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## HO! FOR THE ENCAMPMENT

Pelham is the Place---August 20-27th is the time

Send your name at once to Encampment Commission, Pelham, Ala.

### THE PROGRAM AND ITS PERSONS

The program will begin with the evening service on Tuesday, the 20th, and close at noon on the 27th. It will be more complete than those that have preceded. As evidencing our variety of talent only one name from the program of 1911 appears on that of 1912.

#### The School of Sunday School Methods

This will be divided into two sections. Sunday School Specialist L. P. Leavell will teach one class, using the convention manual as a text book. Those taking this course will receive seal No. 2 on the diploma.

The other section will be taught by Miss Lillian Forbes. This class will be especially for Primary and Junior workers. Miss Forbes is the author of the graded lessons of our Sunday School Board and is an expert on elementary work.

#### The B. Y. P. U. Training Class

This class will have for its teacher Mr. J. E. Byrd, Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. secretary of Mississippi. Mr. Byrd in this line of work is all that his name denotes.

#### The Mission Study Class

As an innovation in our Encampment the study class will be on Home Missions. The text book will be "The Southern Baptist Task," and the Home Board sends as its teacher Dr. Arch C. Cree, pastor at Moultrie, Ga., and Home Mission vice president for Georgia. Cree has Scotch in his head as well as on his face.

#### The Biblical Lectures

We have as the Biblical lecturer for this year our own Dr. John R. Sampey. The theme of the series will be "Glimpses of the Writing Prophets." Just to mention the Old Testament prophets as subjects and Dr. Sampey as speaker is "nuff sed." "It is the driving of Jehu."

#### The Quiet Hour Series

The devotional life of our Encampment is centered in this daily late afternoon service. We are fortunate in having as our speaker for this year Dr. J. C. Masee, pastor of the First Baptist church of Chattanooga. Our best music will be put into this service.

#### The Children's Hour

This new feature of our Encampment program will be helpful to both children and parents. Miss Addie Estelle Cox, of our Woman's Training School at Louisville, will take charge of the little folks in a special service every morning from 10 to 12 o'clock.

#### Special Day Features

Pastors' Day, Wednesday, the 21st, will have as the special speaker Dr. A. J. Dickinson, of Birmingham. His topic will be "An Organized Baptist Ministry."

W. M. U. Day, Thursday, the 22d, will have as its speaker Dr. J. C. Masee, of Chattanooga. There will be an afternoon W. M. U. conference on this day.

Laymen's Day is Friday, the 23d. The special speaker of this day will be the secretary of the Laymen's Movement of South Carolina, Mr. W. E. Wilkins. In South Carolina the Laymen's Movement "do move," and in hearing Wilkins you will know the secret.

B. Y. P. U. Day, Saturday, the 24th, has as its speaker Dr. W. M. Anderson, one of Birmingham's gifted pastors and enthusiastic young people's leader.

Sunday School Day.—The special day for this important interest is Monday, the 26th, and the speaker is Prof. J. V. Brown, the gifted superintendent of Dothan's city schools.

Evangel Day.—The Lord's day of the Encampment will include sermons forenoon and evening by two of our leading preachers. At 9:30 a. m. a Sunday school will be conducted under the superintendency of Mr. L. P. Leavell.

#### Popular Evenings

The evening services throughout the Encampment will be given to popular programs. Music, stereopticon slides and popular lectures will be the order. Among the evening speakers will be Congressman Richmond Pearson Hobson, Dr. J. W. Phillips, Dr. A. C. Cree and Dr. John R. Sampey.

### THE PLACE AND ITS PROVISIONS

We draw near to the Encampment date with the assurance that we shall be better prepared to care for the folks this year than at either of our previous Encampments.

#### Permanent Grounds

Pelham is a small town on main lines of the L. and N. and A., B. and A. railroads. It is just twenty miles south of Birmingham and thirteen miles north of Calera. One half mile west of the depot and rising 300 feet above the village is a ridge on top of which is the Encampment's fifty-five-acre permanent home. It is all well shaded woodland and has an altitude of 800 feet. Pelham is within fifteen miles of Alabama's geographical center.

#### Buildings

The three buildings that will be ready for this year's meeting are an assembly pavilion, a dining hall and a hotel. The dining room will be large enough to seat 160 guests at one time. The hotel is a two-story structure with broad verandas. All of its sixty rooms have two outer windows each. It will be equipped with bath rooms, sanitary sewerage and electric lights. The hotel will be supplemented by fifty tents for this year. Tents will have board floors.

#### Water and Lights

An eight-inch well bored deep into the mountain furnishes an abundant supply of pure water. A gasoline engine pumps this over the grounds and to a large supply tank near the hotel. The same engine runs the dynamo that furnishes electric light for the grounds, pavilion, dining hall and hotel.

#### Recreation Features

There will be a swimming pool, tennis courts and park. For fishing, a pretty creek curves around the base of the mountain and the Cahaba river is not far in the distance. The mountain is ascended by a splendid winding, well shaded eight-per-cent-grade road that terminates at the hotel door. Steeper near-cut paths will furnish good exercise for the athletic inclined.

#### Boarding Department

This will be under the management of Prof. J. C. Dawson, of Howard College. He will bring his matron, cooks and waiters from the college. The rooms will be furnished with table, chairs, bowl and pitcher, mirror, iron beds and good Perfection mattresses. Also bedding and towels. Tents will have good woven wire cots with mattresses. The dining room will be thoroughly screened, will be fresh and clean, and all guests will be served individually. Special care will be given during this Encampment to the quality of the food and service of the dining hall.

#### Rates

In Hotel—\$1.50 per day, or \$1.25 per day for four or more days.

In Tents—\$1.25 per day, or \$1.00 per day for four or more days.

Children under ten years, half price.

Single meals, 35 cents.

Dining room service the same whether stopping in hotel or tents. Dining hall entirely removed from hotel building.

#### Transportation

The railroads refuse to give us any reduction in rates. But let this keep none away, as the reduction, had it been granted, would have been only one-half cent per mile. Our central and accessible location offsets the loss of rates.

Hack fare between the depot and grounds will be low, and the distance is not too great for walking.



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

Last week when we looked over Shechem we said nothing of the Samaritans. So much of interest attaches to the Samaritans that it would surely be worth our while to visit their synagogue, meet their high priest and get permission to look at their famous copy of the Pentateuch. On our map an arrow-head running from the number 59 points to Shechem.

Position 59. Samaritan High Priest and Pentateuch Roll—Supposed Writing of Abishua, Great-Grandson of Aaron—Shechem.

Here we are looking into the eyes of the chief representative of a religious sect, one of the oldest and certainly the smallest in the world. This man and the small company associated with him—less than 200 in all—are the sole descendants of this remarkable sect. They claim that they are the lineal descendants of the Israelites of old, from a remnant that was left when the tribes were carried into Syrian captivity, and there are many reasons for accepting this claim. There is no doubt but that they are the representatives of the Samaritans of the time of Christ, for whom the Jews had such a deadly hatred. Their physiognomy and characteristics certainly bear a striking resemblance to those of the old Jewish race, far more so than do those of the modern Jew. We should remember that Mount Gerizim is the oldest sanctuary in Palestine, and through all the stormy revolutions of the past it has retained its sanctity to the end. Probably there is no locality in which the same worship has been sustained with so little interruption for such a period of time—from Abraham to the present day! This priest himself, while he disagrees with the orthodox Jews and disbelieves the message of Christianity, is personally a man with a kindly heart and a tolerant temper. Besides officiating in the synagogue he teaches the children of his people, bringing them up in the ancient faith. His robes are of black and white silk, his headdress of red. He speaks Hebrew and knows very little English. Seven or eight years ago he is said to have declared that he would wait just 38 years longer for the true Messiah. If then the promised One had not come he would give it up and accept Jesus as indeed the Christ.

This is part of the Samaritan synagogue, and, strange as it may seem, the old synagogue worship is still carried on here, this high priest chanting the services in a broken monotone and swaying to and fro. Here, too, is kept with jealous care this ancient copy of the Pentateuch which is before us—one of the very oldest in existence. We could not see it on any account except in the presence of this high priest (ordinarily the rolls are kept in a silver case wrapped carefully in protecting cloths). As it is raised in the service the people prostrate themselves and throw oblations toward Gerizim. The "Samaritan" character which we can see on this manuscript roll is analogous to the earliest Jewish writings, earlier than the time of Ezra, when the square alphabet was adopted. This roll includes only the writings of the Pentateuch, and though it differs in some respects from the regular Jewish manuscript, still there are no variations of importance. The old MS. is written on parchment and the robs and knobs are of silver.

Of all the Israelites these Samaritans alone adhere to the same strict rites and ceremonies as did all their forefathers. Paths lead up the side of Gerizim, by which they go to their sacred temple, which we saw while standing by Jacob's Well, and there they still hold the ancient Feast of the Passover.

Let us turn aside now to look at an old-time custom of the every-day life of the people.

Position 60. Women Grinding at the Mill.

How completely the life we can see today in these Oriental lands copies that of 2,000 years ago! Here in the court of a house are "two women grinding at the mill" (Matt. 24:41). See the two millstones standing in the small stone trough. The upper one turns around that iron spike which extends up through the hole in the center. Into that hole also the grain is cast. Each woman has a basketful beside her, and by turns they drop handfuls into the mill. It is turned round and round by a handle in one side. A large mill like this requires the strength of two women; a smaller needs only one. But what a



slow and laborious process of making flour! There is a grist mill in almost every town, turned by water power generally, but the poorer people save expense by having their own little mills. This is regarded as woman's work; one never sees a man turning the millstone. See the bright eyes of that little fellow who sits in the doorway with the string of bangles, like coins, fastened around his head! That is a pretty solid door behind him! See the round knocker hanging upon it. And that key-hole; how large the key must be to fit it! An Oriental key is always a clumsy affair, often large enough to be carried upon the shoulder (Deut. 25:4; 1 Cor. 9:9). These women have spread a mat where they are seated. How forlorn and hopeless they look! The lot of women in a land where almost every family is desperately poor, and where women are regarded as little better than beasts of burden, is such as to give to all women of the working classes a tired, wretched, almost despairing look.

Use the stereographs (59) "Samaritan High Priest and Pentateuch Roll—Shechem" and (60) "Women Grinding at the Mill."

Editorial Note.—In this department Dr. Hurlbut will take his readers to 100 places in Palestine, two each week. By means of remarkable stereoscopic photographs you cannot only see for yourself each of these 100 places in life-size proportions, but also you can get distinct conscious experiences of being in these places. Six stereographs, \$1. Less than six stereographs in one order, 20 cents each. The 26 stereographs for three months are \$4.33. The 100 stereographs for the year, in a cloth bound, gold-lettered case, with a guide book by Hurlbut of 220 pages, (containing full descriptions of each place) and a series of seven locating maps, is \$18.75—scarcely more than an economical tourist spends for two days on an actual trip. Mahogany-aluminum stereoscope, \$1.15. Express charges paid. Send orders to Underwood & Underwood, Department Z, 12 W. 37th street, New York. Further descriptive matter sent on request.

Prof. William Elder, Ph. D., Colby University: "These stereographs afford the only means by which the many who cannot travel may gain a real acquaintance with other lands and peoples."

In the Independent Dr. Sun gives the reason for laying down the Chinese presidency, which he so greatly merited. It was that he might take up the task of social emancipation for his people.

In 1884, after Lieutenant Greely had been lost for two years, Commander Schley volunteered to take command of an expedition to go in search of him. The Schley expedition penetrated 1,400 miles through waters more or less choked with ice, and finally, in the very nick of time, found Greely and six of his men, barely alive, at Camp Sabine, Grinnell Land.

A good book, whether a novel or not, is one that leaves you farther on than when you took it up. If, when you drop it, it drops you down in the same old spot, with no finer outlook, no cleared vision, no stimulated desires for that which is better and higher, it is in no sense a good book.—Anna Warner.

If Governor Woodrow Wilson had no other good work to his credit as governor of New Jersey, his service to the cause of clean government in his fight against the Atlantic City grafters would make his administration a truly successful one. As is usually the case, back of the graft and municipal corruption of Atlantic City was the brewery and saloon.

It is the high themes that gave to the world in song that immortalized the names of Mendelssohn, Mozart and Handel. In the supreme moment of self-sacrifice man lets his soul gush forth in song. Many a martyr has perished with the hymn of praise upon his lips. And so has song its mighty part in shattering the strongholds of irreligion and piercing the heart of sinful man with the sword of truth, and in giving the gospel wings to fly everywhere to bless mankind.

From being the head of the Christian Students' Movement throughout the world, John R. Mott, still under 50 years of age, has evolved into a kind of generalissimo of all Protestant missionary agencies of America and Europe. He has not sought this post of honor, but it has come by virtue of his own capacity to lead and as a logical result of the World's Missionary Conference at Edinburgh in June, 1910. He presided there with rare tact and was naturally chosen chairman of the continuation committee appointed to conserve and extend the results of that remarkable meeting.—Congregationalist.

The appearance of the bubonic plague in Porto Rico and Cuba has aroused the public health and marine hospital service to comprehensive efforts, not only to stamp out the disease at the points of its inception, but to prevent its spread to the United States. No sooner was the report of the occurrence of the disorder authenticated than army surgeons of experience were at the places where the outbreaks were recorded to study the cases at first hand and recommend plans of action to the surgeon-general.

The officials of the United States treasury report that at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, the stock of money in this country was such that if divided up equally every man, woman and child would have \$34.26, or 6 cents more than last year at this time. The per capita amount of money in circulation has been increasing for many years. It is now three times what it was in 1850, twice what it was in 1800 and nearly half again as much as it was in 1900. Somebody evidently has this money, but you can search the editor.

The cry of the teachers is always "not enough time for the required work" To have each grade "cover the course of study" month by month delights the superintendent's heart. It is an end to work for. If he would spend half as much time and energy in searching for and cutting out the unnecessary work as he now devotes to the framing up of rigid prescribed courses he would have at the end of the school year a class just as brilliant mentally and with a good many more red corpuscles.—Lewis M. Terman, Ph. D., in Harper's Weekly.



## A PAGE OF SHORT PARAGRAPHS

Dr. Williams Lunsford, of Nashville, Tenn., is supplying the pulpit of the First church, Omaha, for a month or more.

The English Baptists have lost one of the most eminent lay leaders in Sir William Angus, who has died in his 71st year. Sir William Angus gave devoted service to the liberal party in the north, and his work for the Baptist cause was no less remarkable.

In both the republican and democratic national conventions the first day's session was opened with prayer by a Roman Catholic official. It is not difficult to interpret the significance of this event.

Is he to continue "Billy Sunday," or have we lost our "stunt-y" evangelist in "William A. Sunday, D. D.?" Westminster College, near Pittsburg, has conferred the degree on him.

Evidently the men who sell cigars do not believe that there is to be any let up in smoking. Recently articles of incorporation of the United Cigar Stores Company of America, with an authorized capital of \$35,000,000 were filed in Trenton, N. J.

It seems that Congregationalism is not growing very fast. The Congregational year book for 1912, just issued, shows that this denomination has in the United States 6,048 churches, 738,761 church members and 664,629 enrolled in Sunday schools, a gain for the year of 15 churches and 3,178 members and a loss of 344 in Sunday school membership.

Dr. J. H. Jowett, of New York, took only three preaching appointments during his summer holidays in "the old country." One was at his old church in Birmingham. Another was at Whitfield's Tabernacle, and the third at Free St. George's, Edinburgh. Just now he is resting quietly in a farm house in Wales, 1,400 feet above the sea.

The treatment and care of infants during the summer should not be confined to the ordinary treatment of definite diseases, but should be directed especially toward offsetting the effects of the heat, says the Journal of the American Medical Association. Less food should be given than in cool weather; plenty of water, however, is desirable. Children should wear little and loose clothing, and frequent cool and tepid baths should be given. Heat stagnation should be avoided so far as possible.

Gov. Woodrow Wilson, in his address at the dedication of the Young Men's Christian Association building at Atlantic City, N. J., declared: "It is not a matter of keeping out of jail. It is a matter of keeping out of trouble with yourself while you are alive. The matter is one of having a reasonably wholesome taste in your mouth when you swallow. And the beauty of grace of responsibility is that it sometimes, by the grace of God, make a man bigger than he naturally was born to be."

Rev. Charles Stelzle, who is as much in touch with laboring men as any preacher in America, challenges the truthfulness of the statement often recklessly made that the "rich rascals run the church." He says: "Our churches and great charities are mainly supported by Christian men and women of small means. When a rich man gives \$10,000 to the church the newspapers all over the country publish it, and the impression is made that the church is supported mainly by \$10,000 donations—an impression that is altogether erroneous"

Twelve years ago the Empress Dowager issued the edict condemning all Christian to death, and the Boxer uprising followed. But the Christian religion kept reaching out. Many of the higher ranks became Christians, though they might not make open profession and the missionaries did not know of it. The heaven was in the lump. These men who have kept silence are now at the head of affairs. In Sun Yat Sen's cabinet there were six men known to be Christians. In Yuan's cabinet there are four who have been educated in the Christian way and are Christians.

Rev. J. C. Jones, of Spalding, England, has been preaching continuously since 1846, when he began his ministry. He is now 89 years of age and on his recent birthday preached twice.

Rev. Samuel Jessup, D. D., the oldest missionary of the Presbyterian church in Beirut, Syria, has just died here. He was 77 years old, and had been in Beirut for 50 years.

It is not too early for parents to be considering the college to which they will send their boys and girls in the fall. This is a question worthy of the most serious consideration.

Rev. W. W. Bustard, pastor of the Euclid Avenue church, Cleveland, O., has received a handsome automobile as the gift of Mr. John D. Rockefeller, who is a member of that church.

The Second Baptist church of New York City evidently believes in Home Mission work. It holds services every Sunday in seven different languages or dialects, including in its membership or its regular attendants representatives of as many nationalities. New York is fast becoming a city of foreigners.

Vietna, July 20.—Women dressed in clothing which reveals too much of the shoulders and arms, or which only slightly conceals them, also women who wear too tight-fitting skirts, will be barred from confirmation either as spectators or god-parents to children, according to Patriarch Cardinal Cavalleri, who preached a sermon today which has set all the society women of this capital into a flutter of excitement.

In 1833 Chicago was incorporated as a town, having then some 350 inhabitants. An auction sale of 138 blocks brought \$38,865. Work on the harbor was begun, and a new lighthouse built. The First Baptist church began its existence with 19 members got together by Rev. Allen B. Freeman. The building the church erected was used by the Presbyterians and Methodists for some time. The first newspaper, the Chicago Democrat, was issued November 28, 1833. Such were the beginnings of civilization in the city.

If the ministers of our country will make our schools the subject of one of their discourses on the second Sabbath of September, and will give them a prominent place in the prayers of the day, great good will result. United and earnest prayer from pastors and people at the opening of the school year will certainly afford great encouragement to expect the divine blessing upon our school children, who are soon to be the active factors in our nation's life.

Dr. Henry M. Wharton, of Baltimore, in his prayer at the opening of one of the sessions of the democratic national convention accurately defined the character of the true civil ruler in his petition: "We pray thee that thou wilt guide the counsels of this hour in the selection of a candidate for the presidency of our great country, and that thou wilt give us a man who fears God, who is guided by His word and whose heart turns in sympathy to the great multitudes who daily toil for their living, and for those dear to their hearts."

The average annual cost of our army and navy for the eight years since the Spanish war (1902-1910) has been \$185,400,000. Average yearly increase over former expenditure of \$134,000,000. A total increase in eight years of \$1,072,000,000. This would pay off our entire national debt and leave \$158,000,000 for irrigation, deep water-way or educational projects. It is three times the cost of the Panama canal. It is \$60 for every family in the United States. For the debt of wars past and preparation for war to come we expend 72 per cent of our entire national revenue. Is it not time that government should find a way of replacing suspicion and force by reason and law, so that the world's wealth can be used for productive, humane and enlightened purposes, instead of being squandered on ruinous and provocative preparations for war?—J. M. Stiffer.

A careful study of the statistics of divorce made by a Yale professor brings out the fact that in periods of commercial depression the increase in divorces is less than in periods of prosperity."

We are sorry to learn that Governor Brown, of Georgia, a Baptist, vetoed the Alexander-Tippins prohibition bill, which prohibits the sale of near-beer in that state.

Some one has said that theology is experience frozen over. We know that ice is water frozen over and if ice is thawed out we have water again. So if theology is thawed out we have religion reduced to practical terms.

It is said seven persons out of ten suffer excruciating pain, at one time or another, with their feet. A single corn, no larger than a grain of sand, can take all the "snap" and vitality right out of you. If you doubt this you have never had a corn.

At the recent meeting of the World's Sunday School Association committed in Philadelphia it was unanimously voted that the great object of the world's convention, to be held in Zurich July 8-15, 1913, is "to give Sunday schools the missionary vision and to give the missionary forces the Sunday school vision"

Here are two stories that finely illustrate the child's faith in his mother. A little fellow, disputing with his sister, said: "It's true, for my mother says so; and if my mother says so, it is so, if it ain't so." Another boy, not more than 7 years old, hearing a friend at his father's table discussing the familiar line, "An honest man's the noblest work of God," declared he knew this was not true, for his mother was better than any man that ever was made.—From "Babywise," by George R. Sparks.

"My dear girl," exclaimed an elderly lady, "do you know that the man you are intending to marry drinks heavily and gambles?"

"Yes, I know; I am going to marry him to reform him."

"Listen to me, my girl. Try one experiment before you do that."

"What experiment?"

"Take in a week's washing to do and see how you like it."—Town Topics.

A young man was recently convicted by a jury in Chicago for stealing a golden amulet or gem from Haskell Oriental Museum of the University of Chicago. The relic was one that belonged to King Menes, who is believed to be the monarch of the first Egyptian dynasty, who reigned about 5,300 years ago. The case is specially interesting as the alleged thief was convicted chiefly by the testimony of finger prints left on the glass case in which the relic was kept.

Since the separation of state and church in France, six years ago, the Protestant churches of that country have been compelled to reorganize themselves on the basis of self-support—no easy matter when for a long series of years they had become accustomed to receive the government's aid in the payment of ministerial salaries and pensions, the erection and repair of churches and parsonages, and other expenses of their worship. They have, however, met the crisis in their church life most nobly. A recent showing discloses that the amount raised annually by the French Reformed churches for the support of their worship reaches nearly 3,000,000 francs (\$600,000), or half a million more than the former government donation.

The registration of students for the summer quarter at the University of Chicago had reached on July 10 a total of 3,053, of which number 1,550 were men and 1,503 were women. There is a large representation, as usual from the southern states. The registration at the university for each of the last four summer quarters has exceeded 3,000 students, thus demonstrating by numbers, as well as by serious and mature work, the demand for educational opportunity during this part of the year.



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## RECEIPTS FOR JULY.

## State Missions.

Athens W. M. S., \$2; Grove Hill S. B. B., \$1.10; Headland L. A. & M. S., \$5.85; Headland Y. L. A., \$5.80; Furman W. M. & A. S., \$26.75; Furman S. B. B., \$4; Mobile (Dauphin Way) W. M. S., \$2.25; Tuskegee W. M. S., \$33; Columbiana L. A. & M. S., \$2.50; Elba Y. W. A., \$1.05; Brewton Y. W. A., \$7.75; Alexander City W. M. S., \$30; Alexander City Y. W. A. & R. A. B., \$6; Alexander City S. B. B., \$3; Oswichee W. M. S., \$25; Lincoln L. A. S., \$2.75; Anniston (P. M.) S. B. B., \$2.50; Ackerville S. B. B., \$2; Laneth W. M. S., \$1.50; Abbeville W. M. S., \$3; New Prospect (Bigbee) W. M. S., \$3; Anniston (P. M.) Y. W. M. S., \$50; Loachapoka W. M. S., \$2; Eclectic L. M. S., \$6; Rockford W. M. S., \$3.15; Reform W. M. S., \$1.70; Shiloh (Union) W. M. & A. S., \$2.75; Grove Hill W. M. & A. S., \$4; Anniston (P. M.) R. A. B., \$1.84; Hayneville W. M. S., \$5; Dora L. A. S., \$2; Albertville S. B. B., \$1; Albertville Cheerful Workers, \$1; Oxford L. A. & M. S., \$7; Enterprise W. M. S., \$10; Pratt City L. A. S., \$18; Eufaula (First) W. M. S., \$5; New Decatur (Central) W. M. & A. S., \$12.15; Birmingham (Southside) W. M. & A. S., \$41; Dadeville W. M. S., \$2; Helena L. A. & M. S., \$1; Gallion L. A. S., \$5; Tunnel Springs S. B. B., \$1; Burnt Corn W. M. S., \$4; Louisville S. B. B., \$1; Louisville W. M. S., \$5.35; Huntsville (Fifth Street) S. B. B., \$2; Dothan (Headland Avenue) W. M. S., \$2; Choocolocco L. A. & M. S., \$5; Tunnel Springs W. M. S., \$5.55; Georgiana W. M. S., \$14; Lineville W. M. S., \$10; Lineville Y. W. A., \$6.55; Samson S. B. B., \$1; Cuba Jr. R. A. B., \$2; Gadsden (First) W. M. S., \$10; Andalusia W. M. S., \$25; Florida S. B. B., \$2.65; Centerville W. M. S., \$7; Jackson L. A. & M. S., \$8; Pine Apple L. A. & M. S., \$3.75; Uniontown L. A. & M. S., \$5; Elba W. M. S., \$3.75; Tallahassee W. M. S., \$1; Belmont W. M. S., \$5; Bay Minette S. B. B., \$1; Jackson L. A. & M. S., \$6; Sheffield W. M. S., \$2.10; Pratt City R. A. B., \$1.54; Livingston W. M. S., \$21; Monroeville W. M. S., \$15; Florence (First) W. M. S., \$9.48; a friend, \$2.60; Clayton W. M. S., \$3.30; Thomaston W. M. S., \$1; Newbern W. M. & A. S., \$7.50; Mobile (Oakdale) W. M. S., \$4.11; Opp S. B. B., \$1; Three Notch S. B. B., \$1; Wylam S. B. B., \$2; Montgomery (First) S. B. B., \$1; Tuscumbia L. A. & M. S., \$3; Bayou LaBatre W. M. & A. S., \$4; Decatur (First) W. M. & A. S., \$7.25; Eutaw W. M. & A. S., \$6; Attalla L. A. & M. S., \$3.49; Boaz W. M. S., \$10; Ashland L. A. & M. S., \$2.40; Brundidge W. M. S., \$12; Birmingham (Twenty-seventh Street) L. A. S., \$6.65; Marion Y. W. A., \$2.95; Birmingham (East) W. A. & M. S., \$1.15; Selma (First) Y. W. A., 25c; Calera L. A. S., \$1; Marion W. M. S., \$9; Wilmer L. A. & M. S., \$1; Pine Apple S. B. B., \$1; Talladega (First) W. M. S., \$3.75; Piedmont Y. W. A., \$2; Dothan (First) W. M. S., \$15; Gadsden (First) S. B. B., \$1.50; Russellville S. B. B., \$2; Pleasant Hill W. M. S., \$3; New Decatur (First) W. M. S., \$3; Smyrna W. A. & M. S., \$2; Ruhama L. A. & M. S., \$15; Belleville Y. W. A., \$5; Gadsden (First) W. M. S., \$14.75; Greenville W. W., \$8.45; Nanafalia S. B. B., \$2.25; Montgomery (Clayton Street) W. M. S., \$1; Carlowlville W. M. S., \$6; Oxford L. A. & M. S., \$5. Total, \$723.46.

## Home Missions.

New Prospect (Bigbee) W. M. S., \$2; Rockford W. M. S., \$2.50; Sylacauga L. A. S., \$5.50; Gaylesville W. M. S., \$2.75; Thomaston W. M. S., \$1.80; Tuscumbia L. A. & M. S., \$3; Ashland L. A. & M. S., \$2; Birmingham (Twenty-seventh Street) L. A. S., \$1; Seale W. M. S., \$5; Hopewell (Cahaba) W. M. S., \$1.10; Bessemer (First) L. A. S., \$20; Zion (Bethlehem) W. M. & A. S., \$6. Total, \$52.65.

## Foreign Missions.

New Prospect (Bigbee) W. M. S., \$4; Rockford W. M. S., \$2.50; Ashland L. A. & M. S., \$2.60; Beulah (Judson) L. A. S., \$4.55; Beulah church, \$6.50; Notasulga W. M. S., \$3.70; Talladega (First) W. M. S., \$3; Montgomery (First) W. M. S., \$19.34; Montgomery (Headland Avenue) W. M. S., \$2.35; Pleasant Hill (New River) W. M. S., \$2; Rohobeth (New River) ladies, \$2; Huntsville (Merrimack) W. M. S., \$1.50; Tuskegee W. M. S., \$26.80; Ensley W. M. S., \$25; Birmingham (West End) W. M. & A. S., \$15; St. Ste-

phens W. M. S., \$1; Sylacauga L. A. S., \$5; a friend, \$12; Greenville W. W., \$10.25; Brundidge W. M. S., \$5; Hanceville W. M. S., \$1.10; Montgomery (Clayton Street) W. M. S., \$4.20; New Decatur (First) W. M. & A. S., \$8; Winterboro W. M. S., \$4.15; Zion (Bethlehem) W. M. & A. S., \$2; Shiloh (Salem-Troy) W. M. S., \$1.25; Boaz W. M. S., 5. Total, \$179.79.

## Bible Fund.

Furman S. B. B., \$1; Albertville S. B. B., \$1; Oneonta S. B. B., \$2; Samson S. B. B., \$1; Carbon Hill S. B. B., \$2; Opp S. B. B., \$3.26. Total, \$10.26.

## Aged Ministers.

Birmingham (Southside) W. A. & M. S., \$20; Belmont W. M. S., \$2; Midway L. W. C., \$2; Marion W. M. S., \$1.25; Ruhama L. A. & M. S., \$5.10; Talladega (First) W. M. S., \$8; Belleville Y. W. A., \$2; Montgomery (Clayton Street) W. M. S., 50c; Zion (Bethlehem) W. M. & A. S., \$1. Total, \$41.85.

(To Be Concluded.)

## AUBURN SOCIETY.

Our usual custom for years past has been to observe one day in July as a missionary rally, these happy occasions having taken place at the attractive suburban home of our president, Mrs. Wright. But a new era was marked in today's celebration, and the exercises were held at the Baptist church.

At the suggestion of our associational superintendent, Mrs. Hearn, the day's program was changed to a regular quarterly meeting. Owing to the absence of several of our members, sickness and sorrow in the homes of others, the crowd was not as large as we had expected and hoped for. The incoming train, however, brought many friends and delegates, representatives from the churches in our association.

At 11 o'clock the morning exercises commenced by singing "Joy to the World." The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Wright, reading II Cor. 3, followed by prayer. Mrs. Frazer in her pleasant way spoke a few words of greeting, assuring the visitors of a hearty welcome. Then, with Mrs. Hearn, of Tuskegee, presiding, the regular routine of work began. The roll call of the visiting societies was responded to by Mrs. Bradford, from Notasulga; Mrs. Waller, of Loachapoka; Mrs. Cullars, of Opelika; Mrs. Wright, of Auburn, and Mrs. Hearn, of Tuskegee.

Much emphasis was given the importance of sending in our quarterly reports, and an urgent request to be present at the association. Mrs. Hearn told of our work in its different departments, arousing a new interest in the cause.

Mrs. Bradford read a sweet, interesting paper on "Spiritual Growth."

Miss Mallory concluded the morning's program by discussing the general mission work. At this hour we adjourned for dinner, which was a bountiful spread on the church lawn.

After spending a pleasant time socially we again assembled in the church. Mrs. Frazer conducted the devotional exercises, reading the 35th chapter of Isaiah, followed by singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Miss Mallory talked of the "Standard of Excellence" and the importance of Sunbeam organizations, putting much stress upon the training for service. We trust that in the coming year we may be able to go forward with this work and ever remember that we are "saved to serve."

J. OLIVIA ARMSTRONG.

## MEETING AT HILLSBORO.

The all-day quarterly meeting was held in Hillsboro July 16. Many enjoyed the hospitality of the Hillsboro ladies that day.

The church was beautifully decorated with potted plants, and the fragrance from the nasturtiums was inviting to every one.

The devotional service was conducted by the president, Miss Beason.

So sweet was the welcome address given by Mrs. C. O. Porter that each and every one felt as though they were at home.

Mrs. W. H. Simpson in her winning way gave such

a hearty response that it certainly expressed the sentiment of every one present.

Miss Mallory gave an interesting account of the mountain schools and what they were doing.

The president gave a short talk about the work among the negroes, and gave us some thoughts of helping them. Although they are serving us, yet we can help them spiritually.

Then Miss Mallory gave a helpful talk in general about the work and caused each one to be more inspired and to set forth a determination to do a greater work for the Master.

Mrs. Eubanks gave an interesting paper about China and the great work they are doing.

Then Mrs. Simpson gave a short talk about Japan and their different fields of work and how they were carrying on the work.

Miss Bragg gave a paper on the different fields of Africa and their work.

Mrs. J. M. Shoemaker gave an interesting paper on the different fields of Northern Brazil, and what they were doing and how they were progressing.

A paper on Southern Brazil was given by Pearl Dutton, telling of the different fields and how they were striving to carry on the great work.

Miss Judy gave an account of the work in Argentina and how rapidly they were moving on.

It was greatly encouraging to hear the reports from the societies that were represented, and more especially should the Hillsboro be an inspiration to the other societies, because of their small number and their zeal to work.

May God's richest blessing ever rest upon this society and may it ever grow in numbers and continue to work for the blessed Master.

PEARL DUTTON,  
Secretary pro tem.

The Butler County Association will meet with the Mt. Pleasant Baptist church, six miles east of Chapman (go out on Chapman log road), Tuesday, August 20. We are planning for a great meeting. Doing everything in our power to have messengers present from every church in the county. This has been a great year for the Baptists of this county. We are now having series of revivals, from four to six a week, leading up to the session of the association. We are confident contributions will show 100 per cent increase. A great many churches are taking on new life, and we are going to plan for greater things next year. We shall be glad to welcome you and representatives from all boards. Come and see the spirit of co-operation manifested in all our county work. Yours truly—J. G. Reynolds, Moderator Butler County Association.

## TRIP NOTES.

Sunday, July 14, I was with Dr. Preston Blake at the Southside church, Birmingham, and presented the cause of Christian education. Dr. Blake has given me access to his people at any time, and notwithstanding the debt the church is carrying the Southside church is among our largest contributors to denominational education.

Sunday, July 21, I was at Collinsville with Brother T. M. Fleming. Brother Fleming has been pastor at Collinsville only a few weeks, but has made a fine impression on the community. He is aggressive and is interested in all our work. I am sure he will lead his people into larger and greater things. He gave his hearty endorsement to the work of the commission, and the contribution made by the church was much larger than last year when I visited the church. The church here is building a very handsome and convenient parsonage on a very desirable lot, and the pastor is expecting to occupy it in a few weeks.

W. J. E. COX.

The United Presbyterian Church in North America sets the pace for all the churches on the item of the average contribution per member. This church likewise stands very high in the average pastor's salary, which is this year \$1,241.



## FROM LAUDERDALE COUNTY.

Dear Brother Barnett: I will give you a brief report of the missionary rally we have been having in the Lauderdale County Baptist Association, beginning at Killen church, nine miles east of Florence, July 4, and ending at Liberty church, 15 miles west of Florence, July 18. Every church in the bounds of the association was notified in due time, was well prepared, and a good crowd, with plenty of dinner and a glorious service, was had at each place. The chief speakers were Rev. W. D. Bostick, from China, and Rev. H. B. Lovelace, of Florence, pastor of the First Baptist church. Brother Bostick told us many things about China that were new to us. He told us something about their peculiar ways of doing business, of marrying, etc., but he proved to all who heard him that the main object he had in view while speaking was to impress upon the minds of the people here the solemn fact that the Chinman needed Jesus Christ just as we need Him and that the religion of Christ would do for them just what it would for an American. Many have been heard to say since Brother Bostick left us that they felt more interested about China now than ever before. Brother Lovelace, who was chairman of the meetings, being worthy and well qualified, made himself felt throughout the county by showing himself interested in the work in many ways. Besides at most all the churches he preached for us, and every time he preached he caused us to feel that it was good to be in his presence, and I, with many other country preachers and laymen, want to congratulate the Florence church on having such a man as Brother Lovelace as pastor. Not only the Florence church should be proud of Brother Lovelace, but the entire association should appreciate him, because he is not only able, but willing to help all who are in reach of him. We can realize strength in unity, and especially can the weaker learn this when they are permitted to take hold of the stronger and pull themselves up, thus enabling them to better help others. Surely Lauderdale Association will do more next year for Foreign Missions than ever before. I say next year because this year is almost gone, but even this year my churches will do more, for I have become so enthused that I have decided to start all my revival meetings with a collection for Foreign Missions. I never heard of the like, but feeling impressed, as I do, that this would prove a blessing to the churches, I shall try it if I live. I begin next Sunday at Liberty. Let all who read this pray for us.

W. A. FOWLER.

Gillen, Ala.

Vera Clayton Beers, youngest daughter of Mrs. V. L. Beers, died very suddenly at her mother's residence, near Benton, Ala., July 29 in her 13th year. This lovely little girl was the dearest treasure this home contained. Now she is a jewel rare and precious in that beautiful home beyond the skies, and while we will never see her in this life again we can meet her on the other shore, where there is no parting and no pain. Dear little Vera was one of the Savior's own little ones, and she is forever in His loving arms waiting for her loved ones.—M. W. H.



DECATUR BAPTIST CHURCH.

## FROM MINTER.

Beginning on the second Sunday of July and continuing through the third the Carlowville Baptist church, of Minter, Ala., enjoyed a great religious feast. The services were conducted by Brother W. J. Ray, former pastor of this church, but recently from Texas, where he has been for the past two years engaged in the evangelistic work, and who no doubt is known throughout this state, where he lived until his removal to Texas two years ago. Brother Ray is truly a great evangelist. He is full of the gospel and, as he says, he's not afraid to preach it. The meeting was a great success, this fact being evidenced by the great crowds which came both mornings and evenings, and, too, by the revival of the members. Both church and Sunday school have taken on a new life. We hope and pray and believe that the blessings received during this meeting may be blessings of everlasting good, not only to the members, but to all whose privilege it was to hear this great good man. The old ante-bellum church was filled to overflowing, with the white people below and the colored people in the galleries, as it has never been for years. We received seven members—six by baptism and one by letter. We gave Brother Ray \$76 to express in a material way our appreciation for the blessings received through his earnest work, and pray that God's richest blessings may be with him and his faithful wife, who was such a help and inspiration with her music and spiritual influence during the revival. A MEMBER.

Under the wise management of our executive committee of the Birmingham Baptist Association, through their field representative, Rev. A. A. Walker, our city can now boast of the fact that there is not a pastorless church within the city limits. The first time that such an encouraging outlook for greater work in our denomination has been noticeable in several years.

Evangelist A. A. Walker will spend his vacation down in Marengo county, and while there will conduct a camp meeting. After the 15th of this month he will be back in the city again and fill his numerous campaign engagements.

## JONES-CURTIS.

On July 3 at the Baptist church in Atmore there was a beautiful wedding. The contracting parties were Mr. Cecil Jones and Miss Nell Curtis. Mr. Jones is one of Atmore's most worthy young men, moral and upright in business. Miss Nell is one of the beauties of the many fair daughters of the little city. Many are her admirers and friends. The church was beautifully decorated, and the large audience present to greet the happy young couple testified to the popularity of Mr. and Mrs. Jones. It was the pleasure of the pastor to stand at the hymeneal altar and seal the marriage vows of the happy young couple. They take a honeymoon trip towards the north star; but how far I can't tell. Upon their return they will abide in the coming city of Escambia—Atmore. R. M. HUNTER.

## MARRIED.

At the residence of Mr. W. N. Holston, the bride's father, at 10 a. m. Sunday, July 28, 1912, J. G. Lowrey officiating, Mr. W. E. Seals and Miss Mary Francis Holston. This young pair are members of Mt. Hebron Baptist church and enter this new relation with a bright future. They are splendid young people, and the best wishes of many friends follow them in life's journey. May God richly bless and prosper them through all the way. J. G. LOWREY.

Dear Dr. Barnett: Rejoice with us. Your namesake, Jesse Barnett Smith, made a complete surrender to Jesus and joined the church at Ft. Chintmes, Fla., Saturday night and went down into the water Sunday morning and was buried with Christ in baptism with 20 other happy converts by his father. We had a glorious meeting—like those we used to have in old Tennessee. It was a great spiritual feast, and I thank the Lord continually for permitting me to enjoy these series of meetings. Mr. Smith was assisted by Rev. R. J. Gorbet, of Altoona, Fla., formerly of Chattanooga, Tenn. I trust you will have time to write him a few words of encouragement. Mr. Smith keeps up right well, notwithstanding his great affliction. He will never recover from his operation. Your sister in Christ—Mrs. E. Lee Smith.

## TO THE BAPTIST BROTHERHOOD OF ALABAMA.

Dear Brethren: We have at Florence one of the leading secular institutions of learning in the state, and there are in the student body every year a number of young men and women from Baptist homes all over our state. Knowing the spiritual needs of young men and women away from home and the many dangers and discouragements surrounding them, and desiring that our church shall be both a comfort and blessing to them, we take this occasion to place ourselves at their service. We would esteem it a favor if students contemplating attending the State Normal College next fall would write us in advance and report to us on arrival, and let us assist them in finding a pleasant location and in any other way possible.

B. H. LOVELACE,

Pastor First Baptist Church of Florence.

## FROM RISING STAR, TEX.

We have just closed a meeting with our church here. The meeting lasted 15 days, and many said it was one of the best meetings ever held here. We had fine congregations all the while. The church was revived and 19 united with the church, 11 of them by experience and baptism. There were eight or ten other professions. I did the preaching the first week, and Rev. J. E. Wickham, our school superintendent, did most of it the second week. He is one of our members, a good preacher and a fine school man. We used our own singing forces, which did well, led by Wm. Koonce, a cashier in one of our banks.

Our church is in good condition and doing fine work in all lines.

The Cisco Association meets with our church August 21. We expect a good session.

I watched with interest the reported proceedings of the Alabama Baptist convention as given in the Ledger. I rejoice in the good work done during the year, the fine attendance and outlook.

I congratulate Howard College on securing for her president the noble and gifted Shelburne. He will make a success.

I see the next convention meets at Enterprise, in the county of my nativity. I hope to be in attendance on the session. I think the change to fall is a wise one.

In our recent state election in Texas prohibition was the main issue—that is, the pros and antis both tried to elect their men. The results were favorable to prohibition. While we failed to elect a prohibition governor, we got most of the other important officers. Yours respectfully,

A. A. HUTTO.

We are in a great meeting at Sulphur Springs, near Roper. The people are coming for miles and are interested very much. This is a fine people to serve. They love the Lord very much. Pray for us. Fraternally—J. W. Jones, East Lake.

Dear Brother Barnett: I am going to Ashland to help Rev. W. D. Rodgers in a meeting this week; next to Wylam. Will stop and see you. I am open for a field for another year.—J. W. Coffman.



## THE DECATUR BAPTIST CHURCH,

Decatur, Ala.

This church on July 12 raised funds approximating \$8,300 and paid off all indebtedness. Prior to 1908 the worship of this church was conducted in a small frame building situated about one square from the present location. The church for some time had been considering the matter of a new building, and as far back as 1906 there had been some negotiations for a church lot which was thought more desirable than the one then occupied by the church. In 1908 the church purchased a lot on the corner of Oak and LaFayette streets, which gave a frontage of 132 feet on Oak street by 115 feet on LaFayette street. Upon this site was erected the handsome and commodious structure shown above, which is one of the best church plants in Northern Alabama, being fully equipped with church and Sunday school auditoriums, primary department, Baraca and Philatheia room, separate class rooms and pastor's study. The church is equipped with pipe organ for church service, piano for Sunday school and a small organ for the primary department. Church and Sunday school auditoriums are furnished with quartered oak pews and folding chairs are used for overflow gatherings. The church has a large seating capacity, being so arranged that both auditoriums may be thrown together. The church plant stands at a cost of approximately \$30,000. The membership in recent years has not been large, in 1904 and 1905 being only about 40 members, and the resident membership of the church now scarcely exceeds 100. The accomplishment of these results in the past four years, in addition to keeping up the regular expenses of the church, has meant heavy sacrifices on the part of many, but it is a well-known fact among the members that the Lord has wonderfully blessed this people, and while there has been heroic giving, no one can say that a single such giver is not worth more money today than when the work began in 1908.

During the past seven years the church has had three pastors. Rev. Allan A. Hutto became pastor in 1905 and did a great work, getting the people together and the work so organized that when Rev. Myron W. Gordon accepted the pastorate in 1907 he came with the assurance that the church would build. Under his leadership the church was built, and about one-half the entire expense thereof raised in cash. Rev. Clay I. Hudson accepted the call of the church in February, 1911, and under his leadership during 18 months the entire indebtedness of the church has been raised, and in addition thereto the church has made substantial contributions to the various objects fostered by the Baptist State Convention. Taking everything into consideration this small membership has during the past 18 months raised in cash more than \$16,000. Plans will now be made for the dedication of this church.

## RESOLUTIONS

In Loving Memory of Our Beloved Brother, Willie S. Huguly, Who Departed This Life Monday Night, July 1, 1912, Aged 28 Years.

Whereas, our hearts, our homes, our church and all orders and societies of which he was a faithful member has

been made extremely sad by his death.

His young life was full of usefulness and cheerful smiles, making sunshine for those whose life came in touch with his. He tried to live a true, consecrated Christian life. He was a deacon of the West Side Baptist church, and all who knew him only knew him to love him.

His church, his orders, his scores of friends and loved ones will sadly miss his young and noble life. By his death a vacancy is made that God alone can fill.

No more will we hear his voice as his heart would palpitate in prayer around the choir stand, asking God's blessing, but that heart now swells with gratitude in Christ, who has made him joint heir to that blessed inheritance which is undefiled and wasteth not away.

Whereas, we humbly submit to the will of our God, who has seen fit to remove from our midst our much beloved brother.

Resolved, That we have these resolutions printed in our daily paper, also a copy sent to the Alabama Baptist for publication, and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to his aged father and young, heart-broken wife, asking God's blessing to abide with them, that in the final resurrection we will all be reunited again with our beloved Willie and all our loved ones.

Adopted by the church Sunday, July 14, 1912.

MRS. F. C. WHITE,  
REV. W. C. CROWDER,  
Committee.

## REVIVAL AT MIDWAY.

We have just closed one of the most helpful meetings during my five years pastorate at Midway, beginning the first Sunday in July and continuing 15 days. J. L. Blankenship, the singer, reached us Tuesday. Dr. Crutcher did not get here until Friday night. From the time of their arrival the meeting took on new life and continued to grow in interest until the close, which was the third Sunday of the meeting. The congregations increased at every service, while we didn't have but seven additions to the church. The burden of our hearts was to stir the sleeping element of our church, which seemed to be largely in the majority. Dr. Crutcher was quick to see the conditions, and directed his preaching to sleeping souls, and church members began to see the awfulness of the sin of neglect as they had not been able to see before. How these gospel sermons, with the gospel songs led by Brother Blankenship, did stir the souls of the people as they listened and worshipped before God. These men are both working under the auspices of the Home Board. Brother Crutcher is from Jackson, Tenn.; Brother Blankenship from Dallas, Tex. We feel that it was under the direction of the Holy Spirit that these men came this way, and through them God greatly blessed our church and community. We can recommend these men as being safe and sane evangelists, preaching the old-time gospel and using the old-time hymns and some of the new songs to the glory of God.

W. T. FOSTER.

In the absence of Pastor Thornton the Bessemer saints enjoyed a most delightful service with Evangelist A. A. Walker last Sunday night.

## REVIVAL AT THE SOUTHSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH, NEW DECATUR.

A grand revival has just closed at the Southside Baptist church, New Decatur, Ala. It began Wednesday, June 26, and closed Sunday, July 14. The pastor, Rev. J. E. Merrell, conducted the meeting, and we feel that it was God's desire that he should, as he had such a wonderful success.

There were 15 professions, besides a good many renewals, and 15 additions to the church, mostly by baptism. The full extent of the meeting, though, cannot be judged by the number of professions and additions, but rather by the revival of the church. We feel and believe that almost every member re-consecrated themselves to God and His service, and have become more willing and able to endure the trials and hardships that naturally shall befall us.

We do not believe there is an evangelist living who could have done a grander work than did our pastor, and we shall always thank God that He used him instead of some other, for by our pastor doing the preaching the ties that naturally bind one to the preacher who holds the revival only bound us the closer to our dear pastor and made us love him better.

Sunday night, July 14, his text was, "After the Revival, What?" And I am sure after that wonderful sermon the revival will never cease, but continue on in most every heart that listened to it.

We thank God for what He has done for us through Brother Merrell, our beloved pastor—not only in the revival, but ever since the church was organized. It is not yet one year old, and has increased from 16 to 96 members.

We have one of the most inspiring Sunday schools in the state, considering its youth. We have on the roll 175 scholars, and expect to almost double it in the near future. How thankful we are that God sent such a deep, spiritual, enthusiastic and loving pastor to us, for there is none better, and we pray that some day the church may be more enabled to show her love and appreciation for him.

M. A. T.

## FROM SAN ANTONIO.

Perhaps some of my friends would like to hear from me through your paper. I was taken with typhoid fever August 1, 1911, and partially recovered, but relapsed again and again, and when I threw off typhoid I was still afflicted with pernicious malaria until April 1. Since then I have been gradually regaining my usual health, and have now been preaching every Sunday for several weeks.

I know my friends in Alabama thought I had tuberculosis, and I was examined by quite a number of the best doctors I could find, and only two of them thought they could find any signs of tuberculosis in my lungs. But the microscope confirmed their diagnosis. So I have been taking tuberculin, which I am assured by the very best medical talent will render me immune to tuberculosis when I shall have taken the full treatment. And my lungs are so very slightly affected that I expect to be stronger than I have been since my first serious trouble, in 1899.

I am supplying for the First Baptist church, San Antonio, while the pastor takes his vacation. I have not wanted regular work until fall, but I am hoping the Lord will give me some place

where I may serve Him then, though I have nothing definite in view. Though I am assured that there will not be the slightest danger of tuberculosis in returning to Alabama and I am almost homesick to return, still I hope I may find some work out here, at least for a while.

Rev. T. V. Neal is truly a great preacher, and Alabama does not know what she has lost in him. His church has recently increased his salary \$500, and I am told would have done more, but he forbade it.

Rev. J. V. Dickinson is being urged by his brethren to re-enter the evangelistic work. I do not know what he will do.

Brethren W. J. Ray and J. O. Bledsoe have both recently returned to Alabama from this city, Brother Ray to visit his mother and hold some meetings and Brother Bledsoe to become pastor at Groves Hill.

Fraternally,

W. W. LEE.

## FROM JACKSONVILLE.

Rev. J. W. Long, pastor of the Baptist church, has resigned, his resignation to take place the 1st of September. Rev. Mr. Long and wife have endeared themselves to a large circle of friends, not only in the Baptist church, but in all the denominations. Besides being a great worker both in the church and Sunday school, he is a good minister and excellent pastor. Since he became pastor of our church, over two years ago, Mr. Long has organized a young men's Baraca class, which has had a fine enrollment of men; a young men's Agogo class, with a good enrollment; young ladies' Amoma; the Anne Hasseltine Society, which is both a class and a missionary society, and the boy's organization is the Royal Ambassadors, which is in thriving condition. Two large classes in teacher training have been graduated, and four of the students received the Blue Seal. Rev. Mr. Long has also been pastor one Sunday at Heflin, Ala., where the membership has been nearly doubled; one of the most successful revival meetings ever held in the county, when 48 professed faith, and the Sunday school increased from 30 per cent to 90 per cent.

Mr. Long has been superintendent of teacher training in Calhoun county, and has put his county first in the state in the last report.

At the State Sunday School Convention Mr. Long was elected state superintendent of organized adult class work.

In connection with all this work he also organized a mission school in the mill village, which he teaches on Sunday afternoons. In this mission school he has organized a Baraca and Philatheia class, of which he is teacher.

The many friends of Rev. and Mrs. Long regret to see them leave and hope they will locate in Alabama.

MRS. J. R. ARNOLD.

The following invitation will be read with interest by many Alabama Baptists, who will join with the editor in every good wish for brother and Sister Dickinson: "1887-1912. Sallie Fannie Belcher. John Valentine Dickinson. Mr. and Mrs. John Valentine Dickinson invite you to be present on the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage, Friday evening, July 26, 1912, 8 o'clock, at their home, 124 Arlington Court, San Antonio, Tex."



## TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING OF ASSOCIATIONS, 1912.

## August.

- 6—Selma, Providence Baptist church.  
 20—Butler County, Mt. Pleasant Baptist church.  
 21—Coosa River, Hepzibah Baptist church.  
 27—Shelby County, Vincent Baptist church.  
 28—Tuscaloosa County, Hull, Big Sandy church.  
 29—North River, Carbon Hill, Carbon Hill church.

## September.

- 3-5—Union, near McShan, Mineral Springs church.  
 4—Pine Barren, Beatrice church.  
 4—Colbert, Littleville, Pilgrim's Rest church.  
 5—Bigbee, Cuba Baptist church.  
 6—St. Clair County, Vandiver, Pleasant Grove church.  
 6—Lauderdale, Mount Pleasant church.  
 10—Calhoun, Bethlehem church, near Oxford.  
 10-12—North Liberty, Deposit, 14 miles north of Huntsville, Locust Grove church.  
 13—Cedar Bluff, five miles from Gaylesville, New Prospect church.  
 17—Marshall, three miles north of Boaz, Mount Vernon church.  
 18—New River, Pilgrim Rest church.  
 18—Bethlehem, near Monroeville, Mt. Olive church.  
 18—Bibb County, Mt. Zion church.  
 19-21—Etowah, Black Creek.  
 20—Bethel, Nanafalia, Nanafalia church.  
 200—Mineral Springs, Adamsville, Antioch church.  
 21—Macedonia, Antioch church, Washington county.  
 24-25—Birmingham, Avondale, Avondale church.  
 24—Central, Central, Union church.  
 26—Tennessee River, Friendship church.

## October.

- 1—Clarke County, Saltpa, River Hill church.  
 1—Harmony Grove, two miles east of Winfield, Marion county, Goodwater church.  
 2—Dale County, Midland City church.  
 3—Cherokee, Cedar Bluff, Cedar Bluff church.  
 4—Cleburne, near Hopewell Station, Lost Creek church.  
 4—Muscle Shoals, Danville, Morgan county.  
 8—Unity, Maplesville.  
 9—Carey, Daviston church.  
 9—Montgomery, First church, Montgomery.  
 9—Sardis, Union church.  
 9—Weogufka, New Site church, Coosa county.  
 11—Alabama, Antioch church, Butler county.  
 11—Gilliam Springs, New Canaan church, Cullman county.  
 11—Sulphur Springs, six miles west of Blount Springs, Sulphur Springs church.  
 12—Big Bear Creek, Evening Shade church, Colbert county.  
 12—Southeastern, Palestine church, Mobile county.  
 15—DeKalb County, Collinsville church.  
 15—East Liberty, Camp Hill, Camp Hill church.  
 15—Zion, Opp church, Covington county.  
 16—Blount county, Blountsville church.  
 16—Chilton County, two and one-half miles north-east of Thorsby, Collins Chapel church.  
 16—Mud Creek, Oak Grove church.  
 18—Antioch, Bogueloosa church, Choctaw county.  
 19—Arbacoochee, Pinetucky church, Cleburne county.  
 19—Lamar County, six miles southeast of Sulligent, Lamar county, Shiloh church.  
 23—Cahaba, six miles from Marion, Calvary church.  
 23—Clay County, Big Springs church.  
 23—Columbia, Mt. Gilead church.  
 23—Eufaula, First Baptist church, Eufaula.  
 23—Judson, Concord church.  
 23—Shady Grove, Shady Grove church, Franklin county.  
 23—Sipsay, Pleasant Ridge church.  
 24-26—Coffee County, Mt. Pleasant church.  
 26—Clear Creek, near Natural Bridge, Concord church.  
 29—Harris, Seale church.  
 29—Randolph County, Zion church (north of Wedowee).  
 29—Tuskegee.  
 30—Conecuh County, Herbert, Old Town church.  
 30—Geneva County, Black, Adoniram church.

## November.

- 1—Washington, St. Stephens church.  
 5-6—Escambia, Brewton, R. F. D., Catawba Springs church.

12-14—Cullman, seven miles east of Hanceville, on Holly Pond road, Pilgrim's Rest church.

13-15—Salem-Troy, Good Hope church.

Time and Place of Meeting Not Given in Following Associations.

Centennial, Crenshaw, North St. Clair.

Minutes Not Received of Following Associations.

Blue Creek, Elim, Central Liberty, Mt. Carmel, Yellow Creek.

## CONVENTION NOTES FROM BROTHER CRUMPTON.

Our State Mission program was not at all satisfactory. The afternoon was fearfully sultry, and only a few heard the discussions. Those who needed most to know about Alabama were not there. The calling out of the vice-presidents was designed especially to give to the convention the facts as to the situation in the state. Some points were brought out which need to be emphasized.

## The Organization of the Pastors

In each association has been successfully accomplished in some instances. Why not in all? If pastors wish to be informed about the work we are doing, if they want to know more about God's word and become better preachers, the pastors' conference is the thing for them. Of course, if they care for neither they will not be hearty in the effort for the organization.

## The Value of Secondary Denominational Schools

Was emphasized by more than one brother. We are losing out by our failure to have these schools. They need to be multiplied. They educate our young preachers and, best of all, educate the young people who will soon be the leaders in the churches. Even a few months under a wide-awake, godly teacher will make them enthusiasts for Sunday schools, missions, prohibition and a consecrated ministry. Going back to their homes, their views in a little while will be promulgated and soon their churches will adopt them.

## Institute Work

Was emphasized more than ever in the three hours given for State Missions. Sometimes the brother spoke of the fifth Sunday meeting and said not a word about institutes, but the idea is all the same. We are carrying the seminary to the people in the institutes. Every association ought to arrange one to last ten days at some central point. Newton has one permanently established. Why not all over the state? We have a strong force of Sunday school workers which can be used. Let the brethren get in touch with them at once and arrange for institutes.

## Stereopticon Views

Are coming into general use for the dissemination of the truth. They will become powerful preachers wherever they are allowed to speak.

"Do you know it has been scientifically demonstrated that 85 per cent of what we learn comes in through the eye?" That is what a woman speaker said in the hearing of the writer. Think of that, Mr. Preacher. We have been using only the ear route, and only 15 per cent of what the people have learned about religion they received from our mouths!

This new method comes to reinforce the old. Blessings on the man who learns to handle well the stereopticon!

## Grouping Churches

Was another fine point brought out in the discussion. That can be done, but it is a difficult thing. The annual call and the secularized preacher stand most in the way. These are both going out. Our churches are going to see the necessity of a permanent pastorate, at least for several years at a time, and they are going to demand the preacher's time, which they will pay him liberally for.

## Auto Traveling.

One of our vice-presidents gave us a practical demonstration of the value of the auto in doing mission work. It was W. M. Murray, of Brewton. His church presented him with the machine, and he is using it in easily reaching churches miles away on Sunday afternoons and Saturdays. God is moving as sure as you live in all the new improvements. Think of the rural routes and their possibilities in easily reaching the people through the printed page, the good roads movement, the autos and the stereopticon! All praise to His name! If His people are wise, wide awake and aggressive all these things mean much to the kingdom.

## The County Association

Was shown to be valuable because of the spirit of patriotism and unity which could not prevail among people of several counties. In the county associations the delegates often meet at the court house and renew their acquaintance and talk of the affairs of the kingdom. The tendency to county associations, rather than district associations, is growing, and ere long we will have 67 county associations instead of 78, as now.

## The Week Day Services

Were shown to be possible, even in the busiest season of the year. When a live messenger is to be heard with a live message the leaders in the church will sacrifice a day to him. Great crowds need not be expected, but the few who are interested will come, and the truth lodged with them will be disseminated.

## The Value of Moderators

Was brought out in the discussion. A moderator for all the year through is what we want. A moderator just for the session is out of date now. One association which has made the greatest advance is Butler. The moderator, J. G. Reynolds, and his pastor, L. L. Gwaltney, were the leaders whom God honored and the brethren trusted. The churches grouped, pastors located, the preachers organized into a monthly conference, the quarterly Baptist rally embracing the fifth Sundays and a 100 per cent advance in contributions are the results. Brethren, as sure as you live we are at the opening of a new day. Who can doubt it? Let the growlers, if there be any, growl; let the kickers, if they can be found, kick. The militant hosts under the banner of the King are marching to victory. The shouting time is only a little way ahead.

## A New Individual Account Book

By Brother W. N. Swain, of Marion, was handed me for examination, and I should have mentioned it to the convention. It is complete, having pastor's salary and every object of benevolence according to the Alabama schedule, and a place for every day of every month. At the end is a summary for the year. It means much to every member who will use it. It means very much to the kingdom of our Lord. I can heartily commend it.

W. B. CRUMPTON.

It is openly asserted that a religious mystic of the name of Rasputin wields such influence over Czar Nicholas that he has become the real power behind the throne, living at the palace and being his familiar adviser. The matter came up and was vigorously debated in the duma recently. Rasputin is a peasant who, by a sort of Arabian Nights streak of good luck, has been elevated to a very high position. The Russian church officials denounce him because he has no church standing and is yet in some ways above them all. In Russia church and state are one, and therefore religion and politics go hand in hand.

A Roman Catholic journal of Belgium proposes the erection of a monument to the Duke of Alva in the Place du Sablon, Brussels. There was once a statue to Alva in Antwerp, but when the duke left the Netherlands for Spain it was dragged from the pedestal and thrown into the Scheldt. It was erected by the duke himself, and with a most untruthful inscription upon it since it attributed a success to him which he never attained in that land. Alva was a monster, and has been convicted to be such by the verdict of impartial history and by the mouth of the duke himself.

The French have just been celebrating with characteristic enthusiasm and lively discussion the 200th anniversary of the birth of Jean Jacques Rousseau. The central exercises took place in Geneva, the town of his birth; but the French intellectuals and the French people are everywhere recognizing the father of their political thinking and the mind through which the first notes of the new age were sounded in the ears of the world.

The death of Barrett Browning will recall the beautiful love story and romantic relations of his poet father and mother. Mr. Browning devoted his life to another of the arts, that of painting. One of his landscapes is in the Boston Museum of Fine Arts. He made his home partly in Venice and partly in the little Italian town of Asolo, so dear to his father, and was married to and later separated from an American wife.



## The New York Herald Takes a Hand

The persecuted Korean Christians have at last a champion which will turn on the light against the high-handed measures which Japan is using against American missionaries accused of being in the conspiracy to assassinate General Terauchi. "Joe" Ohl, for years on the staff of the Atlanta Constitution, is on the scene. One of the papers says:

"Mr. Ohl's remarkably accurate knowledge of oriental politics, coupled with his long newspaper experience, makes him exceptionally capable of this service; and his dispatches, which have now begun to appear in the Herald, must carry to the judgment of civilization an authority such as perhaps no other voice from the entire orient could exercise in these circumstances. In Peking Mr. Ohl is known as sometimes a sharp critic of missions and missionaries, but in Seoul on this conspiracy affair he espouses and sanctions the viewpoint of the missionaries without qualification. Speaking of the twenty missionaries of the Presbyterian and Methodist faiths who have been openly accused of encouraging and even conceiving the plot against the life of Terauchi, Mr. Ohl writes: 'This list reads like a roll of honor of the Americans who are giving their lives to the service of the Prince of Peace in Korea. To persons having a knowledge of these Americans such remarkable charges furnish their own refutation. No foreigner in the Far East and no intelligent Japanese believes for a moment that these men are in the slightest extent implicated in such a conspiracy—if there was one.'

The Herald's correspondent gives additional accusations involved in the so-called "confessions" wrung by torture from the Koreans.

If Japan is not careful she will forfeit the friendship of the Christian nations not only by her persecutions, but by her slanders so flagrantly uttered against American missionaries in Korea.

## "Human Fungus"

Every now and then some one coins a descriptive phrase which sticks and sets people to thinking. For years we have interested ourselves in studying the overcrowded conditions in our great cities at home and abroad. Not only have we kept up with the literature on the subject, but before entering the ministry and afterwards until marrying, we made a first-hand study of the subject. While much is being done to alleviate the awful conditions, yet the work has hardly begun. Unless one has seen with his own eyes the overcrowding, it is hard to realize just what a menace it is to life and morals. A prison inspector in London says:

"When it is remembered that in the neighborhood of the Strand there were twenty men, women and children living in four small rooms in one house, thirty-two in seven rooms in another, twenty-eight in four rooms next door, and thirty-five in seven rooms across the way, it can not be wondered at that under such conditions human fungus of all kinds grew apace. Here is a specimen of such human fungus.

"The mother of seven children is undergoing a term of eighteen months' imprisonment, and her husband is serving a term of five years in a convict prison. Her father is also undergoing a term of five years' penal servitude, and her mother has just been sentenced to six months' hard labor. Her brother is awaiting trial at Manchester, and her sister is 'wanted' by the police. It is a well-known fact that for the last eighty years one particular family has never been without a representative in prison."

"Human fungus." God help us to do our duty in striving to make the conditions of life more tolerable. Here is the chance for true social service.

## A WORD TO ALL CORRESPONDENTS

Dr. Z. T. Cody, the courteous editor of the organ of the Baptists of South Carolina, says in writing to the correspondents of the Courier:

"We want the news; and we greatly appreciate the help of those who send us the news. But if we are able at all to meet the demands that will be made on us, our correspondents must have great respect for the one item of space. The postal card is a great invention and we wish it were more generally used. We know full well how inadequate a postal card is for a great meeting; but, a postal rarely has to wait and seldom ever gets into a waste basket."

Dr. Cody in the above sets forth our reason for organizing our "Post Card Brigade." We have sent out 30,000 post cards this year. For a while many of our friends used them freely, but soon quite a lot cast them aside and used pencil and paper. We are always glad to use longer articles when possible, but a long account of a meeting gets in a week later than a short one. The post cards have the right of way. Frequently we have to cut down the long communications to post card size to get them in. Don't put this extra work on us, for we are as busy as we can be, and then we are apt to leave out the best part. Better take time to boil it down before you send it.

Pastors and others interested are urged to contribute condensed items of news in connection with local church or denominational affairs. These items will be welcomed at all times, but we especially beg our friends to use the post cards we have sent out. If you want some more cards, just drop us a card. We want a page every week from our Post Card Brigade.

## The Coming of Dr. Shelbourne

We wish to congratulate the trustees of Howard College on their selection of a president. Dr. Shelbourne, by training, is eminently fit for the position, and having served as pastor at East Lake for a number of years, is in touch with the situation. He will not only make the Howard a great executive, but he will be of invaluable service in the organized work in Alabama, as he not only is familiar with the needs, but will give himself unselfishly to every denominational enterprise.

Personally it is a genuine pleasure to have Brother Shelbourne, his splendid wife and lovely children back in the Birmingham district. We pray God's blessings upon them, and feel sure that Alabama Baptists are going to stand by Dr. Shelbourne in his new roll as educator.

Since its organization in 1816 the American Bible Society has distributed 70,000,000 volumes, including translations into 411 languages and dialects. Scattered through the world it maintains twelve agencies, from which go forth with the word of life 400 colporteurs. The work costs \$250,000 a year.

## Medical and Educational Work

If the critics had the proper information about the actual work being done on the foreign field by our physicians and teachers we feel that they would cease their caviling.

It has been pointed out that in electricity the resistance of a conductor is a factor which must always be taken into consideration. "To reduce the resistance increases the power" is an unquestioned fact; consequently, during the past few years much time and effort has been spent upon this point. The above rule holds good in all missionary effort. One of the results to be expected from the medical and educational work is diminished resistance from prejudice, ignorance and superstition; and with shame we must acknowledge that while our medical missionaries and denominational teachers have won the love of the people on the field and the respect of the rulers, they have not yet by the heroic sacrifices overcome the prejudice which has been sown in the minds of many Southern Baptists by men who have held up their work to ridicule and through inuendo and by "playing to the galleries" have discounted all of our mission enterprises.

It is hard to be patient with those who through ignorance and in some cases through downright perverseness, are misstating facts in order to win a little temporary victory in causing some of our good men and women to withdraw their sympathy and support from our organized work.

But the day is coming when those who stand in the way of the Lord's work will be set aside, and in that day we will see the vindication of the wisdom of our leaders who have planted hospitals and schools on the foreign fields.

## College President Changes Views at 70

Dr. Wilbur F. Crafts says: "The laws of nature are really the oldest testament, but only recently have its hieroglyphics, written in the white and red of nerve cells and blood corpuscles, found a Daniel to interpret them. It was at the feet of the foremost medical experts of Germany, France, Britain and the United States that President C. W. Eliot, of Harvard university, unlearned, at seventy, his life long theory that a gentleman might properly drink beer and wine in moderation. He now proclaims that in the light of modern science it is 'inexpedient' to drink intoxicants at all."

Here is what he said at the Massachusetts No-License Convention, 1908: "The recent progress of medical science, largely accomplished through animal experimentation, has satisfied me that even the moderate use of alcohol is objectionable; that the habitual use of alcohol in any form is lowering to the intellectual and nervous power. As I have grown older and seen more, I have changed my view about license and no-license. It is physically and mentally and morally for the advantage of a population as a whole to go without alcoholic drinks, as a rule. The collective good, in excluding saloons from Cambridge, justified the abridgment of the individual liberty. We have had a great deal of German investigation and some American investigation in physiological laboratories. For instance, a clerk has as his principal function the addition of figures, in long columns or short. If the clerk drinks in the day a moderate amount of wine or beer, it is demonstrated that he can not add as well the next day as if he had no alcohol the day before."

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**CATHOLICISM AND THE PROHIBITIONISTS.**

A plank declaring for separation of church and state and against the use of public money for sectarian schools and churches was voted down at the national prohibition convention recently held at Atlantic City after a significant protest from Father Zucher, of Buffalo, N. Y., that this declaration would be interpreted as an affront to Roman Catholics. We knew the Catholics had great influence in republican and democratic convention. We learn with sorrow that they have shown their power with the prohibitionists.

Eugene F. Chafin, of Arizona, was again chosen as the nominee for president, and Aaron S. Watkins, of Ohio, for vice-president. Mr. Chafin is a lawyer who devotes his time to temperance advocacy. Until 1900 he was a resident of Wisconsin, removing thence to Chicago, and in 1909 to Tucson, Ariz. He is widely known as a speaker and author. Mr. Watkins is also a lawyer, minister and lecturer who has been a frequent candidate for office on his party's ticket and was for a time president of Asbury College, Kentucky.

If they haven't the courage to stand for separation of church and state and against the use of public money for sectarian schools and churches they will poll a mighty slim Baptist vote. With these left out of the platform they ought not to expect to enthrone any Protestants.

**USE KIND WORDS.**

Because they always cheer him to whom they are addressed. They soothe him if he is wretched; they comfort him if he is sad. They keep him out of the slough of despond or help him out if he happens to be in.

There are words enough of the opposite kind flying in all directions—sour words, cross words, fretful words, irritating words, overbearing words, insulting words. Now, let kind words have a chance to go abroad since so many and so different are on the wing. Kind words bless him that uses them. A sweet sound on the tongue tends to make the heart mellow. Kind words react upon the kind feeling which prompted them and make them more kind. They add fresh fuel to the fire of benevolent emotion in the soul. Kind words beget kind feelings toward him that loves to use them. People love to see the face and hear the voice of such a man.

Kind words are therefore of great value in these hard times. If we could only realize the good we may do by one kind word we would not sow them so sparingly.

Fraternally,  
**THEODOSIA DEWITT.**

Your paper is getting better and better all the time, and I cannot afford to do without it. May God speed the time when it will be in every Christian home. Your friend and brother—C. M. Hateley, Centre.

The Mexican revolution seems to be in its last stages of collapse. General Orozco, its one effective leader, has sued for terms, and it is for President Madero to determine whether he will grant clemency or enforce the stern Mexican law against the revolutionary leaders.

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We closed a fine meeting at Gantt, Zion Association, July 19. Received 13 members into the church, 11 of whom were baptized. The church was strengthened in the faith and several others promised to come into the membership later.—H. D. Wilson.

## BROTHER CRUMPTON'S NOTES OF THE CONVENTION.

I want to say a word first about the retiring president, Brother A. E. Petrus. He has been a most faithful member of the State Board of Missions for many years. He is not simply a member to come to the meetings, but during the whole year he is on the lookout for things he might do to further the interests of the board. During the two years of his presidency, he acted in the same way. Matters of interest to the denomination, wherever they occurred to him, he was sure to make note of in the Alabama Baptist or the secular papers or in a letter to the secretary. He was president the year round, and he is a member of the board the same way. That is as it should be. I am sure we will find the brother who succeeds him, imitating his good example in this regard. Sometimes we are criticised by the outsiders and indifferent stay-at-homes because we write down the best as

### "The Very Best Convention."

Shouldn't that be the case always? If we are all in it to make things move they will move, and that is certain to make the next the very best.

The entertainers at Jasper were praised, and well they deserved it all. There was a difficult task, especially when the thermometer lingered about the nineties. But in spite of the heat and the crowd they handled the situation as well as it was ever done.

Wise, or otherwise, we try the fall of the year again. Nobody opposed the change, because the hot wave was on. Had the period been cool the suggested change would have met with great opposition. When we meet in Enterprise if the weather is rainy or a cold spell should happen to strike us a motion is certain to be made to go back to the summer. Our convenience or comfort has too much to do with such things when they should not be once named among us.

### What Is Best for the Convention?

Is the only question to be considered. I predict the presence at Enterprise of all the preachers who have been regularly attending, recruits from the ranks of the brethren who "just couldn't get off from my protracted meetings" and many who "just couldn't afford to leave my work again after my trip to the Southern Baptist Convention." We may miss a few of our faithful laymen the first year, but their old love for the cause will bring most of them 'round in time. Beyond all question we will be great gainers financially and otherwise by getting away from a period so near the closing campaign of the Southern Baptist Convention—gainers also in being at a time of the year when our large city churches can invite us.

Some brethren seem to think the change of the constitution admitting the sisters was a small matter; but it is more serious than some suppose. However, we have more than a year in which to discuss that.

The importance of a good attendance at the closing hour was manifest at Jasper. Our time is shamefully short. We are too crowded, and many things come up at the last. Somehow brethren lose their heads just then; the presiding officer is liable to get rattled when parliamentary quibbles will come up. Some brethren are wise enough to want to reopen questions already settled by the larger body. Some

times this is absolutely necessary, as was the case at Jasper when the question of time and place was reconsidered because we discovered that the time settled upon was in conflict with that of the Women's Missionary Union. Only in very rare cases should matters of real moment be considered at the very last, when only a handful of the delegates remain.

Brethren who have the best interests of the convention at heart should make it a point to be on hand at the closing hours. More to follow.

W. B. CRUMPTON.

## ABOUT THE DEBT.

I wanted to make the announcement at the convention, but the pressure for time was too great when a full house was present. When it was seen that a debt was inevitable a simple plan was devised to greatly reduce it or remove it entirely. Five-dollar pledges amounting to more than \$1,200 were received. Some of this came in cash. Enough of the pledge cards are still out to entirely wipe out the debt. If 160 could be signed and sent in at once that would take care of all we owe the missionaries. That would be a great relief. Some of the pastors failed to mention the cards. One brother said: "I thought we had done enough." Another said: "We have done well, but if any are willing to go \$5 more to pay the debt you can join me when we are through the service and sign these cards." The result was six cards signed. If all had done as well the object would have been accomplished. Brother S. O. Y. Ray secured just half the signatures.

If these pledges can be sent in by August 15 I will be glad. Won't the brethren do that and not wait for me to write?

W. B. CRUMPTON.

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What maintains one vice would bring up two children. Poor Richard says, Many a little makes a mickle; and further, Beware of little expenses; a small leak will sink a great ship; and again, who dainties love, shall beggars prove; and moreover, fools make feasts, and wise men eat them. Many a one, for the sake of finery on the back, has gone with a hungry belly, and half-starved their families. Silks and satin, scarlets and velvets, as Poor Richard says, put out the kitchen fire.

Pride is as loud a beggar as want, and a great deal more saucy. When you have bought one fine thing, you must buy ten more, that your appearance may be all of a piece; but Poor Dick says, 'Tis easier to suppress the first desire than to satisfy all that follows it.

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This beloved brother died on the 19th of July and was buried near Shorters, Ala., on the 20th. He was born August 5, 1874, at Shorters, where he lived and died. For a year he had wrestled with tuberculosis, trying Denver for help.

He was the son of Dr. F. M. Letcher, who with his wife, several brothers and sisters, a wife, child and two adopted children, survive him. His schools, beside the home ones, were Alabama University and Tulane, where he graduated in medicine. He at once took distinction in his profession, being called at times to both Montgomery and Union Springs, where there are so many prominent in the profession.

His family on both sides were among the early settlers of Alabama, and several have been distinguished in public life. One brother is one of Montgomery's commissioners; another figures prominently at this time in Mexico as an American consul.

He became a Baptist at Shorters in 1891. He was a faithful deacon, a beloved and trusted citizen and physician. None will be more missed. During his year's stay at Denver he never forgot to send his monthly check for the church and her work.

GEO. E. BREWER,  
His Sorrowing Pastor.

Rev. Spurgeon Wingo has resigned at Dora. He is now engaged for meetings during August. After that time he will be open for a permanent pastorate. We hope some Alabama church will lay hands on him. His address until September will be Elba.

Pastor Walter S. Brown and his people at East Birmingham church are in the midst of a "get-together campaign" conducted by Evangelist A. A. Walker, assisted by Dr. W. M. Blackwelder and Rev. A. K. Wright. These campaigns are indeed helpful, and many of our churches are taking advantage of the good weather now and putting them on with great profit.

### NEWS FROM GLENWOOD.

The special day observed at Glenwood Sunday school this month was "Rally Day." While this is not the month that this day is usually observed in, we thought for many reasons that we best observe it at once. The program was as given below:

Lesson period.

Song, "Jesus Is Calling"—School.

Devotional exercises—Nelle McGee.

Welcome recitations—Nelle McGee, Mildred McGee and Gladys Reed.

Acrostic to spell Rally Day.

Song, "There's a Royal Banner"—School.

"History of a Modern Sunday School"—Nelle McGee.

"History of Our Sunday School—Gladys Reed.

Song, "Take Time to Be Holy"—By all.

Recitation, "What the Sunday School Is to Me"—Nannie M. Reed.

Recitation, "Choose Now"—Edith McGee.

Song, "Thine Own to Be"—Choir.

Reading, "Why I Love the Sunday School"—Mrs. M. G. Reed.

Reading, "Why One Should Attend Sunday School"—Nelle McGee.

Song, "Work the Night Is Coming"—By all.

Reading, "Chronic Knocker"—Myriam McGee.

Recitation, "It Matters Much"—Bessie Mills.

Life Picture of Past, Present and Future of the Sunday School—Little folks.

Reading, "More Room for God"—Myriam McGee.

Song—Choir.

Recitation, "I Could Not Do Without Him"—Nelle McGee.

Reading, "Shining"—Mrs. W. H. McGee.

"Prophecies of the Future of Our Sunday School Members"—Myriam McGee.

"Crossing the Bar"—Nelle McGee.

Presentation of Miss Annie Louise Parker, our boby member, to the school.

Passing of membership cards.

Closing address—Myriam McGee.

Dinner was served on the grounds, and in the afternoon a most helpful sermon was delivered by Mr. Charlie Hester, of Independence, Ala. Mr. Hester will preach for the school for the remainder of the summer on the third Sabbath morning of each month. We are indeed glad to be so lucky as to get Mr. Hester to come to us.

May heaven's choicest blessings fall upon each Sunday school is the prayer of our school.

NELLE M'GEE,

Superintendent of Sunday School.

My vacation with the Second church begins today. Have engagements for three meetings. First two in Bethlehem Association, with the Mt. Pleasant church and Poplar Springs. Then I go to Centerville, where I was once pastor, for a two weeks' engagement. Will whoever reads this pray for me and the meetings daily? The work at Montgomery's Second church moves along encouragingly. It was a great joy to be at Jasper and renew so many sweet acquaintances of other days. Brethren desiring to write me will continue to address me at Montgomery during the summer as heretofore. Yours to serve—John Bass Shelton.

### NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County—Probate Court, 2nd Day of August, 1912.

Estate of Newton N. Polk, Joseph R. Polk and Horace T. Polk, Minors.

This day came Birmingham Trust and Savings Co., guardian of the estate of Newton N. Polk, Joseph R. Polk and Horace T. Polk, minors, and filed its account, vouchers, evidence and statement for a final settlement of same.

It is ordered that the 28th day of August, 1912, be appointed a day for making such settlement, at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

J. P. STILES,  
Judge of Probate.

### ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County—City Court of Birmingham, in Chancery—At Rules Before the Clerk and Register, in Vacation—Darcy Griffith, Complainant, vs. W. L. Griffith, Defendant.

In this cause, it being made to appear to the Clerk and Register of this court, in vacation, by the affidavit of James M. Russell, solicitor for and agent of complainant, that the defendant, W. L. Griffith, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and his post-office address being unknown to affiant, and further, that, in the belief of said affiant, the defendant is over the age of 21 years.

It is therefore ordered that publication be made in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in Jefferson county, Alabama, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him, the said W. L. Griffith, to answer, plead or demur to the bill of complaint in this cause by the 4th day of September, 1912, or after thirty days therefrom a decree pro confesso may be taken against him.

Granted this 3rd day of August, 1912.  
SAM M. BLAKE,  
Clerk and Register.

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### MORTGAGE SALE.

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L. W. SCOVILLE.

Miss Claudia Crumpton, daughter of Dr. W. B. Crumpton, has accepted the position of head of the English department in the Alabama Girls' Technical Institute, Montevallo. Mrs. Nettie Davidson-Jones, daughter of Dr. A. C. Davidson, will be the voice teacher.



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## OBITUARY.

Sister M. E. Hatfield departed this life on Monday night, July 15, 1912. She had been a consecrated member of the Whistler Baptist church for a great many years. Sister Hatfield was born October 10, 1839, at Enterprise, Miss., and was converted at an early age in the Methodist church, afterward joining the Baptists. She was the mother of 12 children. Many had already gone beyond to await mother's coming. While our church and community deplore her demise, yet we feel that while earth is impoverished heaven is enriched. Sister Hatfield had suffered from a broken hip for some years, having received this severe injury one night while returning from the bedside of a sick neighbor. With all her infirmities no member loved the house of God and His service more than she, and on her crutches she always came to church and seemed to feed on the word. For her to live was Christ, and to die was gain. But she never complained. She wanted to do the will of her Lord. If it was to live and suffer for Him she was willing, or to die she was ready; and we rejoice to know that she had the Christian's hope of that inheritance, incorruptible and undefiled and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for her.

May the spirit of our Lord heal the bruised and broken hearts of her family and loved ones and His loving presence fill the vacuum made by her loss.

E. M. DAPIN.

Mobile, Ala.

## PROGRAM.

Tenth Annual Session of the Butler County Baptist Association, to Meet With Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, Six Miles East of Chapman, Tuesday, August 20, 1912.

## Tuesday—Morning Session.

10:45 a. m. Devotional exercises—F. M. Barnes.

11 a. m. Annual sermon—C. E. Moorman.

12 m. Announcements of alternates—A. C. Shell.

Adjourn for dinner.

## Afternoon Session.

1:30 p. m. Devotional exercises—J. C. Dunlap.

1:45 p. m. Enrollment.

2:15 p. m. Election of officers.

2:30 p. m. Recognizing messengers of corresponding bodies.

2:40 p. m. Receiving new churches.

2:50 p. m. Appointing committees to report during session.

3 p. m. Miscellaneous business.

3:15 p. m. Report on Orphans' Home—W. J. Nicholson. Discussed by representative of orphanage.

4:15 p. m. Treasurer's report.

4:20 p. m. Report of committee on entertainment.

## Tuesday Night's Session.

8 p. m. Devotional exercises—F. M. Fletcher.

8:15 p. m. Sermon—Preacher appointed by committee on religious service.

8:50 p. m. Report of B. Y. P. U.—Claude Harrison. Open discussion.

## Wednesday—Morning Session.

9:15 a. m. Devotional exercises—C. L. Perry.

9:30 a. m. Reading the minutes and correcting roll.

9:45. Report of executive committee—J. G. Reynolds. Open discussion.

10:15 a. m. Report of State Missions, J. E. Helms; report of Home Missions, F. L. Wat; report of Foreign Missions, L. L. Gwaltney. Discussed jointly by representatives of mission boards.

11:15 a. m. Missionary sermon—Preacher appointed by committee on religious services.

## Wednesday Afternoon Session.

1:30 p. m. Devotional exercises—Y. S. Cook.

1:45 p. m. Denominational education, W. D. Hay; ministerial education, J. W. Joyner. Discussed jointly by L. L. Gwaltner.

2:45 p. m. Denominational literature—W. P. Bishop. Discussed by representatives of denominational press.

3:15 p. m. Sunday school—C. E. Moorman. Discussed by representatives of Sunday School Board.

4 p. m. Report on woman's work—J. C. Russell. Open discussion.

## Wednesday Night Session.

8 p. m. Devotional exercises—R. L. Shell.

8:15 p. m. Sermon—Preacher appointed by committee on religious services.

## Thursday—Morning Session.

9:15 a. m. Devotional exercises—A. C. Shell.

9:30 a. m. Reading minutes.

9:40 a. m. Report on temperance—J. A. Johnson. Open discussion.

10 a. m. Report of Bible and colportage—J. A. Rhoads.

10:30 a. m. Aged and infirm ministers—A. C. Shell. Open discussion.

11:15 a. m. Report of committees.

11:35 a. m. Miscellaneous business. Adjournment.

Our motto: "Messengers from every church." Brethren, come and stay until the close and bring all vouchers. Chairmen of all committees lead in discussion.

We urge everybody to pray for the greatest session we have ever had.

## FROM LAUDERDALE.

Having just had the privilege of participating in a missionary campaign throughout Lauderdale County Association, and feeling the firm conviction that our efforts were abundantly worth while and will yield rich fruitage in days to come, I venture to submit a brief account of it for publication for the consideration of my brethren.

One of the great problems confronting us today is the problem of the country church. We have but to look around us to see that many of them, though having a name to live, yet from a missionary standpoint they are dead. This is a tremendously important problem to Baptists, for the country is the Baptist stronghold.

Realizing this fact, and desiring to try to do something to relieve the sad condition just mentioned, the following missionary campaign was planned:

1. Engagements were made with the churches in order through the pastors, for they are the key men.

2. A returned foreign missionary was secured.

3. A full day's program for each church was arranged, with dinner on the ground. The general subject of "God's Plan of Financing His Kingdom" was discussed in its various phases.

4. Envelopes furnished by the State Board of Missions were assorted in packages of 12, and in each church an earnest appeal was made for monthly contributions.

5. Some one was selected in each church to follow up the pledges made.

Our hearts were made to rejoice by the large crowds that greeted us, the cordial welcome extended to us and the hungering and thirsting after missionary information that was manifest on every hand.

I believe that this campaign work, supplemented by the Home and Foreign Mission journals and a good supply of the best missionary tracts, is the solution of the country church problem so far as missions is concerned. I therefore believe that it would be abundantly worth while for our boards to seriously consider the matter of putting a competent man in charge of such work in every state in our convention. I feel quite sure that the increase in the contributions for missions resulting therefrom would amount to far more than the salaries of these men.

Yours in His service,

B. H. LOVELACE.

Florence, Ala.

In the revival which has been in progress at Old Refuge church, six miles east of Eclectic, Elmore county, since last Sunday, the Lord has been working in the hearts of the people. The church has been revived. Young men are taking up the work publicly, and sinners are giving their lives to God. Three have already confessed Him and are ready for baptism. We expect others. A great work is needed here in the church, and we feel that it is begun.—M. W. Lanier, Tallassee.

Dear Brother Barnett: I send you the following extracts from a home letter of my daughter in Canton, China, concerning the last days and funeral of Dr. R. H. Graves.

J. D. ANDERSON.

Dear Uncle Graves suffered so much until the last that we feared his death would be very hard, but it was so calm and peaceful. His breathing was heavy all day Wednesday, and his condition of body was distressing. However, the doctor did not think he was conscious of much pain. About 6 o'clock his breathing changed. It has shorter and easier, and at 8:45 he breathed his last without a struggle. It was so sweet to see him go to sleep so peacefully to wake in heaven. Auntie had watched him suffer so much that it was a relief to know that he was at rest. His long service and the wonderful amount he accomplished comforted her greatly. She feels that his was certainly a completed work, and she was willing to give him up.

During his sickness and after his death every one, both Chinese and foreigners, showed so much love and honor for him. That has helped auntie greatly.

Uncle Graves' remains were buried Thursday afternoon Tung Chan church. Fully 1,000 people attended the funeral. The United States consul wrote a sympathetic letter and said he had ordered the flag at half mast. He said he would have attended the funeral in person had he known it.

The services, partly in English and in Chinese, were very sweet. The highest things that could have been said of any one were said of him, and I am sure every one endorsed them. It was especially comforting to hear the Chinese speak of him in such high terms and so lovingly. One of them dwelt on the fact that he was a sage indeed. Auntie says the Chinese word means more than sage in English; that it carries with it the idea of goodness, too. Our girls all wore mourning—white bows in the hair, and each of the seminary students had a big wreath of flowers over his shoulder. The floral offerings, especially from the Chinese, were very elaborate. The first church, of which Uncle Graves was pastor, made an affair of flowers to cover the entire coffin. They think that is the nicest thing that can be done. This meant so much love, honor and respect from them. When the Chinese spoke of getting it Dr. Chambers, said it would not do, for the Coolies would not carry it. They immediately employed six extra Coolies to carry it. The clouds threatened rain, yet hundreds of people went to the cemetery. We had 50 rickshas and several chairs. It is a long distance.

I have not taken time to speak of the glorious entrance of Uncle Graves into heaven, for you know that as well as I do. I have been thinking of what a difference between last Sunday and today with him. Then he was in agony of pain, weak and emaciated; today he is in the paradise of God, free from pain, sickness and sorrow.

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THE BUFFALO

By M. Gause

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Big as our buffalo—or bison—is, he had ancestors much larger than himself; their bones are sometimes found embedded in the earth in the northwest. There are still a few free bisons around Great Slave Lake—these were saved from destruction because they live in the protecting forest, like deer. All the wild prairie buffaloes are gone. Yet, thirty-five years ago, there were millions of them in the big herds of the plains.

As one looks today over the semi-arid plain, one wonders how great find food—everything looks so bare and dead. But the "buffalo grass" is not what it seems. It is curled, brown, and dead-looking on top, but next to the earth there is a sweet, juicy mouthful. In the desert homesteading country, the settler is glad to turn his stock on the buffalo grass. In seasons when the grass is good, he will feed only his milk cows—and his stock will be kept in excellent condition. So these wild pastures furnished abundant food, on which the buffalo herds thrived and multiplied.

MEETING AT CASTLEBERRY.

On Thursday morning, July 16, at 11 o'clock the first service of the meeting began. Dr. Richard Hall, of Evergreen, assisted the pastor, who came down to Castleberry that morning. The pastor found Dr. Hall a strong spiritual power, and his sermons at the morning service on prayer were very inspiring and did great good. The night services of Dr. Hall were appeals to the unsaved. The meeting grew in interest each day, for the spirit of God was with us in His might. There was only one accession to the church by letter. There were none who came for baptism, but there were many who became very much interested. The meeting closed on Sunday night, July 21. The church extended a unanimous recall to its pastor, and he accepted. We hope for great things in the future.

The Bethlehem church has just closed a splendid meeting. There were 15 additions to the church and the church was much revived. Rev. R. F. Stuckey, of Eclectic, assisted the pastor, R. L. Estes.—V. M. Harris.

The mechanical idea is your leading editorial this week is very attractive. So is the fundamental idea expressed. In the application of course an adequate religious program in America would have added to the completeness.—Victor I. Masters, Editorial Secretary Home Mission Board.

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I have read your offer of a dollar box of Bodi-Tone on 25 days' trial and ask you to send me a box by return mail, postpaid. I will give it a fair trial and will send you \$1.00 promptly when I am sure it has benefited me. If it does not help me I will not pay one penny and will owe you nothing. Neither I, nor any member of my family have ever used it.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Town \_\_\_\_\_  
 State \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street or R. F. D. \_\_\_\_\_

## Husband and Wife Trial Offer

When this trial offer is read in a home where husband and wife are both ailing and need Bodi-Tone, we will send TWO BOXES on trial, with the understanding that each will use a box, and pay us \$1.00 each if benefited. In such cases this Coupon should be signed with the husband's name, followed by the words "and wife." Write name in this way and we will know two boxes are wanted for husband and wife, the only way we ever send two boxes on trial.