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The First Baptist church at Arkadelphia, Ark., has called as pastor B. B. Bailey.

Rev. C. C. Pugh, of Hazlehurst, has agreed to teach the Bible in Mississippi College next session. Brother Pugh has many friends in Alabama.

Rev. M. D. Jeffries, D. D., who has accepted the pastorate of the Southside church, Spartanburg, S. C., and who will begin his work there October 1, is one of our strong men.

John Rockefeller gave money 12 years ago to found a medical research institute in New York which now controls three city blocks on the East river and has an endowment, not including the value of the land, of over \$12,000,000.

Dr. Henry C. Risner is in a big meeting at Winchester, Tenn., where "the whole town is in it." At a recent meeting which he conducted in Atmore, Ala., there were 250 conversions, 150 in one night.—Baptist World.

The Central church, of Johnson City, Tenn., has called to its pastorate Rev. George Green, of Georgetown, Ky. He has accepted and took charge September 1. As this was our first pastorate we always take great interest in its pastors and we greatly love the Johnson City saints.

Rev. Loving B. Clark writing in the Congregationalist on "Inspiring Days at Northfield" says: "Dr. Robertson has been a wise and witty expounder of the Epistle to the Galatians." More and more the professors in our Southern Baptist Theological Seminary are making a splendid impression at great religious gatherings. We are proud of them as men and proud of them as scholars.

The Baptist World among other things says: "In the going of Brother Wallace Wear to Lakeland, Fla., Louisville loses one of her most efficient pastors. He has been pastor of the Baptist Tabernacle for only two years and four months, but in that time he has led the church in the accomplishment of a noble work. We congratulate Lakeland and trust that the Tabernacle may soon secure a worthy successor."

Among the eight prominent speakers at the General Conference at Northfield, August 1 to August 17, five are Baptists: Dr. Charles Brown, Ferme Park, London, England; Dr. A. T. Robertson, Louisville, Ky.; Dr. John Thomas, Liverpool, England; Dr. R. F. Y. Pierce, New York, and Dr. F. B. Meyer, of Regent's Park Chapel, London, England. More and more our Baptist leaders are being sought after by the promoters of the great religious gatherings in America.

The sudden death in London on August 6 of Prof. Robert Francis Harper, of the department of Semitic languages and literatures in the University of Chicago, came as a great surprise to all members of the university. He was on leave of absence prosecuting his researches on Assyrian and Babylonian inscriptions in the British Museum for the notable series being issued by the University of Chicago Press under the title of "Assyrian and Babylonian Letters," of which 13 volumes have already been published. At the close of the last volume issued Professor Harper had announced his hope that the complete series of texts could be published in the next three volumes, and that after these there would be one or two volumes giving the results of a final collation of all the texts and also transliterations, translations and philological notes. Professor Harper began this work of research over 20 years ago, and it was his ambition as a scholar to make the series a unique and valuable sourcebook for the history of the Sargon period.



DR. HENRY VAN DYKE.

STAIN NOT THE SKY.

Ye gods of battle, lords of fear,
Who work your iron will as well
As once ye did with sword and spear,
With rifled gun and rending shell—
Masters of sea and land, forbear.
The fierce invasion of the inviolate air!

With patient daring man hath wrought
A hundred years for power to fly,
And shall we make his winged thought
A hovering horror in the sky,
Where flocks of human eagles sail,
Dropping their bolts of death on hill and dale?

Ah, no, the sunset is too pure,
The dawn too fair, the noon too bright,
For wings of terror to obscure
Their beauty, and betray the night
That keeps for man, above his wars,
The tranquil vision of untroubled stars.

Pass on, pass on, ye lords of fear!
Your footsteps in the sea are red,
And black on earth your paths appear
With ruined homes and heaps of dead.
Pass on, and end your transient reign,
And leave the blue of heaven without a stain.

The wrong ye wrought will fall to dust,
The right ye shielded will abide;
The world at last will learn to trust
In law to guard, and love to guide;
The peace of God, that answers prayer
Will fall like dew from the inviolate air.

The Hague, Netherlands.
—Henry Van Dyke in the Independent.

During the second term of the summer quarter at the University of Chicago, which ended on August 28, the number of students registered shows even a greater gain over the corresponding registration a year ago than do the registrations for the first term. During the first term over 3,000 students were enrolled, and the total for the present summer quarter shows a gratifying increase over that of a year ago, when more than 3,700 students were in attendance.

We are glad to learn that Mrs. J. M. Frost was benefited by her stay at Battle Creek.

Dr. J. A. Francis, of Boston, is holding evangelistic services with the First Baptist church of San Francisco, of which Dr. George E. Burlingame is pastor.

Rev. C. D. Spillman, of Oklahoma City, met his death by a fall from a street car July 18. He was returning from a street meeting, in which he had taken part, when the accident occurred.

Rev. J. L. Rosser, now pastor of the First Baptist church, Bristol, Va., but well remembered as the pastor of the First Baptist church, Selma, supplanted Grove Avenue church, Richmond, Va., on the fourth and fifth Sundays of August.

At the ninety-second convocation of the University of Chicago, held in Leon Mandel Assembly Hall on August 28, there were 255 candidates for degrees, titles and certificates. Of these 208 received degrees.

We are glad to know that Brother J. G. Chastain is at work in North Alabama. He joined the brethren in their campaign in Lauderdale county, starting at Florence, Ala., Sunday, August 16. His indictment of Roman Catholicism in Mexico always stirs his hearers.

Rev. W. A. Wray, who has been pastor of the First Baptist church at Weatherford, Tex., for the past six years, supplied during the month of August one Sunday each at Beech Street church, Texarkana; First church, Knoxville, and the First church, Columbia, Tenn.

In Alabama there is one Protestant church building to every 248 people; in Virginia, one to every 299; in Georgia, one to every 258; in North Carolina, one to every 254; in Tennessee, one to every 273; in South Carolina, one to every 267; in Texas, one to every 400.

For the benefit of Alabama students we reprint the following: "I am repairing my former residence at 734 Fourth avenue, opposite the Carnegie Library and just around the corner from New York Hall. There are 16 rooms, which I am converting into small apartments for the use of seminary students, and their wives. The rental will be reasonable, and any who wish further information may address me at Harrodsburg, Ky.—W. P. Harvey."

The Baptist Times and Freeman says that "in the presence of great national danger the voice of faction has died down and the menace of civil war has disappeared. The Irish question, which has vexed and weakened us so long, is settled. There are signs that the sense of common peril and common responsibility is kindling, throughout all classes, a new feeling of brotherhood and of mutual duty. And lastly, the nation is being stung out of luxury and self-indulgence into a simpler and larger and nobler conception of life."

Members of the University of Chicago, the alumni and other friends of the institution have been greatly interested to learn something of the progress of the China Medical Commission of the Rockefeller Foundation, of which President Harry Pratt Judson is the chairman. The other members of the commission are Roger Sherman Green and Dr. Francis Weld Peabody, of Boston. In a letter written from Peking, June 18, President Judson says: "Our trip thus far has been delightfully interesting and I think successful. We have been now in nine of the 18 provinces, have seen practically all the medical schools, many of the hospitals and very many of the persons of influence, both European and Chinese. We have everywhere been received with great courtesy and have been aided on all sides in our investigation."

Where To Send Your Boy to College

Rev. C. C. Brown, D. D., Sumter, S. C., in Bulletin
Furman University.

I want to take you back with me into the holy of holies of my life. We must bare our heads and take the shoes from our feet, for the place whereon we are to stand will be holy.

My father was born in 1786. He was 66 years old when I was born, in 1852. I had the misfortune of being the family baby, the little Benjamin. There was nothing wrong about my bringing up, as far as precept and example were concerned. My father's house was a home for every preacher who passed that way. The first man I ever knew at all, whom I can now recall, was a preacher. Day by day the home life was begun with family prayer. I still have the copy of the Testament and Psalms which my father used. The pencil marks are all there, showing which Psalm or chapter in the New Testament he used yesterday at the time of family prayer. Alongside of that I have the Bible my mother gave me, the inscription written by her own hand—the hand now lying in the dust—and over against it the lines—

"Remember, love, who gave thee this,
When other days shall come;
When she who had thy earliest kiss
Sleeps in her narrow home,
Remember, 'twas a mother gave
The gift to one she'd die to save."

In despite of every influence there were three years of my life during which I almost went to ruin. I was the cause of much grief at home, and I myself was the one fellshadow which hung over the life of my parents.

I had taken the usual high school course, and then for two years I sat at the feet of Dr. L. H. Shuck, just now gone home to God, and sought thus a preparation for college. When the summer of 1868 came to hand we were brought face to face with a vital question, though at that time it seemed to involve but little. To which college shall the boy go? The war between the states had not long come to an end. The "ashes of our southern homes" could be seen in many places, and the south was staggering to her feet.

The South Carolina college was open, and had not then passed into the hands of aliens. I could have gone there; but I did not want to. My desire was to get out further into the world and see things I had never seen. To be in Columbia was too much like being at home.

A great school in another state was taking on new life because of conditions which have lately arisen. Three or four hundred boys from all over the southern states had matriculated there the year before. This was not a church school—not by any means. This fact did not seem to enter as a factor into the argument. I cannot recall that it was so much as mentioned, and thus the question as to where I should go was soon settled. This great school as at—well, let us say at Sleepy Hollow. And let it be granted that there was nothing wrong with the school. There was much wrong with the boy, however, and on the place of his schooling his destiny was largely fixed.

The day of my setting out was a great day. There has never been another just like it. God allows only one day of that kind for any human life. Barrow was a Baptist county then, and I had an idea that the same order of things prevailed the world over. Shortly after reaching Sleepy Hollow I sought the Baptist church. It was low, dark and dingy, and built around the corner. I went there but once. Just for mother's sake I went that once. I found that most of the boys and all of the girls, it seemed, attended a big brick church on Main street. I went there a few times—I do not remember how many; but I met nobody, spoke to nobody, nobody spoke to me, and I set out down the big road to perdition.

I shudder to tell my story; but for two years I led a wild, wicked and reckless life. I had a room-mate, the son of a widow, who was my companion in iniquity. During the festivities preceding the Christmas of 1870 I went into all the extremes of sin. One night in December, about midnight, my room-mate came in drunk and tumbled into bed. Over my own state of body and mind I must draw a veil. I was sitting by a fire—a warra fire of oak logs. Conscience was working sore. Hearing a servant walking in the hall below I told him to bring me a book from the parlor table. As he placed it at my elbow I ejaculated, "Ah, the devil; it is a religious book." I had merely read the title—"Our Father's House. By Daniel March."

When 10 o'clock came it found me reading the book. The style of the author is flashy and flowery. One of his first pictures caught my fancy—that of the boy David keeping his father's flocks on some Judean hilltop. I read on and on, and about midnight, having read 204 pages, I came across this story:

"The great destiny of time and eternity turns upon obedience to the divine command. Look up, set your affections upon things above, not on things on earth. A little boy, playing in the streets of Baltimore, came to the foot of a long ladder and looked up. He heard the sound of hammers, and the voices of workmen far up on the roof impelled him to climb. He set his little foot on the lower round and his hand on the next, and then pulled himself up slowly, hand over hand, round after round, till he was so high that

a fall would be instant death, and yet he had not reached the top. He grew tired, and wished he had not begun to climb. He looked down to see how far he had come, and the great height made him giddy. He began to tremble, and was fast losing his strength and his hold. Just then a man passing along the street at the foot of the ladder cried out: 'My God! that boy is going to fall.' The man meant no harm, but it was the worst thing he could say. His words and the frightened tone in which he spoke made the poor child much nearer falling than he was before. He grew more and more giddy. He thought the ladder swayed to and fro like the trees bent by the storm. He thought the house and the whole street were rocking like the ships on the sea. But all at once he heard another voice, loud, cheery and full of courage, from the roof of the house above him—'Boy, look up! look up!' He did look up; anybody would have done so, hearing such a hearty voice as that. 'All right, now; come on.' The boy was no longer giddy. He began to climb and soon he reached the hand of the sensible carpenter on the roof, whose cheery word had saved him from being dashed in pieces on the pavement of the street.

"That boy became a man of genius and culture. His written thoughts went all over America, and stirred strong emotions in thousands of hearts. But to the day of his death he never ceased to attribute the preservation of his life and the accomplishment of all he ever did in the world to the timely and encouraging words of the carpenter on the roof—'Look up! Come on!'

"There is many a weary climber, standing trembling and fearful on the steep ladder of life, high enough to make it fatal to fall, yet with much more climbing to do before he will reach a place of rest. He is discouraged and disheartened, and he hears some one say—'He will never make anything—he will never succeed—he will certainly fail.' And yet he only needs to hear the kindly and cheering voice which comes to him from above, saying, 'Look up! look up!' There is a strong Helper bending down to take him by the hand. If he will look up and see that face he will climb till he reaches the heights of heaven."

I was leaning back in a great armchair, my feet resting against the side of the mantle. The book fell from my nerveless hands to my lap. I turned my eyes upwards to the ceiling, where there was a bright spot made by the glow of the German student's lamp which I was using. For the first time in my life I had a sober and awful thought about God and prayer and the everlasting, and the cry came aloud from my lips, "Why can't I look up?"

The agony of that hour will never be known, except by God and me. But I must not make my story too long. I did look up. How long I prayed that night, what agonies I passed through, cannot be written down here. No matter what happened afterwards. In that room, well nigh alone, with my comrade snoring in his drunkenness, I passed from death to life. Three nights before, as a letter afterwards informed me, my mother had lain the livelong night on a rug before the fire, praying for her lost and wayward boy.

But what had happened to me? To whom must I go to tell it? Who could give me advice? While there were churches and Christian people in town, I did not know them. The religious influence was not such as to make itself profoundly felt. It was an undenominational school. Some sort of atmosphere—the very kind I needed for my soul just at that time—was wanting. The next morning the very first fellow who came into my room found me reading my Bible—the one my mother had put in my trunk, and which I had never laid hands on until that day. He flung the door open, and cried to the boys across the hall in another room, "Say, fellows, Brown is reading the Bible. I'll bet, by —, he is a preacher in five years." That was the first oath I had ever heard which gave me pain.

I told the story to my people at home in letter after letter. It all seemed so much out of keeping with anything that could be true of me! But the result was that late in December, 1870, I came to Greenville. All seemed changed. Maybe the change was in me. The first home I entered was that of a Baptist preacher, Dr. Basil Manly. The first book I saw was a Christian book, a little thing that lay on the table in the room to which I was assigned—"The Starless Crown." I read it that night. The seminary was there. I found friends among the theologians. At the university I met Ed Dargan and Bob Lide and Pink Hawkins and John Duckett and others. Soon the big bell in the church on the hill began to ring, and a meeting was begun. On April 8, 1871, Dr. W. D. Thomas, now passed to glory, led 27 of us down into the waters of the Reedy and baptized us into Christ.

Let me repeat myself. The change may have been altogether in me; but in Greenville I found a different atmosphere. There was a boys' prayer meeting

and there were Christian homes in which the students boarded. The school was not so large, and a youth did not get lost in the crowd. I found many a helping hand that led me gently out of the darkness into the light, and finally I came to understand all that had happened to me at Sleepy Hollow as I read the story about the ladder-climbing boy in that awful night.

Forty full years have passed by. If I had but a word to speak on the subject I'd say to fathers and mothers who would hear me, "Send your boy to a church school and don't send him where he will be lost in the crowd, or where he will be trained away from the lessons of the old home life." I know full well that Baptist colleges do not teach Baptist doctrine in any sort of way; but I also know that boys educated at such schools enter into and learn to cultivate the Baptist fellowship, and run no risk of being estranged from the faith of their fathers. The state may continue to pour its money into the treasury of the state schools, but the only safe place for your boy is at a school where the shadow of the Baptist church steeple falls across the college campus, where the songs of the boys may blend with the prayers of the people and the two are no longer twain, but one. An undenominational school can have no creed. An institution without a religious creed is like a man who feels compelled to hide his faith. An assertive sort of religion amid such environment is next to impossible. I do not believe a Baptist college should be boiled down to a prayer meeting; but I do believe—and my faith comes out of a bitter experience that the college life should be dominated by the divine life taught in the Bible, and that the teachers should be children of the Holy Spirit as well as masters of the human mind. When your boy comes back to you from the church school he will bring all that the school had to give, together with an acquaintance with the men and measures of his denomination, and he will be a child and pupil of the same cult with yourself.

It is no mean thing to be "the child of parents passed into the skies." I hang to and cherish the memory of my venerated father. I am glad to know I am his child, and yet, in the light of the past years, I can clearly see the mistake—the very worst of all—he made in sending me to a school where the religious influence was not positive and powerful. And yet, it is all right now. The good hand of God, called into service by a midnight wrestler, straightened out the tangled skein, and it is all right now, all right now. God, in His all-abounding goodness, is forever correcting our mistakes and undoing what we have done in our ignorance or thoughtlessness. It is thus only that we have a hope to come at last to the land of love which he has promised us.

Parents should be merciful. Their aim should be to seek, not the saving of money in lower tuition, but the saving of the boy. The chances are all against him. The pull of the world is fearful, and the suggestions of his own heart compel him to daily combat. All things are new to him and untried. He is afraid of nothing, and is anxious to test everything. To hedge him around with the very best influences, to shield him from every agency which can lead him to ruin, to place him where the air about him will be heavy with holy teachings—all these things are a part of the debt the parents owe to the child. A cheaper learning may entail at last a heavy cost and a crushed heart.

A BULLETIN TO THE PRESIDENTS AND PRINCIPALS OF BAPTIST EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

Dear Brother:

The field secretaries of the Sunday School Board, in co-operation with the Baptist state Sunday school secretaries, are planning to visit the educational institutions during the first 15 days of October, 1914. The plan is to make a visit of a day or two to each school desiring the services of the secretaries.

Please let me know as early as possible if you wish a visit from one or more of the secretaries. If so let me know what days during October 1-15 are not available. The work must be arranged by tours so as to conserve time and expense.

The only expense to the schools will be the entertainment of the secretaries. Write me as early as convenient.

Sincerely yours,
B. W. SPILMAN,
Field Secretary, Kinston, N. C.

AVONDALE SUNDAY SCHOOL, TOO.

In the list of schools giving \$100 and over in April to Home and Foreign Missions I overlooked Avondale. This I regret. I wish I could have given all; but that would have made the circular too long. Every school will be published in the Alabama Baptist that gives any amount September 13.

W. B. CRUMPTON.

ATTENDING QUARTERLY MEETINGS IN THE NORTH RIVER, CULLMAN AND MUSCLE SHOALS ASSOCIATIONS.

By Mrs. T. A. Hamilton.

There was a goodly number that came from Jasper and Oakman to the quarterly meeting at

Cordova,

And we had a good meeting. Mrs. A. G. Sullivan, the superintendent of the North River Association, had given thought to her meeting and planned it in every particular. She is both energetic and suggestive, and those are fine elements in the make-up of a presiding officer. She is making a vigorous campaign to secure the district secretaryship. Busy she is, of course, with little ones to care for, but "strength seems to be given as her day." While she was holding the quarterly meeting at Cordova her good husband was giving a practical demonstration of Sunday school work at Pelham. He has a wonderful class of 40 young men, over whom he wields a great influence. We were feasted both in soul and body, and enjoyed the social feature of the day, especially as we learned to know and love the handmaidens of the Lord here, who wait on Him continually.

Met by our friends, Mrs. B. E. Styles, Miss Dicie Taylor and our Sunbeam child, "Ethel," at Hanceville, we were soon on our way to

Bethlehem Church,

Where the quarterly meeting of the Cullman Association was to be held. How refreshing it is to meet those who make their religion the pivot on which their daily lives revolve. Thus we found it here—a consecrated pastor and people, a live Sunday school, the W. M. U. at work, and the state organizer had ample and able help in reorganizing the Sunbeam band with the following officers: Miss Bessie Johnson, leader; Miss Annie Smith, organist; Elbert Smith, president; Annie Johnson, vice-president; Bertie Bland, secretary; Paschal Helms, treasurer. The difficulty of the song program, calling for children of different ages, was carried out to the letter here. They had taken pains to train the school children for the occasion, and they sang with hearty good will and vim. We could easily see that Miss Annie Smith, the pastor's daughter, was invaluable in the work here. Was it wicked to pray that she wouldn't get married or any like thing disabling happen to her until our Sunbeams grow stronger? The superintendent, Mrs. Styles, had her meetings well in hand, and carried out the program to the letter, excepting having reports from all of her societies. We missed the Cullman sisters and wondered in this day of automobiles why they might not have been present. Not all these fast flying machines and wire messages and other time and space-annihilating devices are meant for the world's business. "The King's business requirerth haste," and He means His loyal subjects to use them for His service. We would not omit to say that the dinner and the brethren were both present, and that the sisters enjoyed both goes without saying.

Spending the night with our friend and sister, Mrs. Styles, we were refreshed for the continuation of our journey to the

Muscle Shoals Quarterly Meeting.

Which was held at Moulton. Now, Moulton always stood for "Miss Bettie Irwin" in our mind, and right glad we were to be really turning toward her home. And we found it a fit setting for "Miss Bettie," the gentle lady we had "loved long since"—that home, so calm and peaceful, flower-embowered and love-crowned. What more beautiful this side of "the place He has prepared" for His children than an ideal Christian home? We drew in long breaths of the ozone laden with the perfume of those things that are "pure," "peaceable," "gentle," "easy to be entreated," "full of mercy and good works" which shall refresh our mind and heart for time and for eternity.

A goodly crowd greeted the superintendent, Mrs. E. M. Lee, as she opened the quarterly meeting, and she was able to carry out the program well, for here they had been preparing for the meeting, too. We were glad to see again Brother A. T. Sims and his good wife. The heart of the pioneers in woman's mission work in Alabama turns with gratitude to those who "caught the vision" long years ago and "were not disobedient," but obeyed the Pauline injunction, "Help those women," and so did Brother Sims in Southeast Alabama fight valiantly. Of course this church is well organized—W. M. S., Y.

W. A. and Sunbeams. So it was not a difficult matter when so resourceful to carry out the program. It is (to make a feminine comparison) like a housekeeper with a full pantry—she spreads a feast for the expected or the unexpected guest with ease. Good reports were rendered by a number of societies, and the work seems to be growing. Now, I cannot describe the dinner under the trees and on the lawn of the fine old home, across from the church. If I should be able to do the subject justice—the dinner, the company, the fine setting of lawn and trees—I might make my sisters "to offend"—they would so long to be there. I shall not attempt it. And speaking of autos taking the "meek and lowly" ones in His service on their way, what do you think, sisters mine, of this scribe riding at the rate of 30 miles an hour to catch a train so as to be able to fill another appointment the next day? But so it was, and with such dignified company as the former superintendent of the Muscle Shoals Association and with "Miss Bettie's" sister we sped along, and was it any harm so we "got there" in time, even if we were thrown on board like the other baggage? Ours was a good chauffeur, though he "drove furiously," like one of old, only "hitting the road in high places," but he brought us on our way, and we have no quarrel with him. Contrawise, we confess we rather like "riding on the high places of the earth," though we do say "we be but 'humble!'"

A VISIT TO THE SEMINARY.

By Rev. W. A. Hobson, D. D.

After an absence of 20-years it was my privilege to be present at the seminary commencement last June, an occasion which I thoroughly enjoyed. The commencement sermon was delivered by Dr. Hadley, president of Franklin College. It was a masterly and timely deliverance on the "Divinity and Ministry of Jesus." The missionary address was given by Dr. J. F. Love, the home secretary of the Foreign Mission Board—a thoughtful, clear and strong message brim full of the missionary spirit. The alumni address was delivered by the writer. It was a joy to speak to an audience of scholars and students and to feel the stirrings of heart inspired by hallowed memories and the delightful fellowship of faculty and students.

There was much to remind one of the past: The old buildings, class rooms and grounds, where we lived, studied, played outdoor games and recited; the big dining hall, where the "old boys" met three times a day for food and fun. Eloquent after dinner speeches from faculty, local pastors and visiting friends came back as voices from those who being dead yet speak. Broadus, Manly, Kerfoot and Eaton left their light burning, though they have joined the invisible company.

The Seminary Faculty.

Southern Baptists have a just pride in their seminary faculty. They are men of a high order. We do well to honor the memory of the founders and former teachers in our great school of the prophets, who laid the foundations so well that only great men could enter into their works. But no less fortunate are we in the men who occupy these responsible positions in the living present. They are choice men of rare fitness and fitness for their work.

Dr. Mullins came to the kingdom for such a time, and although he is being sought by other great theological schools, I am glad that his love for the Louisville Seminary and his loyalty to Southern Baptists are too strong to be broken by tempting offers and larger salary. The work and influence of our seminary faculty are being felt beyond the chairs they fill through their institute work in the several states, and especially in the books they are writing. The time was when Baptists, though numerically strong, were lacking in scholars of recognized literary culture. There were a few bright lights to be sure, but in those days Baptists had convictions with but little culture. With our great publishing house at Nashville, scholarly seminary faculty, cultured pastors and educated laity Baptists are coming into their own. Our seminary faculty are giving us books that rank with the best in their field of investigation. They are creating a Southern Baptist literature doctrinally sound and denominationally constructive.

Some Reflections.

What a privilege it is for a young preacher to go to the seminary. Association with great men broadens and blesses youth. To sit at the feet of conse-

crated scholarship, to absorb the atmosphere of clean-souled, cultured men, who can tell its effect upon the lives of our young preachers? It is no small advantage to be associated with the student body. Friendships are formed that will give pleasure and be of real help all through life.

After years of service as a pastor on the field I would say to young preachers what Dr. Eaton said to me about Ruskin. We were in a Louisville book store, glancing over books, and he said: "Hobson; have you Ruskin's works?" I said, "No." He replied: "Buy Ruskin if you have to sell your shirt." I can think of no sacrifice that a young preacher ought not make in order to go to the seminary. In the long run it would not be a sacrifice, but an investment bringing rich dividends. I am well aware of the fact that there have been and are a few men who have reached positions of large usefulness without special training, but they are few, and it is most probable that even these men would have done their life work better with the advantages of special training. In fact, I have never talked with a successful pastor who was deprived of a theological course, that did not regret that circumstances prevented his having had such training. When a son of such a man is called into the ministry his father insists upon a seminary course for his son by all means.

Every man owes it to himself as well as to the world to equip himself the best possible for his life work in every calling. It will give returns to his own mind and soul in the satisfaction that he is doing his best; it will strengthen and sweeten one's life and add greatly to his ability to serve others. If this is true in other callings of life, is it not also true in that calling which is above every other—the high calling of God?

BROTHER CRUMPTON ON THE ENCAMPMENT.

These notes are rather late, but it hasn't been convenient until now to have my say. The preachers' school in June was a glorious success. Eighty preachers, many of whom never attended college or seminary, took the course. Next year we should have 200. Our college and seminary would be helped much in many ways, too, by attending. The good fellowship and the elbow-touch is badly needed by our preachers. We need an Alabama spirit, and it will come from this preachers' gathering and the encampment.

The Sunday school convention was good, but ought to have been better attended. Sunday schools in easy reach of Pelham were not represented. The plan of our Sunday school people cannot be improved: Four districts with institutes and schools of methods and conventions in each and a great state meeting at Pelham. Let it be adhered to and pressed. Great things are to come from it.

The encampment from start to finish was good. The new auditorium and two new cottages, one the women's, and the foundations laid for others, has a look of permanence, which is encouraging.

The music has always been good, but Prof. Reynolds and his wife, of the Home Mission Board, put that department far in advance of anything we have ever had. Our preachers miss a great opportunity for a summer outing at reasonable rates for their families if they do not avail themselves of the opportunity the encampment offers.

Numbers of pastors regretted that they forgot the time of the encampment in making their engagements for meetings.

Another year there ought to be 20 new cottages erected and the hotel kept open all summer.

Our various boards have an opportunity for mid-year meetings at Pelham. It is good to have a place like this for deliberate counsel.

The various commissions appointed at the convention could have had their meetings at Pelham this summer to far better advantage than later.

The conveyance to and fro this year gave eminent satisfaction.

Let's make much of Pelham.

W. B. CRUMPTON.

Remember, September is the month in which to send your W. M. U. expense fund dimes and dollars to the secretary-treasurer.

Already more than 200 German merchant vessels have been captured, involving a loss of 300,000,000; and about 300 more, valued at \$400,000,000, are in various parts of the world, and liable to capture if they venture out of neutral ports.

A million of men at least are to be killed and wounded in this war. The destruction of property and of business is beyond calculation. Public opinion is to hold individuals and systems responsible for this catastrophe and the possibility of the recurrence of another like it. It may change the form of government on the continent, and the people may take the control of their governments in their own hands.

In order to meet the great demand for food during such a war as this Germany, decades ago, organized a great system of food and fodder depots throughout the empire, and it is confidently believed that the food stores there gathered are in themselves sufficient to feed all the armed forces as well as the civilians of Germany for an entire year.

The London Times would hardly make a false report of the closing conversation of the British ambassador at Berlin with the German imperial chancellor. Expressing his surprise at the declaration of war by Great Britain the latter said, "Why should you make war upon us for a scrap of paper?" Ambassador Goschen replied that England attached value to that bit of paper because it bore her signature as well as Germany's.

The fate of Europe may be decided by German Zeppelins striking the British dreadnought armada in the North Sea. Germany is supremely confident that her new arm will sweep the ocean of Britain's mighty squadrons; and that these forces of the air will be hurled against those on the water there is no doubt in the minds of experts. When the attack is made it may settle for all time the effectiveness of sea power.

Dr. John Jeter Hurt is conducting "seven mid-week meetings by the seaside with Jesus" in the First Baptist church of Durham. The series began July 22 and are to close September 2. The topics and texts are as follows: "A Sixty-Mile Walk to Be Baptized," Matt. 3:13-17; "Calling Out the Called of God," Luke 6:12-16; "A Vacation Beyond the Sea," Mark 6:30-44; "The Teacher Talking in Parables," Matt. 13; "Time for Paying Taxes," Matt. 17:24-27; "Stilling the Storm at Sea," Mark 6:45-56; "Who's Who Among the Preachers," Mark 9:33-42.—Biblical Recorder.

Much which today passes under the head of education is far less religious than was any education given in Greece or Rome, for the great teachers of that time and of those countries were deeply religious men, whereas in our time and land there are many teaching who are entire strangers to the Christian religion or any other, when it comes to the question of an experimental knowledge of its truths. The result is a certain hardness, coarseness, refined selfishness, utter indifference to some of the finer aspects of character, frequently found among many of the leaders of our public life and business.

The membership of the Northern Baptist Convention now totals 1,587,868, an increase of 61,999 members in one year. There were 72,422 baptisms during the year, an increase of 5,710. The churches total 10,414 American, 555 new American and 1,163 Afro-American. There are 186,687 Sunday schools, with 1,109,102 members enrolled; 9,512 church buildings have a value of \$89,189,045, an increase for the year of about \$4,000,000. Budgets for church expenses during the year equaled \$12,841,818.22, an increase of more than \$1,000,000, and for benevolences \$2,596,818.59, an increase of \$108,000.

Senator Depew in his London letter to Leslie says: "The sentiment was unanimous to fight if Belgian neutrality was violated. In all the stress and anxiety of the journey, with a large party to look after, I could find here and there a bit of humor to relieve the tension. Two elderly English maiden ladies were discussing if they could not get change for their Bank of England notes, and one said to the other: 'Mary, was there ever such an outrage? An English bank note has been as good as gold anywhere in the world since Christianity, and now these pigs of bankers won't give us anything for them.' Another of the many incidents which made life worth living was this: As we were passing on to the steamer boat at Boulogne, everybody crowding and punching each other with handbags, after eight hours' waiting in the rain, I heard a voice behind me say: 'Julia, only to think of it! My God, we left Pittsburg for this!'"

Germans are not allowing the fact that every man able to bear arms is doing his share to defend the fatherland to prevent them from gathering the crops, that in such a struggle as this are even more important than the golden "sinews of war." The harvesting is done by the women and the children, those from the cities working alongside of the country people. True, most of them are little experienced in this work, and a certain percentage of the crops will be lost as a result, but at least the greater part will be gathered and made available. If this fearful struggle should last longer than the food stores Germany expects to be able to grow a large percentage of the things required, and to obtain the balance from the big grain-producing sections of the dual monarchy, for the agricultural sections of Austro-Hungary are able to supply a considerable surplus over the quantities needed for home consumption.

The European War

Picked Paragraphs Concerning the The Great Conflict Raging in the Old World

For many years Germany has been aware that there was great danger of just such an emergency arising as it is facing at present. And realizing the danger, it prepared for it in its own peculiar, methodical and thorough way. Probably the greatest of all problems to be met with in this crisis is the feeding of the armies in the field and at home and the multitudes of non-combatants. Practically entirely by enemies, with their war fleets dominating the Atlantic and making the importation of foodstuffs impossible, Germany must, in all probability for a long time to come, depend for sustenance on the stores it has carefully husbanded, in addition to what the country can produce during war time, and whatever it can import from its ally, Austro-Hungary. In order to meet the great demand for food during such a war as this Germany decades ago organized a great system of food and fodder depots throughout the empire, and it is confidently believed that the food stores there gathered are in themselves sufficient to feed all the armed forces as well as the civilians of Germany for an entire year.

In addition to the enormous quantities of grains and other non-perishable foodstuffs, the German government has in reserve large stores of canned goods of all sorts used in the regular provisioning of the army. The best known staple of this kind, and one of which a great stock is kept, is the famous Erbswurst, a compact and well-balanced ration, composed of peas and other vegetables and meat, dried, pressed and put up in tins. A portion of this compound put into a quantity of hot water quickly dissolves and furnishes a hearty meal. Each soldier in the field carries a three days' supply of this and other compact food as emergency ration in his knapsack or saddle bag, and it is also frequently used at the regular field mess. How great these stores are is known only to the officials directly in charge of this important branch of war preparation, and they are keeping this secret as carefully as the general staff is preventing its plans of campaign from reaching the outside world.

Little Belgium, overrun by Germany's immense army, drew most of her troops to Antwerp, her strongest fortified city, there to make the last stand in her heroic defense. Antwerp is on the Scheldt, and lies so low that a part of the surrounding country can be flooded to prevent the approach of artillery. The ground to be flooded is first covered with barbed wire entanglements. The city is surrounded by a chain of modern forts, is well provisioned, and garrisoned by 100,000 men. The Belgian government was removed there when Brussels was evacuated. The Scheldt passes through Holland below Antwerp, and it is doubtful if assistance can be sent the beleaguered city from the sea without violating the neutrality of Holland. Antwerp's population is 285,000, and it is reputed one of the strongest fortresses of Europe.

Despite the fact that throughout all France ordinary occupations are at a standstill, and that in Paris alone 600,000 people are out of work, the war spirit is intense. The government is taking measures to furnish work for the women left destitute by their wage-earners going to the war. Hotels, theaters and pleasure resorts are closed, and industries are thoroughly demoralized. Thousands of women are being employed in the cartridge factories. The crops of France are being gathered by women, old men and boys. There is scarcely a family in all France that has not one or more men at the front. It is reported that news of French reverses in the field were received calmly, and did not shake the determination of the masses to support the government to the last. The minister of war gives out daily bulletins of the events at the front.

The Red Cross organization grew out of the relief efforts in the Crimean war in 1854-55, although it was not officially organized until 1863, when an international conference at Geneva submitted the draft of a treaty, which has been ratified by 44 nations, including the United States. While Red Cross work is not entirely under the management of women, it has since its inception received the support of women generally and they have held many important places in its management. The president of the American National Red Cross is Miss Mabel Boardman.

A conservative estimate of the cost of the war between the states would be \$7,000,000,000 in money and 1,000,000 men killed or died from disease caused by war. The cost of the Boer war to Great Britain was, in money, \$1,250,000,000, and about 100,000 men. The cost of the war between Russia and Japan was not less than \$1,000,000,000 to Russia and about \$600,000,000 to Japan, and probably not less than 500,000 men to both countries.

August 21 the German army occupied Brussels, the capital of Belgium, which offered no resistance. The German commander immediately levied a war indemnity of \$40,000,000 on that city, and the civil authorities are paying. This means over \$80 from each man, woman and child in the city and suburbs. An indemnity of \$10,000,000 has been levied on Liege. Brussels is not important from a strategic point.

The Boy Scout organizations are being utilized in Great Britain, France and Germany, not for actual fighting, but for carrying dispatches, guard duty and harvesting crops. France has 8,000 Boy Scouts who recently demanded to be put under the direction of the minister of war, which was done. Great Britain has 200,000 and Germany 50,000 Boy Scouts.

The French army has a hospital corps aided by dogs trained to locate and carry first aid to the wounded on the field. These dogs bear the Red Cross emblem and when in active service carry small packages of bandages and canteens of water, from which the wounded can help themselves. Their principal use, however, is to find wounded who have fallen in out-of-the-way places.

Great Britain's first expeditionary force to the continent was 150,000 strong, of all arms. Its movement was shrouded in secrecy. Gen. Sir John French is in command. Reports indicate that only a small part of this force participated in the fighting in Belgium. The greater part probably joined the French line along the frontier. Many of the troops were landed at Havre.

Never before in all the history of a never-ending earthly warfare has it seemed so likely that the last great conflict of the greatest nations of the world, embracing not only the major part of Europe, but involving through their colonies and allies the better part of the habitable globe; making every continent a potential battlefield and every sea a cruising ground and arena of naval engagements, was about to destroy our boasted civilization and in a few weeks of war the painful accumulations of years of peace and prosperity.

In the Kiel canal the German navy is safe from attack and forces its British adversary to divide its force to watch both ends of the waterway. It can thus choose its own time to give battle. The British fleet is guarding the North Sea end of the canal and probably the entrance to the Baltic. Berlin reported August 22 that German control of the Baltic was complete. German vessels have bombarded Sveaborg, Libau and other Russian ports. At this time no decisive action in the North Sea had been reported.

GOOD ADVICE TO SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS.

We suggest that the following ten rules be printed and used in our Sunday schools. Those pastors who publish a church paper might print the following with good effect:

1. If obliged to be absent, kindly provide a substitute or notify the superintendent in advance.
2. Be in your place five minutes before the school begins. The class will be more orderly and the session more helpful.
3. Maintain good order in your class during the entire hour. If your class is too large, notify the superintendent and he will divide it. Good order precedes good teaching.
4. Mark your records carefully. Do not let your pupils do this. See that they receive the proper credits.
5. Enroll no new pupils in your class. That work belongs to the enrollment secretary.
6. Look after every absentee every week by personal call, by telephone, by letter or by having members of the class call. If you do not know why a pupil is absent and think you cannot find out during the week, give the name and address of the pupil to the superintendent before you leave the room.
7. Frequently call at the homes of the pupils. If convenient, have your class meet on a week day afternoon or evening each month for a social gathering.
8. Distribute your library books and papers after the benediction, not during the closing service. Do not mark your records or take your offering during the opening service.
9. Attend the regular and special meetings for teachers and officers whenever they are called. The best way to discourage the officers is to stay away from these meetings.
10. Set a good example before your class by attending church, bringing Bible, being prompt, giving attention and joining heartily in the opening and closing services. Above all, come to the superintendent when you have a suggestion or criticism.—The Expositor.

ALABAMA BAPTIST Personal and Other Notes

Neal, Dickinson and myself are doing well, and we are happy in our work. With love I am, yours in Him—W. W. Lee, San Antonio, Tex.

Have just closed a great meeting in my church here. The work moves on nicely. Kentucky is a fine place, but I long for Alabama. Blessings upon you. Yours in the Master—J. O. Williams, Switzer, Ky.

Rev. H. W. Head was unanimously called to the pastorate of the Park Avenue Baptist church, North Birmingham, on Sunday. Brother Head, who has been a member of the church for 11 years, is most highly esteemed.

The Lord is wonderfully blessing the work at Slackland. We had a glorious meeting, and received by baptism and letter about 18 members, with more to join soon. The material for the house is being cut and the building will soon be in course of construction. God bless you. Your brother—G. W. Palmer, Leesburg.

I have just returned from Covington county, Alabama, where I held a meeting. There were 23 additions. This was a glorious time to myself and the other Christians at that church. Brother H. H. Bush was on hand to help pray and sing and give some good talks. Best wishes to you and the Alabama Baptist.—W. J. Hobbs.

We had a glorious meeting at Freedom church, commencing Saturday before the first Sunday in August and continuing 11 days. Sinners were convicted and mourners converted. Several were added to the church. Brother Starkey helped Brother Cave in the meeting.—J. S. Hall.

Please remember that the Muscle Shoals Association convenes on Thursday before the first Sunday in October with Pleasant Hill Baptist church, about seven miles southwest of Decatur. We shall expect to have the pleasure of your presence with us. Brother John A. Thomason says that he will take you out in his automobile if you will write him when to expect you. Fraternally—D. F. Green.

The Harmony Grove Association convenes with Pleasant Grove church, seven miles south of Carbon Hill, on the Frisco railroad, on Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1914. All messengers from the east can get to Carbon Hill at 10 a. m. and 7 p. m.; from the west at 7:15 a. m. and 2:30 p. m. The 10 a. m. train will be met with conveyances to take care of the messengers.—Committee.

The Union Association will meet with Hebron church, four miles north of Carrollton, on September 7, 9 and 10. Delegates and visitors attending by rail will come to Carrollton. You and the representatives of our various interests are specially invited to be present, and all visiting brethren will receive a hearty welcome. Fraternally—M. B. Curry, Moderator.

The Coosa River Association will meet at Antioch, near Oxford, Wednesday and Thursday after the first Sunday in September. Those who come Tuesday night from the southern part of the association will be met at Munford. Messengers will be met at Oxford and Munford. Those who come by the Southern will get off at Oxford. Those who come over the L & N will get off at Munford. Let Brother Barnett be sure and come. As ever—E. A. Traywick.

The seventy-seventh annual session of North Liberty Baptist Association will meet with Piney Grove church, 17 miles northeast of Athens, on September 16, 1914, and continue three days. Those desiring to go by train can take the Lewisburg and Northern, which leaves Decatur at 4:40 a. m. and 1:20 p. m. Get off at Ardmore, Ala., and conveyances will be provided to the church, which is about three miles.—Perry Henderson, Clerk, Athens, Ala.

I have just closed my work in two very fine meetings. The first was with Brother F. M. Barnes at Rehoboth, in Bibb county. The meeting only ran one week. There were 20 additions to the church, with 25 of them for baptism. My next place was Ebon church, in Shelby county, where I assisted Brother J. L. Busby. Like the first meeting, we ran just a week. There were 23 additions, with 23 for baptism. At both places the Christians seemed to be very much revived. Great crowds attended all of the services. It was a real treat to be in such meetings and to be associated with the pastors. I hope to see you at our association in October. Yours—R. R. Brasler, Staunton.

Last week we ran over to Columbus, Ga., and spent the night and found the city filled with Woodmen of the World. We crossed the Chattahoochee, upon whose banks we were reared and in whose muddy bosom we spent many happy hours during our boyhood, to get to Phoenix City. Our old friend, Lamar Jones, was the host of the Russell Association at the West Side Baptist church, which has recently built an up-to-date Sunday school annex. Over their protests Brethren Lindsey and Boykin were unanimously re-elected. The former makes a good moderator and the latter a first-class clerk. We were royally treated and regretted to rush away.

I have held meetings with all of my churches, beginning at Rockford on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in July. Here the church was greatly strengthened and six received by baptism. From there we went to Concord, where we had a glorious meeting, with 14 accessions; thence to my home church at Equality, where the Lord abundantly blessed the labors of His servants and 25 were added to the church. From here we went to Mt. Zion, in Tallapoosa county, where we had an old-fashioned revival, and 19 were added to the church. Brother Walter P. Reeves, of Tusculum, was with me in all of my meetings and did all of the preaching. Brother Reeves preaches the pure gospel and relies on its power for the salvation of the lost. He has no clap-trap methods, and the people are greatly drawn to him because of his earnestness and zeal. He will be located at Birmingham for another year as pastor of the West Woodlawn church and will take a course in Howard College. My people look forward with pleasure to his being with us again next year. As a result of these meetings 64 were added to the four churches, each church being greatly strengthened and revived.—D. S. Martin.

I have held the following meetings: Luverne, Chisholm, Eoline, Haysop church, Nicholville, Mervon, Rutledge, Gadsden Second church. We had very good meetings at all of these places. Of course it has been hard on me to come back to my church here and preach every Sunday. I have only missed two Sundays being with my church. Since I have been here we have made a good many repairs about the building and received 231 members, but of course it is hard work for a young pastor; but we are thankful to the Lord for what he has done for us. I go next Monday to Beatrice, and then to Nanafalia. The first Sunday I go to Fort Deposit; second Sunday to Cuba; third Sunday to Putnam, and the fourth Sunday to Dora, if this date is suitable to them. October 12 I have an engagement to assist Rev. J. E. Barnes at the Tabernacle, Mobile, and I have just written Rev. J. W. Long, of Lincoln, Ala., that I could help him the fourth Sunday in October. May the Lord bless you and your work. Asking you to remember me in prayer, I am your brother in Christ—Curtis S. Shugart, Montgomery.

We attended the Shelby County Association, which met at Dargin. We went down on the fast train and met stranded in Calera our good friend, Eldred Stewart, and one of his professor friends. Thinking that the garage man was a little steep on his taxi tariff, we concluded to foot it. The automobile man said Concord church was four and a half miles, but Stewart said it was only three; but before we reached there we came to the conclusion that the automobile owner knew what he was talking about. On reaching the church Brother Miles was acting moderator, and he brought vividly to mind his dear brother and our good friend, the lamented George Miles. Brother J. F. Avery was elected moderator and Brother Horsley clerk. Both good and courteous officers. Brother G. D. Baldwin got up a club of six new subscribers (cash), and of course we enjoyed the association.

An important service was conducted in our church August 19, when the following faithful brethren were ordained deacons: W. L. Brown, J. P. Logan and J. R. Jones. These men are esteemed most highly, and there is much rejoicing in their promotion to greater opportunities for serving the Master. Rev. Arnold Smith, of Alexander City, preached the sermon and delivered the charge. He stirred our hearts with these great messages. With many it was a consecration hour. May Brother Smith come this way again with his big, helping hand. Last Sunday Brother H. L. Woolley, who served as deacon before coming to Montevallo, was elected to the office in our church. He, too, has proven loyal among us. Very sincerely—Eldred M. Stewart, Pastor, Montevallo.

We began work as pastor of the Baptist church here the first Sunday in this month. The people here received us cordially and we are well pleased. We have received three into the church and baptized two since we came. The church had been without a pastor for about 10 months and the congregation was somewhat run down, but is increasing nicely since we came. Come to see us. Cordially—A. T. Camp, Abbeville.

Our account of the Butler County Association was inadvertently left out. We ran down to Georgiana and spent the night with Brother W. T. Bishop, the efficient clerk, and drove out with him to Mount Olive West through the great timber lands, and saw some sawyers saw down the first big pine tree that we ever saw sawed. J. E. Helms, the county demonstrator and consecrated layman, was chosen moderator. It was a joy to spend the three days with the brethren. The spirit of the association was fine.

Please change my address from Millton, Ala., to Bowdon, Ga. May the Lord's richest blessings abide with you and yours. Fraternally—C. M. Cloud.

Messengers to the Coosa River Association will be met at Silver Run Station, on the Southern, Tuesday afternoon, the 8th, and Wednesday morning, the 9th. We hope to have you with us.—G. W. Wright.

Rev. W. A. Hobson, D. D., of Jacksonville, who preached at the Fifty-sixth Street church, Woodlawn, on Sunday, is always a welcome visitor to the Birmingham district.

I can truthfully say you have a wide-awake Baptist paper, in which there are many interesting and instructive things; but would love so much to see a sermon sometimes. Most respectfully—Mrs. Sallie Bronaugh.

I have just closed meetings at both of my churches. Brother John Rodgers did most of the preaching. He is one of the true and tried, and when he does the preaching results are sure. We received in fellowship of the churches 17, 12 by experience and baptism and four by letter. Your brother in Christ—Lagon Tidwell.

Our association (Cedar Bluff) meets with Unity church, five miles from Cedar Bluff. Come and be with us. I sent the Alabama Baptist reports of two of my meetings, but have not seen them in the paper. We had a great meeting at Mt. Vernon last week. Received 15 by baptism and five by letter—20 in all. Yours truly—J. N. Webb.
(Never received the reports.)

I am in the evangelistic work. The Lord has wonderfully blessed my labors in all my meetings. I am now at Courtland, Ala. Have several more meetings booked. I love the work as I do no other work. Any one wishing to write me can address me at Birmingham, Ala., general delivery, and I will get it. Will be glad to render my service to any one who wants me. Respectfully—Oliver C. Dobbs.

We held a meeting at Mt. Carmel church, in Marshall county, in August, embracing the third week. The church was greatly revived. The Lord gave us 20 additions, 18 by baptism. The writer and Rev. P. H. Duett did the preaching, and the pastor, Rev. J. P. Fletcher, did the altar work. He is one of the best altar workers that I ever saw. Success to the Alabama Baptist.—P. J. Corley.

On August 26, in Crichton, Ala., Mr. John Sanford Jones and Miss Irma Hudson were united in marriage, Rev. D. R. Parker, of Texas, brother-in-law of the groom, performing the ceremony. The bride is a member of the First Baptist church of Crichton and is a very charming young woman, having a large circle of friends. The groom is an enterprising young farmer of Malcolm. After the ceremony the couple left on the Southern train for their new home in Malcolm. Their host of friends wish for them a long life of happiness.

I have been in Atlanta a little more than two years, but my first revivals outside of my own church were held this August. Beginning August 3 with J. W. Faulkner (an Alabama boy) at Tanners, I preached five days. There were 24 accessions and professions of faith and eight by letter. Beginning August 9 at Huchanan, the county site of Haralson county, where J. W. Griffith is pastor, I preached 13 days. In this meeting there were 33 accessions for baptism and eight by letter. These were the greatest meetings I ever held. Georgia agrees with me. Love to all the Alabama brethren.—Frank J. Fleming.

On the night of August 23 Brother J. P. Thornberry, of East Lake, came to Tallassatchie to conduct a revival service for us. He found us without a pastor and the church in a cold and indifferent way spiritually, but by his solemn and earnest way of preaching the gospel truth the church soon began to move and sinners were brought to repentance. There were 21 received into the church—16 for baptism and five by letter. On Wednesday after services the church met in conference and Brother Thornberry was unanimously called to serve us as pastor. We feel thankful to God for sending us one of His elect to walk in and out before us. To God be all the glory.—A Member.

The Clarke County Baptist Association will convene at Thomasville on Tuesday, October 6. We give you and all the representatives of our schools and mission boards a cordial invitation to attend the association. The pastor of the Thomasville Baptist church says that they are going to make it one of the best sessions ever held. Come and help them to make it the best. Our pastor, J. O. Bledsoe, closed a very fine meeting here last night after baptizing six very promising boys and girls and receiving one by letter. Brother J. P. Brock, the Thomasville pastor, did the preaching, and did it well. Everybody at Whatley fell in love with him. He and Pastor Bledsoe are quite an addition to our association. We have lost Brother Moore, which we very much regret. Yours sincerely and fraternally—J. H. Creighton, Whatley.

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SCRIPTURE MESSAGE.

Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these, my brethren, even these least, ye did it unto me.—Matt. 25:40.

PRAYER CYCLE.

Note: Each morning the workers in the mission room are following this cycle. Will you not join them?

Our missionary, Miss Julia Meadows, Wu Chow, South China (at home on account of illness).
Our Bigbee Association. Mrs. F. B. Stallwoth, the superintendent, is in North Carolina with her husband, who is ill. Mrs. H. L. Mellen, of Livingston, is acting superintendent.
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Friends, we ought to have a better record than this. Our subscription list to Our Mission Fields last year was not half long enough, and now since Royal Service is to become a monthly magazine, surely there is not a woman in any society who could not pay 25 cents to have this indispensable magazine come into her home 12 times in one year. Women and young people's leaders, let's get busy and make a record of which we shall be proud, remembering that "mission knowledge is Christian power."

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- Birmingham—Birmingham (First) W. M. S., Pratt City W. M. S., Dolomite S. B. B., Wylam S. B. B., Ruhama Y. W. A.
- Butler—Georgiana W. M. S.
- Cahaba—Gallon W. M. S.
- Calhoun—Harmony W. M. S.
- Central—Bethesda or Equality W. M. S.
- Cherokee—Gaylesville W. M. S.
- Coffee—Elba W. M. S.
- Colbert—Sheffield W. M. S.
- Columbia—Columbia S. B. B.
- Coosa River—Talladega (First) W. M. S.
- Dale—Newton Y. W. A., Midland City W. M. S., Newton W. M. S.
- East Liberty—Cusseta W. M. S.
- Escambia—Ellis S. B. B.
- Etowah—Glencoe W. M. S.
- Eufaula—Louisville W. M. S., Eufaula (First) W. M. S., Eufaula (First) Y. W. A.
- Judson—Headland G. A.
- Lamar—Vernon S. B. B.
- Liberty—Athens W. M. S., Athens S. B. B., Athens Y. W. A.
- Marshall—Albertville W. M. S., Albertville Y. W. A.
- Mobile—Mobile (First) W. M. S., Union W. M. S., Montgomery—Wetumpka Y. W. A., Montgomery

(Seventh Avenue) W. M. S., Highland Avenue W. M. S., Prattville W. M. S., Bethel (Fort Deposit) W. M. S.

- Pine Barren—Ackerville L. A. & M. S., Beatrice W. M. S.
- Russell—Oswichee W. M. S.
- Salem—Troy (First) W. M. S.
- Selma—Selma (Second) W. M. S., Selma (First) W. M. S.
- Shelby—Columbiana W. M. S.
- Tennessee River—Bridgeport W. M. S.
- Tuscaloosa—Northport W. M. S., Monnish Memorial W. M. S.
- Tuskegee—Union Grove W. M. S., Auburn Y. W. A.
- Washington—St. Stephens W. M. S.
- Zion—Pigeon Creek W. M. S.

Class C.

- Antioch—Isney W. M. & A. S.
- Bethel—Putnam W. M. S., Putnam S. B. B., Thomaston R. A., Pine Hill L. A. & M. S., Dixon's Mills L. A. & M. S.
- Bethlehem—Drewery W. M. S.
- Bigbee—Cuba Y. W. A., Cuba R. A., Demopolis L. A. & M. S., New Prospect W. M. S.
- Birmingham—Summit W. M. S., Jonesboro L. A. S.
- Cahaba—Uniontown W. M. S., Greensboro W. M. S., Newberg W. M. S.
- Calhoun—Anniston (P. M.) Junior and Primary S. B. B., Piedmont Y. W. A., Harmony (Choocolocco) S. B. B., Duke W. M. S.
- Carey—Lineville R. A.
- Central—Eclectic S. B. B.
- Centennial—Inverness W. M. S., Union Springs W. M. S.
- Cherokee—Cedar Bluff W. M. S.
- Chilton—Thorsby S. B. B.
- Clarke—Thomasville S. B. B., Horseby (Whatley) W. M. S., New Bethel W. M. S.
- Conecuh—Belleville W. M. S., Repton W. M. S.
- Coosa River—Winterboro W. M. S., Mt. Ida W. M. S.
- Cullman—Bethlehem East W. M. S.
- East Liberty—Camp Hill W. M. S.
- Escambia—Brewton Y. W. A., Point Pleasant L. A. & M. S.
- Etowah—Attalla Y. W. A., Gadsden (First) W. M. S.
- Eufaula—Midway L. A. & M. S.
- Geneva—Hartford W. M. S.
- Judson—Headland W. M. S., Headland Y. W. A.
- Liberty—Huntsville (First) W. M. S.
- Mobile—Bay Minette L. A. S.
- Montgomery—Montgomery (Highland Avenue) Y. W. A., Montgomery (Second) W. M. S., Montgomery (Clayton Street) S. B. B., Fitzpatrick W. M. & A.
- Muscle Shoals—Pleasant Hill S. B. B., New Decatur (Central) W. M. S.
- North River—Indian Head (Cordova) W. M. S., Oakman W. M. S.
- Pine Barren—Concord S. B. B. (Buena Vista), Bethsaida or Furman S. B. B., McWilliams W. M. S.
- Randolph—Wedowee W. M. S.
- Russell—Phoenix (First) W. M. & A. S.
- Salem—Troy—Brundidge (Salem) Y. W. A., Brundidge S. B. B.
- Selma—Town Creek S. B. B., Town Creek L. B. S.
- Shiloh W. M. S., Mt. Gilead W. M. S., Pleasant Hill L. A. & M. S., Town Creek Y. P. A.
- Shelby—Vincent L. A. & M. S.
- Tuscaloosa—Big Creek W. M. S.
- Tuskegee—Opelika (First) W. M. S., Loachapeka W. M. S.
- Union—Gordo W. M. S., Bethel W. M. S., Carrollton R. A.
- Zion—Opp W. M. S.

MISSIONARY MEETING.

The Cedar Springs and Ebenezer churches jointly entertained the W. M. U. societies of the Columbia Association in their third quarterly meeting of the year on July 16 at the former church.

There was a large attendance from the societies. The church is beautifully situated. Leading therefrom is a shaded avenue to the cool, refreshing and famous Cedar Springs. A right royal welcome was given each one as they stepped from their cars and buggies. Mrs. W. P. Stewart opened the meeting with devotion, which was enjoyed all the more for her spiritual power. God placed this woman where she was needed, and today, in our opinion, is the greatest factor for good in our rural churches.

Mrs. George H. Malone, the beloved superintendent, presided throughout the day most graciously and sweetly, being so well informed on all lines of the work she could present it intelligently. There were several fine talks, two beautiful readings, and the singing was splendid, especially the Stewart quartette.

The church was made very attractive with pretty bright flowers and cedar decorations.

Last, but not least, the dinner was spread under the wide spreading oaks and cedars. The hospitality was abundant and gracious.

We think these meetings are doing more to develop our women along the spiritual lines and a closer communion with the sisterhood than any other phase of the work of the association. The next meeting will be held with the Headland church, in Dothan, in October.

QUARTERLY MEETING.

On July 22 the quarterly meeting of the W. M. U. of Cullman Association was held at Bethlehem church. This was one of the best meetings ever held in this association. Our dear Mrs. Hamilton was present, and we all know what an inspiration it is to have her with us in one of these meetings. The ladies of Bethlehem gave us such a warm welcome that we all felt like it was good to be there. A large delegation of their members came out to meet us. Some of the brethren also were present, and their interest and sympathy was appreciated. The W. M. U. of this church is moving along nicely with Mrs. Fannie Johnston as president and Miss Effie Smith as secretary. They intend to meet their appointment, and all their reports were very encouraging.

The morning session was devoted to the subjects on the program, Mrs. Hamilton taking the parts of those who were absent. The girls under 16 sang a beautiful song, entitled "Work for Christ." The ladies of the church served a delicious lunch at the noon hour, exhibiting another good mark of their hospitality and showing that the good Lord had blessed them in "basket and in store."

In the afternoon Mrs. Hamilton delivered a beautiful message to the children and organized a Sunbeam band with 17 members. Then the girls over 16 sang "When the Gates of Glory Unfold," led by Miss Annie Smith and Miss Bessie Johnston. Little Misses Lillie Smith and Bertie Bland sang a pretty solo, entitled "Sunshine." Mrs. Hamilton read a letter from our missionary, Miss Anna Hartwell, after which a special prayer was offered for this missionary. Brother Smith, of Bethlehem, led this prayer. Our superintendent, Mrs. B. E. Styles, is always ready to help and never fails to attend all of our meetings. Our W. M. U. in this district owes much of its success to her untiring efforts. The next quarterly meeting will be held at Hanceville.

D. F. TAYLOR, Secretary.

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PROMOTION DAY EXERCISES.

(Continued from Last Week.)

Girl—"O, John, are you sure?"

Boy—"Yes, there are people living way out in the country and in the mountains and in the crowded parts of the cities who have no Bible. There may be some right here in this town who haven't any."

Girl—"But how do they learn about Jesus and about what God wants them to do? There isn't any other book that tells us these things."

Boy—"No, there isn't. God told the men who wrote the Bible just what to say, and it is the only book in the world that tells us just exactly what God wants people to know."

Girl—"And if they have no Bible, can't they learn any other way about God and heaven, how to be saved, and how to live right?"

Boy—"No, not unless somebody tells them what the Bible says, and then they might forget."

Girl—

"O, let us send the Bible
To people everywhere,
That they may learn of Jesus
And all God's loving care."

Boy—

"Let's take our own dear Bibles
And study every day,
That we may learn His message
And do things in God's way."

Have the graduating class of the junior department come to the platform. The superintendent or teacher may drill them on some of their memory work as given in the Fourth Year Graded Course of Fourth Year Supplemental Lessons.

Song (by the Junior department),
"What Is the Bible?"

'Tis a lamp forever burning
By whose never-dying light
Sinners from their errors turning,
Are directed in the right
'Tis a mine of richest treasure
Laden with the purest ore;
And its contents without measure
You can never well explore.

'Tis a tree whose fruit unfading
Cheers and stays the fainting soul,
And whose leaves the nations healing,
Carry joy from pole to pole.
'Tis a pearl of price exceeding
Every gem in ocean found;
By its precept ever healing
You may learn where joys abound.

—Selected.

(Sung to the tune of "All the Way.")
Delivery of the Broadus Manly diploma (which can be obtained from the Baptist Sunday School Board) to those promoted with honor from junior to intermediate department.

Intermediates.

Have the intermediate graduating class of girls select one of their number as class representative, and have the boys do likewise. Have these give an address or paper on the value of the Bible. The following is taken from the Fourth Year Intermediate Graded Course, and may be recited by them if they do not care to do original work:

Girl—"The Value of Bible Study."

"An old man in Virginia, when 69 years old, had never been able to read

the Bible, and for 29 years as a Christian he had depended upon others to read it for him. He decided that, old as he was, he could not die satisfied unless he had read the precious gospel story for himself. So he began on his birthday, and though he could read only a very little and with great difficulty, though he must slowly and stumblingly struggle through its words and sentences, yet at the end of the year he had read the volume containing the New Testament and the Psalms through 12 times. What a shame that others who read so readily cannot say as much for themselves! Should some of us eat our meals as irregularly and as seldom as we read our Bibles we would either starve to death or die of dyspepsia. Some of us begin the day with no Bible and no prayer; we pass the noon hour with not a bit of the bread of life; the evening comes on and still we have not sat down to the rich feast which God has spread; the time for retiring comes, and we take a cold lunch and roll into bed. No wonder our lives are dwarfed and unhealthy.

"Every one should possess a Bible and read it regularly, often, reverently, constantly, thoroughly, prayerfully, devotionally. No day should be begun without the Bible having been opened and read and meditated upon. Mark it, put down on its margin helpful thoughts, underscore words and verses which impress you. Memorize the Scripture, hide the word of God in your heart, study it by words, by verses, by chapters, by books, by characters, by topics, by periods, and as a whole. Take some special themes such as 'The Faithfulness of God,' 'The Surrendered Life,' 'The Work of the Spirit With Believers,' 'How to Help Others Find the Lord,' and read the Bible through with some such theme in mind, marking passages and making lists of references. The more the Bible is studied the more it is loved, and the less it is studied the less it is loved.

"Somewhere about the house, somewhere about the farm, in some woodland, on some hillside, along some secluded path, let there be a regular time and place for communion with God, when, with open Bible, the Lord doth speak to you, and when, with uttered prayer, you will speak to Him. Around such a room, or place, or time, there will gather increasingly an atmosphere of worship and a consciousness of Divine presence. Just as the church building, in which we have so many times met the Lord, becomes sacred and helpful to worship, so will the place and time of opening the Bible become dearer and dearer each day. It will be easier to realize that God is present, that He is actually speaking to us out of His Book when we have come to our place of trust, for if we will come to God we must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him."

Boy—"God's Care of His Word."

"The Bible is the veteran conqueror

FIELD FORCE

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A. L. STEPHENS, Phil Campbell
BUNYAN DAVIE, Clayton

on every battlefield of human endeavor and research. No one can study church history without being impressed with the fact that, over and over and over again, there have come times when Christian people have been deeply solicitous, because of some new attack by new foes upon the Scriptures. Each time they have discovered that divine truth had only been given the opportunity to win a new victory, and the more surely to show itself the eternal and the triumphant revelation of the character and will of God. When such men as Celsus and Hobbes and Bolingbroke and Voltaire and Rousseau and Hume and Gibbon have totally failed to disturb the ark of God, we wonder what men of lesser intellect and genius can hope to accomplish.

"In the fullness of time God always shows His word to be equal to any emergency. No crisis has ever yet come that the Bible has not taken the place of leadership and of honor. A thousand years are but as a day to Jehovah, and in the lengthening ages of time He displays more and more His wisdom and power. He is the God of history as well as the God of space, and as the many worlds move with silence and certainty in the realms about us, and as they keep their engagements with each other to the fraction of a second, so do the principles and doctrines of the eternal Jehovah move quietly on to their complete fulfillment and take their appointed places in the constellations of eternity. The Old Testament truths and prophecies met in the person of Christ in the fullness of time, and again and again He quoted and used them as occasion gave opportunity."

Delivery of diplomas to the intermediates who graduate with honor from the intermediate to the senior department of the school.

Song (by the entire congregation),
"Holy Bible, Book Divine."
Closing prayer by pastor.

W. J. S. AND L. S. F.

THE PHIL CAMPBELL TRAINING SCHOOL.

August 9 to 15 was a very profitable week for Phil Campbell. We opened up our training school with 65 present.

Miss Lilian S. Forbes taught management and teaching, A. L. Stephens the Bible section of our new Normal Manual, and Mr. Dean Blackwelder gave us six lectures on B. Y. P. U. work.

Dr. C. D. Graves, of Nashville, made the closing address Friday night, and on Saturday met the pastors and executive committee of our association and completed arrangements for a campaign in our association from September 15 to October 9.

Miss Forbes gently led her class from "A Standard Sunday School" to "Planning the Lessons," adapting her teaching to all present, which was very difficult to do, for we had big, little, old and young in each class.

Remarkable how rapidly the children learned.

The B. Y. P. U. work was almost a new thing to our people here, but Mr. Blackwelder patiently went into the workings of a B. Y. P. U., explaining every detail in such a way that before he went away the young people said, "That is what we want," and some of the older ones said, "This is the thing we need."

Miss Forbes talked one night on "Winning the Child to Christ," which was profitable to our people and very much appreciated by all the town.

It was a great treat to us to have these speakers in our home, and we long for the time to come when they will come this way again. Blessings be upon them all. A. L. S.

A TYPICAL CASE.

Spending the night recently in Montgomery the writer chanced to be near the Highland Avenue church, and receiving the "appeal" both to the eye and ear in the lights reflected from the beautifully colored windows, and the strains of sacred music floating out upon the quiet summer night, he turned aside for a season to find a house full of folks on a week-day evening, two wide-awake ushers at the door and numerous other evidences that something was doing. From the front seat, to which I was promptly conducted, I soon gathered that a class of Normal Manual students were to graduate, and two splendid speakers were on the job of presenting the diplomas. Well done, do you ask? I should say so. The class was seated on the rostrum—as fine a looking crowd as I ever saw—and when, ere long, they were requested to stand that all present might see them, the speaker turned to the audience and said, "I don't know, my friends, that you could do a more appropriate thing than to stand also, and thus honor the presence in your midst of a force destined to better shape and develop the lives and characters of your children." The action was suited to the word; the audience rose en masse, and the climax of the occasion, thus rendered, was indeed beautiful.

The writer thanked God and took courage for this typical instance of Sunday school progress and yielded to a pardonable regret that these things were not in evidence a generation ago. B. DAVIE.

YOUR GRANDFATHER WAS A BOY

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PICKED PARAGRAPHS

Two thousand years this side of Calvary we are still taught by eminent educators, jurists and theologians that "war is the best cure for war" and that "heavy armaments are the best guarantee of peace."

No military commander in Germany doubted but what the Belgians would permit the German army to cross Belgium and attack France on the Belgian frontier, where France is weakest.

Abroad the sudden excitement of the crisis has naturally aroused eager patriotism and as eager hostility. But proof is not wanting that the war was not started by national hostility or racial antipathy. These things are the result rather than the cause of war.

"It was not until the time of the Russo-Japanese war," says the New York Times, "that the casualties of battle became so fearful. On the great battlefield of Shabo, in Manchuria, the Russian combatants numbered 260,000 and their casualties amounted to 75,000 men."

All the world is talking about the German emperor, but very little is heard about his devoted wife, who represents all the virtues of the German woman. Her anxiety over this terrible war may be pictured when we remember that her five sons and her only daughter's husband are at the front, as, indeed, are nearly all her other male relatives capable of bearing arms.

As the blood of the martyrs was the seed of the church, so the blood of the patriots of Europe will be the seed of new republics, born one after the other, until royalty has been swept into the seas. To that end let there be no declaration of peace. Peace does not rest upon the foundation of general armament. Let Europe no longer be an armed camp, waiting the warrior's challenge.

Again and again the aid of Russia, herself the home of over 40,000,000 of Slavonic peoples, has curbed the savage and tyrannical rule of Turkey and added a little to the strength and development of Serbia, Bulgaria, Roumania and Montenegro, but in every case of material gains by these Christian races the powers have always interfered to strengthen Austria or prevent too great a diminution of the territories and rule of the "unspeakable Turk."

Let the war lords who are urging on their armies and navies to destruction bear in mind the reckoning after the butchery has ceased. The age of the despot has passed long since. The death warrant of the dynasties of Europe was written in the recent proclamations of war. Alliances and triple alliances will be no more except for peace. The great standing armies pretending to make for peace, but making for war, will no longer burden the people.

A dreadnought may be a small target to hit from an altitude of 5,000 feet where a Zeppelin hovers at night, but the airship is an equally small target for the dreadnought. The airship has all the advantage in this sort of conflict. It is moving almost twice as fast as the ship on the water, and to the gunner in the air a ship is practically stationary. Vertical fire on the decks of warships is the form of attack most dreaded; its decks are the most vulnerable part of the \$10,000,000 craft.

In both Russia and Germany a systematic campaign has been made against the Polish language. The harshness of the Russian censor has prohibited many books and subjected the Poles to many annoyances. Germany has spared no effort to Germanize her Polish provinces. Even letters addressed in Polish will not be delivered. Only in the Austrian provinces of Galicia are the Poles allowed to breathe freely, speak their own language without fear and openly educate their children in their beloved tongue. But Galicia is a poor country, and it is hard for so many millions to support themselves. For these reasons thousands of Poles seek the friendly shores of the United States each year.

Echoes of the European war blaze were left at every embassy and legation in Washington in August, as the oriflamme of the Triple Alliance and Triple Entente flashed like the helmet of Navarre in the line of passing events. Interest for the time swung from the various federal departments and capitol to the houses flying foreign flags. The first warlike tremor caused international alignments, to become more clear. In the European capitals the first outbreak of hostile sentiment is usually directed toward the buildings where the representatives of various governments are located. Age-old racial prejudices give way to the passionate feuds of the centuries. In Washington the president at the executive office gave notice that he lived in the White House "by the side of the road," and that Uncle Sam was "a friend to man," reiterating the Homeric sentiment of Sam Walter Foss' immortal poem—"Affairs at Washington." Joe Mitchell Chapple, in National Magazine for September.

In Senator Depew's London letter to Leslie's he says: "I met a lady whose name is one of the oldest and most distinguished in France, who said: 'I saw my husband off last night to the front, and my five brothers have all gone. My son is only 8, or I would send him. Do you think England will stand by us? We cannot win alone.' Party distinctions disappeared. Republicans, socialists and royalists all believed that now it was France independent for all the future, or if defeated, France dismembered and her people reduce to semi-slavery. Paris itself was practically in a state of siege. Taxicabs or horsed cabs were few and almost impossible to hire. The big shops, like the Magasins du Louvre, were all closed, with the shutters down. So were all the jewelry shops, and almost every establishment except grocery stores, fruit shops and saloons. To leave Paris all the fleeing foreigners had to secure permits from the police. These permits were like passports, with a full description of height, features, color of eyes, and so forth, for identification. They could only be had with a paper of identification from the American embassy, and also one must have a certificate from the hotel of residence there."

In order to prevent a cornering of the food supply in the market at the time of the outbreak of the war, Germany immediately took the necessary precautionary steps. A strict control was established, and prices for all articles of food fixed. No shopkeeper is allowed to charge more than these fixed rates, and the quantity of food per adult or child may be bought each day is strictly fixed. No one is allowed to buy more than he needs for his immediate use, and for this he pays no more than the regular price. There is a careful stock taking, and then an exact record of all food sales is kept. If a dealer should attempt to overcharge a customer, or refuse to sell the food required at the regular rate, the injured party need only inform the nearest gendarme or Schutzmann, and there will be a quick remedy. The shop in question will be closed immediately and the stock confiscated, later to be sold under government supervision.

Germany's governmental commissary depots are scattered throughout the empire, and although it is well known that they are in the most secure spots and covered by fortifications, their exact locations are among the most carefully guarded military secrets. Each depot is composed of a series of storehouses, usually five in number. These are filled in rotation at the rate of one each year, one being depleted each year in the feeding of the regular standing army and navy. It will be readily seen that under this system the commissary depots are at all times filled to at least four-fifths of their capacity with grain and other food staples. Whatever is not required of the annual allotment to feed the army and navy is sold at a low fixed rate to the public.

The German tactics of this war, both in statecraft and in arms, are those of Bismarck and von Moltke. The trouble is there are no Bismarcks nor von Moltkes, and the situation in Europe is entirely different from what it was in 1870. Russia was supposed and believed to be so weakened by the Japanese war and revolutionary propaganda that she was a negligible quantity in a European war. What the war party did not reckon with were the tremendous moral forces which have such universal influence now, and which did not exist sufficiently to be reckoned with at the time of the Franco-Prussian war.

The airship is a true night bird that projects its blinding searchlights accurately to get aim. True, the dreadnought has been equipped with high-angle guns, but it is not so well prepared for overhead combat. Its searchlights have nothing but the limitless sky to reflect their rays and the speeding aircraft obviously presents an illusive target. Moving at 60 miles an hour, in varying directions, and giving no hint of its distance away from the battleship on the water, gun-fire must be desultory at the best, while the battleship if motionless is a still better target for the airship's torpedoes and quick-fire.

Bombs dropped from aloft do not penetrate like shells, before exploding. These would burst on a battleship's armored decks and turrets, with only surface damage. Germany relies on a vastly more deadly weapon—a pneumatic torpedo tube, firing a steel-capped, chisel-edged torpedo, which leaves the muzzle with a velocity of 656 feet a second, and strikes with the force of a naval shell, to penetrate the armored deck before exploding a dreadnought's magazine. Or, an airship may drop a 220-pound high explosive bomb down the red glow of a funnel.

At this distance, with all the fragmentary details and vagrant reports, it seems impossible to understand the mystery of its origin, but little could Europe understand the great fratricidal war of the United States when brothers of the same race of kith and kin and blood-tore at each other's throats without even the pretext of racial and religious dissension.



Editor

GOD IS IN HIS

Dr. Gambrell, with his usual keen insight says: "It is probable that freedom in fuller strength will emerge from the titanic struggle. Militarism will receive a terrific blow and papal absolutism in religion will be weakened. Jews and Baptists will have larger liberty in Russia and all over Europe."

War has a way of toppling over thrones, shaking crowns and settling constitutional governments down upon a firmer basis, and while the common people get killed they come to the front. They are always further up the hill splashed by the blood of a great war. God is judging among the sovereigns of earth.

With the Outlook we believe:

"History does not sustain Napoleon's saying that God is on the side of the strong battalions. The strong battalions were not with the church when pagan Rome endeavored to destroy it; nor with the 'tapsters and servingmen' who under Cromwell's leadership defeated the organized armies of the Stuarts; nor with the ill-clad, ill-shod, ill-equipped soldiers of Washington who defeated the best troopers England could draft or hire to subdue the American colonists. We do not undertake to interpret the will or purpose of the Almighty. But we believe with Hegel that God has a plan and that history is nothing but the working out of His plan in human affairs. And we believe that the Austrian prime minister and the German emperor have made a fatal mistake in leaving this truth out of their reckoning in their endeavor to destroy the great democratic movement in Europe."

And we also believe the yoke will be lifted from the neck of the Poles both in Russia and Germany. And that the Finns will not lose their nationality any more than have the French in Alsace and Lorraine.

We believe that in the baptism of fire through which the nations of Europe are now marching that vindictive national pride will be withered and in its place will come a new vision of brotherhood. Militarism will be shorn of its glory. Yes, as has been well said, this monstrous growth of militarism must end.

A PRAYER



LORD, since first the blood of earth of Thine has been shed, the centuries sob with the horror of covetousness of the throng, the past and the pomp of arms. Our spirit cries out to Thee. is answered by Thy holy will.

Break Thou the spell of lust of battle and draw them fast mind when our own sense of justice and our regard for the equal worth of faith in the possibility of peace through justice and for the cause of peace. Bless our soldiers and sailors, call of duty, but inspire them none the less with a or advancement provoke its coming. May our young their fathers, but teach our age nobler methods of life for the flag.

O, thou strong Father of all nations, draw all common blood and destiny, that peace may come a holy brotherhood of peoples.

on the EUROPEAN WAR

Editorial



IN HIS HEAVENS

all of civilization is to endure. It is falling now, and the more complete and costly its death throes, and the more of dynastic jealousies and "divine" rights it pulls down and buries with it, the freer will the world be for the growth of a real peace which can have its roots in the brotherhood of man.

Out of this destruction may yet come forth brotherhood. The people of Germany do not hate the people of France any more than the people of England hate the people of Austria. And perhaps when the princes and the war cabinets and the monster guns and the high-power explosives and the bomb-dropping aeroplanes have thoroughly and absolutely demonstrated their incapacity to preserve peace or to promote international amity the peoples will take the matter into their own hands. Let it be this peace, when all, final and fruitful, that we plead for in our prayers, and not that mere mockery of peace which has well to long gone by its name.

When the last battleship has been sunk, when the last engagement has been lost and won and the shattered remnants of armies return to the weeping women in a thousand towns and villages, when rulers and statesmen and diplomats take breath again to contemplate the ruin wrought by their folly, it seems inevitable that towering over all should be the sturdy, unshaken figure of America, in politics, in industry, in finance the master of the world. If the God who holds the nations like the dust in the balance in His hands be leading us to this high destiny, let us approach it humbly. And may He grant that the day of our power we shall be wise and gentle in its exercise!

And with a brother editor we can say: "As clear as a sunbeam and as strong as a rock is our faith that when these clouds of war shall have lifted and through the last echoes of the carnage shall have died away the Prince of Peace will be found standing in the midst of a greater army than He has yet led and that His victorious march will not cease until real, lasting peace shall have been secured for the nations."

AGAINST WAR

blood be cried to Thee from the ground that drank it, this in death with the blood of man shed by his brother's hand, and the ceaseless horror of war. Ever the pride of kings and the long haven peaceful nations to slaughter. Ever the songs of war have been used to inflame the passions of the people. Thee wilt against it, and we know that our righteous anger will

bell of enchantments that make the nations drunk with them, willing tools of death. Grant us a quiet and steady nations for vengeance or aggression. Strengthen our hearts of peoples and races. Grant to the rulers of nations and to the common people a new and stern enthusiasm and to the sailors their swift obedience and willingness to answer to the call of a battle of war, and may they never for love of private glory rejoice to die for their country with the valor of our strength and more effective ways of giving our

all that family together with an increasing sense of our on earth at last, and thy sun may shed its light rejoicing on

—Walter Rauschenbusch.

In Prayers of the Social Awakening.

Thomas R. MacMechen, president of the Aeronautics Society of America, in an article in Leslie's on the "British Fleet in Peril from the Air," says: "No commander of a British blockading fleet will risk forcing the impregnable island fortress of Heligoland that guards the Elbe or dream of attacking the German coast defenses. The British fleet is probably lying off the south of Sweden, out of danger of the mine-strewn sea about Heligoland—out of the way, she hopes, of the feet of marine Zeppelins assembled at Heligoland, Cuxhaven and Hamburg—strategic points where enormous revolving sheds safely house these destroyers. The British admiral knows that marine Zeppelins hovering at immense distances have observed every movement of his fleet and have classified every ship for the guidance of the enemy. This espionage he is powerless to prevent. He can only sit tight and wait for the new kind of warfare, realizing that upon him depends the keeping open of the allied countries' steamship routes that bring food and supplies. With the North Sea and the Atlantic once open to German cruisers, to prey on British commerce, England could be starved into submission." All of which sounds mighty scary, but after the above was printed a part of England's navy took all the risks and lured some of Germany's cruisers out, and now they lie in the bottom of the North Sea.

Austria, the headstrong violator of the peace of Europe, with her army of 1,500,000 men; Germany, her northern neighbor and abettor, with 3,000,000 combatants, are already in the field, and Italy halts undetermined whether she shall join her sisters of the Triple Alliance with 2,800,000 more or preserve her neutrality, which is as yet unbroken. Russia's immense strength of 7,000,000 combatants has already decanted its first frontier armies into German territory; and Germany, which did not formally declare war, violated the neutrality of the Duchy of Luxemburg, gaining thereby an unfair but material strategic advantage over France, whose force, estimated at about 3,500,000 combatants, is declared to be in the highest state of efficiency and preparation, and England's immense fleet and smaller army of 1,500,000 make the champions of the "Triple Entente" considerably superior in strength and tenacity to those of the "Triple Alliance," forged by Bismarck 30 years ago.

The perils of international conflict were great enough when only Europe was embroiled. But when Japan stepped into the battle and added the perils of Asiatic warfare to the carnage of Europe she brought the hazard of our involvement infinitely closer. When the Japanese ultimatum to Germany was issued high public officials in Washington at once began to fear the possibility that Japan might use her pretense of conflict with Germany as a further step to strengthen herself in the Pacific. Even the British guarantee that Japan would confine her attack against Germany to Asiatic waters did not entirely reassure our military strategists, who feared that she would take the Samoan archipelago and thereby move Japanese outposts against the Panama canal 2,000 miles nearer to our western shore.

It was 1870 before we began to view a battle and not talk wholly of the commanders. We knew that Bazaine led the French army at Metz and McMahon the French army at Sedan; but just who commanded the Germans we did not seem to know or care. There was always a group of four—the king, his son, "Unser Fritz," a bearded giant; Bismarck, a giant, and von Moltke. It seemed to be war by a committee. Germans were offered in prodigious numbers to be killed; the killers fell behind in the butchery; the bill was taken; the battle (either at Gravelotte or at Sedan) was practically settled in favor of the Germans.

Whether or not Japanese participation in this war could involve us in actual hostilities no one can prophesy. A few years ago we refused to permit a Japanese corporation to purchase dock property at Magdalena Bay in Mexico, in the expressed fear that this might be made a coaling station for the Japanese navy at a point convenient to the Panama canal. We asserted this prohibition as an expression of the Monroe doctrine. Our military strategists would view with alarm Japan's acquisition of German Samoa or of any other islands that might command approach either to Hawaii, to Panama, or to our Pacific shores.

It is reported that Prince William, of Lippe, and his son were both killed in battle before Liege. Prince William was the first German ruler to fall in the present war. His principality, Lippe, is one of the states of the empire, having its own local government.

The heart of the real France was not in the second empire; it was not altogether in the war of 1870. In the war of 1914 the real France will spend the last franc of its hoardings and will give the last drop of its blood, if need be.

"Their majesties," according to an inspired statement from Buckingham palace, "dine each evening upon a bit of plain boiled fish and a chop."

When the Czar of Russia had the declaration of war read and challenged the loyalty of his subjects they fell upon their knees to receive his message, and then they rose to cheer and wave their swords.

"War of itself may be wise or unwise, just or unjust," says the New York World, "but that the issue of a worldwide war should rest in the hands of a few men and that the hundreds of millions who will bear the burden and be affected in every relation of life by the outcome of such a war should passively leave the decision to these few men is an indictment of civilization itself."

Pierre Vedrines, the famous French aviator, who is handling a 200-horse power Bleriot war aeroplane for the army, has made a vow that he will plunge headlong into the first Zeppelin that he discovers invading France. This means certain death to himself as well as the destruction of the dirigible and its crew.

Wherever the Serb or Slav is found in Eastern or Southeastern Europe the hope of a renaissance of Slavonic independence and sovereignty pervades the hearts of this people. For this hope they have endured and fought for centuries, now under Moslem and again under Germanic "influence," but gradually working out a partial realization of their great racial destiny through obscure border wars.

A wise woman once said that there were three follies of men which always amused her. The first was climbing trees to shake fruit down, when, if they would wait long enough, the fruit would fall itself; the second was going to war to kill each other, when if they only waited they would die naturally, and the third was that they should run after women, when, if they did not do so, the women would be sure to run after them.

Admiral Sir Percy Scott, who made England's artillery of the best, asserts that the dreadnought is now useless because the limit of its resistance against airships and submarines has been reached. With equally startling definiteness Hugo Eckener, the technical expert of the Zeppelin Company, announces that two years of sea maneuvers have overwhelmingly proved that a modern Zeppelin will sink the greatest dreadnought.

Public opinion is against the war. That is the one fact which stands out from the welter of argument for and against the two sides, from explanations, justifications and indictments. American newspapers are unanimous in the statement that the war is a heinous crime against civilization. The American people stand aghast. Men who have devoted their intelligence to the development of agriculture and industrial enterprise see in the war endless calamity. The average man sees in it the murder of thousands, perhaps millions, of human beings.

On August 11 it was officially announced that the German losses during the siege of Liege were about 22,000—that is, 2,000 killed and 20,000 wounded. The enormity and horror of the present war can to some extent be realized if we remember that this opening engagement has cost the defeated army more than the battle of Waterloo cost Wellington. At Austerlitz, in 1805, Napoleon lost only 12,000 men; the allies less than 13,000. The Germans lost 9,000 at Sedan, the culminating battle of the Franco-Prussian war. And the battle of Liege must be reckoned only a minor engagement.

All parties have come together in England until Great Britain stands as one man behind the government. The same is true of France, only there every man and woman thinks it is not only a matter of national existence, but of personal and family salvation. The German people are equally united, and the German army will give magnificent account of itself, but when the issues have been made clear by sacrifices such as were never dreamed of, may not the social democracy of Germany, which, from nothing in Bismarck's time, now casts over 4,000,000 votes, call a halt and speak for peace?

During the 44 years that have elapsed since the last great European war, which prostrated France at the feet of Germany, involving the loss of Alsace and Lorraine, and the payment of the stupendous indemnity of \$1,000,000,000, the world has moved. With the birth of the twentieth century an awakening has come. A new spirit has been born in all the peoples of the earth. Every eye is turned to the American republic. Its government by the people and for the people, and not by royalty for royalty, has inspired a new hope and set a patriotic example until all monarchies but one on the American hemisphere have given way to republics.

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For several years the general manager has undertaken to save the expense of a traveling man to solicit funds for the orphanage except during the meetings of our associations. Of course, at this time it has been necessary to get one or two brethren to help, since it would be out of the question for him to attend all of them.

This year we find it necessary to make a direct appeal to our people, and so Rev. H. C. Dunn, formerly the pastor at Albertville, has taken up the work. We know our people love this work and that they will stand by it, and yet money for present needs is very badly needed. We can't say to these children go on out and when times are good you can come back. They have nowhere to go. Brethren and sisters, you must stand by us. Don't wait for Brother Dunn to come; see that your church does its part. It has been well said, "He helps doubly who helps quickly," and that's certainly true in this case.

(The above is taken from Our Children. We hope the brethren will do what Brother Renolds asks. The children must be fed, clothed, sheltered and taught.)

We are happy over the splendid meeting held here by Evangelist T. O. Reese of the Home Board. He and Brother A. B. Hunt, his singer, make a fine team. The preaching was scriptural and applicable. Brother Reese preaches the gospel in all of its fullness, and any church will be fortunate in securing him for a meeting. We had hoped to have Brother Scholfield here to lead the singing, but he was off on a vacation. Brother Hunt did splendid work; captured the children and had a fine junior chorus. His solos were excellent. In fact, we all learned to love him for his work as a singer, personal worker and for his consecration to the Master. At the close of the meeting 12 followed Christ in baptism and four came by letter. We give praise to God for the help of our brethren, Reese and Hunt, and for the conversion of those who followed Jesus in baptism.—W. A. Darden, Ga.

On the 3rd of August Rev. J. M. Thomas, of Talladega, began with us in a meeting and continued for 10 days. It was a good and profitable meeting. Brother Thomas is an able preacher and safe leader. He gave us masterful sermons and greatly endeared himself to the Lineville church and people. There were 19 additions—16 by baptism and three by letter, and two by letter since the meeting, making 21 for the first half of August. Our church has decided to build on Third avenue, the most prominent street in town, and we are expecting that the work shall begin at once.—C. N. James, Lineville.

Mt. Calvary church has been greatly blessed by the coming of Brother T. M. Fleming, of Columbus, Ga., who preached with convicting power the gospel of Christ. Three years ago he and Brother J. W. Owens constituted our church with 16 members, and we now have about 80. The church was greatly blessed by the good work he did, and we all hope it will not be three years before he will be with us again. Fraternaly—J. W. Locke.

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OBITUARY

Again has the death angel visited our midst and taken therefrom the spirit of Mrs. Amanda J. Foster, who was the dear sister of Mrs. T. B. Ogle-tree, one of our members and a co-worker in the Baptist Aid Society. Mrs. Foster was born May 14, 1840, and died July 24, 1914. She lived a consistent Christian life for about 50 years, having joined the Fort Williams church in her young womanhood.

We extend to our sister our sympathy and can only point the bereaved ones to Him who alone can heal all our sorrows.

MRS. A. J. THOMPSON,
MRS. F. V. BUCHANAN,
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Sylacauga, Ala.

GOOD MEETINGS.

Thus far this summer I have taken my vacation by preaching to my own church on Sunday and running out to hold meetings in the country between Sundays. I am sorry for the preacher who has never had the privilege of holding a protracted meeting in a country church. My last meeting was with Rev. J. D. Wilks at Union church, near Grand Bay. This is one of our very best country churches, but it is a giant that has not yet discovered its strength. Brother Wilks is doing a good work, and his people are devoted

to him, as they should be. The church has 170 members, and all of them thrifty farmers. In this day the farmer is the nabob of the land. The young man who leaves a good farm for the city makes a great mistake.

Brother Wilks gives only half of his time to the church, but they are fully able to employ him for all his time. The Union church has a live, enthusiastic Woman's Missionary Society. Some of the good brethren are a little inclined to oppose the woman's work, but they will soon fall into line. Whether they do or do not the good women will move gloriously on in the Master's cause. I had the pleasure of attending a meeting of the society which was held in the home of Mrs. C. H. Dees, the president. The splendid program would have been a credit to any of our city churches.

At Union church I found a cure for non-attendance upon church services. One rainy Sunday a certain member of the church and his family were absent. After the service the pastor took the entire congregation to the home of the absent brother to dine. The family had to get busy to feed the congregation and their teams, but it had a good effect. The brother who had to do the feeding that day has never missed another service in his church. He is actually afraid to miss. It might prove to be another mostly experiment. Would it not be good for some other pastors to try that remedy on some of the absentees?

The meeting was good. Some said it was great. I am not much at counting professions, but there were 13 additions to the membership. Quite a large number of church members renewed their vows, and the entire church was greatly revived. The preaching was largely addressed to church members. Evangelists and pastors have a task of no small import in helping Christians find themselves and their individual responsibility to God. This accomplished, other things are easy. There may be a few conversions without a revival, but there will never be a revival without conversions. The Psalmist prayed, "Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy willing spirit. Then will I teach transgressors thy way; and sinners shall be converted unto thee."

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was cool and refreshing, and while we were away the church was resting, too. So now we are together again, and we hope to take a new start in the vineyard of the Lord for greater service than we have hitherto rendered. We received numerous hearty invitations to return to South Carolina to labor, but these kind invitations somehow did not tempt us very much. While we have a strong love for our native land, we have learned to love Alabama, too, and at this time we have no intention whatever of leaving Alabama, for, "Here we rest." The boys' dormitory is rapidly being put in shape for the fall term, and we are expecting a great year for the Baptist Collegiate Institute. With prayers and best wishes for the future of the Baptist, I am yours most fraternally—S. E. Boroughs, Newton.

OXFORD, THE IRISH BLACKSMITH PREACHER, IN PIEDMONT.

One of the greatest, if not the greatest, meetings that was ever held in this part of the state has just closed here. Never before has the gospel been preached with more power and grace than it has during these meetings. Never before has the power of the Holy Spirit been more abundantly demonstrated in this community. The name of Rev. J. I. Oxford, pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist church, Carrollton, Ga., will ever have a sacred place in the memory of the people of this vicinity. I believe that man was never more abundantly blessed with the grace and power of God than this dear brother from our sister state.

We would not forget that great gospel singer, Brother Ross Mullins, who came to us from the same city. Never has any one sang gospel hymns with greater power and feeling than this good man.

And there is Brother Hackett, from Brother Oxford's church, the live B. Y. P. U. worker of Carrollton, who worked so faithfully with us in this meeting.

We had splendid attendance at the day services, but it seemed impossible to seat the great multitudes that attended the night services. We had from 1,500 to 1,800 people every night except one, and it rained that night.

Brother Oxford first worked with the Christian people and got them revived and working, and then all went to work in earnest to win souls for the kingdom. I believe that more prayers ascended the throne of heaven in these two weeks from the Christian people of Piedmont than ever before in the same length of time. Thanks be to God these prayers were answered, for scores of souls were brought to God. Eighty-two accessions were made to the several churches of the community—28 to the M. E. Church, South, two to the Presbyterian church, four to the Congregational Methodist and 48 to the Baptist church, and we expect to get quite a good number more in the near future as the result of the meeting.

It did our hearts good to see our dear old pastor, Rev. George D. Harris, who has been with us so long, and the other pastors of the town rejoice over the revival of religion in Christian hearts and the return of precious souls to God.

Let us praise God, from whom all blessings flow, and pray for a continuation of His blessings.

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Each and every stockholder of Cloverdale Certified Milk Company, a corporation organized in this county, desiring to dissolve the same, as provided in Section 3510 of the Code of 1907, have entered into the following agreement:

"This agreement made and entered into between Clem Gazzam, Mrs. Edna S. Gazzam, John L. Kaul, J. H. Eddy and Robert Jemison, Jr.,

"Witnesseth: That whereas, we are the holders of all the capital stock of Cloverdale Certified Milk Company, a corporation created and existing under the laws of the State of Alabama, and desire to dissolve said corporation. It is, therefore,

"Agreed that said corporation may be dissolved, and that the President of such corporation is hereby authorized and directed to sign and acknowledge this instrument and to take all such steps as may be required under the laws of the State of Alabama to make said dissolution effective."

In testimony whereof, we hereunto sign our names this, the 12th day of June, 1914, and the name of said corporation is also signed hereto by Robert Jemison, Jr., its President, who is duly authorized, and its corporate seal affixed.

CLEM GAZZAM,
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J. H. EDDY,
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(Seal.)

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I, A. B. Tanner, a Notary Public in and for said county, in said State, hereby certify that Robert Jemison, Jr., whose name as President of Cloverdale Certified Milk Company, a corporation, is signed to the foregoing agreement of dissolution, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of said agreement, he, as such officer and with full authority, executed the same voluntarily for and as the act of said corporation.

Given under my hand this, the 12th day of June, 1914.

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The State of Alabama,)
Jefferson County.)

I hereby certify that the above agreement of dissolution of the Cloverdale Certified Milk Company was filed in my office on the 29th day of July, 1914, and duly recorded in volume Z, Record of Incorporations, page 134.

Given under my hand this 29th day of July, 1914. J. P. STILES,
aug26-4t Judge of Probate.

THE WAR AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The greatest opportunity that Baptists have ever had of impressing their distinguishing principles upon the Orient has now presented itself. The peoples that started the war and that thus far are keeping it going are professedly Christian. It is stunning to the pagan. He cannot make the distinction between people that bear the name of Christ. He lumps them all off together as Christian, and seeing the willingness, yea, eagerness with which those Christians fly at each others' throats, he very naturally decides that he wants nothing to do with Christianity. Now is the time for Baptists to drive home the doctrine of repentance and personal faith in Christ as necessary to being born again. Now is the time to impress them with the fact that the difference between a man made a Christian by the rites of the church and a man made a Christian by being born again by the Holy Spirit through a personal faith is as great as the difference between life and death. The nations that are involved in this war are ritualistic in religion. They are taught that they are born again in the act of baptism in infancy and that all that is necessary is to be confirmed at the age of 14 and then continue to practice the rites of the church. Russia and Serbia are Greek Catholic, France and Austria are Roman Catholic, while Germany is Lutheran—only one step away from Rome. The Lutherans differ from the Catholics (Roman) chiefly on church government. Both teach infant regeneration in baptism. Both teach transubstantiation. Why the furious barbarous spirit manifested by the European soldier? The answer is found in the fact that their religion is no religion. It will not stand the test. They lack temperance, self-restraint. They have all the resentment and viciousness of the natural man. They are not born again of the Holy Spirit, which is the spirit of love and forbearance. From the emperor down to the humblest peasant they have no religion except what they received in infant baptism. And we know that although the Greek Catholics baptize their babies by immersion, while the Lutherans and Episcopallians pour a little water on the head, they are no better thereby than are the pagan babies. We must be born again, and that by the spirit. Let us make haste while the nominal Christian nations are murdering one another. Let us, I say, make haste to send the glad tidings of peace on earth, good will to men. Let us show them that this blessed state can only come as the result of being made a new creature in Christ by a living, personal faith. L. N. BROCK.

THE DISCOURAGED PHILANTHROPIST.

Sir Thomas Lipton, who when first starting in business was very poor, was commenting on American charity.

"It requires a vast amount of courage and charity to be a philanthropist such as Andrew Carnegie, John D. Rockefeller and numerous other noted men in America," he said. "When I started in business I was very poor, and making every sacrifice to enlarge my little shop. My only assistant was a youth of some 15 years, faithful and honest. One Saturday morning I heard him complaining, and with justice, that his clothes were so shabby that he was ashamed to go to church the following morning. All chances of my getting a new suit this summer are over, as my dad is out of work, and it takes all my wages to pay the rent," he said.

"I felt sorry for the lad, and, after thinking the matter over, I took a sovereign from my carefully hoarded savings and bought the boy a comfortable, good suit of blue cloth. He was so overwhelmingly grateful that I felt amply repaid for my sacrifice. The following morning, however, he did not make his appearance at the accustomed hour, and later in the day, as his mother was passing the building, I inquired the reason of her son's absence.

"Well, Mr. Lipton," said she, with a bland smile and curtsying, "Arny looks so respectable, thanks to you, sir, that I thought I would send him about town a little today and see if he couldn't get a better job."—Lippincott's.

Temptation is the devil looking through the key-hole. Yielding is opening the door and inviting him in.

THE PRAYER MEETING.

There were only two or three of us
Who came to the place of prayer;
Came in the teeth of a driving storm,
But for that we did not care.
Since after our hymns of praise had risen,
And our earnest prayers were said,
The Master himself was present there,
And gave us the living bread.

Each of us felt the load of sin
From the weary shoulder fall;
Each of us dropped the load of care,
And the grief that was like a pall;
And over our spirits a blessed calm
Swept in from the jasper sea,
And strength was ours for toil and strife
In the days that were thence to be.
—Margaret E. Sangster.

THINGS THAT OTHER PEOPLE DO.

The man who does his best to make
The world a better place,
Whose heart is pure, who dares to look
His neighbor in the face,
Is not the one who takes delight
In holding up to view
And scoffing at the foolish things
That other people do.

The man who gains the noble height
Where fame and honor wait,
Wins no delight from petty spite,
He gives no need to hate.
For he has little chance to reach
This distant summit who
Gives up his time to smudging things
That other people do.

I like the honest man who tries
To keep away from sin,
I like the man who seeks to rise,
But does no wrong to win—
The world is brighter for the day
Spent in his presence who
Can keep from finding fault with things
That other people do.

Alone and crushed, his enemies close by,
With hasty speech Peter denied his Lord.
Yet safe and carefree, with light laughter, I
Denied him with the small, unspoken word.
—Sunday School Times.

STRIKING FACTS ABOUT THE GREAT CANAL.

Time required to go through the canal, from 10 to 12 hours.

Freight will be charged \$1.20 a ton; passengers are free.

The canal will save 8,000 between New York and San Francisco.

New York is brought 5,000 miles nearer Valparaiso and the west coast of South America.

Our Atlantic seaports are 4,000 miles nearer Australia.

The distance to the Philippine Islands is not reduced materially.

Bulk products, like wheat, lumber, minerals, wood and hides will get lower freight rates through the canal from Pacific ports.

Staple products of the south—cotton, iron, coal, lumber and ship supplies—will have similar advantages to the Orient and Pacific ports.

Immigration will be deflected in large numbers from New York to the Pacific ports.

The cost of operating the canal will exceed \$4,000,000 annually.

About 2,500 employes will be required.

To pay interest on the investment and operating expenses approximately \$15,000,000 revenue per annum will be needed.

Traffic experts estimate that for the first few years the average annual tonnage will be 10,000,000 tons, not enough at the \$1.20 rate to make the canal self-supporting.

The rates charged vessels are the same as those at Suez.

The government will monopolize the business of supplying coal and provisions and operating repair facilities.

Great dry docks, wharves, warehouses, repair shops and other facilities to cost \$20,000,000 are under construction.

All permanent buildings will be of the Italian Renaissance style of architecture. The route of the canal will be beautified with trees, etc.

Storage for 450,000 tons of coal, maximum capacity, is provided. Normal storage capacity, 37,000 tons. Oil, 160,000 barrels.

Monster 270-ton floating cranes will handle wrecks or accidents in the canal or locks.

Warships of all nations may pass through the canal, but cannot linger more than 24 hours at either end in time of war.

The interstate commerce commission has jurisdiction over the canal traffic.—William R. Scott in Leslie's Weekly.

TAKE AN INTEREST IN YOUR SCHOOLS.

No one can truthfully question our loyalty to our denominational schools, but as only a very small per cent of our boys and girls avail themselves of the opportunity to use them, it behooves us to urge our people to take an active and healthy interest in the public schools. We have just received a copy of "A Manual for County Institute Instructors" issued by the department of education, and we congratulate Superintendent Feagin on issuing such a complete and helpful hand book, for it shows that he is fully alive to the opportunity and responsibility placed upon him by the people of Alabama. He well says: "The time has come when the country school must assume its responsibility in making country life more livable and likeable. The only institution that can hope to enlist every agency for the uplift of the country is the school. It must become the community center through which a crusade will be begun and carried on that will bring better, health, economic, social and moral conditions, and it will best be able to do this by throwing open its doors to such organizations as further the common interest of the people. All phases of club work, corn clubs, poultry clubs, pig clubs, tomato clubs, as well as those that enlist the adults, should be harnessed up for work through the initiative of the school. It is to be hoped that this matter will be so stressed and enthusiasm so aroused that every county in the state and every community in every county will be quickened and rejuvenated."

We are glad to learn that a temporary "Country Life Commission" has recently been organized to formulate plans for a state organization that will promote this work throughout rural Alabama. This committee consists of representatives of numerous organizations, such as the University of Alabama, the Polytechnic Institute, State Health Department, State Bankers' Association, Department of Agriculture, Highway Commission, Federation of Women's Clubs, State School Improvement Association, Farmers' Union and other organizations of like character and standing. This committee is now planning definitely to call a state meeting which will organize this work and make it operative.

This movement also suggests four days to be observed throughout the year by every country school in the state: "School Improvement Day," October 30, 1914; "Good Roads Day," January 15, 1915; "Health Day," February 12, 1915; "Better Farming Day," March 12, 1915. These programs are so general in their reach and so vital in their bearing that it is hoped that all our schools will heartily cooperate in their observance by all the people.

The Congregationalist says: "It must be a joy to the family and closest friends of the late Rev. C. Silvester Horne that his eldest son, Oliver, has decided to become a minister, and will this coming autumn begin his theological training. If the young man had any misgivings on the matter they would have vanished had he been able to read, as we have just done, the proofsheets of his father's last book, 'The Romance of Preaching,' soon to be issued by the Fleming H. Revell Company, New York. It is a magnificent and convincing justification of the Christian ministry in modern life."

God will not send the winds to drive our ship of salvation unless we have faith to lift the sails.

If you live wrong you can't die right.

MEMORIAL OF BROTHER J. W. SMITH.

Whereas, God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to take unto himself our beloved brother, J. W. Smith, who departed this life on the 3rd day of June, 1914, and through his death Providence Baptist church, Dale county, Alabama, has lost one of her most devout and faithful members and our neighborhood a true and lovable character and the state a loyal fellow-citizen and our nation a true patriot; therefore be it resolved:

First—That we bow in humble submission to the divine will of Jehovah and look forward with a hope based on His promise that we will see him again.

Second—That we extend to his children and those of his friends near and dear to him our profound sympathy in this sad hour and mourn with them this loss, recognizing that a vacancy has been made in his home and in this community which cannot be filled.

Third—That we recommend his Christian character and upright walk in life to those about us and urge all to emulate his sweet disposition and Christian graces.

Brother Smith was born in Houston county, Georgia; came to Alabama with his parents in 1855; enlisted in the Confederate army in 1862—Company D, Fifty-ninth Alabama regiment; joined Sardis Baptist church, Barbour county, Alabama; ordained a deacon, and in 1907 moved his membership to this church.

E. A. THOMPSON,
J. F. POUNCEY,
Committee.

ONE BOX CURES THREE.

Jessie W. Scott, Milledgeville, Ga., writes: "I suffered with an eruption for years and one box of Tetterine cured me and two of my friends. It is worth its weight in gold." Tetterine quickly relieves skin diseases including Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm, Acne, Blackheads, also best remedy known for itching piles. 50c at druggist's or by mail from Shuptrine Co., Savannah, Ga.

Brother Crumpton writes: "I wish you would ask the treasurers of associations to send in the funds in their hands as soon after adjournment as possible. If there is any question about what it is for we can take that up later. It is more important this year than ever that the boards shall have their money promptly."

DAINTY COOK BOOK FREE.

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

BROTHER DEWITT'S DEATH.

At a meeting of "Daniel's Band" of Northside Baptist Sunday school the following resolutions were adopted:

First—That in the death of Brother J. D. DeWitt our class has sustained a great loss, for we recognize in him a rare type of Christian manhood, a man who was always faithful to his duty as he saw it, whether duty called him to the battle front or to the Sunday school class.

Second—That while we shall sadly miss him, we will bow in humble submission to the will of our Heavenly Father, and look forward with joy to

the time when we shall meet him in heaven.

Third—That the secretary of our class be instructed if possible to secure a picture of Brother DeWitt, have it enlarged to suitable size, properly inscribed and hung in our class room.

Fourth—That the secretary of our class be instructed to have copies of these resolutions printed; one copy to be sent to the bereaved family, and one to the Alabama Baptist for publication.

J. H. HARRISON,
R. L. HOWELL,
GEO. M. CLANCY,
Committee.

I have just finished up a series of meetings—three weeks in Florida and one meeting south of Andalusia. We had a fine meeting at each place, with a general uplift for both church and community. There were about 42 accessions. I have two other meetings yet to conduct. Will commence tomorrow at Beaman; then the 4th at Corinth, two and a half miles below Pinckard, Ala. I also assisted Brother Fain at Mount Liberty, Ala., in a four days meeting with good results. Success to the Baptist, Fraternally—C. L. Matthews, Ozark.

YOU CAN RELY UPON THE YOUTH'S COMPANION.

More than one Southern editor has said that The Youth's Companion is one among half a dozen publications that he cannot do without. For one thing, in matters of fact it can be absolutely relied upon to be right. Whether it prints the news of a war or of a lawsuit or of a political convention, it publishes only what it knows to be true, and lets its readers form their own opinions on the basis of the facts thus presented. It tells what has happened, not what somebody imagines has happened or hopes will happen. Then, too, it has some of the best humorous sketches ever printed. There is one almost every week—sometimes two stories of quaint characters of rural New England. And there is the doctor's weekly article on getting well and keeping so. It doesn't pretend to take the place of your family physician, but it is a mighty good thing to have on hand sometimes when he is not within call, and it tells you lots of things you need to know about keeping yourself "fit" as the English say. And this is nothing to the stories—250 of them in the course of a year. The new serial just begun, "The Crawford Twins," by Edith Barnard Delano, has its scene partly in New England, partly on an old Maryland plantation. If you do not know The Companion, and will cut out and send this notice to the publishers, Boston, Mass., they will send you two issues containing the opening chapters of this serial. Then, if you like it, and will send a \$2 subscription for 1915, you will receive all this year's November and December issues free.

Evangelist T. O. Reese, of the Home Board, and G. B. Hunt, gospel singer, spent 10 days with Vernon church during July. The church was greatly revived and the entire country around about uplifted. The church house was found to be entirely too small for the crowds in attendance, and we were forced to use the county court house. Brother Reese preaches the gospel of Jesus Christ with great boldness, and his work is blessed of God. His peer as an evangelist has not appeared in these parts within the memory of man. Brother Hunt, the singer, is simply great. His work will be remembered a long time, for he is a man of great power in a song service.—E. L. Durant.

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Am a woman. Know a woman's trials. Know her need of sympathy and help. If you, my sister, are unhappy because of ill-health, if you feel unfit for household duties, social pleasures, or daily employment, write and tell me just how you suffer, and ask for my free ten days' trial of a home treatment suited to your needs. Men cannot understand women's sufferings. What we women know from experience, we know better than any man. I want to tell you how to cure yourself at home at a cost of about 12 cents a week. If you suffer from women's peculiar ailments causing pain in the head, back, or bowels. Feeling of weight and dragging down sensation, falling or displacement of pelvic organs, causing kidney and bladder weakness or constipation and piles, painful or irregular periods, catarrhal conditions and discharges, extreme nervousness, depressed spirits, melancholy, desire to cry, fear of something evil about to happen, creeping feeling along the spine, palpitation, hot flashes, weariness, sallow complexion with dark circles under the eyes, pain in the left breast or a general feeling that life is not worth living.

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and learn how these ailments can be easily and surely conquered at home without the dangers and expense of an operation. When you are cured, and able to enjoy life again, you can pass the good word along to some other sufferer. My home treatment is for women or old. To Mothers of Daughters, I will explain how to overcome green sickness (chlorosis), irregularities, headaches, and lassitude in young women and restore them to plumpness and health. Tell me if you are worried about your daughter. Remember it costs you nothing to give my home treatment a ten days' trial, and does not interfere with daily work. If health is worth asking for, then accept my generous offer and write for the free treatment, including my illustrated booklet, "Women's Own Medical Adviser." I will send all in plain wrappers postpaid. To save time, you can cut out this offer, mark your feelings, and return to me. Send today, as you may not see this offer again. Address: **MRS. M. SUMMERS, - - - - - Box 543 SOUTH BEND, IND.**

IN MEMORIAM.

"There is a reaper whose name is Death,
And with his cycle clean
He reaps the bearded grain at a breath
And the flowers that grow between."

This reaper claimed another dear soul when George Hartwell Averyt breathed his last, on the morning of July 5, 1914, at his home in Frankston, Tex., where he had moved in February on account of ill health. For months this good man had been sick, but bore his sufferings with patience and fortitude. He was prepared to go to that eternal home, and when the summons came he peacefully fell asleep in the arms of Jesus to wait that great day. He leaves a wife and five children, besides relatives and a host of friends, to mourn his death.

His friends are many throughout the state, who extend sympathy to the loved ones in this dark hour. May they look to Him who alone can sustain and comfort them.

ONE WHO LOVED HIM.

BOOK OF RECIPES FREE.

The Mountain City Mill Co., of Chattanooga, Tenn., desire to obtain as complete a list as possible of dealers not carrying their celebrated Mother's Self-Rising Flour. In exchange for your grocer's name and address as to whether or not he has stocked this flour, they will send you, free of charge, a copy of their splendid COOK BOOK, containing many delightful baking recipes. Mother's Self-Rising Flour will prove a delightful change to any housewife who desires to economize and at the same time have much better success in baking.

THE EDUCATIONAL AWAKENING IN CHINA.

In China temples in many of the cities have been confiscated to accommodate the colleges or schools which are being founded more rapidly than buildings can be built for them. The ancient examination halls of the classic system are being torn down to build the new universities and parliament buildings. The number of modern government students in Peking rose in 10 years from 300 to 17,000, and the pupils in the surrounding province increased from 2,000 to 200,000. During a visit to a dozen of the cities in China I found from 4,000 to 12,000 students in each. The splendid buildings of the great normal schools rise in many cities, some having a thousand teachers in training,

for China's new system when completed will call for nearly a million teachers. There is a thirst for modern education greater even than that which was formerly manifested for the old learning, when men of 70 or 80 years of age were seen still trying to pass the classic examinations. Even women's education is being rapidly advanced in China.—Sherwood Eddy in the World's Work.

Dr. John E. White, of Atlanta, Ga., has been spending a few days in New York City. On Sunday last he was the preacher at the North church, Orange, N. J.

FORECLOSURE SALE.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage executed to Arthur Wellborn by John S. Marks, Jr., on the 13th day of January, 1913, which mortgage is recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate for Jefferson county, Alabama, in volume 704, on page 447, and has been duly transferred to the undersigned, H. B. Dent, I, the said H. B. Dent, as such transferee, will sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, in front of the court house door at Birmingham, in said county, on Friday, the 25th day of September, 1914, the following described property in the city of Birmingham, Jefferson county, Alabama, to-wit:

Part of lot 10, in block 9, Phelan's addition to said city, particularly described as beginning on the north line of Fourteenth avenue, South, at a point 67 feet westward from the intersection of said line with the west line of Seventeenth street; and run thence northward and parallel with Seventeenth street 160 feet; thence westward parallel with said Fourteenth avenue 33 feet; thence northward parallel with Seventeenth street about 48.6 feet to the south line of an alley; thence westward along the south line of said alley about 17.28 feet to the west boundary line of said lot 10; thence southerly along said boundary line and parallel with Seventeenth street about 206.8 feet to said north line of Fourteenth avenue; thence eastward along said north line of Fourteenth avenue 50.2 feet to the point of beginning.

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.

This, the 2nd day of September, 1914.

H. B. DENT,
Transferee.
A. C. & H. R. HOWZE, Attorneys.
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RESOLUTIONS

Offered by the Woman's Missionary and Aid Society of the Montevallo Baptist Church at a Meeting on Monday, August 10, 1914.

Whereas, God in His providence has seen fit to take from us Mrs. L. H. Lyman, our beloved president and leader, a lifelong member and one of the organizers of this society; therefore be it resolved:

First—That we bow in humble submission to our Fathers' divine will, who knoweth and doeth all things well.

Second—That as a society we have lost one of our most earnest and faithful co-workers, who was always ready to do her duty as a Christian.

Third—As a community we have lost a true friend, who was always in sympathy with the distressed, and one of the joys of her life was to give of her means to the support of any good cause. Let us strive to imitate her noble example in her loyalty to her church and her fidelity and integrity to her fellow beings.

Fourth—That we extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt love and sympathy, and refer them to Him who doeth all things well.

Fifth—That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one to the Alabama Baptist for publication and a copy spread on the minutes.

Humbly submitted,
MRS. M. A. SHRINER,
MISS FANNIE M'MATH,
MRS. THOS. W. PALMER,
Committee.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, Brother T. M. Thomas has thought best to sever his relationship as pastor of Louisville Baptist church and accepted a call from the First Baptist of Arlington, Ga.; therefore be it

Resolved, That we highly appreciate the invaluable services rendered by Brother and Sister Thomas in our church. Much of the success of the prayer meetings, Sunday school, Baptist Young People's Union and Ladies' Aid and Missionary Society has been due to their untiring efforts.

Second—That our church has sustained a great loss by having to give them up.

Third—That we heartily recommend them to the church and citizens of Arlington.

Fourth—That these resolutions be placed upon the church minutes and given to the local paper and to the Alabama Baptist for publication; also a copy be sent Brother Thomas.


Respectfully submitted,
V. V. NORTON,
B. F. BENNETT.

THE RED CROSS.

The American Red Cross is greatly in need of funds for the war relief work. It is planning to send a ship to Europe with some of its corps of surgeons and trained nurses and surgical equipment and hospital supplies. We have appeals coming to us from there for all this aid, that is so greatly needed.

There are thousands of sick and wounded men, and there soon will be tens of thousands—perhaps hundreds of thousands—in this terrible war.

The part that America will play in it will be the part of human brotherhood—to save, and not to destroy.



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Yours sincerely,
MABEL T. BOADMAN.

We began our revival meeting at Antioch Baptist church, Copeland, Ala., Saturday, August 8, with our beloved pastor, Rev. J. A. W. Lowry, Sunday morning Brother R. W. Bryan of Hattiesburg, Miss., came as helper, who preached with great power and simplicity the gospel of Jesus Christ to a large and attentive congregation. The meeting closed Friday with the baptism of nine happy converts. We shall never forget Brother Bryan. He did a great work here. Many souls were made to rejoice. I could say many nice things about our brother, but will only say that he gave us fine gospel sermons, which greatly edified Christians, reclaimed backsliders and brought sinners to our Savior; but for all this we give God the glory. Fraternally—John W. Mills.

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State of Alabama, Jefferson County. Mrs. Mollie Diddle, Deceased—Estate of.

Letters of administration upon the estate of said decedent having been granted to the undersigned on the 10th day of August, 1914, by the Hon. J. P. Stiles, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson county, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate will be required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or that the same will be barred.

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By C. D. Cotten, Secretary.

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE.

Default having been made in the payment of the debt secured by a mortgage executed to T. H. Spencer on, to-wit: the 2nd day of August, 1912, by B. Isenberg and wife, Celia Isenberg, and which mortgage is recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Jefferson county, Alabama, in volume 648, page 489, of the records of mortgages therein, which said mortgagee, T. H. Spencer, will sell, under the power in said mortgage, on Monday, the 21st day of September, 1914, at the court house door, Third avenue entrance, in the city of Birmingham, Jefferson county, and State of Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described real property, to-wit:

Lot twenty-one (21), block six (6), Boyles Highland Land Company. Said lot recorded in office of Probate Judge of Jefferson county, Alabama, in Map Book, volume 7, page 107.

The indebtedness secured by said mortgage is due for balance of purchase money on above described real estate, and default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by the above described mortgage, said sale will be made for the purpose of applying the proceeds thereof to the indebtedness secured by said mortgage, together with all costs of foreclosing said mortgage, together with a reasonable attorney's fee for foreclosing same.

T. H. SPENCER, Mortgagee.

W. T. HILL, Attorney for Mortgagee.

REVIVAL AT RIVERTON

The revival at Riverton, Ala., so far as I am able to ascertain was a success in every way. The town was moved as never before, according to the statements of the old citizens; Strong and settled men and women, heads of families, and old and young alike were moved by the earnest preaching of the simple story of the gospel by Evangelist Oliver C. Dobbs, of Birmingham. Some of the visible results were: Seventy-five united with the Baptist church and four confessions to the M. E. church. Out of the number that joined the Baptist church 67 of them were for baptism, all of whom were grown except about 15 boys and girls. It was a great sight to behold to see them lined up in the Tennessee river to be buried in baptism. It took the writer a little less than an hour to baptize them.

Brother Dobbs is the best evangelist in many ways that I have ever had to hold meetings for me. He knows how to lead souls to Christ and then teach them to work after they are saved.

At the closing service he had a conference for the new members, in which they pledged themselves to the Sunday school and prayer meeting, and they also promised to support the church and pastor. Each one pledged something. I expect great things from this service.

Brother Dobbs is in the evangelistic work to stay, and I hope the brethren will keep him busy.

We are at Leighton this week. Pray for us. Fraternally,

JAS. W. JONES.

Cherokee, Ala.

I am now assisting Brother Olive at Rutledge, Ala. I have assisted in the following meetings this year: Luverne; Brother Hubbard, at Eoline; Brother Wooley, at Chisolm; Brother Monroe, at Nicholasville; and Forest Springs. I have the following meetings scheduled: With McMillan at Beatrice, then to Putman, Nantalia and Cuba, and then I will be with Brother J. E. Barnes at Mobile; and I am trying to arrange a time when I can help at Lincoln. I shall fix the date in the near future. I also go to Fort Deposit to be with Brother White the first Sunday in September. It is pretty hard to hold meetings and a church at the same time, but at the Second church of Montgomery, where I have been pastor since the 1st of November, I have received 221 members. So we have had a good time there. Your brother—Curtis Shugart.

I have recently returned from West Virginia to my native state of Alabama and I want to say through the Alabama Baptist that I want to remain in the state. I have no work at present, but would like to get into the work as soon as I can. If any of the brethren would like to have me visit them and preach for them my address will be B. A. Sellers, Geneva, Ala. The Alabama Baptist is always a welcome and interesting visitor each week. Blessings upon you and the paper. Fraternally—Rev. B. A. Sellers.

(Hope some good field will open for Brother Sellers.)



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Table with columns for Associations and various categories: Baptisms, State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Associational Missions, Sunday School & Colportage, Orphans' Home, Aged and Infirm Ministers, Denominational Education, Ministerial Education, Other Beneficences. Includes a Totals row at the bottom.

realm where the rainbow never fades, where the stars will be spread out before us like islands that slumber on the ocean, and where the beautiful beings which here pass away like shadows will stay in our presence forever.—Anonymous.

I'M A BAPTIST.

I'll tell you I'm a Baptist And with the Baptists stand, If you will only listen And tell it o'er the land.

The Bible is a Baptist book And forms the Baptist creed; The Bible read, its precepts heed, And it will to the Baptists lead.

I'd rather be a Baptist In faith, love and hope, Than to be a Catholic And subject to the Pope.

I'd rather be a Baptist, And with My Savior go, Than an Episcopalian With all his pomp and show.

I'd rather be a Baptist, Saved now by grace, Than to be a Methodist Saved at the end of the race.

I'd rather be a Baptist, With doctrines narrow and old, Than to be a Presbyterian, Formal, stiff and cold.

I'd rather be a Baptist, And know that I am right, Than to depend upon water And be a Campbellite.

When John did Christ baptize God owned Him from the skies, The Holy Spirit did descend, This baptism to commend.

Shall I my Father disobey, Who spoke to Christ that day? I'll follow Him this very day; Yes, follow all the way.

I'm a Baptist while I live, And Baptist till I die; And I'll be a Baptist evermore, And can tell the reason why.

The above poem was compiled by Evangelist T. O. Reese. His brother, A. V., wrote verses 1 and 2 and 8 and 9. Evangelist T. O. wrote verses 5 and 6. Verses 3, 4, 7 and 10 were taken from the Western Recorder.

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leave us to muse upon their faded loveliness? Why is it that the stars, which hold their festivals around the midnight throne, are set above the grasp of our limited faculties, forever mocking us with their unapproachable glory? And finally, why is it that bright forms of human beauty are presented to our view, and then taken from us, leaving the thousand streams of our affection to flow back in Alpine torrents upon our hearts? Ah, no, we are born for a higher destiny than that of earth. There is a