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The next convention of the Baptist Young People's Union of Alabama will meet with the Fifty-sixth Street Baptist church, this city, on April 16, 17 and 18, 1912. The executive committee has been working for some time on a program for the convention, and it will soon have the program published. The convention is assured a number of strong speakers this year, and a great meeting is anticipated. The local union of the Fifty-sixth Street church is looking forward to a great meeting, and they are preparing to give all who may come a warm welcome.

A number of strong churches of the state have heretofore failed to send delegations to the annual conventions. It is the desire of the officers that they send representatives this year, even though they have no local union. We earnestly request that the pastors and those interested in young people's work see that a union is organized in your church at once and send a large delegation to this convention. We believe it will help your church. Try it and come to the convention yourself.
ALVIN M. DOUGLAS.

Sumner R. Vinton will give one of his celebrated lectures with moving pictures in Birmingham March 21 at the First Methodist church. The subject will probably be "Western Women in Eastern Lands," as many have been studying that book in the mission study classes. The lecture is free. It is given under the auspices of the Federation of Mission Societies of the Birmingham District, and will be a rare treat. Mr. Vinton has lectured in all of the large cities of the United States. He comes from Mobile to Birmingham. As large an audience should greet Mr. Vinton on the evening of the 21st in Birmingham as he has drawn at any other point.

A prominent layman writes:
"I get so utterly disgusted so many times when I am trying to get people to do what I conceive to be for their best interests. This membership here never was accused of subscribing for and reading religious newspapers. I announced Sunday a week ago that I would canvass the membership for subscriptions for our paper, and yesterday got one subscriber."
(Well, it isn't his fault.)

I tried to "make a leap" on the 29th ult., but could not secure a single subscriber. Will try again next Sunday if permitted to go to my little country church. Many blessings come to you and all our work. Yours for His work—
M. W. Lanier, Howard College.
(He sent one.)

At the time of my father's death, a little more than a year ago, he had been a regular subscriber to the Baptist since its first issue, when published in Marion. I believe you are giving us a good paper, and I wish you great success. Sincerely—Willie E. Peirson.

Have You a Frog in the Throat?

A preacher with a keen sense of humor intimates that the weather man has played a joke on us and turned our Leap Year offer into a Leap Frog contest. We are, however, happy to state that despite the rain only a few pastors have "croaked" even though they had to hold an umbrella over their heads and wear rubbers on their feet while canvassing. Perhaps after all a "gumshoe" campaign is the best one to adopt when soliciting. We sincerely hope that no one who has braved the weather to help us will suffer from a "Frog in the Throat".



OH, THE RAINY SUNDAYS

We begin to understand and sympathize with Brother Crumpton when he warns the brethren not to wait until the last Sunday before the convention to take their mission collections—for a rainy Sunday means debt. Hundreds of new subscribers would have been added but for the rains. Letter after letter came saying we had expected to get a list, but were "rained out".

The Leap Year Leap is winning. Already some busy bankers, lawyers and merchants have taken the time and trouble to send in new subscribers. More and more our laymen are beginning to see the necessity of putting the Alabama Baptist into the homes of the people.

WE JOY IN OUR FRIENDS

As we have sat in our office for the past few weeks, frequently working by artificial light on account of the dark days, yet there has been a song in our heart, and sweet visions have come to us as the postman day after day has brought in mail from all parts of Alabama from friends who have not only paid their back dues and ahead, and sent in new subscribers, but have found time to write us letters filled with sympathy, appreciation, and Christian love. It is with pardonable pride that elsewhere we print some of them. In all this wide world we do not know of an editor who has greater cause to lift up his heart in sincere thanks to God for giving him the hearts of so many men and women to inspire and comfort him as he works and strives to do his part in the hastening of the coming of the Kingdom.

THE OLD SUBSCRIBER

Several friends who have been at work on the Leap Year offer have written to let us know that occasionally some of the old subscribers have felt a bit hurt that they have been discriminated against in favor of the new ones.

We hope that those who have taken the paper for years will believe us when we say that ten years' wrestling with the business end of a religious newspaper has caused us to realize that a special offer is a real injury to the paper, and if we looked merely on the financial side we would "cut them out", but in a crisis we believe with Dr. Willingham that every thousand new subscribers put on means a genuine boost to our denominational enterprises. We offer the Baptists of Alabama an opportunity to get hundreds of unenlisted men and women to take the Leap Year Leap.

This being true, we are proud of the fact that in this campaign while only a few of the regulars have complained, hundreds have shown a willingness to meet the situation and have not only paid their back dues, but ahead, and sent in lists of new subscribers, realizing that this is not merely the editor's problem, but rests squarely upon the shoulders of every Baptist in Alabama who wants to see the work of the Southern Baptist Convention prosper.

An elderly Chinese actor came over to his first American engagement. On landing he started for an English boarding house up town, where he had been told he could get English food. He emerged from the pier laden with his hat box, his umbrella, his grip and his overcoat, and climbed aboard a horse car. Just as he was fairly upon the platform the car started and he fell through the open door into the aisle, scattering his goods and chattels in every direction. As he got upon his knees he remarked in a tone of feeling: "There now! I knew I shouldn't like the bloody country!"

Mormons report over 2,000 missionaries in their various fields—the British mission, the Swiss and German mission, the missions of Austria-Hungary, Italy and France; the Netherlands, embracing Holland and Belgium; the Scandinavia mission, the Swedish, the South African, the Mexican, the Canadian, the Island missions in Hawaii, Tahiti, New Zealand, Samoa and Australia. During 1909 they distributed nearly 11,000,000 tracts, held 2,000,000 conversations, visited more than 3,500,000 families in distributing these tracts and held nearly 1,000,000 meetings.

President Taft has exonerated Dr. Wiley of the charge preferred against him. In doing so he has given official voice to the verdict already rendered by the American press and people. If the attack against Dr. Wiley were a mere personal fight, it could be allowed to rest; but it is a principle, not a man, that is at stake. Dr. Wiley's enemies are opposed to him because he represents a principle—that of protection to the consumer.

We will stand in need of such calls for courage as those of Lowell when he wrote:

"They are slaves who fear to speak
For the fallen and the weak;
They are slaves who will not choose
Hatred, scoffing and abuse.
Rather than in silence shrink
From the truth they needs must think;
They are slaves who dare not be
In the right with two or three."

A class was reciting in a school the other day.

"Who can give me," said the teacher, "a sentence in which the words 'bitter end' are used?"

Up jumped a little girl excitedly. "I can, teacher. The cat ran under the bureau, and the dog ran after her and bit her end."

I am anxious to have the paper in the homes of our people, and will become more anxious as you continue improving the paper.—Willie Bankston.
(Sent two.)

I have been reading the Baptist 30 years and feel like it is a spiritual counsellor. Yours as ever—G. W. Watson.

Dear Brother: Think I can send five or more. I was rained out yesterday, but will do what I can. Yours for service—D. S. Martin, Equality.

I enjoy reading your paper and want to continue to read it. Best wishes for you and your paper. Yours very truly—A. C. Cruise.

I have the promise of several others. Will send as soon as I can. May God bless you in the work—J. A. Butta.
(He sent in \$6.)

Please find enclosed \$1 for the Alabama Baptist. The paper is the best one I ever read. With much success to you and the boys, respectfully—Mattie Warren.

Dear Brother Barnett: I send you \$1 for one subscriber to the dear Alabama Baptist on the "Leap Year Leap." I tried to get more, but failed. I pray the Father's blessings on this one and you and yours. Yours to serve—J. C. Hill.

Dear Brother Barnett: Weak as I am I walked out this morning and secured two new subscribers for our Alabama Baptist, for which find \$2 enclosed. Have promise of more. God bless you and family. Yours, etc.—J. E. Cox.
(What do you think of his loyalty to the paper?)

Dear Brother Barnett: As you did not stop my paper January 1, 1912, as I requested, I will ask you again to stop it now. I do not think it is worth \$2. You said you would make it better, but I don't see that it is any better. I am sorry you did not stop it January 1. Yours truly—
(He was honest enough to pay up before he quit.)

I would like to return to my native state to do work for my Master, and I take this opportunity to say to my brethren in old Alabama that if some church is without a pastor that I would be pleased to correspond with such church.—D. W. Bolton, Stephens, Ark.

I enclose you \$2. Please move me up \$1 worth, and Sister Nancy Craft, Gordo, Ala., Route 3, for the same amount. Sister Craft is nearing her 80th birthday, but still enjoys reading the Baptist. I pray God's blessings upon you and yours. Yours fraternally—J. A. Dickinson, Ralph.

You will please find enclosed \$2 for two new subscribers. Both sisters are widows. Perhaps I could have done better, but I am a shut-in. I trust your paper will grow more and more. With best wishes for you and yours—Mrs. P. H. Hambrick.
(If a "shut-in" can help it does look like those who can go about would try and do something.)

I enclose \$1 for my subscription, to run me to 1913. The paper grows better all the time. With best wishes for the enlargement of the circulation of the Baptist and the happiness of its editor and family, I close. Lovingly—J. E. Merrell.
(He sent in four new ones.)

All right, Barnett. I think I'll try to get you at least five subscribers. Here is the first one. Send the paper to Prof. Robert L. Griffin, Rockford, Coosa county, Ala. I hope the paper will increase in circulation ten fold. I often mention it from platform and pulpit and around the fireside. Fraternally—W. C. Bledsoe, LaFayette.

The Home Board force of evangelists opened a campaign Sunday, March 3, with 11 churches in Houston, Tex. The churches of that rapidly growing and now stricken city are all weak except the First church. The forces of evil are mighty. This, therefore, is truly missionary territory. Will you not call upon all of your readers who know the way to the throne to remember us in their prayers, that God may awaken His people of Houston and convict and bring into the kingdom the great multitudes of the lost. Yours for the kingdom—Weston Bruner, General Evangelist.

Dear Brother Barnett: I'm sending you two subscriptions on the Leap Year proposition. Have been waiting to see a third, whom I believe will help us. But I send these on, and will send his later if I secure his subscription. I'm glad you made such an offer. Many of our people want the paper, need it, but feel that \$2 is more than they can spare out of their meagre earnings. I sincerely hope it will prove both a financial success to you and a great factor for good in the new homes which it may enter. Good literature means so much to humanity.—Mrs. L. B. Walker.

Our church is a long way behind what it ought to be, but some of us hope to do more this year than we have been doing. We have a strong leader in Brother J. P. Hunter, of Opelika. We have decided to change our Saturday service to the afternoon, hoping thereby to increase our congregation. ('Tis lots better for the ladies.) We think the change will work well. We have decided to give the collection from the Sunday school on every first Sabbath to the orphans. I am very sorry to say only three of our members subscribe to the Baptist. I will try again to get more to take it.—(Mrs.) J. B. Myhand.



Hope to send more soon.—Geo. E. Brewer.
(He sent two. He always helps.)

Dear Brother Barnett: May the Lord bless you in the great work you are doing.—A. J. Gross, Wedowee.

We can't think of keeping house without the Alabama Baptist. My wife enjoys reading it as well as myself. With lots of love to you and yours—W. A. Howell.

Dear Brother Barnett: Use the enclosed "Leap Year Leap" to send the Alabama Baptist to Rev. S. L. Williams, Gaylesville, Ala. May many others have the paper leap into their homes. Very truly—S. D. McCormick.

One subscriber on your Leap Year Leap proposition is all that I could get. Others promised to take it, but failed to come up with the money. Will send in more if I can get them. With very best wishes—Mrs. D. N. Jelks.
(We knew she would help.)

Dear Brother Barnett: I am sending you one new subscriber to the Alabama Baptist. Please send the paper to Brother H. B. Florence, Comer, Ala. I am also sending you pay for my paper for last year and for this year, and will send in all the subscribers I can and as early as I can. Wishing you great success and the Lord's blessings on you and your family, yours fraternally—J. A. Seay.

The Baptist Ladies' Aid Society of Jonesboro met with Mrs. Joe Archer this week. Devotional exercises by Brother Carlisle, the pastor. Missionary papers were read. Then, among other business, sufficient money was raised to make the first payment on the beautiful piano which the society recently presented to the church and Sunday school. Brother and Mrs. Carlisle, J. E. Wilson, R. S. Nolen, J. L. Rarden, G. P. Martin, Ezell Wisenand, Wilmon Whitherd, Mrs. Nan Cowley, Mrs. Randle and others are doing things. Refreshments were served.

Dear Brother Barnett: I filled my appointment at Mt. Ararat yesterday and the day before. The congregation was fine Saturday, but owing to the inclemency of the weather it was not so good Sunday. We received one member by letter, and think the church is looking up some spiritually, but not to the extent of taking their denominational paper. Wishing you success, fraternally—W. P. Stewart.

I have thought for some time I would write you of our Sunday school here at Cedar Springs church. Although the weather has been so inclement all winter our average attendance is good and a good deal of interest is manifested. We have only 53 enrolled now, but expect to have over 100 as soon as the weather is good. Last summer we had 125 on the roll, and all seemed interested. I enjoy the Baptist so much. May the Lord help you and the "boys" to increase its usefulness. Sincerely—Mrs. W. P. Steward, Ashford.

Dear Brother Barnett: Your card to hand, and it reminds me that we are now two months behind on our subscription. I have remarked to my wife repeatedly that "the subscription to her paper is out and I will send check," but I get to the office, where I could attend to it, and forget. Now here is my check for \$2. Please move up the figures on the copy for Mrs. —. Yours fraternally—
(The good women are our mainstays.)

Enclosed find \$1 for a new subscriber. I told him about the presiding elder who in one of his meetings asked all in his audience who took a religious paper to speak up. When he came to me I told him that I took the Alabama Baptist, and he said, "You are the prettiest Baptist I ever saw." Now if it makes pretty folks out of ugly ones, it looks like more people ought to take a religious paper. May God's blessings abide with you in your labors for His cause.—T. L. Elam.

Dear Brother Barnett: You will find enclosed \$1 to pay for the Baptist until January 1, 1913, with best wishes for you and our paper, which helps me so much. I wish also to state to you and the readers of our paper that we have finished our new church building at Sandtuck, which cost \$1,000. We are now out of debt. We hope to dedicate as soon as the weather gets more pleasant. Now, we want to do more for missions than we have ever done. It is not so hard for me to get my churches to give to the Baptist Orphanage, but for ministerial education or Home and Foreign Missions it does seem like they will not take the interest I want them to take. We should give as the Lord gives us.—Rev. R. L. Estes.

On March 6 there came a letter with \$2 in it. No name was signed, and we do not know who sent it. Did you?

Enclosed find \$1. Push the figures up. You are giving us a good paper, and I can't quit reading it yet. Respectfully—W. G. Gregory.

I enjoy the paper very much, and have tried to get subscribers for it, but couldn't get but one. Hoping you much success in your work, I am very respectfully—Miss Jennie Mae Scott.

I am trying to get some subscribers, but these are negro people, and it is hard to show them and get them to take a Christian paper like yours; but I cannot get on well without it. It is food to me.—Troup Maddox, Waverly.

I send you two new subscribers for the Alabama Baptist. I hope you may succeed in putting the paper in many homes by your liberal proposition. With best wishes to you and family, yours truly—W. B. Kennedy, Damon.

I send \$2 for the Alabama Baptist and Foreign Journal. I tried to get our W. M. U. to make up a club for them; could not get them to consent. This is all I have. Wish you may have every blessing sent on you and yours. Sincerely—One of Your Readers.

Dear Brother Barnett: You will find enclosed \$2 for my paper. I can't get along without the dear old paper. You will find enclosed \$1 for Rev. C. R. King. We had good services Sunday; ordained one deacon; got \$3.45 for Home Missions. We have a good Sunday school—B. C. Hughes, Brookwood.

Please find enclosed \$2 for renewal to the Alabama Baptist until January, 1913. We enjoy the paper; feel that we could not be without it. May you live long to continue the good work. Also please find enclosed \$1 for subscription to J. A. Stewart. I will try to get you some more subscribers. With best wishes I remain, yours truly—Mrs. R. G. Gilliland.
(Many are renewing and sending in new subscribers.)

Fayette is expecting a very large crowd at the barbecue on Saturday, March 23. Come that morning and meet the Baptists from the country. They will be here. Fraternally—J. M. McCord.
(He has sent in five new subscribers. We expect to eat some of that barbecue.)

I am going to help with the Leap Year Leap all I can. I have tried before to get new subscribers, but failed. I may get some on this \$1 offer. I will do my best. Yours very truly—Ella Evans.

Enclosed find \$2 for the paper. I don't want to do without it. You can move me up to 1913. I am 72 years old and live five miles from my church; can't go as often as I want to. It is a great consolation to hear from our denomination. I tried to get others to take it. I wish all of our people would read our Baptist paper. With best wishes for you and the dear paper, I am respectfully—Mrs. E. Wimberly.

Our efficient state Sunday school secretary, Harry L. Strickland, has given us a feast at Tuxedo. He was with us Thursday, Friday, Saturday night and Sunday morning. He graded our school, and Sunday night, March 3, gave us his famous lecture on the relation of the church to the Bible school, which was truly great. Brother Strickland does things for the Master in great style. Yours in His service—V. C. Kincaid.

I am indeed sorry to be delinquent again, but it seemed unavoidable. I dare say, though, it is only another name for carelessness. We become so engrossed with the things around us, and the paper never fails to come on time, that we just forget we have not paid up. I am sending \$3 today. One is for one new subscriber on your ten months offer, and the other \$2 to pay up my last year's subscription. Will try to remember that I still owe for 1912 and send the money as soon as possible. Our paper grows better all the time, and I feel that I could not get along without it. Hoping that your circulation will be doubled, and thanking you for so kindly indulging me, I am—Mrs. —.

A Sample Letter.

Mr. Barnett: I will write you again to please stop the Alabama Baptist. I notified you the 8th of October last. Also wrote you again in December; sent it in your own envelope. You surely received them, for all the letters I ever wrote before that wasn't received came back to me. No wonder you publish so many duns. You won't stop the paper when you are asked to. You had better obey Uncle Sam's law, for I don't owe you nothing nor I don't aim to pay you nothing. If I owed you a copper I would register it to you, for if you can't get my letters in your envelopes, your little pasteboard wouldn't bring my penny to you. When I give to God's cause again it will be used for Him. It won't make rich editors and rich preachers. I hope you will obey Uncle Sam's law now.

(It would have been stopped if he had paid back dues. Many request us to stop without paying up.)

ALABAMA BAPTIST WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

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Watchword for 1912: "Serving to Save."

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W. M. U. Watchword: Our sufficiency is from God.—II Cor. 3:5.

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

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK.

"The day is short, the work is vast, the reward is great, the Master urges."—The Talmud.

DURING MARCH.

We study about and give to Home Missions. Our aim for the year is \$6,200 for this cause.

LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS.

- Our work in Central Alabama.
- Our work in the Cedar Bluff Association. We have five societies in this association. Mrs. E. C. Watt is its earnest superintendent.
- Our missionary to Wu Chow, South China—Miss Julia Meadows.
- Our students at the Louisville Training School—Misses Register, Cox and Keith.
- Our student at Neton Institute—Miss Mabel Williams.
- The reaching of our year's apportionment, which will mean \$21,90 for all mission causes from May 1, 1911, through this April.

JUST DUES.

From month to month we are stimulated in our work by the financial report of the receipts from the various societies. To prepare these reports requires great patience in the mission room and also on the part of the typesetters. Careful proofreading is made, and yet mistakes will and do occur. We are always glad when the societies let us know when a mistake is made, for if the report is worth anything, it should be exact. We do regret that a very large mistake was made in reporting last month the Christmas offering of the Ladies' Aid Society of the First church of Birmingham. It was our very largest offering from any society, and we were grateful for it. It read \$1.25, whereas we are happy to say it should have read \$125.

PARTIAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FEBRUARY.

State Missions.

- Selma (First) W. M. S., \$200; Grove Hill S. B. B., \$2; Ashland L. A. & M. S., \$4.20; Notasulga W. M. S., \$3.50; Northport W. C., \$14; Roanoke Y. W. A., \$1; Roanoke L. A. S., \$11; Mt. Gilead (Selma) W. M. S., \$4; Pineapple L. A. & M. S., \$8; Marion W. M. S., \$5; Jacksonville Y. L. M. S., \$5; Birmingham (Fifty-sixth Street) L. A. & M. S., \$8; Cuba R. A. B., \$1.50; Opelika (First) W. M. S., \$25; Orrville L. A. & M. S., \$2; Cuba Jr. R. A. B., \$1; Selma (First) Y. W. A., \$12; Sister Springs (Selma) W. M. & A. S., \$1.74; Huntsville (First) W. M. & A. S., \$7; Montgomery (Clayton Street) W. M. S., \$2.16; Greenville W. W., \$8; New Market W. M. S., 25c; Daphne W. M. & A. S., \$2; Bessemer (First) L. A. S., \$10.50; Anniston (P. M.) W. M. S., \$33.

(To be concluded in next issue.)

Home Missions.

- Eutaw W. M. & A. S., \$7; Selma (First) W. M. S., \$5; Gadsden (East) W. M. S., \$1; Ashland L. A. & M. S., \$2; Talladega (First) W. M. S., \$11; Birmingham (First) L. A. S., \$38; Sylacauga L. A. S., \$7; Northport W. C., \$14; Mt. Gilead (Selma) W. M. S., \$7; Wetumpka L. M. S., \$2.16; Marion W. M. S.,

- \$2.40; Birmingham (Fifty-sixth Street) L. A. & M. S., \$18; Carlowville W. M. S., \$4; Opelika (First) W. M. S., \$25; Prattville W. M. S., \$31; Troy W. M. S., \$70.11; Jackson L. A. & M. S., \$2.50; Moulton L. A. & M. S., \$3.50; Tuskegee W. M. S., \$17.30; Gordo W. M. S., \$2.50; Winterboro W. M. S., \$9.45; Montgomery (Clayton Street) W. M. S., \$4.16; Daphne W. M. & A. S., \$1; Bessemer (First) L. A. S., \$21.

(To be concluded in next issue.)

Foreign Missions.

- Brownboro W. M. S., 50c; Gadsden (East) W. M. S., \$1; Ashland L. A. & M. S., \$3.30; Birmingham (Southside) W. M. & A. S., \$129.18; Winterboro W. M. S., \$3.50; Notasulga W. M. S., \$2.25; Talladega (First) W. M. S., \$18; Uniontown L. A. & M. S., \$3.95; Mobile (First) W. M. S., \$12.50; Montgomery (H. A.) W. M. S., \$1.60; Clayport W. M. S., \$6.15; Sylacauga L. A. S., \$14.50; Northport W. C., \$13.15; Mt. Gilead (Selma) W. M. S., \$5; Wetumpka L. M. S., \$8.55; Marion W. M. S., \$3; Birmingham (Fifty-sixth Street) L. A. & M. S., \$25; West Woodlawn L. A. & M. S., \$16; Ozark W. M. S., \$12; Birmingham (Richmond Place) L. A. & M. S., \$2; Opelika (First) W. M. S., \$25; Orrville L. A. & M. S., \$17; Ensley W. M. S., \$25; Hanceville W. M. & A. S., 30c; Newton W. M. S., \$2.95; Samson L. A. & M. S., \$15; Athens W. M. S., \$2.15; Montgomery (Clayton Street) W. M. S., \$4.88; New Market W. M. S., \$2; Montgomery (First) W. M. S., \$50; Andalusia W. M. & A. S., \$5.50; Daphne W. M. & A. S., \$4; Bessemer (First) L. A. S., \$15; Ruhama L. A. & M. S. (Birmingham), \$50.

(To be concluded.)

Christmas Offering to China.

- Excel W. M. S., 75c; Scottsboro W. M. S., \$26; Brownboro W. M. S., \$3; Catherine W. M. S., \$4; Georgiana M. M. K., \$2.20; Gadsden (First) W. M. S., \$31.55; Ashland L. A. & M. S., \$4.25; Birmingham (Southside) W. M. & A. S., \$22.82; Belleville W. M. S., \$5.85; Monticello W. M. S., \$10; Talladega (First) W. M. S., \$26.88; Mobile (First) W. M. S., \$50.08; Sheffield L. A. & M. S., \$6.65; Wylam L. A. S., \$5; Bridgeport W. M. S., \$3.80; Camden L. A. S., \$4.40; Andalusia W. M. & A. S., \$22.50; Dadeville W. M. S., \$18; Three Notch W. M. S., \$2; Tusculumbia L. A. S., 60c; Roanoke L. A. S., \$53; Yantley W. M. S., \$5.45; Marion W. M. S., \$18; Birmingham (Fifty-sixth Street) L. A. & M. S., \$3; Enterprise W. M. S., \$11.40; Birmingham (Richmond Place) L. A. & M. S., \$3.35; Lowndesboro L. A. S., \$1.25; Sumterville W. M. S., \$9.40; Jackson L. A. & M. S., \$5; Anniston (P. M.) W. M. S., \$50; Ensley W. M. S., \$15.75; Union Springs W. M. S., \$3; Pleasant Hill L. A. & M. S., \$7.75; Choccolocco L. A. & M. S., \$9.25; Alexander City W. M. S., \$55.

(To be concluded.)

SCRIPTURE THOUGHT.

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord; and the people whom He hath chosen for His own inheritance.—Ps. 124:12.

Rev. P. L. Moseley is not only a great preacher, but he is a subscription getter. He starts the Leap Year Leap with 10 new subscribers.

Rev. J. S. White, of New Lexington, sent in seven new subscribers, and we are expecting at least three more.

A Howard College student writes:

"I have been shut in with lagrippe for the past two weeks, and part of the time I was so sick that I thought perhaps the time was close to hand when I would be called upon to give an account of the way I had lived in this life. And do you know that I could not help but think that I owed you for the Alabama Baptist? So I am enclosing you check to pay for some. Wishing you and the paper much success, I am yours fraternally."

(Lagrippe is liable to make a fellow have curious feelings.)

Dr. _____, the brilliant pastor of the _____ church, this city, preached a notable sermon yesterday morning. To fully appreciate _____, however, one must listen to him Sunday after Sunday. The marvelous strength and sweep of his intellect, his culture and style and sympathy combine to make him one of the strongest preachers I have ever heard, and I have heard the best.—An Admirer.

(We omit the name of the pastor as "An Admirer" forgot to sign his name.)

Enclosed I herewith hand you my check for \$3, for which please give me credit for \$1 on my subscription to the paper, and send from now till January, 1913 your paper to two new subscribers under your special offer. I want to send you more subscribers as soon as I can canvass my church. Yours fraternally—J. T. Johnson, Haleyville.

We had Brother Davie, one of our Sunday school secretaries, with us yesterday and today, and as a result our Sunday school has received a new impetus. We have organized a home department. Will send remittance on Alabama Baptist in a few days, and will try to add another subscription or two.—H. D. Wilson, Brantley.

Dear Brother Barnett: I preached on Saturday and Sunday last at Mt. Pleasant church for Brother Campbell, who was absent at Centerville. I presented the claims of the Alabama Baptist and secured one new subscriber. I herewith enclose the dollar as you directed. Please mark him up to January 1, 1913.—J. O. A. Pace.

Enclosed find check to pay for the Baptist for 1912, which is being sent in my dear wife's name, and I want it continued in her name (N. J. Weaver). As she has passed way, I find your paper (The Baptist) is consoling to me in my sad and lonely moments. Yours truly—H. C. Weaver.

Enclosed find check for \$2 to pay for two subscriptions to the Alabama Baptist. I tried to get more, but could not. Our folks don't want to read our paper. May the Lord bless you in your good work. Yours truly—W. N. Nichols, Nicholville.

I have waited, hoping to send some subscribers, but failed. Being an invalid, it is impossible to canvass. I have heard but two sermons in five years. I would enjoy one in the Baptist occasionally. Wishing you and yours success in life, I am yours kindly—Mrs. _____

(An invalid, yet anxious to help.)

NOTES FROM BROTHER CRUMPTON.

I am appealing to loyal friends who helped us in March and April last year to come across with bigger gifts this year. How the boards do need it! I am sure the appeal will not be in vain.

A young preacher in the country writes: "Will try to get all my churches to do better."

A city pastor says: "Pushing things this month for Home Missions, and in April will send one of the largest single collections we have ever sent in for Foreign Missions."

A town pastor writes: "I feel sure we will give for Home and Foreign Missions treble our offerings a year ago."

Another says: "We will increase at least 25 per cent."

"Increase" is the word. God bless the pastors for their words of cheer. No great amounts have come in yet, but the spirit of the brethren is cheering.

Our Rich People.

The Lord bless them! I have never been able to do very much with them. Some have made noble gifts for the work, but I have failed to get them to adopt any system. The bent of my mind is to bring about system. Most of our wealthy people have no patience with plans, but all the same I love them and pray for them. They have the opportunity of their lives now, when our three mission boards and our school are in dire distress and the average man is complaining of prospects. Those who have a surplus must step into the breach and bridge us over present difficulties. Will they do it? Devotion to God and faith in His promises ought to lead them to do handsome things for His name. These thoughts come to me this morning because I have just

Stricken From a List of Names

So many whom I have known and loved in the past. They have passed over the river, and I can write them no more. One brother, in response to a letter, years ago, sent me his check for \$1,000. Another, of greater wealth, never responded to an appeal. He was a good friend of mine, but never a cent did he invest in missions. One lived to bless mankind through his church, his money and his children. The other lived to make money to leave to his children. They were both good men. They loved the Savior and His cause. They are now with their Lord. Far be it from me to judge harshly! Blessings on whatever they did for His glory.

Only Six Weeks Remain

Before April 30, when the books of the Home and Foreign Boards close. "What will the harvest be?" That depends largely on the pastors. The more than 400 women's societies will be heard from, I'm sure.

But What of the Thousands of Women

Who do not belong to the societies? Will they be represented in the giving the next two months?

What has become of the Layman's Movement. We ought to hear from them now. Brother Layman, "who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for a time like this?" Here is something for you. Mr. Edmonds, of the Manufacturers' Record, said: "The greatest peril of the south is its unprecedented prosperity." He urged the Baptists to make the right use of their money, else it would prove a curse to them. A few days ago this same eminent authority on industrial matters said that the south is increasing its wealth at the rate of \$7,000,000 a day. He estimates that at least 20 per cent of this wealth is coming into the hands of the Baptists. That would make our increase \$1,500,000 a day, or \$459,750,000 a year, and yet with this tremendous increase of wealth we have actually fallen back in our contributions to world-wide missions.

So that, according to this, the Baptists of Alabama are increasing in wealth at the rate of about \$120,000 a day, or \$4,350,000 a year, and yet we are falling behind in our mission contributions. A serious problem truly for our laymen to study!

Brother Pastors.

How great is your responsibility in view of this showing! I would say nothing to depress, but everything to inspire you. These figures ought to be your inspiration. If God's people have the wealth you have the opportunity to get it consecrated to Him! This ought to lead you to cultivate a cheerful spirit. The blues are contagious; so is cheerfulness. If you find your neighbor pastor is despondent or indiffer-

ent say: "The more important that I shall be active." If your people talk hard times and bad weather cheer them with His promises. The greater the sacrifice they make, the greater the blessing they get.

"Make Me a Little Cake First,"

Is what the man of God said to the starving widow. It looked like a hard saying, but she obeyed. You know the result.

God calls for the FIRST FRUITS, the FIRST TITHE, no lame or crippled lamb offered in sacrifice. "And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat (ones) thereof." See? Not the lean, unpromising ones. God deserves the first, the best, not just any old thing we can spare easily. Shame on us if we do not honor Him with our first, our very best!

W. B. CRUMPTON.

BROTHER CRUMPTON'S NOTES ON THE SAYINGS OF HIS CORRESPONDENTS.

Isaac W. Martin, Sheffield:

"I went to Russellville and preached last evening and presented our work as vice-president. The church seemed enthusiastically in favor of it, and promised to co-operate with us."

Brother Martin will soon have his district organized. When the brethren all understand that these vice-presidents come to them as friends, to help, they are going to be enthusiastic.

J. G. Dickinson, Gadsden:

"After studying the situation in my district I am sure the first thing needed is a more hearty fellowship and a spirit of co-operation among the pastors to provoke one another to love and good works, especially in the cause of missions. The following is my plan of work, if I can work it: To organize in each of the four counties of Calhoun, Etowah, DeKalb and Cherokee a pastors' union, to meet each month, and then every quarter let all of the four pastors' unions meet together at some central point. The effort will be to get all the pastors and churches to adopt your schedule of benevolence, and then at each monthly meeting of the various unions let the cause for that month have prominent place in the meetings and be the chief subject of discussion. I will try to reach the brethren through the mails, but hope to come in personal touch with them in these meetings of the pastors' unions as often as I can. Pray do not fail to send out your monthly reminder to all the pastors in my territory. It will do good whether they answer you or not. Hoping to be of some service to you in the cause of the Master and with best wishes, I am."

Getting the pastors together! That is the thing to do. We hope soon to have them standing solidly in line, like a band of loving brothers, to lead the co-operating forces of God in the great work of bringing the world to His feet. Christ is leading on.

L. L. Gwaltney, Greenville:

"I am just back from Evergreen, and we had a very enthusiastic meeting. There were not many present; more, however, than they expected. All the pastors thought the plan workable and said they would do it for all it was worth. I am more convinced that contact with the pastors is the thing. Whenever I can get them together and they hear about Butler county they are really enthused and begin to move. They are going to get a missionary and organize pastors' union, etc. All of my EVERY MEMBER BOOKS are gone, and I must have more. Please send me 18 more at once. Good is going to come from this movement."

Keep your ear to the ground and you will hear the tramp, tramp, of the pastors as they rally to the call of the new vice-presidents of the board. The calendar, wall cards and every member book in every church will mean better support for the pastors and a contribution from every member for every object of benevolence.

J. L. Rosser, Selma:

"We will make up the \$1,000 all right—the largest ever given to State Missions in Alabama."

This from the old First church, Selma. The State Mission Board was born there. When Brother Bailey was ready to go out he said to the big-hearted Dick Keeble, one of the deacons of the First church:

"I am here at the call of the board to start on my work, but I have no money to start on." The deacon furnished the money for the first trip, and the great work began. The old church has always loved her child, and it is fitting that it should lead in contributions to this cause. The largest sum ever given by any church to State Missions. Thanks to pastor and people for their generous gift.

J. L. Jackson, Hurtsboro:

"I commend Brother Shugart in warmest terms. He is a rare jewel—pleasing, lovable, companionable, and above all else, a man of God, a John the Baptist in the pulpit and a Barnabas in the altar."

Pray for our evangelists, C. S. Shugart and P. M. Jones. Now is the time of the year to have them. Everybody will want them in the summer. Winter time is the best time for a meeting if you can make the house comfortable.

Another Vice-President:

"I hear a few encouraging words about our plans. Some few of the churches at least are undertaking the Every Member Campaign. I am claiming that if we succeed in enlisting even a dozen churches the effort has been very much worth while. I have discovered that Baptists, as a rule, are mighty slow to start, and when they start they love to continue in the gait in which they began."

This vice-president finds the brethren slow. Yes, they are; but they are coming. The strenuous life has struck our people. Everybody is in a hurry about business. Later on the slow-moving church people will feel the force of the movement. As sure as you live a new day is dawning.

THE GAY AND EVANGELISTIC LECTURES AT THE SEMINARY.

An arrangement has been made for the lectures on the Julius Brown Gay Foundation and those on evangelism at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary to be given during the same week this session.

The dates arranged for the Gay lectures are April 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. The lecturer on the Gay Foundation this year is Rev. Samuel Angus, Ph. D., of Scotland. Dr. Angus is a scholar of the first rank, and his lectures are looked forward to with a great deal of pleasure. His theme will have to do with the New Testament, and especially with New Testament Greek. His lectures will be given at 3 o'clock p. m. on the dates named.

During the same week, from 10 to 11 a. m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 2, 3 and 4, the lectures on evangelism will be delivered by Rev. A. J. Barton, D. D., of Waco, Tex.

These two lecture courses will be notably interesting and profitable, and of course we shall rejoice to welcome to the seminary all visitors who may wish to hear these lectures.

E. Y. MULLINS, President.

Official statistics place the total number of adherents of Islam in Southeastern Europe at 9,250,000, or at about 5 per cent of the total population, so that they outnumber the Jews living within the same countries. Of these Mohammedans Russia, in Europe, contains 5,000,000, and Turkey in Europe, 3,000,000, while there are in Bulgaria 603,000, in Bosnia and Herzegovina (Austria) 549,000, in Rumania 45,000, in Greece 24,000, in Serbia 15,000, and in Montenegro 14,000. Thus, in European Turkey one out of two inhabitants is a Moslem, in Bosnia and Herzegovina one out of three, in Bulgaria one of seven, in Montenegro one out of 18, in European Russia one out of 22, in Greece one out of 115, in Rumania one of 130, and in Serbia one out of 180. Of the Mohammedans in European Russia the Tatars (or Tartars) who live in Crimea are the most important.

Ten years wrestling with the business end of a religious newspaper has caused us to realize that a special offer is a real injury to the paper, and if we looked merely on the financial side we would "cut them out," but in a crisis we are sure that every thousand new subscribers put on means a genuine boost to our denominational enterprises. We offer the Baptists of Alabama an opportunity to get hundreds of unenlisted men and women to take the Leap Year Leap.

CONFERENCE IN NEW MEXICO.

At the late meeting of the joint committee of the committees of conference of the Northern and the Southern Baptist Conventions held in Hot Springs, Ark., the sub-committee which had previously visited New Mexico with reference to a settlement of denominational differences then existing within the state, was instructed to present to the executive boards of the two state conventions a plan for adjustment of these difficulties. The joint committee at its meeting in Hot Springs unanimously approved the method proposed by this sub-committee for the adjustment of the New Mexico denominational situation.

Two members of the sub-committee, E. Y. Mullins, of Louisville, and J. S. Dickerson, of Chicago, visited New Mexico on March 1, and at Clovis met in conference the members of the boards of the two state conventions of New Mexico and other brethren. To them was presented the plan mentioned, which had also been submitted to the executive board of the American Baptist Home Mission Society and to the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The plan proposed which, before becoming operative, must be approved by the Southern and the Northern Baptist Conventions at their respective meetings next May, contemplates the dissolution of the two New Mexico state conventions, the resignation of the two state secretaries, the formation of a new state convention, which shall elect a new secretary, to be paid wholly by the new convention. It further suggests that, after a period (to be subsequently determined), in any event not over three years, the affiliation of the new convention be entirely with the Southern Baptist Convention.

At present there are two state conventions in New Mexico, one in affiliation with the Northern and one with the Southern Baptist Convention. During the transition period until affiliation shall be wholly, as now proposed, with the Southern Baptist Convention, the report proposes that the mission work within the state shall be jointly maintained by appropriations made by the two general home mission agencies of the two general conventions, the amount to be provided by the American Baptist Home Mission Society, however, being reduced by sliding scale until it shall be entirely withdrawn.

This plan, thus briefly summarized, was unanimously approved by the joint conference of the two state boards in New Mexico, a few conditions only being made to its final adoption, these relating principally (1) to the length of time to elapse before the new relationship to be established with the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention shall become operative; (2) to the adoption by the two general conventions of the principles of comity approved by the joint committee of the two general conventions. The members of the two New Mexico convention boards are in harmony with the board of the American Baptist Home Mission Society in the opinion that the transfer of affiliation should take place as soon as possible after the formation of the new convention in New Mexico.

The joint conference of the New Mexico boards voted to convene for the purpose of dissolution of the two existing state conventions and for the organization of the new state body on June 19 at Clovis, providing the Northern and Southern conventions approve the plan submitted.

The conference at Clovis was notable for the spirit of fraternity and forbearance which dominated those who participated in its deliberations. Every formal action taken, having been fully explained and considered, was unanimous. The attitude of the conference, its spirit and the determination of all parties to look forward, not back, are a hopeful prophecy of denominational peace and progress in the state.

If the two general conventions shall, as is expected, approve the plan of settlement proposed, by means of the series of conferences held under the auspices of the joint committee and by the spirit of mutual forbearance exemplified by the brethren in New Mexico, an obstacle to the harmony existing between the two great Baptist bodies of the United States will have been removed and the two shall become more closely knit together.

E. Y. MULLINS,
Chairman.

J. S. DICKERSON, Secretary.

HURRAH! FOR GADSDEN, ITS GENIAL PASTORS AND SWEET, GODLY WOMEN!

In answer to a call from Dr. J. G. Dickinson, vice-president of the State Board of Missions for the Fourth District of Alabama, 18 pastors met in the First Baptist church, Gadsden, Friday, March 1, at 10:30 a. m. and organized the Pastors' Union of the Fourth District, with Dr. Dickinson chairman. The district has the counties of Calhoun, Cherokee, DeKalb and Etowah as its territory, and each county was represented. The meeting was characterized by its fine spirit of fellowship and mutual brotherly love throughout. A number of the brethren made short, but very interesting talks on the needs of our district and how better to serve those needs, which were much enjoyed by all present.

Such meetings are to be held quarterly, and the pastors of the entire district are urged to come to them and add their share to the larger work for our Lord and His cause which we are hoping to bring to pass through such efforts. If each pastor in the district could have been present Friday and enjoyed the fellowship of the brethren, as they surely would, we are quite sure that they would never fail to come to such meetings.

As Dr. Dickinson said Friday: "Why can't we as ministers of the gospel have our organizations and come together to discuss plans for greater work, enjoy the fellowship of the brethren and know each other better, so that we may love each other more?" Don't you think, brethren of the Fourth District and of the entire state of Alabama, that we owe it to each other, to the cause we love and to our common Lord to work and pray for "a closer co-operation and a more fraternal spirit among us?" The meeting Friday demonstrated very forcibly that such is needed and that such can be had if we only put forth an honest effort to that end. May every pastor in the district come to these meetings, and come with a purpose to do his best. We hope to hear real soon that each of the associations that have not yet organized a union in their territory have done so.

Those who were visitors, or messengers rather, expected to be served with lunch at the noon hour, but when the pastor, Brother Dickinson, invited us to the dining room we found a table heavily laden with just such things as preachers enjoy so much when they have had an early breakfast—chicken, with the sauces and other things that add to its richness, hard hot rolls, coffee, tea, the dessert; in fact, everything that hungry preachers could desire. May God bless each one of those good women that contributed so bountifully to our enjoyment at the noon hour.

Our next meeting will be held in the First Baptist church, Gadsden, on Thursday, April 4, at 10 a. m. Come.
A. C. YEARGAN, Secretary.

FROM MOBILE.

Our Baptist forces here are pulling together beautifully, and a brighter day for our work, with greater responsibilities, has never confronted us. Our greatest need just now is a missionary evangelist for our association to look after the incoming population. Heretofore there has been a great deal of talk about our growth on completion of the canal, but it is now a reality, and thousands of settlers from everywhere have come to the Mobile district this last year, and are still coming. But we have not the money to employ the man.

Brother E. S. Barnes has resigned at Fairhope and has accepted the Whistler church, leaving a vacant field in Daphne and Fairhope, just across the bay from Mobile. We need a good man for this field—one who can live on a small salary and preach big sermons.

The Tabernacle is also pastorless. A wonderful opportunity for some gifted Moses to do the greatest work of his life.

Bayou La Batre is still pastorless, but the prospects are that it will soon be supplied.

Brother L. H. Shell, loved by all who know him, is spending a few weeks resting in Mobile. I am anxious to see some church in Alabama lay hands on him. He is no "furriner," but still he is a man of "good repute," full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom.

Dr. J. W. Phillips has been absent from us for some time at the bedside of his aged mother.

A Baptist rally or fifth Sunday meeting at Whis-

ler has been arranged for the fifth Sunday in March. Your scribe will be with Brother A. T. Sims at Geneva in a series of meetings the first days of April.
GEO. W. M'RAE.

FROM TUSCALOOSA.

My Dear Brother Barnett:

I want the people of Alabama to know Brother R. D. Garland, of Richmond, Va. He is secretary of State Missions in Virginia, a layman and an evangelist of great power. He is simple, plain, direct and business like. I have never seen a man who has such complete mastery of the words of the scripture, and his interpretations are sound and just. He has just closed a meeting with our church here with most blessed results. He came to us with the highest endorsements of our Virginia brethren, and he measured up fully to all they say of him. He is so sane, so devout, so bright, cheerful and magnetic that he completely captured us all. I do not know whether he can be induced to come this way again soon, but I am writing this for the benefit of any pastor who may be needing the service of a most helpful yoke fellow. I am anxious for a great number of our Alabama churches to use him if possible.
Sincerely,
L. O. DAWSON.

One of our subscribers, a good sister at Hall's, Tenn., received a statement last week for \$6. This included her renewal until next December. What did she do about it? Get mad, order the paper stopped, say that she had never subscribed for it, or that she had subscribed for it for only one year? No, indeed, not she. She sat down and sent us a check for \$8, which carries her figures forward to December, 1913. This was a very graceful and gracious thing for her to do, and we thank her for it. We wish all of our subscribers would do that way.—Baptist and Reflector.

While we greatly appreciate the help of our many good friends who busy themselves to increase the circulation of the paper, still if it was merely a personal matter we would hesitate to call on them; but in asking them to try and double the list on the Leap Year Offer we feel that our sacrifice will be as great as any they will make, for it will double our work without adding to our profits, for \$1 will barely cover the actual cost of the subscription to January, 1913.

The churches are the hope of the land. They are, if they are true to Christ. We think that the churches need more courage. There is power in courage. If the churches should smite the social evils of the city hip and thigh, they would disappear. We need bold and wise leadership. We need education and teaching. We need a sounder public sentiment. We do not wish to drag the city cesspools into our churches and homes, but we must not shut our eyes when work for God and man is to be done. The natural leaders in social reform are the preachers of our churches. The churches should be the army to win the battle.—The Baptist World.

"Show me a place where there isn't any meetin' houses and where preachers is never seen, and I'll show you a place where old hats air stuffed into old windows, where the children are dirty and ragged, where gates have no hinges, where the wimmen are slipshod, and where maps of the devil's wild land air painted upon men's shirt bosoms with tobacco juice."
—Artemus Ward.

You have a chance now to test the sincerity of those who have turned you down when you asked them to take the Alabama Baptist because they thought the price too high. Propose to get it for them until January, 1913, for \$1, and see if they will jump at it?

Dr. A. H. Strong has been accustomed to say to his Rochester students: "Young men, don't you ever let any woman hold you hand, from a manicure girl to a withered spinster of 70." And he might have added, "Don't you ever kiss even a female baby."

Five thousand new subscriptions to the Alabama Baptist would cause every object fostered by the convention to take a leap. Brother pastors, try and get your people to take the Leap Year Leap.

A Journey Through Palestine During 1912, With Rev. Jesse Lyman Hurlbut, D. D.

Last week we looked north along Christian street, in the midst of Jerusalem, and then from a house roof we looked down upon the court on the south side of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. (See the numbers 19 and 20 on our Jerusalem map.) Far below we saw an arched doorway, the only entrance to the famous church. We shall now enter the doorway and then soon turn to the left, until we stand beneath the great dome in the western part of the building, or at the place indicated on the map by the arrow-head which is connected with number 21.

Position 21. The Holy Sepulchre.

Right in the center of this great circular room, 68 feet in diameter, we see, rising before us, a highly decorated edifice of precious marble in rather indifferent taste. We notice in front of it some gigantic candlesticks and almost innumerable lamps, the gifts of worshippers. Lamps hang everywhere around this rotunda. We can see a row of them almost over our heads. Those little balconies above are for the favored few on Christmas and Easter, when this whole building is thronged by a disorderly and rather dangerous multitude of worshippers. We are here on a special day, when no pilgrims are seen. Ordinarily we should have to wait for a lull in the stream of pilgrims in order to enter the shrine. Having bought our waxen tapers, we should step upon that platform which serves as a vestibule, with its rows of tall candelabra on either side. Looking above the door, we see three paintings, with a lamp before each one. The upper one belongs to the Roman Catholics, the second to the Greeks and the third to the Armenians. Entering the narrow door, we find a small room, with a marble table or altar and a dark entrance to a room beyond. This outer room is the "Chapel of the Angel," and the little altar is supposed to mark the spot where, on the morning of the Savior's resurrection, the angel stood outside the tomb and said to the amazed women, "He is not here; He is risen, as He said" (Matt. 27:2-6). Back of the altar we can see the arched portal that leads into the interior of the tomb itself. There, on the right, is a recess cut in the rock, where the worshippers at the shrine believe that the body of Jesus lay entombed for three days (John 19:4-142).

Pilgrims, rich and poor, come here from all parts of the habitable globe. They kneel beneath the pendant lamps of gold and silver, kissing the marble slab that covers the tombstone. Now you can see a Russian peasant, sad-eyed, wrinkled, bent with many sorrows, lay his cheek silently on the marble slab, with a look on his face as if he were a child leaning against his mother's breast; and now a little bare-foot boy, with big, serious eyes, kissing his hand and laying it on the altar when he finds he can't reach it with his lips; or some young nun, slender, pale, dark-eyed, with a noble Italian face, shaken with sobs, the tears running down her cheeks as she bends to touch her lips to the resting place of the Friend of Sinners. While it must be admitted that many scholars now believe that the true Calvary is elsewhere, yet we must respect the faith of countless millions who for fifteen centuries have here knelt and worshipped their risen Lord.

We will now leave the church by the door by which we entered it. We find the court again crowded, and, stepping to one side of the door, we are able to see the famous Easter Procession of the Greek Patriarch.

Position 22. Easter Procession of the Greek Patriarch Entering the Church of the Holy Sepulchre.

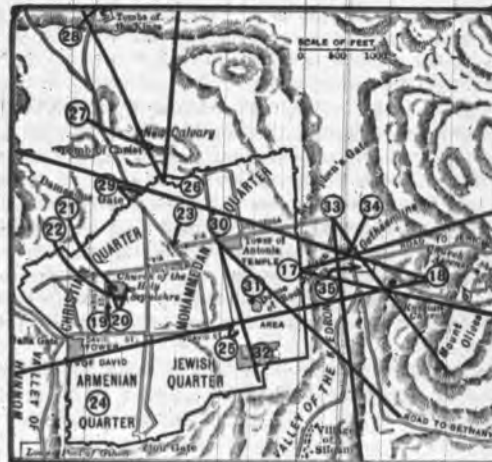
We are looking back south over the same court we saw from our Position 20 last week. And what a jam of people! There walks the Patriarch towards the rear of the procession of dignitaries. You can distinguish him by the bell-shaped tiara, while all the other ecclesiastics wear black hats, with crowns almost flat. You see a crozier, a staff bearing a cross, which is borne in front of him as an emblem of his office. What richly embroidered robes and wide collars these dignitaries wear! On either side of the Patriarch is an attendant with three tapers; the others carry but one. Several of the venerable looking ecclesiastics are looking directly at us. Do you notice, too, the double row of Turkish soldiers on either side, wearing the inevitable fez cap? These are the necessary guards between the crowd

and the procession. I wonder what are the thoughts of those Moslem soldiers as they stand guard here to protect Christians from each other. Turkish soldiers are always Mohammedan; no Syrian Christian is acceptable for military service. Many riots have taken place between the different sects who worship here.

Riots have often occurred in giving the "Fire from Heaven." Since 1810 the orthodox Greek and Armenian clergy give the fire from two openings in the Chapel of the Angel. The people are made to believe that on Holy Saturday fire descends from heaven to this church. The Greek and Armenian bishops shut themselves up in the Chapel of the Angel, and when, after long waiting, the Greek bishop passes the pretended miraculous fire through a little opening, thousands of Greeks, Russians, Copts, Armenians and Abyssinians, mad with enthusiasm, utter savage yells and rush in indescribable disorder towards these openings, in order to be the first to light their tapers and torches. These Turkish guards are often powerless to keep order against these fanatic hordes, and throughout the years many lives have been lost.

To see the Holy Sepulchre and this famous procession for yourself, use the stereographs, (21) "The Holy Sepulchre" and (22) "Easter Procession of the Greek Patriarch."

Editorial Note.—In this department Dr. Hurlbut will take his readers to 100 places in Palestine, two each week. By means of remarkable stereoscopic photographs you cannot only see for yourself each of these 100 places in life-size proportions, but also you can get distinct conscious experiences of being in these places. Six stereographs, \$1. Less than six



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stereographs in one order, 20 cents each. The 26 stereographs for three months are \$4.33. The 100 stereographs for the year, in a cloth bound, gold-lettered case, with a guide book by Dr. Hurlbut of 220 pages (containing full descriptions of each place) and a series of seven locating maps, is \$18.75—scarcely more than an economical tourist spends for two days on an actual trip. Mahogany-aluminum stereoscope, \$1.15. Express charges paid. Send orders to Underwood & Underwood, Department Z, 12 W. 37th street, New York.

Mrs. W. W. (Judge) Stark, Athnes, Ga.: "We have recently purchased 'Traveling in the Holy Land Through the Stereoscope,' with book and maps. We are perfectly delighted with it. I am certainly enjoying the stereographs and the study in connection with them. I don't see how any parents with children can afford to be without them. I am having my 11-year-old little girl place the scenes and tell us the Bible history in connection with each one. As for myself, I expect to know more Bible history than in all my life before I bought the stereographs. I want to add to my library until I have almost every country on the globe represented. I have already given the order for Egypt."

I think I can get some others this week. (He sent three.) May the Lord bless you and your work. Yours for Christ—J. I. Stockton, New Decatur.

Dear Brother Barnett: Enclosed find check for \$3, for which please send the Alabama Baptist to three new subscribers under your offer. I will secure some more for you within a short time. Under your very liberal offer our paper should be in every Baptist home, and the reading of it will prove helpful to any Christian. I am at a loss to understand how any Baptist can do without their church paper. We have called Brother J. O. Bledsoe to our church here and are looking for him about April 10. We are all delighted at the prospect of having a pastor living in our midst, and especially such a one as letters indicate Brother Bledsoe will be. Surely he will be a leader who will do to follow and whose return to Alabama will mean much for the advancement of the cause of Christ and of Baptist principles. Pray that his coming may prove helpful to this community and a blessing to us all. (Glad he is coming home.—Editor.) I thank you for your kind inquiry as to my health. I am glad to say that I am improving, but regaining my strength slowly. With regards and best wishes for yourself and family, and assuring you that it will always be a pleasure and a privilege to help in the building up of our denominational paper, I am, your fraternally—Wm. D. Dunn, Grove Hill.

(A layman of the right kind.)

Despite the inclemency of the weather, the rally at the East Gadsden Baptist church on the first Sunday in March was a decided success. The number in attendance was large, and the dinner at the church was most plentiful and appetizing. The addresses were all most forceful and fitting, and apparently much appreciated. The promoters of these rallies are much encouraged by the conduct and outcome of this, first of the series of some 30 rallies at 30 churches.—D. P. Goodhue.

Dear Brother Barnett: I will send you one new subscriber who has taken the leap, but could not get it for the 29th. I am old and can't get around much—71 years old. I go to our church once a month; is about all I do go. It is two or three miles. The weather has been so bad this winter. Our church is small, and all are poor people. I am the only one that takes the paper here. May the Lord be with you and yours to carry on the good work you are doing. Yours with much love—Mrs. S. E. McShan.

(Let some of the younger church members read this and see what can be done where there is a desire to help.)

Soon the Southern Baptist Convention will be in session. Already the railroads are getting out their literature. The next two months will be chocked full of intense missionary interest. Those who read the Alabama Baptist will be kept in touch with the aims and needs. It's worth your while, brother pastor, to try and put a copy into every home in your church. The Leap Year Offer gives you a great opportunity. Help us to make the 29th of February a notable day.

Please say that Lower Peach Tree church is yet pastorless, and if any minister wants or would like to take a country church 12 miles from the Southern railroad, which at one time was a good, live church, and can pay \$200 or more to a good man, you can correspond with me at the above postoffice. It has been pastorless over one year. Other country churches, I think, could be gotten, but they are not on the railroad. We need a man bad. With best wishes for the cause—J. W. Gibson.

The pulpit must flame with Bible oil. The Sunday school must feed the lambs with "the sincere milk of the Word," and the sheep with "the finest of the wheat." The church at school is one ideal to be realized. The church is a temple, with Jesus among the doctors, but not Jesus at the feet of the doctors, as of old, but the doctors at the feet of Jesus. Not a few have yet to learn the pupilage of discipleship.

Get some one to take the Leap Year Leap. Now is the time to propose. Costs only \$1 to January, 1913 (new subscriptions).

A PAGE ABOUT MEN, WOMEN AND THINGS

Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman sailed from New York on January 24 for an evangelistic trip around the world.

In Pennsylvania right now a widowed mother cannot collect damages from a railroad for the killing of a son who was her sole support.

The International Sunday School Lessons committee, meeting recently in Indianapolis, in which city was held its first meeting 40 years ago, mapped out new Bible lessons for English speaking Sunday schools in this and other lands that contain learners to the number of 25,000,000.

A telegram from Berlin, Germany, says: "Emperor William now seldom misses an opportunity of warning German students to moderate their drinking habits and to adopt rather the American model of student life."

To carry in ourselves the intense love of Jesus Christ, to find in Him the perpetual corrective of our actions, to do duty, not under the lash, but under the impulses of the soul—that is the most blessed life a man or woman can undertake.—Phillips Brooks.

Each subscriber is earnestly asked to examine the label on his paper, and if in arrears to send in his renewal as soon as possible. Get your neighbor to take it on the Leap Year offer. We will appreciate your kindness, and you will be helping your neighbor, your church and the cause of Southern Baptists.

"All days are sacred days to make
New gladness in the sunny air.
Only a night from old to new;
Only a step from night to morn.
The new is but the old come true,
Each sunrise sees a new year born."

James Russell Lowell when passing from Rome to Germany crossed the Alps, and, as he stood with a German friend on a high peak, his soul was thrilled with the magnificence of the scene about him. Turning his face toward Rome he said, "Glories of the past, I salute you." His German companion turned and looking toward his fatherland he lifted his hat and said, "Glories of the future, I salute you."

At a Salvation Army Congress in London General Booth told of a sympathetic person who said to a young woman, a captain in the general's forces, that he admired their work, but disliked their drum. "Sir," said she, in reply, "I don't like your bell." "What," said he, "not like the bell that says, 'Come to the house of God?'" "The bell may say 'Come,'" said she, "but the drum says 'Go and fetch 'em!'" That is the missionary order: "Go and fetch them." "Go, make disciples of all nations."

Sixty-two railroad trains, operated by officers of experiment stations of the department of agriculture, traveled over 35,000 miles during 1911. Public meetings held by these officers were attended by nearly 1,000,000 persons. Traveling schools to the number of 149 were attended by 40,000 farmers and farmers' boys. Farmers' institutes held 15,000 sessions, attended by 2,000,000 people. These interesting facts and many more appear in the annual report of the director of this department to Secretary Wilson, recently made public.

Christian Index: "Dr. J. M. Brittain.—The morning paper of Monday contained the startling announcement of the sudden death of this noble man of God. He passed to his reward as quietly as a child falls asleep on its mother's bosom, early on Sunday morning—a case of heart failure, the physicians tell us. In him there passed away one of the purest, sweetest spirits among us. In his death there ended a life full of good work for the Master and for men. If we searched all literature for words to describe Dr. Brittain, we could find no better combination than that made by Paul in his second letter to Timothy (4:6) 'a good minister of Jesus Christ.'"

Dr. Brittain was truly a royal and lovable man. We loved him very dearly, and join our tears with those of the bereaved family. He is the father of Brother C. M. Brittain, pastor at Columbia.

Dr. T. J. Bailey, editor and manager of the Baptist Record, announced in the last issue of that paper that he has sold his entire interest, consisting of 61 shares of the capital stock of the Mississippi Baptist Publishing Company, to Brethren P. I. Lipsey and J. C. Parker. Dr. Bailey has been editor of the Baptist Record for some 12 or 15 years, and has made a faithful editor. Brethren Lipsey and Parker are comparatively young men, but they are well prepared for editorial work. Brother Lipsey was formerly pastor of the Baptist church at Murfreesboro. For 12 years he has been pastor at Clinton, Miss. He is the son of Dr. J. W. Lipsey, of Memphis. The new firm will begin work on the paper the first of March. We wish them the most abundant success in their important duties.—Baptist and Reflector.
(They have our best wishes.)

"Ill fares the land, to hastening ills a prey,
Where wealth accumulates and men decay."

Our word "hope" springs from the Anglo-Saxon root meaning "to gape," as small birds in the nest do, opening wide their bills expecting that the parent birds will fill them.

Baptists have pledged \$100,000 for a seminary in St. Petersburg for the training of preachers in Slavic lands. Three thousand baptisms were recorded in the Baptist churches of Hungary last year.

Professor Jacks, editor of the Hibbert Journal, recently said in an address at the London City Temple: "The best way of securing peace between England and Germany would be for no one to mention the matter for two whole years."

Evangelists T. T. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Scofield, singers, are engaged in evangelistic services in one of the large negro churches in Louisville. The Pastors' Conference joined in the invitation to the evangelists and the white Baptist churches are aiding in defraying the expenses.

Southern Baptists must raise \$125,000 in addition to their regular contributions during this month and next for Foreign Missions if we are to go to Oklahoma City out of debt. We hope and pray that Alabama Baptists will do their full duty and raise their part. Foreign Missions and foreign missionaries in China are in peril.

We hope our list of workers on the Leap Year offer will not be limited to the pastor, or to the Sunday school superintendent, ladies' society president, B. Y. P. U. president and other officers. Let every subscriber to the Alabama Baptist join in the campaign and get at least one new subscriber.

In this year, 1912, less than 800,000 living babies will be born to the 40,000,000 of France. This is the problem of French depopulation in a nutshell. It is the most significant fact in French life. In no other country in the world is the birth rate so low. In no other country in the world has the birth rate fallen so rapidly and so steadily.

We clip the following for the benefit of those who doubt the power of the press: "Owing to the overcrowded condition of our columns, a number of births and deaths are unavoidably postponed this week."—The Chestnut Tree.

"Two souls with but a single thought,
Two hearts that beat as one," 'tis true,
But when they're wed and buy their bread
They find, alas! they eat as two.

While the negroes constituted 36 per cent of the south's population in 1800, they had shrunk to 29 per cent in 1910. Part of this falling off has been due to the migration of negroes from the south to the north and west in the interval. In only two states—South Carolina and Mississippi—do the blacks now outnumber the whites, and from the proportionate growth of the latter in the past 20 or 30 years they will outnumber the blacks in those states long before 1930 is reached.

Dr. Martha Lovell, one of the foremost women physicians of New England, has been causing much comment by her declaration that women who go into business take chances with death or at least a shortened life. She says: "Woman for centuries back had been the home-maker. For many hundreds of years she has been cared for, and her great mission has been the reproduction of the race. When woman chooses an environment which prevents her from fulfilling her mission, naturally she has got to suffer in one way or another. Women have a greater power of endurance. A woman will stand greater pain than a man. But womankind constitutionally is not able to keep pace with the business man of today. The sex was meant to receive the shelter of the home."

Every little kindness,
Every deed of love,
Every little action,
Prompted from above;
Even a cup of water,
In God's great name given,
Are like angel footprints
Leading up to heaven.

He has achieved success who has lived well, laughed often, and loved much; who has gained the respect of intelligent men and the love of little children; who has filled his niche and accomplished his task; who has left the world better than he found it, whether by an improved poppy, a perfect poem, or a rescued soul; who has never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty or failed to express it; who has always looked for the best in others and given the best he had; whose life was an inspiration, whose memory a benediction.

The best selling book in Syria and Egypt today is the Arabic Bible.—Henry H. Jessup.

A clergyman of Cambridge, Mass., many years ago told his people that if he spoke softly those at the end of the church would not be able to hear him, and, if loud, those near the pulpit would awake!

Edward Everett Hale turned no finer phrase than his "Lend a Hand" motto. It reads: "Look forward and not backward; look upward and not downward; look outward and not inward, and lend a hand."

Baptists do not believe that the Lord's Supper was instituted to express the affection or fellowship of the disciples for one another, but rather as a commemoration of Christ's sufferings and death for their redemption.

The religious teaching of little children is primarily a problem for the home, and it is one of the gravest dangers of our generation that we are unwilling to give that problem a foremost place in our distribution of time. But father and mother needs help from literature for their task of instruction.

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We want to thank many of our subscribers for the prompt response which some of them have made to the statements recently sent them and to kindly ask that those who have overlooked them will send us a check. We carried many over from last fall, hoping that cotton would go up this spring. It is now their turn to help us.

The completion of the Florida East Coast railway to its terminus at Key West is a monumental event not only in the history of Florida, but also in that of the United States. The significance of this event is far beyond our ken. It virtually links the great cities of the north with the Panama canal. It means that the excursionist and the business man can go from the great cities of New York, Boston, Chicago and St. Louis by an all-rail route to Key West and be brought within a few hours of Havana and the Panama canal. It gives Southern Baptists a great opportunity for mission work in the canal zone.

Dr. Henry Alford Porter, pastor of the Walnut Street church, Louisville, sailed on March 2 to spend a three months' leave of absence in the Orient. At Naples he will be joined by Dr. B. H. DeMent. Together they will visit Egypt, Palestine, Asia Minor and the Balkan States. From Constantinople they will be accompanied by Rev. C. T. Byford, continental commissioner of the Baptist World Alliance, and will visit Transcaucasian Russia and Persia. Dr. W. O. Carver, of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, will supply the Walnut Street pulpit until Dr. Porter's return, about the first of June.—Baptist and Reflector.

We hear of fortunes quickly made in Wall street, of miners who have accumulated enormous wealth by a lucky strike, of inventions that have made investors rich; but how many of these instances are there? Just a few, while countless thousands and hundreds of thousands have lost everything in unsuccessful ventures.

While the drift of our modern life in the outside world may be toward technical and scientific education, the drift in college is still toward the great teacher, the man of thought-provoking power and of spiritual capacity; sincere and genuine both in scholarship and manhood, of whom one can speak, as Carlyle spoke of Schiller, "a high ministering servant at Truth's altar, and bore him worthy of the office he held."

The fathers and mothers who are pressed into service by their children, when a harder-than-usual problem is part of the next day's school task, will appreciate this story from the Miami News:

This was the note which was handed to one of the grade teachers the other day:

"Dear Mum—Please excuse Johnny today. He will not be at school. He is acting as timekeeper for his father. Last night you gave him this example, if a field is 4 miles square how long will it take a man walking 3 miles an hour to walk 2 1/2 times around it? Johnny ain't no man, so we had to send his daddy. They left early this morning, and my husband said they ought to be back late tonight, though it would be hard going. Dear Mum, please make the next problem about ladies, as my husband can't afford to lose the day's work. I don't have no time to loaf, but I can spare a day off occasionally better than my husband can. Resp'y yrs. Mrs. Jones."

A GREAT CAUSE IN NEED.

Elsewhere will be found an urgent appeal by Dr. B. D. Gray, corresponding secretary of the Home Mission Board. Dr. Gray calls on the pastors and churches throughout the length and breadth of Alabama to come up now in a liberal, large-hearted way to supply the distressing needs of a great cause.

Home Missions justly holds in the heart of Alabama Baptists a warm place. It is one of the two great fundamental causes for which the Southern Baptist Convention was organized. The board had its headquarters for more than a generation in this state, and through the years it has done a great deal to help build up the cause of Christ and Baptist principles in this commonwealth. Though it is not doing so much this year as it did in former years, yet the board is contributing in this present year \$4,500 to the work of mission in Alabama.

The showing of our state, as set forth in the letter of the corresponding secretary, is not to our credit. It is evidence that in the multiplicity of affairs in which we are engaged we have allowed one of the most important of all to suffer. Last year Alabama gave \$30,496 to Home Missions, including the \$10,000 gift of our lamented brother, J. C. Bush. Still, including this gift, the Home Board had received from Alabama up to February 15, 1911, \$18,881. Therefore less than \$12,000 was raised between February 15 and May 1, 1911.

Now compare this situation with the present status. With an apportionment of \$25,000 to this great cause, the Home Board has received from Alabama up to March 1, 1912, only \$7,941, leaving \$17,059 to be raised in two months, whereas we raised less than \$12,000 in the last two and one-half months of the fiscal year last year.

It is becoming more and more apparent that our Baptist efficiency is wrapped up in a larger view of the content of Home and State Missions. It is absolutely essential that our mission program for America shall at this late date take hold of that great slogan of the Baptists' fathers, wrought by them into the preamble of the very constitution of the Southern Baptist Convention: "Eliciting, combining and directing the energies of the denomination for the propagation of the gospel." Once we accept in good faith this larger mission ideal, we immediately see the need of doing twice as much domestic mission work. That is, we shall need to do as much to teach, instruct and train for lives of service the people in our churches as we are now doing for evangelizing the lost, without doing any less of the latter class of work.

We beg that pastors and laymen shall give the large attention that it merits to supplying the urgent needs now of the Home Mission Board. The time is indeed brief in which to make up the record for the year, but we can raise that \$17,000. Let us do it!

THE LEAP YEAR CAMPAIGN.

Before the great campaign opened we said:

"While we greatly appreciate the help of our many good friends who busy themselves to increase the circulation of the paper, still if it was merely a personal matter we would hesitate to call on them; but in asking them to try and double the list on the Leap Year Offer we feel that our sacrifice will be as great as any they will make, for it will double our work without adding to our profits, for \$1 will barely cover the actual cost of the subscription to January, 1913."

And we also said:

"We can almost sit down and write out a list of the pastors who will bother themselves to do a little personal work to get their members to take the Alabama Baptist. Brethren, we know that many of you are very busy men. We are not complaining. Personally we count it one of the joys of our work as editor, that there are so many who do what they can to help us do the work which under God we are striving to do with and through the paper."

And now in the midst of the campaign, while we have worked desperately hard, we have been more than compensated for all the extra burden put on us by the help and cheering letters which have developed under the stress of the Leap Year Offer. Again we say: Pastors ought to be as much interested in putting on new subscribers at \$1 to January, 1913, as we are. There is no money in it for the paper, but

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we are glad to do our part towards helping the general work. And we believe if the overworked pastors want relief let them put the Alabama Baptist into the homes of the people on the Leap Year Offer, and it will do the work of an assistant. A little personal work on their part now will save them much work later.

It's as much the problem of the pastors as it is that of your editor. If they fail to take hold of the Leap Year Offer and push it we will not suffer, but the cause will.

DOCTRINAL TESTS.

It is being said by some men who are in favor of a general union of Christian people that there should be no doctrinal tests of fellowship. They say that the greatest thing of all is an acceptance of Christ as man's Savior and Lord. It is affirmed that He is the great center, around whom all believers can gather in a common brotherhood. What a plausible scheme that is! It means that Christian doctrine is of small account, as compared with a brotherhood based on the profession of loyalty to the person of Christ. It means that it matters nothing as to what one believes, if only he affirms loyalty to Christ's person. But this idea is far from being a correct one. It is without Bible support, and is even contrary to Bible teaching. It is indeed true that loyalty to Christ is a great fundamental; but one cannot be truly loyal to Christ without also being loyal to the doctrines which He taught, and which He authorized His apostles to teach. It is one thing to profess to be true to Christ as a person and quite another thing to obey His doctrines. There are many professed Christians who, while asserting that they are loyal to Christ, are rejecting some of the cardinal doctrines which He and His apostles proclaimed. They deny His deity and His infallibility. They also deny that He came down from heaven. They are not true to all of His teachings. This is not loyalty to Christ's person. Observe what Paul wrote about doctrine: "I beseech you, brethren, mark them which are causing the divisions and occasions of stumbling, contrary to the doctrine which ye learned, and turn away from them." (Rom. 16:17.) In his first letter to Timothy he says: "I exhorted thee to tarry at Ephesus . . . that thou mightest charge certain men not to teach a different doctrine." And John says: "Whosoever goeth onward and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God." Verily, doctrinal tests are most essential in one's real relation to Christ.

A NOTABLE CONGRESS.

The Southern Sociological Congress, of which Gov. Ben W. Hooper is president, will meet in Nashville, Tenn., May 7-10, 1912, the business being to study and improve all social, civic and economic conditions in the south. The governors of the sixteen southern states will appoint 100 or more delegates from each state, and the program is for a large attendance. The program covers discussions by leading men and women throughout the nation on such questions as "Dependent Children," "Care of the Feeble Minded," "The Needs of the Mountain Children," "Extent of Illiteracy in the South," "Public Health and Housing," "Adult Dependents and Delinquents," "Child Labor and Compulsory Education," "The Purpose of Imprisonment," "Prison Conditions," "The Indeterminate Sentence," "Loan Sharks," "The Church and Social Service," "Tuberculosis," "The Negro and Public Health," "The Negro and Crime."

We are glad to know that Judge William H. Thomas, of Montgomery, is one of the invited speakers, as he has not only made a study of a number of these questions, but has seen in his judicial career their importance.

THE DENOMINATIONAL PAPER AND PASTORS.

In his valedictory address as editor of the Baptist Record, a position which he has held for twelve and a half years, Dr. T. J. Bailey says: "The paper is the pastors' strongest ally, and yet hundreds of them

welcome its help and enjoy its blessings without making any adequate exertions for the extension of its circulation. If this defect could be remedied, the battle would be won. The pastors are the key, and we shall never have the paper we need without their general and hearty assistance."

Dr. E. E. Folk says: "This is true, very true. Why should not the pastors recognize the denominational paper as a denominational agency and put forth their efforts to extend its circulation as much as they would to secure contributions for missions? If they did, it would be much better not simply for the paper, but for all our denominational work, because the denominational paper is the medium of communication for the information and inspiration of the brotherhood along all lines of the denominational work."

The winter issue of the Bulletin, representative of the Department of Foreign Languages of Howard College, which was prepared under the editorial supervision of Prof. John C. Dawson, head of the department, reflects credit on him and his students. The series of articles written in connection with work in the class room on Mollere and Schiller were prepared by students in the second year of French and German. Translations of stories from the French, German and Spanish languages were made by young men in their first year in those languages. The map of Love's Land, frontispiece, was reproduced by Mr. O. W. Greer, of the second year French class.

On Monday, March 4, 1912, at McRae's Infirmary, Atlanta, Ga., Albert G. Hash, pastor of the First Baptist church of Fort Gaines, Ga., died. The funeral services were held at the First Baptist church, Fort Gaines, Ga., Wednesday, March 6, at 3 p. m. He was buried in the Fort Gaines cemetery. This is indeed sad news. Brother Hash was a truly consecrated pastor, and made many friends while in Alabama who will mourn his death.

Mr. Evarts told Lord Coleridge, when they were at Mount Vernon, the legend of Washington throwing a dollar across the Rappahannock. "But," objected Coleridge, "the Rappahannock's a broad stream." "Yes," retorted Mr. Evarts, "but a dollar went further in those days." At a dinner party this story was praised as Mr. Evarts' best. "Oh," said Mr. Evarts modestly, "I don't say all the good things credited to me. Now what I might have said is that it was not so strange George Washington threw a dollar across a river, since he threw a sovereign across the sea."—Philadelphia Record.

Of course there are splendid material effects of Christian activity to be seen and read of all. They are the bright spots in our modern civilization. But for real, adequate encouragement and girding for a lasting service the Christian worker must find other satisfactions than these in his life. Otherwise faint-heartedness and failure will threaten his character and blight his happiness. A faith based on visible results alone is exposed to eclipse from hopelessness, or cynicism, or doubt.

I send you one new subscriber, all I have been able to get so far. I hoped to get some yesterday at church, but we were all rained out. I still think I may get more. I am exceedingly anxious for our membership to take the Baptist. May the Lord bless you in doubling your circulation and all good works is my prayer.—M. W. Lindsey.

Enclosed find check for my subscription to be moved up to 1913. I enjoy the paper very much and can't afford to be without it. Respectfully—(Miss) Elizabeth Watts.

Two of our church deacons are not subscribers to the paper, and I shall endeavor to induce them to take advantage of your \$1 proposition.

(This comes from a deacon who always helps to get the members of his church to subscribe.)

Rev. S. J. Parrish, of Georgia, will deliver three lectures in Blocton, Ala.: "Fraternalities," March 12; "Sunshine and Shadows," March 13; "Man, Not a Monkey," March 14.

A COUNCIL OF WAR.

By William H. Smith.

Something like 100 officers of the Foreign Mission societies of North America and the missionaries on furloughs gathered in the city of New York on February 29 in a conference on the situation in China. Dr. Arthur J. Brown, who presided, said that the conference was not a public gathering, but a council of war. He felt that the leaders of the great Foreign Mission movement had come together to consider the most momentous question which now confronts the churches: How can we meet the vast opportunities afforded to the work of Foreign Missions by the present situation in China?

The present situation in China, its causes, elements and possible outcome was one of the subjects under consideration. Rev. John E. Williams, vice-president of the Nanking University, recalled the famous saying of Dr. Smith, one of the greatest authorities on China, when asked with reference to the bottom facts in the Boxer uprising. He replied, "There is no bottom and there are no facts." Dr. Williams felt that the present situation in China was no longer normal and regular, but only peculiar. China has undertaken and is accomplishing in a few brief years that for which the western nations took centuries. If we could combine all the forces which have been operating through centuries of our history and compress them into a decade or two we might reproduce in the west the present situation in China. He believed that the possibilities are marvelous in the civil, social and religious realms. The result of the first contact of China with western civilization was resistance, but since the Boxer uprising and the war between Russia and Japan all this has changed, and now China welcomes with open arms everything that comes from the west.

Some of the elements and causes which enter into the revolution in China may be easily discerned. For a number of years great bands of students have been flocking to Japan. There Dr. Sun Yat Sen sowed his seed in a fertile soil. These students, thoroughly imbued with his ideas, went back to all portions of China, and a rapid change began to take place. There was also the almost universal feeling among the Chinese after the death of the dowager empress that there was no Manchu left who was able to take the control of the government. Greed and graft were thriving on every side. The new prince regent seemed to be able to do nothing but make blunders. The popular conception of the regent was expressed in the oft repeated saying, "In a great affair of state, a great blunder; in a little affair of state, a little blunder; and in no affair of state, no blunder." The Chinese thoroughly distrusted the government, and the wide prevalence of famine, the immense foreign loans and the burdensome taxation imposed upon the people made the time ripe for Dr. Sun and the other revolutionary leaders.

It was the general feeling of the men gathered in this conference that what has been accomplished in China in two months' time is nothing short of marvelous. The revolution is unique in the history of the world.

It was the feeling of experienced missionaries at the conference that the Chinese people would be able to establish and maintain a republican form of government. The Chinese idea of government is far better than that of the Greeks and Latins. There has always been large autonomy in conducting the affairs of the various provinces. The people are far better prepared for republican government than we think. They will develop the varied and vast natural resources of the country, and this mighty country will make inconceivable strides in the near future towards material prosperity and mental and moral development. It was agreed also that the opportunity offered to the churches in the west is the greatest in the history of Christianity. Dr. Williams said: "The opportunity before us is greater than that which confronted the Apostle Paul or has been offered to Christendom in any age, but it must be grasped in the next 10 or 15 years. What if we fail? Western Christianity, to a great extent, lost its opportunity in Japan a generation ago. A far greater opportunity is offered to us now. Shall we seize it and make China a mighty Christian nation, or shall we let it slip from our grasp?"

Many of the advantages to Christian work were brought out in the conference. One man who had just landed from China stated that in many of the provinces 75 per cent of the officials in the new government are Christian men. The world is already familiar with the noble, Christian spirit of Dr. Sun, who, having within his grasp the great honor of being the first president, unselfishly resigned it into the hands of Yuan Shikai, because he felt that it would be for the best interest of his people. Those who had just come from China stated that everywhere there were crowds at the doors of the chapels who could not get in. A great wave is forming in favor of Christianity. A mighty mass movement of the people towards the Christian religion is at hand, and henceforth the utmost care would have to be exercised by the missionaries to prevent an influx of unconverted people into the churches.

When we think of the present situation in China, the question arises so far as Southern Baptists are concerned: Are we ready to arise in our might and bear our part in meeting this unique opportunity? Will our people by their prayers, sympathy and contributions come forward humbly before God in His present challenge in the situation in China? What a calamity it would be for our Foreign Mission work to be burdened with debt and hampered in the face of this unparalleled opportunity.

Richmond, Va.

URGENT HOME MISSION NEEDS.

Dear Brother Barnett:

With an apportionment of \$400,000 for the fiscal year, now within less than 50 days of its end, and with obligations on account of this work that require approximately the whole amount, the Home Mission Board has received from all sources up to March 1 only \$91,000, leaving \$309,000 to be raised in two months.

We beg to call your attention to this trying situation, and we know the cause will be greatly aided if you will in the columns of the Alabama Baptist give us a ringing editorial, calling the brotherhood of Alabama to a united effort to supply this distressing need.

We are in worse straits than at the same date last year. The success and progress of one of the greatest activities in which Southern Baptists are engaged, or have ever been engaged, is in jeopardy.

There is unquestionably a happy growth of Home Mission conviction among Southern Baptists. There is growing an altogether wholesome conviction that the measure of worth of Southern Baptists for permeating and purifying our national life and in saving the whole world, is largely to be found in the adequacy of their program of evangelization to meet the present needs in America, and in their capacity to elicit, combine and direct the religious forces of the whole denomination through Home Missions.

Alabama's apportionment for Home Missions for the fiscal year is \$25,000. Every dollar of it will be needed to bring the Home Board out of debt. Yet up to March 1 only \$7,941 had been received from Alabama, leaving \$17,059 to be raised in two months.

It can be done. Yes, it can be done easily. But it cannot be done at all except as the brethren—the pastors, laymen, elect women, churches—hear and give heed to this, our cry. It will take liberal giving, earnest prayer, thought and study. It is so in everything worth doing for the kingdom of God; it is so with the great cause of Home Missions.

Our Alabama brethren have in the times past given quick and fraternal response and helped to save the day for the great cause when we have put our distress before them. Our hearts are comforted at the remembrance of their faithfulness, and we believe they will remember us generously now.

We beg that a special collection be taken at each church, after conference between the brethren and prayer that God may give the church the spirit of sacrificial, liberal giving. We beg that what is done be done quickly, for the time of annual accounting is near at hand.

Yours in distress, but in faith,

B. D. GRAY,

Corresponding Secretary.

Atlanta, Ga., March 9.

A large mission class has been organized in Blocton to study "Western Women in Eastern Lands."

TRIP NOTES.

Sunday, February 25, I spent in Dothan, preaching for Brother Jennings at the First church in the morning and for Brother Partridge at Headland Avenue at night. The weather was unfavorable, but the congregations were excellent—far beyond what I expected. I was very much surprised at the size of the Sunday school at the First church. I attended a men's class taught by Dr. Davie, and there were about 35 men present. After hearing the lesson taught by Dr. Davie it was easy to understand why this class is so popular with the men of Dothan. The Sunday school and congregation of the First church have outgrown their accommodations, and sooner or later the church will have to erect a new house or enlarge the present building. Brother Jennings has a strong hold on his people, and is doing a most excellent work. Brother Partridge is doing finely at Headland Avenue. This church is hampered by a large debt, but efforts are being made to liquidate it, and as soon as this is accomplished the church will make great progress. Our cause in Dothan is in good hands and is making gratifying progress.

The week following my visit to Dothan I found myself in the throes of moving. What a task it is to move a library of considerable size! It is easy to pack the books in boxes for moving, but to rearrange them again is a very difficult task. My present address is 1005 Crescent avenue. If, however, the brethren should forget this address, a letter addressed to me at Birmingham will reach me.

Carrollton and Aliceville.

Brother Brock had arranged for me to be at Carrollton Sunday morning, March 3, and at Aliceville for the evening service, and at Gordo on Monday night, but a belated train prevented me from making connection at Tuscaloosa, which required me to spend Saturday night at Tuscaloosa. I reached Carrollton for the Sunday night service, and spoke at Aliceville on Monday night. This prevented me from being at Gordo, as an engagement at Montgomery prevented me from remaining over for Tuesday night.

Brother Brock heartily co-operated with me and gave me as much of his time as was needed for my work, and the brethren responded to my appeals. This was not my first visit to Carrollton and Aliceville, and I was no stranger to the brethren. What a power of strength is Brother W. G. Robertson at Carrollton. He has been superintendent of the Sunday school there for more than 40 years, and he has kept up with the development in Sunday school work. There is no young man in the state who is better posted on modern methods than he is. He is one of the kind that never gets on the shelf. No shelf is big enough to hold him. He does not live in the past, but keeps up with the progress of the world religiously as well as otherwise. Brock has a large, but excellent field, and is filling it most acceptably.

I am very often asked by pastors to speak on special topics and am always willing to serve them, and I find them quite willing, as a rule, to co-operate with me in the work I am trying to do. Voluntary offerings are coming in occasionally for the Newton building. The contract for the new building was let on Wednesday, March 6, and the contractor is to have it ready for occupancy by the 15th of August. The contract price for the building is \$12,000, not including the heating plant and furnishings. Fifteen thousand dollars will be needed to complete the building. I hope the brethren will not wait for a visit from me, as I can reach only a small number of churches. This is an emergency and an extra. Send in your contributions, brethren.

W. J. E. COX.

Pastors ought to be as much interested in putting on new subscribers at \$1 to January, 1913, as we are. There is no money in it for the paper, but we are glad to do our part towards helping the general work.

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FROM MOBILE.

Dr. J. W. Phillips, pastor of the First church, has recently spent much time with his mother in Binghamton, N. Y., who has been seriously ill. His services have been held by Brethren Shell and Hines. The attendance has been good.

Brother Shell is doing good work at the Tabernacle. It is hoped he will become pastor.

Dr. Hines has attracted large congregations at Dauphin Way by a series of sermons on the "Home Life." New pews have been installed, and this church is rapidly coming to the front.

Rev. George W. McRhea is to aid Rev. A. S. Sims in a revival at Geneva, beginning the fifth Sunday.

The pastors' conference has arranged to hold a fifth Sunday meeting at Whistler. Rev. Ed. S. Barnes has recently accepted the pastorate of this church. J. D. ANDERSON.

FROM BROTHER WEAR.

I have been granted a leave of absence from my church Kevil for three months, during which time I will be supply pastor of the great people's church, Twenty-second and Walnut streets. Rev. M. E. Dodd, the pastor, has resigned to become pastor of the First Baptist church, Shreveport, La. Brother Dodd is one of the leading young preachers of the Southern Baptist Convention. We regret to lose him from the state of Kentucky.

Alabama loses another young preacher, but Kentucky will be enriched by his services and the Baptist cause strengthened. I refer to Rev. J. O. Colley, pastor of Twenty-seventh Street, Birmingham, Ala. Brother Colley goes to Springfield. We welcome him to the state. (We will miss him.)

Please change my paper from Kevil, Ky., to 2210 West Chestnut street, Louisville, Ky. Best wishes for the paper and a word of greeting to the brethren of the state of Alabama.

Very truly,
WALLACE WEAR.

IN MEMORIAM.

On March 4, 1912, our Heavenly Father in the exercise of His wisdom and love came and claimed the spirit of Brother W. J. Owen and took it back to Him that gave it. He was a member of the Tuxedo Baptist church, and was a Christian of strong character. In his last sickness he was patient and submissive, and passed away without any fear. He left a wife, Mrs. M. O. Owen, three sons, three daughters and 19 grandchildren, who can say they have a tie on the other shore.

"Safe in the arms of Jesus,
Safe on His gentle breast,
There by His love o'ershadowed,
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HIS PASTOR.

A ship was wrecked. As the sailors were making their escape in small boats, suddenly two of them sprang overboard, swam back and entered the ship. They soon reappeared with something in their hands, and swam at great risk back to their boats. They had forgotten to take their compass.

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Following a call sent out by the pastors of the Baptist churches in Anniston about ten pastors met in the First Baptist church Wednesday, February 28, at 2 p. m. and organized the Calhoun County Ministers' Union, with Dr. W. F. Yarborough, chairman, and A. C. Yeagan, secretary. We had a very fine spirit of fellowship and love of the brethren manifest throughout the entire meeting. Every one present seemed to be of the same mind regarding our Lord's work, inasmuch that it seemed like being in a genuine experience meeting down in the old church in the country some place. Brother pastors, we are beginning to learn already of the great blessings that we might have had all these years if we as brethren had been more co-operative and fraternal in the work of our Master. It was good to be there. We are praying that the little "leaven" hidden, as it were, in the measures of meal, may keep working in its mighty leavening power until every pastor, every church and every member of every church in this association may be wrought upon by this power.

We are planning to hold all-day Saturday meetings with any and all churches in the association where they so desire, that we may have larger opportunities to increase more and more in fellowship one with the other.

Later we hope to put a missionary in the field. THE SECRETARY.

When George Washington took his oath as the first president of the United States one person out of every 94 was a Baptist. Now one person in every 17 is a Baptist.

The gospel has recently achieved almost unnoticed in the mountains of Eastern Kentucky a triumph that on the foreign mission field would have made a story to ring round the world. "Devil Anse" Hatfield and all of his 11 living sons, the most noted feudist family of all the southern highlands, have been converted and brought into the church under the ministry of a faithful old Baptist preacher of the mountains, who in their bloodiest days has never ceased to be their friend and never despaired of bringing them under the power of religion. The sons were first softened from their hard and bitter spirit when two brothers of theirs were slain in a mountain fight some years ago. The staunch old Baptist minister conducted the funeral service for the dead and made good use of his opportunity with the living. But it took several years more of steadfast pleading with them to bring them round to the point of baptism. But lately they were all baptized at one time. Their father, it seems, had been won over a year before. Their mother had long been a church member.

One evening last week, when I called on Babette, I found her with whooping cough badly upset. She said, "It's unpleasant, now, take it from me!" I did—and I'm whooping this morning, you see. —Judge.

Mr. Alfred Tennyson Dickens, a son of Charles Dickens, who recently came to this country to give readings from his father's works, died suddenly from heart disease. The funeral was held at Trinity church, New York, and the interment was in Trinity cemetery, Washington Heights.

CENTERVILLE COMING TO THE FRONT.

Since the 1st of last November the Centerville church has increased her membership nearly 20 per cent. A mid-week prayer meeting has been organized and is flourishing. A B. Y. P. U. has recently been organized, and the indications are that it will be a success and accomplish much good. The Sunday school has recently added the Cradle Roll and Home Department, and expects in the near future to reach the banner standard as measured by the State Sunday School Board's yard stick. The Ladies' Aid and Missionary Societies are thoroughly alive and are accomplishing much in their respective lines of work. The Missionary Society is observing the week of prayer for Home Missions this week.

About one dozen of the members of the church have agreed to adopt the Bible plan of benevolence and tithe their incomes.

Last, but by no means least, at a recent conference the church moved up from half to full time services, now taking the pastor's entire time instead of only half time. A proportionate increase in salary accompanied this change. So as a church we are beginning to feel that indeed "we are here on business for our King."

Fraternally,

J. J. GRIFFITH.

I have just returned from Hiram, in Russell county. The weather was bad Sunday. However, I made a pull for Home Missions, and those who were present contributed liberally. There are very few unregenerated persons in that community. So about all we can do is to keep organized and keep up our offerings for Missions. In our conference Saturday among other things we changed our meeting days from the first Sundays to the second Sundays in each month, so my vacant Sundays are the first and third. Yours for service—A. Z. Matthews, 1006 S. Railroad street, Columbus, Ga.

Park Avenue Baptist church is trying to lift the burden overhanging her faithful members and return to their first love. Pastor McDaniel is doing some strong old-time preaching, which we so much need. I thank you for moving my figure to 1913. I also thank the Mineral Springs Association for the contribution, which I received with your note last week. God bless you all. My health is better. I was able to preach last Sunday for Brother McDaniel. I am trying to secure some subscribers for the "jump." Fraternally—J. E. Cox, North Birmingham.

Richard Strauss, the musical composer, is an indefatigable mountain climber. In his knee breeches and stout shoes he will tramp over the sides and summits of these mountains by the day, jotting down in a note book the themes kindled in his imagination by the beauty and grandeur outspread before him.

A great officer who recently died in China, Sir Robert Hart, a noted Englishman, has said: "The Chinese people are fortunate because they have the best food in the world, rice; the best drink in the world, tea; the best clothing in the world, silk."



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State of Alabama, County of Jefferson. We, the Birmingham Park and Amusement Company, a corporation, and E. E. Newsome, owning twenty (20) shares, and W. E. Coleman, owning twenty (20) shares, respectively, of the capital stock of aforesaid corporation, which was formed under the provisions of the general incorporation laws of the State of Alabama; said undersigned natural persons own the entire number of the shares of the capital of said Birmingham Park and Amusement Company; and, desiring to quit business, do herewith and hereby agree and declare that said corporation shall be and it now is dissolved and completely at an end.

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By: W. E. COLEMAN, (L. S.) President.
E. E. NEWSOME, (L. S.) Stockholder.
W. E. COLEMAN, (L. S.) Stockholder.

The State of Alabama, County of Jefferson.

I, F. M. Lowe, a Notary Public in and for aforesaid county, in said State, hereby certify that W. E. Coleman, whose name as president of the Birmingham Park and Amusement Company, a corporation, is signed to the foregoing agreement for dissolution, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of said agreement, he as such officer and with full authority executed the same voluntarily for and as the act of said corporation and I further certify that E. E. Newsome and W. E. Coleman, whose names are signed to the foregoing are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of said agreement, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand this 6th day of March, 1912. F. M. LOWE, Notary Public.

The State of Alabama, County of Jefferson.

I, J. P. Stiles, Judge of Probate of Jefferson county, State of Alabama, hereby certify that the foregoing agreement for the dissolution of the Birmingham Park and Amusement Company, a corporation, was filed in my office for record on the 6th day of March, 1912. J. P. STILES, Judge of Probate.

FORECLOSURE SALE.

Default having been made in the payment of an indebtedness secured by a mortgage executed to the undersigned, Crawford Johnson, by Frederick S. Bennett, on the 10th day of October, 1911, which mortgage was filed for record in the office of the Judge of Probate for Jefferson county on the — day of March, 1912, notice is hereby given that, acting under the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the undersigned will sell, for cash, in front of the court house door of said county, on Saturday, the 6th day of April, 1912, the following described property conveyed by said mortgage, to-wit:

The east 35 feet of lot 27, in block "C," of the survey of Ardis Heights, map of which is recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate for Jefferson county, Alabama, in map book 8, on page 32; said fractional lot forming a rectangle fronting 35 feet on the north side of Eighteenth avenue and extending back northward 140 feet to an alley.

Said sale is made for the purpose of paying the indebtedness secured by said mortgage, as well as the expenses of foreclosure.

This, the 12th day of March, 1912. CRAWFORD JOHNSON, Mortgagee.
A. C. & H. R. Howze, Attorneys.
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LIST OF CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS FROM THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS TO THE ORPHANAGE, CHRISTMAS, 1911.

Dear Brother Superintendent: We are sending you a list of all the Sunday schools that sent us a Christmas offering. The response was indeed gratifying to us, and we sincerely thank each one of you. This list is also being sent to all of the superintendents, trusting your good works may put them in the spirit to observe this beautiful custom next Christmas. Perhaps, your school took the collection and it has not been sent in, or perhaps the remittance was lost in the mail. In either event will you kindly look into the matter?

Now, as has been said, we greatly appreciate these offerings, but what we need, above all other things, is that regular monthly contribution that means so much to us and to your school, we think, in the development of Christian giving to denominational work. Won't you make it a point to take a collection for us one Sunday in each month this year? We hope you will talk this matter over with your school, and we feel sure of their co-operation. The Sunday schools can render this regular aid to the Orphanage where it is not possible for the church body to do so.

Wishing for each of you the greatest success in the Master's work in the good year of 1912, we are,

Fraternally yours,
BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

P. S. The list of Christmas offerings is up to February 1.

- Summerdale, \$3.70; Bayou LaBatre, \$6; Glenville, \$1; Tuskegee, \$36.35; McElwain, Birmingham, \$5.12; Pinckard, \$5; Girard, \$10; Chapman, \$50; Searles, \$5; Oakdale, Mobile, \$20.51; Newville, 55 cents; Notasulga, \$11.44; Bayou LaBatre, \$4; Hatchechubbee, \$5; Talladega Springs, \$1; Smyrna, Dothan, \$5; Union, Bessemer, \$10; Sardis, Morris, 93 cents; Shade Mt., Birmingham, \$11.68; Eutaw, \$7.87; Gilliam Springs, Arab, \$1.25; Society Hill, \$15; Midway, Daleville, \$5; Columbiana, \$24.56; Pratt City, \$14.51; Judson, Marion, \$10; Manchester, \$4.38; First, North Decatur, \$3.81; Hanceville, \$3; Hanceville, \$10.35; Sardis, Thomaston, \$1; Blue Mt., Aniston, \$9.28; Thomaston, \$6.20; Camp Hill, \$14.02; Brantley, \$10.59; Shelby, \$6; Sylacauga, \$3; Alexandria, \$3; Double Springs, \$1; Ebenezer, Columbia, \$3.75; Seale, \$5; Pleasant Grove, Loango, 80 cents; Friendship, Glenwood, \$4.35; Highland Avenue, Montgomery, \$20; Collins Chapel, Jemison, \$2.40; Carbon Hill, \$3.67; Cecil, \$5.50; Calvary, Marion, \$1.25; Union Springs, \$132.73; Repton, \$1; Mt. Carmel, Dadeville, \$4.65; Piedmont, \$6.39; Cottondale, \$3.25; Drewry, \$1.67; Blountsboro, \$5; Fairmont, Red Level, \$5.57; Heflin, \$14; First, Selma, \$10.51; Shell Banks, Gasque, \$13; Ruhama, East Lake, \$4.33; First, Phenix City, \$14; Flomaton, \$2.83; Sheffield, \$10; Range, 70 cents; Pleasant Hill, \$5; Friendship, Boaz, \$2.90; Village Springs, \$1.12; First, Cullman, \$1.40; Athens, \$5.10; Fellowship, Dadeville, \$38.25; Epes, \$2.75; First, Opelika, \$3.70; Indian Head, Cordova, \$18.50; Prattville, \$22.55; Geneva, \$9.40; Centreville, \$10; Orrville, \$7.12; Bay Minette, \$5.70; Point Pleasant, Brewton, \$5.56; First, Mobile, \$58.53; Wetumpka, \$15; Wilmer, \$2.75; Jud-

- son, Poarch, \$4.45; Concord, Buena Vista, \$2.08; Ragland, \$7.20; Friendship, Tallassee, \$2.84; Tallassee, \$5; Headland Avenue, Dothan, \$2.50; Haleyville, \$8.03; Mt. Pleasant, Elliska, \$6.50; Georgiana, \$13.66; County Line, LaFayette, \$6; Electric, \$8.35; Bear Creek No. 1, Phil Campbell, \$2.70; Mt. Sterling, \$3.45; Cross Roads, Clanton, \$4.19; Sycamore, Sylacauga, \$3; Gurley, \$5.33; Coffee Springs, \$1.36; Fifty-sixth Street, Woodlawn, \$80; Shades Valley, Birmingham, \$5; Austinvile, New Decatur, \$7.20; Hayneville, \$2.80; Canoe, \$10; Helena, \$2.16; Irondale, \$4.20; Fayette, \$10.40; Gamble Mines, \$10; Mt. Carmel, West Blocton, \$1.45; Abbeville, \$12.51; Beulah, Wetumpka, \$13; Mt. Zion No. 1, Clanton, \$3.15; Sister Springs, Tyler, \$4.30; St. Stephens, \$5.30; Shiloh, Douglas, \$1.80; Gravel Hill, Colbran, \$1; Mountain Creek, \$4.86; Pleasant Grove, Moulton, \$5; Beech Grove, Francisco, \$1; Jonesboro, Bessemer, \$6.51; Ensley, \$9.87; Auburn, \$4.36; Almwel, \$3.75; Bethsaida, Furman, \$3.08; Elam, \$1.80; Louisville, \$12.17; Friendship, Pine Apple, \$6.91; Carlowlville, \$7; Magnolia, Sardine, \$4.55; Pleasant Hill, Garland, \$1.10; Daviston, \$1.10; Albertville, \$2.70; Mt. Gilead, Walker Springs, \$2; Austinvile, New Decatur, \$7.20; Sister Spring, Tyler, \$4.30; Range, \$1.42; Hanceville, \$3; Sylacauga, \$30; Antioch, Fyffe, \$4.50; Bethel, Coaling, \$4; Guin, \$5; Antioch, LaFayette, \$1.15; Evergreen, \$12.89; Birmingham, East, \$10.34; Pleasant Valley No. 1, Jamestown, \$2.70; Maros, \$4; LaPine, \$4.50; Hopewell, Ashville, \$2; Livingston, \$26.75; Three Notch, \$2.50; Coosada, \$3; Flat Creek, Quinton, \$2; Thorsby, \$6; Friendship, Oakmulgee, \$1.25; Shiloh, Lawley, 80 cents; Spring Bank, Washington, \$1.15; Suggsville, \$5; Central, New Decatur, \$1.50; Parker Memorial, \$6.15; Montgomery, First, \$69.02; Reform, \$7.26; Reeves Grove, \$2; Hatchechubbee, \$5; Olive Branch, East Lake, \$1; Pratt City, \$14.51; Amity, Whatley, \$3.70; First, Mobile, \$8.53; Mt. Andrew, Yellow Bluff, \$3.40; Iron City, \$3; Catawba Springs, Brewton, \$9.25; Tuxedo, Ensley, \$5; Bethel, Georgiana, \$6; Ashford, \$6.11; Good Hope, Youngblood, \$2.89; County Line, Arlington, \$1.40; Brookwood, \$5.15; Greenville, \$15; Bethsaida, Local, \$4; Greenville, \$15; Union, Lockhart, \$3.30; Bethsaida, Local, \$4; Slocomb, \$1.64; Greensboro, \$3.65; Tusculumbia, \$4.16; Calyton Street, Montgomery, \$62.99; Shell Banks, Gasque, \$13; Glenwood, \$4.46; Buhl, \$2.14; Mountain Creek, \$4.69; Elam, \$1.80; Hoke's Bluff, \$11.75; First, New Decatur, \$8.48; Mt. Pleasant, Notasulga, \$2; Midway, \$8; Forest Home, \$4.52; Center Point, Coffeewille, \$1.16; Jefferson, \$3.70; Falkville, \$11.60; Twenty-seventh Street, Birmingham, \$3; Walnut Grove, \$3.51; Baptist Tabernacle, \$2.60; First, Cullman, \$8.09; New Union, Vina, 95 cents; First, Troy, \$200; Liberty, Warrior, \$1.45; Glencoe, R. Springs, \$5; Central, \$4.81; Union, Grand Bay, \$8.96; Beatrice, \$5.63; Bon Air, \$3; Riverview, \$20.20; Town Creek, Tyler, \$20.75; First, Gadsden, \$7.49; Plantersville, \$2.50; Grand Bay, \$10.49; Nicholls-ville, \$2.57; Arbor Spring, Northport, \$1.15; Haynes, \$2.66; Pisgah, \$1.67; Jordan, \$1.65; Eldridge, \$3; Damaris, Lawrence, \$2.84; Berlin, Cullman, \$6.57; Piper, \$9.71; Sybil, Monterey, \$3.50; Ozark, \$12.50; Huntsville, Merimac, \$5; Carbon Hill, 96 cents;

MORTGAGE SALE.

Under and by virtue of a mortgage executed by W. W. Ellard and wife, Kate Ellard, to the North Birmingham Trust and Savings Bank, and recorded in Mortgage Book 635, Records of Deeds, page 225, in the office of the Judge of Probate of Jefferson county, by the North Birmingham Trust and Savings Bank, a corporation, said mortgage, together with a note, has been assigned and transferred to Mrs. Belle Thames, and whereas, in and by virtue of said mortgage deed, the grantee therein named by its president, C. B. Rodgers, or assigns, were authorized and empowered, upon any default in the payment of the principal sum, secured by said mortgage, with the interest thereon, to sell the said property at public auction in front of the court house door on Third avenue, in said county, and the proceeds to devote to the payment of, first, the expense of advertising and selling and the payment of a reasonable attorney fee for the foreclosing of this mortgage, and, second, the amount, with interest, that may be due on said note.

I, the said transferee, Belle Thames, will proceed to sell on the 8th day of April, 1912, at 12 o'clock, in front of the court house door on Third avenue, in the city of Birmingham, in said county, within the hours of legal sale, the following described property: Beginning on the west side of Fifth or Twenty-fifth street 360 feet north of the northwest corner of First avenue and said street, thence west 50 feet, thence north 140 feet to an alley, thence on the south side of said alley east 50 feet, thence on the west side of said Twenty-fifth street 140 feet to beginning; said lot fronts 50 feet on the north side of Thirty-sixth avenue, and runs back north on the west side of Twenty-fifth street 140 feet to an alley, according to plan and survey of the North Birmingham Land Company, known as Park Place, Map Book 6, page 81, situated in Jefferson county, Alabama.

This, the 28th day of February, 1912. BELLE THAMES, Transferee.

J. M. Russell, Attorney for Mortgagee.

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FORECLOSURE SALE.

Under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a mortgage executed to the undersigned, Otto Marx, doing business as Otto Marx & Company, by Bem Price and Lutie B. Price, to secure an indebtedness therein mentioned, which mortgage is dated on the 30th day of January, 1911, and is recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate for Jefferson county, Alabama, in book 617, on page 386; and under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in another mortgage executed by the said Bem Price and Lutie B. Price, his wife, to John M. McCartin and A. Gibson on the 27th day of January, 1911, which mortgage is recorded in the office of said Judge of Probate, in book 609, on page 180, and was duly transferred to the undersigned, Otto Marx, on the 6th day of March, 1912, I, the said Otto Marx, as such mortgagee and transferee, will sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, in front of the court house door at Birmingham, in said county, on Tuesday, the 16th day of April, 1912, the following described property conveyed in said mortgages, to-wit:

Part of lot 15, block 862, particularly described as beginning on the south line of Mountain avenue at a point 405.17 feet eastward of the intersection of said line with the east line of Iroquois street, and run thence westward along said south line of Mountain avenue 55 feet, thence 65 degrees, 9 minutes to the left and in a southerly direction 163.25 feet to the north line of a 20-foot alley, thence eastward along the north line of said alley 55 feet, thence to the left and in a northerly direction about 174 feet to the point of beginning on Mountain avenue.

The mortgagors having made default in the payment of the indebtedness secured by each of said mortgages, said property is sold for the purpose of paying the debt secured thereby, as well as the cost of foreclosure, as provided for in each of said mortgages.

This, the 12th day of March, 1912.
OTTO MARX,
Mortgagee.
A. C. & H. R. Howze, Attorneys.
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FROM FAYETTE.

I started on my second year yesterday as pastor at Fayette. The first year's report showed 53 additions to the church, \$311.48 for benevolence and about \$1,200 spent at home. The church moved up from three-fourths time to full time during the year. Every department is better organized than it was a year ago.

The 24th of March last year the entire business section of our town was destroyed by fire. The loss to the Baptists was heavy, but they did not shrink from their duty to the cause of Christ.

Brother editor, we are looking for you and the editor of the Christian Advocate to spend Sunday, the 24th, with us and unite with us in celebrating the first anniversary. When you get off the train Saturday, the 23d, you will see several thousand people gathered here to unite with the Business Men's League in celebrating the occasion.

There are several things for which we are profoundly grateful. No lives were lost during the fire. Every one of the many handsome buildings started have been finished, and no one crippled or hurt in body during the time of the building. Some of our buildings would be a credit to a large city.

Our church is looking forward to some important days in the spring in addition to the fourth Sunday in March.

Brother Harry Strickland, of Birmingham, will be with us the second Sunday in April, at which time a class now taking the Teacher Training course will receive their diplomas.

Our protracted meeting begins the third Sunday in April. Brother Aders, of Hollins, will do the preaching.

J. M. McCORD.

Charles Gilbert Wheeler, noted chemist and mining geologist, known widely as the master of eleven languages, died on January 30 from heart disease. He was 75 years of age. Mr. Wheeler taught the first class at the University of Chicago and was the only survivor of the original faculty at the old university. In the study of chemistry he had traversed the entire world. He was inventor of the "Babcock" chemical fire extinguisher and was scientific expert for the Bell Telephone Company. A large part of his life was spent in Mexico and Central and South America examining mines. He was United States consul to Nuremberg in 1862-67. He was the author of many books on chemistry.

Whereas, our beloved pastor, Rev. R. A. J. Cumble, saw fit in the providence of God more than a year ago to signify his intention to give up pastoral work among us at the expiration of the year just closed; and,

Whereas, in view of his removal from our midst and in recognition of his valuable services as pastor of the Louisville Baptist church, extending over a period of four years, we desire to record our appreciation.

Be it therefore resolved by the

church in conference assembled, That we tender to Brother and Sister Cumble our heartfelt appreciation for their faithful and untiring efforts in striving to build up the work of the Master in our midst.

Be it resolved second, That not only do we duly recognize in Brother Cumble a faithful preacher of the gospel, but also we recognize and appreciate his worth to the community as a Christian citizen, a loyal friend and helper and a faithful servant of Jesus Christ.

Resolved third, That a copy of the above resolutions be spread on the minutes of the church, a copy sent to the Alabama Baptist for publication and a copy given Brother Cumble.

W. M. MEACHERN,
W. P. PATTERSON,
B. F. BENNETT,

Committee.

By order of church in conference
January 17, 1912.

LIKES STRICKLAND AND DAVIE.

Dear Brother Barnett: As a pastor I wish to speak a word in commendation of the State Board of Missions in putting into the field two such workers as H. L. Strickland and Bunyan Davie. Brother Strickland and Brother Davie have both spoken for us at Highland Avenue, and Brother Davie helped us in a canvass recently at our church. The results of that canvass were astonishing to me, and I believe a like canvass will be an eye-opener to any pastor or church. We found literally hundreds of Baptists here in our territory not aligned with any Baptist church or Sunday school in any active way. We find enough to much more than double our Sunday school enrollment, as well as the church membership, when we have had a chance to enlist them. Any pastor would do well to have Brother Davie come and make his talk on tithing. It is logical and convincing. He handles this difficult subject in a tactful and popular way.

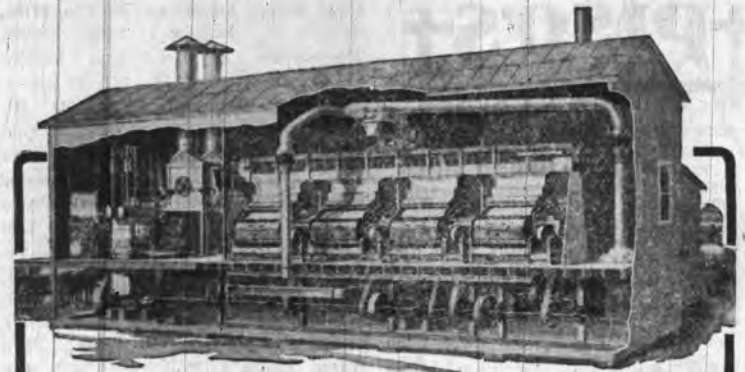
Brother pastor, if you want to learn something you don't know about your field, get either one of these men to come and help you get a canvass on foot.

Brother Strickland is already widely known over the state, and I feel sure that any pastor will find a thoroughly congenial worker in Brother Davie, too. Our work moves along very nicely here at Highland Avenue.

Sincerely your brother,

J. HENRY BUSH.

When Dr. French, pastor of our McKendree church, Nashville, Tenn., came into the editorial office on a recent Monday morning with a large batch of new subscriptions which he had secured from his congregation the day before, he was heartily thanked by the editors. He said: "You need not thank me. I am entitled to no thanks. I secured these subscribers because I felt that a pastor just has to get his people to reading the church paper. It is a plain matter of business policy with him. No, don't thank me." —Nashville Christian Advocate.



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I have recently received Brother J. J. Taylor's "Commentary on Mark." With it I am delighted. I have loved Taylor from the first time I met him; preached for him once in St. Francis Street church.

Maay rainy Sundays this winter have hindered our church work. But past experiences lead us to believe there are better days on the way. But we should be pleased any way. To many of us "the lines have fallen in pleasant places." But some people are hard to please. They are like the drummer who complained to the porter of the soiled towel. "What's de matter wid dat towell, cap?" "It is soiled," thundered the drummer. "Well, cap, you mus' be mighty hard to please. Dare has been a white genemens wiped on dat towell an' you is de fus one to complain it." In this the drummer was justifiable. But to many of us there should be no note of complaint. The linen is furnished, clean and white. The town in which I live has some curiosities: A poster 10 years old, and he crows as did the one that called Simon Peter to repentance; a cat owned by Brotha Scroggins, and for 22 years has been making the fur fly in and around his store. She performs very much as did her great ancestress in Egypt thirteen centuries B. C. We have a dog, gray and grizzly, 15 years old, and still barking—at the moon, and a rattle, 30 years old, still efficient in keeping the singletree beyond the reach of the driver. We also have living in our midst a good woman 95 years old, whose mother lived to 105.

And there is here a part of a tree, an oak—can't say that it was the one under which Abraham sat—but it is old—nobody knows how old, and is petrified, and has on its rock pages written the history of dead centuries and perished empires. And we have an Alabama preacher—don't matter how old—who frequently preaches three sermons on Sunday, who builds church houses, pastoriums and helps on colleges, who gets subscribers for the Alabama Baptist and enlarges his volumes of literary curiosities.

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ENTHUSIASM SHOWN AT HOWARD ALUMNI MEETING.

Country Club the Scene of Delightful Get-Together Affair.

The banquet of the Howard College alumni at the Country Club Friday evening proved a thoroughly enjoyable occasion. Fifty alumni of the institution gathered to discuss old times and reawaken memories of college days. Toastmaster Griggs announced that the purpose of the banquet was not to solicit funds for the maintenance of the college, but to further the atmosphere of good fellowship and brotherhood which is known to exist among alumni of the institution and to urge the 'get-together spirit.'

Despite the rainy weather a large crowd gathered at the Country Club, and what they lacked in numerical strength was more than counterbalanced by their enthusiasm. After full justice had been done the elaborate menu spread upon the banquet board, the table was cleared and Toastmaster Griggs called upon Dr. W. P. McAdory for the first talk.

"I am proud," began Dr. McAdory, "to be an alumnus of this institution. The work it is accomplishing under the able administration of Dr. A. P. Montague, assisted by a faculty whose personnel is recognized for its efficiency, will inevitably win for the institution a place of distinction. But in order to accomplish greater things, an effort must be made to bring an increase in the enrollment. In the newspapers of today we read about the union of the Trades' Council and the chamber of commerce, this club and that club, and the result is that the organizations are obtaining what they want. The same thing must be applied to Howard College if we want to enlarge the student body. We must foster the 'get-together spirit' among our alumni." His remarks evoked prolonged applause.

Dr. A. P. Montague, president of Howard College, next responded to the call of the toastmaster. "If I were to give a slogan for Howard College," he declared, "I would say 'More boys for the institution,' and would urge every alumnus to be a receiving station for new students." Dr. Montague called attention to the number of alumni of Howard who are holding

positions of importance and responsibility.

Frank Willis Barnett, editor of the Alabama Baptist, supplemented the remarks of the preceding speakers and offered to help the movement in any way he could. "I am always ready," he said, "to do anything I can for old Howard, either by personal effort or through the medium of the Baptist." In response to calls from the toastmaster, Dr. E. P. Hogan, the Rev. J. R. Edwards, George W. Macan and A. D. Smith made short talks in praise of the work of the institution and in commendation of its faculty and president. They volunteered their best endeavors to the movement for a large enrollment.

The athletic situation at Howard was discussed by W. A. Berry. He outlined the uphill fight that had been waged by the game little college in the world of sports and told how its fighting qualities were winning recognition from colleges of great numerical strength. According to Mr. Berry, nine football games, two to be played at the State Fair, have already been scheduled. "Howard should make a great record next year," he declared.

In closing Toastmaster Griggs named the following members of the executive committee of the Alumni Association: Albert Lee Smith, chairman; Dr. F. W. Donald, Dr. DeWitt Faucett, Dr. Pete Guinn and J. E. Hendley.

During the course of the banquet a telegram was read from Superintendent H. J. Willingham, regretting that he could not be present.—Birmingham Ledger.

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