn., on December 27, 28 and 29, 1910. The special territory of the association consists of the following sixteen Southern States, also including the District of Columbia: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia.

The coming meeting will be the largest and most important educational gathering that has yet assembled in the South. During the last two years the association has been largely reorganized and has begun a new era in its history, namely, that of organizing and utilizing specialists in education and of making investigations, studies, etc., of educational problems and conditions. The association was organized by Southern educators twenty years ago, and has always been a very important factor in the educational work and formulation of educational policies in the South. It has no connection whatever with the Conference for Education in the South with which Mr. Ogden is so prominently connected.

The association has just completed the organization of the Southern Educational Council, which is composed of thirty of the leading educators in the South, great care being taken in their selection. One of the main objects of the Council is to make systematic studies of educational problems and conditions. These will be of special value to the South by reason of its peculiar conditions and the stage of development of its educational system. For doing this work special committees will be appointed and funds solicited. The results of these investigations will be published and will be very valuable contributions to Southern educational literature. The subject for this year's investigation is school administration and supervision in the state, county, district and city.

At the Chattanooga meeting symposiums will be held of college and university presidents and professors on college education; of superintendents on supervision of rural schools; of high school principals and instructors on problems of normal school education; of state presidents and state chairmen of committees on education of state federations of women's clubs, on the educational work of women's clubs in the South.

The Alabama conference of the M. E. church, South, at Troy took high grounds on the temperance question and unanimously adopted a ringing memorial to the legislature to stand by their pledges made to the people prior to the primaries, rather than to be obedient to a convention which acted without instructions to the voters, and not satisfied to let the matter rest here a call to fasting and prayer was made for December 29th, it being the day selected for the state meeting of the Anti-Saloon League in Birmingham. We hope our Baptist people will not let the legislators rest until they give assurance that they will not interfere with the temperance laws on the statute books, and that our people will be much in prayer now and during the session of the legislature.

EDITORS AND PASTORS.

If the editors of our state papers and the pastors in the various states could thoroughly understand each other's aims and ambitions, it would be seen that they interweave in so many ways as to make them more or less dependent one upon the other, and therefore, brother pastors in Alabama, we are striving to arouse this mutual interest in a way that by working together, each of us in his sphere may better serve our Baptist cause. We need your help in getting the papers into the homes of your people, because this gives us a chance to reach them, while the columns of the paper gives you a chance to reach thousands outside of your church circle and the community in which you live.

BROTHER CRUMPTON ON CHRISTMAS.

Blessings on the man who invented Christmas. The name is unfortunate, but the season is a joy forever.

Some old fellows say: "I wish Christmas would never come." The same old fellows are wont to say: "Times ain't like they useter wuz" (meaning that they are worse).

How glad I am that "times ain't like they useter wuz" I think of that every time I step into a bathtub, turn on an electric light, talk over a telephone, look at a rural delivery box, read of the marvelous triumphs of medicine and surgery, study the superb educational systems, see the farmers with their improved road systems, their cribs filled with corn and their pockets jingling with money from the advance in the prices of cotton and other produce.

I remember the time when I could count on my five fingers the number of Baptist preachers in Alabama "living of the gospel"; now I can't begin to tell the number. I well remember the barn-like church houses seen in country, village and town; now the modern house with all its conveniences, comforts and adornments are taking their place, even in the country.

What could I not say of the Sunday schools and Bible study, the training of young members, the consecration of wealth and the world-wide spirit of missions taking possession of us.

I am glad of it all and glad of the coming of Christmas, too. I don't know that I will take a day off during the holidays, for I love my work better than I do anything else; but I am filled with delight to hear the glad voices of the young, the popping of firecrackers, to see the merrymaking and especially the gift-giving spirit.

"The poor ye have with you alway" comes to mind probably more forcibly at Christmas than at any other season.

Again I say, Blessings on the man who invented Christmas.

CHRISTMAS THOUGHT.

Lift up your eyes to the great meaning of the day, and dare to think of your humanity as something so divinely precious that it is worthy of being an offering to God.

Count it as a privilege to make your offering as complete as possible, keeping nothing back; and then go out to the pleasures and duties of your life, having been truly born anew into His divinity, as He was born into our humanity on Christmas day.—Phillips Brooks.

A PAGE OF MISCELLANEOUS SHORT ITEMS

Dear Brother Barnett: Please change our paper to Fort Deposit, Ala., from Columbiana, and greatly oblige.—J. R. G. White.

The encampment commission is working on plans and program for the encampment of 1911. If any one has any ideas that might prove helpful, the committee would appreciate having the same forwarded to A. G. Moseley, chairman, Wetumpka, Ala.

Dear Brother Barnett: Please change my paper from Macon, Ga., to Dothan, Ala. I have charge of Headland Avenue church here. Will do what I can to get you new subscribers.—Lamar Jones.
(Back home and ready for work.)

Brother T. C. Jester, of East Lake, came down and preached for us yesterday, and we called him to pastor the church the rest of the year. He gave us no definite answer, but left the impression that he would accept the call. We are very much in need of a pastor. Your brother, Joel W. Guin, Guin, Ala.

I inclose herewith \$1 for renewal to paper. My time is out January 1, 1911. We took a collection yesterday at Bethlehem for Orphans' home and got a nice little sum. The clerks will send it today. I do not like crisis measures, and some of us country preachers that have good homes are not hunting locations. Truly, James D. Martin, Centerville.

The Sunbeam Band of the First Baptist church, Blocton, Ala., on last Sunday gave \$5 to the Baptist orphanage. The Sunbeam Band has only been organized a short time. The Sunbeam Band will give a Christmas entertainment on next Friday night, December 23, 1910, for the benefit of the church repair committee. Mrs. E. D. Lee is the noble leader of the Sunbeam Band.—John L. Ray, pastor.

Church here moving on fine. Hope to do more next year along missionary lines. I was called last Sunday to serve the church next year, with an increase in salary. Will try to do something for the paper soon. Keep up the good work. God bless you and Brother Crumpton and all the rest. Yours in His name—A. L. Blizzard, Ozark, Ala.

Dear Brother Barnett: Please change my address from above place (Center) to Lebanon, Tenn. I have resigned here to take up the work there. I hate to leave Alabama, but the field is much greater there than here. The Lord bless you and the Alabama Baptist. Fraternally—E. L. Barlow.
(We hate to give Brother Barlow up, but pray God's blessings on him in his new field.)

Morris, Ala., R. 1.—Dear Baptist: Owing to indications of rain our pastor, Rev. G. W. Wilder, was not with us on Saturday, but came today and preached an interesting sermon. The congregation attentive, but small on account of a marriage in the community. The church is in harmony, because we are doing so little. Would to God our churches would line up to the requirements of our denomination. Our Sunday school is running all the time. Success to the Baptist.—Clerk.

The school at Newton is doing well. One wing of the brick building is up and is being used as class rooms, but the work on it is not completed. When once completed what a valuable plant this school will be to all of the state of Alabama. It was this week I united in marriage my sister, Mrs. C. H. Brasfield, to Mr. J. R. Sparlin, of Elba. I occupy the unique position as a minister of having performed the marriage ceremony for my brother, Harry, for my brother Molton, for my mother in her second marriage, and now for my sister in her third marriage, and one of my brothers I baptized and saw the other when Brother W. A. Parker, Sr., "buried him with Christ in baptism." Thank the Lord, we believe we are all saved.—R. M. Hunter.



WE WELCOME HIM TO ALABAMA.

Dear Dr. Crumpton: I have received your telegram apprising me of my reelection as Sunday school secretary for Alabama. This is a signal honor which I accept, believing that the hand of God is behind it. My business affairs here can be wound up so that I can leave here by January 15th, if you think that will be satisfactory. May the step already taken be approved of Him who should guide our every step, and may His blessing be upon us and upon Alabama during the coming year. Fraternally yours—Harry L. Strickland.

Brother Barnett: Those who saw and heard Bro. Strickland at the encampment will be glad to know he has accepted the work and comes to Alabama by January 15th. We count ourselves fortunate. Now let the superintendents everywhere rally their schools to the support of the work.—W. B. C.

A RAINY DAY IN BIRMINGHAM.

C. J. Bentley said to me two weeks back: "Come to Avondale and we will give you \$100 for state missions." "Good; it is a trade," was the reply. When I opened my eyes on that rainy morning my first thought was, "No congregation and no collection today." But I was disappointed. We had a fine Sunday school and will get more than the promise of the pastor. The beauty of it is the Sunday school will give the most of it. "What will your class do?" was the question to every teacher, and before the poll was through almost the whole amount was promised. Blessings on Bentley and his people!
At Woodlawn.

Though raining still, the house was nearly filled with as fine an audience of young people as I have seen in a long while. And they seemed to listen, delighted, for one hour to the secretary while he talked about the great commission.

If it shall mean \$200 for state missions I shall be happy. "Turning people away every night our pastor preaches," was the word I had from one of the enthusiastic members.

The great Baptist temple they are building will be finished after a while. It will be a great structure. The pastor said: "Then you will hear from us in large figures," and the secretary said "Amen" in his heart, but thought, "Oh, that fatal 'then,' will I ever cease to hear it?"

The "now" is on us. Things are hurting right now. Pastors Bentley and Anderson are leading heroic bands to turn out so well on a rainy day.—W. B. C.

State missions is in December in Jefferson, Cullman, Morgan, Lauderdale and Limestone. Wonder if we shall get \$3,000.

The church at Hopewell, in the Mud Creek Association, is building a new, large house. The church at Free Will celebrated its forty-fifth anniversary recently. The membership has more than doubled in one year. We have our work well in hand at Liberty, where I am pastor. Here is where I had to meet Mr. Parker, a Campbellite preacher, in debate. Now we are talking of enlarging our house. I go to Mississippi for a meeting Christmas week. I held a meeting there last July with 19 additions. Praises for the Baptist.—T. E. Pinegar.

We have just closed a ten days' meeting at West Huntsville Baptist church. Dr. J. G. Bow, of Louisville, Ky., did the preaching. He is one of our strongest Baptist preachers, but the cold weather handicapped us all the time. But the Lord blessed our efforts and the pastor had the pleasure of purifying eight bright, happy young ladies with our Lord in Baptism Sunday night at the church. The house was filled at that time. We took advantage of the opportunity and preached a sermon on baptism. There has been much good done here.—W. E. Baggett, pastor.

Rev. J. F. Parker is preaching at Boyles, on the first and third Sundays and at Adgers on the fourth. He has the second Sunday open for work. He reports a good day at Boyles yesterday, with a contribution for the orphanage.

Fourth Sunday in November closed a great year's work for Antioch, Bibb county. P. G. Maness, pastor. Rev. J. W. Mitchell, county missionary, filled pulpit that day. Over \$50 in cash has been given orphanage this year. All debts paid. Church building lately repainted inside and out.

I am now located at Jacksonville, Ala., and have charge of the four following churches: White Plains, Rabbit Town, Nance's Creek and Hopewell, all of which are located in Calhoun county. The Lord has blessed me abundantly in my work during this year. I have received fifty-eight members into all my churches, 38 by baptism, 20 by letter. One of my churches has erected a new building and is now more revived in our work for Christ than ever before. Great success to you and your paper for the new year. Yours—T. F. McCullough.

DAY OF FASTING AND PRAYER IN ALABAMA. DEC. 29, 1910.

The Alabama Methodist conference suggests it. That is the day when the Alabama Anti-Saloon League meets in convention in Birmingham. Will the Baptists of Alabama join the Methodists at a throne of grace?

Praying people of all faiths should join in observing the day.

Maybe some who read these lines do not believe in fasting. All certainly believe in praying.

The forces of evil and the forces of righteousness are in a death struggle.

Most of the legislators are professed Christian men. Most of their constituents are professed Christians. Is it wrong for us to pray God to guide them to do the right?

The forces of evil will do their worst to induce them to do the wrong.

Let Christians be brave. Why shouldn't they? The promises of God are theirs.

He promises wisdom to His people if they ask Him. He has in times past sent a trembling heart into their enemies. This He can do again.

W. B. CRUMPTON.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS.

The work in the Birmingham Association, Mrs. W. L. Rosamond, Birmingham, superintendent. Our missionary at Shanghai, Miss Willie Kelly. Our students at the Louisville Training school, Miss Marietta Register, Miss Rosa Dykes and Miss Ida Martin. The reaching of the year's apportionment.

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Washington, D. C., Dec. 1, 1910.
My Fellow Alabamians:

I wish to enlist your co-operation in
a movement of supreme importance to
our state, that of improving education
in the country districts.

Under our present system Alabama
has dropped to a class by herself be-
low the bottom of all the states. Com-
parative figures, compiled for the
years 1906-1909, show that Alabama's
total funds for public schools are less
than half the funds of Arkansas, are
over \$1,000,000 less than the funds for
each of our neighbor states of Louisi-
ana, Mississippi, Tennessee and Geor-
gia. The figures show that we devot-
ed but \$2.39 for each child of school
age for the year 1906, while the aver-
age for the nine other southern
states was \$3.52, nearly 50 per cent
more than for Alabama; the average
in the United States being \$12.89, over
five times as much. They show that
on education we spent but 13 cents
per \$100.00 of our real property, while
the average for the nine other south-
ern states was 21 cents, or 61 per cent.
more in proportion to wealth, and for
the whole country it was 25 cents,
nearly twice as much. The figures
further show that Alabama's great
lacking is in county and local funds,
the very funds which in the raising
create interest and local pride, the to-
tal funds from all county and local
sources in Alabama being but 33 per
cent. of the total, while in the other
southern states this average is over
72 per cent. These astounding figures
show how our system in Alabama is
impoverishing our country schools and
sapping their vitality, and is thus
striking at the very root and founda-
tion of our prosperity and our great-
ness.

The consequences are already ap-
palling. Deaths from typhoid fever,
dysentery, malaria, hook worm dis-
ease, anaemia and similar diseases
resulting from ignorance have gone up
to nearly double the average for the
rest of the country. Our farmers have
been selling their inheritance to out-
siders, parting with priceless iron
lands, coal lands, timber lands, for a
mere song, simply because they do
not know any better. Unless the
standard of education is raised among
our farmers, they will soon be dispo-
sessed of their farm lands, and thus
complete their disinheritance by out-
siders who possess an education.

No time can be lost. The boll weev-
il has crossed the state line. If we
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Unfortunately the constitution of the state now stands in the way, forbidding under all circumstances our country school districts from levying taxes for school purposes. Towns and cities can levy such taxes to properly educate their children, but the farmers are forbidden the same right, though this right is a fundamental part of the right of local self-government. No other state in the union, no other civilized community in the world, has such an iniquitous law. Our rural schools being deprived by the constitution of any adequate vital support, are, necessarily, in a languishing condition.

I ask your hearty co-operation in the effort to remove this first great obstacle. Will you not confer with your members of both houses of the legislature, in person or by letter, and ask them to use their influence to have a proper amendment authorizing local district taxation for school purposes to be submitted by the coming session of the legislature to a vote by the people not later than next fall?

I should be glad if you would write to me here or to the state superintendent of education at Montgomery your own views and the result of your efforts of co-operation.

With good wishes, I remain,
Faithfully yours,
R. P. HOBSON.

IN MEMORY.

Sister Nancy Stewart departed this life November 9, 1910, age 72 years. She arose as customary, made her bed, swept the floor and then went to milk her cows. While milking she dropped dead. She was the mother of thirteen children, ten of whom are living, one of them in Texas. She was baptized about thirty-five years ago into the fellowship of Mt. Gilead church, Bibb county, by Rev. A. M. Perry, and during all that time has been a devoted member. The ten years, that the writer has been her pastor she has never missed but one or two services. In fact, when she was away from services, Sunday school or prayer meeting we all knew something was wrong without asking. Faithfulness was her watchword. She had been a widow several years. A long time ago, when Rev. W. B. Crampton was a young evangelist, he preached one night to a great crowd in her home. Perhaps he remembers the occasion. "Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life."

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A Preacher Writes.

I am ashamed to write you, for I have been on my new field six weeks and haven't received a single subscription for the Baptist. I don't want to tell you what some of my people here say about the Baptist. Must I say it? Guess I just as well, for it is the truth: The reason they talk this way is this: I find some of the preachers fighting the Baptist and missions and they are hard to follow. Pray for me in my new field.

I am trying to put the Alabama Baptist, Foreign Journal and Home Field in the homes of my people, but somehow the world has gotten hold of the folks and it is hard to get them to take and read a good paper. May the Lord bless and prosper you in His work. Sincerely your friend and brother.—J. G. Lowrey.

He Joined.

The following kind letter came as a welcome Christmas present: Enter my name to begin with January 1, 1911. Am well pleased with the Baptist and think it should be in every Baptist home in Alabama, anyway. It seems to me that no one could afford to let this great offer of the three papers pass without subscribing. Hope you and yours will have a merry Christmas. Yours in the Get-One Club.—Joel Woods Guin.

(This came with a check for \$10. He not only subscribed, but sent it to three friends and got an additional subscriber.)

Am glad you have extended your great missionary offer until January 1st. I have been trying to secure subscribers. I have one name promised and hope to send several before the New Year. I am thankful to say we have had all three in our home for several years. You are doing a great work through your paper. I wish every Baptist in Alabama would take advantage of your kindness, read and study missions more. I heartily believe lack of information on this important subject causes indifference of many good church members. It is indeed sad when we consider the great prosperity and vast wealth of the South that our mission boards should be in debt. We can not deny the fact, the abundance of our wealth is used to gratify worldly, selfish desires and almost nothing (in comparison) to carry out the last command of our blessed Lord. Christmas is fast approaching. No doubt many are planning gifts for loved ones and friends. We all know the joy of Christmas giving, but let us make this the happiest Christmas of our lives by giving our first and best to Christ. My prayer is that we all may exercise great self-denial and 1911 will not find our mission boards burdened as they now are. Wishing you a merry Christmas and happy New Year.—Mrs. J. S. Walker.



KIND WORDS

Inclosed is a two-dollar bill, which will move my figures to January, 1912. May your Christmas be a happy one, made so by the host of Baptists that should have and read the dear old paper. Yours truly—J. A. Thomas.

Inclosed please find check for two dollars, which please place to my credit. I am very much pleased with your paper and think that you have made a great improvement in it since you took hold of it. May it continue to grow until it finds its way into the home of every Baptist in the state. Respectfully—W. C. Gewin.

I love the Baptist better and better. Every copy seems to be better, and I hope you will live long to do good, as you are now doing. Your sister in Christ—Mrs. M. J. Kent.

May God bless you and yours and give you long life to continue the good service for Him. You certainly are giving us a good paper. Sincerely yours in His love.—Viola Norris, Fayette, Ala.

Inclosed check for one dollar for the Alabama Baptist. We are delighted with the paper. It is quite an addition to the religious literature of our home. Fraternally—S. J. Parrish, Eastman, Ga.

I enjoy the Alabama Baptist very much. It is better, I think, than ever before in its history. You are giving us a good paper. I am interested in Baptist affairs in Alabama.—E. S. Atkinson, Crawfordville, Ga.

The dear paper is fine and an inspiration to all who read it. It is a welcome visitor in our home. We really look forward to its coming. May the dear Lord bless you in the good work. Respectfully—Mrs. H. W. Watts.

I see my subscription has expired. Inclosed find two dollars. Please move up my subscription. I am getting old, but it has good print and I can see to read it very well. I do love to read it. I don't get to go much but it tells me how the denomination is getting along. I have been taking it a long time, though I work hard for the money. Think my little will help some. Hope you may live long and go on with the good work. May God bless and help you is my prayer. Yours with much love and respect—Mrs. S. E. McShan, McShan, Ala.

I have been trying to get you some new subscribers and hope to send a few later on. I wish every member of our church took the paper, as they make better workers in the church where the denominational papers are read. Praying God's blessings on you and your loved ones and on the dear old Alabama Baptist, I remain your sincere friend—Mrs. John M. Spidle, Belmont, Ala.

I don't want to even miss a single copy, for I love to read it. I am getting old now and have been reading the paper so long don't think I could do without it. I shall continue to take it as long as I live. Good luck to you and the dear paper.—W. E. Smith.

I want to call your attention to the fact that my time is out on your paper, the Alabama Baptist, and you are sending it at your own expense. Yours truly.

(This was received October 3, 1910. His time was out January 1, 1909. This is a sample of the way many Baptists treat editors.)

Your good paper has often been a source of comfort to me and family and you will always have my prayers and best wishes for yourself and the Alabama Baptist. Wishing you a joyous Christmas and a prosperous and happy New Year, I am yours respectfully—Mrs. A. J. Varner.

(She is paid to July, 1911.)

As I am behind with my subscription, the label doesn't look right, and the contents of the paper don't sound right, so here is \$2, which will make the paper more pleasant in my home. You are giving us a good paper. May God bless you and the dear Baptist.

A good sister writes: I am here with inclosing money order for \$2 for a year's subscription to the Alabama Baptist. Having requested a discontinuance of the paper, as I did not feel able to pay for it some time since, I have missed its weekly visits so much that I have decided to never deprive myself of it again. Wishing you much success, I am, yours very truly.

My lamented husband subscribed for the Alabama Baptist and read it many years. It was always a welcome visitor to our home. May God's blessings be upon the editor and his good work.—Mrs. J. C. Wright.

Here comes an old, worn out preacher. I am 81 years old. I have fought many a battle for the Lord and I hope I have won the victory in many a battle, but now my health is so bad and my eyes are so dim I can scarcely see to read your valuable paper. But inclosed please find one dollar, for which extend my subscription for one more year. Many wishes to the dear editor and the readers of the Baptist. I ask the prayers of all saints.—Rev. F. M. Jackson, Tusculum, Ala.

I do not wish to miss a single copy. I could not keep house very well without the dear old Alabama Baptist. God's richest blessings on you for the noble stand you took for temperance.—Mrs. T. J. Baker.

I think I owe you for the paper, so inclosed you will find \$2. Don't see why editors don't starve these hard times, as we are all so negligent of our dues (or duty). Yours faithfully—L. Mallory.

Our paper is just fine and is a welcome visitor to us. May God bless you in this noble work. Yours for the work—Mrs. L. S. Cater.

I am just entering the ministry and I need all the help I can get. Send me the Alabama Baptist. Inclosed find one dollar. Will send more when that gives out. Truly, etc.—J. W. Jackson.

(This is a good way to start)

News Item:—My work at Wayside is doing well. There is work to be done. The brothers and sisters are at work. They have adopted the system to be counted among the regulars in giving. They know how to make a pastor feel glad, for they presented him with a new suit of clothes, foot to head. May God bless them.—J. C. Thomas.

Inclosed find check for one dollar for a year's subscription to your valuable paper. I have been a pastor in the state six years and have read your paper closely. I have watched with pleasure its aggressive methods, wise and prudent way of presenting thoughts, choosing such material that will quicken notice and inspire energy and give both tone and dignity to vital issues of the day. Fraternally yours—B. S. Ralley.

I rejoice in the very decided improvement of the Baptist and trust you will have that success which you certainly merit. Yours truly—F. M. Woods.

Never before has the Baptist been quite so good. I enjoy the comments on the books and magazines so much. God bless your earnest efforts to up-build mankind. Your co-worker in Christ.—Mattie W. Hardy.

Inclosed find \$1 for the Alabama Baptist for another year. I could not be satisfied or don't see how any loyal Baptist could be without your paper. May God bless you and your paper, and may it be the means of making many homes bright, which it will do if our people will read it. Fraternally yours—E. S. Bruner.

I like the paper and admire the grit you seem to have, so will send you \$2, which will move me up to January 10, 1911. May God bless you and your work.—G. W. Coley.

Inclosed please find P. O. order for one dollar. I am not frozen stiff, even if the thermometer is often below 30 degrees below zero, but I don't want to get behind. There is no Baptist church here, so I must have the paper or I might go over to the Methodists. They are very kind to me, but I think I enjoy my own people best. Most sincerely—Ella E. Fleming, Alpena, South Dakota.

(This has the right ring to it.)

Dear Brother Barnett: Your gentle reminder received and must say it did make me sad indeed to think I had waited so long to do my duty. I felt the sting every time the paper came, but you can't understand how hard I've been trying to do my duty right here. Sickness in home has put me in a strain and high prices keep me so, but I couldn't nerve up courage to tell you to stop the paper, though I was painfully aware I was behind, for the paper has become indispensable in our home. It causes me to feel sad that I am unable to do out little to aid the great cause we love so well, but the heart is willing and anxious and I hope for a brighter day. You had my label dated Jan. 10 and I only sent a dollar which paid me to June 09. I hoped to send up till Jan. 11, but must meet other demands, so here is \$2, which advances me to June 10. I hope to let your paper come long as I live, for I'm in sympathy with your views on matters pertaining to our state. Pray for us. Your friend and brother.

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A TRIBUTE TO A NOBLE WIFE.

Mrs. Barna G. Gibson, wife of Deacon J. W. Gibson, and daughter of Deacon W. N. Nichols, of Nicholville, Marengo county, Alabama, was born May 22, 1869. Reared in a pious Christian home, she never departed from her early training. She professed faith in Christ, united with Deep Creek Baptist church and was baptized at 13 years of age by Elder William DeWitt, of sacred memory, August 8, 1882.

She graduated from the Judson institute June 11, 1891. She was married to J. W. Gibson May, 1901.

She was the mother of two children, one of whom preceded her to glory about eight years. The other (little Kathleen) was left at the tender age of thirteen months without a mother.

For several years Sister Gibson was in frail health, but patiently bore her afflictions without murmuring or complaining.

She was a kind, affectionate wife, and presided over her home with that grace and dignity characteristic of her life.

She had a reverence for the ministry rarely seen now. This was doubtless due in part to her early training in a pious home, by Godly parents, and partly due to her deep and constant piety.

To her the preacher was the ambassador of Jesus Christ, and no pains were spared to make him comfortable and happy in her home. The pastor in her family was to her truly a benediction, and was regarded as "a man sent from God." It was the privilege of the writer to be her pastor for four years and to spend many happy and profitable hours in her company.

She was faithful to God, and was devoted to her church. For twenty-eight years she walked with God and on December 5th He called her home.

She left a kind, affectionate husband, an aged father and mother, brothers and sisters, step-children, a little babe and a host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

Her funeral was conducted by the writer, and she was laid to rest in the cemetery at Lower Peach Tree surrounded by many friends and loved ones, who covered her grave with beautiful flowers.

Her race is run, the victory won, and she awaits the resurrection morn. Asleep in Jesus, blessed sleep, from which none ever wakes to weep.

J. G. LOWREY.

We repeat what we have before announced that the Alabama Baptist has no traveling representative. Therefore, those whose time has expired will confer a great favor on the paper by making remittances, not waiting to receive a statement from us. While the amount due by each one is small and doubtless could be easily raised, the aggregate of these little amounts would mean much to us. So let no one wait, but let all start 1911 paid ahead.

The pendulum of time has ticked off another year and again we hear the chime of coming days. A day—a week—a month—a year? What do they mean to us—greater opportunities or lessened powers?

TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.

In memory of Simeon Lanford, who departed this life October 24, 1910, at the age of 80 years, 8 months and 16 days.

The writer having known Bro. Lanford for three score years, is thereby competent to give a portrayal for much of his life. While he was a youth he came from South Carolina with his parents to this (Calhoun) county, where he made his home, with only a few years' exception, up to his decease. He professed a hope in his Savior and joined the Baptist church while a young man and was a consistent member of the church up to his death, holding his membership the last fifty-five years with the Baptist church at Post Oak Spring.

On December 23, 1856, he and Mary Emaline Glenn were married, and they lived together until December 2, 1909, at which time the good Lord in His interposing dispensation sent His angel to waft her spirit to realms on high, there to wait only a few months for the coming of her loved husband. Unto them were born eight children, seven of them attaining to manhood and womanhood, whose reputation for good character in Calhoun county was a great consolation to their parents in their last days. To enlist as a soldier, as he believed in the defense and protection of his home and country, he joined company B, 48th Alabama regiment, shouldered his musket and went to the front and went through the perils incident to war and remained true to his colors until the last battle was fought, and acquitted himself with all the honors of a private soldier. At the close he returned home to his loved and loving family to make them an honest living. He was an industrious and hard-working man, was an accommodating neighbor and was affable and punctual in his dealings with others. Always ready to condemn a wrong and to uphold what was right, a man that steered clear of litigation, attended strictly to his own business and not a meddler in other men's business. While he may have had some failings contributory to the flesh, yet our community has lost a good man who lived an exemplary life, worthy of imitation. We have faith that our loss is his eternal gain. Peace to his ashes.

Respectfully submitted by an old veteran friend,

B. G. McCLELEN.

All the forces of the denomination ought to take up the burden of developing a newspaper conscience in the denomination. Our papers should no longer be considered side issues, mere incidents. They ought to be regarded fundamental to everything we are doing, for so they are. People have no right to be ignorant of work God calls them to do any more than they have a right to shirk their duty. To know is a duty, as well as a privilege. It is a serious and vastly important duty to know God's call to duty. Then, there is need of a conscience as to the payment of dues to papers. Every paper is loaded with delinquents. Why should Christian people fail to pay for their papers? We must have a newspaper conscience, and we must arouse it and train it.—Baptist Standard.

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THAT QUESTION AS TO THE INDIVIDUAL CUP.

In a recent issue of the Baptist, a brother requested that some one refer him to any scriptures that were proof passages either for or against the use of the individual cup in the Lord's supper. If he has received any private communications on the subject, I would be glad to see them in print. While waiting on some brother to speak (as we say in the prayer meeting)—I will offer my personal convictions in the premises.

In the First Place

In addition to the direct, definite letter of the law, as laid down in the scriptures, there are New Testament principles to be coincided with; a New Testament spirit to enter into and a New Testament atmosphere to breathe; and these should appeal as strongly to the thoughtful investigator as does the commonly accepted finality of "chapter and verse."


The "chapter and verse" plan, in doctrinal controversy, is full of peril for the cause of truth. A millennial dawnist, in preaching that the final resurrection would have as its order the rising first of those who died immediately preceding the thousand years, and then running back through the ages with Adam the last to rise, had no trouble at all about the chapter and verse. He said: "Matthew 20:16: 'The last shall be first and the first shall be last.'" Now, an intelligent appreciation of New Testament principles, spirit and atmosphere, would have saved from the folly of that proof text.

In the Second Place.

The phrase, "the cup," as it is used in the four accounts of the supper, can not be properly pointed to as a definite proof text either for or against the individual cup idea; for cup in these passages does not mean the literal vessel, but the drink within the vessel. It is that figure of speech which uses the container to denote the thing contained. If you take cup literally, then it is the cup that you drink and it is the cup that is the symbol of the blood. In every use of the word cup in connection with the supper, it is clearly the fruit of the vine, or wine, that is meant, and not the vessel itself. Now, wine, or fruit of the vine, or drink, is a collective noun and of course would be used only in the singular form. So, the expression "the cup," when that expression is equivalent to saying "the wine," can not be made to do service as a definite proof text on the individual cup question.

In the Third Place.

This question of the individual cup hinges on the larger question of the very nature of the supper itself. The supper is a simple memorial of our Lord's death, and in that memorial the fruit of the vine is the element symbolizing the poured-out blood. The vessel itself is no part of the symbol. The wine would still be the symbol whether drunk from a gourd, or a glass, or a cup, or two cups, or forty cups. If it were true that the wine becomes, in the supper, the actual blood of the Savior, then its careful handling, in one cup, might be in order. Or, if the supper were intended as a special token of our fellowship with one another, then one might insist on the seemingly increased fra-



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ternity of all drinking from the same vessel. But would not the same fellowship have been furthered by all (I speak with reverence) biting, one after another, from the same piece of bread. The fitness of breaking the bread into an hundred parts ere it is passed holds in the pouring of the wine, into an hundred portions ere it is passed. Surely its multiplied pouring will not detract from its efficiency as a symbol of the poured-out blood. So that, while the one cup might help to foster the erroneous fellowship idea, the use of the many will not, and from this fact the individual cup sounds the clearer Baptist note.

A frank Methodist minister said to me, "The individual cup is good for you Baptists, but it doesn't quite fit into our idea of the supper." Even so.

In Summing Up.

1. The individual service is as well supported, in the definite thus faith the Lord proof text as is the one or two cups. Neither has its text.

2. The cup, as a vessel, is not essential to the symbolism of the service. It is the fruit of the vine that symbolizes. The cup question is no more vital than is the question of whether a river, or lake, or pool shall contain the waters of baptism.

3. If the beauty and impressiveness of baptism may be enhanced by a well adorned baptistry, may not we seek to bring the added grace and impressiveness of the memorial supper that comes with the use of the individual service.

4. In using the individual service, the meaning of the supper, as being merely a memorial service, is less apt to be obscured, and so a clearer Baptist note be sounded.

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Was the young brother pessimistic who declined a call to a city church, saying, "I am needed in the country worse. The boys and girls are going to the cities. I must try to save them before they go. If they go unsaved, they will be swept away and forever lost." Isn't there a lot of sense in what he said? We are in danger of losing both country and city.

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W. B. C.

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