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Evangelist R. F. Tredway, of Mansfield, La., has secured the services of Mr. F. W. Rollins as gospel singer.

Rev. R. A. Kimbrough, pastor at Blue Mountain, Miss., has been elected president of the Union University, Jackson, Tenn., and has accepted.

Let us forget—Alabama Baptist Encampment, Shocco Springs, Talladega, August 21-28.

The Baptists of Goodwater closed a successful revival Friday night. Pastor Bennett was assisted by Dr. Preston Blake, of Birmingham, and besides a dozen accessions, the church was very much revived.

Rev. J. H. Longcrier was commissioned to go to Greenville and bring the State Baptist Convention to Jasper in 1912, and he did it. Jasper must now make our visitors, who will not come before next July, feel that it is "good to be here," and we are going to do that very thing. We'll show 'em what genuine hospitality favors.—The Mountain Eagle.

It is quite possible that denominational schools of today are too largely neglecting that which gives them their reason for existing, viz: moral and religious training. In the past it has been the glory of the denominational school that its students were brought to Christ if not Christians when they entered. That should be the glory of such schools today. We Baptists must give our heartiest support to our secondary schools.

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S. A. Smith, in the Baptist Record says: "The pastor of the entertaining church gave an unique address of welcome, short and hearty. L. L. Gwaltney is a Virginian in his second pastorate in Alabama, having served some time at Prattville. The response to the address of welcome was by Editor Frank Barnett, of the Alabama Baptist. He exceeded Pastor Gwaltney in brevity and equalled him in pith and point. Everybody greatly enjoyed this too often dry part of the convention program."

I am just back from Russellville, where Bro. J. W. Partridge and wife are pastor and assistant. They have done a great work there—Partridge in building one of the finest brick churches in the state of Alabama for the size of the town and Sister Partridge is moulding one of the finest Christian sentiments among the ladies to be found anywhere. They both have the undivided love of the whole town. There are two churches in the state with their eyes on Partridge, but Russellville will fight hard before they let him go. The town regrets to give Prof. Yarbrough up, but they are glad to get Prof. Sams in the high school. Yours truly—Sidney J. Catts.

Rev. A. T. Robertson, D. D., of Louisville, will preach at the Madison Avenue Baptist church, New York, on August 13.

Rev. L. L. Gwaltney, of Greenville, recently assisted Rev. C. T. Culpeper in a meeting at the Baptist church at Opp.

Dr. F. C. McConnell and other preachers are to do the preaching in the McConnell Tabernacle meeting at Hiawasse, Ga. How we would like to hear McConnell on his native heath.

Just closed my meetings at Pleasant Hill and Hamilton Hill. Rev. W. B. Riddle, of Jackson county, did the preaching. Received several for baptism and the church was greatly revived.—A. L. Stephens.

Rev. John L. Ray, pastor of the First Baptist church of Blocton, has been having malaria for 90 days and blood poison for 20 days, and the church has granted and given him the month of August as a vacation to rest and attend the encampment at Shocco Springs.

CRIMINAL FAMILIES

Sir Robert Anderson, chairman of the criminal investigation committee of the English parliament for many years, contends that if only 70 known criminals in England were put out of harm's way (not 70,000, as some might be inclined to think), the whole organization of crime in that country would be dislocated, and ten years hence an immunity from crime would be enjoyed there that at present it seems utopian to expect.

On first blush this seems absolutely foolish, yet it is a fact that the famous Jukes family in 75 years produced, in round numbers, 200 thieves and murderers, 90 prostitutes, 280 invalids attacked by blindness, idiocy or consumption, and 300 boys and girls who died during childhood. It is estimated that the family cost the state over a million dollars.

Knowing this, yet there are men representing "Big Business" who are trying to make it appear that our commercial life depends on opening up saloons in Jefferson county. The truth being, saloons are crime breeders and vampires sucking the life out of even our trade.

Revival at Mt. Pleasant.—Last third Sunday we closed a great meeting at Mt. Pleasant. There were 16 accessions to the church and the church greatly revived. Bro. J. N. Vandiver assisted in the meeting. The Ladies' Aid is doing some good work on the church painting and ceiling. God bless the church and Ladies' Aid.—J. L. P. Cook.

We have just closed a gracious meeting at Bethany church, Burnt Corn. Bro. W. Renfro Curry, of Tuskegee, is doing the preaching in an acceptable, forceful, convincing manner. He is one of our strongest men. I am just completing my seventh year at Burnt Corn, and have tendered my resignation, to take effect in October. Brother Curry and I have just begun a meeting here at Belleville, with Bro. Jordan, of Castleberry, in charge of the singing. Oh, what a sweet gospel singer he is. We are trusting God and expecting great blessings from Him. Praise God for His manifest blessings throughout the state.—S. P. Lindsey, Belleville.

Rev. Fred D. Hale, D. D., who leaves his work at Dallas to accept the pastorate at Joplin, Mo., is an earnest and successful preacher.

"From schemes and creeds the light goes out,
The saintly fact survives;
The blessed Master none can doubt
Revealed in holy lives."

This place is great; the grounds and the program, especially the music and Dr. Chapman's preaching. Many Alabama people here.—Richard Hale, Chautauqua, N. Y.

"The world that we're a-living in
Is mighty hard to beat;
You get a thorn with every rose—
But ain't the roses sweet?"
Sunday, July 23, was a good day with us at Green Springs. Our congregation is still on the increase. Two joined for baptism and one by letter. The Great Shepherd will lead if we will only let Him.—V. C. Kincaid, Pastor.

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On its own grounds at Palacios, Tex., the twenty-first B. Y. P. U. state convention met August 2.

Recently Pastor Arnold S. Smith, of Alexander, preached two interesting sermons on "The Bible Lost and Found" and "Versions of the Bible."

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Rev. Thomas Phillips, of England, who preached the Baptist Alliance sermon in Philadelphia which so edified his hearers, has been preaching for Dr. Jowett at the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church, New York, recently.

"You may be a wise lad,
And a long way from bad;
But remember, my son,
As your journey you run,
You can learn a whole lot from your dad."

Very innocently an Irish newspaper thus concludes its account of an imposing ceremony: "The procession was very fine, being nearly two miles long, as was also the prayer of Rev. Mr. McFadden."

The protracted services in the Baptist church began Sunday, and are still in progress. Rev. Mr. Hewette, of Columbus, Miss., is preaching excellent sermons to good congregations. Services are held every morning at 10 o'clock and in the evening at 8 o'clock.—Greensboro Watchman.

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Mrs. Ellen Woods, the wife of Benjamin Woods, was stricken Friday morning at 10 o'clock with paralysis, and she died Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock, July 28, 1911. She was a faithful church worker and an active member of the Ladies' Aid Society of the First Baptist church, Blocton, Ala. She was the mother of Rev. O. O. Pinson, of Blocton; Olin Pinson, of Georgia; Mrs. Louis Wessenger, of Blocton, and Miss Eula Woods, of Birmingham. Her funeral was conducted by her pastor, assisted by Rev. G. E. Driskill.

After spending three years in Georgia as president of Draketown Baptist Institute I have returned to Alabama. I am located at Gaylesville, where I have accepted the position as principal of Gaylesville Academy. The academy, as you know, is one of our newest mountain mission schools. I have been here only a few days, but am meeting with considerable encouragement. The outlook for a good school and a large attendance is quite favorable. We are in the work for the glory of God and the good of humanity. Remember us. Very truly yours—S. D. McCormick.

(Glad to have Bro. McCormick back in Alabama.)

The pastors of the Baptist Methodist and Presterians have issued over their signatures in the Alexander City Outlook a warning against Millennial Dawnism. In exposing the errors they close: "As pastors of the respective churches of our town we in the fear of God respectfully warn our people and all others who may chance to read these lines against these pernicious publications."

I had a great time up in the "Hollow" last week assisting Rev. J. W. Smith in a revival meeting. There were 22 conversions, five restorations and 20 received for baptism. Among those converted were a man 79 and a woman 70 years young. The "Hollow" is 3 1-2 miles from Elkmont and one mile from the Elk river. This meeting grew out of a mission of the Walnut Hill church, where Bro. Smith is pastor. He is faithful and a hard worker, and much loved by his people. I have never seen a field where there was greater need for immediate missionary activity. The Decatur First is coming. Fraternally—C. S. Hudson, Decatur.

CONDENSED NEWS AND VIEWS---OURS AND OTHERS

Dr. A. C. Cree, of Moultrie, will visit Virginia Beach and the hill country of New Jersey.

We tender our sympathy to Prof. E. B. Niele, of Athens, Ga., who is sorely bereaved on account of the death of his wife.

Parties interested in attending the associations will please cut out or file issue of August 2. If you see any error, please notify us.

The Randolph County Sunday School Convention to be held at Wadley Thursday and Friday, September 7 and 8, 1911, has a strong and interesting program.

Two newspaper men, Francis McCullagh and Allen Ostler, had been expelled from Agadir, Morocco, by the Khalifa of Agadir on the ground that they were not provided with letters of introduction to him.

Mr. D. W. Sims, general secretary of the Alabama Sunday School Association, delivered a lecture at the Baptist church in Monroeville Sunday night, July 30th, on his trip to the Holy Land.

A pessimist walls: "Nine-tenths of the business of the United States is illegal. Every industrial concern of first magnitude is outlawed. Almost every American captain of industry is a criminal".

Rev. E. D. McDougall, D.D., pastor of the Presbyterian church at Florence, has been elected president of the Alabama Presbyterian College for Men at Armiston to succeed Dr. John W. Stagg, who tendered his resignation a few weeks ago.

The announcements in some of our Southern Baptist papers about Dr. John E. White's having declined the pastorate of Calvary Baptist church at a salary of \$8,000 was premature, for Dr. Robert S. MacArthur has not yet resigned.

We are glad to know that our Alabama farmers are beginning to realize that prosperity follows the corn tassel. Rural wealth and welfare have been promoted by this cereal monarch to an extent that is absolutely inconceivable by those who have not kept up with the facts.

Rev. W. T. Foster is conducting a meeting at Mt. Andrew this week. He was called to Andalusia to assist in a similar meeting last week and reports one of the largest congregations that it had ever been his privilege to preach to.—Union Springs Herald.

"As long as nations meet on the fields of war—as long as they sustain the relations of savages to each other—as long as they put the laurel and the oak on the brows of those who kill—just so long will citizens resort to violence and the quarrels be settled by dagger and revolver".

The first step of the special session of the legislature towards stringent saloon regulation in Texas was taken Tuesday, August 1, when a senate committee reported favorably a resolution for the closing of saloons from 7 at night until 6 in the morning, a ten mile law and quart law. The resolution was introduced simultaneously in the house and senate.

Wholesale dealers who hold license under the Smith regulation bill may not at the same time hold a license as agent for a foreign brewing company. Such is the opinion written Tuesday, August 1st, by Attorney General R. C. Brickell to Governor O'Neal, who requested the information at the instance of Dr. A. H. Montgomery, chairman of the Montgomery excise commission.

"The insect we now call the 'housefly' should be termed 'typhoid fly' in order to call attention to the danger of allowing it to continue to breed unchecked", says L. O. Howard, of the department of agriculture bureau of entomology, in a farmer bulletin just issued. Prof. Howard says a careful screening of windows and doors during the summer, supplemented with fly catching devices, is the surest preventive of disease through those germ bearing insects. The sanitary keeping of stables would do as much toward eradicating the fly, he says.

In the presence of President Taft and a notable company of government officials in the president's library in the white house two international arbitration treaties designed to end the possibility of war between the United States and Great Britain and the United States and France were signed at 3:10 p. m. and 3:11 p. m. on August 3. Secretary of State Knox signed the two treaties in behalf of the United States. James Bryce, the British ambassador, affixed his signature in behalf of Great Britain. The French treaty was signed in duplicate in Paris earlier by J. J. Jusserand, ambassador to the United States.

Dr. J. A. French, of Eufaula, accompanied by Mrs. French, are visiting in Asheville, N. C.

Rev. Marion Briscoe and family, of Scottsboro, are visiting their relatives in this and Lawrence counties.—Hartselle Enterprise.

Monday, July 31, was the birthday of the distinguished cavalry leader of the confederate army, General Nathan B. Forrest. It was the 90th anniversary of his birthday.

John Ridgely Carter, United States minister to Roumania, Servia and Bulgaria, will be appointed minister to Argentine, succeeding Charles H. Sherrill.

The voters of Missouri authorized a bond issue of \$3,500,000 for the rebuilding of the state capitol at Jefferson City. The building was destroyed by fire a little over six months ago.

Brother Pastor, if you truly love Jesus, and know how to make out a good case for Him in your life and preaching, it will not take long before the unsaved will want to know Him, too.

The possession of a federal liquor license in Georgia will be prima facie evidence of the holder being guilty of selling liquor in violation of the prohibition law if a bill passed by the senate August 1st becomes a law.

The Farmers' Summer School at Auburn opened with the largest attendance in the history of the school. There are forty-five counties represented and three states besides Alabama. This is the ninth session of the farmers' school.

Dr. John W. Stagg, formerly president of the Alabama Presbyterian college, has three cows for sale, and among the nice points he mentions in their favor is that they have all been to college. He says that another one of the cows is related to the heifer that supplies milk for President Taft.

The District Sunday School Convention which was held at Fitzpatrick on the 30th at the Baptist church was very largely attended. Brother R. M. Henly, superintendent of South Side Baptist church of Montgomery, was an entertaining speaker at the afternoon service.

The south is developing more rapidly than any section of any country since the world began. Its farms, its factories, its mines and forests are doubling and redoubling the value of their products every few years, but our mission gifts are not keeping pace with our material prosperity.

Had Governor Hoke Smith, of Georgia, as the new senator-elect from that state, been on hand and voted with his party, the free list bill would have passed the senate unchanged. One vote was all that stood in the way of placing the entire issue of democratic-insurgent tariff reform immediately before the president.

That the ore and coal holdings acquired by the United States Steel Corporation in the absorption of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company in 1907 have a valuation of \$200,000,000 was estimated from figures on the mineral holdings of the Tennessee company given to the house of representatives committee on inquiry into the Steel corporation by expert engineers.

It matters not how powerful the individual may be who is in the service of the state, nor how much wealth and influence there may be behind him, nor how strenuously he may be supported by big business and by all that has been heretofore powerful and omnipotent in our political life, if he be the representative of the whiskey trust and indirectly carrying out their wishes, we are against him and shall oppose him whenever and wherever opportunity presents itself.

A big manufacturer, in speaking about salesmanship, said: "We are all salesmen; every man is trying to sell his own good qualities to his fellow-citizens. That is why he puts on a clean collar and a clean shirt and everything that goes with it, because he wants to sell his good qualities. The first essential is to be healthy, to have health. Most of us are paid for having good livers, but unfortunately some have bad ones. There is nothing that helps a man so much as to take care of himself. Most of us have injurious habits; we smoke too much, we eat too much, or we drink too much, we are handicapped in that way. I know men with good minds, but their bodies are not healthy, and I would rather take my chances with a healthy mind than a healthy body".

Dr. T. W. O'Kelley, of the First church, Raleigh, N. C., filled the pulpit of the Second church, Atlanta, Sunday morning, August 6.

Rev. D. W. Morgan, of Oakman, preached for Rev. J. H. Longcrier at Jasper Sunday, July. Brother Longcrier was engaged in a meeting.

The Baptist people at Enon church, Lawrence county, have recently built a new house of worship and dedicated the building free of debt. Rev. R. L. Quinn is pastor.

Miss Harriett Quimby received an air pilot's license from the Aero Club of America. This is the first license that has been awarded a woman aviator in America.

At Blountsville there were fifty-two additions to the church, thirty-one of them by baptism. Rev. D. D. Head was assisted in the meeting by Rev. Curtis Shugart, of Birmingham, who did the preaching.

Owing to the fact that testimony which will confront the various excise commissions from time to time may occasionally be embarrassing or salacious, Governor O'Neal will not confirm the appointments of women as clerks.

Dr. Joseph Shackelford, of Tuskegee, is visiting his son, W. B. Shackelford, cashier of the First National bank, New Decatur. Dr. Shackelford will preach at the Trinity Baptist church Sunday morning.—Morgan County News.

Superstition among the negroes, coupled with the fear that treatment for hookworm will dissipate lassitude and kill the desire to loaf, is said to be interfering to a great extent with the effort of the report of the representatives of the Rockefeller hookworm commission in portions of the south.

Fortification of the Panama canal is proceeding rapidly and the army officers comprising the canal fortification board who arrived from the isthmus said they were well satisfied with its progress, as the work will be completed far ahead of the estimated time, it is declared.

The imperial government of Japan opens and shuts the doors of the schools. Not the tiniest kindergarten can come into existence without the consent of the educational officers of the crown; even a private institution is subject to the minutest regulation of the Mombusho, or department of education.

Brother Pastor, when Brother Crumpton tries to get you interested in the schedule remember a general may plan a campaign, but it is co-operation of the men composing that army that wins victories. Greater victories will be won by Alabama Baptists when more pastors co-operate with our beloved secretary.

The plodder plods. But why does the plodder plod? Simply because he is in a rut. Pry him out and set him going in the right direction and there is hope for him, for your complacent conservative once converted to new thoughts and new ideas is ever afterward a rampant radical and knows no neutral ground.

It is a matter of deep regret that Dr. Thomas S. Barbour, foreign secretary of the Foreign Mission Society, has been seriously ill with malaria since his return from his visit to the mission fields in British India. Latest reports indicate a slight improvement, but he will be unable to resume his customary duties for some time.

The American University, which is a Methodist project, located at the national capital and intended for advanced education and research, has just come into possession of property worth \$150,000 at least. Recently the trustees authorized a campaign to raise \$1,500,000. When \$500,000 of this is secured the institution is to be opened to students.

J. S. Carroll, of Troy, writes: "The evening of our tenth day off found the Troy-Canada touring party entering Washington with flying pennants and joyful hearts. The pennants, given us by auto clubs of different cities we pass through, have added interest to the trip by eliciting the attention of passers-by". They will take in Baltimore, Philadelphia, Atlantic City and many other cities before returning home.

The coffee "trust", the steamship "trust" and other concerns accused of making illegal trade agreements abroad and carrying out their effect in the United States will be prosecuted by the department of justice, probably not under the Sherman anti-trust law, but under the anti-trust sections of the Wilson tariff act of 1894.

"Yes, I am opposed to American girls marryin' furriners", said old Mr. Sipes. "I'm just that opposed to it that if my girls can't marry people of their own sex, they needn't marry at all, that's all there is about it!"

Has the "increased cost of living" kept you from increasing your pastor's salary? What effect has this same "increased cost of living" had on the pastor's home? This would be a good time to cheer his heart by a substantial advance. Try it, and see how much better he will preach. A fuller pocket book will add to his clearness of thinking and spiritual fervor and power in preaching.—Central Baptist.

A woman is now in actual charge of the mints of the United States. Miss Margaret Kelly, long connected with the mint bureau, was appointed examiner August 1. Miss Kelly's salary will be \$3,000 a year, making her the highest paid woman in the government service.

A lively fist fight followed by an agreement to fight a duel with sabras recently enlivened the proceedings in the lower chamber in Hungary. An interruption of a debate started a row. Herr Pozsgay, a Kossuth partisan, made a dive at Herr Pal, of the government side. The latter met Pozsgay half way, dealing him a blow between the eyes.

The church at Dothan, Ala., has granted its pastor, Rev. E. H. Jennings, a month's vacation. He will spend August in Georgia, his wife spending the time at her father's home in Auburn. Brother Jennings will assist Pastor Brown in a few days' meeting at Mars Hill church, Oconee county, this week, and following the third Sunday will assist Pastor McWhorter at Watkinsonville.—Christian Index.

On a recent examination paper in civics was this question: "If the president, vice president, and all the members of the cabinet should die, who would officiate?"

Robert, a boy of twelve, thought for some time, trying in vain to recall who came next in succession. At last a happy inspiration came to him, and he answered, "The undertaker".

Dr. John T. Christian, missionary secretary for Arkansas, has published an eighty-page tract on the Problems of a Country Church. It is a timely treatment of a pressing problem.

The day was sultry, the spectators were restless, and the judge irritable.

"The next person", he said, "that disturbs the order of this court will be sent home to stay".

"Hurrah! Huroo!" yelled the prisoner on trial, jumping up and down in the witness box.

It is planned to have the celebrated Gypsy Smith in Birmingham for two weeks beginning March, 1912. Gypsy Smith's engagement begins in this country on September 30, in Seattle, Wash. From Seattle he will proceed to Portland, from there to Spokane, and to San Francisco, Los Angeles and Dallas in the order named. If he accepts the invitation of Birmingham, this city's engagement will close his American tour.

Declaring that he desired to defend President Taft because the latter "had no one in his own party to say a word in his behalf", Representative Burnett, of Alabama, democrat, said in the house that "the only trouble with the president is, being honest himself, he is too credulous. 'No honest man, as I believe Mr. Taft is', said Mr. Burnett, 'ever had such mournful comforters since the days of Job. I have no doubt that his daily prayer is that Wickersham and Hitchcock will do as Ballinger did'".

The revival meeting which has been in progress at the Baptist church in Russellville for the past ten days was brought to a close Wednesday night as Rev. Catts had to return to his home in Florida in time to fill his appointments there Sunday. Rev. Catts is a strong, gifted and grand reasoner in presenting the plain gospel for the salvation of mankind, and the series of fine sermons delivered by him here are sure to make many a person think of the plan of salvation for eternal life. Several new members have been added to the church during the meeting.—Franklin Times.

Southern Baptists greatly appreciate the following kind words from the Journal and Messenger: "It is gratifying to note the constant activity and enterprise of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, and especially to notice what President Mullins is doing for the profit of the students. He seems never to tire. He seems to take no vacation, but is always at it, either at home or abroad. Few men among us fill so many engagements in public addresses, here and there, in all parts of the country; and yet he seems to be always at home devising or executing some new thing, or some advance movement. His head is full of arguments, plans and purposes for the betterment of the work doing, and for the greater profit of the young men who may be drawn to the seminary".

We hope a goodly number of Alabama Baptists are making plans to attend the encampment at Shocco Springs August 21-23. The lectures will be worth while and the fellowship will be sweet. Get ready and go. Special hotel and railroad rates.

"The rooster is a tidy fowl—
From morning until night
He wears his comb upon his head
To keep his feathers right".

Premier Laurier, of Canada, has determined to dissolve parliament and call a new election within two months. The ratification of the reciprocity agreement with the United States will be the most important question in the campaign, and if the liberals are returned the agreement will probably be ratified before Christmas.

"Of happy days
Make no complaint;
They're always where
You think they ain't".

The National Education Association, which met in San Francisco July 8 to 14, was attended by some of the great men and women from every section of the country. Not only were the states represented, but Hawaii sent 100 teachers to gain inspiration and enthusiasm and direction in right educational progress. The Philippines had their representatives there, Porto Rico had hers. The attendance was beyond 10,000.

She used to be a pensive maid,
But now, upon my life,
Since we are married, I'm afraid
She's an expensive wife.

There will be no saloons on Dexter avenue. Nor can intoxicants be sold on the part of any street fronting the capitol. There is no restriction on any part of Court Square, but the ban begins at the beginning of Dexter avenue and sweeps a dry ring around the capitol grounds on all sides. This decision was reached at a meeting of the Montgomery excise commission Thursday night. We are sorry they will be permitted to do business anywhere in Montgomery.

The special committee, consisting of Dr. L. C. Branscomb, chairman; Dr. George Eaves, F. M. Jackson, Dr. I. D. Steele and T. B. Thomas, which was appointed by the pastors and laymen of the various churches, held a meeting and outlined definite plans for the campaign by which it is hoped this city will be provided with an auditorium which will care for all the conventions and other large gatherings to be held for many years to come.

At the age of sixty-seven Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, chief chemist in the department of agriculture and chief crusader in the United States for pure food and drugs, at last has taken unto himself a wife. His marriage to Miss Anna Campbell Kelton, of Washington, was an event of national importance. Some of the jokesmiths are expressing the hope that the new Mrs. Wiley is a good cook, for Dr. Wiley certainly deserves a wife who, if she does not actually do the family cooking, is capable of supervising the work scientifically.

The Connecticut State Grange has notified the Connecticut Fair Association that it can not participate in the reception to be tendered President Taft when he comes to the fair early in September as a guest of the Connecticut Fair Association. The attitude of the Grange is attributed entirely to the president's advocacy of reciprocity with Canada. It is safe, however, to predict that the benefit that will accrue to the American and Canadian peoples from this lowering of the tariff will be so great that public sentiment on both sides of the border will further mutual concessions.

Mr. William George, brother of the chancellor of the exchequer, at the close of the quarterly meeting of the Carnarvonshire county council, of which he is chairman, gave a luncheon to all the members and officials. "No intoxicants, no toasts", was the special notice on the invitation cards. The firm of Lloyd-George & George has never accepted a brief in connection with the liquor traffic. Once a firm of brewers offered a fee of 100 guineas for a single day's appearance at a local petty session, but the offer was refused.

Attorney General Wickersham recommended the dismissal from the service of Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry at Washington, because of technical irregularities in the payment of a noted expert on drugs. The New York World declares that supporters of Dr. Wiley "have evidence to show that the prime mover is the whiskey trust, aided by manufacturers who have been fined for violation of the pure food and drugs act. There is some suspicion in the mind of the house committee on expenditures which is to investigate the charges against Dr. Wiley, for Chairman Moss stated: 'We are going to the bottom of it; we want to see who is behind it'".

The senate passed with amendments the house congressional reapportionment bill, which, when it becomes a law, shortly, will increase the membership of the house of representatives from 391 to 433. Under this arrangement Alabama will have an additional member.

In a letter to the Associated Advertising Clubs which recently held its annual convention in Boston, Col. Theodore Roosevelt urged cleanliness, honesty and decency in advertising, and Bert M. Morse, of New York, declared: "A code of ethics for advertising that all could espouse and observe might consist of one single word, 'honesty'".

A humorist and philosopher says: "A large percentage of the men who are slugged and robbed in our cities meet their fate in localities where they have no legitimate business and generally a long time after business hours. They disregard that wise saying from the Koran: 'If you can't be good, be home early'. I would be willing to pay from my wife's allowance, small as it is, the doctors' bills of all the men who are slugged or robbed on their way home from prayer meetings".

The nations of Europe ought to have united during the reign of the late sultan and driven the Turkish government out of Asia, or at most left it only a little territory about Constantinople, on the west of the Bosphorus. The jealousy of the powers prevented action, and after the revolution there was a general disposition to give the new government a chance. The Turk is unfit to rule over peoples of another race and wholly so if they have a different religious faith.

Postmaster General Hitchcock told the federal commission appointed to inquire into the handling of second-class matter that the postoffice department should be put on a self-supporting basis and said that the end of the present fiscal year would show it on this footing for the first time in a long period. During the fiscal year 1910, he declared, second-class matter brought a profit of \$68,044,156.00. Equalization, he said, would permit a reduction of first-class rates to 1 cent an ounce.

The general arbitration treaties between the United States and Great Britain and the United States and France were signed Thursday afternoon at the white house. Ambassador Bryce signed the British treaty jointly with Secretary of State Knox, and the French treaty, after it is signed by Secretary Knox, will be dispatched by special messenger to exchange for the one bearing the signature of French Minister of Foreign Affairs De Selves.

"Yes, I think the Sunday school people of Monroe county have many reasons to feel encouraged, for, while the work is not what it is in many counties, yet there is decidedly more interest in the work than was shown in the county a few years ago". The above statement was made by Mr. D. W. Sims, the general secretary of the Alabama Sunday School Association, just after the close of the recent convention held at Oak Grove.

Large display advertisements in brewing journals offering to the brewing trade various kinds of chemicals for coloring and preserving beer were produced by John R. Mauff, of Chicago, at the resumption of the "What is beer?" hearing before Dr. Wiley and the board of food and drug inspection. Dr. Wiley showed keen interest in advertisements of chemical companies informing the beer trade that their chemicals were "natural preservatives" and "not prohibited by the pure food laws". "Why", said Mr. Mauff, "there's one company claiming it can make beer out of cabbage leaves".

The constitution-makers could not trust the "people"—they therefore created a body, to be elected by "state" legislatures, whose wisdom was designed to avail against the political aberrations of the voting body out of doors. No doubt there have been great senators, but, no doubt, they also have been elected, if indirectly, by the "people", but freed from responsibility to their constituents. And so the history of the body established to protect the American democracy against itself has been blackened by treachery to the democracy, and the "states" have been represented in the upper house by men who had sold themselves to special interests and furnished the late David Graham Phillips with material for his story of "The Treason of the Senate".

Washington has a great many sea-food restaurants, and into one of these two congressmen—J. Thomas Heflin and Ollie James—strayed the other day. Finishing their lunch, they decided to sit in one of the chairs on the sidewalk in front of the restaurant and watch the passing crowd. After a time they noticed that the passing crowd looked at them and smiled. Each assured the other that he was good to look at and in no degree ridiculous. Yet the crowd kept smiling. After a time James and Heflin discovered the cause. They were sitting under a sign pointing directly at them which apparently described them as "fresh lobsters".—Detroit Free Press.

TRIP NOTES.

It was my privilege and pleasure to be with the brethren of Unity Association in a fifth Sunday meeting at Bethesda church, near Kingston. We had a great day. Bro. F. M. Woods, moderator of the association, presided, and Bro. A. E. Davis, one of the leading educators of Autauga county, acted as secretary. The speeches on the various subjects were inspiring and helpful. Bro. E. T. Smith, of Prattville, was a visitor, and spoke eloquently on the subject, "The Relation of Confession to Salvation." The ladies prepared a bountiful feast for the nourishment of our bodies, and it was with much regret that I was unable to remain over for the Sunday service. But the Lord had prepared another way, and Sunday I spent with the saints at

Prattville.

If you want to get a vision of the church in all its departments doing things for God go to Prattville. With the precision of a well-oiled machine Bro. Smith and his people are going forward. There were 301 present in the teaching service, a large congregation for the preaching service and the annex full for the training service. The gracious privilege of speaking to Bro. Poole's splendid class of young men during the teaching hour was accorded me.

HARRY L. STRICKLAND,
Baptist Sunday School Secretary.

WAS IT YOU?

Somebody voted to ruin my boy;
Was that somebody you?
Somebody helped his pure life to destroy;
Was that somebody you?
Somebody argued in favor of wrong;
Was that somebody you?
Somebody hushed in my life a sweet song;
Was that somebody you?
Somebody voted to throttle the right;
Was that somebody you?
Somebody turned all my day into night;
Was that somebody you?
Somebody licensed another to sell
Was that somebody you?
That which would turn Paradise into hell;
Was that somebody you?
—The Citizen.

There was a preacher out Cinnamon way who mixed politics and prayer to his cost. He prayed on the eve of a general election:

"Grant, O Lord, that the great reform party may all hang together."

"Amen!" cried a scoffer.

"Not, O Lord," resumed the preacher, "in the sense in which that profane scoffer would have it understood, but let the party hang together in accord and concord."

"It's all one to me," the scoffer again interrupted, "what cord it is, so long as it's a good, strong one."

"I know not where his islands lift
Their fringed palms in air;
I only know I cannot drift
Beyond his love and care."

Let us forget—Alabama Baptist Encampment, Shocco Springs, Talladega, August 21-28.

MOBILE ASSOCIATION, ETC.

The Mobile Association met with the church at Prichard, a suburb of Mobile, on July 26, and it was my privilege to be present. During my eleven years' residence in Mobile I missed only one meeting of the association, and that was last year, when I was on a long journey. I could hardly realize that I was not still a member of the body. Brother W. A. Alexander, clerk and deacon of the First church, Mobile, was re-elected moderator. Brother Alexander has served as moderator for about 17 years. The association was well attended, and the interest was good all the way through. As I had to leave on Friday morning to meet another engagement I could not see many of my Mobile friends except those who were at the association.

From Mobile I went to Chatom, the county seat of Washington county, where I spoke that night in the court house. A Baptist church has been organized here, but no building has been erected. The brethren seem undecided as to whether the church shall be built on the east or west side of the railroad. This seems to me to be a very small matter, as the town, including both sides of the railroad, is small. I am persuaded that small churches have more divisions than large churches, and they can least afford to be divided. From Chatom I drove 14 miles to

Koenton,

where a fifth Sunday meeting has been arranged for by the Chalk Hill church. More than a year ago the meeting house of the Chalk Hill church was blown away by a cyclone, and the brethren have been worshipping in a building used as a school house and an Odd Fellows hall. This building is unsuited for church purposes, and is not in the best of condition. I think the fifth Sunday meeting will accomplish great good if it results in influencing the brethren of the Chalk Hill church to begin their new church building at once. Bro. W. C. Crumpton and the scribe had to do most of the speaking, as the other brethren on the program failed to appear on the scene. I greatly enjoyed the services, and the brethren treated us with great kindness and cordiality. On Sunday night I preached at

Milry,

which is four miles from Koenton. I had a house full of people, and they listened attentively to the story I told them of my visit to China. The brethren at this place have no meeting house, but they contributed liberally to the building of the Methodist church, and use their house. After the service on Sunday night I drove a mile and a half further to

Healing Springs,

where I spent the night, and the next morning attended a meeting of the trustees of the Healing Springs Academy. Arrangements were made for the next session, and a first-class young man secured to take charge. If some one could be given a sufficient guarantee to take charge of the school permanently it is thought by many that a splendid school could be built up there. This must be done. If our brethren throughout the state would only realize their opportunity we would have a number of preparatory schools

in the state. Our brethren of Georgia have ten such schools besides their colleges. Let us heed the admonition of Dr. Phillips at our state convention and give the ordinary boy a good chance. On the afternoon of Monday I drove 15 miles to meet an appointment that had been made for me at

Frankville

that night. The weather was unfavorable, but the congregation was quite good, and I greatly enjoyed my visit to this prosperous community. Brother W. A. Parker has been pastor of this church for nearly 20 years. After the service I drove two miles to the splendid home of Brother George Grenade. He and his good wife are a fine pair, and treated the tired secretary with great consideration. Before reaching the church I stopped at the home of Brother Nap. Grenade, and, though it was late, after supper time, this good family saw that the visiting brother was well fed, and insisted that he return for the night. The church building here is a splendid one, and the brethren all speak affectionately of their pastor. From Frankville I drove 12 miles Tuesday morning to

St. Stephens,

where I spoke that night. The congregation was a most excellent one, much better than I expected, as there seemed to be some doubt as to the time I was expected. I was entertained here at the delightful home of Mrs. McGlathery. When I sat down on the front gallery and took in the surroundings and felt the delightful breeze I told Mrs. McGlathery and her fine daughters that I thought I would spend a month with them. Much to my surprise they did not seem distressed over the suggestion, but very cordially invited me to do so. What a charming home this is. There are six daughters in all, five of them still at home, and all of them except the younger are Judson girls. I expected to speak at Leroy on Wednesday night, but when I reached there Wednesday morning I found that no appointment had been made, so came on home. I had some rough roads to travel over, but greatly enjoyed this trip.

W. J. E. COX.

IMPORTANT ENCAMPMENT NOTICE.

Be sure to send your name at once to encampment commission, Wetumpka, Ala., if you expect to attend the encampment.

The First Baptist church of Blocton, where Rev. John L. Ray is pastor, has been enlarged and repaired at a cost of \$600, and the Ladies' Aid Society has secured nearly enough money to repaper the church and to put in a dry air and heating furnace, which will cost about \$250. When completed the First Baptist church will be the best church in the county.

Please discontinue the paper, a thing I am sorry to have to do. Shall miss your breezy way of saying things. The very best of good wishes.—Cecil V. Cook.

Let us forget—Alabama Baptist Encampment, Shocco Springs, Talladega, August 21-28.

SUMMER BREEZES FROM MOUNTAINS AND SEAS.

A. K. Wright—Ensley Baptist Church, 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m.

*Sunday Mornings on Sacred Mountains.

August 6—Mt. Gerezim or "Worship."

August 13—Mt. Gilboah or "Wrecked Lives."

August 20—Mt. Beatitudes or "The Gateway to Happiness."

August 27—Mt. Hermon or "Glimpses of Glory."

September 3—Mt. Olives or "The Upward Look."

*Sunday Evenings by Sacred Waters.

August 6—Sea of Galilee or "Footprints of Jesus."

August 13—Mediterranean Sea or "The Trial of Faith."

August 20—Dead Sea or "The Blast-ed Soul."

August 27—Red Sea or "The Soul Set Free."

September 3—Jordan River or "Perfection Obedience."

*The speaker will tell of his visit to the above places.

ON THE FENCE.

I want to charm the mayor,
And the corporation, too;
I want to please the liquor men,
Yet keep the church in view.
It's business sense to suit the "dry,"
And not offend the "wet;"
So I'm going to trim between the two,
And suit 'em both you bet.
I'm "on the fence," you see;
To save my precious skin,
I'll not come out on either side,
Till I see which one will win.

Two years ago I tried this plan,
But it didn't seem to work;
The liquor men looked doubtful,
And the "drys" called me a shirk;
But I'm satisfied the scheme is right,
It's got to work, by Jing!
So it's "Whoop, hurray!" for both of them,
I'll make the echoes ring.
I'm on the fence, you see;
I'll save my precious skin,
And not declare for either side,
Till I see which one will win.
—National Advocate.

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Rev. John L. Ray, pastor of the First Baptist church, Blocton, Ala., has been in bad health since March, and since the 15th of July he has been poisoned with concentrated arsenic poison, which has given him much pain and great suffering. The church has given him the month of August as a vacation, and he will spend the month of August on Sand Mountain, at Albertville, Ala., where he lived for 12 years.

MORTGAGE SALE.

Under and by virtue of a mortgage executed to the undersigned by Luke Darden and wife, S. L. Darden, on the 25th day of January, 1911, and recorded in volume 609, record of deeds, at page 156, in the office of the Judge of Probate of Jefferson county, Alabama, default having been made in the same, the undersigned will proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in front of the court house door, in Birmingham, Ala., on the 11th of September, 1911, within the hours of legal sale, the following described property, situated in Jefferson county, Alabama, to-wit:

All of lot 22, in block 39, in the city of Birmingham, Ala., except 39 feet by 50 feet off of the north end heretofore sold to Norman Thornton, the land hereby conveyed being a rectangle fronting south 50 feet on Sixth avenue by 61 feet in depth along Fifteenth street, the same being the south 61 feet of the said lot, together with all structures, buildings and improvements thereon and the privilege of water closet remaining in present situation. JOHN W. PRUDE, July 9-31 Mortgagee.

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EXPERIENCE AS AN EDITOR.

Everybody ought to be an editor for a little while, at least that part of the human family who fell, and often express their feelings, that they could teach the poor fellows who are trying it many valuable wrinkles.

Surely this scribe lays down his temporary position as editor of the Index with a much higher regard and a keener sympathy for our faithful, painstaking, self-sacrificing editors, who supply us weekly with the best mental and spiritual food and stimulants that the market affords, at a minimum cost. While it is no picnic to keep a great paper, like the Index, up in the neighborhood of its usual high standard of excellence, yet with such a superb printing plant, and with the generous help of the absent editors the work was comparatively easy and extremely pleasant. Really we were half sorry when the junior editor returned and our reign came to an end.

For the benefit of the "uninitiated," a word of experience might be of interest and helpful. The first difficulty this scribe encountered was a lack of "copy" to fill up the columns. After he had dictated all he knew and some things he did not know, but expected would happen, thinking he had enough to fill up two newspapers, the experienced stenographer informed him that he had about one-half enough to fill the "over the state" page. What was to be done? The new editor had not yet learned the art of "making brick without straw." The cry from the composing room for more "copy," more "Georgia news," kept ringing in his ears. And every pigeonhole containing letters from the brethren had been exhausted, programs of union meetings long drawn out, obituaries; everything had gone, and still more "copy" was needed. But Brethren Bernard and Nunnally are an ever present help in every time of need of copy, and good copy, too. They saved the day.

Moral: If many pastors in the state would take a little time off and a little pains, and screw themselves up to the writing point, and send an occasional bright, pointed, news letter, while it is still news, to the Index, it would be a benediction to the editor and a blessing to all concerned.

But sometimes the editor's embarrassment is an oversupply of material. The "supply" editor found in pigeonholes stacks and cords of spring poetry and other varieties, all, no doubt, above par, but not being a poet himself and hence being a poor judge of such effusions, he was afraid to take chances. So let the muses be patient and in due season their turn will come, perhaps, in the return of the regular editors.

A superfluity of prose matter, some anonymous, some that this scribe could read, and some he could not, on various and sundry topics, were found stowed away. The "supply" editor was afraid to disturb them. They, too, doubtless will receive consideration at the proper time. Be patient, brethren.

But there was a commodity more needed that was scarcer than news. Every mail brought a bit of news; sometimes, alas, it was disappointing news, which read something like this: "Please discontinue my paper. The paper is good and all right, but I

haven't time to read it." That was an exceedingly mild and pleasant surprise in comparison with some other letters that come. And then those checks—yes, a few of them came, and they were gladly welcomed, but the majority of them must have gone to some other office. If July is a fair sample, if one has aspirations to become a multimillionaire he would do well to turn his feet towards other fields than that of a religious newspaper editor. If you think the coffers of such an editor become plethoric rapidly, try it awhile. And then if you think \$2 per year is too much for the amount and quality of matter in the paper just sit down and read the proof of one issue for about three times, and you will decide that already you have more than gotten your money's worth in quantity and quality.

But many charming letters were received and many encouraging words were spoken, which led the writer to feel that after all it was worth while to be an editor, even though it was only for a brief period. And let others do as they may, but as for this poor man, from this time on he has made up his mind to pay his subscriptions promptly, before he is dunned, to give all legitimate and helpful news to the editors at once, and to encourage them in their work by being more generous with worthy praise than with hurtful criticism.

To quote a rather hackneyed but apt expression, "Don't short the editor, for ordinarily he is doing the best he can." WALTER M. GILMORE.

DR. GAMBRELL ON TEXAS SITUATION.

Dr. J. B. Gambrell, writing editorially in the Baptist Standard, sums up the situation after the prohibition campaign in Texas as follows: "Some of us at least have about done our full duty. There is great peace in the thought that one has done his duty, both as to the present age and the ages to come. Whatever may be the outcome of it, whether when everything is sifted down the state has gone wet or dry, there is no question that public sentiment has been immensely improved, and the cause of prohibition has advanced tremendously by the campaign. If the state is declared wet, if course, it opens the whole field for renewed struggles. Local option elections will occur, and the saloons, protected in their strongholds by men who have turned the womanhood and childhood of Texas over to them as prey, will continue to raid the dry territory. The prohibitionists have just begun fighting. Every intelligent man who voted against the amendment knew in his heart that he was voting to perpetuate bar-rooms in large areas of Texas, and he knew that wet centers would be used as bases of operation to exploit the liquor traffic further out. The men who have done that can answer to their own conscience, to Almighty God and to an enlightened civilization."

"Faith, Hope and Love were questioned what they thought Of future glory which religion taught: Now Faith believed it to be firmly true, And Hope expected so to find it, too; Love answered, smiling with unconscious glow, 'Believe? expect? I know it to be so.'"



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ALABAMA BAPTIST

"EAST OF THE RIVER"
HOME MISSIONS

By Victor I. Masters, Editorial Secretary.

The Home Mission Board has a committee on Missions East of the River and another on Missions West of the River, the river being the great Mississippi.

The distinction is rather artificial, of course. It represents the place rather than the character of the work. When the distinction was established, at the beginning of the fiscal year in 1897, the geographical nomenclature was found to be convenient. If the growing size and complexity of Home Mission work shall require it, as seems not improbable, the board may adopt a new style that will indicate the character rather than the location of the work.

Missions East of the River as administered by the Home Board does not include the mountain school work in the East of the River territory, nor the work for the negroes, nor evangelism, nor the loans made in church building. Each of these belong to a distinct department of the work of the board. Missions East of the River does include all the co-operative mission work conducted in the various states of this department, all the gifts made in church building, all the work done in the territory for immigrants and foreigners and certain special work.

Omitting the departments of work that have been excepted above, which expend about \$70,000 and secure large and blessed results in the East of Mississippi territory, let us take a look at the activities that our board conducts under the department, Missions East of the River.

The Home Board has appropriated for the present year approximately \$65,000 for the activities of this department. The appropriation is to be applied as follows: \$8,542 to work distinctly for foreigners, \$27,350 to co-operative missionary work with various state boards, \$21,540 to gifts for erecting church buildings and \$7,300 to special mission work. Similar activities are conducted west of the Mississippi, but we do not consider them here.

The distinctive work for foreigners east of the Mississippi consists of two women missionaries and the pastor of the First German Baptist church at Baltimore, one woman missionary at Norfolk, eight missionaries at Tampa, of whom one man and four women work among the Cubans and two men and one woman among the Italians, one Swedish missionary pastor at Silver Hill, Ala., and one woman missionary at Birmingham.

The co-operative mission work in this department consists of specified contributions from the Home Board to various State Missions Board to aid their general mission work, and this work consists almost entirely in supporting missionary pastors at weak and needy churches and mission stations.

The appropriation of the Home Board by states for co-operative work in the East of the Mississippi department this year is: Alabama, \$2,000; Florida, \$5,500; Kentucky, \$2,000; Maryland, \$7,500; Mississippi, \$5,500; Tennessee, \$2,000; Virginia, \$110; Illinois, 1,750. No co-operative work is done in North and South Carolina and Georgia, the aid given by the Home Board in those states being in the mountain schools and church building departments.

The joint missionaries who work under the co-operative plan are appointed by the state boards. This secures the advantage of the intimate and expert knowledge of local brethren in conducting the work. There is, however, real participation on the part of the Home Board in these co-operative expenditures. With its limited number of workers, it is manifestly impracticable for the Home Board to keep in direct contact with all of the 3,500 missionary churches east and west of the Mississippi that receive aid from the co-operative funds, but the corresponding secretary of the Home Mission Board is in frequent conference with the secretaries of the state boards, with which the co-operative work is jointly conducted, and the Home Board spares no pains or care in its efforts to do its co-operative work with the greatest wisdom possible.

It is as true of religious as of social development, that growth means increasing complexity, and this in turn demands the co-operation of various forces to secure ends desired. The necessity of co-operative work is a token of life and progress. It becomes the

Home Board as the servant of Southern Baptists to be alert and diligent in making use of every opportunity to render its co-operative work more efficient. But instead of the work being an element of weakness it is an evidence and expression of the development and unity of Southern Baptists. The greatest achievements in history have been the result of co-operation. Co-operation is the very essence of the tie that binds local Baptist churches into a compact and available denominational whole, fit to advance as a unit in the salvation and Christian training of men and women in the whole world.

Gifts this fiscal year in erecting church buildings in the East of the River department will approximate \$21,500. Of this amount \$14,040 has been appropriated as gifts to specially designated churches and \$7,500 to co-operative church building work. We are distinguishing here between co-operative church building gifts and co-operative gifts for the support of missionaries. The last named has just been treated above. Co-operative church building gifts consist of lump sums to be spent in certain states by the board in erecting church edifices. This work is canvassed and carried out by our corresponding secretary in conference and co-operation with the secretary and Board of State Missions in each state to which the gift is made. This year the East of the River appropriations for this work by states are: Florida, \$1,500; Alabama, \$1,500; Kentucky, \$3,500, and Tennessee, \$1,000.

The appropriations for aiding in the erection of specified churches this year are: District of Columbia, \$2,000; New Orleans, \$1,520; Maryland, \$5,000; North Carolina, \$1,090; South Carolina, \$2,500 and Tennessee, \$2,000. It would be pleasant, but require too much space, to detail here the conditions that surround each gift. For the brotherhood to know how our church building appropriations in practically every case save an important situation, and how they stimulate for every dollar given the local giving of from \$5 to \$10, could not but inspire them to do larger things for the church building work of the Home Board.

I have designated as special mission work certain activities in the East of the River department that do not belong with any of the classes mentioned above. This special work consists of \$5,200 to be spent for the salaries of five pastors and one woman worker in New Orleans, \$600 to be paid on the salary of Rev. C. E. W. Dobbs at Key West and \$1,500 to be spent in Tennessee on salaries of a missionary in Memphis and the Woman's Missionary Union field worker for the state.

In the territory that is east of the Mississippi river the board is spending altogether about \$135,000. In this territory, as in all the other territory covered by our Home Mission activities, we could advantageously spend twice as much. May the Lord quicken our Southern Baptist men and women with a sense of the large opportunities that exist in every department of our Home Mission work.

CHRISTIANITY IN THE EAST.

Even in the dawn of the twentieth century there are critics who say that the Oriental mind will never accept Christianity and that it is a waste of men and money to send missionaries to the east, and all this in the face of facts which ought to forever put a stop to such silly criticisms. The greatness of the progress made in Japan within the memory of living persons is vividly brought out in a quotation from a paper by Rev. Dr. Imbrie, of the American Presbyterian Mission:

"Fifty years ago notice-boards were standing on the highways declaring Christianity a forbidden religion; today those same notice-boards are seen standing in the museum in Tokyo as things of historical interest. Fifty years ago religious liberty was a phrase not yet minted in Japan; today it is written in the constitution of the nation. Less than 50 years ago the Christian Scriptures could be printed only in secret; today Bible societies scatter them far and wide without let or hindrance. Fifty years ago there was not a Protestant Christian in Japan; today they are to be found among the members of the Imperial diet, the judges in the courts, the professors in the Imperial University, the editors of influential newspapers, the officers of the army and navy."

INTERNATIONAL PEACE

By H. B. Folk.

Wars have been productive of good. They have cultivated the heroic and sacrificial virtues and have enriched the life of men with song and story, allusion and illustration. But if that which gives occasion for heroism and sacrifice be a good thing, then the most reckless railroad, the one that kills the most people, is the greatest benefactor, and they ought to be encouraged to run recklessly. And whatever enrichment of life war gives has already been given, and is a permanent possession that will be held after war has passed away, as the mythology of Greece still enriches literature, though the things told of or belief in them have long since passed away.

War in the past has been inevitable. It has been the expression on a large, organized scale of the same spirit of aggression, resentment and hostility that have characterized individuals. But with the growth of civilization the fist, the club and the sword of the individual have been replaced by the scales of justice. So in the development of civilization the sword of the nations should be replaced by the court of justice.

Wars have sometimes been justifiable, at least on the part of one side, and generally both sides have thought it was so in their case, and have called to the God of heaven to witness the justice of their cause. But when a nation has been wantonly invaded by another, what was that nation to do except fight unless it was to cowardly submit to national disgrace and humiliation, and perhaps extinction? But with the full establishment of an international court of justice such a case would not be possible.

The establishment of such a court is imperative because of the cost of war. The standing armies and navies of Europe cost every year one billion dollars, a sum equal to a pile of dollar bills 52 miles high. The annual cost in this country for past and prospective wars makes a pile of dollar bills 22 miles high. This equals about \$5 for every man, woman and child in the land, or about \$25 for a family of five. If some of us were asked for this much a year for missions we would stand aghast. But the government does not ask for it; it takes it.

And I am not discussing the question of whether or not it does right to take it, when the other nations are armed and arming. There are sincere advocates of peace on both sides of this question. But the question I am discussing is whether or not the nations should not cease their absurd rivalry in building big ships and maintaining large armies, and submitting their differences to an international court, agree to disarm.

One first-class battleship costs \$10,000,000 and a million dollars a year to maintain. Its life is about 15 years, and then it is obsolete. The Congressional Library at Washington, the finest of its kind in the world, cost only about two-thirds as much as a battleship, and requires only three-fourths as much a year to maintain it. One shot from one of the big guns, including deterioration of the weapon, costs \$1,700—equal to three and two-thirds years of a workingman's wages, or five and one-third years of a woman school teacher's salary, or a four years' college education.

Not only must the men of the army and navy be maintained, but they are withdrawn from productive occupations. Instead of using their plowshares and pruning hooks in peaceful industry, they have beaten them into swords and spears for destructive purposes.

This is the cost of armed peace, but should a war break out the cost would mount up with wings as of eagles, and it would pile up war debts and pensions mountain high for future generations to pay, and entail the loss of the productive energy of the peaceful citizens who have been drawn into the war and killed, and the loss not only of their productive energy, but of their possible descendants.

It is estimated that since the beginning of authentic history fifteen billion people have been killed in war, equal to the total population of the earth for the last 600 years. One million perished in the civil war.

If we place their earning capacity at \$400 a year each it equals a loss of \$400,000,000 a year, not counting their descendants. We are importing foreigners into this country at the rate of a million a year. We say they are needed to develop the country. Would there not have been room in this country for the productive energies of the men of this purer breed who perished in the war and of their descendants?

There is also the loss in the way of property destroyed and industry and commerce demoralized. Sherman's march to the sea destroyed property to the value of \$300,000,000. The indirect damage done to the commerce of the United States by southern cruisers was estimated at \$4,000,000,000. Many families in England were bankrupted and many operatives in the mills involved in distress on account of the interruption of the cotton trade.

There is the cost in suffering. This is not alone on the part of the active participants in the war. The mothers and wives must wait in suspense and anxiety for news from the front, which went it comes often rends the heart with anguish. And the horror of a battlefield. The Duke of Wellington said: "If you were to see but one day of war you would pray God that you might never see another." Men, one instant in the full flush of strength and energy and ardor, the next writhing in agony, biting the dust, groaning in anguish. One man on the street weltering in his blood would send a shudder over the beholders. Here are men by the thousands, some with the blood still trickling warm from their wounds; some cold and stiff in death; and the air is filled with moans and groans and cries. Dickens thus describes a charge: "There will be the full complement of backs broken in two, of arms twisted wholly off, of men impaled upon their own bayonets, of legs smashed up like bits of firewood, of heads sliced open like apples, of other head crunched into soft jelly by the iron hoofs of horses, of faces trampled out of all likeness to anything human. This is what skulks behind a splendid charge." This is what follows, as a matter of course, when our fellows rode at them in style and cut them up famously!"

War being thus wasteful and horrible, efforts have been made to abolish or lessen it. A hundred years ago the United States led in efforts for international peace. Three peace societies were established here in 1815. During the next generation a wave of peace agitation spread over the country, and the movement became known in Europe as "The American Way." Then came the bitterness, the passions, the arms of the civil war, which turned some of the advocates of peace into advocates of war on the south. Then, having found that peace is sometimes an easier thing to advise for other nations than to follow one's self in the face of concrete conditions, this country dropped the subject for 40 years, or until 1889.

In 1898 the Czar of Russia issued a call to the nations for a conference to consider the question of disarmament. One hundred delegates from 26 nations met at The Hague in Holland. The time was not ripe for disarmament, but a permanent international tribunal was agreed on by the nations. In 1907 the second Hague conference convened, with 250 delegates from 44 nations, and important advance steps were taken. It is to meet again not later than 1915, when it is hoped that plans for an improved court and for disarmament can be perfected and accepted.

Numerous cases have already been settled by this Hague tribunal. There exist 80 treaties between different nations to refer their differences with certain reservations to The Hague. President Taft has proposed a treaty with Great Britain; referring all questions without reservation to The Hague, and it has met a warm response from England. If it is adopted it is probable that it will be followed by similar treaties with other nations.

There are growing groups of men in the leading nations working for international peace, and various international national peace societies. Mr. Carnegie recently gave \$10,000,000 for the purpose of furthering this end, the price, it is true, of only one battle-ship, but it will doubtless produce large results.

God grant that it may soon come to pass that the burden of war and of armed peace may be taken from the bowed back of mankind; that this horror, this nightmare, this red dragon of war may be lifted up from the earth and cast into the abyss.

"War!
I abhor,
And yet how sweet
The sound along the marching street
Of drum and fife! And I forget
Wet eyes of widows, and forget
Broken old mothers, and the whole
Dark butchery without a soul.
Without a soul—save this bright drink
Of heavenly music, sweet as death;
And even my peace-abiding feet
Go marching with the marching street;
For yonder, yonder goes the fife,
And what care I for human life;
The tears fill my astonished eyes,
And my full heart is like to break;
And yet 'tis all embannered lies,
A dream those little drummers make.
O, it is wickedness to clothe
Yon hideous, grinning thing, that stalks
Hidden in music, like a queen
That in a garden of glory walks.
Till good men love the thing they loathe!
Art, thou hast many infamies,
But not an infamy like this.
O, snap the fife and still the drum,
And show the monster as she is!"

THE ASHEVILLE CONFERENCE.

Julia Ward.

The Young People's Missionary Education Movement completed on July 10 a most successful conference at Asheville, N. C. The conference was held in the Normal and Collegiate Institute, which is on a most beautiful elevation somewhat nearer Blount than Asheville. The beauty of the surroundings and the personnel of the conference were most inspiring and uplifting.

The delegation was smaller than was hoped; but the delegates were picked people and the work done was earnest and prayerful. Only ten of the one hundred and thirty-four delegates were without some official position in church or Sunday school, and these ten were at the conference for the purpose of deciding upon a life work—just where to place their service. The registration was as follows:

Methodist, 52; Baptist, 34; Presbyterian, 34; Lutheran, 8; Episcopalian, 5; Congregational, 1. Total, 134.

States Represented—North Carolina, 37; Georgia, 29; Tennessee, 13; South Carolina, 14; Florida, 9; Alabama, 8; New York, 4; Louisiana, 2; Mississippi, 2; Pennsylvania, 1; Maryland, 1; West Virginia, 1. Countries Represented—China, Korea, Japan.

The morning hours, 8 to 12:30, were given to class room work. The following classes and studies were eagerly attended by the delegates:

Mission Study	Teacher.
South America	Miss Spaulding
Korea	Miss Boyles
Sunrise in the Sunrise Kingdom	Dr. Cronk
The Upward Path	Miss Haskins
Advance in the Antilles	Dr. Whitsett
Frontier	Miss Lambdin
The Decisive Hour	Mr. Logan

Open hour meetings were held each day by Mr. Ray, Mr. Myers and Mr. Rawlings. The subjects discussed were: Mission Study Class Methods, led by Mr. Ray; Missions in the Sunday School, by Mr. Rawlings, and Missionary Education, by Mr. Myers. These meetings were very helpful. The discussions were free and so deftly handled by the leaders that a fund of practical information and suggestion was the result of each meeting.

Mission study as used in the different departments of Sunday school work occupied the last hour of the morning's work. Primary and junior mission study was conducted by Miss Mendenhall; intermediate methods by Miss Whitten, and community study by Mr. Harry S. Myers.

The conference was greatly blessed by the presence of some of our most earnest missionaries, Mr. Logan and Mr. McAlpin of Japan, Mr. Gamble and Mr. Hannel of Korea, Mr. Stephens of China. The evenings were made delightful by talks about the different countries illustrated by stereopticon views. The personal touch which the missionaries were able

to give to these stereopticon talks was invaluable. As the delegates laughed at Mr. Stephens' ludicrous adventures with a mule and wept over the pitiful pictures of woman and child life in China, we felt that the mission fields were very near and dear to our hearts, and that missionary education was very necessary to teach our people the conditions in this beautiful world of ours.

The beautiful vesper service held each evening on the lawn while the sun was setting among the blue mountains, and the period of intercession just before the noon hour, were true prayer meetings. With hearts open in thankfulness and intercession to the Heavenly Visitor, we could feel that He was in our midst and would be with us always, "even unto the end of this age".

SECOND ANNUAL ALABAMA BAPTIST ENCAMPMENT.

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Our Prepared Table.

Series One—Mission Study Class.

9 a. m. daily. Dr. Richard Hall, leader. A class for the study and discussion of Mission Study Methods, using the text book, "Southern Baptist Foreign Missions," as a basis for the work done.

Series Two—Teacher Training Class.

9 a. m. daily. Dr. P. E. Burroughs, leader. "The Convention Normal Manual" is the text book used, and certificates from the Sunday School Board will be used for the work done.

Series Three—B. Y. P. U. Training Class.

9 a. m. daily. Sunday School Secretary L. P. Leavell, leader. The text book is "B. Y. P. U. Manual," with the following chapters as daily lessons: Wednesday, chapters 1 and 2; Thursday, chapter 3; Friday, chapter 4; Saturday, chapter 5; Monday, chapters 6 and 7.

It is necessary that all the three study classes come at the same time, so each person must select the class most suited to his needs. The text books should be secured ahead of time, but can be had from the teachers in charge of the classes.

Series Four—Lectures on the Prophets.

10 a. m. daily by Dr. W. J. McLothlin. Tuesday, "The Lord's People in Captivity;" Wednesday, "Daniel the Faithful;" Thursday, "Ezekiel and His Visions;" Friday, "The Restoration;" Saturday, "Rebuilding the Holy City;" Monday, "Malachi's Warnings."

Series Five—Quiet Hour Services.

5:30 p. m. daily. Dr. W. O. Carver, speaker. Monday, "Preparation for Temptation;" Tuesday, "Self in Temptation;" Wednesday, "Materialism in Temptation;" Thursday, "God in Relation to Temptation;" Friday, "Evil as Involved in Temptation;" Saturday, "The Devil's Place and Way in Temptation;" Sunday, "The Significance of Crucial Temptation."

Series Six—Evening Addresses.

8 p. m. daily. Monday, greetings, Dr. J. M. Thomas; convocation address, Dr. A. J. Dickinson; Tuesday, education, Dr. Edw. M. Potent; Wednesday, W. M. address, Dr. C. Ross Baker; Thursday, "The Baptist Message for the World Today," Dr. W. O. Carver; Friday, "Sidney Lanier, Southern Poet," Dr. W. J. McLothlin; Saturday, "The All-Around Young Person," Dr. J. L. Rosser; Sunday, "The Oriental World," Dr. W. J. E. Cox.

Series Seven—Special Interest Conferences.

11 a. m. daily.

Educational Conference Tuesday. J. C. Wright presiding. W. W. Campbell and W. J. E. Cox, speakers.

W. M. U. Conference, Wednesday (pavilion). Mrs. Chas. A. Stakely presiding. Topics: 1. "Joy in Service." 2. "Skill Through Study." 3. "Ways and Means." 4. "Our Girls in City Organization." 5. "Possibilities in City Organization." 6. "Development of the Rural District."

Ministers' Conference, Wednesday (tent).

Laymen's Conference, Thursday. Hon. H. S. D. Mallory presiding. Open conference and address, Dr. J. T. Henderson.

Sunday School Conference, Friday. H. L. Strickland, leader.

B. Y. P. U. Conference, Saturday. H. L. Strickland and L. P. Leavell, leaders.

Mission Day.

Sunday. Sermon by Dr. B. D. Gray.

Music.

Mr. Tom Garner, director; Mr. Ira Jordan, pianist. A full supply of song books has been secured, and music will be a special feature of every service.

Sunday School.

Sunday, 9:30 a. m. H. L. Strickland, superintendent. A regular Sunday school session will be held—not simply a mass meeting. This will be a helpful feature.

EDITORIAL

THOSE THIRTY-ROOM HOTELS.

The vice commission of Chicago in its report said: "The commission has found in its investigation that the most dangerous immoral influence, and the most important financial interest, outside of the business of prostitution as carried on in houses, is the disorderly saloons. The proprietors of these places are using prostitutes as an adjunct to the sale of beer and liquor, and are allowing them to openly solicit for immoral purposes in their rear rooms. This is done in spite of the constant statements of the brewers and wholesale liquor dealers that they are against the use of the prostitute in saloons which they supply."

In spite of the assurance of the local optionists we have a wholesome fear of what may come to pass in Greater Birmingham, as we remember what the Raines hotel bill did for Greater New York.

A GENEROUS BAPTIST.

With one or two notable exceptions, our philanthropists have given practically nothing to carry directly to the people the knowledge of disease prevention. They have contributed enormous sums in the aggregate for hospitals and medical research—a most worthy and fruitful field for philanthropy, but if more money were contributed to prevent disease there would be less need for hospitals.

Of all of our men of great wealth Mr. John D. Rockefeller appears to be the most impressed with the urgent need for a permanent prevention campaign and with the necessity of carrying it direct to the people. Through his generosity a hospital has been richly endowed for the study of cancer and other baffling diseases, to the end that their causes and a means of prevention and cure may be discovered. He has given a million dollars to assist in eliminating the ravages of the hookworm disease, which is causing much misery and waste of life in the country districts. He has also responded nobly to the needs of education, and such gifts should be encouraged.

The nation is suffering fearfully from life-waste. The loss in productive value alone of lives prematurely destroyed is estimated to be \$1,500,000,000 annually.

A RUSSIAN BAPTIST HERO.

Pastor William Fetler, of the First Russian Baptist church, of St. Petersburg, who was also the founder of it, makes a heroic appeal to Baptists of America. He came here to attend the recent Baptist Alliance in Philadelphia. For him \$2,500 in money was put up that he would return to Russia by October next to stand trial for having started in Moscow a Baptist church and winning to it some Russia Orthodox church members.

Before quitting St. Petersburg last March he bought a site, and he and his Russian Baptist, numerous, but poor, began the construction in St. Petersburg of a Baptist church to seat 2,000. The structure is partly built and funds are exhausted. Pastor Fetler looks with dismay, not upon any trial at Moscow, but at returning to his St. Petersburg congregation without money to complete his big church. Hence his heroic appeal.

Over 1,000 belong to the St. Petersburg church, and there are six subsidiary halls in various parts of the city, all crowded. A preachers' training class has 40 members, who go out as lay evangelists.

St. Petersburg University students crowd a Thursday night weekly lecture. The Czar is cognizant of the work, and himself gave permission for the purchase of the site for the now unfinished "Prayer House," as it is designated.

Pastor Fetler asks American Baptists for \$45,000, not to be given to the St. Petersburg Baptist church, but to be used to complete their "Prayer House," and later to be paid back and to become a Baptist church building fund for Russia. Pastor Fetler's efforts in Moscow have resulted in a flourishing Baptist work in that city, as yet without property of its own. He says he will keep his word and face the government in-Moscow for trial, although it is not unlikely to result in banishment to Siberia for a series of years.

Drs. Conwell, MacArthur and Meyer expect to visit the Czar about Christmas. Pastor Fetler and his people desire to have the building completed in order that these brethren may have a part in the opening and dedicatory services. Prompt raising of the money and rapid completion of the work will have a telling effect on the Russian authorities.

ENCAMPMENT BREVITIES.

Hotel rates are \$1 per day for more than two in a room. Two in a room, \$1.25 per day.

Rates are the same for children and grown people. It is a half rate for all when the dollar rate is made.

There is a splendid swimming pool at Shocco, so bring your bathing suit. President Montague requested the committee ten months ago to give the people an opportunity to paddle about a bit. So the pool is just completed.

The music will be a feature of this encampment. Mr. Tom Garner, of Tuscaloosa, will be our director, and Mr. Ira L. Jordan, of Castleberry, will be the pianist. Then we are having Mrs. Harry Eddins, of Tuscaloosa, to come home from New York for the express purpose of doing solo work for our meetings. A full supply of the song book, "New Evangel," will be on hand.

Demands are coming in for rooms right along. The people are interested, and the attendance will be fine. Let everybody be prepared for crowding, good fellowship and a royal time all around. The only person thus far to ask for the exclusive use of a whole great big room is an audacious old bachelor preacher of South Alabama.

The people of Talladega are greatly interested in the encampment, and committees have been appointed by both the Baptist church and the Chamber of Commerce to assist in looking after the comfort of visitors as they arrive in Talladega.

As to railroad rates, keep in mind this fact: Agents at stations where round-trip tickets are sold have received two notices. Our first rate secured authorized the sale of tickets only on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, August 19, 20 and 21; but a second notice was sent out changing the selling dates to Monday, the 21st, through Friday, the 25th. So see that your agent digs up that second notice.

The two urgent matters are: First, send a contribution to Mr. W. W. Campbell, Tuskegee, Ala., to assist in defraying the expenses of the encampment. Second, if you expect to attend send your name at once to Encampment Commission, Wetumpka, Ala. This will be of great benefit in preparing adequate accommodation at Shocco.

Yours sincerely,

A. G. MOSELEY,

Chairman.

Wetumpka, Aug. 5, 1911.

Will you please send the Alabama Baptist, beginning with this week's issue, until the end of August, to me at Panama Cottage, Chautauqua, N. Y. Mrs. Hall and I are going with a party from here, and I expect to "pass under the Golden Gate" at Chautauqua August 16. Your friend—Richard Hall, Evergreen.

THE WORLD ALLIANCE AND THE WOMEN'S WORK.

We are glad that a bond of union, a definite connecting link, between the women's organization in the Baptist bodies of the world is now an assured fact, for in Philadelphia on June 23, at a meeting of sixteen officers of general woman's missionary organizations, the woman's committee of the Baptist World Alliance was formed, to consist of one member to be elected by each of the general organizations such as the W. M. U., and one member from each of the countries in which the Baptist women

have not yet been organized for missionary work. The officers of the committee were elected that day and are three in number: Chairman, Mrs. Andrew MacLeish, of Chicago; vice chairman, Mrs. M. C. Kerry, of London; secretary, Miss Edith Campbell Crane, Baltimore.

We congratulate the committee on having Miss Crane for its secretary. That she realizes the great possibilities of the new movement will be realized when she says: "The dominant note of our work must be, not 'Glory to the Baptists,' but a sane and thoughtful attempt to match God's truth committed to us with lives that truly represent Him in all personal and social relations."

And when we read her tribute to the president, saying:

"Those who were not present at the Philadelphia meeting will be interested to learn that in the great gathering of about 4,000 women at the public meeting on June 23 it was our honor to have Miss Heck give to the body the final greeting on behalf of all the Baptist women of the nited States. No more thoughtful address and none more expressive of the spirit of our faith was given that day. Many were made to feel afresh the power and the incalculable value of the faith that is ours. When by contrast with our ease and freedom in this land Miss Heck pictured the courage and loyalty needed to stand in the place of persecution and danger, in lands where the right to hold the personal evangelical faith of Christ is denied; and we honored the women who have braved stoning and many another danger to be true to Him."

It makes us very proud of these devoted and consecrated women who have so nobly led the W. M. U.

THE MOROCCO INCIDENT.

We have eagerly read the dispatches from the various European capitals anent the Morocco incident and have tried to get at the root of the matter and view the diplomatic tangle, not as an interested party, but as a citizen of the world eager to know the facts and wishful for a solution that would inure to the benefit of mankind rather than add prestige to any nation. There is more at stake than the jockeying for spheres of influence between France and Germany. England has had a paramount influence in Egypt, and looks with a jealous eye on an encroaching power. When England, France and Germany get into a political or commercial game the other European powers begin to look on and sooner or later take sides. The conference of Algieras in 1906 patched up an arrangement which saved the face of Germany, admitted to some extent the claims of France and Spain to interfere in the affairs of Morocco, and yet tied the hands of France very effectually in regard to the absorption within her own dominion of this most unruly Berber state. France now finds herself awkwardly situated in Morocco. The cruel, misgoverning Sultan deserves little commiseration; nor need we waste over much pity on his unruly and unwilling subjects, who are madly fanatical against the Christian European, pitilessly cruel, tribe against tribe, warped and spoilt by twelve centuries of civil war.

So far as Great Britain is concerned, she has for a very apparent compensation elsewhere surrendered any claims she may possess to free trade in North Africa. She has done so in regard to Algeria and Tunis, and is, no doubt, pledged to do so in Morocco if France succeeds in becoming with the assent of Europe the predominant power in that country.

From all we can gather we favor the French in the present crisis, as she has worked marvels in draining innumerable swamps, digging artesian wells, battling with the locusts, killing out the lions, planting the land and building good roads.

At the present day Tunisia is as safe and as open to tourists as France itself, while, of course, the same thing can be said not only of Algeria, but of all those frontier regions in the east and south of Morocco which are in French occupation.

A strike for the continuance of prohibition in Barbour county was made Sunday night at the union services held at the First M. E. church. Rev. J. A. French, pastor of the First Baptist church, spoke on "The Saloon Traffic."

A MAN'S DUTY TO LESSEN HIS WIFE'S DRUDGERY.

We read in the 7th verse, 12th chapter of Matthew, "All things therefore whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, even so do ye also unto them." While this seemingly applies to the male sex, there is no doubt that it is intended as a general rule, applicable to each and every human being living, and more is the pity it is not lived up to, to the letter. Take, for illustration, the relations existing between husband and wife. These relations should be in perfect harmony and accord, one with the other, and it is the husband's duty to look to the comfort and welfare of the wife, to lessen her burdens in life, both mentally and physically. But does he? No, a thousand times no. Of course, there are exceptions to every rule, but there are thousands of men today who will sit idly by, peacefully reposed in an easy chair, and allow the already overworked wife to go to the well in the yard, or to the spring at a distance, and bring water to the house, to wear away her life eternally cleaning and refilling dirty, disagreeable old oil lamps, when, with a few dollars, he can install in the house a complete water and lighting system that will save the wife many, many hours of toil, and add a good many years to her life.

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Good News For The Deaf.

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THE FINISHED ARTICLE.

"We Don't Want You—Get Out."

The bar was crowded, busy and gay.
The clink of glasses went on,
When a drunken, dirty fellow slouched in,
And was sharply bade begone.

Amongst the many strangers there,
Sitting or standing about,
There was none so wretched, and he was told

"We don't want you—get out."

A muttered threat and a louder curse,
As the fellow staggered away,
With a parting oath, and a glance around,

"You'll be just the same some day."

On the crowded bar a stillness fell
For just a brief moment's space,
Then the glasses filled and emptied again,
And merriment filled the place.

But in one heart the few words remained,
And taught a sharp lesson true;
One drinker drank his last glass that night,
Amongst that rough, noisy crew.

Young men, strong men, with cash to spend
Are wanted in every bar;
Respectable men and well-dressed men,
Whose name will carry them far.

But the sad result of drunkenness,
The ragged, penniless lout,
He is not wanted, but sharply told:
"We don't want you—get out."

Men, will you tread the downward way,
Oft ending in sin and shame?
Will you ruin your home, your happiness,
In earning a drunkard's name?

Will you gradually lose your look of health,
Get shabbier, day by day?
Till, perchance, in the bar you spent your cash
You are told to "get away?"

The publican is not proud of his work,
Wants no "finished goods" about;
After years of drinking you, too, may hear:
"We don't want you—get out."
—Mary E. Johnston in Alliance News.

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A GOOD IDEA.

For the past ten years the editors of the Index have so arranged that one of them has always been present in the office in editorial management of the paper. Circumstances were such this summer as to make it necessary to put some one in charge for a period of three weeks. Bro. Walter M. Gilmore was agreed upon, and arranged with to do the work. In another column will be found an article on his experiences as editor. It has occurred to us that it would be well to make similar arrangements with a very large number of brethren, so that our real sympathizers might multiply. If we could have our 10,000 or more readers occupy the editorial chair for a term of three weeks each, we would never have any more trouble either in securing matter for the paper or in the collection of subscriptions. Yea, we think we would get a bunch of new ones also. Read what Bro. Gilmore has to say.—Christian Index.

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK.

What else in life is so well worth while as showing a wanderer God's road?—Malcolm D. Babcock.

DURING AUGUST.

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Our work in the Eastern District. Mrs. O. M. Reynolds, of Anniston, is the vice-president. In this district we have 18 association, 11 of which are organized, and in the unorganized there are nine societies.

Our work in the Liberty Association, of which Miss Mamie Moring, of Ryland, is the superintendent.

Our missionary to La Chow Fu, China—Miss Cynthia Miller. Any one reading Miss Miller's messages in the Foreign Mission Journal will be deeply interested in the great good that she is doing in her field. The reaching of the year's apportionment.

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CULLMAN ALL-DAY MEETING.

On July 18 the members of the W. M. U. of the Cullman Association spent a most pleasant and profitable day at the First church. We were more than fortunate in having Mrs. T. A. Hamilton and Miss K. Mallory with us. The meeting was called to order at 10:30 by the president. After song and prayer by Mrs. Sarah Price Mrs. M. L. Harris gave the visitors a most cordial welcome. Mrs. Hamilton in her graceful manner, so befitting to her, responded. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Clay Smith.

Mrs. Hamilton and Miss Mallory gave interesting reports from our Jacksonville convention.

"The New Apportionment and How We May Easily Reach It" was ably discussed by members of the local W. M. U.

After prayer the meeting adjourned for lunch.

At 1 o'clock the program was resumed, and even a very hearty dinner could not and did not lessen our enjoyment for the feast of good instruction Mrs. Hamilton and Miss Mallory were able to give us concerning the work for 1911-12 as outlined at Jacksonville.

Mrs. D. V. Smith read a paper on the "Standard of Excellence for Societies."

Miss Mallory took up each point separately and explained more fully what the "Standard of Excellence" really meant to us. This concluded our program, but we hope in the future to have another meeting with a still larger attendance.

THE W. M. U. OF MOBILE ASSOCIATION.

The fifth annual session of the W. M. U. of the Mobile Association was held July 27, 1911, with the Prichard church, near Mobile.

In regard to representation, numbers and enthusiasm—indeed from every standpoint—it was the best in its history. A program for an all-day meeting had been prepared, to the delight of our secretary-treasurer. She remembered that two years ago at Bayou La Batre one hour was given to the women in the discussion of their work. The weather was ideal. The room in the school building met every need. An organ was provided by the Prichard ladies, and Miss Mallory was at her best. The superintendent, Mrs. S. J. Armstrong, presided at the meeting, and the co-operation given to her in every way showed the spirit of Christian love.

The morning session was opened by singing "To the Work," and the Lord's prayer was repeated in concert. Miss Mallory led in the devotional exercises, "Our Sufficiency Is of God" being the topic. The reports from the various societies were given.

In the superintendent's annual address she reported two W. M. societies, one Y. W. A. and two S. B. B. organized the past year. The total amount contributed for all purposes was \$2,433.09. All honor is due the faithful efforts of our superintendent, who has so patiently and lovingly given herself to the work.

Ways and means of reaching our apportionment was next presented by Mrs. Storts, and Mrs. McRae, the need of all-day quarterly meetings. Mrs. Stewart read a leaflet on the Margaret Home. "Saved to Serve" was then sung, and the remainder of the morning session was given over to Miss Mallory in the discussion of the training school, the Lucy Stratton scholarship, the circulation of literature, our obligation to the young people, the November meeting at Gadsden and the "Standard of Excellence," which she did in her own interesting and beautiful way, and this, with prayer of dismissal by Mrs. Locke, completed the morning session.

A box lunch was enjoyed by many of the visitors, while others were entertained in the homes of the people. Mrs. J. D. Anderson, wife of the pastor, with the assistance of other ladies, succeeded admirably in making every body happy and comfortable.

The devotional exercises of the afternoon session were conducted by Mrs. Anderson, the topic being "Saved to Serve." Miss Salome Garnett sang "Going Forth at Christ's Command," which was greatly appreciated, and Miss Mallory spoke on State Missions. "Alabama" was then sung, and Mrs. Armstrong told of her visit to the orphanage last November during the convention. The secretary made a short talk on the expense fund, and Mrs. Locke in a very helpful way gave the work of Home Missions, including immigrant and frontier work. Mountain schools and Indians and Home Board schools for children were discussed respectively by Miss Carrie Bolton and Miss Gladys Kennedy. We welcome these young people most gladly to the work.

Mrs. Ramsey read a very interesting and instructive paper on Foreign Missions, including foreign schools and the support of women foreign missionaries.

Mrs. Anderson urged the women to co-operate in the work of the Baptist Home.

Miss Mallory presented the cause of aged and in-

firm ministers, and "A Year Hence" followed. We have made some progress, but there must be great improvement in all lines of work before we reach the "Standard of Excellence." We must heed the gentle admonitions given, else we will fail to "make good." The ladies caught the spirit of the speaker when she told of the great good accomplished in the all-day quarterly meetings. The result is that they are an assured fact for the women of this association. Oakdale at once extended an invitation to meet with them some time in October, which was gladly accepted. The hint thrown out about a separate associational meeting may later be acted upon. May God spare our dear Miss Mallory for many years of usefulness. She has been a great blessing to us.

Officers for the year were re-elected. The hymn, "He Leadeth Me," was sung, and Mrs. McRae offered the prayer of dismissal.

MRS. J. M. KAILIN, Secretary.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JULY.

State Missions.

Linden L. A. and M. S., \$4; Newton W. M. S., \$3.75; Bay Minette S. B. B., \$1; Bay Minette L. A. S., \$2.85; Oswichee L. M. S., \$20; Society Hill W. M. S., \$2.50; Andalusia S. B. B., \$3; Pratt City S. B. B., \$2.30; Troy Y. W. A., \$10.35; Tusculmbia W. M. and A. S., \$2.20; Dora L. A. S., \$2; Monroeville W. M. S., \$18; Furman S. B. B., \$4; Jackson S. B. B., \$1.45; Montevallo L. A. S., \$12.50; Elba W. M. S., \$6.25; Banks L. M. S., \$1; Evergreen W. M. S., \$4.40; A Friend, \$2.50; Gantt W. M. S., \$1; Belmont W. M. S., \$6; Montgomery (First) W. M. S., \$23; LaFayette Y. W. A., \$1; Belleville W. M. S., \$9; Decatur (First) W. M. S., \$6.50; Anniston (P. M.) Y. W. M. S., \$35; New Decatur (First) L. A. and M. S., \$2; Gadsden (First) W. M. S., \$10; Fort Deposit L. A. S., \$5.01; Lapine W. M. and A. S., \$3; Andalusia L. A. S., \$13.75; Troy W. M. S., \$40; Drewry W. M. S., \$2.85; Montgomery (S. S.) W. M. S., \$36.52; E. Tallassee W. M. S., \$14.75; Elyton W. M. S., \$25; Monroeville S. B. B., \$1; Auburn W. M. S., \$7.36; Gadsden (First) Y. W. A., \$4; Selma (First) Y. W. A., \$1.25; Marion W. M. S., \$12.50; Bigbee (New Prospect) W. M. S., \$2.15; Dothan (First) W. M. S., \$25; Bessemer (First) S. B. B., \$1; Forest Home L. A. S., \$2.25; E. Liberty (Center) W. M. S., \$6.25; Birmingham (Summit) L. A. S., \$3; Alceville W. M. S., \$2.50; Ashland W. M. and A. S., \$2; Ansley W. M. S., \$2.05; Ashford W. M. and A. S., \$1.50; Winterboro W. M. S., \$8; Isney W. M. and A. S., \$5; Greensboro W. M. S., \$3.75; Pine Apple L. A. and M. S., \$4; Tunnel Springs W. M. S., \$4.40; Pine Hill L. M. and A. S., \$3; Buena Vista S. B. B., \$20c; Ensley W. M. S., \$10; Birmingham (West End) S. B. B., \$1; Mobile (Calvary) L. A. and M. S., \$1; Wetumpka L. A. S., \$4.47; Hope Hull Y. P. M., \$5c; Albertville W. M. S., \$5; Spring Bank L. A. S., \$1. Total, \$455.51.

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Charlie Butler and his wife were with me and sang the gospel to the people in a way that moved them as one man. They are great helpmates in revival work.

I am glad to be back on my base again in Birmingham and am like old Paul when he said to the Romans "as much as in me is, I am ready"—ready to do the Lord's bidding in any place at any time. The Lord bless you and the paper and help you to lead our people from victory unto victory. In Him I am yours sincerely,
A. A. WALKER.

The Coosa River Baptist Sunday School Association met Wednesday and Thursday, July 26-27, with Alpine church. The writer arrived on Thursday morning in time to hear Brother J. W. Batson lead a splendid discussion of Sunday school finances. The address of Brother J. M. Thomas, of Talladega, on the relation of the Sunday school to the kingdom of God was a gem of the highest order. Brother Kidd, pastor of the church at Alpine, Brethren Christie, Williams of Talladega, Rhoades of Winterboro and other brethren made the discussions interesting and helpful. I was informed that the meeting Wednesday was largely attended. The association has mapped out the work for the coming year on a large scale and this scribe believes they are going to bring things to pass for God in Talladega county.—Harry L. Strickland, Baptist Sunday School Secretary.

The late Baptist State Convention held at Greenville was one of the best, if not the best, we have had in Alabama. The attendance was large and the program splendid. The speeches were of a very high order. "The speakers did mutually surpass each other." The entertainment was delightful and all that could be desired. The writer was delightfully entertained in the elegant home of Mr. W. C. Martin. The good seed sown will doubtless bear fruit and glory for God in the advancement of His kingdom. We all left Greenville determined to "attempt great things for God and expect great things from God". May His richest blessings be upon His work and the workers and may their tribe be greatly increased during this conventional year.—J. G. L.

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The women of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, realizing the truth of this statement, in behalf of our entire sisterhood, and representing a following of a majority of the women of Jefferson county, declare our unchanged allegiance to the right and our unalterable belief in prohibition.

If, as claimed in the literature of the forces battling for the return of the saloon, the blind tiger plies his trade, we can only join with them in the detestation of these outlaws; but we call attention to the fact that conditions today are infinitely better than in the days of the open saloons. Our principal streets are not given over now, as they were then, to crime and drunkenness, and the blind tiger, if operated, is under the ban of the law; its attractions are not as great as those of the gilded open saloon, nor does it make "partners in crime" of all good citizens, as does the legalized sale of liquor.

The open saloon has always been the deadliest enemy of woman and her children, and they have been the chief sufferers therefrom. Hence, to them there can be no regulation, for regulation does not make an evil good.

For the annihilation of the liquor traffic we both labor and pray. "Whoever sounds the highest moral note does most for his country." The history of the world shows that women are great patriots. They never fail to respond to every call of duty and public interest. They rear the children and send them out. Is it strange that they make an appeal for their protection on life's highway? Too many will want to settle this question by a mere cursory examination of what is involved.

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We have no vote. Your vote represents more than just yourself. In it is the destiny of the womanhood and childhood of Jefferson county; you can be their benefactor and earn their everlasting gratitude by voting on August 24 against the return of the open saloon.

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Never has it been the writer's privilege to meet a more thoroughly rounded out character than Mr. J. W. McGill, who died about 6 o'clock p. m. June 29 at Providence Infirmary, Mobile, Ala.

Mr. McGill was a veteran of the civil war, having belonged to the Thirty-eighth Alabama regiment, but not only for his country's cause was his sword unsheathed.

During a long life he was always found in the front ranks battling for the right—the exalted principles that combine to make up a noble and a useful life. But far above the honorable traits involved in his dealings with his fellow man was his perfect confidence in and his sublime submission to his Heavenly Father's will. His simple faith was beautiful.

Death is sad at all times, but when it comes to finish a well-spent life, such as his, it seems like rebellion to mourn, except that the shining example is no longer with us.

His dear familiar face will be sadly missed in the home circle. His wise counsel and material aid in his church and in his community, his ready sympathy and wholesome advice will long be remembered.

Most truly a prince in Israel is fallen.

Where the crystal stream doth flow,
Where no tempest e'er shall blow,
Where no clouds of care will rise,
Where no tears bedim the eyes,
We again shall meet him.

A FRIEND.

Mobile, Ala., July 3, 1911.

CONFLICTING ESTIMATES OF A PASTOR.

Recently two brethren called at our office the same day, but at different hours. They live in different communities, and are members of different churches, but both have the same pastor. Each spoke of the condition of his church, and gave his estimate of the pastor. Their estimates were strikingly different.

The first said his church was dead, spiritually. There is no brotherly love among the members, and the services are purely formal. The pastor preaches from the head and not the heart; there is no gospel in it. Many men are in the pulpit who have not been called of God; they are merely man-made preachers.

The second said his church was in a prosperous condition. It has real spiritual life, and the fellowship in service is sweet. The church was never in a more prosperous condition. The pastor is preaching strong, heart-searching sermons; he speaks right out of his heart, and his words reach the hearts of his hearers.

While the first was telling his tale of woe we were wondering what was his spiritual condition. On inquiry we found that he used to pray in public, but does not now; he used to sing in the congregation, but does not try to

sing now; he used to attend every service of his church, but he does not go often now; he used to pay his part toward keeping up the church, but now he does not give anything because he does not like the pastor.

After the second brother had spoken of his church and pastor in such a complimentary way we inquired a little as to the part he took in the work of his church. We found that he was always at prayer meeting, and often led it. He never missed a preaching service unless he was providentially hindered; and while he could not sing, he had doubled his contribution to make it possible to obtain the services of his present pastor.

The explanation for the conflicting estimates of the pastor is made. Neither the merit nor the demerit was in the pastor, but in the critic. No pastor stands high in the estimation of a worldly-minded and pessimistic member, no matter how learned or gifted or spiritually-minded and consecrated he may be. On the other hand, a spiritually-minded and consecrated member places a high estimate on his pastor, whether he is learned and gifted or not, if he is only spiritually-minded.

An unconsecrated Christian is capable of doing great harm. He does nothing himself that makes for good, and in an effort to satisfy his own conscience he tries to put the church and the pastor down on a level with himself; yea, below his level. It requires great grace to be patient with such members. If their conduct produces righteous indignation in their brethren, how much more in God, whose standard of character and life is perfect? But we should always remember that the strong must bear the infirmities of the weak, and not please themselves. In this respect the pastors are the greatest burden bearers.—Christian Index.

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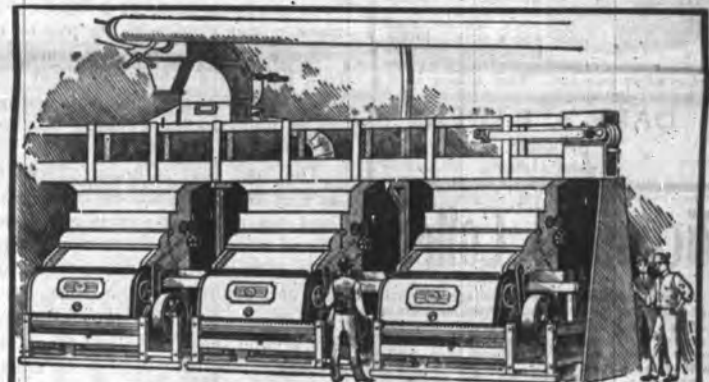
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Why should we change the time of meeting? We have about four in attendance now to where we had one when we met in November. I really believe the last of June the better time to meet, for the following reasons:

1. The Southern Baptist Convention meets in May, plans and lays out the work for each of the southern states. Our State Convention to meet, either June or July, assumes her part of the work, makes an apportionment and lays out the work of each district association. The associations meet later, apportion and lay out the work for the local churches. This comes in regular order.
2. The schools have all closed by the last of June, and the teachers and students can attend the convention.
3. Courts are not in session, and judges and lawyers can attend.
4. Farmers have their crops sufficiently advanced that they can leave them for a few days to attend the meeting.
5. Merchants are not very busy and many of them can attend.
6. It is a leisure time with all business men, and many of them can and will attend.
7. It is before the city people leave for watering places and summer resorts.
8. It is before the protracted meetings begin in the country churches, and the preachers can attend.
9. Entertainment is cheaper either in June or July. No fires are needed; vegetables and chickens are plentiful and cheap.

It seems to me that these considerations ought to set the matter at rest as to time. The hot weather and finances are the main arguments for November.

The hot weather is a poor argument, and is antagonistic to another argument in favor of November (viz.); the protracted meetings. If the country and village churches meet in July and August (as most of them do) and continue the meeting for one or more weeks, surely we can stand the weather three or four days, that we may have larger attendance and plan and work to keep men from going to a hotter clime.

As to the money question, that will adjust itself when our churches adopt the schedule, as all of them should.

A convention in November means a preachers' convention, where farmers, merchants, teachers, pupils, judges, lawyers and every other class of business men will not be able to attend, and we will be deprived of their valuable help. Our laymen have had much to do in bringing our convention up to the high plane upon which it now stands, and we must not cut off the right arm of our strength.

Brethren, please read, ponder, meditate on these things, and then—well, "Go thy way and sin no more." Let's quit talking about changing the time of meeting, and strive together for the advancement of our Redeemer's Kingdom.

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After a very pleasant and profitable visit to Greenville to attend the state convention, I returned to my work better prepared for the duties of a pastor. The church at Bayou LaBatre isn't doing as well as it ought to. Our people there need to be waked up to the fact that there are many responsibilities resting upon them. At Fairhope we are struggling along as best we can without a building of our own, and with our small membership. We are trying to raise money for our building, but find it slow work. If any brother wants to help a good cause here is his opportunity.—Ed. S. Barnes.

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