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A PAGE OF MISCELLANEOUS SHORT ITEMS

Brother F. M. Handley sent in five new subscribers from Waverly, which means much to the paper and to the people. We heartily thank him.

You are giving us a good paper, and every Baptist in the state ought to take it. I will try to get you a few subscribers. Your brother in Christ—J. W. Cook.

My churches—Bethel, Grant's Creek and Mt. Hebron—will send me to the Southern Baptist Convention. Good services at Bethel yesterday. Hope to send other names soon. This makes 11 I have sent. With love and best wishes, your brother—J. G. Lowrey.

Please hand the enclosed \$5 bill to the proper Baptist authorities managing the famine fund for China. This \$5 is a voluntary contribution for this purpose from Mrs. C. H. Miller, Miller, Ala., who is one of your regular subscribers. Respectfully—Mrs. Placidia Thomas.

I have failed so far to get any new subscribers. However, I have the promise of some new ones soon. There is not a single member of the Second church here taking the paper. I enclose \$1. Please move up my figures, and I hope in a few days to send you at least one or two new subscribers. Your brother as ever—C. B. Martin.

(Thanks for trying.)

May the Lord bless you in your noble work. Pray for us, that the Lord may make our church more spiritual minded. I think the Baptist has improved so much in the last two years. May the good Lord incline our Baptist people to help you make it a great paper in my prayer. Yours in the work—W. R. Holder.

(He sent in a new subscriber.)

You will find enclosed \$10 to pay for ten new subscribers. I wish you much success. May the Lord bless and ever keep you and yours. I am going to the Southern Baptist Convention. Thomaston, McKinley and Safford are going to send their pastor. These people appreciate a pastor when he tries to do his duty, and don't you know I will have a big time.—C. M. Cloud.

(Of course he is going. Any pastor who can get 10 new subscribers lives among a people who will treat him right.)

A number of friends are sending in names and cash on special \$1.00 offer to January, 1912. The pastors are leading, but many laymen and good women are also helping. Have you tried to get a new subscriber? If not, just make the effort and see how easily it can be done.

STOP

Wasting your surplus energy in trying single handed to interest your people in the organized work and

LOOK

Around you and discover the homes where the Alabama Baptist is not found and

LISTEN

To the call of opportunity, and put a copy into the hands of every family in your church and

SEE

How much easier it is to lead your members in every department of church work:

THE DOLLAR OFFER CLUBS GIVES YOU THE CHANCE.

I am doing all I can for the missions this month. I like the encouragement the paper gives. I pray that Alabama may come up all right. May the Lord bless you in your efforts to do good. Yours for the work—J. W. Mitchell.

(He sent in two new subscribers. He is always helping.)

The third Sunday was my day at Mt. Joy. I had with me on Saturday Brethren W. Y. Browning, of Cordova, and J. A. Huggins, of Oakman; also Brother Ab. Baker, engaged in a missionary educational enterprise. We had a glorious day. Our subject was, "The Great Commission." (Matthew 28:19-20.) The church is small, but wide-awake and moving along nicely. We had a great day Sunday, as we were engaged in the Lord's supper. It gives me much pleasure to go out there. God bless the paper.—John I. Lallor, Patton, Ala.

(He sent in a new subscriber.)

We can't do without the dear Alabama Baptist. It is a welcome visitor to our home each week. We are trying for more subscribers. Last Sunday our new pastor preached two excellent sermons to a large and attentive audience. Bro. J. L. McKinney is our pastor. We are hoping for a great and good work in the future. Pray for us, that the Lord will greatly revive us and that great and lasting good may be accomplished. Visit us this summer. May God's blessings rest on you and our dear old paper, which grows better each week. We, the Brownsboro church, need your prayers. Yours in His service—Mrs. Y. F. Giles.

Dear Brother Barnett: I had some thought of writing of the importance of our pastors giving more of their thought and energy to that part of Christian work known to us as mission work. I must say that except in the association I hear but little said about that part of the Christian work. We know that sheep are apt to follow their shepherd, and much depends upon our preachers. May God bless and help you to continue to impress your readers with that spirit. Am glad to see so many taking advantage of your liberal offer. Brother Barnett, I am sending you four new subscribers with \$4 for same and \$1 for my arrears. I am paying one of the new list so as to get the paper in another family. Hope to be able to send more subscribers soon.—Wm. Bradford.

(This certainly is a good letter. It shows what a man imbued with true missionary spirit can do.)

I am sending you three subscribers on the \$1 plan. I am proud to send you this money. I have the promise of some more. One—a lady—is going to send me \$1 through the mail; but I won't wait. I'll first send these, so they can be reading the Baptist. Old Siloam is coming to the front. There wasn't a single subscriber for the paper, but we have gotten four to subscribe. Bro. J. E. Vaughn is our pastor. We all love him very much. We have built a new church and are going to paint the benches, and we will have as nice a church as any country can boast of. I hope I can soon send some more subscribers. Wishing you much success, I am—A Sister.

(This is fine.)

Rev. J. G. Lowery, "the old reliable," dropped by with five new subscribers. Always glad to have him call.

A summer school at Newton, Ala., will be conducted by the Baptist Collegiate Institute for the preparation of teachers desiring to take the state examination in July. Write to A. W. Tate, principal.

Rev. J. E. Vaughn evidently wants his people to read the Alabama Baptist, as he sent us in eight new subscribers. He must know how to solicit subscriptions.

We received a check for \$5 for five new subscribers. When we looked at the pastor's letterhead we were not surprised, for we read: "Jas. Lee Tucker, pastor Missionary Baptist churches." This is a good heading for a Baptist preacher's stationery.

Enclosed find \$1 for one new subscriber. Hope I will be able to send others. It does seem to me that every one ought to take a Baptist paper. Our church is moving along nicely with Brother Long at the head, for he is an untiring worker. We have the envelope system now, with which we are all delighted. May the Lord bless you and yours.—C. C. Woodruff.

Please send me a correct list of subscribers at Thomaston and McKinley. I will do my best for you. I think I can send you some more subscribers next week. May God's blessings rest upon you and yours, and the paper be a blessing to those that read it. Yours fraternally—C. M. Cloud.

(Any other pastor can get list by writing for it.)

I am going to do my best to send in other names. (He sent three) I feel sure it would be of great value to my work if I could get all of my members to take our paper. I call it ours. I think I say this advisedly. I feel that every Baptist of the state should feel that the paper in part belongs to them. Wishing you great success, fraternally yours—D. W. Morgan.

This is to advise you that we are sending our pastor, Rev. Willey F. Martin to the Southern Baptist Convention, and we are glad of the opportunity of doing so.—J. G. Powell, Church Clerk.

(Good. Hope many others will do as much for their pastors.)

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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.

"Ten things for which no one has ever yet been sorry:

"Doing good to all.
"Being patient toward everybody.
"Hearing before judging.
"Thinking before speaking.
"Holding an angry tongue.
"Being kind to the distressed.
"Speaking evil of none.
"Asking pardon for all wrongs.
"Stopping the ears to a tale-bearer.
"Disbelieving most of the ill reports."

DURING APRIL.

We study about South America.
We give to Foreign Missions.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Our work in the Central District, which comprises Pine Barren, Crenshaw, Salem-Troy, Eufaula, Harris, Centennial, Tuskegee, Montgomery, Alabama, Selma, Unity, Chilton, Butler, Zion, Sardis, Geneva, Coffee, Dale, Judson and Columbia.

Our work in the Columbia Association. In this association we have thirty-six churches and only eleven societies. Mrs. John Hays, of Columbia, is superintendent.

Our missionary in Teng-Chow, North China, Mrs. W. W. Adams.

Our training school students, Misses Register, Martin and Dykes.

The reaching of our year's apportionment. So far the offerings have come in well this month, and we are not far from reaching our apportionment. Will not all who read this, send in what funds they have on hand so we can do our best to answer our prayer? Send the offerings in before Friday, please.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR MARCH.

(Concluded from Last Week.)

Foreign Missions.

Sanford L. A. S., \$5; Troy W. M. S., \$45.85; Florida W. M. and A. S., \$2.10; Jonesboro L. A. S., \$2; Dadeville W. M. S., \$7.50; Goodwater W. M. S., \$10; Birmingham (S. S.) W. A. and M. S., \$140; Mt. Hope L. A. S., \$4; Ensley W. M. S., \$25; Jackson L. A. S., \$4.55; Oxford L. A. and M. S., \$10; Elba W. M. S., \$4.60; Winterboro W. M. S., \$3; Tunnell Springs W. M. S., \$11.35; Sister Springs L. A. and M. S., \$1.60; Thorsby L. A. S., \$2; Orrville W. M. and A. S., \$20; Shawmut W. A. and M. S., 75c; Athens W. M. S., \$4.50; A friend, \$3; Birmingham (21st St.) W. M. S., \$5; Montgomery (1st) W. M. S., \$2; Birmingham (66th St.) W. M. S., \$10; Selma W. M. S., \$3; Marion W. H. S., \$5; Three Notch W. M. S., \$58; Brundidge W. M. S., \$2.60; Bear Creek church No. 2 W. M. S., \$1.25; Hartford W. M. S., \$3.39; Axle W. A. and M. S., \$7; Roanoke L. A. S., \$15; Geneva L. A. S., \$8.15; Collirene W. M. S., \$1.83; Repton W. M. S., \$6; Aliceville W. M. and A. S., \$1; Richmond Place (Birmingham) L. A. and M. S., \$2.25; Talladega (1st) W. M. S., \$4; Jasper L. A. and M. S., \$5; Fredonia W. M. S., \$2; Dickinson W. M. S., 50c; Winterboro W. M. S., \$2.49; Daphne L. A. and M. S.,

\$2.15; Montgomery (Clayton St.) W. M. S., \$15; Wetumpka L. A. and M. S., \$10; Birmingham (East) L. A. and M. S., \$10; Birmingham (27th St.) W. M. and A. S., \$23.50; Birmingham (West End) L. A. and M. S., \$25; Boaz W. M. S., \$4.30; Lapine S. S., \$2.02; Childersburg L. A. and M. S., \$3.90; Drewry W. M. S., \$5. Total, \$569.13.

Christmas to China.

Montgomery (1st) W. M. S., \$2; Birmingham (S. S.) W. A. and M. S., \$3.75; Creighton L. A. and M. S., 85c; Shiloh (Selma Assn) L. A. and M. S., \$6.75; Oxanna W. M. and A. S., \$1. Total, \$14.35.

Miss Kelly.

Oxford L. A. and M. S., \$5; Aliceville W. M. and A. S., \$1; Demopolis W. M. and A. S., \$3.75. Total, \$9.75.

Native Worker.

Columbia W. M. S., \$25; Evergreen W. M. S., \$33.60. Total, \$58.60.

Bible Woman.

Birmingham (1st) L. A. S., \$30; Huntsville (1st) W. M. S., \$30; Scottsboro Y. W. A., \$30. Total, \$90.

Hospitals.

Tunnell Springs Y. W. A., \$1.80; Montgomery (1st) Y. W. A., \$8.75; Troy Y. W. A., \$3.30; Montgomery (Clayton St.) Y. W. A., \$1.40; Chapel Hill (Salem-Troy) Y. W. A., \$2.85; Piedmont Y. W. A., \$3; Gadsden (1st) Y. W. A., \$10; Union Springs Y. W. A., \$1; Benua Vista Y. W. A., \$1.20; Anniston (P. M.) F. M. B., \$1.50; Belleville Y. W. A., \$1.50; Birmingham (1st) Y. W. A., \$7.65. Total, \$43.95.

Christmas Offering to Hospitals.

Jacksonville Gleaners, \$1.75; Tuscaloosa (1st) Jr. Y. W. A., \$7. Total, \$8.75.

Africa.

Tunnell Springs S. B. B., \$1; Evergreen S. B. B., \$4c; Prattville S. B. B., \$5.17; Ackerville S. B. B., \$3; Montgomery (1st) S. B. B., \$7.22; Grove Hill S. B. B., \$1.50; Yantley S. B. B., 25c; Alexander City S. B. B., \$4; Mt. Carmel (Etowah Assn) S. B. B., \$1; Boaz S. B. B., 50c. Total, \$24.48.

Christmas Offering to Africa.

Billingsley S. B. B., \$3.68.

Quin San Chapel.

Birmingham (S. S.) W. A. and M. S., \$20; Linden friend, \$10. Total, \$30.

Training School Enlargement.

Jonesboro L. A. S., 25c; Birmingham (27th St.) L. A. S., \$3; Excel W. M. S., \$1.50; Columbiana L. A. S., \$3; Eutaw L. A. S., \$1; Birmingham (66th St.) W. M. S., \$1; Union Church (Birmingham Assn) L. A. S., 75c; Huntsville (1st) W. M. S., \$6; Jackson L. A. S., \$1; Roanoke L. A. S., \$5; Oxanna W. M. and A. S., \$2; Collirene W. M. S., 25c; Aliceville W. M. and A. S., \$1; Tuscaloosa (1st) W. M. S., 25c; Birmingham (Richmond Place) L. A. and M. S., \$1; Talladega (1st) W. M. S., \$5; Daphne L. A. and M. S., 25c; Montgomery (Clayton St.) W. M. S., \$2.50;

Union Springs W. M. S., \$4; Dothan (1st) W. M. S., \$5; Boaz W. M. S., 50c; Albertville W. M. S., \$2. Total, \$45.25.

Training School Support.

Montgomery (1st) L. W. C., \$15; Columbiana L. A. S., \$2; Tunnell Springs W. M. S., \$2; Bridgeport W. M. S., \$1.75; Birmingham (Park Ave.) L. A. S., 50c; a friend, \$3; Pineapple L. A. and M. S., \$1; Blocton (1st) W. M. S., \$2.50; Cubahatchie W. M. S., 50c; LaPlace W. M. S., 50c; Union Springs Y. W. A., \$1; Tuscaloosa (1st) W. M. S., 25c; Belleville Y. W. A., \$4; Alexander City Jr. Y. W. A., \$2.50; Union Springs W. M. S., \$4. Total, \$40.50.

Training School Student.

Tunnell Springs W. M. S., \$1; Pineapple L. A. and M. S., \$1; Cubahatchie W. M. S., 50c; LaPlace W. M. S., 50c; Union Springs Y. W. A., \$1; Buena Vista Y. W. A., 10c; Fredonia W. M. S., 50c; Alexander City Jr. Y. W. A. and R. A., \$2.50; Union Springs W. M. S., \$4; Childersburg L. A. and M. S., \$1; Anniston (P. M.) M. J., \$5; Selma (1st) L. A. S., \$5. Total, \$22.10.

Lucy F. Stratton Fund.

Lafayette W. M. S., \$2.50; Troy W. M. S., \$5; Gordo W. M. S., \$2.50. Total, \$10.

Bible Fund.

Jonesboro L. A. S., 25c; Excel W. M. S., 50c; Birmingham (66th St.) W. M. S., 25c; Birmingham (Union Church) L. A. S., 25c; Blocton (1st) W. M. S., 25c; Huntsville (1st) W. M. S., \$1; Jackson L. A. S., 25c; Collirene W. M. S., 25c; Gadsden (1st) Y. W. A., \$1; Aliceville W. M. S. and A. S., 50c; Tuscaloosa (1st) W. M. S., 25c; Birmingham (Richmond Place) L. A. and M. S., \$1; Talladega (1st) W. M. S., \$1; Fredonia W. M. S., 25c; Daphne L. A. and M. S., 25c; Alexander City S. B. B., \$1; Birmingham (27th St.) W. A. and A. S., 75c; Union Springs W. M. S., 50c; Boaz W. M. S., 25c. Total, \$9.75.

Margaret Home.

Birmingham (Park Ave.) L. A. S., 50; Montgomery (1st) W. M. S., \$25; Prattville S. B. B., \$1; Montevallo S. B. B., 25c; Ackerville S. B. B., 50c; Montgomery (1st) S. B. B., 25c; Aliceville W. M. and A. S., 50c; Union Springs W. M. S., 75c. Total, \$28.75.

McCollum Fund.

Krishnu Pai Society of the Tuscaloosa Female College, \$101.35.

Missionary for the Birmingham District.

Twenty-seventh St. L. A. and M. S., \$4; South Side W. A. and M. S., \$10; Ensley W. M. S., \$4; Ruhama L. A. and M. S., \$6; Avondale L. A. S., \$6; 66th St. W. M. S., \$1.50; 56th St. L. A. S., \$6; Calvary L. A. S., \$1; West End W. M. and A. S., \$9; First Church L. A. S., \$10; Bessemer L. A. S., \$4; Wylam L. A. S., \$2; Hunter St. W. M. S., \$6; East church L. A. and M. S., \$3. Total, \$72.50.

Grand total for March, \$3,404.64.

SCRIPTURE THOUGHT.

Whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister.—S. Matt. xx, 26.

COUNTRY CHURCHES.

One of the greatest teachers that the present writer has ever known made the statement in his class room that, if the student could understand the construction, and read a single page of Latin, he could read it all, for on every page there are contained the fixed principles of the whole language. The same thing, so far as we have seen, is true of country churches. Is not the problem practically the same everywhere? Certainly it is the states with which we are most familiar, viz: Virginia, Kentucky and Alabama. What is this problem? Too many churches, and because so many they are necessarily weak. And then, our Baptist independence has gone to such extremes that we are often unwilling to co-operate to promote the best interests of the Kingdom. This multitude of infantile churches, cherishing a surplus of Baptist liberties are unwilling, and in many cases unable, to support such ministry as this progressive age demands. The result is a weakened ministry, and this not due to inability in the large majority of conditions under which the country preacher lives. These men of God—these men who have lain the foundation in Zion—but inefficient because of the failure. Not to notice here the material requisites of the successful pastor; let us ask the question: Where does the country preacher live? Anywhere except on his field. Usually at some railroad station, and preferably a junction where the several roads afford easier facilities in getting him to his scattered churches. This, is confessedly not his desire, but since the churches have provided no home for him, he must shift for himself.

The article of Dr. A. J. Dickinson in the December issue of the Home Field revealed one astounding, as well as lamentable fact: "In Alabama with 1,700 country churches the Baptists have only five provided with pastor's homes." Well, may he say that this almost destroys country pastoral work—it completely destroys it. A pastor can't pastor a church unless he is in touch with it any more than an operator can send a telegraphic message unless he is in touch with the keyboard.

But how are we to have these homes, which if had, would undoubtedly go far toward solving the country church problem? What is needed, it seems to me, is the very thing we haven't got; and that is one or two earnest, moving spirits in every community of churches who will take the initiative in action and in contribution, and then lay the matter on the hearts of his brethren. Since there are only five country churches in the state that have pastor's homes, and we have one in Butler county outside of Greenville and Georgiana, we have at least one home more than the most of the other counties. This home was built largely through the effort of our earnest, and ever faithful brother, J. G. Reynolds, who is a deacon in our church here and moderator of the Butler County Association, and who was at the time living in the community in which the home now stands. A word about how it was done might be of interest: The three churches which entered into a compact to build the home had a mutual and written agreement that if any one of the three churches wanted to withdraw from the field without the consent of the other two, the said church should forfeit the money put into the parsonage; whereas if any two of the churches ask that the other one withdraw they are to pay said church for its share of the property. The result is that this field always has a pastor, because they have a home. And all largely due to the effort of one man. Oh, for men of initiative! May God give us men that will do things! There are scores of pastors in Alabama, and the adjoining states, who by all means ought to go to the Southern Baptist Convention, now that it is to meet near them, but they can't, and won't go, simply because there is nobody in their churches who will take the lead in raising the necessary fund. Let the layman whose eyes may chance to fall here reflect on this. It may be your chance to make a heart glad as well as render a service to God and your church.

Again, we are of the persuasion that the pastors who live in the cities ought to lend every conceivable aid to those who live in the country,

for the country churches with all of their failures are still the foundation of our Baptist Zion. When in the Seminary we saw one of the professors put the question as to how many of his class, of perhaps seventy-five, came from the country churches. Fully nine-tenth of the hands went up, and in the midst of all of this brawn and brain the few fellows who were from the city looked like they were ashamed of it. No, it is no reflection on the Baptist ministry to say that nine-tenths of them are from the country—the same is true of all the Presidents of the United States. Paul must sojourn in the desert of Arabia before he can contend with Athens and Rome; John the Baptist in the wilderness before he can challenge the sins of a harty kind. Thoreau was right when he said: "We require an infusion of hemlock-spruce and arbutus in our tea." Let the boy romp among the grasses and wild flowers; let him swim the old mill race and bask in the sunshine and the fresh air of the hills—it will do him no harm if he is going to become a Baptist preacher.

We want to suggest, in the absence of something better, that the brethren throughout the state give more attention to the old fifth Sunday meeting as a means toward helping forward the country churches. Of course, we of Butler county do not claim to be any criterion, but be it known from henceforth that we are having the most glorious meetings in this county that ever came under the experience of the present writer. We call the meetings "Baptist Rallies," and go to no little pains to make them successes. Letters are written to all the pastors who hold churches in the association, and as well to our leading laymen asking if they can come at the stated time. If the answer is in the affirmative we assign them a place on the programme which is sent to them at least a month in advance. Other letters are sent to all of the churches in the association asking that they appoint messengers. These usually come in good numbers, and in addition to the speakers and messengers we have from 600 to 1,000 people present, and as many as the houses will hold are always interested in the discussions. In this way we are learning our needs and striving as best we can to them. Of course, dinner is served on the ground both Saturday and Sunday.

L. L. GWALTNEY.

OUR LORD'S CAUSE.

Southern Baptists have attempted to do the biggest thing in their history this year, viz: Raise one million dollars for Home and Foreign Missions. This means on an average less than a half dollar a member, or less than one cent a week. Shall we fail?

We are within a few days of the close of the year (May 1st). Several have given thousands of dollars, a number \$1,000 each, quite a number \$600, the salary of a missionary; a great many \$100, the salary of a native preacher in China. Women have taken off their jewelry and given it, a young lady gave a beautiful necklace, another a prized medal won at college. She said she had nothing else to give. Many have made noble sacrifices. But who has sacrificed as the missionaries who have given their lives? They have stood the past year in the midst of war, famine and pestilential plague of death. Yet God has kept them. Not one has died. They report the greatest year or advance in the history of our work. Thousands have been added to the Lord's host. The lines of the enemy are breaking. Our soldiers at the front advancing, beg for help. They need re-enforcement and equipment. We have come to the last few days of our convention year, and it looks like we will have a very oppressive, distressing debt on our work. This will mean saying to the young people applying to go to the front, "Stay at home," and to our missionaries, "We are glad you have done so well, but toll on without needed assistance; we have other interests in which to invest our money which we consider more important than this of soul saving;" and to our Lord, "Not now; go with Thy pierced hands to others." We will need Him; let us not turn from Him now. I

ask that for Christ's sake you make another gift. Pray to God, and what He bids you, do it. We have enough Godly men and women to yet save the day and snatch victory out of apparent defeat. Do not wait; send on your gifts at once.

Let Sunday, April 30, be a day of thanksgiving and thank offerings. The churches and Sunday schools can and should add still further to what they have done. It is for God's cause. Who will gladly respond?
Yours in Christ,

R. J. WILLINGHAM.

Foreign Mission Rooms, Richmond, Va., April 20, 1911.

Let it be remembered that all funds for our boards must reach their destination by Monday night, May 1, in order to be credited on this year. Where funds are sent to the state secretary or treasurer he will notify the board by wire Monday evening, and the amount will be credited.

THE LAST CALL FOR HOME AND FOREIGN BOARD FOR THE GOOD YEAR 1910-1911

In order to give us a chance for collections for another Sunday, which comes this year on the 30th, the convention fixed

Midnight of May 1st

as the hour for closing the books of the two boards.

If treasurers are sure their checks will reach me in Monday's mail, it is all right to send by mail, but if doubtful, wire me.

"I have mailed, or will mail," but please be accurate with the figures. "I think" or "I hope" or "about" won't pass.

An enthusiastic brother sent me his note last year, to be paid soon. That note is yet unpaid.

I have

Great Hopes For Our Laymen.

With all the talk we have made about the possibilities of the Laymen's Movement, we ought to realize something great from it in a crisis like this. If every layman who reads these lines will immediately send a check for \$5.00, \$10.00 or \$20 or whatever amount his heart may prompt, the deficit will be entirely wiped out.

Don't wait on the churches; they are often slow and uncertain; don't hunt up others with: "I'll be one of ten," or any other number—time will be lost and the ten may not be found. "Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give, not grudgingly or of necessity, for God loveth a cheerful giver."

The Figures

as I write on the 20th are below last year:

For Home Missions	\$ 4,778
For Foreign Missions	6,006
In all	10,784

I have in sight \$3,500. Remember I am figuring on what we gave last year. The amounts asked of Alabama this year are:

For Home Missions	\$25,000
For Foreign Missions	35,000

which is considerably above last year.

In another column will be found the figures, up to the 22nd, which will be the last publication.

Won't the churches, Sunday schools and societies all

Empty Their Treasuries

of Mission money at once, so the boards may be relieved.

I will wire the amounts in every few days after this. Alabama Baptists have not done their best.

W. B. CRUMPTON.

The unexpected campaign for law enforcement which has begun in Alabama is meeting with such success that prohibitionists are having it demonstrated that prohibition is not a failure when our officers care to demonstrate.

Rev. W. J. Ray, financial agent of San Marcos Baptist Academy, who has been elected as a State evangelist in Texas, and who begins work May 1, did a good work in Alabama as one of the evangelists under the State Board,

PAGE OF SHORT PARAGRAPHS **Pimples Stopped in 5 Days**

EUGENE ANDERSON, President Georgia-Alabama Business College, Macon, Ga., a Select Training School, Limited To 200 Students.

The editor of the News-Gazette, at Barnesville, Ga., took occasion on Oct. 27, 1910, to write an editorial endorsement of Mr. Anderson. It shows what opinion the public has of the college and its official head:

"We desire to commend to the consideration of all our readers the Georgia-Alabama Business College, of Macon, of which Prof. Eugene Anderson is president.

"We have known Prof. Anderson for a number of years, and he is a perfect gentleman, reliable and trustworthy. A student will receive faithful attention and help in this college. It is all right, and the News-Gazette will vouch for it."

The college has a fund for helping properly recommended students who wish to pay tuition after being trained and put to work.

Every Month Near Death.

Foster, Ark.—Mrs. Fannie Ellis, of Foster, says: "I was sick for seven years, and half the time could not stand on my feet. Every month I was very near death. I tried Cardul, and in two months I was cured, and am now stout and healthy. My friends all ask me now what cured me. My looks are a testimonial to Cardul." No matter how serious or long-standing the trouble, Cardula will help you. It is a mild, vegetable, tonic remedy, especially adapted to relieve and cure the common womanly ailments. It relieves womanly pains and restores womanly strength. Try Cardul.

From Factory to Consumer.

The trend of 20th century merchandising is via the shortest route—from factory to consumer, and is thereby a great saving to the consumer; for instance, the Gate City Specialty Co., 711 Austell Bldg., Atlanta Ga., will sell you six pairs silk-wove socks or stockings for \$1.00, postpaid, guaranteed to be the regular 25c quality, in either black or colors, for men, women or children. You can't tell them from silk, and they have wonderful wearing qualities. It is a really good hose at a reasonable price. Send and get six pair, and if you are not satisfied the Gate City Specialty Co. will refund your money.

A number of friends are sending in names and cash on special \$1.00 offer to January, 1912. The pastors are leading, but many laymen and good women are also helping. Have you tried to get a new subscriber? If not, just make the effort and see how easily it can be done.

The wide-awake and loyal W. M. U. of Alexander City recently gave a unique entertainment, which netted them \$30.

Rev. J. W. Hamner, editor of the Alexander City Outlook, who is making a newsy paper, preached at Camp Hill Sunday morning, April 16.

Dr. W. T. Lowery, president of Mississippi College, has tendered his resignation to the board of trustees, effective on September 1, to return to his former position as president of Blue Mountain College.

Rev. F. H. Watkins, pastor of the Live Oak church, made our office a very pleasant visit a few days ago. Brother Watkins is out helping Columbia College over the present distress.—Florida Baptist Witness.

Saturday, April 15, the ladies of the Camden Baptist church served an appetizing dinner at the court house, and in the afternoon gave an Easter egg hunt for the little folks at the Masonic Hall park, which was greatly enjoyed by them.

Friday, April 14, the children of the Baptist church had an Easter egg hunt at the home of Mrs. Houston Lovelace. The little fellows were all attired in their new spring suits and presented a picture of beauty. The occasion was exceedingly pleasant, and the little fellows were never happier.—Marion Standard.

The revival meeting which has been in progress at the Baptist church was brought to a close last Friday night. The services were all well attended, the congregations at the evening services being especially large, and it is said by many to have been the most successful revival ever held in Clanton. Thirty-eight members were added to the church, 10 by letter and 28 by baptism. Rev. Curtis Shugart left for his home in Birmingham on the 10.20 train Friday night, and a large crowd, including many ladies, were at the depot to bid him good-bye and wish him Godspeed in the great work in which he is engaged. On Sunday night at the Baptist church the ordinance of baptism was administered to 28 candidates by the pastor, Rev. W. M. Olive. It was indeed a great meeting.—Clanton Banner.

The third biennial convention of the Young Women's Christian Associations of the United States was held in Indianapolis, Ind., April 19 to 24. The convention is a national gathering, at which was enacted legislation to affect and influence for all time the work of the Young Women's Christian Association in all sections of this country. One of the practical features of Y. W. C. A. work in the larger cities is the "Travelers' Aid Bureau." Its object is to aid women and girls arriving as strangers in a city, to direct them to suitable lodging places, etc. It is claimed, for example, that representatives of this bureau aided 2,000 persons in Chicago alone last year, circumventing in some instances the agents of the white slave traffic.

Rev. A. W. Briscoe greatly delighted the people of Mill Town on Sunday, April 16, with a strong and helpful commencement sermon.

Rev. B. F. Brooks has resigned Calvary Baptist church, Apalachicola, Fla. We hope a field will be opened to him in Alabama.

Rev. H. A. Hunt, evangelist of the Home Board, is in the midst of a gracious meeting with Pastor E. T. Smith at Prattville. Mrs. Hunt organized and is leading a large chorus choir.

Sunday afternoon, April 16, a song service was held at Siloam Baptist church, Marion, Ala. A free will offering was made to be used to buy a piano for the Sunday school.

Rev. J. M. Thomas, of Union Springs, delivered a glowing oration at the memorial exercises of the Daughters of the Confederacy held at Midway. Pastor W. T. Foster was master of ceremonies.

Miss Fanny Crosby, the famous hymn writer, has written a hymn especially for the opening rally of the seventh season of ten, open-air and shop work to be held in Carnegie Hall on the evening of May 2 by the evangelistic committee of New York City. Miss Crosby, who recently celebrated her 91st birthday, expects to be present at the rally.

Program of meeting to be held with Shiloh Church, beginning Friday night, April 23rd:

- Sermon, J. H. Longcrier.
- Saturday morning, The Value of an Sunday School Association, H. L. Strickland.
- Sermon, J. E. Brown.
- Saturday afternoon, Practical Sunday School Plans for the Country Services, J. H. Longcrier.
- Saturday night, short discussions of Sunday School Methods.
- Sermon, by J. J. Johnson.
- Sunday morning, Sunday School.
- At 11 a. m. preaching, H. L. Strickland.
- Sunday afternoon, song and praise service.
- Sunday night, the Sunday School at Work, H. L. Strickland.
- Sermon, J. E. Barnes.

Indispensable In The Home.

There are lots of things that are indispensable in the home, among them the old medicine chest, especially in those sections of the country where the Doctor is miles away, and it takes hours to get him. Take, for instance, little Willie, who stuck a nail in his foot, and all at once it begins to pain awfully, and looks like blood poison. Then mother runs to the faithful old medicine chest, gets a box of "Gray's Ointment," makes several applications and Willie is well again. No blood poison and no Doctor's bill. "Gray's Ointment" also cures cuts, bruises, boils, insect bites, burns, sores, frost bites and skin eruptions of every description. Now, isn't it a household necessity? If you want a free sample, send your name and address to Dr. W. F. Gray & Co., 800 Gray Building, Nashville, Tenn., or you can get "Gray's Ointment" from any druggist at 25c per box.

Every Possible Skin Eruption Cured In Marvelously Quick Time by the New Calcium Treatment.

Send For Free Sample Package Today. Boils have been cured in 3 days, and some of the worst cases of skin diseases have been cured in a week, by the wonderful action of Stuart's Calcium Wafers. These wafers contain as their main ingredient, the most thorough, quick and effective blood-cleanser known, calcium sulphide.

Most treatments for the blood and for skin eruptions are miserably slow in their results, and besides, many of them are poisonous. Stuart's Calcium Wafers contain no poison or drug of any kind; they are absolutely harmless, and yet do work which cannot fail to surprise you. They are the most powerful blood purifier and skin clearer ever discovered, and they never derange the system.

No matter what you suffer from, pimples, blackheads, acne, red rash, spots, blotches, rash, tetter or any other skin eruption, you can get rid of them long before other treatments can even begin to show results.

Don't go around with a humiliating, disgusting mass of pimples and blackheads on your face. A face covered over with these disgusting things makes people turn away from you, and breeds failure in your life work. Stop it. Read what an Iowa man said when he woke up one morning and found he had a new face:

"By George, I never saw anything like it. There I've been for three years trying to get rid of pimples and blackheads, and guess I used everything under the sun. I used your Calcium Wafers for just seven days. This morning every blessed pimple is gone and I can't find a blackhead. I could write you a volume of thanks, I am so grateful to you."

You can depend upon this treatment being a never-failing cure.

Just send us your name and address in full, today, and we will send you a trial package of Stuart's Calcium Wafers, free to test. After you have tried the sample and been convinced that all we say is true, you will go to your nearest druggist and get a 50c box and be cured of your facial trouble. They are in tablet form, and no trouble whatever to take. You go about your work as usual, and there you are—cured and happy.

Send us your name and address today and we will at once send you by mail a sample package free. Address F. A. Stuart Co., 358 Stuart Bldg., Marshall, Mich.

Freckles

Maybe You Can't Prevent Them, but You Can Easily Remove Them—Quickly, Too.

It is far better not to wait until the hot Summer sunshine brings out your freckles in all their unwelcome ugliness. There's a simple remedy—Kintho—that removes freckles as if by magic—and it's guaranteed to remove them, or money back. Get a two-ounce package wherever toilet goods are sold and see how quickly and thoroughly Kintho will remove your freckles.

TO CURE TETTER, ECZEMA, ETC.

Go to your druggist and get a 50c box of Tetterine, and if he can't supply you, send direct to the Shuptrine Co., Savannah, Ga. Tetterine will cure any case of tetter, eczema, itching piles, ringworm, dandruff, or any disease of the skin in existence. It has never failed in a single case to cure quickly and permanently. Tetterine is a soothing, fragrant, healing, anti-septic ointment—a blessing to mankind, safe and reliable. Get a box now.

THE CLIMAX OF THE JUBILEE

The woman's missionary jubilee closed six months of glorious life in a grand finale lasting four days in New York City. But while the four days of meeting in New York were the end of the jubilee, the work is expected to go on with increasing power; for the motto of the jubilee was: "The end of the jubilee is the beginning of the campaign."

Great preparations had been made for the New York meetings, and many of the leaders among the Christian women of the city had lent the influence of their names and their personal aid, so there was to put it mildly "no small stir" among all ranks of Christian women. The committees were numerous and well officered. They thought they were planning for large things; but getting ready for a shower, they were met by a deluge! Yet so competent were the women who had things in charge that the great affair went off as smoothly as a well-oiled machine, without serious hitch and no disaster. Let no one say hereafter that women are incapable of managing great affairs.

The New York meetings were planned with that splendid executive ability and that careful attention to detail which has been so essential a feature in the magnificent success of the jubilee throughout. The opening was on Monday afternoon, March 27, when the great and impressive pageant was presented on the stage of the Metropolitan opera house before a brilliant throng of women, completely filling the great and beautiful theater from dome to pit. The chief portion of the pageant was the same as that given on the grounds of the hotel at Northfield, Mass., last summer. A long procession of girls in the garb of women of all heathen lands trailed slowly across and around the stage, with heads bowed to show their sorrowful condition. Then from the back of the stage appeared the glorious "Angels of Light" clad all in white, with their great wings hovering over the long procession of sad heathen women. These represented the women missionaries coming to save their pagan sisters, and to bring them to the light of the gospel. And as they slowly floated along one and another of the sorrowful heathen women lifted her head, and timidly left the line of her pagan sisters, and followed after the "Angels of Light." They represented the converts. The whole made a deep and thrilling impression. Then followed various scenes depicting phases of missionary life and work. There was a medical dispensary with a woman physician ministering to her patients, who without her would never have known the blessings of scientific medical care. The Japanese kindergarten fairly transported the audience with delight, and the little tots romped and fell over and enjoyed it all as much as those for whose benefit they were supposed to be giving the entertainment. In marked contrast to this bright scene was the sad company of African women, degraded and oppressed. The whole pageant gave a strong and realistic impression of missionary life and work.

The pageant was followed by a reception at the home of Miss Helen Gould on Monday evening.

On Tuesday morning, at the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church, Mrs. J. H. Knowles presiding, a number of

missionary women of different denominations were present to tell of the work of salvation and uplift in foreign lands. In the afternoon, at the same place, there was a rally of the Woman's Union Missionary Society, and greetings were extended to some of the pioneer missionary women, workers at home and abroad.

Said one: "These missionaries on the firing line are persistent beggars. No, that is wrong! God is 'beseeching us' through them to rise to the great opportunity He has given us and the great responsibility He has laid upon us."

In the afternoon there was another great gathering at the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church, when brief and graphic reports were made by the jubilee chairmen from many of the cities—all could not come—in which the meeting was held. The dominant note in all was that prayer was the dynamic force that success possible, while prayerful preparation and a good working plan made prayer effective—faith and works, in harmonious relation, bringing things to pass.

Wednesday forenoon saw two simultaneous meetings at the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian and the Calvary Baptist, respectively, the general topic at each being "Old Problems and New Solutions." At the former Mrs. D. J. Burrell presided, at the latter Mrs. R. S. MacArthur. The program called for the following identical sub-topics at each meeting: "A Complete Policy," "Enlargement," "Business Methods," "The Rising Generation," "Federation and Co-operation" and "Mission Study," each being discussed by experts at each meeting.

The mammoth luncheon on Wednesday at 1 o'clock was one of the most serious problems which confronted the entertainment committee, of which Mrs. C. L. Hoffman was chairman. It was expected that about 2,500 would have to be provided for, but as the day approached applications began to pour in till the expected number began to look decidedly small. One banquet hall after another was engaged, till five of them had been secured in three great hostleries, and the limit at last was reached, and no more could be accommodated, though applications with checks continued to arrive with every mail. When the hour struck nearly 6,000 women were on hand for the entertainment! To accommodate them three large rooms were monopolized at the Hotel Astor, whose head waiter reported 2,700 present, "the largest luncheon," he said, "that the Hotel Astor ever served." The Plaza and the Waldorf-Astoria were also requisitioned for this monster 'unch party. "A precise little birthday party," forsooth! It was nearer the mark of a Kentucky barbecue.

Miss Rahael Lowrie, who has written the "Story of the Jubilee," is responsible for the expression, "A precise little birthday party," quoted above. She says in "the story."

"Left to ourselves we women of the foreign missionary societies would probably have held a precise little birthday party, to which only the habits of missionary societies would have been invited; but such was not at all the idea of the United Study Committee. It contemplated a gigan-

tic reception, with the United States as a drawing room. The reception committee was drawn from 32 cities; the receiving days were at intervals from October 12 to March 3; refreshments were to be served in the largest halls to be found, and the invited guests were the women of the evangelical churches of the United States."

"Denominational Rallier" was the order for Thursday forenoon, when nine denominations gathered in the appointed places, the Friends meeting at 5 in the afternoon. The Baptist hosts flocked to the Calvary church, in West Fifty-seventh street, filling that commodious temple to nearly its full capacity. Mrs. Albert G. Ropes, the Baptist vice-chairman of the executive committee and vice-president of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the Southern New York Association, presided. After the singing of the fine hymn written especially for this celebration by Mrs. Margaret E. Sangster Dr. MacArthur read the Scripture lesson and Dr. Edward Judson offered a prayer composed entirely of appropriate selections from the Psalms. Dr. MacArthur followed with cordial and graceful words of welcome.

The collection was then undertaken, but it was some time before it was taken, for calls for pledges began to bring quick and large responses. Cards and checks poured in, and kept the recorders busy. Finally a lull came, and Dr. MacArthur impulsively and most opportunely took a hand in the business, and again the tide began to flow in, till at last a total of something like \$10,000 had been reached, and the service closed with the benediction by Dr. Judson.

In the afternoon another conference was held at the Woman's Colony Club, and the great closing meetings of the entire series of jubilee services were held Thursday evening in Carnegie Hall. Mrs. Montgomery, who has been called "the dynamo of the jubilee," being as usual the chief speaker. But she is more than that—she is a woman, living, pulsing, aflame with the spirit of her Lord and of the work He has given her and all of us to do. So her words come with power, and the people listen and are pierced to the heart.

The Watchman says: "One can but wonder at the marvelous vitality and nerve force that has carried these women through this six months of strenuous travel and speaking. The work that Mrs. Peabody and Mrs. Montgomery, in particular, have done would have worn most men to a frazzle."

A report of the jubilee fund, collected during the celebration, was presented, showing a total received or pledged to date of \$869,366.90—a sum short by \$130,633.10 of the amount it was hoped to secure. Surely that can be made up before the account is closed. Other addresses followed, and simultaneous meetings were held at four churches, the Broadway Tabernacle (Congregational), Calvary Baptist, Fifth Avenue Presbyterian and the Church of Zion and St. Timothy.

And so came to an end this marvelous series of missionary meetings—but not their influence, which, in the good providence of the God of mis-

sions, will surely be abiding. From these meetings ought to flow an ever increasing stream of power, through which all the nations of the earth shall be blessed.

The great jubilee celebrating the formation of the first independent missionary society by American women for sending out women as missionaries, is ended. But we are urged to remember the motto of the jubilee, "The End of the Jubilee is the Beginning of the Campaign." Woman's missions to woman have been placed on a new basis and will go forward with greater power in the future than in the past. Compared with the conditions of things 5 years ago the women have won a great victory. Under discouragements and opposition they have made themselves felt and heard.

Woman's Work for Woman is one of the established and honored and most useful features of modern missions. It is admitted that no race can rise higher than its homes; and no part of missionary work can exceed in importance that which seeks to prepare the women of heathen lands to make pure and true Christian homes for their families and people.

MRS. T. A. HAMILTON.

(We are greatly indebted to both the New York Examiner and the Boston Watchman for this account of the closing of the jubilee meetings.)

Suicide—Its Cause and Its Cure.

Statistics show that the number of suicides in the United States increases annually; whereas, in older times, suicide was a rare thing. Men of authority claim that the majority of suicides are from madness, or insanity. Now, what causes this madness, and why is it so prevalent in this day and time? The first step towards suicide is a blue, depressed feeling, caused by an inactive liver or some minor stomach trouble probably. In ancient days men and women were strong, robust and healthy; they considered their physical condition first of all, and as a consequence, they had no blues, no depressed feeling and few suicides. It is the same with the present day generation; if a body is in good physical condition it never sees the gloomy side of life, but rises superior to the largest obstacles and fights the battle of life bravely and successfully to its natural end. Therefore, look to your health. See to it that your body is as sound as a dollar, that your physical condition is nothing short of perfect, and the best, quickest and most satisfactory way to accomplish this end is by drinking Harris Lithia Water. It puts the liver and kidneys in the proper condition to perform their important duties accurately; cures indigestion, constipation and all other stomach disorders and keeps you well and happy. If your druggist can't supply you, write the Harris Lithia Springs Co., Harris Springs, S. C., and be sure to ask for free booklet of testimonials and descriptive literature of Harris Lithia Water—"Nature's Sovereign Remedy." Hotel open from June 15th to September 15th.

Good News For The Deaf.

A celebrated New York Aurist has been selected to demonstrate to deaf people that deafness is a disease and can be cured rapidly and easily in your own home. He proposes to prove this fact by sending to any person having trouble with their ears a trial treatment of this new method absolutely free. We advise all people who have trouble with their ears to immediately address Dr. Edward Gardner, Suite No. 480, No. 40 West Thirty-third street, New York City, and they will receive by return mail absolutely free a Trial Treatment.

ALABAMA BAPTIST CHURCH FINANCES

(Paper read before the Birmingham Ministers Conference and requested by that body to be published.)

There is no phase of church work that has caused so much worry, so many heart aches, so great difficulties as the matter of church finances. From a human standpoint we are apt to think it unfortunate in the divine plan that so much of the success or failure of the Lord's work should depend upon such a sordid thing as money. However since money is the medium of exchange in the industrial world, the Lord has seen fit that we should use the same medium in dispensing the gospel.

The church finds itself in its embarrassing plight today because for the past 1900 years it has overlooked in God's holy word the fifth great gospel of giving. It is not a new plan that is needed, but the strict interpretation and enforcement of God's only plan that is hoary with age. A plan that has God's sanction and which in rare instances has been fully tested and the promised blessing received.

The prevailing idea that supporting work is charity, must be eliminated from the minds of church supporters. Men must be made to feel that money invested in the local church is neither charity nor luxury, but one of the prime necessities of life. Souls as well as bodies must be fed. The man who pats himself on the back for his benevolences whenever he pays money into the coffers of the church would claim the same high credit for philanthropy when he pays his taxes or when he supports his aged mother. Serious thinking men realize that the church is a financial asset in any community. Shrewd men of business know that they cannot afford to let their churches decline lest it result in a degenerated town, a relapse in morals, an unsavory reputation that keeps away desirable residents, causes depreciation of property and ultimate decay. There is no better selfish investment than a man's contribution to his church. He is really giving to himself and it is not charity in so doing. People who have souls will support the church for a better motive, because they need its spiritual ministrations. If a man feels no need of soul culture, let him at least protect his children and his property.

Giving is a mark of Godliness of the first order. It belongs to our religion. It measures religious interest. It graced the Old Testament times as typical of the origin and vital force of Christianity. Our Savior had no more marked characteristic than his giving, and the disciple should be like his Lord. The force of giving is its relation to success. Give nothing, we do nothing. Give largely and we accomplish wonders. The conversion of the world's proportionate to our gifts.

It may be truly said that Christianity is the offspring of benevolence, and yet there is perhaps no duty so much neglected as giving to the cause of Christ. The cheerful giver is one of a thousand. Some give nothing or by constraint, but the majority give nothing.

With the open Bible in the hands of the Christian, the solution of the money problem would seem easy, but the sin of covetousness has blinded

men to the application of God's teaching. The need of the world has generally been used as a lever to pry the dollar from the man. The world's need ought rather to be the source of information guiding the man in the proper distribution of the dollar that he had already laid aside for the Lord. The touching, pathetic appeal in portraying the great need is often the successful pull that gets the dollar, and the man in turn gets the credit for his offering. If it had rained and he had missed the appeals the dollar, or that proportion that missed a certain pull would still be in his pocket. The better way is the Bible conscious method which leads the man to lay his dollar on the altar of the Lord even when he knows of no need and then sends him out to hunt the need. Jesus puts the blessing at both ends of the bill and says the largest is at the giving end. If it were merely a matter of meeting the world's need, the method of getting at the money would make little difference so long as it is honest. In the light of the fact, however, that every dollar has in it the ability to build character, all methods are poor methods that fail to realize this possibility.

We will consider the subject in the light of these three phases:

1. Apparent needs of a better system in church finance.
2. Some weaknesses in church financing.
3. Some remedies proposed.

Apparent Needs of a Better System in Church Finance.

To even the superficial observer it is quite evident that a change of method in financing the church is much needed, chiefly on account of the lack of system. This need is clearly shown in the fact that there is:

1. A constant deficit in the current expenses of the church. The average church does not know what it means to close the month or the year with a balance in the treasury, and all expenses paid. It so happens that the largest deficit is usually in the pastor's salary. This leads to the consideration of another apparent need which is manifest in,
2. An underpaid ministry.

Business institutions in the industrial world recognizes the fact that if they are to get the best results from their superintendents they must pay salaries commensurate with the responsibilities and duties imposed upon them. It is universally conceded that more is required of a pastor for the salary received than of men in any other profession. Recently a certain religious magazine made an effort to secure some facts as to minister's salaries with the following result: It was found that the average salary paid to all preachers outside of 150 of the largest cities in the United States is \$573, and that the salary of one-third of these is \$400. The average preacher is now on the same salary as the day laborer, though his church insists that he live and dress as well as a railroad engineer, mechanic or policeman that receive twice as much salary. The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and trainmen recently secured a 10 per cent in-

crease in the salaries of their 100,000 members, amounting to \$9,000,000 a year, their average salary being \$900. There is an agitation going on now among certain publications in an effort to secure an increase of \$9,000,000 in the salaries of the 100,000 preachers in this country.

There can be no doubt that the church has suffered no little in its spiritual results on account of the irregular, inadequate support of the pastors.

The church's demands are, as a rule, not in keeping with the salary offered. To illustrate, the following advertisement for a pastor recently appeared: "Wanted—A hustling, sound man for a charge paying \$500. Married man preferred. No preacher that will not study, visit, pray with his people, work for revivals, and that is not ambitious to be a great preacher and soul winner, need apply."

In a certain prosperous farming community, a church, in which more than a dozen of its members own farms worth \$10,000 to \$15,000, pays a salary of \$125 per year for preaching twice a month. They think they are supporting the church, when they are helping to starve the preacher.

The disposition to get something for nothing, which is the curse of the whole world, is unfortunately sometimes found in churches, where the pastor is not paid a living salary. The congregation that pays its pastor less than it can afford to pay him is apt to have a dwarfing of its soul and lessening of its spirituality.

About the only method the preacher has of increasing his salary is to educate the people to a higher standard of ethics in their treatment of the preacher.

Another evidence of the need for a change is noted in

3. The small amount that is contributed to missions.

The church has been too self-centered. In trying to observe the law of self-preservation, it has overlooked the divine plan of keeping itself alive, which is embodied in the commission and injunction, "Give and it shall be given unto you."

There was a man, though some did count him mad,
The more he gave away, the more he had.

What is true with the individual is true with the church.

The best thing for a sick church is to put it on a missionary diet.

Andrew Fuller said that he was constantly confronted by a tale of woe until he heard of the thing called foreign missions. So he sent and got some of it and put into circulation in his congregation. Soon men came to comfort him. The sleepy will wake—sour sweeten—stingy loosen up and soon he will have an ecclesiastical paradise.

When the lost beatitude: "It is more blessed to give than receive" shall be emphasized in practical Christianity we will witness a new era in God's kingdom.

Not only is the missionary contribution small, but it is so often withheld until the end of the year. It is the shame of the Christian church that our mission boards have to pay out several thousand dollars

each year because of the annual offering method in giving to this great cause.

II. Some Weaknesses in Church Finances.

It does not require a very minute diagnosis of the financial end of the church to detect many weak points. Among them may be noted:

The lack of pastoral leadership. It has often been suggested that it is the church's business to look after its finances. It may be, but as a matter of fact it usually receives very little attention if the pastor does not champion the cause. Many pastors do not keep in touch with the church's finances and often allow a deficit to accumulate, before any remedy is proposed. He should keep a file of the monthly reports of the treasurer from which at the end of the year he would make out the annual report as intelligently as the treasurer. He should frequently consult the financial secretary's record of individual accounts.

He should direct the forces and suggest plans as he has the best opportunity on account of the many publications that come to his study, to know the most advanced and successful methods in dealing with the problem.

It is not too much to say that the church finances will be measured largely in terms of its pastoral leadership along this line.

Not only should the pastor direct others in the matter of giving, but he should be an example of scriptural giving himself. He should make his offering every Sunday with the rest of his congregation.

He should not permit any member of his congregation to give a larger proportion of his income than he.

2. Unbusiness-like methods is another weakness.

The business policy of the church is based upon faith in the brethren, which is not always supplemented by monetary works. Herein is where the weakness lies.

If there is any institution in the world to which the strictest business methods known should be applied it would certainly seem to be God's church.

Is it not a sign of covetousness for one to be scrupulous about the business of his personal affairs and so lax about the Lord's, when His word plainly teaches that His work should have first consideration.

Business institutions would be declared insolvent if they faced the constant deficit the church often has hanging over it.

A church sometimes holds out a salary to a pastor larger than it has ever paid or has any assurance of paying. The pastor accepts and the task of raising it devolves upon him. If he fails the cause is harmed.

I do not believe a church has a right to adopt a budget of expenses in excess of its income, which should be determined, approximately at least. When a church finds that its expenditures exceeds its income, it is time to reduce the appropriation or increase the receipts. The church has lost its standing in the financial world because it has failed to meet its obligations promptly. The church owes it to itself and to God to preserve its reputation in business transactions. The laxity of the church

along this line has also reduced its spiritual power.

Another apparent weakness is the:
3. Unscriptural methods so often tolerated.

The church has deviated far from the plan laid down in God's word. This shown in many churches where one-third or less of the wage-earners bear the financial burdens of the church, for in such instances it is a burden and not a cheerful offering. The non-contributors in most cases are not approached in the right way, nor are they furnished a feasible plan for making their offering. The church does not furnish them any financial information nor show them sufficient interest.

God's word lays the emphasis upon "every one" in supporting His cause. Some churches have adopted the policy of making financial support necessary to membership and have found that it worked well. This plan, however, might not be satisfactory in all cases.

Another diversion from scripture teaching is the spasmodic way of giving. This plainly violates the injunction, "Lay by in store on the first day of the week as God has prospered you."

The constant appeal from the pulpit for a cash collection is no doubt responsible for more backsliders than any other cause. This in time gets to be a sore subject. People do not go to church to give up their money by this method, but to hear preaching without the cash price. The sooner the cash collection appeal is eliminated from the pulpit, the stronger will the pulpit be as a spiritual power. The idea that the collection plate must be passed every time that the church doors are opened, is folly and does not necessarily increase the receipts. I do not approve the collection basket at the communion service or prayer meeting.

While Christian giving is an act of worship yet there is no special reason why this act should be performed at every service. It is a mistake to think that the average Christian enjoys or gives hilariously. Give him an opportunity to worship occasionally without the offering.

The high-pressure method of raising funds has worked untold harm. The money may have been secured and appropriated to a good cause, but left a bad effect with the contributor. It does not require a hypnotist to secure funds in this manner, but the after effects are, usually bad and the general work suffers a relapse. Many churches that have tried to build beyond their means are suffering from spiritual atrophy because they have drained the membership of the last reluctant dollar, and still have an unfinished church building. No church is justified in closing its soul-saving avenues in order to build a house of worship.

III Some Proposed Remedies.

We are cognizant of the defects in church finance, but how can the situation be improved? As in all other matters the church's standard along this line must be raised.

1. By a system of education.

This is to be done by preaching the gospel of giving and Christian stewardship, tactfully and with great emphasis. Men need to be brought face to face with the great truth that

God is the owner and that they will be held responsible for the use they make of His possessions. Preach on the subject occasionally without taking a collection at the close. We as ministers should preach and practice Tithing, and herein is the solution of the problem: Every church should organize its Tithers even though there is no one to start with but the pastor. Within the last decade, the "Tenth Legion" has grown with astonishing rapidity. The tithe is the minimum that God's word recognizes as the just proportion of man's income. The Old Testament teaches it in a positive way. The law did not create the tithe. It recognized it. Tithing was wrought into the nature of things. It has no more been abolished than the Sabbath. Our Savior definitely commends the Tithe law in Mat 23:23. God blessed the giving of the tithe and censured the withholding of it. His injunction to Israel is no less applicable to this generation. Indeed, from the nature of the bring all the tithes into the storehouse case we would think he would require more. The Jew was under law and we are under grace.

God distinctly declares Himself to be owner and sole proprietor of all things and certainly He would not do the unreasonable thing as to leave the matter arbitrary with us as to what rent we would pay for the use of His property. He had a right to fix the price and did. It is a just debt and our offering cannot be strictly considered as a gift until it exceeds the tenth. A man should keep books with the Lord in His personal finances so that he would make no mistake in paying the Lord the proportion he agreed upon.

Should insist upon proportionate giving, if it be but one-fiftieth to begin with. "Prove me" is God's challenge to Christendom.

In addition to preaching, there should be displayed wall charts showing how we spend our money, also charts portraying the need of the heathen world. It is a good investment for a church to purchase by a layman, Chicago, also tracts on stewardship published by C. A. Cook, Bloomfield, N. J. The recent Layman's movement has also produced a number of splendid tracts along the same line.

The average church member needs information along this line as badly as upon some other subjects.

Another remedy that we would suggest is:

2. To apply business methods to the King's business.

Mr. J. H. Converse, of the Baldwin Locomotive Works in Philadelphia, said: When Christian business men give the same energy and intelligence to the work of missions that they now give to their own private business affairs then the proposition to evangelize the world in this generation would be no longer a dream.

Have a finance committee of several wide-awake men. Make a budget of expenses anticipated for the coming year; also make an approximate budget of benevolences. Then preach on systematic beneficence or some kindred topic. Furnish each member of the committee with a portion of a list of all the wage-earners in the congregation. Name a time, preferably Sunday afternoon, and have them

visit the names assigned and secure a pledge per week for current expenses. Call it current expense and not pastor's salary as though it was the only item of church expense. For many obvious reasons, the term, pastor's salary is objectionable.

The same committee might solicit the pledge for benevolence but when possible a separate committee is preferable. In a highly developed church a special committee might solicit for each of the three missions, though to group them under one item is usually more practical.

It is well to encourage parents to divine their pledge with the younger church members of the family. This will do more than anything else to insure a generation of liberal contributors.

If a building fund is contemplated a third pledge might be secured, but at a different time. I have found that a pledge payable to be a good plan for this.

If the committee to solicit pledges be given two or three weeks, the work will never be done satisfactory. The large proportion of the canvas must be done in one day set apart for that purpose. Let it be understood that these two or three items cover all the church dues for the year. When this plan is established it should not be interfered with by special offerings every few weeks. This will soon break down the plan. Members will get to feel that there is no use to pledge all that they expect to give and consequently reserve about one-half for special offerings, the most of which the church will never receive.

There should be a miscellaneous item in the budget to cover small appropriations to unforeseen calls.

Let the secretaries and representatives of worthy causes come and make their appeals, but let the contribution go through the regular channel. Such appeals are educative and stimulate the individual contribution.

As for the manner of making the offering, no better plan has been devised than the Duplex system. It goes away with the numerous envelopes for the several objects, which is cumbersome. The advantages are:

1. The envelopes are conveniently arranged in a box sufficient to cover every Sunday in the year.

2. The envelopes are dated for each Sunday in the year and this is a very great advantage, indeed, as a reminder and aid to the contributor.

3. Each envelope is numbered, which does away with the necessity of writing the names.

The envelope boxes or cartons, may be had for about \$15 per hundred. It is well worth the extra expense to have them printed in two colors for the convenience of the contributor and secretaries.

There should be three officers to handle the funds: A financial secretary of current expense to keep the individual accounts and report to the treasurer every week. There should also be a financial secretary of benevolence to keep the individual accounts of the benevolence end of the envelope and to report to the treasury at least once per month.

No individual account record book has been devised that surpasses Myer's Church Treasurer's register.

The treasurer should have instruc-

tions to pay all bills promptly when funds are in hand, to pay pastor's salary on the first and fifteenth, and send benevolent funds to the proper secretary or institution on the first day of each month.

The last remedy we shall propose is to keep the contributor informed as to how his contribution is being used. Many have ceased to contribute because they never hear from what they have given. If a report is ever made it is usually made orally, and at the business meeting with barely a quorum present. The church owes it to the individual member to furnish him occasionally with a printed statement of the church's finances for his own information as well as for the church's welfare. It takes but little time and expense to furnish mimeograph copies of reports, and there should be a printed statement semi-annually for wider circulation.

There is no institution on earth that hides its business transactions as does the church, and it will not be surprising that if in the judgment it will be found that no little of the Lord's money has been embezzled either carelessly or intentionally.

May the Lord hasten the day when this people shall be more careful of the affairs of His Kingdom.

A. K. WRIGHT.

BAPTIST AFFAIRS AT ALEXANDER CITY.

Our enterprising Baraca class, Bro. L. B. Coley teacher, has just had Mr. Luther Tish, field worker, as their guest, and through him gave to the public a stirring address in the interest of organized Bible class work. This is the second attraction tendered the public by these Baracas this year. They secured in January the services of Dr. Len G. Broughton for an evening. Dr. Broughton addressed one of the largest audiences ever assembled in this city. It is needless to say that Dr. Broughton charmed, inspired and benefited those who heard him. The class is large and is growing. It is living up to the motto: "We Do Things."

The W. M. U. of our church had the pleasure of a visit recently from the state secretary-treasurer, Miss Kathleen Mallory. Miss Mallory gave two splendid, practical and spiritual addresses. Her visit resulted in the organization of a Senior Y. W. A., with Miss Nora Robinson as president. Mr. Coly Thompson is president of the W. M. U. The ladies of our church are wide-awake and are doing a fine work.

Our brethren are loyal and true, and under the leadership of Bro. J. C. Maxwell work has begun on a fine system of cement walks about our house of worship. The outlook for enlarged contributions for missions and other benevolences is encouraging.

A perceptible growth of the church as a whole in the invisible and important, yes, supreme, element of spirituality, is the joy of the pastor's heart.

Miss Mollie Gilham is doing a fine work in securing subscribers to the Alabama Baptist. This indispensable paper in all our homes will be a distinct gain for our cause here. Fraternally,

ARNOLD S. SMITH.

April 15, 1911.

GOD BLESSES THE FAITHFUL WOMEN.

All over the south during the convention year, which closes in less than a week, consecrated and faithful Baptist women have been striving to do their part in raising necessary funds to keep the boards from facing a debt and to thereby prevent any retrenchment in the mission work at home and abroad. Our W. M. U. in Alabama have been tireless in their endeavors to do their part. For years we have been in touch with the advisory board, which is made up of true heroines in Christian endeavor. Our heart not only goes out to the president, Mrs. Charles A. Stakely, one of the best posted women on mission work in the south, but to the vice-presidents and to all the officers, who have so faithfully performed their duties. God bless them all, and we pray a special blessing for Miss Kathleen Mallory, the secretary-treasurer, whose very life is being put into mission work.

GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF BAPTISTS OF U. S.

This is the great General Association of Baptists of the United States, organized to break up the Southern Baptist Convention.

The great fight was against secretaries with salaries. Wonder who the two delegates from Alabama were?

The Baptist Advance says that "according to the minutes the last General Association of the United States, which was held at Laurel, Miss., had delegates present as follows: Arkansas, 9; Alabama, 2; Mississippi, 69; Tennessee, 7; Texas, 2; Kentucky, 2; total, 91. The whole number present from beyond Mississippi was 22 or less than one-fourth the number; and the whole number was only 91. On one point, the treasurer's salary, the body entirely reversed itself from its position at Magnolia last year, when Arkansas had more than two-thirds of the messengers. The treasurer's salary both for last year and this is now to be paid out of mission funds." The treasurer is practically a corresponding secretary, except that he does not correspond very much. What right have they to take money contributed for missions and give it to a secretary or treasurer, or whatever he may be called?

SEND YOUR PASTOR TO JACKSONVILLE.

Nearly eight years ago we met a red-headed, one-armed preacher at an association in South Alabama. We heard him tell how he was trying to make a living on a farm while serving several churches. We liked his zeal and manliness. A few years passed, and we got word from him that he had cut loose from his farm and was giving all of his time to the ministry. Then one day he turned up in Birmingham with his family, saying that he realized the need of an education and was going to try and go through Howard College. He has had a hard time, yet he has stuck, and he is going to be and do something for his Master. Monday he dropped in, bringing three new subscriptions, and incidentally remarked that he was so anxious to go to the Southern Baptist Convention. He confessed to a vague hope of getting there, because a brother in one of his churches told him as he got on the train to come back to East Lake; that he was willing to do his part. Without any suggestion on his part we took the liberty to write to brethren in each of his three churches, asking them to arrange to pay his expenses. We believe they are going to do it. What a trip it will be for him. It will pay him back for his years of toil and sacrifice to get in touch with the great host of Southern Baptists. His is just one case, but it is typical. All over Alabama there are pastors hungering to go to Jacksonville, and yet they must stay at home—but what a pity. Not one need do so, if any some one in each church will take the trouble to do a little canvassing among the membership. If you have read this far will you not be that one who will make it your business to see that your pastor goes to Jacksonville. It will be an inspiration to him, and you will get a blessing when he returns with a new enthusiasm for his work.

EDITORIAL

We wish to heartily thank the ministerial students of Howard College for the way in which they help in putting the Alabama Baptist into the homes of their people. We know that many of them have only supply work, while many others have difficult fields, yet somehow they always do more than their part in every campaign we undertake to increase our subscription list.

ONE MORE SUNDAY AND THE BOOKS CLOSE.

B. D. Gray, Corresponding Secretary.

By order of the Southern Baptist Convention the books of the Home and Foreign Mission Boards remain open until midnight Monday, May 1st.

This will give opportunity to make Sunday, April 30th, a great day for Home Mission. On Monday the money collected can be telegraphed. Not what is subscribed, but only cash in hand should be telegraphed. The money should be telegraphed to the proper state treasurers or secretaries who will in turn telegraph to us. If necessary to save time the money for Home Missions can be telegraphed to me or Treasurer Walker Dunson at Atlanta, but if this is done no telegram should be sent to the state headquarters lest the same contributions be counted twice. In other words, send only one telegram about each contribution. Brethren will want to know the results, and so I beg that all the contributions be sent in as early as possible Monday, May 1st.

And What of the Outlook?

This is a difficult question, hard to answer. As I write our treasurer tells me the receipts to date are \$10,000 short of those for last year at this time. This, therefore, calls for heroic giving. Many of our strongest churches have not done as well this year as they did last year. I beg them in the name of the Lord and for the sake of our work that the pastors of these churches and their best laymen will rally to our support in the next five days.

The reserves must be brought out. It is a time for all to take a hand. Unless there is widespread and generous giving all over the land, a burdensome debt is sure to be our portion. Will the brethren allow me to report a debt or shall we report an even balance sheet? May the Lord help us to do the latter.

Home Mission Rooms, Atlanta, Ga.

ARE YOU GOING TO FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING?

We hope our friends who will attend fifth Sunday meetings will press the \$1.00 offer. If only some one will look after this at each gathering many new names can be added to the list. Brethren, do this and get the new subscriptions in to us in time for the subscribers to get the account of the Southern Baptist Convention at Jacksonville.



These words will have to be written after Sunday (for the convention year closes) by our great-hearted secretaries. Willingham will know then whether the work on the Foreign Mission field must be curtailed, and Gray will also know what must be done at home. Both sit in their offices fearing a word which spells sorrow must be writ large at Jacksonville—DEBT. It is within the power of the pastors to wipe it out and write SURPLUS. Will they do it? It is truly a time for prayer and sacrifice.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS FOR HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS TO APRIL 22, 1911.

We have received to April 22:
 For Home Missions \$14,695.64
 For Foreign Missions 17,707.04
 We gave last year:
 For Home Missions \$18,787.49
 For Foreign Missions 25,264.29
 The convention asked of us this year:
 For Home Missions \$25,000.00
 For Foreign Missions 36,000.00

THE PRAYER ANSWERED.

The Counsel of Ahithophel Turned Into Foolishness—Next the Hanging.

Months ago the attention of the Christians of Alabama was called to the remarkable prayer of David against a wily politician in his day. They were urged to make that prayer against the evil designing politicians in Alabama. (See II Samuel 15:31, 16:15-23 and all the 17th chapter.

Let's study the doings of the Legislature just adjourned. There has never been a more remarkable answer to prayer than in this case.

I don't pretend to know the "Ahithophel" in this case, but he was there and we may confidently look for the hanging as the next act in the play.

Two-thirds of the time of the solons was given to the consideration of the question of liquor. An outsider representing the liquor interests, with the money bags, the administration with unlimited patronage, the most experienced lobbyists of the nation, the shrewdest lawyers of the State, some in the Legislature and some out, the party whip in the hands of the Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee, were all combined to bring liquor back.

From the start the liquor forces were confused and unable to get together. It is doubtful if the Regulation Bill would have ever gotten through, but for the threat of the Governor to call an extra session if it failed of passage.

The anti-shipping bill, the much abused Fuller bill and some others remain on the statute books, much to the disappointment of the liquor dealers.

Those who have kept up with the Legislature have observed the lack of enthusiasm among the Governor's majority. Not a cheer, not even a hand clap greeted the passage of the Smith bill in either House or Senate. The majority of them did what they felt they had to do. They were doing an unrighteous thing—something the majority of their constituents did not want, and many of the majority felt it.

As to the Parks Bill and the Smith Regulation Bill, they are so much better than we had any reason to hope for, we are very happy over the situation.

Of course the prohibitionists are going to contest every inch of ground. If we can have fair elections, we are sure they cannot carry Jefferson. We doubt their carrying Montgomery, and they may fail in Mobile.

Note the suggestion: "If we can have fair elections." When people have gotten used to stealing any sort of elections, from municipal to State, as Alabamians have for years been doing, it is hard for them to be honest, especially where the liquor forces have the election machinery in charge.

But the election frauds are all a part of "the counsel of Ahithophel," which we are praying the Lord to "turn into foolishness." It may be the hanging comes after the elections. We have only to pray, watch, work and wait. Confusion is certain to reign in their ranks to the end, in answer to the prayers of God's people.

Don't fail to read the Scripture cited above.

W. B. CRUMPTON.
 Montgomery, Ala.

Notes From Brother Crumpton About Sayings From His Correspondents

L. O. Dawson, Tuscaloosa:

"We are trying to pull up to \$500 and will send to you in the next ten days."

Why don't all the brethren who are hoping to do something drop me a card like that? It is awful to be utterly in the dark.

Southside, Birmingham:

"Sends \$1,000, with \$500 or \$600 to follow."

That cheers me much. When is the next big church to report?

R. S. Gavin, Huntsville:

"We are getting things in fairly good shape in the First church. I think you can count for sure on somewhere between \$300 and \$400 for Home and Foreign Missions this call. Some of it will go through the W. M. U., however. I am letting every lady who cares for hers to go that way have her way about it. Unless some unforeseen thing happens we are sure for \$1,000 this year for benevolences. That will be \$5 a head. Not many churches in the state will go ahead of that, are there?"

That is good news. So many are coming in like that I am almost beside myself.

W. H. Simmons, Ozark:

"Enclosed please find a check for \$25 for Foreign Missions, i. e., part of the salary of a native Chinese preacher. I do not give this at all grudgingly, but, on the other hand, with great delight. While I feel like I can scarcely spare it at all, yet if the God of love and mercy will only accept it it is all I want. This completes the \$100 salary running from April 1 to March 31."

Good for this preacher! He couldn't go as a missionary, but he has supported a native to labor for his Christ among the heathen. There are 1,000 Christians in Alabama who could easily do the same.

Mrs. H. C. Dunlap, Wolf Creek, Ala.:

"Our Sunday school has vacation until April, but I send \$5. I want to help in this work. Place to the credit of Mt. Pleasant Sunday school and send receipt, and place it where it is worst needed, and may the Lord bless it in His work and bless you in your labors."

"The Sunday school vacated." What a pity that so many schools do that way. Wonder if the devil went off on vacation, too? Not he—no vacation for him! When the school closed down he marshalled his forces anew. One good sister there never went on vacation. She remained steadfast and stands for the school. God will bless her.

A. C. Yeargan, East Lake:

"We raised \$24.25 yesterday to be paid by the third Sunday in next month. I feel sure we will make it \$40 by that time. On the first Sunday in March we raised \$41.25 to be paid by the first Sunday in April. We will make that \$50 I am sure. We are striving for the every member system. Think we'll succeed. Pray for me. We are going to do more from time to time. We are praying for enlargement in giving."

Here is the other way this young man preaches to bring his churches up along every line: "We will do more. We are preparing for enlargement in giving." Enlargement is the word. It doesn't come without an effort. Keep your eye on Yeargan and his sort. They are coming as sure as you live.

Chas. H. Davis, Columbia:

"From the best information I can gather the Headland Avenue Baptist church at Dothan is the only church using your outfit in our association. Brother Brittain is a stirrer, and has already begun to use his paddle. I am sure he is going to do a good work here."

This is from the moderator of the Columbia Association. Only one out of 35 of the churches of this great association is using the schedule recommended by the convention four years ago! Why?

Third Sunday in June we want to have a Baptist rally. Can't you come?"—C. C. Redmond.

Too far off for me to say now; but the Baptist rally is what you need. There ought to be one thousand this summer. I have a fine program, which God has greatly blessed. Do you want it?

J. H. Gunter, Newton:

"Your circular letter at hand. Below are the churches that I am pastoring and I am proud to tell you that they all use the outfit and are well pleased with it. I want to say that it is the finest system I ever saw. I don't see how I could get along without it. When I accept any new field, one of the first things that I undertake to do is to get them to use the outfit."

Good for this young preacher! It is always easier to work by a system. The system of church finances, Alabama Baptists have adopted is the very best, and it is fast taking. The pastors are more certainly and liberally paid. Where it is used, the people are educated to give to all the interests. Blessings on the preachers who introduce it!

J. L. Jackson, Hurtsboro:

"I am doing all I can to enlist the people here in all our denominational work. It is very hard to deal with the old ones, but the Sunday School will do nearly everything asked of them."

There it is again! "The old members do not take to it." What makes old folks do that way? Don't they see we are living in new times? Everything is different from what they were when we were young. Of course we must have new adjustment to meet the new conditions. We ought to have sense enough to see it and religion enough to lend a helping hand to bring it about. Never be an obstructionist. The young people are timid and modest and respectful. They won't try to have a new thing if we oppose. Let's help them.

J. G. Reynolds, Greenville:

"It affords me great pleasure to advise you, we now have a pastor for every church in the county, with J. N. Vandiver to help us this summer, and we hope to be in position to get another good man. The outlook is good."

That is the report from Butler county. "A pastor for every church," when just a little time back, they were almost in despair. Who did it? A live executive committee. Any association can be worked the same way, if the committee is dead in earnest, and begins in time.

A Pastor:

"Monday morning I met one of our members—a sister who said she had been saving and getting ready for her mission money, and that some time ago she laid aside a five dollar bill with which to buy something that she thought she just must have, but after hearing my sermon Sunday, she had decided to give the five dollars for Foreign Missions in addition to her regular contribution."

That pastor's heart is in the work, and God is moving on the hearts of his people. How we do need to sacrifice self like this good woman did! Just a little of that spirit will swell Alabama's gifts to Home and Foreign Missions and leave a blessing behind to every giver.

James H. Chapman, Tuscumbia:

"We had a meeting of the ladies and a few men at our church the other day for the purpose of collecting funds for interior improvement in the church. The ladies have been working on the matter more than the men. Without the resort to bazaars, and the like, we rounded up a little over \$600. This was the crowning argument in favor of systematic giving. I think there would be some unwillingness to return to the old method. It is having a beneficial effect on church life."

Brother Unsystematics, what do you think of this testimony? It is coming as sure as you live. Our

preachers and laymen have too much sense to let things go at loose ends as in the past. It is easy once you start it.

Clay I. Hudson, Decatur:

"I appreciate your letter of greeting. I rejoice that I can have part in the great work you are doing in the State of Alabama. I find a great field of work here with some noble people to work with. But to go direct into what will interest you most, we are planning for a great Home Mission Day in the church and Sunday School the last Sunday in April. Hope these amounts will be worthy of the great cause you represent, and that we will do what we can and ought to do for the great Mission cause. You may count on me to do all in my power for all the objects of our State Convention."

Welcome home, brother. What you say rings out clear. Co-operation is the word now. Our people are learning and we are doing it. By that word we will win the fight.

A Pastor:

"The people are actually afraid to come to hear a Missionary, lest he waylay them and take all their earthly possessions. Had I better increase my money sermons?"

There you are, "Mr. Missionary Baptist!" The sin of covetousness has our people by the throat. See what the Bible says about it. Right along with the worst of sins it is classed. See this:

"Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness." Another place it is classed with "fornication and idolatry."

Yes, brother, increase your "money." Do it tenderly, appeal to them for the love of Christ, who though He was rich, became poor that we, through his poverty, might become rich.

Wants to come home:

"Help me get a place back in Alabama. I just must come home."

I felt like he was going to wish himself back when he left, as I did about a lot of other wanderers. He is a real good preacher, and we expect soon to have him come home.

"We will meet them three years hence:"

"I note what you say about the rapid galloping of the liquor legislature, and most cordially concur with you in your statement, that we will meet them three years hence. I shall fight the liquor traffic to the end of my days. We must never cease to educate the people, especially the young people, as to the evils of the liquor-traffic and the use of liquor as a beverage."

So writes one of the most distinguished men in Alabama. The sentiment is growing rapidly. Even the legislature, who sought to repeal our law, can get up no enthusiasm over what they have done. They know that the best people of the State, and a majority at that, are greatly grieved over their action. Some of them will not be able to look their constituents in the face when they get home.

STATE MISSIONS ON NOW.

Dear Brother Barnett:

I wrote you to say, the missionaries might not be paid off before June. I have received so many distressing letters from them. I am going to ask the bank to let me increase the indebtedness and give them some relief.

This is a warning to the brethren beforehand that State Missions will be pressed for all it is worth in the Sixth, Eleventh and Twelfth districts in May, and in the First and Seventh in June, and over the whole State in June, where they do not go by the schedule.

"To Greenville out of Debt" will be my slogan from this until June 30th. I know the missionaries will join me. I am sure the Alabama Baptist will stand by me. Wonder if the pastors will! I hope so.—W. B. Crumpton.

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Under and by virtue of an order and decree of the Honorable J. P. Stiles, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson county, State of Alabama, I. I. Grissom, guardian of the estate of Virgil Fallon, Lillie Mae Fallon and John Fallon, minors, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder, in front of the courthouse door of Jefferson county, Alabama, on Monday, the 15th day of May, 1911, at 12 o'clock noon for cash, the following described real estate: Lot No. 8, in block No. 29, according to the present plan and survey of P. Rising, called Compton, as shown and designated on the duly recorded plat thereof, in volume one, on page 83, map book in the Probate Office of Jefferson County, Alabama, and the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section 19, township 15, south of range 1 west. Mineral rights excepted. Said lands situated in Jefferson county, Alabama, said property belonging to said estate.

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How much it will be valued by the Baptist W. M. U."

This unique invitation met with a ready response by the people, and promptly at 3 o'clock the guests began to assemble.

The double parlors, reception hall and dining room of Mrs. E. J. Duncan's lovely home were thrown open, and all felt the charm of the gracious hostess and those who received with her as they were regaled with the refreshing nectar from the punch bowl.

Folding chairs had been provided for the grown up people and kindergarten chairs for the little tots and all were in eager anticipation of the program.

1. Duet piano, Mrs. Henry Henderson and Vivian Duncan.
2. Chorus, Annie Laurie.
3. Piano solo, Variations of Old Black Joe, Miss Mildred Smith.
4. Song, "When You and I Were Young, Maggie," Mrs. Opho Colvin.
5. Reading, "Tit For Tat," Little Miss La Fae Rush.
6. Piano solo, Mrs. Eva Robinson.
7. Vocal trio, Juanita, Miss Madel Hjcks, Lucile Nolen and Annie Lawson Bailey.
8. Reading, The Camp of Battery B, Mrs. A. S. Walker.
9. Vocal solo, Mrs. Robert Hill Nix.
10. Piano solo, Miss Effie Hunt.
11. Rreading, Mrs. T. C. Russell.
12. Reading, Sacred O'Dying, Miss Mary Lou Smith.
13. Chorus, Auld Lang Syne.

It was indeed a most delightful as well as profitable occasion, and all of the members of the program were well rendered. A role of thanks was extended to Mrs. T. C. Russell and Mrs. E. J. Duncan, who had entire charge and direction of the program; also to those who contributed in every way to the success of the entertainment, and to the people for their patronage.

The ladies realized thirty dollars and feel encouraged to try again in the near future.

MRS. ARNOLD SMITH.

The great spring rally Sunday, April 16, at the First Baptist church, Tuscaloosa, was a great success in spite of the bad weather. The program was purely missionary, except the recitation of the usual lesson. The music by the choir and congregation was soul stirring. Some special songs by the primary pupils and several quartettes by members of the choir and university were greatly enjoyed. We congratulate Pastor Dawson and his fellow workers.

A GREAT MEETING AT CLANTON.

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We are pleasantly situated here. The people received us splendidly, and pounced us roundly when we came, but they completely won our hearts, doing my father's sickness and death, which occurred soon after we arrived there. They held out their hands in helpfulness, in a way that we can never forget. Nothing was left undone that kind hands and thoughtful hearts could do. The Lord only can repay them.

Brother Barnett, come to see us.

Fraternally yours,

W. M. OLIVE.

Clanton, April 18, 1911.

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My churches are raising a purse to send me to the S. B. C. at Jacksonville next month. All of our churches should see that their pastor is furnished with money to bear his expense to this great gathering.

May His blessing crown your efforts with abundant success.

J. G. LOWREY.

TO THE PROHIBITIONISTS OF ALABAMA.

Comrades, once the sky was bright, Bright with hopes for God and right, Aye we thought the battle won: Thought that liquor course was run.

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Comrades, stand together now, Meet like men this awful hour; Fight unto the bitter end; Fight and die, but never bend.

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MORTGAGE SALE.

Under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed by Ida Farris, a widow, to John V. Coe, on the 25th day of August, 1909, and recorded in Vol. 529, Record of Deeds, on page 221, in the office of the Judge of Probate, Jefferson county, Alabama, the undersigned will, on Wednesday, May 19, 1911, in front of the court house door of Jefferson county, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, sell to the highest bidder for cash at public outcry, the following described property, situated in Jefferson county, Alabama, to-wit:

Lot three (3) in block two, according to the present plan of P. Rising's survey called "Compton", as shown and designated on the duly recorded plat thereof, in Vol. 1, on page 83, of the map books in the Probate Office of Jefferson county, Alabama, with all buildings and improvements thereon.

Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said mortgage. The sale being made to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said mortgage, including a reasonable attorney's fee for foreclosing the mortgage, and costs.

JOHN V. COE,
 Mortgagee.

THOS. J. WINGFIELD,
 Att'y for Mortgagee.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL LAND FOR RE-INVESTMENT.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County. Probate Court, April 10th, 1911.

This day came Blanton Riggins, guardian of the estate of Ola D. Riggins and Roy H. Riggins, minors, and filed his application in writing and under oath, praying for an order to sell certain lands therein described belonging to the estate of said minors for the purpose of re-investment of the proceeds of said sale.

And whereas, the 9th day of May, 1911, having been set as a day for hearing said application and the testimony to be submitted in support of same,

It is therefore ordered by the court that notice of the filing and nature of said application and of the day set for hearing same be given by publication once a week for three successive weeks in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in this county.


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Evergreen, Ala., April 20, 1911.
Dear Brother Editor:
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Last week I had the privilege of baptizing 16 young people, part of the visible results of a meeting in which the pastor was aided by the Rev. R. S. Gavin, of Huntsville. Three or four more await baptism. The meeting, which continued 11 days, attracted the largest congregations, both morning and night, ever seen in our town. Brother Gavin's preaching was simple, clear and direct, lighted up with frequent flashes of humor and pointed with anecdote and illustration that really illustrated. More earnest and compelling preaching of the gospel we have never had in our church.

Last Sunday morning the pastor asked his church for a special collection for Foreign Missions of \$250. He got it, and more, too. At night a children's service given by the Sunbeams, trained by Mrs. M. C. Reynolds, gathered a crowded congregation to hear and see a beautiful program. The Sunbeam envelopes and the collection together brought \$3 more into the mission treasury.

The following afternoon the W. M. U. reported \$320 given during the past 12 months, over three-fourths of which was for missions.

This leads me to call attention to some seed sowing that preceded these mission contributions. A class of nine men and women, led by the pastor, have recently completed one of the mission study courses. From this class three teachers have volunteered, and a class of 16 in the Y. W. A. and another of 10 in the W. M. U. have been formed. The third class will be organized by one of our deacons.

The book studied in these classes is "The Frontier," by Ward Plaft. This is the fourth mission study class I have had, and I believe, upon the whole, the most interesting and fruitful. The book, though on the face of it a study of Home Missions, is almost equally a Foreign Mission study. For a live, up-to-date book of thrilling interest, a study in which the daily newspaper and the current magazines will furnish collateral reading and subject matter for illustration and discussion, let me recommend "The Frontier."

This "postcard" is built on the generous dimensions of a clothing advertisement postcard I recently found in my mail, 6x11 inches. I hope it is not too big to find a place in your columns.

Fraternally,
RICHARD HALL.

The Arkansas Baptists are welcoming home "Sam" Campbell. The Arkansas Democrat, published at Little Rock, says in its issue of Monday: "At the Second Baptist church yesterday morning Rev. S. H. Campbell, recently of Troy, Ala., preached his initial sermon as pastor to succeed Rev. John T. Christian. It was a powerful sermon, delivered with much feeling and in elegant diction, indicating that the Second Baptist church has a worthy successor to its recent pastor. Thursday night there will be a public reception at the church in honor of the new pastor and his wife."

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Sycamore Baptist church has been on the drag for several months. Our pastor, Brother Yeargin, of East Lake, has resigned, and the church met in conference and called Brother Josh. Edwards, of Sycamore, Ala., a young minister—a young man whom everybody seems to love. We as church members wish to see Sycamore Baptist church grow. We don't believe our pastor was the cause of our church doing no good. He seemed to be a pure gospel preacher and a good worker for the lord, and the church hated to give him up, but he said that the Lord directed him to another field, and we let him go.—A Member.

We are getting started nicely on our new field. May have time to drop you a line for the Baptist when a little more acquainted. Association meets with us this year. We will have a good place reserved for your entertainment. With many regards, yours cordially—L. E. Smith.
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(We like the picture on it. It was a \$2 George, as it bore the likeness of the father of our country.)

The graduation exercises of the Cordova teacher training class, held Sunday night, April 16, at the Indian Head Baptist church, is claimed by Sunday school workers in this section to be one of the most interesting events in Walker county's Sunday school history, and this, together with the enthusiastic and well-attended Walker county Sunday school convention at Dora two weeks ago, is expected to give Bible school work in this section a great impetus.

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NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, Probate Court, 11th Day of April, 1911.

Estate of James N. Didlake, Deceased.

This day came Mollie Didlake, administratrix of the estate of James N. Didlake, deceased, and filed her account, vouchers, evidence and statement for a final settlement of the same.

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I will write you about the condition of our churches in the Alabama Association, as I am a member of one of the churches. I think they are in a prosperous condition, except the Sabbath schools. I visited one church last Sabbath which was not organized and preached. I dropped a thought upon the subject of Sabbath schools and subscribing to the paper. I think that I will soon get some subscribers. Although I am not serving any church yet, my heart is in the work for Jesus. I love your paper.—L. A. Bates.

We are getting requests for Dr. Riley's pamphlets, "Mistakes of Millennial Dawn," "Speaking With Tongues" and "Divine Healing and Christian Science," stating that a paragraph in your paper announces them as "free." You no doubt copied the paragraph in the Observer, but where they got the impression that the pamphlets were "free" we do not know. Will you please correct this impression in your next issue? The pamphlets sell at 10 cents each. I am mailing you sample copies. Respectfully yours—J. W. Camp, Minneapolis, Minn.

I enclose check for \$5 to pay for new subscribers. Please send last week's paper if you have any on hand. I am trying to get all my folks to take and read the Baptist, for if they will it will help to advance the cause of Christ. Best wishes for you and your loved ones. Fraternally—J. H. Creighton.
(Always at it.)

I greatly appreciate the Alabama Baptist, and wish our people would all appreciate it, but it seems that they will not, at least in this community. I have tried to get subscriptions on your \$1 offer, but have failed so far; but still aim to try further. Yours fraternally—G. W. Ingram.
(Keep trying.)

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Dear Brother Barnett: I send you herewith one dollar to move my subscription up to January 1, 1912. Please pardon me for not doing so sooner. This is a small amount, but all these small amounts put together will help you. As little grains of sand make the great earth, and little drops of water makes the mighty ocean, so a great many little things put together make a big thing. I think that a great many who are so slow to pay up do not really mean to do anything wrong, or to harm you or any one else, but it does harm you, and it is not treating the Lord's cause right. I am glad that you have made the one dollar offer, which will put those who object to the price of the paper to the test. Surely every Baptist home in the state now will take the Alabama Baptist, and then we will have a better paper. As I see it, the thing lacking most among the Baptist of this state is interest in our denominational paper. We need a revival along this line. We have too many critics and not enough helpers. It is a very easy matter to become a mote-hunter, but it is somewhat difficult to find the great mote in our own eyes. When I first commenced trying to preach I knew but very little about preachers, compared with what I know now. I thought that all preachers were good men (I knew that they ought to be), but soon after I entered the work of the ministry I found that preachers were very much like some other folks, and a great many of them with no more piety than the average church member. I must say that I believe that many men who claim to be preachers and pastors are in the broad way to hell. A preacher of the gospel of Christ ought to be an honest man, and he should be truthful. It is so wrong for any one to lie, especially a preacher, and then again it is so wrong for any one to have malice and envy in his heart, and especially a preacher. I used to think that preachers would never envy each other, but Oh, my! We have some who are full of it and will "nosy" around after the other fellow's work. Such a 2 by 4 preacher as that needs to study Paul's mission journey and pray to the Lord's spirit to lead him to a work. I believe that the pulpit is largely responsible for the condition of things in our state, both secular and spiritual. As I include myself in this last sentence, I hope the brethren will not yet offend with me. Now as to the Alabama Baptist, will say that those who criticise it most are those who help it the least. Of course there are a few exceptions to this rule. One of the biggest critics in the church that I ever knew was a man (I say a man, but he was an irregular "it") who did the least for the cause. Oh! that we may all unite in the great work of our Lord, and quit pulling against each other.

I wish the Baptist much success. I hope that we will all remember that the paper will be what we help the editor to make it. Love to your family. Hope to see you at the S. B. Convention.

Respectfully,
J. W. KERR.

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY JUBILEE HYMN.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, O Saviour Divine.
This day of the harvest the glory is Thine.
Accept, we beseech Thee, the tribute we bring,
Today at Thy feet, our Redeemer and King.

O Lord of the harvest, in toil and in tears,
Thy servants went forth in the seed-sowing years.
Today we are reaping and binding the sheaves.
Ah, rich is Thy promise to him who believes!
The nations who tarried in darkness so long
Have thrilled to the bliss of the Star and the song,
And over the gloom of their sin and their loss
Hath risen the light of Thy conquering Cross.

O Saviour Divine, in this jubilee year,
In splendor of brightness; we pray Thee, appear;
Great Lord of the nations, the crowns are to Thee.
Our service we render from sea unto sea.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, for idols o'erthrown,
For joy that replaces the tear and the moan,
From east and from west we are hastening to bring
Our tributes to Thee, O Redeemer and King.
—Mrs. Margaret E. Sangster.

Anniston, Ala., March 5, 1911.

Whereas, it has pleased our Heavenly Father in His divine mission to take from our midst our beloved brother, G. B. Brown. Therefore be it resolved,

That we deplore the sudden, and seemingly to us, untimely death of our brother.

That his departure is a loss to the church and community, but our Father has taken him unto Himself and His son.

That we tender sincere sympathy to his widow, daughter and relatives.

That a copy of these resolutions be furnished his family, be spread on the minutes of the Oxanna Baptist Church and published in the Alabama Baptist.

J. B. MADDEN,
W. J. BRYANT,
A. P. EZELLE,
Committee.

At the close of the Sunday school at the Roanoke First Baptist church Sunday, April 16, Mr. W. H. McDaniel was formally installed as superintendent and Mr. J. J. Awbrey as assistant. Mr. J. C. Wright made a stirring speech.

A large congregation at the First Baptist church Sunday morning heard an able discourse by the pastor upon the subject of missions. A liberal response was made. The pastor also preached in the evening.—Roanoke Leader.



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ON THE GO.

There is no rest for the field secretary of any great undertaking. He must be on the go all the time. I have found it difficult to be in Birmingham long enough to keep up with my correspondence.

Others will write to the Alabama Baptist about the state convention of the B. Y. P. U., so I will not do so except to say that it was a great meeting of our young people, and I greatly enjoy it. Brother R. E. Faucett and his splendid wife entertained me in their home. I was greatly pleased when I learned that Brother Crumpton always stops at Brother Faucett's when he is in Prattville. I know if that were true I was in a first-class home, for Bro. C. knows all the good places. The entertainment was all I expected, and I had a good time.

From Prattville I went over to

Tuskegee

to preach on Sunday. Brother J. R. Curry is pastor there, and his better three-fourths entertained me in the old-fashioned way, and I felt at home with them. Curry has a first-class wife to help him, two beautiful little girls, a fine garden, quite a number of prospective yellow-legged chickens and some other things to mak him happy, and he seems to be happy.

On Saturday Brother Curry and I called on Mrs. L. V. Alexander, one of the Lord's chosen ones, who is deprived of the privilege of attending the services of the sanctuary, but she reads the Alabama Baptist and other things and keeps thoroughly posted on what her denomination is doing in Alabama and elsewhere. When I spoke to her about the work of our commission she told me that she knew all about it and that I need not go over the matter, and she added that she had made up her mind to give me \$100 for the work. How refreshing it is to meet with those who give with such grace and intelligence.

The Tuskegee church is the banner church up to this time in its gifts to the work of the Educational Commission. They have given twelve hundred and thirty-nine dollars. I don't know what Brother J. C. Wright, of Roanoke, our president, is going to do about this, but he will have to get a move on him to beat it. I am sure this amount will be increased to twelve hundred and fifty dollars.

In the afternoon, Brother W. W. Campbell, the peer of any layman in the state in liberality, efficient service and consecration, took me in his automobile to Notasulga, where an appointment had been made for me to preach. There was a good congregation present and the brethren here gave me \$14.75 for our work. The church here is a very neat and attractive building, and shows an interest on the part of the brethren. At Tuskegee they treated me with great kindness, and I shall be glad of the chance to go there again.

On Monday night I lectured at the Tuskegee Normal Institute to more than fifteen hundred students and pro-

fessors on "A Journey Around the World."

Booker T. Washington is, in my opinion, doing a great work for his race. That little affair in New York City, which I am glad did not happen in the South, did not shake my confidence in Washington in the least. The work he has done and the character he has exhibited during the twenty-nine years he has been at Tuskegee ought to count for something with me. I do not hesitate to say that I believe in Booker Washington and have believed in him for a long time.

W. J. E. COX.

RESOLUTIONS

On the Death of Shaffer Hood, Adopted by the Baraca Class of the Dadeville Baptist Church:

Whereas the death angel has visited our class, and

Whereas, our devoted friend, brother and fellow worker, Shaffer Hood, has thus been removed from our midst; therefore be it

Resolved, by the Baraca class of the Dadeville Baptist Church, of which he was such a beloved member:

First—That we are deeply sensible of the fact that in the death of our friend and brother our class has lost one of its wisest, most enthusiastic and useful members, and that each one of us as individual members of the class, has lost a true friend, a faithful co-worker and a most congenial fellow laborer.

Second—That we do most earnestly commend to our class and to our town the lofty aims, the high ideals, the laudible ambitions, the purity of life and conduct which characterized our lamented friend and class-mate, and that we will cheerish his memory until we greet him again in that beautiful land beyond.

Third—That we bow in humble submission to the will of Him, whose Providence, though sometimes difficult of interpretation are, nevertheless, directed toward our infinite good.

Fourth—That we do most profoundly sympathize with the grief-stricken family and loved ones of our departed comrade, and that we will remember them in our devotions, commending them to the tender care of our Heavenly Father, whose love falls hot.

Most respectfully submitted,

CHESTER ACREE,
J. LEE HICKS,
JAMES BOYD,

Committee.

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A Wreck from Accident and Disease

RICHLAND, N. Y.—Bodi-Tone has helped me more than any or all the medicines I had ever taken before. I had passed through enough to kill a man before I commenced taking it. I had been hit on the head by a falling tree, which left me with such terrible headaches at times that I was almost wild. I went down with a load of wood through a bridge, striking on my head and again injuring it, and causing my back to bother me so I could hardly get around. My back was so weak and lame, and my stomach was strained so I could keep nothing down that I ate. I got all run down and could not sleep nights, and could hardly do my chores or get from the barn back to the house. I had Rheumatism in my knees; one of them was so swollen that I could hardly step up or down on my foot. In fact, I was almost a complete wreck, and wished I could die, I suffered so. My wife read about Bodi-Tone and sent for a box on trial, and I started taking it. I began to get better right away. Now my Rheumatism is all gone, and I can work, eat and sleep, in fact, feel like a new man. Everyone speaks of how much better I look, and Bodi-Tone has done it all. **ELBERT STOWELL.**



Invalid Without Strength or Energy

DELIGHT, ARK.—My heart's gratitude is due for the benefits I have received from Bodi-Tone. I was an invalid, without strength or energy, when I began to take it; now I am doing my household work and enjoying good health for one of sixty-six years. I was all run down, I had no appetite, did not sleep well at night, and existence was little more than a drag to me. I had taken Rheumatism in my left shoulder and arm, and suffered misery from it. I tried doctors without any improvement, and was almost helpless. When I saw Bodi-Tone advertised in my weekly paper I made up my mind to try it. Before I had used it a few weeks my general health began to improve. By the time I used two boxes my Rheumatism was all gone. **Mrs. S. T. BROCK.**



Has No Aches or Pains at 72 Years

MONTREY, IND.—I want to tell what Bodi-Tone did for me. I am a vet ran of the Civil War, and during my service I contracted camp Diarrhoea and Heart Trouble. My Heart was so bad that I could not lie on my left side, and the Diarrhoea acted in extremes; my Bowels were either very costive or very loose. I had given up all hopes of any benefit at my age until I saw the Bodi-Tone advertisement and trial offer and sent for a box on trial. I had not taken more than half of the box when I felt greatly relieved. Soon I could lie on my left side and not feel the effects, and within a short time I had gained ten pounds in weight. This was over a year ago, and now, although I am seventy-two years old, I don't feel much over thirty. I have no aches or pains. I used but three boxes of Bodi-Tone, and it has done so much for me that I lack language to give it proper praise. **W. W. DUFF.**



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