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The meeting at Rushton, La., in which Pastor E. K. Shultz is being assisted by Evangelists Reese and Scholfield, grows in interest and a great victory is anticipated.

We have received a postcard from Brother A. M. Thompson, but the postmark is so indistinct we can't make it out, and he failed to give his postoffice. Will he kindly give us his address.

If you have an important letter for the Alabama Baptist and want it to be sure and not reach us promptly don't fail to put a special delivery stamp on it. But if you want it to arrive on time just use an ordinary stamp.

Please find enclosed prepayment for year. I enjoy your paper second to none. Wish the larger lights would shine more in it, as Stakely, Dickinson, Dawson and others of their kind can beam on us ten thousand miles away and say things that may stand a millennium. Yours as ever—W. D. Gay, Boston, Mass.

Please give notice at once that those who expect to attend the B. Y. P. U. institute at Brundage on the 13th and 14th of February are requested to send their names to me at Brundage immediately. This is important and should be attended to at once. We are anxious to have you comfortably placed, and you can greatly assist in this matter by dropping a postal card stating you are coming.—J. L. Thompson.

I would like to get in touch with a church or churches needing a pastor. If some of the pastors of the state would refer me to some churches needing a pastor I would appreciate the kindness very much. You are giving us a good paper. Very often a single copy is worth the entire year's subscription price. Fraternally—O. Z. Mathews, Columbus, Ga.

I thank you for your note and words of appreciation in last week's paper. Mrs. Garvin carried the boy to New Orleans today, where he will be under the treatment of Drs. Matas and Elliott for perhaps a month. I am sure he is going to be entirely restored to his health, though all the indications now are that we shall have to get to a higher climate by the beginning of hot weather. My own health is ideal here. But evidently it is too low for the boy. After the New Orleans doctors announce the results of their findings and treatment I shall know definitely what to do. And if I have to leave Lakeland I shall do my best to get back to Alabama.—R. S. Gavin, Lakeland, Fla.

(We will be mighty glad to help him.)

If you are paid to January, 1914, don't stop your paper because you do not feel like paying in advance. We are glad to credit those who are not able to pay ahead.



How sweet it is, when mother fancy rocks
The wayward brain, to saunter through a wood!
An old place, full of many a lovely brood,
All trees, green arbours, and ground flowers in flocks,
And wild rose hedges upon Hawthorn stocks.

WORDSWORTH.

WILL OUR LAYMEN READ?

THE GREATEST OPPORTUNITY FOR BAPTIST LAYMEN.

It is open in Alabama right now. From the start I have wished to enlist them and put them in the lead in our Debt-Paying Campaign. The money must come from them largely, and the energy to make it a success ought to come mainly from them. They are busy, of course, and so is every man who is bringing things to pass. I am sure

THE GRAVITY OF THE SITUATION

Has never taken hold of them—some of our preachers are in the same state of mind.

This is not an ordinary appeal for benevolence which will be repeated time and again through the year. Not in the life-time of many of us—maybe never again—will an appeal like it be made. If we succeed, one hundred years from now it will be cited as one of the great achievements "of the fathers." If we fail, it means—I decline to picture the results.

I cannot bring myself to believe our people—preachers, laymen and good women—are going to allow it to fail.

The laymen in every church

SHOULD DO SOMETHING NOW.

Let them call themselves together at once and take action. Let them fix a liberal amount they are going to try to raise. Let them appoint a committee to canvass the church. If they need information, they can get it here. If they and the pastor feel that a speaker, from the outside, is needed, let them invite one; fix a night for his hearing, work him up the best congregation possible and provide for his entertainment and expenses. But it is better not to wait for a speaker. Get the best information attainable and then see what can be done at once for cash, or in 100 days.

Let the "willing hearted" take it up. Converts would be won by the speaker when he came, but "those whose hearts God has made willing" are the chief dependence. We have done well up to this time, as the appended statement shows; but we must move faster, for the time is limited and the hardest part of the road is before us. By March 1 we hope the whole amount will be pledged. We hope no county will fail to be represented with a creditable sum.

Montgomery, Ala.

W. B. CRUMPTON.

A SUMMARY OF WHAT HAS BEEN DONE TO JANUARY 28.

Cash received for Debt-Paying Campaign	\$13,886.80
Amount regarded as good as cash, to be paid in 100 days	18,085.58
Amount undertaken, for which subscriptions are being taken	29,087.00
Debts paid	11,151.00

I have accepted Clayton Street church, Montgomery, and am moving this week. Please change my paper from Greensboro, Ala., to 671 Mildred street, Montgomery. Sincerely—J. A. Beal.

The eleventh annual meeting of the Alabama State Horticultural Society, which is expected to be the best in the history of the organization, will be held at Thorsby, Ala., March 4, 5 and 6.

The church here is marching on. We have one of the most interesting Sabbath schools I have ever attended and a weekly prayer meeting growing more interesting every week. I believe the Lord is going to help us to greater things this year. Fraternally—Francis M. Leeth, Arkadelphia.

Enclosed find \$1.50. Please move up figures on label and change address from St. Elmo, Tenn., to Arcadia, Fla., after February 15. I go to take up the work there March 1, having accepted a call to the church at that place. Love to the brethren of Alabama. Yours in Christian love—Joe W. Vesey.

Pastor R. L. Durant, of Vernou, is issuing a little monthly called Our Sunbeams in the interest of the Baptist Sunbeam bands of Vernou and Shiloh. He gives liberal space to advertising the Foreign Mission Journal, Our Home Field and the Alabama Baptist. We hope the little paper will find its way into many homes.

A call was extended to Rev. W. G. Gregory to accept the pastorate of Carmel church, recently made vacant by the resignation of Rev. J. W. Wallace. Brother Gregory has recently returned from Texas, Carmel being his old home section, having been formerly moderator of the Tuskegee Baptist Association and pastor at Notasulga; Saleh, Lee; Salem, Macon; Liberty and other churches in that section. It is not known whether he will accept the call, which is for service at Carmel the first and third Sunday in each month. We are glad to have him back in Alabama.

On the 1st of December Rev. Curtis S Shugart took charge as our pastor. On the 1st of January we reorganized the church and Sunday school. Since that time our Sunday school has doubled in attendance. Our congregation at each service is surprisingly large, and at most every service we receive new members. Strong men have united with the church by baptism, and every department of the church work is far above what we expected. Our new pastor is loved and respected by all his members, as well as the people of the community. We are looking forward to greater things yet on account of the great interest manifested by him in his congregation. He is indeed a great organizer. Yours very truly—Wm. T. Perry, deacon, Second Baptist Church, Montgomery.

THE VOYAGE of CHRISTIAN LIFE

By REV. E. H. JENNINGS
DOTHAN

(Note: After returning from abroad last summer Brother Jennings preached a series of sermons on travel in the First church, Dothan. Learning this the editor asked that he give a synopsis of these to the Baptist, of which this is the first.)

Text: "Except these abide in the ship ye cannot be saved."—Acts 27:31.

Many are the parables of the Christian life. Figures of speech—the simile, the metaphor, the allegory—have been well nigh exhausted in an effort to portray its meaning.

The life of the Christian has been compared to a race. The writer of Hebrews had doubtless witnessed the Olympian games, and so wrote: "Let us run with patience the race that is set before us." Maybe Paul had seen the gladiatorial combats, and he seized upon this to illustrate the conflict of the Christian life, thus: "Fight the good fight of faith; lay hold on eternal life." Bunyan thought of the career of the Christian as a pilgrimage, and out of that conception wrote his great allegory, "Pilgrim's Progress."

This evening I wish to speak of the Christian life as a voyage. The preacher, with his homiletical turn of mind, finds all about him in nature and experience parables of spiritual truth. If there are "sermons in stones and books and running brooks," there are also revelations and similitudes in other forms of creation. To one who has spent many days upon the sea it seems fitting that the Christian life should be likened to a voyage.

The beginning of a voyage is much like the beginning of the Christian life. To embark is a definite act of faith. Did it ever occur to you that faith is the most common, the most practical thing in life? Those who refuse to accept what they cannot understand are living contradictions. We did not understand the ship. We had never been upon the seas before. We had never visited the point of our destination. Had we therefore hesitate to embark? By no means. One day, half way across the ocean, we secured permission and went down into the heart of the vessel and saw the great engines whose mighty arms drove the ship along. We did not understand the thousand parts of that wonderful mechanism. But we did not despair, for we had trusted ourselves to the ship and felt safe in its keeping.

The beginning of the Christian life—and its procedure, too—is an act of faith. Faith is more than confidence; it is an exercise of confidence. Faith is a committal. One might stand on the pier and view with enthusiastic admiration the gospel ship, but salvation comes only to the soul that is willing to "launch out upon the deep." Love is stronger than admiration. The devils believe in the historical Christ and tremble. From earliest childhood you have been impressed with the reality of Christ's power and claims, but have you yielded to those claims? Have you "committed your soul to God in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator?" To believe unto salvation is to yield, to trust, to commit. This marks the beginning of the Christian life.

The provisions for the voyage are made by the shipmen. They know the needs; they are responsible for all things. There is food for the hungry, water for the thirsty, an anchor for the storm, and life boats for safety. A modern ocean liner is a palace afloat, equipped for every exigency that may arise, prepared to meet the varied demands of its cosmopolitan citizenship. Is there not a suggestion for us here? The Christian life has its responsibilities, but not as regards salvation. The destiny of soul, so far as the believer is concerned, rests with Him who has called us unto redemption through His blood. "Unto every one of us is given grace, according to the measure of the gift of Christ." His bounty is unfailing; His resources inexhaustible. "I would become a Christian," says one; "but I fear I cannot hold out." Now if salvation be self-centered, such a plea is worthy, for no one can hold out within himself. But salvation is Christ-centered, and the soul is divinely equipped for its trying career.

There is a story of a man who some years ago embarked on a ship for an ocean voyage of many days. He was a very poor man, and after buying his ticket had only a few pennies left. With these he

bought a scanty lunch of cheese and crackers for the voyage. In a few days his food gave out, and the end of the voyage was far off as yet. He became desperately hungry. The other passengers when the meals were announced went down to the palatial dining saloon and ate of the ship's rich bounty of good things, but he walked the deck in hunger. Finally he went to the captain and told his plight. The officer was astonished, and asked: "Why do you not go down and dine with the rest?" "Sir," he said, "I have not the money with which to pay for my meals." "Why, man," said the officer, "did you not know that when you bought your ticket your meals were included?" Do we not forget that in the very act of dedicating ourselves to God we secure all the provisions of grace for the voyage of life—that our destinies rest upon the definite guarantee of Christ, and that to the end "all things are ours, for we are Christ's and Christ is God's?"

The procedure of the Christian life is much like the procedure of a voyage. For one thing there is wonderful variety. No two days are just alike at sea. One day the sea is comparatively calm; another day the storm king rages and the ship is tossed upon the angry waves. One day the sky is clear and the sunlight gleams and glistens on the blue wavelets like the reflecting of a million diamonds; another day a thick fog settles down and wraps the ship about like a dark blanket. To the unaccustomed voyager the dismal fog brings a feeling of inexpressible loneliness. What a joy when it suddenly lifts and the sun comes out again. Such is the variety of the Christian life. There are seasons of calm and sunshine, when we go the even tenor of our ways without distraction or fears. But this cannot last always. "Remember the days of darkness; for they shall be many." There will come times of melancholy, of doubt, of despair, when the heavy mists hang like a dark veil about us. But neither will this last forever. "Darkness may endure for a night, but joy cometh with the morning." And even if the storm king rages for a time, and the ship is tossed about, "we have an anchor for the soul, both sure and steadfast," which taking hold of the great rock of eternal promise will stay the vessel in the trying season.

The procedure of the voyage demands as much faith as the beginning of it. Perhaps more. Every voyage begins favorably. The waters near the coast are shallow, and for the first day of the voyage the ship lies with ease and comfort; but having crossed the bar and gone for out from the sight of land, the ship encounters the perils of the sea. Then it is that the voyager needs renewed confidence in the Master of the ship. Blessed is he who can trust God as implicitly with his life as with the destiny of his soul. When we were making our way from Beirut to Constantinople we passed over dangerous waters. On account of the recent war certain ports and channels had been mined with dangerous explosives, and our ship must carefully pick its way along the narrow path of safety. Two weeks after our voyage along the route a ship was destroyed in those very waters. It was, all unconsciously to ourselves, a dangerous voyage. One morning the captain came down to breakfast, his face all written over with the marks of anxiety, and we learned that while we had soundly slept he had carefully and anxiously guarded our lives through the dark night as we had steered our way through the dark and dangerous sea. It was upon this same sea that Paul had made his great voyage to Rome. The storm swept down upon the ancient vessel, and she was driven with the winds mercilessly. The captain was unable to manage her, and crew and passengers despaired of life as they drifted along. But there was another Captain on that vessel—an unseen Guest—who stood by Paul in the night time and assured him of safe landing. Are we not in danger sometimes of losing sight of the fact that Christ is with us on this voyage of life, "whose we are and whom we serve," and in whose hands are our destinies? The Commander of sea and storm, who rode with the disciples on

Galilee, is with us. "Our times are in His hands."

The end of a voyage is much like the end of a Christian life. Paul spoke of death as a "departure," and the word signifies the lifting of the anchor and the outgoing of a ship. But death is also an incoming—a home coming—to the child of faith. After a trying voyage of days it was a welcome sight, on a gray Sunday morning as the day broke, to see the shores of Boston. Many weeks spent in strange lands and among a people not like our own, "where we had been strangers and pilgrims," prepared us for the happy event. For ten days the great engines had unceasingly hummed in the heart of the vessel, but now there is a sudden pause, as when the heart ceases to beat in the human breast. Then the harbor pilot came aboard—the ship's pilot is not supposed to know the waters of the harbor—and soon we "crossed the bar" and slowly steered our way to land. It was a happy home coming. And is not the end of the Christian life such?

The poet Tennyson, as he neared the end, imagined himself about to set out for the heavenly shore. He saw just across the narrow sea his eternal inheritance. To him death was both an outgoing and a home coming, and he embodied his vision in those immortal words of "Crossing the Bar," which was his greatest contribution to Christian thought:

"Sunset and evening star,
And one clear call for me;
And may there be no moaning of the bar
When I put out to sea.

"But such a tide as moving seems asleep,
Too full for sound or foam,
When that which drew from out the boundless deep
Calls again home.

"Twilight and evening bell,
And after that the dark;
And may there be no sadness or farewell
When I embark.

"For though from out this bourne of time and place
The floods may bear me far;
I hope to see my Pilot face to face
When I have crossed the bar."

SHOULD THE BAPTISTS OF ALABAMA MAINTAIN A CHAIR OF BIBLE IN THE HOWARD AND THE JUDSON?

Let me explain what I mean by this question. By a "chair of the Bible" I mean a professor who shall give his whole time to teaching the Bible, or at least putting the teaching of the Bible on par in the curriculum with English, Latin, mathematics, etc. By a "chair" I mean teaching scientifically, critically, historically, just as we do other subjects; and not popularly, superficially, as in our Sunday schools. The Bible—what is it? How did it come to be? What function has it in the world as shown both in its genetic and its mature history? How may we get the benefit of its functioning in life today? To answer these questions by accurate and full investigation should be the purpose of such a "chair." By the Baptists of Alabama I mean as they are now organized, or in process of organization; and in this peculiar situation, as they are organized for the promotion of Christian education through the educational commission. By "maintain" I mean giving the funds necessary and opening the opportunities for efficient and best work. Now let us come to the question.

They ought to do it, because they are greatly dependent on it for their own highest and fullest Christian life. They will always need a supply of men sufficiently versed in biblical matters to furnish in their pulpits and other teaching stations the best presentation of the Bible the attainments of our times permit. One well-educated man in a community will educate a thousand of his neighbors; nor can the thousand get the education without this one educated man. So the many must educate the few, that they may in turn educate the many. We want some Bible scholar in each community, in order that we may have Bible students many in each. We cannot get

taught without some teachers. So if we are going to get the highest benefit of the Bible we must have some men educated in the Bible specially and technically. We already recognize this principle in our Sunday school work, and so we have our teacher training institutes and courses. The only complaint one can file against that work is that it does not contemplate a work of college grade, and hence cannot hope to give the kind of teaching had in mind in this article. These Sunday school institutes will be made many times more useful if we had many who had taken a course in Bible of the college grade. Our teaching in these institutes must be crude and deficient, though much better than nothing, until we take up the giving of a college course in Bible to many of our people. The Judson and the Howard must do this to a very large extent, and give us men and women competent to give these institute courses to the people with greatest efficiency. Suppose we had 500 men and women in Alabama today who had taken a college grade Bible course. What a force they could be in our Sunday schools and institutes and other meetings. But if we remember that not one in twenty of our preachers today has had a college grade education in the Bible, and never will until they get it in college days, it becomes patent at once why we ought to put such a course into the Howard at once. So my first observation is that we cannot afford to suffer this loss longer; and therefore we ought to put a college grade Bible course into our colleges at once.

All the world is studying the Bible, learning more and more of its vast store of truth each year; and we ought to do our part in this research work on the word of God. When one considers the contribution of our Baptist people to the progress of learning in the past in the light of our boasted loyalty to the word of God, although at present we are well to the front in the north and east, it brings a blush to the cheek of a Southern Baptist. The reason for this is easy to see. We have not provided to foster the study of the Bible beyond such as may be done as a side issue in life. Baptists owe the world a great debt in interpreting to it the word of God by virtue of the way in which their life is related to the Scriptures; and we ought to get in shape to meet that debt as a part of our mission for Christ. It is a part of our missionary work; and this fact lies at the bottom of this discussion now going on about union in missionary efforts with other denominations. We had just as well unite with them, in spite of our mission in this regard, if we have no purpose of performing that mission. Our denominational identity and usefulness must go together just here, for there is no use to profess loyalty to the word of God if we have no purpose of bringing out of it the things new and old truly contained therein. We ought to get ready to teach the Bible in some adequate fashion if we are going to conceive of ourselves in this fashion towards it. We can neither profess with good face that we are Baptists nor meet the obligations of such a profession unless we get ready to teach the Bible to the world in the best and most effective manner; and to do this we must provide for trained teachers of collegiate grade at least.

There is so much which is in my mind to write on this matter I must restrain myself; but the above will, I trust, set the reader to thinking about the matter, so that better thoughts will come to him out of his own mind than I am able to give. Let us put in the two chairs—one in each institution.

But the money—where is it coming from? Good teachers come high; and it would take at least \$2,000 to secure a competent man for either of the chairs, and a man for less is hardly capable of doing the work. I see no way of getting it but for the churches to put it up. I do not mean for the convention to raise an endowment for these chairs; for that would vitiate just what we are after. Besides endowments are going to produce very little income in a few years, as money gets cheaper. Let this be the point of contact between the colleges and the churches, along with that of ministerial education. We need a closer affiliation between our colleges and our churches. These Bible professors, serving in our Sunday school institutes, preaching in our pulpits and speaking in our conventions, supported by our churches, would link the colleges to the churches in mutual fellowship of life. Can the convention of Alabama Baptists presume to stand for the obligations of this denomination, and then repudiate the

financial responsibility thereby made necessary? I used to get so sick of that old appendage to every action of the convention, "Provided it does not involve this convention in debt." Any trustee ought to take the responsibility of his trust or resign. Shall we maintain a course in the Bible of college grade in our colleges?
A. J. DICKINSON.

From Cullman



DR. W. T. WILKS.

When it became generally known, through the daily press, that my pastorate in Mobile had been resigned with the intention on my part of accepting a call to service in another state, leading Baptist brethren in Alabama began writing me to urge a change in my plans. Simultaneously I began receiving invitations to supply vacant pulpits in the state. Of the number considered through correspondence or visitation no one appealed to me so strongly as the unanimous and enthusiastic call extended by the First Baptist church of Cullman. The outlook is so encouraging and the opportunity so great that I believe truly it was the Lord who brought me here.

The Cullman saints showed their desire to have me by offering a salary much larger than ever paid before by them. And, let me say, this is one church in Alabama which has been constantly increasing the amount paid their pastor, so that today they are paying almost six times as much as 12 years ago.

Our reception was all that could be asked. Sometimes as I have read accounts of "poundings" received by other preachers I have wondered if the good brethren did not add a little color to their narratives; but I am ready to believe them all now. We were entertained in the home of Brother H. Clay Smith until our household goods arrived and were put in place. On the night before we were to begin keeping house the members secured the key to the pastor's home and made us a visit during our absence which will never be forgotten by us. When we came over the next morning we found more groceries than have ever before been in our home at one time. They did not forget even the toothpicks.

But the interest being taken in the work of the church delights me even more than the material expressions of appreciation. Our chorus of nearly 30 voices is so far ahead of any choir I have ever heard that it would be doing them an injustice to even compare them with the others. They sing the gospel much better than the pastor preaches it. The members of the church seem united and determined to do the greatest work in the history of the church. From the general expressions on every hand, I feel sure it will be only a short time until we begin the construction of a commodious brick house of worship, which has been on the hearts of the people for several years.

Everywhere in Cullman I hear words of praise for their recent pastor. It is a pleasure to follow L. T. Reeves in a pastorate. His consecrated life and earnest efforts have made possible the work which the church now seems ready to do.

Let me not close without calling the attention of the brethren throughout the state to our need for more preachers. I had just supposed our churches which really wanted pastors were fairly well supplied; but I know differently now. It would open

some Baptist eyes if Prof. Hendricks, who has studied the situation, would write what is on his mind and heart concerning this matter. In a few months there will be leaving the seminary some men who love Alabama as the place of their birth, who understand conditions at first hand on account of having been reared in the state, and who have spent the best years of their lives in preparing to preach the gospel. I am wondering if the Baptist pastors and other leaders in Alabama will take no greater interest in having these men return to Alabama than they have shown in regard to other men who have left the seminary in the last few years. While we need all the "new blood" we can secure from other states, there is a need and a work in Alabama which can be filled and performed by no others so well as by those whose birth, childhood and education have been identified with Baptist interests in Alabama.

Very truly yours,
W. P. WILKS.

ABOUT THE DEBT-PAYING CAMPAIGN.

A Most Interesting Incident

In connection with the debt-paying campaign occurred at Andalusia. The Troy church had kindly consented to give their pastor to the work for two Sundays and the intervening days. The Andalusia pastor and Cyrus O'Neal, the Covington county leader, asked for him for one of the Sundays. When he reached there the brethren, having done some preliminary work on the church debt, concluded to unite that with the debt-paying campaign. The report coming to me are that Bateman was at his best, the day was ideal, the congregation great, and the appeal was for \$6,000. Two brethren opened up with \$1,000 each, and when the subscriptions were rounded up it was found \$4,000 had been given for the church debt and \$2,000 to the debt-paying campaign.

Wonder if that has been excelled in all Alabama Baptist history? Blessings on the Troy church for the contribution of their pastor, on the Andalusia church, Pastor A. J. Preston and the noble workers and givers!

If the churches would give their pastors, the pastors go with an uplifting message and the churches would open their doors for the appeal, in just a little while victory would be ours.

An Old Hero Heard From.

"Enclosed find \$5 for the debt-paying, etc. I send it for myself. I am confined to my room most of my time. My heart is in bad shape. I sit up most of the night on account of the condition of my heart. I may rally as spring opens. If not, my work is done. Hope you are well."—T. E. Tucker.

When he falls it can truly be said: "A great soldier in Israel is fallen!" He was one of the bravest of Confederate soldiers and a braver soldier of his Master's in Choctaw and Washington counties. He gave himself without limit to the service and dealt out his little means with a liberal hand. Now while he sits alone in the weary hours of the night his thoughts are on the workers on the field, and here is his gift to the greatest effort Alabama Baptists ever undertook. Thousands of strong, healthy men with an abundance of means will refuse, while this suffering old hero, worn out in the service, gives of his small savings! What a rebuke to some!

We have received in cash about \$13,000; paid \$11,000 of debts; have \$15,000 in "as good as cash" column, and \$29,000 undertaken, for which subscriptions are being sought.
W. B. CRUMPTON.

After the miserable abuse of military power in Alsace-Lorraine, when a German officer sabered a cripple, the hope of far-sighted Germans now lies in the direction of a de-Prussianized Germany; a confederation of German-speaking kingdoms, duchies and republics, with Berlin as its capital and the Hohenzollerns as its emperors and princes; but with Prussian absolutism kept in check and equal opportunities for distinction offered to all Germans irrespective of their place of origin or their racial affinities.

I have been reading the Alabama Baptist for at least 25 years. I don't feel like I can get along without it. Trusting this may be one of the best years in the history of the paper, with kindest regards, I beg to remain your brother in the service—R. L. Brumbeloe.
(He likes it well enough to pay ahead.)

ATTENDING THE "SPRING OPENINGS" AMONG THE SOCIETIES.

By Mrs. T. A. Hamilton.

And why should there not be a revivifying and a "putting on of beautiful garments" in the Lord's gardens when the old brown earth is sending up the tender leaf, the pure white hyacinth and the golden daffodil wherewith to adorn herself? We are "abroad in the land" to see the "coming to life" among our societies, and in many instances "into the more abundant life" of loving and giving and giving. We made a good beginning, going to

Columbiana,

Where the hearts of the saints keep warm all the time, and it seemed to us as we caught a view of the pastress that the "radiance of face" that has been here ever since she was our Sunbeam leader—perhaps she caught it there—grows brighter as the years roll on, and the welcome of the superintendent, who has borne with this scribe for years, was just as warm as ever. The program was carried out with care and well, and it was a patient audience that heard their visitor discuss "every subject that was left!" Following that important recommendation of the executive board regarding appointing four secretaries as assistants for the superintendent, they were duly appointed, and Mrs. Parker agreed to serve the association as superintendent.

Mrs. Carter, of Shelby, "was impelled" to offer to organize the Sunbeams at her church, and we rejoice to leave the little ones in her gentle and efficient care. The next all-day meeting is to be at Shelby, and we rejoice in an invitation "to be among those present."

Not content with the "high thinking," there was "good living" there as well, and we, recalling the hospitality that had been enjoyed under Mrs. John Miles' roof at one time, began to think "that is their habit" down Columbiana-way! We believe Brother Longcrier is a kind of wizard about finding "good places," and it makes "the visitor" feel very comfortable to find him in place!

At the call of the pastor at

Haleyville

For a member of the executive board to come up and help regarding the W. M. U. work in his church (he sustained a great disappointment in this veteran responding no doubt), but the appeal was so pathetic, he being an "unmarried man" and unused to "woman's work" and ways, that we must needs go, none other being available. Let no one imagine from the above that our young brother, the Rev. John Cunningham, is by any means helpless—he is full of energy and full of resources, and only wished a woman's view point in the matter. The Sunbeams are shining under the guidance of Mrs. Oscar Drake, and made their radiance felt that glad Sunday afternoon. Blessed is the church that is training those who must be their future members "in the way they should go." We gave them some "strong meat"—these "babies"—in teaching them about "tithing" and "personal service," but they listened well and promised to send the picture chart from their primary room to a little band of Chinese Sunbeams who have through their leader, our beloved "Floy White" Adams, asked to be numbered among our Alabama Sunbeams. Thus they shine at home and afar.

Such a delightful morning we had visiting—dear, good Mrs. Cleere and Boyse and this scribe in the "old ship of Zion." There are more than one of these pious vehicles dedicated to carrying Baptist tramps on their way. Often in our missionarying Brother Crumpton's name is upon our lips, and when "Boyse," a young driver lately elevated to that position, in his delight at having the privilege of using "the brake" brought all the pressure available upon the wheel as we were pulling up a steep hill, we could not but laugh and promise to send to Brother Crumpton that illustration of our Baptist folk when the hill difficulty, alias debt, is to be pulled up—they make the pulling just as hard as possible! But notwithstanding "Boyse" and the brake, we filled the morning as full of pleasure as the day was with sunshine—seeing the sisters and inviting them to the afternoon meeting, getting acquainted with them and their little ones in their homes, making some new acquaintances and renewing the old. The pastor was upon the same mission bent, so there was a fine showing for the work when we met at the church. There were new members enrolled, a

STOP FORGETTING.

How is your memory? Is it good, bad or indifferent? It has been said that memory is the most wonderful of all our faculties.

The old Greeks, in their graceful way, called the Muses its daughters; and rightly, for it is the source and fount and vivifying principle of our intellectual life.

And yet few take the trouble to cultivate their memory. It is easy for some people to remember certain things. It is easy for a hungry man to remember meal time. It is easy for the lover to keep an appointment. It is easy for church members to forget about the prayer meeting. It is hard to remember dates. We venture the assertion that you who are reading this have forgotten the date of your label.

At the risk of repeating we publish the following time-worn joke:

A preacher, at the close of one of his sermons, said: "Let all in the house who are paying their debts stand up." Presently every man, woman and child, with one exception, rose to their feet.

The preacher seated them and said: "Now, every man not paying his debts stand up." The exception, a careworn, hungry looking individual, clothed in his last summer suit, slowly assumed a perpendicular position.

"How is it, my friend," asked the minister, "you are the only man not able to meet his obligations?"

"I run a newspaper," he answered, meekly, "and the brethren here who stood up are my subscribers, and—"

"Let us pray," exclaimed the minister.

We hope, having read the above, that a number of our subscribers are going to say "Let us pay."

mission study class projected under guidance of the pastor (how our pastors have relieved us and furthered the work by "coming to our help" in this regard), renewals of our mission magazines made and new subscribers solicited. The spirit of the meeting was uplifting, and we "went on our way rejoicing" that this foretaste of the heavenly "communion of saints" had been ours.

The prison, the reformatory, the asylum, the school, the hospital, have all felt the benignant inspiration of the new wave of Christian responsibility. Instead of the squalor and brutality that Howard noted and Hogarth portrayed, we have the model prison, the palatial asylum, the aseptic ward, the farm colony, the inebriate retreat, and; we may add, the garden city. A thousand agencies, individual, corporate, municipal or state directed, are competing and sometimes conflicting for the betterment of the physically, mentally and morally afflicted, for saving the sinner and the sot, and reforming the reprobate. Instead of thrusting out of sight and mind the drunkard and the criminal for the selfish reason that they will cause damage to the state, Lazarus and Magdalen are nowadays sought out for altruistic reasons, and even when they have brought misfortune and disease upon themselves are the object of disinterested attention and efforts at amelioration.

LATEST FROM DEBT-PAYING CAMPAIGN.

First church, Montgomery, undertakes.	\$ 2,000
Southside, Montgomery	300
Jasper	500
Bessemer	1,000
Debts paid	11,000

"If the canvass can be made the way you lay it out there will be no trouble in raising \$2,000 in our church," said a thoughtful deacon.

There is the danger point in the campaign. The people give thoughtful attention to the speakers; they are interested; but if the canvass is delayed interest cools.

Will not the pastors see to it that the canvass immediately follows the presentation.

W. B. CRUMPTON

A REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

The meeting was at Nashville, as last year, and covered the days from January 23 to 25. The general theme was "The Interior Life of Our Schools," discussed under the seven following heads:

(1) "The Creation of Genuine Intellectual Interests;" (2) "Short Cuts to a Degree;" (3) "The Social Life of Students;" (4) "Discipline;" (5) "Economy of Time in Education;" (6) "Athletics;" (7) "Religion in Schools."

It will be seen that a careful consideration of the above program afforded an unusual opportunity for a look into the inner life of our Baptist schools in the South. Most of our schools were represented, and most of the men on the program were present and prepared to respond when their names were called.

This was only the second meeting of the association, but it was abundantly demonstrated in the results attained thus far that the association is worth while. In a little while, under the influence of this organization, the standardization of our southern schools will follow inevitably.

A further and perhaps, more important step than has yet been taken by the Southern Convention would be the appointment of an education commission. Whether the association continues or whether the commission shall be created no one can doubt for a moment, I think, that there is anything which needs more to be done than a getting together of Southern Baptists on the question of their educational institutions.

J. M. S.

Howard College.

THE CALLAWAY STRAIN RHODE ISLAND REDS.

At Augusta I entered 100 Single Comb Rhode Island Reds, making the largest and best display of one variety ever made by a woman breeder. This large entry evidences positively that my yards contain many birds of excellent quality. I can furnish acclimated birds for the South. Males from \$5 to \$25; females from \$2 to \$25. Prices according to grade. Head your breeding pens with a good male. This is essential to success. The demand for the best becomes more persistent every year.

Ambitious to have Callaway strain of Reds keep in the lead, I had Judge Brown, who is eminently capable, assist in mating my pens. My six best pens are of equal value. Every bird in them is a selected specimen and a prize-winner at some of the recorded shows. The males in these pens are blue-ribbon and sweepstake birds, are large, brilliant dark-red, good in every essential point. Taking them altogether, I have never seen better. Eggs from these pens, \$25 per fifteen. Pens headed by other prize-winners at the shows named, mated to select females, \$5 a setting. These eggs should give a good percentage of nice birds of which you can be proud. Other pens not particularly mated, but good thoroughbred stock, "bred-to-lay-and-do-lay," \$2 a setting, \$8 a hundred.

Last year Judge Loring Brown said: "Mrs. Callaway's Reds are correct in color, type and size and are wonderful layers. They have the right black color in wings and tails that is required to win the 'blue' in hot competition." This year he writes in January issue of Southern Fancier-Farmer: "Mrs. Callaway's Reds are far ahead of anything she has ever had." I appreciate these compliments. Judge Brown is very exacting in quality. I am expecting great Reds from 1914 matings.

When in Washington come to see me. I am at all times pleased to have visitors, talk "chicken" and make friends for S. C. R. I. Reds, in my opinion the best all-purpose breed for the family and the fancier. If you want "Reds" write

MRS. P. T. CALLAWAY,
Washington, Ga.

Member of American Poultry Association, Rhode Island Red Club of America, Southern International Poultry Association.

And she will send you a list of her winnings for 1913 at Hagerstown Interstate Fair, Knoxville National Exposition, Augusta Poultry Show and Southern International, Atlanta.

We know she has the "Reds," for we have a beauty pen of her choicest birds and have visited her yards.

The era of pole-hunting is now happily over, and the best result of Peary's and Amundsen's athletic feats in the north and south is that the really important problems of the circumpolar regions can henceforth be attacked with a single mind. From a scientific standpoint, enough work remains to be done in these regions to last for several generations. The Antarctic has only been scratched, so to speak, but modern polar research includes a wide range of non-geographical problems pertaining to such diverse subjects as geology, glaciology, meteorology, terrestrial magnetism, seismology, oceanography, zoology, botany, physiology, ethnology and archaeol-

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BESSEMER AT THE FRONT.

Eight thousand dollars for a work shop adjoining the First Baptist church at Bessemer is a great achievement. And the determination to fill it with people studying the Bible is getting a long way toward a greater achievement.

It was the pleasure of the writer to assist Mr. Leavell and Miss Forbes in an institute there for three days. The activities of the workers there reflect the leadership of two of the most consecrated yoke fellows that I have been privileged to know—Brother M. K. Thornton, pastor, and Brother Gwylm Herbert, superintendent. There is no better equipment in Alabama. For arrangement, light, ventilation, convenience, it is A-1. The work of Miss Forbes and Mr. Leavell scintillated as it usually does, and from expressions heard the people were very appreciative.

A splendid lunch was served Monday night and Tuesday night, and the spirit of good fellowship pervaded everywhere. Give us another chance, brethren. We'll come again.

H. L. S.

THOSE ASSOCIATIONAL SCHOOLS

The more I think about this character of work and as we of the field force conduct them here and there preparatory to the great campaign next summer, the more am I convinced of their great value in the work of the kingdom.

Many associations have made definite arrangements for four or more. We want to begin now to plan for all of them. My prayer is that God may open the way for one or more in each association in Alabama and that He will give us all the teachers we need. The hand book that is to be used is in process of preparation and will be ready (D. V.) about March 1.

Write us, brethren, if you are interested. If we have not completed arrangements in your association and the brethren are willing for us to come, let us know and help us to make arrangements.

H. L. S.

THE REASON.

If it be true that "every smile draws a nail from the coffin," I ask the privilege of pulling out a few old rusties from the coffin of every lover of childhood to whom "these presents" may come.

It was while a guest in the delightful home of Brother Hodo at Millport last Sunday that a little miniature "lord of creation" who sat with us at the dinner table that day was observed to be still in possession of a copper which had been given him that morning for Sunday school purposes. When asked why he had not dropped it in the basket, he replied, "Cause they already had some."

B. DAVIE.

HE SHALL BRING IT TO PASS.

"The dream of a dreamer who dreamed he was dreaming." This is what they said of the great missionary pioneer into whose heart the Holy Spirit had breathed the undying purpose to give the gospel to the be-



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, BESSEMER.



BREAKING GROUND FOR AN \$8,000 ANNEX TO THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF BESSEMER—REV. M. K. THORNTON, PASTOR; MR. GWYLYM HERBERT, SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.



THE CONVENTION BARACA CLASS OF ELYTON BAPTIST CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM—MR. J. J. HAMLIN, PRESIDENT; REV. Y. C. KINCAID, TEACHER.

nighted heathen. Blessings on the dreamers! The world is indebted to them for most of its grandest achievements, and thank God we have them in our midst today.

Our leaders dreamed about that ugly debt of \$100,000 and, lo! the

clouds are lifting and the debt is disappearing.

At a time when the word "prohibition" was a term of contempt and no "self-respecting" citizen would lose his vote upon it, a daring dreamer dreamed that we were "camping on the trail

of the liquor traffic and our camp fires will never go out." And now they do say it has become a "national issue."

Only the outcome of a dream—the every member church canvass—and yet it is already doubling the salaries of our pastors, who in turn are doubling their time in Bible study and in caring for the respective flocks over which the Holy Ghost hath made them overseers.

Somebody dreamed of the house-to-house Sunday school canvass, and we are having daily proofs of its manifold blessings in better equipment and better teaching.

The great B. Y. P. U. giant is waking from a long unbroken dream and calling for rallies at four strategic points in the state, to culminate in a glorious reunion of all our young people at Anniston.

It is even dreamed, in quarters from which many bright dreams have been seen to come to pass, that there shall be a theological school conducted by seminary professors in each of the five districts in the state, with all of these pouring their treasures into the annual summer school at Pelham.

And Pelham! The wildest of all wild dreams—Pelham with its precious mountain top memories and experiences—has become a veritable Mecca for every heart hungry preacher, teacher and worker in the state.

Surely it is a time to thank God and take courage.

"O, Zion haste
 Thy mission high fulfilling."
 B. DAVIE.

STEELE AND MILLPORT.

It was the delightful privilege of the writer to be assigned the work of conducting an associational school at Steele from January 18 to 23; and at Millport from January 25 to 30, inclusive.

At Steele the class never lost a student after the first day. The spirit was fine throughout, and the contagion of interest and enthusiasm increased daily. All but two of this class made above the requisite percentage in the final examination and were rejoiced over their week's work.

At Millport the teaching force was augmented by Miss Forbes, and the subjects of management, teaching, history of the Old and New Testaments and the pupil and his needs were taken up and so thoroughly taught and reviewed morning, afternoon and night that every member of the class who entered the final examination was successful.

At both these places the brethren have the cards now in hand and will canvass, grade and equip for better work.

B. DAVIE.

DAINTY COOK BOOK FREE.

We are mailing free, our book, "Dainty Desserts for Dainty People," to anyone mentioning the name of their grocer. This book is beautifully illustrated in colors and gives over 100 recipes for the daintiest Desserts, Jellies, Puddings, Salad, Candies, Ices, Ice Creams, etc. If you send a 2c stamp, we will also send you a full pint sample of KNOX GELATINE, or for 15c a two quart package, if your grocer does not sell it. KNOX GELATINE, 201 Knox Avenue, Johnstown, N. Y.

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SCRIPTURE MESSAGE.

Blessed are they that do His commandments, that they may have right to be the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.—Rev. 22:14.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK.

Live not without a friend, the Alpine rose must own its mossy grace, or else be nothing but a stone.
Live not without a God, however low or high; In every house should be a window to the sky.
—W. W. Storey.

SUGGESTED PROGRAM FOR QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

- Watchword, "Serve Jehovah With Gladness."
- Opening hymn, "Joy to the World."
- Prayer.
- Scripture reading, "Whoso offereth praise glorifieth me."—Psa. 144.
- Prayer.
- Welcome.
- Response.
- Roll call of societies, with brief reports of past quarter.
- Hymn, "We Praise Thee, O God."
- Digest of the address of our president at the State W. M. U. Convention.
- Talk: "Am I Really Interested in Missions? If Not, How May I Become so?"
- Hymn, "I Love to Tell the Story."
- Open parliament with brief discussion of topics:
 - "Our Literature."
 - "Mission Study."
 - "In Roy Service."
 - "W. M. U. Library."
 - "Story of the Judson Centennial."
 - "Alabama's Part in the Jubilate Offering."
 - "Our Apportionment and Why So Many Associations Failed to Reach It the Past Year."
 - "Have I Studied the Standard of Excellence? Its Importance."
 - Quarterly reports.
 - Expense fund.
 - "Christmas Offering Should Cover Our Apportionment for Foreign Missions."
 - "W. M. U. Part at the Pelham Encampment."
 - "Have I a Sunbeam Band, R. A. Band and Y. W. A. in My Church? If Not, Why?"
 - Hymn, "Onward Christian Soldiers."

Afternoon.

- Hymn, "How Firm a Foundation."
- Prayer.
- "Our Mission Love Chain" (each giving the name and some account of a missionary with request for prayer).
- Prayer for our missionaries.
- Hymn, "O, Zion, Hasten."
- Talk, "How Can I Win the Other Woman?"
- The woman's hymn.
- "Value of Personal Service."
- Consecration service. (Personal consecration to Christ's work for another year. Heart-to-heart questions.)
- Hymn, "Blest Be the Tie."
- Mixed benediction.
- We are indebted to Mrs. O. M. Reynolds, of Anniston, vice-president of the Eastern District, for this excellent program.
- (This program should have been published on this page the latter part of December or the first week in January, but was omitted for lack of space. One was sent promptly to each superintendent, how-

ever. Those societies which have not attended the quarterly meetings and the associations which have not held the meetings may be greatly benefited by observing this helpful program.)

A COMPARISON.

Christmas offerings to January 31, 1913:	
China	\$1,972.73
Hospitals	128.34
Kindergartens	138.64
Toluca School	8.20
Christmas offerings to January 30, 1914:	\$2,243.30
China	\$2,243.30
Hospitals	131.66
Kindergartens	142.80
Toluca School	2.55
Total	
1913	\$2,250.01
1914	\$2,520.01
Excess over last year	
	\$ 400.44
Foreign Missions received during January, 1913	
Hospitals	\$ 666.88
Kindergartens	53.70
Toluca School	30.60
Foreign Missions received to January, 30, 1914	
Hospitals	\$1,049.91
Kindergartens	171.75
Toluca School	16.31
Total	
	\$1,235.97
Excess (to January 30, 1914) over last year.	
	484.79

A ROOM FURNISHED AT BEASON ACADEMY.

The Fifty-sixth Street W. M. U., Birmingham, have furnished a room at Beason Academy and will call it the "Tuzah Wood Room," in honor of one of their oldest and most faithful members. Mrs. Wood gathered the Sunday school children together and taught them years ago, before there were any churches in Woodlawn, and all these years she has been so faithful in every service. It was a great pleasure to the ladies of the Fifty-sixth Street W. M. U. to show her their love and their appreciation of her work by this memorial, which they trust will continue doing good, through the lives of those who may occupy this room, for years, even into eternity.

MRS. W. M. ANDERSON.

NORTH ST. CLAIR W. M. U. MEETING.

The first all-day meeting of the women of the North St. Clair Association was held in the Ashville Baptist church Friday, January 9. There were representatives from Reeves Grove and Hopewell churches at the meeting, which was presided over by Mrs. W. A. Beason, our associational superintendent. 'Twas such a joy and inspiration to have with us two of our state workers, and we feel sure that all the women present got a clear idea of our work. Miss Patrick in her inimitable manner presented Home and Foreign Mission work, while Miss Metcalfe did much to renew our interest in the young people at the afternoon session, when the Sunbeams were present. All who have shared a like privilege know what blessings these consecrated women bring. As a result of this meeting there seems to be an awakening of spiritual interest in the Christian women and a greater love of God in our hearts. We feel that these quarterly meetings will help us to reach a greater number of our women who are members of the country churches and enable us to acquire missionary information along the lines of our work. We expect to hold the next meeting in April at a nearby church.

IRENE EMBRY,
Associational Secretary.

QUARTERLY MEETING AT HANCEVILLE.

The quarterly meeting of the W. M. U. of the Cullman Association was held at Hanceville January 10, 1914. The meeting was opened by the hymn, "Joy to the World." Devotional services were conducted by Mrs. J. F. Maxwell, of Hanceville. Welcome address, Miss Dicie Taylor. Response, Miss Leta Weeks. Then we proceeded with the following program:

Roll call of societies; Reports from each W. M. U., Y. W. A. and S. B. B.; hymn, "Onward Christian Soldiers;" "Digest of the Address of Our President at the State W. M. U. in Tusculmba," Mrs. B. E. Styles; talk, "Am I Really Interested in Missions? If Not, How May I Become So?" Mrs. John Shannon; hymn, "I Love to Tell the Story;" open parliament, with brief discussion of topics; "Mission Study;" "Story of the Judson Centennial," Miss Leta Weeks; "Have I Studied the Standard of Excellence?" Mrs. F. E. St. John; hymn; adjourned for lunch; hymn, "How Firm a Foundation;" Miss Patrick read the 16th chapter of Romans by special request of a visiting brother, M. C. Taylor, followed by prayer by Brother Taylor; chain of prayer for missionaries, led by Miss Patrick; "Necessity of Sending in Quarterly Reports," Mrs. Styles, discussed by Miss Patrick; paper by Mrs. Speegle, "Value of Personal Service;" "Alabama's Part in the Jubilate Offering," Miss Patrick; "W. M. U. Part in the Pelham Encampment," Miss Caroline Schlosser; "How May I Win the Other Woman?" Mrs. Flemming and others; hymn, "Onward, Christian Soldiers;" talk by Miss Clyde Metcalfe on Sunbeam, Royal Ambassador and Y. W. A. work; consecration service, conducted by Miss Patrick.

This meeting was well attended and all agreed that it was the best ever had. Next meeting to be held with the First church, Cullman.

DICIE F. TAYLOR, Secretary.

A CORRECTION.

In the published receipts for November the Birmingham First church was given credit for \$24 for Home Missions that should have been credited to the Birmingham Twenty-seventh Street church.

It has been well said liquor is at once a national problem and a state problem; it is a problem of the community and of the home; it is a social and an educational problem; an economic and a commercial problem; a political and a physiological problem; it is a problem in morals and in religion; a problem in disease and insanity, in poverty and misery, in crime, immorality and divorce; it is a problem in physical, mental and moral inefficiency; it is a problem in death and in life, and we must fight it to the bitter end or it will destroy us.

The English life insurance companies found that in a group of 61,215 persons, 1,000 average people die annually, 560 total abstainers die annually, while 1,643 liquor users die per annum. In other words, the average rate per thousand is 16.33 per cent; for total abstainers, 9.14 per cent; for drinkers, 26.82 per cent.

Religion, pure and undefiled, is, after all, the only true antidote for personal impurity, for the individual must be pure before we can hope for or expect pure social relations.

There are in India 5,300 Protestant foreign missionaries—7,443 ordained men, 634 unordained men and 3,124 women. There are 38,488 native workers.

KIND WORDS

Young People's Column BAPTIST NEWS

We regret to have missed the visit of Rev. H. M. Mason, who is always doing something for the Alabama Baptist. He left \$9 for renewals.

A good sister writes: "No need to say how I like the paper. You can guess, as I keep my subscription paid up." Wish many more would enjoy it in the same way.

Enclosed you will find \$2 for the dear old Baptist for 1914. I must have it as long as I live and can pay for it. Wishing you and yours a happy and prosperous year—Lucy Whitted.

As you have indulged me for six months I will try you for six. Hope all your delinquents will do likewise. Your brother in Him—D. N. Jelks. (Turn about is fair pay.)

Change my paper from Owens Cross Roads to Brownsboro, Ala., Route 1. May the Lord bless you in your work and help you to continue to give us a good paper. Yours in Christ—W. P. Webster.

This year finds me as anxious for my denominational paper as ever before. Enclosed you will find the money for one year's subscription. With best wishes for the editor, very truly—Mrs. Fannie Whitman.

Enclosed please find check for \$2, which extends my subscription to January, 1915. Thanking you and co-workers for our good Baptist paper and wishing for each a prosperous year, I remain most sincerely—Mrs. J. A. Cheney.

I feel it a duty I owe to myself and to you to pay ahead to aid you in your great undertaking in furnishing the Baptists of Alabama with so much good reading matter from all parts of the state and elsewhere—Rev. J. M. Moore.

May God abundantly bless you in your efforts to extend the kingdom of God in Alabama. With hearty Christian greetings, I am very cordially yours—Hendon M. Harris, missionary of Southern Baptist Convention at Kaffeng, China.

Enclosed find money for our dear paper, for it is such a pleasure to me to read it. My health is so bad I can't go to church. I haven't been to church in nearly five years.—Mrs. A. J. Foster. (God bless the "shut-ins.")

Enclosed find check for \$2, for which please set my subscription up to 1915. I like to read the Baptist and am trying to persuade more of the brethren to subscribe and read it. I know it would do them good. Respectfully—J. D. Arnold.

I enclose \$5 to pay my back subscription and to pay as far ahead as it will. Wishing you and yours a happy and prosperous year, your friend—Mrs. W. E. Mealing. (Hope many others will accept the \$5 offer.)

Please find enclosed check for \$2 with which to pay for this year's subscription. I enjoy reading your paper very much. Would to God that it was in every home of our denomination in the state. With best wishes, I am yours respectfully—B. B. Griffin.

Enclosed find check for subscription to "our paper." I hope our home will never be without its weekly visits. Am glad to know you are putting more in the paper to interest the very young. May the Giver of all good bless and prosper you and yours this year and every year is my earnest prayer.—Mrs. S. D. Nettles.

We have read the paper for a number of years, and have always enjoyed it. Wish that more of our Baptist people or all of them who could would take the paper and read it. It would surely do them good. We came from Brundidge, Ala., to Blackstone, Va. Reached here December 31. May the year 1914 bring peace, happiness and prosperity to you and yours. Yours fraternally—J. W. Robertson.

Last Sunday morning I urged upon my people the claims of the Alabama Baptist, especially requesting those who were not taking the paper to give me their names, and I got one. I have entered upon the new year under favorable auspices. I am giving half my time to Moulton and half to Mt. Hope—a fine pastorate for any man. Come to see us. We have a beautiful pastorium in which to entertain you. Fraternally—A. T. Sims.

Kindly give space in your worthy paper to the few words I have written in memory of my mother. While my mother was a Methodist and I am a Methodist, we have ever loved all good people and our home was ever the home to the good preacher. I am sending my check for \$2—renewal to your paper, God bless you and yours and give you success and joy in this life and all your undertakings. Fraternally—F. H. Fielder. (We offer our sincere sympathy.)

"THE MAN THAT SWALLOWED HIMSELF."

Dr. Lyman Abbott, in the Outlook, tells us of Dr. Henry Sloane Coffin, pastor of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian church. Among other things he says: "Dr. Coffin preaches every Sunday morning a three-minute sermon to children. If I were not writing about a living man I would say that he had a genius for preaching to children. But one does not always like to say to a man's face what he is willing to say behind his back. The result has proved that the way to get children to come to church is not to urge their parents to bring them. It is to give the children something which is worth their coming for and which they think is worth their coming for."

Dr. Coffin measures up to this requirement, provided all of his sermons to children are as good as the one Dr. Abbott publishes as a sample. It was on "The Man That Swallowed Himself," and is well worth reading by grown people as well as children. We give it in full:

"Boys and girls, I suppose you have all seen performers of tricks who pretended to swallow an egg, or a baseball, or even a sword; but I don't believe any of you have ever heard of a man who could begin with his toes and swallow down his entire self. If you will look up in your Bibles, when you go home, the Book of Ecclesiastes, and turn to the 12th verse of the 10th chapter, you will read 'The lips of a fool will swallow up himself.' You see, the Bible does not consider this man clever, for it calls him a fool; and surely he is a fool, for who would like to swallow himself, so that all that people saw of him was his mouth? How would you like to be thought of as just a mouth?"

"What sort of a man do you think the Bible is describing?"

"We all know boys and girls who brag. Some boy says, 'I can jump two feet high;' and Mr. Bragger at once remarks, 'That's nothing; I can jump 20 feet high.' A girl happens to mention that her mother has a new dress, and Miss Bragger speaks up, 'I don't think that's anything; my mother has a new dress every day.' Now nobody pays much attention to Mr. and Miss Bragger. People say of them, 'They're just talk.' Their lips have swallowed them up, and people think of them only as mouths.

"Again, we unfortunately all know boys and girls who say unkind things about others. Nobody trusts them, for you may be sure that the person who says mean things of others to you will say mean things of you to somebody else. You do not want such children for your friends; you do not want to walk with them to school or to play with them. Their unkind lips have swallowed them up; we think not of them, for they may have some very attractive things about them, but we think of those sharp lips. We lose sight of everything about them and see simply their mean mouths.

"Again, I am afraid we all know boys and girls who say things that are untrue. No one ever feels safe with any one who has once told him a lie. We have heard men and women saying, 'Yes, I know that So-and-So has agreeable manners, and is bright at his lessons, and can be very entertaining and obliging, but he tells stories, and I don't believe a word he says.' His mouth, his mouth that lets out the truth so crooked that it is all twisted and bent and no one can recognize it as the truth, his mouth has swallowed him up. There is no boy left to trust, no girl left to respect. What a terrible thing it is to have your lips swallow you up so that nothing remains of you for people to admire and honor and love!

"The lips of a fool will swallow up himself."

Our present system of training often limits the natural capacities of the child and shields him from life's real experiences. In answer to the assertion that splendid men and women have grown up under a system of repression and punishment, Ellen Key argues that parents were consistent and unbending in earlier days; not over-indulgent and severe by turns, guided by nerves and moods, as are many parents of today.

One hundred years ago there was not a Protestant Christian in China. Now there are over 100,000.

Dr. Bruner and his corps of workers will begin an evangelistic campaign in New Orleans during March.

Thirty-four prominent men are scheduled to speak at the Baptist Men's Convention to be held in Jackson, Miss., February 10-12.

Dr. A. J. Holt, of Florida, says: "In educational matters we are making a fine record under the splendid leadership of our superb president, Dr. A. P. Montague."

Dr. James M. Taylor recently closed his twenty-eighth year of faithful and successful service and retires from the presidency of Vassar College, an institution of which all Baptists are proud.

It is reported that Dr. Russell Connell, of Philadelphia, has been offered the pastorate of Calvary Baptist church, so long served by Dr. McArthur, but has declined the offer, although the salary named was \$15,000 per year.

Assistant Professor Bertram G. Neson, of the department of public speaking in the University of Chicago, is conducting a course in effective public speaking for 25 members of the Chicago Equal Suffrage Society.

Alabama Baptists are not alone in trying to raise \$100,000. Atlanta Baptists are in a campaign to raise that amount for a Greater Georgia Baptist Hospital located in Atlanta. We trust and pray that both amounts will be speedily raised.

Dr. J. J. Taylor, of Knoxville, Tenn., last year preached 134 times, made 1,500 visits, married 18 couples, received 88 new members, wrote one book, and spent two months in Palestine and Europe. This is not bad for a preacher.—Examiner.

Rev. Charles C. Earle, D. D., in closing his pastorate at the Ruggie Street church, Boston, leaves a record of marked achievement. During the seven years of his pastorate nearly 500 have been added to the membership of the church, a large proportion of these being men.

Dr. John E. White, of the Second church, Atlanta, Ga., is to be the University of Chicago preacher on March 1 and 8. Dr. White has been the preacher of this strong church in Atlanta since 1901. The church was organized 68 years ago and has been the mother of 10 Baptist churches in Atlanta.

Rev. J. Frank Norris, now of Fort Worth, but formerly editor of the Baptist Standard, was tried recently on the charge of burning the church. Very little new evidence was submitted other than that given in the former trial several months ago. The jury returned a verdict of "not guilty" on the first ballot. We hope he will continue to kindle a fire under the barkeepers, bums and gamblers until it gets so hot that they will give up their wicked ways.

We are glad to learn that at the close of the annual revival recently held at Baylor University that practically a hundred of the 140 pupils in the university who were Christians gave themselves to Christ. Rev. George W. Truett, D. D., conducted the services. Among the many who surrendered to Christ in the final service of the meeting, which continued for an hour and a half into the study period, were a number of the members of the football, baseball and other athletic teams.

"How times have changed!" says the Religious Herald: "Adoniram Judson and his good wife, Ann Hasseltine, lived almost a month on \$5 in some instances. Now it has come to pass that the Judson Centennial has been celebrated in New York City by a dinner at Sherry's, at which Judson's son was the honor guest, and for which each person paid \$5 a plate." The worst part of it is that the dinner at Sherry's was not much better than the dinners that the Judsons used to have.—Watchman-Examiner.

Another church of down-town New York has closed its doors. The massive graystone building, which for more than 70 years stood at Broome and Elizabeth streets, will soon make way for a business structure. The building was erected in 1841 by the First Baptist church of New York and was sold in 1868 to the Evangelical Lutheran church of St. Matthew, the oldest Lutheran church in America, and the second church established on Manhattan.

One of the most important of the official publications of the University of Chicago, the Annual Register, which has just been issued by the University of Chicago Press, shows that the university has in its faculties 100 men and women of professorial rank, 52 of the rank of associate professor, 50 assistant professors, 71 instructors, 10 associates and 28 assistants—a total of 331. To these should be added 33 from the faculties of other universities who gave instruction during the summer quarter of 1913. In the University High School and the University Elementary School the teaching force numbers 60. So that the total number of persons giving instruction in the university the past year was 426.

Sunday has developed from a day of rest to a day of restlessness.

King Ferdinand has followed the example of the Russian czar, the Chinese president and the Mexican dictator, dismissing the parliament which he could not control.

We wish to lay it upon the hearts of our people that the publication of a denominational weekly paper has been, and continues to be, a serious denominational problem.

Magazines and periodicals with half-million and million circulation are printing stories that would 20 years ago have lost their circulation. These stories tear down modesty and other barriers against impurity.

Prof. Moses Stuart, of Andover Theological Seminary, used to say to the students when they were called to preach for a Sunday: "Young men, when you go to the country take your best sermon; when you go to the city take your best coat."

A statue representing the figure of a woman with a lamp in her hand was unveiled in the cloisters of the Church of Santa Croce in Florence, Italy, in honor of Florence Nightingale, the famous English organizer and teacher of nursing and heroine of the Crimean war.

"There is not a woman left," writes Seneca, "who is ashamed of being divorced, now that most of the high and distinguished ladies count their years, not by the consular fasti, but by the number of their husbands, and are divorced in order to marry, and marry in order to be divorced."

According to the Jewish Chronicle, Rev. Isidore Harris, M. A., in the forthcoming issue of the "Jewish Year-Book" states that the number of Jews in the world now exceeds 13,000,000; to be exact, 13,052,846, made up as follows: Europe, 9,950,175; Asia, 484,359; Africa, 404,836; America, 2,194,061; Australasia, 19,415.

The venerable British statesman, Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, will retire from parliament at the next election. He has been a member of the house of commons since 1874, during which time he has represented one of the divisions of Birmingham. At the outset of his career he was a radical. Under Gladstone he was president of the Board of Trade and the local government board. He became a unionist at the time of the break in the liberal party over home rule. He is 78 years old.

Here is an early note in Tolstoy's journal concerning the three demons that were tormenting him: "1. Gambling. Can possibly be overcome. 2. Sensuality. Very hard struggle. 3. Vanity. Most terrible of all." Gambling was one of the routine pastimes of young men born in Tolstoy's social environment. As late as the year before his marriage a night's high play cost him the manuscript of "The Cossacks," which he sold to an editor for \$500 to pay his debts of honor.

Between the ages of 6 and 9 the father of William Hayes Ward required him to read the Bible through in Hebrew, he being his teacher. He believed that Hebrew was an easier language to learn than Greek or Latin, and with three years for each, and in this reverse order his father required him to read the whole Bible in the original tongues, with the Old Testament also in Greek and the New in Hebrew, and both in Latin.

A contemporary quotes from a letter, stopping the visits of the paper because of inability to pay for it, and the writer asks: "Will it be possible to send the paper to two old people from your benevolent fund?" That makes us smile. The benevolent fund of most religious papers is a thing of the imagination. With the Journal and Messenger it is the hearts of editors and publishers. Not a cent in such a fund, once in five years, but the paper goes to a great many old people, and to some younger, simply because the editors cannot harden their hearts to stop it. It is sent to some who do not seem willing to pay, simply because of the evidence that they need it to keep the breath of Christian life in them.—Journal and Messenger.



EDITORIAL

OUR ALABAMA BAPTIST ATLAS.

We have placed upon the shoulders of our beloved secretary the burden of raising \$100,000. Few of us realize the thoroughness and untiring industry with which he is seeking to lighten not only his load, but the load under which Alabama Baptists are staggering. He is a repository of knowledge anent our state affairs, and he has a positive genius for constructive work. His long experience as secretary stands him in good stead in his present work, for when he calls upon his brethren they realize that he speaks with the authority not of a religious boss, but with the authority of one who knows because of patient research. The debt-paying campaign's success depends not merely upon his unusual organizing capacity, but because he has the love and affection of his brethren. The hour is now at hand for us to get in behind him and by cordial co-operation lift the burden from his shoulders. We do not so much need to convert opponents to his plans as to convince indifferent friends that the debts can all be paid without crippling any of us if we all are willing to be lifters instead of leaners.

A SPECIOUS PLEA FOR CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

If all of the churches had a publicity bureau, or at least the numerous ways of exploiting themselves in the public prints that the Christian Scientists have, it would possibly offset much of the nonsense that is now being paraded before the reading public. The latest bit of self-advertising which has come to our notice is an article in the North American Review of December, 1913, written by a priest in the Protestant Episcopal church and reprinted in pamphlet form and furnished to the press. The author submits in this remarkable article the proposition that Protestantism must substantially adopt the faith and practice of Christian Science if its churches are to fulfill their mission to the world. He concludes his specious plea with these words:

"It seems to be the only power in religion to retard and return the tide that is setting away from God and the church by revealing the God whom they in heart ignorantly worship and whom on their lower plane they desire, but see not."

We do not blame the writer for giving the article to the world without signing his name.

CHILD LABOR OPPONENTS.

A great many are opposed to child labor legislation because they seem to think it is aimed against the south. But even if this was true it is more than economic evil. We know that the evil exists in the south, west and east, but that does not excuse us for permitting it. Personally we do not know of a single instance of children being overworked or underpaid, or underfed, or falling to be taught, and yet the fact remains that so long as a child is thus employed anywhere on the face of the earth it happens to be some of our business, and we are in sympathy with those who want this evil brought out into the light.

One of the saddest sights in the world is a boy or girl who has never known the joy of childhood.

Dr. Shousuk Sato, the director of the College of Agriculture of the Tohoku Imperial University, Sapporo, Japan, a Christian who is in this country delivering a series of lectures at the universities, on peace, under the auspices of the Carnegie Foundation, praises the Christian missionaries for their educational and religious work, and expresses the belief that in the future, not immediately but certainly, Christianity will become the predominant religion of Japan.

The report of Commissioner Osborn, of the internal revenue bureau, shows that in six months the people used 70,000,000 gallons of whiskey.

Mayor Mitchel will have the hearty support of all good citizens of New York in his determination to rid the city of crooks and to break up the gangs of gunmen.

It always saddens us during the associational period, as we drive along the roads, to see women at the woodpile chopping wood, or drawing water, while the men folks are sitting on the verandah swapping yarns.

The oldest Sunday school teacher in point of continuous service in the United States is said to be Mrs. Anna B. Bruen, of Belvidere, N. J., who has been a teacher for 78 years. She is a teacher in the Presbyterian Sunday school of Belvidere.

Dr. Folk says: "The editor of a paper, all of whose subscribers are supposed to be sanctified, told us recently that the paper lost about half of the amount due it for subscriptions annually. What is the matter with people that they will not pay for religious papers? This is a serious question."

Rev. Robert J. Patterson, founder of the temperance order in Great Britain known as the "Catch My Pal" movement, which has spread as far as Australia and Canada, arrived on January 25 on the White Star liner Cedric to lecture for the National Reform Association of America.

Of all the problems that lie before the English people today there is none more vital, none more pressing, than that of India. For the discontent there does not decrease nor can it do so. It is not sporadic, but universal, and though it has its crests and troughs, it has no ebb, but flows unceasingly.

Jeers and cat-calls prevailed in the house of lords when Lord Erskine had the temerity to introduce a bill for the protection of animals in 1809. Rousing cheers greeted Mr. George Greenwood, M. P. for Peterborough, when he brought forward a bill in the house of commons in 1910 to ameliorate the condition of worn-out horses intended for export.

Even the statistics of the internal revenue office, showing an annual increase in the per capita consumption of intoxicants in the United States, do not worry the Anti-Saloon League. "Plot the curve of the increase," it says, in effect, "and you will see that the percentage of annual gain is less every year. And, since half the people of the United States now live in 'dry' territory and half the people who live in 'wet' territory do not drink, we know there are fewer people drinking. There are fewer saloons today than ever before."

Dr. Conrad, a Congregationalist preacher, says: "Driven almost to desperation, something over a year ago, by the feeling that members of my church might be 'standing all the day idle, giving as a reason, 'No man hath hired me,' in other words, 'The pastor has not set me to work,' it came over me like a revelation that the work of every disciple is distinct and permanently fixed by the commission of Christ himself. When a man or woman comes to me now and asks for work, I say, 'Tell me one person in whom you feel a profound interest, for whom you are praying that he or she may be brought into the kingdom.'" And then he shows them how to make a beginning as personal workers in winning some one to Christ.

Dan Crawford, the brilliant and consecrated missionary to the dark continent, is going from city to city at the call of thousands who wish to see and hear him. In May he will sail from San Francisco to Australia and thence to his beloved Africa, there to "think black," as he says, to the end of his days. Like every missionary to primitive people, Crawford has seen the need of reconstructing the physical basis of life, and the six miles of house frontage where only hovels were, and the 60 miles of good roads where there was only a trail through the tall grass, show how some of his time has been spent. With manual labors has gone literary toil also, and today his people have the New Testament and the Psalms, as well as "Pilgrim's Progress," in their own tongue.

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The Baptist church at Natchitoches, La., had a great meeting January 4-13 under the leadership of Dr. Ray Palmer, evangelist of the Southern Baptist Home Board. Visible results up to the present: Fifty-four additions to the Baptist church and eight to other churches. The meeting has also done much to quicken the social and religious conscience of the town.—A. A. Lummus, pastor.

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In the early days of January the Parker Memorial Church, Anniston, dismissed to "the General Assembly and Church of the First Born" two of its most useful young men, one a deacon, the other a minister of the Word.

The deacon, Victor L. Powell, left us on the afternoon of January 7th, after an illness of several months. When the writer came to this church as pastor at the beginning of 1910 it was with Brother Powell as clerk that the correspondence was conducted preliminary to the new relationship. This at once threw the pastor in close touch with him and gave a most excellent opportunity for acquaintanceship which ripened into close friendship and the highest fraternal esteem. A most exemplary young man, deeply consecrated, genuinely interested in all departments of church activity, scrupulously accurate and systematic both by nature and training, he was the best church clerk with whom this pastor was ever associated. So favorably did he impress the church with his genuine piety and purity of character as well as sound judgment that he was made deacon about three years ago, at an unusually youthful age. At the time of his death he was the youngest of a board of twelve deacons. Of him it may be said, truly, that "Having served well as a deacon he gained to himself a good standing and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus." His friends, his church, his relatives, his young wife will miss him sorely, but in a higher realm, unfettered by the limitations of sense, he may still serve Him whom he delighted to serve here.

Just one week later to the day, January 15th, another choice young life was transplanted to the heavenly clime. Possibly we were even more shocked by the going of Brother J. Arthur Sims since it was wholly unexpected, he having been ill but a few days. He had been a member of our church only about a year, but as a young man of ability and piety of a high order he had made his impress on the church, especially in Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. circles. As a member of the State B. Y. P. U. Executive Committee he attended the meetings of that body in connection with the recent Baptist State Convention at Enterprise. After the prayer service the following Wednesday evening he lingered to tell the pastor that he had been impressed that it was his duty to enter the ministry, and had decided to do so. He wanted to enter school and sought advice about this matter. Having learned through Rev. L. M. Latimer that a young man was wanted for the Gantt's Quarry Church who could give part time to that work and part time to attending school at the Sylacauga High School, Brother Sims, having limited means, was immediately put in touch with Brother Latimer and took up the work the first Sunday in January, 1914. The Parker Memorial Church licensed him to preach at its December conference with the expectation that he would be ordained at an early date. He had entered school and preached only one Sunday when he was taken ill with pneumonia which in a very few days resulted in his death.

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good and able minister of Jesus Christ had his life been spared. On the last Sunday night of 1913 he preached from the Parker Memorial pulpit a sermon which would have done credit to many a college graduate. Our people were looking forward to the day when they could point to him, with pardonable pride, as a spiritual product of their church life. His church, his pastor, his aged parents are almost dumb with astonishment and grief, at the meaning of it all. Not now, but in the afterwhile, perhaps we shall understand.

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JUDSON COLLEGE NOTES.

The Ninety-Eighth Birthday of Dr. Sherman.—Sherman Day by the Judson.

On the 24th of November Dr. S. S. Sherman, the second president of the Judson, passed his 98th birthday. A meeting of the college was held in the auditorium, and this day, the 24th of November, was designated as Sherman Day to be hereafter observed as such every year.

"The Mighty Eleven," a song written by Miss Annie Shillito of Mobile, a Judson girl of 1905, was sung by the school to the tune of "Coming Through the Rye." It commemorates the eleven former presidents of the Judson.

An address was next made by Miss Kirtley on the subject of the day and extracts read from the Autobiography of Dr. Sherman.

Then Dr. Bomar proposed a vote to send Dr. Sherman a telegram from the Judson faculty, students and alumnae, which was enthusiastically voted upon, and the text ran as follows: "To our distinguished and revered former president: In her rejoicing because of you, Judson dedicates this day as Sherman Day. Garlands on Sherman oak. Flowers on Children's graves. Song, The Mighty Eleven. 'Our Sherman the well beloved scholar'."

Then the Oak was decorated, and the four little graves in the cemetery were covered with beautiful flowers.

The Carnegie Library is greatly indebted to Honorable Ray Rushton, of Montgomery, Ala. for his generous gifts of two handsomely bound and exceedingly valuable sets of books, "History of Art," and "Drama and Opera." These are both de luxe editions in several volumes and will prove of great service.

We also make grateful mention of the "Memoirs of Henrietta Shuck," our first woman missionary to China. This was given by Miss Willie Wyatt. "A Pair of Blankets," a war-time history for the young people of the South, and a volume of "Virginia, 1607, 1907," was presented by Mrs. Stewart, of Virginia.

Gifts for the library are always gratefully received.

History of Judson College.

Special attention is called to the history of Judson College, by Miss Louise Manly. It is exceedingly well written and full of interesting facts and incidents well worth the purchasing price. Friends of the Judson can help by buying this history, and the proceeds from the sale of the history go directly to the Judson. No one gets anything out of it. The book is especially recommended to the alumnae. Price, \$1.00 net. Postage, 15c.

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With the self same wind that blows;
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J. C. ALEXANDER,
Pastor.

On January 12 the angel of death visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Layshert and carried away their precious daughter, Nannie Lou. For two short years she had been the joy and light of the home. Although young, she was a member of the Sunday school and had endeared herself to every one. The hearts of loved ones are left sad and lonely, but 'tis so sweet to know that God in His tender love doth all things right. The bereaved parents have the heartfelt sympathy of friends.

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Whereas, in the death of our sister Vincent Baptist church has lost a faithful, pious and consecrated member, our Ladies' Aid Society one of its truest friends and most loyal supporters, her family a devoted, self-sacrificing mother, the entire community an amiable Christian woman; therefore be it resolved:

First—That we bow in humble submission to the will of an Allwise Father, who doeth all things well.

Second—That we strive to emulate our dear sister's example, that we, too, may be ready for the coming of the Master.

Third—That we extend to the bereaved family our sincere and heartfelt sympathy in this, their sad bereavement and commend them to the Father who looks down with compassion upon His children in the hour of distress.

Fourth—That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, that they be recorded in our minute book and a copy be sent to the Alabama Baptist for publication.

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Lot 2, in block 25, lying and being in Jos. R. Smith's addition to Birmingham, Ala., called Smithfield, which said lot constitutes a rectangle fronting 50 feet on the south side of Margaret avenue and extending back of uniform width 190 feet to an alley, together with all and singular the improvements thereon or in anywise appertaining thereto.

JOHN W. PRUDE,
Mortgagee.

MORTGAGE SALE.

Under and by virtue of a mortgage executed to the undersigned by James Strother and wife, Gertrude Strother, on the 9th day of April, 1913, and recorded in volume 720, record of deeds, at page 158, in the office of the Judge of Probate of Jefferson county, Alabama, default having been made in same, the undersigned will proceed to sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in front of the court house door in Birmingham, Ala., on the 9th day of March, 1914, within the hours of legal sale, the following described property situated in Jefferson county, Alabama, to-wit:

Lot 5, in block 4, of Stella B. Thach's subdivision of block 4, according to Corry & Hall's survey for Amos Going of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section 20, township 17, range 3 west, more particularly described as follows: Begin at a point 175 feet south of the intersection of Going and North streets on the west side of North street, thence west 200 feet, thence south 50 feet, thence east 200 feet, thence north 50 feet to point of beginning, together with all and singular the improvements thereon or in anywise appertaining thereto.

JOHN W. PRUDE,
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MORTGAGE SALE.

Under and by virtue of a mortgage executed to the undersigned by Mount Moriah M. E. Church, by its regularly elected trustees, on the 28th day of July, 1911, and recorded in volume 639, record of deeds, at page 429, in the office of the Judge of Probate of Jefferson county, Alabama, default having been made in the same, the undersigned will proceed to sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in front of the court house door in Birmingham, Ala., on the 9th day of March, 1914, within the hours of legal sale, the following described property situated in Jefferson county, Alabama, to-wit:

Lot No. twenty (20), in block No. Three-E (3-E), in Walker Land Company's survey, known as East Woodlawn, a map of which is recorded in map book one (1), at pages 322-5, in the Probate office of Jefferson county, Alabama, being a lot 50 by 165 feet.

JOHN W. PRUDE,
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Rev. J. H. Wallace has resigned as pastor of Carmel after 12 years' service to accept a call to Deatsville and Verbena, Ala. Recently the people of Deatsville furnished a nice parsonage for him. He will preach twice a month at Deatsville and twice a month at Verbena. We heartily commend to the Deatsville saints Brother and Sister Wallace. They leave behind many warm friends in East Alabama.

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Beginning at the northeast corner of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 21, township 18, range 2 west; thence running south 59 degrees, 15 seconds west 547.8 feet; thence south 3 degrees east 153 feet to the center of pumping house dirt road; thence south 88 degrees, 30 seconds east 333.5 feet along said road; thence north 86 degrees east 214 feet along said road to east side of section 21; thence north 3 degrees west 154.6 feet to the point of beginning. Said plat containing 1.93 acres, according to the survey and plat made by Guin Brothers October 12, 1904. Also that part of the east half of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 21, township 18, range 2 west, lying south of the pipe line right of way of the Birmingham Water Works Company, containing in all 12 acres more or less; both plats herein conveyed containing 13.93 acres, subject to a first mortgage for \$2,500 originally given Agnes L. Smith.

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

This, the 3rd day of February, 1914.

R. Y. FLEMING,

Mortgagee.

A. C. & H. R. Howze, Attorneys.

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The preachers are the best insurance risks because they stand highest in morals.

The people at Goshen have opened their doors and filled our hearts with sunshine, and also filled our pantry with many good things. We serve Goshen, Henderson and two other churches. The Henderson brethren just before Christmas put \$25 into the pastor's hands for a Christmas present. All the people we have met are big-hearted and loyal. We believe great things can be accomplished here, although Satan has got in some of his destructive work here by establishing some of his institutions in our midst. May God help us to tear down the strongholds of the devil and build up the cause of our God and His Christ. Send me some sample copies of the Baptist and let me try to send you some new subscribers. Yours to serve—J. C. Hill, Goshen.

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Enclosed please find renewal for the Alabama Baptist. It is a great pleasure to keep up with the progress of the kingdom in Alabama through its columns. Our work here moves on nicely. We closed the year with all debts paid, money in the treasury and the church in perfect harmony. The congregations are now taxing the auditorium. The Sunday school ranges right around 300 in attendance. The yearly average last year was 275. The teaching being done is superb. The B. Y. P. U. is discovering and developing scores of young people. My people delight in the service of the Lord. We begin a meeting February 22. H. R. Holcombe will assist me. Pray for us. With love and best wishes to the Alabama Baptist family, I am, yours fraternally—J. W. O'Hara, Newport, Tenn.

Mrs. Vest Felt Like Crying.

Wallace, Va.—Mrs. Mary Vest, of this place, says: "I hadn't been very well for three years, and at last I was taken bad. I could not stand on my feet, I had such pains. I ached all over. I felt like crying all the time. Mother insisted on my trying Cardui. Now I feel well, and do nearly all my housework." No medicine for weak and ailing women has been so successful as Cardui. It goes to the spot, relieving pain and distress, and building up womanly strength in a way that will surely please you. Only try it once.

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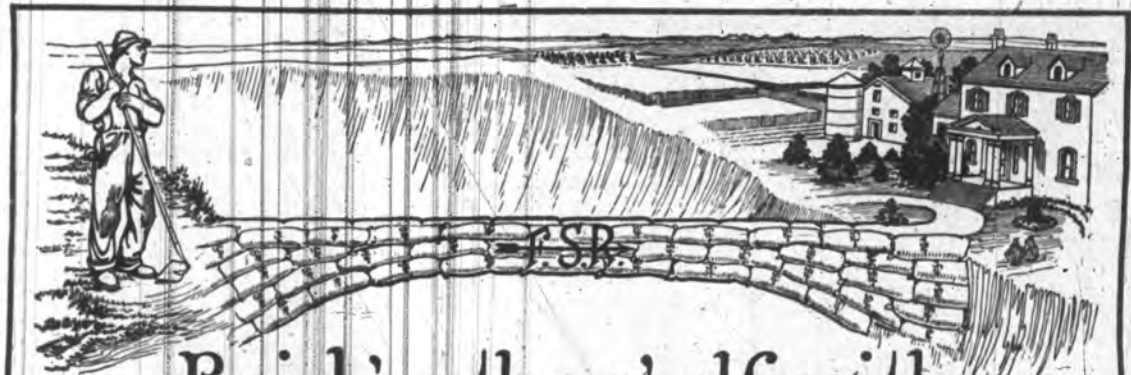
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State of Alabama, }
Jefferson County. }
Estate of Mrs. F. A. Jones, Deceased.
Letters of administration upon the estate of said decedent having been granted to the undersigned on the 14th day of January, 1914, by the Honorable J. P. Stiles, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson county, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate will be required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or that the same will be barred.
MRS. MARY J. NELSON,
Administratrix.
A. C. & H. R. Howze, Attorneys.
Jan 21-4

FORECLOSURE SALE.
Default having been made in the payment of an indebtedness secured by a mortgage executed to J. A. Kirtley by J. E. McIlwain and wife on the 8th day of October, 1910, which mortgage is recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate for Jefferson county, Alabama, in book 597, on page 5, and has heretofore been transferred to and is now the property of the undersigned, Blinn Estate Improvement Company, notice is hereby given that, acting under the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the undersigned will sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, in front of the court house door of said county on Monday, the 23rd day of February, 1914, the following described property in that section of the city of Birmingham known as West End, conveyed by said mortgage, to-wit:
Lot 7, in block 20, in the survey of the West End Land and Improvement Company, as shown and designated on duly recorded plat thereof on record in the office of the Judge of Probate of Jefferson county, Alabama.
This sale is made for the purpose of paying the indebtedness secured by said mortgage, as well as the expenses of foreclosure.
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S. M. ADAMS.
(We were glad to hear from Brother Adams. He is one of the best doctrinal preachers we have ever heard and if we were able we would gladly pay his expenses to go up and down the 'state preaching our distinctive doctrines. We miss him in Alabama and hope his stay in Florida will be brief.)

Find enclosed \$1 for my renewal. I am a little late getting it to you, but I didn't aim to do without the paper. My intentions were good, but, like the young lady who winked at the young man under a thick veil, you knew nothing about it. Sometimes a country preacher has not much opportunity to show his loyalty to his paper and the cause. Yours fraternally—**M. A. Ramsey.**

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Resolved, That as a man we esteem him happily, contented in his nature, there having been wrought out in him an admirable temperament, lofty aims, unusual professional gifts, and a great and generous love for his fellow men who loved and believed in him to a very eminent degree.

Resolved, That in the social inner circle of his home and to those who knew him best and to whom he was personally attached we knew him as a large hearted husband and father, unaffected, patient and attentive to all those finer feelings which made his home the sanctuary he loved.

That as a beloved physician he brought intellectuality and character to his profession, giving patient study to all questions put before him, calling his associates to him in emergency, marching to success and in this way drawing to him vast numbers of his fellow men who believed in his integrity and honor.

Best of all, underlying all, and reaching far above all other qualities we loved him for the eternal hope he cherished as a Christian and his loyalty to the God of righteousness whose truth is ordering all things under his ever watchful eye. This hope was his. This hope he loved. That Saviour he confessed and sought to follow, being a deacon in his church, a teacher in the Sunday school and taking part in all the church's ministrations.

Truly, our Heavenly Father knows how deeply we deplore his untimely death, the loss of his useful life to the beloved wife and dear little boy and aged mother, as well as the larger and more useful personal service in the interest of his fellow man. But we bow to the will of an all-wise Creator believing that He knows what is best for all His children, yea best for those who take their departure as well as those whose duties keep them yet a little while. And now believing this we leave thee to thy rest, knowing truest of friends and most generous of men, that although you rest from your labors your work will follow you.

- E. S. FULLER,
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