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Please hurry up and send in names on special offer to January, 1914, for \$1, cash or credit. We want to get missions before as many as possible before the books of the boards close.

The revival services at the Pratt City church, which have been in progress for three weeks, came to a close last night. Brother Shugart was greatly blessed in his work with us. The meeting was a very quiet one, but more reaching than any meeting I have had since I have been pastor here. Fifty-five have been received to date—28 for baptism. Brother Shugart begins a series of services with Pastor McCord at Fayette on next Sunday.—J. E. Barnes.

During the meeting at Flomaton the following brethren were ordained deacons by the pastor, Brother Preston and Rev. Kearns: Brethren W. J. Bryan, Levi Knowles, J. B. Semmes and Hudson. Also Brother J. P. Chance was authorized by the church to preach wherever the Spirit directed him. All the above named brethren are splendid men. The church is now well organized and at work.—R. M. H.

We are only too glad to send sample copies and other literature to any pastor who will interest himself in securing new subscribers. We have no fault to find with the treatment which we have received from the pastor, but we beg that the good work shall go on, and go on a little more rapidly.

Rev. James T. Dickinson, D. D., formerly pastor of the First church, Rochester, N. Y., began his services as pastor of the Sixth Avenue church, Brooklyn, N. Y., Sunday, April 20.

Rev. Cornelius Woelfkin, D. D., of the Fifth Avenue church, New York, was the resident preacher at the University of Chicago for two weeks, beginning April 20. On May 4 he will preach the anniversary sermon at the University of Chicago.

Dr. Frank Goodchild, pastor of the Central church, New York City, stated recently in a Livingstone celebration that a son of the famous explorer, Robert, was a soldier in the American civil war and died in a hospital from serious wound and was buried in the National cemetery at Gettysburg.

Secretary W. B. Crumpton, of Alabama, gives notice that at the next meeting of Alabama convention he will offer his resignation. At that time he will have completed 25 years of service in his present office. We do not know a man who has accomplished a better work for his state than Brother Crumpton has, and were we a member of the Alabama convention would move to lay his resignation on the table. He has 10 years of service in him.—Baptist Courier.



THE BUSH HOME.

The Bush Memorial Baptist Home

In Montgomery is now a reality, and we are in it. The Baptists of the State will be proud of this home. IT WAS MADE POSSIBLE BY A BEQUEST OF OUR BROTHER J. C. BUSH OF MOBILE. He was devoted to the Master's cause while he lived and REMEMBERED HIS BEST FRIEND IN HIS WILL AT THE LAST. The building is a large two-story, ten-room, brick building, lighted with electricity and furnished with water and steam heat.

Let me see if I can describe the location: The rear door of the L. & N. depot faces on Lee street. It will be the great street of the city. Its southern terminus is Church street. Across Church is a little triangular park in front of the Court Street Methodist church. Where Court street corners with Adams street, is our building. Sitting on our veranda we look down the whole length of Lee street to the depot. Only a little more than a block away on Lee is the great Bell Building. Across Montgomery street, still on Lee, is to be the great tourist hotel to be erected by Mr. Bell. The livery stables and warehouses will soon give place to business houses.

By the purchase of this Home the Board has ample room, can enlarge its Colportage work and save rent. We want to see our friends when they visit Montgomery. Take the Court street car at the depot and get off at the door.

Montgomery, Ala.

W. B. CRUMPTON.



COURT AND LEE STREETS FROM FRONT VERANDAH.

Please hurry up and send in names on special offer to January, 1914, for \$1, cash or credit. We want to get missions before as many as possible before the books of the boards close.

I have just accepted the pastorate of Hoke's Bluff Baptist church. Secured four subscribers to the Alabama Baptist. This makes 23 in all. I want at least two more. Success to the Alabama Baptist. Had a fine day Sunday at Hoke's Bluff. Sincerely yours—J. G. Lowrey.

(He is surely hustling.)

An experienced evangelist and pastor, a strong preacher, an Alabama man, wants to hold a few meetings in Alabama in July, beginning about the first week. I will put pastors in touch with him if they will write me.—W. B. Crumpton.

We had fine services at Mt. Moriah and Orion yesterday. My churches are doing fine. God has given me a great people to preach to, and I want to get the Alabama Baptist in every home. It helps us to be better Missionary Baptists. Your brother—J. L. Hand, Newton.

Yesterday was a good day at Mt. Pleasant, in Butler county. We had a missionary rally. Rev. Chapman, of Montgomery, assisted in the discussion of missions. Collection, nearly \$45. Indeed it was good to be there.—J. A. Johnson.

Please send my paper to LaFayette instead of Athens, and oblige, yours truly—H. R. Arnold.

(We sympathize with the Athens saints and congratulate the LaFayette church.)

The evangelistic campaign in Waco grows in power. We have just started, and have already had about 150 accessions to the different churches. The Seventh and James Street church, where Scholfield and myself are laboring, leads so far in the number of accessions, having received over 50 members.—T. O. Reese.

The latest report gives the number of Baptist churches in Western Canada as 227, with 15,561 members.

I have been assisting Brother Springfield at Geneva a few days in a meeting. He tried to get a good preacher, but failed. We are well pleased with him, and think he is the man we need. I spent five years at Geneva, and will always love those people. I will not stop till I send you a few more names. Fraternally—P. L. Moseley.

President S. C. Mitchell, of the University of South Carolina, has been offered the presidency of a medical college in Richmond, Va.

THE CURE FOR ALL MORAL ILLS

Text: Thou Shalt Love the Lord Thy God With All Thy Heart and Thy Neighbor as Thyself---Luke 10:27

The First Baptist church was crowded to the doors on Sunday-night to hear Dr. L. O. Dawson's sermon, which had as its basis the new forms of dancing, popular in society. The pews were all filled; many chairs were placed in the aisles and the gallery was full. This large congregation heard the devoted minister speak for 50 minutes in the closest attention, and yesterday the expressions heard of the sermon were all of the commendatory nature. Seldom has any sermon ever been delivered in Tuscaloosa that has created more favorable comment. It has received the praise of old people and young, men and women. It was one of the strongest sermons Dr. Dawson has ever delivered in Tuscaloosa, and a gentleman was heard to say yesterday that it was the strongest sermon he ever heard anywhere.

Taking care that nothing he said should be misquoted or misunderstood Dr. Dawson had carefully prepared his manuscript and he read it, making it forceful and impressive and sending the truths home with earnestness and great power. He was never sensational, though some of his utterances were received with the stillness that indicates intense interest. He had prepared the sermon with great care and had discussed the vital matters therein contained with a number of people and was therefore firmly fortified with the facts, presenting them in a clear and impressive fashion, and at the same time with every indication of that love for mankind that is so prominent a characteristic of the speaker. He read as his passage of scripture a selection from Ezekiel, where the duty to warn sinners of their danger is enjoined upon ministers. The sermon follows in full:

If any one came to this place tonight expecting to hear a tirade of abuse and censure they will be greatly disappointed. That I have been deeply grieved by the recent occurrences among some of our people is known to you all. As a friend who loves all without exception I have come tonight to speak frankly about the matter, with only one desire in my heart—to do good to all. I am not a muck raker nor a sensation monger. No man can stand in this pulpit for 20 years and be either. I am not a prosecuting attorney seeking to convict the guilty. I approach moral and spiritual infirmity with the same feeling that a physician approaches the body of his patient. As he seeks to be honest and inflicts pain only that he may heal, so do I come with an honest purpose and with the one desire to do you good, remembering that I am myself a poor sinner, needing your sympathy, your prayers. Let me say in passing that the public ought to feel toward a preacher as they do toward their physician, and instead of making it hard for him to be honest by reason of unkind criticism, they ought to do all they can to remove the temptation which comes to every preacher to pass in silence those things that may hurt and wound.

Many do so regard the preacher's work. I have been happy during the past week to find that the young men and women with whom I have consulted both from the town and university have had the same kindly regard for my efforts that they have for their physician when he comes to see them, and I have greatly enjoyed my opportunity for heart to heart talks with them. I have asked them to open their hearts to me and have said to them what I now say to you—that I have believed what they said.

No boy or girl needs any defense from accusations brought by me. I make no charges. I am their defender, their lover, their friend, and I am rejoiced to know that they understand it.

We are to talk tonight about the post-Easter dances in Tuscaloosa; for which some university students are chiefly, but not wholly, responsible.

I have been unwilling to accept as facts statements from any source except as corroborated by the young people who were in attendance upon or had knowledge of what occurred at these functions. I get from them the following facts. If they vary from the truth let us correct them here and now:

First—So far as I can learn from all sources the new modern dances against which such an outcry is raised were invented in the house of prostitution by our poor, jaded sisters, seeking some new method to while away the dark hours of the underworld. God pity them.

Second—In the post-Easter entertainments, to which I have referred, these modern dances were the most prominent, if not the chief, features of the occasions.

Third—At some of these dances a few couples left the hall; a few remained without indulging in the objectionable features.

Fourth—The dances were indulged in not only by out-of-town visitors, but by some Tuscaloosa girls and by quite a number of Tuscaloosa and University young men. It is therefore not wholly an affair of the university to be dealt with solely by university authorities. It strikes deep into the moral life of our entire city. It vitally concerns us all.

Fifth—Not many of the young women at the university annex were at the dances, and only a part of those present indulged in the coarse dances that

formed so large a part of the evening's sport.

Sixth—Alcohol was served—in part by those in charge of the entertainments and in part from private supplies of the male dancers. Some of the dancers were drunk. Quite a number were drinking more or less.

Seventh—The chaperones were without power to regulate or stop the dances. It seems that their invitations did not confer such authority nor were they expected to use it.

Eighth—Some of the fraternity houses on the Sabbath following the post-Easter functions entertained their young lady guests with more or less dancing.

Varying Opinions.

As to what should be said and done about these dances various opinions are entertained by various people.

1. Some devotees of the dances have said to me: "Condemn those new dances and drive them back to the house of prostitution whence they came and where they justly belong, but do not go to the extreme of condemning the two-step and the waltz."

2. Other dancers have said to me: "Condemn the two-step and the waltz, but do not be so sensitive about the new dances. They are not as bad as the round dances."

3. Some have said: "Better not say anything about it at all. It might do injury to the university, to you personally or to the church."

4. Others have said: "In the name of God and common decency let somebody speak out."

Varying Moral Standards.

As to whether these things are harmful, much or little or at all, it depends chiefly upon the moral standard of those who discuss them.

First—The majority of people with whom I have discussed the matter say that these dances are lewd, licentious, debased and past the limit of decency and respectability.

Second—Others declare that they can see nothing wrong in them at all.

Third—Some young men declare that it is all right just so the girl does not object. They do not believe it is wrong to go just as far as the girl will allow in all such matters.

Fourth—Some young women seem to be in a waiting attitude, ready to indulge if public opinion will allow.

Fifth—I have found no man who wishes his sister or wife or promised bride to indulge in these dances, though many are quite willing to share the sport with the dear ones in other families. There may be some such. I have not found them.

Sixth—My own opinion. The tendency of anything is vastly more important than any special manifestation of the thing itself, and the tendency of the dance in general is downward. Its history is that it goes from bad to worse. That which shocked us yesterday is the commonplace of today. That which shocks today will be tame tomorrow, and deeper depths must be opened to satisfy the jaded appetites of a weary world. We do not go from the "Walking George" to the Minuet. We go from the Minuet to the "Walking George." The only safe plan for any one who wishes to live the highest and best and cleanest life is to get off of these and all other down-grade tracks. You cannot say, "I will ride this toboggan for 50 yards and then dismount." You must deal not only with the downward slope, but must calculate also upon the ever increasing momentum of the downward plunge.

These, different dances, vile as they are, are mere symptoms of a deep-seated disease, and I hope, by the grace of God, to reach the source of that disease tonight.

Varying Answers to an Important Question.

On last Sunday evening I asked the question (which, by the way, has been misquoted on the streets and from which false inferences have been drawn): "How far would you trust a girl who engages in these objectionable dances?"

I have been greatly interested in the answers that many have given to this question. I mention them here that I may call the attention of all the young people to some great truths which they cannot afford to ignore.

First—Some have said that they would trust the girl as far as ever—that they did not believe it meant any harm to her whatever.

Second—Others have said it was a matter of doubt to them—they simply could not tell.

Third—Others have said that it would break their faith in the girl.

I mention this matter, I repeat, to lay emphasis on this important thing. In everything where principle is involved we may and should defy the opinions of all the world if necessary, but in matters like this, where only a few hours of pleasure is involved, we cannot afford to throw away the good opinion of anybody—no matter who it is or how high or low their position in the world. Whenever a man or a woman says, "I do not care," they either deceive themselves, or else are standing before an open door to ruin.

There is another and yet deeper thing involved.

Next to faith in God, a man's faith in womankind, and often in one particular woman, is the strongest pillar upon which rests the beauty and glory of life. When that fails this fair temple falls about his head. He may not be destroyed, though he sometimes is, but in every case he is tremendously hurt in the very foundations of his life. Any man's ideals must be the highest if he is to be his best, and when those ideals are shattered, or even shaken, a biting frost has fallen upon the fairest flowers that grow in the sacred garden of his soul.

There is another reason, which I cannot discuss here, upon which depends everything that society holds dear, that ought to make us all seek to preserve the confidence of man in woman. When you break the foundations of that faith you have swept the very earth from under the feet of the man, and if by careless sport it be even shaken and not altogether broken, we are like a man on deck of a plunging ship idly tossing up and down the most precious jewel of life, not thinking that at any moment it may fall into the raging seas! Will you hear me tonight when I urge that our women especially see more in this than the mere matter of opinion about the good or bad of a given sport or the effect of this upon the attendance of a school? Instead of breaking or even shaking that faith by wanton pleasure, let all of us, both men and women, labor to so strengthen it that all life may grow more beautiful every day, and that every good woman shall have the trust of every good man! It is so, and only so, that home can be as God would have it be—the prototype of heaven!

Can you not see, do you not feel in your very soul that this matter reaches deeper down, far deeper down, than the mere question as to whether you happen to dance with or without an evil thought?

The Remedy.

I am not a pessimist about anything, but I do fear that nothing will stop these dances altogether. They have come to stay. We may mitigate the evil and save some individuals from it, but there are many who have determined never to give it up. Having tasted its pleasure and having observed that a part of public sentiment will tolerate it, they will cling to it to the end. Some may be all the more determined because of this sermon.

The remedies suggested have been as follows:

First—Let the dances alone. They will take care of themselves.

Second—Swat the preacher! Just how that can help I cannot tell, but we recall our friends, Herodias, Herod and Jazabel. In truth, the preacher does not regard such prospects with any high degree of pleasure. These three worthies have their modern counterparts, and preachers dread, though they may not fear them.

Third—The establishment of good rules and regulations at the university. Some of these have already been announced, and in them we all find comfort. This is altogether wise, and while they cannot control the town they help the general situation, and we should all seek to uphold the authority of the university.

Fourth—The best rule of all is the Golden Rule. That would lead us to treat the other man's loved ones as we would have the other man treat ours.

Your sister cannot understand how you can indulge in these things, enjoy the fun and receive the pleasure of the delightful reports which the newspapers make of these social functions while she is not allowed to share the sport. Says the text of the evening: "Love thy neighbor as thyself." Do this and you cannot go far wrong.

Fifth—Right ideals and correct moral standards springing from hearts devoted to God. "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy soul and mind and strength."

There are few people in the world that will deliberately do that which they believe to be wrong. It is a matter of tremendous importance therefore that ideals should be governed by the word of God and that actions should spring from this great text.

A low moral standard will allow almost anything with no compunctions of conscience. Everything depends on whether your yard stick is one, two or three feet long. Let me leave here the subject of the dance and allow a college boy to draw the subject from my text and make its divisions, which being applied to your life will save it, not only from this, but from all things else that weaken, dissipate and destroy your powers.

On the 25th day of April, 1830, William E. Gladstone, then a young boy of 20, wrote these words in his diary: "In practice the great end of life is that love of God may become the habit of my soul, and particularly are these four things to be sought: (1) The spirit of love, (2) the spirit of self-sacrifice, (3) the spirit of purity, (4) the spirit of energy."

This was no idle wish or passing spasm of goodness. His biographer, Mr. John Morley, himself a skeptic, declares it to be the clue to his career, a career which no man can understand if he disregards this entry in the college boy's diary.

Let us note it carefully: He was yet a youth, but he was meditating profoundly upon the object, purpose and aim of human life. That he had sport and a lot of it no one who knows of his splendid physique and his rich warm blood will doubt, but he did not deem the chief end of life to be sport. Fun he had, but it was all strictly subordinated to and made a servant to his higher aims.

He did not set political power or material wealth before him as the goal of his ambition. These did indeed come to him as he pursued his onward way, but the "great end of life was that the love of God might become the habit of his soul."

This was not to be realized without effort. He could no more dream himself into spiritual strength than he could attain mental and physical power by sitting down and drifting into them. It was not to be a mere matter of occasional emotion, but a steady, persistent practice.

He knew as a boy the power of habit—knew that good habits are as powerful to keep as bad ones are to destroy. With plain common sense he set to work to form the one great habit that would control all other habits and shape them so that peace and honor might surely follow.

He did not abstain from the dissipations of university life because the rules forbade it. So far as he and his kind were and are concerned all rules might be abolished. Held in the grip of mighty purpose, that which weakened or enslaved had no charm. If it had a charm it is resolutely put aside.

Let us see how he works out the details of this simple scheme! He says he will cultivate the spirit of love. He knew it must be cultivated. Weeds grow wild. Things worth while come only by struggle.

This spirit of love made him generous in his judgment of others, optimistic, buoyant, and therefore the leader and idol of the young men, then their sons and then of their grand sons.

He cultivated the spirit of self-sacrifice. (Note that all important word "cultivate.") This made his whole public life one of service to his country rather than of seeking power and position for self.

In private life his ministrations to those about him were constant. He was often in stricken and needy homes reading God's Book and humbly imploring God's blessings.

This spirit of self-sacrifice taught him the secret of self-mastery. He could strangle unworthy desires. He could postpone worthy ones and be happy while he waited. He could and did resolutely put down all that weakened, enervated and sapped.

He cultivated the spirit of purity. I rejoice to see that young men generally are thinking of this today more than ever before. Gladstone never had, and many of our boys are losing or are repudiating the idea that purity and weakness go together. That such an unscientific and ungodly idea should have ever been held only shows the blinding power of the devil. Any poor beast can indulge animal appetites. It takes strength of the finest kind to keep pure. Any weakling can be swept away in a flood of dissipation; it takes strength to stem the tide. It requires strength to keep a straight course. Sparrows flutter. Eagles fly.

Finally he says he will cultivate (note that) every energy. He was not a genius in any sense, but this power to work, which he gradually acquired, made possible both his secular and spiritual life. He kept an account of time as he did of money. This boy on May 30, 1830, says in his diary: "Spent an idle day, a wretched day. God forgive me." Idleness and dissipation even in harmless sport were a sin to him.

The same energy went into the building of his spiritual life. He knew that he could no more drift into holiness than he could drift into a knowledge of mathematics. Here is the record of his diary on the Sabbath before his final examinations in mathematics, which were to begin on Monday: "Taught Sunday school classes morning and evening. Went to worship. Made note of the preacher his text and his sermon. Read the Bible. Read four sermons. Visited old people." Maybe he did not enjoy all of this any more than he enjoyed some other duties, but he was putting business into his religion as he put religion into his business.

Young people, we cannot all be as prominent as he, but we can all be as great. We can make the practice of the love of God the habit of our souls; we can love God and man. We can be self-sacrificing, we can be pure, we can put our whole soul into the proper use of time. These things will make the dissipations through which we have been passing forever impossible, and life instead of being a mean and worthless thing, to be shambled through as best we may, will be a glorious and beautiful thing, the richest gift of God. Do not turn away from my words. This is the way, not only to success, but to the very joy you are seeking. Take my text as the great rule of life. You can fling away all other rules. All that weakens and hurts will then fall away from your life as the leaves of winter fall before the rising sap of spring.—Tuscaloosa Times-Gazette.

"The Adventures of Two Alabama Boys," in three sections, by H. J. and W. B. Crumpton, will make a mighty good present for a young man or for an old Confederate veteran or for any one who is not too grouchy to read a book that it just chocked full of good, true stories. It can be had in cloth binding for \$1, postpaid. W. B. Crumpton, 127 S. Court street, Montgomery. Write and get a copy.

A LETTER FROM MISSIONARY GINSBURG.

Kansas City, Mo., April 25, 1913.
3009 De Groff Way.

My Dear Brother:

By the time this reaches you I will be on my way to Brazil. I leave this city today and sail from New York on May 17, hoping, God willing, to reach Rio de Janeiro by June 3.



S. L. Ginsburg.

I have certainly had a very delightful and blessed furlough, and my heart overflows with gratitude to God and towards my brethren who have been so kind to me everywhere I went. God's richest and choicest blessings be with you and upon you all.

Please note my future address: Caixa 352, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, South America.

If in any way I can be useful to you or to any of your friends that happen to pass through the great metropolis of Brazil, I shall be glad to serve.

Please do not forget me in your prayers.

Yours in the Master's service for Brazil,

SOLOMON L. GINSBURG.

(We greatly enjoyed seeing Brother Ginsburg during his visit to Birmingham. He made a warm place for himself and for his work in the hearts of Alabama Baptists.)

STUDENT ASSEMBLY NOTES.

Baptist pastors in college towns and Baptist professors have been given an afternoon on the program of the Student Assembly for a conference on religious conditions in the schools. They will discuss ways and means for improving the present condition. Among those who have declared their intention to be present we are glad to record Dr. T. B. Ray, of Richmond, Va.

Howard and Newton are already making plans for a large delegation. Each has a pride in sending a fine representation. Howard is looking in the direction of 50 men. Newton wants the whole ministerial class present, in addition to others.

B. Y. P. U.'s and Baraca classes can do a great service by making it possible for one or more men of limited means to attend this meeting. Select a capable college man, and let him know you will send him regardless of present college connection. It would not hurt to have the class represented by a group of fine college-spirited Christian young men.

The Student Volunteer meeting on Sunday afternoon promises great returns. Several men from the seminary will be down. Rev. R. P. Mahon, a missionary to Mexico, now in this country because of civil war in his territory, will add much by addresses and personal contact. There are several volunteers in Alabama schools, who will be a leavening power at the assembly. Dr. T. B. Ray, educational secretary of the Foreign Board, has had much experience with such gatherings, and will make a helpful feature of the meeting.

It will be a favor greatly appreciated if some one in each college or high school town would send in a list of the students who might be interested in attending the assembly. Because of the nearness to the end of the session it is important that this be done at once.

Don't forget the date—June 4-8, the night of the 4th being the time for a "get-acquainted" affair. Pelham is the place. Send for announcement to James H. Chapman, 127 South Court street, Montgomery, Ala.

THREE DAYS AT HOWARD COLLEGE.

It has been my very great pleasure to spend three days as the guest of President James M. Shelburne at Howard College, talking to the students and mingling with the faculty. The weather has been beautiful, and East Lake, especially Red Mountain, where Dr. Shelburne lives, has been like a summer resort. I came tired and worn, and go back refreshed in body and soul. More delightful than the sunshine and the

ozone has been the fellowship of the saints. Besides the faculty and students, it has been a joy to be with men like the pastor, Dr. Edwards, the beloved physician—Dr. Jones, and Drs. Blake, Dickinson and Doster, of Birmingham.

I have long felt a keen interest in Howard College, since Dr. Sampey is an alumnus of this institution and since such a steady stream of fine students come to the seminary from Howard. There is no doubt as to the high character of work done and of the fine body of students in attendance. The institution has a long and noble history and faces a great opportunity in the state if the Baptists of the state will give it money for additional endowment and equipment. There is abundant wealth in the state to give the college an endowment of a half million dollars and buildings to correspond and 500 students. Our Southern Baptist colleges have all had to struggle along in poverty and difficulty incident to the war. But our people are no longer poor; they are rich and numerous and able to rise and build schools worthy of the situation it now confronts.

In Virginia, in the Carolinas, in Missouri and in Texas the Baptist colleges have been put firmly on their feet and are meeting the demands of the present day with something like modern equipment. In the other states the issue is more or less complicated at present, but the people are getting awake to the importance of doing great things at once or losing all. The Baptists cannot hope to maintain their present position of leadership in the south unless they educate their children. The pulpit and the pew must be educated. We must educate the whole man, and that means Christian education. In Titus 3:14 Paul has a pertinent word for the Baptists of today: "And let our people also learn to maintain good works for necessary uses, that they be not unfruitful." It is inspiring to see our people step to the front in great enterprises and keep in the lead. I have noticed in the papers that the Methodists are now engaged in a campaign for \$500,000 for Birmingham College.

There seems to be a wide-open door for Baptist leadership in Alabama, but the door will not long stand open. The Baptists of the state can easily make Howard College the best school in the state in equipment and cultural standards. It matters little, it seems to me, what has or has not been done in the past. The present generation must solve its problems with energy or go down in failure. It is not for me to lecture Alabama Baptists. I speak at all only in sympathy and hope. The difficulties are not insuperable. Victory is possible now. Under President Shelburne Alabama Baptists can win it.

A. T. ROBERTSON.

GRAYLOCKS, GOLDENLOCKS.

By C. W. Hudson.

Graylocks, goldenlocks—
Old age is cheery,
Out among the hollyhocks
Laughing and merry.

Why should we cry and weep
When the sun is shining?
Time soon will come to sleep—
Let's quit repining.

Let's play, let's laugh,
Here among the flowers.
Let's now their fragrance quaff
After the showers.

See how they bend their heads—
The violets and roses.
Nodding in the pansy beds,
See the purple posies!

All for me, all for you,
Thus grow the flowers
In the sunshine, in the dew,
Watered by the showers.

Youth or old age—
What does it matter?
Childhood or dotage
Can the sunshine scatter.

A PAGE OF SHORT PARAGRAPHS

Adoniram Judson declined a call to become assistant minister in the largest and most influential Congregational church in all New England because he preferred to go as a pioneer missionary to Burmah. Alexander Mackay gave up the prospects of a brilliant career as a civil engineer in Scotland and Europe to go to Central Africa as an industrial missionary. Ion Keith Falconer left a home of wealth and refinement and his professorship of Arabic at Cambridge University, England, to carry the gospel to the bigoted Moslems of Arabia.

The first wealth is health. Sickness is poor-spirited, and cannot serve any one; it must husband its resources to live. But health or fulness answers its own ends, and has to spare, runs over, and inundates the neighborhood and creeks of other men's necessities.—Emerson.

Dr. Richard Cabot, in an address on public health before the Woman's Municipal League of Boston, declared that there are from 9,000 to 12,000 people in that state who ought to be shut up in institutions for the feeble-minded in the interest of the public health.

The United States has always been a great world power. It does not require big navies or physical force to make a nation a world power. When China threw off her imperial shackles and turned toward republicanism, she at once looked to the United States as her model and her guide.

A little woman, accompanied by a robust farmer, appeared at the railway station at a remote country town. "Will you please tell me if the 3:15 train has gone yet?" she asked, in apparent concern. "Yes, 20 minutes ago," he replied. "And when will the 4:30 be along, do you think?" "Why, not for some time yet, of course." "Are there any expresses before then?" "Not one." "Any freight trains?" "No." "Nothing at all?" "Nothing whatever." "Are you quite sure?" "Certainly." "Then," said the timid woman, "I think we'll cross the tracks, William."—Youth's Companion.

There are 495 women county superintendents in the United States and four state superintendents, according to the United States bureau of education. Wyoming has many women in the higher positions of the schools of the state.

A few years ago the Presbyterian Board of Home Missions established a Department of Church and Labor, with Rev. Charles Stehle at its head. As a demonstration, under difficult conditions, the board established a labor temple at East Fourteenth street and Second avenue, Manhattan, New York City, using a one-time Presbyterian church for the purpose. So marked has been the success of the venture that \$200,000 has just been paid for the site, and the intention is announced of building there, as soon as money can be secured, a labor temple that shall be for the use not merely of New York labor organizations, but be in a sense a national headquarters for labor interests.

"A baby in the house," said she,
"Is like a new wave on life's sea."
Sadly he answered, "I should call
This one of ours a sudden squall."

—Judge.

The story is told of a German gentleman on a visit to America who, after having spent one week in New York received letters from home asking him to send back something typically American as a souvenir of this much-lauded land of freedom and progress. Being a conscientious man, he studied conditions as he went about for another week before attempting to decide upon any one commodity representatively American. Finally he made up his mind. He sent six packages of chewing gum.

Ex-President Eliot, of Harvard, is quoted as saying that there is not a Roman Catholic college in the United States that can qualify a pupil to enter the freshman class at Harvard.

A lecturer was annoyed by a man in the audience who insisted on rising and asking questions. "Sit down, you ass!" said a second man, jumping up. "Sit down you, too," cried a third man; "you are both asses."

"There seem to be plenty of asses about tonight," put in the lecturer calmly; "but for heaven's sake let us hear one at a time."

"Well, you go on, then," said the first man, resuming his seat.—Exchange.

Become polished. It requires an expert to detect a diamond in the rough.

"The land beyond the sea;
How close it seems
When flushed with evening's peaceful gleams,
And the wistful heart looks o'er the strait and dreams!
It longs to fly to thee,
Calm land beyond the sea!"

"Well nigh the voyage now is overpast,
And my frail bark through troubled seas and rude,
Draws near that common haven where, at last,
Of every action, be it evil or good,
Must due account be rendered.
And to that Help divine I turn for aid,
Who from the cross extends His arm to save."

Rev. William W. Borden, a young multimillionaire of Chicago, who put aside a life of ease to become a missionary, was overtaken by illness while on his way to China. On April 9 he died at Cairo, Egypt, of spinal meningitis. He left large legacies to missions.

The British Weekly is attempting to revive interest in Mr. Spurgeon by asking people to send in brief anecdotes about or personal impressions of the great preacher. One tale, which was repeated many times, was of the reply of Mr. Spurgeon to the remonstrance of a Mr. Partridge, whose name he had carelessly pronounced Partridge. "I will never make game of you again," promised Mr. Spurgeon. Another card declares that one very rainy Sunday Spurgeon, on his way to church, was greeted by an acquaintance: "This is a dreadful day, Mr. Spurgeon." "Nonsense," said he. "This is the day the Lord hath made; we will be glad and rejoice in it." At another time two would-be-wise young men were disputing as to the exact definition of the word "Agnostic." They referred the matter to Mr. Spurgeon. "Agnostic," he declared, "is a Greek word, of which the Latin equivalent is *ignotus*." Asked to explain why the lions did not devour Daniel when he spent the night in their den, Mr. Spurgeon explained, "It was because most of him was backbone and the rest was grit."—Congregationalist.

A good-for-nothing—The church-goer who doesn't contribute.—Judge.

Practically all of the rulers of Europe, including the prime minister of Great Britain, the king of Italy, the Czar of Russia and the Pope, paid fitting tribute on the death of J. Pierpont Morgan. The emperor of Germany sent a floral wreath to Rome and this message to Mrs. Morgan: "Accept the expression of my sincerest sympathy in your great bereavement. Your husband's death is a loss not only for you, your family and your country, but his many friends in all parts of the world will never forget him."

Daniel Webster's description of credit as "the vital air of commerce," remains now, as it was three-quarters of a century ago, the best description that can be given. For credit envelops the world of business as atmosphere does the globe. We cannot exist without it, but while we may feel it, we cannot see it.

The recent changes in the Press building have given the University of Chicago Press much greater facilities for its work, and the broadening of its scope is shown by its becoming the American agent for all the journals published by the Cambridge University Press of England as well as for certain valuable books of research issued by the latter press.

Wid so much Christian blood in 'is veins,
You'll think Brer 'Skitty would take some pains
To love 'is neighbor an' show good will,
But he's p'izenin' an' backbitin' still.
An' he ain't by 'isself in dat, in dat—
No, he ain't by 'isself in dat.

—Ruth McEnery Stuart in May Century.

Dr. O. P. Gifford well says: "Men without convictions are like radishes. You must get ten of them in a bunch before they have any market value."

There are 300,00 "fallen" girls and women in houses of shame in our country. They have been got there through the trickery and wiles of those engaged in the traffic in girls and the environment, resulting from the immoral condition of society. Their average life is but five years; thus 60,000 girls are dragged down to this life every year, 5,000 every month, 170 every day, or a young life blasted in our biased land every eight minutes.

The department of agriculture at Washington, under the new secretary, Dr. Houston, proposed henceforth to give greatly increased attention to the subject of the organization of farmers for the more effective sale of their products. Co-operative credit, provided in one way or another, will enable groups of farmers in any given neighborhood to use capital like business men—that is to say, like merchants and manufacturers—both to help in efficient production and also in handling and marketing. The local co-operation of farmers, whether for purchase of supplies, such as machinery and fertilizers, or for marketing their products, is to have increased assistance and encouragement, we are informed, from the government at Washington.

The question of who was the greatest shorthand writer dates back of modern civilization. In the fourth century of our era Decimus Magnus Ausonius, a Roman poet and man of letters, called to his stenographer: "Skillful master of swift notes, come hither.

Open the double page of thy tablet where a great number of words, each expressed by different points, is written like a single word. I go through great volumes, and like dense hail the words are hurled from my lips, but thine ears are not troubled, nor is thy page filled. Thy hand, scarcely moving, flies over the surface of the wax."

During Mr. Morgan's active business leadership the United States has been changing from an agricultural country into an industrial states. This has involved stupendous changes, not only in business conditions, but in social and political conditions. In the same time industry, as well as commerce and finance, has been internationalized.

Baptists in Richmond, Va., number 14,579, and their contributions to Foreign Missions during the past year totaled \$23,903.

The examination paper asked: "At what time was Christianity introduced into Great Britain?" One answer was "In the year 1066." Another answer was "In the year 55 B. C." When asked the meaning of the mystic abbreviations B. C. and A. D., one student declared, "B. C. means before the birth of Christ, and A. D. after his death."

I walked a mile with Pleasure,
She chattered all the way,
But left me none the wiser
For all she had to say.
I walked a mile with Sorrow,
And ne'er a word said she;
But, oh, the things I learned from her
When Sorrow walked with me.

—R. B. Hamilton.

There are in the United States 458 churches attended by and under the control of the Indians.

The death of Father Stanton, the Anglican ritualistic churchman, deprives the poor of London of one of their staunchest friends and most effective champions. A man of marked individuality and unswerving courage, he unhesitatingly adopted the course that appeared to him the only possible honest thing to do, and this though the way he chose closed to him the avenues of church preferment. A man of genial wit and ready tongue his memorable answer to Dr. Temple, then Bishop of London, deserves to be retold. He was asked if he still declined to suppress the publication of his book on Church Doctrine, and, on his unhesitating affirmation of his injunction, the bishop regretted that in the circumstances he would be obliged to refuse Mr. Stanton a license to preach. To which the indomitable churchman smilingly agreed, remarking, "Liberty is better than license, my lord!"

London papers record in a brief but interesting narrative an account of the recent dedication of the Chapel of the Ascension. The service was conducted by the Bishop of London, who preached from the text, "Be still and know that I am God." It was a very fitting text, for the church thus dedicated is not intended for sermons, and though a choir sang unaccompanied at the service, it is not expected that there will be frequent or habitual service of song. The church contains neither pulpit nor organ. The gospel is preached by means of pictures, which completely cover the walls of the chapel.

The total number of troops, including all able-bodied males over 16 years of age, that the Balkan Allies could put on the field last October was only about 850,000. Nearly 100,000 of these men have been killed or have died of their wounds or of disease during the past five months.

President Wilson said to a delegation of social workers not long ago: "I have always been eager to forward general principles, but I do not feel the breath fill my lungs until I see the practical plan."

It is said P. T. Barnum launched his career in the show business by exhibiting a remarkable negro woman, believed to be 160 years old, and said to have been a nurse to George Washington. An old bill of sale was exhibited, properly dated, concerning Joyce Heth, then aged 54 years, and evidence was also furnished that she was nurse to George Washington. Everything seemed so straightforward to the young man that he was eager to become the proprietor of this novel exhibition, which he purchased for \$1,000, \$500 of which he paid down, selling out his interest in the grocery business, and the other \$500 he borrowed. He saw that the thing to do was to make people become curious and excited over rare spectacles. Regardless of expense he advertised in New York, Boston and Philadelphia, and the halls were thronged until Joyce Heth died.

Mutsuhito, emperor of Japan, who died on July 30, 1912, was born in Kyoto, Japan on November 3, 1852, and ascended the throne on February 13, 1867, then 14 years of age. He was the 121st of the sovereigns of Japan who had reigned in an unbroken line.

ALABAMA BAPTIST

ALL-DAY MEETING.

The W. M. U. of the New River Association met with the Fayette Baptist church on Tuesday, April 8, 1913, with the associational superintendent, Mrs. Harton, presiding. The devotional service was conducted by Mrs. J. M. McCord. The welcome address was made by Mrs. W. W. Monroe, and the response given by Miss Clyde Metcalfe, from the state department of the W. M. U.

The first subject to be discussed was "Co-operation of the W. M. S.'s of the New River Association" by the superintendent.

Next came the roll call of societies which were represented, as follows: Caine's Ridge, Mrs. Chism; Pilgrim's Rest, Miss Richardson; Covin, Mrs. Dee Norris.

Mrs. Patterson was a visitor from Rehobeth church, which has no society. Mrs. Lowery was recognized from the Sipsey Association.

Mrs. Norris made a splendid report of the work at Covin. Her society had met its apportionment and some of the members are tithing.

There was a discussion on tithing, led by Miss Metcalfe, and followed by Mrs. Harton and Mrs. Norris.

Miss Metcalfe made an address on "How the W. M. U. May Mother the Younger Societies of the Church."

The meeting adjourned and a dainty lunch was served by the local ladies.

The afternoon session was called to order at 1 o'clock, and the devotional service conducted by Rev. J. M. McCord.

A paper was read by Mrs. Branyon.

Miss Metcalfe discussed the "Mission Study Class."

At this time the girls of the Y. W. A. and Y. W. A. Junior came back from school to hear the interesting talk given them by Miss Metcalfe, who told them much of the work.

Paper by Mrs. White.

"Associational Needs" were discussed by Mrs. Harton, Mrs. McCord and Miss Metcalfe.

A paper was read by Mrs. Norris on "Consecration." It was discussed by Mrs. Lowery and Mrs. McCord. A pledge of consecration was taken by most members present.

After some discussions of various subjects the meeting adjourned after a very pleasant and profitable day of service.

MRS. J. L. HARTON,
Chairman.

MRS. J. A. BRANYON, Secretary.

TEMPERANCE AND GOOD CITIZEN'S PLEDGE.

In my travels I find people willing to move if they only know how. I have prepared a pledge which can be amended in any way, and pasted at the top of a sheet of paper on which the names may be written. A good way is to call a meeting of citizens and have talks made; then follow up with the petition. It will strengthen any man or woman in the faith to sign it. It will put the offenders on notice that public sentiment is forming against their violation of the law. It would be well for the preachers to call attention to the petition from the pulpits and commend the movement.

There are merchants in the country and small villages who open their stores regularly on Sunday and will sell anything called for. These open stores are the loafing places for the young men; often they drink and get up rows on Sundays.

W. B. CRUMPTON.

A Temperance Pledge.

Since the Good Book, from lid to lid, condemns the use of intoxicating liquors, and since reputable physicians have discarded it as a medicine and pronounce it a poison, and since my own experience confirming me in the conviction that it is injurious, wasteful and dangerous, I solemnly pledge myself to abstain from its use in any form and to use my best endeavors to induce others to join me in this pledge. I further pledge myself to aid in every way the enforcement of all laws against the sale of such liquors.

(Signed)

Good Citizen's Pledge.

We, the undersigned, believing that the keeping of the Lord's day is well pleasing to God, and therefore for the best interests of the community, morally, socially and materially, solemnly pledge ourselves to abstain from all labor of a secular character, except

in cases of mercy or necessity, on that day, and that we will seek to induce others to do the same.

(Signed)

ARE WE A RELIGIOUS NATION?

By Edwin M. Bliss, Bureau of the Census, Washington, D. C.

The publication of Dr. H. K. Carroll's annual tables of statistics has been followed by the usual comments as to the number of non-church members. In Literary Digest, Zion's Herald is quoted as saying that about 56,000,000 people of the United States "are not vitally connected with the churches," and adds: "When all due allowance is made for the children, the size of the task in reaching those as yet unidentified with any church looms large."

The population of the United States in 1910 was 91,972,266. Deduct from this 36,675,537 given by Dr. Carroll as the number of church members, and we have, in round numbers, 55,300,000 "not vitally connected with the churches."

This includes four classes: (1) Children who are too young to have any "vital" relation to the church. (2) The entire Jewish population. (3) Those practically identified with the church as attendants upon services and contributors to their maintenance, although not enrolled members of any religious organization, frequently referred to as adherents. (4) Those who are clearly and definitely outside of church life and influence.

1. Children. It is not altogether easy to decide what age limit to adopt for the term in this connection. In the Roman Catholic church children are supposed to partake of their first communion at 9 years of age, and, accordingly, the United States census and Dr. Carroll deduct 15 per cent from the total population given by the Catholic officials to account for them. In the Congregational churches the custom is increasing of receiving persons as young as 12, but in the Presbyterian and Methodist churches the average age is higher, and is higher still among the Baptists. Probably 14 years would, on the whole, represent a fair average. According to the census of 1910, there were 29,499,136 under 15 years of age (including 10,631,364 under 5 years of age), and thus, presumably, outside of church membership. From this sum should be deducted 2,500,000 Catholic children over 9 years of age and included in the church membership, leaving 27,000,000 whom it would scarcely be legitimate to class as eligible to church membership.

2. Jewish population. Dr. Carroll gives 143,000 heads of families, the same figures that have been given for some years. The Jewish Year-Book (London) for 1910 gives the number of Jews in the United States as 1,900,000 surely not a large estimate. Deduct from this 32 per cent for the children already accounted for and there remain approximately 1,200,000.

3. Persons not church members, yet thoroughly identified with church life. There is, at present, no way of accurately estimating this class, yet every one knows that it is a large one. Take the number of young people over 14 who are attendants upon Sunday schools, but not church members; of parents whose children attend Sunday schools and who are practically identified with church life; and any careful observer will recognize that they constitute a most important factor in community life. Here one person's guess is, perhaps, as good as another's, but it does not seem that one for every three Protestant church members, or 8,000,000, is an unduly large estimate.

If now we add these three classes:

1. Children	27,000,000
2. Jews	1,200,000
3. Adherents	8,000,000

we have a total of 36,200,000 to be deducted from the 55,300,000, leaving 19,000,000 as an outside limit for the number of those who ought to be "vitaly connected with the church," but are not; a very different proposition from the alleged 56,000,000.

In all probability if there could be an accurate enumeration of the persons over 14 years of age, it would appear that only a portion, and that not a large portion, of the 19,000,000 would wish to be classed as out of sympathy with any religious organization. The simple fact is that this is not an irreligious country. There may be wide difference of opinion as to the

essential elements of religious belief, worship, and life, but the proportion of those who fundamentally deny the validity and value of religion is very small.

It is technically correct to say that 60 per cent of the population of this country are not enrolled as church members. It is absolutely incorrect to infer from that fact that a majority of the people are opposed to or even uninterested in religion.

I am now packing up in order to move. Do not know as yet where I will locate. I regret very much to leave Kevil, Ky. The people here have been so kind to us. I am leaving here because of the bad health of my family. I am going home to stay a few days. You may send the Baptist to me at Dothan, Ala., till I locate. Yours, etc.—C. T. Rogers.

(Hope a good field in Alabama will open for him.)

We had a good service at Malvern Saturday and Sunday. We have a fine Sunday school. We raised \$2 for missions. I see no reason why this church should not raise their pastor's salary and move to Malvern. Malvern is a strong church, made up of some of the best people of that community, and I feel that the kingdom of God is working mightily in the hearts of the people there. I feel that I have the best work this year that I have ever had. I have four churches, and none of them are lagging in the work. Therefore I feel sure the Lord will bless our labors.—W. C. Kirkland, Newton.

Five of our presidents had personal experience in teaching—John Adams, Garfield, Arthur, Cleveland and McKinley. Of these Arthur was head of a school on his way to the law, and Garfield was a college professor. The democrats were not without precedent, then, in nominating a teacher, who was also a lawyer, for the choice of the people as president. President Wilson had been teacher and university president for a quarter of a century when elected governor of New Jersey.

Work for the boy through the Sunday school. Eighty per cent of the additions to the church come through the Sunday school. The churches that report the largest increases are churches that magnify the Sunday school and are organized for effective Sunday school work. This is the agency already in our hand with which to go after the boy.

The list of imported goods detained on board ship and in the docks and warehouses of London during the strike of 1911 included 618 tons of bird skins and feathers.

The Carnegie Endowment for International Peace spent \$12,000 in sending ex-President Eliot, of Harvard, to India and Asia to explain the purposes of the fund and urge co-operation.

"She studied hard at college
To gain her M. A. Then
She soon applied her knowledge
To win her M. A. N."

The responsibility for whiskey-wrecked lives, and all the attending evils of intemperance, rests primarily upon those who vote for licensed hell-holes of temptation and sure destruction. The saloon may bring a large revenue to a town or community, but in the end it costs more in money alone, to say nothing of the sorrow, suffering and wrecked lives, than it pays into the town or community treasury.—Standard.

In the bounds of the Northern Baptist Convention there are, in round numbers, 1,250,000 Baptists in 11,000 churches, 560 local associations, 39 state conventions, 10 education societies, 57 institutions of learning, 25 charitable institutions, three general missionary and publication societies, three women's missionary societies, a Baptist Young People's Union, a brotherhood, a Laymen's Missionary Movement—and other minor organization too numerous to mention.

"A watch may have no gender,
But you really can't efface
The fact that nearly always
There's a woman in the case."

The person who rides a hobby is not likely to lead the procession.

BROTHER T. O. HEARN WRITES.

Pingtu, Shantung, China, March 21, 1913.

When they returned to the well with food and wanted Jesus to eat He looked up with a tender smile and told them that He had food to eat which they knew nothing about. How anxious He was for them to understand His real mission and to know that His greatest pleasure was not in eating, but to be about His Father's business. "My meat is to do the will of Him that sent Me and to accomplish His work." How it would hasten His second coming if these words could burn themselves in on the hearts of all His children. What is your meat, the one desire of your heart? Is it to do His will, to faithfully accomplish the work which He has given you to do? How He desired the thorough preparation of His disciples and then for them to look out and see their duty. "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields, that they are white already unto harvest."

My beloved in the home land, are you willing now to life up your eyes, to study and understand the real situation of the lost in heathen lands? To know that without a knowledge of Jesus and fully trusting in Him for salvation they are eternally lost? To know that unless you and I give them the light they will forever be in darkness? Do you believe this? Then whose servant are you, and what kind of service are you rendering?

Lift up your eyes, look on the fields. In obedience to this command I have just spent eight days looking at one of the great fields of this province and would like to show it to you. The field to which I refer is Chang-I county, just west of our Pingtu county. I was accompanied by my hospital evangelist and Brother Dawes, of our Lalechow station. The main object of our visit was to study conditions of this new field, with a view of opening work there as soon as we were able to do so. The area of the county is 1,250 square miles. So here is a county as large as the state of Rhode Island and has in it nearly a million people; 800,000 is a safe estimate of the population. The people everywhere were quite friendly, and many of them even anxious to hear the Word. The great majority of them had never before heard the gospel and had never seen a foreigner. On the entire trip we traveled 350 li, about 120 miles, walking most of the way; 2,000 or more heard the message; sold 180 portions of the Bible; treated 255 patients. But what I want you to know is that this entire county is practically unoccupied so far as Christians and Christian workers are concerned. We Baptists have never attempted to do any work in the county; have thought our forces too small to work well the territory we are now occupying. Even in Pingtu, the best worked county in the mission, we have Christians in only 345 of the more than 1,600 villages in the county; and this is a Christian county compared to the county of Chang-I. The Presbyterians are doing some work there—have two churches, four native evangelists and five schools. But what are these in a whole county?

You ask what is to be done? And that is just the question I am asking you. Joining two counties where we already have work, it would seem to be a natural result for us to enter this new county, and this is what we should do at once. But our workers are few, and it seems difficult for any one to leave their station. If you will send a physician to take charge of the medical work here in Pingtu Mrs. Hearn and I will help establish a work in a new field. It will not be easy for us to leave Pingtu, but we are willing to do His will, and it is thought best for new work to be opened by workers who have been on the field for a few years. This Chang-I county is only one of several comparatively unoccupied fields in Shantung province. The needs are urgent; it is our opportunity, and there was never a greater opportunity for the propagation of the gospel as in China today. "Every Red Sea of difficulty has been divided and the gates to all the nations stand ajar; the doors swing wide open to every people; the shrines of every false religion now are tottering and their idols begin to crumble in the dust." When Dr. Truett spoke these words 14 years ago some could not understand, but the truth which he then uttered is far more evident now. With the tremendous debt of the board, which we all know is not pleasing to God, we feel there is something wrong and time for much prayer and action.

Knowing that we yet have many people and even some churches who are doing nothing for missions, I am constrained to further quote from that sermon of Dr. Truett's: "With my whole heart I declare that His church exists solely to give the gospel to all the world. This great motive is its native air, and any church that will persistently ignore this heaven-appointed work does not have the moral right to the plot of ground on which the church building stands. And the day comes on apace—may God speed its coming—when any church not missionary, both in spirit and practice, shall be regarded as a monstrosity, and when the regular giving of money for world-wide evangelization shall be as great a test for orthodoxy as is baptism. Our Savior and King command world-wide evangelization, and disobedience to such command for any cause is bold treachery to our trust as Christians and cold treason against Jesus Christ. He who reads God's word aright sees that the missionary idea is the very essence of divine revelation. Missions is not simply an organ of the church, but the church itself is the organ for missions. To this end the church was made, and the anti-mission spirit is the death of spiritual development. He did not mean this His soldiers should be chiefly engaged in building forts of defense. Any church that merely sits and sings 'Hold the fort' will soon have no fort to hold."

I cannot resist quoting further from that great sermon, for it expresses so well what I want to say at this time. "We shall not cease to make much of orthodoxy, should continue to be sublimely set against all heresy, but let us remember that the deadliest of all heresies is the anti-mission heresy. And (must I quote it?) let us remember that the anti-mission heresy is the black plague of the Southern Baptist Convention. When we have as much Christianity as we have orthodoxy then will we soon take the world for Jesus." Let the following sink into each of your hearts: "Brethren, I believe that even satan himself marvels at our slowness. Israel took 40 years to make a journey that ought to have been made in 11 days. We are doing that very thing today. One thousand of our churches in the south ought to support one missionary each for the coming year." If that was true 14 years ago, and I believe it was, we now have at least 2,000 churches in our lovely southland that ought to support a missionary each for the coming year—and the world would soon be evangelized. Are you willing to do it? Are you a servant of God? Then are you willing to serve and obey His commands? God grant that we may all place ourselves absolutely in His hands for service and do our best. Yours for the speedy coming of the kingdom in China,

T. O. HEARN.

THE WAY OF IGNORANCE.

Only a little while ago several churches asked for letters from an association. They were all in good standing until that hour. The reply was: "Exclusion from the association on the grounds that they were affiliating with the Southern Baptist Convention." Ignorance of Baptist principles and an intolerance bordering on persecution was the cause of it.

I have a minute before me of an Alabama association. A church addressed a respectful communication to the body, saying: "Owing to dispensations in and around us, we deem it advisable to withdraw from your body and to affiliate with no association at present." It closed by asking for any pledging prayers. The letter was dated and signed by the moderator in regular order. It was printed in full in the minutes, preceded by this: "On motion _____ church was excluded from the body on the face of her own statement."

Paul's question to the Corinthian church is proper in these cases: "What, cannot there be found among you one wise man who shall be able to decide between his brethren?"

And the same question applies to another case, where a church was excluded from an association because she received what is called alien immersion. The scriptures are entirely silent on the subject. In such cases certainly, as in all cases where the plain scripture teaching is not transgressed, churches are free to exercise their liberty in managing their own affairs.

The writer of these lines believed in order and regularity, and has always advised against recognizing alien immersion; but no preacher, association or

convention has a right to pass a law to regulate the churches.

The preacher can advise, the associations and conventions can suggest. That is as far as they can go. The churches are perfectly free to accept or reject the suggestions. Open, honest discussion, free from passion or prejudice, among Christian people, is all that is necessary to bring them in line with the truth.

W. B. CRUMPTON.

HOW BROTHER CRUMPTON STANDS ON THE INTERDENOMINATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

In answer to many inquiries from Baptists about the interdenominational Sunday school work I thought it would be well to give, in substance, a short address I made to the Huntsville convention on April 16. I was not on the program, but was introduced to the body and made a brief talk, about as follows:

"I feel very much at home here, as I have met so many of my Baptist people. The fact is, it looks very much like a convention of our people. You would have a hard time getting along without the Baptists, and the Baptists are greatly profiting by the work you are doing. I have had more inquiries made this year than ever before about my attitude towards the interdenominational Sunday school work. I have invariably called the attention of the querist to that very prominent article of our creed, 'Religious freedom.' In matters of this kind each man, with the lights before him, should decide his own course.

"I am practically a member of this body—at least I attend its conventions every year, and I go away with a new inspiration for my work. I was thrilled today as I sat at the table with that great throng at the Presbyterian church and listened to Bro. Pierce. I was sorry I didn't have a tablet and pencil to make notes. You who took notes will go back to your schools fortified for your work. This magnificent program is the work of an artist. I have never seen it excelled.

"The Baptists are doing a Sunday school work which you cannot do for them. I look upon it as the very best work the Board of State Missions is doing. Baptists must be loyal to their own work; but there is no reason why they may not get good out of your work while they impart a blessing. Like Abraham, they will be blessed and be a blessing as well.

"I was charmed with Miss Batchelder's report, and she is a Baptist, when she said she had been 37 miles from the railroad. I commend her for that. The towns need the work, but out yonder in the sticks are the people who are soon to fill up the towns. Let them be well taught and trained in the teachings of the Bible."

W. B. CRUMPTON.

Visitors to Howard College arriving at the Terminal Station can take a Tidewater car, which will take them to the main entrance of the campus.

Physiology shows just how alcohol kills us "by inches," or more accurately speaking by millimeters. In one millimeter of blood a total abstainer will have about 75,000 "little white soldiers," that is leucocytes or white corpuscles, a moderate drinker only 50,000 for defense against the army of microbes, germs and parasites, armed with poisoned arrows, that every hour rush into our mouths and enter every scratch or wound or other broken place in our wall of flesh. Alcohol burns up one-third of the "white body guard" in the moderate drinker.

Did you know that all of the governments represented at the first Hague conference, with the exception of Great Britain, Portugal and the United States, agreed to the prohibition of dum-dum bullets, and of projectiles the object of which is the diffusion of asphyxiating or poisonous gases? At the second Hague conference all the new governments represented adopted the prohibition, and Great Britain and Portugal also gave in their adhesion to it. Thus the United States is left alone in the family of nations in refusing to subscribe to this eminently humane prohibition.

The Chinese republic is fundamentally due to Christian missions, and more immediately to the anti-opium crusade, which has fused a people unusually individualistic and provincial into a new nationalism and a new patriotism.

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W. M. U. Watchword: Teaching them to observe
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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 THOUGHT.

Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, we have bold-
ness toward God; and whatsoever we ask we receive
of Him, because we keep His commandments and do
the things that are pleasing in His sight.—I John
3:21-22.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK.

"God has His highest things in life for the few who
dare to stand the test;
God has His second choice for those who will not
have His best;
And some there are who ever make the highest
choice, but when by trials pressed
They shrink, they yield, they shun the cross, and so
they lose the best.
I want in this short life of mine just as much as may
be pressed
Of service, true to God and man—so help me, Lord, to
be my best."

DURING MAY.

We study about the great southwest.
We give to Home Missions and to aged ministers.
We will follow the beautiful custom of giving our
birthday offering, as well as the special contribution,
to aged ministers in May.

PRAY.

For our missionary, Mrs. J. M. Justice, Buenos
Argentina.

That our work in the Southern District may grow.
Mrs. J. M. Kallin, vice-president, is earnest and ef-
fective in her work.

That the 18 churches in the Cedar Bluff Association
may have missionary societies and young people's
auxiliaries and bands. The superintendent is Miss
Willie Bankson, of Round Mountain.

That these last few weeks in the Training School
may mean much to our students—Misses Keith, Mc-
Collough, Herren and Cox.

That our societies may begin now to give systemat-
ically for the new year, upon which we are just en-
tering.

MEETING OF NORTH RIVER W. M. U.

The second quarterly meeting of the W. M. U. of
the North River Association met at Jasper April 5.
The meeting was called to order by the superintend-
ent, Mrs. A. J. Sullivan, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Song, "Higher Ground."

Devotional service was led by Mrs. Sullivan, using
John 12:21 as the lesson.

Hymn, "We Would See Jesus"—Read by Mrs. Sulli-
van.

Poem, "The Indispensable Christ"—Read in con-
cert.

Words of greeting—Mrs. Haygood, of Jasper.

Response—Mrs. Brasfield.

Verbal reports from the societies were given.

Minutes of last quarterly meeting read and adopted.
Co-operation and progress in the societies discussed
by Mrs. Wingo, Mrs. Sullivan and Miss Metcalf,
state leader of young people's work.

"Personal Service"—Mrs. Moore, of Jasper; Miss
Metcalf and Mrs. Steadman, of Townley.

"The Girl in Her Teens"—Mrs. Sherrif Lacy, of
Jasper.

Song, "There Is Power in the Blood."

"Plans of the General Work"—Miss Metcalf.

Song, "Be a Little Sunbeam"—Sunbeam delegates.
Adjourned.

Afternoon Session.

Called to order by the superintendent at 1 o'clock.
Songs, "Follow On" and "Where He Leads Me I
Follow"—Led by Miss Milligan, of Jasper.

The scripture lesson was read by Mrs. Harry Re-
berg, of Jasper.

Prayer by Mrs. A. H. Sparks, of Jasper.

Questions were asked and answered by Miss Met-
calf.

"Reason for Mission Study Class"—Mrs. Steadman,
of Townley, and Mrs. Gray, of Jasper.

Miss Metcalf talked on young people's work. Sug-
gestions were offered that the societies visit the El-
dridge Mountain School during commencement.

Miss Metcalf discussed the apportionment and the
W. M. U. library.

A vote of thanks was extended to the society of
Jasper for their cordial hospitality and hearty co-op-
eration in the day's work.

The consecration service was led by Mrs. Hagood.

After sentence prayer, closed by Mrs. Hagood, the
meeting adjourned to meet at Nauvoo next quarter.

MRS. A. J. SULLIVAN, Superintendent.

MRS. CHAS. S. FLETCHER, Secretary.

MUSCLE SHOALS.

The all-day quarterly meeting of the Muscle Shoals
Association was held at the First Baptist church, New
Decatur, April 7, 1913. Services were opened by a
song. After prayer and reading the 12th chapter of
St. John the welcome address was delivered by Mrs.
Hardwick, of New Decatur, and responded to by Mrs.
Eubanks, of Decatur.

Mrs. Simpson spoke on co-operation and progress
in our association. Mrs. Allison, of New Decatur, dis-
cussed the same subject.

Miss Laura Patrick, of Montgomery, urged each
society to send a report in to the superintendent at
the beginning of each quarter.

Miss Patrick told how to interest the boys in mis-
sions.

Mrs. Hudson and Mrs. Hanson, of Decatur, sang a
beautiful duet.

Mrs. Wilson read a paper on "A Girl in Her Teens."
Miss Patrick told about the influence of the Y. W. A.

Mrs. Lowe reported for the Central Baptist church,
New Decatur; Mrs. Beason reported for the Decatur
church; Mrs. Lee reported for the First Baptist
church, New Decatur. All three have gained their
25 per cent increase. Mrs. Green reported from Falk-
ville.

Mrs. Simpson gave encouraging words about our
missionary library.

Mrs. Hudson, of Decatur, gave some reasons for a
mission study class.

Afternoon Session.

After the devotional exercises we were led in prayer
by Mrs. Allison.

Questions were discussed:

(1) How can we enlist new members and keep
them?

(2) Which are the weeks of prayer, and how may
the literature be obtained?

(3) What is the jubilate?

(4) Where is the annual meeting?

Miss Masterson, of East Decatur, sang a solo.

"The Special Need for W. M. U. Work in Our Asso-
ciation" was discussed by all.

Miss Patrick told about the honor roll.

Decatur First Baptist church invited the ladies
there in July.

Mrs. Hanson offered the dismissal prayer.

SECRETARY PRO TEM.

QUARTERLY MEETING.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Tuskegee
Association held a most enjoyable quarterly meeting
Tuesday, April 8, with the union at Notasulga. Al-
though the time of our arrival was early in the morn-
ing we were cordially greeted at the train and car-
ried to the homes of several of the ladies until time
for the church service. We expected to have with us
Mrs. W. B. Crumpton, of Montgomery, and were very
much disappointed when the message was received
that she was sick and would be unable to attend the
meeting. The exercises were opened with a welcome
song by the choir.

After the scripture reading, the 6th chapter of Mat-
thew, and a prayer offered by Mrs. Hearn, the asso-
ciational superintendent, Mrs. Balch, president of the
Notasulga union, welcomed the visitors in behalf of
the town and the union. The response was given by
Mrs. Frazer, of Auburn.

Mrs. McDonald then read a paper on "Systematic
Giving," in which she brought out the thought that
by giving was meant not only giving of our means,
but ourselves also to the Lord's work.

A tract, "A Question of Ownership," was then read,
by Mrs. Clements.

After the song, "Labor On," Mrs. Hearn called for
reports from the societies represented. Notasulga,
Tuskegee, Auburn, Loachapoka and Opelika re-
sponded. After each society had been measured by
the standard of excellence it was found that Tuske-
gee was the only one that had reached this standard,
though Notasulga lacked only one point.

A general discussion followed as to how to reach
the unenlisted in our churches.

The morning session was closed with prayer by
Mrs. T. O. Wright.

On the church lawn we found a luncheon laid,
which was enjoyed by all.

At 1:30 the afternoon session was opened with a
song, "Rescue the Perishing." Instead of the usual
scripture reading each one quoted a verse from the
Bible. After a chain of prayer the choir sang "What
Shall the Harvest Be." Then followed short talks on
"Preparation for a Society Meeting," by Mrs. Wright,
and "Preparation for Quarterly Meetings," by Mrs.
Bradford.

"The Mission Study Class" was discussed by Miss
Lorraine Wright, who is leader of one in Tuskegee
that is doing good work.

Twenty-five little Sunbeams marched down the
aisle to the rostrum and sang their Sunbeam song.

After the reading of the tract, "Paper Money," by
Mrs. Edwards a report of the Sunbeam bands was
given. Two bands were represented—Notasulga and
Loachapoka.

Miss Williams read a tract, "Personal Service,"
after which some testimonies were given by some
who are doing real personal service.

The visitors showed their appreciation of the hos-
pitality of the Notasulga people by a rising vote of
thanks.

After singing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" the
meeting was dismissed with prayer by Mrs. Burke.

The Missionary Union was invited to hold its next
quarterly meeting with the society at Auburn.

No concatenation of circumstances brings more
misery to humanity than that caused by certain dis-
eases which thrive solely because of prudery and
false reticence. It does not meet the question to say
that these ailments cannot be discussed by "polite"
people when these same diseases are working an
evil upon the American people beside which the rav-
ages of tuberculosis are as naught. An awakened
conscience is the only means by which conditions
may be bettered.

NECESSARY MEANS.

There is a great deal of sheer folly in the supposition of many people that God will do almost anything and everything for one, independently of the use of human means. Some people are constantly denouncing the employment of material means, even in cases of the gravest character. The advocates of "Christian Science" have led astray thousands of people by their furious outcry against material and medical means as applied to various forms of ill health. Yet even those irrational people will freely and most frequently employ all necessary means in carrying on their worldly business. If one of them be a merchant he will use such means as are essential to the successful prosecution of his calling. The merchant might pray mightily that God would greatly prosper him in his business, while ignoring the use of means adapted to his business, and as a result both his praying and his business would be a flat failure. It may be accepted as a positive fact that the person who prays for a thing of consequence, and with no purpose to use such means as may be necessary in connection with it, will receive no answer from God.

Many thousands have died simply because they rejected the use of such means of restoration as God would have honored in due season.

MISUSING THE BIBLE.

There is no book in the world that is so badly misused as the Bible is. No other book has been so greatly misrepresented as teaching a great many things which it does not teach, nor give the least real warrant for teaching. Some of the most absurd doctrines that human minds could invent have been declared to be founded on Bible authority. And this misuse has not been confined to the open enemies of the Bible. Very much of it has come from professedly Christian people. It is practiced by many who are entertaining erroneous doctrines, either wholly or in part. Some of the most dangerous errors are filtered with elements of Bible truth. They are not wholly false, nor wholly true. It is this mixture which makes them so dangerous to those who lack sufficient discernment and knowledge.

This is the case with "Russellism." Russell is an artful mixer of truth and error. If he would appropriate the entire mixture to his own use there would be no objection to it; but this would not satisfy him; he wants to sell his concoction to everybody else. Russell makes great promises to those who will buy his books, telling them that by such means they will know how to study the Bible; and the pity is that thousands of simple souls are being fooled by him.

CHOICE OF EVILS?

The war department, with the approval of President Taft, deliberately reaffirmed permission for soldiers at the various army posts, who have abundant time for sport on other days in these "piping times of peace," to play ball games on Sunday regardless of state laws to the contrary, regardless also of an army regulation that was manifestly intended to prevent such a federal invasion of states' rights; and the soldiers are also allowed to admit civilians as spectators in some cases. The defense of the war department is one often advanced by petty offenders, but never before by such high authority: that the Sabbath-breaking games will keep the soldiers from worse offenses—a plea that might be used to justify every offense but the worst. For example, better allow almost anybody that wants divorce to have it, lest they shall turn to adultery. The war department has already argued for beer saloons to keep soldiers from whiskey and prostitution. As a matter of fact lesser sins are not a bar, but a gate to larger ones, and instead of choosing the less of two evils, those who choose one take both. For right thinking men the rule should be always and everywhere. Of two evils choose neither. We hope that the war department under the new regime will rescind the order, and we feel sure that President Wilson will be heartily in favor of it.

Please hurry up and send in names on special offer to January, 1914, for \$1, cash or credit. We want to get missions before as many as possible before the books of the boards close.



EDITORIAL

ARE YOU GOING TO THE CONVENTION?

We asked a minister who is serving four churches the above question, and with a note of sorrow he said: "I am afraid I can't go. I haven't saved up enough, and none of my churches seem to take any interest in sending me." There are scores of pastors with eager eyes looking towards St. Louis. The convention is a feast spread before them, and their appetite calls for the missionary fare that will be served, but unless their churches send them their seats will be vacant. We hope some good brother or sister will read this and begin at once to get up a fund to send their pastor to St. Louis. It will not only give him joy, but he will return to his work with renewed power.

LOVE MUCH

Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

Love much. Earth has enough of bitter in it;
Cast sweets into its cup whene'er you can.
No heart so hard but love at last may win it.
Love is the grand primeval cause of man;
All hate is foreign to the first great plan.

Love much. Your heart will be led out to laughter
On altars built on envy and deceit.
Love on, love on. 'Tis bread upon the water;
It shall be cast in loaves at your feet,
Unleavened manna, most divinely sweet.

Love much. Your faith will be dethroned and shaken,
Your trust betrayed by many a fair, false lure.
Remount your faith, and let new trusts awaken,
Though clouds obscure them, yet the stars are pure;
Love is a vital force, and must endure.

Love much. Men's souls contract with cold suspicion;
Shine on them with warm love, and they expand.
'Tis love, not laws, that from a low condition
Leads mankind up to heights supreme and grand.
Oh, that the world would see and understand!

Love much. There is no waste in freely giving;
More blessed it is, even, than to receive.
He who loves much alone finds life worth living.
Love on through doubt and darkness, and believe
There is no thing which love may not achieve.

A WHIRLWIND FINISH BEFORE THE CONVENTION.

Brother pastors, you have been mighty busy with your mission collection, and some of you haven't had time to do anything for the paper, but now is your chance.

During the next two weeks we earnestly beg the pastors who have not yet sent in a list of names to get busy and do it. Try and get the lists to us as soon as possible, as it will be a help and inspiration to get the paper into the homes of new subscribers in time for the family circle to enjoy the convention numbers.

Some pastors in difficult fields have sent in more than 20 subscribers, while some in good fields have not sent in any. We knew they were mighty busy in a good cause or they would not have neglected to push the Alabama Baptist on the special offer to January, 1914, for \$1.00, cash or credit.

We want 1,000 new names in the next two weeks, and we will get them if the pastors will put a little time and enthusiasm into the campaign.

THE YELLOW PERIL BOGEY.

The yellow peril bogey continues to oppress the imagination of the Western world: this persistent vision of the Chinese race, roused from its long lethargy, and feverishly arming itself for wars of conquest and revenge. It is a ghost that refuses to be lightly laid.

The tendency to exaggerate the military forces and efficiency of China in recent years may be traced to a variety of causes. Of these the most important lay originally in the deliberate policy of Chinese diplomats and officials, a policy clearly intended to create and maintain the idea of China feverishly arming on a gigantic scale, with a view to the intimidation of possible aggressors.

Sir Robert Hart, the able administrator, anxious to make for China friends of the Mammon of political unrighteousness in the matter of the Boxer indemnity, drew a sensational picture of the awakened giant. "In 50 years' time," he declared, "there will be millions of Boxers in serried ranks and war's panoply at the call of the Chinese government." This picture appealed forcibly to the Wagnerian imagination of the Kaiser, who saw, in the coming invasion of Mongol hordes, a heaven-sent opportunity for the war lord to lead the embattled hosts of a European coalition, with Germany at its head. Small wonder if the man in the street became impressed with the reality of the yellow peril.

Since her war with Japan, and particularly since the conclusion of the Russo-Japanese agreement, which foreshadows the partition of China's northern territories, Russia has professed increasing anxiety in regard to China's military preparations, and to the increasing numbers of Chinese colonists in Mongolia.

And yet "Chinese Gordon," the warrior Christian, 15 years after his unique experiences as a successful organizer and leader of Chinese troops, recorded (in a memorandum prepared for the government at Peking) his deliberate opinion that they could never be successfully pitted against European armies. He who had witnessed much desperate fighting between imperialists and rebels realized, nevertheless, that the race as a whole, and particularly its leaders, are lacking in the moral qualities and Berserker instincts that distinguish a fighting race.

And close students of Chinese history say it is impossible, considering the actual and historic facts of Asiatic life, to assume for the east that unity of purposes and ideals which is the basic assumption underlying the yellow peril.

Neither patriotic student, politician nor fervent idealist can take from Asia, by any incantation of new formulae, her deep-rooted instincts and beliefs, bred of long centuries of isolation, of the Confucian philosophy and Buddha's contemplative creed—instincts and beliefs that have made the whole inspiration of Oriental philosophy and civilization essentially non-aggressive, and have made the Chinese, in particular, a race of passive resisters.

The masses of the Chinese people submitted, with traditional apathy, to being harried, plundered and slaughtered by the forces of that republic which delivered them from Manchu tyranny.

I closed my work here last night. We had an overflowing congregation. I am glad to leave the church in a hopeful state. A move is on foot to build a parsonage, which is very much needed, so that when the tourists begin to flock in here next fall the Baptist pastor will have a home without being dependent on others for a house to live in. These folks have been loyal to me. I leave them with my best wishes. I will perhaps hold a few meetings. I have an engagement in Alabama for July, but nothing earlier than that up that way. Understand me, I am not the kind that takes snuff and then ask the church to sneeze when I say sneeze, nor do I believe in so much hobbing up and down every five minutes. No; evangelism is abused. We hear so much of reconsecration, the idea of old and tried members to be asked to make new resolutions and all that kind of foolishness. One invitation I have—that is to accept Christ as the only Savior; that is all.—G. S. Daugherty, Lake Helen, Fla.

Reforestation of the capitol grounds by prominent statesmen is the latest fad in Washington. The old German custom of planting a tree every time one is destroyed has been inaugurated by authorities in charge of the capitol building and grounds.

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THEOLOGICAL SUMMER SCHOOL,
ALABAMA BAPTIST ENCAMP-
MENT GROUNDS, JUNE 9
to 29, INCLUSIVE, 1913.

June 9-14, Inclusive.

9-10 a. m. "Life and Work of Moses"—Rev. J. R. Sampey, D. D.
11-12 a. m. "Paul's Life and Letters"—Rev. W. O. Carver, D. D.
12:15. Dinner.
4:30-5:30 p. m. "Isalah"—Rev. J. R. Sampey, D. D.
6 p. m. Supper.
7-8 p. m. B. Y. P. U. lectures—Arthur Flake.

June 16-21, Inclusive.

9-10 a. m. "Church History"—Rev. W. J. McGlothlin, D. D.
11-12. "Paul's Life and Letters"—Rev. W. O. Carver, D. D.
12:15. Dinner.
4:30-5:30 p. m. "Paul's Life and Letters"—Rev. W. O. Carver, D. D.
6 p. m. Supper.
7-8 p. m. Sunday school lectures—H. L. Strickland.

June 23-28, Inclusive.

9-10 a. m. Lectures on hymnology—Rev. C. A. Stakeley, D. D.
11-12 a. m. "Paul's Life and Letters"—Rev. W. O. Carver, D. D.
12:15. Dinner.
4:30-5:30 p. m. "Paul's Life and Letters"—Rev. W. O. Carver, D. D.
6 p. m. Supper.
7-8 p. m. Miscellaneous lectures—Dr. R. G. Patrick, Dr. J. M. Shelburne, Dr. W. B. Crumpton and others to be announced.

We ought to begin Monday, June 9, with 100 preachers from the country districts of Alabama and many others from the towns and cities. The only expense is your railroad fare and \$18 for three weeks' board. If your association owns a lot you may bring your tent and camp on it. Some have signified their intention of doing this. This will very materially reduce the cost of living there. Send me your name so that rooms may be reserved. Two to a room. Get you a room-mate.

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GOING FORWARD AT JACKSONVILLE.

Miss Forbes and the writer had the privilege of spending Sunday and Monday with Pastor S. H. Bennett and the brethren at Jacksonville. From our viewpoint we had a splendid time. We were most royally entertained and

TEACHER TRAINING CLASS.

To the Teacher: Study carefully the chapters you propose to teach and underscore the things you desire to specially emphasize. Endeavor to get home study on the part of the class. Drill! Drill!! Drill!!!

To the Class: Study the lesson assigned. Co-operate in every way with the teacher. Be on time. Adapt and use as much as possible as you go along.

Lesson 14—Sections 5 to 8, Division 2, Convention Normal Manual.
Blackboard Review.

DIVISION 2—THE PUPIL—CONT'D.

SECTION 5—JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.

AGES 9, 10, 11, 12. BOYS & GIRLS IN SEPERATE CLASSES.
KEY = GET PROMINENT (PHYSICAL) ACTIVITY
WORD = GET CHARACTERISTICS (MENTAL) MEMORY
TEACH THE BIBLE VERSES (RELIGIOUS) FIRST WAVE
REAL STUDY HERE. MAKE LARGE USE OF DRILLWORK.

SECTION 6—INTERMEDIATE DEPT.

AGES 13, 14, 15, 16. SEPERATE CLASSES. ROOMS OR CURTAINS
KEY = BE PROMINENT (PHYSICAL) GREAT CHANGES.
WORD = BE CHARACTERISTICS (MENTAL) SELF-CONSCIOUS.
EMPHASIZE REPENTANCE (RELIGIOUS) GREAT CONVERSION
FAITH-AGE

PERSONAL APPEALS TO ACCEPT CHRIST. (IT CLASS ORGANIZATION VERY HELPFUL. ENCOURAGE STUDY PUPILS CAREFULLY. INDIVIDUAL WORK REQUIRED.)

SECTION 7—SENIOR DEPT.

AGES 17 TO 20. CLASS ORGANIZATION EMPHASIZED.
PROMINENT (PHYSICAL) FULL ROUNDED.
CHARACTERISTICS (MENTAL) TEMPTATIONS.
RELIGIOUS—LOVE OF SERVICE
UNCONVERTED NOT EASY TO REACH. BE EARNEST.
EMPHASIZE CLASS OBLIGATION TO BIBLE SCHOOL AND TO PREACHING SERVICE.

SECTION 8—ADULT DEPT.

AGES 21 AND OVER. IN SMALL SCHOOLS AGES ARE BLENDED WITH SENIOR ACCORDING TO NEEDS. EVERY FATHER & MOTHER OUGHT TO BE IN SOME DEPT OF THE BIBLE SCHOOL.
TEACHER: OFFICER: IN A CLASS: IN THE HOME DEPT. GREATLY ADDS TO ATTENDANCE RAISES S.S. TO PLACE OF MANLY DIGNITY PRACTICALLY SOLVES THE "BOY AND GIRL" PROBLEM. GIVES ADEQUATE FORCE OF WORKERS SOLVES THE TEACHER PROBLEM MAKES POSSIBLE LARGE INTERESTS AND GIFTS TO MISSIONS. GREATLY MULTIPLIES POWER OF PREACHING SERVICE.

PRACTICAL VALUE

given an attentive hearing by good audiences both Sunday and Monday.

Bennett is a progressive pastor and a wise leader, and knows the value of an efficient Sunday school. And no pastor is blessed with a more loyal and consecrated co-worker than Bennett in his splendid wife. The church membership seems anxious to have the best. They had already a good Bible school. Some changes and additions were necessary to thoroughly grade it. The men came forward nobly both in the adding of some partitions down stairs and the taking of a religious census planned for this week. In the grading of the school every one

seemed ready to serve in the place suggested.

May the Lord bless this pastor and people, and may they continue to move forward under His direction until they have attained the best. H. L. S.

ASSIGNMENT CARD FOR THE TEACHERS' MEETING.

The person receiving this card is asked to prepare specially upon the topic below marked "X" and recite briefly on it at the next teachers' meeting.

1. Introduction. Any appropriate in-

troductory statements about the lesson.

2. Approach. Give subject of last lesson and briefly outline the connection with this.

3. Lesson Story. Briefly give the story (or substance) of this lesson in your own language.

4. Geography. Give any geographical information that will throw light upon the lessons.

5. Biography. Give brief account of the persons, classes or nations referred to in the lesson.

6. Analysis. Give a simple working outline for the study and teaching of the lesson.

7. Parallel Passages. Briefly tell of the other passages of scripture throwing light upon this lesson.

8. Oriental Lesson Lights. Briefly show how any Oriental customs or facts throw light upon this lesson.

9. Illustrations. (a) For children, (b) for adults. Give some brief illustration suited to the class named.

10. Suggested Questions. (a) for children, (b) for adults. Give a brief set of questions suited for the class named.

11. Blackboard Illustrations. (a) Primary, (b) junior, (c) adults. Give a good blackboard suggestion for the class named.

12. Suggestions for Teaching. (a) Elementary grades, (b) advanced grades. Give any practical suggestion that occurs to you for the grade indicated.

13. Practical Lessons. (a) For children, (b) for adults. Give the practical lessons which you think should be taught to the grade indicated.

14. Principal Points. For my class—by each teacher.

15. The whole summed up by the pastor.

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Rev. P. S. Henson, formerly of Tremont Temple, is now residing in Chicago. His health, which has been somewhat impaired, is improving. It is said that he is engaged in writing reminiscences of his life to be published next fall under the title of "The End of a Long Log."

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THE COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM OF HOWARD.

Following is the program for the Howard College commencement, which begins Sunday, May 25:

Baccalaureate sermon by the Rev. Rufus W. Weaver, Th. D., D. D., Nashville Sunday, 11 a. m., May 25.

Sermon to graduates of normal training course of Bible school, by Dr. Rufus W. Weaver, Sunday, 8 p. m., May 25.

Last chapel exercise and roll call, Monday, 9 a. m., May 26.

Sophomore declamatory contest, Monday, 10:30 a. m., May 26.

Battalion drill and awarding of military prizes, Monday, 2:30 p. m., May 26.

Junior oratorical contest, Monday, 8 p. m., May 26.

Annual meeting of board of trustees, Tuesday, 10 a. m., May 27.

Alumni address, Tuesday, 10:30 a. m., May 27.

Alumni reunion and dinner, Tuesday, noon, May 27.

President's annual reception, Tuesday, 1 p. m., May 27.

Senior class exercises, Tuesday, 8 p. m., May 27.

Commencement exercises and baccalaureate address by the Rev. Robert J. Batesman, D. D., Troy, Ala., Wednesday, 10:30 a. m., May 28.

Among the chief events for the approaching term are:

First term begins Wednesday, September 10.

Intersociety oratorical contest, Friday, November 21.

Thanksgiving holidays, November 27 to December 1.

Christmas holidays, December 20 to December 29.

Officers senior class of Howard College are: W. R. Rigell, president; J. C. Stender, vice-president; H. B. Gilmer, secretary; C. B. Hasty, historian; C. B. Kingry, prophet; W. C. Blake, poet.

GOT HIM.

Dear Brother Barnett: You will remember about 90 days ago that I asked you to say in your paper that Carrollton, Aliceville and Pickensville wanted a pastor and to send us one by parcel post, that we would pay the freight. So the Lord sent us Dr. A. B. Metcalfe and family from Rome, Ga. While the doctor came to this field with the very highest recommendations from this state and Rome, Ga., we have learned already that we can substantiate every word that has been said in his and his good wife's behalf. We ask ourselves how did we happen to secure such a big preacher, and the answer comes that the good Lord knows what we needed and wanted, and that He has fulfilled our wants.

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The Lord is greatly blessing the Baptist people here in Tallassee, and I want to write just a word about it. I have just closed our revival meeting, which lasted from the second to the third Sunday in the month. I did all the preaching myself. The attendance was good, and the interest grew in every service. There was no hib excitement, but a steady glow of spiritual enthusiasm throughout the meeting. Many of our members were revived. Some of the lost were saved. Fourteen were received by letter and baptism, all of whom were grown people except one. We expect others to come later.

Tallassee Baptists are moving forward. A recent report shows that the church has done more in the past four months than in any 12 months previous. The brethren find that the Lord's yoke is easy and His burden light. We want to grow steadily and substantially in the Lord's work. We would be glad to have you come to see us some time.

Yours with rejoicing,
E. C. BOSTICK.

Rev. R. J. Campbell observed, while speaking in the United States, that the mass of men are lacking in God consciousness.

FROM FLOMATON.

With A. J. Preston to do the preaching nothing short of a good meeting need be expected. He is a man of great biblical knowledge and wonderful, logical clearness. It is a charm to hear him through a whole series of meetings, as the people of Flomaton have just done—i. e., all that could stand heavy cannonading. There were some—not Baptists—who sought shelter at home, and that, too, for no other reason, if it may be called a reason, than that Preston preached the truth; and he did that in love. But some people cannot be even loved into the right way. My church is many fold stronger than it was before the meeting. Preston is a preacher, and his preaching will live long after he has passed to his reward. There were seven accessions; a goodly number for this place. A nice purse was the smallest token of our appreciation of his work. May he long live in Alabama, his native state, and as one of her sons most worthy, and help to establish the principles of true Christianity and strengthen the churches, for many of them on account of Unitarian teachings—and some of it from Baptist pulpits "high up"—are bending toward Judaism and other isms equally dangerous. Some are teaching the "Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man." And such doctrines as these are spreading the dry rot among many churches. But, thank God, there are more than 7,000 who have not bowed the knee to Baal. God bless Preston and Woodward, and may their tribes increase.

R. M. HUNTER.

BROTHER HUTTO COMES HOME.

By the time this is in print I will be on my way to Alabama to make it my home again. We expect to spend at least a part of the summer in Gadsden, and I will do some work around as I may have opportunity. My church at Rising Star, Tex., has called my successor, and we are hoping he will accept. I leave here with the greatest regret and only because it is a necessity for my family.

Yours fraternally,
A. A. HUTTO.

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The Rising Star X Ray says: "Rev. Hutto has been faithful in his work, and the church regrets to lose him, but owing to the condition of his wife's health the pastor thinks it advisable to take her to another climate. The editor feels sure that the prayers and best wishes of the pastor and his companion will still be with and for the members of the church they have been so harmoniously working with during their stay here in Rising Star, and in return they will be remembered in the same way by the church here."

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PASSED AWAY.

Brother C. C. Cosby.

Brother Cosby was born in Perry county, near Perryville, Ala., October 25, 1852, and passed away January 25, 1913, on North Broad street, Selma, Ala. He joined the missionary Baptist church when about 18 years of age, and married Miss Mattie Pierson December 21, 1875. His wife, one daughter, Mrs. Hay, and one son, Pierson, survive him; also a number of relatives and a multitude of friends. He was a man of stalwart character. Living in Selma over 10 years, there were few nights that he was on the streets after night, and this was due to his looking strictly after his business. He was a man of fine judgment and high aspirations, which caused him to be successful in business. He had a sympathetic heart, which made him a blessing to others and caused him to be held in very high esteem by many, and though gone from our midst he is not forgotten. It was my good fortune to be his pastor for nine years. He was so loyal to his church and pastor. When he was absent from his church I felt that there was something of vital importance that caused his absence. Several times during the years that I was his pastor he at the beginning of the new year came and paid his part of the pastor's salary. He proved to be such a friend in time of need that he endeared himself very much to the pastor. When I was struggling to build the Centerville, Medline, Midway, Nicholville, Pine Flat and Lamison churches and following the noise of the carpenter's hammer with prayers and tears I found him to be a liberal contributor to the good enterprise.

His timidity kept him from being a public worker in the church, but his good judgment in business affairs caused the people to look to him for advice in church and domestic affairs, and his prudence and judgment caused him to be widely and deeply known.

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After eating supper he was stricken down by acute indigestion and had only a few moments for meditation, his spirit returning to the God who gave it, not giving his loved ones time to prepare for the great shock. But "we sorrow not even as others which have no hope," and looking up through tears to our Heavenly Father, who maketh no mistakes, and with profound gratitude thank God for having given us such a useful man.

"Tis hard to break the tender cord
When love has bound the heart;
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We are growing at West Woodlawn, and one of these days we are going to show you a good church here. Our Bible school is doing well, but we have not yet reached the measure of excellence at which we are willing to stop. We have 50 per cent more pupils enrolled in the school than we have members in the church. Six members received by letter during April causes us to thank God and take courage.—John W. Stewart.

Our church at Autauga moves along nicely under the leadership of Pastor F. W. C. Bice, who is a strong and forceful preacher, and has a way of winning the confidence of those who hear him. Our Sunday school is beginning to take on new life. We have a teacher training class organized for the better training of our teachers. Recently our church purchased and paid for an organ. Pray for us, that we may do still greater things for the Master.—W. R. Yeargan, Prattville, Route 3.

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PROGRAM

The Marion Institute Final Exercises, 1913.

Saturday, April 26.

8:30 p. m. Annual declamation and debate contest of the Burke and Pitt debating clubs—Administration Hall.

Monday, May 5.

10-12 a. m. Interscholastic track meet.

3-6 p. m. Intercollegiate track meet—Marion Field.

8:30 p. m. Freshman-sophomore public speaking contest—Administration Hall.

Monday, May 12.

8:30 p. m. Sophomore-junior public speaking contest—Administration Hall.

Friday, May 16.

11 a. m. Senior class day exercises.
4 p. m. Presentation of the Woodrow Wilson and the Princeton stained glass windows in the institute chapel. Address by Prof. Stockton Axson, of Princeton University—Hall of Commons.

8:30-10:30 p. m. Reception to Prof. Stockton Axson—Prospect Place.

Sunday, May 18.

11 a. m. Baccalaureate sermon—Rev. Raimundo DeOvies, Siloam Baptist church.

Monday, May 19—Alumni Day.

1 p. m. Alumni dinner—Mess Hall.
4 p. m. Alumni-Varsity baseball game—Marion Field.

8:30 p. m. Annual junior-senior debate—Administration Hall.

9 p. m. Annual meeting board of trustees.

Tuesday, May 20—Finals.

11 a. m. Presentation of the James Thomas Murfee Mural Memorial by the trustees; graduating exercises; baccalaureate address by Dr. W. A. Evans, of Chicago—Hall of Commons.
1 p. m. Senior dinner—Mess Hall.

OBITUARY.

Dr. W. T. Taylor, 44 years of age, died at his home, near Ralph, Ala., April 25. He had been a member of Bethel Baptist church for 25 years. He left a wife and eight children, with a host of relatives, to mourn their loss. The writer was his pastor for three years, and was called to Bethel to attend his funeral. He was a splendid physician, noble citizen, kind husband and father. The vast concourse of people who attended his funeral attests the high esteem in which he was

held and the warm place he occupied in the affections of the people. May the Lord comfort the bereaved ones.
J. G. LOWREY.

PROF. STOCKTON AXSON TO SPEAK AT MARION INSTITUTE.

Professor Stockton Axson, of Princeton University, a brother-in-law of President Woodrow Wilson, will be the guest of President and Mrs. H. O. Murfee on the 16th of May, and will deliver the address at the Marion Institute on the occasion of the unveiling of the Princeton and Woodrow Wilson stained glass windows in the institute chapel.

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County—S. Lacy vs. William Lacy—In Chancery, at Birmingham, Alabama, Fifth District, Northwestern Chancery Division of Alabama.

In this cause it being made to appear to the Register by affidavit of James M. Russell, solicitor for complainant, that the defendant, William Lacy, is a non-resident of Alabama, and resides at the State penitentiary at Nashville, Tennessee; and further that, in the belief of said affiant, the defendant is of the age of twenty-one years, it is therefore ordered by the Register that publication be made in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in Jefferson county, Alabama, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring the said William Lacy to plead, answer or demur to the bill of complaint in this cause by the 23rd day of May, 1913, or in thirty days thereafter a decree pro confesso may be taken against William Lacy.

Done at office this 19th day of April, 1913.

HENRY MORSCHHEIMER, Register.

Please hurry up and send in names on special offer to January, 1914, for \$1, cash or credit. We want to get missions before as many as possible before the books of the boards close.

FORECLOSURE SALE.

Default having been made in the payment of an indebtedness secured by a mortgage executed to the undersigned, Knight Realty, by Ida J. Meroney on the 15th day of March, 1911, which mortgage was filed for record in the office of the Judge of Probate for Jefferson county, Alabama, on the 11th day of April, 1913, notice is hereby given that, acting under the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the undersigned will sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, in front of the court house door of said county, on the 12th day of May, 1913, the following described property in the city of Birmingham, Jefferson county, Alabama, conveyed by said mortgage, to-wit:

Part of lots 1 and 2 of Walter & Robertson's subdivision of Waverly Place, map of which is recorded in the Probate Judge's office for said state and county in map book 5, page 84, particularly described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a point on the south line of Twelfth avenue, South, 130 feet in an easterly direction from the intersection of the east line of Montgomery street with the south line of Twelfth avenue, South, thence run southward parallel with the said line of the said street 105 feet to the north line of a private alley, thence eastward along the said line of the said alley and parallel with the said line of the said avenue about 43 feet to the west line of another alley, thence northward along the said line of the last said alley and parallel with the said line of the said street 105 feet to the said line of the said avenue, hence in a westerly direction along the said line of the said avenue about 43 feet to the point of beginning.

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

This, the 14th day of April, 1913.
KNIGHT REALTY COMPANY, Mortgagee.
A. C. & H. R. Howze, Attorneys.

FORECLOSURE SALE.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage executed by Theodore Poul and wife to the Jefferson County Savings Bank, to secure an indebtedness therein mentioned, dated March 27, 1912, and recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate for Jefferson county, Alabama, in book 665, on page 1, the said Jefferson County Savings Bank will sell at auction, for cash, at the county court house door in the city of Birmingham, Alabama, on Tuesday, the 20th day of May, 1913, during the legal hours of sale, the following property in Birmingham, Jefferson county, Alabama, conveyed by said mortgage, to-wit:

Part of block 796 of the Elyton Land Company's survey of said city and a part of block 1, Phelan's Addition to said city, particularly described as beginning on the south line of Eleventh avenue, South, at a point 65.72½ feet eastward of the intersection of said line with the east line of Fourteenth street, and run thence southeastward parallel with said street about 133.5 feet to an alley, thence northeasterly along the north line of said alley and parallel with said avenue 65.72½ feet, thence northward and parallel with said street about 133.5 feet to south line of Eleventh avenue, thence southwestward along the south line of said avenue 65.72½ feet to the point of beginning.

The mortgagor having made default in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said mortgage as provided therein, said property is sold for the purpose of paying the debt secured thereby, as well as the costs of foreclosure, including a reasonable attorney's fee.

This, the 15th day of April, 1913.
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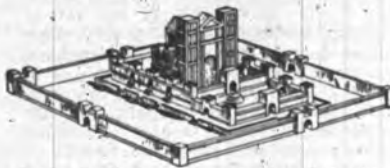
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FROM NORTH BIRMINGHAM.

The Park Avenue Baptist church closed a series of revival services last Wednesday night, resulting in 18 or 20 accessions—eight or ten by baptism and the others by letter. Rev. S. J. Parrish, the pastor, did some as forceful, convincing preaching as this scribe ever heard. He is a Bible Baptist, unadulterated, and delights in presenting the old-time peculiarities to his people, who are delighted to hear his incontrovertible views given in such a persuasive, Christ-like manner. In a nutshell he is a great preacher—as humble as a child and as bold as a lion.

Our Sunday school in all its departments is marvelous under the leadership of Superintendent C. H. Hilton, of whom we are justly proud.

I am anxious for our Baptists in this section to take our paper, the Alabama Baptist. I have the promise of several subscribers. I am frail, but will help you all I can.

Sister Nettie Gregory and Brother J. W. Watford steered up to my gate the day before my 76th birthday an automobile loaded with flour, meat, sugar, coffee, etc., for a "compounding" of your poor writer, who is eating and rejoicing every day, thanking God and the donors for such expressions.

Fraternally,
J. E. COX.

BAPTIST RALLY, PELHAM, ALA., MAY 3-4, 1913.

Saturday, 7:30 P. M.

Song; devotional exercise, Rev. E. W. Holmes; song; "The Object of This Rally," led by S. A. Taylor; song; "Brother O'Hara's Orphans' Home Corn Club," Rev. C. W. O'Hara; song; benediction.

Sunday, 10 A. M.

Called to order by S. A. Taylor; song; devotional exercise, Mr. C. E. Leonard; song; "A Talk on Sunday Schools," S. A. Taylor; "The Purpose of an Association and the Importance of a Full Representation from Each Church," Rev. C. W. O'Hara; solo; "The Importance of Missions," Rev. J. F. Isbell; benediction.

Sunday, 7:30 P. M.

Devotional exercise, Rev. E. M. Johnson; "A Temperance Talk," Rev. E. W. Holmes.

All of the above subjects are open for a few minutes discussion. Everybody is invited, and especially the Baptist people. If possible we want every member of Pelham church present on Sunday morning. We are expecting several good speakers whose names do not appear on this program. There also may be dinner on the ground Sunday.

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The perseverance and activity of the enemies of public righteousness are often such as to put to shame the zeal of Christian workers.

THE EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN OF THE HOME BOARD IN TAMPA.

The campaign of the Home Board made a profound impression upon the people of Tampa. It is the best scheme yet devised for making a deep religious impression, together with a denominational propaganda, upon a busy, materialistic, growing city. Tampa is a city of some 55,000 inhabitants, nearly half of whom speak foreign languages, with eight white Baptist churches, as many colored churches and seven mission stations manned by the Home Board and the local churches. The entire membership of these white churches at the beginning of the campaign was about 1,750.

Dr. Weston Bruner, general evangelist, brought with him a splendid corps of workers, consisting of eight evangelists, viz: Wright, Holcomb, King, Scott, Fisher, DeGarmo, Cova and Bailey (colored), and five singers, viz: Reynolds, Wolslagel, Blankenship, Babbitt and Coffin. Dr. Bruner preached at the First Baptist church at night and presided at each morning service, when the other brethren preached by rotation. A feature of the morning hour was reports from the various evening services.

Dr. Raleigh Wright was in charge of the personal workers' hour, and lectured each morning to the white and each afternoon to the colored people. An episode occurred in connection with this class, newspaper reports of which outside of this city are calculated to do Dr. Wright gross injustice. Suffice it to say that Dr. Wright left the city on genuine good terms with us all, and not a moment earlier than he was booked from the beginning of the campaign to leave. The idea of a reporter trying to warn the public against Dr. Wright as a dangerous man is resented by every Baptist in Tampa.

The tabulated results of the campaign are 500 additions to the churches, of which 162 were to the colored churches. Possibly one-third of those making profession in the colored churches did not become members.

This is a city of factories, but those working in them are chiefly foreigners; hence it was not possible for the evangelists to preach in the factories. However, the services on the streets were numerous and well attended. They served well to advertise the meetings, and besides bore fruit in professions of faith.

This department of the Home Board is doing a great work, and should be enlarged. No better qualified man for his work lives among us than Dr. Bruner. Their work in Florida has greatly strengthened our denomination and increased our membership. I feel that our churches, however, should not allow their offerings to this work, in cases where they employ the services of these evangelists, to take the place or even curtail their regular offerings for the Home Board. Many of our weaker churches are not able to reimburse the board for its entire expense in assisting them in a revival, and it is not expected that they shall, but there is usually no reason why a church should not pay as much for the services of these men as it pays other evangelists, and besides keep up its contributions to the boards.

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First—To attend Sunday school regularly, rain or shine, heat or cold, allowing nothing but sickness or absence from the city to keep me away.

Second—In case of unavoidable absence, to notify the department superintendent the day before.

Third—To be punctual in my place by 9:15 o'clock.

Fourth—To give as much time as necessary through the week for careful preparation of lesson.

Fifth—To bring offering each Sunday.

Sixth—to take part in all exercises.

Seventh—To be, if possible, a regular attendant at the weekly teachers' meetings.

Eighth—To give all the time that I can to visiting my scholars during the week.

Ninth—To pray for the Sunday school, the superintendent, the teachers and the gift of the Holy Spirit to dwell in my heart and speak through my lips. With the help of God I will faithfully keep these promises.

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We call attention to the trip to the convention at St. Louis advertised in this issue over the Louisville and Nashville. Besides the scenery through the great grass and stock farms of Tennessee, Southern Kentucky, Indiana and Illinois, we will have the good fellowship of the most of the Alabama delegation. Those who are accustomed to travel on the L. & N. need no assurance that the service will be first class.

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Besides these we hope to have with us the following ladies of the W. M. U.: Mrs. Charles A. Stakely, president; Miss Laura Lee Patrick, secretary; Miss Clyde Metcalfe, leader of young people; Mrs. W. B. Crumpton, Mrs. M. C. Scott, all of Montgomery; Mrs. J. S. Carroll, of Troy; Mrs. Law Lemar, of Selma; Mrs. W. W. Campbell, of Tuskegee, and many others.

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By Rev. O. P. Bentley—Read at Coffee County Baptist Association.

The character of the literature in a home very largely determines the intelligence of that home. It also determines the character of that intelligence. When there is no good literature taken there is not a very great degree of intelligence, either civil, political or religious. In the Coffee County Association, according to the letters that have been sent, there is a DISTRESSING lack of religious literature, and your committee, appointed to write this report, fears that there is also a lack of very much any sort of literature that would tend to elevate the minds of the people. Is it not FEARFULLY TRUE NOW as it was in the days of old, when God Himself said: "My people are destroyed for want of knowledge?" "This people doth not know."

How can a preacher who does not inform himself on the conditions in the religious world lead his people to carry out the commission of our Lord and Savior? How can an uninformed membership appreciate the needs of the kingdom when they absolutely refuse to read and inform themselves? The Alabama Baptist is not intended to tell of the murders, thievery, wife-beating, robberies, safe-blowing and all kinds of scandalous doings that are going on in the world. Neither is it or the Foreign Mission Journal, or the Home Field, to tell about the prices of cotton, the prices of stocks and bonds, or baseball or prize-fighting episodes, but to give information concerning the affairs of the kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Do YOU take any sort of religious literature? Do YOU, Preacher? Do YOU, Layman? Are YOU INTERESTED? Do you CARE to KNOW? If so, how can you know unless you take and read some religious paper or journal? How can you expect your children to have their minds filled with good thoughts unless you, as parents, put good literature before them?

Brethren, pastors and laymen, let us begin to store our minds with some knowledge of the affairs of the religious world by taking and reading our state paper, the Alabama Baptist, and the Home Mission Journal of our denomination. As God's appointed leaders, let the preachers of this association inform themselves and then, as brave soldiers of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, preach and teach the people what their duty is along all lines of Christian service.

We had a good day at Magnolia Baptist church last Sunday. The attendance was good. We have a live, wide-awake Sunday school. The Baraca and the Philathea classes are doing good work. The young people are commendable for their willingness to work. They are taking the lead. We organized a W. M. U. with 22 members. Those women have a mind to work. They are planning to do great things for the Lord's cause. We expect and believe this church and community to be second to none in its

progressive moves. The Lord will surely visit His people in an onward march. One thing they lack yet—that is the Alabama Baptist to keep them posted on the work. May the Lord bless them for their efforts and you and the paper.—John W. Cochran.

I have been very unwell this winter and spring, but thank the Lord I am able to stir out again. I am working as evangelist in the old Alabama Association. It is a hard field, but a lot of good people. I meet with a lot of obstacles, but the Lord has promised to remove them. We have 18 churches, but most of them are country churches. They all have pastors except two. My Bible and your paper were my companions while I was sick. My church membership is at Panola. Brother R. D. Bevis is our pastor, and he preached a fine sermon last Sunday. You will find enclosed \$1, which moves me up to January, 1914; also the names of three new subscribers.—G. R. Vickery.

Dr. Richard V. Taylor writes from Yangchow: "Yesterday afternoon Adrian preached to about 150 people in the dispensary chapel, 99 of whom were patients. The others came with them. He has been operating each morning. My study is opposite the operating room, so between operations in the morning and in the afternoon I can be with my teacher. Everything is going on beautifully. I don't think we are going to have much trouble with the language. I find already I can make my teacher understand me. He is a very intelligent man, but cannot speak a word of English. Each time of day is full with us. Recently we have had some very interesting operations. We are all well and happy to be working together."

The Sunday school convention of the Harmony Grove Association, held at Fulton Bridge church, in Marion county, was a great meeting. Twelve churches were represented. The program was well carried out. We had Prof. Sargent, president of Hamilton State School; Prof. Clark, president of the Guin High School; Prof. C. F. Campbell, president of the Eldridge Baptist school, and others with us to entertain the folks. The next convention will be held with the Eldridge church on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1913. Come over and be with us. The executive committee met at the convention and employed the writer as associational missionary for three months—June, July and August—to work in the destitute places. Pray for us, that the good Lord may bless our labors in this work. I hope to secure subscribers for the Alabama Baptist on the field. So send samples every two weeks. May the Lord bless you in your work.—W. T. Caudle.

On Wednesday night, April 23, Wm. S. Dreaden and Arthur B. Oakley were ordained to the office of deacons in our church here. The candidates were presented to the ordaining council by the pastor. The charge to the church was delivered by Rev. S. P. Lindsey, and the charge to the deacons by Rev. C. W. Hinson, the new pastor at Monroeville. The ordaining prayer was led by J. W. Cochran, and the glad hand of Christian greeting was extended by the large audience. After the ordination a beautiful quadruple plate silver communion service was presented to the church by the Ladies' Aid Society.

Altogether the service was a very fine one and greatly enjoyed by all present. It marks a distinct advance in our church life, and the outlook is decidedly hopeful. Our Ladies' Aid Society, in addition to the above, has ordered ye scribe to the Southern Baptist Convention at their expense.—M. M. Wood, Repton.

(Hope other churches will send their pastors.)

EMPEROR WILLIAM AND THE BIBLE.

The following beautiful sentiments concerning the Bible, and the place it occupies in the affections of the German emperor, are well worth reading and circulating:

"I cannot understand how it is that so many persons pay so little attention to Holy Script. Can any one read the gospels and other parts of the Bible without feeling convinced that they contain simple truth, well authenticated and established on unquestionable facts?

"Whenever I have to come to any decision I ask myself what the Bible would teach me to do in that particular case. The Bible is to me the fountain from which I draw light and strength in the hours of sorrow and depression. I seek consolation in the Bible and I am convinced that many who have neglected religion will regain definite religious belief and will feel the need of communion with the Almighty if they study it.

"Periods of dangerous doubt have always produced in their wake periods of enthusiastic religious feeling. I cannot understand how life can be lived without real communion with the Almighty. We all must go through Gethsemane.

"There are hours and hours in which our pride is humiliated. It is difficult for us to be meek, for each one of us desires to be his own master."

Dr. W. M. Vines, pastor of the First Baptist church, of St. Joseph, Mo., has accepted the call to the pastorate of the First Baptist church, of Charlotte, N. C.

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Spring Clearance of Utility Birds.
I will sell for the next 30 days utility pens—four hens and a cock—from my "BRED-TO-LAY AND DO LAY" strain of Reds for \$10. No better layers anywhere.

Show Birds and Fancy Eggs.
If you want show birds I have them, and will be glad to quote prices.

This is what Judge Loring Brown says of my Reds (he mated the pens): "Mrs. Calloway's Reds won at the leading shows the past season; and her birds not only are correct in color, type and size, and wonderful layers, but have that right black color in wings and tails that is required to win the blue in hot competition. If you want to get right in Reds, buy a setting of eggs or a cockerel of the Calloway strain."

Eggs from my three best pens, all headed by first prize cockerels at Atlanta, Augusta and Macon, mated to prize-winning females, at \$25 per setting. Pens headed by cockerels that were head of winning pens at Augusta, Macon and Hagerstown, at \$5 per setting. Other matings of same blood line at \$2 per setting, \$8 per hundred. I have as fine Reds as can be found in America and can start you right, or furnish you blood that will improve your flocks.

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Washington, Ga.
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