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Please hurry up and send in names on special offer to January, 1914, for \$1, cash or credit. We want to get missions before as many as possible before the books of the boards close.

I want the address of Mrs. S. C. Robbins so that I can credit her to January, 1914.

Rev. M. F. Branham is sowing down Boyles with Alabama Baptists. It seems the L. & N. railroad folks like it.

We had good services yesterday and last night and fine congregations. This makes 14 new subscribers I have turned. Hope to get others. Sincerely, your brother—J. G. Lowrey.
(He is always at it.)

Drs. Adrian and Richard Taylor are very busy in China. The latter writes: "Tonight the hospital is full. The clinics are running over a hundred now in the afternoon. Tomorrow there are five operations on for the forenoon." The prophecy that the Taylor Brothers, of Yangchow, will be as busy as the Mayo Brothers, of Rochester, seems on the way to fulfillment.

I assisted Brother P. C. Barkley in a very successful meeting at Coleman, Ga., last week. Barkley is an excellent pastor and has his work well organized. He did not mention returning home, but we need him in his home state. I have assisted him twice, and find him an excellent co-worker in a revival. Fraternal—B. S. Railey.

Our pastor, A. J. Preston, goes to Flomaton to assist Brother Hunter in a meeting. Brother Preston has already won the hearts of the people of Andalusia, and we look forward to a great revival in our midst. A man by the name of Quinton begins a meeting under a tent here next Sunday.—Wiley F. Martin, Andalusia.

Evangelists Reese and Scholfield, of this city, will conduct a meeting at Greenville, Ala., with Pastor L. L. Gwaltney, beginning May 25. They have been invited to conduct meetings at Winona, Miss., and Haleyville, Ala., in June.

Tokyo, Japan, March 14, 1913.

Dear Brother Barnett:
As I am leaving on furlough in May please discontinue my paper from the time you receive this. Since you have been good enough to send me the paper free, which I appreciate with all my heart, I will save you some money by having you stop the paper until I am settled and ask for it again. We shall doubtless be on the way several months, going through Palestine and Europe. Shan't we see you at Zurich July 8-15? With best wishes and many thanks for all your favors, I am yours fraternally—G. W. Bouldin.

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Brother Crumpton Will Resign in November

Now Brother Editor:—I say to you what I have said to no living soul. After the convention at Enterprise in November, I will have rounded out just a quarter of a century in the service of the Board. That is long enough for one man to bear the burdens, therefore at that time I will surrender the place into younger and stronger hands. I shall not relax my efforts for one moment until that time. The pastors helping me, I will turn over a clean slate to the man who is to follow me.

It has been a great joy to serve my Master and my brethren. Whatever success has attended my efforts was made possible by the loving, cooperation of loyal sons of the Kingdom. The Alabama Baptist, too, has been a great factor also in the accomplishment of the task. Indeed, but for it, under God, little could have been done.

I can truthfully say: My heart overflows with gratitude to God and love for my brethren. Fraternally yours,
W. B. CRUMPTON.

We knew that some day Brother Crumpton would have to lay down his work, but we had hoped he would die in the harness. We still hope a way will be found to have him continue with the Board even though the active work is shouldered by a younger man. In this hour when his heart must be burdened for the work's sake we earnestly beg his friends to rally around him and send him to the convention to report that Alabama has raised the apportionment.

THE KIND OF EDITOR I WANT TO BE.

W. Kerner, writing in the Baptist World on "Some Editors I Have Known," states his preference as follows (A mighty good pen picture of Dr. Prestridge):

The kind of editor I like is the one who is seeking to supply us with good news and progressive views. He thinks and prays over his paper as a preacher does over his sermon. There is no spite work in it, no littleness of soul, no narrowness of view. He is no calamity-howler, either. The home and the church are ever on his heart. He will serve us all; I feel it when I read the paper. When I finish the reading of it I am not mad nor humiliated (ashamed I am a Baptist), but glad with a great big gladness of heart over the news from the brethren about the work of the Lord at home and abroad! The editor has touched me up! His paper is like my pastor's sermon—make me long to be better and to do better for the loving Master. This editor brings me a blessing every week. When I open the paper I know a kindly spirit will greet me. And the editor's face rises before me. I know him. I have had him in my home and have spent hours in intimate conversation with him. He is full of the love of Christ! And he is a man of religious taste, as well as a good scholar, acquainted with the Bible and good literature. He wants the love of his brethren, and earns it through his service."

BE A FORWARD-LOOKING BAPTIST

Are you a "FORWARD-LOOKING" Baptist? If so, you want others to know what Alabama Baptists are doing and trying to do. The best way to bring this about is to get them to read the Alabama Baptist.

JOIN A GET ONE CLUB—The plan is to double the circulation—and to do it in a way that will count most—that is by the help of all the subscribers.

If each one will **SEND IN JUST ONE** new subscriber, it can be done, but because some will not do it, I **ASK THOSE WHO CAN** to send in as many as possible. If I could double the subscription list it **WOULD UPLIFT EVERY CAUSE** for which Southern Baptists stand and send a thrill through the state work and make it hum in every association.

I am counting **ON YOU TO WORK**. **ASK YOUR FRIENDS** for \$1.00 and get it to me and I will send paper to January, 1914, for \$1.00.

GET CASH IF YOU CAN. If you can't, but think they are responsible, send in their names with the understanding that they will pay before January 1st. **THIS IS TO HELP MISSIONS.**

We want our people to know about the **JUDSON CENTENNIAL**. **IT'S A GREAT CHANCE** to build our denominational work. You can help if you will. Try it **YOURSELF AND GET YOUR FRIENDS** to try it. Don't wait—just **DO IT**.

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The Union Baptist church at Lipscomb is going to have an all-day singing the third Sunday in May. All music lovers are cordially invited to attend.—N. P. Meharg.

We had a good service at Concord Sunday. We received two by letter and had a good collection for Home and Foreign Missions. I am doing my best for the work. Yours fraternally—D. S. Martin.

Evangelist T. O. Reese, of this city, left Friday for Waco, Tex., to assist in the city-wide evangelistic campaign, to begin April 13. He is to assist Dr. W. W. Melton at the Seventh and St. James church. This is one of the strongest and most important churches in the city, being situated only two or three blocks from Baylor University.

It has been my privilege lately in B. Y. P. U. district conventions to hear Brother H. L. Strickland, of Alabama; and, in common with the men who were present at Tallahassee and Jacksonville, I was greatly impressed and much helped by his business-like, straightforward, clear discussions of the purpose, methods and distinctive service of the B. Y. P. U. I have never heard from any one else so fair, helpful and admirable presentations of this cause. Brother Strickland is a noble type of the consecrated, wide-awake, able, business Christian. Alabama is blessed in the possession of him. My heart goes out in loving recollection of you and other friends dear to me in Alabama. May God's blessing be upon you and them. Your brother—A. P. Montague, Lake City, Fla.

We have just closed a meeting at our church; in which there were 22 souls saved and 18 additions to the church—14 by baptism. Brother J. C. Owen, who is laboring in the mountain schools, did the preaching for us. Brother Owen knows how to do it, and has the backbone to stand by his convictions. Would God we had more such men who were willing to dedicate their lives to the Master. We are very proud of the boys and girls in the boarding halls of this school. All of them are Christians. The last two young men were persuaded by the evangelist in his last plea, which was as earnest and pathetic as mortal man could utter. Since the meeting began we have raised \$76 for missions, and shall have a special program for next Sunday, making a desperate pull for State Missions. Pray fervently for us, that we may of all the Lord has given us return unto Him the tenth.—L. P. Royer, Bridgeport.

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NOW, CONCERNING THE COLLECTIONS.

By J. B. Gambrell, Editor.

No man can be, in any full sense, the pastor or bishop of a church who doesn't understand, first, the importance of collections, and then, how to take them. With a great many preachers, and others, this is a very irksome subject. Many of us wish we could live without money, so reluctant are we to intrude upon the sensitiveness and sometimes the obstinacy and covetousness of church members.

Still, when we turn to the New Testament, the Book of books for Baptists, we find that a great deal is said about money and the use of it in the work of Christ. There is also a sufficiency of instructions as to the methods of getting money, and to the discussion of that part of the vital question this article is directed.

The teachings of the New Testament on the general subject of collections may be divided into two parts. First, we are taught the value and importance of proportionate and systematic giving. Just at this time heavy emphasis in some quarters is put upon tithing. Many churches have adopted the tithing system, and every church which has adopted it, and which is carrying it out, is doing well. Whether tithing is a matter of law under the dispensation of grace need not be discussed in this article. I will dismiss all of that with the statement that it is not even thinkable, from the standpoint of Christ, that any one would give less under grace than the old Jews gave under law. Christians should go beyond the Jews. Significantly, however, it is taught that every one should give, should give regularly and give proportionately, as the Lord has prospered him. We are far behind on this kind of giving. If the millions of Baptists within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention could be brought to give proportionately and regularly and according as they are prospered, the kingdom would be abundantly financed. To every thoughtful mind there is promise of a better day in the gradual enlargement of the numbers who give according to the rule laid down by Paul. We ought to press along that line until there is an evolution which would amount to revolution in our churches. Unspeakable blessings will come to us when our people adopt that plain, sensible rule.

But we need to be guarded on this question, lest, as is done in many other cases, we take a part of the teachings of the New Testament to be all. The scriptures recognize real collections, "high pressure" collections, if that is the word. I am not unaware of the prejudices that exist against so-called "high pressure" collections, and yet I am fully prepared to say that such collections are of unspeakable advantage and have a distinct place in the ongoing of things in the kingdom.

It is worth while to say that the tendency these days to quiet everything down, to discount feeling in religion and to hold that everybody should go along on a high intellectual plane, is as much against the New Testament as it is against common sense and common human nature. There were great high pressure times in the days of John the Baptist, and on till the close of the apostolic period. Entirely too much confidence is put in spontaneous combustion in religious matters. It often does not occur, and, in fact, generally does not occur, and the outcry against high pressure methods anywhere is generally from the camp of Meroz. Every great spiritual movement comes with dynamic force. Men commonly do not evolve out of sin; they are not educated out of sin. There comes into their souls a mighty moral and spiritual force, which expels sin and lifts the man to a higher plane.

We have in the account of the opening of the campaign for the conquest of the world on the day of Pentecost all the elements of the right kind of doing. Great power came on the people; men were swept along and away from themselves. In a single hour the cords that bound them to the past were broken; they were disenthralled, were lifted up, were swept by the thousands into the kingdom. In that atmosphere, charged with such power, a great collection was taken to meet an emergency. The people were there from many nationalities. There was destitution. Tithing did not meet the case at all. There had to be some heroic giving, and the people gave, some all they had, some less amounts, but a mighty collection was taken to meet a mighty occasion. Now, that is an example of what ought to be done in every church

in the south occasionally. It is easy for people to become enslaved to habits. It is not true, as we often say, that people have habits; habits have them. That is the very meaning of the word. A dynamic collection in a church often sets a church free. Farmers have learned that when the ground is hard and doesn't yield to the ordinary methods of cultivation; when there is a hard pan under the thin soil, the way to bring on a new era in the field is to put dynamite under the hard pan and break it up, thus loosening the soil and making it possible to have far better cultivation, with better results.

A great collection in a church where men are swept out of their littleness and meanness by getting a larger view of kingdom interests, prepares the way for better church culture for months and months, even on into years. Many a man in a single hour has had as radical a conversion on financial questions as Paul had concerning Jesus Christ, and he has been a new man from that day on. And what has happened to men has happened to churches. There are two reasons for strenuous collections—one is there comes to be a real necessity, urgent, so urgent, indeed, that it can't be put off without injury. Our ought to be trained to meet an emergency manfully, always so, and with never a whine about it. And then the other necessity for high pressure collections is to enlarge people who are enthralled to little ideas, and who, if something doesn't happen extraordinary, will piddle their lives away and do nothing for Christ's kingdom.

I give this word of caution: Let us not play one of these methods of taking a collection against the other. It is the evil practice of some people, preachers even, to play one scriptural thought against another scriptural thought, one doctrine against another. Let's cultivate systematic giving, taking pains that it is not nine-tenths the system and one-tenth giving, as is the case with some. Let us meet every emergency like we ought to meet it. Even tithers ought to give offerings, and on great occasions ought to imitate the people at Pentecost.

And I have this friendly word to pastors to close with: Study up on collections; learn how to take them; learn how to prepare your people to give; give the right thing in your own thinking and in your own heart, and be certain that as bishop of a church, which means overseer, your church does not join the tribe of Meroz; for if it does the curse of Meroz will come on it and you will be to blame for it—a thing any pastor ought to be afraid of.

The recent great forward movement in the First church, Nashville, Tenn., was the result of wide planning and faithful work. The pastor led, and the people followed nobly.

What has been said emphasizes regular campaigns to move the people to do right in the matter of giving. Campaigning with zeal and pressure, high, low, sideways and every way, to break up the set dullness in the churches, has a high value. But with this there should be never-ceasing instruction. *Baptist Standard*.

THE GREATEST MEN OF THE WORLD ON THE GREATEST PROBLEMS OF THE WORLD.

Compiled and Arranged by Carl Theodore Wettstein.

Böjumlil Golz, German humorist, "The modern Jean Paul." "The Bible projects an hieroglyphic obelisk of God, a Mount Arrarat from the deluge of literature of all times. Where the Old Testament is only Jewish and political, it has faded before the New Testament. And because Christianity is the gospel for all mankind, therefore it exists today. It is a universal gospel, because it was not written for any fixed time, but it was written for eternity."

Marcel De Serres, professor of geology in Belgium: "All disclosures which the natural sciences have lately given to us have shown that the report of Moses about the creation corresponds much better with the facts than the most atheistic systems of the greatest thinkers, of which Lichtenberg (German scientist and philosopher) said that he had already known about 50 theories on the formation of the earth."

Diderot, French philosopher and infidel, in a company of atheists: "Gentlemen, it seems strange, but I do not know, not in France nor in any other country, anybody who could write a story so simple, so sublime and so touching as the story of the suffering and death of Jesus Christ; a story that has the same

effect, that makes the same impression, that operates so lastingly, and whose influence, after centuries, is the same as it always has been."

Karl Gustave Bischof, chemist and geologist in Bonn: "Not by close investigation, not by the way of observation and experimenting have the immortal authors of these chapters (the Bible) drawn. They drew from the source of perception; by divine inspiration they were led to the truth, and truth will remain truth at all times."

Jean Andre De Luc, professor of geology and natural philosophy in Switzerland: "Many people say they can't understand many things contained in the Bible. I am not at all astonished at this confession, because I don't think I shall understand in this life all of it. But I have the firm belief that it is true, because—the Bible says so! Therefore I say with the Apostle Paul, who firmly declares that religion is a mystery: 'O, the depth of the riches, both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments, and His ways past finding out.'"

Professor Benzenberg, astronomer, founder of the observatory in Duesseldorf: "I am a Protestant. As a protestant I read the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments; these are my religion."

Dr. Fr. Wm. Blass, philologist at the University of Kiel: "In the books of the New Testament lives the same holy and deep spirit. People who cannot feel it are biased by a much greater ignorance than those whom they generally despise as ignorant and credulous. They see and criticize trifles in the text, and the principal matters they do not see; they are blind against them."

Johann Gottlob Werner, mineralogist and founder of zoology.—His scholars say that he acknowledged his reverence for the Mosaic records of the origin of the earth as found in the Bible as the revealed word of God. Even against non-believers he defended with deep fervor this deep reverence for the word of God and the eternal truths of Christianity.

John Fiske, M. A., L.L. D., historian, professor of American history, Washington University, St. Louis, at first a skeptic; later on he writes this: "The infinite and eternal power that is manifested in every pulsation of the universe is none other than the living God. We may exhaust the resources of metaphysics in debating how far His nature may fitly be expressed in terms applicable to the psychical nature of man. Such vain attempts will only serve to show how we are dealing with a theme that must ever transcend our finite powers of conception. But of some things we may feel sure. Humanity is not a mere local incident in an endless and aimless series of cosmical changes. The events of the universe are not the work of chance; neither are they the outcome of blind necessity. When from the dawn of life we see all things working toward the evolution of the highest spiritual attributes of man we know, however the words may stumble in which we try to say it, that God is in the deepest sense a moral being. This everlasting source of phenomena is none other than the infinite power that makes for righteousness. Thou canst not by searching find Him out; yet put thy trust in Him, and against thee the gates of hell shall not prevail, for there is neither wisdom nor understanding nor counsel against the Eternal."

Cigarette users stand 10 per cent lower than their classmates, and no habitual cigarette smoker ever graduated at the head of his class at Harvard.

The statistician tells us that the average salary of the teachers of the nation in the common schools is less than \$400 a year, and in the rural school districts less than \$300.

Experience keeps a dear school, but fools will learn in no other. Remember this: they that will not be consoled cannot be helped. If you do not hear reason she will rap your knuckles.—Benjamin Franklin.

"The Adventures of Two Alabama Boys," in three sections, by H. J. and W. B. Crumpton, will make a mighty good present for a young man or for an old Confederate veteran or for any one who is not too grouchy to read a book that it just chocked full of good, true stories. It can be had in cloth binding for \$1, postpaid. W. B. Crumpton, 127 S. Court street, Montgomery. Write and get a copy.

BROTHER CRUMPTON'S TRIP NOTES.

I spent a Sunday at Centreville, the county seat of Bibb county. Brother J. R. Griffith is the much appreciated pastor, giving a part of his time to a strong country church. I had the pleasure of preaching to a very good audience in the town hall. The church house is out of repairs on account of an accident to the roof. The building is in a lovely grove, a little inconveniently located, but maybe near enough if they only had a good building, which they are amply able to build. I feel sure they will ere long undertake it. The town has improved much since my last visit. The day after my visit the pastor and Brother Ray finished raising their apportionment for missions—\$200. This is what I am hoping the pastors everywhere will undertake to do. Bibb county is a great county. Farming, coal mining and saw milling are going on with a rush. The Baptists are strong throughout the county, and will become a great missionary force in the state.

It is a long way from Centreville to
Healing Springs.

But the trip now is much less tedious than it was a few years ago. I left Mobile at 8 on the Southern to Calvert, thence over the Tombigbee Valley to Millry by noon. The road is now running through to Reform, in Pickens county, and makes very good time. The occasion of my visit was to consider with Dr. Patrick, the secretary of the Educational Commission, and the trustees the future of the school. We found that Prof. C. C. Smith, who has had charge this year, has enrolled a few more pupils than in any previous session. He has improved the property and has the full confidence of all the people. A contract is pending with him for a period of five years. I feel sure he is a fixture, and that will assure the future of the school. In the past there has been a feeling of uncertainty from year to year, which has made against the school. The building must be painted, bath rooms and acetylene lights put in before the opening next fall. I am sure we will find friends who will help us in this. I can see in vision a brick structure crowning the hill, and then, from year to year, one improvement after another. The railroad is plenty near, one and a half miles away, and the health of the country cannot be surpassed. A fine opportunity is offered for persons to build there and educate their children. There is no better health-giving water anywhere than there. The hotel is well kept and liberally patronized in the summer.

Over the new railroad, north from Millry, I traveled returning. I think I never saw so many saw mills. It looks as if every fellow who can possess any sort of an engine has gone into the business of ripping up the timber. Numbers of towns are along the line, and I understand the Baptists are taking hold at almost every point. Some of the best work the board ever did was to put Brother Ray out one year as

A Church Building Evangelist.

Everywhere I see a great need for that, especially along the new lines of railroad. So often, for want of an experienced adviser, an unsuitable lot is selected and a ram-shackle (the reader can guess the meaning), house built, ready to fall down the first wind that strikes it. Many of the disasters occurring to church buildings come from poor construction. I was at

A Great Fifth Sunday Meeting

At Sandy Creek, near Camp Hill, in Tallapoosa county. Some as nice farms as can be found in the state are owned by the Baptists in this section—fact is it is mighty near a Baptist country. A. W. Briscoe, one of our very best preachers, is pastor, coming out from Camp Hill, where he gives half time. Under his wife and enthusiastic lead Sandy Creek is rapidly moving on, and will soon be in the front rank of country churches. The Sunday school and congregation gave near \$50 for Home and Foreign Missions. I was gratified to learn that Camp Hill Sunday school would give \$125 and Dudleyville \$50. These three constitute the field of Brother Briscoe. "The Value of Fifth Sunday Meetings" was one of the questions discussed, and unanimously it was agreed to have one in each of the four districts every three months and one great meeting of three days at some central point in the summer. The question of a missionary for the association in the field this summer received attention and was about decided upon. I wish I had time to bring out the many fine points discussed in the meeting. The Sandy Creek people impressed me

much, and I greatly enjoyed my stay. Such a lot of well-behaved and attentive young people as they have! Besides the writer and the pastor the preachers present were: W. C. Bledsoe, the veteran associational clerk; A. C. Yeargan, of Lanett; George L. Bell and Brother Sims. J. D. Norman, the moderator of the association and senator from the district, is not a preacher, but he was there and did as efficient talking as any of us. Great sympathy was expressed for Brother Silvey, who has retired from an important field broken in health.

In passing on these trips I dropped off at York, where J. W. Rucker electrifies the Baptists once a month. A brother accused me of trying to get him away from them. What is a poor secretary to do when people ask about a preacher? I know of no way except to tell the truth. If he is a good preacher he is liable to move. But Rucker stuck to his field in spite of a tempting offer to go elsewhere.

I had an echo about A. C. Davidson at Livingston. How happy the people in that section are over having him among them, and I rejoice with them.

At Opelika I had a chat with C. Ross Baker, the eloquent pastor of the First church. I found him at a cottage prayer meeting. Said he: "Every Friday afternoon we have these meetings, going from one ward of the city to another. We began with seven and have had as many as 36. True, not many of the brethren come, but the sisters are there in force, and it means much for the kingdom when they meet and pray." What is the matter with that brother, pastors? I see great possibilities in it. The pastor delighted me by saying before we separated: "You may count on my people to do something handsome before April 30. We are not going to overlook anything. Another thing: I want you to feel free to call on me whenever you want me to do anything. I am deeply interested in you and all the work in Alabama. The fact is I am delighted with Alabama." How is that for a "Furiner?" It sounded good to me, and I feel sure all the pastors who have come to us from other states feel the same way. If we can all stand together—"like a stone wall" I started to say, but I'll change it to "like an army with banners"—the Lord's "going out before us" to give us a great victory.

W. B. CRUMPTON.

THANKS FOR BROTHER WOODWARD'S FAITH VS. DR. DICKINSON'S LOGIC.

Brother Woodward's "faith" is a sweet symphony of strength to hearts that sorrow, while the challenging arguments of the scholarly logician, Dr. Dickinson, fall upon wounded human hearts as frost upon a tender plant.

In times of fair weather a house built upon the sand of human logic does well enough, but what about it when life's storms of sin, sickness, suffering and death blow upon it and the floods of human agony beat upon it? "Great is the fall of it" (so teaches the greatest of all Teachers), while the house built upon the rock of faith stands all the cyclones of disaster, disease and death itself which may beat upon it.

Mere human "love" rejects all "argument" and "reason" in our temporary affairs, so much so that the little god who deals out love is pictured "blind;" and so the love which comes from a strong abiding "faith" in a Heavenly Father's watch care over us, even to the little sparrow which flits about our homes on the one hand, and yet on the other soars over the universe beyond the stars in the firmament, which are too far away for us to even reach with mathematical figures, is absolutely blind to the mere logic of limitation placed upon Him by those who have not this faith and its accompanying reward of love. And Brother Woodward is right; if our God be a divine one there is absolutely no limitation to His infinite power in Genesis to Revelation. He Himself declares: "As high as the heavens are above the earth so are my ways than thy ways and my thoughts than thy thoughts." And right there the whole question is stated and decided against measure of power divine as vouchsafed in the scriptures. The "higher critics" may relish a man-made God, of puny power and human limitation "according to human science," and those who wish so to do may let them fashion a God without divine power and unlimited might, but Brother Woodward and the rest of us who lean upon "faith" as our staff and the Holy Spirit as our guide worship a God of such infinite

greatness and power that our weak and shrunken human minds cannot take it in, save as spiritual light cometh into the soul from on high and enlightens the eyes. Our God is not only the Creator of this small earth, who could "speak" and make light and all the rest of its creation, but swings out beyond the pale of our finite knowledge to comets, the billion of stars, and the universe and heaven!

When Columbus fitted up his three little sailing crafts and started out across the Atlantic, believing the earth was round, how few heeded his belief or relied upon his chimerical undertaking? Nevertheless it was true, and after three months of "faith" and buffeting winds and waves he reached the new world. And did Columbus ever dream that a cable would troll across the ocean deeps and connect the old world with the new and in moments of time one could "talk"—not travel—across continents; or that ships thousands of miles from land could talk back to shore by wireless telegraphy, or flash from ship mast to ship mast on the far away waters messages of distress and bring help and rescue? Nay, in the light of his own experience of six months' travel to come and return, he would have hooted at it. But does that alter the truthfulness of it? And so is it with the "higher critics," who like Columbus are traveling along the pages of the Bible in ships of "finite limitation," and to tell them of the "faith" which by spiritual telegraphy speaks to a divine Father in heaven itself, and receives back into the soul His answer and His enlightening of the eyes to understand the scriptures they hoot at—albeit it does not alter the truth of it. And now let's talk about this spiritual telegraphy from God to the human heart, as weighed against "logic" or "reason," in the very city wherein Dr. Dickinson evolves his Bible theses.

Very recently in a South Highland infirmary my companion brother of a lifetime passed away. His declaration was: "I leave it all with the Lord. He knows His own business." Across the hallway lay an out-of-town man getting well. He said to me: "Ma asked me, 'Son, if your sickness should go against you up in Birmingham are you ready to meet your God?'" He panted a moment for strength to talk, then continued: "I couldn't answer her, and I just turned my head away without speaking a word, but ma's words had hit me." Again he halted, panting, then added: "I want to get back now just to tell ma it's all right now. I see my sickness was sent to make me think about God and my sinful self," and his eyes glowed with that unmistakable light, illumining his pallid bearded face lying on the pillow. "And there is Bill," he said. "Bill is the best fellow in the world. He and I belong to the same society, and we want to put up a building, he wanting to put it up in one place and I have contended for another place for no reason but to aggravate Bill—nothing else, because I didn't really care. I am going back and tell Bill to put that building wherever he wants it. And I am going home and love ma more, and love my wife and children more. I have not known how to really love them before." His words were those of a man "born again"—born from human selfishness and human littleness into the higher life given to those who commit their way unto the Lord. A trusting mother put a question of "love" to her ill boy: "Are you ready to meet your God?" And it cut into his soul and awoke it to its immortality. Would logic and "science" have brought the light into that soul darkened by unbelief and sin? Nay. We cannot see the wind which we breathe, yet its strength in a cyclone can blow death and destruction beyond human understanding. We cannot see "wireless telegraphy," yet it speaks across thousands of miles; and we cannot see "spiritual things" by secular science nor reasoning in God's book. Through "faith" we understand, and by that alone.

LIDA B. ROBERTSON.

Regardless of race, creed or politics, 20,000 men, representing the business, manufacturing and professional life of St. Louis, Mo., have leagued themselves together, pledged to promote every interest pertaining to the welfare of the city's public schools and school children.

The most dangerous criminal in the world is the educated criminal. Whether the object of education be the training of the hand or the mind, safety and progress require that the training be accompanied by the direction and restraint of moral character.

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W. M. U. Watchword: Teaching them to observe
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28:20.

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

SCRIPTURE THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK.

That ye may know the exceeding greatness of His
power to us-ward who believe.—Eph. 1:18-19.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK.

I am so weak, dear Lord, I cannot stand
One moment without thee;
But, oh, the tenderness of thy enfolding,
And, oh, the faithfulness of thy upholding,
And of the strength of thy right hand—
That strength is enough for me.

I am so needy, Lord, and yet I know
All fulness dwells in thee,
And hour by hour that never-failing treasure
Supplies and fills in everflowing measure
My last and greatest need, and so
Thy grace is enough for me.

It is so sweet to trust thy word alone;
I do not ask to see
The unveiling of thy purpose, or the shining
Of future light on mysteries entwining;
Thy promise roll is all my own—
Thy word is enough for me.

There were strange soul depths, restless, vast and
broad,
Unfathomed as the sea—
And infinite craving for some infinite stilling;
But now thy perfect love is perfect filling;
Lord Jesus Christ, my Lord, my God,
Thou, thou art enough for me.
—George Macdonald.

DURING APRIL.

We study Italy.
We give to Foreign Missions and to the other
causes for which we are apportioned.

PRAY.

For the reaching of our apportionment by societies,
association and the state.

Our missionary, Mrs. W. W. Adams, Teng Chow,
North China.

Our Training School students—Misses Cox, Herren,
Keith and McCullough.

Our work in the Central District; Mrs. T. W. Han-
non, vice-president.

Our work in the Central Association, which has 44
churches and only seven W. M. S.'s, one Y. W. A.,
five S. B. B.'s and no R. A. B.

OUR APPORTIONMENT.

April 11 registered a deficit of \$4,051 on our appor-
tionment, which is to be raised and in the Mission
Rooms by April 30: Shall we win the victory? Have
you, dear reader, done your very utmost to help your
society, your association and your state to meet its
required part? This is no small task, but the victory
will not be won by just a few giving large gifts. The
many small gifts, coming from every individual in
our missionary societies, plus the large gifts, will
suffice to reach the goal of victory.

Let us pray sincerely, give joyfully and work faith-
fully, trusting our Lord for the results.

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Miss Allie Rymer, Troy; Miss Arah H. Hubbard, Miss
Eula V. Dawson, Judson, Marion; Mrs. W. H. Cox,
Three Notch; Miss Jane Andrews, Ozark.

QUARTERLY MEETING.

The all-day meeting of the W. M. U. of the Birma-
ham District was held at Pratt City March 6, with 20
societies answering to roll call.

This proved to be a very enthusiastic meeting, and
plans were laid for our work both here and abroad.
The generosity of the Pratt City church made it pos-
sible to have a permanent home for our mission
school. The church proposes to put in first-class con-
dition the building now known as Barcca Hall and
place the second story of same at the disposal of the
W. M. U. The remodeling of this building will be a
great expense on the Pratt City church, and so the
union proposes to furnish the equipment for the same.
One of the first needs will be a piano, and a commit-
tee has been appointed to attend to this at once.

To broaden the work from the present sewing
school for the Italian girls to every form and activity
of a social center is the dream of our Christian
women. For whereas God in His infinite wisdom and
mercy is either sending or permitting thousands of
foreigners to come into our midst, we accept their
coming as a call from Him to give them the gospel
of Christ. To do this great work we need united ef-
fort, and all the societies in this district will join in
giving of their strength, prayers, time and gifts to
this noble work. And perhaps some Alabama Jane
Addams will make of this a second Hull House.

We ask you to join your prayers to ours in this
work, and He who has promised to hear will be faith-
ful and just to answer our prayers.

MRS. H. L. GRICE.

AN ALL-DAY MEETING.

The Newton W. M. S. held an all-day meeting in the
Newton Baptist church on March 28. The president,
Mrs. B. P. Poyner, presided. Devotional exercises
were conducted by the pastor, Rev. S. U. Burroughs,
he using for his theme the watchword: "Teaching
them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded
you." The words of welcome were cordially given by
Mrs. S. E. Burroughs and responded to by Mrs. Jay
Harris, of Ozark. Several societies were represented.
Mrs. Garner, of Ozark, read a very interesting paper.
The exercises of the day were doubly enjoyed, be-
cause all were filled with a spirit of joy and gratitude
to have Miss Metcalfe with us. Her talk on "Joy in
Service" was very beautiful and inspiring.

A delightful lunch was served by the hospitable
ladies of Newton and an hour of social intercourse
was enjoyed.

The afternoon session was opened with devotional
exercises conducted by Mrs. W. A. Jones. The first
hour was given to the Sunbeams, after which inter-
esting papers were read by Miss Whaley and Mrs. D.
M. Jones.

Helen Hamilton is the first woman student who has
ever specialized along the lines of sewer construction.

NOTICE TO SOCIETIES.

Please remember that we want to have the very
best state exhibit possible at the jubilate in St. Louis.
This exhibit should leave the mission rooms not later
than May 1. So if you have any year books, special
programs, or anything of the kind which we may put
on our Alabama poster, kindly send to us promptly,
that our state may be well represented.

MARSHALL MEETING.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Marshall
Association held its second quarterly meeting with
Union church April 3.

Miss Patrick was with us. We had an interesting
meeting, and organized a new society with eight
members. Miss Patrick spoke to us on two very in-
teresting subjects—"How the W. M. U. May Mother
the Younger Societies in the Church" and "The W.
M. U. and What It Means."

Miss Myrtle Bradford spoke to us on "The Girl in
Her Teens."

These talks were both helpful and uplifting, and
we counted it such a pleasure to be there and have
one of our state workers with us to cheer us and en-
courage us in our work. How we do pray God's bless-
ings on our gifted young women who are giving of
their time and talents to the Lord's work.

After our day's work there was done we closed our
meeting by singing, "Praise God From Whom All
Blessings Flow," each one feeling that we had spent a
pleasant and profitable day.

On Wednesday evening Miss Patrick spoke to the
ladies of the Albertville W. M. U.

MRS. J. P. EMMET,
Secretary Pro Tem.

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Pope Pius X is reported as much amused by long
continued appeals that he create his relatives counts
and marchionesses, and otherwise elevate them from
present humble walks in life. These appeals come
in no instance from these relatives, but from ambi-
tious persons who desire the Pope to have noble
kinsfolk. The Pope's brother is postmaster in a pro-
vincial village. He has been to Rome twice to call
at the Vatican, and the Pope always refers to him
as the "Postmaster General." One sister is married,
and her husband keeps a small inn at Riese. Here
she assists in ways landlords' wives of the better
grade usually do. The Pope's two other sisters, untit-
led and unassuming, dwell in modest apartments in
Rome, quite near to the Vatican. Neither of them
has taken any part whatever in affairs of church,
state or society since going from Venice to Rome.

Dr. Grenfell, in his lectures at Harvard on the
William Belden Noble foundation, took occasion to
assert in the strongest terms his conviction that his
real self was not his body. He could not locate that
self in his brain or his pineal gland or elsewhere in
his physical organism, though he did admit that a
severe blow in the stomach, received in a football
game, had seemed to get as near to the seat of his
essential self as any bodily injury well could.

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MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF MISSIONS APRIL 8

By
Brother
Crumpton

Secretary Crumpton's Report to the Mission Board at Its First Meeting in the J. C. Bush Memorial at Montgomery, April 8

"It is a great joy to welcome you under your own roof. For the first time we have ample room for all purposes.

"The secretary doesn't deserve the least praise for any part of this great achievement. He may have been the dreamer through all these years, dreaming that some day we would have ample room for our work in a home of our own, but his standard was too low, his faith too weak. It remained for Charles A. Stakely to conceive the idea of this great place and W. B. Davidson and others to press it to a successful consummation.

"In passing I want to say: For the splendid entertainment we had last night we are indebted largely to Brother Lasseter, who planned it and worked it out, bringing to his aid a great band of noble women. Brother Ellis, too, did much.

"We are making history now, and it is well to pause sometimes in our haste to pay a tribute to faithfulness where it has been conspicuously exhibited.

"A committee was appointed by the local board to supervise the needed repairs and changes in the building, and a custodian of the building was named. They will have ready reports of their work. It was suggested that the building be called 'The J. C. Bush Memorial—Baptist Headquarters,' but it was decided to await your decision. I suggest that Mrs. Bush be requested to present us with a portrait of Brother Bush to hang in the most conspicuous place on the walls of our front room. The portraits of the presidents and secretaries of the board, our long-time recording secretary to be included, should have space also. The editors of the Alabama Baptist have contributed much to the success of the work, and it would be a fitting appreciation of their work to give them space, too.

"It is for you to decide whether the Sunday school secretary's office shall be removed. My suggestion is that it remain in Birmingham, as it is in the very heart of the territory where Sunday school work is most needed.

"The board was extremely fortunate to secure the services of Brother George W. Ellis as office secre-

tary. He is competent and industrious, often working far into the night to leave his book balanced. The salary we pay is not sufficient for the work he has to do, nor is it adequate for his support.

"I wish very much that D. W. Morgan, now in the seminary, might be appointed as an evangelist to the miners at a salary of \$1,200. It is a great and much needed work, and Morgan is pre-eminently suited for it, having been a miner himself. But the condition of our finances are such that I cannot press this nor some other much needed smaller appropriations.

"At our November meeting I had to report a debt of \$10,000. I hoped that by extra efforts we would be able to reduce it by this time; but the receipts were not sufficient. The indebtedness April 1 was \$1,118. To meet the embarrassing situation there seems to be at present only one course open: To cut off and cut down appropriations as far as possible; strive to create a patriotic and enthusiastic sentiment in favor of State Missions; enlarge and press the book department; make our Sunday school department more and more efficient; urge our pastors to bring the schools to a more liberal support of that department; make the most possible out of Pelham Heights the coming summer; concentrate our efforts more on our State Mission districts as the months pass, and always press on the churches the importance of observing the schedule and raising their apportionment. With the consent of the other interests, let a supreme effort be made in June to relieve the situation. This is especially urgent, as there will be no 'last month' appeal until October, the time of the convention having been changed.

"Enthusiastic leadership on the part of the secretary, all his helpers, the missionaries and every member of the board is essential to the successful prosecution of any plan. Luekwarmness or indifference anywhere among the leaders, like an unsound apple in a barrel or the germs of disease, will spread infection and promote decay and death.

"The work of the board during its more than 40 years of history can be unfolded and made an open book, replete with thrilling interest. The immense task before us challenges us to heroic and self-sacrificing endeavor. Will we be equal to the task?"

All appropriations expired April 1, according to the action of the board at its November meeting. The local board was instructed to go over these at an early date, cut off and cut down everywhere possible.

A committee was appointed to co-operate with the secretary to make June as great a month for State Missions as last year, when more than \$10,000 was raised for that purpose. This is especially important, since the time of the meeting of the convention is changed to November, making October the last month instead of June. Brother Strickland, with the headquarters of the Sunday school department, remains in Birmingham.

Probably the most important action was taken when the board enthusiastically determined to let the figures be \$50,000 for State Missions for the year ending October 30. We have already near \$14,000 on this. Earnest co-operation will bring the balance.

An appeal, based upon love for our Lord and His cause and upon love for our state, ought easily to enlist our people in this movement. Christian patriotism should stir the heart of every loyal Alabamian, and we are all natives in this effort.

The board gave its hearty endorsement to the movement of the Auburn church to erect a new church building. Hundreds of our Baptist boys, from all quarters of the state, get their schooling at the great Polytechnic College of the state at Auburn, and the church there ought to be liberally assisted by Baptists of the state in the erection of a suitable building for their purposes.

Lastly, let me tell you of the great welcome the board received in its own new home on Monday night. The editor missed much by not being there. The pastors of the city, with their wives and a multitude of good women were present, and a delightful supper was served. The building, its location and the wisdom of the purchase seemed to meet with the hearty approval of all who were present.

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A FEW SHORT PARAGRAPHS

Alcoholic degeneracy is the most important sanitary question before the country, and yet the health authorities do not take action, as alcohol is entrenched in politics.

It is my belief, after visiting more than 500 institutions in North America, that the quality of instruction in any one of these institutions of the first grade does not vary sufficiently to render the choice of a college on the ground of educational advantages a matter of great moment. The values which the small college loses from inferior equipment are usually offset by the more direct access of the student to the personality of the teacher, and often by closer friendship with fellow students.—From Clayton Sedgwick Cooper's "The American Undergraduate," in the April Century.

It takes grace and grit for a preacher to withstand the stream tendency of our time which calls for a diluted gospel and a fussy interest in every new religious fad foisted on the churches by busy reformers. The preacher must fall in line or be discredited. If he is prophet enough, with manhood enough to suffer, his life often becomes a tragedy, and he is marked by church officials, fellow pastors and people as one who is merely faithful, but a practical failure. But let us eternally remember that a great part of a preacher's work can never be put on anything but the Lamb's Book of Life.

All the famous giant elm trees in the main quadrangle at Harvard are to be cut down this summer, and red oaks planted in their places. These elms, which have stood for many years in the yard at Harvard, are now considered practically worthless by experts, who say that they are rapidly dying. This year's commencement exercises will be the last to be held under the elms. As soon as the students leave Cambridge in June the elms will get the axe.

Nearly every traveler visiting Vienna is struck with a curious custom which prevails in that city of flats, for at 10 o'clock every night the common en-

trance door of each block is closed and bolted. Thereafter persons passing in or out must pay a fine of 4 cents to the janitor until midnight, and 8 cents from that hour until 6 a. m. A natural result of this tax is that of all capital cities Vienna is the earliest to bed. During our student days at the University of Vienna it was always a rush at night to get in before the door was closed. It acts as a kind of "Curfew" for grown-ups.

Some so-called evangelist-pastors press the "every Sunday conversion" idea as though it were a fad, resort to clap-trap and drag-net proceedings, so as to get the weekly count of noses. We declare a belief in a gospel that pierces to the "dividing of the joints and the marrow, but let some preacher take off a few pieces of "hide" and in a little while somebody will get his "scalp."

The late Francis Copee was a man of great kindness of heart. Like all humane persons, he had a horror of war. During a visit to the fortified city of Brest he was conducted over the battleship Trident, of which he writes: "Pray God we may never have to use this fearful machine of war. I was stifled in the iron monster, where all the inventions of modern genius are united for destruction and death."

The late merchant prince, Marshall Field, succeeded to such a degree in capitalizing his brain and turning it into cash for himself that a statement attributed to him is well worth quoting for that very reason. He said: "The man who puts additional capital into his brain—information, well-directed thought and a study of possibilities—will as surely—yes, more surely—get increased returns. There's no capital safer and surer than that."

One hundred years ago alcoholic liquor was the universal beverage of the people of America. With its menace to the physical, mental and moral nature of mankind almost wholly unknown by the great mass of the people, it was the common drink of statesmen, elector, priest, educator, merchant and

wage earner. Drunkenness and the inevitable degradation which follows the drink habit was widespread, and any one would have been reckoned insane who would then have prophesied that the time would come when intoxicating drinks would be tabooed alike by business, church, society and science and abolition of the trade in liquor achieved in vast sections of the land.

The first American city to take up for trial the plan for giving employees more daylight in which to enjoy recreation was Cincinnati, which by action of the councilmen passed a law making the more-daylight plan effective from May 1, 1910, until October 1 of the same year. The official clock of the city was turned ahead one hour, so that the workmen went to their labors one hour earlier than usual, having on hour more of daylight in which to enjoy themselves. One of the councilmen of the city says that the measure was passed by the city board because of the pressure which was brought to bear upon the members by thousands of workmen and a large number of prominent business firms.

Flower in the crannied wall,
I pluck you out of the crannies,
Hold you here, root and all, in my hand;
Little flower, but if I could understand
What thou art, root and all, and all in all,
I should know what God and man is.
—Tennyson

"The preacher gives us prayers,
The lawyer gives us wits;
The doctor gives us medicine,
But the tailor gives us fits!"

If you lose faith, hope, buoyancy, the prophetic vision, you can do nothing but criticize, as so many preachers do; but men go to church to hear "good news"—to hear Christ, not Jeremiah. If you have the last "good news" you at least are pushing the dead-line a little further off.

Enclosed is \$1, for which send the paper to Brother J. A. Smith, Munford, R. F. D. No. 3, for a year. Blessings on you and your paper. My health has improved, and I am busy daily. Fraternally—J. W. Haynes.

(If a blind brother can send in a new subscriber it does seem that our friends who can see would look around a bit they could do likewise.)

Your paper is a great comfort to me. I love to read what our denomination is doing for the uplift of the cause. Enclosed you will find money order for \$2 to

I enjoy reading your paper and can't see why any Baptist can afford not to take it. If each member would read it and attend the conventions when possible we would have a big revival. May many blessings be yours. Two dollars enclosed. Yours truly—Sidney Willoughby.

I have tried to get my brethren and neighbors to take up your generous offer, but all are too "poor" or taking too much now (but not too much good reading). Yours faithfully—J. A. Thomas.

A brother writes: "I have been dead, but have been raised. So here I come, and I beg you to forgive me my trespasses and receive me in full fellowship on your mailing list and let the Alabama Baptist come along till 1914, and I will try to do better and quicker. I am mailing you \$2 as part pay for your paper, and will try and get some one else to take it for the other part, and I will do it. Yours for the Lord till death."

Find enclosed money order for \$2. May the blessings of the Lord rest on you and family and the work prosper. Fraternally—S. M. Humphries.

Your paper is growing better. Especially does it seem so since the Sunday school department has a page of the paper. Mr. Strckland and the field secretaries, too, always have something interesting.—A Sister.

When I received your invitation to join the "Get-One Club" I said, "Yes, I'll do that." So I enclose check herewith for two new subscriptions for the Alabama Baptist to next January. The terms and price you name are exceedingly reasonable, and should be taken advantage of by thousands of Baptists in Alabama. So may it be! Yours very truly—R. E. Pettus.

I am thankful to you for waiting so patiently on me. I have tried to get up subscribers, but have failed so far. Will keep trying. I appreciate your post cards very much. I prize yours and the boys' pictures very highly. Wishing you and yours the very best success for 1913, yours truly—Mrs. M. P. McDiarmid.

I got three subscribers out of five efforts. I have two papers on hand yet. Those that did not pay cash are perfectly reliable. I commenced carrying Bibles and Testaments with me regularly about 19 months ago; have sold and given away (mostly sold) 37 dozen and six books. I took no extra trips to sell books—just sold as I went about my ministerial and other business. I have taken the Alabama Baptist so long that my oldest child, who is 38 years old, does not remember when I commenced taking it.—G. H. White, Bankston.

I enjoy the good paper you are giving us, and never fail when an opportunity offers to put in a good word for the Alabama Baptist. I have tried to persuade some of the brethren up here that are not taking the paper to subscribe for it, but I have failed. But I will keep trying, and maybe I will get some of them yet.—J. S. DeLache.

I am a subscriber of your dear paper, the Alabama Baptist. Will you please give me the address of Dr. J. P. Haley. I wish to write to him, as he has been very kind to send me his read Baptist papers. They have been a great consolation to me. They came to me when I was in a lot of trouble. The dear Lord had just called my eldest son he had to go and leave his sorrowful mother. I thank God for Christian friends. We have a prosperous little church and a faithful, dear pastor. His home is in Pine Apple, Ala. We have services twice a month, and Sabbath school every Sunday. With best wishes to the dear



Kind Words

Baptist and its many readers, I remain yours truly—Emma Was don.

(I do not know the address, as our list is kept by postoffices.)

Enclosed find postoffice money order for 50 cents for my subscription that is due you and discontinue your paper. Hoping you will give us a better paper, for which I will subscribe later on, very respectfully—R. C. Watters.

(Well, he is all O. K. He pays up, and evidently believes we will improve the paper. Brother Watters, we will do our best. Hope you will soon be back in the Alabama Baptist family.)

I have been a lover of the Alabama Baptist for several years, and it has been very useful to me. I can enjoy it most when I am paid ahead, so I am sending you check for \$2 to move me up to January, 1914. Every Baptist in Alabama needs the paper. Yours truly—W. O. Smith.

A DETESTABLE OUTLINE.

The late Dr. Joseph Parker in speaking to ministerial students said:

"There is a kind of outline which is simply detestable, and all the more detestable because it is so clever, so sharp, so novel. I will give you a strictly impromptu outline, one about which I have not thought for a single instant, and I will be bound for it some people would think it very original. Text, I Corinthians 9:24: 'Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize.' The subject is evidently 'Races.' (1) Paul mentions the races without one word of condemnation; therefore it cannot be wrong to attend them. (2) Paul says, 'Know ye not?' as if he expected everyone to be familiar with the races; therefore not to know about them is to fall under the apostolic censure. (3) Paul says one receiveth the prize; therefore it is right to run for money, and inferentially it cannot be wrong to risk money on the probable winner. (4) Paul gives his own testimony about the races; therefore it is right for ministers to make themselves acquainted with the recreations, enjoyments, entertainments and amusements of the people. Application: (1) Have you a personal acquaintance with the races? (2) If not, why delay? (3) It is not enough to study the literature of the subject; nothing should satisfy you but a personal knowledge and a deep, personal interest.

"Brethren, you may smile at this outline, but take my word for it, the intentional exaggeration which I have adopted only enlarges the terrible viciousness which is unhappily characteristic of many actions which are applauded as very clever and most original. I care less and less about mere architecture in outlines. Let us find the simple meaning of the text, put it into modern words, and apply it to the immediate wants of our hearers, and our ministry will surely be blessed. You have actual lives before you when you are standing in the pulpit; single, sorrowing lives; every heart bearing its own wound, every soul chilled and threatened by its own supreme fear; you have prosperity, adversity, age and youth; and in Christ's gospel you have a word for every one of them. Find that word. Pass it through the happy experience of your own hearts, and then utter it, not as it would be uttered by a skeptic, but by a thankful and triumphant believer."

THE TEXT BOOK.

The late Dr. Joseph Parker said in speaking to ministers:

"If you want to preach well—that is, richly and instructively—you must know the Bible in its wholeness. A preacher is limited to one text book, and that not a large one as regard mere bulk. He should,

therefore, have a clear view of its scope, and not merely be clever in the treatment of particular texts. It is, you know, quite possible for a man to be very adroit in trimming texts and modernizing ancient narratives, and yet to have little notion of what, for want of a better word, I may call the genius of the Bible. Such a man will not see revealed truth in its proper relationships; he will lose all that is valuable in perspective; and his ministry will become a series of exaggerations and theological deformities. In these free talks of ours you always allow me to refer to my own plans, so I may without impertinence tell you how I act in the matter of biblical reading, or rather what course I take so far as circumstances will allow. I always try to tune the instrument in the summer. That is to say, I aim at reading the whole Bible right through in my holidays. Of course I cannot accomplish it, but I do what I can in that direction. Go on through book after book without pausing, read through the Pentateuch at a sitting, and insensibly you get into the music of the writing; you are moved by its sweet or rugged rhythm; and you are stirred by a new and mighty spirit. Do you quite catch my meaning? I don't mean that you are to read the Bible slowly through, say a chapter every day—far from that; read the great Epistle to the Romans right through at once; do the same with the minor Epistles, and the same with the Psalms. The other night I read the book of the Revelation. It is a grand thing, that Aposolypse, if you go over the entire course of it at once. There are glorious resting places in its; evangelical oases, rich gospel plains. Beasts, dragons, locusts, vials, and so forth, you will meet in abundance, and they will bewilder you; but here and there, and again and again, so unexpectedly and sweetly, you will come upon quiet, rich glowing words full of Christ, with the shadow of the cross upon them, which will make you feel that the man who wrote the book was under the divine spell even when he set down things which are full of ruggedness and strange portent. The reading through of that weird book has given me a better idea of its meaning than ever I got from the consultation of commentaries upon particular texts. We ought, as preachers, to have the Word dwelling richly in us. We should be biblical in the tone and purpose of our mind; then we should know more than the letter—we should know the mind of Christ."

Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan died in Rome at the age of 74. He was, perhaps, the greatest banker the world has ever known. His death had practically no effect on the stock market, because he had withdrawn from active business, and it was known there would be no change in the banking house of J. P. Morgan & Co. It is a private bank with seven partners. At its head is Mr. Morgan's son, a man of middle life, himself one of the best bankers in the world. The other partners are all comparatively young men, who have themselves been presidents of great New York banks or engaged in some of the greatest financial operations in the world. Every one has a reputation for conservatism. The chief business of the banking house is that of financial adviser to some of the leading railroads of the country, and to other great corporations. Its character and operations will be little changed by Mr. Morgan's death. Mr. Morgan was born in Hartford, Conn., of New England Puritan stock, received a university education, and after traveling abroad entered a New York banking house, and was a partner in other banks, until the organization of the banking house of J. P. Morgan & Co., which has branches in London and Paris.

The vices of Christendom are debauching and debasing the peoples of heathendom, and the governments of Great Britain and the United States are accessories both before and after the deed for the sake of the revenue.

As a result of the facilities for travel which are characteristic of our day the nations of the modern world are being brought into contact with each other as never before.

The old isolation is gone forever for every people; and there is no greater obligation upon nation today than to try to understand and to enter into sympathy with that which is finest and best in every other nation.

HOW TO MAKE A PREACHER AND HOW TO PREACH

More than a score of years ago, when living aboard "without God and without hope," I used to frequently go to hear Dr. Joseph Parker, the great London preacher. For years, and more particularly since it pleased "God to reveal His blessed Son to me," I have eagerly read after and about Dr. Parker. My friend, Dr. Gross Alexander, editor of the Methodist Review, published an article under the above heading taken from Dr. Parker's sermons, well saying:

"If the great army of ministers of the gospel in this country were as industrious, as painstaking, as systematic and as persevering in their preparation for preaching as this paper shows Dr. Parker to have been, we should hear less of the 'decadence of the pulpit' and more of the power of the gospel."

The article is too long to publish as a whole, but we will give our readers some of the striking passages:

"There is one thing in which I have perhaps excelled all my brethren—an admirable thing, too, I call it—and that is in repeating my sermons. I have never hesitated to say to my people, 'Next Sunday I intend to repeat the sermon you heard on such and such a day.' By repeating it, however, I do not mean that I will use the same words altogether, but the same main thoughts; perhaps aided by a new illustration or two, still substantially the same sermon. I have not tried any little tricks upon the people in the way of changing the text or turning the divisions upside down, but have gone straight at the work of repetition in the most openly avowed manner, and then if I did happen to alight upon a new figure or illustration I got double credit for it. The people said: 'It was not the same sermon after all; we noticed several new points in it.'

"Some of you have asked me from time to time to give you an idea of my own method of preparing for the pulpit. I hardly know how to answer you. For something like ten years I never allowed a Tuesday morning to go by without sitting down to write sermons for the following Sunday. For some time, indeed, I was fortunate enough to have a week beforehand, so that I escaped those Saturday fevers which excite many preachers. Probably before Friday my two sermons were ready; written very largely, almost wholly in fact. I shall never lose the advantage of that prolonged discipline. As engagements have multiplied upon me, I have not been able to keep it up; still, it helps me to meet some difficulties that would otherwise be too much for me.

"In preparing a sermon bring your congregation imaginatively around your desk. And don't write like a book, but like a speech. There is a literary style and there is also a talking style; try the latter, and force yourself to it. When I am writing a sermon I read every sentence aloud over and over again, just as if somebody was sitting before me. My business is to make that somebody understand a certain thing, and I must put it so plainly that he ought to take in my meaning without any difficulty. Don't hurry your imaginative hearer. Say the same thing over to him without seeming to repeat it. Don't let him see that you are making a dead set upon his stupidity, but give him to feel that you are trying to make somebody else see the thing you are aiming at as clearly as he does.

"There are sermons which make you feel that the preparation is the principal thing about them. Every sentence has been in a mold. There is no easy, vivid, graphic talk—I don't mean gossip or twaddle, for enough from that—all is measured, or finical, or stilted, something that is unnatural and uninteresting. I am going to say a bold thing. Sometimes the sermon is prepared, but the preacher is unprepared. I have known men who could hardly read their own writing in the pulpit! To say that the sermon was not prepared would be incorrect, for there it is written out in full; but it may be quite correct to say that the man was not prepared. He was uncertain about his own purpose, uncertain about his own writing; and uncertainty is, of course, inconsistent with full preparation. Prepare yourself as well as your sermon; let your heart be made to glow through long communion with God, and when the fire burns, the tongue will speak with new and startling eloquence.

"I despise mere sentence-making. I do not wish to be a pretty phraseographer. I know well enough when the talk is jagged and rough all over; but I know, too, that oil runs off where acid bites. If I

have to address a company of academicians, whole pewfuls of Aristotles, Ciceros and Euclids, I should wish to write every word, and to be very wary in the turn of every sentence; but to address an ordinary congregation, made up of all sorts of people, mainly struggling, tempted, tried and broken-hearted, in a scholastic and formal composition is, in my view, to waste a great opportunity for doing good.

"The auctioneer talks; the orator speaks. You will, of course, meet many people, as I have done, who do not know one voice from another; to them it is enough if they hear so many words. Do not be discouraged. Singers have the same thing to complain of. Some day you will meet a man who has studied the human voice, who knows its mystery and loves its music, and his appreciation will reward and cheer you. You will notice that deaf people have an ugly way of sitting as far as possible from a speaker, and complaining that they cannot hear him! They are very annoying people these, and exceedingly ingenious in giving trouble to everybody.

"Another difficulty I find in preaching is this: My hearers know as much as I can tell them about great Christian doctrines. After, say, a ten years' ministry, this ought to be true of a good proportion of them. And yet, perhaps, they want what they call originality, novelty of view, unexpectedness of vision amounting almost to a revelation. If they don't want it for themselves, they make out that they want it for their children; and thus, in ways direct and indirect, there is a constant appeal brought to bear upon the minister, and possibly in his attempts to respond to it he must overstrain and disquiet his mind. You must resist such appeals. State the truth with all care, and throw into its utterance all the heart you can, and do not fret yourselves because of men who talk of originality without really knowing its proper sense and application.

"A difficulty comes out of the mixed character of congregations. It is not easy to talk to a company made up of old men and little children; rich men who live in the heights of prosperity, and poor men who smolder in the valleys of adversity; men of quick mind, and men of dull apprehensions; minds that see the end of a sentence as soon as they hear its beginning, and minds that can travel only at the rate of two miles a day. And look at the variety of moral moods: godly, impenitent, grateful, thankless, joyful, gloomy, tempted, distracted, peaceful, despondent, anxious, hopeful, and so on—every possible phase of moral feeling represented in every congregation. How can any man be talking to them all at the same time?

"I acknowledge that I have heard men preach who certainly seemed to be a long way from the theological multiplication table; as, for example, they were talking about 'deep affinities,' and 'vital relations,' and 'recondite conditions,' and 'the a priori spring of the will;' I do not know exactly where they were, but they seemed to be a long way from home, yet to be enjoying themselves in a romantic kind of way—somewhat grim withal, and solitary.

"May I ask a question? You can write a good sermon, but can you preach it? Many a man would find himself famous if he could get his sermons properly delivered by a brother who has not a tithe of his own intellectual power or theological erudition. Let me tell you that the people look at the manner as well as the matter of a sermon, and that part of your business is to meet the people on their own ground, and to find good china for good victuals. Sermon-making is one of the very first things which a minister should have. He may be an excellent freehand drawer, and even a tolerable player on the flute, but if he cannot preach he had better go back at once to something which he can do."

TO MAKE A CHURCH PROSPER.

There is a sure way of prosperity. It has never failed, and never can. The following rules observed by all the members of any church will insure good days. If the church is decaying, the decay will soon be arrested. If it is standing still, it will soon begin to grow. If it is already flourishing, it will grow more rapidly:

1. Attend all services regularly. If possible, be on time; you need at least five minutes after coming in

to find a seat, and to compose body and mind for the service.

2. Never miss a service needlessly. If you have visitors, invite them to go with you; they will respect you more as a Christian if you are faithful to your duty.

3. If it rains or snows, make a special effort to go. Our churches stand much in need of storm-proof religion.

4. Take part in the worship. You go to worship, not to be entertained.

5. Be devout in every attitude; all whispering should be studiously avoided. Find the hymn book, and sing it if you can; and share the book with your neighbor.

6. Speak to strangers, and invite them to come again; a hearty handshake will add much weight to the invitation.

7. Be friendly to all. Remember, handshaking has not gone out of style. A hearty Christian greeting means much by way of cheer, comfort and encouragement.

8. Accept gladly any work assigned you. If pastor, or some one else, is struggling under a load, take hold and help. At least, do not increase the burden.

9. Always show proper respect for others' opinions. Never insist on having your own way against the majority. This is an age in which majority rules.

10. Never encourage strife, but be a peacemaker. Peacemakers, you know, are called "the children of God."

11. Avoid gossip as you would an enemy; it is one of Satan's best agents for starting church troubles.

12. Give cheerfully, according to your ability. The Lord has dealt bountifully with you, hence you should be liberal to His cause.

13. Take a church paper. Church members should keep posted on the affairs of their church.

14. Think of services through the week, speak of them to others, and pray that they may be attended with divine blessings.

15. Pray for the sick and the poor. Help the Lord to answer your prayers.

16. Pray for the pastor. His usefulness will be greatly increased by the daily prayers of all the people.

17. Pray for some unsaved soul in particular.

18. Pray, pray, pray! Keep prayed up to date. No Christian should be back in his prayer accounts.

19. It is a great deal better to try to do something to better conditions than to stand around and criticize. If you mean to help along, don't get in front and block the way. Get behind and push. You will then see how little you feel like finding fault with the burden-bearers after you have shouldered your part of the load.

20. In short, pray, praise, push and keep sweet.—Exchange.

Dr. Carroll, who superintended the national government's census in 1890, has just made public his figures for church growth in the United States in 1912. It appears that those religious bodies that are least liberal in their theology are increasing most rapidly.—Christian Register, Unitarian.

The highest order of constructive statesmanship is demanded today both in the foreign outreach of the missionary enterprise and in the supporting movements on the home field.

The University of Jagiello, of Cracow, Poland, where Copernicus received his education, was founded in 1364 by the Polish king Zazimiere the Great, and endowed by a later Polish king, Jagiello, in 1400.

More than four-fifths of the elementary school teachers in Prussia are men.

"The Adventures of Two Alabama Boys," in three sections, by H. J. and W. B. Crumpton, will make a mighty good present for a young man or for an old Confederate veteran or for any one who is not too grouchy to read a book that it just chocked full of good, true stories. It can be had in cloth binding for \$1, postpaid. W. B. Crumpton, 127 S. Court street, Montgomery. Write and get a copy.

CAN WE RAISE \$2,250,000?

The leaders at the convention who made the budget for Southern Baptists put a great task upon our secretaries, for upon them falls the burden not merely of raising their apportionments, but they will be expected to lead in raising the special amounts that are so much needed if we do our duty. They will lean heavily upon the pastors, who in turn must shift a great part of the load upon their churches. Dr. Gambrell well says:

"The convention in Oklahoma sounded out a bugle call to action, worthy action. It set before Southern Baptists worthy objectives; things good, things needed, things large enough to command attention, things commanding our consecration—\$1,000,000 for schools and equipment on foreign fields, \$250,000 for printing plants and general publication interests among the peoples abroad and a million dollars for a church building and loan fund to be managed by the Home Board. All these sums are to be raised in three years and in addition to collections for current work."

The campaign means that at last Southern Baptists mean to do something worth while. We are proud to put the paper behind the movement, and we expect to give Brother Crumpton the opportunity of his life in rallying Alabama Baptists to do their part.

Our chosen leaders have shown us the field and the need. We have had the joy of the vision, but the test will be in realizing it. The time is short.

CELIBACY FOR ECONOMY'S SAKE.

Bishop Doane, of New York, recently said:

"The theory of a celibate clergy to make the ministry less expensive is, in the first place, contemptuously mean, and, in the next place, it is plainly against the teaching of scripture and the experience of history, for it has been a most fruitful source of dishonor and disgrace to the church."

And yet we recently read in one of England's leading magazines an article written by a noted Protestant woman advocating just "celibacy" for certain clergymen of the Church of England on the grounds of economy.

Baptists repudiate any such drive and point the finger of scorn at the Catholic priests, and yet many churches in the meagre salaries they pay make it impossible for a married preacher to live and support his family without farming or engaging in some secular work.

FOREIGN MISSION NOTES.

Only two more Sundays remain for the great Foreign Mission campaign. These Sundays are tremendously important in their relationship to our worldwide work. The board will need \$367,000 in order to meet all obligations. If any church has failed to secure a Foreign Mission offering up to the full amount of its ability let that offering be taken at once. If necessary let some earnest workers see the members of the church personally and privately in order to get the offering.

The Foreign Mission Board will report at the St. Louis convention a greater number of baptisms than ever before in the history of its work, and from many fields will come the most gracious accounts of progress and wide opportunities. In view of all this let us make our offerings greater than ever before. We must not let any difficulty stand in the way of a large offering and one worthy of every church.

It is of the greatest importance that a committee or some officer of the church see to the collection of the Foreign Mission offerings after the subscriptions are taken. Many a good offering has fallen short because no one looked after the subscriptions. Will not all of our pastors see to it that some adequate provision is made for this important part of the work?

The Foreign Mission Board is appointing some new missionaries for important posts. It is the very earnest desire of the board to be able to appoint a good number of missionaries after the 1st of May. There are many points where recruits are sorely needed, and there are well-equipped young people who are anxious to go. Let us all work and pray that the board may be in a position to fulfil its earnest desire in this matter.



EDITORIAL

Let all funds be sent forward promptly so as to reach the secretary of the State Mission Board in the various states or the Foreign Mission Board in Richmond not later than the 29th of April or the morning of the 30th. Every year considerable sums of money are sent to Richmond after the books have closed. Be sure your remittances are on time.

The board has received from Alabama up to Friday, April 11, \$16,567. The apportionment for Alabama is \$38,500; hence it will be necessary for the Baptists of Alabama to send to the board during the last 19 days of April \$21,933 if the state is to meet its apportionment. This calls for the most faithful work all along the lines. Let us make these remaining days glorious because of our prayerful efforts to meet this mighty call of God.

THE BAPTIST COLLEGE IN RUSSIA.

We are officially informed that the British Baptists have paid for out of their own funds and secured title to the excellent college campus in St. Petersburg, about which information was given several months ago. The British executive committee of the Baptist World Alliance assures the American executive committee that it could not come to pass that the Russian government would confiscate property belonging to any British or American citizens. The property is entirely safe. The question is to secure the government's consent for the school, and of that the British leaders are confident. They ask for a little time and believe their report will give every assurance desired. The American money already paid in is safely in bank, bearing interest, under the care of Hon. E. W. Stephens, treasurer, Columbia, Mo. There will be no paying over of the American funds until the American executive is completely satisfied after every possible assurance.

Two pulpits in Alabama and two in Mississippi are making overtures to Brother A. A. Walker in an effort to get him to re-enter the pastorate. It is to be hoped that Birmingham will not let him leave this important mission field. He has his heart in the work. While he is here let's hold him.

Recently we had the pleasure of preaching for the saints at West Blocton, and found that a few of the faithful had made sacrifices and built a commodious new church house. We so greatly enjoyed our visit and were so struck with the earnestness of the members that we have about decided to serve them until they can arrange to have a pastor on the field. We were glad to welcome Brother and Sister Riffe back to Alabama. We found that they had already won a warm place in the hearts not only of the members of the First Baptist church, Blocton, but that the West Blocton Baptists held them in high esteem. Brother Riffe has not only organized his church thoroughly, but is getting a hold of the situation in the association, where he is having the hearty co-operation of the pastors.

HOW ALABAMA STANDS.

	State.	Home.	Foreign.
Apportionment	\$32,000.00	\$28,500.00	\$38,500.00
Amount received to			
April 12, 1913	13,296.43	12,725.38	18,586.20
Amount yet to be			
raised	\$18,703.43	\$15,774.62	\$19,913.80

W. B. CRUMPTON,
Secretary-Treasurer.

POWER IN WEAKNESS.

The Bible teaches us that God honors with spiritual power the Christian who feels utterly weak in himself. It is the deeply lowly one whom God exalts. He never lifts high the one who already thinks that he is high. The professing Christian who esteems himself to be much higher in the spiritual life than the most of other Christians seem to him to be is lower down than are those whom he underestimates. He is the victim of a weakness which puts him out of the reach of God's pity. He is weak in his self-estimation. While fancying himself to be very strong, he is weak in power. The man who boasts of his supposed spiritual power is weak with a conceit which greatly deceives him. People of this class frequently quote Paul as an example of a "wholly sanctified" Christian, by which they mean a sinless Christian. But the humble Paul abhorred such a designation. He said that the man who regarded himself as being "somebody" when he was "nobody" deceived himself. Paul had a large measure of spiritual power, but it came to him only when he felt utterly weak. Hence he said: "When I am weak, then am I strong." When he felt weak in himself then he was strong in God and in Christ. And he would not have kept in a feeling of weakness if his thorn in the flesh had not kept clinging to him. He confessed that he would not have retained such power had it not been for the crucifying and humbling thorn. It was a "messenger of satan" to buffet him, but God was glorified by that work of the adversary. With the power which Paul received in his weakness he labored much more abundantly, to the praise of his Lord. When we feel too weak to do any good work for God, then He gives us power to accomplish much.

WHO WANTS TO GO TO ST. LOUIS?

On page 55 of the minutes of the State Convention these words may be found: "We recommend that the board of directors appoint delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention and such other bodies as the convention corresponds with."

Article 3 of the constitution of the Southern Baptist Conventions reads as follows: "The convention shall consist (1) of brethren who contribute funds, or are delegated by Baptist bodies contributing funds for the regular work of the convention, on the basis of one delegate for every \$250 actually paid into the treasuries of the boards during the fiscal year ending the 30th day of April next preceding the meeting of the convention; (2) of one representative from each of the district associations which co-operate with this convention, provided that such representative be formally elected at the annual meeting of his district association, and his election certified to the secretaries of the convention, either in writing or by copy of the printed minutes."

Those churches entitled to representation on the money basis will please elect their delegates and send their names at once to Dr. W. B. Crumpton, Baptist Headquarters building, 127 South Court street, Montgomery, so that there may be no confusion in enrolling the names. Brethren who wish to go from the state at large will confer a favor on the board of directors by sending in without delay their names to the address above mentioned.

Those who were elected by their associations need only to provide themselves with a minute of their association and present it to the secretary's office at Third Baptist church, St. Louis. No need to send their names to Montgomery.

On May 2 the list will be made out and cards sent to the delegates. Alabama was entitled to 244 last year; only 69 were present at Oklahoma City.

(Signed) W. M. CAMPBELL, President.
Tuskegee, Ala., April 12, 1913.

There are many men in America, not teetotalers nor prohibitionists, who would be glad for several reasons to see the cause of temperance grow in strength and influence at this time. For one thing, they resent the power in politics which the liquor traffic has of late years been exhibiting.

Please hurry up and send in names on special offer to January, 1914, for \$1, cash or credit. We want to get missions before as many as possible before the books of the boards close.

Department of Sunday School Work---State Board of Missions

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IN ETOWAH ASSOCIATION.

Glorious spring sunshine, budding trees and song of birds made the fifth Sunday in March a day of praise and joy. At the fifth Sunday meeting with Hoke's Bluff Baptist church the great missionary sermon by Dr. J. G. Dickinson, of Gadsden, was a fitting climax to the 15 days' work in the association. His text was, "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields," and he gave us a world-wide vision.

Preceding this meeting 15 days' service had been given by Sunday School Secretary A. L. Stephens and the associational missionary, Rev. J. M. Sally, Miss Forbes joining them during the last week. There were 23 churches visited on this trip, eight of which were found to be without Sunday schools. A religious census was taken in two of the towns. Two Cradle Rolls and two Home Departments were started, and 49 teachers were enrolled in Teacher Training classes.

At Alabama City the newly appointed Cradle Roll superintendent was rather staggered when the names of 185 babies in Baptist families were placed in her hands. She has evidently gone to work with a will, for 35 were enrolled in about four days, the Home Department secretary following closely, with an enrollment of 25 in the same time. They are planning to erect a suitable Sunday school building in this thriving little city, where Rev. L. L. Hearn is the able leader.

Pastor White at Attalla has an enthusiastic and efficient band of teachers, who are pushing forward under his guidance to attain unto the best things.

It was an inspiration to speak to the large, earnest crowd which gathered in Brother Garrett's church at West Gadsden.

At Hoke's Bluff a census was taken and the school graded on the basis of the information gathered in. If the ladies of this church work for the Lord as well as they cook for His servants great things will surely come to pass in that community.

Our workers were cordially welcomed and cared for with beautiful Christian hospitality. But better than this was the hospitality shown the message they brought, and almost without exception there was the earnest response of immediate endeavor to put into practice the things they had learned.

May the blessings of our Father rest upon the churches of the Etowah Association.

GETTING AT THE TRUTH.

In the days of your boyhood or girlhood I wonder if you read "Swiss Family Robinson" with eager delight? Do you remember when the thirsty boys found the cocoanuts and tried in vain to get inside the hard shells that they might slake their thirst with the rich milk? And do you remember how their father showed them nature's easy way to get to the coveted milk, and how the boys drank and were satisfied?

Many a time you pick up a lesson

TEACHER TRAINING CLASS.

To the Teacher: Study carefully the chapters you propose to teach and underscore the things that you desire to emphasize. Endeavor to get home study on the part of the class. Drill! Drill!! Drill!!! Give your test questions for the first division of the book, if you have not already done so. They may be had from my office, 514 Farley building, Birmingham.

To the Class: Study the lesson assigned. Co-operate in every way with the teacher. Be on time.

Lesson 12--Sections 1 and 2, Division 2, Convention Normal Manual. Blackboard Review.

DIVISION 2-PUPIL & HIS NEEDS.

SECTION I, TEACHER & THE PUPILS LIFE. KNOW YOUR WHAT - THE MATTER TO BE TAUGHT. WHOM - THE PUPIL TO BE TAUGHT. HOW - THE METHOD TO BE USED.

ADAPT YOUR TEACHING KNOW YOUR PUPILS LIFE FIT MATTER & METHOD.

THEREFORE SMALL CLASSES ARE BETTER

BEG IN CIRCLE OR INTER- & SENIOR IN CLASSES. PRI. IN SMALLER CLASSES. JUN AROUND TABLES.

SECTION II, BIRDS EYE VIEW OF PUPILS LIFE.

CHILDHOOD-4-8. YOUTH-9-16. YOUNG PEOPLE-17-25. STUDY CHARACTERISTICS. CHARACTERISTICS. CHARACTERISTICS.

EFFECTS OF BODY ON MIND. MOTOR. OF MIND ON BODY. TEMPERAMENT. SENSORY. PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT.

CHILDHOOD AGES 4-8. EARLY ADOLESCENCE 13-16. BOYHOOD & GIRLHOOD 9-12. MID & LATER ADOL 17-25

SOME PERIODS OF INTEREST.

PERIOD 1- BIRTH to 3. KEYWORD- LIVE, JUST LIVE. PERIOD 2- 4 to 8. KEYWORD- DO (ACTIVITY). PERIOD 3- 9 to 12. KEYWORD- GET (MEMORY). PERIOD 4- 13 to 16. KEYWORD- BE (AMBITIONS). PERIOD 5- 17 to 18. LOVE (EMOTIONS PROMINENT). PERIOD 6- 18 to 25. KNOW (JUDGEMENT & REASON).

STUDY YOUR CLASS. STUDY YOUR METHOD. STUDY YOUR BIBLE.

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EXHIBIT OF ELEMENTARY WORK AT PELHAM.

At the Baptist State Convention at Pelham, and during the encampment,

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IN FLORIDA.

In order that we may have the splendid assistance of Mr. Arthur Flake for a longer time the writer has agreed to exchange some work with him. I am now carrying out that agreement for a week. It is a very pleasant exchange. George Hyman is a most agreeable man the capable secretary of the Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. work under the Baptist state of Florida. There are 17 A-1 unions in Florida. This speaks volumes for Hyman's work.

Another great pleasure this trip has

brought me is a pleasant association of some days with Dr. Montague, who is now president of Columbia College, the only Baptist college in Florida. Dr. Montague has endeared himself already to the people of Florida, and is pre-eminently successful in his work. The college has an enrollment this year of nearly 250, and is only six years old.

Large plans are being made for the encampment to be held at Lake City in July H. L. S.

JUST NUMBERS?

A good man who is superintendent of a Sunday school in a town where there are three churches said to me recently: "We are in a contest for new members in our town, and also for attendance." This is commendable. I asked him how he counted the attendance. He replied: "Everybody who comes before the secretary makes his report is counted present." When the suggestion was made that the report be made before the classes began to recite he demurred, on the ground that it would bring his attendance down and affect his standing in the race with the other schools. The thought had never occurred to him, it seemed, that the people should come for a purpose; that the study of God's word was the primary object of the Sunday school. Now, of course, we want many people to come and study the Bible. The thing I am criticizing is the lack of effort here to set up a standard that would be an incentive for people to come in time to study the book. To run into a Bible school at 10:30, have your name recorded and then run out, not even remaining to the preaching service, is not conducive to a God pleasing teaching service. The thing uppermost in our minds, it seems to me, should be to induce many to study the Bible. There ought at least to be the requirement that every one must be present at least for the entire lesson period in order to be counted as present. To make this requirement will not get them all there, 'tis true, but my experience is that more people will strive for the honor roll with a high requisite than for one that does not mean much.

Which leads me to say that many of us are prone to be too lax in our efforts as officers and teachers. Many of our churches take little or no interest in the affairs of the teaching service. We are ready enough to "discipline" the brother who gets drunk, but the worldly-minded, careless teacher or officer in the Bible school goes unheeded. Ought we not to give more attention as churches to our teacher service? H. L. S.

A boy pointed to a twinkling star and asked why it winked its eyes; then why it did not fall, or whether there was water up there in which it could swim.

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1. That we have lost a most beloved and faithful member, who was ever ready to answer with self-sacrifice the calls for service from the union.
2. That we shall miss her sorely from our midst.
3. That we shall ever cherish the memory of her who was so loyal and unselfish.
4. That we hereby extend our tenderest sympathies to the family in their deep bereavement.

IDA COLE LOONEY,
CARRIE LAMAR,
NELLE LEATHERWOOD,
Committee.

Mrs. Mary B. Montgomery, of Auburn, Ala., passed to her eternal reward on March 4 at the ripe age of 74 years. Mrs. Montgomery was a faithful and consecrated servant of God. The one passion of her life was to do good. Like Dorcas, she was a "woman full of good works and alms deeds which she did." A great host of people rises up to call her blessed. Mrs. Montgomery never had any children of her own, but she has always had a large family, having adopted and reared about ten children in all. The very close attachment of these for her during her life and for her memory since her death shows the lovable character that she was. She came to Auburn in 1900, and since that time she has made her home with Mrs. Dede Howe, her niece. During the 13 years that she has lived in Auburn she has been a member of the Auburn Baptist church. She loved her church and her Bible, and was always loyal to her pastor. She leaves one sister, Mrs. V. R. Wood, of Selma, Ala., and a great host of relatives and friends to mourn her loss. She is gone, but not dead. Her life will live on in those who knew her, and her influence will be an unending blessing to the world.

HER PASTOR.

E. W. HILL DEAD.

On March 9, 1913, in Roanoke, Ala., E. Watt Hill left his earthly dwelling place to dwell with the hosts who have crossed the river into the realm to mortals unknown. He was born September 25, 1866, in Georgia, and was united in marriage with Miss Maggie Lee Jones March 28, 1889. He leaves an aged father and mother, being the only child, his wife and one little son to mourn his unexpected departure. His life was spent since his early childhood in the town of Roanoke, where he was widely known. He was social and generous, a beloved and dutiful son, a considerate and affectionate husband, a provident and devoted father, a true and obliging friend. He claimed to have made peace with God, May God's blessing, as the gentle rain and the morning dew, restore the smitten life of the bereaved and guide them by faith and hope to the full enjoyment of the charity of heaven.

W. T. H.

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DANIEL DAVIS.

The subject of this sketch was born November 29, 1912, and departed this life March 23, 1913. The remains were placed in Centerport cemetery by the side of his mother, who was laid away just two months ago. Mother and son meet early in the spirit land. His father, grandparents, great-grandparents and a host of relatives mourn their loss. The services were conducted by the writer. R. L. ENNIS.

I will pen a few words from these parts. The Sunday school is growing, and prayer meeting is becoming more interesting. Bethel, a few miles away, has called your humble scribe for the balance of the year. They are in a very bad condition spiritually, but the power that raised Christ from the dead can also raise a dead church to life. With best wishes for you and yours—R. L. Ennis, Ozella.

I am a member of Silas Baptist church. My wife and I went into the church by letter, and my oldest daughter and my wife's sister joined. We have just got our Sunday school under good headway. I believe we are going to have a good Sunday school. Our church is a newly organized church, with the membership of Center Ridge. Brother Morgan Mason is our pastor. Brother Mason is a good man, a good preacher and a very good leader. We only have, I think, about 35 or 40 members in our church, but I think we are mighty strong for unity.—J. L. Fox, Jr.

Man's greatest concern is to know how he shall properly fill his place in the universe and correctly understand what he must be in order to be a man.

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AN APPRECIATION OF T. U. CRUMPTON.

My Dear Brother Crumpton:

We deeply sympathize with you and your very dear family in your hour of Sadness. We were so greatly shocked and sorely grieved at the death of your late brother, Mr. T. U. Crumpton. He did not live so long, but he did live well. The cause of the kingdom was helped forward very much by his life, his love and his work. His feet once walked the streets of the earthly Jerusalem. Now they have lately pressed the streets of the Jerusalem which is heavenly. Then he saw through a glass darkly; now he sees face to face his glorious Lord and blessed King. Then he looked upon holy scenes of the past; now he is beholding holy scenes of the forever. How glorious it is that he did live well. Earthly life with him is over, but the heavenly life, which he now lives, shall not come to end. On one of the fair pages of the Book of Life his name stands. In the beautiful city of God is his home now, and in the company of earth's redeemed souls he sing "My Jesus, I Love Thee," and rejoices forever. He has joined hearts with the pure of all time in the land of beauty, sweetness and brightness through Jesus' blood. In the bosom of Jesus he rests and in His love abides. Oh, the goodness of God! Blessed is the man who trusteth in Him.

Well, Brother Crumpton, we are on our way to that land, too. Some blessed day we shall enter it just as all others have. Death is not dreadful. But for death we could never get to heaven. Death lets us out of earth and let us into heaven. "O, death, where is thy sting?"

Remember us kindly to all. God be with you till we meet again. We are left behind to carry on the kingdom of God. Let's be faithful.

Your friend forever,

J. J. JOHNSON.

Birmingham, Ala.

(The above was written to J. R. Crumpton.)

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

Sister Alice Hicks was born in Texas August 1, 1860; professed religion early in life; joined Pleasant View church by letter October 20, 1904. She lived a consecrated Christian life until her death—August 11, 1912. She leaves a husband, nine children and many relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

Resolved (1), That we, the member of Pleasant View church, bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well.

Resolved (2), That a copy of these resolutions be furnished the family of the deceased and one be sent to the Alabama Baptist for publication.

J. T. DEAN,

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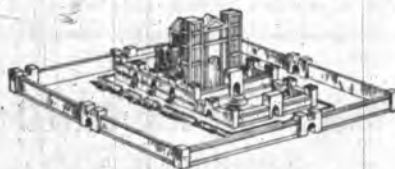
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May 12, Monday.

8:30 p. m. Sophomore-junior public speaking contest.

May 16, Friday.

11 a. m. Senior class day exercises. 4 p. m. Presentation of the Woodrow Wilson and the Princeton stained glass windows in the institute chapel. Address by Professor Stockton Axson, of Princeton University.

8:30-10:30 p. m. Reception to Professor Stockton Axson.

May 17, Saturday.

8-11 p. m. Final receptions of the societies and clubs.

May 18, Sunday.

11 a. m. Baccalaureate sermon.

May 19, Monday—Alumni Day.

1 p. m. Alumni dinner.

4 p. m. Alumni-Varsity baseball game.

8:30 p. m. Annual junior-senior debate.

May 20, Tuesday—Finals.

11 a. m. Presentation of the James Thomas Murfee Mural memorial, by the trustees.

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Some one from Albertville, R. F. D. No. 4, sent \$2 and failed to sign name.

We have Rev. E. S. Atkison as our pastor in this field, and we are all delighted and in love with him and his preaching, which is fine and will accomplish much good for the Master. We believe he has taken hold of the work in this field with energy, love, consecration and a determination to do the Masters' work. Yours truly—W. A. Bellamy, Seale.

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RURAL RUSSELLISM.

Some of the teachings of "Pastor" Russell are especially attractive and equally pernicious and effective in rural district. So-called Christian Science is, to a large degree, limited to the cities. The method adopted for its propagation is not effective except in cities. Moreover, it is too largely theoretical to appeal to the average practical rural mind.

On the other hand, the method used for the propagation of Russellism, namely, the circulation of literature, is effective in the country. Country people have time for reading and are reading more now than ever before. Then, this literature is cheap; yes, in more than one sense is that true. Let a man start through the country selling three books on the Bible for less than one dollar and, regardless of who wrote them, he will find a ready sale. And so cleverly has this deceiver mixed truth and error in these books that a mind not trained particularly in the study of the Bible will be deceived. Then rural dwellers, not being distracted with the excitements of city life, have a taste for and time to discuss religious questions. The men gather at the depot or store and talk these matters over. In almost every community there are some men of considerable influence, gained through local politics, or school boards, or other local movements, whose spiritual life and religious activity are nil. The thought of coming into judgment for the deeds of the body is one which he would banish from his mind. Along comes Russell with a comforting and practical solution, which appeals to his practical mind. He is told that he will have a thousand years in the grave to prepare for judgment. He does not inquire into the matter further. He only hopes this is true. Henceforth his influence is a greater curse to the spiritual life of the community than is the life of an avowed infidel.—Religious Herald.

WHY MANY MEN BEGIN TO DRINK.

In the "Home Problems" department of the March Woman's Home Companion appears the following letter:
"My husband works very hard, leaves home early and comes back late. I have little of his company, as he is too tired at night to do much more than take supper, throw himself upon a lounge and sleep till bedtime. Recently he has fallen into the habit of drink, and I am utterly disheartened."

The editor of the department makes the following reply:

"If ever you needed courage and resolution you need them now. You must try to bear patiently with your husband when he is weary, and help him to make a brave fight against the temptation that has attacked him. Send him away in the morning after a cheerful meal, and prepare a good supper for him, with the best coffee you can make, so that he may be reinforced in vitality in the evening. Do not scold or complain, but set your face firmly against the formation of the liquor habit. Once established, it may chain him and make him a slave. In the beginning, your love may be his sheet-anchor. If he could get other work, or your place of abode could be changed so that he would pass through other streets on his way home, the situation might improve. Whatever you do, hold on to love and faith."

SOME INFORMATION AND A REQUEST.

The information is that in the Teacher for April there is a most interesting article by Dr. VanNess regarding the meeting of the Sunday School Council recently held in Dayton, O. All of us desire to keep up with the latest doings in the Sunday school world. The Sunday School Council is composed of representatives of all the denominational publishing houses. Practically every denomination is represented on the council. It will be helpful for you to read this article for the real information it gives. We thought once of reproducing a part of it on this page, but on second thought it occurs to me that many of our teachers never read either the editorials or the contributed articles in the Teacher. This may excite your curiosity sufficiently to cause you to read this one.

The question is this: Will the superintendents, teachers and officers give me suggestions about the programs in the Superintendents' Quarterly? The Sunday School Board has honored me by asking me to prepare them, and I am anxious to make them as helpful as possible. One superintendent has very kindly written me already. Tell me how to make them better; point out the weak places. Give me some pointers on how you made your program effective.

H. L. S.

The "get-together" meeting which was held at the Pratt City Baptist church April 1-4 under the direction of Evangelist A. A. Walker was quite a success. Brethren Walker, Thornton, Wright and J. D. Ray spoke helpfully to the church during these services. Brother Minor, a former member of the church, was present at several services and spoke encouraging words to us. Brother W. M. Blackwelder presided one night, and also gave us a bird's-eye view of the Home Mission work. At the conclusion of this meeting the Baraca hall and the primary and mission hall were formally opened with suitable services. These halls are in an old building which stands on an adjoining lot to the church. The church has owned it for years, but not till recently has it been completed and repaired so it could be profitably used in our work. But now the Baraca class, the primary workers and the workers among the Italians are rejoicing that they each have a splendid place in which to do the Lord's work. Revival services began with us at the 11 a. m. service April 6. Evangelist Curtis Shugart is doing the preaching. At the evening service we could not seat the people. During the services of the day two united with the church by letter and two by experience for baptism.—J. E. Barnes.

The Grand Park Baptist church has extended a call to Rev. Frank J. Fleming, now pastor of the Temple Baptist church, to be pastor in succession to Rev. N. B. O'Kelly, who recently resigned to accept the Highland Park church. Mr. Fleming is one of the most progressive and earnest of the Atlanta pulpit pastors. He has done a good work at Temple church and a strong effort will be made to have him accept the Grand Park church, which is situated in one of the best sections of the city, and bids fair to become one of the strongest churches.—Atlanta Journal.

It is good for you to know that most—nearly all—great men have had great regard for the Bible. To many of them it was indeed the Book of all books.

FORECLOSURE SALE.

Default having been made in the payment of an indebtedness secured by a mortgage executed to the undersigned, Knight Realty, by Ida J. Meroney on the 15th day of March, 1911, which mortgage was filed for record in the office of the Judge of Probate for Jefferson county, Alabama, on the 11th day of April, 1913, notice is hereby given that, acting under the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the undersigned will sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, in front of the court house door of said county, on the 12th day of May, 1913, the following described property in the city of Birmingham, Jefferson county, Alabama, conveyed by said mortgage, to-wit:

Part of lots 1 and 2 of Walter & Robertson's subdivision of Waverly Place, map of which is recorded in the Probate Judge's office for said state and county in map book 5, page 84, particularly described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a point on the south line of Twelfth avenue, South, 130 feet in an easterly direction from the intersection of the east line of Montgomery street with the south line of Twelfth avenue, South, thence run southward parallel with the said line of the said street 105 feet to the north line of a private alley, thence eastward along the said line of the said alley and parallel with the said line of the said avenue about 43 feet to the west line of another alley, thence northward along the said line of the last said alley and parallel with the said line of the said street 105 feet to the said line of the said avenue, hence in a westerly direction along the said line of the said avenue about 43 feet to the point of beginning.

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

This, the 14th day of April, 1913.
KNIGHT REALTY COMPANY,
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A. C. & H. R. Howze, Attorneys.

FORECLOSURE SALE.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage executed by Theodore Poull and wife to the Jefferson County Savings Bank, to secure an indebtedness therein mentioned, dated March 27, 1912, and recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate for Jefferson county, Alabama, in book 665, on page 1, the said Jefferson County Savings Bank will sell at auction, for cash, at the county court house door in the city of Birmingham, Alabama, on Tuesday, the 20th day of May, 1913, during the legal hours of sale, the following property in Birmingham, Jefferson county, Alabama, conveyed by said mortgage, to-wit:

Part of block 796 of the Elyton Land Company's survey of said city and a part of block 1, Phelan's Addition to said city, particularly described as beginning on the south line of Eleventh avenue, South, at a point 65.72½ feet eastward of the intersection of said line with the east line of Fourteenth street, and run thence southeastward parallel with said street about 133.5 feet to an alley, thence northeasterly along the north line of said alley and parallel with said avenue 65.72½ feet, thence northwestward and parallel with said street about 133.5 feet to south line of Eleventh avenue, thence southwestward along the south line of said avenue 65.72½ feet to the point of beginning.

The mortgagor having made default in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said mortgage as provided therein, said property is sold for the purpose of paying the debt secured thereby, as well as the costs of foreclosure, including a reasonable attorney's fee.

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When Rome forsook her household gods for the worship of the state then began the decline and fall of the empire.

SEMINARY NOTES.

The examinations for the third quarter have just closed and the wheel is about to start around for the last time for this year. A few new students have come in for the last quarter's work, which makes our enrollment for this year exceed all past records. This is a great year in the seminary. One new man from Alabama has joined us for the last quarter—Brother McLeod, from Pike county.

Our club met in the regular monthly meeting Wednesday morning, April 2. Brother Black spoke on "Prayer a Mighty Force in Christian Service." Brother D. I. Purser spoke on "Praising the Women to the Neglect of the Men." Both of these were timely and helpful to us all.

This part of the program was shorter than we usually have, in order that we might have a little more time for the social greeting of each other. Our girls in the Training School brought several of their friends with them to the meeting, and thus added a great deal to the social feature of the program. The more the merrier. Greetings were exchanged, smiles were spontaneously emitted, good cheer was passed around, refreshments were served and we had a general good time for half an hour.

The missionary program in the chapel was entirely in the hands of the students, no speaker from abroad having been invited. There were a number of short talks from different ones showing the mission work done by our students in the city, a song by the seminary quartet and a song by the Training School. There were some splendid things brought out that were both interesting and instructive, but the program was entirely too long though even that had its good side, for it was an opportunity to cultivate Christian fortitude.

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Dr. A. C. Davidson, who is so widely known and beloved throughout the state of Alabama and elsewhere, spent a week with us during the convention of the "Teachers' Training School," which was held here in December.

For many years Dr. B. F. Giles, president of Central College, and Dr. Davidson have been the warmest of friends, and it was indeed a joy to them to be together at that time.

The talks Dr. Davidson gave each morning at the opening of the chapel and at vesper hour were beautiful and helpful. And possessing a nature so rare and a personality so magnetic he was straightway drawn to the hearts of the girls. So much so that on the eve of his leaving both the faculty and the student body extended to him a cordial and unanimous invitation to come back very soon, leaving him to set the time. The invitation was so urgent that he accepted, and spent another week with us in March. This week was set apart for his visit, and we appropriated him to ourselves. He was accessible to all who sought his counsel, yet he forced his counsel on none.

The girls were, in a measure, prepared for his visit, for possessing such a Christian character as does Dr. Giles they have by his wise leadership been carefully educated and nurtured down moral and spiritual lines, and a beautiful Christian spirit pervades throughout the college, as is indicated by her motto: "Highest Christian Culture Our Constant Aim."

In his talks Dr. Davidson gave us a vision of things which are unseen and eternal, and inspired in us a spirit of love, sacrifice and service.

Dr. Davidson is of kin to the diviner caste of mind, and his religion is an ever present reality with him. He presented many lines of thought drawn from his rich experience, and each hour he spoke he helped us to think on "whatsoever things are pure and lovely and of good report." Many of the girls became more firmly fixed in purpose to lead more God-like lives.

The memory of Dr. Davidson's visit lingers with us yet, and will be most kindly cherished by Dr. and Mrs. Giles, the faculty and by the young ladies of Central College, all of whom feel grateful to him for his hopeful and helpful message.

MRS. EMMA B. SCEARCE,
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PROPOSED PROGRAM FOR JUDSON JUBILEE, MAY 22-25, 1913.

Thursday, May 22, 1913—A. M.
Floral procession, "The Pink and the White."

Opening of jubilee.
Jubilee hymn.
Speech of president.
Speeches of distinguished educators.
Music.

Paper on Judson's early history by Dr. Sherman.
Historical address by Dr. C. A. Stakely.

Afternoon.
Class reunions, 3:30 to 5.
Evening.

Sunset pageant.
Historic scenes presented on Alumnae Auditorium stage.
General reception, 9 to 11.

Friday, May 23—Alumnae Day—Forenoon.

Commemorative exercises.
Procession of alumnae.
Anthem.

Invocation.
Poem, "Diamond Jubilee," written for the occasion by Mrs. E. Y. Mullins.

Greeting—President of Alumnae.
Alumnae from other colleges.
"Words from Abroad."

Music—Mobile Chapter.
Address—Periods of Judson's history in short speeches.

Poem, "Alma Mater," written for the occasion by Miss Zitella Cocke.
Music.

Afternoon.
Entertainment of visitors.
Art loan exhibit.

Historical exhibit.
Tea on lawn, 5 to 7.
Evening.

Concert by distinguished musicians of alumnae.

Address by W. A. Evans, of Chicago (a son of Julia Josephine Wyatt, class of 1861, who married Dr. Augustus Evans, of Mississippi).

Saturday, May 24—College Day—Forenoon.

Academic procession.
Graduating exercises.
Baccalaureate address.

Afternoon.
Conversational Club celebration of its twentieth year.

Informal "Class Teas."
Evening.
Players on the lawn.

Sunday, May 25.
Baccalaureate sermon.
Evening.

Delivery of diplomas of Sunday school classes.

Ann Hasseltine's sermon before the Ann Hasseltine Missionary Society.

I am at Hartford, the garden spot of Alabama, and am surrounded by some of the best people in the state. The church is moving up a little along some lines, and we are working and hoping and praying for a brighter day. My people have won not only my affection, but gratitude. They have given me a nice suit of clothes and many other valuable presents, in addition to my salary. The Sunday school, under the leadership of Prof. M. L. Black, is growing rapidly. B. Y. P. U., Sunbeams and Ladies' societies are progressing. We have some people who seem indifferent, but even Noah, a preacher of righteousness, found such characters in his day. I am working for the Baptist because it brightens the homes of those who read it and makes them efficient workers in the church. May the Lord guide and bless you. Fraternally—P. L. Moseley.

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THE OBJECT OF THE ALABAMA BAPTIST PIANO CLUB.

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The Club has proven a tremendous success because its organizers had faith in the power of the principle of co-operation, intelligently and honorably conducted. They knew that fully one-third of the money paid for pianos represented waste, pure and simple. They therefore built their plans with a view to cutting out the waste in marketing pianos, for they knew that the piano buyer was paying for the waste.

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