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CONVENTION PARAGRAPHS, BY FRANK WILLIS BARNETT

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The fifty-sixth session of the Southern Baptist Convention opened with the singing of "How Firm a Foundation" after the announcement that Dr. George W. Truett, of Dallas, Tex., would have charge of the devotional services throughout the session.

In the center of the stage a great chart was suspended showing the ministers holding the Blue Seal diploma issued by the Sunday School Board. We were glad to see that out of the twenty names posted three Alabama pastors were found—W. W. Lee, J. A. Hendricks and J. W. Long.

An interesting chart showing the distribution of money by the Foreign Mission Board attracted great attention. China got 31 cents out of each dollar; Brazil, 25 cents; Mexico, 12 1/2 cents; Europe, 7 1/2 cents; Japan, 5 cents; Argentina, 4 1/2 cents, and Africa, 2 1/2 cents.

In the chart of the Home Board showing receipts for two years, it was gratifying to note that Alabama gains \$11,909. Alabama Baptists gave during the past year \$30,496, Georgia, Texas and Virginia being the only states giving more than Alabama.

We were sorry to note that seven states gave more for foreign missions than did Alabama, and yet we got some comfort from the fact that our gifts exceeded those of eight; \$35,285.24 is a new record for Alabama.

There was a note of sadness because of the debt of the Foreign Mission Board, and yet Southern Baptists made a new record in raising over one-half million dollars.

Suspended from the drop curtain was a placard pierced by an electric bulb with the strutting statement: "Every time this light goes out two lives go out in non-Christian countries. The world loses 57 every minute, by conservative estimate".

Rev. W. E. Pickard, D.D., put in nomination the name of Joshua Levering, which was seconded by Dr. Lansing Burrows. H. H. Seay, of Virginia, put in nomination Dr. E. C. Dargan, of Macon, who asked the brother to withdraw it, but he refused. Dr. E. C. Dargan was elected.

The following were elected vice presidents: John D. Niell, Georgia; Hon. H. S. D. Mallory, Alabama; W. M. Whittington, Mississippi, and C. A. Carson, Florida.

Alabama had two worthy sons put in nomination for vice president, Dr. Bestridge nominating Hon. H. S. D. Mallory and Dr. French Hon. G. L. Comer. Both would have been elected, but as some thought one vice president enough from Alabama, Hon. H. S. D. Mallory asked Dr. Prestridge to withdraw his name, and, upon his refusal, Brother Comer prevailed upon Brother French to withdraw his name. Both of these men having been honored as presidents of the Alabama State Convention, were well qualified to preside over the Southern Baptist Convention.

Dr. Lansing Burrows and Dr. O. F. Gregory were unanimously elected secretaries. They have served faithfully and well. Long may both be spared to serve the convention.

It seemed natural to see Telle Hendon hustling around to make Alabama Baptists happy.

Many new faces were at the reporters' tables and a number of familiar faces were absent. The newspaper men are hard worked at the conventions.

Alabama had quite a numerous body of delegates and visitors. It was good to meet and greet them. Quite a number of the pastors brought their wives.

What the Convention Means to Me

The important thing in the convention was the personal touch with the leaders of our denomination, and a view, at close range, of the working of our denominational life. Ten years reporting it having acquainted us with the magnitude, the methods and the needs of our work, I came away with a definite and larger conception of the part Southern Baptists have to play in the evangelization of the world. I got a new sense of the dignity, the intellectual power and the spiritual force there is put in motion in organized working form as represented in the Southern Baptist Convention. I came home with a better conception of the rallying cry, "The Field is the World", and yet realizing more fully than ever if success crowns our Baptist efforts, it must come through a closer union of each local church working in sympathy with the more powerful body which Southern Baptists have called into being to press the work of missions. Oh, that we may have our part in arousing the unenlisted Baptist churches in the State to a proper share in our missionary endeavors so that through concerted and concentrated effort they may put Alabama into the very forefront of Christian activity. I came back to my desk tingling with righteous pride that I had cast my lot with Southern Baptists and could look back on a heritage that is glorious, on a present that is potent, and to a future that is bright as the promises of God.

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Rev. A. A. Sumrall, D.D., of Shreveport, La., delivered the response to the address of welcome and made a hit on "Hobson's Choice".

It was a study to watch the faces of Secretaries Gray, Willingham and Frost as they sat at their tables on the platform while the convention was being organized. Gray's face was triumphant, Willingham's sorrowing, and Frost's illuminated. It is always dangerous to try and make sweeping generalizations about men and yet without being invidious, Gray's betokened brain power, Willingham's heart power and Frost's soul power. They typify the brain, heart and soul power of Southern Baptists.

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A welcome shower came a half hour before the convention met.

Brother Crumpton was at the opening of the session and as usual was well to the front where he could keep tab on the speakers.

We regretted to miss the fellowship and genial presence of Rev. V. I. Masters, the editorial secretary of the Home Board, who was unable to be present on account of an attack of typhoid fever.

Dr. E. C. Dargan was visibly touched when he arose to acknowledge his thanks for the honor. Dr. Dargan is greatly beloved by Southern Baptists.

A resolution to do away with applause was unanimously passed. Dr. A. C. Burton, of Texas, introduced it.

Five of the missionaries now on the South China field have given a total of 195 years' service to the Lord's work, as follows: R. H. Graves, 54 years; E. Z. Simmons, 40 years; Mrs. Simmons, 40 years; Miss Lula Whilden, 38 years, and Mrs. Graves, 23 years. This is a glorious record.

In Argentina, perhaps the most remarkable feature of the year's work was the results of efforts made with a large tent which was acquired about the middle of the year. The people thronged densely within it for several weeks and many of the best converts came from the work with the tent.

The China Baptist Publication Society, which is now owned jointly by the Northern and Southern Baptist boards is one of the most important agencies for the evangelization of China.

The following Alabama pastors were assigned pulpits on Sunday: Curtis Shugart, Preston Blake, C. H. Stakeley. H. S. Strickland spoke at Woodlawn Sunday school.

The time for the opening of the convention in Oklahoma City next year was then taken up, and a resolution was introduced setting the date on Wednesday after the second Sunday in May, with Rev. Z. T. Cody, of Greenville, S. C., as convention preacher, and Rev. A. W. Boone, of Memphis, Tenn., as alternate. The matter was open to discussion and an amendment was proposed setting the time ahead one day, which had many supporters, but when the vote was taken the proposed amendment was voted down and the time officially set for May 5, 1912.

Hon. C. A. Carson, in a flowery speech, welcomed the convention to Florida. He said the delegates and visitors would need a lot of superlatives to express their joy in Florida's wonderful resources. As a "boomer" and "booster" he knows how to fling a few adjectives. The speech was timely, informing and witty.

The report from Africa says: "From the north we are threatened with inundation from the Mohammedan states. The adherents to the Musselman religion are increasing, and unless much work is

done in the near future we will not be in a position to cope successfully with the condition which is created."

We sometimes fail to understand that the followers of Mahomet are fighting to win Africa for the crescent.

There was much at the convention to uplift, to strengthen, and to broaden our views of the work unto which Southern Baptists have been called.

The educational work in China is of great importance because of the very remarkable educational awakening which has taken place in recent years. It would be an unspeakable calamity to the cause of Christ in this mighty empire for the multitude of eager students to receive an education devoid of the Christian ideal, and yet there are those who are fighting our educational work on foreign fields.

Our missionaries in Japan are constantly pleading for additional workers and urging that some plan be formed for giving our people Christian education so that they will not be forced to study in the government schools under the hurtful influence which exists in these institutions. They plead also for means to enable them to prepare and circulate religious literature and especially Baptist literature. The Japanese are almost universally a reading people and the printed page can be made a powerful evangelistic agency.

Eight Baptist churches are located in Jacksonville, the convention city, presided over by able men, who, as pastors, manifest great civic pride and take great personal interest in furthering the best interests of the city and State.

Dr. W. A. Hobson has made a wonderful record as pastor of the First Baptist church, Jacksonville, and has also endeared himself to Southern Baptists as a gracious convention host. We are proud of Hobson and hope yet to get him back home before he takes too deep root in Florida soil.

The report of the Sunday School Board shows that Alabama led all the other States in the number of diplomas received with the exception of Mississippi and Texas, Alabama receiving 445, Texas 463 and Mississippi 594. Tennessee came fourth with 243.

Dr. Eager's book, "Romanism in Its Home", has been translated and printed in Spanish.

Some pastors for the first time realized that Southern Baptists have a great world-big job, as they saw and heard the missionaries from the home and foreign fields.

It was good to see the faces of some of our pastors light up as they listened to the masterful addresses of the leaders pointing out the heritage of Southern Baptists, and we felt sure that upon their return home their people would be put in touch with larger things.

The convention not only imparts needed information about the past year's work, but gives the secretaries an opportunity to map out the work they hope to do during the coming year. Gray, Willingham, Frost and Mullins know how to draw alluring pictures to stir the imagination of Southern Baptists.

It means much for a pastor to get acquainted with the world movements in their relation to the kingdom and the part that Southern Baptists must play in hastening the coming of the King.

Many a pastor came away from the convention more deeply sensible and awake to the meaning of the Great Commission inspired with a determination to make his life count in leading his people in mission work.

As we listened to the stories as they fell from the lips of the missionaries we got a larger and clearer view of the Master's great work and the saving power of the gospel over the hearts of sinful men. The

testimonies of those fresh from the field revived our faith and increased our zeal for mission work.

One of the benefits of the convention comes from the enthusiasm engendered by large numbers of earnest men and women who have come together to counsel and plan for work along congenial lines. A body like the Southern Baptist Convention seems to generate an enthusiasm that is contagious. Merely to come together and look into each other's faces helps us to see that as Southern Baptists we are a great factor in God's hand to carry out our Master's great commission.

The fellowship at the convention is one of the sweetest things which comes into our life during the year. The meeting with old friends of college and seminary days, and the greetings of brother pastors we have known during our fifteen years in the work rejoice our very heart. There is real soul comfort in the fellowship of the great Southern Baptist Convention.

Pastors get uplifts from hearing the great addresses, they get inspiration from seeing the returned missionaries, they get heartened up by the fellowship, and many get pointers about practical work in talking with their brethren from various fields.

One of the benefits of the trip to Jacksonville was the opportunity it gave to many to see the beautiful new city which, Phenix-like, arose on the ruins of the old one. Jacksonville is a modern, up-to-date, hustling city, and yet it has many charms which come from being located in the Land of Flowers.

The trip to Jacksonville furnished to many pastors an outing which was enjoyed, an education which they needed, and an inspiration which will result in better work.

It means something to see a great denomination at work, praise and worship. It heartens up the lonely pastor whose field of labor is hard and far away from the busy, hustling cities to realize that, however humble, his work may be, that still under God he is a part of a mighty denomination whose activities take in the world.

The convention was organized in Augusta, Ga., May 8, 1845. There were 325 brethren present in Augusta at the constitution of this convention. They came from Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana and Kentucky. William B. Johnson, D.D., was made president, and the secretaries were Rev. Jesse Hartwell and Deacon James C. Crane, of Baltimore. The results of the meeting were the formation of plans, the establishment of boards for foreign and domestic missions, located, respectively, at Richmond, Va., and Marion, Ala., and the issuing of an address to the general religious public, but especially to churches of the Southern States. The first year's receipts were \$5,824.13 for foreign and \$11,188.80 for domestic missions.

The Southern Baptist Convention has met in Alabama four times. In 1855 Montgomery was marked by heated discussion on the question of extending an invitation to ministers of other denominations to seats. It also met in Montgomery in 1886. In 1873 Mobile was the meeting place. The Sunday School Board was consolidated with the Domestic and Indian Mission Board. The removal of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary from Greenville, S. C., to Louisville, Ky., was announced. It met in Birmingham in 1891. This was the first one we ever attended and well do we remember that the Sunday School Board question was up. Little did we know then that one day we would be reporting its sessions as a Baptist editor.

The objects of the convention are declared by the constitution to be "the carrying into effect the benevolent intentions of our constituents by organizing a plan for eliciting, combining and directing the energies of the denomination for the propagation of the gospel". The design of the convention is "to

promote foreign and domestic missions and other important objects connected with the Redeemer's Kingdom, and to combine for this purpose such portions of the Baptist denomination in the United States as may desire a general organization for Christian benevolence, which shall fully respect the independence and equal rights of the churches".

The States now composing the convention are Alabama, Arkansas, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia.

The board has assisted in Alabama in the support of four mountain schools, four missionaries among the negroes, one missionary to the Swedes, one woman worker in the Birmingham district, and aided the Alabama State Board in the support of twenty-six co-operative missionaries. They have baptized 614 converts and received into the fellowship of churches 1,417 members. The board has also aided four churches in building houses of worship.

The total value of improvements in our entire mountain school work, including payments made upon debt, is \$65,305. Of this sum, the Home Board has paid \$21,350. While we are touching twenty-eight sections of the great mountain region, there are more than twenty-eight other sections that need to be touched.

There are 3,000 homeless Baptist churches west of the Mississippi river within the bounds of our Southern Baptist Convention territory, and on reliable authority we are told that there are 1,500 churches east of the Mississippi river with no houses of worship. This means a poor, checkered, uncertain, weak existence for nearly 5,000 congregations.

A great bereavement has come to us in the death of Mrs. M. M. Welch, wife of our beloved office secretary January 22, 1911. By her gentle and faithful character and life she had made herself felt for good in the large circle of her friends and fellow-workers. She was the daughter of Dr. Henry McDonald, who for years was president of our board and was greatly beloved as far as his influence was felt. The brotherhood at large have been very gracious and sympathetic in their kindness toward our fellow-worker, Brother Welch, in his sore loss.—Home Board Report.

The gifts of the W. M. U. to home missions have constituted about one-fourth of its receipts and the influence of their regular systematic methods has been felt in all the work of Southern Baptists.

More than ever before, our women are seeing the importance of home missions, are realizing that it touches the homes, that it is vital to the preservation of our civilization itself. Consequently the number of young women who are offering themselves for service in the homeland is rapidly increasing. The immigrants, the factory and mill population and various phases of city work present unbounded opportunities for consecrated young women.

The milestone of progress we pass May 1, 1911, is far in advance of where the Woman's Missionary Union stood a decade ago. To glance back only to 1902 we find that 2,414 societies then reported to the various state unions; this year the number totals 10,580. In 1902 there were no Young Women's Auxiliaries, nor boys' bands; now there are 1,266 girls' societies and about 300 Royal Ambassador chapters. Then there were 531 Sunbeam Bands; this year we report 2,522. So the forces behind the work have grown steadily, with the development of the sense of responsibility in the women of every state. They have gone in these ten years from a little over \$52,000 (cash) to the present offering of more than \$200,000.

It is hard for one who lives in the country in one of the older States where churches have been established and become the social and religious cen-

ters of the communities and around which the life of the people gathers and which enshrine their most sacred thoughts and associations, to realize rural conditions on the frontier. There are hundreds of country communities in the southwest into which the people have recently come where the social relationships are not established, the people are strangers to each other, life is hard and no common bond has yet been established. A church, a meeting house, and a faithful minister to look after these people are their greatest need.

The boxes sent to frontier missionaries of the Home Board by the W. M. U. are not so large in number as formerly since greater emphasis is being laid upon cash offerings for home missions. This year 142 letters from missionaries have been assigned and accepted by societies.

The contributions of the Woman's Missionary Union in Alabama to home missions from May 1, 1910, to May 1, 1911, were \$5,596.64. A great record.

If Southern Baptists had no other home mission work on their hands—if they had no immigrant problem, no mountain school problem, no work in Cuba, but only the southwest as a home mission field—they would still have a demand for all the money they are giving to home missions.

The Home Board has a great problem in the cities. For example, in such cities as St. Louis, where Roman Catholicism is established and already outranks all evangelical denominations combined, and where there are a hundred and forty saloons for every Baptist church, and take a trip over the Mississippi to New Orleans and the conditions are not improved. St. Louis, Memphis, Vicksburg, New Orleans all furnish need for home mission work.

Most of the foreigners in America are either submerged in the great cities or in mining camps where religious work is difficult and frequently personal approach is impossible. A large per cent. of the foreigners of the southwest are on the farms and ranches easily accessible and can be evangelized with comparative ease. The great majority of these are very poor, and, like most poor people, respond readily to personal kindness. A great door and effectual is open to us among these needy people.

The Home Board report, in speaking of Rev. S. T. Clanton, theological instructor at Selma University, says: "During the year, in addition to his work as theological instructor, he held 64 Bible conferences, which were attended by 1,050 preachers and deacons".

The Home Board report says, in speaking of the deaths of Mrs. W. D. Chipley and Mrs. J. B. Gambrell: "Mrs. Chipley, while in attendance on the last convention in Baltimore, was taken to the hospital, where she died after a surgical operation. She was one of the noblest, most consecrated, godly and influential women Southern Baptists have had in all the years of their history and none surpassed her in devotion to the great cause of home missions. Mrs. Gambrell was singularly gifted in heart and head and possibly has done more with her pen for the development of the cause of Southern Baptists than any woman we have ever had. Her liberality in all denominational work was constant and beautiful. In the very height of her usefulness, having toiled side by side with her great husband, she heard the Master's call and went to be with Him".

Rev. John D. Mell, of Georgia, who was elected vice president, is a son of the famous parliamentarian, Dr. Mell, and a brother of Mrs. A. D. Smith, of Birmingham.

Rev. Edwin Charles Dargan, pastor of the First Baptist church, Macon, Ga., who was elected president of the Southern Baptist Convention, was born in Darlington county, South Carolina, November 17, 1852, and graduated from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, then located at Greenville, S. C., in 1877. He received his D.D. degree at Washington

and Lee university in 1888 and LL.D. at Baylor university, in Texas, in 1904. Dr. Dargan is the author of some well known books and is greatly beloved throughout the South by seminary men who studied under him at Louisville. He made good as a presiding officer from the very start.

Rev. P. T. Hall, financial secretary of the seminary, said: "Since my last report the total amount raised in notes for the jubilee endowment by our various agents is \$236,968.70. This, added to previous collections in cash and notes, makes a total of \$746,609. As you will recall, our aim in all the states has been to raise at least 25 per cent over and above the face of the apportionments. We have been enabled to do this in most cases, but Alabama, Georgia, Maryland and North Carolina are each approximately \$10,000 short on their apportionments, while Tennessee is from \$12,000 to \$15,000 short. The canvass during the past year has been conducted chiefly in Virginia, Texas, Oklahoma, Missouri and North Carolina".

The number of delegates and visitors to Jacksonville to attend the convention has exceeded all expectations. Rev. W. A. Hobson, of the First Baptist church, announced Wednesday night that the 1,800 visitors' badges originally ordered had been completely exhausted. Likewise only a few of the 1,700 delegate badges were left. An order was placed for an extra supply of badges by telegraph to meet the demand, as several hundred Baptists were unable to secure them when they registered.

Dr. Weston Bruner, the Home Board evangelist, spoke to men Sunday afternoon at the Duval theater under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association. It was one of the series of the greater men's meetings. Dr. Bruner spoke on the subject, "The Man Who Won It".

The annual meeting of the board of trustees of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary was held Wednesday morning. The following officers were re-elected: Hon. Joshua Levering, president; Hon. W. J. Northen, first vice president; E. L. Connelly, M.D., second vice president; Rev. M. D. Jeffries, M.D., secretary; B. Pressley Smith, Esq., treasurer; Franklin Miller, Esq., and T. J. Humphreys, Esq., auditors. For the first time in the history of the school it was formally announced that laymen would be admitted to the courses of study, and it is confidently expected will result in bringing a large number of new students to the seminary.

Members of the faculty of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary have issued books during the year as follows: Prof. Robertson, a volume on John the Baptist entitled "John the Loyal", and a commentary on the gospel of Matthew. His short grammar of the Greek New Testament is now being translated into German, French and Dutch. Prof. McGlothlin has issued a volume of Baptist Confessions of Faith, with historical introductions, expositions and comments, and Prof. Carver has put forth a volume entitled "Missions and Modern Thought".

Rev. W. Y. Quisenberry, who has done such faithful work as field representative of the seminary, was re-elected for another year. Dr. P. T. Hale was elected to the position of field representative and lecturer on evangelism.

The following vital and interesting paragraph appeared in the splendid report made by President Mullins: "In accordance with the board's action last year, your committee visited Louisville and inspected various possible locations for the seminary in the future. A site was finally purchased near Crescent Hill, consisting of about forty-four acres, regarded by all as one of the most beautiful in the vicinity of Louisville. It is about two and a half miles from the business section of the city, but adjoins the eastern city limits. It is expected that a car line will be built immediately in front of the property within the next few years. Already one car line is within two or three squares of the property. These lines will give ample facilities for maintaining close relations with the churches and

mission work of the city, thus giving to the seminary the advantages of ample grounds and at the same time close contact with the city and its opportunities for culture and service.

Dr. Mullins' introduction of Dr. Henry Alfred Porter, who spoke for the seminary on Wednesday night, was unique. He introduced him as a Canadian by birth; an American by choice, a Southerner by adoption, a Baptist because he could not help it, and pastor of the Walnut Street Baptist church in Louisville by the grace of God. Dr. Porter delivered an eloquent address in which he spoke of a musician who, while visiting Niagara Falls, likened the sound of the rapids to a chord. The doctor said that the same was the case with the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, which sounded an octave of noise as follows: The Biblical note, the spiritual note, the scholarship note, the practical note, the orthodox note, the freedom note, the missionary note and the evangelistic note. He dwelt at some length on each of these vital notes and discussed each eloquently.

The history of the city of Jacksonville—the city of today—begins with the fire of May, 1901. In that terrible conflagration 2,600 buildings were destroyed, with a loss of over \$15,000,000. On the ruins of the old has risen the new. In the ten years that have elapsed there have been erected more than 8,000 buildings, valued at \$25,000,000.00. These bare figures are eloquently significant of the spirit of Jacksonville. The growth of population has been equally phenomenal. In 1901 there were 28,000; in 1911 there are nearly 80,000. Jacksonville embodies and exemplifies in a superlative degree the spirit of commercial and industrial enterprise and progress which is characteristic of the State of Florida. It is a great city, a beautiful city and a clean city, and no wonder that it has attracted people from all parts of the country since. The climate is very equable. Average mean temperature: Spring 71 degrees, summer 80 degrees, autumn 71 degrees, winter 60 degrees. In summer time the heat is tempered by cooling breezes from the Atlantic ocean and the gulf of Mexico, and by refreshing rains. The annual rainfall is 52 inches, mostly in summer. The evenings and nights are delightfully cool and pleasant and superb for sleeping if one had only gotten a chance. The night sessions of the convention were not brief. Mortality in Jacksonville is low—14.32 per 1,000. Jacksonville has a magnificently equipped Y. M. C. A. building. It cost a quarter of a million dollars. It has beautiful churches, splendid schools and a public library containing 18,000 volumes.

On January 1, 1911, the Italian mission was apportioned to the three missionaries. Dr. Everette Gill will administer the work from Rome, North, being the same territory which he formerly had. The Southern field falls to Mr. Stuart, while the theological school and publication work will remain in Dr. Whittinghill's care. However, the mission as a whole remains undivided, as all things of importance will be decided by a committee composed of the three. In this way the responsibility will be equally shared and more conservative action will be assured.

Many a pastor will go back to his work with a greater vision of our Baptist forces and will want to have a larger part in leading his people in their gifts to Southern Baptist enterprises. This came from being in touch with the men who have the world view of the gospel message.

It was good news to hear that Southern Baptists had an industrial school at Saki, thus enabling students to make their own way and at the same time receive a training which is greatly needed in Africa, and they are being fitted to become effective Christian workers.

The Brazilian Baptist Convention met in Sao Paulo last summer and was attended by Dr. T. B. Ray and Mrs. Ray. The Collegio Progresso Brasileiro, the Baptist school, reports an enrollment of 175 students.

Judge George Hilyer, of Atlanta, a prominent member of the bar of Georgia, offered a resolution that the convention express its disapproval of the wave of crime that is sweeping over the southern states and called upon the convention to bring on civic righteousness. Upon the introduction of this resolution Dr. Lansing Burrows, secretary of the convention, arose to a point of order and declared that the resolution was not such a one that should be offered in a religious assemblage. "Last year at Baltimore," said Dr. Burrows, "a resolution was offered in the convention on tuberculosis. If this thing keeps up we will have a resolution urging that we investigate the causes and suggest a remedy for the cure of the hookworm."

Rev. W. J. E. Cox, of Birmingham, made a stirring speech on Foreign Missions, which was greatly enjoyed.

T. B. Ray, of Richmond, educational secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, read an exhaustive paper on the denominational press, in which he reviewed the work of the past year of the various periodicals and papers printed in behalf of the Baptist cause. He stated that there were too many denominational papers where the constituency did not warrant, but as a whole they were doing much good along educational and Biblical lines.

Thirty minutes were allowed two speakers to discuss the denominational press. Rev. B. J. W. Graham, editor of the Christian Index, of Atlanta, Ga., said that he was called upon to tell how to enlarge the circulation of the denominational press, but in the 12 years that he had been engaged in the publishing business he had made a comparative failure of it. "If there is anything that I do not know how to do," said the speaker, "it is how to extend the weekly circulation of a Baptist newspaper." We had hoped some one would tell us. Graham's talk was practical. He knows the business. Dr. Z. T. Cody, editor of the Courier, stated that only one family out of five of the denomination take the Baptist paper when it should be eagerly sought after and welcomed in every home.

We are obliged to the committee for their painstaking work.

Secretary Burrows, at the convention, read the following greetings from the Calvary Baptist church, of Brooklyn, N. Y.: "To the Southern Baptist Convention: Grace to you and peace from God and Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. The Calvary Baptist church, of Brooklyn, N. Y., sends you greetings and God speed in the work for the world's evangelization. Our pastor, the Rev. Dr. H. Allan Tupper, whose father for more than a generation was corresponding secretary of your Foreign Mission Board, and whose uncle, Dr. James P. Boyce, was for many years the president of your convention, is requested by us to present to your body as assurance of our sympathy in the Christly service to which you have put your hands and into which you have placed your hearts with the prayer that the Divine Head of the church may guide you in all of your deliberations for the coming of His kingdom."

Dr. J. N. Prestidge, of Kentucky, introduced a resolution asking the Home Mission Board to take up and consider the establishment of missions in Hayti under its direct control, which was the order.

A debt of \$90,000 of the Board of Foreign Missions has hung like a cloud over the convention ever since it convened on Wednesday, and Friday night, amid a storm of enthusiasm seldom witnessed at any gathering, was almost entirely wiped out, approximately \$70,000 being raised in the convention hall.

The session Friday night was a mass meeting of Foreign Missions, and the first business of the evening was the appointment of an apportioning committee. After mature deliberation the committee reported and recommended that the regular annual sum of \$600,000 for Foreign Missions be raised, that the debt of \$90,000 be paid out of that sum and that no collection be taken that night.

The young men's Baraca class of the Lineville Baptist church gave a public debate at the Baptist church Thursday evening, May 4. The subject of debate was "Resolved, That Elijah was a greater character than Elisha". Speakers: Affirmative, C. O. Glass, J. M. Barfield; negative, M. G. Langston, R. H. Harris.

THE MAKING OF A PREACHER.

Now that Dr. A. C. Dixon has accepted a call to London, England where he will preach in the great tabernacle made famous throughout the world by Spurgeon, it will be of interest to our readers to read the following paragraphs written about him and published in a London paper during the time he was supplying for the Metropolitan Tabernacle:

"This is not Dr. Dixon's first visit to this country, and neither is it the first time he has preached at the Metropolitan Tabernacle. It is an interesting fact that he received his first desire to preach the gospel through reading the sermons of C. H. Spurgeon. His father was a rural preacher—a preacher and farmer combined—whose library consisted of the Bible, Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress", Coleridge's poems, and Spurgeon's sermons, volume by volume, as they came out. These the future minister of the Moody church read as a boy, wishing many times that he could preach the gospel that Spurgeon preached. Converted under his father's preaching, Dr. Dixon resolved to become a minister, and his love for Spurgeon's works growing with the advance of years, he resolved in his early manhood to come to London and enter Spurgeon's college. His father encouraging him in this proposed step, the young man wrote to the famous preacher, telling him of his intention, and asking the terms of admission. The reply that came was not the one that was expected. 'My dear sir,' wrote Mr. Spurgeon, 'you can find colleges that will suit you better in America. Please accept this as final'.

"And so the young student did not come to Spurgeon's college—because Spurgeon would not let him. He took the advice contained in the letter, however, and entered a seminary in his own country, later on qualifying for the ministry. While pastor of a church at Baltimore, his congregation presented him with a purse of money to enable him to attend an international convention of the Sunday school in London. At the reception given to delegates at the Mansion house, Dr. Dixon replied on behalf of the American representatives, and evidently impressed by something in that address, the late Mr. Olney asked the young preacher to attend the Metropolitan Tabernacle on the following Sunday and offer up the opening prayer.

"I was glad of that," remarked Dr. Dixon to me the other day, as he recalled that kindly invitation of Deacon Olney, "because my chief thought in coming over was to hear Spurgeon preach more than to attend to the convention. I was more anxious to hear him than anything else, and my father was also keen that I should go and listen to him preach. To me Spurgeon was the greatest man of the world. When



DR. A. C. DIXON.

I came into the upper room where the minister and his officers sat before the service began, Spurgeon was sitting at a table with a Bible open before him. Everything looked very solemn, and I felt rather awed in the presence of so much greatness and solemnity. Taking me by the hand, Spurgeon looked at me from head to foot, and then quietly said, "They carry things to great lengths in America, don't they"? a reference to the visitors' length of stature that broke the ice and caused a smile all round.

"I felt then," Dr. Dixon continued, "that I had met a man. The thing that impressed me most was that before the laughter had died away I heard Spurgeon's voice in prayer. He glided from laughter to prayer as naturally as if he lived in both elements. He seemed to go before the throne with the ripple of merriment on his face, and he poured out his heart in glad thanksgiving. It was a prayer that gripped my heart. The prayer continued for about half an hour. When we went down to the platform of the tabernacle it seemed as if Spurgeon's first sentence was a dynamo of power, as if he had been on the mount with God. He preached a sermon on the fundamentals which did not impress me as much as I had expected, perhaps because I had come expecting so much. The next Sunday when I came back he preached a sermon just bubbling over with wit and humor. The third time I heard him preach was on the slain Lamb the glory of Heaven, from the fifth chapter of Revelation, the Lamb slain in the midst of the throne, and it lifted me to the seventh heaven. I never have been so impressed by anybody's preaching, except, perhaps, when as a small boy I listened to my father. I felt that I never had preached, and that I never could preach. It was simply tremendous in its effect on that crowd. I met Spurgeon several times, and I was blessed every time I came in touch with him'.

"At the Tabernacle, on Sunday, as already stated, Dr. Dixon had large congregations. At the morning service he spoke on 'The Ethics of the Cross: Ought Christ to Have Suffered?' and on the remaining Sunday mornings of the month other aspects of the Cross will be considered, such as (next Sunday) 'The Magnetism of the Cross', 'The Testing of the Cross', and 'The Glory of the Cross'. At the evening service, Dr. Dixon spoke from Ephesians 5:19: 'Singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord'. It was an impressive discourse, simple in character, yet wonderfully attractive in its appeal. Nothing either in his manner or speech to suggest that he is an American, Dr. Dixon is a born preacher. There is no slackening of interest. One moment he raises a gentle ripple of laughter, the next he is melting the heart with inimitable charm. This preacher from America can scarcely be compared with anybody else, for his own individuality shines through everything that he says and does. He glorifies Jesus Christ, and uses all his gifts to bring men in willing subject to His feet. All through, the sermon was a beautiful and powerful exposition of the text, and it closed such a winsome appeal for surrender to Christ that one wondered how it could be resisted.

"With a preacher like Dr. Dixon in the heart of London there would be a new power for righteousness at work in the world's metropolis, and great things would be witnessed".



C. H. SPURGEON.

A PAGE OF MISCELLANEOUS SHORT ITEMS

A British naval officer suggests, as one way to commemorate the reign of King Edward, that all good male Britishers throw away their razors and grow beards.

The Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions has recently received \$2,300,000, the bequest of the late John S. Kennedy, of New York, which is the largest single gift on this kind on record.

"Prayer is the method which relates the irresistible might of God to the missionary enterprise. Every other consideration and plan and emphasis is secondary to that of wielding the forces of prayer."

Statements now come from Dr. H. K. Carroll, of the Methodist Missionary Society, that the Baptists are the largest Protestant body of Christians in the United States, numbering 5,454,873. The Methodists number 5,253,529. The two stay close together.—Commonwealth.

One copy of the Bible was sold in New York for \$50,000. It was the famous Gutenberg Bible, now the costliest book in the world.

Rev. C. L. Kloss, pastor of the Central Congregational church, of Philadelphia, gave his people a surprise on Easter Sunday by releasing 200 canary birds in the church just before beginning his sermon. In Japan a regular business is made at some of the temples of keeping captive birds which are released on payment of a stated sum by any worshiper who wants to win grace by doing an act of mercy.

When obstacles and trials seem
Like prison walls to be,
I do the little I can do,
And leave the rest to thee.

"Meek souls there are who little dream
Their daily life an angel's theme,
Nor that the rod they bear so calm
In heaven may be a martyr's palm."

"Lives of explorers remind us
Folks will think our lives all crime,
If we do not leave behind us
Records where we claimed to climb."

Mother has a new spring hat,
So has Sister Jo;
While father wears the same old tile
He bought five years ago.

Have you ever observed the proceedings of a gang of merry village flies round a kitchen door? Instinct? Nonsense! A fly has the thinking apparatus of a Daniel Webster. The screen door is there, to be sure, but what is a screen door to a calculating fly? Nothing but an expense to the householder. The flies congregate in hives of 3,000 or 4,000 on the casing just over the door and wait for the inevitable opening—which occurs at intervals of five minutes all day long. Every time the door opens a regiment of flies swoops into the hot, odorous kitchen, and thence scatter to part of the house, which flies like best.

Seth Woodbury was a tight-fisted, hard-hearted old farmer. His brother William dying, the neighbors said, from lack of proper treatment, Seth hitched up and drove into town to have a notice about his death inserted in the weekly newspaper.

"There ain't no charges, be there" he asked, anxiously.

"Oh, yes, indeed," answered the editor, "our price is \$2 an inch."

"Cracky!" muttered the old man, "an' Bill six foot two."

Since 1907 there has been going on in England and Germany a quiet movement, consisting in part of interchange of visits of bodies of clergymen, as a

result of which there has been formed in each nation a national council, the two being united under the title, "The Associated Councils of Churches in the British and German Empires for Fostering Friendly Relations Between the Two Peoples." The council of each nation includes most of the highest church officials and many other men eminent in public life.

Intimations from London are to the effect that Rev. R. J. Campbell is becoming so pronouncedly orthodox as to endanger the continued adherence of a certain liberal and socialistic element which formerly hailed him as their particular protagonist.

The members of the O'Hara clan of Irish horse-traders, supposed by many to be gypsies, have a custom of gathering on the 28th of April of each year at Atlanta, Ga., to bury all their kindred who have died during the year—one big funeral being held for all. This year they assembled over 500 strong and buried six of their number—the bodies having been embalmed and held for the purpose.

The Chinese government has begun the erection of a \$2,000,000 engraving plant. It is assumed that the intention is to print paper money equal to that of western nations, and also government and other certificates of securities.

Addison said: "The real part of many a bulky volume could be put in a small pamphlet."

One morning Jenkins looked over his garden wall and said to his neighbor:

"Hey, what are you burying in that hole?"
"Oh," he said, "I'm just replanting some of my seeds; that's all."

"Seeds!" shouted Jenkins angrily. "It looks more like one of my hens."

"That's all right. The seeds are inside."

When Jesus desired to set forth the essential meaning of Christianity in a universal language that should speak to men of every age and all races, He chose a dramatic story. He told the parable of the Good Samaritan, and therein gave an example of ideal preaching which many preachers of the present day, alas! seem to have completely overlooked.

Hall Caine is anxious that the British government shall do something to stop the ravages of the white plague, and has written to Chancellor Lloyd-George urging him to take official action to that effect. The chancellor has replied that he has already been considering that problem (of government supervision of all consumptives) and is inclined to incorporate such measures in his plan for invalidating insurance.

Recently the United States cruiser Detroit, which cost the government \$1,233,039 to build less than 20 years ago, was sold for junk for \$20,000, and the ship never fired a gun in actual service. In the United States navy it is estimated that at the present time vessels that cost between \$140,000,000 and \$150,000,000 are either in reserve, dismantled in navy yards or admittedly of no further fighting value. A pretty expensive bluff, this.

The motion picture film can do more for Foreign and Home Missions than any agency yet utilized by our assiduous and ingenious missionary secretaries. The reason for the skeptic's opposition to missions is usually to be found in his ignorance of how mission work is done and of what social conditions it tends to transform. Films dealing with travel and ethnology are very numerous—they enlighten the latter half of this ignorance; and after the critic has looked at films picturing the operations of medical and industrial missions in distant lands, he is a sluggish egoist indeed if he doesn't entertain a more tolerant mood toward the "skirmish line of the kingdom of God."

Paul's illustrations for the gospel were taken from

the life of his contemporaries—the racing habits of his day, for example, and the boxing matches. We ministers of today may not quite dare follow Paul in illustrating spiritual truth from the trotting park or a recent famous prize fight in a western city, but we have a right to use stories taken from life in the shop and factory and on the street as illustrations of the gospel of the men of today.

The great number of "officials" in the Roman Catholic church in European countries is considered to be a very fruitful source of its weakness and unpopularity with the people, and though hundreds of members of French clerical orders have by the law of association been driven across the channel, their coming has not brought added strength to English Catholicism.

"How did the Queen of Sheba travel when she went to see Solomon?" asked Miss R. of her Sunday school class of little girls. No one ventured an answer. "Could she have gone by the cars?" asked Miss R. "Yes'm," said a little girl. "She went by steam cars." "Did she, indeed?" said Miss R. "Well, Louisa, we would like to know how you found that out." "In the second verse," responded the child, "it says she came with a very great train."

There are about 10,000 motion picture theaters in the United States, exhibiting to a daily audience of more than 4,000,000 persons. The magnitude of this new sociological fact concerning the amusement habits of the American people needs to be more adequately recognized. The theater in its older and more familiar form is not a new institution in the United States, and yet in all the decades of its popularity it never drew together a daily audience of more than 750,000 to its straight drama, vaudeville or burlesque. But here has arisen a new species of entertainment which in less than a decade has built up a daily constituency five times as large as that of its competitors who have been long on the field.

Let each one accept his task, a task which should fill his life. It may be very humble; it will not be the less useful. Never mind what it is, so long as it exists and keeps you erect. When you have regulated it, without excess—just the quantity you are able to accomplish each day—it will cause you to live in health and in joy.

The Church of England Year Book, just issued, shows contributions last year amounting to \$39,563,765, and an even \$400,000,000 during the past ten years. These vast sums are not derived from taxes, but are gifts from the members of the church, of which the Archbishop of Canterbury is the head.

Sir Ernest Shackleton told this story at a luncheon in his honor given in New York: "As a little waiting maid brought me my tea and toast and bloater one morning I said to her: 'What a rainy morning, Mary! It's almost like the flood.' 'The flood, sir?' said the little maid. She looked at me with a puzzled smile. 'Yes,' said I. 'The flood—Noah, you know—the ark—Mount Ararat.' She shook her head and murmured apologetically: 'I ain't had no time to read the papers lately, sir.'"

The International Sunday School Association, with headquarters in Chicago, has prepared a service for use of schools on the Sunday covered by the San Francisco convention. Outlines are given for the prayers to be offered, and there are responsive readings explanatory of the vast Sunday school work of the world. One of the answers to be given by children is to the effect that in 135 years, since Sunday schools came into existence, more has been accomplished for the religious teaching and training of childhood and youth than had been accomplished in all previous centuries. There are now, the service says, 286,000 schools in the world, with nearly 30,000,000 members. Of these numbers 162,000 are in the United States and Canada, with more than 15,000,000 members.

REPORTS OF HOME, FOREIGN AND SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARDS

EXTRACTS FROM FOREIGN MISSION REPORT.

Papal Fields.

The reports from the various papal fields are all encouraging. Brazil continues to be one of the most fruitful fields under the board, while the work in Argentina, Mexico and Italy is making good progress.

Argentina.

There are seven churches, with a membership of 284, and they report 83 baptisms and 19 received by letter. There are 16 missionaries and nine native helpers.

Brazil.

During the year the work in Brazil has been organized into two missions, known as the South Brazilian Mission and the North Brazilian Mission. This reorganization of the work is proving exceedingly helpful.

The South Brazilian Mission.

In its territory are the very important coast cities of Victoria, Rio, Nictheroy, Santos, Porto Alegre and such important interior cities as Campos and Sao Paulo. In this field there are 50 churches, with 4,000 members, including some German and Lettish churches, not yet in organic relation with the Brazilian Baptist Convention. During 1910 there were 20 missionaries and 30 native helpers at work in this field. They report 986 baptisms, 337 received by letter and 140 by restoration, making a total membership of 4,431. These native churches, with the missionaries, contributed \$22,387 toward the support of the work. There are 57 Sunday schools, with 2,098 scholars.

The North Brazilian Mission.

The Bahia field alone is larger than the whole German empire, and it is only a small part of the entire territory. There are 66 churches, which report 488 baptisms, 151 additions by letter and 52 by restoration, making a total of 3,571. There are 46 Sunday schools, with 1,613 scholars. The churches contributed \$20,301.

The Italian Mission.

The report indicates a decided advance on several lines in Italy. "Evangelical services are more largely attended than ever. In some places the halls will not hold the congregations on Sunday evenings." In Italy there are now 25 churches, 96 out stations, 40 native workers, six foreign missionaries, 1,017 members, 947 Sunday school scholars, a theological school with five professors and 15 students, and half ownership in two religious papers, one of which has the largest circulation of any evangelical journal in Italy. The theological school in Rome, which has already trained many strong native preachers, is still doing a glorious work.

Mexico.

Our work in Mexico is organized into two missions, the North Mexican Mission and the South Mexican Mission.

The North Mexican Mission.

The territory of this mission is five times the area of the state of Kansas, and has in it a population of about 2,000,000. There are 37 churches, which report 190 baptisms, 69 received by letter and 18 by restoration, making a total membership of 1,494. There are 39 Sunday schools, with 1,189 scholars. There are 17 missionaries and 33 native helpers. We have at Torreon a theological school with 26 students.

The South Mexican Mission.

The territory of this mission embraces six states in Southern Mexico, with an area equal to that of Alabama, Mississippi and the half of Tennessee. The 15 churches report 119 baptisms, 26 additions by letter and four by restorations, making a total membership of 569. There are 14 Sunday schools, with 417 students. We have 16 missionaries and seven native helpers; two medical missionaries in South Mexico, who treated 2,047 patients during the year.

We have at Leon an excellent publishing house, which is doing a great work towards supplying the profound need of sound doctrinal and evangelical literature in Spanish. It publishes two Baptist papers and a Sunday school quarterly.

Notwithstanding the disturbed conditions incident

to the war in Mexico, all of the stations make encouraging reports.

Pagan Fields.

Our three great pagan fields are Japan, Africa and China. In all of these the cause has made progress during the year 1910, and in China there has been a great awakening, and more than 1,500 baptisms are reported.

The African Mission.

*This is one of the most difficult fields for many reasons, but all of the churches this year report progress. There are now on this field 14 churches that report this year 68 baptisms and four additions by letter, making a total membership of 610. There are 13 Sunday schools, with 437 scholars. We have 12 missionaries and 25 native helpers.

An important feature of the work is the theological training school at Ogbomoso, which had 13 students during the session, and the industrial school at Saki, in which the students are taught various trades according to modern methods.

Our Missions in China.

The work in China is organized into four missions—the South China, the Central China, the North China and the Interior China.

The South China Mission.

This is located in two provinces near Canton, with an area of about 160,000 square miles and a population of 36,000,000 of people. There are 29 churches and 69 out stations. The report shows 582 additions by baptism and 85 by letter, making a total membership of 4,663. There are 52 Sunday schools, with 2,141 scholars. There are 43 missionaries and 163 native helpers. In this mission there is one hospital and two dispensaries, where the five medical missionaries treated last year 10,301. There is a large self-supporting church in Hong Kong and one in Canton, and 21 churches that are partly self-supporting. The Graves Theological Seminary at Canton, with 62 students, and the Woman's Training School, with 129 students, are doing a great work.

The Central China Mission.

The increase in the number of baptisms is very marked. There are now 17 churches, which report 378 baptisms and a total membership of 1,175. There are 25 Sunday schools, with 1,334 scholars. There are 39 missionaries and 40 native helpers. There are two medical missionaries, two hospital and one dispensary, where 5,264 patients were treated. The Shanghai college and seminary form the crowning glory of our educational system. These two schools are conducted by the Northern and Southern boards jointly. The seminary, of which Dr. R. T. Bryan is president, enrolled 29 students. The Woman's Training School, connected with the seminary, had 19 students, and the Smith Bible school, conducted by Miss Willie Kelly for the training of Chinese Bible women, had 14 students in attendance.

The North China Mission.

This is the fiftieth year in North China, and the mission sends a jubilee report. There are now 17 churches and 65 out stations, and they report 516 baptisms for the year and a total membership of 2,712. There are 63 Sunday schools, with 1,646 scholars. The field has 53 missionaries and 54 native helpers. There are three hospitals, in which the missionaries treated 21,773 patients. The Bush Theological Seminary reports an enrollment of 40. In September of each year the seminary invites all pastors, evangelists and colporters to unite in a special course of study. This year there were 80 in attendance.

At Lalchofu there is a woman's training school, which is doing a great work in fitting women to do evangelistic work among the women.

The Interior China Mission.

The mission is located in the very heart of China. There are now three churches, with seven out stations, and they report 36 baptisms, making a total membership of 96. There are 10 missionaries and 15 native helpers. The new work in the great city of Kailfeng has made a splendid progress.

An excellent hospital building has been opened at Chengchow, in which Dr. Louthan, our medical mis-

sionary, has treated 1,103 patients. Excellent work has been done in the surrounding country by using a tent. Missionary Lawton had this tent in the country for 90 days and held 250 services, with a total attendance of 8,000 people.

During the year the work at Pochow, which has been carried on for many years under the Gospel Mission, was turned over to the board, thus greatly enlarging our interior China field. Pochow is situated in the famine district, and the tales of suffering among the people have been pathetic in the extreme. The missionaries there have given much time and strength to the relief of the famine sufferers.

The Japan Mission.

There are now on this field 10 churches, with 12 out stations, and they report 63 baptisms and 20 additions by letter, making a total membership of 578. There are 18 Sunday schools, with 1,148 scholars. We have on the field 16 missionaries and 17 native helpers.

The most noteworthy event to be recorded in connection with the work in Japan for the year 1910 was the consummation of the long projected plan for union between the missions of the Northern and Southern Baptist boards in theological education. The new seminary is located in temporary quarters in Tokio, and 15 students were enrolled during the year.

EXTRACTS FROM SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD REPORT.

Cash appropriations for the year, showing the lines on which these gifts have been made, and also the several amounts, with the aggregate sum, are as follows: The Home Mission Board, \$2,500; the Foreign Mission Board, \$2,500; state boards for Sunday school work, \$6,250; the building fund, \$8,500; the Sunday school lectureship, \$250; chair of Sunday school pedagogy, \$1,250; the board's field work, \$27,270.39; the W. W. U. expense fund, \$400; special for seminary endowment, \$10,000; other denominational work, \$1,901.88. Total cash gifts for the year, \$60,821.77.

The Sunday School Periodicals.

The business consists in the publication largely and chiefly of Sunday school periodicals. Beginning at first with seven periodicals—one monthly, three weeklies and three quarterlies, which were delivered to the Sunday School Board by the Home Mission Board—the number has been increased during the 20 years until there are now one monthly four weeklies, nine quarterlies, aggregating 14 in all. Their circulation has grown immensely, and they are now published by millions. They are of the highest quality and very popular wherever used. These, with lesson leaflets and lesson cards and supplemental lessons, enable us to supply literature for all grades of the Sunday school, from the beginners to the adult.

The Training of Teachers.

More Sunday schools, larger schools, better schools, has been the constant ambition of our people. In the betterment of the schools we need equipment and management, better teachers and teaching. This will give us in the way of results a better fruitage, a large and rich harvest from this field of Christian activity.

Our field secretaries are stressing this phase of the work with great vigor and with gratifying success.

The Field Secretaries.

The board began its work 20 years ago, as has been said, but only 10 years ago did it begin the appointment of field secretaries and its special effort for the training of teachers and the improvement of the Sunday school situation. This deserves special mention in this report, as marking the turning point in the years and in the passing of the decade. The present list of our field force in the order of appointment and location is as follows: B. W. Spilman, Kingston, N. C.; L. P. Leavell, Oxford, Miss.; Harvey Beauchamp, Dallas, Tex.; E. E. Lee, Dallas, Tex.;

Arthur Flake, Baldwin, Miss.; P. E. Burroughs, Nashville, Tenn.; W. S. Wiley, Muskogee, Okla.—seven in all.

There are two elementary workers—Miss A. L. Williams, of Birmingham, and Miss Margaret Frost, of Nashville—who render help in such institutes and training schools as may wish and request their services.

Notwithstanding all this, the supply does not equal the demand, which becomes more general and more urgent for the services of our field secretaries as the years go by.

Nearly every state has its encampment, some of them more than one, and Texas several. These have become a distinct Baptist asset and are doing much to help forward every phase of the work. Sunday school institutes and training schools and many rallies have been held in cities and towns in the different states. These are proving very effective, and pastors are calling for them more and more. In all of these the field secretaries have rendered valuable service, and have received unstinted praise for their work by pastors and Sunday school workers throughout the south.

Co-operating With State Boards.

While speaking of this phase of the work we must not fail to give full credit for the excellent results coming from what is being done by the several state boards for Sunday school advancement. In nearly every state there is a state Sunday school secretary, and these men are working wonderful changes along all Sunday school lines. They are able and efficient, well equipped for the things they have in hand, and work not only in beautiful harmony, but in full co-operation with the field secretaries of the Sunday School Board. No men among us, taken as a group, are doing better service for the denomination than this splendid company of Sunday school workers.

The B. Y. P. U.

The convention's B. Y. P. U. work is moving forward with wonderful strides. While the Sunday School Board is lending such help as it can, yet the B. Y. P. U. work is developing within itself and working out its own lines in a way full of encouragement and really commanding in what is being done.

Where It All Centers.

The Sunday School Board, in its several departments, is manifestly doing the work of State Missions, Home Missions and Foreign Missions all in one. It touches every other work, never hindering, but always helping. All that is being done by the board, whether in publishing or in the several forms of Sunday school work, or in B. Y. P. U. work, all centers and move along the one line of better training in Christian life and service, with better church members and faithfulness everywhere in doctrine and life. This is the pre-eminent thing desperately needed everywhere and at all times.

EXTRACTS FROM HOME BOARD REPORT

Finances.

We are happy again to report no debt at the close of the year. It gives us pleasure also to record a substantial, though not a large, increase in our total receipts over those for last year. We had entertained hope that the relative increase in gifts for some years past would be maintained. In that case our receipts above the previous year would have been more than \$50,000. If we had made this percentage of increase we would have reached our aim of \$400,000 for the year. Our receipts for the year just closed are \$333,534.43.

Laymen's Movement.

We have watched with interest the work of our laymen. Whatever of help could be rendered by the officials of our board has been given gladly. We have in every way stressed the needs which our laymen have been putting to the front—namely, regular, systematic beneficence, proportionate and symmetrical giving and a more earnest, consecrated activity on the part of the great body of laymen in our churches.

Publicity Department.

We have made larger use of literature this year than ever before. There is an increasing demand for information concerning Home Missions. Our women, our young women, our boys and girls more than ever are studying about our great work. This has made

a heavy demand for tracts and leaflets, which we have supplied. It has also helped to increase the circulation of The Home Field, our monthly magazine.

Thanks State Papers.

We make grateful acknowledgment of the help our state papers have rendered in disseminating Home Mission information. They have been uniformly cordial and helpful. Indeed, we could not do our work without their help. There is no single agency of the denomination that can be compared with our weekly papers in their support of our denominational enterprises. We bespeak for these papers the heartiest support of our people.

With some of the papers we have a happy combination offer, which has resulted in an increase of subscribers to The Home Field and the papers.

A Book on Home Missions.

We have in course of preparation a book on Home Missions, which we hope to have ready in the early summer. The need for this book has been felt for several years, and we have purposed to prepare it before now. It will present in permanent form the departments of our Home Mission work, the progress of the work and the task yet to be accomplished. The title of the book in all probability will be "The Home Mission Task." We shall hasten its preparation in order to meet the pressing demand for this book. Its cost will be about 50 cents a copy.

Missions in Southwest.

Taking the southwest as a whole our success in Home Mission work is a challenge to larger effort to save the lost. Southern Baptists have done a soul-winning work in the southwest which no other denomination has approached. The money which our people have put into Home Missions for the saving of the lost has produced larger results here than was ever produced by money on any other mission field in the world, and our harvest grows larger each year.

New Mexico.

Southern Baptists are not familiar with such religious destitution as exists in New Mexico. This territory is just about the size of Virginia and both North and South Carolina, and with an abundance of government land awaiting settlers, it is filling up rapidly. The very latest minutes published give a total of 121 co-operating churches and 4,366 members for the entire territory. There are probably some districts in New Mexico as large as other states in which there is not a Baptist church. More than 62 per cent of the entire population of the state is reported by the United States census as being Roman Catholic, while that of all evangelical bodies combined is less than 7 per cent.

Church Building Loan Fund.

We are glad to report what seems to be a growing appreciation of the importance of this department of our Home Mission work. This statement is hardly compatible with the distressingly small amount of our present loan fund of \$69,591.95, yet we have many reasons to believe that the interest in this great work is steadily increasing.

Two Generous Gifts.

During the year just closed we have received two timely gifts to our church building loan fund. One of \$10,000 came as a bequest from our noble brother, Mr. J. C. Bush, of Mobile, Ala., whose recent death brought sincere grief to thousands of his brethren who had learned to know and love him for his worth and work's sake. This gift becomes a part of our permanent building loan fund, and will be known as the "J. C. Bush Fund." The other gift was from the Sunday School Board. A year ago the board made a gift of \$5,000. This repetition of their thoughtfulness in making the \$2,500 gift this year brings the Sunday School Board fund up to \$7,500.

Home Board Evangelism.

The year's work has demonstrated that the city today can be effectively reached by the gospel of the Son of God. The mighty multitudes who are drifting away from the churches can be turned again toward Zion, to which they shall come with songs of rejoicing. The gospel is still "the power of God unto salvation to them who believe," as in Paul's day.

The country church and the mountains have not been forgotten. Some of the happiest experiences of the year have been with the country churches, the churches that have furnished so largely the brain

and brawn needed for mighty city enterprises. No call has been declined because the field was obscure or poor.

In addition to the general evangelist, who has served the entire year, there have been under regular appointment for the whole or part of the year 17 other evangelists. There have also been nine under temporary appointment for special meetings. Altogether they have held 243 evangelistic meetings. They have preached 4,905 sermons. During these meetings there have been 3,860 conversions, of which 3,082 have been baptized, 1,495 have been received by letter, making a total of 4,577 received into the fellowship of churches. There have been 455 volunteers for the ministry and mission work. Our evangelists have held seven Bible conferences. They have collected for evangelism \$19,226.80.

Cuba.

Our work in Cuba is in good condition. The growth for the past seven or eight years has been steady and strong. Foundations have been laid with care, and the superstructure being built thereon will not simply be beautiful, but abiding.

Panama.

The work in the canal zone is making steady progress. In the very nature of the case some of the work is temporary and changes with the progress of the work on the canal. Quite a number of our present stations will be out of existence when the lake is formed by the completion of the great Gatun dam.

Work Among the Negroes.

The facts that the greater responsibility, as well as the greater opportunity, for helping the negroes rests with the white people of the south has come to be well recognized by southern people, both white and black, and also by many prominent people of the north. There are evidences that a more wholesome feeling is growing up between the races in the south. We have every assurance that the lines upon which Southern Baptists are doing their work for the negro have been wisely laid and are bringing forth results which point to the permanent welfare of the negro.

A VISIT TO TALLADEGA.

On Sunday, May 7th, it was my privilege to preach for the Talladega saints both morning and night. At night I told of some of my experiences and observations in China, and the people seemed very much interested. After the morning service I took up a collection for the work of the Educational Commission and a good many responded. I was informed after the service that it had been the purpose of the brethren to ask me not to take up a collection, as the whole community had only recently been canvassed for subscriptions to the Presbyterian school located in Talladega, but I was glad that the information came after the collection had been taken.

Talladega is a beautiful town and our church there is a good, strong one. Brother J. M. Thomas, of Union Springs, was recently called to this pastorate and his letter of acceptance was read by the clerk of the church on Sunday morning. The brethren are looking forward to his coming with much hope.

I was entertained at the School for the Instruction of the Blind by Brother F. M. Manning, the superintendent of that institution. Many people have a very erroneous impression of this school. They seem to think that it is an asylum where the children remain indefinitely as in other asylums, but it is a school, simply a boarding school for the instruction of the blind and it is doing a great work. Tuition and board is furnished free by the state and many of the blind are prepared to become useful citizens. I was greatly pleased and interested in what I heard and saw there during my brief visit.—W. J. E. Cox.

Rev. J. M. Thomas has received a call from Talladega. If he decides to go Union Springs will lose not only a consecrated minister of the gospel, but will lose one of the best men in town. Mr. Thomas will always be found with his nose pointed in the right direction and ready to stand by the best interests of any town of which he is a citizen.—Bullock County Breeze.

ALABAMA BAPTIST EDITORIAL

MAY 24, 1911

THE HOME BOARD.

Dr. Gray's burden was happily lifted by meeting the apportionment. We had known for a month that he was in a great strain. The illness of Brother Masters came at a rush season, and the secretary had to do double work. The sun now shines in the Home Board office, for Masters is up, and Gray goes to the convention to tell of a great year's work splendidly done. It has been a year of great constructive work. The work in the great southwest, in the cities, in the mountain regions, in Cuba, Panama and the Isle of Pines was pushed to the very limit of the means at hand. Dr. Gray used excellent business judgment in handling a great denominational problem, and truly deserves the thanks of the Southern Baptists. The Home Field, under Masters' skillful handling, has greatly improved in form and matter. Dr. Gray concludes his report in the following eloquent and inspiring words:

"Southern Baptists are imperial in numbers, increasing marvelously in wealth, and have before them unparalleled opportunities for Christian conquest in the Southland. The call rings loud and clear the fields are inviting. We have the men and the means. In the name of God and trusting in Him for guidance and help, we will take this land for our Lord."

THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD.

The report opens with notes of triumph and thanksgiving for a glorious year's work. It tells of 3,618 baptisms for the year, a larger number than ever before. There are now 273 missionaries and 531 native helpers, making a total of 804 workers.

The only minor strains in the report are these: The accumulation of a large debt of \$89,600 will make it impossible for the board to send out new missionaries and furnish the equipment that will be greatly needed during the year.

The report calls especial attention to the nine theological training schools and the eight training schools for women, in which 350 men and women are being prepared to give the gospel to their own people. There are now 15 medical missionaries and five trained nurses in the hospitals, and they treated 40,719 patients during the year. The report also emphasizes the glorious work which is being accomplished by publishing plants and book depositories on the foreign fields.

A great year's work has been done by Dr. W. H. Smith as editor of the Foreign Mission Journal and by Dr. T. B. Ray in the educational departments of the board. Mission study has made most gratifying progress, both in the colleges and in classes organized in churches all over the convention.

Emphasis is given to the splendid work of the denominational press in behalf of Foreign Missions. "The denominational papers have been generous in giving space, not only to the large quantity of Foreign Mission matter which has been sent out from the rooms, but for much that the editors have prepared or gathered from other sources. The board desires to place on record again its hearty appreciation of the denominational press as a mighty factor in supporting our Foreign Mission work."

The figures show that for all expenses in this country it took 12 cents on the dollar. Of this, collection in various states took 3 1/2 cents and interest on borrowed money 2 1/2 cents. All expenses in Richmond, including the expenses of the W. M. U. in Baltimore and of the layman's movement, took 6 cents, making a total of 12 cents, and 88 cents was sent to the foreign countries.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

We congratulate Miss Heck, the consecrated president of the W. M. U., and Miss Crane, the capable corresponding secretary, on the year's work. The twenty-third year of its life has seen more printed matter published and circulated than in any previous year, and we report 402,798 copies of leaflets printed by the union and distributed free during the twelve months just passed.

The Margaret Home at Greenville, S. C., and the training school at Louisville have had a successful

year. The latter draws increasingly from the college women of our territory for its student body. Thirty-nine students at once time is the largest number reported during the year. Since its founding (1907) as a union institution it has prepared 117 young women for various posts, from pastors' assistants to Foreign Mission teachers.

The property held by the union is in good condition. The training school endowment fund, some \$20,000 invested partly in real estate and partly in mortgages, is bringing about 6 per cent interest.

The report also says:

"The women behind the work are not so many as we could wish; yet the number is increasing. Ten thousand, five hundred societies are reported by the states as in active co-operation with the union, of which some 6,300 are women's societies, 1,250 Y. W. A.'s, 2,600 Sunbeam Bands and 300 Royal Ambassadors (boys' bands). An encouraging feature is the increased emphasis being placed on the associational unions of the women, as a unit of great power, since it is small enough to be easily mobilized, yet larger and more inspiring than any one local organization. With no great and astonishing forward leap to report, the union yet looks back with thankfulness upon a year of diligent effort to reach its high watchword, 'Whatever he saith unto you, do it,' and feels the stimulus of a new knowledge of God that can come only through a sincere attempt to obey."

Congratulations to Mrs. Stakely, the worthy president; to Miss Mallory, the tireless secretary, and to all the other noble women in the state who helped to raise more than Alabama's apportionment.

In nine of the states the women made an increase over last year. In the other six they did not raise quite as much as last year. They raised in the various states \$127,900.47, an increase of \$4,784 over last year.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

Again Southern Baptists are placed under obligations to Dr. J. M. Frost, the wise secretary of the above board, and to his scholarly co-laborer, Dr. I. J. Van Ness, for the twentieth annual report, for the rounding out of the second decade of service has been the crown of all the years in the board's history—the best year both in output of service and in returns. Every department of work is in excellent condition, with but little friction anywhere and with excellent prospects for yet larger things in the future. The receipts exceed the receipts of the preceding year by \$43,610.23, giving the handsome showing in a total of \$278,446.69. This increase has come by normal growth of business, with nothing out of the usual order, and as laying foundation for future increase. The business itself as a business has become so large and valuable as to be easily worth \$500,000 if measured by its income-making power. And yet Dr. Frost well says:

"Making a publishing house is a slow progress, has its own peculiar difficulties in a business way, as well as many practical problems to be solved. It will require time and patience, care and discretion. It comes as a growth and will carry in itself the largest possibilities, offering opportunity for indefinite expansion as to what may be done in the publishing world. At the first the Sunday School Board was limited to publishing Sunday school periodicals, and was instructed not to print books. This instruction, however, was modified in 1898, when the convention authorized or permitted the publication of books, provided no indebtedness should be created against the convention. This is an important provision and should be safely cared for at all times. Since that time, 1898, some books have been published from year to year. These have all succeeded as business ventures, some of them doing remarkably well."

No wonder the saintly secretary puts the following paragraph in his report:

"We record our gratitude for the way in which the good hand of our God has been upon the work, leading all the while as a pillar of cloud by day and pillar of fire by night."

PERSONAL EVANGELISM.

It is a healthful sign when a new emphasis is being thrown upon the duty of the individual Christian to be an evangelist. Since the days of Moody a great deal has been made of evangelistic specialists, and it has been concluded, in many instances, that the only way to make a church an aggressive force for the kingdom in a community is to have one of these specialists lead a campaign for souls. Undoubtedly a great deal of good has been accomplished through these occasional campaigns.

We are convinced that the poor showing of the church in recent years is due largely to the fact that but few have felt a responsibility in this direction. It has been supposed that the preacher or the evangelistic specialist is employed to do that sort of work, and it has been a rare thing to find any considerable group of church members who are evangelistically active.

We believe a better sentiment is manifesting itself. The accent is being thrown upon individual initiative and responsibility. The laymen's missionary movement seemed to bring to the unofficial church member a new vision of duty and of the fine possibilities that lie in an enthusiastic and business-like religious activity. The men's movement has emphasized the same thing. The men and religion forward movement is proposing to make personal evangelism one of its keynotes. It proposes to win three million men and boys to Christ by awakening some millions of Christian men to go after these unsaved with loving, personal, tact, but persistent invitation. If the men and religion forward movement shall succeed in awakening any considerable number of men in our churches to such activity, it will have a success far beyond the calculations now made. If it does not succeed in getting the average layman to become an active and persistent evangelist, the movement will not count for very much.—United Presbyterian.

Dr. D. W. Gwin, who recently went to the John Hopkins Hospital, writes the Religious Herald:

"After two severe surgical operations my surgeon, Dr. Hugh Young, pronounces me well and promises a complete recovery. A blessed thing to be freed from the constant pain of two years. I appreciate inexpressibly the sympathy and prayers of my brethren. I leave the hospital next week to visit my daughter, Mrs. Thomas, at Smithfield, Va., for several months."

We rejoice to know that Dr. Gwin is on the road to recovering his health.

Quietly, with no blare of trumpets or sensational methods, the New York Bible Society, through its general secretary, Dr. George William Carter, has placed 10,000 Bibles in the hotels of New York City within the past six months. Every few years a systematic canvass is made of the hotels of the city, to ascertain whether the rooms for transient guests are supplied with Bibles. It is the desire of the Bible Society that in every transient guest room of every hotel in the city there should be a copy of the Holy Scriptures.

Dr. J. N. Prestridge, the editor of the Baptist World, has just completed a book entitled "The Church a Composite Life," in which he is said to have broken new ground on this subject. The book will come from the World Press, Louisville, Ky.

Rev. George T. Webb, field secretary of the National B. Y. P. U., is suggested as an associate editor, with Dr. Blackall, of the Sunday school periodicals of the American Baptist Publication Society.

We are glad to learn that Rev. S. H. Campbell, of the Second church, continues to improve from the effects of his recent operation for appendicitis.

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"Romanism, the Foe to Freedom in Church and State", is a book in which the dangers of Roman Catholicism are pointed out by S. P. Mothershed, Jr., and published by Baptist Flag Publishing Company, Fulton, Ky., for 25 cents. It contains much to cause Protestants to be on their guard.

The multitudinously married actor, N. C. Goodwin, would appear to have come to the end of his rope in New York State. He married Edna Goodrich in 1909; they separated in 1910, and she has been given a divorce in 1911, which forbids his marrying again. It is said he had been married and divorced so many times that at each marriage ceremony his friends talked about the presents they intended to give him at his next wedding.

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It is ordered that the 7th day of June, 1911, be appointed a day for making such settlement, at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they proper.

J. P. STILES,
Judge of Probate.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT. The State of Alabama, Jefferson County—Probate Court, 12th day of May, 1911.

Estate of John W. Cox, Deceased. This day came Mrs. S. E. Cox, administratrix of the estate of John W. Cox, deceased, and filed her account, vouchers, evidence and statement for a final settlement of the same.

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I do not know that I should write this article; but somebody should, for it is sorely needed. Now, I do not set myself up as a paragon, a model of excellence; neither do I claim to be a Chesterfield. And I may do some of the things which I in this article do condemn. But I believe I am guiltless of such breeches of politeness.

1. Now, the first thing that I shall mention is this: No Baptist preacher should, when visiting the home of another, sit down on his shoulders and throw his feet upon the center table; nor throw his hind leg over the arm of a rocking chair, even in the presence of gentlemen, much more should he not do things like this in the presence of ladies. But if there are more brains in his feet than there are in his head he is excusable. But I speak of those of whom the reverse is true. Brethren who do this never think how unbecoming it is and how impolite such acts are in the presence of ladies.

2. The next thing I will mention is concerning spitting, especially tobacco juice, on one's nice clean hearth. Few things are more offensive to the good housewife than this filthy habit with some preachers. The earth is big enough to hold all the tobacco juice that he can manufacture; so let him go outdoors and there chew and spit till chewing and spitting shall be no more. What right has a pastor to reprove people for spitting on the church floor when he himself spits on the good woman's hearth. Once—years ago—there was entertained in our home a preacher helper, who would sit in his rocking chair in the parlor and smoke cigars and throw the ashes on the carpet. Need I say that we were glad when he was gone; and this might have been one of the causes of the meeting coming to an untimely close—at least it closed just a little sooner than it otherwise would have done.

3. Again, I want to say a few things about a preacher's table manners. I have seen preachers eat chicken and pile the bones thereof on a nice clean linen cover. My, how the good woman did frown. And after his departure how she did talk about the importance of nice table manners. And I have seen preachers, and other people as well, after finishing their meal take the fore finger and run it all around under the upper lip, and that at the table in the presence of refined and cultivated ladies. Sure such men do not see themselves as others see them. And then there are those who sop their plates till they look as if "Old Tige" had just finished it.

4. Now, I will mention but one more bad mannered act of some preachers; and that is how mad it makes them for folks to talk in church during services, especially while he is preaching; and yet that same preacher will sit in an association or convention and talk so as to disturb all who sit near him. In reproving others he condemns himself. I know a preacher who is as sensitive as a brier regarding others misbehaving in church, and yet he is the worse behaved man I ever saw in church, if disturbing the speaker means anything.

Now, what I have written is done

with the purest motives—not with the view of wounding any brother's feelings, but more to help than otherwise. And may the young men just entering the ministry remember that politeness weighs heavily with some pulpit committees. Let all who go to Jacksonville leave a good impression upon its citizenship, not only in this, but in all other things, too.

R. M. HUNTER.

The Baptist and Reflector in its issue of May 11 on its editorial page quotes a long paragraph from Brother Crompton's tract on covetousness.

The lighting facilities of the Carrollton Baptist church have been greatly improved by the installation of an acetylene plant, the change being made last week.—West Alabamaian.

The account of the Sunday school convention held at Excel on Sunday, May 10, in the Monroe Journal shows that it was truly a great day. Hon. H. S. D. Mallory was present and delivered two great addresses. Pastors Lindsey, Glimore and Stephens also took part, as did Laymen Finklea, Rabb, Kelley and Arnold. Mrs. B. B. Finklea read a very interesting and inspiring paper on the "Value of Child Study." This paper was followed by others by Misses Margurite Bowden and Callie Davis, of Manistee, who discussed "Our Young Ladies."

We rejoice with Pastor Hagood and the Andalusia saints over the great ingathering from the recent revival services, in which Rev. Austin Crouch did the preaching. There were 41 additions, and on the last Sunday \$10,000 was raised on the church debt.

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The church at Beach Grove on Sunday, the 14th, commemorated the death and sufferings of Christ. My theme was the crucifixion of Christ. We had a very large audience. There were more than could be accommodated with seats in the house, but we had perfect order by all, and many were filled with the love of our blessed Lord. I feel like we are on gaining ground. May God's blessings rest on you.—W. T. Hall, Larkin, Ala.

Had a fine congregation on Sunday, the 14th. Good service. Two additions—one by letter and one by experience. More soon. Had four additions at Chisholm lately—three by letter and one by experience. I have tried to get subscribers, but have failed so far. Don't know why Baptists all do not take the paper.—George E. Brewer, Montgomery, Ala.

Our work at Heflin is delightful. I have had additions to the church each Sunday I have been there this year. Two await baptism now. The duplex envelope works marvels. The church voted \$10 to help me go to Jacksonville to the convention. We organized a teacher training class and one adult class. The Sunday school has gone up from 50 to 90 per cent.—J. W. Long.

I visited Panola church on the 14th and distributed sample copies. I hope to secure some subscribers soon. At Fort Deposit I distributed some copies of the Alabama Baptist, and think I will secure some subscribers there. Sometimes I find a preacher who has fallen out with the paper and dropped it, not realizing his influence. Let us be loyal to the cause and to the paper.—Rev. L. W. Bates.

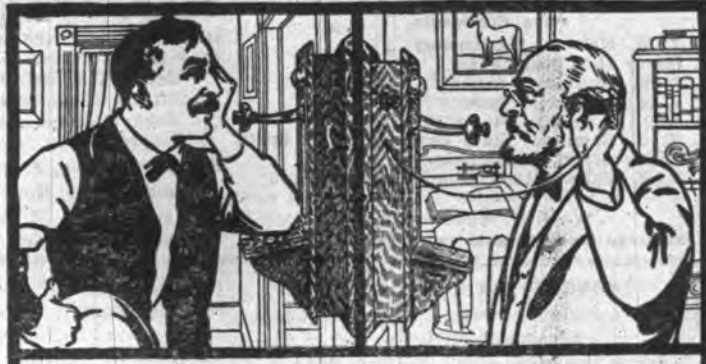
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Whatever He saith unto you, do it.—John 2:5.

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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.

Send contributions for this page to the Mission Room.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK.

Evening Meditation.

"Go, break to the needy sweet charity's bread,
For giving is living," the angel said.
"And must I be giving again and again?"
My peevish and pitiful answer ran.
"Oh, no!" said the angel, piercing me through,
"Just give till the Master stops giving to you."

DURING MAY.

We study about Home Missions schools.
We give to Home Missions; also to the relief fund for aged ministers.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS.

Our work in the Northern district. Mrs. Henry W. Dill, of Birmingham, is the vice-president of this district, in which we have 18 associations.

Our work in the Dale County Association. The superintendent is Mrs. R. M. Hunter, of Newton. In this association we have seven societies in four of the 25 churches.

Our missionary at Shanghai, China—Miss Willie Kelly.

Our girls at the training school—Misses Register, Martin and Dykes. This is examination week at the training school. Let us pray that our students may be kept faithful and efficient.

The reaching of our new apportionment. This we have just received from the Jacksonville convention. Our total aim is \$16,230. May God enable us to know, in the very beginning of our prayers toward this high ideal, that He will, if it is in accordance with His infinite plan, use us to this end if on our part we trust Him day by day.

"The work that we count so hard to do,
He makes it easy, for He works, too;
And the days that seem long to bear are His,
A bit of His bright eternities;
And close to our need His helping is."

WE ARE DEBTORS.

Just recently my attention has been called to the fact there is no sweeter service than that of preventing another to show unto you a kindness. In such a sense it is most blessed to be a debtor, and in a remarkable degree do we find ourselves, we who have been in attendance upon the Southern Baptist Convention, indebted to a host of friends for the manifold joys and blessings which were continually ours during its sessions.

The ones, after God, to whom we should give thanks, seem to me to be our faithful societies which in many instances made it possible for us to go, and who have followed us all the way with their prayerful interest. They escorted us to the train, and some of them came all the way with us. To these traveling companions we owe much. It was good indeed to talk with first one and then another and to think upon their plans for the coming of the kingdom. On our train were women from the Unity Association, from Clanton, Gordo, Brewton, Troy, Marion and Montgomery, and on other trains there came in great numbers representatives from Birmingham, Moulton,

Ryland, Mobile, Dadeville, Jacksonville, Anniston, Newton, Whatley, Louisville, Clayton, Ashville, Belmont, Carrollton, Florala, Huntsville, Evergreen, Monroeville, Belville, Tunnel Springs, Camden, Thomaston, Midway and other places. If the convention had brought us no further blessing, full indeed would have been our measure when we saw how many parts of Alabama were interested in the work. It presages great things for our Gadsden convention.

But this was not all! It is a pardonable privilege to be proud of one's own brothers and sisters, especially when they present such a wonderful appearance as did the Baptists at this Jacksonville convention. On Wednesday morning, before the convention proper opened, I went into the lobby of the hotel headquarters, and my heart fairly sang with joyful pride as I saw group after group of our very own and realized what splendid men and women they were and upon whose business they were bent. Then in the afternoon I went to the Morocco Temple. Here Baptists fairly surged past me, and I gave thanks for our numerical strength, even if it did mean that afternoon that there was no room in that temple for many, oh, so many of us!

On Thursday morning our W. M. U. convention formally opened in the beautiful First Baptist church. Our coming had certainly been anticipated, and every comfort was accorded us. We cannot be too grateful to our Florida sisters for their hospitality. The words of welcome came from the gracious lips and glowing heart of the pastor's wife, and while she spoke the majestic palms at the rear of the pulpit waved their stately, tropical "amen!" Then our missionaries, some representing the home and others the foreign work, were presented to us. You who have been to the conventions know how grateful we were to hear them bear testimony to the all-powerful grace of God. Among them were: Mrs. Sallee, of Interior China; Mrs. Oxner, of North China; Mrs. Diaz and Mrs. Zarrilli, of Tampa. They all sounded the note of hopeful progress.

In each of them, and in full tone notes of her own, our beloved president, Miss Fannie E. S. Heck, then gave us an address on "The Program of Progress." This address will doubtless be sent from the Montgomery headquarters to many of you, and will be fully discussed at our all-day meetings in the various associations. Among the suggestions which would bring about progress Miss Heck mentioned the training of the children in Bible study, in free and systematic giving, and in an appreciation of good missionary books; the interchange of ideas, plans and literature with our sisters of the other denominations; the magnifying of the associational gatherings, and personal service.

Miss Heck was followed by Miss Edith Crane, our thoroughly efficient corresponding secretary. Her report was a most encouraging and stimulating recital of the past year's achievements, with a call to renewed effort.

And so the convention went on with ever increasing interest, covering the roll call of the states, in which Alabama was most creditably represented by Mrs. W. H. Samford, our recording secretary; helpful conferences on Y. W. A., R. A. B. and S. B. B. work; the report on the Margaret Home, when the new matron, Mrs. Harris, a most gracious lady, was introduced to the union; the soul-stirring address on

the possibilities of the training school by Mrs. McLure, in which she characterized this year as the best one so far; the announcement of the apportionment and the willingness with which each state accepted hers; and many other wonderful purposes and plans. Truly we can say that our God hath been good unto us, whereof we are glad!

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR APRIL.

(Continued from Issue of May 10.)

Thank Offering.

Mobile (Dauphin Way) W. M. S., \$10; Ackerville L. A. and M. S., \$16.35; Birmingham (West End) W. M. S., \$4.70; Ashland L. A. and M. S., \$5.75; Birmingham (First) L. A. S., \$90; Fitzpatrick L. A. and M. S., \$6; Brewton W. M. S., \$43; Louisville W. M. S., \$15; Newton W. M. S., \$5; Gadsden (First) W. M. S., \$75; Scottsboro W. M. S., \$16.50; a friend, \$2.50; Coatopa L. A. S., \$6; Myrtlewood W. M. S., \$3.10; Eclectic L. M. S., \$7; Choocolocco L. A. and M. S., \$15; Shiloh (Selma) L. A. and M. S., \$3; Eufaula (First) W. M. S., \$31.60; Andalusia L. A. S., \$24; Sylacauga L. A. S., \$27.12; Belville W. M. S., \$5; Lowndesboro L. A. S., \$1.90; Birmingham (Fifty-sixth Street) L. A. and M. S., \$8.20; Pine Hill W. M. and A. S., \$2; Mobile (First) W. M. S., \$62.05; Anniston (P. M.) W. M. S., \$90; Newberne L. A. S., \$17.55; Three Notch L. A. and M. S., \$1.50; Attalla L. A. and M. S., \$8; Avondale (P. M.) L. A. and M. S., 90 cents; Union (Mobile Association) L. A. and M. S., \$3; Spring Hill (Salem-Troy Association) W. M. S., \$1.00; Shiloh (Selma Association) L. A. and M. S., \$1.75; Selma (Second) W. M. S., \$2; Reform W. M. and A. S., \$1.20; Sister Springs (Selma Association) W. M. and A. S., \$7.31; Furman W. M. and A. S., \$35; Laverne L. A. S., \$1.90; Mt. Hope W. M. S., \$8.50; Forest Home L. A. S., \$4.45; Montgomery (Highland Avenue) W. M. S., \$2.20. Total, \$672.53.

Training School Enlargement.

Opp W. M. S., 25c; Deep Creek (Bethel Association) W. M. S., 50c; Collinsville W. M. S., 50c; Allenton W. A. and M. S., \$1; Ashland L. A. and M. S., \$1; Hartselle L. A. and M. S., 50c; New Decatur (Central) L. M. and A. S., \$10; Newton W. M. S., 50c; Benton W. M. S., 25c; Hartford W. M. S., \$2.50; Tuskegee W. M. S., \$4; West Gadsden W. M. and A. S., \$1; Catherine W. M. S., 50c; Notasulga W. M. S., 50c; Mobile (First) W. M. S., \$9.50; Wilsonville W. M. S., \$1; Anniston (P. M.) W. M. S., \$10; Grove Hill W. M. S., \$1; Belville W. M. S., \$1; Holt W. M. S., 25c; Bay Minette L. A. S., 25c; Thomasville W. M. S., \$2; Avondale (P. M.) L. A. and M. S., 50c; Cuba W. M. S., \$2; East Florence W. M. S., 25c; Myrtlewood W. M. S., 25c; Athens W. M. S., \$1; Mobile (Dauphin Way) W. M. S., \$5; Coatopa W. M. S., \$1; Repton W. M. S., \$2; Oakdale L. A. and M. S., 50c; Burnt Corn W. M. S., \$1.50; Belmont W. M. S., \$1; Vincent L. A. and M. S., \$1; Goodwater W. M. and A. S., \$4; Bessemer (First) L. A. and M. S., \$2; Birmingham (Calvary) L. A. S., \$3; Selma (First) W. M. S., \$6; Thomaston W. M. S., \$4; Summit (Birmingham) W. M. and A. S., 50c; Montgomery (Clayton Street) W. M. S., \$4.50; Birmingham (Fifty-sixth Street) L. A. S., \$4; Camp Hill W. M. S., \$2; Whatley W. M. and A. S., 25c; Bermuda W. M. and A. S., \$2; Russellville W. M. and A. S., 50c; Huntville (Dallas Avenue) L. A. and M. S., \$2.50; Montgomery (S. S.) W. M. S., \$5; Jasper L. A. and M. S., \$2; Lu-

vernerne L. A. S., 25c; York W. M. and A. S., 25c; Piedmont W. M. and A. S., 25c; Grand Bay W. M. S., 25c; Shelby L. A. and M. S., 50c; Mt. Hope W. M. S., \$2. Total, \$109.75.

W. M. U. Expense Fund.

Deep Creek (Bethel Association) W. M. S., 75c; Aliceville S. B. B., 20c; Pine Hill L. M. and A. S., \$1.60; Dickinson W. M. and A. S., \$1; Vincent L. A. and M. S., 25c. Total, \$3.80.

Associational Missions.

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Aged Ministers.

Ashland L. A. and M. S., \$1; Auburn W. M. S., \$4.25; Scottsboro W. M. S., \$5; Thomasville W. M. S., \$5; James W. C., \$4; Society Hill W. M. S., 25c. Total, \$19.50.

Orphanage.

Hepzibah W. M. S., \$1.50; Pine Apple L. A. and M. S., \$15; Auburn W. M. S., \$15; Orrville W. M. and A. S., \$16; Thomasville W. M. S., \$10; Shiloh (Selma Association) L. A. and M. S., \$6.50; New Decatur (Central) W. M. and A. S., \$15; Prattville L. A. S., \$2; York W. M. and A. S., \$5.75. Total, \$84.75.

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Birmingham (First) L. A. S., \$2.

Mountain Schools.

Carrollton Y. W. A., \$5; Wetumpka Y. W. A., \$6; Jacksonville L. W. U., \$2.10; Aliceville S. B. B., 50c; Mobile (First) Y. W. A., \$4.60; Eufaula Y. W. A., \$12.85; Oxford C. W., \$1; Troy Y. W. A., \$3.45; Huntsville (First) Y. W. A., \$10; Scottsboro Y. W. A., \$1; Gadsden (First) Jr. Y. W. A., \$0.85; Union Springs Y. W. A., \$1.60; Mobile (Dauphin Way) Y. W. A., \$4.60; Gadsden (First) Y. W. A., \$6; Buena Vista Y. W. A., \$3; Jacksonville Gleaners, \$2.50. Total, \$70.05.

Thank Offerings Mountain Schools.

Wetumpka Y. W. A., \$1.40; Brewton Y. W. A., \$20.05; Anniston (P. M.) M. J., \$10; Anniston (P. M.) Y. W. M. S., \$60. Total, \$91.45.

Indians.

Allenton S. B. B., \$2.60; Selma (First) S. B. B., \$5.61; Pine Hill S. B. B., \$4.25; Myrtlewood S. B. B., \$5; Auburn S. B. B., \$4.37; Newton S. B. B., \$4.45; Albertville S. B. B., \$1; Hope Hull Y. P. U., 70c; Columbia S. B. B., \$1; Hartford S. B. B., 75c; Mobile (First) S. B. B., \$7.10; LaFayette S. B. B., \$2; Aliceville S. B. B., \$1.60; Gaylesville S. B. B., 25c; Northport S. B. B., 50c; Pine Apple S. B. B., \$1.50; Bellville S. B. B., \$3; Tunnel Springs S. B. B., \$1.05; Thomasville S. B. B., \$3; Oxford S. B. B., \$2.50; Goodwater S. B. B., \$3.15; Selma (First) S. B. B., \$2.47; Furman S. B. B., \$2.50; Brundidge S. B. B., \$1; Samson S. B. B., 70c; Brownsboro S. B. B., \$2.50; Mt. Carmel (Etowah) S. B. B., \$4.37; Wetumpka S. B. B., \$1.75. Total, \$70.67.

Thank Offerings to Indians.

Allenton S. B. B., 61c; Birmingham (Richmond Place) S. B. B., 72c; Jackson S. B. B., \$4; Cuba Jr. R. A., 60c; Cuba R. A., \$2; Anniston (P. M.) K. S., \$2; Piedmont S. B. B., \$1. Total, \$10.93.

Chinese Famine Sufferers.

Northport W. C., \$10.

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Alexander City Jr. Y. W. A. and R. A., \$2.50; Selma (First) Y. W. A., \$16.35; Oxford C. W., \$11; Uniontown Y. W. A., \$11; Albertville Sr. Y. W. A., \$1; Jackson Y. W. A., \$10; Tunnel Springs Y. W. A., \$1.85; Huntsville (First) Y. W. A., \$17.50; Scottsboro Y. W. A., \$2; Gadsden (First) Jr. Y. W. A., \$10; Montgomery (First) Y. W. A., \$5; Union Springs Y. W. A., \$2; Gadsden (First) Y. W. A., \$6.50; Buena Vista Y. W. A., \$3.28; Jacksonville Gleaners, \$2. Total, \$126.68.

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Albertville S. B. B., \$2; Hope Hull Y. P. U., \$1; Columbia S. B. B., \$1; Coatopa S. B. B., \$5; Hartford S. B. B., \$2; Sister Springs (Selma) Tri-Society, \$3.15; Town Creek (Selma) S. B. B., \$1; Gaylesville S. B. B., 25c; Oswichee S. B. B., \$2.15; Anniston (P. M.) K. S., \$6.50; Northport S. B. B., \$2; Bay Minette S. B. B., 30c; Pine Apple S. B. B., \$1.50; Alexander City Jr. Y. W. A. and R. A., \$2.50; Collreene R. A. and S. B. B., \$3.37; Montgomery (First) S. B. B., \$2.78; Monroeville S. B. B., \$3.50; Thomasville, \$2.50; Belmont S. B. B., \$3.50; Oxford S. B. B., \$2.50; Safford S. B. B., \$3.75; Furman S. B. B., \$3; Montevallo S. B. B., \$4; Brownsboro S. B. B., \$2.50; Wetumpka S. B. B., \$1. Total, \$62.75.

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Allenton W. M. and A. S., \$1; Hartselle L. A. and M. S., 25c; Linden L. A. and M. S., \$2; Tuskegee W. M. S., \$3; Pine Hill L. M. and A. S., \$1; Thomasville W. M. S., \$1; Myrtlewood W. M. S., \$10; Reform W. M. and A. S., 25c; Albertville Y. W. A., \$2; Tuscaloosa (First) Jr. Y. W. A., \$2; Ralph W. M. and A. S., 14c; Scottsboro W. M. S., \$1; Gadsden (First) Jr. Y. W. A., \$2; Jasper L. A. and M. S., \$1; Moulton W. M. and A. S., 25c; Jacksonville Gleaners, \$2. Total, \$31.64.

Training School Student.

Allenton W. M. and A. S., \$1.50; Hartselle L. A. and M. S., 25c; Tuskegee W. M. S., \$3; Albertville Y. W. A., \$2; Cuba Jr. Y. W. A., \$1.50; Cuba Y. W. A., \$3; Tuscaloosa (First) Jr. Y. W. A., \$1; Scottsboro W. M. S., \$1; Camden L. A. S., \$1.25; Scottsboro Y. W. A., 25c; Jasper L. A. and M. S., \$1.25; Moulton W. M. and A. S., 25c; Axle W. M. and A. S., \$1; Buena Vista Y. W. A., \$1.90; Jacksonville Gleaners, \$2.50. Total, \$21.65.

Lucy F. Stratton Scholarship.

New Decatur (Central) L. M. and A. S., \$5; Montgomery (S. S.), \$5; Anniston (P. M.) Y. W. M. S., \$2.50. Total, \$12.50.

Margaret Home.

Deep Creek (Bethel) W. M. S., 10c; New Decatur (Central) W. M. and A. S., \$5; LaFayette S. B. B., \$2; Gaylesville S. B. B., 25c; Cuba R. A., 50c; Bay Minette S. B. B., 20c; Oxford C. W., 50c; Tunnel Springs S. B. B., 50c; Coatopa W. M. S., 30c; Selma (First) S. B. B., 50c; Montevallo S. B. B., 25c. Total, \$10.10.

Bible Fund.

Opp W. M. S., 25c; Deep Creek (Bethel) W. M. S., 25c; Collinsville W. M. S., 25c; Allenton W. M. and A. S., 50c; Ashland L. A. and M. S., 50c; Benton W. M. S., 25c; Hartford W. M. S., \$2.50; Montgomery (S. S.) W. M. S., \$1; Tuskegee W. M. S., 50c; West Gadsden W. M. and A. S., \$1; Catherine W. M. S., 25c; Notasulga W. M. S., 25c; Bellville W. M. S., 25c; Gaylesville S. B. B., 25c; Mobile (First) W. M. S., \$3; Wilsonville W. M. S., 25c; Grove Hill W. M. S., 25c; Holt W. M. S., 25c; Bay Minette L. A. S., 25c; Avondale (P. M.) L. A. and M. S., 25c; Cuba W. M. S., 50c; East Florence W. M. S., 25c; Myrtlewood W. M. S., 25c; Reform W. M. and A. S., 25c; Mobile (Dauphin Way) W. M. S., \$1.25; Oakdale L. A. and M. S., 25c; Burnt Corn W. M. S., 50c; Vincent L. A. and M. S., \$1; Bessemer (First) L. A. S., 75c; Birmingham (Calvary) L. A. S., 75c; Selma (First) W. M. S., 25c; Birmingham (Summit) W. M. and A. S., 25c; Birmingham (Fifty-sixth Street) L. A. S., \$1; Camp Hill W. M. S., \$1; Russellville W. M. and A. S., 50c; Huntsville (Dallas Avenue) L. A. and M. S.,

25c; Jasper L. A. and M. S., 75c; Laverne L. A. S., 25c; Piedmont W. M. and A. S., 25c; Grand Bay W. M. S., 25c; Shelby L. A. and M. S., 25c; Mt. Hope W. M. S., \$1; Thomasville W. M. S., 25c. Total, \$24.50. Miss Davis.

Birmingham (First) L. A. S., \$10; Avondale L. A. S., \$2; Calvary L. A. and M. S., \$1; East L. A. and M. S., \$1; S. S. W. M. and A. S., \$10; Pratt City W. M. and A. S., \$2. Total, \$36.

Miss Baker.

Anniston (P. M.) M. J., \$5.

Grand total for April, \$4,654.71.

SCRIPTURE THOUGHT.

The eyes of all wait upon Thee; and Thou givest them their meat in due season.—Psa. cxlv, 15.

GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH, SHANGHAI, CHINA.

By Rev. H. W. Provence, Th.D.

A long-cherished hope has been fulfilled—a suitable church building for our growing work in Shanghai. On the lot that has been overgrown with weeds there now stands a handsome and commodious house of worship. The accompanying picture gives a very good idea of its appearance. Located in the newer section of the city, where there has been marvelous growth during the last few years and the Chinese have built a large number of costly foreign-style residences, our new church is thoroughly modern in plan. It is one of the very few churches in China that have suitable accommodations for effective Sunday school work.

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For the first time in many years the Baptists of Shanghai have a house of worship that is a credit to the denomination, a suitable building for effective Christian work and in some sense worthy of the cause we represent. It seems incredible that such a house could have been built and furnished for \$5,000 gold; but it really cost a little less than that. The pulpit and reception room furniture were a gift from my friend and former Sunday school superintendent, J. W. Minor, of Ensley, Ala., a loyal friend of foreign missions.

In addition to the services held in the new building by the Grace church congregation, there are regular services in the Cantonese dialect. The Cantonese Sunday school meets here in the afternoon and a preaching service follows. This is the best we can do until funds can be obtained for building a Cantonese church. Our new Cantonese pastor, Fung Chak, is doing a fine work and the meetings in the street chapel where he lives are crowded every night.

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MORE ABOUT THE JUNE CAMPAIGN.

Out-of-Town Christians Watching Developments—Pastoral Evangelism Highly Commended.

The Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians and others are planning for a campaign conducted by the pastors, the result of which will mean much to the city. Beginning the first Sunday in June, and continuing not less than 15 days, there will be a city-wide movement against sin and a real concerted effort to evangelize our great southern metropolis.

Evangelist Walker is jubilant over the outlook, and is receiving much encouragement from pastors and Christian workers both in and out of the city. Below we give a few extracts from those who have written:

W. W. Landrum: "Louisville has recently passed through a simultaneous evangelistic campaign with most gratifying results. For two weeks every pastor, without outside help, preached evangelistic sermons to his own people. No ministers from abroad were brought to the city. The work was carried on by resident forces. The campaign cost practically nothing expressed in money, but represents the unity of evangelical Christianity in the city and red hot enthusiasm for the salvation of souls. Additions to the churches aggregate larger results than were ever known in the city before for the same period of time. The movement will likely be attempted again next spring."

Dr. John F. Purser: "My soul is stirred as I have read of the plans for a great evangelistic campaign in Birmingham. Success will crown your efforts if the pastors will trust, pray and work. There is great power in concerted effort. God loves for His children to make large drafts on Him. I hope every pastor and congregation in the city will heartily co-operate. It strikes me that you have chosen a most auspicious season for this work, as June is your month for State Missions, and the awakened interest and fresh accessions of new members should have a most beneficial reflex action on the purses, as well as the hearts of the community. I will watch developments with great interest."

A. C. Dixon: "I most heartily believe in pastoral evangelism. No pastor ought to commit to any one else the work of winning souls to Christ, though he may use evangelists as he may deem wise. Let the committee advertise the pastor as an evangelist would be advertised, and he would

likely have larger audiences and greater results. Though evangelists have their mission and are very useful, the time has come when soul-winning work in the churches needs to be emphasized, and pastors should expect conversions every time they preach. I sail on June 2 for my new field in London, and is it too much to ask that you pray for me that I may be imbued with power for the important and difficult work that lies before me, and will you not ask others to join with you in this prayer?"

Dr. E. Y. Mullins, president Southern Baptist Theological Seminary: "I am very glad to give you a statement regarding the evangelistic meetings held here recently. So far as I can learn the results were very gratifying indeed. Many pastors have baptized a large number as the result of the meetings. Each pastor did his own preaching. The interest throughout the city was widespread, and congregations at the churches were reported excellent. My own judgment is that it is a splendid arrangement where each pastor does the preaching in his own church. It enlists the people and pastor together in the great work of soul-winning, and the good results which follow the meetings are usually greater than those which are realized in immediate connection with the meeting. I see no reason why such a simultaneous evangelistic campaign in your city should not be of the greatest possible value in arousing the zeal of Christian people. Where each church conducts its own evangelistic campaign there is no danger of denominational rivalry or friction, and yet each meeting gets the advantage of the general movement and the religious interest which is awakened in all the churches. I wish for you the greatest success in your proposed meeting."

Send the Alabama Baptist to Will Lacy till January, 1912. He is a negro preacher and believes anything that is Baptist is O. K. There are a good many Baptists when it comes to taking the paper must be hard-shells or tight-shells. Any may they won't take it. He have lost Brother Hurley and family from Montevallo. We hate to give them up, but can't keep them any longer. Wish them great success in their far western home. Success to you and yours.—J. B. Denson.

The address of Dr. G. A. Lofton, of Nashville, before the seminary students at Louisville on Missionary Day, May 1, was on the subject, The Universality of Missions."

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Every successful pastor in Alabama does know that the large part of dependable men and women in his congregation read the paper, and therefore keep in touch with what Alabama Baptists are trying to do.

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The Union Springs Herald, in speaking of the resignation of Rev. J. M. Thomas, who has accepted a call to the First Baptist church, Talladega, on June 1, says:

"Mr. Thomas has been pastor of the church here for about four years, and during this time he and his estimable family have greatly endeared themselves to the people of this city, and there are many from among the other denominations, as well as his own, who will regret to lose them as citizens of Union Springs. Under the leadership of the present pastor the church has grown in numbers and in amounts contributed to various causes."

Rev. A. S. Smith has a great and growing work in Alexander City. It was an inspiration to be in his great Baraca class on Mothers' Day and see the packed room of enthusiastic men, old and young, just fairly burning with zeal for their work. Bro. Smith's smiles of approbation told more than words could have expressed. Bro. Smith has been with his people for 12 years, working faithfully on, he and his faithful wife winning the lost to Christ. Now, brethren, that is what counts. We need men who will and can stick until things happen. Everything about Bro. Smith's church and home shows that a leader with a definite aim and special effort has his hand on the throttle.—O. W. Greer.

The Western Recorder says that "man is the only animal that laughs." We once made this statement, and Dr. J. H. Kilpatrick, of Georgia, told us an interesting story about how in his boyhood he saw a calf laugh, a real genuine laugh. No one will question the veracity of Dr. Kilpatrick.—Baptist and Reflector.

(If we had not known and loved the saintly Kilpatrick we would say "this is enough to make a horse laugh.")

We are glad to know that Leon C. Palmer has declined the call to become general secretary of the Virginia State Sunday School Association and will become joint general secretary of the Birmingham Sunday School Association, giving it part of his time, while still doing work with the state organization.

Rev. T. E. Morgan, of Honoraville, Ala., died Sunday morning. He was one of the oldest Missionary Baptist preachers of the county, and had many friends, who will regret to hear of his death. He was buried at Monroville Monday.—Laverne Journal.
(We extend our sympathy to the loved one left behind.)

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.



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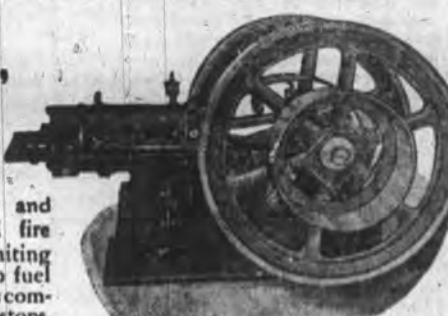
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tion, mastered books and Bible doc-
trines until he stood the equal, as a
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the best educated.

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bears the impress of his influence. It
has the numbers, the intelligence and
the wealth, if consecrated, to become
one of the leading churches of the
state. The town is fast becoming a
city of large proportions. It has four
railroads and has the finest farming
country around it of any town in Ala-
bama. The wealth of its clay lands
cannot be computed. Much of it in
the fine valley, bearing the name of
the town, is going to ruin by a system
of shiftless tenantry, which is curs-
ing many sections of Alabama.

I found Editor John C. Williams,
with his whiskers cut like an English
Lord's, presiding, not over the best
weekly in the state as of old, but the
editor of a full fledged daily, the
Daily Mountain Home. It used to be
plaid farmer Sam Welch down at Al-
pine, but now it is Dr. Sam Welch,
one of the prominent physicians in
the city and one of the leaders in the
church. My entertainment in his
beautiful home, I will not soon forget.
How many fond recollections stirred
me as I sat at the table, presided over
by a daughter of Dr. W. C. Cleveland,
so widely known and loved in Ala-
bama only a few years ago. He was
one of my earliest ministerial asso-
ciates.

I congratulate the Talladega church
in its good fortune in securing as
pastor J. M. Thomas. He is a strong
preacher—one of our best. I should
not fail to mention the good hearing
I had and the one hundred dollars
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keeping up the system and it is easily
done. Brother W. F. Yarbrough
grows on them and on the denomina-
tion in the State as the months go by.

Only a week after this visit, I drop-
ped back to Anniston to the State
Sunday School Convention. One of
the most distressed men in the town
was Charlie Bell, the chairman of the
Hospitality Committee. He couldn't
furnish delegates to all the homes and
they were belaboring him unmercifully.

To a stranger, it looked as if the
place was overflowing but the Annis-
tonian Hospitality was hard to satisfy.
There are so many Baptists in the
Convention, I had frequently to refer
to the program to be sure I was not
at a full fledged Baptist Convention.

Brother Sims has certainly worked
up a great Sunday School interest
in the State, that found expression in
the enthusiastic gathering. I could
be there only one day. Before the

close they honored the Baptists by
calling to its Presidency that Prince
in Israel H. S. D. Mallory, a man
that had rather be right than be gov-
ernor of Alabama. Had he been a
mere politician, he would have reason-
ed: "I will get the prohibition vote
anyhow. I need not make that a
prominent plank in my platform, so I
will slur over that and thus hold my
old time friends who may be for
liquor."

But, no sir! he stood like a stone
wall against that greatest foe to
humanity and the State, the liquor
traffic, and went down in defeat be-
neath the avalanche of fraudulent
votes the liquorites hurled against
him.

I gave

A Sunday to 27th Street Birmingham.
Brother J. O. Colley, pastor. Who but
has tried, knows the struggles of
the little churches in a great city!
This interest has a fine location in the
better lot they have recently pur-
chased. It has done well where it is,
but once it gets itself planted on the
new lot, it will become a great power.

Richmond Place

where I preached at night, a very
young interest, Brother J. A. Beal,
pastor, is having a struggle too, but I
predict for them success finally. The
Soutaside church has maintained for
years a mission in this section and
now it starts out in a splendid loca-
tion, a church with encouraging
prospects.

If we only had a large church
building fund: Both of these interests
are struggling with debts, made on the
purchase of suitable lots. They will
finally pay for them; then will come
the tug of building. How much time
could be saved if we could put them
into a church home at the start. The
Lord gave us wisdom to devise plans
to overcome these very serious
obstacles.

W. B. C.

PREACH THE GREAT DOCTRINES.

The young man who goes into a
community as minister has often very
vague ideas concerning the great
doctrines of the Bible. He has a kind
of pottering knowledge of many things
which makes him believe that the
regeneration of the neighborhood is to
be brought about through a gentle,
ethical social settlement regime. He
dabbles in politics, economics, clubs,
and various worthy institutions which
were never intended to take the place
of the Church, and become a kind of
errand boy for everything from the
bricklayers' union to a women's guild,
to provide soft food for people without
teeth. The Church has one great mis-
sion, and when it faithfully fulfills
that mission it will never lack in in-
terest and power. The mission of the
church is to preach to mankind the
whole counsel of God.—F. A. Bartlett,
D. D.

Over Worked Eyes

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When the day's work is done, the
worthy minister may enjoy reflection
of having done much for which he has
received no pay, much for which
there will never be the least material
reward. He may know that he has
served his Father in secret because of
his love for the service. The chance
to do that is the exclusive privilege
of no profession; but in the ministry
it is, I believe, larger than in any
other. This habit of doing good, with
no prospect or thought of material
reward, sets free in a man's heart
singing voices; and the music they
make is not of this world.—George A.
Gordon.

John Wesley, though never neglect-
ful of his ministerial gravity, had a
good sense of humor. His servant,
Michael Fenwick, complained that his
name was never mentioned in the pub-
lished journal. Wesley, in the next
number said: "Left Epworth with
great satisfaction; and about one
preached at Clayworth. I think none
were unmoved but Michael Fenwick,
who fell asleep under an adjoining hay-
rick."

She Stayed in Bed.

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J. W. Rankin, president, to the un-
dersigned, Emmie T. Rankin, on the
18th day of March, 1910, and recorded
in the office of the Judge of Probate
of Jefferson county, Alabama, in vol-
ume 564, Record of Deeds, at page
279, I will sell under the power in said
mortgage (subject to prior mortgage
of \$4,500 to Mrs. Margaret Rhodes)
on the 26th day of June, 1911, before
the court house door of Jefferson
county, in the city of Birmingham,
Alabama, within the legal hours of
sale, at public outcry, for cash, the
following described real estate, sit-
uated, lying and being in said county
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side of Twenty-sixth (26th) street, and
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