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For 50 cents we will send the Alabama Baptist to new cash subscribers until January, 1914. Please get in names at once, so that they will get big value for their money.

The Baptist Standard says 51 members have been received into the Victoria church and compliments Pastor John L. Ray on his successful work.

Please change my paper from Rider-ville, Ala., to Thorsby, Ala. The new Baptist school is progressing well. Very cordially yours—W. H. Cook.

Hope I may get a long list of subscribers soon. We enjoy your paper so much, and wish it was a visitor in the home of every family. I am sincerely yours in faith—Mrs. G. W. Harris.

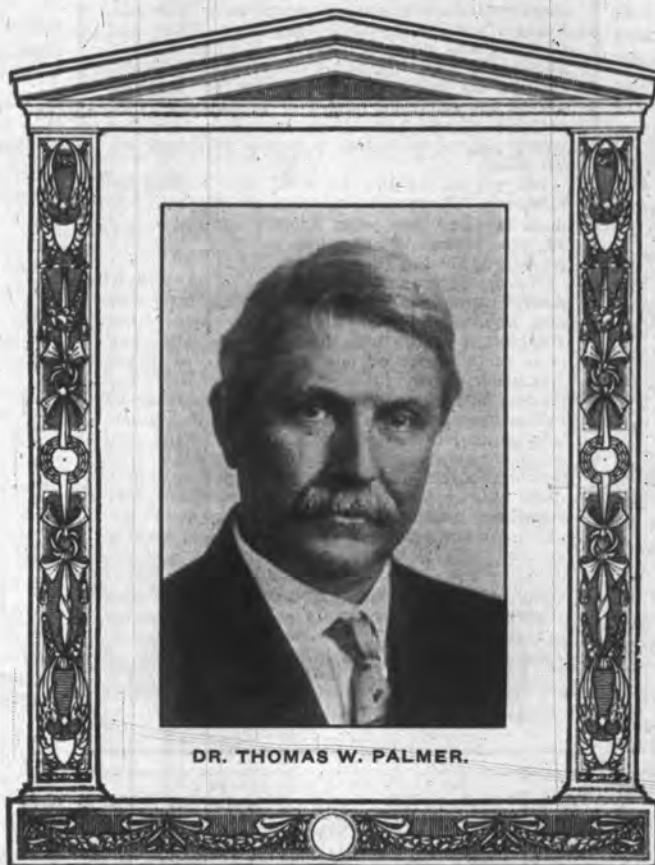
On the fifth Sunday Brother Crumpton preached for us at old Friendship church, in Elmore county, and the people seem to have a new vision of mission work and the tracts and minutes and leaflets are being read carefully with pleasure and joy.—J. L. Long.

The Dale County Association meets with Pleasant Grove church on Friday before the second Sunday in October. All visitors and delegates will be met at Dillard's Station with conveyance to the church. Be sure and come. Very truly—W. W. Morris, Moderator.

Please change my paper from Northport, Ala., to 300 Alexander street, Rochester, N. Y. I entered the Rochester Theological Seminary September 12. It will afford me much pleasure to get the Alabama Baptist up here and through it to hear from many Alabama friends. May you and the paper continue to be a great blessing. Fraternally yours—W. K. E. James.

The Pine Barren Baptist Association will convene in Camden at 2:30 p. m. October 8. The introductory sermon will be preached by the secretary of the Alabama Baptist State Convention, Rev. M. M. Wood, of Repton. Messengers and visitors can come on the train which arrives in Camden at 1 p. m. and will be met at the station and given homes and dinner before the association meets. Hope representatives of our various interests will be present.—I. N. Kimbrough, Camden.

Rev. S. O. Y. Rxy, field worker of the enlistment campaign, is now working in the Union Association and has the following dates: Fellowship, Wednesday, September 24; Gordo, Wednesday, September 24; Chalsedonia, Thursday morning, September 25; Cornelius Chapel, Thursday night, September 25; New Hope, Friday, September 26; Grant's Creek, Saturday, September 27; Bethel, Sunday, September 28; Shiloh, Monday, September 29; Mt. Pleasant, Monday, September 29; Flat Woods, Tuesday, September 30; Zion, Wednesday, October 1; Unity, Thursday, October 2.



DR. THOMAS W. PALMER.

The president of the Alabama Girls' Technical Institute has not only made for himself a reputation as an educator, but is also one of the most useful men in the ranks of Alabama Baptists. His many friends rejoice in his successful work at Montevallo.

## OUR BOARDS AND SECRETARIES

We believe our Home Board, Foreign Mission Board and Sunday School Board are standing loyally for the teachings of Christ and that they are loyal to all our cherished Baptist principles.

This is also true of the State Mission Boards as any one can verify by reading the little book, "The Primacy of State Missions," published by the State Secretaries of the South.

Because we have believed that Drs. Gray, Willingham, Frost, and Crumpton have always been outspoken for the principles dear to the hearts of the Southern Baptists we have given them our hearty support.

These Secretaries have always acted simply as the servants of the churches, the same as the humblest preacher, always anxious to carry out the will of the churches. We have never seen them show any signs of dictatorialness because of their positions as our honored leaders. We believe that our Boards and their policies should be open to the freest discussion and we would be among the first to criticize them if we doubted the wisdom of any of them. Their policies have often been called in question but we are glad to know that none of them have ever posed as injured persons.

We thank God that they are a manly lot of men who know how to give and take in the spirit of Christ.

Every now and then we have to listen to some aggrieved brother who outlines to us what he would do if he stood in their place but while he talks we are thinking of the story which runs as follows:

Little Bob: "Aw, I could walk the rope just as well as the man in the circus if it wasn't for one thing!" Little Willie: "What is that?" Little Bob: "I'd fall off."

We do not believe we could hold down any of their jobs without falling down.

Yesterday was a good day with me. The paper and other religious literature is so much needed. Yours for service—M. W. Lanier.

(He sent three new subscribers.)

The Lamar County Association will meet at Corinth church on October 18. Visitors and delegates will be met at Sulligent on Friday, the 17th.

—W. C. Woods.

For 50 cents we will send the Alabama Baptist to new cash subscribers until January, 1914. Please get in names at once, so that they will get big value for their money.

Will you please change my paper from Plantersville to Guntersville? I have accepted the work here. Fraternally—F. M. Barnes.

We congratulate Brother Lipsey, the hard-working editor of the Baptist Record, on the issue of September 18. It was newsy and in every way worth while.

Rev. J. G. Lowrey, of North Birmingham, has sent in 27 new cash subscribers on our special offer. This shows what can be done when the pastor takes the trouble to push the paper.

I send a few lines in reference to our beloved F. M. Woods. May God bless you in your work. You had a good friend in Brother Woods, and he spoke to me recently of the good paper you were giving us. Yours—W. J. Ruddick.

We acknowledge with pleasure the receipt of the following wedding invitation: "Mr. and Mrs. George Graves Lawrence will give in marriage their daughter, Emily Estelle, to Mr. Collie Bane Wood on Wednesday, the 8th day of October, 1913, at sunset, at home, Cedar Bluff, Ala. The honor of your presence is requested."

On my return home as my train reached Pine Hill I learned of the death of Brother W. V. Vice, of Nicholasville, a man full of the spirit and of good works. Brother Vice was the first man I ever helped in a revival, and much strength then and afterwards did he lend me by words of encouragement and kindly deeds.—W. E. Fendley.

The Clarke County Association meets at Whatley on October 14, and we would be glad to have you with us. It has been a long time since you were with us, but as we meet on the railroad this time I hope you can be with us. Yours fraternally—Wm. D. Dunn.

(This was put down in the published list as October 7. We make this correction so that none may go wrong on the date.)

The sermon of Dr. L. A. Crandall on "The Efficiency of the Church as Conditioned Upon Experience of God" before the Northern Baptist Convention in Detroit May 25, 1913, was certainly not ordered printed by the convention in order that the copies should accumulate in the store room of the publication society. The sermon is ready for free distribution upon the payment of postage, according to the accompanying schedule. Send your orders with the postage to the American Baptist Publication Society, 1701 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, Pa.: One copy, 1 cent postage; 10 copies, 3 cents postage; 25 copies, 6 cents postage; 50 copies 12 cents postage; 100 copies, 23 cents postage.

### THE INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM FOR BAPTISTS.

It seems to me that one of the greatest Baptist principles of government has been put to work in the political life of our nation before it was even thought of by Baptists. The further strange fact is that Baptists have not already put it into practice.

The initiative and referendum are no new propositions. In a limited sense they were provided for in the constitution of the United States. All the states have some form of these theories put into practice. Several have made them cover all legislation of the state.

The democratic theory of government is that all rule is vested in the people. But it has been somewhat difficult to put this theory into practice. For one thing, there have been a few who thought they ought to rule the many, and the many have been content to let them do so. But that day is passing swiftly away. We are in a time when all the tendency of the political movements is in the Baptist direction. Why should not we prove that democratic principles are practicable by practicing them to the fullest extent? We can, by adopting something on the order of the initiative and referendum.

The referendum amounts to this in a state: The legislature is not much more than a committee to propose measures. When any course of action is decided by the legislature, this is made into the form of an act to be either adopted or rejected by a direct vote of the people. It is not a law until thus adopted. In other words, the people are not controlled by the legislature, but by themselves. This goes one step farther than representative government, in which the people elect the representatives and the representatives make the laws.

Our Baptist practice is now of the representative rather than of the democratic nature. We, being made up of baptized believers, ought to be even more competent than a state to use the referendum. Let the convention consider and propose measures; let the boards decide what they think to be the best policy; but let the people decide it by an actual vote.

The initiative is the referendum turned around. The people have the right to propose as well as dispose of matters pertaining to their welfare. When a sufficient number of people are in favor of the adoption of some policy not projected by the legislature they present a petition calling for an election. The matter is put into shape to be voted upon, and is treated just as though it had originated in the legislature.

What could be more feasible for Baptists? If a goodly number of Baptists in South Alabama, and others in the Black Belt, and some in the mineral region, and others beyond the Tennessee—or enough in any one section—were of the same opinion concerning some matter not proposed by the convention, all we would need to do would be to get enough names on our petition to call for action by all the Baptists of the state. Then we would have a vote. If we were defeated we could not complain as is now sometimes the case.

How would you put these theories to work? While there are many men in the state much more able to work the theory out, I think almost any of us common Baptists could advance some workable plan. We could elect our commissioners or judges for any length of time desired. They would prepare the ballots, sending a blank to each church. Announcement having been made beforehand, the church could ballot on the proposition. A certified statement as to the yeas and noes could be signed by the moderator and clerk and returned to the election judges. When the votes were tabulated by them we would have the result of an election in which every Baptist in the state, without cost to himself, had been given a voice.

The cost? That would not be a fraction so much for printing, and postage as is now required to get the people lined up for a movement projected by the convention or one of its agencies. And you would have them already in line, because it is their policy, not that of others who are trying to convince the people of the wisdom of the plan proposed.

Would politics come in? Possibly. But there would not be nearly so much room for it as under our present system. It is possible, whether ever done or not, for a clique to control a convention. It is impossible where all the people are concerned.

### TO EXAMINER SUBSCRIBERS.

We take pleasure in printing the following, in the hope that many copies of the Examiner-Watchman may find their way into Alabama homes:

For many years the subscription price of the Examiner has been \$2, and these years have been years of financial stress and difficulty. Formerly the price of the paper was \$2.50, and then all was plain sailing. It is impossible to publish a high grade weekly of 32 pages, printed on fine grade paper, for \$2 a year, unless the paper be endowed, or unless it uses articles which have been put into type for other papers, or unless it accept improper advertising.

All papers of the class of the Watchman-Examiner charge \$2.50 or more. The Churchman is \$3.50 per year, the Congregationalist \$3, the Outlook \$3, the Independent \$3, Zion's Herald \$2.50 and the Continent \$2.50.

We are obliged to put the price of the Watchman-Examiner at \$2.50 per year for ministers and laymen alike. This is the price that Watchman subscribers have always paid, and it is an advance of but one cent a week for Examiner subscribers. We know that our friends will gladly make this small increase to insure the success of the Watchman-Examiner. The paper will be sent until the end of the subscription year, to Watchman and Examiner subscribers alike, but all renewals of subscriptions will be at the \$2.50 rate. If we lose any Examiner subscribers by this 50 cents advance we shall be greatly surprised and greatly grieved. Think it over, dear friends, and remember the price of paper and the price of labor make this increase necessary. If the Watchman-Examiner could be published for \$2 per year we would gladly make that the price. That the paper will cost the publishers all of \$2.50 per year we can assure you. Our prophecy is that the whole Examiner family will continue at the \$2.50 rate.

Are Baptist people capable of knowing what is best for themselves? If they are not, I am ready to quit preaching the equality of believers in spiritual things. I would advocate abandoning the proclamation of democratic principles and electing a Pope, or bishops, or of going to some organization already provided with these, if I did not believe Baptists are capable of deciding their own denominational policies; and by this I mean all the Baptists, not a few especially endowed to think for the rest.

If the initiative and referendum, adapted to Baptist needs, can be put into practice we shall be in position to call mand prove that which we now claim, but are much put to it to prove, viz., that Baptists have a democratic form of government in all their affairs.

W. P. WILKS.

### BAPTIZING BY THE THOUSANDS.

To those who doubt the ability of the 11 apostles to immerse the 3,000 converts at Pentecost the following facts are commended. A writer in the Journal and Messenger records the historical facts that 10,000 were immersed one day in Swale near the beginning of the seventh century; 3,000 were immersed on Easter eve 404 A. D. in Constantinople, and 2,222 were immersed on July 3, 1878, in India. The last of these baptisms was performed by six native preachers working two at a time for 10 hours; it was carried on under the supervision of Dr. John E. Clough, a missionary under the auspices of the American Baptist Missionary Union, and is thus described: "On the 30th of July, 1878, an interesting event took place in India. At a ford where the government road crosses the Gundlupur river more than 6,000 people lined its banks. The banks of the river are high, and the inclined roadbed made a natural baptistry. Two clerks were stationed, one on each side of the bank above the road, with the list of the accepted candidates for baptism. Six native preachers were called upon to administer baptism according to the New Testament. Two of these native preachers entered the water at the same time to a sufficient depth, and as the clerks called out the names the persons bearing the names went down into the water to the preachers, who baptized them, in each case repeating the formula of baptism. When the administrators grew weary, two others took their places and continued to work till 2,222 had been baptized."—Biblical Recorder.

### OWNERSHIP OF BAPTIST PAPERS.

I was very much interested in the recent article of my college and seminary classmate, Rev. W. P. Wilks, of Mobile, on the Baptist paper problem.

It is doubtless true that the most puzzling problem before the denomination at present is the literature problem, especially the weekly paper.

So far as I know every state in the Southern Baptist kingdom has one or more Baptist papers, published in the interest of the denomination and its enterprises. And I am quite sure that every one of these papers give liberally and freely of their space to the different boards, colleges, campaigns, etc. How many of these papers are owned by private individuals, how many by stock companies, and how many by conventions or associations, I do not know. I may be mistaken, but I do not know of a single one that is owned by the State Convention in the interest of which it is published.

And my experience and observation would make me rather skeptical of such a proposition. It has been tried on different occasions by different conventions, only to be abandoned a little later. Certainly none of the great papers that have moulded thought and set precedent for the denomination have been owned by the denomination at large.

Just here rises a serious question: Shall the State Convention dictate the policies of a privately owned paper? We have no precedent in other spheres for such a thing. There are many democratic papers in the country, but the democratic party does not dictate the policies of such papers, nor does the party own such papers. Democracy is a great principle, which has its champions, just as the Baptist cause is a great principle and has its champions. Baptists, properly speaking, are not sectarians. The Baptist cause does not depend upon any paper, or papers, but upon a number of agencies whose business it is to propagate these principles. Really, I doubt that the Baptist principle would die if every Baptist paper published were to go into bankruptcy. And that is not saying we do not need Baptist papers. We do need them, just as democracy needs democratic papers.

Frankly I rather doubt the wisdom of convention owned papers. It seems to me that they might be made rather dangerous than helpful. I certainly would shudder to see the Baptist papers in the south under the control of the Southern Baptist Convention! In fact, it couldn't be "did" any way, for the moment your State Convention takes over your Baptist paper some fellow will start one of his own, and the folks will read it, too.

As to the state boards publishing papers in the interest of State Missions, there is nothing to be said against it. Texas used to have one, but abandoned the idea some years ago. I do not know why. Several states, I am informed, have such magazines. No doubt they are helpful. But somehow they do not last very long.

Perhaps it might be just as well to continue teaching the world that Baptist principles are fundamental and not confined to sectarians or denominations.

Very truly yours,

A. E. PAGE.

### THE PASSING OF A COMMUNITY.

For many years a Shaker community has existed in Warren county, Ohio. At one time the colony numbered 700 persons, and its land holding have increased till 4,000 acres of fertile land and 45 substantial buildings were held by the community. The tenets of the Shakers forbid marriage, but youths and maidens would be taken by the society to raise. However, one by one (or often two by two, having married among themselves), these young people have left the community. Death also has been busy, and now but 16 members are left. Half of these are more than 80 years of age, and realizing that their community is soon to die out, they have transferred their rich lands and other property to the United Brethren. Thus, one by one, all the communistic schemes that have risen and for a time flourished, now are almost extinct. As late as 10 years ago Economy, near Pittsburg, still stood, with its quaint old houses for the brethren and the sisters, shadowed with luscious grape vines, and all peacefully asleep in the summer sun. Now we find the stirring town of Ambridge, with the clangor of industry and the voices of many nations—Presbyterian.

REPEATED WITH EMPHASIS.

By J. M. Frost, Secretary.

With permission of our editors I am seeking through their columns to say over again for emphasis a word from the Sunday School Board's report at St. Louis. As may be seen from the quotation below, the report urges doctrinal emphasis in teaching. We see in many places, if I may borrow a strong phrase from Dr. Rufus W. Weaver, "conformity without convictions, alliance without loyalty," and therefore form without power.

There is everywhere among us a pressing need of the form of godliness with the power thereof. We urge fresh attention to the doctrinal earnestness of Jesus, and plead for doctrinal conviction and conscience as desperately needed in the making of Christian character. Our Lord in His great commission set His program for the ages, and marks the highway of His ultimate triumph.

In that mighty utterance of conquest, spoken on the summit between resurrection power and ascension glory, He gives the final word for all who would walk in His way. It declares the universal sovereignty of Jesus and contemplates whole-soul obedience from those who love Him—an obedience which is missionary and evangelistic, ceremonial and didactic. Into that program He put the promise of His personal presence and power, a promise which stands while the world stands and culminates with the end of the ages, but which operates as we move in the line of its purpose and procedure. He is with us in going, with us in making disciples, with us in baptizing, with us in teaching the things He commanded—thereunto are we called and commissioned.

The didactic—or doctrinal—pronounced by our Lord in His great commission has at least a four-fold purpose: (1) To conserve His doctrines as embodied in His commandments; (2) to indoctrinate those who are His in making character after the Christ-like pattern; (3) to regulate human conduct in the observance of His will among men; (4) to spread abroad His doctrines to the uttermost parts of the earth as the means of His final and universal conquest.

This puts tremendous emphasis upon Christianity in its doctrinal character, as well as its character-making power. It sets before the followers of Christ a line of definite program and procedure; assigns them a task at once gigantic, momentous, commanding; demands on our part love and energy, wisdom and faithfulness to the last degree. Herein is laid the foundation, and herein also we build the superstructure, whether of individual Christian character or of that universal kingdom which Jesus came to found and carry to completion with coronation glory.

The intention of the board's report was to make fresh emphasis of the didactic in the great commission as the vital need for the present hour. It gives significance and force to Sunday School education through instruction in Christian truth. The future, alike of individual or people, depends for usefulness upon: (1) Their experiential relation to God; (2) their faithfulness with the scriptures as His word; (3) their loyalty to Christ in the execution of His program for the kingdom. These then may be summed up in one—loyalty to Christ as Sovereign and Savior, and to the scriptures as the one expression of His sovereignty and saviorhood.

So with added earnestness I here repeat the words of our report to the convention, and give it this larger utterance through the denominational press:

**Need of Doctrinal Emphasis in Teaching.**

Christian character and life of today, in almost startling degree, lack the doctrinal earnestness of Jesus. We may be suffering, as some say, because of reaction from the polemic of other days. We have the spiritual, the ethical, the social, and yet are sadly wanting in doctrinal conviction and conscience. We would not advocate returning to the method of other days, and yet the polemic was not an unmixed evil, as its absence is far from being wholly good. All polemics are not of a kind. It was Luther's polemic with which Europe was shaken to the center, and the Reformation of the sixteenth century wrought its way. It was Calvin's polemic that laid the foundations for superstructure of noble Christian belief and life through succeeding generations and centuries. In the days of Alexander Camp-

bell it was the polemic of heroic men like A. P. Williams, of Missouri, J. B. Jeter, of Virginia, and hundreds of others throughout the Baptist ranks that saved the day for spiritual interpretation of the New Testament in general and of the ordinances in particular. In very truth, our fathers by their polemic laid the foundations on which we are building, and for the growth and glory of Baptist affairs throughout the south.

Christianity as a system of truth and teaching is essentially and pre-eminently doctrinal. While historical in its basis, it is yet doctrinal in meaning. Even its history—for example, the birth of Jesus, His death on the cross, His resurrection, primarily physical facts—is yet of doctrinal significance and mighty in making Christian character and doctrinal conscience.

Its "fundamental principles may not be put in didactic form or creedal statement, yet there must be didactic instruction. This is precisely what our Lord intended when He spoke of teaching the observance of His commandments. He was setting the schedule and program for coming ages by means of which His doctrines were to live, win their way and bless mankind"

We need to give emphasis to creedal character and doctrinal conviction as having practical virtue and value in everyday Christian living. A lack of this is our deficiency and weakness, leaves the present-day Christian subject to every kind of doctrine of whatever fad or fancy, if only it be labeled religious or Christian or church. We have in our Lord a commanding example of doctrinal spirit and character, of doctrinal life and earnestness in teaching. A faithful walk in His ways at this point would break up our methods and revolutionize our time, would substitute soundness for softness, strength for weakness, and mark a new day in the kingdom of teaching.

Nashville, Tenn.

**RUSSIAN BAPTIST SEMINARY.**

Ever since the news came that the Czar had put his foot down on the establishing of the European Baptist Theological Seminary in Russia, prayed about and planned for at the Baptist World Alliance at Philadelphia, we have been studying history and scanning magazines to try and get at the root of the matter. We believe in the following condensation will be found the truth:

The Panslavonic aim is simply the establishment of a vast Russian empire extending from St. Petersburg to Constantinople and from the east to the very heart of Europe. For a quarter of a century the Russian Panslavists, with a view to spreading their propaganda, have convened Slavonic congresses, at first at Kiev and Belgrade, and afterwards at Prague and Cracow. Panslavonic agitators are traveling from place to place preaching the gospel of Slavonic solidarity. The anti-Catholic agitation in Austria among the Slavonic elements is not only a religious, but a political agitation. The leaders of the movement know full well that as soon as the Austrian Slavs are able to speak, write and pray in Russian the national bond uniting them with the Slavs in the empire of the Czar will become indissoluble. The great apostle of Panslavism was the late procurator of the Holy Synod, Pobiedonoszeff. Deep down in his soul lived the belief in the universal rule of Slavism. In order to realize this dream all the Slavs would have to gather round the Russian eagle, speak the Russian language and adopt the Russian religion. All those Slavs who neither speak in Russian nor share the orthodox faith are lost children of the great Slavonic family and would have to be brought back, like so many prodigal sons. Pobiedonoszeff had therefore two aims in view, aims which in his opinion could have furthered the Panslavonic agitation: to convert the Catholic Slavs to the Orthodox church, to make the madopt the Cyrillic Russian instead of the Latin tongue, and to help the Russian language to become the international means of communication between all the Slavs.

The triumph of Panslavism means the spread of autocracy, the destruction of everything European, of Germano-Celtic civilization, which would be replaced by that of Byzantium. In his famous book, "Europe and Russia," Danilevsky has summed up the real theory of Panslavism.

"The European nations," he says, "have either fulfilled or failed in their missions. Either they are

in a state of stagnation or of rapid decay. Only Russia is young, fresh and vigorous—and she has still the divine and historical mission not only to occidentalize the Orient, but to cure and save old Europe by breathing into this old blasee the healthy spirit of the Slav. There is no general progress of humanity; there are only local civilizations which begin, exist and disappear. All the acquisitions of European culture, accumulated for centuries, ought now to be destroyed; they must disappear from the face of the earth and be replaced by a system reigning at Archangel, Vladivostock and Sebastopol. A torrent of destruction will soon sweep over the Germano-Latin and Romance lands, and above the waters of the general flood only the lofty summit of the Kremlin will tower majestically. Societies which are old and have lived—which have fulfilled their historical mission—must leave the arena of the world, be they situated in the Orient or in the Occident. Everything that lives individual, special or biological type, possesses nothing but a certain amount of life, and must die when it has been used up."

Russia, Panslavists maintain, has therefore the noble mission to civilize the Orient. Nothing will stop her, in spite of the many obstacles, put in her way by the jealousy of Europe. Russia must therefore possess the Bosphorus and change the Mediterranean Sea into a Russian lake. It is not a question of gaining a province, of humiliating one European power, but of destroying everything European—replacing it by Russian. She should open the windows of Europe for the influx of fresh and healthy Russo-Byzantine air. The Panslavonic dream is the conquest of Constantinople and the placing the Russian eagles on the minarets of the ancient Zyzantine capital.

There is no reason why England and France should aid and abet Russia in her schemes for the dismemberment of her neighbors, and there are many solid arguments against such a policy. We have heard a good deal about the so-called yellow peril, but there is a Slav peril much nearer home to which the central powers have been a precious barrier.

Gwilym Griffith, writing from London to the Examiner, says:

"It should not be beyond the statesmanship, diplomacy and faith of the Baptist World Alliance to negotiate this grave and delicate problem wisely and successfully; but to do this the sympathy vigilance and co-operation of the Baptist democracy throughout the world is a first essential.

"One of the gravest and most urgent problems brought before the second European Baptist Congress in Stockholm was the problem of the Baptist cause in Russia. Undoubtedly the supreme need is for an adequate training center for native preachers. As Examiner readers are aware, some thousands of dollars have already been subscribed, on both sides of the Atlantic, for the establishment of such a center in Russia, but without the sanction of the Russian power—that be nothing constructive can be done, and there, apparently, lies the supreme difficulty."

There is a pace that kills and a pace that curdles. It is as bad to be too fast as to be too slow, for undue speed is as much the mother of error as slowness is the father of failure. Give yourself time to think how to do your work well.

The missionary society having the largest income in the world is the Church Missionary Society, representing the evangelical wing of the Church of England, whose income for the year 1912 was about \$1,900,000.

Every boy should treat his sister as he would have some other boy treat her. There is no surer mark of a good, right-thinking boy than the display of chivalry and courtesy to those of his own household.

Napoleon cried out, "There shall be no more Alps," and then he constructed those magnificent roads over the mountains for the passage of his powerful army.

The quacks, the conjurers, the faith-healers, the theosophists, the spiritualists and all that ilk pitch their tents at will and ply their trade.

Horseless vehicles and wireless messages will soon be as common as careless women and hairless men.

## JUST A FRIENDLY PROTEST.

That is an interesting article by Brother Wilks in the current issue of the Baptist, on "The Baptist State Convention." But in section two of the article, in which Bro. Wilks discusses the convention's presiding officers, fair enough to our laymen presidents and to the conventions that elected them to pass without protest? Three traditions are named as having "hampered the Baptists of Alabama in their selection of a presiding officer", and the three will be considered in order.

1. The first tradition named is, "He must not be a preacher." The records show that in the ninety years of its history, the Alabama Baptist Convention has had twenty-one presiding officers. Of these twenty-one, seven have been laymen and fourteen preachers. Of the first fifty-two years one layman presided one year. So isn't the layman president really a break away from tradition? And isn't this break perhaps largely due to the splendid administration of Jonathan Haralson during his eighteen years of presidency? Just the exuberant discovery that we could make a break, may be responsible for the last five presidents being laymen. Isn't it to our glory that we have led other Christian bodies in relegating ecclesiasticism to the past, and bringing the laymen into his rightful place in service?

2. "The next of these traditions," says Brother Wilks, is "to get a man of influence politically or financially". Over against this is the statement that it would "be better to consider the qualifications of the man to preside over a deliberative body." Do these statements have a fair application to the seven laymen who have presided over our conventions? Let's call the roll. They are W. P. Chilton, Jonathan Haralson, H. S. D. Mallory, G. L. Comer, N. D. Denson, R. E. Pettus and W. W. Campbell. The first, Bro. Chilton, was Chief Justice of Alabama, but a "tradition" that made him president of our convention one year while Baptist preachers held down the job the other fifty years, wasn't a very effective type of "tradition." The second, Jonathan Haralson, held no higher office than a circuit judgeship when he came to the presidency. His supreme court incumbency came long after this. He was never looked upon as being exceedingly rich. The third, Bro. Mallory, has never held any public office, and his prominence as a candidate for governor came after his convention presidency. He is not considered a man of wealth. The fourth, Bro. Comer, has never had any state office, and it would be far-fetched to assume that he was made president of a Baptist convention because his Methodist brother was making a pretty good railroad commissioner. He may be in good financial circumstances. The fifth Bro. Denson, was a circuit judge and became supreme judge either just before or just after his entrance upon the presidency of our convention. The traditions "seem to have him politically, but miss him grievously on the subject of hailing from a prominent or wealthy church. The sixth, R. E. Pettus, has never held any political office and is too pugnaciously on the right side of every moral question to stand much chance of ever getting one. If he is anything of a Croesus, he laid mighty low while the writer was his pastor. As to the seventh and present layman president, his political record runs to the extent of having been a notary or perhaps a road overseer. It is not presumable that he is very wealthy in his still young manhood, but one could wish that his wealth might increase and his liberality continue. To summarize, four of the seven have had no state office. Of the three that were supreme judges, one if not two came to their judgeship after their convention presidency. At least half of the seven are not men of wealth. Half of them are from small towns and non-prominent churches. But the question of whether one is wealthy is a rather variable quantity. A brother looked at from this writer's preacher angle might seem to be stepping toward plutocracy; while the same brother from some millionaire point of view, might seem rather headed for the poorhouse. One must needs answer relative questions like this with "Uncle Billy" Whitsett's "I dunno; mebbe so."

But laying aside the question of this "tradition," won't Brother Wilks and all the rest of us see, and admit, that so far as our last five convention presidents are concerned, that they came to this office because they were first the faithful and efficient presiding officers of their several district associa-



REV. J. L. ADERS, BIRMINGHAM.

Brother Aders has gifts as a preacher and as an educator. He has been successful in the pastorate, as well as in evangelistic work.

tions, and because they had loyally and faithfully aligned themselves with our general Baptist work. Having by their efficiency commended themselves to our judgment, and by their zeal commended themselves to our affection, they were naturally sought out in the day of preferment.

3. The third hampering "tradition" that Bro. Wilks brings forward is that the whole matter of electing a president is made "somewhat of a joke." Now we must confess that there is a touch of humor in seeing a brother stride into the church to nominate another for president, only to find that the election is just over and he himself has been elected. But if any such mirth ever developed in any former election of a presiding officer of the Alabama Baptist Convention, this writer was unfortunate enough not to be in on the joke. One case could hardly be designated as a "tradition." Even if there were in this incident a touch of humor its splendid spirit of "in honor preferring one another" was certainly delightful, as compared with the newspaper accounts of the election of a religious body's presiding officer in a neighboring state. They magnified the office until there were charges of cliques and intrigues in compassing one's election.

But perhaps Bro. Wilks' seemingly over-serious view of this whole presiding officer question is due to the fact that he has only recently returned from a pastorate in Kentucky. For a number of years the spirit of faction among the Baptist forces of that goodly commonwealth was such as to preclude the election of their officers being made "somewhat of a joke" or anything akin to it. Baptist gatherings up there were ultra-serious from start to finish.

In a normal Baptist gathering, such as our Alabama Convention our main purpose is to hear reports from, and plan afresh for the work of the kingdom. It passes no laws, it hands down no decisions, it affirms or reverses no lower courts. It is the writer's conviction that in the president of such a gathering the inspiring leadership of a big life, is worth more than academic expertness in parliamentary technicalities.

A. G. MOSELEY.

## JEFFERSON'S TEN RULES.

Never put off until tomorrow what you can do today.

Never trouble another for what you can do yourself.

Never spend your money before you have earned it.

Never buy what you don't want because it is cheap.

Pride costs more than hunger, thirst and cold.

We seldom repent of having eaten too little.

Nothing is troublesome that we do willingly.

How much pain the evils have cost us that have never happened.

Take things always by the smooth handle.

When angry count ten before you speak; if very angry, count a hundred.

## INFLUENCE OF THE BIBLE IN LITERATURE.

Born in the east, and clothed in Oriental form and imagery, the Bible walks the ways of all the world with familiar feet, and enters land after land to find its own everywhere. It has learned to speak in hundreds of languages to the heart of man. It comes into the palace to tell the monarch that he is the servant of the Most High, and into the cottage to assure the peasant that he is a son of God. Children listen to its stories with wonder and delight, and wise men ponder them as parables of life.

It has a word of peace for the time of peril, a word of comfort for the day of calamity, a word of light for the hour of darkness. Its oracles are repeated in the assembly of the people, and its counsels whispered in the ear of the lonely. The wicked and the proud tremble at its warning, but to the wounded and the penitent it has a mother's voice. The wilderness and the solitary place have been made glad by it, and the fire on the hearth has lit the reading of its well-worn pages.

It has woven itself into our deepest affections, and colored our dearest dreams; so that love and friendship, sympathy and devotion, memory and hope, put on the beautiful garments of its treasured speech, breathing of frankincense and myrrh. Above the cradle and beside the grave its great words come to us uncalled. They fill our prayers with power larger than we know, and the beauty of them lingers on our ear long after the sermons which they adorned have been forgotten. They return to us swiftly and quietly, like doves flying from far away. They surprise us with new meanings, like springs of water breaking forth from the mountain beside a long-trodden path. They grow richer, as pearls do when they are worn near the heart. No man is poor or desolate who has this treasure for his own.

When the landscape darkens and the trembling pilgrim comes to the valley named of the shadow, he is not afraid to enter; he takes the rod and staff of scripture in his hand; he says to friend and comrade, "Good-bye, we shall meet again;" and, comforted by that support, he goes toward the lonely pass as one who climbs through darkness into light.—The Century Magazine.

## MEDICINAL VALUE OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

The succulent vegetables and fruits contain an active principle, making different ones serviceable in different diseases, as, lettuce is soothing, as it has a principle similar to opium, yet leaving no bad results.

Onions dissolve uric acid, contain sulphur and absorb poison.

Apples, onions and lemons tend to clear the complexion of dark, muddy color caused by uric acid in the blood.

Rhubarb will relieve constipation if taken without sugar.

Too much cane sugar interferes with the normal action of the liver.

Turnips, onions, cabbage, cauliflower and water cress contain sulphur for purifying the blood.

Beans, spinach and raw cabbage contain iron, and are a great benefit to anaemic people.

Carrots are rich in iron and increase the red cells of the blood. They also tend to clear and beautify the complexion.

Celery is serviceable in counteracting conditions that lead to rheumatism and neuralgia.

Tomatoes stimulate the liver.

Potatoes contain salts of potash that counteract uric acid.

Melons arouse the kidneys and bowels and keep the system cool.

Peaches have iron for the blood.

Prunes are laxative and soothing to the nerves.

Berries are rich in iron, but should not be indulged in large quantities at a time, as the seeds tend to clog the intestines.—Scientific Living.

The greater blessing of giving to missions consists of the larger man, for in giving he has dethroned selfishness and made his heart a more fit dwelling place for the Holy Spirit.

The religion that God wants is a religion where each man is in direct contact with God himself—not any religion where priests come between.

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

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**WANTED—A TRAINING SERVICE.**

The more experience that I have as a field worker the more I am convinced that practically all of our churches are neglecting the definite training that should be provided for every young Christian. There are some notable exceptions. But in the main the thing is not being done. For instance, with more than 2,000 Baptist churches in Alabama there are less than 100 Baptist Young People's Unions. The question will immediately be asked, "What about the organized classes?" There are hundreds of them in Alabama, but there are few, if any, doing any definite training for local church work. The teaching service is one form of church activity, but it is not the most important. The preaching of the word comes first in my judgment, and then it is debatable at least whether the training service is not of next importance. Certainly this much may be said: There ought to be a place in every church where the young convert may have the opportunity of learning definitely to do the things that our Lord has commanded in His word, and this in addition to the information that is given him in the Bible school class.

And not only so, but this class should consist entirely of young Christian, "all with one accord in one place." In many instances the union is not organized because there is not an overflow crowd at each service. In the first place this is not to be desired; in the next place there may be ONE who wants to know what to do and how to do.

Brass bands and fireworks are not always conducive to good teaching.

H. L. S.

**INTERMEDIATE GRADED LESSONS**

The Southern Baptist Convention series of Intermediate Graded Lessons is now ready. The title page announces them as "International Graded Sunday School Lessons, Biblical Course, as revised by the Lesson Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention."

They are great. The matter for the first and second grade has been prepared by Dr. L. E. M. Freeman, of Meredith College; that for the third and fourth grades by Dr. W. W. Hamilton, of Lynchburg, Va. There is a teacher's book for each grade and each quarter. There is a pupil's book (not paper or leaflet) for each grade and each quarter. Now, let the teachers who have been complaining somewhat that the high school boys and girls in their classes could not be interested in the Uniform Lessons (although that is 90 per cent the teacher's fault) turn them loose with these Graded Lessons. If class teacher and all do not learn something every week, then the case is practically hopeless.

I am not saying that every school should introduce the Graded Lessons in this department, because I do not believe they should, but where it is at all practicable I believe it should be done.

Sample leaves may be had upon application to the Sunday School Board

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**B. DAVIE IN CONECUH CHURCH**

In company with Rev. E. W. Hagood the campaign in the Conecuh County Association was made in three weeks and completed on Sunday, September 7. Brother Hagood was the associational missionary, and had taken time by the forelock and so thoroughly and systematically planned the work that it yielded fine results.

The people came to hear us all right, and except at two places had dinner on the ground. The smallest audience I now recall (it was on a rainy day) was 27, while at several points the church building could not contain them. Pastors M. M. Wood, S. P. Lindsay, I. T. Ridgeway and Richard Hall accompanied us to points nearest their respective territories, while Brethren Jones and Rabb, of the executive committee, and Brother Mize, of Evergreen, rendered fine service.

Every church in the association—24 in number—was visited. Seven were without Sunday schools. At each of these a Sunday school was organized and literature ordered. Fifteen schools adopted the canvass and gave orders aggregating 5,250 canvassing cards for immediate use. Twelve students for the Normal Manual were enrolled, and the A-1 Standard of Excellence was left on the wall in every pulpit. The association had already adopted a resolution agreeing to give quarterly collections from their respective Sunday schools for our state denominational Sunday school work, and hence the pledge cards were always gladly given when asked for.

Brother Hagood and the other pastors kept constantly before our people the theme of co-operation and the readjustment of pastoral fields by the grouping of churches.

Surely the plan and its execution mark this as an ideal campaign, and one which could not have been improved upon save by substituting a better worker for the writer.

B. DAVIE.

**FROM SECRETARY A. L. STEPHENS**

Rev. W. B. Riddle, president of the DeKalb County Sunday School Convention, in arranging a campaign for his county, planned to reach each of the churches in the DeKalb Association.

Rev. J. F. Yancey and the writer opened the campaign Sunday, September 7—Brother Yancey at Macedonia church, in the Tennessee river valley, and the writer on Lookout mountain, at Shady Grove church.

Brother H. L. Strickland and Brother Riddle began their work Monday night at Collinsville, and later on Rev. Dan Cagle joined in and visited several churches, and Rev. J. O. Hall fell into line before many days, and with this force in the field we reached 41 of the 46 churches in nine days and nights.

Very busy time with the farmers, but they found time to leave their work and assemble at the house of God to take a part in the services.

Much interest was manifested, and we found on a whole better and larger Sunday schools than they had one year ago, when a similar campaign was made. Some of the schools have increased 100 per cent.

One thing noticeable at several of our meetings was the presence of so many fathers and mothers, and from the way they plied the speaker with questions were evidence that they were anxious to adopt the best plans and methods whereby God's word could be taught—not talked, but taught successfully to all.

We were kindly received at every place, and I desire to thank all for the kindness shown the workers.

A. L. STEPHENS.

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at Nashville. Better still, send 20 cents each for a set of teacher's books and 7 cents each for a set of pupils' books and examine them for yourself.

It would be presumption for me to attempt to review work done by Prof. Freeman and Dr. Hamilton. Suffice it to say that from the standpoint of one who has somewhat at least of practical experience in the difficult work of the early adolescent, I believe the Sunday School Board has pretty nearly solved the problem in these lessons.

Congratulations, Dr. VanNess. The Sunday School Board is always on the front seat.  
 H. L. S.

**"YE SHALL BE MY WITNESSES."**

One evening about sunset we stopped to inquire the way to the home of a brother who, as we learned the next day, had a sick family and could not have taken us as guests over night. The Lord knew this, but we did not. We received the desired directions for the way, but with them an implied invitation in the good-natured banter, "Why not stop here tonight?" We knew of no good reason why we should not, and so we stopped. It was a comfortable home, and we felt like new men the next morning.

Before leaving Brother Hagood spread out his books and Bibles and invited the family to inspect them. Now there were in that family a father and mother and grown young man who could neither read nor write. But a Bible was bought for each of two sisters and a testament for their brother. The younger sister, a bare-footed child of 12, seemed so delighted with her book that I asked her to bring it to me and let me read a chapter to her. To this she readily acceded, seating herself on the floor at my feet. Then all other sights and sounds were forgotten as father and mother and all the children leaned forward to hear me read and comment on the 14th chapter of John. I used my pencil to put a cross mark opposite the chapter; but the little girl insisted that I turn down a leaf, "so I can find it again," she said. Then I bracketed the promises of our Lord to answer prayer, and marked that wonderful message, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give unto you; not as the world giveth Zion, I give unto you; let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

As we were leaving the older sister brought me her Bible and asked me to mark it "the same way." And later still the brother brought his Testament, saying he had looked everywhere and could not find "that place." So I turned down a leaf and marked the same chapter and verses for him.

May the great Lord of the harvest bless the reading the marking and the comments on His word and visit for His own glory this home where the field is already so white unto the harvest.

B. DAVIE.

The reformer is simply trying to make the best of things. He is the man most needed at the present time.

Courage is simply keeping the other fellow from knowing that you are afraid.

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## SCRIPTURE MESSAGE.

Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.—Matt. 5:16.

## LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS.

Our work in the Northern District, under the supervision of Mrs. Henry R. Dill, Birmingham.

That our young people may receive much inspiration from the annual meetings of their associations.

## DURING SEPTEMBER.

We study mission schools.

We give to the Training School and the W. M. U. expense fund.

Now that vacation time is over we trust that our young people are ready to begin their work for the winter with new enthusiasm and that we will be hearing from them through this page.

Let us try to make the page in the Alabama Baptist of special interest to the leaders and the members of the different societies, bands and chapters each month.

We should do our very best work during the coming winter months and be ready to report a most successful year at the State Convention in November and the Southern W. M. U. in May.

We have much to be grateful for at this time, as we have a number of new Sunbeam bands, Jr. Y. W. A.'s, Y. W. A.'s and R. A. chapters in the state.

Let us set our standards high and give to Him our very best. The new "Treasure Temples" are here, and we shall be so glad to furnish the societies with these. We also have the manuals for Y. W. A.'s, Sunbeams and Royal Ambassadors. These, with the splendid year book, the young people's page in the Alabama Baptist and the other free literature, should furnish all the necessary material for your work.

Miss Patrick has written each society a letter, and the literature for the week of prayer programs for State Missions, to be observed in October, has been sent from the mission room. If any society failed to receive the programs will you please let us know, and we shall be so glad to send others to you. May this week of prayer for our own state prove a special blessing to each of you, is my prayer.

Yours for better service,

CLYDE METCALFE.

## STATE MISSION PROGRAM FOR ALABAMA SUNBEAMS, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1913.

(To the Leader: Give a special invitation to the members of the W. M. U., the parents and other friends of the band to attend this meeting. Make the room as attractive as possible with pot plants and flowers, and see that the Sunbeams are in their places on time. A large motto, "Alabama, We Will Aye Be True to Thee," might be made of large cardboard letters and hung in a prominent place. The Sunbeam song with the music may be obtained for 2 cents a copy from the W. M. U. Literature Department, 15 West Franklin street, Baltimore, Md. The other songs may be found in the Evangel.)

Song, "Alabama."

Silent prayer.

Bible drill—(Memorize) Matt. 17:18; Matt. 18:2-3; Matt. 10:16; Isa. 11:6.

Joyful Giving—II Cor. 8:2; I Chron. 29:9, 17.

Sunbeam hymn, "Be a Little Sunbeam." (Chorus by a number of girls.)

Prayer—By a member of the Woman's Missionary Society for our Heavenly Father's blessing upon our

## For Young People and Children

Alabama Sunbeams and our brothers and sisters, white and black.

Talk by leader, "How the Sunbeams May Show Their Gratitude for Jesus' Love by Letting Our Lights Shine in Alabama."

Song, "Open the Door for the Children." (160.)

Our New Catechism "Bee"—Questions and answers, selected from the enclosed catechism, may be given out previous to the meeting. Let the sides be chosen from the older members of the band. See that this is conducted in a way which will interest the younger children.

Letters from children in the Orphans' Home. (These may be found in "Our Children." Sample copies may be secured from the Baptist Orphanage, Evergreen, Ala. Pictures of the Home found in these papers, pasted on cardboard, will add greatly to the interest of the meeting.)

Reading—Dr. Crumpton's message.

Ingathering of offerings for State Missions—Enclosed envelopes distributed previously.

Repeat in concert Acts 20:35 (last clause).

Prayer for the state Sunbeam leader, Miss Clyde Metcalfe.

Song (marching from room), "Onward Little Soldiers." (167.)

It was indeed a joy to meet so many Sunbeams from different parts of the state at the Pelham encampment in August. We trust that another year we will have a representative from each of the bands and that we can have a "real reunion of Sunbeams" at this time.

We spent such happy times with little "Plum Blossom" on Japanese day, when Miss Addie Cox told us a Japanese story and little "Plum Blossom" surprised us with a visit from her own country, dressed in the costume of her country.

Too, we had an imaginary trip to our Home Board schools at Tampa, Havana and El Paso, and as we did not want to be selfish Sunbeams by letting our lights shine only in the homeland, we visited our kindergartens on the foreign fields.

The officers of the Pelham Heights Sunbeam Band were: President, Virginia Dunaway; vice-president, Joel Davie; secretary, Henry Bennett; treasurer, Kathleen Moseley.

## SUNBEAM SPECIALS.

Home Missions—Home Mission Board Schools in El Paso, Tampa and Havana.

"Let the little boy have the slate and his bright colored pencils." He and his mother had come to America from far-away Russia to meet the father of the child and, lo, the father could not be found. It was all very sad, and every one seemed eager to do something for the worried mother and the lonely little boy.

While he was making funny pictures on his new slate hundreds of other little Russian and Italian and other foreign boys and girls were busily writing and studying in the mission schools which the Sunbeams are supporting in Tampa, Fla., El Paso, Tex., and Havana, Cuba. In these schools the pupils are taught as in any public school, but also they learn about Jesus, your Savior and theirs. Are you not glad that what you give to the Home Mission Board from time to time and your thank offering in March will

go this year to these schools? Then, maybe, when the little Russian boy's father has been found they will move with the slate, colored pencils and all to one of these cities and the little boy may also learn about Jesus.

Foreign Missions—Kindergartens and Schools for Girls and Boys.

A little girl in India, which is away across the Pacific ocean, learned to read before her father and mother and any other grown man or woman in her town did. A "missionary lady" from America opened up a school in the town where the child lived, and you should have seen how proud the child's father was when the teacher told him his child could read and that he should buy her another book.

It wouldn't be so bad if this was the only little girl who needed to go to a mission school to learn to read and then, best of all, to hear about Jesus, but there are just millions of such little girls and boys all over the world, and this year the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is asking the Sunbeams to study about the schools they have built and to let their precious gifts and their Christmas offering go to make them better and larger and to build others. We need many hundreds more of them.—Year-Book.

## STATE MISSION PROGRAM FOR ALABAMA ROYAL AMBASSADORS, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1913.

Call to order by ambassador in chief.

R. A. declaration and commission.

Lord's prayer in concert.

Hymn, "The King's Business."

Topic, "The King's Business in Alabama."

Religious chart. Have chart (enclosed) drawn on blackboard or large sheet of paper. The leader may use this to show the great number still out of the kingdom.

Chain of prayer.

Hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Readings: 1. To win Alabama for Jesus the Baptists work through a committee, known as the State Mission Board, located at Montgomery, Ala. The president of this board is Mr. H. J. Willingham; the secretary, Dr. W. B. Crumpton.

2. The work is divided into several departments: The missionary department, department of women's work, tract distribution department, the Bible and colportage department, department of evangelism, endowment department, Sunday school department. (These may be explained by the leader or short talks may be prepared on them by Ambassadors.)

Sentence Prayers—For members of State Mission Board; corresponding secretary-treasurer of W. M. U., Miss Laura Lee Patrick; leader of young people, Miss Clyde C. Metcalfe; the evangelist, Rev. P. M. Jones; Sunday school workers, Messrs. H. L. Strickland, Bunyan Davie, A. L. Stephens and Miss Lillian Forbes.

(The names should be written on slips of paper and given out.)

Reading—The agencies for training the Kings' subjects for usefulness are our schools: Howard College, East Lake; Newton Collegiate Institute, Dale county, in Southeast Alabama; Healings Springs Industrial Academy, in Washington county, Southwest Alabama; Alabama and the schools supported by the Home Mission Board: At Bridgeport and Pisgah, in Jackson county; Eldridge, in Walker, and Gaylesville, in Cherokee. (As this is read the places should be located on the map.)

Reading—Dr. Crumpton's message.

Ingathering of offerings.

Hymn, "I'm the Child of a King."

VICTORIA.

Victoria is the capital of the state of Espirito Santo. It is beautifully situated on an island about three miles inland from the ocean, hidden from the eye of the passing vessels by vine clad mountains. It is entered through a narrow channel, and yet affording a very fine harbor, which is now being greatly improved by the building of modern docks at a cost of \$1,000,000, which are being built by the Lopolduia Railroad Company. This company has already virtual control of the freight and passenger traffic of two states, and it has in mind large plans for future development. There is also entering this city another railroad, the Victoria and Minas, which extends into a very rich mineral section of Brazil, and it is expected to add largely to the export trade of this port. Its tonnage last year was 39,837 tons.

Victoria is one of the old cities of Brazil, and yet is rapidly becoming one of the newest and up-to-date. Until the new lines of these railroads touch it it lay sleeping under the darkness of Catholic superstition. The population as yet is only 11,000, but every indication is that it will rapidly increase. It is wonderful to see the change that has already been wrought under the intelligent guidance of the railroad and port company management. The whole city is feeling the new life and tingle of intelligence and push. The leading spirit in this modern improvement is Dr. F. M. Pinto, general superintendent of the port company. He is a native Brazilian, a perfect gentleman in every sense of the word. He was educated in Boston, speaks with ease a number of languages, and seems to delight in mathematics, but best of all he is a devout, humble, energetic Christian, and none the worse for being a thorough Baptist. He is a constant joy to our missionaries and to every one who appreciates Christian thoughtfulness. His love as shown in little things to Missionary Reno and family was to me very touching. This is shown in a great many ways. My wife and I are under many obligations of gratitude to him and his family, four of whom are also Baptists.

In this important port city we have Brother Reno and wife and young Brother Kerschner, who expects soon to return to the homeland for his helpmeet. These missionaries, it seems to me, are overworking themselves, their hearts and bodies in trying to cover the whole of the state of Espirito Santo and much of the state of Minas. Much of their most fruitful work is done in the country districts. They are often gone from Victoria as long as six weeks at a time. Here as everywhere I have visited, is great need of equipment. In this city we Baptists are the only Protestants. We are the only ones except the Catholics who are making every effort to win the incoming multitudes. We own a small lot, on which was built a cheap building some years ago, which is now out of commission because of the giving away of its walls. No service has been held in it since January last. Our church is worshipping in the rented home of Missionary Reno. I had the joy of conducting two services in his best room. Not only it, but the dining room and the hallway were packed to the utmost capacity with those who seemed to be hungering for the truth, among whom were four of the leading doctors, two bankers, one of the leading lawyers and a number of officials from the railroad and port companies. The lives of our missionaries, as well as that of Dr. Pinto and family, with the truth they are trying to preach and live, have won the respect of the better classes of the city in a marked way. If we only had a well-located and comfortable place in which to receive these people as they come to hear the word. Then I think there ought to be an additional missionary and his wife here who could give all their time and strength to this growing city. From here many of the new towns along the railroad will be influenced for good or evil. Now is the time to take Victoria.

I saw a vacant lot facing on the most beautiful park of the city which would make an ideal place for a Baptist church. This lot can now be bought for \$10,000 or \$12,000, and ought by all means to be gotten. During the four services held in Victoria 16 gave their names in writing, saying that they had accepted Jesus as their Savior. There is a great opportunity here for a Christian school in this capital city, and what an opportunity it offers for His glory and the uplift of this part of Brazil. Out of these mountain fastnesses the gospel will win many of its

best preachers if it is given a human voice backed by a godly life.

It seems to me that I saw more evidence of the idolatry of Rome in this state than in any other. Some of the names here noted are suggestive, even the name of the state itself. Espirito Santo (Holy Spirit) to me is blasphemous. I saw a college building over whose door were written these words, "The College of the Divine Holy Spirit." A beer factory was entitled "The Beer of the Holy Spirit." People are named Jesus Salvador (Savior). These are enough. Such a use of the divine names destroys all their significance to the mind. So it becomes exceedingly difficult to convey the real truth as to Jesus, the divine Son of God. Even the conception of God himself is distorted by its flippant use. We saw in one of their buildings images of the Trinity—three horrid pieces of stone, crude and repulsive—and yet many come daily to offer their tribute and worship here. What small conception the Roman hierarchy of South America must possess of the divine Trinity. The fruitage of this worship, as shown in the morals of the people, is not nearly so high as that produced by pagan idolatry in China as I saw it.

As one enters the harbor of Victoria he sees to his left a prominent mountain peak crowned with a temple, called "Our Lady of the Rock." This temple was begun during the life of its founder, Friar Pedro Palacios, who died May 2, 1575 A. D., 32 years before Jamestown, Va., was first settled. He is buried at the base of the mountain in a cave where he is said to have lived much of his life. He is believed by the natives to have lived a life of great piety and unselfish devotion. The story is told that the image of "Our Lady of the Rock" fell from heaven and was found by the good friar on the top of the mountain, and he brought her down and proposed to build a temple at the foot of the mountain, where the people could reach her more readily. After she had been placed in the position selected by him it was found the next morning that she was not there, and after much searching she was discovered on the mountain top, where he had found her. Again she was brought down, and again during the night escaped to the top of the mountain. This was repeated several different nights, until the populace decided it was the will of heaven that "Our Lady of the Rock" have a temple on the mountain; so there was begun the task of building a splendid temple. As one winds his way around and around the mountain side until he reaches the top, out of strength and breath virtually, he is amazed to find the immense pile of stone, and wonders at the amount of toil and sacrifice, and possibly of life, it must have cost to erect it. This building has its chapel and quite a number of rooms, containing many of the lesser saints. Mary is worshipped under the name of "Our Lady of the Rock," which is the chief idol. It is claimed that she has wrought many marvelous miracles of healing, even bringing back to life those who had been for some time dead. Here may be seen thousands of native offerings of all kinds and descriptions, and of different materials, principally of wax, each having its legend of miracles wrought. Pages of many of our papers might be filled with these marvelous claims, and yet not begin to exhaust them. There were all parts of the human body which were said to have been restored to health and vigor, and pictures of loved ones who were said to have been brought back to life, saved from burning buildings, shipwreck, etc. About the image of "Our Lady of the Rock" are often strewn many valuable jewels. On special festal days we were told that the floor and steps were literally covered with gifts. The stone steps at the entrance of the chapel are deeply worn by the multitude of tired feet that have passed over them. There were quite a number coming and going while we were there. In one department there was a man selling all kinds of trinkets, crucifixes, etc., and distributing the following prayer and other Catholic literature:

Prayer of "Our Lady of the Rock."

1. "O Mary, Most Holy Lady of the Rock, in whose hands God deposited all the treasures of His graces, constituting thee a loving and most generous dispenser to all who seek refuge in thee with a living faith.

"Behold me, full confidence in thy most efficacious protection, humbly seeking thy protection and refuge.

"Ah! do not deny thy favor, oh, dear mother, to this, thy loving, although unworthy child.

"Remember, oh, Lady of the Rock, that never has it been heard that any one who has placed full confidence in thee has been deluded.

"Console me then, oh, Most Loving Lady, with thy graces that so urgently I beseech, that I may continue to honor thee on earth with my cordial recognition until I may, one day in heaven, more worthily thank thee for all the benefits received in the ages of ages. So be it.

2. We sanction this prayer for the private use of the devotees of Our Lady of the Rock (state of Espirito Santo), granting 50 days of indulgence each time it is recited.

"Victoria, April 23, 1901.

"JOHN, Bishop of the Diocese."

After getting several of the trinkets as curios I asked the vendor through Dr. Pinto if he could sell me a Catholic Bible, but he shook his head with great disgust and said, "No Bible, no Bible." As we came down over the rough stone paved pathway we met an old man, very pale and feeble, who was trying to climb to the feet of "Our Lady of the Rock" to have her cure him, and not far behind him were several women making the long ascent over the ragged stones barefooted, doing penance, thus hoping for freedom from sin. Only those who see such things with their own eyes can have any idea what Roman Catholicism is in Brazil.

The above quoted prayer was written by John, bishop of the diocese. Since then the honorable bishop who at that time presided over the entire state of Espirito Santo has been removed by the Pope. On his leaving Victoria he has 14 boxes and trunks of baggage sent by freight. In some way a mistake was made in loading, and two of the boxes were left behind. When the bishop found out that these were left he telegraphed for them to be sent to him, but before this could be done the incoming bishop arrived, and his curiosity prompted him to look into the boxes, and they were found to contain valuable gold and silver offerings which had been presented in the different churches in Espirito Santo by the blind devotees to whom he had granted indulgence. The new bishop wired him that as he had 12 boxes of riches, he himself would just keep the two left. This is one of the fruits of the doctrines taught by Rome, that the end justifies the means. They charge the people for baptizing their babies, for marrying their young, for saying mass for their sins, and then when they die for burying, and after they are dead they charge for praying for the repose of their souls, ad infinitum, and these fees are according to the supposed ability of the people to pay.

Now, does any intelligent Baptist question that the gospel ought to be preached in this Catholic country? He will not question it if he goes and sees it for himself.

W. Y. QUISENBERRY.

I WILL.

- I will start anew this morning with a higher, fairer creed;
- I will cease to stand complaining of my ruthless neighbor's greed;
- I will cease to sit repining while my duty's call is clear;
- I will look sometimes about me for the things that merit praise;
- I will search for hidden beauties that elude the grumbler's gaze;
- I will try to find contentment in the paths that I must tread;
- I will cease to have resentment when another moves ahead.
- I will not be swayed by envy when my rival's strength is shown;
- I will not deny his merit, but I'll strive to prove my own;
- I will try to see the beauty spread before me, rain or shine—
- I will cease to preach your duty and be more concerned with mine.

—S. E. Kiser.

Ninety-five per cent of those who invest in whiskey have no share in the money dividends, but a big share in the miseries of life.

Changeable weather is an unchangeable topic of conversation.

## PRAY FOR THE DISORGANIZERS.

We have no sympathy with the guerrilla system of the enemies of our organized work who, never having given the present plans of the boards their support, are continually crying for the ceaseless and needless changing of machinery and plans of operation in order to conform to some idiosyncrasy of their own, and instead of trying to work in harmony are in a state of secret or open rebellion, doing all in their power to get Baptists within their reach and influence not to co-operate with the State and Southern Baptist conventions. They are continually tending to schism, contention and paralysis of the well thought out campaigns of our chosen leaders. God grant that some one will arise who in His name will prove strong enough to win them into a new fellowship and loyalty to our organized work.

## WORSHIPPING THE NEW.

There is a perfect mania for setting up something new.

If it's old it's bad, if it's new it is good, seems to be the watchword of many political, social and religious reformers.

Down with the old, up with the new!

This cry rallies many to its standard. Lots of church members take no interest in the meetings until the time rolls round to call a new pastor, and then how they do flock in.

They are not usually modest, and having taken little interest in the church, either as to paying or praying, for quite a spell, they now rush to the front to lead the brethren in choosing the new shepherd. The old crowd sits back and lets them have their way, forgetting that in a little while their enthusiasm will wane and that they will go into retirement for another season of rest.

It's time the old guard is putting a stop to such foolishness.

## LET'S BE PREPARED.

When we go to Enterprise to the State Convention let's be prepared in mind and heart to be willing to go forward by laying broad foundations, formulating wise plans and better articulating our Baptist machinery to pull the increasing load on our organized work.

We hope there will be unrestricted opportunity for the discussion of our denominational affairs, so that every one who wishes to may have a full and patient hearing and thereby set forth the fact that our convention is truly a democratic body.

Let's make a supreme effort to enlist every member in every church to join hands with those who have seen the vision of the needs of self-sacrificing service; and when united as a people we will be able to rally to the support of any comprehensive policy of administration or missionary endeavor that the convention in its wisdom may deem wise to inaugurate.

## LEADERS WANTED.

The call today in Alabama is for leaders, men whose wisdom the people wait for, on whose strength they depend, at whose call they rise above themselves and lift their tasks on to higher levels. All over Alabama are young men, middle-aged men and old men on whom the people are waiting.

Brethren, they are watching you, waiting for you to come out into the open as leaders.

But it has been truly said that so keen are men to be led that they are headstrong and silly and undiscerning, accepting any man who proclaims himself to be some one great, who professes to have a message, who moves towards a purpose, who unfolds before the public a plan. Yes, it is true that the world is greedy for leadership, so much so that it is easy to impose upon the credulity of the multitudes.

If you hear the call and are inspired by the right motives it makes it necessary that your leadership should be a real thing, sound to the core, determined as fate, pure as the sea.

King Henry VIII, of England, lived a life of pomp, luxury and vice, and when he lay on his deathbed and had taken a last cup of wine, he said: "So, my friends, now all is gone, pleasure, life and my soul."



## EDITORIAL

## THE PAPER AND ITS CORRESPONDENTS.

When two brethren are threshing out a subject in the paper we do not feel called upon to take sides.

We hold ourselves responsible only for the editorial columns.

The paper under our guidance has always stood for the great evangelistic truths contained in the Bible, and it has been criticised more for its ultra conservatism than for radicalism.

We have stood for the doctrines dear to our Baptist people, and yet recognizing that Baptists have differed from us in our views concerning the scripture we have permitted them to set forth their opinions.

Recently one of our Northern Baptist editors was called to task for printing certain articles, and he well said:

"Many things appear in the Baptist Commonwealth that we do not editorially or personally endorse. We recognize, however, that many of our constituents do endorse such views, and they are entitled to representative articles in our columns. It is the policy of our paper to let the Baptist world know what shades of opinion are being presented and even what vagaries are being sometimes preached. Ignorance is no virtue. We believe that it is wise even for those who are weak in certain doctrines to know all sides of that doctrine, for we believe that fairness is better than a one-sided acceptance of truth. If one is going to stand for the phase of truth that he holds he must know other phases of that truth in order not simply to answer those phases as they are presented to him by other persons, but also to have additional reason for the assurance of his own opinion."

From our "easy chair" we have watched in the columns some pretty warm scrimmages. We have seen men of equal intelligence wax hot in offering different solutions of vexing problems.

We have in common with other editors been criticised because we would not permit the paper to be used as a boiling pot of controversy, and more often given offense because we would not take sides with disputants, only to have them cease making faces at one another to make faces at us.

But it is all in the day's work. We just keep smiling.

## MISSIONS GIVES A WIDER VISION.

The provincial gaze under the pressure of modern missions is fast being transformed into an international view.

Many members of our local churches under the inspiration of missionary information are being made to feel the thrill which comes from the realization that they can have a part as world citizens by linking themselves on to Foreign Missions. And with all of our twentieth century inventions at work time has been shortened and distance annihilated and the man in the remote country districts of Alabama is in touch with his brother on the other side of the world as never before.

In our morning paper, through the Associated Press, we get a world glimpse.

Our material and scientific achievements give us the opportunity to spread the gospel to the uttermost parts of the earth.

Christianity is a world religion.

## THE COOSA RIVER ASSOCIATION.

This body met with the Mt. Gilead church. It will be remembered by many that the church building was blown away in the cyclone last March. Many thought its members would give up having the association, as a number had their homes, barns or stock injured. But they went to work and in a little while had built a new and commodious church. In spite of the rain 41 out of the 48 churches were represented on the first day. Dr. Yarborough, as chairman of the executive committee, stated that they had arranged for a blackboard to be used to give the usual statistics set down in the letters, and Brother Johnson put down the figures as the representatives gave them from the floor. It was truly interesting to see how well the association carried out the new plan. (Dr. Yarborough has promised to set forth the plan in the paper in detail.) Dr. J. M. Thomas, of Talladega, who represented the State Board, made a great address on the Bible plan of giving. The missionary sermon, preached by Brother Johnson, of Oxford, was truly a masterful and helpful message. D. C. Cooper, the consecrated layman of Oxford, was unanimously re-elected moderator, and A. F. Roper clerk. The association is certainly going forward. Pastor Bennett is delighted with his new field, and his people are already in love with him. We heard many good things said about the introductory sermon preached by Rev. J. W. Long. We were hospitably cared for in the home of Brother and Sister Griffin.

## THE CEDAR BLUFF ASSOCIATION.

This body met with Sand Rock church, on the mountain about midway between Leesburg and Collinsville. We had a time in finding it. We first went to Cedar Bluff, then to Mound Mountain and then to Leesburg, where through the kindness of Brother Palmer we got a conveyance. We arrived in time to hear Brother Gregory preach a helpful introductory sermon. Rev. J. N. Webb was re-elected moderator, and was mighty good in giving us time to talk to the association. Brother W. L. Mitchell, who was elected clerk, kindly sent us over to Collinsville, making it possible for us to reach home Friday night. Rev. I. A. White, of Attalla, who was present to represent the State Board, made a stirring address on education. We always enjoy our visits to this association.

## CATHOLICS VS. BAPTISTS IN RUSSIA.

The following taken from the paper known as the Catholic Telegraph has appeared recently in several of our religious exchanges. It shows the spirit of Rome toward Protestants:

"The Baptist sect is making enormous progress on the eastern frontiers of Southern Russia and Turkestan. A year ago the holy synod sent one of its best missionaries, Fr. Volguine to counteract this movement. But what was the surprise of the authorities to learn shortly afterwards that Volguine had not converted the Baptists, but had been converted by them! M. Sabler of the holy synod, has now conceived the simple plan of taking vast tracts of land belonging to the Kalmucks—natives of the steppes—building monasteries upon them and peopling them with hundreds of Orthodox monks. The monasteries are in their turn to be surrounded by strong Russian colonies which will subsist on land from the natives. All this is expected to convert the latter back to orthodoxy. But a fiery Orthodox Russian name Reckna has somewhat upset the little plan by precipitous conduct. He cannot endure the Baptists, and has appealed to their converts, begging them to return. This week he adopted fresh methods. He broke into a Baptist meeting place and stabbed a Baptist preacher named Vasillikoff. Afterwards he repaired unmolested to an Orthodox church where, after washing his blood-stained hands in the fountain of the courtyard he was about to pray, when he was arrested. Strange to say, these Baptists enjoy powerful protection in Russia and a freedom which could never be aspired to by Catholics."

It was during his visit in 1739 that Whitefield gave his blessing to William Tennent, the founder of the log college that afterwards became known as Princeton University.



JUDSON NOTES.

On Thursday, September 18, occurred the opening of the Judson. For two days before the trains were crowded with girls and their parents, coming to see them settled in their new surroundings. All the southern states are represented, and Oklahoma, Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, while the faculty come from a still wider range. Several families have moved into Marion so as to send their daughters to Judson, and their sons to Marion Institute.

The Board of Visitors of the Alumnae, an organization formed at the Jubilee in May, have done much to improve the appearance of the rooms by tinting the walls blue, or pink, or cream; and fresh paint and other improvements make a delightful impression of perfect cleanliness and sanitary wholesomeness. The parents who came seemed much pleased with the appearance of things and we were glad to have them see the Judson for themselves. Among them was Mr. S. R. Boykin of Seale, with his daughter, Miss Jessie, whose interest and activity in all good works is well known; there were also Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Kirkland from Mississippi; Mrs. John Haynesworth, of Uniontown; Mrs. Oscar E. Smith and Mrs. Sullivan, of Selma; Mrs. R. L. Sutton, of Orrville, and many others whom we were rejoiced to welcome. There are twenty girls from Louisiana, and some from Texas and Oklahoma, as well as from every other Southern State.

Among the new members of the faculty are two in the Conservatory of Music, Miss Mary Ogilvie Douglas and Miss Elizabeth Edwards.

Miss Douglas is from Atlanta, where she has studied and taught. Her specialty is the violin, which she has studied in Boston after finishing at the Muller School in Atlanta. She has taught in the Bessie Tift College and the Wesleyan at Macon. The violin director of the latter says: "Her playing is characterized by intelligent interpretation, sympathetic tone and good technique." Theodore Morgan-Stephens of the Morgan Violin School, at Atlanta, says: "Of Miss Douglas I cannot speak too highly, both as a violin teacher and as a concert violinist." Miss Douglas is also well trained in piano, harmony, and other musical studies, and is highly recommended for her teaching ability and for her refinement and general culture.

Miss Edwards is from New York, and has taught, sung in choirs, and conducted chorus work in private classes and in schools and churches. Her voice is contralto of good range and cultivation, and those who have heard her recommend her work highly. Dr. Fowler, President of Lexington College, Mo., says: "Miss Edwards, in her voice work here, has proven herself to be a lady of rare talent and of splendid training. In her class room work she is sincere, industrious, faithful, and magnetic. She will do well in any school in her chosen work, and we heartily recommend her both as a refined and cultured lady and as a teacher."

At 9 on Thursday morning the school gathered in the Alumnae Auditorium to the strains of the pipe organ played by Mr. Powers, the director of the Conservatory. On the platform were President Bomar, Dr. Murfee, of the Marion Institute; Dr. W. B. Crumpton, whose wife, mother-in-law, and daughters were Judson girls; Prof. Howard Griggs, of Montgomery; Mr. T. T. Daughdrill, Secretary of the Board of Trustees; Dr. J. P. Haley and Judge Fowlkes, of Marion; the officers of the Marion Chapter of Alumnae, and the faculty; while the pupils, old and new, filled the middle tier of seats and overflowed on the sides, and visitors from town and a distance completed a very appreciative audience for the opening. A steady, cool rain prevented many of the townfolk from being present.

After a hymn and a prayer by Dr. Crumpton, a lovely violin selection was given by Miss Douglas, the teacher of the violin, accompanied by the organ; and the hearty applause following showed the pleasure of the audience. A welcome was then spoken by the new president, Dr. Bomar, whose long and devoted service to the Judson has made him loved and honored by all; and Mrs. Julia Murfee Lovelace gave the welcome for the Marion Alumnae, telling the girls, "We commend you to the tender mercies of the faculty; should these seem too severe at times, we assure you of the

NORTH LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

Whereas, it has been published in the papers throughout the state that at our next annual meeting of the State Board of Missions our beloved secretary, Dr. W. B. Crumpton, will tender his resignation as such; therefore be it

Resolved, That this association desires in this public manner to extend to Brother Crumpton its hearty thanks for and high appreciation of the great and lasting good that he has accomplished as our efficient secretary and fearless leader for more than a quarter of a century.

Resolved, again, That because of the general satisfaction he has given and is now giving, if not asking too much of him, we urge him to continue to occupy and magnify the office he has so long honored.

sympathy of the Alumnae, who have traveled the same stormy path."

Dr. Bomar next introduced each gentleman sitting on the platform, who made addresses in such pleasant fashion as to call forth hearty applause, punctuated with laughter at their excellent jokes.

Mrs. Annie May Cox Taylor, of China, who is in America on her vacation from arduous missionary labors was asked to speak a word; and she "hoped that the girls would all enjoy their Judson days as much as she did."

After and above the wisdom of men, comes the divine wisdom; and Dr. Bomar fittingly closed the exercises by a reading of Scripture and prayer.

LOUISE MANLY.

NOTES FROM BROTHER CRUMPTON ON SAYINGS OF HIS CORRESPONDENTS.

"We closed our missionary campaign Sunday night at Shorters, and every church in the association was visited by Brother Napier and other members of the committee. In nearly every church we had as many speakers and as many speeches as we could use. We have not made out the statistics but we have received many subscriptions for the Foreign Mission Journal, Home Field, and some for the Alabama Baptist. We met with a hearty approval in our plan to group the churches and many converts were made to foreign missions. Stewardship, tithing and systematic giving were emphasized in nearly all the churches, splendid crowds gave close attention all day and far into the night. I believe with a live, wide awake ministry in the country we could take the Tuskegee Association and astonish the State of Alabama in less than six months. The people are ready for something new and large and with proper leadership would do nobly. How I long for the day when our country pastors will be supported so that they can and will give all their time to the Lord's work."—W. W. Campbell.

These words from one of the liveliest moderators in any state ought to be studied by other moderators and leading brethren. He is a busy man with his large interests, but he gave twenty days in August alone to this campaign.

Our Baptist people are ready to do things, if somebody who can get their ear will arouse them. The state forces stand ready to help the associational forces. The state forces should not take the initiative; the associational forces should lead.

"I know you will be glad to hear of the good meeting at Pelham. Brother Carlisle from Jonesboro helped me and did some fine preaching. We received thirteen members, and those already members were greatly revived. I baptized eleven fine young men and girls. We have gone to work about the church and going to get the lot."—S. A. Taylor.

Pelham is going to be a place of considerable importance, and we must have a church building there. The Encampment town must have a building. All will rejoice to read of the revival there.

"This is from a widow who does not want her name published."

The letter contained a check for \$25.00 for different objects, including the debt-paying campaign. This good woman has been doing this way for years. The Lord knows who she is and some sweet day He

will tell it out. She reads the Alabama Baptist and her heart is in all the work His people are doing in His name.

"You have been good to me and also the cause of Christ, in allowing me to go to the country to conduct revivals the last few weeks. The Lord has heard our prayers and blessed the work. More than 125 members have been added to the churches where I have been, two prayer meetings organized, one Sunday school organized and one church constituted. The Lord only has a full record of the work. I'm at home now for a few days. Come to see me."—J. O. Williams.

This letter on the Athens church calendar from the retiring pro tem. pastor is full of encouragement. How the Lord has blessed his three months' ministry! The pastors in large town and city pulpits need to get out in the country. They need it themselves, and the people need them.

"The church is exceedingly fortunate in securing Rev. Clay I. Hudson as pastor. He is a strong man, a man of God, successful pastor and most excellent preacher. A new day is on us in our church. Great things are in store for us. Join in the good work of the ladies in painting and renewing the parlor. Mr. and Mrs. Hudson will soon be here to occupy it."

Here is another note in the Athens calendar. Athens has been a mission church for years, but will soon be numbered with the strong churches of North Alabama.

"I got a Southern Baptist Convention minute of you, but do not understand it thoroughly. Please tell me what is a State Board and how many are there, and what is the difference between the State Board and Home Mission Board. Are they in session at all times, or only part of the time? After our money leaves the association does it go to the State Board and then to the Home Board? Where is the Home Mission and Foreign Mission money divided? Please give me all the information that you can."

Of course, I gave him the information desired. He is a good man and a friend to the boards.

Another, who is not a friend, asked for a minute and got it. He told a party that its reading only confirmed him in his opposition, for he found where the Foreign Board took the money the poor people gave for Foreign Missions and bought stocks and bonds of railroads and banks. These were bonds given to the board, the interest only to be used. Of course, in the annual report they had to be accounted for, and this poor man took it that the board was speculating in stocks and bonds.

Is the Rule Right?

A clerk writes for duplicate receipts for the ones he lost and says:

"Our association has a rule now not to give churches credit in the minutes without a voucher."

That is exactly right. Receipts will never be valued without a rule of that sort. It protects the churches; it protects the brother who sends the money; it protects the boards. Thousands of dollars reported in the letters never reach their destinations because:

In some instances the amount was only guessed at—it never was given; in other instances it never was sent in.

The only business-like way is to require vouchers. W. B. CRUMPTON.

WHAT SHALL WE DO?

Nearly every mail brings urgent appeals for help. One brother says: "I can't stay on this field unless I can get a raise in salary." Another: "I will move to —, where you want me to go, and give myself wholly to the ministry if I can have the assurance that the board will help." An executive committee: "We want a raise of \$10 from your board to keep our missionary on this important field. Our missionary must have a horse and buggy to do the work." Another: "I think I will be called at —, and will accept if the board continues its aid."

Every one of these pleas are gilt edge. The help ought to be granted.

If I could only feel assured that the churches were going to come across in October, the last month, with \$20,000 for State Missions then I could make every heart glad.

Oh, the shame of it! We are only playing at missions in Alabama. W. B. CRUMPTON.

### YOU CAN WRITE LETTERS LIKE THESE.

The following will give you a good idea of what kind of a letter you will be able to write after you have secured your piano or self-player piano through the Alabama Baptist Piano Club:

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 28, 1912.  
"We are all delighted with the piano. It is beautifully finished and has such a sweet tone. All of our friends, including a musician, pronounced it a most splendid piano. I am very much pleased with the Club Plan, because it enables people of moderate means to obtain a fine piano at a small cost each month."

MARY ELLIOTT.

Blythewood, S. C., May 2, 1912.  
"The lovely piano came yesterday. Am just delighted with it; so are my musical friends. The tone is so full and sweet and the case is lovely."

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We have just closed a meeting at Harmony Baptist church, six miles north of Troy. The meeting began on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in August with great interest by every one and became the most glorious revival I ever witnessed. Six souls confessed Christ and we received two by letter. Christians were strengthened and made to rejoice. We had with us our pastor, Rev. M. I. McLeod, assisted by Rev. B. M. Barnett, of Georgia, who did most of the preaching. He is a man who loves God and prays with great earnestness. His words were guided by the Holy Spirit. I am 60 years old, and have never before witnessed such a revival. My greatest regret is that circumstances would not permit me to attend every service. Brother T. J. Youngblood, of Troy, was with us on Monday. We were truly glad to have such a man as he with us. On Wednesday at 11 o'clock, after a noble and soul-stirring sermon by Brother Barnett, the doors of the church were opened for the reception of members. Four came forward to unite with the church. After being received the dear old hymn, "How Firm a Foundation," was selected to be sung while extending the right hand of fellowship. About a verse and a half was sung when the choir broke down and the organ ceased. I do not think there was a cheek in the house that wasn't bathed in tears. They wept for joy, for they felt the presence of God. On Thursday the crowd met at Mt. Moriah pool, where six candidates were baptized. After the event the congregation met at the church and extended the right hand of church fellowship. After a thrilling talk by Brother Barnett every one extended the parting hand and went on his way rejoicing. May God's richest blessing go with Brother Barnett in his work as our prayer.

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We began our meeting at Mt. Nebo church on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in August and closed on the first Sunday night in September. The good Lord graciously blessed us with 12 conversions, 12 accessions by baptism and five by letter and a great spiritual awakening among all the saved. It was the first meeting in the new church, which was dedicated on the first Sunday of the meeting. Brother H. E. Rice and Brother C. Howel were our ministerial aid. The two brethren mentioned did most of the preaching. They are both great men with a good deal of experience. Brother H. E. Rice has been preaching 19 years. Elder Howell has 44 years of experience. May the Lord bless all in His service.—W. T. Hall, Bridgeport.

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A GREAT MEETING AT OAKMAN BAPTIST CHURCH.

On the fourth Sunday in August a revival meeting was begun at the Oakman Baptist church and continued 13 days. Brother Curtis S. Shugart did the preaching. All the people of the town seemed to fall in love with him from the very first. Great crowds attended every night. We began at the church house, but it was soon discovered that 400 people or more would be in the house and about the same number on the outside. We then secured a large tent for the night services, and perhaps a thousand or more attended every night. The whole town and surrounding communities were stirred as never before in years. There were 27 baptized and two others offered themselves for membership, but their parents were not willing for them to be baptized, and 17 joined by letter, making a total of 46 additions. Brother Shugart's singer, Brother Williams, led the song services, and our people were very much in love with him. Besides many other excellent qualities, he is a devoted Christian, which is more essential than any of the other qualifications. I do not believe that any one should attempt to lead the song services for a revival who is not a good, consecrated Christian.

Brother Shugart has now held three revival meetings for me, and each meeting has been a decided success. I therefore do not hesitate to recommend him to the churches. May the Lord enable him to continue to be a great soul winner for Christ, and also the Lord bless his singer, Brother Williams, as he goes from place to place singing the gospel.

Success to the Alabama Baptist.  
Yours in His service,  
D. D. HEAD, Pastor.

A great union baptizing between Rehoboth and Pleasant Grove churches took place in Barrett's creek near Lawley, Sunday, September 7, 1913. Thirty-eight were baptized, the pastor, Rev. P. G. Maness, administering the ordinance. It is estimated that about 1,000 people witnessed the ceremony. The ages of the candidates ranged from 10 to 58 years. Fathers, mothers and their children were baptized together, and the Free Wills, Methodists and Campbellites were represented among the number. Old people say that these are the greatest all-round meetings ever held at these churches. Twenty-five were added to Pleasant Grove and 36 to Rehoboth. Rev. W. H. Connell assisted at the former and Rev. F. M. Barnes at the latter. Both did unusually splendid work, and the churches are left in fine condition.—P. G. Maness.

The St. Clair Association.—This body met with Mt. Pleasant church. Rev. W. P. Lovell was elected moderator and Brother J. M. Garrett clerk. We had the pleasure of meeting a number of our old friends. We preached the introductory sermon. Brother W. F. Yarborough was present and represented the mission interests. We had the privilege of driving out to the association with Brother Garrett, of Pell City.

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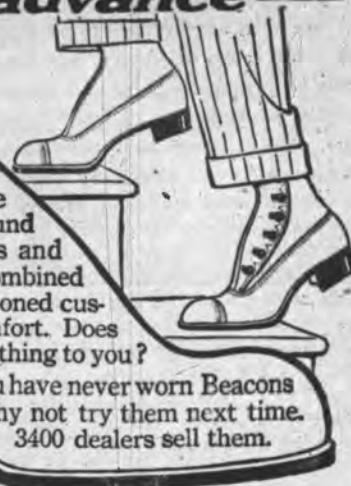
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W. R. SEYMORE,  
Pastor Culberson Avenue Baptist  
Church, New Albany, Ind.

I recently had the pleasure of visiting the place where I spent my boyhood days and preaching to my old schoolmates and other friends. I preached for the church at Forney, a little country village, three days and four night. The Lord seemed to be present, and gave us 13 souls, eight of whom were baptized. Several joined by letter. I certainly enjoyed telling the story of the cross and seeing the unsaved come to God. From Forney I went to Lime Branch church, just over in Georgia, where we had a good meeting. I certainly enjoyed my stay in Alabama, and if Alabama is willing I am willing to come back and stay. Success to the Alabama Baptist. I enjoy it so much. Sincerely—  
J. R. Barnett, Pastor Second Baptist Church, Hot Springs, Ark.

The ladies of Jones Baptist church gave an ice cream supper Friday evening, September 12, to help pay for additions we recently made on our building. The people of this community took a great interest and helped to make it a success for which we thank them. We are also thankful for contributions of Mr. Alexander and Brother Carey Chandler of 50 cents each. The sales of the young ladies who waited upon the tables were as follows: Miss Mae King, \$4.50; Miss Thelma Motley, \$2.80; Miss Edith McGee, \$2.70; Miss Lonie Chambers, \$2.60; Miss Ethel King \$2.50. The sales at the tables made the total sales \$26. We again thank all who helped. Yours—J. F. Apperson.

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P. S. Brother, contrast the little time and money that you devote to the service of God with that rendered by the Jew and you will hang your head in study, if not shame.

I closed my meeting at Summit Baptist church, on Shades Mountain, Sunday night September 14. Baptized four; had several others to confess and join other churches. Brother W. R. Rigel, formerly pastor of Holt and New Prospect, did the preaching. Brother Rigel is a strong preacher, and the church was greatly uplifted through his work. He leaves in a few days to take up his studies at the University of Chicago.—J. D. Thompson, Pastor.



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The Unity-Chilton Baptist High School opened very satisfactorily to these concerned on the 3rd day of September, 1913. The two associations, Unity and Chilton County, recognizing the need of a preparatory school in Central Alabama, appointed a committee to look into the matter and take such steps as in their judgment would be best for the cause. The committee agreed to establish the school at Thorsby, Ala. The Baptist church at Thorsby donated the use of their house to the school for one year. The committee went to work and built three additional rooms on to the church, where the school is very comfortably housed, with N. W. Henson, principal; H. L. Foshee, first assistant, and Miss Vonie Morton, second assistant. Thirty-six boys and girls were present at the opening, and before the day was over 42 had been enrolled. This number has grown until now about 50 have been registered, with a number of others who will enter as soon as cotton is picked. We feel that we will reach 75 by November 1. Tuition and board have been made just as low as possible, in order to reach the poor boy and girl, because we hope to make this a school that will be in reach of every one. The trustees of the school hope for the hearty co-operation of the Baptists of all Central Alabama. Brethren, come with us and let us build a school that will be a mighty force in our denominational life.—W. M. Olive, Field Secretary.

On September 14 I had the pleasure of baptizing Brother J. M. Thomas' last wife into the membership and fellowship of New Hope church, Beat 14, Elmore county.—J. L. Long.

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THIS WILL INTEREST MANY.

F. W. Parkhurst, the Boston publisher, says that if anyone afflicted with rheumatism in any form, neuralgia or kidney trouble, will send their address to him at 701 Carney Building, Boston, Mass., he will direct them to a perfect cure. He has nothing to sell or give; only tells you how he was cured after years of search for relief. Hundreds have tested it with success.

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Recently I spent a week at Malone in the pleasant home of Nixon Lucas. It had been but a short time since I first met him, but as the days went by I perceived that he was a very modest man. Though a business man of unusual ability, he scarcely referred to his business achievements. For quite a while he has been the main spring in the Baptist church at Malone, yet he left me to learn this indirectly. As I talked with him I was deeply impressed with his comprehension of the scope and importance of the Sunday school. In many respects he is a specialist on Sunday school work. He is a man of deep convictions, and has worked out a remarkable conception of what his Master's cause should be and is faithfully putting those principles into practice. To assist him in this work he has provided himself with many of the choicest books pertaining to efficient service, is mastering them and putting them into practice. He is a man of deep piety. One feels the influence of his character in his home. As the people of the community speak of him they do so with the profoundest respect. He loves Jesus Christ. They know it, and do not hesitate to say so. His anxiety for the salvation of the young people is impressive. The salvation of his Sunday school class seems to be the one thought of his life. I am sure that they recognize this and appreciate it. The Lord is wonderfully blessing these children through him. One will scarcely find a class of sweeter little girls than those taught by Brother Lucas in a town the size of Malone. He is pouring his refined conceptions of righteousness into their young lives in a wonderful way, and one cannot help wondering at the beautiful simplicity, graceful gentleness and devout bearing of these girls in their teens. As I watched him day after day I breathed the prayer, "May his tribe increase."

Roanoke, Ala.

**OBITUARY.**

Mrs. S. E. Tidwell was born January 2, 1856, making her sojourn on earth 56 years, 7 months and 5 days, and departed this life August 8, 1913.

Sister Tidwell accepted Christ when 15 years old and lived a consistent Christian the remainder of her life. She was plain and outspoken in manner, but gentle, kind and loving. It was a pleasure to be in her presence. Her doors stood open to her friends and to all in distress. She was sick but a short time when the angel of death came and bore her spirit from the toils and cares of this life to a happy home beyond the sky, there to dwell forevermore in the presence of her Lord and Master, whom she most ardently loved. The dear sister was devoted to the care and welfare of her husband and children, and the wonderful qualities of her love, patience and forbearance marked her as possessing that meek and gentle spirit that so wonderfully characterize a Christian on earth. To neighbors and friends she was ever faithful and ready to lend a helping hand. Nothing seemed to do her more good than to be of service to all who were in need of help. Thank God, she had saving grace and grace to serve. She was never heard to say hard things of others. But, alas! she is gone, leav-

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ing us well night crushed in our grief. We know it is well with her, yet life seems a dreary waste without her precious presence. The patient, helpful hands are folded over the noble heart that will throb no more with anguish of the earth; the sensitive mouth will quiver no more from pain; no more tears of sorrow course down her cheeks. That precious form so dear to us will no more move with faltering steps about her home. She is gone, but the sweet memory of her noble and upright life, what she did and sought to do for the Master and suffering humanity will be cherished by her loved ones and friends to the end. It is hard to give her up, but the Heavenly home gets nearer and dearer as friends go home.

Dear husband and boys and girls, don't be discouraged. The same hand that led mamma will lead you all to that higher life that your dear mother lived. Dear friend, we cannot have your Christian association here, but the dear Lord will call us home one by one, and then we can enjoy heaven together.

Her funeral services were conducted by her pastor, J. L. Busby, who spoke touchingly of the beautiful characteristics of her life to the bereaved family and sorrowing friends, after which her remains were laid to rest in the Blocton cemetery to sleep that blessed, peaceful sleep from which none ever wake to weep.

A precious one from us has gone,  
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The boon His love had given,  
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**A GLORIOUS MEETING.**

We began a meeting at Mt. Hebron Baptist church, near Akron, Ala., Monday night, September 8, which continued seven days, and resulted in 26 additions to the church—one by letter and 25 by experience and baptism. It was one of the greatest revivals in the history of the church. People 70 years old say they never saw such a glorious meeting. The church was greatly revived and has taken on new life. Brother J. W. Dunaway conducted the meeting, preaching twice each day. He is a power in the pulpit and an earnest worker for the Lord. The church presented him with a purse of \$31.25 at the close of the meeting as an evidence of their appreciation of his service. May the Lord continue the good work. Brother Dunaway has consented to serve our church as pastor.

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## A SAD DEATH.

The many friends of Mrs. M. J. LeNoir scattered over the state would appreciate your publishing the particulars of the dreadful accident which deprived her of her youngest son, Lewis, who was accidentally shot while camping at Calcis. It seems that it was providential that his mother had a heart to heart talk with him before he left home, in which he declared that he believed in her Savior, which was such a consolation, but the message he sent to his mother dear was that he would meet her in heaven.

Quoting from a letter from a friend, who said: "To think that in his last moments his thoughts should have turned to mother and to heaven. Is it not consoling to you now to know that those seeds of Christian thoughts and Christian love and Christian sacrifice which you have given daily as seeds sown in the hearts of your boys, and which often you may have thought fell among thorns, or which often the birds came down and devoured, should have taken deep and solid root and grown and thus suddenly burst forth into the perfect flower of Christian devotion and faith."

May this be encouragement to other mothers to keep on sowing the seeds of Christian love into the hearts of their children. Let us pray that our dear sister, who is so sorely tried, may have faith as a beacon light that will guide others, to perfect day, so that the sudden quenching of Lewis' young life may not be in vain.

Her friend,  
MRS. M. E. BELL.

## IN MEMORIAM.

Recognizing the divine, comforting truth that through God's wisdom "all things work together for good to them that love God," yet we can but deeply mourn the loss of one of our noblest, most influential members, Brother H. J. Davis, whose spirit on Sunday, August 31, 1913, took its flight to that place of unspeakable and inconceivable peace. Of a genial and friendly nature, strong in his convictions of right and wrong, loyal to Christ's cause, longing to see mankind lifted from wickedness and wretchedness to happiness and righteousness, generous and kind, he passed resignedly into the holy place, where Christ will develop him as it pleases Him. Though his voice is silent, his influence and testimony will ever live to strengthen, comfort and develop us towards the same blessed rest in Jesus.

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## A SAD DEATH.

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REID HALE.

## LETT-KENNEDY.

Miss Lily Kennedy and Rev. P. W. Lett, of Lower Peach Tree, were married at high noon in the parlor of the Hillman Hotel, Birmingham, on September 3 in the presence of a few friends. Those present were: Mr. J. D. Thompson and Grady Thompson, of Birmingham; Mr. Howard Kennedy, of Lower Peach Tree, a brother of the bride; Mr. Archie Bowen, of Birmingham; Miss Willie Mattie Long, of Choctolocco, and Mrs. V. H. Watson, of Birmingham. Rev. J. G. Lowrey, a popular pastor of North Birmingham, performed the rites, using the ring ceremony.

The bride is a lovable, Christian character as the writer sees it.

Brother Lett has been pastor of Harmony Baptist church, at Choctolocco, for the past two years, and his work has not been in vain.

They left on the 4th inst. for a month's vacation at their homes. After October 1 they will go to Louisville, Ky., where he will enter the seminary. Best wishes go from all to Brother Lett and his bride.

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And he came forward with cordial hand-grasp to give the campaigners welcome. In his keeping must be the secret of "perpetual youth"—so little has he changed in appearance since first we met him in the East Liberty years ago, but the heart seems to have known no change—just as genial he is and just as kindly now as in days of yore. Why cannot everybody be pleasant? It is the secret of good looks and of keeping them of making friends and of keeping them, and we campaigners have seen it proved that that's the way to get along and have a good time—just "singing as you go" about your own business and that of the Lord's as well. Try it. It works. We found earnest missionary souls here at Liberty and left the work in good hands. The Alabama Baptist and Home Field and Foreign Mission Journal had been literature provided by grandfather, and father and down to the present generation. What a pleasure to sow seed in such soil!

The dinner was so bountiful and the barbecue so exceptionally good that we were afraid the aftermath might not be as fine spiritually, but the organization of women and children was effected with little trouble. We are often touched with the docility of God's children, and we know it must be pleasing to Him. The Sunbeam work here is accepted as a means of consolation by one who, recently bereaved, feels she can take up the children's work when all else would jar the torn and bleeding sensibilities. As some one has said, "We can bear little children and flowers no matter how the heart bleeds." May the Lord be "very gracious" to His handmaidens at Liberty.

Brother Hugh Wallace joined the forces for a day, leaving a family reunion to do so. He has always been a hearty well-wisher in W. M. U. work.

The visiting sisters were met by both the president of the W. M. U., Mrs. John Smith, and the leader of Y. W. A., Mrs. W. M. Pulliam as they stepped from the train at

#### Opelika

And were given a fine hearing at the church an hour later. The Sunbeam children were greatly in evidence, and were put in charge of Miss Mollie Robinson, whom it seems a shame to burden with extra care as she teaches, but often it is the busy woman that the Lord calls. "The Master has come and called for thee," and as soon as she heard that she arose and came, and so it is today. We give thanks that He "hath need" of us and that many respond. Mrs. W. M. Pulliam takes charge of the Y. W. A., and Mrs. John Smith has the W. M. U. in charge. There are many changes in the church since the convention met in Opelika years ago. Much has been done to beautify the building, but along with gladness comes the sadness, for "we sorrow" that there are missing some faces dear as sisters to us; but they are "forever with the Lord" and "their work do follow them."

Again, we are debtors to a sweet home for opening wide its doors to us. At Mrs. Walter Cullar's we found refreshment for mind and body in another house beautiful, and bid her and her little ones good-bye regretfully, hoping we may meet again, and soon.

Out once more from Tuskegee, which is such a fine springboard for both physical and spiritual energy, and followed with the "good-byes" and "God bless you" from our friends of only a few weeks' duration, and yet, like Paul, we could but grieve that we should "see their faces no more." But looking back as we sped down the long avenue of grand old trees we "thanked God and took courage" as we turned our faces once more to the work, little knowing what a glad surprise awaited us at

#### Loachapoka.

Years ago we were visiting Lanette and the fine Sunbeam band organized there by Miss Alma McCaugh, one of the most earnest workers the Alabama W. M. U. has ever known. A dear good woman, who was teaching school near by, sent for us to come over and visit her school and organize there a Sunbeam band, which we were nothing loth to do. Upon entering the school room such an air of con-

tentment reigned and there was so much of sunshine and happiness, apparent that I thought it must come from the flowers decorating the room so profusely, for even the iron stove, whose unattractiveness no one ever thinks of attempting to disguise, was wreathed in a vine that draped it in living green until it did not know itself, such was the transformation! But upon further insight into that school room I concluded—and have not had reason to change my opinion all these years—it was the face of the teacher that was so illuminating. Blessed children that look into such countenances, that they may be led to believe. We were originally "made in the image of God," and not like one I met today, who was a veritable "kill-joy." You may not think beauty of face as well as of character should weigh in the scale when our teachers are to be elected. All this flows readily from my pen in remembering some of our compagnons de voyages, and congratulations are in order for the Notasulga children!

But, no doubt, my patient reader is thinking that "to branch" (with a broad a, please) is the self-appropriated prerogative of this scribe as it was that of the old colored brother in Virginia when he took his text and preached from it! But the memory of that face in that little school house has been with me ever since, and when a sister at Loachapoka challenged me to say if I had ever seen her before I mentioned the vine-twined stove, and then we flew to arms, so glad that our paths lay alongside once more. How many precious pilgrims are journeying with us, on the King's highway? I love to meet and greet them here, and when there how great will be the joy!

And this was Mrs. Waller, of whom the superintendent of the association had been speaking, and we tarried at her house that night and it was a bower of beauty—flowers everywhere and in such profusion—they just love to grow for her.

Of course there are Sunbeams and missionary workers here. It was only necessary to "strengthen their hands," and hoping from the bottom of the heart that we might meet again we pushed on to

#### Antioch,

Where we met the welcome accorded all along the way and where in planning for a Sunbeam band found that the young people's work was not unknown. Some one had used the entering wedge here, and they of Antioch knew how the band should be conducted. Mrs. A. P. Moore became president of the Woman's Missionary Society, and Miss Connie Donnell will lead the children. To the hospitality of the latter we became debtor and doubly, as belongings left behind inadvertently were brought us by Brother H. C. Todd to Notasulga. On our way to

#### Barnesville

We passed a house so homelike in appearance and so comfortable that comment was made, and just then a lady with her hands full of flowers came out of the house and got into her buggy. We suspected she was on her way to the church and that it was on her mind to decorate the church for the meeting, and right there we fell in love with her. Our suspicions were correct, and when we met her found she was Mrs. Hart and that it was always her "part to bring flowers to the church." A great lover of the Bible school is she, and delights in teaching. She was made president of the missionary society, and Miss Clyde McLain leader of the Sunbeams. Miss Lucile Hart, her daughter, is to be a pupil at Newton Institute this year. Our brethren made no mistake in emphasizing our denominational schools. We hear Newton Institute sends some of the finest material to Howard College. Miss Mabel Williams is the talented young woman enjoying the Mary Ann Bestor Brown scholarship this year. How we do love to "speak that name" and softly, "as the household name of one who God hath taken."

We have been making some great "buds" on this trip, and at

#### Beulah

We were not disappointed. To begin, we had a cordial expression of welcome and appreciation from the pastor, Brother H. N. Sims. Somehow it makes a body feel good and welcome when the pastor is there and is glad and "says so." It is just the seed off an all-day meeting needs. It is like the hostess to a beautiful home coming to meet a guest, smiling and beautiful. We just need that to make one feel really "at home." Brother Sims knows how to

keep house for the Lord, and we were glad to meet him again.

We were on a "still hunt"—Mrs. Hearn and this scribe—for officers for the missionary society and for the Sunbeam band, when some one proposed Brother Reuben Phillips as the most suitable person for the children's work, as he had, marvelous to tell, the primary department in the Bible school, and a most progressive teacher he is, taking notes of helps suggested and eager to add the missionary feature to his primary department—something our eyes had ached to see added to the Bible school work. Do we have faith to believe our children will come from the Bible school into our churches? Then, why not train them for the work for which the churches of Jesus Christ were instituted? Why allow them to come into our churches with the idea that it is optional with Christians whether they will be missionary in spirit and in deed or not? That is the reason we have so much dead wood in our churches today. My heart sang for joy when Professor Balch in one of his fine expositions of what is taught in the Bible school emphasized evangelism. Let us go even farther and make the burden of every lesson, every Sunday, that for which Christ died, namely: world-wide evangelization. So Brother Phillips will lead his primary class along Sunbeam lines, and Mrs. J. W. Achimon was made president of the missionary society.

(To Be Continued.)

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK.

#### A Diamond in the Rough.

A diamond in the rough,  
Is a diamond—sure enough,  
For, before it ever sparkles,  
It is made of diamond stuff.

Of course, some one must find it,  
Or it never will be found,  
And then some one must grind it,  
Or it never will be ground.

But when it's found, and when it's ground,  
And when it's burnished bright,  
That diamond's everlastingly  
Just flashing out its light.

#### "O little lambkins, straying

So far from the sheep-cote warm,  
The shepherd is calling, yearning,  
To shelter you from all harm."

### SOME PLEASING FEATURES OF HOWARD COLLEGE OPENING.

It was pleasant to be present at Howard's opening and to witness:

1. The improvements done on the buildings during the summer vacation. Every building on the campus showed the touch of the beautifier's hand. Paint had helped the appearance of all; additions had been made to some, while the dormitories especially had received treatment, both inside and outside, which would add to the health and comfort of those who make their home there. The improvement which is most gratifying to the close and interested observer is the new equipment of the physical and chemical laboratories. The students who study these sciences will have most gratifying facilities for their investigations. Professor Olive is now a happy man.

2. The presence of a goodly number of enthusiastic alumni. Howard's alumni and old students and the friends of the college will mark with great joy their growing helpfulness to their alma mater. Many letters had been received by the president bearing the greetings of the men who desired to be remembered on opening day.

3. The students present and ready to enter in sufficient numbers to guarantee an increased attendance this session. Howard's enrollment should reach the 200 mark this year if one can base an opinion upon appearances of the opening day. And what a happy and attractive body of young men they are.

4. The presence of a "sprinkling" of young women who propose to study this year at Howard. Every friend of education will rejoice that the young women of the Birmingham district have been invited to do real college work at home. The indications are that the young women of Alabama's greatest city will not be slow to seize upon this opportunity for comprehensive culture.