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Tuscumbia, Ala., May 11.—Alabama Baptist: The Reese-Scholfield revival closes tonight. Forty-three additions. T. O. Reese.

Our receipts by cash contributions from the churches are \$397,158, exceeding last year by \$27,565. Supplemental receipts will swell this to \$400,000. Our debt is a little over \$6,000. Hoping to see you in Nashville next week, and with all good wishes for you and your work, I am cordially and fraternally yours—Arch C. Cree, Enlistment Secretary.

The Seymore-Scholfield revival at the Highland Avenue Baptist church, Montgomery, is well into the second week, and some of the visible results so far are 33 for baptism and four by letter, and quite a number of professions, who will no doubt come later. Walter B. Scholfield, of Oxford, is leading the "Immanuel's Praise Chorus" of about a hundred voices. Pastor W. R. Seymore is doing the preaching.

Please change my address at once. I do not want to miss a number of the Alabama Baptist. It is a better paper now, according to my judgment, than in former years. I admire your stand on the booze question. Keep on shooting the booze men. I hope we will have a clean governor, as well as senate and legislature. I would enjoy going to Nashville, but am physically and financially of but little account; have passed my 74th milestone. Yours fraternally—Wright L. Davis.

We are to have at Liberty Baptist church, five miles from Inverness, in Centennial Association, a combined home coming and Mothers' Day on the fourth Sunday in this month. This is not the proper time for Mothers' Day, but since three churches of which I am pastor will meet there we have thought it best to have it that day. We hope to have as many of the expastors of the church with us that day as possible. Would be glad if you can come. Our work here seems to be moving along very well. Many of the good ladies here have taken to the work of the mission egg matter. They have collected a neat sum. Several are trying the corn plan, too. We hope to do even better for the coming year. Am preaching at Saco, a little station on the Central railroad, and they want to organize and build a church. There is ample need of one there. May the Lord bless you in your work.—Rev. R. R. Rockett, Inverness.

Memorial services are to be held at Bethel church on Saturday before the third Sunday in May. The program is as follows: Reading, T. L. Wyatt; prayer, Johnny Holmes; addresses, Rev. Molton, T. D. Courson and Rev. W. R. Lewley; 11 o'clock, preaching by D. F. Funderburge; decoration and dinner; 1:30 p. m., addresses by T. C. Wyatt, G. M. Simpson, H. C. Hazlewood, J. C. Griffin, J. F. Courson and Willie O'Barr. The singing will be conducted by A. J. Courson and W. R. Lawley.



REV. P. C. BARKLEY.

It gives us pleasure to welcome back to Alabama this Howard College graduate, who takes up an important work in the Birmingham district as pastor of Calvary Baptist church.



START THE CONVENTION YEAR RIGHT.

We want our great mission, educational and social problems to have a wider hearing. We make this offer to pastors and other friends: We are willing to send out 1,000 papers from now until January to new credit subscribers at \$1.00, even though we may not collect a dollar. Just get the names and tell the new subscribers they can pay in the fall. If the names come in before June 1 we promise to mail the convention numbers. Now is the time to start new subscriptions. Let the news of the convention, with its work and plans, get a wider publication. Please hurry up, as we want to close this offer on June 1. Please bear in mind you have no time to lose if you want your friends to get the convention numbers.

We had a beautiful and very impressive program at Nickelsville yesterday. There were 232 present in the Sunday school classes, much the largest in the history of the school, which is now on the banner list. We received three new members in the church. This makes eight by baptism and six by letter in four months; no special or revival meetings—just gathering a few at every service. We made a nice cash offering to the Orphans' Home and sent about \$100 to Brother Crumpton for Home and For-

eign Missions, thus completing our apportionment for 1914. Also got four new subscribers for the Baptist.—S. D. Monroe.

Last Sunday was a grand day with us at Styx River church. I baptized one and received one under watch care until she could get her letter. Also I gave out the sample papers you sent me, and think I will get some subscribers soon. May the Lord bless you and the Alabama Baptist. Yours in Christ—W. J. Hobbs.

Pastors, please push the dollar offer to January, 1915 (cash or credit), and send names at once, so that the new subscribers can get the convention numbers.

Our new pastor, J. G. Dobbins, has arrived on this field and preached last Saturday and Sunday here. He will preach at Pittsview today. We are very much pleased with the man and his preaching, and think we see brighter prospects ahead for this whole field. Yours truly—W. A. Bellamy, Seale.

Send the Baptist to Prof. John F. Knight and Mr. C. R. Pittman. This makes four on my third 20. We are preaching to the largest congregation in the history of the town, and the interest is growing all the time. Our Sunday schools is the largest in Clay county, but not what it ought to be. Things are moving well. Smith is a good fellow to follow. Your brother—W. J. Ray, Ashland.

Announcement of fifty-sixth annual commencement of Central College: Sunday, May 10, 11 a. m., baccalaureate sermon by J. R. Edwards, D. D.; Monday, May 11, 8:30 p. m., evening with department of expression; Tuesday, May 12, 8:30 p. m., Glee Club concert; Wednesday, May 13, 5 to 6 p. m., art levee, annual commencement recital at 8:30 p. m.; Thursday, May 14, 10 a. m., meeting of board of trustees; 11:30 a. m., meeting of Alumnae Association; 1 p. m., alumnae banquet; 8:15 p. m., graduating exercises, baccalaureate address by C. Ross Baker, D. D.

I have just closed my first engagement in this state. We began at Sebastian, Fla., the third Sunday in April and closed on Wednesday night of this week. After a hard struggle in the absence of the pastor, whose time is taken up in the commercial world, we won a signal victory. The church was in a bad condition, spiritually and financially, but we preached and sang and prayed and worked until an old feud was settled at the altar between two of the members, when the revival fires began to kindle, and the result was a revived membership, with an impulse to build a new house of worship, some backslidden hearts holding letters gathered in and enlisted in the work of the church in that locality. We closed with a very impressive baptismal service at 9 o'clock p. m. in the placid waters of the beautiful and majestic Indian river. We raised \$50 for State Missions. With a prayer for all my Alabama friends and brethren and a deep desire to be remembered by them in their devotions; I am yours most fraternally—J. M. Springfield, Eau Gallie, Fla.

From a denominational standpoint we are starting a new year. Please send in a list of names on the \$1.00 offer, cash or credit, so that the new subscribers can start the new year right by reading the convention number.

CONCERNING THE EDUCATION of PREACHERS

By H. B. Woodward

In the article published in the Alabama Baptist recently under the heading, "Concerning the Making of Preacher," I came up to some other things I think ought to be said, and for fear that some one else will not say them I will say them myself. Not all was said under the "human side" in that article that is very urgent just at this time. Baptists are not wholly awake to their duty to those whom God calls into the ministry. We need to turn our attention to the matter most thoughtfully and prayerfully. When God calls a young man into the work of preaching what is the duty of the churches to that young man?

A Statement or Two.

That the position I am taking may be clear, I make certain statements:

1. There is not, so far as I know—and hope never will be—such a thing that could be called "an educational qualification" among Baptists for entering the ministry. There is no distinction among us, save "he that is greatest among us shall be the servant of the rest of us." (Matt. 20:28.)

The "educated brother" ought not to be given every part on the programs of associations, conventions, institutes, encampments, etc., but let the "ignorant and unlearned brother" have an opportunity to give his opinion also. The aforementioned gatherings might thus be saved from being forced to partake of "warmed-over hash," and told things from the point of view they need to see it.

Now, I am not insisting that Baptists place a premium upon ignorance. They of all people must be wise. But I am insisting that a premium ought to be put upon heart-power over head-power. There is a wisdom which is not according to this world. It belongs not to schools and colleges and universities to give lessons in it. It cannot be learned from books. It comes down from above. It is given by Him who upbraided not to every one, "learned" or not, that asketh in faith, nothing doubting. (Jas. 1:5-6.) There are many very fine, scholarly gentlemen among us who could be in need of this wisdom.

2. I am insisting on the education of preachers that they may become better preachers, and not the education of pious and brilliant young men that they become preachers. Preachers of the gospel are not made by an educational process or any other process. Preachers are divinely called. A young man who cannot preach without a college course cannot preach after he gets it. Preaching is delivering a message that has been divinely given. Education cannot make a message for a preacher. Not even a preacher can make his message. But the message makes the preacher.

3. These statements are made because I believe that Baptists very generally believe, and I am trying to stir up their pure minds. "Faith without works is dead." Now I come to the point. In our association, the Muscle Shoals, there are nearly 40 churches, with a membership of nearly 5,000. This association gave less than \$300 for this worthy and holy cause last year, and one church more than \$200 of that amount. On an average we gave less than 6 cents per member. Our association is no more backward than the other associations in the state. That we are giving such little is an awful embarrassing fact. We ought to do better.

The Need for Educating Preachers.

The need for a trained ministry is self-evident. "Preachers are the leaders in a very great enterprise, the greatest enterprise in this world—an enterprise so great in its sweep, so majestic in its sublime proportion, so far-reaching in its beneficent effect upon the whole of human life and endeavor, that every other enterprise, so it ever so great and vital and important, sinks into insignificance when compared with it." The building of railroads is a very small undertaking compared to the making of a highway for the coming of the King of kings, by exalting the valleys, making low the hills and mountains, straightening out the crooked ways and smoothing the rough places in the hearts and minds and lives and ways of men. Colonel Gothals has recognition over the whole world for the wisdom and genius he displayed in his work in the canal zone. His work is in every way great, and he is entitled to all the praise he get for it. But making the canal zone sanitary by destroying the enemies of human life

and health can hardly be compared to the work of destroying the moral and spiritual miasma until every zone of this earth shall be a fit place for God to dwell with His people and righteousness shall cover it as the waters cover the seas.

Again, the times in which we are living are in some ways unparalleled, and make a demand upon the churches to provide for the education of our young preachers. If we ignore this point we will do it to the hurt of all the interests of the kingdom. The press is turning out papers and books at an amazing rapidity and in great quantity. The daily paper, the popular journals, and books cover every field of thought and phase of knowledge, business, social, scientific and religious. The people need leaders to tell them how to select the good and eschew the bad in the abundance of reading matter. Then millions of dollars are being appropriated yearly for public education, so that culture and information are becoming universal.

The young preacher must be educated in self-defense.

Again, if this writer correctly discerns the signs of the times, the conjunction of circumstances brought about by world movements, call loudly to Baptists for a sane and aggressive leadership. Now as never before Baptists are challenged to match their declaration of faith with a big program. The armies of Prince Immanuel need trained and strong generals and captains and lieutenants. Let us take the matter as seriously as we ought.

Some Objections Stated and Answers Suggested.

1. Any young man worthy of help can educate himself. That is true. But let us look at the matter from this point of view. Suppose a young man enters for four years in college and three years in the seminary and he is compelled to work his way through. It will require twice as much time for him to work one year to have money for the next. Say one young man spends four years at work, and there are 50 in Alabama who need help. Now 50 young men working four years is the same as one man working 200 years. Now if the average life of a preacher after he leaves college is 25, the denomination loses the life work of eight men out of every 50 by this method.

2. But another objection must be considered. The young brother could borrow the money needed and repay when he finishes his education. But the amount of money required to put a young man through college and the seminary, with interest, would bring a heavy debt upon him at graduation. Every thoughtful person knows the harm a debt works on a preacher. "Owe no man anything, but to love him," is the only safe rule for a preacher to follow in money matters. There are many noble preachers today whose ministry is greatly crippled by debts they made while in school. Their usefulness for life is impaired thereby. It is a mistaken idea that preachers can soon pay back money with interest which they borrow to attend school on. Their salaries at first are likely to be small, and if one pays debts out of a small salary it is done by

stinting oneself. The preacher cannot buy books, nor can he attend the conventions and thereby come in touch with his denominational movements and leaders. Some royal souls have staid out of the work of the ministry for years because they felt the need of training for it, and had not the the money themselves nor did the churches offer to help them. Such wasture of life is nothing short of a tragedy. When others enter school with very limited means and are under the torture of embarrassment continually, which is enough to crush their spirits, hinder them in their studies and thus cripple their powers for life. It is nothing short of the noblest heroism that keeps many a young preacher in school. I like to note and hear of the display of the heroic on his part, but when it is forced upon him by the covetousness of the churches no one ought to be so very proud of the churches.

Some will say the young preacher needs to undergo training in rigid economy and suffer all the embarrassment and humiliation incident thereto, for only such will duly qualify him to properly sympathize with the struggling multitudes of his fellow-belongs to whom he must minister if he follows in the footsteps of Him who has called him to be a preacher. There is some truth in that possibly. But never ought the churches sit with hands folded in idleness concerning this matter and suffer the spirit of the Lord's anointed to be broken and his health impaired under such burdens of embarrassment as some young men carry. "Loose him and let him go." If he is divinely called help will not hurt him, but make him.

3. Let the churches furnish the money, but let the young preacher return it with interest. Now I object to that for the following reasons: For churches to give money for the education of preachers is one of the many ways by which God has ordained for His servants to co-operate, and money expended in the education of young preachers goes farther perhaps in bringing in the kingdom than the same amount expended for any other cause. Unless we have good leaders as pastors of Christ's churches our many "movements" will not move very much and our various enterprises will be liabilities rather than kingdom assists. The mightiest single force in the work of the kingdom is a manly preacher trained for his high and holy calling. It was a preacher, and a Baptist preacher, too, who stated the whole thing. He was a plain man, who talked in a plain and straightforward way to the people on some of the fundamental doctrines, viz: repentance, obedience, baptism, the vicarious work of Christ, Christ's Lordship and Deity. Let Baptists never forget that the biggest thing, according to the New Testament standard, is a man. That all of our general organizations, such as associations and conventions, live and move and have a normal being only when they make great men and aid in growing strong scriptural churches. All our general organizations, with their boards, committees, etc., are for the churches and not the churches for them. Our boards must be kept from degenerating into mere receiving and disbursing agencies. The money they can raise and appropriate is the smallest part they can play. They are to be the bond of unity—the point of contact between the local churches, the nerve centers of the denominational life and character.

The Baptists of Alabama ought to raise every dollar suggested at St. Louis for Home and Foreign Missions and do their part in the Judson Centennial movement and for the church building and loan fund. But we must not stress the training of preachers in China and the southern highlands and neglect the men in Alabama. All of it ought to be done—must be done.

4. But some insist that to give such help as I am urging in this paper to young preachers robs them of their manhood. Why not object to free tuition in our state schools on the same ground? The state gives free training in her normal schools for teachers; the nation gives free tuition to her soldiers and sailors. Does that rob them of character? If not, why will helping a young preacher rob him of his manhood?

Is there not something of deep significance in the

Get Your Present

A number of our friends are sending in new subscribers, but failing to ask for the present. Now we bought the presents to give away, and you will rob us of a real pleasure if you do not state the kind you want. See list published and write for one.

fact that God calls the poor and unlearned from among us to be preachers? I believe He desires that our churches and men of means seize upon this opportunity of co-operating with His preachers. Every one who assists a young man in educating himself to be a better preacher of the gospel shares in the work of every soul he may win and every movement he may lead to success. If any one who happens to read these lines has money to give, give it now. Alabama Baptists ought to raise by June 1 at least \$8,000 or \$10,000 for this holy cause.

"Two men lived side by side. One of them said: 'I expect to do great things, but will keep my money intact for a while.' The other answered: 'It is my purpose to make every garden blossom that I can.' He educated a poor lad, sending him through the college and the seminary. That lad is now pastor of one of the largest churches in our country. Reverses came. One of them bewailed his fate, saying, 'All is lost!' The other went on with a song, saying: 'My life is not lost. I have put my money into a great, true preacher of the gospel, and through the years to come I will be preaching the gospel to uncounted thousands through him.'"

New Decatur, Ala.

PECULIARITIES OF PREACHERS.

I am not going to say that all preachers are peculiar, but some are, and it is about that class that I want to say a few things in the hope that good may result. I once heard Dr. Eaton say in a lecture that no one has the right to be peculiar. I believe it.

It has been my lot to associate with a good many peculiar preachers. Perhaps they thought that I was peculiar. For instance, I have known preachers that would sit around a home until meal time and then arise and announce that he had to bathe his face and hands. The good hostess then had to wait and let the biscuits get cold while he made his ablutions.

Again, I have known a preacher to pour his coffee in the saucer and sit the cup out on a snow white linen tablecloth. When one did that in my home once I called for an extra saucer for him. The next day we were dining in the home of a Methodist friend, and he started to do the same thing. Isn't it strange that there are some preachers that can't be taught anything? A preacher once told me how he "skinned a brother all over in prayer." A layman had made a little talk in prayer meeting; the preacher took exceptions, and when called upon to lead in prayer he "skinned" the layman. I said nothing, but as Samantha Allen would say, "I sithed."

When it comes to pugilism or a display of ugly temper in the pulpit I am often impressed with the difference between them and their Master. Did He ever threaten to throw any one out of the audience? Did you read anywhere of His holding up to ridicule and even threaten to have arrested a couple of young people for a little indisposition to listen to Him? I never have. Such peculiarities will soon kill a preacher's influence with the very people whom he wishes to help. Brother preacher, fight the devil all you want, but don't scrap with your congregation. Be sweet, but not too much so with the lovely young women. I once knew a preacher who made it a point to meet all young lady callers and greet them with a kiss. I started to say "a holy kiss," but was afraid the facts would not justify me. He had no family except a wife was the reason ostensibly why he met the callers. I aided him in a week of revival services. The pastorium was hard by the synagogue. There were many callers that week, and I never saw as much kissing one week in all my life. At the close of the meeting there were many to be baptized by the loving pastor. At last, when it became the turn of a very pretty young lady, the pastor changed the ceremony slightly and said, "I baptize you, my sweet sister," etc. Again I sithed and blushed also for the pastor. Another peculiar preacher to me is the fellow who is forever blowing his horn. He is his own press agent, fearing to leave it to others. He uses printers' ink freely. When he leaves a place it was the best on earth except the place he has gone to. Every-time he marries a couple he takes it to the columns of the Alabama Baptist, although only a handful of people care anything specially about it. When this type of preacher holds a meeting of days he quietly suggests to the pastor to write up the meeting, telling

him how great the benefit to him (the pastor) of keeping his work before the people. Fearing the pastor may be careless he finally writes up the meeting himself and closes by telling that many joined and others "will follow," but somehow they don't. But space forbids further comment on the peculiar preacher. Somehow I love the man of self-abasement and self-placement the most.

HUMILITY.

NEW BOOKS

"The Ethics of Jesus and Social Progress."

By Prof. Charles S. Gardner, professor of homiletics and sociology, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

The author thus describes his purpose in writing this book: "My conviction is that the more definitely the goal of social evolution is worked out by the students of social science, and the more adequately the concept of the kingdom of God is grasped by the students of the gospel, the more nearly they will be found to correspond."

It is an altogether worthy, consistent and entirely competent work. It is loyal to the Christian spirit, while its grasp of anti-Christian social philosophies is an especially strong feature. Professor Gardner analyzes exactly what the teaching of Jesus must have meant to the people to whom it was preached. Now he adapts these teachings to the life of today in such chapters as: "What Has Christ to Say About Wealth?" "What About Caste?" "What About the Family?" "What About the Children?" "What About the State?" Altogether a book notable for its lucidity and for its careful assembling and marshalling of fact and argument.

George H. Doran Company, publishers, New York. \$1.25 net.

"Alma's Junior Year."

This is the third volume in the Hadley Hall series, written by Louise M. Bredenkamp, in which runs a delightful story of boarding school life. In this volume Alma is shown in a new capacity, with different problems and new associates, but she has lost none of her charm and friendliness because she has grown a year older.

Cloth, decorative, illustrated by John Goss and published by the Page Co., Boston. \$1.50.

"The Fiddling Girl."

This is the story of Virginia Hammond, by Daisy Rhodes Campbell, illustrated by John Goss and published by the Page Co., Boston. \$1.50. The book opens with the heroine at the wash-tub, whose efforts at making the clothes white ended by their retaining streaks of blue. It is a pretty, homelike story of struggle and success and leaves a good taste in the mouth. The characters are simply drawn and true to life.

"Anthology of German Piano Music."

Edited by Moritz Moszkowski.

Volume 1, Classic Composers, covers the field from the primitive Froberger down to Beethoven, the culmination of the classic and the genesis of the romantic school. A splendid collection of age-defying masterpieces.

Johann Jakob Froberger, born in Halle about 1600, at an early age created a sensation by his beautiful voice and his organ playing. During his stay in Vienna he was presented to Emperor Ferdinand III, who shortly afterwards appointed him court organist, but he shortly resigned to go to Rome to perfect himself as a composer. These and many other interesting facts about the great pianist are set forth in this volume, which is one of "The Musician's Library," published by Oliver Ditson Co., Boston. \$1.50 paper, cloth \$2.50. There are pictures of Handel, Bach, Beethoven, Haydn and Mozart.

"Sixty Musical Games," Etc.

Laura Rohatree Smith deserves the praise and love of all those who care to interest children in music, and in her latest volume, "Sixty Musical Games and Recreations for Little Musicians" she has presented the facts of music in such a simple way as to at once get the attention of children. Children love to play games, and these musical ones will surely please them. The recreations are to be given out-out-of-doors. They include programs for special days. The volume is published by the Oliver Ditson Co., Boston, Mass.

"Letters From a Living Dead Man."

Written down by Elsa Barker.

The following letter was written by the author to the publisher:

"Dear Mr. Kennerly: I give you my personal assurance, unqualified by any reservation whatever, that the experiences recorded in this book occurred precisely as I have explained in the introduction."

"ELSA BARKER."

It is a curious book and will make its appeal to those who are interested in spiritualism or "hypnotic visions." Mitchell Kennerly, publisher, New York. \$1.25 net.

"Is Catholicism a Menace?" "The Papal Decree, 'Ne Temere.'"

A verbatim report of the Imperial Meeting of Protest, held in Central Hall, London, November 4, 1912, under the auspices of the Evangelical Alliance. Reprinted by S. Whybrew, Richmond, Va.

This decree would nullify all marriages before Protestant ministers and civil magistrates. It was the occasion of a monster meeting of protest in London, at which representatives of all the leading denominations of protestants in Great Britain were present. This decree is the most impudent proclamation that has come from papal Rome for some time—and surely it is enough to arouse all Protestantism. No one denies the right of the papacy to control the marriage of its own adherents, "but," says Dr. F. B. Meyer, "when it endeavors to enter the civil sphere we say, 'Hand off.'" The pamphlet contains a translation of the obnoxious decree. It should have a wide reading among Protestants, and indeed all persons who value their liberty.

EVANGELISTIC WORK AT LAICHOWFU, 1913.

This has been our best year yet. The previous year closed with the organization of two churches. The task of getting these new centers to working, of developing workers in the new churches, as well as in the old, and of drawing out financial strength everywhere, has occupied our attention. Early in the year Mr. and Mrs. Dawes went to America on furlough, and he has been much missed from our evangelistic force. The following is a summary of the year's work:

1. A third new church at Ping-Li-Tian was organized in September 35 members. They now number 51.
 2. At Hwang Hwoa a new church house has been built, costing about \$336. Of this only \$25 came through the board as a special gift.
 3. There have been 105 baptisms, 68 of whom are men. This is almost double that of last year.
 4. Our evangelists number six; Bible women, three. The monthly meetings of these workers reveal a harmonious, zealous spirit. These men have cost the board about \$45 each, as a part of their salaries is borne by the churches.
 5. There is a deepening sense of financial responsibility. The total contributions of the four churches this year is more than 1,320,000 cash, or about \$250 in gold, of which amount only about \$60 was contributed by resident missionaries. This fine proportion has been very gratifying to the Chinese as well as to us.
 6. Four perennial Sunday schools are maintained, averaging a total of 166 pupils. The churches pay for their own literature.
 7. Countless tracts and church calendars have been scattered. This Laichowfu station holds the record for best sales this year in all Shantung province. Over 75,000 portions of Scriptures have been sold by our colporters. We are indebted to the British and Foreign Bible Society for their liberal grants to this field of \$617.10 Mexican.
- A comparison of the figures of three years ago and those of this year will indicate, we think, a healthy and gratifying growth. In 1910 the membership was 173; now it is 375. Then the contributions were nearly \$65; this year they were \$260. The membership has more than doubled, while the contributions have been almost fourfold. Note, too, that the foreign contributions have been purposely set down. We have a living answer to the doubter's query, "Are the churches not doing anything?" This is a fine record of giving. Out of a deeper poverty than is known in America this record has been made.

As this is a report of facts, we say nothing of our pressing needs. They are spread out before the face of our God. We mention not our burdens; we shall bear them with His help. We omit reference to our high hopes; the day of their fulfillment will prove how well grounded they are. We make only one request. We are trying to develop virile churches, and for this mighty task we would beg prayer, unremitting prayer, which will avail in its working here among these chosen ones.

EDGAR L. MORGAN.

System, not spam, is God's method. We need religion in business, and we need business in religion.

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NOTES FROM BROTHER CRUMPTON ON SAYINGS OF HIS CORRESPONDENTS.

"Be sure and let Dr. Crumpton know of our efforts and the exact amount of our collection from this source, as our pastor, Mr. Dunaway, is anxious for him to know. I think this brings the amount to \$35—all Sunday eggs for March and April. Our little society has paid out this year something over \$270. I am just as proud of them as I can be."—Mrs. W. B. Alexander.

This is from a letter written to Miss Patrick. Pine Flat is one of the best country churches in the state. Pastor Jud Dunaway is a force wherever he goes. In two months the women and girls from Sunday eggs alone report \$35. How easy it was to do! Since they have started, why not keep it up through the whole year? I am sure they will. Think of the society of a country church raising and paying out in a year \$270. Sister Alexander has good reason to be proud of them.

Miss Patrick has another letter containing a list of names from four churches in Calhoun of 18 who will give their Sunday eggs, 19 from one church who took "talent money," and from another church three boys who enter the corn clubs to plant one ear of corn.

Other letter to Miss Patrick report 75 cents, \$2.75 and \$5 from Sunday eggs and \$1.55 from "talent money." Let the good work go on, and it will tell mightily for God in a little while.

Do not get discouraged at the seeming "littleness" of the thing. God is in it as He was in the "Still Small Voice." It is the cloud "no bigger than a man's hand." Let's watch and see it grow.

"You will find enclosed \$1.70 given by three sisters of Corinth Baptist church from their Sunday eggs. I feel like it will be no trouble to work the Sunday egg proposition, and a number of the brethren I am satisfied will accept the one ear of corn proposition; so I feel like the board has furnished us North Alabama preachers a plan for collecting missions, and I feel sure that our people will accept it."—S. C. Richards.

This is a small sum, but it is a beginning, and the idea will grow. If the preachers in the country will mention the Sunday eggs and the ear of corn proposition and comment on it favorably it will take. The beauty of it all is, as they give the money their interest will grow in the mission work.

"After so long a time I have got my church to begin to think about doing something for the cause of Christ. They had to have two weeks to study it over before they would do anything. So this morning I got ten of my Sunday school class to plant one-fourth of an acre of cotton apiece for the spread of the gospel, and class No. 2 to plant 1,800 hills of cotton for the support of the mission cause. I called the board together, and they decided that they would want some evangelistic work done in July from church to church."—P. J. Corley.

See how the idea grows! Far up in the mountains in Cullman county, at Joppa, Brother Corley, one of the liveliest old preachers you ever saw, has stirred men and boys to plant a quarter of an acre of cotton, and another class undertakes 1,800 hills. This will become a missionary center. The heaven will spread. Who can dream the results?

"Enclosed you will find money order for \$41 from Oswichee church for the "Debt-paying" Campaign fund. Hope to collect the balance promised and send to you soon. Also send my personal check for \$100 to the same fund. Others who promised said they could not pay until fall, but am sure will get it then. Credit all to Oswichee church."—G. L. Sallers.

Mr. Skeptic, who said we would never raise our \$100,000 of debts, read this letter from a little country church of only 70 members. The pastor told them he was going to ask for \$100. When he returned they had subscribed \$355, and thought they would make it \$500. I am on to this job now from May 1 to do nothing else but to give the people a chance to help relieve our boards. Pullers and pushers to the front now; let the kickers and riders retire.

Did you ever notice how much more congenially a lone widow seems to get along than a lone widower?

AN ADDRESS TO THE BAPTISTS OF ALABAMA BY THE BOARD OF ADVISERS OF THE DEBT-PAYING CAMPAIGN.

Because of the Home and Foreign Mission campaign in March and April our leader, Brother Crumpton, was compelled to suspend activities for debt-paying during those months. May 1 he takes it up again and will press it to a finish. Pastors, laymen and good women should now help.

To this date (April 28) we have collected and paid out \$17,927. We have pledges that we regard as good amounting to \$17,677. These ought to be paid in a few weeks. We have amounts "undertaken," but not yet subscribed, of \$31,932. Of course these last are only estimates.

We ask pastors and churches to co-operate with Brother Crumpton in his praiseworthy undertaking. The burden put upon him is heavy, and all should extend a hand to make it as light as possible for him. This is not a place of his own seeking. Because of his extensive acquaintance he was asked to undertake it. The honor of the great denomination is at stake. The property, worth more than a half million dollars, is the accumulation of years of self-sacrifice and toil of the fathers who have passed away. We will be unworthy sons to allow it jeopardized by debt.

Our purpose is to publish the names of every contributor, with the amount of the contribution. This honor roll will be preserved. In the years to come no names will be more honored than these who came to the rescue in a time of denominational peril.

Every care will be taken to make the expenses as light as possible. Up to this time it has been only about 3 per cent of the amount collected. Write to Brother Crumpton at once, pledging him your co-operation.

Confidently relying on you for your loyal support, we are your servants in Christ's cause.

James M. Shelburne, A. W. Tate, W. F. Yarbrough, Ernest Lamar, Paul V. Bomar, J. C. Wright, Jas. B. Ellis, W. W. Campbell, H. J. Willington, W. C. Crumpton, P. C. Ratliff, Cyrus A. O'Neal, Board of Advisers.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS OF STATE BOARD OF MISSIONS AND STATE W. M. U. FOR APRIL, 1914.

Total receipts State Board of Missions.....	\$21,341.72
Total receipts State W. M. U.....	6,987.70
Aggregate receipts for both departments.....	\$28,329.42
Received the last two days in April in both departments	13,618.53

THE SOUL WINNER'S NEEDS.

This is a subject of vital importance and is worthy of due consideration by every one.

Do not understand me to say that all soul winners are ministers, but since I am speaking largely to ministers I shall endeavor to treat this subject as it relates to the minister's life.

In the outset I would say that to be a successful soul winner one must be practical. What I mean by that is that one must know something of all phases of life. A minister should know something of farm life; he should know something of business life; he should know something of the teacher's, the doctor's and of the lawyer's life, because he is to come in contact with all of these, and by knowing something of their profession he can talk with them about their business, which is certain to win favor with them. After he is in favor with them he can present Jesus Christ to them as he could in no other way, thereby winning their souls. Let us not be men of one idea, even if it is soul winning.

In the next place I would say that to be a successful soul winner one must know human nature. All people do not have the same nature. Your nature is not mine; mine is not yours. The things that will appeal to your nature will not appeal to my nature; the things that appeal to my nature will not appeal to yours. So it is the world over, and by knowing

human nature you can approach the individual in the way that will suit his nature.

In order to be a successful soul winner one must be congenial and polite, have a word or words of cheer for all with whom you come in contact, adapt yourself to their surroundings.

Make politeness a part of your being. Practice it at all times and in all places.

Permit me to say also that to be a successful soul winner one must be kind-hearted. Be kind to children, kind to the aged, kind to the dumb brutes, and, in short, show forth kindness in every step of your life's walk.

Social culture is an indispensable need of the soul winner. The minister must meet and mingle with people of all ranks in social life—from the humble cottage dweller to the most exalted mansion dweller. By having social training he is able to meet, mix and mingle with all classes with perfect ease for himself and for his host.

If we would be successful soul winners we must be self-sacrificing. We must sacrifice pleasure, our homes, our loved ones, our positions, our wealth and I would almost say our health. When we sacrifice all we can go forth in the interest of human souls confident of success.

In the next place I would say that if we expect to be successful soul winners we must possess boldness. Be bold as lions and harmless as doves. It is smooth sailing so long as we are in company with Christians or even professed Christians. It is a pleasure to talk with them about Christ and His love. But we must tell every creature about the love of Jesus. We must tell the murderer about the love of Jesus; we must tell the story of love to the man whom we hear profaning God's name; we must tell the story of love to the miserable drunkard; we must tell the story of love to the woman who is steeped in sin. To do this requires boldness; that is the boldness I'm speaking to you of just now.

Parallel with boldness comes earnestness. If you wish to win souls never let your sincerity be doubted. Most of us, however, are reasonably in earnest when we approach an individual about his soul's eternal welfare. Yet I must say that I am fearful that we do not manifest our earnestness as plainly as we should.

Of course, we all readily agree that educational training is a prerequisite to soul winning. Educational training will develop to a very great extent all of the things that I have just mentioned; it will make one more practical, give social training, etc.

In conclusion, I would say that the paramount need of the soul winner is to know God, serve Him day in and day out. Do not understand me to underestimate the things that I have just mentioned, but I say a person can be a soul winner whether he knows one letter from the other or not if he really knows God.

The successful soul winner must live purely each day and live a life of constant prayerfulness.

Sincerely,

A. M. GLOVER.

Plans are being considered for the erection in Japan of an educational building of unique character. Every one recognizes the great need in the so-called non-Christian lands for training in Christian leadership of all kinds, and especially is there need of trained Sunday school leadership. To meet this need for Japan the World's Sunday School Association purposes to erect, as part of the proposed Tokyo Christian University system, a school of Sunday school method, similar to the Hartford School of Religious Pedagogy at Hartford, Conn. This school will serve admirably to make permanent the Sunday school spirit and impulse which may be generated in Japan by the Tokyo convention.

From a denominational standpoint we are starting a new year. Please send in a list of names on the \$1.00 offer, cash or credit, so that the new subscribers can start the new year right by reading the convention numbers.

"Silence at the proper season," says Plutarch, "is wisdom, and better than any speech." While we would by no means approve the cynical suggestion of Secretary of State Olney, made many years ago, that the best qualified man for ambassador is "one who is deaf and dumb," we do hold that tact and discretion should be regarded as indispensable.

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THE SUMMER SCHOOL BEGINS JUNE 9.

Please do not forget that work begins on Tuesday, June 9, at Pelham Heights. The program looms up bigger and better each day as the professors and lecturers send in their courses of study and topics. Brother preacher, this is a gift to you from the State Mission Board. Can you afford to miss it? Some churches have sent word that in case of some pastors who are having to farm the membership will look after the crop for the three weeks.

The only necessary expense is railroad fare and board. The board by special rate is \$18 for the three weeks or \$6 per week.

H. L. STRICKLAND.

A GOOD REPORT FROM BESSEMER

Under the aggressive leadership of Superintendent Gwylym Herbert the Sunday school of the First Baptist church at Bessemer is making splendid progress. Just recently the magnificent \$8,000 building was occupied.

A report for the first four months of 1914 is a matter of interest:

	Total	Att. Av'ge.	Total	Off'gs. Av'ge.
January	1152	288	\$37.93	\$ 9.48
February	1240	310	43.60	10.90
March	1520	304	53.21	10.64
April	1155	289	55.63	11.13

Total.....5064 298 \$180.37 \$11.20

Brother Herbert knows how to build a Sunday school. He has a loyal and efficient band of co-workers, and is fortunate in having Rev. M. K. Thornton for his pastor. H. L. S.

THE SEVEN LAWS OF TEACHING.

This is the title of a little handbook on teaching by J. M. Gregory, L. L. D., at one time president of the State University of Illinois.

It is not a new book by any means, and is possibly a familiar book to you. But do you own one and have it at hand to guide you in your teaching? It will prove as helpful to you as a Sunday school teacher as it has proven to thousands of day school teachers.

Here are just a few sentences gathered at random, which will give you some idea of the nuggets of wisdom it contains:

"The word KNOW stands central in the law of the teacher."

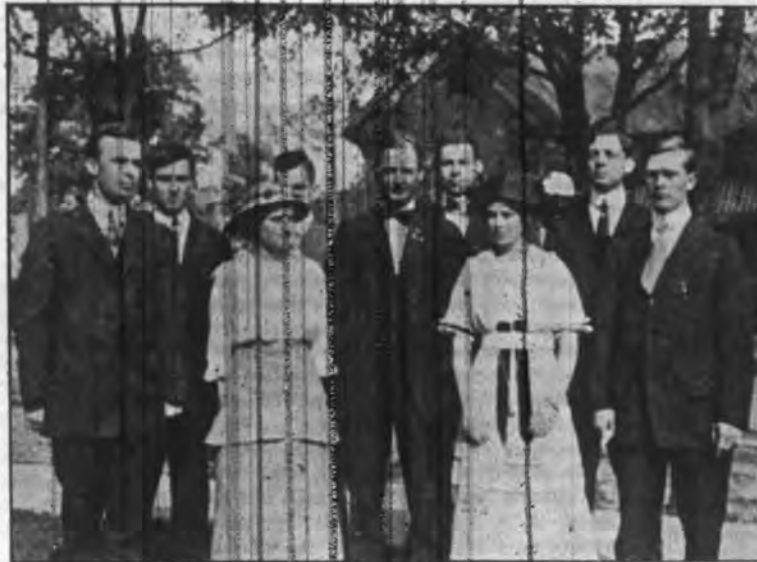
"Imperfect knowing must make imperfect teaching."

"Children instinctively object to being taught by one whom they have found to be ignorant or unready in their lessons."

"Fit the length of the exercise to the ages of the class; the younger the pupils the briefer the lesson."

"Arouse, and when needful rest the attention by a pleasing variety, but avoid distraction. Keep the real lesson in view."

"There is also speech in pictures. From the rudest chalk sketch on the



THE CONVENTION COMMITTEE OF THE BIRMINGHAM DISTRICT. B. Y. P. U.—J. EMORY BURKSTRESSER, CHAIRMAN.

They did effective work in getting nearly 200 delegates from the local unions to the State Convention in Anniston.

blackboard to the highest work of the painter's art, no teaching is more swift and impressive than that of pictorial representation. The eye gathers here at a glance more than the ear could learn from an hour of verbal description."

"That teacher is succeeding best whose pupils talk most freely upon the lessons." L. S. F.

FROM A. L. STEPHENS.

Brother Stephens in passing through Birmingham gave us the following account of some of the happenings in two associations recently visited by him:

In the Clear Creek Association an all-day service was held with Prospect church. They told him that he was the first State Board man who had ever visited their church. They showed their appreciation of his coming among them by promising to organize a Sunday school the following Sunday, by agreeing to adopt some of the methods of our work and by making arrangements for an associational school. Truly a fruitful visit!

In the Blount County Association he met with the district Baptist Sunday school convention on Saturday and Sunday at Union Hill church. This was a splendid meeting, well supported by officers and committees. On Sunday at the 11 o'clock hour Rev. J. E. Lowry preached a great sermon on "The Value of a Human Life," relating the subject to the noble work of the Bible school. P. A. Nash, of Oneonta, spoke on the general work of the Sunday school. Brother Stephens talked along the practical lines of canvassing, grading and equipping the schools. District President J. K. Nix agreed to try to get each school in his district to make a canvass, asking his own Sunday school to take one at once so as to help him,

by so doing, to recommend it to others.

We are glad to know that the Union Hill church has curtailed off places for its classes. There is to be an associational school at this church also.

On Friday night he was with the good people of the Oneonta Baptist church. There were several other attractions in town that night, but the Sunday school people stood by the Sunday school meeting and there was a good crowd in attendance. This church has delightful rooms for its primary and its junior departments, but needs equipment for them. Little chairs or low benches we hope will soon take the place of the high ones in the primary room.

Thus the work goes on. Lives are being touched that reach out and touch other lives; circles of influence are being put in motion here and there that ever widen as they advance. And there is no more far-reaching influence, we believe, in the rural districts than our associational schools. Is your school planning for one? L. S. F.

MOBILE AND BIGBEE ASSOCIATIONS.

Just completed, in part, a joint canvass with Brother S. O. Y. Ray of the Mobile and Bigbee associations. We were enthusiastically received, and in the Bigbee Association good audiences met us almost everywhere. The writer represented the Sunday school interest of the State Mission Board, and Brother Ray the Department of enrollment.

One new Sunday school was organized, and three agreed to make the canvass and ordered cards accordingly. At three points the brethren ordered wall outfits, and everywhere the spirit of cheerful co-operation was manifest. Cash orders were taken for

162 books, and 31 students for the Normal Manual were enrolled.

Brother Ray did fine enlistment work. Many pledges were given that Sunday eggs and the ear of corn should be set apart for missions. More than 50 subscriptions to the Home Field and Foreign Mission Journal were taken, and the practical feature was everywhere kept to the fore. B. DAVIE.

THE PARSONAGE.

At one place I spent Saturday night with the superintendent of the Sunday school. The next morning as he and I walked down the street on our way to the church we were met by a negro, who, addressing the superintendent, said:

"Cap't, I jes' couldn't come las' night; but I'm here dis mornin' wid \$8; an' I want you to let me keep dis little change. I needs it." He held the \$8 in one hand and a few nickels in the other.

The superintendent accepted the tender and allowed him to keep the change. By way of appearing sociable I said:

"I did not think you would discriminate against me. You gave the superintendent some money and skipped me entirely."

Instantly a look of comprehension flashed over the negro's face, and with hat in hand and body half bent in deference he extended a nickel between his thumb and forefinger and said:

"Scuse me, boss. Is you de parsonage?" B. DAVIE.

HOWARD COLLEGE ITEMS.

Visitors to the college these days are constantly expressing their pleasure at the improvement in the appearance of the college campus.

Monday at assembly was debater's hour. Mr. M. W. Lanier, a Philo, discussed affirmatively "Resolved, That Examinations Should Be Abolished on the Ground That They Are of no Pedagogical Value." Result: Examinations were not abolished.

Tuesday morning Mr. A. S. Lee presented a brief outline of the history of the college church. It is the oldest ecclesiastical organization in Jefferson county.

Mr. Moon, chair of Greek and Latin, at Wednesday's assembly spoke on the practical value of the study of Latin and Greek.

Wednesday afternoon Howard College defeated Birmingham College on the latter's diamond by a score of 9 to 1. Two other games are scheduled.

The office records show more definite decisions for new entrants for next session than were shown at the middle of August last year.

The spirit of commencement time is creeping into the life of the college. The voice of the orator on the hill and in the grove is an every day experience.

FREEMAN AND DUNAWAY.

ONE LITTLE 50 CENT BOX

of Tetterine will often cure cases of Eczema, Tetter, etc., of ten and fifteen years' standing. It is because this salve embodies correct scientific principles in the treatment of skin diseases that it relieves Tetter, Eczema, Ringworm, Itch, Chilblains, etc. It is the absolute master of skin diseases as thousands will testify. 50c at druggists' or by mail from Shuptrine Co., Savannah, Ga.

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SCRIPTURE MESSAGE.

Open thou mine eyes that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law.—Psa. 119:18.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK.

Every morning compose your soul for a tranquil day and all through it be careful often to recall your resolution, and bring yourself back to it, so to say. If something discomposes you, do not be upset or troubled; but having discovered the fact, humble yourself gently before God, and try to bring your mind into a quiet attitude. Say to yourself, "Well, I have made a false step; now I must go more carefully and watchfully." Do this each time, however frequently you fall. When you are at peace use it profitably, making constant acts of meekness, and seeking to be calm even in the most trifling things. Above all, do not be discouraged; be patient; wait, strive to attain a calm, gentle spirit.—Francis De Sales.

PRAY.

For our missionary, Miss Julia Meadows, Wu Chow, South China (at home on a furlough).

For the vice-president of the Southern District, Mrs. J. M. Kailin, Mobile.

For the officers of the Southern W. M. U. and all those who have a part on the program at the convention, that they may be guided by the Holy Spirit.

TRAINING SCHOOL EXTENSION WORK.

Mrs. Maud Reynolds McLure, a daughter upon whom Alabama looks with pride, has graciously consented to help launch the new movement of a training school at Pelham in connection with the Theological School in June. This extension work, as it were, of the Louisville Training School, will be open to Y. W. A., S. B. B. and R. A. B. leaders, ministers' wives, Sunday school workers, young women who are considering entering the training school and any other women who are interested in becoming trained for service.

Mrs. McLure will begin her work when the school opens, June 9, and will continue her work at Pelham for two weeks. Miss Jane Hartwell, of Birmingham, daughter of Dr. J. H. Hartwell, of China, will then give a series of lessons on "The Study of Child Nature."

Besides the daily lectures of Mrs. McLure on "Personal Service," "The Settlement House" and such other subjects as she may choose, and the lectures of Miss Hartwell, the young women at the June Training School will have the privilege of hearing Dr. W. O. Carver, Jr. John R. Sampey, Dr. J. A. Hendricks, on missions, Bible history and church history; Mr. Arthur Flake on B. Y. P. U. work; Mr. L. P. Leavell, Mr. H. L. Strickland and Miss Lillian Forbes on Sunday school work. It is hoped that many of our women who have a desire to be of service to the King will avail themselves of the splendid opportunity of attending this training school at Pelham.

THE TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION.

In May, 1913, with beating, expectant hearts, the Woman's Missionary Union gathered in St. Louis to begin the jubilate celebrations in commemoration of its twenty-fifth anniversary.

The year now draws to its close. It has been memorable for the great central jubilates and for many smaller ones, but the jubilate joy is still a rising tide.

We will gather in Nashville, Tenn., May 14-17, not

to close these celebrations, but to pause in the midst of a wide and growing enthusiasm to recount the way we have come.

As has been recognized from the beginning, the jubilate is not so much a review as a beginning.

The twenty-sixth annual session will consider large questions looking to expansion in the opening years.

The reports of the commissions on organized efficiency, efficiency of city societies and efficiency of rural societies will be given a large place. Important matters connected with the Training School, Margaret Home and the literature department will be considered. The jubilate—retrospective and prospective, will be the subject of a session of great interest, when many of the jubilate songs will be sung, an account of the central jubilate, tours given and each state report what has been and what will be done. It is hoped that on this occasion many who have as yet made little or no offering to the jubilate will reach the generous conclusions before which they have hesitated, and report them either in person or by proxy.

Ample opportunity will be given to hear and meet the missionaries who may be present. On Sunday afternoon the union will unite with the Southern Baptist Convention in a memorable meeting to be held in the great auditorium in celebration of the hundredth anniversary of the organization of the Triennial Convention in Philadelphia, May 18, 1814, with Adoniram and Ann Judson as its first missionaries, and out of which have grown the Southern and Northern Baptist Conventions. Sunday evening the union's annual sermon will be preached by one of our well-known ministers.

It is safe to say that this session of the union will stand second to few, if any, in point of significance and interest.

FANNIE E. S. HECK,

President Woman's Missionary Union.

QUARTERLY MEETING.

On April 29 the W. M. U. of the Liberty Association held its regular quarterly meeting at Dallas Avenue church, Huntsville. The weather was inclement and the attendance was small, but the meeting was one of the best we have had. Mrs. Johnson, our new superintendent, filled the chair for the first time, proving to us her ability for this position.

Three churches were represented and many encouraging reports were heard. Mrs. Johnson reported two new Woman's Missionary Societies, one Sunbeam band and one Junior Y. W. A. organized in this association since our last meeting.

It was our great delight to have Mrs. Hamilton with us. She proves a blessing to us every time she speaks. We were informed, inspired and encouraged by her messages. She organized a Sunbeam band at the Dallas Avenue church at the close of our meeting.

Miss Edna Cleveland read a letter from Miss Huey, which we all enjoyed very much. It brought news from the foreign field direct to us.

In only a few minutes our association raised the \$10 for the Bible woman fund for the next quarter.

A delicious lunch was served by the ladies of the church and all the visitors were made to feel "at home" and glad they came.

The next quarterly meeting will be held at New Market, Ala., in July.

This association is taking a forward step under the direction of its new leader, Mrs. Johnson.

MRS. CLAY I. HUDSON, Secretary.

If a thought comes of doing a kindness to a friend, do it that very moment. Don't wait. You may forget it; tomorrow may be "too late."

A SOUTH ALABAMA TRIP.

When we arrived at Midland City Brother Spinks, the pastor, greeted us cordially as if glad to have the women at his church for an all-day meeting. He and his gifted wife, the associational superintendent, are doing splendid things for the Master in Dale County Association. Music for the occasion was furnished by Mrs. Spinks and a score of young people from their well-trained choir, and thoroughly delightful was their singing.

Reports from the various societies were encouraging, each having met the apportionment in full. Extra gifts for the scholarship fund were also pledged. Progress, spirituality and consecration were dominant notes in the papers, talks and prayers of the day. Those taking part in the program were Mrs. B. P. Poyner, Mrs. C. J. Jackson, Mrs. W. L. Head, Mrs. W. A. Jones, Mrs. W. A. Windham, Mrs. M. L. Harris, Mrs. Mollie Lindsay, Mrs. Pitt Jones and Mrs. D. M. Jones. Brother Spinks also helped by propounding pertinent questions. Refreshments at the noon hour were well prepared, well served and most bountiful. The church was adorned with beautiful roses. The visitors were "at home" at the pastorium between trains, and how much we did enjoy the hospitality and fellowship. Mother Hollingsworth, who is 73, rendered some piano solos in charming style and played Mrs. Spinks' accompaniments for the violin. Another musician of the family is little Paul, who is a remarkable vocalist.

At Dothan we were entertained in the elegant home of Mrs. G. H. Malone, superintendent of Columbia Association. Her charming daughter, Miss Florrie, drove a party of us over to Columbia for the jubilate meeting. It was an ideal day and seemed to us that "the heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament showeth His handiwork" in Southeast Alabama particularly. The Columbia women had prepared every comfort and luxury and gave the visitors a royal reception. A real artist had decorated the church with exquisite cut flowers, ferns and palms. How beautiful they were! The meeting was presided over by Mrs. G. L. Campbell, assistant superintendent. Appropriate words of welcome were spoken by Mrs. J. A. French and responded to by Mrs. Malone. Eleven societies were represented and excellent reports made. Those participating in the program were Mrs. Jack Brett, Mrs. J. T. Davis, Mrs. E. J. Jennings, Mrs. C. H. Davis and Mrs. W. P. Stewart. The latter paid a touching tribute to the memory of the late Mrs. John T. Davis, whose consecrated Christian life was an inspiration to many. It was a source of regret that Mrs. George Cotton, of Dothan, was kept from the meeting by the desperate illness of her noble young son. (We have learned since of his death, and our heart goes out to the bereaved ones in deepest sympathy.) Special numbers on the program were a vocal duet by Mrs. Peterson and Miss Skipper, a reading by Mrs. John McGriff, an address by Dr. French and a reading by Miss Florrie Malone. The luncheon was most elegant and beautifully served. We were favored meanwhile with musical selections by Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. May. Toasts given by Dr. French and Mr. May to "Woman" reminded us that "man" deserves some praise for his chivalry, brilliance and humor, not to mention other attributes of a Christian gentleman. The complete success of this delightful banquet was largely due to Mrs. J. A. Hays, Mrs. W. F. Oakley and Mrs. R. D. Clarke, who composed the luncheon committee.

ADDIE ESTELLE COX,

W. M. U. Field Worker.

Prominent People

Sam Jones once said that the world could run a mile while the church put on its shoes.

Milton defended "sects and schisms" on the ground that they represented what in modern phrase we should call independent research.

Nordau describes an old man as an unpleasant picture of decrepitude, intellectually narrow and full of prejudices. But we have known many who were active, broad and tolerant.

Antonio Fogazarro, one of the modernists in Italy who has wrestled with the despotism and ignorance of the papacy, struck a stirring note in his fine saying, "I bend not, nor do I complain. Like a soldier at his post, I await the dawn and God."

Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, pastor of the Central Congregational church, Brooklyn, N. Y., has been invited to preach the 366th anniversary sermon of the Huguenat church, worshipping in the crypt of Canterbury Cathedral, England. The event takes place on Sunday, July 26.

Rev. Ralph W. Tidrick, missionary in the Soudan under the American United Presbyterian church, was fatally wounded at Doleib Hill, Sobat river, by a lion. He went to Khartoum for treatment, a six days' journey down the Nile, but only survived a day after arriving. Mr. Tidrick was a native of Iowa.

When Salmastius, one of the greatest scholars of his time, drew near to death, he exclaimed bitterly against himself: "Oh, I have lost a world of time; time, the most precious thing on the earth, whereof if I had but one year more, it should be spent in David's Psalms and Paul's Epistles. Oh, mind the world less and God more!"

Stuart Maclean writes in the Churchman (Protestant Episcopal) a sane article upon the work of Evangelist Billy Sunday in Pittsburg, in which he says, apparently regretfully: "Whatever he accomplished, he did it without the help or even the assent of the Episcopal church. More: he did it in the face of the church's public criticism."

Governor Ammons, of Colorado, has placed himself on record as objecting to the serving of intoxicating liquors at social functions. At a recent meeting of visiting governors at the famous Antlers Hotel, in Colorado Springs, the order went out from the state house that nothing more intoxicating than grape juice, lemonade and Manitou water should be served.

The public is at present applauding the heroism of Ferdinand Kuehn, the 21-year-old wireless operator of the Monroe. This courageous and magnanimous youth stood by his instrument and sent out the signals for help until his batteries failed him, gave his life-preserver to a girl, fastened it upon her, threw her from the slanting deck into the sea, and then went down to death with the sinking ship.

"If there was only one automobile in the world," Henry Ford has said, "and that cost a million dollar, I presume there would be some fool to buy it. If, on the other hand, a car could be produced for \$50, with an annual upkeep of \$10, millions of workers, wage-earners and mechanical men, with the others, would want cars of their own. The breadth of the market depends on the degree to which one can approach that \$50 price."

By the death of Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, for many years president of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the leadership of the union automatically passed to Miss Anna Adams Gordon, who for 21 years was the constant companion of Miss Wilbard, being her secretary, and for the last 16 years was vice-president of the union. Although Miss Gordon spent much of her time with Mrs. Stevens in her Portland home, her real home was Evanston, Ill.

Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, D. D., who with Charles M. Alexander has toured the world in evangelistic effort, has returned to New York, and will spend the summer at his home in Jamaica, Long Island. Since last October Dr. Chapman and Mr. Alexander have held evangelistic missions in Scotland, the greatest being in Glasgow and Edinburgh. For the first time in 43 years the ministers of the Established Church and the United Free Church met together in conference.

The story has been often told how Leverrier, long before he had caught a glimpse of Neptune, convinced himself that it was there. He could not find the planet itself, but he detected the results of its behavior. After a few months' hard labor he suggested that astronomers with especially powerful telescopes point them toward a specified part of the heavens at a specified time. They did so, and a new planet immediately swam into their ken. The performance not only caused the recognition and charting of a new member of the solar family, but was one of the greatest triumphs of the human mind.

Young People's Column

BAPTIST NEWS

THE CHILD IN THE GLASS.

The child who lives in the looking-glass
Is always waiting to see me pass;
She never seems to run and play,
But watches there for me all day.
For every time I go and see,
I find her peeping round at me.
One day when I was cross and cried,
She stretched her mouth so very wide,
I had to laugh!—then she did, too;
She likes to do just what I do.
—Children's Companion.

FIRST WOMAN TO USE SEWING MACHINE.

Miss Elizabeth M. Kilbourn, of Winstead, Conn., now over 80 years of age, was the first woman to take a stitch on a sewing machine. In the early fifties she was a teacher in a private school in New Hartford, where Elias Howe was experimenting with his invention in a dingy shop in a basement on the present site of the New Hartford House. She became interested in his invention, and was finally permitted to operate it.

"There, you are the first woman in this world who ever took a stitch on a sewing machine," Howe said to Miss Kilbourn, when at his invitation she tried the machine.

At that time there was no pedal arrangement, and the operator had to turn the wheel by hand. Two needles were inserted in the machine, as Miss Kilbourn remembers it.

Elias Howe was very poor in those days, and sharpened knives and did odd jobs for a living in his basement shop. When he had perfected his sewing machine he went to Bridgeport, and shortly afterward Wheeler and Wilson moved there from Watertown, Conn., and the three combined, and Howe died rich.

THE MULTIPLICATION TABLE.

"I never can learn it so there!" wailed little Johnny Brown at the breakfast table. "I have to have the times-tables up to nine, and I just can't remember them. I know mamma would help me if she had time."

"Well, my little man, I'll tell you what we will do. You help me with the dishes and I'll help you with your tables. We'll study as we work," said mamma, cheerfully.

"How can we study and work, too?" inquired Johnny.

"Oh, we can do it splendidly," laughed mamma.

"Which one of the tables is the hardest for you?" she inquired, a few moments later.

"The sixes. They get all mixed up."

There was a large family at the Brown house, and it was not at all difficult to arrange knives, forks and spoons in piles of six. The cups, saucers, oatmeal bowls, plates and other dishes were arranged in the same manner. All the time the work was going on, the washing and wiping of the dishes, John's mamma said he in unison were repeating, "Six times one are six. Six times two are twelve. Six times three are eighteen," and so on.

"Why, mamma, it sounds 'most like a song, the way we are saying it; I believe it will be easy to remember it all right now. I did not know it would be such a help to say it out loud this way. I won't need to put the dishes in piles of six any more. I can just say the table with you. I want to help you each morning if you'll help me this way with my numbers."—Dew Drops.

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Wake Up!

And get a club of new subscribers on the \$1.00 offer to January, 1915, and be sure and choose your present. If you can't get up a club, surely you can get some friends to take it. Those who really try are getting results.

Rev. W. H. Sledge goes again to Helena, Ark., as pastor. This is the second or third time.

Rev. W. W. Bustard baptized 52 at the Euclid Avenue church, Cleveland, O., Easter Sunday—19 in the morning and 33 in the evening.

We welcome Brother W. K. E. James, who has been at the Rochester Theological Seminary, back to Alabama. He orders his paper changed to Cuba.

Rev. H. T. Crumpton, formerly located at Dawson, is now pleasantly situated at Sweetwater, Texas, of which his correspondents will take notice.—Christian Index.

Rev. Henry C. Mable, D. D., general faculties lecturer of the Baptist theological seminaries, expects to complete his tour of the world and arrive in the United States, with Mrs. Mable, about June 1.

It's good to have Rev. D. I. Purser, Jr., back at work in Alabama. After extended study at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary he returns to become pastor of the First Baptist church of Gadsden.

The great London Metropolitan Tabernacle, Dr. A. C. Dixon, pastor, has received 153 members, 94 for baptism. The year's work was closed with a handsome surplus in the treasury and with no debts. There are now 2,669 members.

Dr. James C. Masee, pastor of the First church, Dayton, O., led in the organization of the Protestant churches of the city for a simultaneous evangelistic campaign, covering a period of two weeks. During this brief campaign some 1,500 persons made a confession of Christ.

Rev. R. M. Hunter in the Alabama Baptist has some wise things to say concerning tramp preachers who come among us representing things and enterprises outside our regular work, about which we know nothing, and concerning which we know less, and asks that we cease to encourage them. Amen!—Baptist Witness.

An exchange says: "He sat and looked at the busy editor for about 15 minutes steadily. Finally he yawned sleepily and remarked: 'There are some things in this world that go without saying.' 'I know it,' snapped the editor, 'but there are too many things that say a good deal without going.' We are always glad to have friends come to see us."

Once in a while along the streets and lanes and out into the highways and hedges of our country there come some long-whiskered, peculiarly-clad and rather oily-tongued suppliants for some of the coin of the realm which they claim to want for the erection of orphanages in Turkey, or among the Balkans, or in Asia Minor. A number of these peripatetic beggars have been shown to be absolute frauds, and it may fairly be inferred that practically if not quite all are nothing more than ecclesiastical fakers. To deny their plea shows no lack of generosity. They should be given the cold shoulder and an open road, and encouraged to return and build up their homeland by honest toil or set their hands to worthwhile work in our land of the free.—Biblical Recorder.

We celebrated our first anniversary as pastor of the Water Valley church May 3. During this year we have had 181 new members added—about 150 of them for baptism. Ninety-five of them came in under the preaching of the pastor, while the others came in during our recent revival, when we had with us two of our Home Board men, King and Wolsagel. We had a great meeting with these two men of God, and our church is now in better condition than it has been for years. We gave them a check for \$300 at the close of the meeting. Since the 1st of January of this year our people have sent \$500 to our Foreign Mission Board, \$345.75 to the Home Board and \$44.50 to the State Board. We have spent in cash something over \$2,000 during the past year in improvements, repairs and incidentals. I never worked among a more liberal people in my life, and our work is in fine shape every way. Our Young Women's Auxiliary will send the pastor to the convention. I am teaching a Personal Workers' course in our Y. W. A. every Tuesday afternoon. Your brother in the Lord Jesus—A. A. Walker, Pastor, Water Valley, Miss.

Napoleon realized the impossibility of sitting permanently upon bayonets. When, in appearance, he had conquered the whole of the European continent; when he had, as we learned in our school books, "rolled up the map of Europe," he realized in a flash of intuition that the whole thing was destined to failure. He said one day: "I have come too late; the nations are too firmly set."

A bragging husband is almost as bad as a nagging wife.

Pastors, please push the dollar offer to January, 1915 (cash or credit); and send names at once, so that the new subscribers can get the convention numbers.

A METHODIST TRIBUTE TO DR. BROADUS.

Dr. Gross Alexander, the scholarly editor of the Methodist Review, in a sympathetic and commendatory notice of "The Heart of the Bible," edited by Ella Broadus Robertson, appends to his review in the April issue the following interesting footnote:

"Mrs. Robertson is the worthy daughter of a noble father. Her father was Dr. John A. Broadus, professor of New Testament Exegesis and of Patristic Literature in the Southern Baptist Seminary at Louisville, Ky. The editor of the Review had the rare privilege of studying for three years with Dr. Broadus in New Testament and Patristic Greek, and he feels that he owes as much to Dr. Broadus as to any man living or dead, with the single exception of his own honored father. Mrs. Robertson is the wife of Dr. A. T. Robertson, her father's able successor. He has written a short grammar of the Greek New Testament that has already been translated into four or five foreign languages, and is now engaged in writing a fuller and more exhaustive one."

This generous praise from so distinguished a Methodist will be appreciated not only by the brilliant husband and gifted wife, but by Southern Baptists. We take pleasure in joining with Dr. Alexander in his praise of "The Heart of the Bible," and hope it will find a place in many Christian homes. It is printed from large, easy-reading type, with eight full-page black-and-white illustrations. Prices: Cloth, \$1; limp leather, \$1.50. Thomas Nelson & Sons, publishers, New York.

This notice will come as a distinct surprise to the charming editor and reliable publisher. It is given a place on our editorial page just because we want to honor Mrs. Robertson and help the sale of her book.

The president of the United States tendered his good offices to bring about mediation between the warring forces in Colorado, but Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., the representative of the controlling interest in the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company, met the tender with a curt rebuff, and President Wilson sent federal troops into Colorado to put an end to the civil war there with a firm hand. If it continues to be impossible to bring employers and workers together for a peaceful settlement of their difficulties, the president may take possession of the mines, as President Roosevelt was prepared to do if arbitration proved useless in the case of the great coal strike in Pennsylvania, and operate them under a federal receivership on behalf of the general welfare. It is a situation that is fraught with great peril.

On June 1 the Chautauquan, the magazine which has been a regular part of the required reading of the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle, will be absorbed by the Independent. Thereafter instead of the Chautauquan, the interest in which was chiefly confined to those taking the prescribed course, all of the members of the Chautauqua Circle will receive the Independent, which will be of value to the whole family. Mr. Frank Chapin Bray, who has for many years had charge of the Chautauqua Circle work, will become Chautauqua editor of the Independent.

The American Baptist Year Book for 1914 reaches our desk. As usual it gives full information with reference to the Baptists in this country. It shows that the Baptists number 5,799,253. The price of the book is 50 cents. Write to the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa., for a copy, as it is a valuable hand-book and ought to be in the hands of our Baptist people.

A Florida congressman has introduced a bill forbidding in the District of Columbia intermarriage between a white person and one who has as much as one-eighth of negro blood.

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EDITORIAL

OUR MISSIONS IN ITALY.

Every now and then some timid or critical Baptist calls in question our mission work in Rome. They fear that our chapels are overshadowed by St. Peter's and that our individualism is lost in the Pope's authority. Let us remember that when the distinguished author and teacher, Dr. Luzzi, was leaving Italy to come to America to lecture he wrote to three Modernist priests in different parts of Italy to give him a message to the people of the United States, "a message that I may say is one coming from the very heart of Italian Modernism." A priest wrote this to Dr. Luzzi:

"You know what Modernism is aiming at as well as we do. Put our aim clearly before their eyes. Do your best to persuade them that we are not either hypocrites, or destroyers of Christianity, or rebels against the church of our fathers. We are Christians, believers in the revelation God has made of Himself in several ways, and finally and completely, through Christ; we want the inspired document of that revelation, the Bible, to become again the unshaken basis of our belief and of our morals; we want the church of Rome, which once upon a time was Christian, and is now the corrupt and worldly church of the Vatican, to become again a true branch of the great church of Christ. Tell our Christian brethren beyond the ocean that we expect their earnest prayers, their brotherly sympathy."

And others long for our Baptist rights when they plead that we want to put a stop to the excessive right of guardianship (the confession, etc.) that the priest has always exercised over the faithful; that kind of guardianship which may, perhaps, have its use (although we even seriously question this) during spiritual infancy, but which becomes utterly disastrous and humiliating in the case of the spiritually grown-up. The adult must be able to do many things by himself; and as far as his conscience is concerned, he must know that between his conscience and his God there is no room for human mediators. We want the rights of the laity to be fully recognized in the church; not only in matters of administration, but, above all, where the election of pastors is concerned. We want the separation of the church from the state. We want the abolition of all false devotional practices; and as a substitute for all morbidly sentimental books of prayers and pious meditations, we desire the gospel of Christ, the greatest book that Christianity possesses, the only book able to educate the spirit to a true and manly piety.

Mme. Poincaré, wife of the president of France, is at present a notable figure in the eyes of the people of that country, who are recalling the romantic circumstances of her marriage to M. Poincaré. The latter, while a young and by no means distinguished lawyer, met and fell in love with the charming daughter of a rich family. Alas for the young man's hopes, however, the stern parents of the girl demanded a settlement of \$200,000. Instead of weakly giving up and allowing some richer man to win her the plucky young man asked only for time—five years; and he made it, but not in religious journalism.

The death of the Dowager Empress Haruko occurred at the imperial villa of Namazu, near Yokohama, Japan, April 9. The Dowager Empress Haruko was the widow of Emperor Mutsuhito, who died July 30, 1912, and the daughter of Ichijo Tadada, a statesman. She was born May 28, 1850, and her marriage to the emperor occurred in 1869, at which time she was then declared empress. By the side of her husband she passed through the troubled period of Japan's transformation at the beginning of Mutsuhito's reign. She witnessed the transfer of his capital from Kioto to Yedo, which was afterward named Tokyo.

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A GOVERNMENT OF LAWYERS.

We fear that we are forgetting that in the greatest thought in the first constitution ever written in the English language one of the articles closed with these striking words: "To the end that it may be a government of laws and not of men." This was the Magna Charta of the old "Bay State." We fear that here in America, where the above sentiment was born, that we have instead of a government of laws, a government of lawyers; and because of the outrageous interlocking and log-rolling of the three great functions—executive, legislative, judicial—the position has become so intolerable that we are menaced by "a government of men."

It may be, indeed it obviously is, impossible for a certain class of mind to understand the depth, strength and fervor of the temperance sentiment in Alabama, but the fact must be accepted.

To some a passionate aspiration may be quite inconsiderable as compared with bread and butcher's meat, but to others it transcends all material advantages.

The proffer of Argentina, Brazil and Chile to use their "good offices" in helping us to settle our dispute with Mexico is one of the most dramatic and glorious strokes in the history of international relations. The so-called A B C powers of the southern half of our hemisphere deserve the gratitude of North America and the world. Their proffer, however, is not only the result of a happy impulse to befriend the civilization of the New World, but a direct outcome of the moral obligations assumed at the second Hague Conference. And fortunately enough it was the joint insistence of the United States and Mexico, the only American states participating in the first Hague Conference, that caused Argentina, Brazil and Chile, as well as the rest of the Latin American republics, to be invited to the second conference, where no two men had greater influence in shaping the final results than Drago, of Argentina, and Barbosa, of Brazil.

The Catholic Truth Societies are now federated about one international center near Liege, in Belgium, under the name of Committee of Defense Against the Attacks of the Evil Press. In this country the headquarters are at the Apostolic Mission House in Washington, and every principal country has or will have its national center. One method of defense will be the bringing of suits for libel against those who publish false statements to the injury of the church and its officials. If the truth about the Catholics gets out no one need fear that any American jury will bring in a verdict for damages against those who brought out the real facts.

Admiral Fletcher's quiet and dignified occupation of Vera Cruz showed a state of preparedness of which the nation might well be proud. It broke the world's record in military and naval annals and commanded the admiration of all the foreign officers present. Within the brief space of three hours 1,100 marines and bluejackets had leaped from their small boats, clambered up the stone steps of the seawall, and the "thrice-heroic city of the true cross," as Vera Cruz proudly calls herself, was occupied. The movement was so sudden and executed with such military precision that the Mexican troops ashore seemed dazed.

Philip Brooks said: "Let us not be disheartened if we find ourselves wearing out, for to wear out is one of the natural processes of life. Only, let us make sure that we are wearing out over something that is worth while."

Japan and China have prohibited both cigarettes and opium, but we Americans, who think ourselves superior to the yellow races, are allowing our youth to practice a habit which will utterly ruin the nation in one generation unless checked and suppressed.

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REV. AUGUSTUS B. WOODFIN, D. D.—1837-1913.

The close of 1913 records the end of the earthly life of this "good minister of Jesus Christ." By grace "rich toward God" he is evermore rich with God.

At Richmond College, from which we graduated, and in Alabama and Virginia I knew him as a co-worker, at first to respect him, afterwards to cherish him as a brother—friend. In Christ there are circles within the great circle, leagues of friends within the Christian brotherhood. A few years ago I signed a letter to him, "Your brother—friend." With characteristic penetration and appreciation he replied, "Gwin, I like that title." Yes, within God's family, all doing His will, are manifold relationships—"mother, brother, sister." The life-long soul-wife of Dr. Woodfin, a typical Christian, gentle woman, from whom he received so much "light and sweetness," such a wealth of hallowed wisdom and experience, was to him God's "ministering angel," and is to me and to hundreds of God's children a true sister—friend. As her exodus from earth approaches may she continue to radiate the beatitudes of her Lord, Christ! May grace, mercy and peace from God—Father, Son and Spirit—sustain and sanctify her and hers in this, her supreme bereavement and "turn their sorrow into joy."

In the Baptist ministry for 50 years, "aspiring to show himself approved of God," he tolled as expositor and exemplar of "the grace and truth that came by Jesus Christ," in order, under the leadership of the Good Shepherd, to find the lost and feed the folded sheep. The Holy Spirit inspired him not to add to, but to interpret the infallible gospel. The Greek word translated "gospel" literally means "glad message," and "message" is better than "news" or "tidings," because it involves three persons—a sender, a bringer and a receiver. Woodfin strove to be a faithful messenger of the Supreme Messenger, Christ Jesus. The Holy Spirit is not only the inspirer, but the Biographer of every Christian; it is He who writes indelibly on the father's soul the ineffaceable story of its union with Christ. Our brother, as well as every glorified saint, possesses this bible within the Bible as the gift of God in heaven. O, ravishing thought, may every reader of this imperfect tribute receive this personal bible, edited by the Spirit and presented by the Son of God, and realize the Genesis and Apocalypse of eternal life in union with Christ.

The Holy Spirit ingrained in Woodfin's soul, we confidently believe, two of Christ's great words, "Come" and "Go." Early in life and down through mature and old age he heard these words calling and carrying him from the cross and Olivet to life and preach Christ to all in his path—aye, I make bold to declare, from his self-crucifixion to his heavenly ascension! May it be that "we who remain" shall hear and obey the latest words of our Redeemer, "Come up higher" and "Follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth." Wondrous, blessed journey from guilt to grace, from grace to service and sacrifice, and from all to glory and to God.

Our brother had a profound conviction of his native unworthiness. During my pastorate in Montgomery a widely known evangelist conducted a "revival" meeting in the St. Francis Street Baptist church, Mobile, of which Dr. Woodfin was the pastor. As a guest in his charming home I attended the services for several days and nights. The feature of the day meetings was an urgent appeal for heart holiness. One day when many Christians were intensely yearning for this gift of the Holy Spirit Dr. Woodfin arose and, with head bowed and hand on his heart, "out of the depths" he cried, "Oh! so guilty!" Oblivious to the congregation his soul was transfixed by two supreme facts—God's holiness and his soul-stainfulness. Their action and interaction stirred the whole being of himself and of many others. I never forgot that scene, nor the brave, true, spontaneous confessor who echoed the yearnings of his guest and of his flock. I think it was a turning point in his soul-ascend with and to Christ. O, reader, never cease to confess your latent sinfulness, your sins of omission, outnumbering and leading to sins of commission. In the 75th year of my life I weep or mourn daily over my personal unworthiness till the Son of Righteousness shining through my tears shows me His rainbow, the promise of a sinless, stormless tomorrow! "Blessed are

they that mourn, for they shall be comforted."

Many years ago I read in a religious journal this stray remark by Dr. Woodfin: "In a case of strife between two persons I never pass judgment till I hear impartially both sides." What is this but another flash-light from a heart freeing itself from the temptation to injustice, unkindness and prejudice, and exercising itself in the love that "thinking no evil," etc. O, when I consider in meditation or in prayer the faults and failings of my own heart and life, how can I withhold sympathy or forgiveness or helpfulness from a fallen fellow traveler to the bar of God? In His crucial hour our Savior prayed, "Father, forgive them!" How illuminating and invigorating is even the least scintillation of His forgiveness that passes through us to our fellow men. The forgiver has the "seal of God on his forehead" and "enters into the joy of his Lord."

It was not my privilege to hear Dr. Woodfin preach, save a missionary sermon on one occasion, but the testimony of many of his hearers affirms the scripturalness, strength and effectiveness of his sermons; yet I knew the consecrated preacher and pastor whose life breathed the illustrious gospel. To him, as to every good minister of Christ, the cross was the watchword of all life, the symbol of all power, the trumpet of all triumph. I knew him in the innocent abandon of personal companionship; I knew him in the home, where love will light her final torch when she has illuminated the family, the germ-cell and unit of Christian civilization. Paul was "branded with marks," but his every scar has turned into a star, and his cross into a crown! The departed in Christ never die to us; they influence us more purely and potently from heaven than their earthly lives could express. Ours is the love felt by a Christian who lives on earth for a Christian who lives in heaven. Our dear one, we think of and love you in heaven, and we believe you think of and love your dear ones on earth, for "love never fails." My heart indites impromptu this closing stanza:

O Christ, may we who weep
And move with Thee to "sleep,"
Greet all who cluster
Round Thy throne,
Shedding the lustre
All Thine own!

D. W. GWIN.

Spartanburg, S. C.

OUR GYPSY BAPTIST CHURCHES.

(From the Home Field.)

They are not composed of converts from among the Gypsies, but they are homeless. The Gypsies seem to be very happy in spite of their condition; they would not be happy in a home. Their natures crave the wandering life. But a church is made up of people who have their homes. They are looking forward hopefully for their children. All the land shall be theirs finally.

What sort of citizens will they be and what sort of country will they possess, and what sort of fathers and mothers will they make if they never know a church home? Gypsies are always under suspicion. Mothers keep a close watch on their children if a camp of Gypsies are near. Woe betide the men who attempt to trade with them.

A homeless church in a community hasn't any faith in themselves. They are always on the ragged edge—mere pensioners. The people do not regard them of any force. New comers hear there is a Baptist church organization, but no house of worship, they were brought up among the Baptists, their preferences are all that way, but everybody says, and the Baptists look: "No Hope." Fact is that is the name the community has given the church. The Baptists call it Mt. Carmel, but Mount No Hope is what the people call it. They have been so disappointed with the feeble efforts they have made they have no confidence in themselves or anybody else.

Oh, for a church building fund! The people at No Hope need only a little ray to fall on them and their courage will be grieved. A brother happens along and preaches to them under their old shelter. He is a stranger. They turn their hopeless faces up to him; but he has brought a message of hope. Their faces beam before he is through, for he has told them he knows where one dollar can be had for every two they will put down. The news spreads

far and near, and the whole country talks it. No Hope is now called New Hope. The people didn't know what they could do. They have actually agreed to build a modern house, borrowing from the fund to make good what they cannot now pay.

This is fancy sketch. It has been the history of thousands of once poor, helpless bodies that are now among the strongest. A thousand blessings on the movement to further enlarge the Tichenor Memorial Church Building Fund. W. B. CRUMPTON.

ALABAMA SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

The state executive committee of the Alabama Sunday School Association holds its annual meeting in the offices of the association in Montgomery, Friday, May 8, with the following members present: Wm. D. Dunn, Grove Hill, president; M. M. Sweatt, Montgomery, vice-chairman; Michael Cody, Montgomery, treasurer; L. M. Hooper, Selma; W. H. Bank, Hurtsboro; W. D. Dillard, Mathews; P. W. Hodges, W. F. Thetford and H. M. Ohme, of Montgomery.

General Secretary Leon C. Palmer submitted a full report, showing that there has been a large increase in the amount of field work and office work accomplished by the association, as well as an increase in the department work and in printed matter distributed. In spite of the increased amount of work, less money had been borrowed and fewer obligations had been incurred. All bills and obligations have been paid in full and a small cash balance remains in the treasury.

The report of field work showed that General Secretary Palmer had visited every county of the state from one to 18 times each during the past convention year, and similarly good work had been accomplished by the other employed workers. Three-fourths of all Sunday schools of all denominations in Alabama have been reached during the year by the employed workers of the State Sunday School Association.

The report of volunteer work accomplished by the state, county and district officers of the associations without salary showed a total of 2,760 addresses on Sunday school work, 2,003 Sunday schools reached and 1,541 Sunday schools personally visited. The amount of work accomplished by these unsalaried volunteer workers was shown to be equal to the time of ten employed field secretaries, all serving without any compensation.

It was voted to accept the invitation of Dothan to hold the next State Convention in that town, and the date for same was referred to a sub-committee, to be reported within the next five days. It was voted also to hold in connection with the Birmingham Sunday School Association a state-wide conference of older boys in Birmingham September 24-25.

A standard of efficiency was officially adopted for each of the departments of the Sunday school.

The general secretary reported that a large number of persons had applied for election as delegates to the International Sunday School Convention, to be held in Chicago June 23-30, and that additional applications were being received daily. It was voted to refer the election of official delegates from Alabama to a sub-committee, to report at an early date.

In view of the increasing needs and the growing strength of the work it was voted to employ three additional field secretaries and others as needed. It was also voted to largely increase the State Association Sunday School library with a view to lending to any Sunday school worker on request any book on modern Sunday school methods.

When the question of the Boer war first presented itself to the British people the military party made light of the problem. The public was given to understand that 20,000 or 30,000 men at a cost of \$50,000,000 would suffice, and the officers of the army talked of "eating their Christmas dinner in Pretoria," it then being October. The conquest took weary months and cost thousands of lives and millions of money. Within less than ten years of the complete conquest of the Transvaal by Great Britain the head of the government of the Transvaal is the Boer general who led the forces in the field against Great Britain. Not merely is he the head of the government of the Transvaal, but he is the head of the whole of South Africa, including the British colonies.

FRECKLE-FACE

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The State of Alabama, Jefferson County—Probate Court, May 2, 1914.

Estate of W. M. Cox, non compos mentis, a Non-Resident.

This day came H. L. Bains and filed his petition in writing and under oath, stating, among other things, that said W. M. Cox resides in Cobb county, State of Georgia, and that said W. M. Cox is a non compos mentis, and that he has been so declared by the Superior Court of Fulton county, Georgia, a court of competent jurisdiction; that he has property in this county requiring the care of a guardian, and praying that upon the hearing of this petition that he be appointed guardian of the property of W. M. Cox, a non compos mentis, in this county.

It is therefore ordered that the 27th day of May, 1914, be appointed a day for hearing said application, and that said W. M. Cox be brought into court as a party to this proceeding, by publication once a week for three successive weeks in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in this county.

J. P. Stiles,
Judge of Probate.
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CHILDREN TEETHING

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MORTGAGE SALE.

Under and by virtue of a mortgage executed to the undersigned by Sam Levert and wife, Maggie Levert, on the 12th day of November, 1912, and recorded in volume 700, record of deeds, at page 52, 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 18th day of May, 1914, within the legal hours of sale, the following described property, situated in Jefferson county, Alabama, to-wit:

Lot fourteen (14), in block sixteen (16) north, in Dr. Joseph R. Smith's addition to Birmingham, Ala., and called Smithfield, said lot fronting 50 feet on the north side of Amy avenue and running back that uniform width 200 feet to an alley through said block, according to survey and map made by M. B. Long, civil engineer, together with all and singular the improvements thereon or in anywise appertaining thereto. JOHN W. PRUDE,
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OBITUARY.

Marian Jerome Rarden, daughter of Brother and Sister J. L. Rarden, of Bessemer, was born October 7, 1905, and died on the night of April 3, 1914. She was buried at the family burying ground at Mt. Olive church, near Goodwater, on Sunday afternoon, April 5. She was stricken with meningitis in the early morning and died in the evening of the same day at 10:20 o'clock.

She came as a ray of light and love into the home, the first born to these dear parents, and in eight and a half brief years performed her mission and the angels came to bear her away to the Father, who sent her to bless the world for a little season.

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And the load heavy to bear;
The heart will hunger for the smile
That once drove away the care.

But there's an end to the trouble of
souls oppressed.

Somewhere in the future, when God
knows best,

He'll lay us down tenderly to rest,
And roses will grow from the thorns
in the breast.

There's an end to the world, with its
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There's a light somewhere no dark
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FORECLOSURE SALE.

Default having been made in the payment of an indebtedness secured by a mortgage executed to the undersigned, Willis Fortson, by E. S. Ammons and Laura Ammons on the 1st day of April, 1911, which mortgage is recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate for Jefferson county, Alabama, in volume 627, on page 593, 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, in the city of Birmingham, on Friday, the 22nd day of May, 1914, the following described property in the city of Birmingham, Jefferson county, Alabama, conveyed by said mortgage, to-wit:

The east half of lot 13 and all of lot 14, in block 35, south, according to the map of Smithfield, as recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate for said county in map book 1, on page 149.

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

This, the 28th day of April, 1914.
WILLIS FORTSON,
Mortgagee.

A. C. & H. R. HOWZE, Attorneys.
apr29-4t

If you subscribed on the credit offer last spring and have sent in the dollar to pay to January, 1914, do not stop the paper, but let it come on and pay for it next fall.

HOWARD COLLEGE ITEMS.

After the B. Y. P. U. district meeting, which was held at the Ruhama church Sunday afternoon, a number of the delegates visited the college campus and buildings.

At the assembly hour Monday morning Mr. Leake Vice, of the Franklin Literary Society, delivered "Spartagus to the Roman Gladiator" and was immediately followed by a parody on this speech by Mr. Robert Lee Tate, of the same society. Mr. Tate's speech was of his own composition, and was greatly enjoyed by the student body.

At chapel Wednesday morning Pror. J. A. Hendricks gave a lecture on "The Monroe Doctrine and Its Relation to the Present Mexican Situation."

The student body was entertained at the chapel hour Tuesday by the Glee Club under the direction of Prof. Thomas. He was assisted by Mrs. Thomas and an orchestra from the city.

The Pi Kappa Alpha and the Sigma Nu Fraternities gave a joint picnic at Turkey Creek Falls Saturday. There were about 60 boys and girls with the chaperones, who had a splendid time on this day.

The English 5-6 class, under the direction of Prof. P. P. Burges, are busily engaged in making ready for their play of "The Taming of the Shrew," written by Shakespeare. This play will be staged by this class during commencement week.

The subject debated at the chapel hour Friday was: "Resolved, That the Authorized Version of the Bible is a Better Translation Than the Revised Version Is." The affirmative side of the question was upheld by Mr. J. A. Huff, of the Franklin Literary Society, while Mr. G. W. Boudin, of the Philomathic Society, represented the negative side.

The student body now rejoices over the fact that they now have the following Alma Mater song, which was composed by our own Dr. George W. Macon. The song was read at chapel last Thursday and was unanimously adopted by the faculty and student body:

O Howard, Alma Mater, true,
I love thy glorious name,
Deserving every honor due—
To an unsullied fame.
I'll love thee through each fleeting
breath
For all that thou hast done,
And in the agonies of death
Be still thy loving son.

O, Alma Mater dear, thy life
A treasure is to me.
Thou, Phoenix fair, through flames
and strife,
Hasn't shown thy right to be,
Since poverty has made thee rich,
And struggle made thee strong,
I view thee in thy self-made niche,
And burst to filial song.

O, parent true, the future fair
Must hold but good for thee,
For hope's fruition waits thee there
In blest reality,
And sons like thine will make thee
shine
With glory all thine own,
And bring to thy maternal shrine
Not gifts of gold alone, Howard.

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The baseball team returned from a very successful trip last Thursday. The team defeated the Florence Normal College's team two games by the score of 9 to 1 and 13 to 1. They also took the series from St. Bernard College, winning the first two games—4 to 0 and 8 to 7. The third game consisted of 11 innings and the score ended 9 to 0.

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How do I know He is Jesus the Lord?
I was leprous, and foul, and mean;
I fell at His feet, and He lifted me up,
Saying, "I will; be clean!"

How do I know He's the Christ or God?

I was blind, and men trampled on me;
"Have pity!" I cried; and He touched my eyes—
"Be opened," He said, and I see!

How do I know He's the Son of God?

I stood by His cross, afraid;
For I'd driven the nails; but He looked upon me—
And "Father, forgive," he prayed

How do I know He's the living God?

In corruptions of sin I lay dead;
But life everlasting thrilled into me when
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And sorrow's shadows fall.

Yet when one like Mike Cotton dies,
So manly and so good,
So wise in ways, so young in years,
We can but look up thro' our tears,
And trust more sweetly in the love
Of Him who needed him above
For greater Christianhood.

All Dothan mourns, and long may
mourn,

This death, so premature:
But time, that tempers all our grief,
Alone can bring our hearts relief,
E'en tho' the life he lived displayed
The sweet assurance that he made
His calling an election sure.

He's dead, and yet he is not dead—
He's gone, and yet he's here—
For memory, more sweetly still,
Will keep him in our hearts until
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JUDSON NOTES.

The last graduating recitals of the Conservatory of Music for this year took place Monday evening, May 4, when Miss Marguerite Sheppard, of Alabama, and Miss McEly B. Scott, of Georgia, appeared before a large audience in the auditorium and gave a beautiful concert together, the first giving the piano numbers and the second those in voice. The Oratoria se-

lection, "Oh, Savior, Hear Me," by Miss Scott, accompanied by the organ and a violin obligato, was especially fine. Miss Scott is one of the Glee Club soloists. Miss Sheppard's finest piece was probably the Schubert-Liszt "Sweet Repose," though the "Caprice Hippique" was the most striking.

Mr. Powers and the entire faculty of the conservatory are to be greatly congratulated on their eight graduates this year. Applications for teachers come in to the conservatory constantly—more than it can supply. A graduate has no trouble in finding a position to teach.

Art Club Tea.

The Art Club had a pleasant little reunion Monday evening at 6:30 in the apartment of Miss Pearl Covington, of Louisiana, the president of the club. Miss Bacon and Miss Manly were the guests, and responded to the invitation to say a few words with good grace and willingness. The club recited their club poem in unison. Miss Frances Jemison read a pretty little tribute to the enjoyment and advantage the club has received from Miss Bacon's teaching and leadership, and then at the little tables was served delicious tutti frutti cream with lady fingers by Miss Vara Durham and Miss Mattie McGee, both of Louisiana, the roommates of Miss Covington. The place cards were daintiest little palétes, hand-painted, with a tiny sea piece by the skillful brush of Miss Elizabeth Abrams, of Birmingham, and as souvenirs of the occasion they will remind of the voyage over life's sea which we are taking as soon as school closes.

The Glee Club will give an operetta in the concert of commencement week called "The Herald of Spring," by Brewer. This concert takes place on Friday evening, May 22, and will be given by the advanced pupils in the conservatory, some of them being the graduates who did not have to give a special recital for graduation.

The Expression School will give VanDyke's play, "The House of Rimmon," on Thursday evening, May 21, and all who have seen the work of the students this year will know that it will be well done. L. M.

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McCall, S. C., R. F. D., Sept. 5, 1911.
Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.—Dear Sir:—The ten gallons of water shipped me on Aug. 24th did me so much good. Please send ten gallons more, by first express. Would like to have agency. This water has relieved me of chronic indigestion. Was living on raw eggs and milk. Now am eating anything I want without bad effects. I do not hesitate to recommend this water to all chronic sufferers of stomach troubles. Please give my order prompt attention and ship to Gibson, N. C., and oblige. Yours truly, H. W. Stubbs.

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Columbia, S. C., Aug. 11, 1911.
Mr. N. F. Shivar, Sheldon, S. C.—Dear Sir:—Until a few weeks ago my wife was a chronic sufferer from gall stone. She was stricken critically ill and nothing but morphine seemed to relieve her pain by rendering her unconscious. My physician, who is a good one, seemed to do very little good. Rev. A. J. Foster, pastor of Shandon Baptist Church of Columbia, S. C., advised me to take her immediately to Shivar Spring. On consulting my physician he agreed that it would be best to do so without delay. In about three days after arriving at the Spring she was apparently relieved and had regained her appetite. She has suffered no ill effect of the trouble since. Please publish this for the benefit of sufferers. J. P. Draffin.

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One year ago Mr. Wright originated the idea of tendering a banquet to all the Baracas in town and a few invited guests of both classes. The affair proved quite a success. This year the host decided to broaden the scope of the function to include every man in the city. Consequently every male citizen and a number of outsiders were cordially invited to partake of the feast of good things, which was not confined alone to eating.

Unlike the case recorded in the Scriptures, it was not necessary to send out repeated invitations and to go out into the highways and hedges and compel men to come in. They came to the front with as much alacrity as the patriotic sons of America are now volunteering to serve their country in Mexico. The mobilization occurred in the main auditorium, which was well filled by 8 o'clock.

Here an inspiring program was rendered. The music was under the direction of Miss Shanks. A male quartette featured this part of the exercises. The speech-making was opened by Mr. W. W. Campbell, of Tuskegee, president of the Baptist State Convention. His message was a strong and helpful one. He was followed by Dr. B. D. Gray, of Atlanta, secretary of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, who delivered the principal address of the evening. Dr. Gray was both felicitous and impressive in his discourse and charmed his audience. Rev. E. M. Glenn, pastor of the Methodist church, Prof. L. L. Vann and Rev. J. W. Rucker, pastor of the Baptist church, were the remaining speakers, and each sustained his reputation as being equal to all emergencies.

At this point Dr. Rucker, who had been presiding most happily as master of ceremonies, announced that the partition doors would be rolled back and that the audience would repair to the tables spread in the Sunday school room. He added: "We have been doing some high thinking; now we will do some tall eating."

The ladies in charge of this part of the festivities had risen fully to the demands of the occasion. The annex was a scene of beauty, with its song and well-laden tables, brilliantly lighted by special wiring, and in the decorations of red and white, the Baraca colors. The bevy of feminine loveliness which graced the room and served the tables was not the least attraction.

There were plates for 312 diners, and they were all taken. It was estimated that 250 of these were men. The menu was delighted. During the course of the feast Mr. Rucker played well the role of toastmaster. Among those who responded with more or less brevity—if not with other elements of wit—were Dr. Gray, Mr. Nichols, Dr. Floyd, Dr. Disharoon, Dr. Glenn, Mr. Radney, Mr. Moore, Mr. Tatum, Mr. Coffield and Prof. Stevens.

At the close the banqueters took a

rising vote of thanks to Mr. Wright for his liberal hospitality, and then sang together a song improvised by Mrs. Wright: "When the Roll is Called Each Sunday I'll Be There."

Smiles and Sparkles.

Just before the signal was given for the attack upon the table Photographer Mulledore, with his "artillery" commanding the platform, undertook to take a flash light picture of the scene. Unfortunately the janitor failed to switch off the lights when the fuse was lighted, and only a "flash" resulted.

The popular toastmaster wore "the smile that won't come off." He made a hit when he offset Dr. Gray's "boost" of Atlanta by reciting a parody on James Whitcomb Riley's poem, "Roanoke's good enough for me."

A banquet of men may be a heroic scene, but after all is said, the women who prepare the feast are the real "men behind the guns." They did their part nobly in this instance—as always—and to them is due the greater credit for the "victory."

The "get together" spirit was hopefully in evidence. Everybody was made to feel at home, and the sentiment was prominent that large things could be accomplished by unity of purpose and co-operation in effort.

Mr. Campbell, a former Roanoke citizen, demonstrated that he had since leaving here stepped out of the class of mere business men into the field of the orator.

Dr. Gray, upon being approached by one of the lovely "ladies in waiting," was moved to inquire: "What are all you girls looking so pretty tonight for?" "For you men," came the ready reply. The doctor was satisfied.—Roanoke Leader.

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The east 45 feet of lot 23, in block 754, according to the Elyton Land Company's survey of the city of Birmingham, Alabama. Said lot fronts 45 feet on the south line of Eleventh avenue, South, and extends back of that uniform width 137.5 feet to an alley.

The mortgagor having made default in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said mortgage, said property is sold for the purpose of paying the debt secured thereby, as well as the cost of foreclosure, as provided in said mortgage.

CLEM GAZZAM,
Transferree.

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Then an invitation was extended for the reception of members, which resulted in the addition of three new members, making a total of 47 members in the church, which was organized in 1907 with 11 charter members.

Adjournment was next in order, and the congregation reassembled in the grove surrounding the church and greatly enjoyed the feast which had been so bountifully prepared by the good ladies of Dargin.

At 3 p. m. a conference was held ordaining two brethren to the deaconship. Brother Carlisle was very painstaking in the ordination service, giving very simple and forceful instructions to the deaconship.

A collection was taken, partly by subscription, raising \$104.75, which will pay the church out of debt. The people of Dargin and Concord church feel amply rewarded for the efforts put forth in building and painting this house and wish to extend our sincere thanks to all who extended a helping hand.

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Lots 21, 22, 23 and 24, in block 254, according to the map of the Elyton Land Company, in the city of Birmingham, Alabama.

Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said mortgage in the manner therein provided, said sale is made for the purpose of paying said debt and the costs and expenses of this foreclosure, including a reasonable attorney's fee.

This, the 28th day of April, 1914.

T. D. HAAS,
Transferree.

A. C. & H. R. HOWZE, Attorneys.
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FORECLOSURE SALE.

Default having been made in the payment of an indebtedness secured by a mortgage executed to the undersigned, Etta Odom, by J. L. Kelley and wife, on the 30th day of October, 1912, which mortgage is recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate for Jefferson county, Alabama, in book 699, on page 269, 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 25th day of May, 1914, the following described property conveyed by said mortgage, to-wit:

Lot 6, in block 40 (south), according to the map of Joseph R. Smith, called Smithfield. Said lot fronts 50 feet on the south line of Smithers boulevard and extends back southwardly of that uniform width 200 feet to an alley, and is situated in the city of Birmingham, Jefferson county, Alabama.

The mortgagors having failed to comply with the terms of said mortgage, this sale is made for the purpose of paying the indebtedness thereby secured, as well as the expenses of foreclosure.

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ETTA ODOM,
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