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We wish all of our readers a happy Christmas and a joyous New Year.

Remember the next issue will be Wednesday, January 6.

An officer of mathematical turn of mind has calculated from statistics that it requires 5,860 bullets to kill one soldier.

I believe our people are getting more in sympathy with our organized work. Notwithstanding the rainy day, we took an offering for the Orphanage Sunday. Our pastor was not on hand, but we went ahead with the work just the same. We hope a better condition of things will open up soon. Yours in Him—R. E. Smith, Hanceville.

I was glad to see in this week's paper Dr. Shelburne's communication on "A Combination That I Believe In." There is no doubt in my mind that he strikes a responsive chord in the hearts of a large per cent of the preachers in this state when he takes a stand in favor of the "organization of our Baptist ministers in Alabama." The ideas of most of us on the subject may be rather nebulous at the present time, but some of us feel very deeply on the general proposition at least. Personally, I was greatly disappointed and surprised that at the convention at Selma this matter, which I thought (and still think) had taken such deep root in the hearts of so many of our preachers, should have been accorded such scant consideration. For it seems to me that the possibilities of a wisely "organized ministry" are exceedingly vast, varied and blessed; that it would prove a panacea for many of our ills, and an effective instrument in our contest with sin. So if Dr. Shelburne can succeed in gathering in all our thoughts along this line and in causing them to coalesce into something tangible and concrete, he will have rendered a mighty and far-reaching service to the Baptist ministry in Alabama and to the denomination in my very humble judgment. Yours sincerely—J. Renfro Curry, Tuskegee.



We have many splendid articles on hand which we will publish as soon as we can find space.

To give the printers a holiday, as has been our custom for years, we will not get out an issue on December 30.

There has been no lack of patriotism or courage shown in any of the ten nations engaged in the present war.

The Metropolitan Magazine announces that for the next three years Theodore Roosevelt will write exclusively for the Metropolitan on all the great social, political and international questions.

The French government has given the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor to Myron T. Herrick in recognition of his services to the French people while ambassador at Paris. This is the highest honor which the French government can bestow. There are, including Mr. Herrick, only 45 people now living who have received it.

We acknowledge with pleasure the receipt of the following wedding invitation: "Mr. and Mrs. Calloway Stallworth Rabb request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Naomi Ruth, to Mr. Robert Alonzo Winston on Wednesday afternoon, December 30, at 1 o'clock, at the First Baptist church, Evergreen, Ala."

The new book by "David Patrick MacMillan," of Clinton, has taken better than any book we have ever known written by a Mississippian. All the copies carried to the convention were sold. The ladies bought 160 in their meeting. All the first edition was sold before it came from the press. Many pastors at the convention subscribed for copies to sell to their people. A new edition will be issued immediately. Orders should be sent to the author at above—\$1 for the book and 5 cents for the postage. It looks now like the school building for Miss Mary Anderson in Canton, China, will soon be built by the sales of the book.

A Dark Christmas in Europe.



THE dark curtain of night will roll up upon the birthday morning of Christ's anniversary this year to disclose such scenes as time and the world and humanity have never witnessed before. Louvain in ruins, all those peaceful villages through the north of France, where men worked and children played, all, all in flames and ruins. From the vast cyclonic devastation, beauty has preserved few monuments intact, for the savage ugliness of war relishes nothing reared in its despite. This is nothing, it is a little thing, compared with war's work in men's hearts.

Let the hearthstones be shivered in dust, if the heart be hopeful men may lift their heads and fight on. But all men fight hopelessly, with the grimness of despair. In Paris, capital of gaiety and home of the light-hearted, men smile no longer. Silent women pass back and forth in black—their sons have left them, their fathers fallen, or husbands left unborn children to mock mothers with despair, and as it is in France so it is in England and the German Empire and the embroiled allies of each. It is not so much for these that we in this neutral zone would pray, as the curtain rises on the feast day of the Jewish Prince of Peace, as for the children.

It is for the sake of the children that we may turn with the hopelessness of despair to the great friend of all children, asking that He lower into men's hearts the grace of God that will answer them and, here in the darkest hour humanity has record of, whisper to the kneeling listeners some message to gladden a little moaning misery, and point, however rough it be, the way out from this horror that has come, not only upon Europe, but upon all mankind.—Stanton Leeds in Leslie's.

ADVANCE CHIMES OF CHRISTMAS.

The True Christian Christmas Spirit in Prose and Poetry.

Edited and Compiled for the Alabama Baptist by Carl Theodore Wettstein.

"The happy Christmas comes once more;
The heavenly guest is at the door."

A Wish for Christmas.

"On the wings of the morn'
I waft thee a wish—
Kindred or neighbor or friend,
The love that life brightens,
The bliss that life heightens,
Be thine without hindrance or end."

Charles Darwin.

In one of his letters Charles Darwin says: "I always think the most perfect description of happiness that words can give is peace on earth, good will to men." Though Christendom is sometimes called an armed camp, yet Prince of Peace is the true title of the Christ. Angels sang peace at His advent, and He bequeathed peace at His departure. "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you; not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

Christ for Christmas! Not Santa Claus.

An Appeal to Christians for Christian Christmas Celebrations.

Christmas again is near at hand. Christmas! that beautiful, that most wonderful day, which brings more joy and happiness into the hearts of old and young than any other day of the year. For centuries Christmas has filled the hearts of men and women with love and sympathy for the poor and afflicted, and the sunshine they brought on this day into their homes and hearts found a reflection in their own hearts. There is no other word in the English language that combines love, sympathy and charity in such measure as "Christmas."

And yet there is great danger that "Christmas" in America will soon be replaced by a "Santa Claus Day"—a heathenism legend, a nothingness. We even find that so-called Christian fathers, mothers, Sunday school teachers and ministers teach the children more fairy tales of Santa Claus and Hans Christian Anderson than those beautiful Bible stories of the wise men of the Orient, the star of Bethlehem, the shepherds in the field, the message of the angel and the birth of the Christ child. They ignore the living Christ, who lived and walked and preached in this world 1900 years ago, and put a Santa Claus in His place—an imaginary thing that has never been seen by anybody and has never lived in this world.

These people talk about "Santa Claus Spirit," but don't recognize or don't want to recognize that this so-called "Santa Claus Spirit" is nothing else but the "Christian Spirit" that was brought into the world by Christ. It was this spirit of Christ that civilized this world, that built poor-houses, orphan asylums, rescue missions, free hospitals and other charitable institutions. It is the Christian missionary that sacrifices his life in heathen lands to educate the savages. He builds schools, colleges, universities and civilizes the savages. It is this "Christian Spirit" that has changed the hearts of thousands of criminals and made better men and women of them. We read of millions that confessed that it was the religion of Jesus Christ that changed their hearts.

Did we ever read or hear of any one who said that it was the "Santa Claus Spirit" that changed his heart? Never! Ten thousand times never! The "Santa Claus Spirit" was never able to do the least of these.

But if things go on in America as they did in the last decade Christmas will soon be a thing of the past; a "Santa Claus Day" will have taken its place, and our Christian fathers, mothers, teachers and ministers will be responsible for it. They should write on their banner, "The world for Santa Claus," not "The world for Christ."

If the reader thinks I am exaggerating let him read some of the following quotations.

What the Editor of a Prominent Daily Newspaper Said of Santa Claus.

The question, "Is there a Santa Claus?" has been discussed through the ages. The most satisfactory answer to the query in the mind of many persons is that given by the late F. P. Church, who was one of the brilliant associate editors of the New York Sun. The answer which Mr. Church wrote to the question often has been credited to the late Charles A. Dana, the editor of the Sun. Mr. Church was given the task of answering a letter which had been sent to the Sun by Virginia O'Hanlon, a child who lived in New York City. Virginia said: "Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says, 'If you see it in the Sun it's so.' Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?" The answer was as follows:

"Virginia, your friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about



him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus (in imagination only). He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! How dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

"No, believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love and romance can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else so real and abiding.

"No Santa Claus! Thank God, he lives and lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia—nay, ten times thousand years from now—he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."

We trust to God that it will not take a thousand years—nay, not a hundred years—to make the Christians feel that they are doing a great wrong to their Lord and Master if they ring in Christmas time a Santa Claus spirit into their homes and not a Christian spirit.

Here the editor says: "Yes, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exists."

The editor when writing this knew that Santa Claus did not bring this love and generosity and devotion into the world. The world knew nothing of Santa Claus until some one made a fairy tale of it. It was Christ who brought this spirit of love, generosity and devotion into this world. There was a Saint Nicholas living hundreds of years ago—a good, charitable priest, who did much good to the people. The Germans, to honor him, introduced a St. Nicholas Day. A few weeks before Christmas they celebrate it by giving nuts, cakes and sweets to the children. But St. Nicholas is never mentioned at Christmas. It is "Kristkindel" (the Christchild) which the Germans celebrate. Santa Claus has no place in Christmas with the Christian Germans.

"Did you ever see fairies dancing in the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there."

The editor knows well enough that all fairy tales are made-up stories. There never was anything real or true in a fairy tale. Why then make a child believe in them? Off and on they have a good moral, and when the child knows that it is a fairy tale it is just as interesting for him as a real story. But when the mother relates the story of "Kristkindel" (the Christchild) she knows that it is a true story; that Christ was born in Bethlehem and lived in Nazareth, Jerusalem and Galilee.

"No Santa Claus! Thank God, he lives and lives forever. Ten thousand years from now he will continue to make glad the heart of children."

We know well enough that Santa Claus makes the children as happy as does the Christchild; but it is the Christchild that should be honored on Christmas, the day that is celebrated as the birthday of Christ and not of Santa Claus. The Jew and infidel have a right to celebrate Santa Claus on Christmas day in

their own way, and the Christians are glad to see them honor that day; but the Christian fathers and mothers and teachers should honor the Christchild and not a Santa Claus.

Another Editorial.

In comparison to the above editorial we herewith republish another editorial from the Chicago Record-Herald—an editorial with "the real spirit of Christmas."

"Christmas comes but once a year," says the old song, but this would be a sadder and colder world if the spirit of Christmas were with us only once a year. That spirit makes us merry and glad, but there is nothing selfish about the gladness. The sordid mean man has his pleasures, but he cannot be happy and glad in the spirit of this gracious and cheerful season. The Christmas spirit is that forgiveness, generosity and good will. It is altruism that brings us quiet inner joy. We are truly glad only when and because we have, within our means and resources, material and moral, made others glad.

"Christmas is essentially a children's holiday, and the grown-ups enjoy it in proportion to their imaginative and spontaneous sympathy with the spirit of childhood. To create for every one a merry Christmas is to be young and free again—to forget care, resentment, petty rivalries, malice and uncharitableness. It is to rejoice in a deep consciousness of human brotherhood and peace. It is "to pledge a hand to all our friends," to think kindly even of utter strangers and enemies, to relieve misery and diffuse well-being.

"We cannot, this side of Utopia, make every day a Christmas in this full sense, but we can strive to live up more and more to the Christmas spirit during the other days of the long year. We can resolve to be more considerate, more thoughtful, more helpful, more open-minded and open-hearted, more optimistic, more human and sympathetic. Many of our difficulties would melt away or become far less formidable if we carried more of the Christmas mood or spirit over into the prosaic and strenuous days. This spirit never fails; it always works and blesses those who display it even more than those toward whom it is displayed."

"A merry Christmas, and more scope and space to its beautiful ennobling spirit!"

What a difference in these two editorials! The first has not a word to say of the "Christian" spirit; it worships a Santa Claus, a heathenism myth. The second is full of the true Christmas spirit. Now we leave it to the reader to decide which will benefit the world more when the mother relates to her children fairy tales or the stories of the Christchild.

THE HERO OF THE HOUR.

The world of today is in need of one man,

One man with the power of men
To bring for one moment the world to a pause
And, in the calm stillness of silent applause,
Appeal to the reason of men.

The heathens and pagans bewail and abhor
Our civilized, Christianized waging of war,
For never before since the days of the flood
Has the civilized world been so baptized in blood.

Religion and peace and religion in war—
Great God! are they not both the same?
Can pillage and plunder and carnage and blood,
As wide as the world and as broad as the flood,

By war be relieved of its shame?
Tho' thousands and thousands go wrong at a time,
The multiplied numbers can't cover the crime;
For all of the teachings of Jesus abhor
The spirit of strife and the carnage of war.

When rulers of nations and rulers of men
Begin to declare against strife,
And follow the precepts of Him whom we call
The Master of men and the Savior of all,
The way and the truth and the life,
Will armies and navies disband and depart
To seek peace and pardon with penitent heart;
Then wars and their horrors will everywhere cease,
And over the world will reign permanent peace.

The blood-curdling world is in need of one man,

One man with the power of men
To turn the whole tide of the deluge of wars,
With all of its terrors and all its awes,

By turning the rulers of men—
By turning the hearts of rulers of men
To what they've professed and to what they have
been;

For God has declared in His volume divine,
In words unmistakable, "Vengeance is mine."

The Christianized world gives its Bible the lie,
And tramples its truths in the dust,
And, prodigal-like, spurns the mercy and love,
So free from the heart of the Father above,

When war is the strength of its trust,
What Christian can pray for the world's wars to
cease

When he's not in line with the Captain of Peace?
His orders are simple—Love God, and then do
Unto others as you would have others do you.

The world, the old world, the old war-widening world,
Needs one great apostle of power—
A Joshua, one who can stop at his will
A slaughtering world, and bid it be still,

And reign, the hero of the hour—
A man that-abounds in the wisdom of God,
A man that abides in His love,
A man that by whom will the leaders of men
Be led to seek peace from above. —H. C. Carlisle.

WHAT A CHALLENGE! WHAT A RESULT!

The following about Dr. B. H. Carroll I clip from a newspaper:

"One night 48 years ago Carroll attended a Methodist revival. The preacher quoted: 'If any will do His will, he shall know of the doctrine.' Then he invited any one present who didn't believe to accept the challenge for a trial. Carroll accepted. He started reading Scripture and in a short time was converted to Christianity. But he adopted the Baptist faith."

That Methodist preacher little dreamed that he was the means in God's hands of leading to Christ one of the greatest preachers of America. I wish I knew if he was a country preacher, if he was educated, if he was much of a preacher, what became of him and if he ever knew what he had done.

Oh, man of God, often discouraged and heart-sick over failures! You sow beside all waters and know not which shall prosper, this or that. Many a sermon you won't hear of on this side, but over yonder the story will be told. Not a sparrow falls to the ground without His knowledge, and not a word uttered in His name does He forget. He puts wings on it and it will fly to the mark, do His bidding and "some sweet day" we shall know it all.

W. B. CRUMPTON.

"SENSIBLY GETTING HOLD OF THE ALL IMPORTANT."

This subject was suggested to my mind while reading an article, "The Main Thing," by Dr. W. M. Anderson, in last week's Alabama Baptist—a timely article, too. I used this thought as a basis for my morning sermon, a summary of which I will attempt to give. The thought forcibly comes from this text: "Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you, but rather rejoice that your names are written in heaven."—Luke 10:20. The text shows to one the main thing in all life. The lesson as read (I Timothy, second and sixth chapters) sets forth the manner of conduct that should characterize the life of the individual who has found out this supreme secret.

Everybody that I know is busy seeking something. Today they are cheerful and rejoicing; tomorrow they are blue. Still they seek—everlastingly seek—something. The thing sought might be summed up (perpetual happiness), according to his notions, are the calling of the voice of an enlightened or unenlightened conscience.

Alas, life is ending all the time during the search, for what men call "life in the land of the living" is only in reality the "working of death in the land of the dying." How important then that we—all of us—speedily, surely find the one right thing, and that right thing is "getting right with God." What creature made in His image could dare gainsay this?

As never before, in the present age the world is seeing the vanity of "three score years and ten" and of all that it offers—if its offer be only in the three score years and ten. So how sad it is that we as God's creatures so often lose the spirit of the work or sight of the goal to be reached by the glow and boostings of temporal successes.

Rejoice that the devils are subject. Nay, nay. Only one real thing is worthy of rejoicing over by earth's dying multitudes: "My name is written in heaven." Truly this is the all important. What a wonderful thing that I am registered for a mansion in heaven, which I shall receive at the end of my journey here below. Friends of God, known of the King by name and shall be His guests—yea, a son in His family for eternity.

Fools we have been, my friends, in that we have turned to rejoicing over so many things that have to deal only with these "three score years and ten"—rejoicing over the accumulation of wealth, or social prestige, the accomplishments of arts, mental attainments (some good, some bad), but all lost unless in the end you have found the kingdom of God and through the blood of Jesus Christ have been registered for eternity.

Somehow I am learning to smile "the smile of death" concerning a lot of people and things in this world. Oh, it is horrible. And back of the smile is a breaking heart, outstretched hands and a thousand tears. But, alas, it seems useless for the heart to break or the tears to fall, and to some I might just as well close my arms. They are sin lovers, self-

pleasers and money getters. They heed not; they care not. The message they mock and deride. They cry, "Oh, dead," "Old fogy," and on they glide and on they dance, until, alas, all that I can do is smile "the smile of death" as I helplessly watch them one by one proudly, defiantly and blindly (see II Corinthians 4:4) whirl one by one into the pit.

Oh, rejoice this day, mankind, if you can. Let your rejoicing ring with such shouting that hell's music shall be drowned out; but let the one great object be, "My name is written in heaven." Surely this is the sensible thing, the great goal and true destiny of the human soul. In whatsoever state of life you may live today and over whatsoever temporal successes you may rejoice, if you have not made peace with God, or never shall, oh, then a million times better it would have been for you that you had not been born.

First things first. First things now. While I am seeking and getting I am dying. Is my name written now in the Lamb's book of life? And when the cord is broken and the wheel shall stop shall I be found "in Him without sin unto salvation?" Yes! "Rather rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

JOHN W. INZER.

ANNUAL MEETING OF ASSOCIATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES WITH THE SECRETARIES OF THE BOARDS AND VICE-PRESIDENTS.

Thirty-five or 40 earnest men, representing the various associations of the state, met with the church at Avondale December 15 and 16. The occasion was the annual meeting of the associational vice-presidents of the Foreign Mission Board. Dr. J. F. Love and Rev. C. D. Graves, of the Foreign Mission Board, met the workers from the State Mission Board and the associational representatives.

At the meeting on the first afternoon difficulties confronting our work and indeed obstructing all constructive work were presented as follows:

"Lack of aggressive leadership; breaking down of white population in some sections; lack of co-operation; covetousness; ministry outgrown by people; low ideals for the ministry on the part of the people."

Among other plans of work are noted these:

(1) The association-to-association campaign, giving one day only to each association, with a representative from the Foreign Board, one from the Home Board, a returned missionary, with helpers from the Woman's Missionary Union force and from the State Board of Missions, this being held at a central point in each association, at which time plans are to be made for—

(2) The church-to-church campaign in each association. This last to be conducted by the workers within the local association, directed and assisted by others of the general workers.

(3) The five district schools for two weeks held simultaneously in five different sections of the state for the study of Old Testament, New Testament and pastoral work. Each subject to be taught by a competent man. These schools to be held January 18 to 29, inclusive.

(4) The preachers' and teachers' school, to be held at Pelham, lasting three weeks in the summer. These schools items 3 and 4 to cost the student nothing save his traveling expenses and board for the Pelham school; no expense for board at the schools in January. The churches have invited them and will give entertainment. Twenty-five dollars will pro-

vide traveling expenses and board for the three weeks at Pelham, even for those living in the distant parts of the state.

(5) Associational Sunday school institutes to be held by Secretary Strickland, his helpers and local workers, lasting four days at each place. It is hoped that several hundred of these shall be held this year. One hundred and twenty were had last year in almost every part of the state.

(6) The holding of monthly ministers' conferences in each association for the discussion of plans of work for increased efficiency.

(7) Every-member canvass.

The question was raised as to what was the duty of the associational representative. Some of the answers caught on the fly are given: "Study the minutes of your association; acquire correct information as to missionary work; promote information among your brother pastors; keep in touch with state and general offices; co-operate with those in like tasks; organize and utilize the forces in hand; cultivate an eye to the discovery of men for the work; magnify team work."

Some striking bits from many sources are here quoted from Dr. Love's speech:

"The preacher is to strike the note of courage."

"Hugh Price Hughes said: 'There are two words I would strike from the language—retreat and trench.'"

"If present world conditions do not stir the heart of every pastor he can never be moved."

"The religious breaking up of Mexico calls for our own missionaries."

"The restoration of maritime relations with South American countries calls for a missionary with every merchant ship."

"The hope of Italy in her struggle with modernism is Baptist freedom."

"Japan is largely rural. We must heed her call."

"China in her seeking after democratic ideals needs most of all the gospel."

"The crisis of Mohammedanism and Christianity in Africa must be met now."

"The European crisis throws the destiny of missionary enterprise on America. The world looks to us."

"In effect we have shut ourselves to national effort. Baptist responsibility was never so great as now. The firing of one British cannon one time costs more than the salary and expenses of one missionary for one year."

Pastor John W. Inzer and his splendid people at Avondale made the brethren rejoice in their gracious hospitality. Pastor and people are both to be congratulated on the splendid way in which they took care of the workers for the King. We are all under obligations to the Methodist brethren for the use of their house of worship and heaters made necessary by the unusual cold weather, making the temporary Tabernacle a bit uncomfortable.

The saints at Avondale under the splendid leadership of Pastor Inzer are building a magnificent structure for the worship of God.

Fraternally,

J. HENRY BUSH, Secretary,
Goodwater, Ala.

TWO OLD VETERANS.

A Card of Appreciation and an Appreciative Reply.

My Dear Brother:

You will never know what your clarion notes in favor of prohibition have done and are still doing for "God, home and native land," but they are doing much to further state-wide prohibition, thus causing less misery and more happiness. God bless you as you stand on the margin of the river. I hope to be in Montgomery January 26-27.

Fraternally,

J. H. HARRIS.

Dear Old Comrade:

I can't tell you how I appreciate that little card from you. If we will all stand together, speak the same things and cheer one another on the way we will be victors. It is demonstrated beyond question that God is with us. Even the cruel war He is overruling to promote our contention. How any God-fearing, humanity-loving man can be against us I cannot understand. The Lord bless you!

Fraternally,

W. B. CRUMPTON.

HAVE YOU GOT \$5.00?

We suppose only a few will have this much cash on hand before Christmas, but to the fortunate ones we make the following offer:

All those who send us \$5.00 at once will be credited with three years' subscription, whether it be a new or an old subscriber. If you are one year behind the \$5.00 will pay that and put you two years in advance; or if you should happen to be two years behind it will pay that and give you one year in advance. This will save you \$1.00 and the trouble of sending in each year, and it will save us money in the way of agents' commission.

We hope at least 100 will be able to do this before Christmas.

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Albert of Belgium is no carpet knight, but a soldier and a king in the highest sense of the word.

Robert Burns was singing a snatch of gospel when he declared that "a man's a man for a' that," and "man to man, the world over, shall brothers be, for a' that."

The January American Magazine publishes in its "Interesting People" department a sketch and picture of Sarah Rector, a little 10-year-old negro girl, living in Oklahoma, who now has an income of at least \$10,000 a month. The discovery of oil raised her from poverty to riches.

Children do not always understand the use of capital letters. Marjorie wrote a composition about "Grant's Work in the Civil War." In describing Lee's surrender she told how Lee wore his sword and was haughtily attired in full uniform; then she wrote: "Grant had on nothing but an old, ragged union suit."

Lord Bryce, recent ambassador to the United States, anticipates the verdict of history in the Review of Reviews for December when he says: "Had there been time for deliberation, had the people or peoples of Austria-Hungary been given an opportunity for forming and expressing an opinion, war would probably have been avoided."

In Teheran, on July 21, Sultan Ahmed Shah Kajar assumed the throne of Persia. With his hands on the Koran he took the oath at the parliament house and later, in his palace, placed the crown upon his own head, in Napoleonic fashion, offering prayers to Allah for the prosperity of his country. He is a little over 17, not enterprising, modern or educated, and Persia can hope for little from his influence.

Reports from 772 students Christian associations in as many American institutions show that there was a total membership of 69,296 men during 1913. More than 6,000 students engaged in some form of community service, while 48,398 enrolled in Bible classes. Two hundred and sixty Greek letter fraternities reported Bible study classes with an enrollment of 5,160 fraternity men. Twelve thousand, six hundred and sixty-eight men enlisted in classes for mission study.

Students of Howard College were excused from work Tuesday afternoon and permitted to go to their homes for the holidays. Classes will be assembled the morning of January 5 for work in the new year. A number of boarding students will spend the holidays in Birmingham. The enrollment at Howard for the semester went a little over the 200 mark, making a gain of about 10 students over the total enrollment for last session. President Shelburne is expecting a number of new students after the holidays. Howard probably will break all attendance records before the year is over.

Speaker Champ Clark's enforced retirement from the Detroit Board of Commerce meeting because of his befuddled condition from drink was a humiliating spectacle. It merely shows that whiskey is no respecter of persons and that the only way a statesman can be respected is to respect himself sufficiently to abstain from it. The speaker of the house is not the only public official who has brought disgrace upon himself and upon the American people by appearing on public occasion under the influence of strong drink. A brilliant man has brought shame upon himself and shame upon his constituency. It was a pitiable spectacle, and we grieve to have to pen this paragraph.

A little boy about 6 years old rushed into a store and asked if they kept those stamps that had the picture of Santa Claus on. The clerk said: "Yes, my boy, we do; how many would you like to have?" The little boy looked earnestly into the clerk's face and asked: "How much are they?" The clerk answered that they were only a cent apiece. The child looked joyfully around and said: "I heard my mother talking about how the money was to help the poor sick people that had consumption. I've only got 3 cents, but I wanted to help them by buying stamps." He received his three Red Cross Seals and left the store, proud to think he had perhaps helped some boy's father who had that terrible disease.

A BIG NOTE OF SURPRISE.

The Baptists of Alabama will be surprised to know that there are 40 students more at Howard College this year than last. This would be a splendid increase even in normal times, but the wonderment is that in present conditions there should be such an increase. Many schools are off by at least one-fourth.

In addition there have been improvements on the property, and a new course of Bible and missions inaugurated. This course is what the boys, the churches and the people need. Its influence must be far-reaching and invaluable to our folk. The pity is that whatever doesn't appear at once doesn't seem real to too many men. The savage lives and thinks in the present moment. When he gets hungry he goes hunting, kills his game, eats, then sleeps. When he is hungry the second time he goes hunting again. The multi-millionaire invests in a vast scheme which he knows will pay no dividend for 20 years, perhaps not in his natural life, but will one day go to his estate. That is the difference in two men, one of whom gives a dollar to some immediate object because he wants to see a dollar's worth of something next week, and the other who gives a dollar to Christian education, which will produce a dividend in men and character long after the dust has settled on his brow. God save the Baptists from men who either won't or can't see the Baptist future.

We are bound to the conviction that in the present stage of denominational life he who does most for education does most for our folk and the world. Things Baptist in Alabama must revolve around Howard College and the Judson. Neglect them at your peril—a peril of prestige, utility, service, ultimate ends and everything else worth while.

No man with any first-hand knowledge of Baptist affairs will doubt but that in President Shelburne the right man is in the right place. In him is the essence of gentility combined with scholarship, equipoise and splendid discrimination.

ASSOCIATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES OF FOREIGN BOARD.

Thirty-seven of the associational representatives of the Foreign Mission Board met on December 15-16 at Brother J. W. Inzer's church, Birmingham. Drs. Yarborough, Graves and Love were present also. The inspiration was great, plans practical and good. What is to become of the meeting? The answer is to be found in the men themselves; the earnestness and spirit in which they take this task and the degree in which our folk will respond. Our candid opinion is that no meeting of the same number of men means more than the coming together of these men from every part of the state for mutual helpfulness and discussion. Conditions vary in nearly every association, and we are all to a degree circumscribed by local ideas; hence the need of general meetings. The test of strength is in the man who can bring the best out of his conditions after utilizing all suggestions which may come from other sources. What will work in one place may not in another; but something will, at least partially, and this is the thing to be done. There is nothing commensurate with the opportunity of these men except responsibility.

President Bryan, of Indiana University, is reported as having said recently: "Today the greatest missionary field in the world, and the field which is almost unoccupied by the churches, is the field which is offered in the great American state universities." This does not mean that state university students are heathen, or infidel, or even essentially irreligious. It means that the young men while taking their university studies are not only forming their moral as well as intellectual bent of life, but are also becoming more fixed in their religious convictions and affiliations. If in this critical time the churches fail to get or retain their hold upon these young men, they drift very often beyond the probability of reclamation in the years that follow. If the university student is kept in touch with his church during his college days he is apt to retain that connection after his graduation and to be all the more useful as a church member and Christian.

Brazil is a great republic of 20 states and more than 18,000,000 of inhabitants.

The "psychology of the mob" is annually exhibited in the shopping section of a big city during the days before Christmas.

Happiness is always found where there are men and women who are using all their power in doing work they love. Give a person work that wins and holds his love and you give to him the keys to Paradise.

The Steel Corporation opens its Museum of Safety in New York to everybody. It freely gives to any inquirers drawings of the various apparatus it has devised. It also distributes on request copies of its "Standard Requirements of Safety," a volume embodying the experience of its subsidiaries in preventing injuries.

Up to June 1, 1914, the General Education Board made contributions to 103 colleges and universities; to 19 of these it has made a second appropriation. The sums pledged by the board amount to \$10,482,591.80. The institutions assisted have themselves undertaken to raise additional sums aggregating almost \$40,000,000.

Cotton clothing for men, women and children will do much toward maintaining the property and incidentally the health of the American people. The United States produces 62 per cent of the world's crop of cotton. Much of this could be consumed within our own country if cotton fabrics were substituted for expensive foreign-wove materials. Most cotton goods is susceptible of laundering, and its renewable freshness and beauty is its advantage over certain wools and silks.

In 1859 there were no hospitals in Japan. Fou and loathsome disease was open and public. Every third person was pock-marked. Blindness was shockingly common, and smallpox was prevalent and frequently epidemic. Sore heads were disgustingly prevalent, while consumption made frightful ravages. A deformed child was never seen; none were allowed to survive their birth. Now there are over a thousand public hospitals. The medical missionary has won a place for himself in the hearts of the Mikado's subjects.

When the present war began France forbade the transportation and sale of absinthe, and the government has now added other alcoholic drinks similar to absinthe. It is reported that there is a marked improvement in all parts of France in the desire that these prohibitions should be perpetuated. When it is remembered that France is rated as the largest consumer of liquors, the remarkableness of this desire will be fully appreciated. "General" John Baylecorn seems to be suffering more defeats in the present war than any of the other generals. He has been routed from Russia, bag and baggage, and has been restrained more or less in Germany and England, and now the prospect is that he will be driven from La Belle France, which he has cursed for many a long year.

Fifteen hundred volumes of scientific, historic and literary works were added to the Howard College library this week. The books composed the private library of the late Dr. S. S. Sherman, founder and first president of Howard, and came to the Baptist school in compliance with the terms of the will of Dr. Sherman. The collection is estimated to be worth about \$8,000. Along with the shipment of books from Chicago, where Dr. Sherman died November 22 at the age of 99 years, lacking two days, there came two massive mahogany book cases. The cases also have been placed in the college library. The books are among the latest and most authoritative on the subjects treated, having been carefully collected by the venerable educator. Dr. Sherman had already forwarded to Howard a picture of the first Howard faculty and several documents and records used in the early days of the institution. Dr. Sherman was president of Howard from 1842 to 1852. Subsequently he served as president of Judson College for four years. He went to the middle west just before the outbreak of the war, and there amassed a fortune while conducting a wholesale tea and spice business.

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THE SECRET OF CHRISTMAS JOY.

"The little common things of life—
A friendly word, a little trust,
A friendly smile amidst the strife
That crushes souls into the dust;

"A flower for some tired eyes,
Or music for a weary heart—
Just little things—not any size—
But, ah, the sweetness they impart!"

A year or so ago I read the story of a boy who dreaded to see Christmas come because he thought he had not one thing to give, for money was scarce indeed in his home. But his mother suggested that he would have at least twelve bright shining hours that he might give to others on that day.

The story told of how those hours were spent in service for others, the first and the last for the brave, cheerful mother and the ten in between for those who were helpless or in need. When the shadows of Christmas night fell it found a tired, but happy boy, who had found the wonderful secret of true Christmas happiness.

A merry-hearted young girl, in her teens, came to the pastor's assistant the day before Christ, saying: "Will you take me to somebody's house tomorrow where they'll not have much Christmas? I want a home where there are a good many children, for I am going to give away some of the dolls and books I have loved ever since my childhood days." And then she added shyly: "I baked a cake myself, and mother gave me some jelly and a chicken, and father has added candy and oranges, so I just thought I'd like to take the basket myself and share in their good times when they open it."

So blessed Christmas cheer came to a discouraged father, a weary mother and a house full of children, but the place where it shone with warmest, tenderest light was in the heart of the young girl as she learned the secret of real Christmas joy.

Another, a lonely young woman, far from home and loved ones, asked for the names of friendless old people who were scattered here and there in the little city where she lived. Silver and gold she did not have, but what she did have she gave. Carrying a beautiful Christmas story and a large bunch of shining holly, she went from home to home, reading the story, singing softly a carol and leaving with each a bit of the holly with its cheerful red berries. The presence of the blessed Christ Himself came to her heart, banishing all loneliness and filling it with radiant glory.

There is joy right at the door of every heart waiting to fill it and flood it. And that joy comes in by living for others as Mr. C. D. Meigs tells it in that poem of his that is known and loved the world round:

"Lord, help me live from day to day,
In such a self-forgetful way,
That even when I kneel to pray,
My prayer shall be for—OTHERS.

"Help me in all the work I do,
To ever be sincere and true,

THE DISTRICT SCHOOLS.

Invitations have been definitely received and accepted from the following places for schools from January 18 to 29:

Phil Campbell, in Franklin county (Northern of Alabama railroad); Collinsville, in DeKalb county (A. G. S. R. R.); Repton, in Conecuh county (Selma and Flomatom branch of L. & N.); Hepzibah church, in Pike county, about four miles from Troy.

These churches have invited all who will come and offer the hospitality of their homes to those who come to study and to the members of the faculty.

This shows a splendid spirit of co-operation, and shows more. To me it is a fair indication of God's favor of the work in hand. Now, then, the next question is to get the men there. Will you who read this select at least one man whom you think this school will benefit and try to get him there? We ought to have an average of 25 men in each school. This would be a fairly good beginning.

Printed announcements will be coming to you every few days after the holidays. H. L. S.

SPECIAL: Since the above was written an invitation comes from Brother C. N. James for the school in the Eastern District to be held with his church at Lineville. Arrangements are practically completed for the Western District school, to be held at Northport, so this fixes our six schools. H. L. S.

And know that all I'd do for you,
Must needs be done for—OTHERS.

"Let 'Self' be crucified and slain,
And buried deep; and all in vain
May efforts be to rise again,
Unless to live for—OTHERS.

"And when my work on earth is done,
And my new work in heaven's begun,
May I forget the crown I've won,
While thinking still of—OTHERS.

"Others, Lord, yes, others,
Let this my motto be,
Help me to live for others,
That I may live like Thee." L. S. F.

AN INVITATION.

Of course we all feel glad and grateful for the State Board headquarters in Montgomery.

Those who are most familiar with denominational affairs will realize the necessity of maintaining offices in Birmingham at least for the present. There is a vast amount of work to be done in the Birmingham district alone, and this can hardly be done as it should be done if an office were not maintained here.

Beginning on January 1 the office space in the Farley building will be enlarged (without any extra expense to the board). One room will be reserved for meetings of various kinds. On Tuesday of each week the Baptist Teachers' Conference will meet, at which each separate lesson in our own graded series will be taught. The Pastors' Conference of the city will meet there. Training classes will be conducted there. Friends from in and out of Birmingham are cordially invited to make this office their meeting place.

The numbers of the rooms will be 809, 810 and 811 in the Farley building, corner of Third avenue and Twentieth street. H. L. S.

A VISIT TO TUXEDO.

It is always a pleasure to meet with people who are willing to prepare themselves for a greater and more efficient service. Especially is this true when applied to the teaching service of the church. It indicates that God's people are more and more recognizing this great fact. If one is to stand before a class on Sunday in an attempt to teach the word of God there must be a definite preparation in order that there may be definite results.

Recently the writer was asked to come to the Tuxedo church, Birmingham, to present the King's Teacher diploma to members of a class who had completed the New Normal Manual. One splendid thing about this is, the superintendent of the school was among the number to receive a diploma. It is well for the superintendent to urge that his teachers and officers hold the diploma, but how important it is that he should go on record as being among the number. Not only have they been engaged in the study of the Manual, but another class has just been conducted in "Talks With the Training Class." Several months ago this school went on record as being a Standard school.

Notwithstanding the fact that this church has been without a pastor for some months, both the Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. are in fine condition. J. C. B.

THE SALEM-TROY CAMPAIGN.

Barring the humble part taken by the writer, it was, under the Master, a splendid piece of work. Nothing less could be said considering the personnel of the corps of workers.

Dr. Graves was in the first two meetings. Dr. Bateman was in every meeting except when filling a Sunday morning appointment with his own church and when called back to conduct funeral services in Troy. His work in the campaign was invaluable and indispensable.

Brother Bouldin succeeded Brother Clark—both being missionaries from Japan—and these splendid speakers did full justice to the Foreign Mission side of our work.

Miss Patrick, like the little heroine that she is, stuck to the work through freezing temperature and many hours spent on, sometimes, muddy roads getting from church to church and dotted the association with organizations under the auspices of the woman's work.

Mrs. J. S. Carroll and Mr. W. C. Black gave us the use of their cars, and thereby rendered a service without which the work, especially at this season of the year, could not have been done.

Mrs. Carroll went with us and aided all the workers—Miss Patrick in particular—till the exposure made her ill and confined her to her home. This was the only regrettable feature of the campaign.

Twenty churches were visited. Some of these already had the wall outfit. Ten of them gave cash orders for this much needed item of equipment. Three new Sunday schools—the only (Continued on Page Sixteen.)

INTERESTING NEWS.

Hodges church, on the I. C. R. R., in the Shady Grove Association, has gone to half time, with Rev. S. R. Love as pastor.

The associational school at Crooked Oak, in the Big Bear Creek Association, was not attended as it should have been on account of the people not being through gathering their crops. They want another school in February.

The missionary in the Shady Grove Association is pushing the every member canvass. He wants to work it in all the churches. One church has already increased its pastor's salary 700 per cent by the every member canvass. H. L. S.

THE COMMITTEE OF NINE.

Seven out of the nine members of the committee on Sunday school and enlistment work appointed by the State Board of Missions were present at the meeting held in Birmingham on January 16.

Dr. Phillips was detained on account of a wedding, and Dr. Bateman was in a church-to-church campaign in his association.

The working force as now constituted was continued for the present, with a tentative understanding that efforts will be made to secure the men and begin the entire program of work in each of the five districts on June 1.

The schools to be held in January were heartily endorsed and authority given the secretary to do what was essential for the greatest success.

Four definite invitations for schools have been received and accepted, as stated in another column. Two other invitations are pending. It is hoped that announcement can be made for all before January 1. H. L. S.

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

SCRIPTURE MESSAGE.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.—Luke 2:10.

"WHICH SHALL BE TO ALL PEOPLE."

"We followed the star as it shone
 Clear in the midnight skies,
 And down in the manger upon the hay
 We have found where the Young Child lies.
 And around us is all the woe
 Of the lepers and blind and dumb
 And of those who are hungry and those who faint
 While they wait for the Christ to come.
 But above in the radiant sky
 The hosts of the angels sing,
 And ours it is to bear with delight
 The "tidings of joy" for our King.

BEST CHRISTMAS GIVING.

"What are you going to get this Christmas?" asked one girl of another, after naming a long list of presents she had asked for and expected. "I've been so busy planning what I am going to give," said the other, "that I haven't had time to think about what I'm going to get. What have we given to the world in preparation for its Christmastide? Kind words? Wholesome life? Every day goodness? Kindness? Cheerfulness? Courage? Love? If we have given these, we can keep this Christmas true to its type even if we cannot afford to give a single present.—Recorder.

SUGGESTED PROGRAM

To Be Used by the Woman's Missionary Society in
 "Placing the Responsibility" of the Young
 People's Work Before the Church.

1. Devotional, congregational hymn (some stirring—"Onward, Christian Soldiers").
2. Scripture—Daniel 12:3; Eccl. 12:1.
3. Talk, "The Importance of Training Our Young People for Church Service." Explain why the little ones should be in a grade according to ages in a Sunbeam band (ages 3 to 12); the junior age boys and girls (12 to 15) should be in training in the Royal Ambassador chapter and Girls' Auxiliary, and the senior age (16 to 25 or 27) in the Young Woman's Auxiliary. As a result of this training from early childhood we will have a great inflow of trained, efficient members into the older woman's missionary society and thus a stronger church membership in the future.
4. Children's demonstration by children of the Sunbeam age.
5. Solo by a young woman.
6. Reading by a Royal Ambassador.
7. Talk—"What the Y. W. A. and Girls' Auxiliary Means to Church"—By a member of one of these organizations.
8. Chorus by the girls of the church (Y. W. A. hymn, "O Zion, Haste." May be ordered for 2 cents a copy from 15 West Franklin street, Baltimore, Md.)
9. Closing prayer—For the young people of today.

THE HUB.

"That hub with W. M. S. written big at its center worries me," said a delegate to a recent state W. M. U. meeting. "I am president of our woman's society, and when I see that the Y. W. A. revolves because of us, that the Girls' Auxiliary and Ambassador do, too,

Young People of W. M. U.



WILLIE KELLY WOO, QUIN SAN.

We believe little "Willie Kelly Woo," Quin San, is a true Sunbeam in China. If your band would like to have a picture of this "Chinese baby" it may be secured by sending 10 cents to the mission rooms for "Chinese Character Sketches." The picture, with other interesting sketches may be found in the booklet. Leaders will find this helpful in preparing for January Day of Prayer programs.

and that the Sunbeams whirl around just as merrily as we will let them, I began to wonder what the hub should do for each of them. Can you tell me?" she earnestly asked. In part, yes. First, each woman's society should exhibit at its regular meetings an enlarged drawing of the chart prepared by Miss Heck for the Nashville meeting and shown on page 28 of the Union Year Book. (Each society is entitled to one free copy of the Year Book from its state W. M. U. headquarters.) Just as it encourages parental influence to have the children grouped around the head and foot of the family table, so it is worth while for the society members to see each month their relation to the younger branches. The chart further emphasizes that all the missionary organizations should be joined into the Graded Missionary Union of the church and that each branch should be represented on the six committees for mission study, publicity, enlistment, personal service and finance. Of course it will help these younger societies if the hub keeps them revolving in these six committees.

Then it is marked how much confidence the hub imparts to the rest of the wheel. Some young people, especially the Sunbeams, need constant encouragement from their mothers to attend the band meetings. Some churches have to be reminded that the Sunday school and the B. Y. P. U. cannot serve the purpose of the regular missionary societies for our young people. The Woman's Missionary Society should impress its members with their individual responsibility in having the young people of their homes attend regularly their respective missionary meeting, and this same hub should enlist the co-operation of the pastor and the Sunday school superintendents and teachers in the organization and maintenance of the Graded Missionary Union, which will

be to the church, in its study of and prayer and gifts for missions, what the Sunday school is in the study of the Bible and what the B. Y. P. U. is in the training for church membership.

These young people greatly need the W. M. S. in their celebration of the January week of prayer. We can help them save for their Christmas offerings, hear them rehearse their parts on the programs, attend the meetings, assist them in the prayers and report for them to the mother society.

This suggests still another helpful relationship, which is that, as far as possible, the leaders and counselors should be elected by the woman's society or, if not elected by it, should at least be in closest touch with it through active membership and should report to it the monthly progress of these younger branches. It will hasten the day when every church will work as hopefully and faithfully for its Graded Missionary Union as it works now for its graded Sunday school.

We all know that the hub depends upon the spokes and rim, its condition being forlorn indeed without them. Often, however, these are replaced and the hub given another chance for activity. Some societies would resent being compared to the spokeless, rimless hub! Others have insured their usefulness by maintaining the younger branches. Over the threshold of a great building a long horizontal advertisement was once suspended by wire from the windows above. Further down on either side of the entrance two smaller, upright signs of the same advertisement were fastened by wires from other side windows. One noon the wind snapped the wires holding the upper board and the crash came. When the carpenters rehung the frame they took care to fasten its lower corners to the upper part of the smaller signs. The wind blew as before, but each frame remained unshaken, their united strength resisting its force. Surely the impact of the heathen world should constrain us to unite in closest bonds all the missionary organizations of our church.—Royal Service.

A LEADER WHO FINDS JOY IN SERVICE.

Dear Miss Metcalfe:

With a heart that is overflowing with joy I write you of our Sunbeam meeting Sunday afternoon. Our subject was "China's Children." I know not why these dear little children love China so much, but they want to study about the Chinese nearly all of the time. We had the map exercise, as was suggested in Royal Service. I guess you remember that we didn't have a kindergarten in Interior China. When one of the little girls told them this their little faces clouded. Then I asked them if they would not like to help build one over there. Every little hand went up, and some of them held up both of them. I told them I would write for some mite boxes and they could put at least a penny a day in them, and at the end of next year I would take them up. If every one of them would do that we would have over \$100 in a year. If it is too much to ask for the mite boxes again we will pay for them.

Miss Patrick was with us Saturday. What a blessing she is to every one she comes in contact with. The Sunbeams think she is the sweetest woman. Every one of them love her.

I am sending 50 cents in stamps for "Every Land." I noticed in one of our books where we could get some colored paper dolls from W. M. U. Literature Department, Baltimore. I think the Sunbeams will enjoy seeing the dolls.

Pray for us, Miss Metcalfe, because we need your prayers much.

BETH PIERSON.

CONVERTED.

At the Randolph County Association, October 29, 1913, Rev. J. M. Thomas, of Talladega, preached a missionary sermon. While preaching that sermon Brother Thomas said: "The greatest question before us as a denomination today is the financial question." At that time I did not accept as true that statement. Somehow or other it did not set well with me. But it did put me to thinking as I had never thought on that question before. As a result I am fully converted. I now think that Brother Thomas never told a greater or more important truth.

We as Baptists have always boasted that the Bible is our great and only umpire—to that we go with all questions of faith and practice; and so, in order to settle the finance question for myself for good and all, to the Bible I went, and now am satisfied. I am satisfied that we as Baptists have done just what the Jews did. We have robbed God, and in so doing we have robbed ourselves. Brethren, if we Baptists in Alabama would simply accept God's financial plan for one year long before the years would be out Brother Crumpton would be walking on stars, the angels would be rejoicing, Alabama Baptists would be glad; but best of all God would be honored. Brethren, let's bring the tithes in.

We Baptists have the talent, the education, the everything we need, except the money, and, brethren, we have the money, too, if we would only give the Lord His part; it is His, and we can't keep the Lord's part without inviting God's curse down on us.

I here and now register my confession: All my Christian life long I have robbed God. I have kept back what belonged to Him. It has all tended to poverty. I have made a miserable mess of God's business and ruined my own financial interest. It is just, it is right, that I should have failed to succeed financially. But notwithstanding my failure to give as I should, God's goodness in many respects has favored me. And now, before God and angels and men, in memory of His goodness to me, I register this vow: That henceforth God shall have His part of all my income, let it be little or much.

Now for God's New Testament plan—I Cor. 16:2: "Let every one of you lay by him in store on the first day of the week as the Lord has prospered him." If this don't mean tithing, what does it mean? Christ, in speaking of tithing, said: "This ye ought to have done."—Math. 23:23; Luke 11:42. Now let us do a little figuring. We have in Alabama practically 200,000 Baptists. Suppose each Baptist has an income of \$100. That would make the income of Baptists in Alabama \$20,000,000. Take the tithe of this amount and you would have \$2,000,000 for the Lord's work.

O, brethren, if we would only believe what the Bible says about money as faithfully as we do what it says about repentance, faith, baptism, Christian security and many other cardinal doctrines, our influence would soon be felt to earth's remotest bounds. So mote it be.

THOS. H. LANDERS,
Roanoke, Ala.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED BY THE STATE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The State Board of Missions has suffered a great loss in the death of our beloved president, J. G. Reynolds; the Baptist State Convention an efficient vice-president and the denomination one of its most useful laymen. Our sympathies go out to the bereaved wife and family, his church and association, where his services were so valuable. May the Lord sanctify this loss to our good and give us grace and wisdom to direct us in the affairs of the board, so dear to our deceased president.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be presented to the family of our deceased brother and a copy to the Alabama Baptist for publication.

JUDSON COLLEGE NOTES.

The Christmas Art Concourse, which was given Saturday evening in the "sky parlor," was a beautiful exhibit. The oil paintings were rich and handsome, especially three studies of chrysanthemums done by Misses Elizabeth Abrams, of Birmingham (Miss Bacon's assistant in the studio); Louise Bomar, of Marion, and Mary Harris, of Russellville. A most interesting part of the exhibit was a set of hands, done

by the class in anatomy, who each took her own hand for a model. The water colors were numerous and good. The roses and salvia, by Miss Abrams; the sugarcane, by Miss Virginia Cox, of Bibb county; the cosmos and pomegranates, by Miss Ruth Simmons, of Monroeville, and the hydrangea, by Miss Mildred Heacock, of Talladega, were excellent examples of work in this beautiful, but most difficult medium. Charcoal studies by Miss Ruth Elliott, of Montgomery (whose "Midnight Supper" was fine); Miss Effie Drake, of Haleyville; Miss LaTrieve Hall, of Birmingham, and indeed by all the class, especially their life sketches of schoolmates, were a most important and attractive part of the exhibit. The decorative work—china, leather, beads, Christmas cards and calendars—and the designing in all these, completed a fine showing for the fall session. Other young artists whose work deserves mention were: Misses Inel Bonner, of Mississippi; Burmah Hilliard, of Birmingham; Kathleen Thompson, of Centerville; Ida McCollum, of Marion. Misses Gatchell and Potter, teachers in the Marion High School, and some of the Judson faculty (Miss Dawson and Miss Henderson in china and Miss Manly in water color and charcoal) had several pieces on exhibit. All the work, from the candidate for graduation (Miss Abrams) down to the youngest member of the class (little Miss Laura Murfee Anderson, whose charcoal and water color sketches show that she has inherited talent from her mother, Mrs. May Murfee Anderson,) was a remarkable showing of unusual finish and excellence among school girls.

Miss Amie Vary entertained at a delightful luncheon last week three of the new members of the faculty—Miss Hollingsworth and Miss Hays, of the School of Expression, and Miss Davis, of the Home Economics; also Miss Hubbard, of the science department. Other guests were Mrs. Aubrey Miree, Mrs. J. P. Haley, Miss Mary Felix Reynolds and Mrs. Marchant, of Virginia, who is well remembered and loved as Miss Harriet Reynolds.

Mrs. Bomar made a trip to Orrville last week to see her little granddaughter, Lillian Ellis, the daughter of Mrs. Macov Ed's, Jr., nee Harriet Bomar.

"Judson Spirit."

A delightful occasion is described in a private letter from Mrs. Willie Lawson Moore, of Birmingham, who entertained a party of "Judson girls" in honor of her mother, who was Lucie Kyle, of Houston, Tex.; she was at the Judson in '73 and belonged to the Excelsior class. There were invited six of her old classmates—Mrs. Lottie Estes Bussey, Mrs. Hattie Huckabee McCauley, Mrs. Mary Billingslea Brown, Mrs. Carrie Harrel Hooper, Mrs. Annie Phillips Feagin, Mrs. Augusta Lovelace Myatt. Besides these there were Mrs. Grace Lovelace Mason, Mrs. Frank Rall, Mrs. George Hunt, Mrs. A. J. Dickinson, Miss Edith Rall and Masters Jack Rall and James Hunt, who partook of Mrs. Moore's hospitality. It was a very delightful occasion, and the Judson spirit prevailed. The color scheme was pink and white, the Judson colors; the place cards were water colors, with the Jubilee button and pink and white ribbon on them; and the cakes, mints, ices and salads, and the carnations and narcissus in the center of the tables all carried out the same lovely colors.

Mrs. Hattie Huckabee McCauley, who has kept up her music through all these years and still has a good voice, sang "A Perfect Day," and when she had finished all of the "old girls" were in tears. They declared it had been indeed "a perfect day," with so many old friends and some new ones. Mrs. McCauley is the original of Anne, in "Anne of the Blossom Shop," Mrs. May Hawley Mullins' delightful tale of Marion and the Judson.

A subject was broached which touched all hearts: to raise a memorial for Miss Josephine Tutt, who as a teacher was dearly beloved and much admired by all her pupils. Her grave is unmarked, though the Judson has a beautiful portrait of her in the parlors; and these ladies began a subscription at once for the purpose. If others, reading this, desire to join in this beautiful tribute, they should write to Mrs. Willie Lawson Moore, 908 South Sixteenth street, Birmingham, Ala.

The Christmas recital by the pupils of the Conservatory of Music Monday evening was quite a satisfactory success, the program being of short num-

bers finely rendered by the advanced students in all departments. There was an orchestral piece by the Ensemble class of 10 performers, two part songs by the Glee Club and a chorus by 27 voices, who may be called understudies of the Glee Club, besides solos and duets of piano, violin and voice.

Miss Ellen Foster, of Tuscaloosa, daughter of the revered and beloved Dr. Joshua H. Foster, spent several days in Marion last week as the guest of Mrs. James Thomas Murfee; and she was at the Judson one day with her cousin, Miss Bacon, of the Art School.

A bride took in the Judson on her wedding trip—Mrs. Jesse Mitchell Oldacre, of Cullman, who was Miss Leta Weeks when a student. This is the second bride lately who has introduced her brave husband to her alma mater, and the compliment highly appreciated by the Judson.

Mrs. Julia Barron Gaines, of Tuscaloosa, has been visiting her old home in Marion, the guest of Mrs. Kate Shivers Ward. She took supper with Miss Brown Thursday evening and visited the new Judson, which honors her grandmother as one of its founders.

The Judson wishes a merry Christmas and happy New Year to all readers of the Alabama Baptist.

L. M.

SOME ENLISTMENT NOTES BY S. O. Y. RAY.

A House Built and Then Saved.

The church was organized 25 years ago, but they had never built. Three years ago they undertook the work, but utterly failed on account of whether the house should be the property of the Baptists or free for all who might come along and want a place to preach.

When I arrived on the ground they had begun the work of building two houses, facing each other, on opposite sides of the road. Neither of the factions had money enough to build, and both planned to build cheap, small houses. After four days' visiting, talking, planning and preaching every night and twice on Sunday I got them to agree to consolidate their material and build a Baptist church. After a hearty handshaking and much rejoicing I left them to carry out the plans they had agreed upon.

A Church Consolidated and House Built.

Their house had been blown away. It had not been finished long when the storm came, and it cost them a struggle to build, as only a few of them had it to do. When the matter of rebuilding came up they could never get together on the place to build nor the style of house they would undertake to build. They finally consented reluctantly to build a cheap house and put it out in the suburbs. Even then they would be compelled to sell their town lot. The pastor asked me to come and see if I could do anything to save the situation. I canvassed thoroughly the situation, both as to the ability of the brethren and their wishes concerning the matter. After a systematic canvass of the whole community enough money was pledged to begin the erection of a nice brick church, which when finished will cost \$8,000. Already the brethren are worshipping in it, and the church feels that no better investment could have been made. They are happy and united.

A Division Healed and Good House Built.

The church decided to rebuild and purchased the material and had it on the ground when a Holiness meeting began in the community, and many of the members were "swept off their feet," among them some of the leaders. So the question arose whether if the church were rebuilt it would be possible to hold it. The brethren who remained firm in the faith said, "If we lose our house we had rather do it before we rebuild." I found this condition when I went on the ground. I visited them twice, and after much vigorous, tactful personal work, with preaching along helpful lines, the situation was saved and the church building was done and this dangerous schism removed.

This is along only one line of enlistment work. I propose giving other sides of this many-sided question in several articles from week to week.

NEW BOOKS

"World Stories Retold."

By W. J. Sly.

Fables told when Greece was young, and the life histories of men and women still busy in the workshops of the twentieth-century world, stories from the Bible, fairy tales and tales of heroism in war and peace—nearly 200 of the best stories which story-tellers like to tell and children like to hear have been assembled in groups according to their nature and brought together in this single volume. An alphabetical index, an index denoting the ethical suggestiveness of each story, and an introductory section on the art of story-telling increase the usefulness of the collection. Just the book for the parent, the preacher, the teacher—for any one to whom a child turns with the plea, "Tell me a story."

This is really a valuable book for any one who has to entertain and instruct boys and girls, and older people will also get pleasure out of it.

The Griffith & Rowland Press, Philadelphia. \$1.00 net.

"The Girl Who Disappeared."

By Clifford G. Roe. Cloth; 5 1/2 x 8; 350 pages. Illustrated. Price, \$1.00. American Bureau of Moral Education, Chicago, Ill.

This is Mr. Roe's latest book and deals with the same subjects treated in his former volumes—"Panders and Their White Slaves," "The Great War on the White Slave Trade" or "The Prodigal Daughter." The book, giving Mr. Roe's experience as a prosecuting attorney and investigator of white slavery, will be found interesting from the first. The appendix deals with "Segregation and Commercialized Vice," "Outline for a Study of the Social Evil," "Vice Commissions," etc.

"The World's Social Evil."

A complete survey of the history and treatment of this great question throughout the world, including the license and regulation systems and the white slave traffic by Rev. William Burgess.

The purpose of this book is to furnish a historic review of the entire subject in its relation to national progress and decay, and in its social, economic, hygienic and ethical aspects: comprehensive, accurate, reliable, but not too lengthy or technical for popular use.

From foreword by Graham Taylor: "This book was prompted not only by the appeal made to a scholarly mind by the widely scattered data of the long war against vice, but also by personal experience on the field of action where the author has aided achievement in securing organized effort. It meets the practical need of the rank and file for definition and discrimination, for retrospect and prospect, for surveys of situations and summaries of results, for literature and laws, for critical estimates of methods and inspirational suggestion. It does so in a way sufficiently authentic to be of reference value, and yet is so untechnically practical as to be immediately helpful to all on the firing lines of this 'war without discharge.' No honest doubt or heedless cynicism can be impervious to the author's fearless facing of facts and his sturdy faith and resolute hope, based as they are upon his first-hand contact with the worst and his experience in personal and united effort to do the best. The total effect of the cumulative facts and force of this volume is to dignify the war against vice as worthy of the world's united effort and as chivalric appeal to each one's knight errantry."

Published by Saul Brothers, 626 Federal street, Chicago. Price, \$1.50; postage, 12 cents.

"The Making of Christianity."

An exhibit of Hebrew and Christian Messianic Apocalyptic philosophy and literature by the venerable John C. C. Clarke, D. D.

A book which gives a new and vital insight into Apocalyptic literature, which clears away obscurities, brings together a host of new facts and marshals them in a striking and original way is Dr. John C. C. Clarke's "The Making of Christianity." Dr. Clarke is a scholar whose profound knowledge in this subject is such that his conclusions are to be accepted as of great import, and those who disagree with them, for some of them are startling, will need to be thoroughly informed upon the subject if they desire to controvert his findings.

"It has been assumed that the Apocalypses are prophetic, because the name Apocalypse may be approximately translated Revelation. Really it means uncovering, and it will be demonstrated that the Apocalypses are only in a general way prophetic, while, in wonderful and minute ways, they are uncoverings of great principles, great facts of divine and human nature, and of the ways of God."

Dr. Clarke lays especial emphasis upon the fact that the Apocalyptic writings are not so much prophecy as symbolism, and that the cryptic character of much of their utterance is pregnant with a spiritual significance which has as yet been but dimly under-

stood. There is no question of propounding a new gospel or of using fanciful and strained interpretations for the bolstering up of individual idiosyncrasy. Dr. Clarke's name is too well known in the fields of Semitic study and sound Christian theology for any such question to be raised.

The Associated Authors, Inc., New York, Pp. 423. Price, \$2.00.

"Essentials of Physics."

George A. Hoadley, C. E., Sc. D., professor of physics in Swarthmore College, in co-operation with the American Book Company, has gotten out a work that is alive in every page. We can't imagine any student or reader going to sleep with such interesting text and illustrations. In our school days we looked on physics as something dreadfully hard, but in this book it becomes as fascinating as the latest war news. The book is thoroughly up-to-date. The latest in railroad and electric trains, aeroplanes, airships, wireless telegraphy, photography, etc., make it a joy to finger its pages. We fear that frequently we will be poking our nose into the book instead of browsing in volumes of theology, but we console ourselves with the fact that if we do we will get benefit in tracing the dependence of our way of living on this mundane sphere upon the underlying principles which lead to a true knowledge of a God of providence.

The American Book Company, Cincinnati. \$1.25.

A book is just from the press, entitled "Keep My Money." This is a dainty volume of 128 pages, each page decorated with the "blue-bonnets" of Texas, the book being beautifully illustrated with five whole-page halftones—themselves worth the price of the book, \$1. It is said that every little girl will be proud to own a copy and that every mother will rejoice that she read it. The net proceeds from the sale of this little book go to building the much needed primary school for our missionary, Miss Mary Anderson, in Canton, China. Send all orders to Box 73, Clinton, Miss. Orders for over 1,400 have been already received. Join in and have a share in the building of this primary school for Miss Mary and make a little effort to go farther than you have ever done before.

J. L. Rosser in the Baptist and Reflector: "When I came to the First Baptist church of Bristol I noticed in particular one saloon, it being located on a corner where I frequently took a car and having a catchy name. Within a year out of that family I baptized two and conducted three funerals. The saloon is sold, the mother and father are in their graves, and the children are in the Baptist Orphanage. A few days ago I conducted the funeral of the son of the man who bought the business. That son was 23 years old, and, I was told, literally drank himself to death. Thus the saloon's nefarious work goes on, but its lawful days are numbered in this state."

The board of trustees of the University of Chicago has let the contracts for the construction of Ida Noyes Hall, the building which is to serve the women students of the university as Bartlett Gymnasium and the Reynolds Club provide for the physical culture and social needs of the men. The new hall will be a notable addition to the group of nearly 40 buildings which have been erected on the university quadrangles. The latest building, which a generous gift of Mr. LaVerne Noyes has made possible and which will provide a fitting and beautiful memorial to his wife, will be completed in January, 1916. Already the workmen have begun the construction of the building, which will cost over \$450,000.

The Biblical Recorder says that the position of the board of directors of the Recorder Publishing Company on the question of permitting medical advertising in the columns of the Recorder is "that there are good and bad patent medicines as there are good and bad doctors and preachers; let us, they say, accept the good and reject the bad just as we do with other advertisements; and let us not cut off 40 per cent of our advertising and advertising income merely to gratify the occasional critic who is simply hunting for an excuse to stop his subscription."

Drs. J. C. Maple and R. P. Rider, at the request of the Missouri Baptist Historical Society, have completed the first volume of the "Missouri Baptist Biography." A second volume is in course of preparation.

Dr. John D. Mel has been elected president of Beattie Tift College in Georgia. This is a Baptist institution for girls located at Forsyth, Ga., valued at \$300,000, but having a pressing debt of \$90,000.

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When the Record of Christian Work was established by Mr. D. L. Moody in 1881 it was with the thought of having some suggestive ideas to assist young Christians in the regular daily devotions that this department was made the leading feature of the magazine. It has always continued to hold that place, and today thousands are gathered as in one large family, all over the entire earth, in their daily devotions, through the columns of the magazine. The International Sunday School Lessons are studied so universally by the religious public that the department of Devotional Studies in the Sunday School Lessons, edited by Rev. F. B. Meyer, of England, is also a very strong feature, especially attractive to young Christians. All who have read Mr. Meyer know that he is one of recognized authority in the devotional study of the Scriptures, and to those not acquainted with his writings we heartily recommend these most helpful studies. The magazine is made up of various departments telling of the religious activity abroad and in the home land, also helpful suggestions for Bible readings and systematic study. \$1.00 per year. Sample copy free.

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In the January number we begin a new serial by Kathleen Norris, author of "Mofar," "Saturday's Child" and several other best sellers. In April we begin another serial by Corra Harris, author of "The Recording Angel" and several other fascinating tales, and last but by no means least a great gripping story of the Canadian Northwest by Sir Gilbert Parker, author of "The Right of Way," "The Seats of the Mighty," etc., etc. Isn't this a wonderful array of big stories? And in addition there will be five to ten short stories each month by such well-known writers as Zona Gale, Edna Ferber, Irving Bacheller, Hamlin Garland, Emerson Hough, Lloyd Osborne, Ellis Parker Butler, Irvin S. Cobb, John Luther Long, Basil King, Meredith Nicholson and many others equally well known. And always our regular departments, our remarkable special feature stories and the incomparable, always first Pictorial Review fashions.

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ALABAMA BAPTIST Baptist News

Dr. John D. Mell has declined the presidency of Bessie Tift College.

The total benefactions already distributed to outside institutions through the medium of the General Education Board have amounted to \$39,715,720.

Virginia Baptists reported through the State Mission Board at their recent State Convention 2,726 baptisms and 3,259 conversions.

Dr. George W. Truett, of Dallas, is to conduct a week's meeting with the First church, Brownwood, beginning February 8.

The Texas convention at a recent session combined the Mission Board and Education Board, and now have only one board—the Executive Board of the convention.

A Baptist missionary to the 25,000 Greeks in New York has begun work with the Second Avenue church as headquarters. His name is V. Koundourionis.

Rev. T. W. Callaway, of the First church, Dublin, began a series of sermons the fifth Sunday on "The Seven Churches of Asia." The theme of the first was "The Present Crisis of the Christian Church."—Christian Index.

Rev. John L. Ray, president of Gaylesville Academy, Alabama, has accepted the pastorate of the church at Lyerly, this state, and also the pastorate of the Sardis church, at Chattoogville. He will serve these churches in connection with his school work.—Christian Index.

The Christian Index, one of the strongest Baptist papers in the country, says its present circulation is 11,935, as compared with 12,362 a year ago. Of this number 5,434 are paid in advance and 6,501 are in arrears. Advertising contracts are 50 per cent less than a year ago.

President Charles Richard VanHise, of the University of Wisconsin, was the convocation orator at the University of Chicago on December 22. President VanHise is widely known, not only for his successful work as an administrator, but for his scientific researches.

Rev. S. K. Braun, who is a Jew and an ordained Baptist minister, has gone to Detroit at the invitation of the Friends of Israel, who have their meetings in the institute building of the Woodward Avenue church once a month. He will work among the Jewish people of the city.

Dr. W. M. Lawrence has been serving the church at Hamilton, N. Y., the seat of Colgate University, as acting pastor ever since the summer months. The church has called him to the full pastorate, but he has been obliged to decline the invitation. During the spring term of the Theological Seminary he will fill the chair of pastoral theology, left vacant by the death of Dr. Edward Judson.

In speaking of the Scottish Baptist Union the Baptist Times and Freeman says: "There are 137 churches in the union, and the membership has risen from 20,527 last year to 21,053. The baptisms recorded were 1,293. Our Sunday schools have 19,838 on the roll, and the pleasing indication was given of growing interest in the League of Young Worshipers, which is creating a close bond between the church and school."

The Christian Index gives "extracts from 12 letters received on an average day." The first six letters ordered the paper discontinued. The next two wanted it, but could not pay for it; the next four sent payment. Here are two or three which will be a little interesting: "Your dun received. I subscribed for the Christian Index in October, 1912, for one year, and paid \$2. You have been sending the paper since October, 1913, at your own expense. I do not owe you one cent."—Baptist and Reflector.

Under the terms of a generous gift of Mr. Charles R. Crane, of Chicago, the University of Chicago will begin in the winter quarter instruction in the Russian language and Russian institutions. Mr. Samuel Northrup Harper, late lecturer in the School of Russian Studies in Liverpool University, has been appointed to an assistant professorship in the university and will have charge of the work. Material provision for books and periodicals to be added to the university library has been made and lecturers from Russia will also be secured. It is believed that this new departure will afford a very interesting and important development for the university. Mr. Harper, who is the eldest son of William Rainey Harper, the first president of the late Professor Robert Francis Harper, was graduated from the university in the class of 190 with the degree of bachelor of arts. He has since been engaged particularly in the study of the Russian language and of Russian institutions, having spent much time in Russia itself, and he is the author of a Russian Reader, a volume of 400 pages, published by the University of Chicago Press.

A contemporary says:
"Of all the sad and doleful words
That mankind ever writ,
There are no sadder ones to write
Than these two: 'Please remit.'"

Rev. J. H. Macdonald, editor of the Maritime Baptist, St. John, New Brunswick, has been appointed to a chaplaincy in the Canadian forces that will go to the great European war.

Dr. Bond, who resigned at Aberdeen, may be addressed at 68 Washington street, Nashville, Tenn. He is completing another book for publication, after which he plans to attend the University of Chicago doing research work for still another book, which he hopes will be his magnum opus.—Baptist Record.

Editor Frank Willis Barnett, editor of the Alabama Baptist, has the distinction of being the only individual owner of a Baptist newspaper in the south. Editor Barnett has engaged Dr. L. L. Gwaltney as associate editor, and has provided a strong list of contributing editors.—Word and Way.

At the ninety-third convocation of the University of Chicago, held on December 22, there were 168 candidates for titles, certificates and degrees. In the junior colleges there were 67 associates; in the senior colleges 58 bachelors, including a Filipino and a Japanese woman, the first from that nationality.

German Baptists report 1,520 baptisms during the last year, the largest number since 1909, when 1,856 were received by baptism. The net gain in membership is 854, which makes the total number of German Baptists in this country 31,161. Although gifts for current expenses are nearly \$8,000 less than last year, gifts for outside benevolences are larger by \$6,101. The value of church property is \$190,826.

Dr. Pitt says in the Religious Herald: "Dr. Graham, of the Christian Index, said at the Georgia convention that the number of pastors helped by the paper to secure fields of labor was larger than the number of subscribers to the Index secured by these pastors. This is a remarkable statement, but we suspect it could be truthfully duplicated in every Southern Baptist newspaper office."

Our own faith in humanity was greatly revived recently by the receipt of a letter containing a check for \$10 in payment of a subscription debt over 20 years old. For the encouragement of other fellow editors we are relating this incident. We shall never doubt any miracles hereafter, and we shall be comforted by the thought that if we do not get it in our own lifetime, our great-grandchildren will.—The Standard.

We are not surprised to learn that Pastor William Russell Owen, of the Hanson Place church, Brooklyn, N. Y., is meeting with great success in his work. A series of meetings just closed, led by the pastor, resulted in some 50 professions of faith, many of whom are applying for membership in the church. Two young people have volunteered for missionary service, and two young men made gifts of \$600 to Home and Foreign Mission Board debts.

An important series of addresses on subjects connected with the present European war has just been announced at the University of Chicago, the speakers in the series being nearly all members of the social science faculties. The lectures will be given weekly. The series will end March 4. The aim of the course is not to determine the responsibility for the war, but to analyze the facts in order to discover the causes and results involved in the struggle. The views expressed will be those of the individual lecturers and will not represent any official opinion of the university as a whole.

There is a best side to everybody, and the Alabama Baptist has always believed in appealing to that side.

Dr. F. M. Masters, pastor of the Broadway Baptist church of Ardmore, was elected to the presidency of the Oklahoma Baptist University.

Daily papers state that Mr. Edward Bright, son of the late Dr. Edward Bright, whom he followed as editor of the Examiner, of New York City, is under arrest at Goettingen, Germany, charged with being a spy. The nature of the offense is not known.

The Rockefeller foundation has voted to contribute \$45,000 to assist in the relief of the poor of New York City, realizing "that the war and the industrial depression have created great want at home," and "acting upon requests from various local charitable organizations."

It seems that many of our states are burdened with State Mission debts. It is reported that Alabama has a debt of \$9,000; South Carolina, \$12,000; Texas, \$40,000. These reports, however, do not make Georgia Baptists feel more comfortable with their debt of \$26,000.—Christian Index.

How many busy Americans can say of themselves what the London Christian says of the late Lord Roberts, the most famous soldier of the British army? In the course of 55 years, living in India, South Africa and England, he always had family worship every day.

The board of managers of the Foreign Mission Society at a recent meeting instructed the foreign secretary for the Farther East, Dr. James H. Franklin, to make a brief visit to China for the purpose of conferring with the missionaries and Chinese Christians, particularly in Central China, with reference to plans for the work.

The new Julius Rosenwald Hall at the University of Chicago, devoted to the work of the departments of geology and geography, is now receiving its equipment and will be formally dedicated at the spring convocation. The building, with its equipment, has cost about \$260,000 and has admirable facilities not only for instruction, but for advanced scientific investigation.


Years ago the Clarendon Street church, Boston, called Dr. Len G. Broughton to its pastorate. He did not see his way clear to leave Atlanta at that time. Years have passed. Meanwhile Clarendon Street has been served by Drs. Hunt and Francis, and Dr. Broughton has preached to great audiences in Atlanta and London. Now the Clarendon Street church turns again to Dr. Broughton and asks him to accept its pastorate.

The Texas Baptist Standard, serving a constituency of 326,357 (probably 350,000 now), has just completed the first year of its operation under strictly denominational ownership and management. A year ago private subscriptions amounting to \$30,000 were made, discharging all its indebtedness. It reports subscription receipts \$4,361.10 smaller than the previous year and a deficit in the whole management of \$3,077.40. The managers seem gratified and encouraged that the deficit is not larger.—Religious Herald.

Rev. T. M. Thomas, pastor of the Arlington Baptist church, filled the pulpit in the Blakely Baptist church last Sunday morning and evening, being greeted with good audiences at both services. The morning subject was "The Pre-eminence of Christ," and the evening topic "The Highways of God." Both sermons were virile with the gospel message and were greatly enjoyed by his interested hearers. Rev. B. S. Railey, pastor of the Cuthbert church, another strong preacher, is expected to preach next Sunday morning.—Early County News.

According to the reports given at the Northern Convention, Baptist church property is valued at \$167,000,000, and the current expenses annually amount to over \$20,000,000. There are now 700 missionaries of the American Baptist Foreign Missionary Society on the field, and the contributions have increased from \$1,000 of 100 years ago to over \$1,000,000 during the past year. In 100 years about 330,000 converts have been gathered from heathenism. Baptisms in European stations bring the number up to 585,000. Sixty per cent of the native mission churches are now self-supporting.

The Index says: "In declining to accept the secretaryship of the Mission Board Dr. C. W. Daniel, addressing its president, Dr. L. E. Barton, says: 'The recent action of the Mission Board in electing me to the office of corresponding secretary and treasurer has had my prayerful consideration. I am deeply sensible of the splendid opportunities for service which such a position offers, and am more than grateful for the expression of confidence in me which such an invitation carries. The conviction has fastened upon me that my present duty calls me to continue in the pastorate, and thus it becomes necessary for me to decline the call to official service with the board.'"



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THREE YEARS

JUDSON COLLEGE NOTES.

"The Girls of 1776," which was announced in some of the papers for December 14, has been postponed till after Christmas. It will then be given in full costumes.

Mrs. J. C. Lee gave much pleasure to a bevy of Judson girls December 2, when she had at her house for afternoon tea the daughters of several "old Judson girls and relatives. Mrs. Lee herself is the daughter of Florence Fowlkes Tarrant, whose father was long a trustee of the Judson, as were also the Tarrant brothers. Among the 20 or more girls invited the following were daughters of Judson folk of the past: Misses Ruth Dampeer, of Mississippi; Louise Love, of Oklahoma; Evelyn Byrd Smith, of Dallas county; Helen Fowlkes, of Mobile; Almo Brown Henderson, of Monroe county; Sue Steele Spencer, of Gallion; Josephine Sutton, of Orrville; Sarah Walker, of Alexander City. The beautiful home of Hon. J. C. Lee, member of the legislature, is on the site of the town house of Gen. Edwin King, the chief founder of the Judson.

The Judson set itself as a whole to the task of helping the Belgians last week. The students made up a sum of money; the ladies of the faculty bought woolen goods and cut out dresses for little girls, and on Monday the entire school sewed all day and made them up. One hundred and fourteen garments were finished by evening, ready to wear. They will be sent to the relief committee in New York to be forwarded to Belgium.

Dr. Richard Hall gave the Y. W. C. A. a treat Sunday evening in the form of a reading with stereopticon views in colors about the Baptist missions on the west coast of Africa. The views were specially good, clear and picturesque, and were much enjoyed.

Miss Gladys Bailey, of Faunsdale, was a welcome visitor to the Judson over Sunday, and Judge J. F. Thompson, of Centerville, came to see his daughter, Miss Kathleen.

The Art Club held its December meeting Monday at 5 p. m. in the studio. The subject was the "Dutch School of Painting," and articles on Vandyke and Rubens were read, and cuts of their finest paintings were shown. The club recited in unison their poem, Kipling's fine L'Envoi to "The Seven Seas." An account of the last meeting was read by Miss Louisa Bomar, the president, who also read an article on "Composition." Miss Burmah Hilliard, of Birmingham, secretary, read a sketch of Vandyke, and Miss Ruth Elliott, of Montgomery, a description of "The Children of Charles I," one of his best paintings. Miss LaTrieve Hall, of Birmingham, read a life of Rubens, followed by a description of his great picture, "The Descent from the Cross," by Miss Virginia Cox, of Bibb county. Miss Manly gave some newspaper notes of art, mentioning specially two Alabama artists, Anna Goldthwaite, of Montgomery, and Roderick McKenzie, of Mobile, whose work has been lately before the public. Some anecdotes of Holman Hunt and others enlivened the meeting.

The first Art Concours of the year was held on the evening of Saturday,

December 12, and there were many excellent studies presented.

The pupils' recital in music, usually given just before Christmas, took place Monday, December 14, at 8 o'clock in the alumnae auditorium.

L. M.

DR. J. B. MOODY'S BOOKLETS.

We have received three booklets written by Dr. J. B. Moody, a scholarly Baptist, whose writings have always challenged the attention of Southern Baptists.

Of the first one, entitled "Atheism—Primeval and Irrational," the Western Recorder says: "Dr. Moody is one of the most resourceful writers in the south. In this booklet he is at his best. The reader is enticed by the elegant style, astonished by the stupendousness of thought, convinced by the irrefutable argument and inspired by the soul-throb of a hero of the cross. Every youth owes it to himself to read this discourse, while every adult owes it to his neighbor to study it. The price is 10 cents."

Of the other two T. T. Martin, Blue Mountain, Miss., says: "I have read 'The Name Christian' and 'Missions Versus Anti-Missions,' etc. They are Titanic. I did not know that J. N. Hall had said it, but for years I have said that you are the greatest living theologian. How I wish you could live a hundred years. How I wish you had the strength to follow all my meetings with a week of doctrinal sermons. How I wish I could multiply you a hundred fold. Resting on my bed yesterday I was thinking of you. How I wish I could secure the means to establish 'The J. B. Moody Memorial Tract Society,' and put a copy of all his books in the hands of every young Baptist preacher the day he enters college. Well, I am handicapped now financially, but, etc."

Of "Missions Versus Anti-Missions, alias Gospel Missions and Methods," Dr. J. M. Frost says: "I have gone through it with genuine interest. It is really a remarkable book in many ways, and ought to accomplish much good. . . . Your book is a powerful book, and I do not see how it can fail to accomplish large things in the interest of truth. You remind me of Victor Hugo; there seems to be no limit to your productive power."

The three books, "Atheism," "Name Christian" and "Missions Versus Anti-Missions," 50 cents; sent prepaid for 30 cents.

Send to Dr. J. B. Moody, Watertown, Tenn., and get them.

The W. M. U. of the Auburn Baptist church resolved at its meeting November 30, 1914, to record its deep sense of loss in the death of our dear friend and sister, Miss Mattie Moss. She fell asleep in Jesus November 23 in the city of Montgomery.

Miss Moss had been a member of the Auburn Baptist church and W. M. U. for about 25 years. She was a member also of the noble band of "Judson girls" who have for so long blessed the homes and churches of Alabama and other states.

She was more than three score years and ten, but her seat at church was seldom vacant. She was there because she loved to go. Her constant attendance proved her strong desire for "instruction in righteousness," and thus through many years the word of God which had been sown

in her young heart was yielding the precious fruit of holy living and humble service. On her face shone the peace of God, and her presence was a benediction to those who would fain follow her consecrated footsteps.

Her vacant chair at our W. M. U. meetings should remind us of her loyalty to Christ, of her interest in the orphanage and in the work on both home and foreign fields. Like the beloved disciple, our sister loved much, and we could read in her speaking face her unflagging sympathy in every phase of her Master's work.

She sent us a final message of love: We must not pray for her recovery, for she was anxious to go.

She had long been watching and waiting, and when her summons came, like the wise virgins, with lamp trimmed and burning, she entered into the joy of her Lord.

MRS. T. O. WRIGHT,

President.

Mrs. W. B. Frazer, Mrs. E. G. Boyd, committee.

I noticed in last week's Alabama Baptist that you wanted the three numbers—March 18, April 15 and 22. I have those numbers if no one has sent the numbers in to you. I noticed on my label you have it paid up to January, 1914, when I was thinking I was paid up to July, 1914. I noticed it put Miss Ida B. Hill, when it should be Mrs. Ida B. Hill. I haven't the money to send in to pay today, but will try and have it ready by the last day of this month. This is a hard year for the farming class. Instead of cotton going up it is coming down. Everybody is gloomy over the low price. We will have to do the best we can under the circumstances. I could have sent you the money for my paper before now if my hens had laid, but they have the sore head, which has caused them to not lay.

(We hope the cold weather will kill the sore heads, and then we hope it will get warmer so the hens will begin to lay.)

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DR. NOWLIN IN A GREAT MEETING IN TENNESSEE.

The following account of a great meeting at Jellico, Tenn., is taken from the Baptist and Reflector: "Rejoice with us over our great meeting beginning November 15 and closing December 2, with 64 additions, 54 by baptism. Dr. W. D. Nowlin, of Atlanta, Ga., did the preaching with great power. Those who know him know what a treat we had. He is the only evangelist I have ever had who would help the pastor by preaching a whole program on missions, civic righteousness, temperance, tithing, etc. He preaches with marvelous power the old doctrines of grace and salvation by the atoning blood of Christ. He is a blessed and tremendous power in a meeting and a choice fellow to work with. Great crowds gathered at the services. The work and influences of the meeting were far reaching. Dr. Nowlin's keen analysis and clear-cut logic drove home the Bible truths to the heart and mind. We feel we are on the way to larger and better things, and praise God for it all.—J. E. Martin, Jellico, Tenn."

Dr. Nowlin has recently held very successful meetings in Tuskegee and Brewton, in this state. It will also be recalled that he held a great meeting at Russellville, Ala., a few years ago, in which there were over 160 additions to the church.

Dr. Nowlin was formerly owner and editor of the Florida Baptist Witness, but is now making Atlanta his home, from which place he is doing evangelistic work.

BROTHER CRUMPTON SAYS.

Let every preacher read what Brother Landers says. In a private note, speaking of his conversion, he says: "I mean to fight it out on this line the rest of my life, God helping me."

Brother Thomas visited the association at the request of the secretary. The moderator was among the unbelievers, but the sermon "put him to thinking." To the Bible he went, the place of all others to find the whole truth. As soon as our preachers come to believe "the greatest question before us as a denomination is the financial question" and inform themselves we will come out of the wilderness. It won't be popular. Many of our people will seriously object; but the truth on the subject must be made known and come to be practiced, or we are a disgraced people before the religious world.

W. B. CRUMPTON.

Dr. T. O. Hearn, returned medical missionary from Ping Tu, China, has been in America since May. He spent October and November taking special work in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. His plans were to remain here until June. A recent letter from the Foreign Mission Board notified him that he is to return to China the first of February. He left Louisville December 8 for Alabama, where he will visit loved ones and friends until time to sail from Seattle, February 8. It was a pleasure to meet Brother Hearn, his fine wife and their attractive daughter, little Joy. The work to be done by Brother Hearn on his return to North China will be the establishing of a new mission station at Lalyang. This is the work only started by late Missionary J. C. Daniel, who lost his life by drowning. Brother Hearn will have the assistance of Missionaries Leonard and Dawes, with their families.—Western Recorder.

Suggestion is now being used as a potent curative agent, and the suggestion that a patient has within himself many unused health measures and is able to obtain the curative agents which appeared so desirable when seen from afar, will remove the canker of discontent, and the effort to appropriate the curative measures within his reach will not only prevent illness, but will do much to cure the disease.

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OUR DEAD LEADER



DR. WILLINGHAM.

DR. WILLINGHAM'S DEATH.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 20, 1914.

Rev. F. W. Barnett, Alabama Baptist, Birmingham, Ala.

The beloved Dr. Willingham passed to blessed rest today at 11:45.

J. F. LOVE.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 20, 1914.

Alabama Baptist, Birmingham, Ala.

Dr. Willingham dead. Born in South Carolina May 15, 1854. Became corresponding secretary of the Foreign Mission Board in September, 1893. During these 21 years the work has increased as follows: Contributions from \$106,332 to \$587,458; number of missionaries, from 94 to 300; native converts, from 3,228 to 30,000. A great man and a great secretary, who did a glorious work.

WILLIAM H. SMITH.

Dr. Yarborough Writes.

Dear Brother Barnett:

Just before the noon hour today, while the messengers of the King in many pulpits were telling their people how to solve life's problems, one of God's chosen servants was making a demonstration of how to solve the final problem of all. This message received this afternoon tells the story: "The beloved Dr. Willingham passed to blessed rest today at 11:45."—(Signed) J. F. Love.

Thousands of hearts all over our southland, throughout our Baptist Zion, even to the regions beyond, are bowed in sorrow. We loved him because he loved Jesus and a lost world. His heart reached around the world. He proved his love by his self-sacrifice. He spared not himself at all. He wanted to live that he might serve, yet he counted not his own life dear unto himself if only he could accomplish his course and the ministry which he had received from the Lord Jesus.

As the representative of the Board in Alabama I appeal to my brethren to join him in the fellowship of sacrificial giving. He gave himself even unto death. May we not give our substance until we can fill that which is lacking in the great work for which he laid down his life? Ought we not to arise in our strength and cancel the debt on the board, even in this time of financial stringency, and thus enter into sacrificial fellowship with our fallen chieftain and the men who are fighting at the front? Not only so, but ought we not to do this as a memorial to our fallen leader? Let Southern Baptists make the year 1915 memorable as the year in which we honored our beloved Willingham and proved

faithful to the trust committed to us by our King. What say you, sisters of Alabama, as you make your Christmas offering to China? Brethren, shall we not put the kingdom first and pour into the treasury sacrificial offerings sufficient to pay our part of the debt?

Truly, a prince and a great man hath fallen this day in Israel. We shall miss the fire of his enthusiasm and the mighty glow of his great soul, but let us pray for a double portion of his spirit and lay our hands to the task with a purpose to conquer for our King.

W. F. YARBOROUGH,
Vice-President for Alabama.

While many of us have commented freely on the conduct of the actors and actresses as we have seen them on the streets or heard of their habits in boarding houses, how many of us have regarded them as a people who may be reached and whose talents may be turned into other fields? We are told that it was Mrs. Mary F. Dudley, who recently died in Danville, Ky., who, while a member of the old Walnut Street Baptist church in Louisville, Ky., visited the boarding houses frequented by the theatre companies and there distributed tracts and gave invitations to visit Walnut Street church. One of the young actors who read the tract and accepted the invitation was Geo. C. Lorimer. He accepted Christ and became one of the greatest Baptist preachers of the last half of the nineteenth century. For some years Dr. Lorimer was pastor of Tremont Temple in Boston. His son, now managing editor of the Saturday Evening Post, is, we are informed, a member of a Baptist church in a suburb of Philadelphia. The time and labor expended in giving out 10,000 tracts is well used if one such man as George C. Lorimer is caught.—Religious Herald.

On Christmas-Eve little Dorothy, possessed of the whooping cough, was doing some raucy whooping for company that had come.

"Dorothy, dear," the mother said, "you must stop coughing or Santa Claus won't come. If he hears you coughing he'll be afraid to come in."

"I should worry," Dorothy replied, showing full familiarity with modern expression. "He's got tuberculosis himself."

"Tuberculosis! Who told you Santa Claus had tuberculosis?"

"Oh, everybody knows that. Don't you buy tuberculosis stamps for him every Christmas?"

I observe that Dr. W. A. Hobson was induced to be one of the speakers at the old park political grounds a few Sundays ago, and from reports I learn that Dr. Hobson preached good things—that he talked along lines that were elevating and impressive. Dr. Hobson usually does this. When the big fire devastated Jacksonville it burned Hobson and his church out. But Hobson went to work immediately and is responsible for the construction of an edifice that is creditable alike to his congregation and to the city. He has built up a great church in this city, and all classes give him credit for his splendid work.—Clipped from "Dixie" of November 21.

Science keeps well ahead of those who make the dictionaries. Just now aviation—which is still new in the dictionaries—is adding rapidly to the world's vocabulary. Aviation itself, from the Latin *avis*, a bird, is happily coined, for the monoplanes and biplanes with which such wonderful triumphs have been scored of late are sprawling imitations of soaring birds.

In a Korean village, where all but four families are Christians, a church was being built. Every one gave something, some giving the rings from their hands. One man gave for the foundations the large stones that supported the main pillars of his house, replacing them with smaller stones.

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MARY ANDERSON'S WORK IN CHINA.

Dear Brother Barnett:

My daughter went out to China under appointment of the Foreign Mission Board four years ago. I want the Baptists of Alabama to know of her work, that they may pray for her. I am now and have been pastor of churches in the Mobile Association for eight years, and really my daughter is a missionary from Alabama. She has been supported by E. B. Treat ever since she went out with nine others from the Southern Baptist Convention.

Miss Clark, whose letter follows, has had much to do in training mission workers from northern societies, and she has just spent two years in China and Japan, visiting all missions of different denominations. She recommended Miss Phillips, the teacher of the primary work in the First church of Mobile, to work for a school building for my daughter.

Mrs. Eager, wife of Prof. Eager, of Mississippi College, has written a delightful gift book, "Keep My Money," and dedicated the proceeds of the sales for this work. The price of the book is \$1. One thousand copies have been sold in Mississippi alone. I can send it to any buyer, and the money will go into the building fund.

Fraternally,
J. D. ANDERSON,
Mobile, Ala.

Three Rivers, Mich., Dec. 5, 1914.

Dear Mr. Anderson:

Your letter is received. You certainly have reason to be proud of your daughter, Mary, as she is doing an excellent work in Canton, China. She has by far the best primary school I saw in my two years' visit to a thousand mission schools of all denominations. You and your denomination have every reason to be grateful that the Lord has led her in such a remarkable way. I trust the funds are to be forthcoming so that a building may be furnished for her school in the near future.

May our Heavenly Father bless and keep you and yours.

Yours in His service,
LOUISE CLARK.

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IN MEMORIAM.

Thomas J. Weaver was born in Georgia July 19, 1844, and died September 28, 1914.

He professed faith in Christ and joined the Baptist church at Rocky Creek, Morgan county, Alabama, in September, 1869, and was liberated to preach on the day he was baptized.

He was married to Miss M. M. McKee October 12, 1865, who died October 16, 1895. To them were born four children—two sons, who live in Corsicana, Tex., and two daughters, one of

MONTHLY STATEMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Will appear hereafter. The accounting will only be for the mission boards and Sunday school and colportage work. It cannot contain the report for other benevolences nor for money sent direct.

W. B. CRUMPTON.

Condensed Statement of Amounts Received by State Board of Missions from November 10 to November 30, 1914.

	State.	Home.	Foreign.	S. S. and Colportage.	Totals.
Received through State Board of Missions	\$336.93	\$399.86	\$443.65	\$16.50	\$1,196.94
Received from W. M. U. Dep't.	561.41	252.65	321.01	8.24	1,143.31
Totals	\$898.34	\$652.51	\$764.66	\$24.74	\$2,340.25

whom lives at Hartselle, Ala., and the other at Falkville, Ala.

He was married to Mrs. A. M. Briscoe July 7, 1897.

He was a member of both the Masonic and Odd Fellow fraternities, for each of which he had deep regard. He was a devoted father, a loving husband and a consecrated Christian. He filled well his place. He was under much affliction through life, all of which he bore with marked patience. He met death triumphantly.

M. K. TAYLOR,
His Pastor.

BIOGRAPHY.

Mrs. Emma South.

The subject of this sketch was born in Madison county, Alabama, in the year 1887 and went home to be with God from Birmingham, Ala., Sunday morning, November 23, 1914.

How brief these few lines, which tell of the beginning and ending of this good wife and mother, this devoted Christian. But it is the life history of one who has lived among us, was the center of a loving home circle—an active and earnest church worker. Quiet and unassuming, she was loved and admired for those sweet, womanly qualities that won for her a large place in the affection of those who knew her intimately.

She was converted at the early age of 9 years and immediately united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in which she lived a faithful and devoted Christian life unto the end.

United in marriage to Mr. D. F. South, an earnest and faithful member of the Baptist church, together they walked the pathway of life in the bonds of perfectness, for theirs was a Christian fellowship of rare grace and beauty.

She gave her life for others, and of such Jesus said: "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay

down his life for his friends." Literally she carried out her Master's words. Nursing her sister through a long illness she also contracted the same dread disease, and through more than a year of pain and suffering, with hardly an hour's release, she bore it all with heroic fortitude, as seeing Him who is invisible. A year ago, hoping the change might prove beneficial and her life lengthened, in company with her devoted husband, who gave up his business that he might nurse, they took the long journey to San Angelo, Texas. But it was all in vain and proved a losing fight. Returning to Alabama, that her last days might be spent among loved ones, but with ever increasing suffering and weariness—though all that love could do was done, but all of no avail.

The end came quietly and peacefully, and she fell on sleep and slipped away to the other world in full hope of a glorious immortality. Through all these months of intense suffering no word of complaint ever passed her lips.

Her was a rare devotion for her church. It was her constant thought, and all her service was gladly given no long as strength was hers to give. Her voice, always so ready to speak of the love of the Christ, shall be heard no more among us, but we shall hear it after our night has merged into the fulness of our eternal day. How blessed the assurance that we shall meet our loved ones again and go out no more forever. In her immediate home circle she has left to mourn her going a devoted husband, who was constant and untiring in his ministries of love; a son just entering manhood and a little daughter.

For two years I was her pastor and bear glad witness to her love and fidelity.

C. WOLFORD,
Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 9, 1914.

THE FREELAND TRACT FUND.

When I read in the Alabama Baptist that S. L. Freeland, of Grand Bay, Ala., had been called to his heavenly home sorrow filled my heart as the thought that I should never look into the face of that good man again on earth came to my mind. I was his pastor for a number of years—first out at old Union church, seven miles from Grand Bay. I spent many happy nights under his hospitable roof, and many were the consultations we had over the things that pertained to the good of the church. I was with him in bereavement, and he was a stay and comfort to me in my long illness. Later, though prospering as a farmer, he moved to Grand Bay, and I was still his pastor. He was a quiet, unassuming man, but endowed with foresight. It was just like him to remember his Lord to the last, and now that he has left a bequest by which our

good Dr. Crumpton is enabled to perpetuate his memory by a memorial tract fund, I want to add a small sum to that fund, and each year of my life as long as I am able to do so I shall send a donation to the S. L. Freeland Tract Fund to help keep green his memory. I also venture to suggest that his friends, the members of Union and Grand Bay churches and others, will send Dr. Crumpton at least \$1 each to swell this fund. Let us do this annually. By Brother Freeland's bequests he being dead yet speaketh.

L. N. BROCK.

Our church was struck by the storm last April, and considerable damage was done. For awhile we were unable to hold services in it, and so we had Sunday school in the school auditorium. But since we have had it remodeled, with two new Sunday school rooms added, and other needed improvements. So we now have a real nice and a very comfortable building. Our Sunday school continues to increase, and every one seems to be taking a new interest. Our pastor, Rev. J. N. Vandiver, has been with us only a short while, but has already won the hearts and love of his people. Everyone thinks he is just the man we need. He is to be with us every Thursday night at prayer meeting, and has already started a Bible study, which is very helpful and causes more interest in prayer meeting. So under his leadership we are striving to do great things for the Master's cause.—Stella Stapp, Aliceville.

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FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF THE CALHOUN COUNTY B. Y. P. U. ASSOCIATION.

The Calhoun County B. Y. P. U. Association held its regular quarterly meeting Sunday, November 29, with the First church of Anniston.

At the 11 o'clock hour Rev. L. N. Claxton, of the First church, preached a special sermon for young Christians. He brought to the young folk, and old ones, too, a wonderfully inspiring message.

The afternoon session was called to order at 2 o'clock. Miss Eula Humphries, one of the young ladies of the First Church B. Y. P. U., conducted the devotional exercises. Then followed an hour of business, with President Jeffers in the chair. It was expected that two new unions would join the association at this meeting, but their delegates did not come. The weather was very bad, and this was evidently the cause of their failure to attend. Very good "Efficiency" reports were read by several of the unions, the banner being awarded to the Parker Memorial Union for having the best report for the quarter. Another interesting part of the business hour was the decision to divide the whole territory included, by the association (Calhoun county) into five sections, or districts, and a district superintendent will be appointed by the association's president for each district. It is likely that this division of the county will be made to conform to the division already made of the same territory by President M. F. Snider, of the county Sunday school work. Officers were elected for the next term as follows: Lamar Jeffers, president; Forbes Yarborough, vice-president; Miss Eunice Morris, secretary-treasurer; Miss Lucy Lanham, corresponding secretary; Miss Roberta Cooper, organist; A. Walter Reaves, chorister; Howard C. Turner, press correspondent.

A beautiful solo was given by Owen Moran, accompanied by Mrs. A. Walter Reaves.

An instructive round table discussion of problems confronting the different local unions proved interesting. Several knotty problems were threshed out.

The subject, "After a Year's Work Is the Association a Success, and How May We Improve It," was discussed by Miss Margaret Bowcock, S. L. Johnson, Owen Moran, Miss Lucy Lanham, H. C. Turner and J. B. Allen, Jr. It was pointed out that the organization held its first regular meeting just one year ago at this same church. In the year the number of unions in Calhoun county has increased from five to 12. All the B. Y. P. U. workers present stood up on the proposition that they would try to do better individual work during the coming year in the association. Therefore indications point to a period of progress in this work.

The closing session of the meeting began at 7:30 p. m. Devotional exercises were conducted by Owen Moran.

Dr. E. D. McDougall, president of the Alabama Presbyterian College, of Anniston, delivered a great sermon to the association. He gave his hearers a great treat.

Mr. Charles R. Bell made everybody feel very enthusiastic with a lecture on the subject, "Press Forward." The young people went out determined to strive harder after hearing Mr. Bell's talk.

The people of the First church roy-

ally entertained the convention, serving both dinner and supper for the whole crowd. They know how to do things right. Their hospitality was greatly appreciated.

Another feature furnished by the First church was the singing of the juniors. Those little Baptist young people are taking great interest in their union, and their junior union is a full member of the county association. LAMAR JEFFERS.

We have received a copy of a valuable little pamphlet, entitled "Service Visits to Families and Institutions." This document is prepared primarily for social service work in Student Young Men's Christian Associations, but it is also useful for young people in church work. The purpose is to suggest definite fields where young people may best serve the community in religious efforts to point out some of the difficulties to be expected, and the manner of meeting them, and more particularly to indicate the religious value of such work when definitely undertaken. Each subject is treated under definite paragraphs, and these paragraphs are the same in every treatment. This is for the purpose of easy reference, and is designed to help in the study of the subject through classes and groups of workers. The price is 15 cents single copy or \$1.20 per dozen. Orders will be filled by the Association Press, 124 East Twenty-eighth street, New York City.

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We acknowledge with pleasure the following wedding invitation: "Mr. and Mrs. William Carroll Sanders request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Vida, to Rev. Charles Jefferson Crawford on Wednesday morning, December 2, at 7:30 o'clock at the Baptist church, Luverne, Ala."

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Dr. George W. Truett, of Dallas, is to preach at the University of Chicago during February.

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Rev. William Russell Owen, formerly of Atlanta, preached the sermon before the recent State Conference of New York, which was held in Syracuse.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, our brother and fellow pastor, Rev. J. R. Graves White, is severing his connection with our body, the Baptist Ministers' Association of Montgomery and vicinity; and

Whereas, he is known to us a brotherly and congenial Christian man, a faithful pastor, clear thinker and effective preacher of the gospel; therefore be it

Resolved, That this ministers' union is losing in the removal of Brother White one of our most lovable and helpful members, always ready to cooperate in every good work and zealous for the advancement of the cause of our Lord and Savior.

Resolved (2). That this union instruct its secretary to spread a copy of these resolutions upon its minutes for this day.

Resolved (3). That we commend Brother White to the fellowship, affectionate confidence and loving sympathy of those among whom he feels that God has called him to make a new home; and we trust that there he will find the same high esteem as among those whom he is leaving.

Resolved (4). That we request our state paper, the Alabama Baptist, to publish these resolutions in its columns.

Resolved (5). That we request their publication in such papers of Brother White's new home as may be convenient, in order that they may serve as our introduction of him to new friends and associates.

Done by the Montgomery Baptist Ministers' Association this 30th day of November, 1914.

W. R. SEYMORE, Pres.

J. A. BEAL, Secretary.

The fifth Sunday meeting of the Tennessee River Association, with D. S. Collins, moderator, convened with Union Grove church November 27, 28 and 29. We had an interesting program, and the same was well rendered. The attendance was very good considering the inclement weather. Eight pastors and a number of strong laymen were present. We feel sure that the meeting will be a great help to the church. Union Grove was organized three years ago with eight members and didn't have any increase until this summer. We have received 30-17 by baptism.—W. T. Hall.

DIED AT ALBERTVILLE.

Mrs. J. P. Emmett (nee Alice Berry) was born November 12, 1870, and died October 17, 1914. She was the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. H. P. Berry. She leaves a husband, two sons and a mother. She was at the time of her death secretary of the Albertville W. M. U. and superintendent of the W. M. W. work of the association. A beautiful memorial service was held by the Albertville W. M. U., and many noble tributes were paid her by the members. A noble Christian has gone to her reward. We will miss her, but we sow in humble submission to Him who bade her come up higher.

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The East Thomas Baptist church was dedicated Sunday, December 2, Dr. W. B. Crumpton preaching the dedicatory sermon, using for his Scripture lesson the prayer offered by Solomon at the dedication of the temple which he builded in Jerusalem, as recorded in the eighth chapter of I Kings, using for his text, "This House," which is often repeated in the prayer mentioned.

Charles E. Holcombe, chairman of the building committee, reported the property to be free, from debt, and turned over the key of the church to the officiating clergyman (the pastor, Rev. G. W. Stubbs, being unable to attend the service because of illness), who in turn presented it to the deacons with the customary charge.

The acceptance was made by F. M. Downs, after which the dedication prayer was offered by Dr. Crumpton.

In his report Mr. Holcomb gave a brief history of the church, stating that the first movement toward the establishment of the church was made at the session of the Birmingham Association held at the Ensley church in September, 1900, and the first dollar toward the building of the church was contributed then by a member of that church.

The church was organized in August, 1902, with 22 charter members.

The lot was given by J. W. Minor, of the Ensley church, and the State Mission Board erected a church at a cost of \$1,375, \$250 of which was contributed by the members of the young church. The building was dedicated in August, 1904, and was blown down by a storm on the evening of October 14, 1909. As the members of the little church gathered about its ruins they determined to rebuild without asking assistance of the Home Mission Board, so the work of rebuilding was begun, and in the following February the first Sunday school service was held in the new building.

Mr. Holcombe paid high tribute to the work of the Ladies Aid Society in its assistance in the furnishings of the church, the building and equipment of which represents an expenditure of \$2,726. He stated further that the present membership of the church is 142, 95 of which are women and girls and 47 men and boys.

The building committee was released with a vote of thanks by the church.

A special musical program was given under the direction of W. C. Steele as chorister and Mrs. M. L. Flowers as pianist. The orchestra rendered "Nearer, My God, to Thee" as a voluntary, and several choruses were given by the choir. Mrs. C. A. Hassler and Mrs. M. L. Flowers sang "Come, Holy Spirit," by Jerome, and a special arrangement of "The Church in the Wildwood" was sung by a quartette composed of C. E. Holcomb, W. C. Steele, H. C. Tunnell and A. H. Holcomb. Mrs. Flowers played a left hand adaptation of "Lucia di Lammermoor" as an offertory.

The special services were continued in the evening service, when the following program was carried out: Introductory variations of "He Knows It All" (original), Mrs. M. L. Flowers; "Rock of Ages," orchestra; chorus, "Awakening Chorus;" hymn, "Onward Christian Soldiers;" quartette, "Lead Me Gently Home, Father," Mes-

lames Holcomb and McNeill and Messrs. Holcomb and Tunnell; Scripture reading; invocation; quartette, "O Gallilee," Messrs. Steele, Holcomb, Tunnell and Holcomb; chorus, "Saved! Saved!" duet, "Sweeter as the Years Go By," Mrs. McNeill and Mr. Steele; offertory, "Roper's Chimes," Mrs. Flowers; hymn, "Stand Up for Jesus;" benediction.

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B. DAVIE.

Many of your readers will be deeply grieved to hear of the death of Mrs. C. W. Hare, who passed away Sunday afternoon, December 13. Those who did not know her personally will recall her as the wife of Brother C. W. Hare, who was for a number of years the editor of the Alabama Baptist, and as a daughter of Dr. Josephus Shackelford. It gives me pleasure to bear testimony to the fact that she was a devout Christian woman. She was converted early in life, and through-

out the year she was loyal to her church and gloried in the ideals and the triumphs of the gospel. Hers was a modest, retiring nature, with an instinctive aversion to parade and display of any kind, but her heart and hands were ever responsive to human suffering and need. It should be a comfort to her friends to know that her faith, which had given her strong support in life, did not fail her in death, for she passed bravely and confidently through life's last great shadow into the light of heaven's eternal day. I am sure the prayers of all our people will go up to the throne for Brother Hare, the five devoted children that are left, to her aged father and all the loved ones in their great sorrow and affliction. Yours sincerely—J. Renfroe Curry, Tuskegee.

The Christmas edition of Our Children was printed in green and read and made quite an attractive number. Send manager M. C. Reynolds, Evergreen, 25 cents and let him send this helpful Orphanage paper to your boy or girl for a Christmas present.

Abdul Hamid, the ex-Sultan of Turkey, is said to be writing a volume of reminiscences.

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