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Rev. W. A. Tallafiero is writing a series of articles for the Laurens County Herald on "What Dublin Needs and How to Get It." It is featuring them on the front page.

My work here goes well. Have received 149 members since last association. Average in Sunday school last quarter, 518.—W. A. Tallafiero, Dublin, Ga.

Rev. T. O. Reese, evangelist at the Home Mission Board, and Gospel Singer J. P. Schofield, will begin a meeting at Atmore, Ala., Rev. R. M. Hunter, pastor, July 21. The meeting will last for two weeks.

Rev. John L. Ray has resigned the pastorate of the First Baptist church, Blocton, Ala., the resignation to become effective the 1st of September. He is open for a call from a church wanting a pastor. He prefers to remain in Alabama, but would accept a pastorate in another state. We hope, however, that he will find congenial work in Alabama.

What a magnificent paper this critics would make, if only they have the chance! It would fairly sparkle with gems of the rarest wisdom, and glow with the warmth of heavenly fire. What a mighty and country-wide demand there is for such editors as some critical readers would make! Let them try it, and set other poor editors an example. Is there not something wrong in the person who often complains of an editor because he does not agree with him?—C. H. Westerbe.

We are just in receipt of a recent issue of The Rescue Magazine, a very interesting publication gotten out by the Southern Rescue Mission, Atlanta, Ga., and edited by A. W. Elliott, who has had many years' experience in rescue work. The magazine is neatly gotten up and handsomely bound in green and black, and carries a number of articles on present-day problems bearing directly upon the social evil. It is a good magazine for the home, and should be read by all. We are informed that the magazine is sent free to fallen girls, but to others the price is 25 cents per copy or \$1 per year.

We are in the midst of a great meeting at Newville. We had Brother Burroughs, of Newton, to assist us in the meeting, but he was called home the second day of the meeting on account of sickness, which we regretted very much. Newville is a growing town, and the Baptists have a fine opportunity. They are talking of going to half time another year. This is the first church that ever gave this pastor a pounding, but they gave me one, which of course consisted of rice, coffee, sugar, flour and several other good things to eat. Well, it is a pleasure to preach to such people. I will be in meetings till September. Pray for us. Yours in Him—J. L. Hand, Newton.



In These Sweltering July Days if You Want to Keep Cool Just Think of the Ice Trust.



**WE LIVE** in a strenuous commercial age when many a business goes to the wall because the question of cost has been overlooked, and therefore the cost system is being exploited as never before. It is no longer the property of big business, but enters into the life of even the man in the street who must somehow manage to meet the increased cost of living. Even the Alabama Press Association, at its last meeting, spent half of its time in listening to a "cost expert" from Atlanta.

**NO BUSINESS CAN LIVE** in this competitive world unless the cost of conducting it is reduced to the minimum.

All of this presses on the laborer and hence the question of the "minimum living wage" looms large in the talk of the day.

**WE BELIEVE IN ECONOMY** in management both in the conduct of secular and religious business. But we face a danger in our mission work because the cost system is being featured.

**OUR BOARDS KNOW FULL WELL** that their acts are closely scrutinized by business men who justly demand that every dollar collected shall do the work for which it was given, and therefore they constantly strive to bring the cost of collecting and handling mission funds down to the lowest possible sum.

**WE BELIEVE IN RIGID ECONOMY** unless it reduces efficiency, yet we all know that the cost of doing business in the secular world has increased from year to year, and therefore we need not be surprised if the expenses of our boards have also grown.

**WE BELIEVE** the men who represent us on our mission boards are doing their dead level best to use the money we give them wisely and well. We know of no great business enterprise that is being more economically handled than is the mission work of Southern Baptists.

The Shelby County Association meets with Vincent church, on the Central of Georgia railroad, on Tuesday, the 27th day of August. Representatives of boards, correspondents, visitors and ye editor are cordially invited.—C. W. O'Hara, Moderator.

We had a splendid day at Hefflin Sunday. The work there is in fine condition. Brother Gavin will assist me in a meeting there beginning August 7. My resignation will be accepted at Jacksonville next Sunday. I will be open for work. I hope to see you some of these days.—J. W. Long, Jacksonville.

The membership will be slow to choose a pastor that says brethring for brethren, bang his thumbs in his pockets while preaching, munch chewing gum around the fireside, preach from 60 to 90 minutes, is "agin" having help in conducting revival services or that talks through his nose.—Bethel.

The revival at Many, La., conducted by Evangelist T. O. Reese, of this city, and Gospel Singer Woodie W. Smith, of Fort Worth, Tex., seems to be growing in interest and power. There have been 12 accessions so far, and many others are concerned. The services are well attended.

I would like very much to get some revival work to do this summer. Any church that hasn't a pastor which wants a few days of meeting can write me or any pastor who wants some assistance in his meetings can write to me. Yours for service—Arnold Z. Mathews, 1006 South Railroad street, Columbus, Ga.

On the 8th the angel of death came and took from her home the spirit of Sister Wilson, wife of Brother Pleas Wilson. She was 69 years and one month old. She had been a faithful member of the Baptist church 49 years. She was married to Brother Wilson 46 years ago. She was a faithful and loving companion, an affectionate mother, a good neighbor, an ideal Christian. To know her was to love her. She is survived by her husband, seven sons and one daughter. She was laid to rest in the cemetery at Glenn, Ga.—C. B. Martin, her pastor, Antioch, Ga.

Married at the Flomaton parsonage, July 13, Leslie S. O'Gwynn and Annie Mae Bedgood, Rev. R. M. Hunter officiating. Mr. O'Gwynn is a young man of sturdy morals and sterling worth, and is no doubt worthy of the fair young bride whom he has won. Miss Annie Mae, of all the pretty maids and worthy, is among the choice spirits of our church, and is the consecrated leader of our splendid band of Sunbeams. Many happy greetings she received, and the best wishes of her friends follow her. They make their home in Flomaton.—R. M. Hunter.



## ALABAMA BAPTIST WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Headquarters—Mission Room, 624 Bell Building, Montgomery, Alabama

## THOUGHT FOR FOREIGN MISSION MONTH

If you want your neighbor to know what the Christ Spirit will do for him, let him see what it has done for you.—Beecher.

## DURING JULY

We study about Mexico.

We give to Foreign Missions.

We send in the quarterly letters to our Associational Superintendent, or in case we have none, to the Montgomery Mission Room. These should have been sent in by the middle of July, but it will not be too late to be useful or to count on the Standard of Excellence records if they are sent in by the first of August.

## LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Our work in the Southern District.

Our work in the DeKalb Association. Here we have eleven societies with Mrs. M. H. Killian, of Portersville, as superintendent.

Our Alabama missionary to Lachow Lu, North China, Miss Alice Huey.

The coming to us of our new corresponding secretary-treasurer, Miss Julia Ward, of Birmingham.

The reaching of our year's apportionment, which is \$23,480.

## SOME INTERESTING FACTS

At the general meeting of the Alabama Baptist State Convention, to be held at Jasper July 24, Dr. W. B. Crumpton will, in speaking of the past year's work of our State W. M. U., give the following very interesting facts. A close study of them, in the light of the fact that we have about 1,900 white Baptist churches in Alabama with a membership of over 192,000, will show that while much has in all gratitude been done, the field is still largely uncovered. The magnitude of the tasks yet ahead of us should not frighten us, but should the rather spur us on. We are told to be of good courage and that He will give us the desires of our hearts.

Dr. Crumpton will report for us that we gave for all purposes from July 1, 1911, to July 1, 1912, over \$26,018, which was an increase of \$8,000 over the gifts of the previous year; that we gave \$5,005 to State Missions, an increase of over \$900. This is the first year for the past three years that we have reached our \$5,000 aim for State Missions, and our hearts are overwhelmingly grateful.

The report will further show that we have some form of woman's work in only 427 of the 1,900 churches and in only 61 of the 77 associations; that we have about 706 societies in all, touching the lives of about 13,000 of our women and children. May our Father hasten the day when we shall have some organization in every one of our churches and when the lives of all our women and children may be joyfully enlisted in His service.

## RECEIPTS FOR JUNE (CONCLUDED)

## State Missions (Concluded)

Jasper L. A. S., \$16; Prattville W. M. S., \$40; Holt L. A. and M. S., \$4; Florala L. A. S., \$7; Albertville W. M. S., \$6; Birmingham (66th St.) W. M. S., \$2; Birmingham (27th St.) L. A. S., \$2; Birmingham (Richmond Place) L. A. S., \$3.50; Belleville W. M. S., \$7; Cuba Jr. Y. W. A., \$2; Cuba W. M. S., \$12.85; York L. A. and M. S., \$4; Roanoke L. A. S., \$20; Roanoke S. B. B., \$3; Montgomery (Clayton St.) W. M. S., \$4.17; Wetumpka L. A. S., \$12; Hurtsboro L. A. and M. S., \$10; Deep Creek (Bethel) L. A. and M. S., \$2.50; Opelika (1st) Y. W. A., \$4; Allenton L. A. and M. S., \$8.65; Glencoe W. M. S., \$3; High Point (Marshall) L. A. and M. S., \$1; Union (Mobile) L. A. and M. S., \$2.50; Forest Home W. M. S., \$5.50; Insey W. M. S., \$10; Jacksonville Ann Haseltine, \$2; Avondale (1st) L. A. S., \$20; Pleasant Ridge (Birmingham) W. M. S., \$20; Pleasant Ridge S. B. B., \$4; Bear Creek No. 1 (Shady Grove) W.

M. S., \$2.55; Hackneyville W. M. S., \$1.50; Prichard L. H. H. C., \$3.10; Three Notch W. M. S., \$3.80; Mt. Andrew W. M. and A. S., \$1; Cullman (1st) L. A. S., \$5; Montevallo W. M. S., \$13.15; Huntsville (1st) S. B. B., \$2; Gadsden (East) W. M. S., \$5; Montgomery (1st) W. M. S., \$10; Tuscaloosa (1st) Jr. Y. W. A., \$2. Total, \$1,230.25.

## Home Missions

Elba W. M. S., \$1; Carrollton W. M. S., \$2.50; Grand Bay W. M. S., \$1; Covin L. A. and M. S., 70c; Mt. Pisgah W. M. S., \$1.55; Selma (2d) W. M. S., \$1; York L. A. and M. S., \$5; Montgomery (Clayton St.) W. M. S., \$1.49; Bear Creek No. 1 (Shady Grove) W. M. S., \$1. Total, \$15.24.

## Foreign Missions

Bethany (Mobile) L. M. and A. S., \$1.25; Enterprise W. M. S., \$3.75; Carrollton W. M. S., \$7.75; Grand Bay W. M. S., 50c; Selma (2d) W. M. S., \$1; York L. A. and M. S., \$1.60; Montgomery (Clayton St.) W. M. S., \$1.98; Bear Creek No. 1 (Shady Grove) \$1. Total, \$14.83.

## Aged Ministers (Concluded)

Alexander City W. M. S., \$5; Evergreen W. M. S., \$7; Auburn W. M. S., \$5; Scottsboro Y. W. A., \$2.50; L. A. Fayette W. M. S., \$36.32; Albertville W. M. S., \$5; Montgomery (Clayton) W. M. S., 50c; Montevallo W. M. S., \$5. Total, \$172.22.

## State Circulating Mission Library

Tuscaloosa (1st) W. M. S., \$1; Powderly W. M. S., \$1; Jasper L. A. S., \$1. Total, \$3.

## Undesignated

Troy Y. W. A., \$4.65; Bay Minette W. M. S., \$6. Total, \$10.65.

## Training School Enlargement

Montgomery (S. S.) W. M. S., \$6; Shiloh (Selma) L. A. and M. S., \$4; Cordova W. M. S., \$2; Carrollton W. M. S., 25c; York L. A. and M. S., \$1. Total, \$13.25.

## Home Board Schools

Huntsville (Merrimack) S. B. B., 64c.

## Hospital Work

Roanoke Y. W. A., \$5.

Grand total for June, \$1,708.82.

## ALBERTVILLE W. M. S.

On Tuesday afternoon, June 18, the Woman's Missionary Union observed State Mission Day at the Baptist church with the following interesting program:

Song, "Rescue the Perishing."

Prayer.

Scripture reading.

Bible study, "Great Women and Their Work"—Character Sketches by Mrs. R. K. Stokes, Mrs. B. K. Hendley, Mrs. J. A. Saunders and Mrs. Amanda Wordap.

Prayer by Mrs. Augus Kirkland.

Duet by Mesdames J. A. Saunders and Annie Crawford.

Reading, "The Good Year 1912," by Mrs. Ed Arnold.

"Alabama State Song."

"Our Church: What it Has Done," by Mrs. Alex Trawick.

"What It Is Doing," by Mrs. Z. W. Laney.

"What It Ought To Do," by Mrs. J. B. Espy.

Open discussion, "Improvement of Local Conditions."

Reading of letter from Montgomery mission room by the president.

Paper, "Mountain Missions," by Miss Ida Holley. Report of annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union, by Mrs. W. C. Vickers.

Solo by Miss Maud Weems.

Recitation, "Two Offerings," by Julia Norton.

Offering for State Missions.

Lord's prayer in concert.

The women of our church are growing more interested in the great cause of missions. At almost every meeting we have new members added to our roll.

MRS. J. H. NORTON.

## SCRIPTURE THOUGHT FOR FOREIGN MISSION MONTH

The wilderness and the solitary places shall be glad for them and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose.—Isalah 34:7.

## B. Y. P. U.

The Twenty-first anniversary of the B. Y. P. U. of America, which opened at Toledo on July 4th, was well attended and the addresses were highly helpful.

The president, Dr. W. J. Williamson, of St. Louis, called the convention to order. The part that claimed the most attention discussed the future relation to the Northern Baptist Convention. After reviewing the history in brief and changes that have taken place in our denomination and insisting on the necessity of continuing aggressive work for our young people, the board made the following recommendation:

"The Baptist Young People's Union of America hereby declares its readiness to co-operate with any committee, board, or commissions that have been or may be appointed by any of the official conventions of the denomination, or with the committee of twenty-five of the Baptist World Alliance, and when it is clear to the union that such committees, boards or commissions are sufficiently definite in their purpose and permanent in their organization and plans to justify the belief that under their care the work that has been so well done in the past by this organization will be continued with at least equal efficiency, then this organization is ready to make such adjustment or rearrangement of its work as may seem to be best."

The report was referred to the committee on important topics. The matter of the relation of the B. Y. P. U. A. to the Northern Baptist Convention referred to the board of managers was presented to the convention by Dr. George T. Webb. After considerable debate the whole question was referred, according to the amended recommendation of the board, to the executive committee of the B. Y. P. U. A., which committee shall not take final action in the matter without favorable action on the part of the board and seven members in addition, to be named by the convention from the floor. These seven members shall have the same power as the members of the board. The recommendation carried unanimously. The board of managers and the seven members named in addition have now power, through the executive committee, to close up any arrangement that shall be satisfactory to itself and the commission on young people's work of the Northern Baptist Convention.

Governor Woodrow Wilson turned his attention to a book, a life of Gladstone, while waiting for the decision of the Baltimore convention. There was history in the making, and if Governor Wilson adds a chapter to his five-volume work, "A History of the American People," it may contain what he was thinking about as he slowly turned the pages. At the same time in Chicago, Mr. Roosevelt also turned to a book, for, after treading devious political paths for some days past, his eyes lighted on a copy of "The Street Called Straight" in a book shop. The press dispatches say that Mrs. Longworth, who was with him, exclaimed, "That's a society novel; you won't like that, father! Both of the women and one of the men in it behave like perfect fools." But Mr. Roosevelt had his other purchases sent home, and left the store defiantly carrying "The Street Called Straight" in his hand.

The pastors of the two principal churches of Memphis, Tenn., are Dr. A. U. Boone and Dr. J. L. White. A few Sunday nights ago the son of the former, Rev. W. C. Boone, preached his first sermon in his father's pulpit; and a few weeks ago, Rev. Lee McBride White, son of the latter, preached in his father's pulpit. Congratulations to the brethren who have sons that follow in their footsteps in the ministry.—Christian Index.



BOOKS L. C. PAGE & CO., BOSTON, 53 BEACON STREET

**The Pleasuring of Susan Smith—\$1.25 Net**

This delightfully humorous and natural book, by Helen M. Winslow, is charmingly illustrated by Jessie Gillespie. "I am a rich woman." With these words the heroine introduces herself, for Susan Smith, fat, fair and forty, stood in the middle of her kitchen floor, gazing blankly at the little weazen-faced lawyer who stood in the doorway. Her Uncle Silas had left her a good couple of hundred thousand provided she married, but if she didn't it was to go to one John James Smith, of New York, in case he married to please her. Well, this ought to be enough to set you on edge to know what the dear old spinster and Uncle Sil's grandson did. Susan has many funny experiences and Jack his perplexities, but in the end it works out in a lovely way for all concerned. The book leaves a good taste in the mouth. Here is one of the illustrations:



"Wine? Why, John James Smith! I could not drink wine."

**Naomi of the Island**

By Lucy Thurston Abbott, with a frontispiece in full color, from a painting by William Bunting. Cloth decorative, net \$1.25; postpaid, \$1.40.

The potent power of love and the generous denial of self is depicted in such a tender and sympathetic manner that it will hold the attention of even the veteran novel reader to the end, for it is a charming love story whose beauty lies in its simplicity and pathos.

The Boston Herald says: "One merit of the book is its reproduction of the genuine New England atmosphere. The humor is pervasive and delicate, the pathetic touches equally effective."

Here is a picture of Naomi:



**The Little Cousin Series—Forty-five Volumes**

Each volume illustrated with six full-page plates in tints, from drawings by L. J. Bridgman, Blanche McManus and others. Cloth, 12mo, with decorative cover, per volume 60 cents.

The books are the most interesting and delightful accounts possible of the children in other countries. The daily home life of each little cousin is described,



his mode of dress, his work and his play, the quaint customs of his people and some of the adventures he is sure to have. The information contained is absolutely accurate, and the stories are so charmingly written that the readers do not realize how much information they are really obtaining.

Even the Journal of Education pays them the following tribute:

"The stories are written in a charmingly interesting style, well calculated to hold the attention of the youthful reader. They are especially adapted for supplementary reading in schools."

We have greatly enjoyed the two volumes just received and feel sure that the boys will fall in love with "Our Little Polish Cousin, Mary Ostrawaska." The following picture shows a quaint Polish custom at Christmastide:



And boys and girls will read with genuine pleasure about "Our Little Danish Cousin." The picture below shows a Danish outing:



**The Girls of Friendly Terrace—\$1.50**

By Harriet Lummis Smith. Illustrated by John Goss.

This is a book that will gladden the hearts of many girl readers because of its charming air of comradeship and reality. It is a very interesting group of girls who live on Friendly Terrace and their good times and other times are graphically related

by the author, who shows a sympathetic knowledge of girl character.

Here is a picture of Peggy:



**Alma at Hadley Hall—\$1.50**

By Louise M. Breitenbach. Illustrated by John Goss.

Alma Peabody is a lively girl of fine ideals and high ambitions, and the recounting of the experiences of her Freshman year, together with the doings of the circle of school girls of whom Alma is the center, make a book that will take rank for its naturalness and its truth, and one that will appeal to the lover of good things in girls' books.

Here is a picture of Alma and Cordelia:



**Chronicles of Avonlea**

By L. M. Montgomery. Cloth decorative, with a new picture of Anne from a painting by George Gibbs, net \$1.25; postpaid, \$1.40.

In which Anne Shirley of Green Gables and Avonlea plays some part, and which have to do with other personalities and events, including The Hurrying of Ludovic, Old Lady Lloyd, The Training of Felix, Little Joselyn, The Winning of Lucinda, Old Man Shaw's Girl, Aunt Olivia's Beau, The Quarantine at Alexander Abraham's, Pa Sloane's Purchase, The Courting of Prissy Strong, The Miracle at Carmody, and finally of The End of a Quarrel.

The chronicles are models of good story-telling, marked by naturalness of character, delicacy of touch, simplicity of plot and distinction of style.

The many readers of Miss Montgomery's former books will delight in renewing acquaintance with dear, delightful Anne Shirley of Green Gables and Avonlea fame. In this new book Anne is just as charming and original as of yore as she fits through the various chronicles. The other people, old friends, some of them, are, in their own way, equally as interesting and entertaining; all in all the book shows the same charm of fancy, the same power of characterization and the same glowing imagery which distinguishes the author's earlier books.

Here is Anne Shirley:



## A PAGE OF SHORT PARAGRAPHS

President Emeritus Charles W. Eliot, of Harvard, is making a foreign tour and has been received by the emperor of Japan.

Doctor Parkhurst has just celebrated his seventieth birthday, and has been pastor of the Madison Square Presbyterian Church for more than thirty years.

General Frederick D. Grant, who died a few weeks ago, did not die without saying in a letter that the use of his name as being in favor of the army canteen was unauthorized.

Announcement has been made that the Ryder Divinity School of Lombard college, the western theological school of the Universalists, is to be removed from Galesburg, Ill., to Chicago, and become affiliated with the University of Chicago.

Association Professor Frederick Starr, of the University of Chicago, sailed on June 20th for Africa on an expedition for anthropological research. After a visit to Morocco and the Canary Islands, Professor Starr and his party will go directly to Liberia, and thence into the back country, where they will spend the rest of the year, returning about January 1, 1913.

Pius X made an uncompromising war upon modernism, which destroyed three of the religious reviews in Rome and Italy. Nothing has been done to fill this vacancy, until lately a new magazine made its appearance, which is entitled "Belychnis." It is published by the faculty of the Baptist Theological Seminary of Rome. It is said to be artistic in its outward design, and mechanically well executed. It will treat religious studies in a large way, and will be loyal to the fundamental evangelical and Biblical doctrines.—The Presbyterian.

Is your subscription to the Alabama Baptist over twelve months in arrears? Under the United States postal laws, we are required to discontinue subscriptions this far behind or pay very heavy postage. We continued the paper to the limit, believing you wished us to do so. We believe you will now show your appreciation of this courtesy by remitting the amount due us at once. The yellow label on your paper shows the date to which your subscription is paid.

Large congregations greeted Dr. MacArthur in his old pulpit at the Calvary church recently. His messages on "What Does the Church Stand For?" and "The Holy City" were inspiring and uplifting. At the morning service Rev. Donald MacIntyre, pastor in charge, baptized three candidates. The hand of fellowship was given to five at the communion service following. Dr. MacArthur is engaged to preach at Tremont Temple during the months of July and August, where he has for twenty years been the summer supply.

Henry Ward Beecher was a farmer during the week at his farm in Peekskill-on-Hudson. One story he told of himself will show his rich sense of humor. When stopping at a summer hotel a guest drove up behind a dashing span of horses, and seeing a farmer-like looking individual standing there threw the reins over the horses and said, "Take them to the stable." Mr. Beecher led them away with, "All right, sir," and enjoyed the situation immensely.

Emperor William II to Murwik naval cadets, 1911: "The next war and the next naval battle will demand sound nerves on your part. But these are undermined and endangered from youth upward by indulgence in alcohol. Later you will have an opportunity of seeing the target ships and the effect of modern projectiles upon them, and you will be able to picture to yourselves the conditions of battle. There the cry will be for firm nerves and a cool head. The nation which takes the smallest quantity of alcohol will win."

Dr. Henry W. Battle attended the confederate reunion at Macon, made a stirring impromptu speech, and was elected grand chaplain.—Biblical Recorder.

Sixty educators from leading colleges and universities will be members of the University of Chicago faculty during the summer quarter now in session.

Dr. A. C. Dixon celebrated his first anniversary as pastor of the Metropolitan Tabernacle, London (Spurgeon's church) on June 9th by preaching a sermon on "The Vision of the Metropolitan Tabernacle Church."

Mrs. Russell Sage gave \$75,000 to Vassar College on commencement day to complete the Olivia Joselyn dormitory in memory of her mother, for which she gave \$100,000 last year. An anonymous gift of \$100,000 is thought to have been the gift of Miss Helen Gould.

Dr. and Mrs. R. T. Bryan (formerly Miss Mamie Sallee) reached San Francisco June 19 on the steamship Mongolia. Dr. Bryan teaches in the Theological seminary in Shanghai and Mrs. Bryan is doing a splendid work among the women.



REV. W. J. E. COX, D. D.

We fear the Louisiana Baptists have captured him. He has received a unanimous call to Alexandria.

The women's colleges and schools do not get the big sums of money which they need as quickly and frequently as the institutions for men. The announcement at Wellesley last month of gifts of \$35,000 was in rather pitiful contrast to the publication a few days later of gifts aggregating over a million and a half to Harvard university.

Music holds high place in the New Testament. The birth of Jesus was heralded with a song, and how He honored sacred music, even the hosanna chorus of the children, as He entered the Holy City, where He was so soon to wear the crown of thorns. And how our Lord forever hallowed the place and power of sacred song when He led His inner circle of disciples in a solemn hymn as they arose from the institution of the Holy Supper to pass out to the agony of Gethsemane! Moreover, the power of music to refresh the soul in darkest moments, appears in the midnight prison singing of Paul and Silas, and in the Apostle's counsel to those who followed him in Christ, to make free use of the Psalms of David and other spiritual songs of the ages.—Selected.

Mr. Frank L. Brown, of Brooklyn, N. Y., a well-known banker in that city, has become field secretary of the World's Sunday School Association.

Andrew Carnegie, in the "Empire of Business," said: "You are more likely to fall in your career from acquiring the habit of drinking liquor than from all other temptations likely to assail you."

Mississippi Baptists are mourning the death of one of their great leaders, Dr. H. F. Sprotes, who died on Wednesday, July 10th. He was greatly beloved.

Rev. Dr. J. R. Miller, well-known in the Presbyterian church as the editor of the Presbyterian publications, and throughout the Christian world as an author, died, in the seventy-third year of his age, at his home in Philadelphia, on July, surrounded by his family—a wife, two sons and a daughter.

Sir George White, M.P., of Norwich, England, eminent as a business man, a statesman, and a Sunday school worker, died recently after an illness of several months. Sir George was the general treasurer for Europe of the World's Sunday School Association elected at the Washington convention in 1910.

Mayor Blankenburg, of Philadelphia, appointed, after patient consultation, a vice commission of representative clergymen, lawyers and business men, not one of whom is identified with professional reform as regards this particular evil. It will be a quiet, non-spectacular, business-like diagnosis of the whole situation, with specific measures to be proposed to city councils.

The special committee appointed by the State Mission Board of West Virginia unanimously appointed Rev. J. A. Maples to be the Baptist state temperance missionary to serve until the November election. Brother Maples, who is from Texas, has done heroic work in that and several other of the southern states in bringing in prohibition. He is well known here in Alabama.

"Never in the history of amateur sport has such an athletic combination gone forth to do battle on cinder track and greensward," writes Edward Bayard Moss, of the United States Olympic team, in the current number of Harper's Weekly. "Four times in recent years has a band of young Americans gone forth in similar competition, and each time returned with premier honors. That the present delegation of entrants should fail to uphold the records and traditions of the past appears unlikely, since the annals of athletics can not produce an aggregation combining skill, muscle, speed, and endurance equal to the American Olympic team of 1912."

Dr. J. J. Taylor, of the First church of Knoxville, Tenn., has just completed his fifth year of his pastorate there. During this period he preached 610 sermons and paid 5,000 pastoral visits, besides varied collateral labors. Two hundred and two were received during the five years by baptism, 329 by letter. Present membership of the church is 956. Every department of the church is in excellent condition and the pastor is firmly entrenched in the confidence and affection of his people.—Religious Herald.

Rev. Henry C. Mable, D.D., received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws at the recent commencement of Baylor University, Waco, Tex., in recognition of his eminent services in increasing interest in the cause of the extension of the kingdom throughout the world. Dr. and Mrs. Mable expect to sail for Europe August 3 and to spend fifteen months there, lecturing and studying the religious situation. In the autumn of 1913 they will go to India, to be present at the Judson Centennial in Burma, afterwards returning to America by way of China. The entire trip will cover about two years.



THE CHURCH AND ITS RELATION TO MODERN SCHOLARSHIP

By C. W. Hudson, Th.D.

When the term church is used we refer not to any sect or creed, but to the whole body of Christians in contradistinction to the opponents of Christianity or to those who are not adherents of any organized body of Christians. In discussing the attitude of the church to modern scholarship it will be necessary to make a hasty review extending as far back as the fifteenth century.

Modern learning had its birth in the cloisters of Europe. The philosophy of the Greeks and Romans and the learning so manifest among the early church fathers had been buried in the dense night of the dark ages. The grip of a bigoted and ignorant hierarchy was on the throat of intellect and education. One mournful example of this was the case of Galileo, the astronomer.

Following the Crusades and preceding the Greek Renaissance in architecture came a revival of Greek learning in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries. It was the beginning of the daybreak. From the abbey of France and Germany came men who became disseminators of the new light. Schools, which were founded in connection with the great cathedrals, were largely attended. These schools developed into the modern universities. By 1476 there had been fifteen universities founded in Germany alone. Among the most famous was Erfurt, the school attended by Martin Luther. In England, Oxford and Cambridge were the most noted. All of these schools were under the control of the church. They were not devoted to religious instruction alone, but to general study. Their primary object was not the education of the community, but a society of students banded together and living together for study. Economy was probably the motive. A number of students would club together and employ a teacher and rent a building in which to live. The form of university now in existence was a later result. At first thought and initiative were hampered by the authority and traditions of the church, but the spirit of unrest and freedom engendered by the new learning caused many to strike out on new lines for themselves. The thralldom of the church was broken.

The scripture came in for their share of study and investigation. Many who understood Greek and Hebrew began to textually criticize the Latin Vulgate, which until this time was considered to be infallible. Among the greatest of these critics, and possibly the pioneer of them all, was Reuchlin. He was born December 28, 1455, at Profzheim in Baden. He had made himself master of Latin and Greek and studied Hebrew under Jacob Sehler Loans, the court physician. He devoted much time to the study of Old Testament literature and became noted as the greatest Hebraist of his age. His work had a powerful effect in furthering the Reformation.

The cosmopolitan scholar, Erasmus, was also one to break away from the established order of things. He devoted himself to the study and teaching of Greek. In 1516 he published a Greek Testament with notes. We find that a study of the scriptures now set in both on the Continent and in England, and there began to arise a school of criticism which not only questioned the correctness of the accepted text, but also the authenticity of the various books of the Bible. This was followed in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries by a wave of skepticism and infidelity which swept over Europe and extended to America. It was specially strong in France and threatened to disrupt the foundations of religion. Renan was probably the ablest representative of this school. In time a more rational movement set in. Students devoted themselves to textual criticism and analysis of the scriptures. The effects of this movement were far-reaching and had a tendency towards skepticism. In some respects it was beneficial, as it inaugurated a closer study of the Bible in the original languages and made men think and judge for themselves. Most of the exponents of this higher criticism were able Christian men who did their work, seeking not so much the overthrow of established traditions and beliefs, as seeking to find out and establish the truth. As in similar cases, in their zeal, they overreached themselves and led many young men off into avowed infidelity, or at least into doubting the divine inspiration of the

scripture. This school of criticism is dying out or at least is modifying its views to a great extent. The conservative element is fast gaining ground.

The idea was once advanced, and had many supporters, that science was opposed to the statements made in scripture concerning the creation of the world, and of men and of other living creatures. Also historical statements as to events and places were called in question. Geologists have presented many theories concerning the creation of the world and its arrival at its present form, but nearly all now agree that the process of creation, or evolution from a chaotic state, must have been like that described in Genesis. A study of the rocks in their various strata and the distribution of minerals substantiates this view. Even the six periods or days of creation are borne out by geology. When we turn to the study of the theory of evolution of man as advanced by Darwin, Huxley, Haeckel and others we are always led directly to a first cause. If we admit that man evolved from the protoplasm there then arises the question, Who created the protoplasm?

Less than fifty years ago there were some who said that the historical data given in the Old and New Testaments were not reliable, but of 622 places mentioned in the Bible as being west of the Jordan 434 have been identified with a reasonable degree of certainty. The sojourn in Egypt has been proven not to have been a myth. In 1898 the mummy of Meneptah, the pharaoh of the Exodus, was discovered, and only recently was unrolled from its burial habiliments and men of today looked upon the face of the Egyptian king before whom Moses and Aaron stood and pleaded for the liberties of their people. And very recently quite a sensation has been caused by the discovery by Brugsch Bey, the great Egyptologist, of an inscription on a monument telling how the Nile failed to rise for seven years in succession about 1,700 years before Christ, and a long and terrible famine was the result—a mute witness to the seven years of plenty and the seven years of famine mentioned in Genesis. And to further corroborate the story of the Egyptian captivity, a few years ago the spade of the archeologist uncovered the treasure cities, Pithom and Raamases, which was built by the Israelites while in bondage. The lower courses of bricks in the walls were made of clay mixed with straw, the next of clay mixed with roots and stubble and the upper courses of clay alone. Besides all this the cities of Ninevah and Babylon have been uncovered, and from their great libraries come additional testimony to the historical accuracy of the scriptures.

Thus we see that science, though it did not set out to do so, has been an ally of the church in establishing and upholding the truth of God's word. This battle is over.

Scholarship is now entering on an era of expansion, such as was never before known. All the realms of learning are being invaded. Some are devoting themselves to study for study's sake, but nearly all are more or less interested in productive study. What I mean by this is—a study of natural forces and mechanics. It is a great inventive and investigative age. The astronomer is sweeping the skies with his telescope in search of new worlds. The electrician is devoting all his energies to the solving of new electric problems. We find men navigating the air and the depths of the sea. Schools are beginning to recognize the fact that they must teach what men want to know. There is no apparent decrease in the students of the liberal arts and sciences of theology, but there has been a great increase in the number of young men and women who are seeking an education; and a great number of these are choosing lines of study which will help them in a business life, whether that business be in the city or on a farm. Should schools under church control adapt themselves to this new order of things? Yes, by all means, but of course not at the expense of truth and righteousness. There is nothing wrong in a man being taught to use his brains in his business and it is best for more reasons than one that our young people should be educated in schools where God is placed first and where they can have good religious training. The advance of most of the Protestant denominations has been marvelous when we consider how they have neglected the education of their young people. The church should adapt itself to the new order of things and

establish and maintain schools of the highest order in every grade in order that it may be in a position to supply the mental as well as the spiritual needs of its people. In many instances this is being done. We are establishing great colleges and universities throughout the land which are as thoroughly equipped to do the work required of them as any schools in the world. The burden rests upon us as a Christian organization and as individuals to see that these schools are maintained. If we do not do so our young people will go elsewhere and we will be in danger of losing them or having their minds perverted.

When it comes to the question of public schools the church has no business to interfere with or control them other than to see that they are properly conducted and are kept free from sectarianism.

This paper would not be complete without some reference to the education of women. What has been said above applies as well to them as to men. Christianity has set women free and placed them on a level socially and mentally with men. They have proven themselves as capable as men and should be given the same chance to develop themselves for a life of usefulness. As to whether this can be done best in co-educational institutions or in schools entirely for women it is not in our province to say.

The time has come when the church must devote itself to the training of the whole man—mind as well as spirit. The church's business is to conquer the world for Christ, and to make men better and happier; and how can it do it better than to train that which is highest in man next to his spiritual being, his brain?

Thomaston, Ala.

ALABAMA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

State Board of Missions

Montgomery, Ala.

July 11, 1912.

OUR SONG OF THANKSGIVING

"I will praise thee O Lord: for thou hast heard me."

How marvelously He has blessed us in answer to prayer! His people, yielding to the influences of His spirit, have done glorious things. "Thy people offer themselves willingly in the day of thy power."

The Baptists of Alabama are joining hands to do the work of the Lord. In spite of obstacles that always confront His advancing hosts, in His strength, they have overcome. More work, more workers, more contributions, is the report in brief.

We raised, for State Missions, almost \$5,000 more than last year; for all missions nearly \$20,000 in excess of last year. Now listen! This is more than was ever given in any year of our history, leaving out the legacies of Brother J. C. Bush last year.

With cheerful heart and strong faith we turn to the new year which began July 6th. The committee on co-operation has fixed the figures for State Missions at \$32,000. We need every cent of it; we can raise every cent of it if we begin in time. Why put off to the last, thereby forcing the board to paying interest eleven months in the year?

Now, please listen again.

We began the past year with a debt of \$5,275. We have done the splendid work reported above, but still owe \$4,500. Can't you help us out of debt?

See how simple the plan is. Please sign the card and return at once. Not until August 1st will it be called for. One thousand dollars is already pledged in this way.

"Freely ye have received, freely give," said our Lord.

Fraternally,

W. B. CRUMPTON.

The Debt Paying Card

In order that the State Board of Missions may go to the convention at Jasper without debt, I agree to pay a pro rata share of the deficit, the share not to exceed five dollars. I agree to send this to the board by August 1st or before.

Date

Name

Address



# ALL ABOUT THE STATE CONVENTION

## CONVENTION RAILROAD RATES

After exhaustive correspondence with the authorities, we are denied the usual concession in rates, the statement being made that because so few bought the round trip tickets last year, the railroads are not warranted in the "expense of publishing a tariff of reduced round trip rates." They report that only 57 of the special round trip tickets were sold for the Greenville convention, and I can only infer that of the 228 delegates and visitors registered (not counting others), 57 bought the special round trip tickets, four or five rode on passes, and the others used ministerial permits or mileage books (either of which was cheaper), and perhaps some did not even ask for round trip tickets.

In view of the fact that the round trip rate, if made, would be on basis of 4 1-2 cents per mile, while double one-way tickets would cost either 5 or 6 cents per mile, the reduction is quite small. I am trying one other way to get reduced tickets on sale over one or more of the lines with small hope of success, and can, therefore, only suggest that delegates and visitors (not using mileage books or ministerial permits) ask for the special rates when purchasing tickets, but do not let the denial of the reduced rate deter any one from attending the Jasper convention.

WM. A. DAVIS, Chairman.

## PRESIDENT PETTUS SAYS COME

It is to be hoped that every Baptist church in Alabama will be represented at our annual convention which meets in Jasper, Ala., the 24th-26th of this month. Each church of fifty members, co-operating with this convention, is entitled to one delegate, and one additional delegate for every fifty members, or fraction thereof, above that number. Persons who contribute funds or are representatives of churches contributing funds for the regular work of this convention, on basis of one representative for each one hundred dollars actually paid into the treasury of the boards of this convention during the fiscal year preceding its assembly.

Our work in future must be along progressive lines if we expect to meet the demands of the times.

Ministers and laymen should consider the time of holding our convention as a previous engagement and attend, if possible.

R. E. PETTUS, President.

## DR. CRUMPTON URGES PASTORS TO COME

Dear Brethren:—It will surprise you to get one letter from me which does not bear an appeal for money. I write this only because I am interested in your best welfare.

The men whom God has called to do the work of the ministry are better prepared for that work by coming in contact with their fellow workers. "Iron sharpeneth iron; so man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend."

"Whither the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, unto the testimony of Israel, to give thanks unto the name of the Lord."

If we continue to grow, we need the larger fellowship and the extended vision. This we get at our general meetings—associations and conventions.

The Jasper saints are eager to entertain us at the ministers' conference, beginning the night of July 22, and at the convention, beginning on the 24th. We need the convention quite as much as the convention needs us. Won't you make it a point to go, and take with you a goodly number of your laymen?

By loving, joyous co-operation we are doing great things in Alabama. We want you to know about it. Maybe we are not doing it the best way; we need your counsel. Maybe you can be eyes for us in this wilderness of work into which we are plunging.

If our great Baptist hosts, 192,000 strong, will line up and touch elbows in the work we can do anything, the Lord helping.

"Come thou with us and we will do thee good, for the Lord has promised good concerning Israel." So say the co-operationists.

Hoping soon to strike hands with you, I am, yours  
W. B. CRUMPTON.

The delegates who are to attend the convention in Jasper are slow in sending in their names for assignment to homes. Owing to the population of Jasper, the entertainment committee is working hard to get every available home listed at the earliest date, and the town has been well worked for this purpose. The delegates should send in their names IMMEDIATELY, so the entertainment committee can ascertain at the earliest possible moment the number of homes needed.

At the present not more than one-third of the expected delegates have applied for homes, and in the final rush the assignment of homes will naturally present a congested condition and necessarily work the committee overtime, when if the delegates will respond NOW, as they should, they will not only be cared for better, but they will make it much easier for the committee having this matter in charge.

Let every man or woman who is to come to Jasper as a delegate to this convention make that fact known to W. H. Moore, chairman of the entertainment committee at Jasper, Ala.



DR. LANSING BURROWS

## THE CHAIRMAN OF A COMMITTEE

Dr. Lansing Burrows has an informing article in a recent issue of the Religious Herald on "Be Sure of the Facts." We quote here:

"There is this reform, however, that might be brought into effect. The number of committees upon our general work might be reduced and their reports might be made more brief. There might be a reform, also, in the procedure that always gives the floor at the opening of discussion of a report to the brother who presents it. Dr. Mell does not mention this as a proper course to pursue; on the contrary, it would seem he does not admit the right of it (Parliamentary Practice, Sec. 58, p. 27). To intimate to the chair a desire to have the floor, and resentment if the chair does not call upon one to speak, is pronounced 'unreasonable and absurd.' Mell insists that the chair can not recognize any one who does not first arise and address the chair. Kerfoot, however, does provide for the recognition of the author of a report even if others seek to obtain the floor; but it ought to be understood that he says 'it is usual,' and that may not be law. (Parliamentary Law, Sec. 235, p. 140.)

"I think it is susceptible of proof that the custom that has ingrained itself upon our way of doing things originated in the old English parliamentary practice, that the one who presents a report upon any subject is entitled to explain its purposes or make the points in it more clear to the body. But nothing beyond that, for it is a good principle of parliamentary law that a body ought not to be compelled to discuss or act upon a measure unless it

has a clear understanding of what is proposed. I dare to say, therefore, that the custom of the chair recognizing the author of a report as entitled to the floor for the purpose of making a horatory or learned address is entirely without foundation in a deliberate body like our convention. Nor can the custom, in my humble opinion, of the chair saying that Brother So-and-so has the floor be defended on any principle of such law. Mell's position can not be controverted, that a president can not recognize any person who does not obtain the floor by arising and addressing the chair. I think that brethren have grown restive under this practice, because we all must admit that not all are equally posted or have capabilities for writing and presenting a report on short notice, and as our board secretaries are laudably anxious to have the most talented brethren to compose reports upon their work, especially those who have grown deeply interested in that specific work, they are not to be blamed for seeking such to represent them. They are not to be criticised for that any more than any of us are to be blamed for employing the services of the best lawyer in a case in court. But, then, having made and presented the report, there is no good argument that could substantiate a claim to follow it with a stirring speech.

"Suppose we have a reform at this point and let a report be open to any who are willing to discuss it. We shall have, to be sure, some inconsiderate remarks and some incongruous ones, too, but the brethren will not feel that their liberties are encroached upon, and possibly some who are unusually gifted may come to the rescue, or even, as I have seen, be called out by the voice of the convention. Fewer and briefer reports and an open forum will give the brethren no cause for complaint, I feel sure. Of course, there will be things said that had better been left unspoken, but if the alternative is a going away with a grouch, the former is best; for we are not compelled to believe everything that is said, even in a convention."



DR. V. I. MASTERS

## FLEXIBILITY IN OUR CONVENTION PROGRAMS

Dr. V. I. Masters, under the heading, "Aftermath," writes a series of thoughtful paragraphs about the recent session of the Southern Baptist Convention. He says in one:

"Perhaps there has scarcely been more unanimity on any other point about the convention than the necessity of providing a greater flexibility in our convention programs. These comments have varied all the way from objections to the existing situation without suggestion as to how it may be remedied, to a sympathetic understanding of the existing situation with constructive suggestions as to how remedies may be applied," and in the close of another paragraph of the idea that certain boards or officials must be to blame for an undemocratic situation, he says: "It is very easy to leave a wrong impression by reports of this character." As Dr. Burrows remarks below, "No one ought to deny that the secre-



aries of our boards ought to have an unlimited time and opportunity to give an account of their stewardship." Dr. Masters says:

"Nobody is specially responsible for the coming of this situation. The boards are powerless to help it. The officers of the convention are powerless to help it. The Program Committee can not do anything better than try to give each one of the numerous causes a foothold on the ferriously crowded program. Nobody is to blame. The convention is simply trying to do the greatly enlarged business of today with the methods of a day when things were far simpler. The Home Field has no cure to offer, but Southern Baptists are going to find a cure."

#### "CUT AND DRIED" PROGRAMS

Dr. Lansing Burrows in Religious Herald.

Another statement is affirmed that the Southern Baptist Convention is afflicted with "cut and dried" programs, in which the same men are put forward year by year, so much so that a pleasant writer in the Herald (of May 13th) affirms that he "guessed nearly every speaker, and along with them a good portion of many of their speeches," he himself being detained from attendance; then adding: "True, there are different reports, but the same speakers." The brethren who so genially express their opinions ought to "be sure of the facts."

I think I am in a position to know some facts about speaking in the convention. Here are some facts that ought to be considered.

No one ought to deny that the secretaries of our boards ought to have an unlimited time and opportunity to give account of their stewardship. Many things need explanation, and, besides, their unlimited acquaintance with the work fits them better for discussion. So in my research through the proceedings of five years last past these brethren are not included. Nor are included the desultory debates with short speeches from the floor, the feature which seems to be demanded and concerning which no objection ought to be made. Nor are there included addresses made upon what might be called corollary interests that are included in convention programs; I mean by that that Dr. Mullins ought to be heard upon seminary matters, Mr. Henderson upon the laymen's movement, and certain brethren most deeply interested in temperance.

Now, then, a consultation of the five past years of the convention minutes shows that there have been ninety-nine "set speeches," meaning by that discussions of various reports on our work; of these fourteen brethren have spoken more than once in the five years, leaving eighty-five brethren who have thus occupied the time of the convention. At Oklahoma there were eleven brethren who had not thus spoken before the convention in the five years. It was a wonderful feat of mental telepathy for the genial correspondent of the Herald, if he guessed any of these and understood what they said afar off."

#### IS A "RING" RUNNING THINGS?

Dr. V. I. Masters, in The Home Field.

In a conversation with Dr. Livingston Johnson, of North Carolina, this writer said: "Dr. Johnson, I know that the North Carolina convention is as democratic as any, and yet if you will tell me where your next meeting will be, I can very nearly tell you 75 per cent. of the people who will be on the platform at your next convention. The pastor will be on the platform. You will be there, and the superintendent of the orphanage, and the preacher of the convention sermon, and the president and secretaries of the convention, and the presidents of the Baptist colleges, and the vice presidents of the mission boards, and the Sunday school board representative, and a visitor each from the foreign and home mission boards. In addition, if you will tell me who is appointed to report on standing committees, I can give you about 90 per cent. of the brethren who will be on the platform to take part in your next convention. Now, Dr. Johnson, this sounds like a ring' is running things in North Carolina! That is, it sounds that way to people who do not know. But I know, and you know far better than I, that such an implication is contrary to the facts. Furthermore, if all the brethren who are in charge of the various interests I have named and on the various committees, were changed, I do not see how the denomination could

avoid having another set of men to take the places of the men who are now doing it."

#### CONCERNING THE VALUE

##### OF OPEN DISCUSSION

We quote the following from Dr. J. B. Gambrell: In denominational ranks periods of discussion have been periods of growth, notwithstanding much which has been called discussion has been a very low order of dogmatism and ignorant rant. Still the people worked off their feelings, the masses were agitated and the truth got to them after a while and the net result was progress.

Baptists must not be afraid of discussion. Anything that concerns the people may be discussed. True leadership consists in making it easy for people to discuss. There will always be leaders. God has never done anything without leaders. In the ancient times when no worthy man could be found to lead, God raised up a woman. The true leader in the Kingdom is the man who takes everybody into full confidence. It is not meant that the true leader stops to deal with the quibbles and the rant of every man, but he lets the people know the truth and the truth planted in the hearts of the people becomes their strength and their conservator.

It is the part of Baptist papers, one of their greatest functions in the denomination, to promote a healthy discussion of vital issues. It is our conception of an editor's function that he himself must be a seer and he must open the way for full and frank consideration of everything that belongs to the denomination. In that way we will progress; in that way we will avoid explosions. Discussion is a safety valve. An all-round discussion is a readjusting process by and through which forces are united on higher ground constantly.

We come back to say let nobody be afraid of the right kind of discussion of any question of importance on its merits. The fact that a discussion will wake up some unreasonable men is not against the right kind of discussion. Every sane discussion clarifies the atmosphere and unites the Baptists for better service. It is a Baptist birthright. Of course, there are limitations and one question need not be discussed forever. There are also questions too little to be discussed in any large way. There are questions of mere privilege, as keeping certain days, which need not be largely discussed, but the great matters that concern doctrine and the orderly on-going of the Kingdom are matters that ought to be always open to the whole denomination.

It is our comfortable hope that throughout America we are coming to a day of discussion which will reset many of our landmarks and open the way for progress. We were really very glad that our Northern brethren had an open field day and the Baptists could free their minds in the most democratic fashion. It means an open door to progress. It means a wide quickening of interest. It is candid to say that the Southern Baptist Convention is moving away from open field discussion, not by any one's management, but because of methods the convention has outgrown. Nothing can pay the convention for the loss of the spirit, and the opportunities for free discussion in open meetings.

#### THE BAPTIST DOLLAR AND THE HOME MISSION TASK

Richard Hall

On July 3rd and 4th the Home Mission Board held its annual meeting in Atlanta. The vice presidents of the various states were requested to meet with the board, and thirteen out of the eighteen were present. From the four corners of the earth of the Southern Baptist territory, from Tampa in the southeast and New Mexico in the southwest, from Baltimore in the northeast and Missouri in the northwest, they came.

Far apart as are Baltimore and Arkansas, they are no wider apart than the conceptions of policy held and advocated in this board meeting. Shall the policy of the board be intensive or extensive? Shall the board concentrate on a few points with a reasonable prospect of meeting, with at least some measure of adequacy, the needs of such points, or shall it launch out into new fields that are crying with agonizing importunity for aid, with the danger of spreading out so thin that little or nothing will be

accomplished? Shall aid be extended to a number of churches enabling them to erect buildings of a character that can only meet their needs temporarily at best, if that, or shall it be given to a smaller number, enabling them to build in a fashion corresponding to their environment and competition? Shall the board aid schools that are not mountain schools, or, in view of its pitifully limited resources, confine itself strictly to the mountain region no matter how great the need and inviting the opportunity for schools elsewhere? Above all, shall the board go forward boldly and make appropriations that will call for the full amount apportioned to the states or shall it prudently anticipate a failure of the denomination to make the full advance in contributions asked for and appropriate accordingly? The former action would comply with the convention instructions according to the letter, but past experience demonstrates that such compliance will result in a debt on the board. The latter, it is urged, complies with the spirit of the convention instructions, and the \$20,000 to \$30,000 that experience tells the board will not be called for by the various fields or churches to which it is appropriated because of their failure to meet the conditions made by the board will just about offset the probable failure of the denomination to contribute the full amount asked for.

What a perplexing problem this is! Nay, what a humiliating problem it is! At the best, with the full amount of \$412,000 raised for home missions in the present convention year (which means an increase of \$46,000 over last year) our denomination will fail to seize numberless opportunities that are presented to it and will consequently see itself outstripped by other denominations much weaker in numerical strength, but much stronger in "eliciting, combining and directing the energies" and financial resources of their people in "the home mission task."

Two days spent in committee work and general board meetings, listening to the statements and arguments made by officers and members of the board and visitors from various sections, made that famous Baptist dollar that goes so much farther than any other denomination's dollar look, to this scribe, very much like a myth. This, at any rate, is certain: whatever be the real or supposed superior religious energy and gospel vitality that inheres in a Baptist dollar, it needs to be multiplied exceedingly else it will be overwhelmed and smothered to death by the superior numbers of the dollar that comes out of the pockets of people who may need to learn the way of the Lord more perfectly in the matter of baptism and church polity, but who have learned His way much more perfectly than our people in the matter of liberality and broad-minded, far-sighted church statesmanship.

At some future time I hope to use the columns of the Alabama Baptist to support these general statements with detailed statements of facts. At present I desire only to say my visit to Atlanta left two great impressions on my mind.

First, that "the home mission task" of the Christian people of the South, and especially of the Baptists of the South, great as I believed it to be, is greater than I had ever conceived.

And second, that the accomplishment of this task, so far as it can be accomplished by the deliberations and directions of the officers and members of the Home Mission Board at Atlanta, is in the hands of preachers and laymen who bring to it a knowledge and experience, a wisdom and consecration that entitle them to the fullest confidence and heartiest cooperation of the denomination.

No university, or hospital, or public library, could live on the fees of its patrons. They all require large supplementary funds. Back of the immense increase in the efficiency of these institutions in our day lies the enlarged and noble vision of their possibilities of service and of what is required to make those possibilities realities. The larger vision has brought the larger resources. It will do the same for the church. The lack of more adequate resources is not altogether, nor chiefly, due to stinginess. The real cause is the want of a clear vision of the real nature, magnitude and difficulty of the church's task.



# ALABAMA BAPTIST EDITORIAL

## "RELIGIOUS EXCITEMENT?"

Every now and then we hear some one speak against "religious excitement." It usually comes after some revivalist has stirred a church and community. The following marking was found in the New Testament of the late beloved Henry Drummond:

On Acts 2:1: "Pentecost. 'A great deal of excitement about religion.' Not at all. It was not because they were religious that they were excited; it was because they were not. Religion is a calming thing. The greatest watchwords are Peace and Rest. Be still. Be trustful. Be not afraid. This is what it ever whispers into the agitated, scornful, perplexed mind. But irreligion is the exciting thing. That causes excitement—a terrible situation—appalling issues hanging upon slight threads of conduct upon today's doing, feeling, resolving. The most exciting situation in the universe is an unsaved soul. Picture it. On the brink of Eternity, Tomorrow he may stand there for the last time. Then eternity and that future hangs upon the present, upon today's reformation. What situation could be more exciting?"

## ABSINTHE BARRED

We are glad to know that the importation of absinthe into the United States and its sale into interstate commerce was prohibited after October 1 next by a pure food decision signed recently by Secretary Wilson.

"It is generally recognized," says the decision, "that this beverage is dangerous to health."

Members of the pure food board expressed the opinion that the decision would virtually abolish the use of absinthe in the United States.

Belgium, Switzerland and Holland have passed laws forbidding its manufacture, sale and importation; and the French senate two weeks ago took similar action. Absinthe also is condemned by the laws of Brazil.

The time will come when other beverages now manufactured in this country will be prohibited because they are "dangerous to health."

## A CHRISTIAN GENTLEMAN VISITS US

Recently a pastor from a neighboring city paid us a visit, and when he left we felt like a blessing had fallen upon us and we resolved to try and make his call a blessing to our brethren by endeavoring to always speak kindly of them when opportunity presented itself and to enter more sympathetically into the struggles of those placed in difficult pastorates. His is a hard field in a large city, yet despite his desperate economy to make ends meet he was appreciative of the support of the little church trying to uphold his hands, and when we asked if he expected to attend the convention at Jasper, said he wanted to, but really couldn't afford it and hadn't the heart to put the burden on his people. Sickness had come to his family, and yet how patiently he spoke of the heavy trials through which he was going. There was no whine in his voice, but looking beyond his tribulations he was resting serenely in the love of God, and doing his best to play a man's part by his family and give genuine service to his Master. But the thing which most helped us was the lovely way in which he spoke of his fellow pastors. For each he had a kind word and for every kindness that any of them had shown him he was genuinely appreciative. This pastor, laboring in an obscure pastorate, is but a type of many of our Alabama preachers who in a quiet way are doing a great work by living before their people a "life hid with Christ in God."

## HON. JONATHAN HARALSON, LL.D.

At the ripe age of eighty-two Justice Jonathan Haralson fell on sleep at his home in Montgomery on the 11th. All of his long and useful life was spent in this, his native State, which has been enriched in every way by his devoted service. He was an honest and able and incorruptible judge, crowning his career on the bench with two terms of distinguished service as associate justice of the supreme court. He combined the gentleness of mercy with the firmness of justice in his administration

of the law, which showed him to be as genuinely good as he was spotlessly upright. He was through his long life one of the peerless leaders of the Baptists of the State, serving for many years as president of the convention; and was so distinguished as a presiding officer that the Southern Baptist Convention made him its president for many years. In council he was trusted for his surpassing wisdom, in the social converse he was loved for his genial winsomeness, in trouble he was sought for his comforting faith and strengthening piety. Many are the lives which have been made the richer and happier by his influence and services; and the sense of personal loss and bereavement comes to hundreds with his death.

To the bereaved family and friends we extend our sincere condolence and sympathy, but in our grief we can not omit to thank God that He gave to us this strong man, that through him we may the better see His glory. It is left for his Maker and Redeemer to crown his brow among the glorified with becoming expression of a life which has glorified Him among men.

At another time we shall have something to say about the details of this blessed life; but for the present we lay this tribute of esteem and affection on his bier in behalf of his beloved brethren.

## A FRENCH CELEBRITY'S CELEBRATION

Jean Jacques Rousseau, whose two hundredth anniversary has been celebrated with great eclat throughout France, was born a weakling, spent a motherless infancy under the foolish guidance of a worthless father, was quite incapable of continued application except along the line of his creative writings and at his best period, while before his intellectual and moral leadership began, he spent most of his life as a social parasite or as an underling, earning his bread by the meanest of trades. Yet his famous doctrine of the return to native shepherdesses and all the artificialities of Watteau and the Bourbon parks and palaces and set queens and duchesses to living like peasant, while his "Social Contract" was the primer and text-book of the French Revolution, and through it he is the father of tendencies which are now threatening to sweep us on toward a direct democracy, social equality and the communal control of the land and its resources; and in his "Emile" he applied the doctrine of a return to nature to the training of children and so became the father of our modern kindergarten and many other educational ideals and systems.

The Congregationalist says: "The moral of this perverted life and influential thought, at least for the church, seems to be that God will somewhere find a voice for the needs of the age at every moment of the world's progress. If the church will assume wisely and courageously this leadership, the divine purpose will be spoken through her members. If not, God will find Himself a prophet and a voice outside and may use the hand of a child or weakling to overturn kings and long-established dominions of thought and belief. The lesson of Rousseau for the church is that its place is at the front, with open mind and a readiness to venture in God's name and for the interest of the men whom God has committed to its teaching."

## A CAMPAIGN FOR STUDENTS

We have had some strenuous campaigns for money for our Baptist educational institutions in Alabama, and it has been the proper thing to do, and ought not to be abated one bit, and yet we have never yet as a people worked for scholars for these Baptist schools and colleges as we could and should have done. The money is necessary, but the more paying pupils we put into our denominational schools the less we will have to raise for running expenses. It is good business to start a propaganda for increased attendance as well as helpful as denominational strategy. The alumni of our colleges need to be enthused not merely in the matter of giving, but in working to get young men and women to enroll.

A large share of the burden will fall on the pastor if the campaign succeeds. Our preachers must realize the importance of talking to parents about the prime importance of sending their children to our denominational schools, and they must be on the constant watch for likely boys and girls and try and turn them to our Baptist schools. This is the best way to offset the great campaign that is being made for our State institutions. We do not criticize them for their activity, but merely point to their zeal as an inspiration to those who believe in the need of denominational schools.

We also beg parents who have patronized our schools to become interested in talking about them to friends who have boys and girls ready for school or college.

Be helpful to the representatives of our schools who come into your midst. They have a hard time unless Baptists rally to them. We want to see a great revival of interest in our denominational schools. The Christian Index well says:

"Remember that your child may have Baptist principles, but needs to have them fixed and fortified. This is not done at public schools, nor at pedo-Baptist schools. Even if in such there is no 'sectarian teaching,' do not let yourself be persuaded that there is no sectarian atmosphere and influence. That is what denominational schools are for, to create just such an atmosphere and exert just such influence."

## MOVED THAT IT BE PUBLISHED

I am glad to say that it is not so common as it once was for audiences to vote after hearing an address "that it be published in The Christian Observer," or The Christian Advocate, or The Christian Intelligencer, or whatever periodical the audience has, or thinks it has, a claim upon.

Such votes are a compliment to the speaker who has just been heard, but they are not creditable to the intelligence of the audience, or, at any rate, to its thoughtfulness.

Often the resolution is offered carelessly, on the spur of the moment. Sometimes the maker of the resolution merely wants to draw attention to himself; sometimes he is really full of admiration for the address to which he has listened; sometimes, though rarely, the resolution is the genuine outburst of the enthusiasm of the audience.

But think of the predicament in which such a resolution puts the poor editor! If the address is a genuine address, such as is likely to move an audience to enthusiasm and elicit such a vote, it is quite certain not to be suited to printing and reading. The style of discourse is not the style for best writing and most interested reading. The speaker's personality counts for much, as it should. So does the complex personality of the audience. So does the reaction of the one upon the other. None of all this can be transmitted in the speaker's manuscript.

Sometimes an address is really a bright essay. It may have been read from manuscript, and it may have belonged rather to the editor's desk than to the public platform. When such an address is voted to be printed the editor is entirely pleased; but it seldom is voted to be printed, just because it is a poor thing for an address, however good for an article. It does not win its audience and elicit this complimentary vote.

Then, addresses are long; oh, very, very long. An audience will listen with pleasure and profit to a skillful orator for an hour. They would go to sleep if obliged to read what with his strong, attractive personality he has made them so eager to hear. And if the speech is all vital, it is quite impossible to condense it satisfactorily.

It is a good rule never to pass such votes. Instead, quietly write to the editor. Tell him about the speech. Describe its theme and meaning. Illustrate its qualities. Put the editor in possession of the facts. Tell him you think the publication of the address would be a good thing all around. Assure him that you have not intimated to a soul, least of all to the speaker himself, your intention of writing to make the suggestion. And then leave the editor to do as he thinks wisest in the matter.

He will do that in any event, for editors are mulish people to drive. That is, successful editors.—Christian Endeavor World.



JUDGE JONATHAN HARALSON

My friend has gone from us. Years ago, when a young preacher in Dallas county, my life was touched by this noble layman. Into his lovely home I was introduced, and always received a joyous, glad welcome. From the beginning of my acquaintance to the time of his late sickness, he seemed to me like an older brother—so frank, sincere and sensible. No other man ever meant so much to me.

No one, outside his immediate family, will miss him more than I. When scarcely able to speak, on my last visit, he said: "Give my love to your wife. You can't come too often."

His obituary will be written by another, but I wanted to say this word personal now. Later I will write some reminiscences.

Blessings on the lonely hearts in that home!

W. B. CRUMPTON.

THE GRADUATE

Observe the noble girl who has completed her college education.

See her, with her dimpled chin resting in the hollow of her white palm, gazing out into the future with thoughtful eyes.

What problems may she now be solving?

What mighty movements for the uplifting of the race may she be planning?

Back of her are the years of study and application. The great minds of the centuries have given her of their best. All that science and philosophy can cul from the universe of mind and matter is hers.

And now she is ready for the future. There is a hopeful gleam, a confident light in her eyes.

She speaks:

"Some of those back numbers at home will sit up and take notice when I get off the train in this new pannier-skirt suit of mine!"—Chicago Post.

Be thy duty high as angel's flight,  
Fulfill it, and a higher will arise  
Even from its ashes. Duty is infinite,  
Receding as the skies.  
Were it not wisdom, then, to close our eyes  
On duties crowding only to appall?  
No: Duty is our ladder to the skies;  
And climbing not, we fall.  
—Robert Leighton.

The average man has "ingredients" to make fat for seven bars of soap, iron for a medium sized nail, sugar to fill a small bowl, salt to fill a shaker, lime to whitewash a chicken coop, phosphorus to make twenty-two hundred match tips, magnesium for a dose of magnesia, sodium to neutralize a pint and a half of water, potassium to explode a toy cannon, sulphur to rid a dog of fleas, and albuminoids to make a case of eggs, and we might add "gall" enough to kill a government mule.

Young Wife—But that's very expensive, especially as it's in season, isn't it?

Greengrocer—Well, madam, it is and it isn't, as you might say. What with the French gardening and what not, the vegetables that used to be out of season are in, and them that is in is out, owing to the demand for the others.—Punch.

You have all heard the old rhyme:  
"A Sabbath well spent  
Brings a week of content  
And health for the toils of tomorrow;  
But a Sabbath profaned,  
Whate'er may be gained,  
Is the certain forerunner of sorrow."

And what is so rare as a day in June?  
Why, a country band that plays in tune  
Or a honeymoon that doesn't end soon,  
Or a 'possum dinner without a coon.

A Boston mother who was a Christian Scientist said to her little daughter: "If you had my faith, darling, you would have no toothache." "Well, mother," replied the child, "if you had my toothache you wouldn't have any faith."

LAYMEN'S CONVENTION

During the past few weeks the general secretary has had opportunity to confer with representative men in the different States regarding our proposed Laymen's Convention. There is gratifying interest in this matter and a sentiment that all must unite to make it the most significant meeting Southern Baptists have ever held.

While the executive committee has not been able to hold a meeting to devise "ways and means," there seems to be unanimity of sentiment on the following points:

First. The time of the meeting should be somewhere between January 15 and February 15, 1913, beginning on Tuesday afternoon and closing Thursday night. This would enable all to leave home after Sunday and return before the next Sunday.

Second. The convention city should be central—Birmingham, Atlanta and Chattanooga have been prominently mentioned.

Third. The program should be practical, touch all our enterprises, the opening addresses should be carefully prepared, published later in book form, and large place should be given to the Judson Memorial and Church Building Funds.

Fourth. A stereopticon lecture should be presented with view of chapels, hospitals, schools, missionaries, classes, etc., giving a comprehensive exhibit of assets on our various foreign mission fields. The Home Board should also make a similar exhibit of its mountain schools, students, mission chapels, etc.

Fifth. The devotional element should be given prominence, not perhaps by setting apart fixed hours for praise and prayer, but let a wise president call the convention to devotion as the sentiment of the meeting may suggest by starting an appropriate hymn unannounced at the psychological moment and then call on some brother "full to overflowing" to lead the convention in prayer.

Sixth. While the conference feature should be emphasized, close every morning and night session with an inspirational address.

Seventh. A committee of our wisest brethren should be appointed at the opening of the convention to study the developments of the meeting, make a delimitation at the close, brief and comprehensive, setting forth the main points of weakness in our denominational polity and suggesting "ways and means" for improvement.

Eighth. Systematic effort should be made to secure the attendance of at least a thousand preachers and two thousand laymen. These laymen should be representative in two senses: First, every association should have representatives; second, they should be men of capacity, able to take in and able to give out. Pastors of strong churches should begin now to secure the attendance of their strong men. Some are already "on the job."

Ninth. Speakers should be selected solely with reference to their ability "to deliver the goods," losing sight of all effort to compliment or honor worthy brethren.

Tenth. Let the meeting close the last night with a stirring address on some such topic as "What Shall We Do About It?"

This is a rough outline of some features had in mind. The committee invites suggestions for its meeting which will be held about the first of August. Such suggestions may be addressed to

J. T. HENDERSON, Gen. Sec.,  
Bristol, Va.

July 9, 1912.

LET'S STAY BY THE STUFF

This is the last word before we meet in Jasper. A great programme has been prepared. Brethren are writing asking for changes. Everybody wants "more time" or "a better time." Unless, in a very rare instance, the order should be adhered to.

"More time" for any interest is impossible, if justice is done to all. Let every delegate determine to be at the closing, Friday noon. Stay by the stuff until the finish.

It is our Lord's business that calls us together.  
W. B. CRUMPTON.

"OUT OF DEBT!"

It will be glorious to say that at Jasper. I wonder if I will be permitted to do so. The pastors have it in their hands. It is impossible for me to have "the Debt Paying Cards" presented for signatures; but the pastors, with just a little effort, can have it done. Wherever an effort is being made the cards are being signed. Already \$1,000 has been pledged. One brother signed for \$100, another for \$25. Many others can go beyond \$5.

See my Thanksgiving Letter and the pledge at the bottom. Copy the pledge, if you have not the printed form.

So nobly have the brethren stood by me during the year. Am I asking too much when I make this last request!

W. B. CRUMPTON.

The site for the Baptist college at St. Petersburg has now been selected. It is about two and three-quarter acres in extent, and is in Lisnoie, the finest residential suburb of St. Petersburg. It is reached by steam train at present and the new electric trains, now in course of erection, will run almost to the college doors. A further advantage is that it is in the very center of the splendid buildings now being erected by the imperial government and the municipality for the technical school, the school of forestry, and the medical school connected with the university, in which there will be from 6,000 to 7,000 students. Lastly, there are two Baptist churches within easy walk of the site. It is occupied at present by seven houses, but in the Russian style, which might possibly serve as a temporary home for the college.—Western Recorder.

Rev. H. N. Quisenberry has been recently very ill in a hospital at Memphis, but has emerged from the shadows and is now rapidly regaining his strength at Marion, Va., where he expects to spend the summer. We, in common with his many friends in Virginia and elsewhere, rejoice deeply in his improvement in health and earnestly hope he may soon regain his wonted strength.—Religious Herald.

"Your bill for book received.  
I'm sure I never ordered any,  
Or if I did your clerk's so slow  
'Twas never sent; the zany;  
Or if he sent it, which I doubt,  
'Twas to the wrong address;  
If I did get it you'll find out  
'Twas paid for, and confess  
I nothing owe. Still if this bill  
I have not paid—I never will."

Dr. J. W. Brouger, of Los Angeles, who presided over one of the evening meetings at Des Moines, said that "it would not be out of place for the men to remove their coats." Some one in the gallery shouted, "Take yours off, Brouger." Instantly the chairman took his off, while the applause was deafening.

We live in deeds, not years—in thoughts, not breaths,  
In feeling, not in figures on a dial.  
We count time by heart-throbs. He most lives  
Who thinks most, feels the noblest, acts the best.  
—Bailey.

"Do you play any instrument, Mr. Jimp?"  
"Yes, I'm a cornetist."  
"And your sister?"  
"She's a pianist."  
"Does your mother play?"  
"She's a zitherist."  
"And your father?"  
"He's a pessimist."

One crowded hour of glorious life  
Is worth a world without a name.  
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#### A REMARKABLE WOMAN

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While Mrs. Bowers is a remarkable woman, and unusually well preserved, there is no reason why everybody should not be equally so. Mrs. Bowers is now in her seventy-sixth year, is the mother of eleven children, the oldest being fifty-odd years of age and the youngest thirty. She does all of her own house work, washing and ironing, works her own garden and flowers and attends to her chickens; can sew with a fine needle without glasses and walks three miles a day.

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#### IN MEMORIAM.

Rev. Thomas W. Smyly, who was transplanted to the spirit world Saturday, June 22, 1912, at the age of 23 years, was a son of William J. and Willie Shield Smyly, of Vineland, Ala. He professed conversion in youth while attending school at Jackson, Ala., and united with the Methodist Church, South, of that place. Later he attended a preparatory school one year at Greensboro, with the intention of becoming a minister of that denomination. During vacation following, through the preaching of Rev. R. M. Hunter, he became convinced of the scripturalness of the Baptist faith and united with the church at Mt. Vernon, Clarke County Association, and was baptized and ordained on the same day. He then entered Howard College, from which he graduated in May, 1912, receiving at the same time the convention diploma in Sunday school pedagogy with the nine seals.

The deceased was a most faithful, conscientious and exemplary student, as he was in all other particulars. While at Howard he was private secretary to the president, Dr. Montague. He was winner at the Howard oratorical contest and a close contestant for the intercollegiate medal at Montgomery, but being weakened by overwork, and unwell at the time, he lost the honors to Greensboro.

A short while before his graduation Brother Smyly was offered the position of missionary evangelist for the Bethel Association, which call he accepted to enter upon the work the 1st of June, only three days after graduation. His own request was that he should begin immediately, and an engagement was made for him to hold the first service of the summer campaign at Vineland, beginning Sunday, June 2. It was planned also that he should conduct the recent series of Sunday school institutes in the association. Instead, however, of entering the field that awaited his coming, he went down with typhoid fever, already too long neglected. For three weeks the struggle went on. In his delirium he talked frequently of the associational work to which he had been called. Kind hands and medical skill did all in their power for relief. Friends prayed that he might be spared. All was without avail, and early Saturday morning, June 22, beautifully and calmly his soul entered into rest.

The following day after appropriate funeral service, attended by hundreds of sympathetic and admiring friends, his body was laid beside his mother in the "silent city" at Magnolia.

Much might be said of the exemplary life and character of the deceased. He was a model young man, a persistent worker, a strong preacher. He loved his home and home people, and desired earnestly to do his Master's work in his home association. God has taken him to serve in a fairer realm, and we can only trust that He will raise up others to do the needed service here which Brother Smyly seemed so well equipped to accomplish. There is this to console: That while he is absent, his memory and his influence lingers and will bear fruit unto righteousness. Scores of young men have been impressed with his faith and consecration who will arise at the last day to call him

blessed. He walked with God and was not, for God took him.

L. E. S.

#### THE DANGER OF DELAY IN TAKING A SEMINARY COURSE.

By Prof. W. J. McGlothlin, Ph. D.

The first point I wish to make is that there are dangers, numerous and serious, in any unnecessary delay in taking a seminary course. The young man himself is not likely to see or he is disposed to depreciate them, but they exist nevertheless. The natural and normal thing is to take the seminary course immediately after the completion of the college or university course, or at the earliest possible moment after one is fitted for it. Any departure from this normal course of action ought to have some mighty good reasons at the bottom. It is dangerous to delay for many reasons:

1. There is danger because delay may mean you will never get a seminary course. Many ministers in the south are now struggling to do their work without training simply because they delayed. A temporary injunction was made permanent; the delay was prolonged indefinitely. Now they will never get it, and can never use all their powers.

2. There is danger that you will get married before you finish your education. That will probably not be best for you or the woman you love. It will mean, most likely, unnecessary hardships for you both. Don't delay your education, and then it will not be necessary to delay your marriage unnecessarily or to marry prematurely.

3. There is danger that you will come to be content with a grade of work that is lower than your best. What worse evil could befall a young man? Intellectual and spiritual barrenness is inevitable.

4. There is danger that you will come to underestimate the dignity and the responsibilities of the ministry. A lawyer, a doctor, a professor, must make long and special preparation for their vocations. What does it argue for a young man's conception of the importance of the ministry when he is willing to tumble in and scramble about as he can? Is there not danger that he will never reach up to a proper conception of the ministry? Is the salvation of men's souls so much easier than the care of their bodies or the solution of their legal tangles, or is it less important? Neither, surely.


5. There is danger that somebody will remind you that Spurgeon never went to any seminary and thereby convince you that you will be as great as Spurgeon if you only avoid the seminary. The flattery of others sometimes banishes the common sense of the flattered.

6. There is danger that you will delay until you have partially lost your power to learn and your place in the world has been fixed in the thought of the brethren. Later efforts in the seminary, however persistent and heroic, can scarcely overcome these difficulties.

Moral: Don't delay.

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Dear Brotner Barnett:

I see you let Brother Jeremiah Lumpkins say something about them circular letters our secretary has bin sendin' out.

I never did rite for the paper, but I thought, maybe, if a church clerk would say what he thought about the secretary's letters, you might print it.

Do you know I never done nothin' about the letters of the secretary for a long time. He asked me to read them to the church on Sunday morning; but I didn't want to push myself forward, 'specially when our preacher didn't care no more for missions than he did. I spoke to him about what the secretary said. He said: "I git them letters, too, but I don't pay no attention to them. Truth is, I ain't much missionary no way. It is all so fur away, and it costs so much, and the people are so mixed up about it—some fur it, and some aginst it. I just don't know who is right. So I just let it all alone. Then, it takes about all I can git to keep my people alive. The churches don't pay much, and it looks like such a strain for them to git up what little they pay, I just ain't got no hart to ask them to give to the secretary."

That put me to thinkin'. I remembered my wife's readin' me out of one of the secretary's letters how some old servant of God told a starving widow: "Make me a little cake first." And the secretary said: "That looked mighty hard; but look at I Kings 17:8-16, and see how it all turned out." So my wife got the Bible, and after so long she found it. Bless you, instead of it's bein' a hard thing, it was the best thing that ever come to that family. For while the famine was everywhere the man of God boarded in the family, and there was always meal in the barrel. Just 'livin' on bread and water was purty bad, but that was a heap better than the nabor had, where there was no man of God. So I thought, after the preacher quit talkin', what a sin it was for us to pay the preacher so little, and what a sin it was in him, to say nothin' about the plainest thing in the Bible. I sed we was to blame fur it, because we didn't pay him nothin' hard.

So I got up at the next conference, and I told them that Brother Bottom's time was out, and that I wanted us to pay him ever cent before we said a word about calling another man. I told them I was ashamed of the little we promised—only \$50, and we owed him right then \$30. I never seed people look so astonished. They had come there that day to see another man, and let that poor feller go off home without his pay. Yes, sir, I had been doin' just like the balance. I always waited for old Deacon Burns and Deacon Day to do all the talkin', and I just set there and let them have it their way. Well, sir, to make a long story short, for it took us till 4 o'clock to git through that Saturday, we paid Brother Bottoms ever cent. Then I told the brethren I was ashamed I had never took no part in church matters; that I wanted to confess I had lots of good and kind letters from the

secretary, but had never read one of them to the church, because we was payin' the pastor so little; and how I found out from the pastor that he got them letters, too, but he didn't take no notice of them, because it looked like it was such a strain for the churches to git up what they promised him. I told them I was fur callin' Brother Bottoms another year and payin' him \$150, and let him have his money every time he come. There was a hole lot of talk, but bless your life, it was a great day for Beaver Creek. Brother Day broke down and sed he knowed he had ben in the way, and Brother Burns sed he never had thought much about anything but to do the old way. He knowed we was lots better off than we use to be, that Brother Bottoms was a good man and had a big family, and we must call him and give him a chance to serve us right. Before it was over it was understood that Brother Bottoms was to come into the naborhood on Thursday night and be in the homes of the members, and that we wood have a Sunday school.

In one of the secretary's letters he told about Brother Stricklin and Brother Davie. I sed we would rite the secretary and git him to let one of them come to Beaver. It all turned out rite next day. The young school teacher sed he was so glad; he wanted a Sunday school all the time, but nobody told him there was people in the naborhood that sed they'd as soon their boys would go fishin' on Sunday as to go to Sunday school. I'm ashamed to say that was all true, too; but you can't find anybody about Beaver that would say that now, no, sir. I wish you cood a ben there when we had Brother Strickland there. We had dinner on the ground and the finest singin' I ever heard. Brother Bottoms was there, and the happiest man on the ground; I wish you cood a seen Brother Day and Brother Burns. They're in the specktickie class, and say they wouldn't miss a Sunday for nothin'. All this change started two years ago.

I liked to forgot to tell about them circular letters of the secretary. After we called Brother Bottoms I told the brethren I had a letter from the secretary, and I wanted to read it next day. Maybe you think somebody voted aginst it—no they didn't. So the next day I read it, and Brother Bottoms owned up he had failed to do his duty, but was goin' to do better.

Do you know, from that time till this old Beaver Creek has bin givin', growin' and prosperin'. No, sir, nobody says a word agin the secretary's letters now, but they set up there and listen to 'em, while the school teacher reads them to us every month.

Do you know that only two or three uv us have ever seen the secretary, but he's comin. Bless your life them circular letters is doin' good, let me tell you! Whenever folks don't want to hear 'em, it is because they ain't doin' nothin'.

I declare I had no idee I was goin' to rite so much. I forgot to tell you, Brother Barnett, now 'mor'n a dozen uv papers comes to Beaver. Brother Bottoms is puttin' it in every home in the naborhood.

Let the secretary keep on sendin' his letters to Beaver.

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 down the street,

As the boy sprang forward and joy-  
 ously cried:

Then suddenly came to the sweet  
 child's eyes

The marvelous glory of morning skies,  
 For a manly form with a steady stride,  
 Drew near to the gate that opened  
 wide,

As the boy sprang forward and joy-  
 ously cried:

"Papa's coming!"

The wasted face of a little child  
 Looked out at the window with eyes  
 made wild

By the ghostly shades in the falling  
 light,

And the glimpse of a drunken man  
 in the night,

Cursing and reeling from side to side,  
 The poor boy, trembling and trying to  
 hide,

Clung to his mother's skirt and sighed:  
 "Papa's coming!"

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#### WHERE'S THE OLD TIME BOY?

Where is the boy—the real boy—the  
 boy that used to be;

The boy that planned to run away and  
 go to sail the sea;

The boy that yearned to twist a brake  
 upon the local freight;

The boy that thought a circus ring  
 held all of proud estate?

And where's the boy—the boy-est boy  
 that ever lived at all,

Who whistled on his fingers in a wild,  
 ear-splitting call?

Boys nowadays go solemnly at learn-  
 ing this and that

Which he held in the busy brain be-  
 neath his ragged hat—

Oh, where's the hat he used to wear—  
 the "coffee straw" whose peak

Rose high, while all the sagging brim  
 slapped him on neck and cheek,

Or else it was a "hickory," a shoe-  
 string for a band—

The dealer strung them on a cord, all  
 ready to his hand.

He was a boy! He knew more things  
 than you and I may learn;

He knew where Indian turnips grow,  
 and how they itch and burn;

He knew the birds familiarly, he  
 watched May apples grow,

And had his private fishing place,  
 where only he might go;

He went barefooted—how his feet got  
 stone-bruised right away!

He never had his two front teeth.  
 Where is that boy today?

Ah, how he'd whistle! First and little  
 finger in his lips,

And then a blast that cut the air like  
 to a hundred whips!

And how he looked! His mouth  
 stretched wide, his eyes all  
 strained and set—

It's strange that such a boy as that is  
 now no longer met.

Becollared and beshoed, our boys go  
 aimlessly through life

And never stand red-faced and blow  
 upon their finger-tips.

—Chicago Evening Post.

#### ROCKABY, BABY.

There are few girls in this country  
 who have not heard the nurse rhyme  
 sung by the mother:

"Rockaby, baby, in the treetop;  
 When the wind blows, the cradle will  
 rock;

When the bough breaks, the cradle  
 will fall,

And down will come cradle, baby and  
 all."

But how many know the origin of  
 these lines? Shortly after our fore-  
 fathers landed at Plymouth, Mass., a  
 party were out in the field, where the  
 Indian women were picking strawber-  
 ries. Seven of these women, or  
 squaws, as they are called, had pa-  
 pooses—that is, babies—and, having  
 no cradles, they had tied them up in  
 Indian fashion, hung from the limbs  
 of the surrounding trees. When the  
 wind blew these cradles would rock.  
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 tion" in the true story science is tell-  
 ing about man, the giant, attacked by  
 a great army of microbes, germs, para-  
 sites, bacteria, who are bad fairies, so  
 small that can cannot see these tiny  
 foes—indeed did not know till lately  
 whence came the poison arrows that  
 produce the diseases which have cut  
 down life from hundreds to scores of  
 years. But in this case there is also a  
 Liliputian army for the defense of  
 man. The good fairies that defend us  
 are the leucocytes—"little white sol-  
 diers" that swim in the red rivers of  
 our arteries, and whenever the mi-  
 crobes steal through our mouths or  
 otherwise into our bodies, they swim  
 quickly to the spot and kill them and  
 eat them. They leave no dead upon  
 the battlefield. When mouths are shut  
 and bodies are whole, the microbes  
 cannot get into us. When we get a  
 scratch on the hand, the little ene-  
 mies rush in through this break in the  
 wall and shoot poison arrows into the  
 blood. We feel the pain and poison.  
 But quickly our white body guard  
 comes swimming to the breach, and  
 holds the enemy back. In a few hours  
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the dead bodies of the little white soldiers that died for me.

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But if we put wine or beer or whiskey or any other intoxicating drink down our throats it makes our little defenders sleepy and stupid and they don't "watch out" and fight our little foes, and then "all the germs from Germany and the parasites from Paris and the mike-robbers from Ireland will get us."

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## FROM BROTHER HENSON.

The Lord has blessed the work here from the time we came on the field, which was January 3, and it has been growing in interest all the time. In a few weeks after our arrival we organized a Baraca class, which has a membership of some 25, and also a Philathea class of about the same number. The Sunday school has grown 100 per cent. The W. M. S., under the efficient leadership of Mrs. A. T. Vonderau, is doing great work. They have already given the amount of their apportionment. Then they have had a mission study class, taught by Mrs. C. W. Henson, which put new life into them. This is the way to get people to give to missions—give them information, and they will do things.

On June 16 the church voted to hold a meeting, asking the pastor to do the preaching himself. This he did, beginning the same date. By the end of the first week he saw that he would be unable to do what there was the opportunity of doing by himself, on account of his wife and baby not being well, so on Saturday he called Brother J. E. Barnard, of Valdosta, to come and help. This he did, coming on Monday after. From the very beginning of the meeting it was manifest that the people wanted to hear the gospel, for the house was always crowded, a new thing for this town. Beginning the second week we had a day service. We closed on the night of July 3 with 20 additions, 17 of whom were for baptism and being baptized that night, the other three by letter. This makes some 40 received since we came here. Truly God has been with us, to whom be all the glory.

Of all the preaching we ever heard none is greater than Brother Barnard's. He is perfectly scriptural in his presentation of the truth and knows how to make it effective. A great believer in the Holy Spirit, without whom all work must fail. I am truly glad that he is giving all his time to evangelistic work, for he is in the work to which he belongs.

Having had Brother Barnard in the meeting has caused our heart to turn toward old Alabama again with longing. She is dearer to us now than ever, and we realize that we owe her what we are. If the Lord spares our life we shall yet pay her for interest in us. The Lord has blessed all our work in this state. Each time we have moved was when some church sought us and not we them, and each time we have gone to a field of larger opportunity.

Our last work in Alabama was the First church, Anniston, where God blessed us most graciously, adding 160 to the church in 22 months.

God bless you in all your work. The Alabama Baptist is indeed dear to us.

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"Why, in our Bible school we sing: 'Then scatter seeds of kindness For our reaping by and by.'

I have a little garden, and I want to plant some kindness seeds."

"O, they come in a mixed package," said the seedsman, as he took a big book from a shelf.

"That looks like a Bible," the little boy thought. And, sure enough, it was.

"Let me see. I think I will find that package of seeds in the first chapter of II Peter," said the man. "Yes, there it is. See if you can read it for me, beginning with the fifth verse."

So the boy read: "And besides this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; and to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity."

"Eight kinds of seeds in this package, you see," said the man.

"But aren't there any real seeds?" said the boy. "Does it just mean that you are to be kind to folks?"

"Yes; that is what it means," said the man. "But kindness and charity and faith are real things; and if you plant them in your heart, they will live and grow just as seeds grow in the garden."

"What is the reaping by and by?" said the boy.

"It means that if you are kind, people will be kind to you," said the seedsman. "And, better than all, it means that God, who is kind to the unthankful and evil, will be pleased with you."

"I shall find that package of mixed seeds in my Bible when I get home," said the boy, "and it may help me to remember to be kind all the time."—Exchange.

## HOUSTON.

Mrs. S. J. Houston was born June 26, 1831, and departed this life March 22, 1912. She was married to R. R. Houston February 25, 1852; joined the Baptist church at an early age, and lived a consistent Christian; was a member of Jonesboro church at her death. She was baptized by Rev. David Word. Sister Houston was a soul-winner, and was faithful to her church and family, also to her neighbors. At her death she was at her youngest son's home in Bessemer, Ala. She leaves five children, four sons and one daughter, viz: Don W., J. Z., James and Willis Houston and Mrs. Wall, all of Bessemer, Ala.; also a large number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren and a large circle of friends to mourn her untimely death.

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Our work at Heflin is going forward nicely. They owe me not a dollar on salary and have helped to send me to the Southern Baptist Convention this year and to Philadelphia last year. They are the right sort of stuff. They treat you right. I have resigned at Jacksonville and will leave this field some time between May and September 1. I am so tied up in our state Sunday school work that I want to stay around here in Alabama. There are some fields open just now. I have made no promises yet. I want the Lord to send us to the place where He can use us best. May He guide us to where He would have us labor. Respectfully--J. W. Long.

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