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Rev. J. L. Ray has moved from Ralph to Gordo, Ala., R. 2.

Rev. Jesse L. Riehey has moved from Florence to Avoca, Ala.

Dr. J. L. Gross, Houston, Tex., is to have Dr. Broughton to assist him in a meeting in April.

For the first time in thirty years a republican occupies the gubernatorial chair of Tennessee. Governor Hooper was elected by a fusion of republicans with the independent element of the democratic party, and defeated his opponent, Senator R. L. Taylor, by a majority of about 12,000 votes.

Many of our letters wind up as follows:

"If this misses the waste basket I may come again."

This is one of easiest ways to consign an article to the dreaded receptacle. Many an editor is willing to publish one effusion, but would die before he would be guilty of foisting a second one upon his readers. Pray "cut" out this sentence.

The work in this field is moving along nicely. All my churches have called me again. Last year I preached at seven churches and four school houses each month. I have had to turn down several calls this year from other churches. I have gotten a young preacher to assist me part of his time this year. This is a great field and a field of many opportunities. We are planning to hold some all-day missionary rallies at some of my churches this year.—C. C. Redmond, McWilliams.

Mr. Leon C. Palmer, field secretary of the Alabama Sunday School Association, recently made a tour, holding Sunday school institutes in south Alabama visiting the following counties: Bullock, Barbour, Henry, Houston, Dale, Coffee, Crenshaw, Butler and Escambia. Mr. Palmer is now on a tour in the western part of the State in the counties of Washington, Marengo, Clarke and Perry. He is to be in Birmingham on February 7 and 8, where he will assist Mr. W. C. Pearce, of Chicago, in a special meeting in the interest of adult Bible class work.

I have just received a telegram notifying me that I had been elected collecting agent for the San Marcus College in Texas, and I have accepted and will leave next week for San Antonio, which will be my future address. After three months' work for the college I expect to return to the evangelistic work, but it will be in Texas. My work in Alabama to me has been very pleasant, and it is with sadness I say to my many friends good-bye. They have treated me better than I deserve.—W. J. Ray.

(We are certainly sorry to lose Bro. Ray. This is the case of a big man going to a big state.)

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OF LIQUORS"



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There will be stirring times for prohibition during this year, and we want our people to keep in touch with what is going on by reading the Alabama Baptist and the Birmingham Ledger, the great daily which is waging such a strong fight for prohibition. The Ledger is a great news gatherer and its editorials are on the side of good morals.

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Total.....	\$6.00

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And old subscribers who will send in \$4.00 can have Alabama Baptist moved up 1 year and get Ledger for one year.

Rev. W. N. Smith has moved from Albertville to Section.

Rev. H. E. Rice has changed his postoffice from Huntsville to New Market No. 2.

Rev. Austin Crouch is to assist in a revival series at Rogers, Ark., this month. He is a great doctrinal preacher.

Please find money order for \$2 for the Alabama Baptist to January, 1912. Wish you and yours a prosperous year. May God bless you and the cause you represent.—Mrs. J. B. Terry.

The Young Men's Baraca Class of Jacksonville, Ala., is publishing a bi-monthly calendar for the church. The subscription price, "The good will of the entire public."

A large congregation heard the Rev. Clay I. Hudson deliver his opening sermon at the First Baptist church, Decatur, at 11 o'clock Sunday morning. Recently he accepted the call as pastor of this church, coming here from Nashville, Tenn., where he was very popular as a minister and as a pastor. The sermon was one of the most able ever heard in the Decatur. He also preached to a large congregation at night.

The Sunday school council of evangelical denominations which was held in Nashville on January 25th and 26th was organized for the purpose of promoting denominational growth and interest, and every evangelical denomination in the United States and Canada is represented by its leading ministers, publishers and laymen. Questions of wide interest to the denominational publishing houses, to the ministers and to Sunday school workers were discussed at the ses-

Alabama is entitled to forty-four delegates to attend the international Sunday school convention at San Francisco, June 20-27, 1911. These delegates are to be elected at the state convention at Anniston April 25-27. Applications are now being received at the office of the state association in Montgomery. Any one desiring to take this trip should send their names in so they can be considered with the others.

The general secretary of the Alabama Sunday School Association, Mr. D. W. Sims, and stenographer, Miss Flora Davis, have been in Mobile since January 20 helping the local committee arrange for a religious census or home visitation, which is to take place on February 16. The plans are well in hand. The city has been divided into twenty-two districts, with a superintendent for each district, who will sub-divide the districts into divisions of about thirty homes each. It is expected that nearly five hundred visitors from the various churches will make the canvass in about three hours, beginning at 9:00 a. m. Feb. 16.

FURTHER REASONS WHY ALABAMA BAPTISTS MUST EDUCATE.

In a former letter I gave as a reason why Alabama Baptists must educate the fact that out of necessity the state cannot give our sons and daughters the kind of education that will serve them best.

State education is not wanting in quality, but in kind. And further, it ought to be added that many of the graduates from our state institutions are as symmetrically educated as are the best that come from our church schools. This, however, in spite of the fact that the state cannot place the same emphasis upon soul culture that the church can.

The problem of the past for the Baptists of Alabama who have had boys to educate has been this: "Shall we send our sons to a state institution, backed up by all sorts of money, but necessarily speechless in matters of religion and soul cure, apart from a few features to which all of any religion, or no religion, can offer no objections; or shall we send them to a church school that speaks out in no uncertain terms, and with the proper emphasis, concerning both religion and soul culture, but fearfully handicapped in its efforts for lack of funds?" The register of Howard College bears record that the majority decided in favor of the former.

And I am not complaining; neither am I writing in the spirit of censure of those who thus decided. There are but few counties in Alabama in which I have not been. I can shut my eyes as I write these lines and in my mind get a panoramic view of the whole state. There are, I am sure, more than 200,000 white Baptists in the state. And they are prosperous—many thousands of them rich. And Baptists are as prolific as any other white people in the state. Instead of the number of matriculates in Howard College lingering about the 200 mark, it should be not one less than 500.

What the college needs is money! Equip her so that she can measure arms in every particular with our state institutions, and then it will be no trouble to get boys enough to fill every nook and cranny of the buildings. We have the boys. This goodly land is full of them. And the Baptists of the State, have the money. Get enough Baptist money to place our Baptist institutions squarely on their feet, and then Baptist boys and girls, scores and scores and hundreds of them, will knock at their doors for admittance.

Ralph Waldo Emerson says: "If a man can write a better book, preach a better sermon, or make a better mouse trap than his neighbor, though he builds his house in the woods, the world will make a beaten path to his door."

And this is as true of colleges as it is of men. No college faculty is adequate, no matter how proficient, if necessity forces it to lean back all the time on the broken staff of a stranded college treasury.

There are some other reasons, which I wish to name in this letter, why Alabama Baptist must go into the work of education exactly like they are going into the work of world-wide missions:

1. The Lines of Educational Work in the State Are Being More and More Definitely Drawn.

The state is improving her educational work-shops all the time. Today the only reason why she hasn't brainer men filling her faculties is because she can't find them. She now has the best in the land, and is always looking out for better. In the matter of buildings and other equipment she stands at the very fore-front of our twentieth century progress.

Other denominations in the state are bestirring themselves as never before. The Presbyterians have always been strong advocates of education, and they are coming more and more to stress the importance of denominational education.

The Methodists, at the last sessions of their two Alabama conferences, by strong vote, placed all their denominational schools in the state under the full control of twenty-four trustees. And this means such a systematizing of the work of education among the Methodists of the state as will soon place them in the front rank of educational effort.

Alabama Baptists have also made an advance step. The naming of an education commission was a long step toward the front. And when this commission secures the right man and begins its organized work I look for progress in the work of education among Baptists such as our denomination has never known. "It's coming still, for a' that and a' that."

2. Schools Are Great Feeders of Denominations.

Every denomination in the land recognizes this fact. I believe the Catholics have acted on this principle more than anybody else up to the present. They have their elementary schools wherever possible. And while they say they are not trying to make Catholics of the children that go from the homes of other denominations, still they are creating a sentiment all the time in their favor. I have often put it this way: No matter how far removed from the Catholic faith a parent may be, if he will send his child to a Catholic school, if the child himself does not come to be a Catholic, he will imbibe sentiment enough to enable his child, when he becomes a father, or certainly his grandchild, to be a thorough-going Catholic.

It is a well-known fact now that the only reason W. J. Bryan is not today a member of the Baptist church is the fact that when young Bryan's trunk was packed to start off to school the elder Bryan, who was a Baptist minister, decided to send his son to a school that was not Baptist.

"And thus we see how the world wags." If we had in our working ranks today the men and women who have been lost to us through the channel of the schools I doubt not it would greatly surprise us all.

Perhaps the writer of this letter shall never know how much a school in a Baptist community did in turning his thinking in the direction of the Baptists. I was reared among Methodists. I never saw an immersion until I was 15 years old. And I had already made my arrangements to go to a Methodist college. The principal of a school in a strong Baptist community visited our home, and made me believe that I ought to attend his school first. I went. I caught the

Baptist spirit and began to think Baptists' thought after them. The result I need not name.

Baptists of Alabama, if you believe the Baptist position is right, and if you want your great denomination to reach out all over the land and gather in the young, then pour your money, your loyalty and your effort into the schools fostered by your denomination.

3. Church Schools Are the Work-Shops Where Most Christian Workers Are Prepared.

If anybody will take the time to investigate a little he will find that God is getting most of his trained workers, not from the state schools, but from Christian schools and colleges. And one great thinker says that he is almost prepared to assert that any school or college can be classed as to the place and honor and reverence it gives to the Bible by the number and quality of specially prepared Christian workers it turns out.

I came across these figures the other day: "During five recent years the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary had 1,175 college matriculates. Of that number approximately 80 per cent were products of Baptist schools; 11 per cent came from private schools and schools of other denominations. That is to say, that approximately 91 per cent had attended Christian schools, and only 9 per cent had ever attended state schools."

And then this writer, added: "If a boy is to be given a fair chance to express his religious feelings, and if God is to have a fair chance to call young men to his service, Christian colleges must be maintained."

And I only add: "If Baptists are to measure up to their best in this, or any other state, they must maintain, in the proper way, Baptist schools; for such schools are the only correct work-shops we have for specially preparing our workers."

4. Church Schools Must Be Maintained for the Sake of Our Secular Schools.

I mean this: "To preserve the influence of Christian character in the public school system, and to keep that system from degenerating into irreligious teaching, there must be furnished to the state well equipped teachers, trained in our denominational schools." The great majority of our children, Baptist and otherwise, will not go to college. They will stop with the high school course. Hence the importance of having teachers in our public schools who have been thoroughly trained in soul as well as in mind and body. This phase of the importance of Christian education has been expressed by one in these words: "Denominational schools are necessary to impress upon state schools the needs of instruction along the lines of character, as well as purely intellectual discipline. This will tend to inspire the leaders of our public school system to improve the moral quality of public instruction. It will eventuate in Christian teachers who will find ready and remunerative employment in the public schools, and thus furnish the people with trained leaders to help them to better things."

And I am longing for the time in Alabama when our church schools, all of them, shall be turning into the secular schools of the country as many well trained and thoroughly-equipped teachers as the state turns in.

Some one has said: "The salvation and perpetuity of the civic order is dependent on the religion of the family and the denominational school." I believe it, and, therefore, let the great work now being inaugurated by the Baptists of Alabama go on, and on, and on!
R. S. GAVIN.
Huntsville, Ala.

RESOLUTIONS

Adopted by the Woman's Missionary and Aid Society of Insey Baptist church on the death of Mrs. G. W. Fagan January 5, 1911:

As it was the will of our all-wise Father to call His beloved daughter to her heavenly home, we, as His beloved children, bow in humble submission to His will.

Mrs. Fagan was seventy-seven years of age. For sixty-six years she had lived a true, consecrated Christian life.

Resolved, 1. That while we all feel a great loss in her departure, we find great joy in knowing she was spared to us so long as such a beautiful example of a Christian life and we know that our loss is her eternal gain.

Resolved, 2. That we all hope to initiate her life in putting forth our best efforts in upbuilding the cause of Christ which she so dearly loved.

Resolved, 3. That we all extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy and pray that the Father will send His wonderful grace to comfort them as no other grace is sufficient to do.

Resolved, 4. That a separate memorial page in our minutes be given in honor and appreciation of the life of one of our oldest and most faithful members.

Resolved, 5. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family and one sent to the Alabama Baptist for publication.

MRS. J. B. BURFORD,
MRS. J. N. MASON,
MRS. C. D. MASON,
MISS N. G. HARRELL,
MISS MAGGIE BRYAN,
Committee.

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Notes From Brother Crumpton on Sayings from His Correspondents

A. G. Sullivan, Cordova:

"We have used the system for the past three months and intend to continue the use of same, as we consider it the very best ever gotten up to equalize and increase regular, systematic giving. Our collections have increased each month, and for this month, with two Sundays yet to come, we have already more than the amount collected last month. We collect this month for foreign missions."

This comes from one of our best mill towns. The intelligent use of the system anywhere proves satisfactory.

"I went to church last Saturday and Sunday for the first time as pastor, and we will take collections every month, something they have never done. I told them that I was a missionary Baptist preacher, and if they were a church of the same faith, we would practice it."

Think of a missionary church that never took a collection for missions! This is not the only one. We have many in Alabama. This pastor, by persistent, loving pressure, is going to change things there.

J. F. Fore, Pineapple:

"We have adopted the duplex system, and find that it is a great improvement over the old plan of giving."

Why don't everybody adopt systematic giving? The testimony is the same from every one who has tried it.

Clayton:

"Brother B. S. Ralley says that Mt. Andrew is the only church in his field that takes collections systematically. I am not going to be satisfied with the Clayton church until we adopt a system. Brother B. Davie and I are planning to do considerable work in our country churches in the interest of Sunday schools and missions. The every member enlisted plan is my ideal, and I shall work to that end."

Blessings on the brother who is "not going to be satisfied"! As soon as that sort of spirit takes possession of us, something is going to happen sure.

Note.—These laymen are going out to do mission work.—J. J. S. Willis.

"A few years ago I got hold of a little pamphlet, a temperance piece, the title of which was "Poor House Nan". I would like very much to obtain the pamphlet again. If you have it, send it to me, please. I intend having Temperance Day at my school, Evergreen, and would thank you for some temperance literature, something that's good and suitable for the occasion, for God knows we need a lot of it scattered throughout our country. Thanking you in advance, and may God's blessings abide with you now and forevermore."

This is from a Christian teacher. What an opportunity this "Temperance Day" opens to the teachers of Alabama. "Poor House Nan" recited by a little girl would be the best temperance speech that could be delivered. Sorry I have only a few on hand. "If I Were a Fiend" is another good for recitation by a boy.

R. R. Brasher, Huntsville:

"I always enjoy your letters. They are pleasant to me. I love to read them, in fact I carry some of them in my pocket so I can have them to refer to. There is a sick brother here who asked me to bring him something to read, and among the things I carried him were some of your tracts. I hope they will do good. I wish you would send me some more. I want to put them in the hands of the people."

The tracts and circular letters are doing the work. Oh, that I had a large tract fund! What worlds of good they would do! I have great plans in mind about them I can not carry out. We need some for the unconverted, the undecided, the backslider, the skeptic. These I could buy, if I only had the money!

J. L. McKinney, Huntsville:

"Please send me one of your 'Every Member Books'. We use the schedule. Pity that all church people can't see the need of a 'system'. Your system is O. K. if we will put it to practice. Our churches are suffering more from the lack of system than for any one other sin. Command my service in any way you may see fit."

"I sometimes think that I could do a good colportage work here on my field. If I had just the right kind of literature. For instance, we have many kinds of believers, some foot-washers, some 'separate Baptists', neither 'hardshells' nor missionary, in fact 'all kinds of beliefs' and 'no beliefs'. But our congregations are growing and our interest is better in many respects. Last quarter Merri-mac was the "Banner Sunday School" in the Huntsville district."

If we only had a sufficient colportage fund! We are doing much with the small fund we have, but we need to have on hand a large stock and a clerk to look after the book department. Somebody will remember colportage in a will some day. In spite of all the isms present in that factory town, this brother's congregations are growing and the Sunday school is on a boom. Maybe after all, the isms are doing little harm. Faithful preaching and teaching the truth is all that is needed. Sometimes we make the heretic proud of himself when we notice his false doctrine.

"Your letter in regard to the outfit is before me. Yes, we use it; and no, we don't. Now, can you reconcile this. It is this way; we have the calendar and wall cards and take collections each month. But the outfit, if I understand it, is to have the Every Member Book and every member giving every Sunday. I am praying that I may serve at least one church that will reach the Bible standard on giving."

"Yes and no." That is a proper answer. Hundreds of churches might answer the same way. But we are coming. See this pastor's longing for one church that would give according to the scripture. When pastors begin to work at it and work towards it, we will get there.

SECRETARY CRUMPTON CORRECTS SOME MISTAKES

I don't often do it, but sometimes it is necessary. It has come to me several times that the Mission Board would spend dollar for dollar with the associations in associational mission work.

I wish we were in position to make so generous a proposition. Associational mission work is badly needed and the brethren are beginning to realize it. Always, where it can, the board loves to co-operate with the associations. The most approved plan is to make a contract with a strong young preacher in the winter for three or four months' service, beginning in June or July, to work under the direction of the executive committee. Some associations, through their committees, have already made contracts. Not often will the committees have to call on the board. If this plan is fallen upon, the churches will cheerfully support such work and the enlarged enthusiasm will crowd the next association with messengers who have caught a new vision.

Another Mistake

is that the board is "out of debt". The secretary, in his report to the board at its annual meeting, said: "I am glad to report the last note at the bank paid; but we will soon have to make others to meet our obligations". The report has made some of the brethren feel awfully good, and I am glad they breathed the invigorating "no debt" atmosphere for a little while.

I am reminded of this bit of history. When Frank Barnett bought the Alabama Baptist he made a speech before the associations something like this: "Brethren, I bought the paper, paying more for it than it really was worth. Since then I have sunk money on nearly every issue. The prices of material, rent and everything are on the jump and I am looking to the Baptists of Alabama to give me a liberal support, while I put my heart and life into the effort to give them a paper". Of course he said much more than this and made a really good speech. He complained to the writer and some others that the brethren didn't seem to shed any tears over his embarrassed condition and didn't come across worth a cent with their subscriptions. A brother who loved him and the paper said something like this to him:

"Frank, you will have to get down off your stilts and button-hole the brethren on the ground. You are hanging around, waiting for them to come to you. If you get them, you will have to go to them. Another thing, that speech of yours didn't strike them. The average Baptist don't care a straw what you paid for the paper or how much you are losing—fact is, you put up such a pitiful mouth they are afraid to subscribe for fear the paper will go dead before the year is out. You cut out all those doleful words and see if it don't help." Frank has been a different man ever since and the paper has a better circulation.

To return to that debt on the State Mission Board. I have concluded to take some of my own medicine. I

am persuaded that the average Baptist can't be aroused by the story of debt. I am sure it has a depressing effect on everybody that hears it and on the secretary who tells it. Hereafter, it will appear in the annual report, if there is a debt, and the secretary will speak of it incidentally as he may be inquired of. I do not mean that some brethren are not concerned, for I know they are; but very many are not. It is hard on them for me to say it, but I am not printing their names.

I shall depend upon letters through the mail and the paper and by personal appeals and on the all-pervading spirit of God to remind His people of His work, as I am trying to direct it.

W. B. C.

FROM BROTHER CRUMPTON.

A young brother asks: "Will the heathen be saved if they do not hear the gospel?"

Dear Brother: Glad to answer your letter. Acts 4:12 says, "Neither is there salvation in any other." That is enough Scripture for me to give you. There can be none in conflict. Suppose one should say the heathen will be saved because of their ignorance. He should, to be consistent, advocate ignorance here and elsewhere. According to his idea, all will be saved in heathen lands because of ignorance. It is certain that many will not be saved in this land of enlightenment. Only a part will be saved here; all will be saved among the heathen, so the heathen are in better condition than those who are enlightened. Therefore, it would be better to let all our people grow up in ignorance, so that all will be saved. "Go ye," said the Saviour. So many of our people find it easier to criticise the boards than to go.

To go would cost them money and toil. So, in order to have an excuse, they try to make themselves believe that the heathen will be saved without the gospel. Such people do nothing for the heathen abroad nor for the heathen at home.

If some one say, "It would be unjust in God," let them say it. The fight is between them and God. I have no reply for such people. "The Lord of all the earth will do right." His ways are past finding out. I cannot understand, but He is going the right thing.

He commands me to go to every creature in the world, as far as I can, and make known his salvation. He would not have commanded if it was not right. He has promised to be with every effort I make—"Lo, I am with you," etc. He has been with His servants in all the ages. In our own country, in the heathen lands, everywhere, His promise is the same, and He has never disappointed us.

Fraternally yours,

W. B. C.

Dear Brother: Enclosed you will find money order for \$2, for which you will please move up my subscription to January 7, 1912. May God's blessing be upon the editor is our prayer.—S. J. Ingram.

Post Card Brigade

Please change my paper from Drewry, Ala., to Montezuma, Ga.—J. R. Conger.

(We are sorry to lose Bro. Conger out of our state work.)

We are glad to note a new church house in course of erection 3 miles east of Red Level, Ala., under the leadership of our consecrated young brother, the Rev. W. E. Smith.—G. W. Klesse.

We had ideal weather for our Sunday school convention at Salem Jan. 28-29. More people present than could get in the building. Schools 20 miles distant represented. Good reports and promises from most of the schools to take a forward step in the work.—A. L. Stephens.

A \$100,000 church building and loan fund for Birmingham association is what is needed at once. The greatest need of Birmingham is the salvation of souls, so we need this amount to build churches where we have none, so we can gather the people and preach to them.—H. R. Schramm.

Moundville.—The church here is getting along fine. Preaching first and third Sundays in each month. We have a fine Sunday school. We have a good mid-week prayer meeting. Good collections. Large congregations and good attention. You are giving us a good paper.—T. B. Sumner, Pastor.

On Dec. 29, at the home of the parents of the bride at Silas, Ala., Miss Annie Reasa was married to Rev. J. E. Cook, of Tantly, Ala. Bro. Cook is now located at Braggs, in Lowndes county, and serving churches in the country around him. He is a graduate of the Howard and also one or two years at the seminary. May their future life be one of usefulness in the Master's work.—T. E. Tucker.

The first district Sunday school convention of the Tuscaloosa association was held yesterday with Carroll's Creek church and was quite a success. The next convention will be held with Mt. Olive church the fifth Sunday in April. James A. Camp, my son, and Miss Sarah M. Adams, of Tuscaloosa, were married Jan. 21st. They will make their home in Hattiesburg, Miss. The new church in Tuscaloosa, Memorial, has called J. H. Barber, formerly assistant pastor of First church, and we understand that he has accepted.—A. T. Camp.

Prof. J. A. Hendricks was with the church at Bessemer Sunday morning, January 29th, in the interest of ministerial education. We took a collection for his work amounting to a little more than seventy dollars. The pastor and church were very much pleased to have him with them. His sermon was a blessing to all. It affords me pleasure to say it will be helpful to any church to have him come and speak on his work and take a collection. His work ought to be brought before all the churches. It is important. But his presentation of it emphasizes it in a way that will make it helpful.—M. K. Thornton.

IS OUR GOVERNOR IN ERROR

Editor of The Birmingham Ledger:

The interest of thousands in our state is centered in our governor's message and in his declaration on many important matters of state. His message is elegant in style, faultless in diction and classic in literary finish. He is straightforward and outspoken in what he means. The paper is an able discussion of many problems in a statesmanlike way. He pronounces the state-wide prohibition laws a miserable failure in the larger cities and towns and in the state and asserts that the prohibition laws have increased crime, promoted intemperance, and debauches the youth of the state.

Did the governor speak from general rumors, hearsay or from official records concerning the increase of intemperance, growth of crime and debauching the youth of the state under state-wide prohibition? The facts in the case, according to the records of our courts and statements of the state authorities, are herein set in contrast and are as follows:

STATEMENT IN GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

Yet the Fuller, Carmichael and other laws enacted by the last legislature are still in force. Have they accomplished the results so confidently expected by their advocates? Have they lessened the sale and consumption of intoxicating liquors, decreased crime and promoted temperance and sobriety among our people? Have they proven more efficient or succeeded in securing more general observance than the laws they superseded? These are questions you must answer, and with courage in action and with justice in judgment. The peace and dignity of the state, the promotion of temperance, and the majestic supremacy of the law upon which alone depend our peace and security, alike demand that a remedy for the deplorable conditions now existing in the larger cities of the state should be found.

PROVEN WRETCHED FAILURE.

In his message the governor says: "After this full survey of all the legislation on this subject, no honest man can truthfully deny that the present prohibition policy has proven a wretched failure in all the larger towns and cities in the state. It has filled them with countless dives where the vilest and most poisonous liquors are illegally sold. It has encouraged graft, burdened our criminal dockets and lowered the standard of private and public morals. It has debauched the youth of the state, engendered a spirit of lawlessness, increased crime, diminished our revenues and promoted intemperance.

"Men without character, financial standing or responsibility, without restrictions or regulations, men who would be denied a license where regulation prevailed, are now engaged in dispensing their poisonous wares without license or restriction. The officers of the law have been diligent, and yet where grand juries fail to indict and petit juries refuse to convict and public sentiment refuses to sustain prosecutions, the inevitable result has followed.

"The remedy then is to carry out in good faith the declaration of the party platform and to restore local option and the right of self-government as the wisest and best solution of this problem, which has so long baffled and perplexed our race.

REST FROM AGITATION.

"The people of Alabama demand rest from the agitation and turmoil which has cursed the state the past few years."

FACTS FROM RECORDS OF COURTS AND OFFICERS.

The attorney general, Alexander Garber, made the following official statement December 31, 1910:

Cases of drunkenness before state courts for two years, 1907-'08	968
For the same cause two years, 1909-'10	635
Decrease under prohibition	333
Per cent of decrease, 34.1-2.	
Murders, called homicides, 1907-'08, caused directly by liquor	348
Murders 1909-'10, caused directly by liquor	258
Decrease under prohibition	90
All murder cases 1905-'06 was	669
All murder cases 1909-'10 was	630
Actual decrease in murders under state-wide prohibition	39
Total falling off of all court crimes in state in 1909-'10 as compared with 1907-'08; decrease	606
3005 criminal cases under prohibition of 1909-'10 record even few violations of law.	
White boys arrested under 16 years of age in Birmingham, 1906	143
White boys arrested during 1910, in all Greater Birmingham	36
Decrease under prohibition	107
The per cent of decrease, 72.	
Number of arrests for drunks for 1907 in Birmingham	2428
Number of arrests for drunks for 1909 in Greater Birmingham	1172
Decrease in cases of drunks	1256

Have not prohibitionists good cause to rejoice in these achievements and to go forward, not backward, in the effort to maintain and enforce present laws?

WALTER L. SESSIONS.

Post Card Brigade

You will find enclosed money order for \$1 to pay for my paper and please change the paper from Madison, Ala., to New Decatur, 609 Fifth avenue, W.—Rev. S. S. Hacker.

The Lord of love has seen fit to visit our home again and give to us another bright-faced, blue-eyed baby boy and his name is John. For him to grow in stature and wisdom and in favor with God and man is his parents' desire. God bless our country.—B. M. Barnett.

The Baptists of Corey opened business for the Lord in the old Corey land office Sunday, January 29. H. R. Schramm preached at 11 a. m. and 3 p. m., after which a Sunday school was organized. We need \$10,000 to equip us for work. The Lord will pay big interest.—H. R. Schramm.

A good woman in a letter from New Hampshire says:

"I have read some while back what you say about 'people that 'sponge' their religious reading instead of paying for it. I feel almost guilty myself."

(She owed nothing.)

I have been a Baptist preacher for about one year and I am serving four churches. The more I learn about Baptists the better I like them. My chief business in life is to labor in the vineyard of my God. I love the dear old Baptist church. It was my father's choice. I also love our church paper and I am doing all I can to add to its circulation.—B. M. Barnett, Shady Grove.

I arrived in Montgomery from Nashville today a week ago. I have spent the week in south Alabama campaigning for home missions. I have for the most part found the people responsive. The pastors are courteous and give me their hearty co-operation. I will preach for Bro. Richard Hall, Evergreen, on Sunday morning for Brother Gaultney at Greenville Sunday night.—T. O. Reese, Home Board Evangelist.

Bro. Carnes preached a very impressive sermon on the duties of the deacon here Sunday, after which a presbytery composed of our pastor, Bro. J. F. Yancey, W. W. Grogan and Bro. Carnes, set apart Brethren T. L. Harwell and F. K. Edge to the office of deacon. The Cherokee County Association will meet here Friday before the second Sunday in October. Come and be with us.—J. M. Chancellor, Round Mountain.

WANTED—Young men of good character to learn automobile business. We will teach you by mail in 12 weeks if you study one hour each night during these long winter nights. Most of tuition payable after you secure position. Chauffeurs and auto salesmen earn from \$100 a month up. We will give a small working model of an automobile to each student. We employ all students while taking the course. Reference, U. S. Savings bank. Write for plan 44 and copy of magazine we publish. The Automobile College of Washington, Inc., Washington, D. C.

SCISSORETTES



By DR. KEEN KUTLER

"If any little word of mine
May make a life the brighter,
If any little song of mine
May make a heart the lighter,
God help me speak the little word,
And take my bit of singing
And drop it in some lonely vale
To set the echoes ringing."

Charles Edward Merriam, associate professor of political science at the University of Chicago, has announced himself as a candidate for the republican nomination for mayor in Chicago. Professor Merriam has represented the Seventh ward as alderman for the past two years.

After staring at the minister straight through the first course, Adeline inquired: "Mamma, why is that man's hair so black when his beard is white?"

She was hushed by the stricken family, and stayed hushed until the salad was brought in.

Then she saw her chance. "I know," she said, "it's 'cause he uses his jaw more'n he does his head."

There seems to be a fatality as regards fire affecting Christian colleges in the south. On December 25, a fire at Richmond College did damage to the amount of \$35,000; on the 2nd of January the Methodist Trinity College, Durham, N. C., lost \$40,000, and on the 3rd the Baptist college at Alexandria, La., suffered a loss of \$40,000.—Christian Index.

Once there was a struggling young author who was blest with many friends, all of whom told him that he was the coming great writer of the country.

So one day a bright thought struck him. He said: "I will publish my book, and all my friends who admire it so much will buy my book, and I will be rich."

So he printed his book.

And all of his friends waited for him to send them autographed copies of his book.

And so his books were sold as junk.

And ever after he didn't have any friends.

Charles A. Dana believed that the daily newspaper is the chief intellectual food, the bread and meat, of a modern people. The most cultivated among us has hardly taken as much from the conscientious training of the schools as he has from the unconscious training, begun in early youth, of the daily newspaper. Not the editorial page either—the straight news columns. It is the raw material from which opinions are formed; if the material be shoddy, how can the finished product be sound?

Louis D. Brandeis, of Boston, "the people's attorney" is to be pitted against Standard Oil's attorneys in the trust's libel suits against Benjamin B. Hampton and Cleveland Moffett. The suits of Standard Oil were inspired by magazine articles, in which Moffett alleged that Standard Oil had gained control of the glucose sugar industry and that by using sulphides in its manufacture the company had endangered lives. Before starting its \$350,000 suits Standard Oil's attorney demanded a retraction from Hampton. The editor of Hampton's decided to stand by the article.

A fashionably dressed young woman entered the postoffice in a large western city, hesitated a moment and stepped up to the stamp window. The stamp clerk looked up expectantly, and she asked, "Do you sell stamps here?"

The clerk politely answered, "Yes."

"I would like to see some, please," was the unusual request.

The clerk dazedly handed out a large sheet of the two-cent variety, which the young woman carefully examined. Pointing to one near the center, she said, "I will take this one, please."

It is reported that there are twenty-two Baptist members in the British house of common just elected.

Dr. C. C. Brown rounded out his thirty-sixth year as pastor of the First church at Sumter, S. C., last Sunday.

Rev. C. C. Pugh, who was formerly pastor at Lafayette, recently had a strong sermon on Repentance in the South Texas Baptist.

Rev. Dr. Amory H. Bradford, for forty-one years the honored pastor of the Congregational church of Montclair, N. J., has resigned his charge, owing to increasing bodily infirmities.

Grove Avenue church, Richmond, Va., is expecting Dr. H. M. Wharton, of Baltimore, to aid their pastor, Dr. W. C. James, in special religious services, to begin at an early date.—Religious Herald.

At the entrance of the Applan Way, in Rome, a tomb has been unearthed, on the tablet of which, among others, is found the names of Tryphena, Tryphosa, Urbane, Hermas and Patrobas, mentioned by Paul in the sixteenth chapter of Romans. This is a remarkable testimony to the genuineness of Paul's writings.—Baptist Herald.

The Columbus Ledger of January 30 had over a column about a strong sermon preached to men only by Rev. O. C. Dobbs, of Phenix City. It concluded by saying: "Many complimentary comments were heard upon the streets this morning on the sermon, and it is unanimously agreed that the service was one of the best ever held in this section."

The steel gates of the locks of the Panama canal are being constructed at Pittsburg. They are seven feet thick and sixty feet wide. There are 92 gates in all, or 46 pairs for the locks, which are 110 feet wide. The locks are in duplicate, so that vessels can pass up and down at the same time, with three steps at each end of the high level. The locks are also divided for use for the smaller vessels. These gates are, of course, not solid, but built up like the frame of a steel building, and covered on all sides with armorplate, yet some of the largest gates will weigh 600 tons.

The report presented to one of the Philadelphia organizations recently concerning the children is startling to the point of a shock. There were 681 Bible schools considered. In those schools there were 20,681 officers and teachers, 188,221 scholars. The enrollment in Baptist schools is 34,626. According to the city census there are 233,620 children in Philadelphia between the ages of 6 and 16. The approximate number of this age in Protestant Bible schools is 116,564, and the number in parochial schools is 49,877, leaving 67,179 without any Bible school education.

Dr. John Henry Jowett has accepted the call to the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church in New York City, and will doubtless play a prominent part in American religious life during the next few years. Mr. Jowett is 47 years old, and since he was 31 has been pastor of Carr's Lane Chapel in Birmingham, England. During these sixteen years at Birmingham, as successor to R. W. Dale and Angell James, he has sustained the traditions of a great pulpit and maintained, amid quite different conditions, the prestige of a church which his predecessors had made one of the foremost in England.

Dr. Jefferson says: "Many a preacher is unduly depressed by the diminutive proportions of his evening congregation. He takes the whole burden on himself, because his people have rolled it there. But the Sunday evening problem is not a ministerial problem. It is a church problem, to be grappled with and solved by the church. Every member of the church is involved in it, and to saddle it on the minister is to do a thing of which even publicans and heathens would probably be ashamed. The church member who stays at home Sunday evenings, and then wonders why his pastor fails to fill the church has much to learn."

Pastor George W. Truett will assist Dr. Sumrall in a meeting at Shreveport, La., beginning February 14.

President Thwings once said: "After all, the lucky man is the man with the hard job." Looking at it from this angle we are mighty "lucky."

Nearly three hundred million acres of land have now been withdrawn from the settlers' reach in the United States.

The annual protracted meeting at the chapel of Baylor University was conducted by Rev. T. T. Martin, the evangelist, who preaches Baptist doctrines in his meetings.

Evangelist R. F. Tredway, of Mansfield, has been in a meeting with Pastor L. E. Barton at West Point, Miss. There were 17 additions to the church during the meeting.

We are obliged to Moderator John C. Williams for a copy of the Coosa River Baptist Association. The historical table is quite interesting, as it gives the name of church, moderator, clerk, preacher of associational sermon and new churches received since 1834.

The lazy and the shiftless have not enough will power to get up in the morning to do a good day's work. Some people are almost too indolent to breathe or to feed themselves. This is the result of a weak will.

Dr. C. F. Aked, of the Fifth Avenue Baptist church, New York City, is to supply the pulpit of the First Congregational, of San Francisco, for three Sundays in February, and the Congregational paper says that it hopes he will be induced to accept the pastorate.—Baptist Standard.

Rev. H. R. Holcomb, an evangelist of the Home Board, will assist Rev. J. W. O'Hara in a meeting at Newport, Tenn., and the latter uses the Newport Plain Talk to introduce Bro. Holcomb and prepare the people for the services. Our pastors ought to always use the secular papers to advertise their meetings.

A German expedition, under Dr. Andrae, is excavating with the characteristic German thoroughness the Mound of Kal'at Shergat in Mesopotamia, where stood Assur, the earliest of the Assyrian cities, and where sample streets or sections of streets have been laid bare, affording materials for fascinating archaeological studies.

A few men now control not only the industrial life, but also the money supply and the commercial credit of the nation. One of our most eminent financial authorities recently declared that less than a dozen men in New York City control industrial, transportation and banking enterprises capitalized in all at not less than \$35,000,000,000.

Daniel Webster, in his "Oration on the First Settlement of New England," said: "Our ancestors founded their government on morality and religious sentiment. They were brought hither by their high veneration of the Christian religion. They journeyed by its light, and labored in its hope. They sought to incorporate it with the elements of their society, and to diffuse its influences through all their institutions, civil, political, social and educational."

Benjamin Franklin, addressing President Washington in the convention which framed our national constitution, said: "I have lived, sir, a long time, and the longer I live the more convincing proofs I see of this truth—that God governs in the affairs of men. And if a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without His notice, is it probable that an empire can rise without His aid? We have been assured, sir, in the Sacred Writings, that 'except the Lord build the house they labor in vain that build it.' I firmly believe this; and I also believe that without His concurring aid we shall succeed in this political building no better than the builders of Babel."

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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.

Send contributions for this page to the Mission Room.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK.

"As thou hast prospered me, so let me give."
Dare I, O Christ, not make this prayer to thee?
Above, beyond all gifts art thou to me.
Thyself thou gavest, that my soul might live.
Grateful, adoring, at thy feet I fall,
Myself not mine, but thine; take thou my all.

—H. H. B.

DURING FEBRUARY.

We study about Foreign Missions.

We give, as women's societies, to the support of women missionaries and schools on the foreign fields; as auxiliaries, to the hospital work; as Royal Ambassadors and Sunbeam Bands, to Africa. All four of these organizations are also trying, during February, to reach their apportionment to the Margaret Home, Bible Fund and to the Training School Enlargement, Support and Student.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS.

Our work in the Eastern district, vice-president, Mrs. O. M. Reynolds, Tyler Hill, Anniston. There are eighteen associations in this district, seven of which are without superintendents. We rejoice, however, that there are societies in — of these unorganized associations. The convention next November will be held in Gadsden, which is in this district, and it is our sincere desire that by then the Eastern district may be thoroughly organized. "And when ye pray, believe!"

Our work in the Centennial Association, superintendent, Mrs. George Carlisle, Union Springs. There are sixteen churches in this association, with five societies in all, but these five societies represent the work of only two churches.

Our missionary at Shimonoseki, Japan, Mrs. J. Franklin Ray. It is to Mobile that we give thanks for this beautiful character. In early womanhood she went to Missouri, where she taught for four years in Stephens' Female College. Here her interest in missions took definite form in the active work which she did for the B. Y. P. U. After that she taught at the Judson, where her memory and influence still sweetly tell for good. When she decided to go into definite mission work she went to Louisville and studied there in the seminary for one year. Her roommate was Miss Leachman, who is now instructor in practical missions to the students in the Training School. Shortly after the Anniston convention of 1904 she was married and went to her present work in Japan. In a few years her health failed and she came back for a complete rest. In the fall of 1908 she was able to be with us our W. M. U. convention at Birmingham, and from this convention she bore with her shortly after to her Japanese home the renewed love and prayers of her Alabama sisters.

Our students at the Training School: Miss Marietta Register, Miss Rosa Dykes and Miss Ida Martin. The reaching of our year's apportionment.

REJOICE YE.

Never before in the history of our state have we been able to award three scholarships to the Training School for a given session. When the school opens up this coming fall we are prepared to be

represented there by three splendid young women. One will be Miss Marietta Register, who will for another year represent the Y. W. A's. Then the Lucy Stratton scholarship, which was created at the Evergreen convention in memorial honor of our former state president, Mrs. Lucy F. Stratton, will be held by Miss Addie Cox, of Carrollton. Miss Cox is now teaching at Myrtlewood, but she finds time for her teaching to do the work of associational superintendent for the Union, and is in every sense deeply interested in the cause of missions, and will, we truly believe, prove worthy of this high honor of being the first one to hold this scholarship. The third scholarship has been made possible by the generosity of the Ladies' Aid Society of the First church of Selma. Their beneficiary will be Miss Nellie Dunn, who is at present teaching in the Orphanage at Evergreen. Those who were at the late convention met Miss Dunn and will agree with us when we say that fortunate indeed is the society at Selma in being able to help in training for service one who seems to be so definitely called to do mission work as does Miss Dunn.

Another cause for rejoicing is found in the splendid report which we were able to send up this quarter to Baltimore. We reported in all to Mrs. Lowndes \$4,041.74. Our Christmas offering alone came to \$1,841, which is about what we gave last year in all to this cause, and we believe that the offerings from many more societies will yet come in and enable us to pass far beyond the mark made last year.

Our third cause for giving thanks with joy is found in the fact that from all over the state the associational superintendents are writing to your mission room the most encouraging letters, saying that their association expects to do its very best to reach its apportionment this year. "May the tribe increase" of those who thus propose in their hearts! You may not believe it, friends, but in order for the state to meet its apportionment we must by the 1st of May have raised over \$8,000, which means that for these three months we must raise nearly \$3,000 a month. We can do this if every society will send in of what it lacks on its apportionment one-third each month for the next three months, and if many of us will be much in prayer that women who are not now giving as they could give may see that there is great joy in this form of service.

"Rejoice in the Lord, and again I say, rejoice!"

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JANUARY.

State Missions.

Huntsville (Dallas Avenue) L. A. S., \$6; Fredonia (East Liberty) W. M. S., \$1; Montgomery (Clayton Street) W. M. S., \$2.50; Montgomery (Clayton Street) S. B. B., \$1.36; Coatopa L. A. S., \$1; Mobile (Palmetto Street) W. M. S., \$2; New Prospect (Bigbee Association) W. M. S., \$1.50; Bessemer L. A. S., \$10; Birmingham (First) L. A. S., \$90; Scottsboro W. M. S., \$5; Greenville W. W., \$6; Oswichee (Harris Association) L. M. S., \$6; Jackson L. A. S., \$1; Bay Minette S. B. B., \$1c; Bay Minette L. A. S., \$1; Union Springs Y. W. A., \$1.50; Ralph A. and M. S., \$1.50; Northport W. C., \$12; Orrville W. M. S., \$10; Anniston (P. M.) W. M. S., \$20; Pine Hill L. M. and A. S., \$3; Selma (First) W. M. S., \$65; Hopewell (Cahaba Association) W. M. S., \$2; Phenix (First) L. A. S., \$2.15. Total, \$251.92.

Missionary for Birmingham District.

Birmingham (Hunter Street) W. M. S., \$2; East Lake (Ruhama) L. A. and M. S., \$3. Total, \$5.

Alabama W. M. U. Expense Fund.

Auburn W. M. S., \$1.27; Sumterville W. M. S., 33c; Talladega (First) W. M. S., 30c; Wetumpka L. A. and M. S., \$1; Georgiana M. of the K., \$1.20; Centennial Association, \$5; a friend, \$1.50. Total, \$10.50.

Aged Ministers.

Camp Hill W. M. S., \$6.70; Anniston (P. M.) F. M. B., 80c; McWilliams W. M. S., \$1.30; Northport W. C., \$8. Total, \$16.80.

Orphanage.

Prattville L. A. S., \$2; Fredonia (East Liberty) W. M. S., 50c; Oswichee S. S. class, \$4; Greensboro S. S., \$1; Mobile (Dauphin Way) L. A. S., \$10; Ralph A. and M. S., \$1.72; Beatrice W. M. S., \$10; McWilliams S. B. B., \$1; McWilliams W. M. S., \$1.63; Shawmut S. B. B., \$2. Total, \$33.85.

H. C. L. F.

Montgomery (First) L. A. S., \$1.

Ministerial Education.

Greensboro S. B. B., \$3.

Bible and Colportage.

Elba W. M. S., \$2.10.

Home Missions.

Birmingham (First) L. A. S., \$100; Montgomery (Clayton Street), \$1.50; Auburn W. M., \$7.50; Fredonia (East Liberty) W. M. S., \$1; Insey W. M. S., \$9.60; Coatopa L. A. S., \$1; Mobile (Palmetto Street) W. M. S., \$11; New Prospect (Bigbee Association) W. M. S., \$2.30; Evergreen W. M. S., \$16.25; Wetumpka L. A. and M. S., \$5; Bessemer L. A. S., \$15; Montgomery (First) W. M. S., \$12.23; Repton W. M. S., 25c; Greensboro W. M. S., \$1.25; Centre (East Liberty) W. M. S., \$2.25; Nicholville W. M. S., \$3; Ashland W. M. S., \$7; Enterprise W. M. S., \$6; Pine Apple L. A. and M. S., \$5; Ralph A. and M. S., 75c; Beatrice W. M. S., \$10; Vincent W. M. S., \$2; West Bend W. M. S., \$1; Gordo W. M. S., \$1; Northport W. C., \$12; Trussville W. M. S., \$3.70; Montgomery (Highland Avenue) W. M. S., 80c; Rock Run W. M. S., \$1; Montevallo L. A. S., \$14; Birmingham (Twenty-seventh Street) L. A. and M. S., \$2.20; Newton W. M. S., \$1; Birmingham (Park Avenue) L. A. S., \$4; Whistler L. A. and M. S., \$1.50; Gallion W. M. S., \$5; Selma (First) W. M. S., \$50; Enterprise W. M. S., \$3; Three Notch W. M. S., \$3.50. Total, \$337.58.

Mountain Schools.

Piedmont Y. W. A., \$2; Union Springs Y. W. A., \$2.50; Anniston (P. M.) F. M. B., \$1; Uniontown Y. W. A., \$1.50; Montgomery (First) Y. W. A., \$7.63; Cedar Bluff Y. W. A., \$11; Gadsden (First) Y. W. A., \$16.50. Total, \$42.13.

Indians.

Bay Minette S. B. B., 70c; Oak Hill S. B. B., \$1; Linden S. B. B., \$2; Montgomery (First) S. B. B., \$7.02; Montevallo S. B. B., \$1. Total, \$11.72.

Foreign Missions.

Ensley W. M. S., \$20; Fredonia (East Liberty) W. M. S., \$1; Huntsville (Dallas Avenue) L. A. S., \$4; Fitzpatrick W. M. S., \$6; Russellville L. A. S., \$1.50; Oak Hill W. M. S., \$4.30; Coatopa L. A. S., \$1.50; Ackerville W. M. S., \$7.23; Society Hill W. M. S., \$4; Scottsboro W. M. S., \$20; Greenville W. W., \$12.15; Oswichee (Harris Association) L. M. S., \$13; Oswichee S. S. class, \$4.85; Jackson L. A. S., \$1; Bay Minette L. A. S., \$1; Enterprise W. M. S., \$7.15; Troy W. M. S., \$48.50; Livingston W. M. S., \$3.10; Hartford L. A. and M. S., \$6.61; Clayton L. A. S.,

\$2.75; Ralph A. and M. S., \$1; Tuscaloosa (First) W. M. S., \$12.25; Jasper W. M. S., \$10; Talladega (First) W. M. S., \$15; Birmingham (S. S.) W. A. and M. S., \$60; LaFayette W. M. S., \$2.55; Glencoe W. M. S., \$90c; West End W. M. S., \$2; Gordo W. M. S., \$3; Northport W. C., \$17; Montevallo L. A. and M. S., \$21; Birmingham (Hunter Street) W. M. S., \$20; Rock Run W. M. S., \$1; Anniston (P. M.) W. M. S., \$20; Birmingham (Park Avenue) L. A. S., \$8.50; Whistler L. A. and M. S., \$3; Gallion W. M. S., \$5; Moulton W. M. S., \$8.75; Enterprise W. M. S., \$3.41; Phenix (First) L. A. S., \$4; Samson W. M. and A. S., \$9.60. Total, \$398.60.

Christmas Offering to Africa.

Jacksonville S. B. B., \$2.85; Repton S. B. B., \$3; Boaz S. B. B., \$1.50; Tunnel Springs S. B. B., 80c; Holt S. B. B., \$5; Anniston (P. M.) S. B. B., \$3; Belleville S. B. B., \$2; Cuba Jr. R. A., \$1.20; Cuba R. A., \$4.50; Thomaston S. B. B., \$1; Gaylesville S. B. B., \$1; Bay Minette, \$1.25; Collirene R. A. and S. B. B., \$1.10; Ashland S. B. B., \$2; Auburn S. B. B., \$3.25; Brownsboro S. B. B., \$1.19; Bridgeport S. B. B., \$1.70; Anniston (P. M.) K. S., \$1.50; Mobile (First) S. B. B., \$6; Tyler R. A., 45c; Tyler S. B. B., 40c. Total, \$44.69.

Christmas Offering to China.

Union Springs W. M. S., \$110; East Lake (Ruhama) L. A. and M. S., \$75; Troy W. M. S., \$72.25; Montgomery (First) W. M. S., \$43.80; Birmingham (First) L. A. S., \$125; Selma (First) W. M. S., \$28; Mobile (First) W. M. S., \$69.51; Anniston (P. M.) W. M. S., \$38.65; Tuscaloosa (First) W. M. S., \$29.30; Birmingham (S. S.) W. A. and M. S., \$21.25; Birmingham (Fifty-sixth Street) L. A. S., \$20; Huntsville (First) W. M. S., \$21; Talladega (First) W. M. S., \$11.30; New Decatur (Central) L. M. and A. S., \$10.55; Oxford L. A. and M. S., \$20; Mt. Zion (Carey Association) W. M. S., \$1; Carlowville W. M. S., \$10; Antioch (East Liberty) W. M. S., \$1.62; Camp Hill W. M. S., \$3.40; Birmingham (Twenty-seventh Street) L. A. and M. S., \$6.15; Selma (Second) W. M. S., \$3; Wylam L. A. S., \$7.19; Pushmataha W. M. S., \$3.25; Town Creek (Selma Association) L. B. S., \$1.35; Winterboro W. M. S., \$1.90; New Prospect (Bigbee Association) W. M. S., \$10; Pleasant Hill L. A. and M. S., \$8.50; Friends, \$1; Montgomery (Clayton Street) W. M. S., \$2; West Woodlawn L. A. and M. S., \$9; Athens W. M. S., \$5.30; Tunnel Springs W. M. S., \$7.10; Drewry W. M. S., \$2.50; New Prospect (Birmingham Association) L. A. and M. S., \$2; Brownsboro W. M. S., \$3; Dora L. A. S., \$3; Wetumpka L. A. and M. S., \$4.41; Bessemer L. A. S., \$10.75; Sheffield W. M. S., \$8.50; Sheffield S. S. class, \$1.50; Jacksonville L. W. U., \$4.10; Eufaula W. M. S., \$10; Thomaston W. M. S., \$12.68; Bermuda W. M. S., \$2.45; Birmingham (Twenty-first Avenue) W. M. S., \$2.50; Dadeville W. M. S., \$27; Repton W. M. S., 75c; Elba W. M. S., \$10.30; Avondale L. A. S., \$23.25; Livingston S. S. class, \$2.85; Sylacauga W. M. S., \$15.70; Ackersville W. M. S., \$12.25; Society Hill W. M. S., \$3.20; Cuba W. M. S., \$15; Daviston W. M. S., \$2.15; Florala W. M. and A. S., \$5; Thomasville W. M. S., \$4.60; Mt. Andrew W. M. S., \$4.43; Greensboro W. M. S., \$10; Stevenson W. M. S., \$2.05; Mt. Hope L. A. S., \$12; Cubahatchee W. M. S., \$4; La Place W. M. S., \$4; Oswehee L. M. S., \$3.50; Bay Minette L. A. S., \$1.60; Union (Mobile Association) W. M. S., \$1.70; Sumterville W. M. S., \$10.10; Ashland W. M. S., \$7.40; La Pine L. A. and M. S., \$2; Carrollton W. M. S., \$5; Choccolocco L. A. and M. S., \$13; James L. W. C., \$14; Montgomery (Highland Avenue), \$5; Goodwater L. A. S., \$10; Sister Springs (Selma Association) L. A. and M. S., \$6.02; Mobile (Dauphin Way) W. M. S., \$10; Brewton W. M. S., \$12; Pine Apple L. A. and M. S., \$10; Wilsonville W. M. S., \$6.85; Pine Hill L. M. and A. S., \$3; Birmingham (Richmond Place) L. A. and M. S., \$2.75; LaFayette W. M. S., \$7.42; Bridgeport W. M. S., \$6.60; Evergreen W. M. S., \$27.75; Gordo W. M. S., \$2; Trussville W. M. S., \$3.20; Ensley W. M. S., \$21.15; Mt. Zion (Central Association) L. A. S., \$1.50; Georgiana M. of the K., \$9.50; Jackson L. A. S., \$7; Dothan W. M. S., \$35; Birmingham (Hunter Street) W. M. S., \$9.65; Albertville W. M. S., \$5; Demopolis L. M. S., \$22.60; Newton W. M. S., \$5; Lowndesboro L. A. S., \$1.40; Holt W. A. and M. S., \$11; Childersburg L. M. and A. S., \$1.08; Greenville W. W., \$5.05; Andalusia L. A. S., \$25; Pollard W. M. S., \$2.90; Louisville L. A. and M. S., \$15; Newbern L. A. and M. S., \$7; Union

town L. A. and M. S., \$10; Yantley W. M. S., \$3. Total, \$1,435.78.

Miss Kelly.

Eclectic L. M. S., \$3.25; Demopolis L. M. S., \$3.75; Opelika (First) W. M. S., \$33; Montgomery (Clayton Street) W. M. S., \$5. Total, \$45.

Miss Hartwell.

Birmingham (Fifty-sixth Street) L. A. and M. S., \$22.50; New Prospect (Birmingham Association) L. A. and M. S., \$5; Bessemer L. A. S., \$12.50; Birmingham (First) L. A. S., \$72; Avondale L. A. S., \$18.75; Pratt City L. A. S., \$6.25; Trussville W. M. S., \$2.50. Total, \$139.50.

Miss Miller.

Montgomery (Clayton Street) W. M. S., \$2.

Mrs. dams.

Eclectic L. M. S., \$3.25.

Native Worker.

Evergreen W. M. S., \$17; Montgomery (First) W. M. S., \$25; Anniston (P. M.) W. M. S., \$50. Total, \$92.

Miss Kelly's Chapel.

East Lake (Runama) L. A. and M. S., \$5.

Hospitals.

Albertville Sr. Y. W. A., \$3; Albertville Jr., Y. W. A., \$2; Union Springs Y. W. A., \$4.65; Anniston (P. M.) F. M. B., \$1; Troy Y. W. A., \$11.50. Total, \$22.15.

Christmas Offering to Hospital Work.

Anniston (P. M.) Y. W. M. S., \$75; Anniston (P. M.) M. J., \$8; Jackson Y. W. A., \$12.50; Brewton Y. W. A., \$20; Tunnel Springs Y. W. A., \$2.80; Buena Vista Y. W. A., \$4.40; Uniontown Y. W. A., \$3.50; Mobile (Daphin Way) Y. W. A., \$6.50; Cuba Y. W. A., \$7; Cuba Jr. Y. W. A., \$5; Tuscaloosa (First) Y. W. A., \$5.75; Selma (First) Y. W. A., \$24.45; Jacksonville Y. W. M. S., \$27; Anniston (P. M.) F. M. B., \$2.05; Tyler Y. P. S., 50c; Montgomery (First) Y. W. A., \$3.25. Total, \$207.70.

Africa.

Troy S. B. B., \$9; Selma (First) S. B. B., \$6.26; Jackson S. B., \$3.25; Belleville S. B. B., \$1.50; Oswehee S. S. class, \$2.25; Oak Hill S. B. B., \$1.30; Pine Apple S. B. B., \$1.5; Linden S. B. B., 043; Thomastville S. B. B., \$4.50; Samson S. B. B., 69c. Total, \$33.25.

Undesignated.

Drewry W. M. S., \$3.30.

Chinese Student.

Beatrice W. M. S., \$25.25.

Training School Enlargement.

Fredonia (East Liberty) W. M. S., 50c; Birmingham (First) L. A. S., \$6; Union (Mobile Association) W. M. S., \$2.85; Livingston W. M. S., \$2; Pine Apple S. B. B., 50c; Glencoe W. M. S., \$1; Northport W. C., 25c; Winterboro W. M. S., 25c; Auburn W. M. S., 50c; Montevallo L. A. S., 75c; Dadeville W. M. S., \$2.10; Newton W. M. S., \$1.50; Anniston (P. M.) W. M. S., \$10; Birmingham (Park Avenue) L. A. S., \$2; Whistler L. A. and M. S., 25c. Total, \$30.45.

Training School Support.

Buena Vista Y. W. A., \$1.10; Rralph A. and M. S., 4c; Anniston (P. M.) F. M. B., \$1; Auburn W. M. S., 50c; Troy Y. W. A., \$3; Montgomery (First) Y. W. A., \$2; Cedar Bluff Y. W. A., \$2.50. Total, \$10.14.

Training School Student.

Montgomery (First) Y. W. A., \$31; Selma (First) L. A. S., \$15; Friend, \$5; Winterboro W. M. S., \$1; Mobile (First) W. M. S., \$10.50; Auburn W. M. S., 50c; Troy Y. W. A., \$4; Anniston (P. M.) M. J., \$10. Total, \$7.

Lucy F. Stratton Scholarship Fund.

Evergreen W. M. S., \$10; Cedar Bluff W. M. S., \$5; Cedar Bluff Y. W. A., \$2.50. Total, \$17.50.

Bible Fund.

Athens W. M. S., \$1; Birmingham (First) L. A. S., 1.50; Bay Minette L. A. S., 25c; Union (Mobile Association) W. M. S., 25c; Livingston W. M. S., 50c; Northport W. C., 25c; Auburn W. M. S., 50c; Montevallo L. A. S., 25c; Newton W. M. S., 50c; Birmingham (Park Avenue) L. A. S., 50c; Whistler L. A. and M. S., 25c; Montgomery (Clayton Street) W. M. S., \$1. Total, \$6.75.

Margaret Home.

Albertville Jr. Y. W. A., 75c; Jackson S. B. B., 50c; Bay Minette S. B. B., 70c; Troy S. B. B., \$16; Montgomery (First) S. B. B., \$1. Total, \$3.95.

Calendars.

Mission Room, \$11.07.

Grand Total.

Grand total for aJanuary, \$3,330.03.

The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of Lord, make His path straight.—S. Matt. III, 3.

Although but 21 years of age, Oklahoma ranks seventh among the states in cattle production, ninth in horses, ninth in mules and twelfth in hogs. The cotton crop has been estimated as having a value for 1910 of from \$80,000,000 to \$100,000,000. Corn, although cut by dry winds in July, will net the farmers nearly \$60,000,000, while wheat will yield \$26,000,000 and oats \$20,000,000 in 1910. From all agricultural and live stock sources, with poultry and dairy and truck-farming products included, Oklahoma farmers will receive in 1910 about \$400,000,000.

Barnas Sears: "The Christian denomination which neglects to provide for an educated ministry dooms itself to weakness and insignificance."

Oklahoma's first-born citizens were just old enough to vote last April, the twenty-first anniversary of the month of the opening. Her marvelous progress in city buildings and conquest and development of natural resources has been accomplished by brave men and women who went out from New England, New York and all the middle and southern states.

The British courts meted out swift justice to Dr. Crippen, the American dentist, who murdered his wife in London, who fled to America with his paramour, and who was arrested on landing in Canada by means of information given by wireless telegraph. Within four days of the commencement of the trial the murderer was convicted and sentenced.

The First Baptist church, Blocton, Ala., has the following prayer meeting leaders for the first quarter of 1911: January 4, W. F. Jones; January 11, D. R. Jackson; January 18, E. M. Bishop; January 25, H. G. Caldwell; February 1, O. O. Pinson; February 8, J. J. W. Jones; February 15, J. B. Davie; February 22, D. A. Johnson; March 1, T. M. Fricks; March 8, D. W. Morse; March 15, C. V. Thompson; March 22, L. D. Stewart; March 29, E. D. Reynolds. "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is."

"I look to Thee in every need,
And never look in vain;
I feel Thy touch, Eternal Love,
And all is well again."

A new pastorium for the Sixty-sixth Street church, Birmingham, will soon be commenced. They have two lots and some money in hand.

We came here in August from Nicholville, Ala. My general health is much improved, but my nervous system was so greatly impaired that I am not yet able to re-enter the pastorate. Mrs. Green and the children are doing fine and enjoying greatly the mild winter which is so characteristic of California. —J. M. Green, Fresno, Cal.

Jack Spratt bought an auto,
His wife is getting lean,
For 'twixt them both
It keeps them broke
To buy the gasoline.—Judge.

The new year begins with good prospects with us at Bessemer. We had eighty added to our fellowship during the year. We baptized a fine man Christmas night and received another by letter new year's day. We are planning to put in a \$3,000 organ this winter. Best wishes for a prosperous year to you.—M. K. Thornton.

Sir John Bowring, who was Queen Victoria's governor of Hong Kong, in full sight of China's heathenism, wrote:

"In the cross of Christ I glory,
Towering o'er the wrecks of time;
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head sublime."

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Whatsoever He saith unto you, do it.—John 2:5.

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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.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK.

"As thou hast prospered me, so let me give."
Dare I, O Christ, not make this prayer to thee?
Above, beyond all gifts art thou to me.
Thyself thou gavest, that my soul might live.
Grateful, adoring, at thy feet I fall,
Myself not mine, but thine; take thou my all.

—H. H. B.

DURING FEBRUARY.

We study about Foreign Missions.
We give, as women's societies, to the support of women missionaries and schools on the foreign fields; as auxiliaries, to the hospital work; as Royal Ambassadors and Sunbeam Bands, to Africa. All four of these organizations are also trying, during February, to reach their apportionment to the Margaret Home, Bible Fund and to the Training School Enlargement, Support and Student.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS.

Our work in the Eastern district, vice-president, Mrs. O. M. Reynolds, Tyler Hill, Anniston. There are eighteen associations in this district, seven of which are without superintendents. We rejoice, however, that there are societies in — of these unorganized associations. The convention next November will be held in Gadsden, which is in this district, and it is our sincere desire that by then the Eastern district may be thoroughly organized. "And when ye pray, believe!"

Our work in the Centennial Association, superintendent, Mrs. George Carlisle, Union Springs. There are sixteen churches in this association, with five societies in all, but these five societies represent the work of only two churches.

Our missionary at Shimonoseki, Japan, Mrs. J. Franklin Ray. It is to Mobile that we give thanks for this beautiful character. In early womanhood she went to Missouri, where she taught for four years in Stephens' Female College. Here her interest in missions took definite form in the active work which she did for the B. Y. P. U. After that she taught at the Judson, where her memory and influence still sweetly tell for good. When she decided to go into definite mission work she went to Louisville and studied there in the seminary for one year. Her roommate was Miss Leachman, who is now instructor in practical missions to the students in the Training School. Shortly after the Anniston convention of 1904 she was married and went to her present work in Japan. In a few years her health failed and she came back for a complete rest. In the fall of 1908 she was able to be with us our W. M. U. convention at Birmingham, and from this convention she bore with her shortly after to her Japanese home the renewed love and prayers of her Alabama sisters.

Our students at the Training School: Miss Marietta Register, Miss Rosa Dykes and Miss Ida Martin. The reaching of our year's apportionment.

REJOICE YE.

Never before in the history of our state have we been able to award three scholarships to the Training School for a given session. When the school opens up this coming fall we are prepared to be

represented there by three splendid young women. One will be Miss Marietta Register, who will for another year represent the Y. W. A's. Then the Lucy-Stratton scholarship, which was created at the Evergreen convention in memorial honor of our former state president, Mrs. Lucy F. Stratton, will be held by Miss Addie Cox, of Carrollton. Miss Cox is now teaching at Myrtlewood, but she finds time from her teaching to do the work of associational superintendent for the Union, and is in every sense deeply interested in the cause of missions, and will, we truly believe, prove worthy of this high honor of being the first one to hold this scholarship. The third scholarship has been made possible by the generosity of the Ladies' Aid Society of the First church of Selma. Their beneficiary will be Miss Nellie Dunn, who is at present teaching in the Orphanage at Evergreen. Those who were at the late convention met Miss Dunn and will agree with us when we say that fortunate indeed is the society at Selma in being able to help in training for service one who seems to be so definitely called to do mission work as does Miss Dunn.

Another cause for rejoicing is found in the splendid report which we were able to send up this quarter to Baltimore. We reported in all to Mrs. Lowndes \$4,041.74. Our Christmas offering alone came to \$1,841, which is about what we gave last year in all to this cause, and we believe that the offerings from many more societies will yet come in and enable us to pass far beyond the mark made last year.

Our third cause for giving thanks with joy is found in the fact that from all over the state the associational superintendents are writing to your mission room the most encouraging letters, saying that their association expects to do its very best to reach its apportionment this year. "May the tribe increase" of those who thus propose in their hearts! You may not believe it, friends, but in order for the state to meet its apportionment we must by the 1st of May have raised over \$8,000, which means that for these three months we must raise nearly \$3,000 a month. We can do this if every society will send in of what it lacks on its apportionment one-third each month for the next three months, and if many of us will be much in prayer that women who are not now giving as they could give may see that there is great joy in this form of service.

"Rejoice in the Lord, and again I say, rejoice!"

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JANUARY.

State Missions.

Huntsville (Dallas Avenue) L. A. S., \$6; Fredonia (East Liberty) W. M. S., \$1; Montgomery (Clayton Street) W. M. S., \$2.50; Montgomery (Clayton Street) S. B. B., \$1.36; Coatopa L. A. S., \$1; Mobile (Palmetto Street) W. M. S., \$2; New Prospect (Bigbee Association) W. M. S., \$1.50; Bessemer L. A. S., \$10; Birmingham (First) L. A. S., \$90; Scottsboro W. M. S., \$5; Greenville W. W., \$6; Oswichee (Harris Association) L. M. S., \$6; Jackson L. A. S., \$1; Bay Minette S. B. B., 41c; Bay Minette L. A. S., \$1; Union Springs Y. W. A., \$1.50; Ralph A. and M. S., \$1.50; Northport W. C., \$12; Orrville W. M. S., \$10; Anniston (P. M.) W. M. S., \$20; Pine Hill L. M. and A. S., \$3; Selma (First) W. M. S., \$65; Hopewell (Cahaba Association) W. M. S., \$2; Phenix (First) L. A. S., \$2.15. Total, \$251.92.

Missionary for Birmingham District.
Birmingham (Hunter Street) W. M. S., \$2; East Lake (Ruhama) L. A. and M. S., \$3. Total, \$5.

Alabama W. M. U. Expense Fund.
Auburn W. M. S., \$1.27; Sumterville W. M. S., 33c; Talladega (First) W. M. S., 30c; Wetumpka L. A. and M. S., \$1; Georgiana M. of the K., \$1.20; Centennial Association, \$5; a friend, \$1.50. Total, \$10.60.

Aged Ministers.
Camp Hill W. M. S., \$6.70; Anniston (P. M.) F. M. B., \$0c; McWilliams W. M. S., \$1.30; Northport W. C., \$8. Total, \$16.80.

Orphanage.
Prattville L. A. S., \$2; Fredonia (East Liberty) W. M. S., 50c; Oswichee S. S. class, \$4; Greensboro S. S., \$1; Mobile (Dauphin Way) L. A. S., \$10; Ralph A. and M. S., \$1.72; Beatrice W. M. S., \$10; McWilliams S. B. B., \$1; McWilliams W. M. S., \$1.63; Shawmut S. B. B., \$2. Total, \$33.85.

H. C. L. F.
Montgomery (First) L. A. S., \$1.
Ministerial Education.
Greensboro S. B. B., \$3.
Bible and Colportage.
Elba W. M. S., \$2.10.

Home Missions.
Birmingham (First) L. A. S., \$100; Montgomery (Clayton Street), \$1.50; Auburn W. M., \$7.50; Fredonia (East Liberty) W. M. S., \$1; Isney W. M. S., \$9.60; Coatopa L. A. S., \$1; Mobile (Palmetto Street) W. M. S., \$11; New Prospect (Bigbee Association) W. M. S., \$2.30; Evergreen W. M. S., \$16.25; Wetumpka L. A. and M. S., \$5; Bessemer L. A. S., \$15; Montgomery (First) W. M. S., \$12.23; Repton W. M. S., 25c; Greensboro W. M. S., \$1.25; Centre (East Liberty) W. M. S., \$2.25; Nicholasville W. M. S., \$3; Ashland W. M. S., \$7; Enterprise W. M. S., \$6; Pine Apple L. A. and M. S., \$5; Ralph A. and M. S., 75c; Beatrice W. M. S., \$10; Vincent W. M. S., \$2; West Bend W. M. S., \$1; Gordo W. M. S., \$1; Northport W. C., \$12; Trussville W. M. S., \$3.70; Montgomery (Highland Avenue) W. M. S., 80c; Rock Run W. M. S., \$1; Montevallo L. A. S., \$14; Birmingham (Twenty-seventh Street) L. A. and M. S., \$2.20; Newton W. M. S., \$1; Birmingham (Park Avenue) L. A. S., \$4; Whistler L. A. and M. S., \$1.50; Gallion W. M. S., \$5; Selma (First) W. M. S., \$50; Enterprise W. M. S., \$3; Three Notch W. M. S., \$3.50. Total, \$337.58.

Mountain Schools.
Piedmont Y. W. A., \$2; Union Springs Y. W. A., \$2.50; Anniston (P. M.) F. M. B., \$1; Uniontown Y. W. A., \$1.50; Montgomery (First) Y. W. A., \$7.63; Cedar Bluff Y. W. A., \$11; Gadsden (First) Y. W. A., \$16.50. Total, \$42.13.

Indians.
Bay Minette S. B. B., 70c; Oak Hill S. B. B., \$1; Linden S. B. B., \$2; Montgomery (First) S. B. B., \$7.02; Montevallo S. B. B., \$1. Total, \$11.72.

Foreign Missions.
Ensley W. M. S., \$20; Fredonia (East Liberty) W. M. S., \$1; Huntsville (Dallas Avenue) L. A. S., \$4; Fitzpatrick W. M. S., \$6; Russellville L. A. S., \$1.50; Oak Hill W. M. S., \$4.30; Coatopa L. A. S., \$1.50; Ackerville W. M. S., \$7.23; Society Hill W. M. S., \$4; Scottsboro W. M. S., \$20; Greenville W. W., \$12.15; Oswichee (Harris Association) L. M. S., \$13; Oswichee S. S. class, \$4.85; Jackson L. A. S., \$1; Bay Minette L. A. S., \$1; Enterprise W. M. S., \$7.15; Troy W. M. S., \$48.50; Livingston W. M. S., \$3.10; Hartford L. A. and M. S., \$6.61; Clayton L. A. S.,

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\$2.75; Ralph A. and M. S., \$1; Tuscaloosa (First) W. M. S., \$12.25; Jasper W. M. S., \$10; Talladega (First) W. M. S., \$15; Birmingham (S. S.) W. A. and M. S., \$60; LaFayette W. M. S., \$3.55; Glencoe W. M. S., \$9c; West End W. M. S., \$2; Gordo W. M. S., \$3; Northport W. C., \$17; Montevallo L. A. and M. S., \$21; Birmingham (Hunter Street) W. M. S., \$20; Rock Run W. M. S., \$1; Anniston (P. M.) W. M. S., \$20; Birmingham (Park Avenue) L. A. S., \$3.50; Whistler L. A. and M. S., \$3; Gallion W. M. S., \$5; Moulton W. M. S., \$8.75; Enterprise W. M. S., \$3.41; Phenix (First) L. A. S., \$4; Samson W. M. and A. S., \$9.60. Total, \$398.60.

Christmas Offering to Africa.

Jacksonville S. B. B., \$2.85; Repton S. B. B., \$3; Boaz S. B. B., \$1.50; Tunnel Springs S. B. B., \$8c; Holt S. B. B., \$5; Anniston (P. M.) S. B. B., \$3; Belleville S. B. B., \$2; Cuba Jr. R. A., \$1.20; Cuba R. A., \$4.50; Thomaston S. B. B., \$1; Gaylesville S. B. B., \$1; Bay Minette, \$1.25; Collirene R. A. and S. B. B., \$1.10; Ashland S. B. B., \$2; Auburn S. B. B., \$3.25; Brownsboro S. B. B., \$1.19; Bridgeport S. B. B., \$1.70; Anniston (P. M.) K. S., \$1.50; Mobile (First) S. B. B., \$8; Tyler R. A., 45c; Tyler S. B. B., 40c. Total, \$44.69.

Christmas Offering to China.

Union Springs W. M. S., \$110; East Lake (Ruhama) L. A. and M. S., \$75; Troy W. M. S., \$72.25; Montgomery (First) W. M. S., \$43.80; Birmingham (First) L. A. S., \$125; Selma (First) W. M. S., \$28; Mobile (First) W. M. S., \$69.51; Anniston (P. M.) W. M. S., \$38.65; Tuscaloosa (First) W. M. S., \$29.30; Birmingham (S. S.) W. A. and M. S., \$21.25; Birmingham (Fifty-sixth Street) L. A. S., \$20; Huntville (First) W. M. S., \$21; Talladega (First) W. M. S., \$11.30; New Decatur (Central) L. M. and A. S., \$10.55; Oxford L. A. and M. S., \$20; Mt. Zion (Carey Association) W. M. S., \$1; Carlowville W. M. S., \$10; Antioch (East Liberty) W. M. S., \$1.62; Camp Hill W. M. S., \$8.40; Birmingham (Twenty-seventh Street) L. A. and M. S., \$6.15; Selma (Second) W. M. S., \$3; Wylam L. A. S., \$7.19; Pushmataha W. M. S., \$3.25; Town Creek (Selma Association) L. B. S., \$1.35; Winterboro W. M. S., \$1.90; New Prospect (Bigbee Association) W. M. S., \$10; Pleasant Hill L. A. and M. S., \$8.50; Friends, \$1; Montgomery (Clayton Street) W. M. S., \$2; West Woodlawn L. A. and M. S., \$9; Athens W. M. S., \$5.30; Tunnel Springs W. M. S., \$7.10; Drewry W. M. S., \$2.50; New Prospect (Birmingham Association) L. A. and M. S., \$2; Brownsboro W. M. S., \$3; Dora L. A. S., \$3; Wetumpka L. A. and M. S., \$4.41; Bessemer L. A. S., \$10.75; Sheffield W. M. S., \$8.50; Sheffield S. S. class, \$1.50; Jacksonville L. W. U., \$4.10; Eufaula W. M. S., \$10; Thomaston W. M. S., \$12.68; Bermuda W. M. S., \$2.45; Birmingham (Twenty-first Avenue) W. M. S., \$2.50; Dadeville W. M. S., \$27; Repton W. M. S., 75c; Elba W. M. S., \$10.30; Avondale L. A. S., \$22.25; Livingston S. S. class, \$2.85; Sylacauga W. M. S., \$15.70; Ackerville W. M. S., \$12.25; Society Hill W. M. S., \$3.20; Cuba W. M. S., \$15; Daviston W. M. S., \$2.15; Floral W. M. and A. S., \$5; Thomasville W. M. S., \$4.60; Mt. Andrew W. M. S., \$4.43; Greensboro W. M. S., \$10; Stevenson W. M. S., \$2.05; Mt. Hope L. A. S., \$12; Cubahatchee W. M. S., \$4; La Place W. M. S., \$4; Oswehee L. M. S., \$3.50; Bay Minette L. A. S., \$1.60; Union (Mobile Association) W. M. S., \$1.70; Sumterville W. M. S., \$10.10; Ashland W. M. S., \$7.40; La Pine L. A. and M. S., \$2; Carrollton W. M. S., \$5; Choccolocco L. A. and M. S., \$13; James L. W. C., \$14; Montgomery (Highland Avenue), \$5; Goodwater L. A. S., \$10; Slater Springs (Selma Association) L. A. and M. S., \$6.02; Mobile (Dauphin Way) W. M. S., \$10; Brewton W. M. S., \$12; Pine Apple L. A. and M. S., \$10; Wilsonville W. M. S., \$6.85; Pine Hill L. M. and A. S., \$3; Birmingham (Richmond Place) L. A. and M. S., \$2.75; LaFayette W. M. S., \$7.42; Bridgeport W. M. S., \$6.60; Evergreen W. M. S., \$27.75; Gordo W. M. S., \$2; Trussville W. M. S., \$3.20; Ensley W. M. S., \$21.15; Mt. Zion (Central Association) L. A. S., \$1.50; Georgiana M. of the K., \$9.50; Jackson L. A. S., \$7; Dothan W. M. S., \$35; Birmingham (Hunter Street) W. M. S., \$9.65; Albertville W. M. S., \$5; Demopolis L. M. S., \$22.60; Newton W. M. S., \$5; Lowndesboro L. A. S., \$1.40; Holt W. A. and M. S., \$11; Childersburg L. M. and A. S., \$1.08; Greenville W. W., \$5.05; Andalusia L. A. S., \$25; Pollard W. M. S., \$2.90; Louisville L. A. and M. S., \$15; Newbern L. A. and M. S., \$7; Union-

town L. A. and M. S., \$10; Yantley W. M. S., \$3. Total, \$1,435.78.

Miss Kelly.

Eclectic L. M. S., \$3.25; Demopolis L. M. S., \$3.75; Opelika (First) W. M. S., \$33; Montgomery (Clayton III, 3, Street) W. M. S., \$5. Total, \$45.

Miss Hartwell.

Birmingham (Fifty-sixth Street) L. A. and M. S., \$22.50; New Prospect (Birmingham Association) L. A. and M. S., \$5; Bessemer L. A. S., \$12.50; Birmingham (First) L. A. S., \$72; Avondale L. A. S., \$18.75; Pratt City L. A. S., \$6.25; Trussville W. M. S., \$2.50. Total, \$139.00.

Miss Miller.

Montgomery (Clayton Street) W. M. S., \$2.

Mrs. dams.

Eclectic L. M. S., \$3.25.

Native Worker.

Evergreen W. M. S., \$17; Montgomery (First) W. M. S., \$25; Anniston (P. M.) W. M. S., \$50. Total, \$92.

Miss Kelly's Chapel.

East Lake (Ruhama) L. A. and M. S., \$5.

Hospitals.

Albertville Sr. Y. W. A., \$3; Albertville Jr., Y. W. A., \$2; Union Springs Y. W. A., \$4.65; Anniston (P. M.) F. M. B., \$1; Troy Y. W. A., \$11.50. Total, \$22.15.

Christmas Offering to Hospital Work.

Anniston (P. M.) Y. W. M. S., \$75; Anniston (P. M.) M. J., \$8; Jackson Y. W. A., \$12.50; Brewton Y. W. A., \$20; Tunnel Springs Y. W. A., \$2.80; Buena Vista Y. W. A., \$4.40; Uniontown Y. W. A., \$3.50; Mobile (Daphin Way) Y. W. A., \$6.50; Cuba Y. W. A., \$7; Cuba Jr. Y. W. A., \$5; Tuscaloosa (First) Y. W. A., \$5.75; Selma (First) Y. W. A., \$24.45; Jacksonville Y. W. M. S., \$27; Anniston (P. M.) F. M. B., \$2.05; Tyler Y. P. S., 50c; Montgomery (First) Y. W. A., \$3.25. Total, \$207.70.

Africa.

Troy S. B. B., \$9; Selma (First) S. B. B., \$6.26; Jackson S. B., \$3.25; Belleville S. B. B., \$1.50; Oswehee S. S. class, \$2.25; Oak Hill S. B. B., \$1.30; Pine Apple S. B. B., \$1.5; Linden S. B. B., \$83; Thomaston S. B. B., \$4.50; Samson S. B. B., 69c. Total, \$33.25.

Undesignated.

Drewry W. M. S., \$3.30.

Chinese Student.

Beatrice W. M. S., \$25.25.

Training School Enlargement.

Fredonia (East Liberty) W. M. S., 50c; Birmingham (First) L. A. S., \$6; Union (Mobile Association) W. M. S., \$2.85; Livingston W. M. S., \$2; Pine Apple S. B. B., 50c; Glencoe W. M. S., \$1; Northport W. C., 25c; Winterboro W. M. S., 25c; Auburn W. M. S., 50c; Montevallo L. A. S., 75c; Dadeville W. M. S., \$2.10; Newtop W. M. S., \$1.50; Anniston (P. M.) W. M. S., \$10; Birmingham (Park Avenue) L. A. S., \$2; Whistler L. A. and M. S., 25c. Total, \$30.45.

Training School Support.

Buena Vista Y. W. A., \$1.10; Rralph A. and M. S., 4c; Anniston (P. M.) F. M. B., \$1; Auburn W. M. S., 50c; Troy Y. W. A., \$3; Montgomery (First) Y. W. A., \$2; Cedar Bluff Y. W. A., \$2.50. Total, \$10.14.

Training School Student.

Montgomery (First) Y. W. A., \$31; Selma (First) L. A. S., \$15; Friend, \$5; Winterboro W. M. S., \$1; Mobile (First) W. M. S., \$10.50; Auburn W. M. S., 50c; Troy Y. W. A., \$4; Anniston (P. M.) M. J., \$10. Total, \$7.

Lucy F. Stratton Scholarship Fund.

Evergreen W. M. S., \$10; Cedar Bluff W. M. S., \$5; Cedar Bluff Y. W. A., \$2.50. Total, \$17.50.

Bible Fund.

Athens W. M. S., \$1; Birmingham (First) L. A. S., 1.50; Bay Minette L. A. S., 25c; Union (Mobile Association) W. M. S., 25c; Livingston W. M. S., 50c; Northport W. C., 25c; Auburn W. M. S., 50c; Montevallo L. A. S., 25c; Newton W. M. S., 50c; Birmingham (Park Avenue) L. A. S., 50c; Whistler L. A. and M. S., 25c; Montgomery (Clayton Street) W. M. S., \$1. Total, \$6.75.

Margaret Home.

Albertville Jr. Y. W. A., 75c; Jackson S. B. B., 50c; Bay Minette S. B. B., 70c; Troy S. B. B., \$16; Montgomery (First) S. B. B., \$1. Total, \$3.95.

Calendars.

Mission Room, \$11.07.

Grand Total.

Grand total for January, \$2,3330.03.

The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of Lord, make His path straight.—S. Matt.

Although but 21 years of age, Oklahoma ranks seventh among the states in cattle production, ninth in horses, ninth in mules and twelfth in hogs. The cotton crop has been estimated as having a value for 1910 of from \$80,000,000 to \$100,000,000. Corn, although cut by dry winds in July, will net the farmers nearly \$60,000,000, while wheat will yield \$26,000,000 and oats \$20,000,000 in 1910. From all agricultural and live stock sources, with poultry and dairy and truck-farming products included, Oklahoma farmers will receive in 1910 about \$400,000,000.

Barnas Sears: "The Christian denomination which neglects to provide for an educated ministry dooms itself to weakness and insignificance."

Oklahoma's first-born citizens were just old enough to vote last April, the twenty-first anniversary of the month of the opening. Her marvelous progress in city buildings and conquest and development of natural resources has been accomplished by brave men and women who went out from New England, New York and all the middle and southern states.

The British courts meted out swift justice to Dr. Crippen, the American dentist, who murdered his wife in London, who fled to America with his paramour, and who was arrested on landing in Canada by means of information given by wireless telegraph. Within four days of the commencement of the trial the murderer was convicted and sentenced.

The First Baptist church, Blocton, Ala., has the following prayer meeting leaders for the first quarter of 1911: January 4, W. F. Jones; January 11, D. R. Jackson; January 18, E. M. Bishop; January 25, H. G. Caldwell; February 1, O. O. Pinson; February 8, J. J. W. Jones; February 15, J. B. Davie; February 22, D. A. Johnson; March 1, T. M. Fricks; March 8, D. W. Morse; March 15, C. V. Thompson; March 22, L. D. Stewart; March 29, E. D. Reynolds. "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is."

"I look to Thee in every need,
And never look in vain;
I feel Thy touch, Eternal Love,
And all is well again."

A new parsonage for the Sixty-sixth Street church, Birmingham, will soon be commenced. They have two lots and some money in hand.

We came here in August from Nicholville, Ala. My general health is much improved, but my nervous system was so greatly impaired that I am not yet able to re-enter the pastorate. Mrs. Green and the children are doing fine and enjoying greatly the mild winter which is so characteristic of California.—J. M. Green, Fresno, Cal.

Jack Spratt bought an auto,
His wife is getting lean,
For 'twixt them both
It keeps them broke
To buy the gasoline.—Judge.

The new year begins with good prospects with us at Bessemer. We had eighty added to our fellowship during the year. We baptized a fine man Christmas night and received another by letter new year's day. We are planning to put in a \$3,000 organ this winter. Best wishes for a prosperous year to you.—M. K. Thornton.

Sir John Bowring, who was Queen Victoria's governor of Hong Kong, in full sight of China's heathenism, wrote:

"In the cross of Christ I glory,
Towering o'er the wrecks of time;
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head sublime."

The liquor traffic has recognized its channels of distribution. Through the aid of the United States mails, and the compulsory co-operation of railway and express service, they are ravaging every community and state from which liquor seller and maker have been supposedly outlawed. So long as this continues it will be easy for the brewer and his allies to maintain thousands of joints and blind tigers in prohibition territory. And this is the more successfully done because of the connivance of officials who are the tools of political machines in sympathy and collusion with the traffic.

The liquor traffic also has a permanent lobby at Washington and in every state legislature, and its friends will introduce many bills to set at naught the expressed will of the people as embodied in the temperance legislation now on our statute books, not because the people want it, but because the liquor men are standing alert behind the scenes pulling the wires and using the powerful influence of pre-election promises and liberal campaign contributions to further friendly legislation by which they can legally sell to dispensaries or saloons.

The fatal error of saloon interests, however, is their defiant contempt of the public will. In spite of prohibitory measures in hundreds of counties and many states, the product of the breweries and distilleries is either smuggled in or forced in under the protection of the interstate commerce laws. Tons of literature are circulated to prove to the people that their will has been violated, and that prohibition will not prohibit. This is not all. The vilest political machines known to history are those that will do the will of the Liquor Dealers' Association in many of our states. And as machines they are perfect as they are vile.

CHRIST'S DEMAND.

Christ demanded that people should believe that He came forth from the Father. He was very insistent in this demand, for it meant a great deal, not only to Him, but to the people themselves. If He came from heaven, then He was no ordinary person. If He descended from above, then He was above all men. If people believed that He came down from heaven for the specific purpose of redeeming a race of sinful people, then they were logically bound to believe that He was God before He came to earth, and that He was still God, but in human form. Christ wanted people to believe these truths, and therefore and thereby do justice to His claims.

Now contrast Christ's demand with the imaginable demand of ordinary men. In all Old Testament history there was not any good man who demanded the people to believe that he came down from heaven. Not one of them asserted that he had left the throne of God and came to earth to redeem sinners. Nor in New Testament times was there one who asked people to believe that he descended from heaven. Is there any significance in this fact? Verily there is. It signifies that no mere man, however good he was, would assume to make such a claim. Indeed, one could not be a good man and make the same assertion that Christ did in respect to the man himself. Only a liar would assert that he came from heaven, unless he were indeed the Lord himself. Not an apostle ever intimated that his old home was in heaven, and therefore no apostle asked any one to believe such a thing. Moreover, Christ demanded that people should believe in Him. Think of that a moment and consider its significance. We cannot suppose that John the Baptist ever asked his hearers to believe in him. He never said to any of his followers that if he should believe in him he would have eternal life. Nor did any apostle ever say such a thing. Not one of them said that if people had faith in him he would be pardoned of his sins and have peace with God. But Christ told people to believe on Him, and they would be pardoned and purged. He demanded that they should commit themselves to Him with full confidence, and they would be saved. No other man so spoke, or had the right to make such demands.

EDITORIAL



GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATURE, TAKE NOTICE.

Much is being written and said against direct legislation and commission government, and the initiative and referendum are coming in for their share of adverse criticism by the professional politicians forgetting that direct legislation is the result of the corruption and inefficiency of political parties and the officers they elect. The people have lost all faith in them, and the men who control them may as well understand, once for all, that the people will assert their power in this and other lawful ways until political parties are so reformed as to restore them to public confidence.

This is the reason direct legislation is making such headway. John D. Works, California's new senator, well adds:

"There is an aroused public sentiment in this country today that means a change, if not a complete political revolution. The people have diagnosed the case, and know what is afflicting the country, and they realize what the remedy must be.

"Out of this condition of discontent (over betrayal of campaign and platform pledges, etc.) have come the direct primary laws and the initiative, referendum and recall, all movements intended to curb and curtail the power of machine-governed political parties and extend and increase that of the people at large, unrestrained by any sense of party fealty or obligation."

OUR NEW LEADER IN EDUCATION.

The educational commission so unanimously and heartily created by the Albertville convention has succeeded in securing the services of Pastor W. J. E. Cox, of the First church, Mobile, to undertake the work of the commission. The commission believes that with the active inauguration of its work a new era has dawned upon Baptist affairs in Alabama.

Brother Cox needs no introduction to Alabama people. For eleven years he has served not only one of our greatest churches, but has been a servant as well to all Alabama. Our people not only know him, but love him and trust him. His entering this work is only another proof that our workers can make great sacrifices for the Lord's work and still be happy.

Like every other department of our church work, this also depends upon the support and co-operation of the pastors. The commission believes that Brother Cox is in every way fitted to do the work and that his heart is in it, but he cannot succeed without your help. Hitherto we have depended on special collections for Christian education made by the agents of the schools. If we were to treat our other work that way it would soon be dead. Remember, Brother Cox is not the agent of any school, nor is it primarily his business to collect funds for any or all of them. His is a much broader and more important work than this, and we must all take collections for Christian education just as we now do for every other form of missions. Of course he will be able to do much of this work himself, just as Brethren Gray, Willingham and Crumpton do much for their board, but he cannot and we must not expect him to do it all.

It is immensely important that we should greatly improve our Christian schools, and if we stay in the field of education it is going to cost money, and a great deal of it. We wish to impress this fact on our people until they will look upon it as an opportunity for service that will come to them annually until the day of judgment. Write Brother Cox a letter and bid him God speed in his new work. It will do him good and help the cause.

While we do not want to see missions commercialized, yet missions is a great business, and ought to be better systematized, and we fear because Brother Crumpton emphasizes the business side so much that it causes some unthinking Baptists to charge him with thinking too much about the financial side and too little about the spiritual phase of this great question—and yet because he is our secretary to raise funds for State, Home and Foreign Missions, it becomes his duty to try and organize our forces and put our beneficences on a sound business basis. For this reason he is laying himself out on "systematics" as never before. We would suggest that if any pastor who hears our beloved secretary at an association put the emphasis stronger than he thinks is needful on the business side of missions, go home and adopt the schedule and back it up with as powerful a spiritual plea as he can make, and when he sets in motion a business plan backed up by prayer and the hearts of his people are stirred their pocketbooks will be opened. Our secretary, while not neglecting, largely relies on the pastors to develop the spiritual and divine side of missions, and makes his plea for systematic and larger giving because after a score of years he realizes that deeds speak louder than reports, and that gifts are more valuable than golden words in beautifully framed rhetorical periods. A faith that exhausts itself in sentences is useless, and a faith that fails to reach the pocketbook, move the feet, employ the hands, fire the brain and create in the heart a passion for souls is as dead as the pagan world we are supposed to seek to save.

Those who prophesied that at Dr. Harper's death the University of Chicago would receive no more gifts from John D. Rockefeller missed it, as nearly \$20,000,000 in gifts have been donated to the University of Chicago by him during the administration of President Harry Pratt Judson. We hope Dr. Cox will be able to develop many rich Baptists in their gifts to education.

The Baptist Foreign Mission Board appointed a commission to go into Africa and to inquire into conditions in the Sudan. The commission has returned, and reports that the opposition of the British government toward any church entering the field, together with the antagonistic attitude of Belgium toward all mission work, makes missionary effort in the Sudan especially difficult.

Some of our advanced thinkers seem to think that religion is merely an intellectual theory, a thing to strengthen the mind by a series of mental gymnastics, and that it has nothing to do with the realization of truth to be translated into daily living to become life-giving truths.

Prof. Ernest D. Burton has been appointed director of the libraries of the University of Chicago. Dr. Burton's eminent fitness for this most important position will be recognized at once. Aside from his broad scholarship and wide experience he has made a most careful study of American and European libraries during the last few years.

Prof. Frederick Starr, associate professor of anthropology in the University of Chicago, will leave the United States on December 23 for Korea, where he will make a study of the inhabitants. Manuel Gonzales, his companion on previous trips of this kind, will accompany him. Professor Starr's previous investigations have included the interior of Africa, Mexico and Japan.

Every now and then we meet some pastor, so free from worldly ambition and desire to make an impression, that it refreshes our soul, living, as we do, in an atmosphere where pushful men are trying to elbow one another off the platform so that they may be seen and heard.

One of the weakest parts of the church business is the lax and aimless way the missionary interests are allowed to lapse. Some churches depend upon the annual missionary sermon followed by a missionary offering.

ATTENTION DELEGATES

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STATE S. S. CONVENTION AT ANNISTON.

The programme committee, consisting of Mr. D. W. Sims, general secretary; Judge Armstead Brown, chairman executive committee; Mr. M. M. Sweatt, president; Mr. Leon M. Palmer, field secretary, of Montgomery, and Mr. S. A. Russell, general chairman at Anniston, have had several meetings and have about completed what is believed to be one of the most attractive programs ever presented to the Sunday school workers of Alabama. Among the speakers will be Dr. McIntosh, of Chicago, of international fame as a teacher training speaker, and Dr. L. W. Munhall, of Germantown, Pa., of equally as great fame as a Bible specialist and Bible class teacher. Prof. E. O. Excell and his pianist, Mr. A. W. Roper, of Chicago, will have charge of the music. Many of the prominent Sunday school workers of the state will also be on the programme.

The railroads of the state have granted a rate which is practically half price for round trip ticket. This is based on one fare, plus 25 cents.

The Sunday school people of Anniston are determined that the visitors from other parts of the state shall have a royal welcome.

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PROGRAM OF STATE B. Y. P. U., Prattville, Ala., April 11-13, 1911.

Key Thought, The Lordship of Jesus.

Tuesday Evening, April 11.

7:30. Devotional Service—W. M. Anderson.

7:45. Introductory Exercises—Local committee.

8:15. Address, "The Essential Lordship of Christ"—J. H. Barber.

Wednesday Morning, April 12.

10:30. Devotional Service—W. M. Anderson.

10:15. Enrollment and Organization.

10:30. Address, "Practical B. Y. P. U. Work"—Harry L. Strickland.

11:00. Address, "Primacy of Christ's Lordship"—L. L. Gwaltney.

11:30. Miscellaneous Business.

Wednesday Afternoon, April 12.

3:00. Devotional Service—W. M. Anderson.

3:15. Echoes from unions over the State.

Wednesday Evening, April 12.

7:30. Devotional Service—W. M. Anderson.

7:40. Planning the State B. Y. P. U.—G. W. Macon.

8:15. Address, "The Lordship of Christ in Our Vocations"—Richard Hall.

Thursday Morning, April 13.

10:00. Devotional Service—W. M. Anderson.

10:15. Reports of committees and discussion.

10:45. Address, "Practical B. Y. P. U. Work"—Harry L. Strickland.

11:15. Address, "The Lordship of Christ in Our Vocations"—J. W. Willis.

Thursday Afternoon, April 13.

3:00. Devotional Service—W. M. Anderson.

3:15. "Denominational Obligations of the Unioner"—I. J. Van Ess.

3:45. "The B. Y. P. U. in the Encampment"—A. G. Moseley. (Discussion.)

Thursday Evening, April 13.

7:30. Devotional Service—W. M. Anderson.

7:45. Address, "B. Y. P. U. Literature"—I. J. Van Ess.

8:15. Address, "The Lordship of Christ in World-wide Evangelization"—W. F. Yarborough.

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Dear Brother Barnett:

I returned last night from a trip in the country, and about which I would like to mention a few things. On Wednesday morning Bro. Owen, myself and my teacher, a man to carry our food, books, etc., and a man with a donkey to carry our bedding started out walking. Bro. Owen and myself have been staying rather close to our work during the summer and fall and needed recreation.

We decided to get the exercise which we needed in climbing some very high mountains fifteen miles north of here, and at the same time do some evangelistic work in the numerous villages in the beautiful valleys which surround the mountains. The first day we had a delightful mountain climb, preached four times to large crowds of people, treated a great many sick people, sold portions of the Bible, and distributed many tracts. We entered an entirely new field, but the people received us very kindly and gladly heard the gospel story.

Where we spent our first night we had a very encouraging experience, and another equally annoying. We arrived at the inn a little before the sun went down behind the great, rugged mountain a little distance to our west. No foreigners had ever visited this village and in a few minutes a great crowd was gathering to see us. We began telling them of Jesus. We noticed two old women going away. We invited them to stay and hear, but they said they were going to call some other people. In a little while we had a big crowd and they sat down on the ground and listened very attentively. When we had talked to them about an hour, it being dark, we decided to go in and eat our supper. As many as could get in the little room followed us in to watch us eat and to hear more of this strange doctrine. We told them if they would get us a room we would go out and have a meeting with them after supper. Of course, we had no idea they would manifest enough interest to secure a room in which to preach a doctrine directly opposite to that in which they have always believed. To our surprise and delight, we heard a man shouting from the outside that they had a room for us. The only place suitable for a meeting in the whole village was their school building, and they had secured that. It was a small building, but was soon packed to overflowing and Bro. Owen, my teacher and myself preached our best for nearly two hours. In telling the story to a people who are hearing for the first time, there is a fascination which the people at home know nothing about.

The other experience in this village was not so pleasant. On entering the inn we noticed that the keeper had been making some new wine. When we retired for our rest and sleep all was quiet for a while, and then some eight or ten of the villagers came in to drink wine. In vain we entreated the innkeeper to have them go away, for selling wine to these people was part of his business. They became very talkative and kept us disturbed

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The second day was similar to the first—had a glorious climb in the mountains, worked through several villages, and night found us at the famous Tie Kwang Miao (Iron Basket Temple). This temple is far removed from any village; is situated in a delightful basin, and with the mountains towering high all around makes a very picturesque place. Including the priests, those who are learning to be priests and the servants, there were about fifty men and boys in this temple. We had a pleasant night here. In the morning, after speaking with them and giving them some tracts and portions of the Bible, we started for Tai Trel Sran, the highest and most noted mountain in this part of the country. On top of this mountain we find another temple. They don't know how old it is, but say that it is several hundred years old. We saw some large characters cut on a stone over two hundred years ago, and a marble tablet four hundred years old. In one of the temples four idols had a large glass marble placed in the center of the forehead. The priest called this the "wisdom bump". A very encouraging fact is that most all the temples we see are in a stage of ruin and decay; many of the gods have tumbled down, and some of the temples have fallen.

The afternoon finds us in the valley west of the mountains. We preached to large crowds and spent the night in a village ten miles from Laichowfu. Next morning (Saturday) Bro. Owen returns to Pingtu, while my teacher and I worked on to Laichowfu and had a pleasant little visit with them on Sunday. I found four of the friends were in the country holding classes, and the others were busy with their work in the station. I was pleased to meet Bro. Leonard and wife and Miss Caldwell, who came out five weeks ago. They are getting a good start in the language.

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NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, Probate Court, 21st Day of January, 1911.

Estate of W. H. Fallon, Deceased. This day came Mrs. L. I. Grison, Administratrix of the estate of W. H. Fallon, deceased, and filed his account, vouchers, evidence and statement for a final settlement of the same.

It is ordered that the 15th day of February, 1911, be appointed a day for making such settlement, at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

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J. P. STILES, Judge of Probate.

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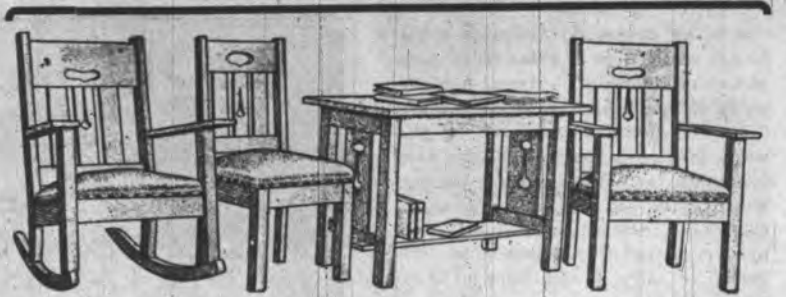


MRS. ANNIE BEASLEY RATLIFF.

The many friends of our brother, Mr. P. C. Ratliff, will be grieved to hear of the sudden death of his wife on Tuesday last while he was in Montgomery serving his country and his Lord in trying to preserve Alabama from the return of the saloon. While engaged in making a purchase she was called away, and in a moment she took her departure. For twenty-five years she had been the joint heir of the grace of life with her beloved husband, and her children were growing up around her. She had been during the fifteen years her husband had been in this city an active member of the First Baptist church and had part in all charitable and religious work. She was a winsome and gentle woman, and those who knew her best loved her most. Truly earth is the poorer and heaven the richer for her translation thence. We extend to the bereaved husband and children our sincere condolence and sympathy. The funeral was from the First Baptist church on Wednesday at 3 p. m., conducted by the two pastors who served during the period of her membership—Dr. S. D. Gray and Dr. A. J. Dickinson. We give below the tribute of the present pastor, Dr. Dickinson, which truly sets forth her character and worth in the community:

Writing to Christian wives and mothers, in order that they might be winsome for Christ in their families, Peter says, "Whose adorning let it be the hidden man of the heart in the incorruptible apparel of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price. For after this manner aforetime holy women also who hoped in God adorned themselves." I Peter 3:4-5.

So Sarah adorned herself and ornamented the household of Abraham as wife and mother; and like a true daughter of that holy woman Annie Beasley Ratliff did well in adorning herself with the winsomeness of Christ before her husband and her children. She had to a marked degree "the hidden man of the heart," a personality concealed beneath a modest and quiet demeanor from the public eye, but revealing itself in great worth to those who came into her home. It was as wife and mother that she displayed the riches of her nature, her hope in God and that disposition which is of great price in His sight. There can be no nobler sphere of life for the blossoming forth of the holy graces of womankind in the winsomeness of Christ, and it is the grateful privilege of her pastor to bear witness that she served well her Lord in this sphere in meek and quiet spirit, bestowing the blessings of beauty of Jesus on all who shared the privilege of her home. He never visited there without gratefully feeling this womanly winsomeness of Christ, that proceeded from that hidden man of her heart in the incorruptible apparel wherewith she was accustomed to adorn herself and which we are told are garments of great price in the sight of God. She made herself beautiful in all her bearing for her Lord's sake, and so she contributed to the winning power of the gospel in its appeal to the heart. The Psalmist in enumerating the gracious and the great works of God among men caps his climax with his having made a woman to keep house



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as the joyful mother of children (Ps. 113:9); and truly a wife and mother adorning her hidden nature with incorruptible apparel of those who hope in God is a matchless witness to the magnitude of His grace. We do well therefore to assemble in this place, where we are wont to meet with God in worship, to return Him thanks for this life, from which during these years the beauty of the Lord shone forth. We are sadly and sorely bereaved at the going out of this winsome life; but let not that condition make the less our thankfulness for God's blessing in giving us this holy woman to bear to us the fragrance of His love in her life. For we shall see her yet again, wearing still the incorruptible apparel in that land where the mortal shall put on immortality. Somehow it does not after all seem so strange that Anni Beasley Ratliff, who among the holy women adorned her heart in the incorruptible apparel of the meek and quiet spirit of so great price in the eyes of God, is thought fit to be transplanted to the heavenly home and given her part in making the very air of glory fragrant with the winsomeness of Christ. We shall know yet more of her hidden man of the heart when we see her there again. We thank God for this life as we have seen its beauty here and for the promise of seeing her yet again.

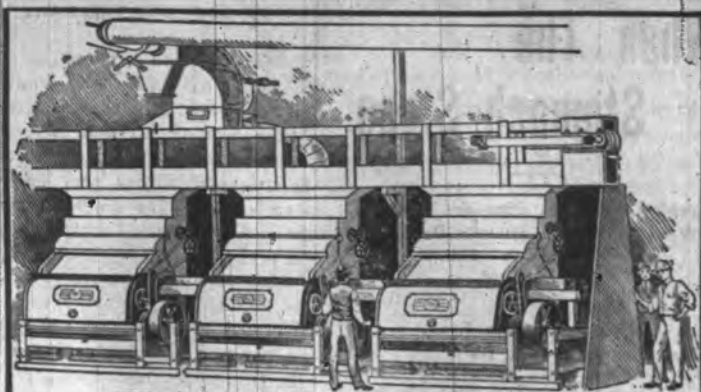
FROM HUNTSVILLE.

I want to tell you a few things about my people here at the Fifth Street church. I am very well pleased with the outlook. These people want to do things. We had only been here two nights when, just after supper, the third, some one knocked at the door. On opening the door we found a great crowd. They rushed right in and the house was soon filled to overflowing. They brought their books and such singing you never heard. But one of the best things in the whole was a delivery wagon, which came loaded with things to eat. Some of the brethren made very impressive speeches, and when one said that it was only the initiation, the pastor wanted to know when the other degree would be conferred. There are several here who do not take the paper, but some of the sisters are at work, and I think we will soon be able to land them. We have a good prayer meeting, about sixty present every time. We also have a good young men's prayer meeting, a live Sunday school and a well filled house at the preaching service. We want you to come to us.

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All this is explained in doctor books; how undigested food causes gases by fermentation and fomentation in which process some essential fluids are destroyed—burnt up—wasted by chemical action, followed by defective nutrition and the distribution through the alimentary tract of chemically wrong elements and as a consequence the stomach and entire system is starved. Plenty of food, you see, but spoilt in preparation and worse than worthless.

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AN APPRECIATED PAGE.

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At my last service the church presented me with a purse containing \$100 as a gift from the church at Pine Hill. Of course this was very much appreciated by the retiring pastor, and was quite a pleasant surprise. But this is not all. On Monday morning following, the ladies of the church gave Mrs. Page a handkerchief shaver, which resulted in quite a trunkful of linen, etc.

I was pastor of this field just one year, and assure you that I was never more loyally or kindly treated anywhere, and can assure the incoming pastor, whoever he may be, that he is going into the midst of a most loyal people.

It is with regret that the writer gives up the pastorate, but feels that there is a great field of usefulness in the temperance work, in which I am now laboring.

God's blessing on the Baptist and the cause it represents.

Respectfully,

A. E. PAGE.

NOTICE.

Default having been made in the payment of the debt secured by mortgage, executed to Russell C. Booth on the 28th day of July, 1910, by Arrie E. Matthews, and recorded in the office of the judge of probate of Jefferson county, Alabama, in volume 594, page 120 of the records of mortgages, the Woodlawn Supply Company, a corporation, and assignee of the above described mortgage and the debt for which same was given as security, will sell under the power in said mortgage, on the 14th day of March, 1911, in front of the court house door of Jefferson county, Alabama, in the city of Birmingham, during the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described real property, situate, lying and being in said county and state, to-wit:

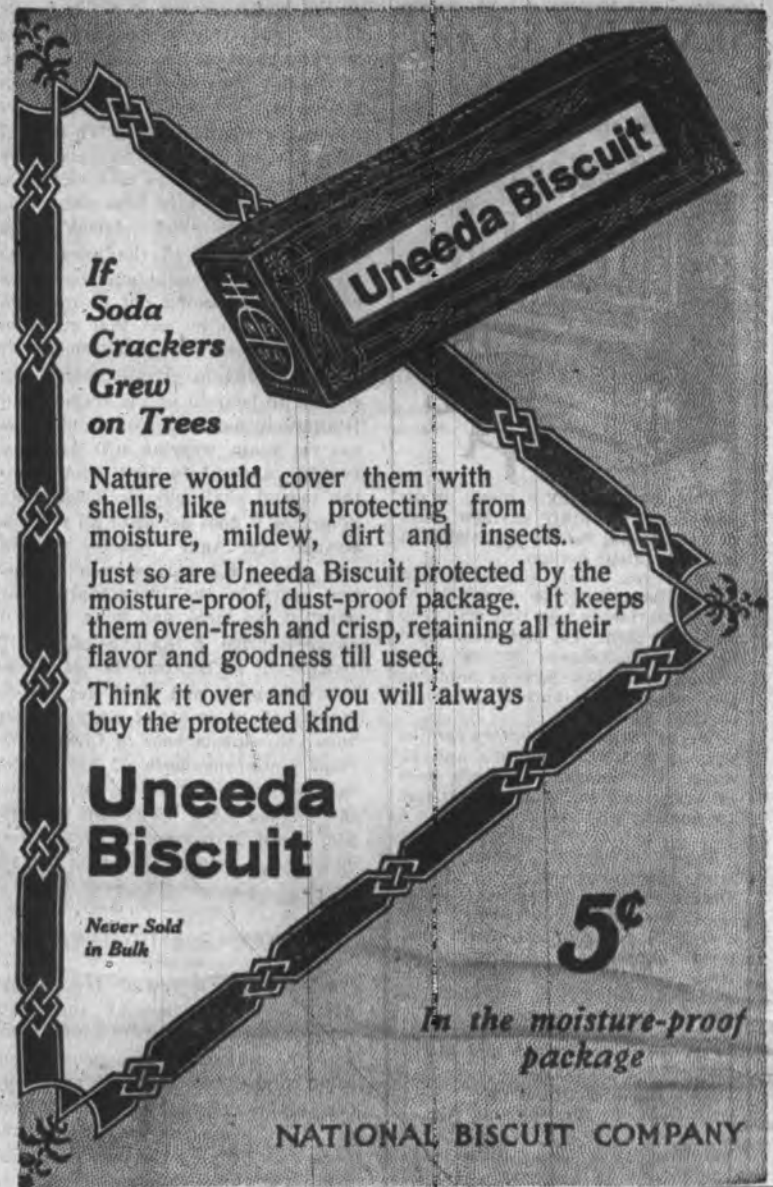
Commence at the N. W. corner of the intersection of Grady and Cotton streets in the city of Birmingham, formerly West End, thence run northward along the west line of Grady street, 95 feet for a starting point; thence run westward parallel with Cotton street 100 feet; thence northward parallel with Grady street 95 feet to an alley; thence eastward along the south line of said alley 100 feet to Grady street; thence southward along the west line of Grady street 95 feet to the point of beginning.

The said property forming a rectangle fronting 95 feet on the west side of Grady street, and running back west of uniform width 100 feet and being composed of fractional parts of lots 13 and 14 according to the plat of Silver Meade, said plat being on record in the office of the probate judge of Jefferson county, Alabama, in map book one, page 103, and lot 17 according to the plat of J. W. Grady, a map of which is recorded in the office of the probate judge of Jefferson county, Alabama, in vol. 74, page 615, of the records of deeds and mortgages.

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