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CONSTITUTION
OF THE
National Baptist Convention.

Whereas, It is the sense of the colored Baptists of the United States of America, convened in the city of Atlanta, Ga., September 23rd, 1956, in the several organizations known as "The Baptist Foreign Mission Convention of the United States of America," hitherto engaged in mission work on the West Coast of Africa; "The National Baptist Convention," which has been engaged in mission work in the United States of America; and the "National Baptist Educational Convention," which has sought to look after the educational interest, that the interest of the Kingdom of God requires that the several bodies above named should unite in one body. Therefore we do now agree to adopt the following Constitution:

ARTICLE I.—Name.

This body shall be known and styled "The National Baptist Convention of the United States of America."

ARTICLE II.—The Object.

The object of this Convention shall be to do mission work in the United States of America, in Africa, and elsewhere abroad, to foster the cause of education and to promote the publication and circulation of religious literature.

ARTICLE III.—Membership.

The Membership of this Convention shall be Representative, Life and Annual. (1) Representative. Any orthodox Missionary Baptist church, Sunday-school, missionary society, district and general association, Sunday-school convention and State convention may become annual members by paying five dollars for every messenger representing such organization. The money to be paid for representation by the above named bodies may be paid to any one of the Corresponding Sec-

retaries of any of the Boards for the objects of the work fostered by the Convention at any time during the year. (2) Life. Any one in good standing in any regular Missionary Baptist church may become a life member by the payment of Twenty Dollars at the time of enrollment, or Five Dollars for four consecutive years. (3) Annual. Any one who is a member of a regular Missionary Baptist church in good standing may become an annual member by the payment of One Dollar annually.

ARTICLE IV.—Officers.

The officers of this Convention shall be a President, one Vice President from each State and Territory represented, a Recording and four Assistant Recording Secretaries, a Statistical Secretary, a Treasurer, and an Auditor, all of whom shall be elected annually and hold their offices until their successors are chosen.

ARTICLE V.—Duties of Officers.

The President or any one of the Vice Presidents shall preside at all meetings of the Convention. The Vice Presidents shall represent the interests of the Convention and the Boards in their respective States and Territories, in cooperation with the State Boards State Conventions and State Missionaries.

The Recording Secretary shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the annual meeting, compile and distribute the minutes of the annual proceedings, and shall see that minutes are sent to all members, whether they be representative, Life or Annual.

The Treasurer shall receive all money brought up to or collected at the annual meeting of the Convention, and shall, by order of the Convention, turn over the same to the Treasurers of the different Boards in accordance with the object for which the money was brought up to the Convention or collected at the Convention. The Convention shall however, order the payment of any bills or other expenses connected with annual meeting before the Treasurer of the Convention turns over the money to the Treasurers of the Boards. The Convention shall say how all undesignated funds shall be used.

The Treasurer of the Convention shall make an annual report to the Convention of all money paid out by him—to whom, for what and the amounts turned over to the Treasurers of the Boards.

The Statistical Secretary shall gather the statistics of the denomination from year to year and is expected to make them as full as possible.

ARTICLE VI.—Management.

The Convention shall elect at each annual meeting a Foreign Mission, a Home Mission, an Educational, a B. Y. P. U., a Publishing

Board and other Boards, as may be deemed necessary from time to time, and these Boards shall continue in office until a new election.

The Boards shall consist of one member from each State or Territory represented in the Convention. Each Board shall have a President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary.

The Recording Secretary of each Board shall keep a faithful record of all the meetings of the Board, and of the Executive Committee of the Board.

The Treasurer of each Board shall receive and disburse all money of the Board. He shall keep a record of all money received and disbursed. He shall hold all deeds, bequests or other property of the Board he is Treasurer of, and his books shall be open to the inspection of any member of the Convention or of the Board. No money shall be paid out except by order of the Board from whose Treasurer it is to be drawn.

The Corresponding Secretary of each Board shall conduct the correspondence of the Board of which he is Secretary. He shall have the general management of the work of the Board, but shall be subject to such rules and regulations as the Board may think best to make for the management of the work.

The officers of each Board, together with two others elected by each Board, shall constitute an Executive Committee of each Board. They shall be conveniently located so that they may have monthly meetings or may meet oftener. Each Board shall hold quarterly meetings and shall have power to make such rules and regulations for the management of its business and its officers as they may think best. To each Board shall be committed during the recess of the Convention the entire management of all the affairs relating to the object with whose interests it shall be charged, all of which management shall be in strict accordance with the constitutional provisions adopted by the Convention and such other instructions as may be given by the Convention from time to time.

Each Board shall have power to make such compensation to its Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer as they think right.

The Boards shall require such security from their Treasurers as they think best. Each Board shall make an annual report to the Convention of all mission, educational and publication work done by them during the year; the number of missionaries employed; their fields of labor; the character of work done by each one; the salary paid each person, and receipts and disbursements of all money during the year.

ARTICLE VII.—Qualifications.

All agents, missionaries, district, field and corresponding secretaries employed by the Boards of this Convention must be members of some

regular Baptist church in union with the churches composing the Convention. They must, previous to their appointment, furnish satisfactory evidence of genuine piety, fervent zeal in the Master's cause, and talents which fit them for the service for which they are to be employed.

ARTICLE VIII.—Annual Meetings.

The Convention shall hold annual meetings at such time and place as it may determine; but should anything occur to prevent the annual meeting at the time and place appointed, the Boards may arrange the time and place, and publish the same to the denomination.

AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the Convention by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided the proposed alterations or amendments are presented on the first day of the session and voted upon on the last day of the session.

Cities in which the sessions of the National Baptist Convention have been held from its organization in 1880 to the present.

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FIRST DAY—MORNING.

- 8:00—Devotional Meeting, Revs. J. Milton Waldron, D. D., Washington, D. C., and R. H. Pittman, D. D., Arcadia, Fla.
- 9:30—Convention called to order by the President.
- 10:00—Welcome Addresses:
- On behalf of the State of Louisiana, Gov. Jared Y. Sanders.*
 - On behalf of the City of New Orleans, Mayor Martin H. Behrman.*
 - On behalf of the City Pastors' Conference, Rev. E. D. Simms.
 - On behalf of the Local Churches (Colored), Dr. O. W. Carroll.
 - On behalf of the Local Churches (White), Dr. R. W. Perkins.
 - On behalf of the State Churches, Rev. L. C. Simon, Opelousas.*
 - On behalf of the A. M. E. Churches, Rev. J. W. Washington.
 - On behalf of the M. E. Churches, Dr. R. E. Jones.*
 - On behalf of the Congregational Churches, Rev. Alfred Lawless, Jr.
 - On behalf of the Negro Schools of Louisiana, Prof. J. S. Clark.
 - On behalf of the Legal Talent of Louisiana, Hon. J. M. Vance.
 - On behalf of the Medical Fraternity, Dr. J. T. Newman.
 - On behalf of the Negro Business League, Mr. Aristede DeJols, Sr.
- 11:30—Response to Greetings, Hon. Jas. S. Trower, Pennsylvania.
- 12:00—Announcement of standing committees and recess.

AFTERNOON.

- 2:00—Devotions conducted by Rev. S. W. Timms, New York, and Rev. C. D. Douglass, Ohio, Theme: "Good Works."
- 3:00—Address by President E. C. Morris, D. D., Arkansas.
- 4:00—Report of the Educational Board.
- 5:00—Report of Statistical Secretary, Rev. S. W. Bacote, D. D., (30 minutes).
- 6:00—Recess.
- *—Will Speak.

EVENING.

- 7:15—Devotions conducted by Rev. L. S. Lee, Mississippi, and Rev. S. S. Sisson, Illinois. Theme: "God's Care for His People."
 8:00—Annual Sermon, Rev. M. W. D. Norman, D. D., District of Columbia; Alternate, Rev. J. H. Henderson, Alabama.
 9:00—Collection and benediction.

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY.

- 9:00—Devotions conducted by Rev. T. H. White, Virginia, and Rev. E. M. Lawrence, D. D., Tennessee. Theme: "The Leadership of the Spirit."
 9:30—Reading Journal of previous day's session.
 9:45—Report of the National Baptist Benefit Board, Rev. A. A. Coates, D. D., Secretary.
 11:00—Introduction of Visitors.
 12:00—Recess.

AFTERNOON.

- 2:00—Devotions conducted by Rev. J. M. Booker, of Missouri, and W. A. Bowren, of Kansas. Theme: "World-Wide Missions."
 2:30—Remarks, Rev. C. H. Parrish, D. D., Chairman Foreign Mission Board.
 Report of Foreign Mission Board by Rev. L. O. Jordan, D. D., Secretary.
 4:00—Remarks by Rev. J. P. Robinson, D. D., Chairman Home Mission Board.
 Report by Rev. R. H. Boyd, D. D., Secretary Home Mission Board.
 5:00—Recess.

EVENING.

- 7:15—Devotions conducted by Revs. M. W. Vaughn, New Jersey, and W. W. Nixon, Texas.
 7:45—Missionary Sermon by Rev. C. S. Brown, D. D., of North Carolina; Alternate, Rev. P. S. Smith, D. D., of Kentucky.
 8:45—Announcement of committees.
 Collection. Benediction.

THIRD DAY—FRIDAY.

MORNING.

- 9:00—Devotions conducted by Rev. W. M. Carter, D. D., of North Carolina, and Rev. A. Willbanks, D. D., District of Columbia.
 9:30—Reading Journal of previous day's session.

- 9:45—Introductory remarks by Rev. P. J. Bryant, D. D., Chairman B. Y. P. U. Board.
 Report by Rev. E. W. D. Isaac, D. D., Secretary B. Y. P. U. Board.
 10:45—Remarks by Rev. C. H. Clark, D. D., Chairman National Baptist Publishing Board.
 Report of Rev. R. H. Boyd, D. D., Secretary National Baptist Publishing Board.
 12:30—Recess.

AFTERNOON.

- 2:00—Devotions conducted by Revs. R. W. Patterson, of Arkansas, and J. H. Moore, D. D., of Georgia.
 2:30—Report of the Investigating Committee.
 3:30—Presentation of Workers from the Home and Foreign Fields.
 5:00—Recess.

EVENING.

- 7:15—Devotions conducted by Revs. S. E. Jones, D. D., of Oklahoma, and M. Stewart, D. D., Florida.
 7:45—Report of Union Publishing Committee.
 8:15—Educational Sermon by Rev. M. W. Gilbert, D. D., New York; Alternate, Rev. Geo. E. Stevens, D. D., Missouri.
 Collection. Benediction.

FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY.

MORNING.

- 9:00—Devotions conducted by Rev. J. W. Hill, D. D., Massachusetts, and Rev. J. H. Harding, Colorado.
 9:30—Reading Journal of previous day's session.
 9:45—Discussion of the Boards' Reports to be taken up in the order in which they reported, one hour being allowed to each report.
 4:00—Report of Auxiliary Convention.
 12:00—Recess.

AFTERNOON.

- 2:00—Devotions conducted by Revs. Wm. J. Jones, of Michigan, and J. L. E. Burr, of Ohio.
 2:30—Continuation of the discussion of the Boards' reports.
 5:00—Recess.

EVENING.

- 7:15—Devotions conducted by Rev. A. Gordon, D. D., Pennsylvania, and B. J. Brown, Texas.

- 7:45—Sermon, Rev. J. A. Marshall, D. D., Mississippi; Alternate
Rev. S. M. Fisher, D. D., of Alabama
9:00—Collection. Benediction.

FIFTH DAY—SUNDAY.

MORNING.

- 9:30—Sunday-school conducted by Rev. W. S. Ellington, D. D., of Tennessee.
11:30—Devotions by Rev. W. M. Williams, of Kentucky, and Rev. R. J. Petty, of Tennessee.
Sermon by Rev. E. C. Morris, D. D., Helena, Ark.; Alternate, Rev. J. C. Jackson, D. D., of Pennsylvania.
Recess

AFTERNOON.

- 3:00—Missionary Mass-Meeting
Rev. C. H. Parrish, D. D., Chairman Foreign Mission Board, presiding
Scripture Reading, Rev. S. W. Smith, D. D., Rhode Island
Prayer, Rev. Wm. Bockham, D. D., Tennessee.
What Our Missionaries on the Home Field Have Done for the Year Ending August, 1910, Secretary L. G. Jordan, and Sister Josephine Straughn.
Our Missionaries to Foreign Fields as I Knew Them, Miss N. H. Buttroughs, of Kentucky
Farewell Words by our outgoing workers.
Setting apart of the work of the Gospel Ministry by the laying on of hands of Brother Jeremiah Manze, Idulysa, South Africa
Ordination Prayer, Rev. E. W. Johnson, D. D., Pennsylvania
Presentation of the Bible, Rev. G. D. Miller, Kentucky, Coaldale's pastor.
Charge to Candidate, Rev. G. B. Howard, D. D., Virginia
Collection Benediction

EVENING.

- 7:30—Devotions conducted by Rev. A. W. Pogue, D. D., North Carolina, and Rev. Jos. A. Booker, D. D., Arkansas
8:00—Sermon by Rev. C. T. Walker, D. D., Georgia; Alternate, Rev. W. A. Herrod

SIXTH DAY—MONDAY.

MORNING.

- 10:00—Devotions by Rev. D. T. Gulley, D. D., Florida, and Rev. W. S. Smith, D. D., Jefferson City, N. J.
10:30—Report of Committees
12:00—Recess

AFTERNOON.

- 2:00—Devotions by Rev. R. H. Cartwright, North Carolina, and Rev. C. D. Griffin, North Carolina.
2:30—Considerations of resolutions, amendments, etc.
3:00—Announcements of leaving of trains, etc.

Note—Each state delegation is requested to meet on the first day of the meeting and select one member for each of the following boards and committees and hand the same to the secretary not later than the morning of the second day:

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Educational Board.
U. Y. P. U. Board.
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National Baptist Publishing Board.
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State Vice President.
Committee on Obituary.
Committee on Resolutions.
Committee on Time and Place.
Committee on the State of the Country.
Committee on Temperance

Respectfully submitted by order of the Board.

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MINUTES.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

New Orleans, La., Sept. 14, 1910.

The National Baptist Convention was called to order in its thirtieth annual session in the Washington Artillery, New Orleans, La., Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock, by President Morris, Helena, Ark. The Convention was opened by singing, "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow," led by Dr. N. H. Pius, Musical Director. Rev. R. H. Pittman, D. D., of Florida, read the 139th division of the Psalms. The choir sang "Peace Be within Thy Walls." Rev. S. N. Vass, D. D., offered a fervent prayer of thanksgiving and praise, invoking the presence of the Holy Spirit on the Convention and its President. The choir thrilled the Convention with "Hail the Baptist Congress."

President Morris then arose amidst repeated cheers of the Convention and asked the Secretary to announce the ushers of the Convention, which were as follows: Revs. J. A. Martin, C. C. Calhoun, T. P. Smith, T. B. Young, D. V. Jemerson, I. M. Russell, E. C. Canady, W. S. Stratman and George McNeil.

The Secretary read the official program which was approved.

On motion of Dr. E. J. Fisher, the program was so amended to give space for the Treasurer's report on Friday. President Morris introduced Dr. J. L. Burrell, Chairman of the Local Committee, to preside. Dr. Burrell was received by the Convention amidst cheers. The Convention chorus and sweetly, "Fight for Jesus." After appropriate remarks Dr. Burrell introduced the following named persons to deliver addresses of welcome:

On behalf of City Pastors, in a most pleasing address, Rev. E. D. Simons addressed the Convention.

Dr. R. E. Jones, in an eloquent and enthusiastic address, spoke on behalf of the M. E. Churches. At this time the Convention chorus, under the direction of Dr. Pius, charmed the Convention by singing "Moving On."

His Honor, Mayor Martin H. Behrman, having arrived, was introduced and out of a heart full of enthusiasm welcomed the Convention. He spoke complimentary of the Negro citizens of New Orleans and paid a high tribute to Negro leaders. He closed, assuring the delegation of a cordial welcome and a freedom to rightly use the keys of the Crescent City.

Rev. Dr. L. C. Simon, of Opelousa, in a magnificent and brilliant address, spoke in behalf of the Missionary Baptist Churches of the state. The speaker was at his best and swayed the great audience at will. He closed amidst prolonged applause.

President Morris announced that owing to the lateness of the hour the other addresses of welcome would be postponed till evening service. Dr. George E. Stevens, of Missouri, was announced as an alternate to Mr. John S. Trower, to respond to the address of welcome.

Dr. R. H. Boyd made announcement concerning special edition of Bulletin for the Convention. The following committees were announced:

Finance—P. J. Bryant, Georgia; W. F. Graham, Virginia; F. L. Lights, Texas; E. B. Topp, Mississippi; W. H. Heard, Tennessee; J. M. Harris, Arkansas; J. R. Bennett, Missouri.

Enrollment—Wm. Steward, Kentucky; R. M. Caver, Arkansas; J. B. Miller, Georgia; R. T. Pollard, Alabama; W. G. Parks, Pennsylvania.

Current Expense Money—J. S. Drew, J. E. Knox, T. B. Goldsby and J. F. Thomas.

After announcements of state delegations, the Convention adjourned with benediction by Dr. A. J. Stokes, of Alabama.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention reassembled at 2:30 o'clock. The chorus sang "I Feel Like Going On." Vice-President, Dr.

J. A. Taylor, District of Columbia, took the chair and introduced Rev. S. W. Timms, of New York, who read the 85th division of the Psalms. Dr. W. Bishop Johnson, of District of Columbia, earnestly petitioned a throne of grace. The chorus, with the power of the Spirit, sang "I Know That the Lord Has Laid His Hands upon Me." Again we were led to the throne of grace by Dr. W. A. Gaddie, of Kentucky. The chorus sang "Rock of Ages Cleft for Me."

Dr. A. M. Johnson, Vice-President, of Mississippi, in choice words presented Dr. E. C. Morris to deliver the annual address. As Dr. Morris arose the vast assembly arose and repeatedly gave him the chautauqua salute. He spoke as follows:

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen:

No greater honor could come to any man in this life than to appear before the greatest religious organization in his race for the sixteenth time to deliver an annual address as its president.

I wish to assure you that I am not asleep to these very great honors which you have repeatedly permitted me to wear as from time to time you have chosen me to fill the exalted position of president of this great convention composed, as it is, largely of the ablest and best men of our advancing race.

We have looked forward to this meeting with a great deal of anxiety for the reason that, to many of us, it will perhaps be the last time until we shall meet in the general assembly of the first-born; and, further, that the year just coming to a close has been one of the most strenuous in the history of our work—one in which the grim reaper has been so relentless that he has cut down some of our foremost men. The clouds have lowered and the thunders of discontent have been heard from the beginning of the year to the present. But, we are glad to say, that this great gathering somewhat dispels those clouds and inspires hope that the future will brighten before this courageous army.

We are peculiarly glad to be in this beautiful Crescent City, which has in and around it seventy Negro Baptist churches, with almost as many more distributed among the other denominations.

We are glad also to be for a few days in the midst of such warm-hearted southern white people as we have been told live in this great city. Negro people are peculiarly proud of this city and state for the prominent part the latter played in forming the history of the race from the opening of the Civil War down to the present time.

In that mighty struggle for the restoration of the Union, New Orleans and the state of Louisiana furnished twenty-nine infantry, one heavy artillery and one cavalry regiment out of about one hundred and sixty-five regiments in all. Besides this most enviable record made during the Civil War, Louisiana is the only state in the Union that has ever had a man of our race as its governor—even though he was only governor for a few hours.

Our coming together once every year means much to a struggling race. Perhaps no meeting held by our people anywhere under any name means so much for the race as the gathering together of the representatives of the National Baptist Convention, for the reason that you represent fifty-nine per cent of the entire race. Hence, your deliberations are to be taken as representing, to a large extent, the best there is in the race of executive wisdom.

Having been with you from the beginning of the organization, and having served you so long as the president, I think I know you well enough to say, that I have no fears that anything will be done to reflect unfavorably upon the race, or to cause the people of the other race to regret that we accepted the invitation to hold this meeting here.

This is a religious organization and has to do with those vital questions which effect the well-being of the race as religion and its attendant attributes. We are sometimes misunderstood when we bring forward questions which upon the surface, do not seem to be wholly religious. But we feel that every prejudiced inequality which we find at this time, and every privilege denied our race to enjoy

equal justice before the law, because of our racial connection and which draws a vain distinction between us and all the other races of the world, is a denial of the teachings of the New Testament and a matter that can only be settled by Christianity. And Christianity itself will not flourish and grow until it has set itself right by showing to the world that it only recognizes in the kingdom of grace one family, and that that family is composed of human beings, and all men are brethren who have exercised living faith in the Son of God.

I beg to repeat what I have said on many occasions, that this question of the universal brotherhood of man does not in any way effect the social distinctions among the people, which distinctions will always be governed by the individual choice.

But on this matter I am glad to say that my experience among my own people has taught me that the Negroes as much as any other people, are opposed to the social intermingling of the races, and would, if in their power, preserve the peculiar race identity bestowed by the All-Wise Creator.

It is not an easy matter for the Negro of to-day to understand why he should be abused, derided and in many instances maltreated; and, taking a view from the outside of his own case, he is forced to ask like Pilate, "What evil has he done?"

He has struggled along side by side with the white man of the South in the rehabilitation of this beautiful section of our great country which was laid waste by the Civil War. He has been perfectly satisfied with the little share that he has received of the marvelous prosperity that has come to this section of the country since the close of that War, and has gone forth and built up out of his scant earnings many churches and schools, together with other religious institutions. He is content to have his own people preach to him and teach in his schools. He works willingly and uncomplainingly for whatever wages his white brother may choose to pay him. He pays a fair proportion of the taxes for the support of the government. He is as loyal

to the South and her varied interests as any people who dwell within her sunny domain, and how could he help asking, "why crucify thou me?"

The spirit of retaliation has never been potent in the Negro race, and there should be no fear that there will ever be an uprising of the Negro, to the end that he would seek to avenge himself of any wrongs he may have suffered in the past. But we should say here and now that intelligent Negroes do not believe that the disposition to oppress and ostracise is representative of the mind of the best white people of the South. For it has been demonstrated on more occasions than one, that many of the very best white people of the South are willing to grant the Negro people an even chance, and are so proud of their own racial distinction and their advanced civilization, that they would not resort to force if the Negro should develop in faculty to outstrip them in the race of life. But while this is true of many of the best white people of the South, we must believe that they are not exerting the full weight of their Christian influence in bringing about a better feeling between an element in their race and the Negro race in this country. There is not the slightest doubt in my mind that the problem is one easy of solution, when the proper agencies take it in hand, and by this I refer to Christian men of standing in the white and colored churches of this country. It is true that many of the great and fearless leaders in the white race are speaking out upon the ungodly, unnecessary and ever-recurring race question; but this itself will fail until there is unanimity of action among the Christian leaders of every race.

If America, "The land of the free and the home of the brave," shall ever be made to hang her head in shame, and bring upon herself the contempt of the rest of the world, it will be because her leading citizens fail to see to it that justice is done to her weaker and most loyal citizens. The great men of our country cannot afford to close their eyes to the many examples in history where nations have lost their vitality and strength by reason of permitting their humbler citizens to be trodden beneath the feet of the strong. Nor do we believe that our great country will



success was furnished, and a number of societies cooperated with us in our effort to rally the women all over the country in behalf of missions.

We had hoped to place One Thousand Dollars into the hands of the Foreign Mission Board, as a result of our Anniversary effort, but the total receipts were \$576.13.

The women of Cincinnati observed the 4th Sunday in July and the Corresponding Secretary was present. Nearly Fifty Dollars was given, and many new friends made. On the last Sunday in the month, the day set aside by the organization, the Secretary was the guest of the Woman's Missionary Society of Olivet Baptist Church, Chicago, Mrs. Julia Burgess, President. These women raised \$60.00 and pledged anew their support to the organization. What was done in these two cities can be done in any large city, if those interested in the convention will lay the matter upon the hearts of the people. The day will come when every church interested in the cause of Missions will set aside this day upon which to inform and inspire women to nobler service.

Some of the organizations in the churches sent for our programs, used our material with which to make their meeting a success, and then converted the funds in paying church debts. We did not receive a cent.

A number of individual friends contributed this year, and to all we extend our heartiest thanks. Each society is asked to set apart one day in July, use our programs and inform the people of the work and solicit their cooperation.

STUDY CLASS.

Classes for the study of missions are being formed in some churches, but this work is not progressing as rapidly as it should. Each Vice President should organize at least one study class every month. When we cannot get people to study the question of missions, we cannot expect them to have an increasing and an abiding interest in the cause.

The classes are not only helpful in broadening our vision, and increasing our knowledge and strengthening our sympathy, but they are wonderfully invigorating spiritually. Each local society should have a study class aside from its regular meeting.

A fair trial of this work under proper management will convince not only missionary workers, but the church as well, that aside from the preaching of the Gospel, there is nothing more stimulating to the church. Those who are working and praying for the coming of the Kingdom ought to know what

progress is being made by the soldiers of the Cross who are on the Firing Line. The church that is sleeping may be awakened, the society that is dead may have a resurrection if we will study God's promises until we believe them and think of the needs of man until we feel them.

The encouraging reports from the Mission fields are inspiring to any Christian, and if we study the question more, we would be prepared to do more intelligent giving and praying.

Every Missionary Society ought to be familiar with the important fields, and the need, and should take pleasure in helping to pray for the workers and to supply their needs. The Mission Study Class will prove a blessing wherever it is taught by consecrated, prayerful, intelligent leaders.

CONDUCT IN PUBLIC PLACES.

Missionary workers can render the race valuable service by doing all they can to help that class of people who provoke unfavorable comment by their unbecoming conduct in public places.

This is particularly noticeable on street cars and in public carriers. We must lower our voices and talk to our associates and not disturb other passengers. Many people wait until they get on the train to give orders about things that must be done at home, and to discuss things that they have already discussed, and to yell at friends a half a block away.

There is entirely too much loud talking on the streets, and even during church services. We talk too loud and know too much about everybody and everything. There are many people who do not have contact with us in our homes, and business places who must judge us by this loud mouth element, and they actually conclude that we have no home training.

Mothers can help us in this work and can certainly help the school force by calling the attention of their children to the fact, that they are entirely too loud and rude in their conduct during the recess and at the close of school, daily. One who did not know, would think that the inmates of an insane asylum have escaped, the girls are as bad as the boys. We sympathize with these youthful spirits pent up all day, and we know that many of them must give vent to their feelings, but it is possible for young people to enjoy themselves, and yet not act like escaped lunatics.

There can be much real good work done toward changing Public opinion, if we will be a little more careful of our public deportment.

Our critics are forever looking for an opportunity to prove that education is not helping the young Negro, and our good deportment will go a long way toward refuting the charge.

Again we have an opportunity to show our good breeding by not running over the people who are in front of us to get a seat in the car or train or any public carrier. A certain class of whites have set a poor example for the Negro in many sections, by making it a point to rush in and spread out, so that we cannot get seats, and others show how well-bred they are, by trying to keep Negroes from sitting by them, when the seat is not occupied. There is hardly a day that we do not see cases of this kind.

Many times Negroes are made to stand when there are a number of vacant seats. We have always found that the best class of white people have no objection in the world to sitting by decent Negroes in public carriers, and may we remind you here, that decent Negroes have as much aversion to sitting beside dirty Negroes, as they have to sitting beside dirty white persons, but both races can help each other, by being a little more considerate and courteous in public places. Each race is helped and not hurt by being courteous and respectful.

Those who believe that courteous treatment makes the Negro pompous are very much mistaken, but it is neither fair nor civil that we be made to stand when we have paid our nickel for a seat, and when another man who has not paid but a nickel is allowed to monopolize two seats. People who object to Negroes sitting beside them do so, not because they are embarrassed, or because the Negro is personally offensive, but because they have an idea that the Negro feels good, and that this contact makes him think that he is his equal. Perhaps such might be the feeling, but the Negro knows that the man who takes the same kind of fare he takes, and who is little enough to object to him because of his color, is not far enough ahead of him to make him feel that he is being elevated by contact.

We have seen our people provoked to act very rudely and to demand seats, or squeeze in, and almost sit in the laps of the "spreaders." Here is an opportunity for us to show our superiority by not squeezing in. It is better to stand than it is to try to get even with ill-bred passengers. Let us at all times and on all occasions, remember that the quiet, dignified individual who is respectful to others is after all the superior individual, be he black or white.

OUR GIRLS.

A campaign for the enlistment of young women in Christian work must be inaugurated and vigorously pushed. We have been made more and more conscious of the fact that for some reason the church is not getting hold of our young people. The streets are teeming with them, and the church doors are wide open and the pews empty. Criticizing and fault-finding will not draw them. Over against the attraction set by the world, Christian women must set attraction as positive and as alluring.

To do effective work we shall certainly have to go to the homes and enlist the mothers. Too many girls are dropping out of the Public Schools before they finish the work in the grades. Too many bad girls are being sent to our Christian or State Schools to be reformed. Many mothers are simply converting our Institutions of learning into reform schools, thereby ruining good girls, who must be thrown into rooms or into close contact every day in the year with girls whose thoughts are impure and whose lives are not exemplary. It is very evident that mothers are not doing their duty.

Some girls are allowed to do as they please at home and to associate with all kinds of company right under their mother's roof. There are too many "sweet sixteens" down to old-fashioned courting. Somehow when a girl gets to "courting," she gets to "bossing," and since she cannot boss the man, she tries her hand on her mother or other members of the household.

In the average home there is not enough outlined every-day work, and not enough outlined every-day study for the girls to do. Indeed the average home is run without any rule, any system, any head, any time to go or any time to come—kind of a do as you please shelter.

We must make our homes more attractive. Each mother should as carefully arrange her program for the day and evening as a schedule is arranged in an institution of learning. The evening should be the time for the family reunion, when the pleasant incidents of the day may be related, and when the little problems and perplexities and little annoyances may be discussed, where music and innocent games are indulged in with mother and father taking an active part.

Our young people are in the streets very often for want of companionship in the home. We have in mind a case of a young woman of seventeen, who came to us a few days ago and stated that she had left home because her father

was so mean, and in the next breath, she stated that she had married and had left her husband, because he too, was mean to her. This young woman has some ability, but she is going to wreck her life and that speedily. This is the story of hundreds of young women. They run from home where peace and happiness does not prevail and rush into the marital relation, soon to drift with the tide.

We believe it is possible to get hold of the young women who are drifting and we shall not be satisfied until this organization has in every city a Young Girls' Club, that will devote itself entirely to getting its hands on young women and turning them into the church, and into other organizations that will help to build them up. During the past year, we have talked to hundreds of young women, and we believe that the personal touch that we have had with them is going to mean the awakening of aspiration for higher and better things. It may be that you cannot get a large number of members at the start, but you can form a Young Girls' Club in your town, and you will be surprised at the number of young women who really want to be something, and with a little encouragement will get on the right track. Let us save our girls.

THE RAILROADS.

We have continued our interest in the improvement of conditions on the Railroads. The laws are still flagrantly violated, and the roads are slow in doing anything to promote the comfort of their Colored patrons. We decided long since that we would not let up on this question, until some things for which we have asked are granted, and we come to this meeting more fully resolved than ever, to continue to "annoy" the roads about their treatment of colored patrons. Be it understood that we have no objection to riding in cars "For Colored Only" but we shall not be satisfied until first-class accommodations be given, when first-class fares are paid.

We are simply being imposed upon by rich corporations. We come to this convention, bringing a petition to be signed by every delegate here and every representative of state and district organizations, asking that separate toilets be provided for men and women. The present arrangement is too indecent to be permitted by the men, who stand at the head of these great corporations—men who live in luxury, and who would not think of keeping their dogs in places such as they provide for the thousands of colored people who patronize their roads.

We are still asking for basins in which to wash our faces and hands. One or two roads have made provisions, but the majority have not as yet, heeded our petition. We worked for the step boxes until we got some of the roads to order porters to put out the box when necessary.

We have been insisting that all signs be taken down when the Mason-Dixon Line is crossed, and the roads declare that they have given definite instructions to the porters to do this, but we find that while none of the porters forget to put them up quite awhile before we reach the line, but they very often forget (?) to take them down. They may forget to remove the signs, but we shall never fail to remind the operating officials when the signs are up, and as far as possible give our patronage to those roads that look out for their colored patrons, not only when they want to handle a large delegation, but when they are handling the regular traffic.

TEMPERANCE CAUSE.

The temperance cause is still gaining ground.

States, counties and towns are going dry, and many of us will live to see the day, when the legalized traffic of Liquor will be abolished, and when our government will regard the revenue from strong drink as money washed in the blood of the thousands, who are annually lowered to drunkards' graves leaving behind them blots upon our Christian Civilization and families wrecked and ruined, mentally, morally and spiritually.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union deserves the hearty cooperation of every member of the convention, and whenever a battle is waged against the saloon in our state or town, let us take a definite and decided stand against the evil that is doing more injury to our race, than all of the discriminating, humiliating laws can possibly do.

We ask each delegate and friend to carry home this resolution, that if we cannot vote the saloon out of town, we will vote it out of our homes and out of our churches. Men may make liquor, and men may be put into office, who are in favor of the saloon, but no manufacturer and no law-maker can compel us to drink. If we cannot vote the saloon out of town we can vote the beer bucket and the whiskey flask out of the home and out of the pocket. If we cannot put into office men who are opposed to saloons, we can put out of the pulpit men who do not stand for temperance. In fact no man who is not out and out against the saloon should be permitted to preach the Gospel and the church can do much toward breaking up the saloon by putting into the pulpit

men who stand for anti-saloon pulpit, anti-saloon deacons, anti-saloon Trustee Board and anti-saloon church.

The saloon is the worst enemy the home has, and the pastor should certainly stand for the home, for upon its purity and strength, the church must depend for growth.

TWO EVILS.

The five-cent theatres so numerous in our large cities are simply clearing our churches of young people on the Sabbath. The Nickel-theatre is demoralizing. Anything that absorbs the life at the exclusion of Christ, is demoralizing.

There must be an organized effort to reach the mothers, and to lay upon their hearts the evident danger in all of the amusements to which our young people are so much wedded. The pace at which the majority of our young people are going will render hopeless the condition of the next generation. Where will we get mothers—from the streets and public dance halls? God save the race from this brand of mothers, but unless there is a right about face, we will not have any other source from which to get them.

Inviting homes, with a little more of the old-fashioned comfort and less of the fancy installment plan stuff will keep many girls and boys away from amusement resorts. The home needs clean walls, bare floors, well painted, a few rugs that can be cleaned without coming to pieces, and a good library with the best books and magazines. If one half of the money that is spent in buying carpets of flaming hues, fancy clocks, lace curtains, plush furniture, brass beds—was spent in books and in wholesome food, ten thousand homes would be ten thousand times better off. Entirely too much money is wasted in gaudy, showy, cheap stuff, that wears out before it is paid for, or that is taken away by the installment man as soon as the real value is paid. All installment junk wears out before it is paid for—the dresses, shoes, hats, coats and furniture usually look woe begone before the account is settled. Thousands of people are simply working for the installment man.

In many sections, all of the last season's clothes from New York are sold to installment venders for a song and they in turn sell them at wonderfully advanced prices. As the consequence, installment merchants are reaping a fortune. We know how active they are during the gathering of the cotton, corn and cane crops. We must have clothes. But let us buy less of the cheap and gaudy and get sensible serviceable garments, and either pay cash, or go to reputable firms, and get out of the clutches of the installment sharks.

Thousands of our young women who work at service in the North are simply slaving for these men. Fancy silk skirts that are not worth over Three Dollars, are sold for Ten and Twelve, and hats that can be bought for Four and Five Dollars are marked at twice or three times their value. Would-be fur coats and cloth suits are advanced four times their value. How many poor working girls have you seen "dressed to death" on Installment plan, with an outfit that has cost them Fifty or Seventy-five Dollars. This is a pitiful state in which we find too many working girls, who are trying to "dress the fashion of the lady upstairs."

We beg these young women to save their money, buy sensible serviceable clothes, join a reputable benefit organization, and lay by a few dollars each month, for the rainy day that is sure to come. How much we need a dress reform can be told by those who come in contact daily with the mass of working women. Christian women in our churches and Club Organizations are doing much, perhaps unconsciously, to delay the reform.

A premium is being placed on dress, and those who are not able to keep up are not on the list of the "socially eligible." There was a meeting held this summer in which women spent hundreds of dollars for clothing, and several were reported to have had on dresses that cost One Hundred Fifty Dollars and Two Hundred Dollars. The effort of this meeting should have been to show the poor, struggling woman who is trying to rise, how well a woman can look in an inexpensive garment.

We must begin to teach our people that dress and showy tinsel and glitter are not the real things, but that to get the most out of life one must give attention to fundamental things. Religion is the first requisite, industry the next step, education the next, and with these three properly incorporated into one's life, all of the other things may be easily added, but without these essentials no permanent advancement of individual or race is possible.

The mass of the people are simply going fashion-mad, and good time crazy, and to make the case worse, too many of the newly rich Negroes are having great spreads at which we try to outdress each other every time a distinguished personage comes to town.

We want our women to dress becomingly, to at least keep within hailing distance of the fashion, and look as well as they can on all occasions, but it certainly does not require all of the time, money and thought that we are now giving to it, and the influence upon the masses that must be lifted is positively demoralizing.

GET DOWN TO THE MAIN THING.

The primary aim of the Mission work of this convention through its Missionary Societies is not to collect a few old clothes to contribute to the poor and to operate beneficial societies in the churches, but to seek and save souls. All of the Missionary Societies ought to give more time to soul-winning. If this is done, our church pews would not be so empty, and our streets would not be so crowded. The people would flock to the House of the Lord to be saved.

Unless we watch carefully and work earnestly, the encroaching tie of worldiness will sweep this generation off the scene and will make room for a people that will put this transcendent duty of soul-winning first in the work of the church.

How to reach the people is a great question. The only way to reach the North Pole is to go to it. That late Dwight L. Moody attended the International Convention at Indianapolis, Ind., some years ago. It is said that one evening about six o'clock, while the delegates were off to supper, that Mr. Moody walked into a corner grocery store and asked the man to let him use a large box he saw on the outside. The permission was granted. At the suggestion of Mr. Moody, his assistant got up on the box and began singing:

Am I a soldier of the cross,
A follower of the Lamb?
And shall I fear to own His cause
Or blush to speak His name?

A considerable crowd soon gathered. After the singing, Mr. Moody climbed up on the box and began to talk. The working men were just going home from the mills and factories, and in a short time a very large crowd had gathered. The people stood spellbound as the words fell from Mr. Moody's lips with wonderful force and rapidity. When he had spoken for some twenty-five minutes, he announced that the meeting would be continued at the Opera House and invited the people to accompany him there. He lead the way, and as the crowd moved in the direction of the Opera House they sang a number of familiar hymns. The men with dinner pails, followed closely on his heels, and so completely were they carried away with the sermon, that they forgot that they were on their way home, they forgot that they were tired and dirty. The man touched their hearts, their thoughts were turned inward, and so they followed him who could tell them the most of this Divine glory that came to

them through the sermon and through the songs. The Opera House was soon packed to the door. He saw that all the men were seated before he ascended the platform. His second address was as captivating as the one delivered on the street corner and it was not until the delegates had arrived for the evening session of the convention, that Mr. Moody closed the meeting saying, "Now we must close, as the brethren of the Convention, wish to come in to discuss the question, 'How to reach the masses.'" Here was a man who had successfully reached the masses, while others were talking about it.

We cannot reach the masses by simply holding conventions, making eloquent speeches and reading fine papers. We will find that we must talk to the people, not about them, and not at them. The class we are after is in the streets, in the alleys and in the lanes. They do not read the daily papers, they do not come to our churches. They do not read our papers that week by week plead for and with our people, condemning their vices, and extolling their virtues, and giving as far as it is possible, the bright and dark side of the question. There is no use to continue the discussion, "How to Reach the Masses." We are all agreed that there is but one way—Go out among them and preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ to them.

Then, too we believe that the church on fire spiritually will draw the people. The people are really hungering for the Gospel, the real old-fashioned Gospel like that preached by Peter on the day of Pentecost. That Gospel so full of Christ and of Heaven and of glory that men will give anything to go to glory with us.

"THEY REST FROM THEIR LABORS."

This convention has lost by death, two of its treasurers; the first Mrs. S. C. V. Foster, Alabama, and Mrs. Artissa Gilbert Wilkerson, Kentucky, and four of its Vice Presidents: Mrs. E. P. Donaldston, Washington; Mrs. S. C. Gates, La.; Mrs. Hattie E. Jackson, Ohio; Mrs. A. M. Peyton, Illinois. The last named was with us in our Annual Session at Columbus. A few months after news flashed over Chicago, that death had claimed Anna M. Peyton. A chill ran through the many hundreds of women throughout the city and state who had been with her in religious and fraternal organizations. The departed lived a useful, active life. She never missed a single session of this convention, and was always assigned to work on its most important committees. Though physically incapacitated for duty, so anxious was she to

serve that she died in the harness. If departed saints are permitted to look down upon such pleasant scenes as this, our sister Anna M. Peyton speaks to us out of heaven to-day asking us to sing "Where Jesus is 'Tis Heaven," the song she sang so beautifully before we parted last year.

We mourn her loss. We miss her but thank God, like others who rest from their labors and who die in the Lord, she is not dead.

"A star gone down
To shine upon some fairer shore,
And bright in Heaven's jeweled-crown,
She shines forevermore."

THE TRAINING SCHOOL.

The National Training School for women and girls, owned and operated by the Woman's Auxiliary and the National Baptist Convention, is a reality. The opening day, if prophetic, will bring to your efforts glorious results. It was an ideal Autumn day, and hundreds of people were present to bid us "God Speed." Many representatives from the States were present, and many more sent greetings.

During the year, we have given much attention to getting things properly started, and injecting into the teachers, as well as the students, the spirit of harmony, good-will, contentment, cleanliness, industry, that should prevail in the ideal Educational Institution, that this must ever be. Filled with the right spirit, we have lived happily together for these ten months.

The Winter was a severe one, and like all persons who have just started to housekeeping, our needs were many. Food and fuel were daily necessities, and while we practiced the strictest economy, the bills would run up. We closed the year, however, not owing a cent for food or fuel.

OUR STUDENTS.

A finer set of women and girls cannot be found in the world—loyal, helpful, cheerful and hopeful—they made this year a very happy one to us. No sacrifice was too great, no task too arduous for them if it meant help for the Institution. Their "spirit" was simply inspiring, and at the close of the school year, fifteen decided not to go home during the Summer, but preferred to stay on the hill and look after the chickens, the garden, and the orchard for you. As a result, we have over 200 chickens, 400 jars and glasses of pre-

serves and jam, made from the fruit out of our orchard, and out of the garden they fed the Summer School, and we have sweet potatoes, onions and turnips enough to supply us quite a while during the Winter. They could have reported more to you, but we did not have a horse and plow to till more ground, but with the coming of the horse already pledged by Zion Baptist Church, Cincinnati, Ohio, of which the Vice-Chairman of our Trustee Board, Rev. J. Franklin Walker is pastor, our girls will plant vegetables enough to supply the school.

You may wonder why they have been so helpful. It is because they know that the Institution is theirs, and its success means their success. They know that the hundreds of women over this country, who have made possible the establishment of the school, are expecting great things of them, and they are determined that they shall not be disappointed. They fully realize that the opening of this school is in answer to prayer, and that God is expecting their lives to count in His service. Truly this is the Training School spirit and God helping us it shall ever live.

MANAGEMENT.

We have taken the very best care we possibly could of all that you have given us. Only four towels were lost last year. Three vegetable dishes, four plates, five cups, three saucers, four glasses and one knife were broken. Not a table napkin was lost. Three table-cloths got very small holes in them, and had to be darned. Not a sheet, nor a quilt, nor a blanket was misplaced or damaged in any way. One mattress was damaged. Any number of lamp chimneys were broken, but everything that was broken or damaged was promptly paid for by the student who was so unfortunate. Our walls were not marred. Not a chair, nor a piece of furniture was damaged. We are giving as much attention to taking care of what we have, as we are to getting what we need. The floors are bare, and are kept perfectly white by old-fashioned scrubbing once a week. The rooms are cleaned thoroughly daily, and every closet is kept in perfect order, for every day and at any hour, the inspector may be around.

The students are compelled to do their laundry work every week, and must wash every soiled piece they have, so that there are no "left-overs." The soiled linen is kept in the laundry and not in the rooms.

Our students keep well. We did not have to have a physician for any of them during the entire year. The President was the only one who spoiled the record by getting sick.

OUR TEACHERS.

We had five teachers and a matron who stayed on the grounds, and three who came from the city. They gave splendid service and several of them deserve special personal mention. They were paid promptly each month.

Drs. W. Bishop Johnson, J. Milton Waldron, Walter H. Brooks, teachers in the Missionary Training Department, deserve special commendation. They served us without charge, and were faithful to their duty as teachers, and exceedingly helpful in making friends for the school.

Miss M. M. Wall, who served as Secretary and teacher, deserves special mention. She has been the most faithful, untiring, and unselfish woman with whom it has been our pleasure to be associated. Without her, we would not have been able to stand up as well as we did, and the Lord gave her to us for just such an hour as this.

THE WOMAN'S AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY HELP.

The Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, closed the Training School at Dallas, Texas, last fall, and turned over to us, two students and the very best teacher they had. We were delayed in opening the Missionary Department because Miss Jennie L. Peck, Dean, had to attend to the business of closing out the Caroline Bishop School at Dallas. She came to Washington in December, and took charge of the work of training our young women for Missionary Service at home and abroad. Her rich and ripe experience and her special fitness for the work assigned her, made her a most valuable accession. She has stood nobly by our side during these months, and her encouragement, advice, and great sympathy, and above all, intense desire to see the Training School the greatest Institution in our country for the preparation of our women for work in the church and home, has made us thank God again and again, that the Board at Chicago saw fit to make such a valuable contribution to our cause.

There are fifteen students in the Missionary Training Department, four are being trained for work in Africa, and one for work in Hayti. The others will do service on the home field.

We extend to the society our heartiest thanks, and we are glad that though in our first year, that they are able to report more colored women in training in our Institution to do Missionary work, than they have in any other school in

this country. Their investment is going to pay, and pay well, for there are several in the class who are going to be bright and shining lights.

During the year, we were visited by Mrs Katherine S. Westfall, Secretary of the Society, Mrs. Johnson, of the Educational Department, Mrs. A. E. Reynolds, who has since been appointed a member of our Advisory Board, Mrs. Mapleston, Mrs. A. Baker, the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Barbour, Treasurer, our own Sister Moore, Mrs. Dr. Fernald and several others.

SPECIAL GIFTS.

Many of the letters that came on Opening Day contained not only congratulatory messages, but contributions.

Mrs. Maggie Walker, President of the St. Lukes Bank, the most successful Negro business woman in the world, sent greetings and a check for Five Hundred Dollars. Mrs. Walker is one of those unselfish, unpretentious Christian women, who gives because she loves the Lord, and not to have her deeds of charity heralded abroad. It was her request that we simply accept this handsome gift, and use it in paying for our property, and not make any mention of it, but we are very much like the little boy, whose sister was afraid that he would tell her beau what she had been saying about him, so she gave him a quarter to keep his mouth shut. When her beau came, the little fellow looked at him and grinned, and went off in a corner and sat where he could get a good view of him, and kept laughing, when he could not control himself any longer, he said, "Here sister, you take this quarter, I will have to tell what you told me or bust." Though we were asked not to make any mention of the gift, we will simply make an apology to Mrs. Walker, for we had to say something about this handsome gift, or "bust." We are certain that Mrs. Walker is the only woman in the race who has thought enough of the struggles of her own people, to give even half of this amount this year. There are some who are able to do it; but they have not quite enough of the selfishness and indifference out of them to do so.

We do not wonder at the rapid growth of the the "Independent Order of the St. Lukes." It has at its head, a woman who loves God and her fellowman. Her great love for the masses, and her willingness to join hands in their uplift have been rewarded by the way in which she is treated by the thousands of women who are willing to join us in thanks to God for having given us a woman who as she advances gets nearer and nearer her own people.

During May we received a contribution from Mr. John Converse, to help us in our Summer School Work. This philanthropist, one of the largest contributors to the work of practical evangelism, has since passed away. Because of his gifts, thousands of souls have been saved. It may be truly said that he loved his fellowman, supremely, because he loved their souls. We shall ever remember him, for the kind words he sent us, and for the contribution he made to our effort to train the women of our race for service at home and abroad.

We have one friend who has stood by us all of these years, and whose words of cheer, have served as a source of strength and inspiration. We refer to Miss Ewen; she is thoroughly interested in all we are trying to do, and we thank God not only for her help, but for her love messages, that have served as a wonderful stimulus, when the way has been dark, and the path rugged. Thank God for all of these friends, and we shall make their contributions count in the lives of those they have striven to help.

ENLARGEMENT.

It is absolutely necessary that we have a building sufficiently large, and equipped for the work that this institution is doing. The growth is going to be so rapid, that the matter cannot be delayed. \$50,000 is the amount asked for by the trustees, and we trust that every friend will contribute handsomely to the Building Fund, and the work may be begun within the next three or four months.

Under this one roof, we must have an immense Laundry, equipped to do all kinds of work, for not only can we get students enough who are too poor to pay for their education, but we can get all the work we can do to enable them to complete their education.

In this building must be a Domestic Science Hall, Commercial Department, Millinery and Dressmaking Departments together with necessary class rooms and dormitories. It is useless to attempt anything small, for even though we have this building properly equipped, we will outgrow it within the next two or three years.

HOW WE CAN GET IT.

If a thousand men and women in this Convention will give Ten Dollars each, five hundred, Five Dollars Each, two thousand, Two Dollars each and one thousand, Three Dollars each, we will have the building finished before we

come to another Annual Meeting. This must be done, God has ordered it, and you need it, and it will come to pass. Help us to lay it upon the hearts of those who realize the importance of training a large number of the women who will make their lives count in the uplift of the race.

URGENT NEEDS.

We must have money with which to meet pressing obligations, and we beg to suggest the following financial plan. If you will accept this, and help us to work it, we will be out of debt in a few months, and will be able to give our attention to the raising of funds for the building of the Industrial Hall. Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars will wipe out the present indebtedness paying note, interest on property, for all improvements, repairs and furnishings. To this end, we are asking One Hundred Churches to give Five Dollars each, Two Thousand Women to give One Dollar each, and Five Hundred men to give Two Dollars each by December first. Each trustee will be responsible for raising Ten Dollars of the amount asked for. This plan makes the burden so light, that it can be carried without anyone feeling it.

Our other immediate needs are a permanent teachers' salary fund of \$3,600 per year, wind-mill, furnace, two cows, ten all-wool blankets, outfit for Domestic Science Department, scholarships, \$100.00 each per year for deserving girls, books, especially of Reference; standard books of History, Literature, Biography and Travel; farm and garden implements.

We must call particular attention to our immediate need of a furnace. The kind that should be installed, will cost \$178.00. We cannot go into the winter without it. If a hundred friends will lay \$1.00 each on the table tonight for this particular purpose, and seventy-eight others will pledge a dollar to be paid October 15th, the work will be done at once.

We call special attention to the service a laundry will be to us. It will not only give us an opportunity to make the teaching in this department very practical, but it will enable us to help girls who are simply begging us to help them to get an education. They are willing to do most any kind of work. We all know that it is not difficult to get a plenty of laundry work, particularly for an institution that is trying to teach students to help themselves. Mrs. Whitfield has been appealing for this particular work. We trust that her dreams will be realized in the building of a laundry in a very few months.

GIFTS PROMISED.

At the meeting of the Trustee Board, of the Vice Chairman, Rev. J. Franklin Walker, promised for the Zion Baptist Church, to give a horse before the opening of school. Drs. L. G. Jordan and E. C. Morris, a delivery wagon; Rev. Geo. E. Morris, a harness; Rev. S. W. Bacote and church, a range for Domestic Science Hall. We are expecting these gifts to be on hand at the opening, October 4th.

THE SUMMER SCHOOL.

The Summer School of Bible Study and Industrial Arts was conducted from July 4th to August 15th. Rev. S. N. Vass, Miss Jennie L. Peck, Miss Georgia G. Moore, and Rev. J. Milton Waldron were the instructors. Special lectures were delivered by Rev. M. W. D. Norman and Prof. Kelly Miller. The average attendance was thirty-four, and those who took advantage of the special instruction by these distinguished teachers were wonderfully helped. As a climax to the work of six weeks, the spirit of the Lord touched the heart of one of the young women and she was converted.

Not only did we conduct a school out on the hill, but under Miss Peck, assisted by two students in the Missionary Training Department, a Summer Vacation Bible and Industrial School was conducted in the city every day for five weeks. Seventy-four persons attended with the number of strangers who from time to time swelled this number considerably.

The Sunday-school has given opportunity to the students for practice work, and it has been a great blessing to our neighborhood.

We also conducted an Industrial School weekly. This is attended by boys and girls, and we have fifty-three enrolled. The Dean of the Missionary Training Department has charge of this work. We have been glad to help those that are at our doors, and the people of the community have shown their appreciation for our efforts by sending their children to our Industrial School, and by taking an interest in all of our Public Meetings.

There are fifteen in the Missionary Training Department; four pledge to do work in Africa, one in Hayti and ten to join hands with you, in doing Mission work on the Home Field. Our church and city mission work needs them now, and we are glad to say to our pastors, that some of these young women will prove very valuable pastor's assistants. Nine states are represented in the Department, seventeen states and two Foreign countries in the school, and of

the thirty-one students enrolled last year, all of them are preparing themselves to do some definite work. The majority of them have a decided mission spirit, and the Dean of the Department says that "with a few years of thorough training, they will develop into strong, faithful, unselfish leaders, such as are greatly needed, both on the Home and Foreign Fields." Every student who was in school last year, will be with us again this year, and we have on our roll 75 Prospective Students. The attendance this year will be between seventy-five and a hundred.

WHY SEND YOUR GIRLS TO US.

Because this Institution is devoting itself entirely to the development of the best that there is in every woman and girl, and thus create within her, self-reliance, deep sympathy, and will so clear her vision, that she will see her duty and on every hand, work to do, and will not be lacking in the disposition or determination to do her part well. Send them to us because we look after the Moral, Religious, Intellectual and Industrial Development of their lives. Send them to us because they are free from social temptations so common in most of our mixed schools. Send them to us, because we are not going to turn out makeshifts, but workmen of whom you will be proud.

At the conclusion of Secretary's address, a motion by Mrs. P. J. Bryant, that the most profound address of Secretary Burroughs, brimful of facts, that inspired us with renewed zeal and hope, be received and adopted; and her recommendations referred to the Committee on Recommendations. Carried.

A motion to suspend rule, and elect Corresponding Secretary by acclamation. Several sisters spoke to the motion, contending for Constitutional requirement. Question was called by the house. Vote taken: Yeas, 120; nays, 10.

A motion by Mrs. Bryant that the election of Secretary be made unanimous, carried.

A motion by Mrs. Lillie Smith, of Colorado to make the election of President unanimous. That motion considered out of order. Dr. Fanny Kneeland spoke, contending for Constitution. President Layten informed the doctor, there was nothing before the house.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Mrs. Parrish said, after listening for several hours to the inspiring address of our Secretary, we were too full to contain more; so she would omit her written report which she had prepared as Treasurer, and simply give us the figures of receipts and disbursements which corresponded to those read by Corresponding Secretary. (See the Report.)

A motion prevailed to receive and adopt Treasurer's report. A motion, that rule be suspended, and the Treasurer and all other officers be elected unanimously; and Secretary Broughton cast ballot for the Convention. Carried.

A motion to reconsider the action relative to President Layten's election, and make her election unanimous, carried.

Announcements made. Benediction by Dr. C. H. Parrish.

EVENING SESSION.

Miss Burroughs called the house to order, and presented Dr. Clanton. Dr. Clanton called our attention to two books, that would be helpful additions to our libraries. Dr. Walter Brooks also presented us a book, containing valuable information relative to our Denomination. These books were highly commended. A letter of inquiry was read.

THE YOUNG GIRLS PROGRAM TAKEN UP.

Miss Burroughs called the participants to the platform, and turned the meeting over to Miss Holman. Bible reading, Eccl. 12th chapter by Mrs. Lula Jackson. She emphasized verse 13, taking as a theme—"The Time to Enlist." As early as a child realizes himself a sinner, he should enlist in God's service.

Song, "Higher Ground."—Prayer. Remarks by Miss Holman, emphasizing the importance of the early conversion of children.

An address—"Home Influence the Chief Factor in a Girl's Life," was effectually delivered by Miss D. A. Horkenhull, of Arkansas.

Solo, "His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me." This beautiful selection was rendered with telling

effect, by Miss Ophelia Porter, of Louisiana. An encore, "Does Jesus care?" was sweetly sung.

Address, "The Responsibility of the Women of Our Churches to Young Girls," was well delivered by Miss Ida Mae Miller, of Indiana. Duet, "Is there any one to help us?" This selection was sung pathetically, and made deeply impressive by the fairy-like attire of the singers, and their suggestive Delsartean movements.

Address, "Shall we save the girls or reform the women," Miss Rosalie Hanna delivered this address so forcefully all were impressed, to save our girls was the chief concern of all mothers.

Solo, "He lifted me." This was sweetly sung by Miss Geneva Staulz, Louisiana.

Rev. E. E. Whitfield was called to the platform to pray for our young women.

Miss Burroughs spoke of the importance of the occasion, and asked that the offering be taken without singing or speaking. Amount collected, \$38.74. Prayer by Dr. A. R. Griggs. Announcements made.

Benediction by Rev. W. S. Ellington, Editorial Secretary of Publishing Board.

EARLY PRAYER MEETING.

Friday, September 16, 1910.

Prayer service opened with prayer, by Miss Burroughs. Theme, "What God hath done for us," announced by Vice President Bryant. All present testified to the many blessings God had bestowed upon them. The manifestation of the Holy Spirit gladdened all hearts.

FRIDAY—MORNING SESSION.

BIBLE HOUR.

Misses Holman and Blackburn conductors.

Prayer by Mrs Mamie Clark, of Ohio. Song, "Is thy heart right with God?" Bible Lesson, Luke 10:1-16; subject, "Need of laborers." Sisters read the lesson. Comments by Miss Holman. (1) Pray for laborers; (2) Kind of laborers needed.

A small boy of seven years of age read a verse and sweetly commented; another sister commented on the topic.

Song, "Glory to his name." Prayer by Mrs. Rosie Stevens, Georgia. Song, "What a fellowship."

President Layten called Mrs. Rosella Robinson, of Indiana, to formally open Convention with prayer. Committees were again announced. (See Reports.) Order of the day taken up.

REVIEW OF THE FIELD.

Mrs. E. E. Whitfield, subject, "The Pastor." Introductory remarks. She spoke of her journeys with their varied experiences, expressing a wish that she might speak at length of the victories and triumphs of our work; but as she had been assigned a subject, she must commit herself to the theme given her. However, her heart was so full of the Lord's struggles, and victories achieved through the prayers, and activities of the faithful, she could not refrain from saying a few words touching that subject. Her stirring words moved the hearts of her hearers. She then proceeded to deliver the following address:

"THE MINISTER A HELPER AND HINDERER TO MISSIONS."

We have both Helpers and Hinderers, but I am glad to say, however, the Helpers number more than the Hinderers. A perfect revival of interest in Missions depends largely upon a thoroughly consecrated, aggressive ministry. The missionary work of our churches will never rise higher than our ministry. We have ministers whose hearts are filled with divine zeal for world-wide Missions, and their church members are filled with the same spirit. They have praying churches, and prayer is a lever that will move the world. They work, they give, they send, they run, they go and by so doing they are obeying the command of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who has said "Let my gospel run and be glorified." These ministers' churches are not dead, but alive and working up to that spiritual height that will bear the entire church onward upon a wave of spiritual enthusiasm. Peter was worked up to this spiritual height and the people heard him, when he preached that day and three thousands were caught up and borne heavenward. The ministers who help do missionary work—not spasmodically, simply when they hear returned missionaries tell of

the suffering in the dark and benighted lands; but they have their shoulders to the wheel day after day and year after year, always abounding in the works of the Lord—these ministers have good churches. They have money to pay off the indebtedness of their churches. They have plenty to eat. They are taking care of their families nicely.

But not so with the ministers who hinder missionary work. They will not do any missionary work and they do not encourage their churches to do so. But they do encourage charitable work and church extension work.

But every time you meet these ministers who hinder, they are crying hard times and look like worse is coming; these people are drifting away from their churches and they are not preaching the gospel of world-wide missions. I would like to say right here to the ministers who hinder the spread of God's gospel who has said go in all the world and preach my gospel to every creature, the gospel has saved you and it will save others; then let it go. Every minister ought to say way down in his soul, let me help throw out the life line.

President Layten complimented Sister Whitfield's address, and said, that it was difficult to tell which was the preacher in the Whitfield family, Sister or Brother Whitfield.

Mrs. Lula M. Jackson, an address.—"The Vice President and President of Missionary Societies." Sister Jackson's introductory remarks. A touching story of sickness and sorrow in her home during the past year was related, we were glad to know the everlasting arms were underneath her, and she was safely borne through the storm, with her every want supplied. Thence to her subject.

(1) Vice Presidents and all officers have excellent opportunities for Christian service.

(2) Choice of officers important.

(a) Should be active and loyal to the cause.

(b) Glorifying in the cross only.

(c) Elect for fitness not favoritism.

(d) Elect women given to hospitality, who will pray, plan and assist field workers, when in their territory.

She kindly referred to Vice Presidents, who had been especially helpful to her.—Mesdames Parrish, Bryant, Griggsby, Williams and McDowell. Mrs. McDowell, at her own expense, had accompanied the missionary throughout her state. All the good women, as Vice President and President who had in any way contributed to forward the Lord's work, were encouraged to go forward, and do greater

better work. She also sounded a note of warning.—If those in command did not do their duty, God would remove them, and place others, better fitted to serve, in their stead.

President Layten complimented Mrs. Jackson's pointed, thoughtful address, and then presented Miss M. M. Kimball to address us, subject, "The People." Miss Kimball expressed her joy in being present, and stated that sickness had prevented her from appearing before us as field worker, the past two years. She said that she wished to subscribe her approval to what had been said about pastors, and officers of missionary societies. These distinguished personages were the doors of the people. The people in the aggregate, are with us for the principles we hold,—the uplift of womanhood and world-wide missions. As a body set in motion will continue to move unless hindered by an external force, so the people will do right if let alone, and not hindered by our leaders. A jealous spirit existing among leaders; the world-vision necessary to broaden our views, and bring us closer together in our endeavors. Spirit of disinterestedness and indifference seemed apparent. God was raising up an army of young people to take the place of antiquated leaders, who hindered the work. Let the people alone, and our principles will prevail.

GREETINGS FROM THE STATES' VICE PRESIDENTS.

"What have I done to promote the work of the Convention," Mrs. C. M. Wells, Vice President, Alabama made a strong speech; she impressed the Convention that she had done a good work in the State of Alabama. She presented \$6 to Miss Burroughs for the training of a young woman; and pledged \$10 per month toward her support.

Mrs. S. C. V. Shanks, Vice President, Arkansas, said that she had been loyal to the work for the past ten years. She saw the work to-day more clearly than ever; and she had induced not a few of the women of her state to feel that Arkansas was an important factor in promoting the work of this Convention.

Mrs. Lillie Smith, Vice President, Colorado. She brought greetings of Colorado, and said, that three years ago, a state organization was effected in Colorado. She was appointed missionary, and in six months time succeeded in building up a work for God, that was telling upon the lives of the people in that mining district. There were only fourteen Baptist churches in Colorado and there were fourteen

missionary societies. Hers was a hard field, many oppositions; but God was with her, giving her victories; and as the people were getting informed, the work was growing; her sisters were with us to be helped, and to help along all lines.

Mrs. M. J. Davis, Vice President, California, brought greetings from southern California. She said that different conditions prevailed in California, and she could not report as others had done. Hitherto the colored Baptists in California had worked with the white Baptists. There were only a few colored Baptist Churches with small memberships; they did some home mission work; were in sympathy with us, and wished our field workers would visit California and help impress her people with the work of our Convention.

Mrs. Minor, substitute for Mrs. J. M. Layten, Vice President of District of Columbia, brought greetings; she said that her sisters were moving steadily forward under the noble leadership of their worthy Vice President.

Mrs. H. E. Harris, Vice President of Georgia, brought greetings. She said, that she had met a goodly number of women in the rural districts of Georgia and thereby made many new friends for our work. The old story, of charity beginning at home, had been often repeated; but in spite of obstacles, the work in Georgia was going forward.

Mrs. L. Washington, Vice President of Georgia, emphasized the fact, that anti-missionary pastors did seek to hinder our work; but she had pressed forward, and was there praising God for the victories He had given her.

Mrs. M. D. Griggsby, Vice President of Indiana, brought greetings from her state. She had proven her loyalty to the work of this Convention during the past ten years, and she was ready to renew her pledge to stand by the work of the convention along all lines. God had used her in the salvation of fifty souls during the year; and she had been given added zeal for future service.

Mrs. Hattie Wells, Vice President of Illinois, brought greetings. She realized that women were necessary to the success of any worthy cause; she was glad to say that the women of Illinois possessed the warriors' spirit and could be relied upon to do their full duty.

Mrs. Emma Goins, Vice President of Kansas brought the greetings of the Sunflower State. She said that her sisters were laboring and praying to be helpful to every phase of our work. An Old Folks' Home, and other charities were being fostered by her state. The National Workers from

the men's Convention hold the right-of-way in Kansas. She hoped the sisters' work would continue to advance and Kansas would do more to help it.

Mrs. M. V. Parrish, Vice President of Kentucky, brought the greetings of her State. While she had done no little, she was not here to tell just what she had done; because it was all of the Lord, and not herself. She regretted that her sisters criticized the ministers, for they were God's anointed. She had kept in touch with the heads of all the departments; she approved of working in harmony with the white Baptists. Other denominations gained strength from such co-operation, and were getting hold of our children. "Baptists should grind their corn at their own mill, and save the toll." She gave the following statistics: Prayer meetings attended, 1,190; Bibles and Testaments distributed, 31; Pages of Tracts distributed, 2,925; Religious visits made, 5,384; children induced to attend Sunday-school, 384; non-church-goers induced to attend church, 378; religious talks, 5,211; poor and suffering aided, 608; garments distributed, 558; sinners brought to Christ, 226.

Mrs. N. L. West, Vice President of Louisiana, said that she was glad to have us in her state; a Pentecostal shower had swept over Louisiana and many souls had been saved; Louisiana was determined to take the world for Christ. She assured us that her state was loyal to our work; and presented a check of \$25 for Foreign Missions.

Mrs. R. L. Bennett, Vice President Missouri. She told of the hearty welcome extended her, upon going into that state; she had found Sister McDonald, President of the State, loyal to the work of this Convention. She spoke of the Girl's Dormitory, as an object of special endeavor in Missouri, a Woman's Union in St. Louis, another special line of work in Missouri. Bible Institutes are also held, and greatly stimulate the work. She presented \$5 for Foreign Missions.

Mrs. Lula Jackson reported her work in St. Louis at this point. In three weeks, she raised there, \$127.44.

Mrs. Sarah Johnson, Vice President, Ohio, brought greetings from her State. She referred to the decease of the late Vice President, Sister Jackson, and said, like Elisha of old, who received Elijah's mantle, she had received the mantle of Sister Jackson, and would endeavor to do her full duty to have Ohio keep in line with all the work of our Convention.

Mrs. L. M. Landrum, Vice President, Oklahoma, said that her state organization was young; but was loyal to the National Convention. The State was trying to build a school; yet hoped to aid us in the general National work. She donated \$2.

Mrs. M. E. Hamilton, Vice President, Tennessee, spoke of her pleasant connection with the Convention these ten years; she was deeply in love with her State, the work she was doing; and that Tennessee was loyal to the National Convention. Her State had 14 District Women's Associations; 1 State Convention, 3 Denominational Schools, and many local missionary societies. She had answered every call of the Corresponding Secretary, and had ever been near the Executive Officers, and was ever ready to do her duty as an individual, and as representative of the great State of Tennessee. She spoke tenderly of President Layten from her relation to Tennessee, as the home of her childhood. She had been helped by her contact with the good women of the Convention, and as she missed the dear departed ones she hoped to be missed, she departed to her Heavenly home.

President Layten stated that Vice Presidents Bryant Parrish would preside in the afternoon meeting; and the reports of Vice Presidents of States would be continued.

Offering taken, \$171.

Benediction by Rev. B. S. Evans, Mississippi.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotions were conducted by Mrs. L. A. K. Johnson, Mississippi, and Mrs. ——— of Texas.

Song, "I need Thee every hour." Bible Lesson, Mark 4:1-20; subject, "Fishing." Song, "Just as I am." Lord's Prayer, repeated in concert. Song, "Blessed assurance."

Minutes of morning session were read and approved.

Greetings from Vice Presidents continued.

Mrs. M. M. Buckner, Vice President of Texas, said that Texas was such a large State, she was proud to speak for it. She asked the delegates from Texas to rise, as witnesses of her statement. Truly a large number were present. In 1866 she was carried from New Orleans as a lost child; to return a free Christian woman engaged in the great work of Missions, as represented by our Convention was a great joy to her. She assured us she had been a loyal representative of Texas all of the ten years of our existence as an organization; she was still loyal, and would ever keep our work before her constituency in Texas. She spoke of the State Schools, and an Old Folks' Home they were fostering in Texas; told also of her effort to raise her anniversary money for the National, and presented \$25.

Mrs. McNorton, of Texas, substitute for Vice President Miller brought greetings from the Missionary and Educational Convention of Texas. She reported 17 District Associations; 73 Local Societies; 950 members; 26 Starlight Bands; money raised \$784.63. Her sisters were interested in a Nurse-Training Department in connection with one of their State Schools. She was present to get information and inspiration, and would return home more determined to work for the interests of our Convention.

Mrs. M. M. Gilmore, Vice President, South Carolina, brought greetings; she spoke of three State Schools that her sisters were fostering; they also responded to every call of our Corresponding Secretary; her interest had steadily grown, since she met the Convention in Washington, D. C., and she had kept busy to have South Carolina represented each year.

Vice President Buckner pledged a monthly donation for the support of Miss Alice Pierre Alixir, of Hayti, in the Training School. Mrs. S. C. V. Shanks pledged \$10 for Arkansas; Mrs. Lillie Smith, \$5 for Colorado. A letter of inquiry was read. Ladies on program for afternoon were called to platform.

FOREIGN MISSION PERIOD.

Miss Hoffman, of Tennessee, being absent sent her paper, "The evangelization of the world," which was read by Mrs. M. H. Flowers.

(1) The great commission was our marching orders.

(a) The word "go," was often used by our Lord.

(b) Who should go—Ye who are saved, ye who believe in Jesus; yes, all of you, who are saved are commanded to go.

(2) Why should we evangelize?

(a) Because of the millions who know not God in heathen lands.

(b) Because of the indifference of those in Christian lands.

(c) Harvest great—laborers few.

(3) How to accomplish the work.

(a) Through Christ we can do all things.

(b) Now the time to work; the night cometh.

The alarming number of heathen, who have never heard of Jesus, should move all Christians to obey the Saviour's command, Go! and evangelize the nations.

Mrs. E. P. Holland, of Rhode Island, an address—"Hardness and Opposition in Missionary Service." She expressed her joy in being present, and her gratitude to her New England sisters who had placed \$75 in her hands to come to

this meeting, and learn of our work. Paul's admonition to Timothy was presented, "Endure hardness," etc; subdue self; lift up Christ; and He will enable us to do all things. Hardness may result from lack of consecration; from lack of self-sacrifice. We were urged to open our ears to the voice of God—be deaf to the world; consecrate our tongues to speak the truth; our hands to do helpful service; our feet to walk in wisdom's ways. Thus prepared, much of the hardness would be overcome. Lack of encouragement made service hard. She wished for us God's choicest blessings, and said she would return to her home with glad tidings of the work we are doing.

An address, "The effect of studying Christian Missions," Mrs. Lillie L. Smith, Colorado. Skilled labor plentiful; competition strong; hence, no workman should undertake anything worth while without preparation. As in the business world, so in church life, preparation is essential to any degree of success. The old quotation—"Open your mouth, and the Lord will fill it," had been too long abused by those too lazy, or too ignorant to apply themselves to meet the demands of the age.

Why emphasize the study of Christian Missions? Because it is the greatest subject in all the realm of thought; all Christendom is aroused on the subject; the door of opportunity stands open at Lincoln Heights, Washington, D. C., in our Training School, for this all important work of preparation for Christian Missions. Jenny Lynn's ambition was to be the best. Hence her world-wide fame as a singer. Emulate her noble ambition.

Miss E. B. Delaney, returned missionary from Africa, was presented.

A Symposium—"A Personal Obligation and Opportunity." Miss Delaney extended a kindly greeting to the sisters and expressed herself as delighted to meet them; she then addressed the Convention upon the subject given.

(1) We are obligated to mankind,—those far away, as well as those nearby.

(a) We owe service, thought, influence, prayer, money; indeed all we are and have.

(b) Will take our life-time to pay our obligation. God has deputies; as rescuers are sent to sinking vessels, so are we sent forth of God to rescue dying souls, that will be lost eternally, unless as individuals we do our duty to save them.

(2) Never was there greater opportunity.

(a) The war is on.

(b) Through you God will redeem his pledge, "Ask of me," etc., (1 Ps. 2:8.)

Thus beautifully and impressively did Miss Delaney discuss the subject assigned her. Vice President Bryant gave sisters opportunity to discuss the subject.

Opening of Question Box was called for.

Song, "Higher Ground."

Miss Camilla Weems, of Spellman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga., was introduced. She spoke of the excellent facilities Spellman offered for the Christian education of our young women, and solicited the patronage of the Convention. Mrs. J. W. Hawkins, the widow of the late Rev. J. W. Hawkins of Lexington, Kentucky, was also introduced. She expressed joy in being present and assured us of her interest in the great work we are engaged in. Rev. J. W. Thompson, of Marshall, Texas, was introduced. He led in singing, "When we all get to Heaven." By special request of Miss Burroughs, he also led the song, "Step in anywhere." All rejoiced, as these inspiring songs were sung; and many hearty amens, and hallelujahs were heard.

Collection taken, \$6.40.

Benediction.

EVENING SESSION.

Devotions conducted by Miss Hattie I. Forrest, of Georgia. Subject, "The Bible as a Lamp." (2 Tim. 2:1-15.) Song, "Leaning on the everlasting arms." Prayer; song, "I'm a child of the King." Prayer; songs, "When the battle's over;" "Saviour more than life to me." Mesdames Griggsby, Vice President, Indiana, and L. Washington, Vice President, Georgia were presiding.

Mrs. S. J. Gray, of Illinois, commented on the passage—"Study to show thyself a workman," etc.

Mrs. Fanny Bogan rejoiced to be present, for she regarded her presence there a direct answer to prayer. General discussion of the subject, "The Bible as a Lamp," and singing songs of praise were engaged in by several.

Order of the day taken up.

Song, "I'll shout His praise in Glory."

Report of Board of Trustees of The National Training School. Mrs. M. V. Parrish, Chairman, rendered the report.

She said the first year's work had been a glowing success. The Bible was the chief classic taught, Christian development the chief object; number enrolled 31; spiritual life commendable. Five teachers employed; and three others from the city gave their services.

An interesting letter read from Miss Jenny Peck, Dean of the Missionary Department. The teachers were named and their work complimented. The handsome donations were spoken of; the commencement exercises enjoyed by all; products of the garden, orchard, and poultry yard all contributed to the success of the year's work; summer school was well attended.

Treasurer of School reported. Total amount received, \$7,048.42; total expenses, \$9,283.24. A motion to adopt the reports of Chairman and Treasurer of the Training School, was carried.

An address, "The Christian School as a Factor in Our Race Life," Mrs. P. J. Bryant, of Georgia. The Christian School stands for the three-fold development of Heart, Head, and Hand.

- (a) Industrial Education emphasized.
- (b) Heart culture essential to any acceptable service.
- (c) Special demand for skilled labor made Head culture indispensable.

We present you such a School on Lincoln Heights, Washington, D. C., and entreat you to consider our School, and give it the hearty support it so well deserves.

Address, "Two in One," Mrs. E. Arlington Wilson, of Kansas.

- (1) Education, a safe-guard to the State.
 - (2) A healthy evolution in the system of Education.
 - (a) The practical, and not theoretical only, is the demand now.
 - (b) Intellectual and physical—two in one.
 - (3) The education of our youth a great problem.
 - (a) All the educators see the importance of the two-fold training.
 - (b) Our National Training School a fulfillment of the prayers and efforts of our noble women.
- Song, by choir, "Singing and trusting."

ROLL CALL OF TRUSTEES.

Mrs. Pitts, Alabama, \$25.25; Prof. Hudson, Alabama, \$40; Rev. J. P. Roberson, Arkansas, Mrs. P. J. Bryant, Georgia, \$40; Mrs. Anna Webber, Indiana, Mrs. E. A. Wilson, Kansas, \$5; G. E. Morris, \$3; Rev. M. W. Gilbert, New York,

\$5; Mrs. H. Weakley, Texas, \$16; Dr. Griggs, Texas, \$5; Mrs. M. E. Terrell, Virginia, \$12.55; F. Cobb, West Virginia, \$30; Prof. Byrd Prillerman, West Virginia, \$5; Mrs. S. W. Layten, \$5; Miss N. H. Burroughs, \$50; Mrs. M. V. Parrish; Mrs. V. W. Broughton, Tennessee, \$1; Mrs. M. E. Goins, Missouri, \$5; General Convention, Texas, \$15; Mrs. L. Smith, \$1; Other contributions were made: Mrs. M. G. Gibbs, Alabama, \$17; Mrs. A. S. Jackson, Texas, \$50; Mrs. M. E. Hamilton, Tennessee, \$15.

A lady's suit, baskets, aprons and other articles were offered as gifts on certain conditions. A public collection was taken as follows: Alabama, \$3; Louisiana, 50cts.; South Carolina, 50 cts.; Illinois, \$5.

Mrs. Margaret Blake, of Chicago, Ill., secured the dress, as the person giving the largest sum in the State, that gave most in the public collection.

Benediction by Rev. Chas. Morris, of New York.

SATURDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Saturday, Sept. 17, 1910.

The early morning prayer service was conducted by Sister Lula M. Jackson. Bible Lesson, Jas. 1st chapter. She commented on verse twenty-seven. Talking about Jesus and his love, is not enough; talk needs to be followed by active service. A goodly number were present; all seemed blessed, and took part in the services.

Bible Hour—Miss Holman conductress. Song; prayer; song, "Blessed assurance." Bible Reading, Eph. 4th chapter. The lesson was discussed generally. The women were urged to develop the gifts God had given them and faithfully serve in whatever place they were fitted to fill. Sisters Alexander, Jenkins and Means testified.

Song, "I am thine, O, Lord." Prayer, Mrs. H. Weakley of Texas. Song, "Loud and strong the Master calleth."

Minutes of Friday afternoon and evening read and approved.

THE HOME MISSION PERIOD.

An address, "What We Can Do to Improve the Home Life of the Masses."

- (1) Get the masses converted to the Christian religion.
- (a) Gospel the panacea for all ills.

- (b) United effort needed.
- (2) With God's aid, all things possible.
- (a) Personal contact necessary.
- (b) Example together with precept will help greatly.

Quotation—Longfellow's—"Psalm of Life."

An address—"Our Weights: The Street Element, and How to Lift Them," by Mrs. C. R. McDowell, of Missouri. Mrs. McDowell began her address by reference to a scene on the streets of New Orleans; little girls as well as boys had been seen there cleaning the streets. These children were criminals, and thus working out their sentences for petty offenses; lack of home training possibly the cause of the sad condition. She said, that we need not criticize nor complain, there was a cause underlying the condition; impurity in the home life was too general; married women refusing to be mothers of children, hence many were born unwelcomed by their mothers. We should seek to remedy the evil, rescue the children; and strive to help the mothers. Other wails: idle men and women loitering around the streets; we should strive to reach and help them; no time to delay; message to save the nations given to women; an appeal made to the more fortunate ones to give largely to reform schools, detention homes, et cetera. A strong earnest talk relative to our duty to the criminal element of the race.

An address—"Our greatest Foe—The Saloon and the Nickel Theatres," Mrs. N. V. Maxey, of Texas. "The Saloon." Mrs. Maxey paid a high compliment to the Convention, and thanked the Committee on Program for assigning the above subject to her for discussion; for she detested the saloon and really considered it our deadliest foe. The removal of the saloon decreases crime, enriches the people, and increases the population. Figures and testimonials of officials given to substantiate above statements. Time limit prevented Mrs. Maxey from concluding this most instructive address.

Address—"The Nickel Theatre," Mrs. Frances, of Illinois. Mrs. Frances spoke of her visits to saloons, jails, and almshouses, and said, the greatest harm was the loss of human souls; children left fatherless, homeless and uncared for; women left widows, with no visible means of support. The ravages of the saloon were everywhere manifest in demoralizing our race. The Nickel Theatre was hand in hand with the saloon in the destructive work, that hindered the progress of the race.

A motion to give Mrs. Maxey five minutes more. Lost.
Mrs. S. M. Fisher, of Alabama, discussed "What We Can Do to Improve the Home-life of the Masses."



the friends made amply repay the outlay. Years of persistent effort by a hundred well qualified workers will be necessary to get the needed money to properly take care of a well organized work. Agents of other boards sow today for tomorrow's reaping.

We ask the prayers and helpfulness of all our pastors and people for these tireless workers. Through their efforts we have raised more this year than in any year of our existence.

OUR EFFORTS TO EDUCATE THE PEOPLE ON MISSIONS.

We try to seize every opportunity of doing that which will augment the success of our work by informing and stimulating our people, young and old. During the year we have sent out quite three hundred thousand copies of the Mission Herald; one hundred and ten thousand circular letters; and have circulated more than half a million pages of tracts. We have received and filed a number of orders for "Daybreak in the Dark Continent," the "Upward Path," "How to Organize and Conduct a Mission Study Class," the "Price of Africa," "Uganda's White Man of Work," the large and small size maps of Africa, and pictures of our workers and buildings. So from this it will be seen we have tried to send out that which would inform and inspire the whole denomination. We are receiving letters daily asking for information about foreign missions; and though nine cases out of every ten, the friends are not thoughtful enough to enclose stamps to cover the postage in filling their orders, still we are only too glad to send them the literature promptly and highly appreciate their interest in the work. We must ask, however, that all persons writing for supplies enclose postage, and in writing us for a bundle of tracts, a book, a map or a sample copy of the Mission Herald, send the money. We recall one friend who sent for a copy of the Mission Herald for four months in succession, without enclosing a stamp either time, or without subscribing for the paper. Of course, we sent it, and that money of which he deprived the cause might have bought quinine enough to have cured the African fever with which Dr. Bouey and his son died. Suffice it to say, we ask all to realize the great expense to which these little things put your Board, but which could be prevented if we all will learn to be a little more thoughtful. After all, your missionaries pay for it, and we do them wrong by this method of getting helps without paying for them.

Your Board has urged the organizing of Mission Study Classes. We had hoped that by this time we would be able to report a Study Class in many of our churches. While there are a few who have acted on our suggestion, we fear there are not more than ten that are doing the work of an ideal Mission Study Class. State University of Kentucky has put it in their regular course and the study is causing a quickening and awakening interest among the student body that will give to the cause of Christian missions both men and means. We want to urge this year, as last, that you order our text books and open a Mission Study Class in your church. It is only in this way that we are able to inform and enlighten our denomination on the subject of missions.

SPACE IN ASSOCIATION AND CONVENTION LETTER BLANKS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We cannot realize what great help would come to our work if all our associations and conventions would give space in their annual letter blanks for foreign missions; if each pastor would insist that his church, in apportioning its contribution to the associations, help every cause; and if the leaders of these organizations would see that the money is sent direct to us. The educational effects on the people as well as those who attend the annual meeting would be helpful to their spiritual lives.

Some of our associations and conventions are comparatively liberal and give some time to the discussion of the question of missions, but when we think of the large number meeting during the year in different parts of the country, in which the brethren spend their time discussing trivial questions, debating and arguing over matters that in no way pertain to the work of the kingdom, it is indeed shameful. What thoughtlessness on their part in not having even an hour set apart for the discussion of a question that should be our foremost thought in assembling at such meetings—a question that engaged the thought and heart of our Lord, and found expression in his last loving words, indeed, is a command that we should obey. If, in our annual gatherings, we are not to consider the question of spreading the gospel in all parts of the world, for what are we organized? For what do we exist? Upon leaving our homes, what is the main purpose we have in mind to accomplish at the meeting? Paul, in writing to the Corinthians, says: "A door was opened unto me of the Lord."

This great preacher realized and acknowledged that God had opened doors to him to go in with his gospel message. What God did for Paul centuries ago, he has done for us in a marvelous way. The world has never been so open as it is now for the gospel message. Changes are going on rapidly. Where superstition and sin had fastened themselves upon the people in heathen lands, we see that there is gradually becoming a restlessness and a throwing off of the old yoke of evil. Marvellous has been the change in Africa, South America and other lands where our missionaries labor, and so great a work have they accomplished in bringing to Christ hundreds and hundreds of unsaved souls, that it should stir the hearts of all God's people to noble endeavors. The work of giving the gospel to the dying millions in foreign lands should be one of the foremost themes discussed in our associations and conventions, with the view that our whole denomination rise up in one accord and exclaim: "THE WORLD FOR CHRIST." Until our brethren have a wider vision of their duty to God and their fellowmen, then, and not until then, will we be able to receive contributions from every church represented in our district, county and State meetings, for the salvation of the whole world.

But we find it is often the case that churches do remember the work of foreign missions and send up a contribution in their letters, and that this money is not handed in. We know of one instance where only four churches sent in a contribution for this work to an association, just 25 cents each, but the officials would not turn even this small amount over to us. This is only one of the many cases. Very often when we have a representative on the ground a special offering is taken or in some instances the money for foreign missions is turned over. But when we are not there, in ninety-eight cases out of a hundred, money for missions is used for other purposes. Of course, the leaders are responsible for this awful state of things. The people will give and we expect those whom they trust as their representatives to deal honestly with the work.

Again, if we would just stop to think of the great expense these meetings are, we would be brought to fully realize that unless they bring returns in souls and in real service to Jesus Christ, they represent a waste of thousands of dollars every year. Consider the railroad fare, the keeping of delegates, the time and energy and money spent in the running of our annual meetings. The expenses of our

field workers when they must attend these meetings and often get but very little for the work, and sometimes nothing.

BRETHREN, see that your church sends up a contribution to your annual meetings for missions, and see that the treasurer sends it on to the Board and save the expense of some one coming after it.

OUR STUDENTS—THE COMING LEADERS.

During the past fourteen years there have been more than twenty-seven students from other lands under the care of your Board. Three from South America, five from the West Indies, seventeen from Africa. By the kindness of the presidents of some of our best schools, these young people have been given the best opportunities possible for Christian training for work in their own lands. Four of these have died and they rest in this land. Five have returned to their people and are at work; while nineteen are still in schools in the various States. Two are taking medicine, one pharmacy, and the others are preparing to preach and teach.

Be it said to the credit of these young people as a whole, they are not lazy. They work and help themselves during vacation. They hold their own in their classes and in many cases make devoted students and Christians. No money spent in our work promises richer returns than that spent in the preparation of these future workers and leaders. It is admitted by all boards and agencies doing work in non-Christian lands that the highest service that can be rendered the kingdom is to get from among the people their best material and train them to lead their own folk. Three have come to us during this year, viz.: Miss Alice Pierre Alexis, of Hayti, granddaughter of Alex Norde, former president of the island. She is in the National Training School for Girls, Washington, D. C., of which Miss N. H. Burroughs, A.M., is president. Phillip Koti, son of Rev. E. B. P. Koti, one of our best native missionaries, comes from Queenstown, South Africa. Through the kindness of Dr. Osborn he will enter Benedict College, Columbia, S. C. Thompson Nangu, from Emgqali, South Africa, will go from this meeting to Houston Baptist College, Houston, Texas. Rev. F. L. Lights and Antioch church, of which he is pastor, will bear all expenses for Thompson during the time he is in school here.

Your Board hereby, as formerly, extends its grateful thanks to the presidents and faculties who have and are making such lasting contributions to the millions in "regions beyond." Who knows but that we are nursing a Moses, training a Samuel Crowther, teaching a Wm. J. Simmons, a Geo. W. Vann or Luke, for the people who sit in darkness? Under God, this is our hope and prayer.

THREE GREAT WORLDS CONVENTIONS.

Since our meeting at Columbus, Ohio, 1909, three of the most important religious gatherings for world-wide evangelism known to Christendom have taken place.

The World's Sunday-School Convention.

The World's Sunday-School Convention, which held its sixth annual meeting in the Capital of our Nation, was largely attended by delegates from different parts of the world. All the races of the earth were represented and illustrated the blessed truth that all nations of the earth shall come before His presence with thanksgiving and song.

The Laymen's Movement—A Red Hot Campaign.

This great body of Christian men met in Chicago, Ill., May 3. The National Policy of Platform adopted by these laymen has been so extensively published that we feel most of our readers have read them. They say in their National Policy: "We are glad to report the indications are that the National Laymen's Movement will aid us in organizing and lining up men of our own race, in world-wide evangelization."

"The Laymen's Missionary Movement, as gathered in the late national congress in Chicago, suggested the most extraordinary campaign of history—a persistent, systematized effort to proclaim Christianity to the world within this generation—the next thirty-five years. Out of the world's 1,500,000,000, only 500,000,000 are Christians; the plan therefore, involves reaching 1,000,000,000 within this generation. To do the work, within the time specified, would, it is estimated, cost \$2,000,000,000; and to raise this it is proposed to ask for a large increase from every Protestant church, in annual contribution, until the annual contribution reaches \$55,000,000, which, expended for thirty-five years, it is believed will accomplish the work of carrying Christianity to every part of the world."

"In the face of what befell Africa for neglecting missionary work, will we, can we afford to lag in this mighty conflict? 'Curse ye, Meroz,' said the angel of the Lord, 'curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they came not to the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty.'" (Judges 5:23.)

Will the Christians in our race, in their craze for honors, love for pleasure and money, invite such a fate? Go forbid. "Go ye into all the world and preach the gos to every creature."

We call upon the men of our churches to learn who the men are among our white brethren in their community, interested in this glorious campaign, and that they plan meetings in our churches for men only, and have these leaders of religious thought join them in interesting our business men in the evangelization of the whole world. Let us ourselves be saving others.

The World Missionary Conference.

The climax to these World Movements was the World Missionary Conference, held in Edinburgh, Scotland, June 10-14. To this meeting thirty-five persons of the National Convention were delegates and alternates.

We rejoice to tell you, by the grace of God the Corresponding Secretary of your Board, who has made a study and kept in touch with this great uprising of the armies of our King, headed the delegation to the Conference. Two hundred delegates from all over the world were in attendance. They represented one hundred and sixty different churches and organizations. Over one hundred of them were men and women from the front—missionaries who had spent years on the field. For ten days the meeting continued. The Assembly Hall of the United Free Church, which seats 3,000 persons, was filled three times each day. Besides this chief meeting of the delegates, there were regular sessions maintained at the Synod Hall belonging to the City of Edinburgh, and another gathering at the Assembly Hall of the Established Church of Scotland. These two meetings together had a regular attendance of at least 4,000. Of the 1,200 delegates, 600 represented American churches and societies. This was due to the fact that representation was in accordance with the amount contributed for work among non-Christians in other lands by the various churches and societies. The United States and Canada, according to the figures prepared by the conference, gave nearly one-half of the total amount contributed for

foreign missions. These figures were based on the reports of 1907. The contributions of America have increased from \$9,776,345 in 1907 to \$11,317,000 in 1909. As a result of this large representation, American methods received a good deal of attention. It will be seen that we have had three years in which to improve, and will doubtless increase these figures by one-fifth.

It was truly a representative world conference. In king of missions, the world was regarded as a single unit 'one great neighborhood,' as John R. Mott put it. "The world is not much larger than one-third the size it was in the last generation.

The committee had arranged special subjects for intercessory prayer, with special men to lead the services. These services were held thirty minutes each day. Men, with bowed heads and contrite spirits, besought God to forgive their own lukewarmness and lack of love for Him; interceded for the workers in the various corners of the earth; could not help being reminded of the day of Pentecost when they were all "of one accord, in one place, and the Holy Ghost came on them." So powerful was the presence of the Almighty in our gathering that at times, one was made to feel for something to which he could hold. Ah, the power of prayer in the conquest of "the world with the Gospel."

The time spent in PRAYER and INTERCESSION had the effect of putting the Conference, and, indeed, the entirety where we met, in a spiritual frame of mind and made us tread softly in the presence of Jehovah. The chapel adjoining the hall where the Conference proper met was set apart for prayer and was kept open day and night for that purpose. On the ninth and tenth days of the Conference there was continued prayer held in that prayer room. O, for the spirit of prayer to come over us as a Convention!

One of the dominant notes of the Conference was the desire for more unity and closer co-operation among missionary workers of all Protestant denominations. The Continuation Committee, numbering thirty-five representatives from the leading Protestant denominations and the principal countries of the world, has been formed to carry on the work of the Conference. The following letter was sent to the members of the Christian churches in non-Christian lands:

Dear Brethren in Christ:

"We desire to send you greeting in the Lord from the World Missionary Conference, gathered in Edinburgh.

For ten days we have been associated in prayer, deliberation and the study of missionary problems, with the supreme purpose of making the work of Christ in non-Christian lands more effective, and throughout the discussions our hearts have gone forth to you in fellowship and love.

"Many causes of thanksgiving have arisen as we have consulted together, with the whole of the mission field clear in view. But nothing has caused more joy than the witness borne from all quarters as to the steady growth in numbers, zeal and power of the rising Christian church in newly awakening lands. None have been more helpful in our deliberations than members from your own churches. We thank God for the spirit of evangelistic energy which you are showing, and for the victories that are being won thereby. We thank God for the longing after unity, which is so prominent among you and is one of our own deepest longings today. Our hearts are filled with gratitude for all the inspiration that your example has brought to us in our home-lands. This example is all the more inspiring because of the special difficulties that beset the glorious position which you hold in the hottest part of the furnace wherein the Christian church is being tried.

Accept our profound and loving sympathy, and be assured of our confident hope that God will bring you out of your fiery trial as a finely-tempered weapon which can accomplish His work in the conversion of your fellow-countrymen. It is you alone who can ultimately finish this work; the word that under God convinces your own people must be your word, and the life which will win them for Christ must be the life of holiness and moral power, as set forth by you who are men of their own race. But we rejoice to be fellow-helpers with you in the work, and to know that you are being more and more empowered by God's grace to take the burden of it upon your own shoulders. Take up that responsibility with increasing eagerness, dear brethren, and secure from God the power to carry through the task; then we may see great marvels wrought beneath our own eyes.

"Meanwhile, we rejoice also to be learning much ourselves from the great peoples whom our Lord is now drawing to Himself; and we look for a richer faith to result for all from the gathering of the nations in Him.

"There is much else in our hearts that we should be glad to say, but we must confine ourselves to one further matter, and that the most vital of all.

"A strong co-operation in prayer binds together in our

all the empire of Christ. Pray, therefore, for us, the Christian communities in home-lands, as we pray for you; remember our difficulties before God as we remember yours, that He may grant to each of us the help that we need, and to both of us together that fellowship in the body of Christ is according to His blest will."

We advise every one who can possibly do so to buy the statistical atlas prepared by Dr. H. P. Beach and Dr. James S. Dennis, and the nine volumes which will include the reports of the eight commissions and the discussions at the Conference. Write to William Henry Grant, Esq., 156 Fifth avenue, New York.

PLANS SUGGESTED.

THE CHURCH OR PLEDGE PLAN.

The Pledge Plan has been found useful in many churches. Two weeks before the day on which the offering is to be taken, which should be once every quarter, let the pastor preach a sermon on Foreign Missions. At the close ask for pledges to be paid two weeks hence, taking the names, addresses and amounts promised. Let envelopes be made to all members of the congregation at the close of the service. On the day appointed, pledges and the names of the donor marked upon them should be brought. This is the Church Plan.

MONTHLY CONCERT PLAN.

The beauty of this plan is that it involves a Monthly Concert—the best method ever devised for interesting Christians and educating the young on the subject of Foreign Missions. This is not to be a frolic or a theater in church under the guise of "Concert," but a real concert. Write us for programs. On the Sabbath preceding the Monthly Concert, get an envelope marked "Monthly Concert for Foreign Missions" in the hand of each member of the church and congregation to be turned in at the concert. At the close of the program let the offering be given. In addition to this, once a year on a specified Sunday, the pastor should give a resume of all the addresses delivered at the Monthly Concert and take an offering. In this way those who do not attend the prayer-meetings or concerts, and who have not had an opportunity to contribute, will be reached. This is the Concert Plan.

A GOOD PLAN.

A good plan that is now being used by a number of the churches is after the opening service, and while the choir or some one else leads the song, before the pastor is to preach, the deacons pass a basket or platter, and every one in the congregation is asked to give one cent or more for Foreign Missions. The money collected is turned over to the treasurer and forwarded to the Board at the end of the quarter.

OUTGOING WORKERS.

In deference to the request of a number of our brethren, at a meeting held in May, 1910, your Board voted to have Rev. R. A. Jackson go to Cape Mount, Liberia, West Coast Africa, to fill the vacancy made by the death of the late Dr. Bouey.

In June we received the following letter from Mr. Louis L., the eldest son of our late missionary:

"My Dear Dr. Jordan: Yours of the 9th received yesterday. The enclosure was a decided relief to a situation of which I wrote you in my last letter, i. e., we were about out of rice. You see, Doctor, I am keeping my father's work here at Bendoo open and running and am having nearly the same trouble father had about rice and food stuffs. Of course father had begun on his industrial idea, viz., planting and growing on the place here a good portion of the necessary food stuffs. I am enlarging on the idea for this season. This is just planting season. We're putting in a fine crop. But, of course, it won't help us materially until about November 1. We have to pass through the long rainy season while the crop is growing and must eat rice, not to mention other supplies.

"About Brother Cook and the Congo work. He himself is competent enough—in fact the only competent man in the settlement. The church is still running under the old preacher, Brother Blackford, assisted by Brother Cook, who is now a licensed preacher. Cook also teaches the school my father organized there. I would suggest that for the present you allow Brother Cook to continue assisting the church and teaching that school, and that the Board render him some assistance, in the form of a small stipend. That is what my father was doing for him. I will, in the meantime, look further into conditions there and will write you more fully. I don't want to advise the Board wrongly. I should like to see the Board's money spent always so as to obtain the greatest amount of good and in the places where it is most needed.

"The work in which I have the greatest interest is the Jordan Industrial Mission, and if the Board sees fit I wish to make my life work here. I feel confident of my ability to carry into effect my father's plans for making this work entirely or almost self-supporting. My plan is this: To ask the Board to pay off my father's debts, to supply the means to erect the building mentioned in my first letter (this building is an absolute necessity), by the first of November; to supply cloth, palm-oil, soap, etc., per year to supply the seine or fishing net each year, and finally to give me two years in which to permanently establish this work, after which time I invite the Board to send your good self or any other member of the Board out here to inspect the work and see what I am doing with the Board's money. If they find that I have really done all I promised to do, the

Board may then take under consideration the enlargement of the work and the supplying of a man to take sole charge of the religious side of the work. For the present I can, with my assistant, David Wilson, do all that is necessary in the way of teaching both religious and secular subjects.

"Pray for me, Doctor, and try your best to get the Board to give me this chance. I have been asking the Lord for several years to show me what church, Philadelphia, Pa., Brother E. W. Moore, pastor.

"LOUIS L. BOUEY."

Brother L. L. Bouey is twenty-five years old, a member of Zion Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Pa., Brother E. W. Moore, pastor.

The fact that this young man is on the field and that we have an indebtedness of \$1,200 hanging over that station, your Board feels that it is the part of wisdom and economy to leave young Bouey in charge of the Liberian work for the present. The native ordained preacher can be associated with our brother and the work go forward.

Rev. Jeremiah N. Menze, a young man from Africa who came to the States nine years ago for Christian education, finished his college course in Wilberforce, Ohio, and took theology in State University, Louisville, Ky., will (D. V.) be set apart to the full work of the ministry in our Missionary mass-meeting Sunday afternoon. We hope to have him sail for South Africa during November. He will assist Brother East. We ask the prayers of our whole Baptist Zion for this young Christian worker.

PRAYER ESSENTIAL TO THE SUCCESS OF OUR MISSIONARY WORK.

Be our plans ever so well laid, be they ever so well carried out, through the road of prayer lies our main hope of victory. When we think of the obstacles and difficulties needing to be overcome, and the perplexity of the problems needing to be solved, and the demands for wisdom and aid, as we undertake a work that required the Son of God himself for its launching, we understand that there is no power in us adequate for these great responsibilities, and unless the power of God fight with us, we had better not undertake the task.

The following illustration shows the place prayer is meant to fill in the enterprise of missions, and ought of itself suffice to teach us the lessons we need to learn with reference to prayer and missions. On May 4, 1873, in a hut in a small village in Central Africa the lifeless body of

David Livingstone, one of Scotland's best, was found by his bedside in the attitude of prayer. That worn frame, kneeling there in prayer, while the rain dripped from the eaves of that grass roof, and his few faithful native attendants wept around the man whose voice they would never hear again, is not only an illustration of the place prayer should fill in the missionary enterprise, but it is an appeal to us to allow prayer to occupy in our lives the same place it occupied in his. It shows from whence came the power for his self-denial, his courage, his endurance. If we could take in all the significance of that kneeling figure, it would not be necessary to say another word regarding the supreme place prayer should occupy if the missionary purposes of our Lord are ever to be fulfilled. While there are many other needs just as important, we all realize that behind these is the great and primary need of faith in and the practice of prayer.

If the Lord from heaven felt the need of the abiding presence, the sustaining grace, the needed help and power of endurance of the Almighty, until He prayed to obtain strength for His great work, how much more is it encountered upon us poor mortals to give prayer a great big place in our efforts to have the gospel preached to the ends of the earth. If those dear feet of His pressed the hillside in search of lonely spots where He might pray, surely we are not true disciples if we fail to emulate His example.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We recommend:

1. That the fifteenth of December be made Memorial or BOUEY DAY. The funds gathered to be used to pay off the \$1,200 debt on the work he left and to build a Boys' Boarding Hall, to be known as the BOUEY HALL.

2. That the "every Sunday penny collection" be observed by all our churches as a permanent plan for gathering money for FOREIGN MISSIONS.

3. That one or more Mission Study Classes be formed in every Baptist church and in our denominational schools.

4. That a Missionary Committee of three or five be appointed in every church, who shall plan an "EVERY MEMBER CANVASS," that every Baptist may take some part in carrying out the Great Commission.

This committee, if properly encouraged, could aid the Superintendent and pastor in executing any one of the suggested plans.

ANOTHER GREAT MEETING.

The Baptist World Alliance will meet in Philadelphia June, 1911. Dr. J. H. Shakespear, Secretary of the Alliance, came to America to raise ten thousand dollars to bring to the meeting a number of Baptist ministers from the poor fields of Europe and secured the money in a little while. We have for the past three years been maintaining a missionary in Russia. Somehow, for nearly a year, every letter sent him has been returned to us. We have sought to reach Baron Uixkuill, that we might come in touch with our missionary, but to no avail. In the event he is reached we hope to pay his transportation to the World Alliance, and if conditions warrant it, we would like to have two of our brethren from Africa present at that meeting. This will possibly be the largest gathering of Baptists that will meet during the lifetime of most of us. It promises to be very far-reaching in its effect upon the evangelization of non-Christian peoples.

MEMBERS OF THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD.

To have the right man represent the Foreign Mission Board in each State is a question which we fear does not properly concern the State delegations. No man ought to be appointed to represent this all-important work who himself is not a contributor and whose love for the souls of lost men everywhere does not actuate him to have his church well informed and enrolled as a systematic giver to world wide missions. The committee at Louisville is very grateful to a large number of members of the Board scattered in the various States for the interest manifested in our work. They have handled books and papers, interested the community, some have attended associations and in various ways have given their time and energy in speaking, writing and raising funds in the interest of foreign missions. Our field missionaries have written again and again to the office of the very cordial way in which they have been received and directed during their stay in several States by the members of our Board. It was Abraham Lincoln who advised against "swopping horses in the middle of the stream." We ask our State delegations to continue the members of the Foreign Mission Board for more than one year. Whether they attend the National Convention or not, we plead that this be done and that only the faithful and true be made members of our Board.

SPECIAL HELP FROM WHITE FRIENDS.

The thanks of our whole denomination is due and hereby extended to two Godly white friends, one in Pennsylvania and one in New York, for their material help in our struggles to push the work of missions. Our Pennsylvania friend gave us one thousand one hundred dollars—the entire salary of Rev. and Mrs. Murfl and Rev. John Chitembwe, for this conventional year.

SOME OF OUR AFRICAN STUDENTS.

1. *Isaiah[†] Ngedi, Zululand, Africa, Va. Sem. & College.
2. Monti Kama, Middledrift, S. Africa, at Eckstein-Norton Institute, Ky.
3. P. L. Seme, Zululand, Africa, Medical Department, Battle Creek Sanitarium, Mich.
4. John P. Rier, Paramaribo, Dutch Guinea, South America, Nat-chez Baptist College, Mississippi.
5. Robert M. Sisusa, Tsomo, South Africa, West Virginia Institute, West Virginia.
6. David D. Gxosiyi, Transki, Africa, Selma University, Alabama.
7. Miss Delia M. Rudolph, Capetown, South Africa, National Training School, Washington, D. C.
8. Miss Mary A. Buchanan, returned to Middledrift, South Africa.
9. *Richard Ndesi, Transki, Africa, State University, Kentucky.
10. Miss Alice Alexia Pierre, Jacmel, Hayti, National Training School, Washington, D. C.
11. David Tyesi, Transki, Africa, Va. Sem. and College.
12. Jeremiah N. Menze, Transki, Africa, at State University, Kentucky.
13. Harry Mponyane, Pondoland, Africa, Conroe College, Texas.
14. Daniel Malekabee, B. C., Africa, Selma University, Alabama.
15. Rev. John Ntshala, returned to West Africa.
16. Little Mathew and Frederick Ntlima, East Central Africa, Natchez Baptist College, Mississippi.
17. Thompson Nangu, Emgwali, South Africa, Houston Academy, Texas.
18. David B. Moddana, Idutywa, South Africa, Shaw University, North Carolina.
18. Philip Koti, Queenstown, South Africa, Benedict College, South Carolina.

*Deceased.

RECEIPTS FROM STATES BY MONTHS.

ALABAMA			
September	\$ 127 44	April	312 74
October	46 06	May	103 36
November	46 62	June	14 31
December	31 00	July	36 42
January	92 46	August	103 91
February	57 81		
March	268 34	Total	\$1,239.13

MINUTES.

ARKANSAS.

September	\$ 142 76	April	100 31
October	144 46	May	107 03
November	18 02	June	104 02
December	106 64	July	95 77
January	43 97	August	100 70
February	30 66		
March	206 86	Total	\$1 412 00

CALIFORNIA.

September	\$ 30 00	March	400 42
October	6 22	April	10 00
November	1 00	May	2 00
December	11 42	July	100 00
January	5 00		
February	5 00	Total	\$ 500 34

COLORADO.

September	\$ 9 83	March	15 00
October	7 00	April	20 00
November	13 40	May	1 00
December	27 47	August	21 14
January	108 72		
February	7 50	Total	\$ 200 07

CONNECTICUT.

December	\$ 8 00	April	1 00
February	16 00	May	2 00
March	6 00		
		Total	\$ 10 00

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

September	\$ 158 13	April	95 00
October	2 00	May	1 00
November	28 85	June	111 00
January	8 20	August	10 21
February	17 00		
March	8 05	Total	\$ 285 07

FLORIDA.

September	\$ 218 57	April	100 21
October	12 40	May	11 00
November	216 13	June	17 00
December	206 50	July	101 00
January	29 60	August	10 00
February	188 65		
March	414 24	Total	\$1 200 00

FOREIGN

January	\$ 1 18		
June	20 00	Total	\$1 20 00

MINUTES.

GEORGIA.

September	\$ 93 82	April	136 64
October	37 31	May	67 06
November	71 26	June	4 00
December	10 26	July	19 36
January	142 74	August	3 86
February	40 23		
March	162 39	Total	\$ 767 61

ILLINOIS.

September	\$ 32 61	April	65 99
October	14 13	May	17 13
November	30 80	June	4 01
December	11 76	July	13 81
January	11 70	August	37 92
February	62 67		
March	131 61	Total	\$ 464 23

INDIANA.

September	\$ 18 60	April	26 27
October	22 60	May	6 00
November	6 16	June	4 65
December	3 00	July	4 74
January	38 16	August	22 34
February	3 36		
March	62 24	Total	\$ 214 80

IOWA.

September	\$ 31 00	April	14 26
October	4 00	May	12 00
November	11 00	June	43 42
December	12 10	July	6 00
January	14 13	August	1 00
February	9 50		
March	26 32	Total	\$ 163 72

KANSAS.

September	\$ 8 00	April	64 37
October	6 67	May	8 98
November	92 03	June	2 96
December	107 39	July	1 00
January	20 56	August	90 96
February	13 00		
March	76 64	Total	\$ 490 70

KENTUCKY.

September	\$ 78 11	April	72 40
October	23 12	May	38 69
November	35 90	June	6 00
December	60 65	July	32 26
January	76 30	August	196 83
February	32 96		
March	215 88	Total	\$ 859 28

MINUTES.

LOUISIANA.

September	\$ 63 10	April	137 66
October	26 85	May	34 42
November	98 45	June	9 50
December	106 04	July	213 58
January	39 93	August	91 51
February	53 07		
March	72 26	Total	\$ 936 76

MARYLAND.

October	\$ 1 00		
May	32 75		
July	50 00	Total	\$ 83 75

MASSACHUSETTS.

September	\$ 6 20	April	46 41
October	5 00	May	4 25
November	3 00	June	7 00
December	13 35	July	1 00
January	11 00	August	2 00
February	15 00		
March	3 00	Total	\$ 117 27

MICHIGAN.

September	\$ 2 00	May	2 00
November	74	June	6 00
January	36		
March	4 35	Total	\$ 14 00

MINNESOTA.

September	\$ 2 00	April	3 60
November	3 53	May	1 40
December	67 55	August	1 40
January	5 00		
February	4 00		
March	6 70	Total	\$ 85 65

MISSISSIPPI.

September	\$ 103 91	April	312 16
October	64 83	May	24 16
November	28 35	June	8 75
December	73 27	July	11 45
January	67 27	August	16 00
February	19 30		
March	136 66	Total	\$1,187 29

MISSOURI.

September	\$ 61 60	April	110 16
October	3 00	May	20 00
November	5 50	June	17 99
December	37 00	August	92 50
January	29 45		
February	3 37		
March	176 14	Total	\$ 564 11

MINUTES.

85

NORTH CAROLINA.

September	\$ 81 30	April	101 96
October	23 16	May	21 36
November	73 79	June	6 00
December	13 06	July	3 36
January	66 81	August	6 70
February	6 18		
March	89 97	Total	\$ 439 63

MONTANA.

December	\$ 50	Total	\$ 50
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NEW MEXICO.

November	\$ 35	Total	\$ 35
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NEW JERSEY.

September	\$ 49 00	April	34 94
October	14 00	May	7 00
November	44 76	June	10 35
December	1 70	August	1 25
January	12 38		
February	2 00		
March	18 07	Total	\$ 196 65

NEW YORK.

September	\$ 18 25	March	3 35
October	36 37	April	1 00
November	14 35	May	82 00
December	4 29	July	75
January	14 00		
February	22 36	Total	\$ 201 66

OHIO.

September	\$ 95 73	April	110 03
October	22 41	May	65 04
November	116 24	June	5 96
December	13 41	July	2 50
January	65 20	August	29 35
February	54 61		
March	156 96	Total	\$ 720 10

RHODE ISLAND.

September	\$ 2 00	April	5 00
October	2 00	May	2 00
November	34 30		
January	1 00	Total	\$ 48 36

PENNSYLVANIA.

September	\$ 276 93	April	10 57
October	418 79	May	61 98
November	642 46	June	152 50
December	8 74	July	67 65
January	8 00	August	12 60
February	91 22		
March	221 00	Total	\$1,365 30

MINUTES.

OKLAHOMA

September	\$ 65 61	June	2 00
October	12 62	July	7 31
November	216 76	August	12 00
December	3 40		
January	44 17	Total	\$ 220 12
February	11 36	SALES.	
March	109 00	September	\$ 140 00
April	126 25		
May	18 00	Total	\$ 140 00

SUNSHINE BAND.

Miss J. P. Moore.	July	36 00	
January	\$ 19 00		
April	64 64	Total	\$ 100 39

SOUTH CAROLINA.

September	\$ 174 20	May	72 24
October	32 14	June	7 31
November	30 27	July	968 00
December	16 74	August	16 31
January	136 08		
February	36 20		
March	150 36	Total	\$1,237 85

STATES UNKNOWN

September	\$ 6 60	Total	\$ 6 60
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TENNESSEE.

September	\$ 110 46	April	19 31
October	17 27	May	21 32
November	18 40	June	162 50
December	2 11	July	60 25
January	34 66	August	24 31
February	50 89		
March	194 31	Total	\$ 1,017 40

TEXAS

September	\$ 167 30	April	226 62
October	78 95	May	654 21
November	33 68	June	15 37
December	16 34	July	34 06
January	104 31	August	210 44
February	126 92		
March	139 41	Total	\$1,298 06

A FRIEND.

Total	\$1,100 00	December	\$1,100 00
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VIRGINIA.

September	\$ 114 36	April	97 02
October	3 30	May	181 12
November	10 42	June	8 00
December	99 88	July	80 00

MINUTES.

January	43 90	August	133 90
February	27 30		
March	68 31	Total	\$ 963 41

WASHINGTON.

November	\$ 34	August	5 00
December	35		
January	2 28	Total	\$ 7 97

WEST VIRGINIA.

September	\$ 15 54	April	45 02
October	4 00	May	7 00
November	7 31	July	1 00
December	110 39	August	126 80
January	21 31		
February	22 74		
March	47 82	Total	\$ 408 93

WISCONSIN.

June	\$ 5 00	Total	\$ 5 00
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WOMAN'S CONVENTION

September	\$ 36 00	August	747 00
October	317 00	Total	\$1,100 00

WOMAN'S CONVENTION

January	\$ 60 00	May	35 00
February	35 00	Total	\$ 100 00

RECEIPTS—SUMMARY BY STATES

Bal brought forward	\$ 66 08	New Mexico	35
Alabama	1,239 13	New Jersey	196 05
Arkansas	1,412 03	New York	200 66
California	890 54	North Carolina	439 63
Colorado	215 37	Ohio	724 14
Connecticut	40 25	Oklahoma	622 56
District of Columbia	395 67	Pennsylvania	1,966 30
Fla., Miss. C. G.	110 00	Rhode Island	48 36
Florida	1,737 46	Sales	1,237 85
Foreign	1,182 15	South Carolina	6 60
Georgia	747 81	States Unknown	
Illinois	464 23	Sunshine Band (Miss J. P. Moore)	104 34
Indiana	214 00	Tennessee	817 44
Iowa	123 12	Texas	1,298 05
Kansas	490 70	A Friend	1,100 00
Kentucky	968 28	Virginia	963 41
Louisiana	826 35	Washington	7 97
Maryland	83 75	West Virginia	408 93
Massachusetts	117 27	Wisconsin	5 00
Michigan	14 40	Woman's Convention	1,100 00
Minnesota	85 86	By loans	600 00
Mississippi	1,190 20		
Missouri	557 30	Total	\$26,220 64
Montana	60		

MINUTES.

MONTHLY EXPENDITURES.
EXPRESSAGE AND DRAYAGE.

EXPRESS AND DRAYAGE		April	
September	\$ 10 78	May	2 55
October	2 90	June	1 12
November	1 20	July	1 00
December	2 73	August	30
January	4 54		
February	35		
March	2 10	Total	\$ 11 80

FIELD.

September	\$ 16 20	April	11 70
October	13 31	May	12 65
November	10 40	June	14 00
December	11 35	July	8 50
January	16 84		0 05
February	3 79		
March	1 40	Total	\$ 166 49

FIELD MISSIONARIES

September	\$ 231 60	April	166 89
October	311 95	May	173 97
November	197 33	June	244 22
December	197 98		991 23
January	141 72	August	478 73
February	265 70		
March	304 59	Total	\$3,647 93

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD.

September	\$ 62 28	February	3 26
October	16 00	Total	\$ 65 53

EASTERN RAILLY.

January	\$ 2 00	May	21 00
February	82 85	August	20 20
March	217 12		
April	312 40	Total	\$ 666 97

HERALD

September	\$ 120 66	May	242 91
October	102 91	June	161 35
November	268 88	July	141 94
December	158 48	August	238 49
January	117 07		
February	117 07		
March	119 31	Total	\$1,805 55

MISSIONS—HOME

September	\$ 42 30	April	6 00
October	144 00	May	35 00
November	46 40		
December	4 60	Total	\$ 319 70
January	41 30		

MINUTES.

INCIDENTS

September	\$ 18 90	May	15 31
October	2 00	June	65
November	1 62	July	2 00
December	1 46	August	9 43
January	30		
February	6 70		
March	2 50	Total	\$ 63 61

NATIONAL BAPTIST UNION

November	\$ 1 00	May	10 00
January	2 50	Total	\$ 13 50

NATIONAL BAPTIST PUBLISHING BOARD

November	\$ 5 00	April	2 50
December	2 74	Total	\$ 10 00

MISSIONS AND MISSIONARIES

(Foreign)		March	\$45 67
September	\$ 1 466 79	April	2 307 62
October	1 700 62	May	1 107 98
November	1 166 50	June	487 62
December	249 20	July	165 30
January	1 437 40	August	967 61
February	329 67	Total	\$11,266 59

OFFICE

September	\$ 8 75	April	68 00
October	12 50	May	9 26
November	9 75	June	5 80
December	10 50	July	36 80
January	10 50	August	6 75
February	9 75		
March	16 00	Total	\$ 194 35

POSTAGE.

September	\$ 36 80	May	68 65
October	28 16	June	17 45
November	26 60	July	44 00
December	20 47	August	21 15
January	62 95		
February	20 00		
March	30 00	Total	\$ 442 95

SUPPLIES AND GIFTS

September	\$ 192 25	April	47 98
October	4 10	May	110 74
November	73 30	June	4 73
December	11 85	July	54 45
January	96 63	August	63 46
February	64 83		
March	201 10	Total	\$ 905 41

PRINTING.

September	\$ 89 00	April	58 50
October	58 00	May	59 00
November	62 00	June	16 25
December	47 25	July	19 50
January	48 00	August	118 60
February	72 00		
March	31 00	Total	\$ 489 71

SALARIES.

September	\$ 66 71	April	75 00
October	92 00	May	25 00
November	92 00	June	60 00
December	91 33	July	62 91
January	89 00	August	71 00
February	60 00		
March	72 24	Total	\$ 513 02

TRAVELING.

September	\$ 59 30	May	37 00
October	26 35	June	135 00
November	31 77	July	28 00
December	32 95	August	70 00
January	24 00		
February	9 95		
April	43 15	Total	\$ 504 97

RENT.

September	\$ 15 00	April	15 00
October	15 00	May	15 00
November	15 00	June	15 00
December	15 00	July	15 00
January	15 00	August	15 00
February	15 00		
March	15 00	Total	\$ 100 00

SUMMARY EXPENSES

Postage Italy	\$ 666 87	Nat'l Bapt Union	83 50
Expressage and Drayage	32 52	Office	198 25
Field	166 49	Postage	442 98
Field missionaries	3,617 93	Printing	683 25
Foreign Mission Board	81 53	Rent	100 00
Herald	1,805 65	Salaries	513 02
Incidents	63 81	Supplies and care	906 41
Missions and Missionaries—Foreign	11,266 89	Travelling	504 97
Missions and Missionaries—Home	319 70	To bills payable	1,985 66
Nat'l Bapt Pub Board	10 20	Total	\$23,895 21

NATIONAL BAPTIST ASSETS IN FOREIGN FIELDS.

The Board owns no real estate in America, but has the following assets in foreign fields:

1. WEST COAST AFRICA.	
100 acres of land, Grand Cape Mount	\$ 600
Mission	300

Other buildings	600
Chapel organ	75

\$1,675

SOUTH AFRICA.

Mission Home and lot in Capetown	\$ 4 600
Middelburg church building	1,600
Mission Home	300
School houses	1,400
Two bells	50
Queenstown school house	2,500
Queenstown church	2,300
One organ	40
One bell	25
Two typewriters	65
Desks, carpenter tools and links	150
Orange River Colony and Transvaal churches	1,525
One bell	25
One typewriter	35

\$14,615

CENTRAL AFRICA

100 acres of land valued at	\$ 600
Substantial brick church house	2,700
Four room home for missionary	660
Three room home for missionary and store	00
Organ	00

\$ 4,400

SOUTH AMERICA.

Georgetown—Bethel Baptist Church	\$ 4,800
Georgetown—Nazareth Baptist Church	500
Organs and bells	150

\$ 5,450

WEST INDIES

Mission Home, St. John's Barbados	\$ 1,500
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Total amount of assets \$27,540

This does not include holdings under Dr. Majola Agbebi, of church bells, communion sets, buildings and lands, nor that owned by our missionaries, Brethren Solani, Mogabisa, Ntshahla, and others, which will reach quite \$5,000. Our Board has contributed to all these men, but the bells and fixtures have been paid for by us exclusively.

Cuts, supplies, printed matter, book-cases, typewriters, desks, chairs and sofas in the office of the Foreign Mission Board, Louisville, Ky., are valued at \$1,424.25. Grand total at home and abroad, \$28,964.25.

Total assets	\$27,540 00	To land survey reports	00
Total expenses	23,895 21	To bills payable in	
Leaving a balance of	2,374 38	Banks	875 00
To the credit of Hay		To Tinsley-Mayer En-	
son Missions	1,107 51	graving Co.—Cuts and	
The Proposed Girls		Engravings	72 10

School at Queenstown	1,218 66	Missionary Movement	401 33
To Bal. Gen. Fund	4 23	To Noble & Co.,—Life	
LIABILITIES.		Membership badges	16 00
To balance on founda-		To Clothing for African	
tion of church and		Students	16 00
Mission Home at		To Franklin Printing	
Capetown	425 00	Co.	102 00
To Mission Home, Brit-		Total	\$ 6,426 34
ish Central Africa	112 00		
To Messrs. Chung &		Feeling confident, under God,	
Co., on Reibel Baptist		we have done our best for His	
Ch., Georgetown, So.		glory, the good of our fellows and	
America	1,012 11	the spread of the Gospel in the	
To Barnes & Co., on		land where our missionaries is	
acct. of A. S. Phillips		labor, and asking your continued	
Bridgeport, South		sympathy and co-operation, pray-	
America	125 00	ers and financial help we are	
To accounts of the late		Yours in the love of the Gospel.	
Dr. H. N. Bower, West		C. H. PARRISH, Chairman.	
Coast Africa	1,280 00	D. A. GADDIE, Rec. Sec.	
To Salaries of Mission-		L. G. JORDAN, Cor. Sec.	
aries	765 00	726 W. Walnut St.,	
To Queenstown Church	895 00	Louisville, Ky.	
To Young People's Mis-		Sept. 8, 1910.	

The committee have carefully examined the books and accounts of the National Baptist Foreign Board, and it is a pleasure to me to testify to the correctness of the same. Sincerely yours,
ROBERT MITCHELL, Auditor S. B. C.

BUDGET TO BE RAISED FOR THE CONVENTIONAL YEAR BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 1910.

At the Foreign Mission Board meeting held September 15, 1909, the secretary was instructed to get out a budget of what it would take to clear up all debts and run the work for the conventional year, beginning September 1, 1910, and ending August 31, 1911.

The following is a conservative estimate and can be raised with little effort by the two and a half million Negro Baptists:
Indebtedness brought forward \$ 6,426 34

WEST AFRICA	
To buildings	300 00
Salaries	600 00
To pay debts already incurred	1,700 00
SOUTH AFRICA.	
To buildings	2,000 00
Salaries	2,167 40
To pay debts now due	1,846 00
CENTRAL AFRICA.	
To salaries	640 00
To debts	112 00
SOUTH AMERICA	
To buildings	300 00
Salaries	200 00
To debts	1,512 00

HAYTI-WEST INDIES

To buildings	2,100 00
Salaries	1,800 00
To debts	1,200 00

BARRADOS, R. W. I.

To buildings	1,850 00
Salaries	600 00
Debts	535 00

JAMAICA, B. W. I.

All purposes	1,000 00
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RUSSIA.

Salary	160 00
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HONE WORK

Salaries	4,500 00
Printing	400 00
Rent	100 00
Postage	500 00
Herald	100 00
Incidentals	200 00

Total \$28,931 00

Against this amount we have as salary for Rev. East, for which the Ebenezer Church of Pittsburgh, Pa., is responsible \$ 650 00

As salary for teacher, for which the Wheat St. Church of Atlanta, Ga., is responsible 180 00

Pledged by individual friends in sums of from two to five dollars per year 3,000 00

Pledged at Columbus by the following pastors for their churches, \$100 each—L. L. Campbell, N. P. Pulliam, S. T. Floyd, of Texas; J. P. Robinson, Ark.; G. E. Stevens, Mo.; E. J. Fisher, Ill.; A. J. Tyler, Dist. of Col.; C. P. Williams, Shiloh Ch., of Ala.; P. R. Nell, Ind.; Mt. Olive Zion Ch., Ga. 1,100 00

\$25 each—S. G. Smith, N. J.; 1st Bap. Ch., R. W. Rose, J. W. Jones, Okla.; B. S. Sissum, W. L. Taylor, Va.; W. D. Anderson, E. L. Smith, B. N. Murrell, Ill.; J. W. Leak, Ga.; J. H. Smith, J. G. Gathings, Texas; S. G. Guin, J. Hampton, Ala.; J. W. Simms, St. Mary S. S. Conv. W. L. Petty, of Ark.; J. A. Pinaon, S. C.; J. E. Parker, Mo.; R. H. Pittman, Fla.; G. W. Davis, La. 525 00

B. J. F. Westbrook, Okla., \$750; W. H. Jernagin, Okla., \$125; For. Miss. Bd., N. J., \$15; Hot Springs Ch., \$50; R. B. Swan, \$10; Triumph Hill Asso., \$10; New Union Ch., Okla., \$35; N. H. Whitman, Ga., \$15; W. B. Puvlis, La., \$20; Shiloh Ch., R. I., \$10; E. M. Griggs, Texas, \$10; H. N. Moore, S. C., \$75; C. F. Johnson, Ala., \$50; P. J. Bellau, Ark., \$25; E. G. Mason, Miss., \$25; Jas. W. Straughter, Miss., \$25; J. B. Raynor, Texas, \$25; L. L. Smith, Texas, \$25; Mrs. M. L. Boyer, Ill., \$25. 4,135 00

Total indebtedness \$28,931 00
Amount provided for 10,830 00

Balance \$18,101 00

Name of States	Amounts Con- tributed to For- eign Mission Board in 1909	Sums that would be raised if every member of Negro Baptist churches in the va- rious states would contri- bute each year		The Sums that are apportioned to F. M. B. of Co- lumbus, Ohio, that the sum of \$100,000 may be raised for the Convention ending Aug. 31, 11.
		5 CTN.	10 CTN.	
Alabama	\$ 1,283 50	11,065 50	\$ 22,111 00	\$ 3,316 40
Arkansas	937 22	4,388 40	8,776 00	1,316 63
California	52 09	191 75	383 50	57 62
Colorado	52 78	56 85	113 70	17 05
Connecticut	42 25	42 55	85 10	12 77
District of Columbia	655 24	1,724 15	3,448 30	517 34
Delaware		9 15	18 30	2 75
Florida	1,264 78	1,719 80	3,439 60	515 94
Georgia	920 97	16,266 95	32,533 90	4,880 00
Illinois	428 75	538 85	1,077 70	161 95
Indiana	174 37	615 75	1,231 50	184 72
Iowa	22 94	102 50	205 00	30 75
Kansas	325 80	743 45	1,486 90	223 03
Kentucky	756 63	4,403 10	8,806 20	1,320 82
Louisiana	629 27	6,309 70	12,619 40	1,892 81
Maryland	43 00	293 45	786 00	118 25
Maine		1 25	2 50	37
Massachusetts	125 17	234 15	468 30	70 12
Michigan	22 75	55 50	111 00	16 65
Minnesota	15 75	40 10	80 20	12 03
Mississippi	1,281 39	12,475 05	24,950 10	3,742 51
Missouri	627 30	1,743 95	3,487 90	523 18
Montana		3 00	6 00	90
Nebraska	2 25	34 25	68 50	10 21
New Jersey	709 28	850 00	1,700 00	255 00
New Hampshire	1 00	1 75	3 50	52
New Mexico	9 10	1 25	2 50	37
New York	388 01	1,150 05	2,301 00	345 00
North Carolina	405 30	833 10	1,666 20	2,370 21
Ohio	379 19	445 50	1,666 20	249 33
Oklahoma	574 28		891 10	133 65
Pennsylvania	1,112 87	1,750 85	2,241 30	491 21
Rhode Island	22 00	23 95	47 90	7 12
South Carolina	1,650 04	1,793 60	16,681 20	2,338 05
Tennessee	634 09	6,170 65	12,341 30	1,851 14
Texas	1,438 13	10,693 45	21,386 80	3,203 83
Utah		2 00	4 00	60
Virginia	672 06	16,094 95	30,189 90	4,628 46
Washington	9 20	7 45	14 90	2 23
Wisconsin	1 00	1 75	3 50	52
Wyoming		1 45	2 90	43
West Virginia	254 54	331 00	662 00	99 30
Woman's Conv'n'tion	1,140 80			361 00
Totals		\$115,829 00	\$231,658 00	\$35,000 00

The chorus sang "Send Out the Light."

Dr. J. P. Robinson, Chairman of the Home Mission

Board, was introduced and in a few words presented Dr. R. H. Boyd, Corresponding Secretary, who reviewed the work of the Home Field.

SECRETARY BOYD'S HOME MISSION REPORT.

Brother President and Delegates of the National Baptist Convention, assembled:

The Home Mission Board of your Convention brings this, its fifteenth annual report before you for your consideration to give an account of the missionary work done on home fields from September 1, 1909 to August 31, 1910. We have by no means made the showing, or done the work that should have been done during this period, or the reports of the work do not show the work done commensurate with the great magnitude of the body of Baptists represented by this organization. There are many reasons why this report does not show a work commensurate with the denomination. First, we have not and can not get a co-operative tabulated work of all the district associations and state conventions as we should show it. If the missionary work done on home fields by the sixty-eight state and territorial organizations, the seven hundred district associations, the eighteen thousand organized Baptist churches, was compiled in this report it would show a work possibly commensurate with so great a denomination or organization as ourselves.

We hope the time is not far distant when every district association, every district Sunday-school convention, every district B. Y. P. U. organization and every district woman's auxiliary will hand in to their state conventions a tabulated statement of all missionaries employed, all work done, all money raised and expended by the same, and every state and territorial convention affiliate with the National Baptist Convention will hand in to this Board a tabulated account of all the missionary work done so that one picking up the report of the Home Mission Board will be able to know the number of missionaries actually doing work on home fields among the Negro Baptists of the United States.

This is the highest aim of each member of the Home Mission Board, and we believe that our brethren in the various states are waking up to the importance of such a correlation, affiliation, or co-operation of our district, state and national missionary work. It was the purpose of our Board to undertake the compilation of such a work this year, but owing to the raging storms, lowering clouds, muttering thunders and surging billows that have come against

the Board since the adjournment of the National Baptist Convention, it has taken all of its time, energy and prayers to steer the old ship and be able to bring to you an account of its stewardship for the past twelve months.

ORGANIZATION OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD.

Notwithstanding this is the fifteenth annual report of the Home Mission Board to this body, it seems that there are those who yet cannot understand the organization of this Board, the why's and the how's of its works. This Board, if we understand ourselves, was brought upon the scene to do the work laid out by the founders of the American National Baptist Missionary Convention at St. Louis, in 1886. In 1895, when the three organizations, namely: the Foreign Mission Convention, the American National Educational Convention, and the American National Baptist Missionary Convention, were federated into one organization, the Home Mission Board was the Executive Board of that organization, and it was so understood that it would be the purpose of this Board to have committed to it two of the objects set out in the constitution, namely, missions and publications. However, in 1904, at Austin, Texas, it was decided to divide these objects and commit the objects of publication to the Publishing Board, leaving the Home Mission Board to give its time exclusively to missionary operations on home fields. The constitutional provision, that this Board should consist of one member from each state and territorial missionary convention affiliated with the National Baptist Convention, has already brought its membership up to something over fifty-three or fifty-four members. This makes it impossible and impractical for this Board to hold even quarterly meetings. The travelling expenses of members called across the United States would create a debt that would be appalling and would bankrupt the treasury of the Board, if they held three meetings annually. Therefore, the Board has taken advantage of the constitutional provisions which allow the elective members of the Board and two other appointees to make up the Executive Committee of said Board and all the work has been committed to them. This Executive Committee entered into a correlation with the Publishing Board and thereby constitutes the Board of Management, whose members are elected by both the Publishing Board and the Home Mission Board. This Board elects the secretary who has the supervision of the work jointly. The Home Mission Board

ASSISTANT SECRETARIES OF THE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION



T. O. PULLER.



E. A. WILSON.



E. H. McDONALD.



I. M. CODWELL.

reporting to you all missionary work and the Publishing Board reporting all publishing work, thereby working in co-operation with each other.

OUR MISSIONARY OPERATIVE PLANS.

The Home Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention is yet in its experimental stage. It will be seen from the date of the organization of the Convention to the date of the first report of the Home Mission Board that the National Baptist Convention in some form was in existence fifteen years before this Board attempted to begin operation; that is, you will notice that this is the fifteenth annual report to the thirtieth annual session of the Convention. It, therefore, shows that it took our brethren fifteen years to be persuaded that this Board was a necessity. I might here call attention to a matter that was discussed some years ago between our lamented Dr. Morgan, of the Home Mission Society, New York, and our lamented Dr. Kerfort, of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, in which the Home Mission Society of New York said to the Home Mission Board of Atlanta as late as 1900, that there was no need for a Home Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention; that there was nothing for it to do and it had no field or cause for operation. This was not only the opinion of the leaders of the Home Mission Society, but it was largely the opinion of a great majority of our own brethren, and this opinion has by no means been entirely obliterated.

There yet remain those among our best pastors and leaders of our associations and state conventions who cannot see the necessity and work of such a Board. The members of the Board, therefore, appointed by the delegations from these various states, and very many times new members, come into this Board very much uninformed and very much out of sympathy with this work. When all of this is taken under consideration it makes the operation of such a Board indeed difficult and will require considerable time yet to firmly organize and put it upon operative plans and the financial basis that it should be. First, our Home Mission Board cannot make at the beginning of any year any definite appropriations for its missionary work, for the reason that it does not know what relation it will be able to sustain to the Baptist work of the country. The Board, however, after fifteen years of experience, adopted the following operative plans, which it has pursued for a number of years, which have proved wonderfully successful when it is taken into consideration the disadvantages under which it has had to operate. It is impossible for the Board to

have more than one, or at most two, annual meetings, at the beginning and at the close of the fiscal year, and even then, there is never a majority of the members present at any meeting, and it is handicapped thereby.

All that the General Board can do is to hold a meeting, elect its officers and its Executive Committee and leave them to both lay plans and to put these plans into execution. The operative plans, however, of this Board, which it has pursued for the last twelve or thirteen years, have convinced the older members of the Executive Board that if they are vigorously pursued and carefully watched and heartily co-operated in by the Baptists of the country, they will prove both a success to the Board and a blessing to the country.

The Board has not changed its leading officers for fourteen years. It has retained its chairman and its corresponding or general secretary, together with a number of the other executive officers, and, therefore, each of these executive officers is perfectly familiar with its operative plans. They are as follows: First, they affiliate with the National Baptist Publishing Board in organization; second, they co-operate with the same Board in missionary operations. In this way, they spend no money for mileage and per diem of Board members. They pay no office rent and they expend no missionary money for secretary's salary. By so doing, they are able to apply all missionary money raised to actual missionary work. We believe that this can be seen at a glance and when understood will be heartily applauded by Baptists everywhere. However, there may be a little setback to this. Under this plan of work, the Home Mission Board, first, does not operate its missionary work from its headquarters at Little Rock; secondly, it is not incorporated, and therefore holds no property. The Publishing Board, being incorporated, spends no missionary money, performs no missionary operation, but as it is incorporated it is capable of holding the title to property. All titles to property are invested in the Publishing Board, and all missionary money is spent by the Home Mission Board.

The Home Mission Board rightfully owns the property in Key West and the property in the Panama Canal Zone, which property, we feel, is rightfully worth five or eight thousand dollars, but the deeds are invested in the National Baptist Publishing Board of the National Baptist Convention, and the Home Mission Board has half of the Board of Managers of the Publishing Board, making it, therefore, held jointly between the two Boards.

The Home Mission Board under this plan has missionaries and colporters working in various states, but they are working in co-operation with state and territorial conventions and some of them are working under a three-fold co-operative agreement; that is, their salaries are paid as follows: First, by the state or territorial convention; second, by the Home Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and third, by the Home Board of the National Baptist Convention. These missionaries make duplicate or triplicate reports; that is, they report to their own state board, copies of which are sent to the National Baptist Board and to the Home Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

This operative plan has been satisfactory to all concerned. There has been but little or no complaint on the part of any state or territorial board, no complaint from the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, and the Home Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention feels fairly well gratified over results. The only complaint we have heard from the state and territorial conventions is that the missionaries are not numerous enough to satisfy them. But the Home Mission Board's resources have been too limited to meet all of these demands. We might close this paragraph by saying the only complaint we have heard against this missionary operative plan of the Home Board has come from outsiders who do not understand the work and plans of the Board, or who desire to interfere with it.

THE BOARD'S CO-OPERATIVE WORK WITH STATE AND TERRITORIAL CONVENTIONS.

As we have just stated in the foregoing paragraph, our Board's financial resources have never allowed us to supply the demands that are made upon us each year for co-operative missionaries, for the reason that we have not had an income sufficient to justify the occasion, and the Board has feared to incur a debt upon itself, lest they would have no means to execute the obligation of paying the debt. This co-operative plan has been fairly satisfactory with our state Boards, for the reason that the Home Mission Board does not elect to itself the right to make choice of its co-operative missionaries, nor to hold itself altogether responsible for the character of the persons chosen. They are to work in the territory of these state and territorial conventions and must, therefore, be responsible to the people for their reputation and character and the conventions in turn must be responsible to our Board. However, our Board de-

mands the rights, first, to pass upon the qualifications of those chosen whose salaries it is expected to assist in paying; secondly, to be consulted and conferred with on the character of work they are to perform. This plan, of late, raised some questions with a few, at least two, of our state boards. In these two instances the state convention Boards have objected to our claims, first, in passing upon the qualifications, and second, in directing the work, but our Board has stood firmly on this and cannot and will not yield these rights. We believe if we are expected to provide and be responsible for a part of the salaries, we should know and be satisfied with the qualifications of the employe and have some say in the work that he shall perform. We believe that all right thinking people will heartily applaud this plan.

The Home Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention feels that it is the agent of the National Baptist Convention and that the objects of missions are given over to them and they are responsible to the Convention for the success or failure of such work and, therefore, must of necessity look into and pass upon both the character and the employment of the missionaries employed. They, therefore, object to the co-operative missionaries being subject to or receiving remuneration from any other source, except those strictly co-operating in this missionary co-operative plan. We recognize that the men and women employed must give their whole time to mission work. We object to our co-operative missionaries pastoring churches or engaging in any other religious or secular employment that will take their time from the work on the field, unless in such cases made and agreed upon by all parties engaged in the co-operative work. We also require for many reasons that each and all our co-operative missionaries shall be both missionaries and colporters to the people, and shall represent, first, the state work; second, the work of the National Baptist Publishing Board, and third, the work of the National Baptist Home Mission Board, and that this and this only shall be their employment. We have tried to make this plain from year to year, that our people might fully understand it.

OUR JOINT PLAN OF DOING COLPORTER AND MISSIONARY WORK.

It will be seen that our Board for the last twelve years has from time to time discussed this subject and brought it before the body. We believe that this is the best method

known to our Board of doing missionary and colporter work jointly for many and various reasons. First, we are unshaken in our opinion that our churches and communities are greatly suffering for proper Bible and doctrinal information, and as Baptist books and literature that are sound in Baptist and Bible doctrine are scarce and hard to obtain, and that so-called undenominational books and literature are persistently scattered throughout the country, that the publishers and agents of undenominational literature are growing more and more aggressive, thereby filling the homes, libraries and churches of our people with this so-called undenominational literature, both in songs and prose, to such an alarming extent that our people clamor for the rights and privileges to bring it into the churches and into the Baptist church services. It is indeed a common scene to go into our churches and Sunday-schools and find on the pulpit and in the pews undenominational song books and the libraries of the home filled with both undenominational and irreligious, cheap literature and subscription books, sold on the installment plan.

It will be surprising to-day to know the number of Baptist pastors whose libraries consist almost exclusively of subscription books of undenominational character. The doctrine contained is being preached to our people in various communities. If their attention is called to it, we are readily informed, and truthfully so, that there is no book store or place where Baptist books can be obtained, and many of our preachers are indeed surprised when they are informed that Baptists have written on all subjects that are essential to the general development and enlightenment of the people. We, therefore, require that all missionaries shall, first, acquaint themselves as much as possible with all wholesome and sound, doctrinal books published by Baptists throughout the country, and at least carry as much as possible with them samples of the best and most useful books, in order that they may help, first, the pastors, and second, the communities in obtaining this much-needed information. We believe that when a missionary has visited a community, lectured, preached, visited the homes and people, if he leaves information in printed form, it will last when the sermons are forgotten.

CO-OPERATIVE WORK BY AND BETWEEN THE HOME MISSION BOARDS OF THE NATIONAL AND SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTIONS.

This year this co-operative work has been discussed through the newspapers, by the different state Boards and

throughout the country more than in any previous years, and as we have heretofore stated in our reports from year to year, it seems not to be understood. In fact, it has been meddled with by those that knew nothing about it. It means just what it says and says just what it means; it is co-operative work between the two Boards, and the two Boards only. If the brethren could make up their minds to properly recognize the Home Mission Board as the proper agent and custodian of the home mission work, and if other Boards and officials could learn to leave this work in the hands of the Board and allow that Board to take its orders exclusively from the constitution and instructions of the National Baptist Convention, this plan would work admirably. If the secretary of this Board is able to raise ten or fifteen thousand dollars a year through the Southern white Baptists, that money is worth just as much to Baptist missionary work as if he had begged it from somebody in Europe, or had taken up collections in the churches and associations and brought it up to this Board.

We have been considerably amused at State Boards attempting to dictate to the Home Mission Board what it should or should not do with the money entrusted into its hands. Others have complained of their pro rata of the money. Others, again, seem to understand that the white Baptists of the South turn over to the secretary and treasurer of the Home Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention, or place to their bank account, fifteen or twenty thousand dollars annually, that the secretary of the Home Mission Board has nothing to do but to sit down and issue out that money at will, spending, of course, the larger part for his own luxuries and comfort, and the remainder for the field secretary to ride around over the country and live high. We say this in a way of criticism, because the plan of co-operation and its work has been clearly stated by this Board each year for the past ten years and was so thoroughly and completely looked into by a commission that was appointed years ago, having two months to thoroughly consider it, that we cannot see how it could be possible to be misunderstood by anybody.

In order that this plan may be more thoroughly understood, we herein copy it from the Minutes of the National Baptist Convention of 1905, page 97:

The basis of a working agreement with the National Baptist Convention, proposed and tentatively agreed to at a conference between a commission from the Home

Board of the National Baptist Convention and a similar commission of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, held in Atlanta, April 8, 1904.

1. The National Baptist Convention is to be recognized as the representative Negro Baptist organization in the South.

2. The plan and spirit of this co-operation must be understood by both parties as not in conflict with all proper courtesy towards the American Baptist Home Mission Society, of New York, whose great field is the work of education among the Negroes in the South is hereby recognized.

3. The Home Mission Board on its own part is to have its own Field Secretary, or Superintendent, to represent the Home Mission Board's interest in the work, and before the white Baptists of the South, and to promote Southern sympathy and support in behalf of the workers in the field.

4. This plan of co-operation is to have no limit of time for its continuance, and is to take in two bodies, viz: The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and the Home Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention.

5. The adjustment of co-operation to the existing situations and conditions among the Negro Baptists in different States shall be left to the Home Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention.

6. This plan purposes an organization for the work which will touch four cardinal points of opportunity and need among the Negro Baptists of the South. (1) The Negro Baptist State Convention—as the point of coherency in the organization of Negro Baptists in each State. (2) The Negro Baptist District Association—with an Executive Committee of Negro Baptists in each. (3) The Negro Missionary Conference for local communities for the purpose of Bible and Missionary study. (4) The local Negro Baptist Church—it is proposed to secure the Christian interest and assistance of local white Baptist pastors.

7. To the end that a great forward movement of the Southern Baptist Convention in the discharge of its missionary and Christian obligation to the Negro of the South shall be made and the great cause of Negro self-reliance and progress may be secured, it is proposed that the Home Mission Board will for the year beginning May 15th, 1904, appropriate dollar for dollar, or one-half the amount necessary to execute these propositions up to the amount of \$15,000 the first year, from the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

These proposals were fully discussed by a joint Commission from each board and unanimously recommended to the two Boards represented.

This plan of co-operation has been in operation between the two Boards for ten consecutive years, beginning in 1900 and lasting up to and including the present year. It has been amended and this amendment brought such criticism in 1904 that the whole matter was taken out of the hands of the Home Mission Board and referred to a commission of twelve, appointed by the National Baptist Convention, and they spent large money, held meetings in three different parts of the United States, carefully went over every inch of the ground and made strong recommen-

dations to the Convention at Chicago in 1905 and approved every essential point of this amended plan of co-operation. It has proved to be the greatest benefit to the Negro Baptists of the country of any work ever inaugurated.

This year our Board has had more thunderstorms and turbulent billows, criticisms, etc., hurled against it on account of this co-operative work than at any time since 1904. But the same storm that raged this year came from the same sources of 1904. If any person will take the pains to read Section 4 of this co-operative agreement, which reads as follows: "This plan of co-operation is to have no limit of time for its continuance, and is to take in two bodies, viz.: the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and the Home Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention," it will be seen at a glance that no other organization, society, agency, board, secretary, association or anything else can be included in this work.

We here and now state that it is the understanding of our Board that the Home Mission Board is the only authorized agent of the National Baptist Convention to put this co-operative plan into execution. We have, therefore, stated distinctly that we will under no consideration accept the interference of any other Board, organization or secretary. We will not consent that our co-operative missionaries work for or report to any other body except the Boards interested in this co-operative plan. If we are wrong in this, we ask the Convention to correct us now and abolish the co-operative work, or put it into the hands of others.

Our co-operative work has been greatly hindered this year by unwarranted criticisms that have come against it. We regret this criticism, but we could not prevent it. We are glad to report, however, that when the storms had passed over and Baptists had come to their sober judgment, every state that is in co-operation with us has been thoroughly convinced that we were correct and has heartily indorsed the work. We are glad to report that these criticisms after first shaking and disturbing the confidence of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, finally served to strengthen it. When it had sounded the opinions of the different states, we have been reassured by the officials of the Home Mission Board that after ten years of experience, they have arrived at the conclusion that the Negro Baptists, like other Baptists, are capable of discussing grave questions, disagreeing on many intricate points, but finally agree on the essentials of their work. They, therefore, have reassured us that this co-op-

erative work is permanent and our Board may now lay its plans with some assurance of continued assistance from them.

Few of our state boards have complained at some requests that our Board has made and have tried to construe them as orders. But we have stood firm in our contentions, first, that we must be consulted, given an opportunity to know and pass upon the qualifications of the men and women to be employed; second, we must know and must have some say in what kind of work those employed shall be engaged in. We reserve the right to have copies of their reports and to decide upon whether or not these people are entitled to their pay. All state and territorial boards that cannot and will not agree to this, we have no quarrel with them, we simply announce that we cannot recommend the work, and that ends it.

There are some questions raised as to what states this co-operative money can be spent in. We desire to state that this money is accepted by us with the definite understanding that it will be spent within the bounds of certain states. Not all the states that include the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention, but certain designated states, for instance, North Carolina, Virginia and Missouri, have never been included in this co-operative work. These exceptions were made for reasons at the time this agreement was entered into, and they will remain until the two Home Mission Boards have had an agreement to change them. This does not in any way interfere with the Home Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention doing work in these states. It simply prevents the expenditure of money entrusted to it for co-operative missionary work being spent in any other state. This co-operative money is designated money and must be spent in the territory designated. This seems that it ought to be clear to all.

OUR MISSIONARY WORK IN OTHER TERRITORIES.

We have understood that the Home Mission Board was privileged by the National Baptist Convention to do missionary work in Canada, West Indies, Phillipine Islands, Hawaii and the Canal Zone, Panama. We have kept in close relation with our brethren in the Dominion of Canada. Notwithstanding this is a British territory, yet because they are English speaking people and because there are so many Negro Baptists in the Dominion of Canada, we have felt that as a Home Mission Board, it was necessary that we should keep in as close touch with them as possible.

While we have no direct missionaries employed in that territory, yet we make occasional visits to them, and there are certain overtures being made between us.

JAMAICA.

This is also British territory, but the Negro Baptists have an auxiliary National Baptist organization. Rev. G. E. Stewart is president of this organization and he is now in the United States for the second time. He has organized the Negro Baptists in Jamaica according to our plan of organization and they have been given membership on each of our Boards. President Stewart will be present at this meeting and we ask for him a full and free hearing. Our Board has planned to help the active missionary work in that territory.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

This territory, while it was conceded to the National Baptist Convention, we have not yet occupied for many reasons. First, they speak a different language, and an English speaking preacher could do but little or no good among them. Secondly, we have not had direct representatives from that field. Rev. Dr. W. E. Gladden, Chaplain in the United States Army and one of our leading Baptist preachers, has spent some time in the Philippine Islands, and we had greatly hoped that he would be with us in this meeting. We had hoped to have him come before our Board that we might talk over the matter very fully and freely with him. It is sufficient to say that up to this time we have done practically nothing in these islands.

HAWAIIAN ISLANDS.

This territory is truly a part of the United States. It is now under territorial government and is as much a part of the United States as any state in the Union. And while there are a few people of whom it is claimed belong to the Negro race in this island, as yet we have not been able to plan a steady work in this field, but we hope in the near future to look into this territory more carefully and be able to give a better solution for the problem.

THE CANAL ZONE.

The door to this field was opened to us in 1907. While we have been able to do a little in this new field, we are

ready to acknowledge that we must work and work fast, as within the next five years it will be the one spot in America where the eyes of all the world will be turned and if the National Baptist Convention loses its opportunity on this Zone it will lose a great legacy. We have had overtures and appeals for much larger work on this Zone. At present we have but one regular ordained minister, Rev. R. H. Thorbourne, in our employment in the field.

Last year we reported to you that his work was progressing and that we were endeavoring to push the work. We rejoice that while we have not been able to meet all of our obligations there, yet we have been able to secure and hold at our disposal three lots, one for church, one for a parsonage, and one for a school. We have succeeded in building the church, and the congregation is worshipping in the same. We have supplied it with pulpit furniture, but have not as yet been able to supply it with pews. On account of the freight, we have thought it best to seat it with opera chairs, as when the freight is taken into consideration, they will prove to be the cheaper. We have a parsonage for the preacher to live in. We are just in receipt of information from our missionary, Brother Thorbourne, that he has planted two other missions on the Zone, at one of which he is undertaking to erect another building, and has already laid the corner-stone for the same. It is wonderful how the Lord has so graciously blessed our work for the small amount of money expended in this Zone. We hope to have each and all of our brethren hear Brother Thorbourne this year on the needs of this work.

THE WORK OF THE FIELD SECRETARY.

For eight consecutive years we have kept the field secretary on the field. And when we say field secretary in this instance, we mean all that that word implies. Rev. William Beckham has been in the employment of the Board as field secretary for eight years. We find it both impracticable and impossible for our general secretary to keep up with the two-fold work in the office and at the same time be fully acquainted with the work on the field. Rev. William Beckham, our field secretary, traverses the entire United States every year, in fact, he scarcely ever reaches his office at headquarters more than three or four times during the year. He thoroughly familiarizes himself with the field of labor laid out to each missionary and colporter, visits him in his field and has a personal observation of the work; visits as many state conventions as possible, and familiarizes himself with the work of the state boards.

This year our Board commissioned him to attend the World's Missionary Conference at Edinburgh, Scotland. He returns with glowing reports. Notwithstanding this Missionary Conference was in a sense more generally a foreign mission conference, yet we desired that our field secretary should have a more thorough knowledge of general missionary work.

We hope that the delegates shall have an opportunity to hear Rev. Beckham on the work of the field.

SUMMARY OF MISSIONARY WORK DONE OF HOME FIELD.

It will be noticed from the summary of work done on home fields that in some instances our work has made large increases while others have fallen off. This can be accounted for in two ways. The past fiscal year we had both a hard winter and a rainy spring which prevented to some extent our missionary work. There is also a revival in Sunday-school work. The adding of our Teacher-Training Course and the advancement in the work of the Panama Zone, together with the deeper interest in some of the states, have added considerable to our work.

We hope to be able to interest the New England Convention in this co-operative work. Our secretary visited them this year but did not get a conference with the board as it was very busy, but we have since had a letter from the president, writing favorably on the subject. We believe that the board would greatly advance missionary work in the New England States if we could have a general missionary, or district secretary, to take in the entire New England and Middle States. This appointee, however, would have to be thoroughly familiar with the field and it would incur considerable expense as we do not know what the field itself would be able to furnish. As there are many things to confront a missionary, care must be taken in his selection.

REPORT OF MISSIONARY WORK.

	You Present	Last Year
Number of Missionaries, Colporters, Sunday-school and Bible Workers working in co-operation with our Board during the year	491	43
Days of service reported	6917	5587
Sermons preached	2209	1565
Sunday-schools addressed	11371	1365
Prayer meetings attended	25871	239

	Present Year	Last Year
B. Y. P. U. Societies addressed	470	385
Missionary Societies addressed	1353	397
Other addresses and public talks delivered	2356	2141
Total number of sermons, addresses and public talks delivered	5377	10229
Homes visited for Bible reading and prayer	5233	5853
Homes found without Bibles	585	607
Number of churches visited	2181	3221
Number of churches helped to organize	40	38
New Sunday-schools organized	36	42
Missionary societies formed or organized	40	68
Number of persons baptized by request of churches	490	1970
Number of conventions, associations and other state and district meetings attended	2091	1970
Missionary and Bible conferences held	11913	10265
Letters and postal cards written	576	1260
Number of religious tracts, pamphlets and booklets distributed	2938	12565
Miles traveled to perform this labor	140,607	157,363

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF MISSIONARY MONEY BY HOME MISSION BOARD.

	Present Year	Last Year
Money collected and applied to missionary work in communities where collected	20,152 78	14,686 11
Value of tracts, pamphlets and booklets distributed free	318 88	585 46
Money collected by missionaries and colporters and applied to their salaries	5,684 50	5,521 57
Money donated by Home Mission Board of Southern Baptist Convention on salaries of missionaries	6,370 84	7,263 50
Money collected by missionaries and applied to their travelling expenses	4,054 21	3,076 34
Salaries of female missionaries and Teacher-Training Superintendent working in co-operation with our Board	1,200 00	930 00
Cash, commission and books supplemented on missionaries' salaries working in co-operation with our Board	8,925 50	9,783 96
Money paid out by missionaries for postage and other incidental expenses	902 49	
Amount sent to the Publishing Board by missionaries	3,374 74	
Salaries travelling, office rent and other expenses of Field Secretary paid by Publishing Board	2,400 00	2,400 00
Total	\$ 52,483 94	\$ 44,285 94

This is to certify that I have carefully examined the books of the National Baptist Publishing Board, and found the same correct.

ROBT. MITCHELL,

Auditor of the National Baptist Convention,
This September 1, 1910.

Respectfully submitted,
National Baptist Publishing Board,

R. H. BORO,
General Secretary.

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE NATIONAL BAPTIST PUBLISHING BOARD.

Brother President and Members of the National Baptist Convention:

The Board of Managers of the National Baptist Publishing Board brings you this, its fourteenth annual report of the business transacted from September 1, 1909, to August 31, 1910. We rejoice to be able to report that our business, all things being taken into consideration, is in good condition. Our increase in business compared to increase of expenses has not been equal to the increase of many past years, but that can be accounted for in many ways, and as is our custom, we will not attempt to give the assets or liabilities. We merely give the receipts and expenditures and mention whatever additions that have been made during the year. The Board has made some advances along business lines and has enlarged its scope of usefulness, making some changes in its periodical department. We are steadily pursuing the idea of a regular mail order business, and are thereby shipping our manufactures or publications to all parts of the United States and in some instances to the West Indies, Central and South America and Africa.

A REVIEW OF THE YEAR'S WORK.

We find upon close examination that we have made some gradual increase in the circulation both of our books and periodicals. Our periodical department is taking deeper and firmer hold upon the reading public, and publishers every-

where have begun to reckon with us, or take us into consideration. Our own brothers have learned to look to us for the very best publications. They expect periodicals with the very best of diction, together with the soundest of doctrine. They also expect our publications to be turned out in the very best manufactured workmanship. This causes us considerable expense. We have constant demands made upon us for a superior quality of labor, both professional and mechanical, and this calls for the latest and most improved machinery, together with a superior quality of material. This adds considerably to the cost of production.

OUR IMPROVED MACHINERY.

Last year we reported to you both our needs and our intentions. We informed you that the Board decided to purchase a new folding and feeding machine. This two-fold machine was to cost \$3,800. We also reported to you that we had contracted for and were having built for the institution one of Scott's All-Sized Rotary Magazine presses, at a cost of \$18,000. We are glad to report that both of these machines have been installed. At the same time we disposed of two of our flat bed presses that had been in service ten and twelve years consecutively. These old machines had about spent their usefulness and were fast wearing and could be sold only as what the manufacturers call "junk." However, we were able to obtain a splendid price for them in part payment on our new machinery and thereby lessen the cost. Our Brown's folding machine was sold to the foundry at a price of \$325. Our two flat bed Cottrell presses were sold to Scott Manufacturing Company one for \$1,500 and the other for \$1,000. These were accepted as part payment on the new machine. With this new machine we are able to now turn out our magazines at the rate of from five to ten thousand per hour. This has almost revolutionized our work and but for this high grade machinery we would not be able to meet the demands made upon us. It is true that when we made this report last year, it created some dissatisfaction among the delegates who did not understand our needs, or the advantages in having such expensive machinery. This Scott's All-Sized Rotary press that we have sounds expensive when we say \$18,000, but when it is taken into consideration that this price includes five different machines: They furnish us, first, with a power machine to trim and bevel the ends of curved plates; they furnish us, secondly, with a different power machine to trim and bevel the sides of the plates; they furnish us, thirdly, with a power machine that takes the flat electrotype plates and

curves them to fit the cylinder; they furnish us, fourthly, with a make-ready press that is made up with cylinders just as the regular printing press in which these curved plates are put on the cylinders and made ready; they furnish us with the printing machine itself, which is equivalent to two rotary presses, that is, two rotary printing presses and one feeding machine which takes the roll of paper, feeds it into the printing machine, and cuts it the exact length to be printed. This three-fold machine acts in unison feeds, cuts, prints and delivers this paper perfected or printed on both sides of the sheet. When it is taken into consideration that this machine when it is put into operation will turn out as much work as eight high grade, flat bed presses, and use but one more man to operate this press than is required to operate a flat bed press and uses but little more power, we can easily understand that this is a saving of from \$20 to \$30 per day in labor to say nothing of light, heat and power. This press was put into operation last November and after thoroughly experimenting with it, we are fully satisfied that we made no mistake in the venture.

OUR MANUFACTURING DEPARTMENT.

This is one of the most critical subjects with which the Board has to deal. We say critical because it requires careful, painstaking, experienced and skilled labor and careful calculation. It also demands clerical and business force who have made a careful study of supplies and demands and who can keep pace with the ready changes in prices of raw material. While the prices on our literature or any of our books have never been increased the tenth part of a cent, yet the prices of labor and salaries of clerks, the cost of machinery, the cost of fuel and the cost of freight have made rapid advancement year by year for the last eight years. It might be surprising to say that during this time printers' book paper has almost doubled its price. Printers' ink and other printers' supplies have increased proportionately. Our skilled laborers have made demands on us for increase of salaries each year for the past five years. Since making our last report we have been compelled to increase the salaries in every department. We could not say that this was unjust for the reason that there has been a rapid increase in the cost of living. Clothing, rents, fuel and foodstuff have all increased in prices and thoughtful manufacturers or publishers have been compelled to increase the salaries of their clerks and skilled employees. We have, therefore,

decreased our working force, and have increased the salaries. Our running expenses, as can be seen at a glance, are considerably beyond what they were last year. We have experimented with the use of skilled, Negro labor until the manufacturing world has begun to take note that Negro skilled labor can be used to advantage in every department if it can be controlled. The greatest difficulty to-day is to control Negro labor. When we say control Negro labor, we do not mean that they are unruly, we mean to say that the white and Negro laborers, for some cause, will not work side by side; that is, the white skilled or professional laborers spurn the idea of working side by side with Negroes. Again, Negro labor has been trained to have white employers, foremen, chief clerks and managers, and we have been pushed to the difficult line to have one educated Negro feel that another educated Negro is his or her superior. Hence, when new clerks and new employees come into our establishment it takes them some time to learn that labor must be performed according to given rules, or orders, and that certain chief clerks, foremen or managers must be obeyed. Another difficult matter is punctuality. Our skilled laborers and many of our professional men and women must learn that in order to husband and control skilled and professional manufacturing and mechanical pursuits that they must give up pleasure-seeking, comfort and every enjoyment that is indulged in on given pleasure-seeking days. But we are glad to report that our clerks, chief clerks, skilled laborers, in fact all of our employees, are settling down to the conclusion that if they are to be a part of this manufacturing and commercial institution, they must both be steady, punctual and accurate in the services they give.

EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT.

Last year we reported that we had fitted up in proper style a regular editorial office. We have made some improvement on this and have made some additions to our editorial department. Our editorial staff, both those in the office and those who do their work at their homes, is becoming more and deeper interested in the work. Not a single member of the editorial staff is satisfied with the diction of the literature that is now being compiled by them, but each quarter is untiring in his efforts to lay out such plans for the press they are trying to make it better. Our editorial secretary avation of literature that will cause the Negro Baptists to have literature that is unsurpassed by any publishing institution of the country. Each member of the editorial staff

seems to be perfectly contented to follow out the instructions of the editorial secretary, hence we have received an abundance of praise from all parts of the United States concerning our literature.

OUR SUNDAY-SCHOOL TEACHER-TRAINING DEPARTMENT.

Two years ago we decided to add this department to our work, but not until the beginning of this fiscal year did we put it into operation fully. We now have in our employment a regular superintendent of this department, Rev. N. H. Pius, of Springfield, Ohio. This department has not gained or grown as rapidly as we had hoped, in fact, it is slow of growth, naturally, and we have had considerable setback. First, in the early spring our superintendent of Teacher-Training was considerably handicapped from traveling and meeting the public as we had hoped he would be able to do; secondly, we have been considerably hindered for the lack of means to defray the necessary traveling expense; thirdly he has had to spend this year considerable time in the office making preparations for a sufficient curriculum of books for the course, finding it very difficult indeed to make a selection of these books and obtain the rights of publishing the same, some of which we were never able to find and they had to be prepared by our own writers and manufactured upon our own premises; fourthly, our superintendent's health gave away, and for three months he was totally disabled to perform his labors. But for the assistance of his efficient wife in assisting in keeping up the correspondence, we would have suffered considerably more.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY AND SUPERINTENDENT.

The Board has found the necessity of the continued service of an assistant secretary and superintendent of the entire plant. As the plant, its influence and its scope of usefulness increase in magnitude, we find a greater necessity for the time of the general secretary to be taken in fully acquainting himself with conditions and, therefore, must be more and more released from detail affairs and business management and this work is given almost exclusively into the hands of the assistant secretary and superintendent. For instance, we find it absolutely necessary for the general secretary to make constant visits to different parts of the United States and to be out of the office at times for days and even weeks. It would, therefore, be next to an impossibility to run an in-

stitution of such gigantic proportions as the National Baptist Publishing Board without having present at all times some one in authority who is acquainted with all of the details from the highest to the lowest. We have placed the office of the assistant secretary next to that of the general foreman and general counting department, where he can be at all times present to pass upon the accounts, sign checks, give orders and have a general oversight, together with the directing of correspondence and other detail matters.

OUR BOOK, TRACT AND SALES DEPARTMENT.

This is one of the most difficult departments that we now have to contend with. We have been gradually emerging more and more into a general book concern, and this, too, in the form of a regular mail order house, that is to say, we have to do a retail business by mail and express. This requires considerable clerical labor and requires the very best professional services. We must keep men and women at the head of this department who can, first, understand the postal regulations; second, the express and shipping regulations; third, the fluctuating prices of books, tracts, Bibles, etc.; and fourth, those who can understand fully the supply and demands in the way to advertise or place the goods to be sold before the people, making them see and understand what we have on hand. This is also a difficult department to handle because of profits and losses. Great business judgment and sagacity must be exercised in the buying and selling of books, taking into consideration the probabilities of the fluctuation in prices, the damage and losses in shipping and collecting for the same. Last December, January and February, the Board experienced its first reverses, as we had on hand early in November between fifty and seventy-five thousand dollars' worth of these goods, with but little means of advertising the same. Failing to make sales, we found ourselves overstocked and a demand on the part of the different publishers for pay was made, which we were not prepared to make. We are glad to report, however, that this difficulty was overcome with a comparatively small loss, and while we have some dead stock on our hands, yet we have been able to get rid of considerable of it at prices that were not as destructive as we had at first anticipated. We are constantly laying before the public what we keep on hand, or we are prepared to furnish anything the church or Sunday-school may need in the form of books or literature from a leaflet to an encyclopedia. Our book department has been able to keep pace with the times, and

while we do not have on hand at times the particular grade of goods demanded, yet we hold ourselves in readiness to supply these at very short notice.

STANDARD RELIGIOUS BOOKS.

The National Baptist Publishing Board when first organized was looked upon more as a Sunday-school department with the view of publishing Sunday-school periodicals and it was generally thought that that was the work of this institution. Of course those more directly interested and having control of things knew better and, therefore, did not start out with the name Sunday-School Board, as we thought we should do. The purpose of the founders Board was to have a regular publishing and book concern to supply both churches, Sunday-schools, ministers and communities with standard, religious literature, both books and periodicals. A glance at the charter, adopted by the Convention at Kansas City, Missouri, in 1898, ordered by the Convention at Boston in 1897, will more fully show what the intention was in the establishing of this institution. It will be seen by looking at this charter that the Board asked for and received from the state authority to sue and be sued in its own corporate name, to rent or build, lease or own room or rooms, building or buildings and real estate sufficient in magnitude to carry on a regular printing and publishing establishment, to print, bind, give and sell books, tracts, magazines and papers, to supply the entire denomination, as well as to carry on a missionary operation. Reading of this charter will give one a pretty clear idea of what the founders had in mind at the time of obtaining this charter. The charter was drawn carefully under the directions of the constitution and the constitution was made a part of the charter. This charter was carefully read before the National Baptist Convention at Kansas City, Missouri, and was passed upon by a unanimous vote of the Convention, thereby giving the charter members the full right to perpetuate this institution and carry it on for the benefit of the denomination. With this authority in hand, granted by the Convention and by the authority of the State of Tennessee, the Board has proceeded to build up such an institution and has kept in touch with all book publishing concerns and has held itself in readiness to furnish all grades of religious and denominational books and periodicals together with other church and Sunday-school prerequisites as a regular denominational book concern, and while many of our pastors have not yet understood that the

National Baptist Publishing Board can furnish any book on the market, published by any publishers, either in America or Europe, printed in any modern language spoken, at the same prices that are made and advertised by the publishers themselves, notwithstanding we are prepared to do this, and if all the pastors, deacons, missionaries, Sunday-school superintendents, Sunday-school teachers and leading Baptist families would learn this and make their orders through us, it would greatly enlarge the scope of our usefulness. The Board has its imprint on many books. This imprint does not always signify that the Board actually manufactures such a book, but that it gives its approval or endorsement to its circulation. A great many books that we would not allow our imprint to go upon for the reason that we have either not carefully examined the doctrine or we do not care to be responsible for the doctrine of the authors.

SONG BOOKS.

The subject of song books is one of the most important objects or commodities with which the Board has to contend. Strange as it may sound our Baptist pastors and leading ministers while they are very persistent to preach the gospel of one Lord, one Faith and one Baptism, or in other words, the old landmark doctrine of regular Baptists, but few of them have given the strict attention they should give to the doctrines that are taught in songs. This all-important subject is generally left with the choristers or leaders of church choirs and the lovers of music among the churches, and the superintendents of Sunday-schools generally leave it in the same way to the leaders and those best informed on instrumental and vocal music in the midst of their Sunday-schools. We desire once more to call the attention of the Baptists of the country to the great needs of the Negro Baptists, giving more attention to the songs that are used in our churches and Sunday-schools. The leading musicians among Negro Baptists are those who have had general training in our colleges and high schools and a number of them are thoroughly versed in music, both instrumental and vocal, but this training comes to them not as Baptists, but as students in some school or conservatory of music, and while they fully understand the technical rhythm and harmonies in music, they never stop to think of the doctrines that are taught, or the words that are used in the poetry. They look exclusively to the harmony and if this suits their fancy and is "catchy" to the congregation, they

indorse the book and it is adopted by the church choir, the congregation and the Sunday-school. This is why we have so much contention about this and that book being adopted in the church choir or Sunday-school. This should not be so. Each pastor with his Board of Deacons and Sunday-school officers should take carefully under consideration the music to be used in their church, or Sunday-school and should see to it that the doctrines taught in this music are sound as well as the harmonies pleasing to the ear, and we should be careful what books we use. As pastors and their board of officers are not always experts along this line, the National Baptist Publishing Board has spent considerable money in having a regular music committee, together with a musical director, to carefully examine the songs that are published by it and has from time to time secured publishers' rights on such books as it can vouch for their doctrinal soundness. The Board has publishers' rights on 18 different books, 16 of which are set to music. This is more than any other denominational publishing house in the United States possesses, and it does look as if this matter was carefully considered. Our pastors and superintendents should see to it that their books are obtained from among those published by the National Baptist Publishing Board. While we have this subject before us, it would be well to consider two other phases of this subject that were so ably discussed by Dr. Harvey Johnson at our session in Richmond in 1900 on the needs of a church hymnal, suited to our own peculiar needs and racial distinctions. First is the revenue to be obtained by the publication of such books and the ability it gives to the institution to keep in its employment skilled labor and the use of improved machinery. Secondly, a more important subject, we cannot be expected to produce song writers, unless as an institution we publish songs written by Negro song writers, and the institution can not publish the productions of Negro song writers unless Negro Baptist churches and Sunday-schools will persist in the use of these song books. It is a common thing to find in our Sunday-schools song books published by either pedobaptists or undenominational publishers and song writers and our leaders in music persist in telling us that these are the best. They may be better in rhythm and harmonies and they may be scanned to more classic poetry, but we are sure they are not sounder in doctrine and we feel that the Convention should put itself upon record on this all-important subject. While it is true the Publishing Board owns no copyrights of any book, buys no manuscript, therefore is not responsible for the putting of these books on the mar-

ket, but it accepts publishers' rights, either for a given consideration, or on the royalty plan and becomes the real publisher after the book has been examined and passed upon by those authorized to do so and thereby makes it the real book of the denomination and those who possess denominational pride will contend for the use of the same.

THE NATIONAL BAPTIST SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSON COMMENTARY.

We desire to call special attention to this book and periodical. We say periodical because it is published annually. It is one of the most expensive books published by the Board. It must be made up from beginning to end, each year, upon the International Sunday-school Lessons. The type must be set up each year and the plates made. It is not like other standard books that once the writing is done, the type set, the plates made, it then becomes only a matter of press work, paper and binding. This book must be made up of new features each year. The editorial work, the selections, the engraving and all that pertains to the making up of the book must be gotten out fresh each year and unless this book has a wonderful circulation, it would prove to be a financial loss rather than a financial gain in the list of publications. If those interested would give it a moment's thought, they could easily understand this and that this is the reason this book is the only Baptist Lesson Commentary published in the United States or in the civilized world. It is also the only Lesson Commentary edited and published anywhere in the world by Negroes of any denomination. It is, thirdly, the only Lesson Commentary published south of the Mason-Dixon line and, therefore, becomes the more wonderful and should receive the more hearty appreciation of our brethren. It indeed sounds strange, it sounds like either fiction or boasting, when we say these things, but they are truths that cannot be denied. Our white brethren are greater numerically and have a hundred times more capital at their disposal and have in their ranks thousands of men of greater ability as writers and teachers of doctrine than we have, but we suppose on account of the financial risk they have never undertaken the gigantic job of giving to the Baptist denomination a Sunday-school Lesson Commentary that would be purely Baptist in doctrine. They have been satisfied to compromise with pedobaptists in the use of what they call undenominational lesson commentaries, or lesson note books, and thereby lessen the burden and cost of such an undertaking. But the Board took all of this under consideration seven years ago, when it decided to put this peri-

odical on the market. They were fully aware of the financial burden and the financial risks of this undertaking, but they decided then and have never changed their minds, that the value of Baptist principles and Baptist doctrines cannot be measured by dollars and cents. They have therefore, never made a careful investigation to find out whether this periodical is a financial burden or a financial gain. It is enough to know that the book has the desired circulation. We have now reached the point where we print and circulate more than eight thousand copies annually and this has been so encouraging to the Board that it has continued to improve this book each year, both in its editorial and mechanical make-up.

OUR PERIODICALS.

We are still spending our greatest energy in attempting to keep up this department to the standard of efficiency in workmanship, doctrine and diction. The preparation of Sunday-school periodicals to meet the demands is indeed a task. There are numerous Sunday-school periodicals publishers and new ideas are being put forth by authors and publishers each year, some of which we are not endeavoring to pattern after. We pay our pro rata to the Sunday-school Lesson Committee for the selection of the lessons and the scriptural texts to be studied by all denominations, but we reserve the right to use such of them as in our judgment are best suited to the needs of our Sunday-schools. Our Board has fully decided that the time is not yet ripe that we should undertake the use of the graded Sunday-school lessons for our primary and infant classes as yet. The idea of graded lessons would lead one to the idea that it meant the high grade of lessons, but as it is used by the International Lesson Committee, it signifies the grading down and we fear that it has gone too low, it has gone so far down in many instances that it has left the Bible. Our Board has agreed with the Southern Baptist Sunday-school Board that as soon as it is practical we will join them in the preparation of a set of graded, doctrinal lessons that will begin in every line to teach our Sunday-school children the doctrines of the Bible as we understand it and believe it. Last year we called your attention to the promise made some years ago, as soon as possible to bring out a pastor's and superintendent's homiletic review. It was thought by some that the Board intended a monthly or quarterly periodical. But on December last we launched THE NATIONAL BAPTIST REVIEW, a sixteen-page, weekly magazine which contains

seven departments of our work as follows: First, general reviews; second, pastoral reviews; third, homiletic reviews; fourth, Sunday-school reviews; fifth, educational reviews; sixth, missionary reviews; and seventh, publication reviews. This magazine we have endeavored to bring up to a very high standard which will meet the demands and supply the wants of all from the pastor to the Sunday school scholar. This magazine is intended to keep our pastors, Sunday-school superintendents, missionaries, Sunday-school teachers and families fully informed concerning the religious and Sunday-school work throughout the country. It will be noticed that our periodical department at first glance would be considered a decrease, but this was a typographical error in our 1909 report which made the total number published that year read 11,717,876, when it should have read 8,949,785. We reprint the entire column to show that error.

	Number circulated this year.	Number circulated last year.	Increase over last year.
Teacher Monthly	203,041	202,800	241
Senior Quarterly	114,903	113,000	1,903
Advanced Quarterly	96,065	939,400	665
Intermediate Quarterly	511,491	512,460	1,031
Primary Quarterly	738,642	732,500	6,142
Lesson Leaflet	909,999	909,400	599
Cards Weekly	4,031,580	4,028,300	3,280
Rolls		26,016	736
Catechism	129,864	127,000	2,864
Childs R. Q. Book		241,000	3,000
Concert Quarterly	300,084	100,000	84
Key Lesson	407,768	407,000	998
National Baptist Union		240,000	14,710
Nat'l Baptist Review	239,200		
	9,328,209	8,949,785	39,743

CLERICAL AND CORRESPONDENCE DEPARTMENT.

As we have already stated, we are endeavoring to run or do a regular mail order business, that is, we do a retail business through the post-office and express office. In order to do this, it requires a wonderful amount of correspondence. We have endeavored from year to year to make reports of letters annually in order to show the amount of labor performed in this department. It will be seen by a glance at the table of letters received and mailed by months that our correspondence was not as large this year as in the past. This is accounted for not in the falling off of business, but we have relied upon THE NATIONAL BAPTIST REVIEW to carry information instead of mailing circulars and letters directly to the customers.

This magazine seemed to strike such a popular cord and it has had such a wide circulation that it has been a great savings in this department to say nothing of other advertising matter.

FOURTH QUARTER 1909.

	September	October	November	Total per Quarter
Letters Received.....	10716	7974	4405	23095
Letters Mailed.....	4916	5656	5853	16425
Circular Letters Mailed.....			18000	18000
Total Letters Handled.....	15632	13630	23853	52915

FIRST QUARTER 1910.

	December	January	February	Total per Quarter
Letters Received.....	8926	10424	6382	25732
Letters Mailed.....	3332	6302	6214	15848
Circular Letters Mailed.....			12000	12000
Total Letters Handled.....	12258	17126	24596	53980

SECOND QUARTER 1910.

	March	April	May	Total per Quarter
Letters Received.....	17335	11644	9238	38217
Letters Mailed.....	7511	8674	7590	23775
Circular Letters Mailed.....			22000	22000
Total Letters Handled.....	24846	20318	34588	79752

THIRD QUARTER 1910.

	June	July	August	Total per Quarter
Letters Received.....	10417	11903	1445	23765
Letters Mailed.....	3491	7646	7435	18572
Circular Letters Mailed.....			15000	15000
Total Letters Handled.....	13908	19549	29880	63337

Total number of letters handled during the fiscal year.....

OUR SUNDAY-SCHOOL WORK.

In another part of our report we have referred to our Sunday-School Teacher-Training Service and in the report of the Home Mission Board we have given an account of the missionary work done, Sunday-schools lectured, etc.

We also desire to call attention to the fact that we are keeping up the work of the National Sunday-School Congress, a gathering of Sunday-school workers called annually, to meet in session with the Board for the purpose of discussing Sunday-school methods, missions and doctrines. It would be impossible for us to give in this short report any concise idea of the great good that is being accomplished at this work.

It is sufficient to say that this year in Atlanta, Georgia, we were able to secure the services of the best Sunday-school specialists that the United States has produced and we spent four days profitably in the great work of discussing, studying and learning the most modern Sunday-school methods, and we believe pastors, churches and Sunday-schools are feeling the effects of this training all over the country. Enclosed in this report we give a complete story of this Sunday-School Congress, together with the Sunday-schools represented.

Our Sunday-School Teacher-Training Course has been adopted by the International Sunday-School Association and we have been granted permission to use in connection with ours their seal, thereby making diplomas granted to graduates from our course uniform with other graduates from the Teacher-Training Course.

RECEIPTS.

To balance in hand September 1, 1909.....	\$ 3,022 92
For September, October and November.....	28,109 51
For December, January and February.....	27,176 21
For March, April and May.....	35,149 96
For June, July and August.....	32,499 07
As shown in report of Home Mission Board from September 1, 1909 to August 31, 1910, on page 16.....	52 483 91
Total.....	\$177,507 91

DISBURSEMENTS.

To wages, salaries, material and other incidental expenses pertaining to this department from September 1, 1909, to August 31, 1910.....	\$ 49,128 35
To merchandise, freight, drayage and other incidental expenses pertaining to this department September 1, 1909, to August 31, 1910.....	45,692 79
To stamps, postage, telegrams, telephone, expressage and other incidental expenses pertaining to this department from September 1, 1909, to August 31, 1910.....	7,746 16
To editorial contributions, advertisement, traveling and other incidental expenses pertaining to this department from September 1, 1909, to August 31, 1910.....	4,281 15
To notes, machinery, leases, rents, legal advice and other incidental expenses pertaining to this department from Sep-	

September 1, 1909, to August 31, 1910	13,662 27
To Repairs, insurance, fuel, gas, water, ice, horse feed and other incidental expenses pertaining to this department from September 1, 1909, to August 31, 1910	4,776 75
To salaries of missionaries, colporters, field secretary, superintendent of teacher training service, travelling expenses, contributions, postage, stationery, donations and other incidental and missionary expenses brought forward from the Home Mission Columns, Page 16, From September 1, 1909, to August 31, 1910	52,423 94
To balance on hand August 31, 1910	488 25

Total

This is to certify that I have carefully examined the books of the National Baptist Publishing Board, and found the same correct.

ROBT. MITCHELL,

Auditor of the National Baptist Convention.
This September 1, 1910.

Respectfully submitted,
National Baptist Publishing Board,

R. H. BOYD,
General Secretary,

H. A. BOYD,
Assistant Secretary.

Rev. G. E. Stewart, Home Field Missionary, also President of the National Baptist Convention of Jamaica, Auxiliary Convention to the National Baptist Convention, U. S. A. and world, was presented by Dr. Boyd.

Dr. Stewart spoke eloquently of the work in Jamaica. Rev. R. H. Thorborne, A. B. Missionary for the Panama zone, who also introduced and delivered a few remarks.

Dr. Boyd made an appeal for the work and received special donations for the same.

On motion of Dr. A. E. Edwards, of Colorado, the rules were suspended and secretaries elected by acclamation.

An amendment was made in the absence of Dr. J. H. Cyrus, Prof. J. M. Codwell, Texas, be elected Assistant Secretary in his stead.

The following are the secretaries and his assistants for the year:

Prof. R. B. Hudson, A.M., Alabama, Recording Secretary.

ASSISTANTS.

Rev. T. O. Fuller, D. D., Tennessee.

Rev. E. H. McDonald, D.D., Minnesota.

Rev. E. Arlington Wilson, D.D., Kansas.

Prof. J. M. Codwell, Texas.

President Morris announced the following Committee on President's Recommendations: W. G. Johnson, Georgia; E. J. Fisher, Illinois; T. J. Searcy, Tennessee; S. L. Short, Arkansas; Jno. Goins, Missouri; J. W. Jackson, Georgia; Wm. Taylor, Louisiana; W. B. Ball, Texas; E. T. Fishback, Kansas; C. L. Fisher, Alabama.

Adjourned with benediction by Dr. J. B. Beckham.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention reassembled at 7:45 o'clock, with Rev. E. T. Fishback, Kansas, presiding.

Rev. A. Hubbs, Secretary of the Local Committee, made a statement relative to homes occupied by delegates.

Dr. G. W. Ward, Kentucky, rose to a question of privilege, stating that delegates of Kentucky had been directed to homes by the Local Committee, such homes far from being suitable.

Dr. L. G. Jordan was introduced to take charge of the service. The chorus sang "Amazing Grace." Rev. C. C. Calhoun, Missouri, followed in an earnest and fervent prayer.

Dr. Jordan requested the chorus to sing the Jubilee, "I Know That the Lord Laid His Hands on Me."

Scripture reading by Rev. Frank Baylor, New Jersey. Chorus sang, "O, Give Thanks Unto the Lord." Dr. Jordan introduced Dr. S. N. Vass, North Carolina, who selected Ezek. 1:1 as the basis of thirty minutes address on missions.

Dr. Vass was master of the situation. As a Bible Exegete he clearly interpreted the Scriptures and deeply impressed upon the hearers the necessity of prepared workers for the field.

Song by the congregation, "Oh, How I Love Jesus." Rev. V. S. Smith, Kentucky, was introduced and delivered an arousing address on the subject of the "Great Commission."

The vast congregation gave vent to their feeling and at the close of the address greeted the speaker with prolonged applause.

Dr. I. Toliver, District of Columbia, on the wings of prayer wafted the great concourse of people to the ethereal regions, causing many to shout for joy. The congregation sang "Go Preach My Gospel Saith the Lord."

Dr. Jordan made an appeal for a special collection for Africa.

Collection, \$63.00.

Dr. S. T. Clanton, Alabama, introduced a resolution on the Panama Exposition, which was deferred till the morning session.

Adjourned with benediction by Dr. J. H. Eason, Alabama.

THIRD DAY'S SESSION.

September 16, 1910.

The Convention was called to order at 9:45 o'clock by Dr. S. A. Mosley, Arkansas.

Dr. Pius led the chorus in song, "I Feel Like Going On." Dr. T. S. Sandefur, Arkansas, read the 43d division of the Psalms.

The chorus sang, "There's a Time to Pray." Dr. A. Wilbanks, District of Columbia, in a soul-stirring prayer petitioned the throne of grace. The chorus sang, "I Am a Soldier."

President Morris introduced Dr. J. H. Kelley, Alabama, to present Dr. B. F. Riley, Birmingham, Ala., author of "The White Man's Burden."

In an eloquent speech Dr. Kelley presented the distinguished guest as a friend to the Negro equal to that of Abraham Lincoln.

Dr. Riley received an ovation as he arose to speak. In a strong and manly address he plead the cause of the American Negro. He closed his address by presenting Dr. Morris a gavel brought from the Holy Land. Amidst cheers Dr. Morris arose and received the gavel, responding in a timely address on behalf of the Convention.

Dr. E. R. Carter, Georgia, was presented to introduce Dr. B. D. Gray, Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Board, Southern Baptist Convention.

Dr. Gray delivered a thrilling address, clearly setting forth the Bible doctrines as taught by Baptists. On motion of Dr. R. H. Boyd a vote of thanks was tendered Dr. Gray for greetings from the Southern Baptist Convention.

A vote of thanks was tendered the editor of the Picayune for daily proceedings of the Convention.

Dr. P. J. Bryant, Georgia, Chairman of B. Y. P. U. Board, was introduced and in an appropriate address presented Dr. E. W. D. Isaac, Corresponding Secretary, to submit his report for the year's work.

Dr. Isaac was warmly received and spoke as follows:

ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE NATIONAL B. Y. P. U. BOARD.

To the Officers and Members of the National Baptist Convention:

In submitting this, the 11th, annual report, we are pleased to state that our work has gone steadily forward, with a degree of success which although it has not been quite as great as in previous years, has still been commendable under the circumstances.

In our last report, we insisted that the Convention release the Secretary of this Board from the editorship of the denominational paper, and allow him to devote the time necessary to the editing of said paper and the solicitation of support for the same to the distinct work of our Board. The Convention did not see fit to grant us this request, however, and elected the Secretary of this Board as Editor of the National Baptist Union, the Convention paper.

Nearly one-half of the time our Secretary has been taken up in editing this paper, and assisting in the circulation of it, for which service, there has been nothing like an adequate compensation. As a natural consequence of a division of his time and energy, the work of this Board has suffered in a greater measure than we thought it would.

AN UNFORTUNATE ALLIANCE.

It might be well to state that it has been in some measure unfortunate for our Board that its Secretary was con-

nected with the denominational paper at this particular time. As Editor of that paper he has been a strong advocate of the policy of the National Baptist Convention, with reference to the management and control of its Boards and the property held by them. This defense of the Convention and its policies constrained the officers and representatives of some of the Boards of the Convention to regard the B. Y. P. U. Board as a direct and aggressive enemy to their work; and either in the spirit of retaliation or defense, the B. Y. P. U. Board was made a target, and all sorts of attempts were made to injure its work. While these agencies did not succeed in injuring the work of this Board in a great measure, it is nevertheless desirable on the part of this Board that its Secretary shall not hereafter, be committed to such entangling alliances and complications.

This Board stands for the policy of the Convention, and has endeavored to conform all of its actions to that policy. It has endeavored to meet every demand made by the Convention; and will continue so to do. It believes that all other Boards and agencies of the Convention should do likewise; but it does not feel that, in justice to itself, its Secretary should be expected to take the lead in any warfare that is necessary to enable the Convention to maintain its policy, and to exercise its authority as relates to other Boards.

SIMPLE JUSTICE.

In simple justice to our Corresponding Secretary, we feel called upon to state that in all previous years the task upon him has been too severe. He has served in the capacity of Editor of the denominational paper, Editor of the literature for B. Y. P. U. Societies and Financier and General Manager of the business department of this Board. It may be seen, therefore, that he has been doing the work of three men. This he can not continue to do. We have therefore, requested and instructed him to turn his attention directly to the work of this Board; and, as a matter of simple justice to him and us, we shall not consent to any modification of this order.

Experience has taught us that for whatever time and attention has been given to the editorship of the denominational paper, by the Secretary, the work of this Board has suffered as a result.

CO-OPERATION.

Our plan of co-operation has been, practically the same. In view of the small amount of missionary money sent



B. Y. P. U. Secretary, 1904-1905.
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in, it has been impossible for us to operate on any larger scale without bringing a debt against the missionary department. We have added this year three names to our list of organizers. It is true we have been compelled to drop some old ones, but we hope we succeeded in putting in their stead, men that were equally as competent and active. We are pleased to note that the State B. Y. P. U. Conventions, as a rule, have taken greater interest in the work this year than ever heretofore. Nearly all of them have made contributions to the B. Y. P. U. work, whether the Secretary of our Board was present or absent. While in some respects these contributions have been small, they have nevertheless demonstrated the interest which these organizations had in the work. Heretofore our experience has been, that unless the Corresponding Secretary was on the ground, made a speech and created enthusiasm for the work, our Board would, in very few cases, receive a contribution. A change in this particular is not only a very consoling affair; but it affords a degree of encouragement that we could not get from any other source. We are continuing the wise policy of making all appointments in the state in co-operation with the State B. Y. P. U. Boards. We have not varied from this rule in any particular, although in some cases, we have been urged to do so. We have had a perceptible increase of the tithing system. We mean by this the one-tenth of all weekly collections, which under the Local Constitution, should be sent us for missionary work. In cases where this one-tenth was not sent in to the headquarters, it has been handed to our Secretary, in various State Conventions which he attended.

Moreover the representatives of many B. Y. P. U. Societies, who had not heretofore observed the rule, have expressed their intention of doing so hereafter. If these promises are kept, it means that there will be a larger amount of money in hand for the missionary department; and, consequently greater ability on our part to prosecute the missionary work.

EXPRESSIONS FROM PASTORS.

The pastors continue to testify to the splendid results of the work in the local B. Y. P. U. Societies, as well as of the work in the local B. Y. P. U. Societies, as well as He has invitation, as a rule, to return to every church in which he holds young people's meetings and repeat his lectures and illustrations of the B. Y. P. U. work.

Pastors should learn more and more the value of this auxiliary work, and should encourage it in the most substantial manner. Testimonials on this point are too numerous for publication here. They are nevertheless a source of much gratification to us. When the pastor has understood the exact nature of this work, we feel quite certain that it will assume large proportions, and be a greater factor in church life. Our young people are taught to regard the pastor as their personal friend, and to assist him in every possible manner in carrying forward the work of the church.

EDUCATIONAL FEATURES.

We have always insisted that the B. Y. P. U. work was educational, but the opportunity has been given us this year to witness the educational character of it on a much larger scale than heretofore. The Chautauqua work has afforded this opportunity. During the present year we have conducted B. Y. P. U. Chautauquas and Christian Worker's Institutes in Atlanta, Ga., Mobile, Ala., and Pensacola, Fla. In each of these places the pastors have extended urgent invitations for a repetition of the educational work done in these meetings. Recognizing the value of this grade of work, the Baptist Minister's Conferences, in most cases, have invited us to hold these educational meetings in their midst; and as evidence of good faith on their part, have borne all of the local expenses, and assisted in raising some money for the general work of the Board. In these Chautauqua meetings, an opportunity is afforded missionary workers to gather much fresh data and new inspiration for their work. All the processes are educational, and the Bible is the text-book. New and improved methods are given for reaching the young people, interesting them, and enlisting their activities in the cause of Christianity. Specialists in Bible study as well as in the various grades of auxiliary work done by other evangelical denominations are pressed into service, and an opportunity given thereby to increase interest in the auxiliary work of our own denomination. The blackboard exercises in these meetings make study and research a delightful rather than an irksome task. They increase the thirst for knowledge, and commit the young people to greater endeavor in the intellectual sphere. They deal with fundamental propositions in the Christian system; and, in

that reason, aid very materially in making religion intelligent and intelligence religious. Among the topics discussed in these meetings are the following.

"The Fatherhood of God, the Brotherhood of man," "Sacred Biography," "Sacred Poetry," "Hymnology," "The Social Status of the Church Life, and How to Improve it," "Power for service, how best to utilize it," "Baptist History and Doctrines, the Significance of Them," "Loyalty to Christ, of What Does it Consist," "How to Use the Bible in personal work," "Christian Education, How we may advance its claims," "The relation of the young people to their pastor."

In order to illustrate the effectiveness of good singing and to demonstrate the power of song, your Board secured the services of Prof. H. B. Britt; of Louisville, Ky., and placed him in charge of the Chautauqua Chorus work. It sufficeth to state that he is faithful, and that his work is meeting with the greatest measure of success. The singing at the Chautauqua meetings, is conducted by well-trained Choruses composed of from one hundred to three hundred voices, accompanied by piano, organ, first and second cornets, first and second violin, and bass violin. This splendid singing too often illustrates the truth of the suggestion that "a song will outlive all sermons in the memory," and the other equally significant statement that, "the best days of the church have always been its singing days."

In addition to the splendid Chorus work, Prof. Britt, by means of effective solo work, constrains hundreds of persons to believe that there are little drops of celestial melody, and that it is the nature of the truly converted to blossom into song. He sings from the heart to the heart and leaves a hungering and thirsting for good singing, wherever one of these Chautauquas is held. When we speak of education in this connection we do not mean the simple teaching of people to know what they do not know, but of teaching them to behave as they do not behave.

We believe that a true education is awakening a love for truth; giving a just sense of duty; opening the eyes of the soul to the great end and purpose of life. In our educational work we strive not only to give out words as thoughts and maxims but as living principles. We teach the individual to love the good for the sake of the good; to be virtuous in action because he is virtuous in heart; to love and serve God supremely, not from fear, but from delight in his perfect character. Your Board

believes that this Chautauqua work commends itself to the favorable consideration of all our constituents; and therefore urges the pastors and Christian workers in every community to encourage it.

EFFORTS TO SYSTEMATIZE.

Under this chapter it is hardly possible for us to improve former declarations. Attention is called, therefore, to the following paragraph, which appeared in our last annual report:

"It has been our purpose to encourage our young people to be systematic in their study, in their endeavor and in their gifts. The religious life of our people has been seasoned too largely by haphazard methods, which are certain prophecies of failure. Order is heaven's first law, and wherever it is not observed on earth, there is endless confusion. Despite the training received in our institutions of learning, our young people must necessarily imbibe from the traditions of their fathers, somewhat of that which is proof against system and order. These traditional aspects of their lives can not be overcome, except by diligent and continuous efforts to teach them the utility of systematic procedure. All such procedure should be manifest with the increase of intelligence on their part. If a young people's society, and the work which it does, do not induce to the inauguration of a more systematic state of things, this society is failing of its purpose. Systematic study forms the basis for the reformation which we desire in this particular. Reading and research not only make thoughtful minds, but they produce painstaking and careful habits, and thereby assure the most certain and most beneficial results. Our churches have suffered during the years past for lack of system. If by this auxiliary work we can make improvement along this line, the movement is well worth all the money that has been expended in the support and maintenance of it. We have urged our young people to be more systematic in their contributions to the various phases of denominational work.

Evermore are we teaching them that, order is a lovely nymph, the child of beauty and wisdom; that her attendants are comfort, neatness and activity; that her man is in the valley of happiness; that she is always to be found when sought for, and never appears so lovely when contrasted with her opponent, disorder.

THE B. Y. P. U. TEXT-BOOK.

The Bible is still the pivot around which our whole scheme revolves. We have, therefore advanced our Bible Reader's Course as rapidly as possible. Fresh and inspiring testimonials are numerous to the effect that a thirst for Bible knowledge is on the increase among our young people, and this we regard as one of the most convincing and conclusive evidences of the utility and effectiveness of this auxiliary work. Of all knowledge Bible knowledge is the most necessary, the most essential, the most helpful. What we need most in this rapid transit age is a most thorough and comprehensive knowledge of the Old Book. The Bible is not simply a volume, but a library. It is God's highest and fullest revelation to man. The whole hope of human progress is suspended on the ever-growing influence of the Bible; concerning it the famous Garibaldi said, "This is the cannon that will make Italy free." True! There never was found in any age of the world, either religion or law that did so highly exalt the public good as the Bible. It is light of human understanding, the joy of human hearts, the fulness of human hope, the clarifier of human affections, the mirror of human thoughts, the consoler of human sorrows, the guide of the soul through this gloomy labyrinth of time, the telescope sent from heaven to reveal to the eye of man the amazing glories of the far distant world. The Scriptures teach us the best way of living the noblest way of suffering, and the most comfortable way of dying. How essential then that in our educational system the Bible should be given a superior place. This we have done, and gratitude is hereby expressed to the American Baptist Publication Society, of Philadelphia, for the assistance rendered in the prosecution of this phase of our work. Rev. Robt. G. Seymour, D. D., Missionary Secretary of that great Society, has made the only contribution of Bibles that has been made to our work this year. We urge our pastors to organize Bible bands, and to assist in the extension of our Bible Reader's Course.

A MISSIONARY ORGANIZATION.

Once more your Board would emphasize the fact that its work is missionary in the largest sense. We labor most faithfully to cultivate the missionary spirit, and to give the claims of the mission fields an exalted place in the minds and affections of our young people. We real-

ize more fully that the religion of Jesus Christ is a missionary religion. The Word of God is a potent force among the elements of civilization; at times it has the dominant force among the influences making for civilization, culture and general intelligence and prosperity. There is an irrepressible conflict between right and wrong, light and darkness, good and evil. Our Lord said that he came not to send peace, but a sword. As a result of the flashing of this sword all the powers of evil have been partially destroyed. Missionaries in heathen lands tell us that they have discovered remarkable activity among the powers of darkness when the gospel of Christ is first preached. Missionary processes have in them, then, the compensatory element, and such is the valuable lesson that we are striving daily to teach our Baptist young people. Unfortunately we have no effective means of gathering and circulating data with regard to the progress of missionary movements. We have made application to one or two mission boards for literature of that character, but it seems that they have found use for all such literature in their immediate work, and have been unable to furnish us. We are hoping to be able to print and circulate a few tracts on the subject of missions during the coming year. If this expectation is realized we are confident that the denomination will reap large and lasting results therefrom, and the cause of missions will be advanced in the most substantial manner. In this connection attention is directed to the B. Y. P. U. Guide, and to "Suggestions for the Missionary department" continued therein, with the urgent request that each pastor urge his young people to observe these suggestions, and contain the authorities of the local societies to put them into practice. One of the fundamental features of the B. Y. P. U. work is to encourage the missionary idea. Each local Society, therefore, has a Committee on Missions whose duty it is "to divide the territory of the church into districts, secure visitors, seek new scholars for the Sunday-school, visit absent scholars, assist the pastor in securing contributions for missions and other objects; seek to inspire in all the young people a desire to cultivate the grace of giving and a worthy zeal in church, local, state home and foreign mission work. Here, then, in the local Society are the foundations for aggressive missionary work on the part of all who believe in the work among the young people. Another phase of the missionary character of this organization is that the young people are trained to respond to every

peal that is made for missions, provided that claim is authentic and is presented by the proper parties. We shall continue to cultivate this spirit of missions in proportion to our ability with the hope that the greater portion of our Baptist young people throughout the country will become missionaries in deed and in truth.

OUR CONQUEST MOVEMENT.

The Conquest Meetings, which are held as a rule on the fourth Sunday in each month, are invaluable aids to us in developing the missionary spirit. In these the young people not only study the subject of missions, but methods of doing missionary work on a larger and more efficient scale. It is our desire that every local B. Y. P. U. Society make a specialty of the Conquest Meeting, for the good to be derived therefrom, and for the more rapid advancement of the cause and claims of Christian missions. We have made a specialty of Mission Study Classes, and hope to organize a larger number of these classes each year. "The World for Christ" seems to be the motto of all evangelical Christian denominations, and in this pleasant task we feel that it is the duty of our young people to share.

STUDY OF THE DOCTRINES.

We are pleased to note that by reason of the work done in the Chautauqua we have created a livelier interest in the Study of the doctrines of the Baptist churches. Chalk talks on some of the vital and essential doctrinal themes have, in some instances, revealed the sad fact that, apparently intelligent young people did not understand many phases of the doctrine which Baptists hold dear and sacred. Such revelations have caused many to begin a diligent, systematic study of the doctrines, and to increase their intelligence in this profitable manner. Say what men may of culture, broadness, liberality, it is doctrine that moves the world. The man who takes no position can never sway the human intellect. Moreover doctrine is the necessary foundation of duty; if the theory is not correct, the practice can not be right. Tyrone Edwards ventured this significant suggestion: "Tell me what a man believes, and I will tell you what he will do. While we can not follow the celebrated writer so far, we are firm in the belief that doctrine has much to do with shaping the life."

Viewed in this sense, it is important that the doctrines be taught our young people without compromise or apology. We need for this purpose a Compendium of Baptist Doctrines, arranged in catechetical order so that the young mind with limited powers of analysis can appropriate its contents.

All the works on Baptist Doctrine are large, voluminous and difficult of comprehension by the tender and untrained mind. Such a Compendium would fill a long felt want, and serve as a profitable business asset. In the making of many books this "Compendium of Baptist Doctrines" should be included. Baptists owe it to the martyrs to their faith to perpetuate those principles for which they gave all that they counted dear, including life itself. If they would pay this debt, indoctrination must be regarded as one of the indispensable elements in their religious work. We congratulate ourselves that we have been able to enlist quite seventy-five thousand young people in the study of Baptist Doctrines, but we feel that the number is too small for the amount of energy put into that phase of the work.

During the next fiscal year we hope to enroll twice that number; and, to that end we invite the hearty co-operation of the pastors of the churches affiliating with this Convention.

OUR RALLY DAY.

The literature and merchandise handled by this Board just about pay the expense of publication. Printing, postage, clerk hire, etc., consume the purchase money, making it necessary that voluntary contributions be made to the work of the Board. The fourth Sunday in November has been designated by the Convention, as the day upon which these offerings should be taken. The receipts from the Rally Day, were larger last year than the year before, but nothing when compared with the large number of churches etc., that are coming in each year. The Rally Day was planned for the purpose of supplementing these receipts for literature and merchandise, of raising sufficient money to take the Board through the winter period without compelling its Secretary to conduct financial campaigns during that period. Attention is called once more to this day with the hope that B. U. Societies throughout the country will observe it, and send in promptly the collections taken on that day.

A RECREATION PERIOD.

In view of the fact that it had been five years since our Corresponding Secretary enjoyed a vacation of any kind, your Board gave assent to the proposal that he should take a much needed rest during the month of May, June and July.

Accordingly these months were spent in more favorable climate, under conditions that enabled the Secretary to rest and do a little work at the time. During this period he supplied the pulpit of one of our largest churches on Sunday, and spent the week-day largely in leisure and recreation. As a result of this bit of recreation our Secretary is in better condition, physically, than he has been for many years. Your Board feels that it has done the denomination invaluable service by consenting to a program that has contributed so much of strength, vigor and usefulness to one whose labors are so profitable to both the denomination and the race.

A LEGAL INCORPORATION.

During the past years this Board has operated without a charter. We have felt that since the Board owned very little property and no real estate, a charter was not essential. Now that its property holdings have increased, it becomes necessary to give it legal existence. That we have done by incorporation it under the laws of the State of Tennessee, and under those provisions governing bodies of a religious character.

PROPERTY HOLDINGS.

We hold in trust for this Convention Eight (\$800.00) Hundred Dollars worth of office furniture, fixtures, plates etc., and a two-story brick building at 409 Gay Street, one and one-half blocks from the State Capitol, which is easily worth Five (\$500) Thousand Dollars. This building has an insurance Fifteen (\$1,500) Hundred Dollars, which adequately protects the equity which the Convention has in it up to this time. The office furniture etc., are insured Eight (\$800) Hundred Dollars.

The building cost us (\$2,750) Two Thousand, Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars. Of this amount (\$1300) Thirteen Hundred Dollars have been paid, leaving a balance of One Thousand Four Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$1,450), due and payable semi-annual, in sums of Two

MINUTES.

Hundred and Fifty (\$250) Dollars with interest from date of purchase. Two of these semi-annual notes are past due, the arrearage amounting to about Four Hundred and Fifty (\$450) Dollars with interest from date of purchase. The Convention is urged to make provision for the payment of these two notes at its present session. This property is located well, its value is constantly increasing; and in addition to its use for offices etc., it can always be utilized as a splendid business asset.

GENERAL PROGRESS.

The following table shows what we have accomplished in a general way, since this auxiliary movement began:

State B. Y. P. U. Conventions.....	42
District B. Y. P. U. Conventions.....	365
County B. Y. P. U. Conventions.....	33
City Conquest Organizations.....	45
Local B. Y. P. U. Societies.....	8,140

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENTS.

Converts joined churches from B. Y. P. U. Societies.....	8,229
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INTELLECTUAL PROGRESS.

Number enrolled in Bible Reader's Course.....	80,210
Number enrolled in Baptist History Course.....	75,270
Number enrolled in Baptist Doctrines.....	75,270

MONEYS CONTRIBUTED FOR DENOMINATIONAL WORK.

For Christian Education.....	\$65,250 00
For Home Missions.....	18,225 00
For Foreign Missions.....	35,400 00
For State Missions.....	30,220 00
For Church Repairs.....	72,300 00

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance September, 1909.....	27 68
General Fund.....	2,049 00
Merchandise, Literature, Etc.,.....	1,700 38

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Subscriptions to the Union.....	158 71
Advertising.....	350 45
From Missionaries, Organizations, Dist. Secretaries, etc.....	6,110 50
For Christian Education.....	2,005 50

Total.....\$12,465 30

EXPENDITURES.

For Salaries.....	\$1,221 60
For Traveling Expenses.....	383 40
For M.....	32 60
For Printing.....	244 19
For Postage.....	158 95
For Telegrams and Telephone Messages.....	9 70
For Subscriptions to The Union.....	158 71
For Freight, Expressage, Etc.....	35 80
Miscellaneous— Stationary, Ink, Borrowed Money Interest, Exchange, Mechanical Repairs, Water, Fuel, Lumber, Hardware, Etc.,.....	1,806 90
B. Y. P. U. Missionary Work.....	800 50
For Christian Education.....	2,005 50

Total.....\$12,451 34

Balance to the Credit to the Board.....\$ 13 96

Respectfully submitted,

P. JAS. BRYANT, Chairman.
E. W. D. ISAAC, Secretary.

Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 2nd, 1910

This is to certify that I have carefully examined the books and accounts of the National B. Y. P. U. Board, and with pleasure, I declare the correctness of the same.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT MITCHELL,
Auditor National Baptist Con.

The resolution pertaining to the exposition, as offered by Dr. Clanton, was called for and read. Dr. Geo. E. Stevens offered an amendment.

By suggestion of President Morris the resolution and amendment were laid over till next year with the instruction that the resolution and amendment be printed in the daily papers.

The following is the resolution and amendment:

"WHEREAS, The officials and engineers in charge of the construction of the Panama Canal have announced that it will be completed and open for commerce in 1915, and,

"WHEREAS, Practically the unanimous sentiment of the President of the United States and other officials, the members of Congress and the American people generally, is that no celebration of the completion of the canal can produce such immediate and beneficial results as the holding of an exposition, where the people of the world will be brought closer together through this union of the Atlantic and Pacific, the East and West, and will meet and confer with each other and exhibit the resources and products of their several countries; be it

"Resolved, That we, the National Baptist Convention, cordially approve the idea of a World's Panama Exposition and pledge it our moral support and assistance: be it further,

"Resolved, That we see in New Orleans the 'logical point' for such exposition, by reason of its proximity to the Canal and because it is the gateway for a large part of the import and export commerce of these United States with the countries South of us and with the world, easily reached from all points in this continent, North, Central and South America; and in all respects suited to hold a great World's Exposition, and we therefore endorse New Orleans as the best point at which to hold the World's Panama Exposition, in honor of the completion of the Canal."

Amended by Dr. Stevens as follows:

"This Convention, however, representing two and one-half millions of Negro Baptists and speaking, also, we believe, for the entire ten millions of our race in the United States, endorses New Orleans as the best city in which to hold the great World's Panama Exposition, providing that all segregation resting upon the race in street cars and common carriers be done away with during the Exposition, if not abolished altogether. This 'Jim Crow Car' system, so-called, is distressful, degrading and insulting to the Negro womanhood of our land. It would be most unfair and hurtful to exhibit to all the earth how black Americans are stamped with inferiority by legal enactment.

"In this overture to Louisiana and the United States, we speak for the millions of peoples of dark skin in Central and South America and the West Indies, who, under existing conditions, could not be expected to attend the Exposition. Nor would Negro Americans be worthy of the respect and co-operation of all other Americans and the peoples of the earth, if we did not in this way most earnestly and respectfully protest. Local conditions should be so modified by legislative enactment as to comport with this great world movement, especially when we reflect that thousands of men of African descent did most of the work of building the Panama Canal.

"We further appeal to the legislatures of all the states in which segregation obtains on steam coaches that they remove the 'Jim Crow Car,' if not permanently, during the Panama Exposition; if at New Orleans, upon all interstate trains. Thus will all the world receive from this land a gracious invitation to attend this great epochal exposition in a manner becoming a great Christian nation and in line with a movement which is world-wide. This resolution is submitted to the American people because we believe its spirit is in line with the word of God and with the feelings of the best citizens of the South and nation; we further

"Resolve, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the President of the United States, to the Federal Congress and to the governors and legislatures of all states."

The Convention took a recess till 2 p. m. Benediction, Dr. D. V. Jemison, Alabama.

THIRD DAY'S SESSION.

AFTERNOON.

The Convention was called to order at 2:30 o'clock by Dr. J. F. Walker, Vice-President, of Ohio.

Rev. J. W. Gordon, Kansas, led the Convention in song service, "Where He Leads Me I'll Follow."

Rev. R. W. Patterson, Arkansas, read Phil. 2, and Dr. R. T. Frye invoked heaven's divine blessings upon the Convention. Again the Convention followed Rev. J. W. Gordon in song, "Hallelujah 'Tis Done."

Dr. J. H. Kelley, Alabama, introduced Mr. Benj P. Fowkies, Alabama, author and poet.

Mr. Fowkes recited one of his poems, entitled, "You Can Make it."

The poem was highly appreciated by the Convention and the author was greeted with great applause.

Dr. A. T. Stewart offered a resolution affecting the constitution.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

The Treasurer submitted his report, which was adopted. The following is the report:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

MR. PRESIDENT: I submit the following as my report for the year 1909. Amount of money received from all sources, \$1,577.95.

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Finance Committee	\$ 40 00
To Enrollment Committee	20 00
To ushers	40 00
To President E. C. Morris	885 00
To Chas. Steward, official reporter	50 00
Badges, express, etc.	107 00
Assistant secretaries	62 50
To A. J. Stokes, borrowed money	50 00
To miscellaneous expense	21 63
To S. W. Bacate, statistician	60 00
To N. H. Pius, musical director	4 00
To R. B. Hudson, Secretary	46 82
To expense of auditorium	25 00
To Robert Mitchell, Auditor	10 96
To A. J. Stokes, Treasurer	25 00
To expense of Secretary	120 00
To official help	10 00

\$1,577 95

This is to certify that I have examined the report of the Treasurer and found the same correct.

ROBERT MITCHELL,

Auditor National Baptist Convention.

On motion of Dr. L. G. Jordan it was voted that all money collected by the various Boards during Convention should

come through the hands of the Treasurer, who shall report same to the Convention.

On motion the rules were suspended and Dr. A. J. Stokes was re-elected Treasurer.

Dr. E. C. Morris took the chair and introduced Dr. C. H. Clark, Tennessee, Chairman of Publishing Board, who, in an acceptable address, presented Dr. R. H. Boyd, Corresponding Secretary, to submit his report. Dr. Boyd was given an ovation as he came forward to present his report. The convention seemed to be on the toe of expectancy to hear from the one who had given the denomination the rating and standing it has in the world.

(See report.)

Mrs. F. Joseph Gandet, New Orleans, La., brought greetings from the National Christian Temperance Union.

After appropriate response was made by Dr. Morris, Dr. E. J. Fisher, Chairman of the Investigating Committee, was introduced to make a statement concerning the committee.

Dr. C. T. Stamps, Secretary of the Investigating Committee, was introduced to report the findings of the Committee of Various Boards of National Baptist Convention. After reading at length until 6:45 o'clock, it was voted that the report be discontinued till Saturday morning's session.

The Convention took a recess till evening service. Adjourned.

Reconciliation by Dr. E. R. Young, Mississippi.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention reassembled at 7:45 o'clock. After a spiritual song service, conducted by Dr. Pius, Musical Director, Dr. C. H. Parrish, Kentucky, took charge and presented Dr. S. S. Jones, Oklahoma, who read Rom. 1.

Music by the chorus. Dr. B. J. F. Westbrook, Oklahoma, led in an earnest prayer.

The chorus sang, "I Feel Like Going On."

In choice language, Dr. C. H. Parrish presented Dr. M. Gilbert, New York, to deliver the educational sermon. Dr. Gilbert selected as a text Rom. 1:7.

The speaker had a message filled with the power of the Holy Spirit. It was a masterly effort and was one of the strongest pleas for an educated and consecrated ministry ever delivered during the Convention.

Powerful and clear in delivery, chaste in language, profound in philosophic and logic, the learned Doctor built on Calvary and knew only Christ and Him crucified, climaxing his convincing argument that "Christ is the power and wisdom of God." The congregation joined in song, "Am I a Soldier of the Cross?"

Dr. Geo. E. Stevens, Missouri, led in a fervent prayer.

Dr. S. E. Griggs, Corresponding Secretary of the Educational Board, made an appeal for the work. A collection of \$60.03 was taken.

Bishop H. M. Turner, A. M. E. Church, was introduced and delivered an effective address, bearing the greetings of his church. He was warmly received by the Convention.

Prof. Codwell, of Texas, offered the following resolution, which, on motion of Dr. Edwards, the rules were suspended, and the resolution was adopted as amended by Dr. A. E. Edwards:

RESOLUTION.

"To the President, officers and messengers of the National Baptist Convention now assembled in the City of New Orleans:

"WHEREAS, The existing condition of the affairs of the National Baptist Convention, as promoted through our various boards, has given rise to considerable unrest and dissatisfaction during the past few years; and,

"WHEREAS, The necessity for such existing condition has grown out of an occasion that has, in our opinion, an easy remedy, if the proper steps were taken to adjust it; and,

"WHEREAS, The permitting of the present condition of affairs to remain without a resort to the proper remedy can but and will continue to be a source of the most perplexing and destructive injury to the best interest of our great National Baptist work; and,

"WHEREAS, The present regulations of the National Baptist Convention and the auxiliary boards, both with respect to the Constitution of said Convention and the charter of the

boards, seem to be inadequate and conflicting in tenor and effect, thereby giving rise from time to time, to unseemly controversy and discussion in the conduct and management of the affairs of both Convention and the boards; and,

"WHEREAS, It is our deliberate conviction that this Convention should without further delay, set itself wisely, soberly and industriously to the task of making such changes and amendments to the Constitution of the Convention and charters of the boards as in its judgment will cure the deficits with which the work of these bodies is now afflicted; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the President of the Convention be and is hereby empowered to appoint a committee of one from each state wise, sober, conservative, painstaking persons whose business it will be to take the Constitution of the Convention and charters of the boards and by careful study and comparison of the same make such changes and amendments as will remove all conflicting regulations between them and give to the creating body definite and positive control of all its creatures;

"Resolved further, That said committee be and is hereby empowered to take such steps as may be necessary to effect the change of any articles of incorporation now existing that it finds best to change and report such changes of the said articles and constitution to the next session of the National Baptist Convention for its approval or rejection.

"Resolved further, That this committee be empowered to employ such legal council or advice as may be needed to enable it to draft such instruments as will be lawful, binding and effective;

"Resolved further, That the Corresponding Secretary of each incorporated or chartered board shall be a member of said committee and that the President of the Convention shall be ex-officio Chairman of the same;

"Resolved further, That the committee shall be called together during this Convention in order to fix a time and place of meeting for performance of such duties as may be incumbent upon it according to the import and tenor of these resolutions.

Respectfully submitted,

"J. M. CODWELL,
"M. M. RODGERS."

Adjourned with benediction by Dr. W. H. Jernagin,
Oklahoma.

FOURTH DAYS' SESSION.

SATURDAY MORNING.

The Convention opened with Dr. S. A. Moseley, Arkansas, Vice-President, presiding.

The Convention sang "How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds."

Scripture reading, Psalms 37, by Rev. B. W. Brownlee, Arkansas. Dr. Pius led the chorus in singing "The Old Account Was Settled Long Ago."

Rev. A. L. Perkins, Mississippi, offered prayer. The chorus sang, "Then Is the Time to Pray." Announcement of Vice-President's Board members and committees by the Secretary, which was approved.

Dr. C. M. Wells, Alabama, was introduced to make a few remarks, having been ill for the past year. A collection was taken for Dr. Wells amounting to \$20.05.

The Investigation Committee was called for, and through its Secretary, Dr. C. T. Stamps, continued its report.

REPORT OF THE INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION.

Hear Brother President and Convention:

We, your Committee, appointed to inquire into the status of the holdings of the various Boards of the National Baptist Convention beg leave to report as follows:

In keeping with the order of the Convention, we journeyed to Nashville, Tenn., to begin the inquiry asked of us. We submitted to the several Boards located in Nashville, namely, the B. Y. P. U., Educational and the Publishing Boards, the following series of questions:

EXHIBIT "A"

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 9, 1910.

Rev. _____

Secretary of _____

Board _____

By order of the National Baptist Convention, the investigating Committee appointed to ascertain the property holdings of the respective Boards of the National Baptist Convention, submit you, as the Chief representative of your Board, the following requests.

First.

Please inform the Committee of the status of all real estate held how much money has been paid on the same, how much is yet due, and, covered by mortgage or liens, otherwise, to whom said mortgages or liens are made and when they become due?

Second.

Please inform the Committee of the status of all real estate held by your Board in the name of the Convention, what the purchase price of the real estate was, how much of it is covered with mortgages, to whom these mortgages were given and the amount still due on such real estate and when the same is payable?

Third.

Please inform the Committee concerning all salary due the Secretary of your Board, the different years in which such salary accumulated and the total amount due the Secretary up to the meeting of the National Baptist Convention in Columbus, Ohio, September, 1909.

Fourth.

Please inform the Committee of the status of all copyrights with regard to books and periodicals made by your Board and used as business assets and to whom these copyrights inhere?

Fifth.

Please present to the Committee all deeds and papers pertaining to the above fact.

Sixth.

Please inform the Committee how much of your time, as Secretary, is given to the work of the Board you represent?

Seventh.

If any part of the real estate held by your Board is leased to other parties for any purpose, please advise the Committee with regard to such rentals, giving the parties to whom such lease has been made and the amount charged for the same?

Respectfully,

E. J. FISHER, Chairman
C. T. STAMPS, Secretary

Dec. 18

To these questions the Educational Board replied as follows:

EXHIBIT "B"

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 5, 1910.

To the Investigating Committee

Dear Brethren:—We regret to state that at the present time the Educational Board has no real estate whatever.

With regard to the indebtedness of the Board to its secretaries up to the recent session of the National Baptist Convention we cannot at present speak with authority, having but recently come into full responsibility. Should investigation disclose any such indebtedness we shall report the same to you.

In reply to your sixth query we beg to state that since our appointment we have given full time to the work of the Board.

Very respectfully,

SUTTON E. GRIGGS.

The reply of the B. Y. P. U. Board was as follows:

EXHIBIT "C"

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 11, 1910.

To the Committee of Investigation of the Boards of National Baptist Convention

Dear Brethren:—

Having been advised that you would call upon all the Boards of the Convention for information with regard to the status of the property held by them, we beg to advise that we submit you herewith the following statement of the property held in trust by this Board.

The following invoice shows the chattel held in trust by us.

Invoice National B. Y. P. U. Board.

Roller Top Desks at \$24.00	0 94
Flat Top Desk	50 00
Combination Cabinet Case	20 00
Typewriter Desk	25 00
Vernicle Bookcase	10 00
Underwood Typewriter	125 00
Manhattan Typewriter	106 00
Book-keeper's Stand	20 00
Office Chairs at \$8.00	24 00
Hall Safe	100 00

Lehart	300 00
Leather Couch	25 00
1 Pamphlet File	15 00
Printing Plates, Engravings, etc.	500 00
Carpets and Matting	85 00

\$1,428 50

All of the money due as the purchase price of the items mentioned in the above invoice has been paid, except Sixteen Dollars due the Myers Manufacturing Company, of Nashville, on the Underwood Typewriter.

The City Savings Bank, which prior to its failure carried this Board, holds a mortgage for \$530.00, which covers the items contained in the above invoice.

The goods above mentioned are insured for Eight Hundred Dollars, and this Insurance Policy is also in the hands of representatives of the City Savings Bank.

Real Estate Holdings.

The present building occupied by the Board was purchased in the year 1897 for \$2,550. Vendor's lien notes remained by the seller, and notes executed for \$250.00, payable every six months, with interest at 6 per cent. On this real estate \$1,085.00 have been paid, and there is still a balance of \$1,665.00 due E. F. Badoux, of Columbus, Ohio. This property is deeded to E. W. D. Isaac, Trustee of the National B. Y. P. U. Board of the National Baptist Convention. This deed has not yet been recorded, but it is in the hands of the representatives of the City Savings Bank, whose offices are now in the building owned by the Nashville Trust Co. The deed together with an Insurance Policy for Fifteen Hundred Dollars was placed with the City Savings Bank and Trust Co., as additional collateral to the mortgage above mentioned, and it is now in their possession.

Indebtedness.

We submit you herewith statement of the amount of indebtedness by the Board.

The American Baptist Publication Society, Books	12 00
J. C. Kirkpatrick, Co., Rent	56 00
Gray & Davis' commission on sale of property	83 00
Preston & Whitehead, Plumbing	46 20
E. J. Fisher, Borrowed Money	26 00
City Savings Bank, Borrowed Money	600 00
The Myers Company, Typewriter	16 00

Total 743 20

Statement of the Secretary's Salary.

We submit you also statement of the entire amount due on the salary of our Corresponding Secretary, and the years in which the balances accumulated.

August 30, 1906.....	\$ 636 45
August 30, 1907.....	749 41
August 30, 1908.....	628 33
August 30, 1909.....	199 26

Balance of back salary due E. W. D. Isaac.....	\$1,313 31
Total indebtedness.....	\$3,456 51

Respectfully submitted,

E. W. D. ISAAC, Secretary.

P. S. Two rooms in the building are leased annually to The Union Printing Co., for Eighteen (\$18.00) Dollars per month, and one to the Executive Board of The Tennessee Baptist State Convention for Four (\$4.00) Dollars per month.

Some of the books issued by our Board are copyrighted, application for copyright to the U. S. P. O. Office was made, some years ago, but was not passed upon.

About one-third of my time is given to the editing of The National Baptist Union, and superintending the correspondence of that paper.

The reply of the National Baptist Publishing Board was as follows:

EXHIBIT "D"

Nashville, Tenn., Feb 9, 1910

To the Committee, Nashville, Tenn.
Gentlemen:

I herewith hand to you, by a member of your committee, the deeds to the property as held by me:

Deed marked No. 1 on the back is the deed from R. H. Boyd and wife to the National Baptist Publishing Board:

Deed No. 2 is the deed from H. L. McNish, Trustee, to the National Baptist Publishing Board:

Deed No. 3 is the deed of conveyance from W. H. Lieckhardt to the National Baptist Publishing Board:

Deed No. 4 is a deed from Georgiana Albury to the National Baptist Publishing Board:

Deed No. 5 is from the Panama Zone Government to the National Baptist Publishing Board.

I also inclose with these papers the legal opinion of the attorneys who examined these deeds at the time of purchase.

You will please return these to me when you have made a sufficient investigation to satisfy yourself of the validity of the same.

Yours truly,

R. H. BOYD.

Secretary National Baptist Publishing Board

INVENTORY OF OFFICE FIXTURES, BOOKS, ETC. RAW STOCK,
TYPE PRESSES AND MACHINERY OF THE NATIONAL BAPTIST PUBLISHING BOARD, AS TAKEN AUGUST 31, 1909.

INVENTORY OF GENERAL SECRETARY'S PRIVATE OFFICE,
AUGUST 31, 1909.

1 large roller top desk.....	\$ 27 00
1 office chair.....	7 00
1 chair.....	4 00
1 chair.....	5 00 00
Books.....	500 00
Wheeler.....	40 00
1 library lamp (sectional).....	7 00
1 library lamp (sectional).....	7 00
Total in this department.....	\$ 892 00

INVENTORY OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
AUGUST 31, 1909.

1 roller top desk.....	\$ 50 00
1 roller top desk.....	50 00
1 cabinet case.....	75 00
1 iron safe.....	250 00
1 typewriter.....	35 00
1 photostatic.....	4 00
1 desk with pen stand.....	1 00
1 letter baskets.....	14 00
1 office chair.....	14 00
1 desk chairs.....	1 00
1 waste baskets.....	18 00
1 ledger.....	10 00
1 steel ledger.....	4 00
1 rubber stamp.....	4 00
1 paper weights.....	1 00
1 sponge dish.....	18

2 desk pads	1 00
1 show case	3 00
Total	\$ 365 10

INVENTORY OF BOOKKEEPING DEPARTMENT. AUGUST 31, 1909.

1 bookkeeper's desk	\$ 25 00
2 ordinary desks	30 00
2 desk chairs	5 00
2 ordinary chairs	4 00
1 arithmometer	250 00
1 safe	250 00
2 small tables	3 00
1 ink wells	40
7 stick file	30
17 letter files	3 25
5 book files	50
1 paper waste basket	50
1 case adding machine paper	3 00
6 daters	1 50
3 stamp pads	75
6 writing pens	30
2 rubers	1 00
1 numbering machine	5 00
27 tally sheet pads	15 00
30 statement pads	6 00
12 billhead pads	2 00
20 credit check books	7 50
18 receipt books	8 25
6 order books	1 50
300 Children's Day receipts	7 50
300 circular letters	1 00
6 time books	12 00
1 time box	4 50
3 erasers	30
Total	\$ 250 75

INVENTORY OFFICE FURNITURE, FIXTURES AND SUPPLIES OF STENOGRAPHIC DEPARTMENT. AUGUST 31, 1909.

2 rollers top typewriter cases, at \$25	\$ 40 00
1 large typewriter cabinet desk, at \$27.50	27 50
1 typewriter stand	5 00

2 desk chairs, at \$5.00	25 00
2 office chairs, at \$1.00	3 00
2 set top desks	40 00
6 typewriters, at \$100.00	600 00
1 dictionary and stand	25 00
2 cabinet files (\$25 and \$65)	92 00
1 set telephone and switchboard	150 00
bound volumes periodicals	1,000 00
Advertising matter	270 00
Stationery	230 00
City directory	7 50
1 ink wells	1 20
paper weights	25
Shelves	5 00
4 electric light shades	2 00
2 window shades	75
1 sponge and dish	35
Brush and broom	75
Plus	50
Postal guide	1 00
Machete	25
Waste baskets	1 00
Keys	2 20
Scissors	75
Knife	1 00
Pencil sharpener	25
Total	\$ 2,605 05

INVENTORY WHOLESALE BOOK, PERIODICAL, PREREQUISITES AND MAILING DEPARTMENT, AUGUST 31, 1909.

2 desks	\$ 47 00
2 window shades	2 00
1 ink wells	2 00
1 printer's outfit	2 50
1 table	1 75
1 chair	10
1 clock	14 00
2 show cases and counters	20 00
1 waste baskets	1 50
1 square split basket	35
1 pair scissors	40
1 box for paste	10
1 pair brush	25
1 pair scales (clarks)	12 00
1 marking pot	40

1 marking brush	10
300 Wm. Berkham's photos, at 5c	15 00
2000 letter heads	4 00
1,000 chain checks	2 75
3 Sunday school banners	7 00
20,000 inside envelopes	150 00
20,000 outside envelopes	200 00
1 yard stick	10
1 hammer	75
1 pair nail pullers	75
2,000 precaution labels	2 00
1 pair mailing scales	2 50
4 tables	8 00
1 wooden mailing rack	2 00
1 scraper	60
12 chairs	30 00
1 stool	75
9,000 Hark of Zion, at	2,350 00
1,000 Hark of Zion, Nos 1 and 2, S. Notes, at 10c	1,000 00
20,000 Psalms of Praise, at 10c	2,000 00
9,000 Gospel Notes No 1, S. Notes, at 25c	2,250 00
6,000 Tidings of Joy, at 15c	900 00
12,000 Choice Songs No 2, at 15c	1,800 00
12,000 Choice Songs No 1, at 6c	720 00
10,000 Gospel Notes No 1, H. Notes, at 25c	2,500 00
300 Short Talks on Music, H. N., at 25c	75 00
250 Short Talks on Music, H. N., at 25c	62 50
3,000 Gospel Notes Nos 1 and 2, R. N., at 40c	3,200 00
10,000 National Baptist Hymnals (celisti), at 60c	6,000 00
3,000 National Baptist Hymnals (Morocco), at 75c	2,250 00
4,700 Gospel Notes No 2, R. N., at 25c	1,175 00
2,500 Gospel Notes No 2, S. N., at 25c	375 00
1,000 Gospel Voice Hymnals (board), at 50c	500 00
500 Gospel Voice Hymnals (celisti), at 40c	320 00
500 Hymns of Victory (board), at 35c	315 00
1,000 Hymns of Victory (celisti), at 40c	400 00
5,000 National Baptist Hymn Books, at 50c	2,500 00
75 Pentecostal Hymns Nos 1 and 2 (board), at 40c	30 00
91 Pentecostal Hymns No 1 (paper), at 10c	9 10
513 Pentecostal Hymns Nos 1 and 2 (paper), at 15c	76 95
20 Pentecostal Hymns No 1 (board), at 35c	7 00
20 Pentecostal Hymns No 2 (board), at 35c	7 00
25 Pentecostal Hymns No 2 (paper), at 10c	2 50
25 Pentecostal Hymns Nos 3 and 4 (paper), at 15c	3 75
25 Pentecostal Hymns Nos 3 and 4 (board), at 40c	10 00
30 Pentecostal Hymns No 4 (board), at 22c	6 60
50 Revivals No 1 (board), at 35c	17 50

75 Revivals No. 1 (paper), at 25c	18 75
50 Revivals No. 2 (board), at 35c	10 50
50 Revivals No. 2 (paper), at 25c	12 50
10 Revivals No. 3 (board), at 35c	14 00
35 Revivals No. 3 (paper), at 25c	8 75
50 Marriage Certificates No. 13, at 20c	10 00
15 Marriage Certificates No. 14, at 25c	11 25
75 Bibles No. 20, at \$1.60	120 00
50 Holman's Testaments No. 2113, at 35c	17 50
65 Am. Standard Test. No. 352, at 55c	35 75
25 Bibles No. 2410, at \$3	75 00
15 Bibles No. 2002A, at \$2.50	37 50
20 Bibles No. 2002, at \$2	60 00
20 Bibles No. 1550, at \$1.50	30 00
25 Bibles Am. Standard, No. 175, at \$2.75	68 75
20 Bibles, Am. Standard No. 160, at \$1	30 00
25 Bibles, Teachers', No. 303, at \$1.65	41 25
15 Bibles Teachers', No. 303 Index, at \$1.35	27 75
10 Bibles No. 1111, at \$1.10	34 00
20 Bibles No. 208, at \$1	39 00
100 Testaments No. 2,300, at 12c	120 00
20 Sets Edinburgh Bible Histories, at \$5	100 00
20 Sets Notes of the Pentateuch, at \$3	60 00
12 Sets Spurgeon's Sermon Notes, at \$3.25	39 00
9 Sets Matthew Henry's Commentaries, at \$10	90 00
1,500 Testaments, at 9c	135 00
25 Testaments with Notes, at \$1	35 00
100 Bibles No. 1211, at \$1	100 00
25 Bibles No. 5011, at \$5.70	142 50
20 Bibles No. 5011, at \$5.70	114 00
25 Testaments No. 651, at 35c	8 75
10 Bibles No. 300, at \$2.50	25 00
25 Bibles No. 300, at \$3.65	92 75
20 Bibles No. 900, at \$2.75	55 00
15 Bibles No. 900, at \$3.00, Index	45 00
100 Bibles No. 100, Am. Standard, at 50c	50 00
25 Pulpit Bibles No. 37, at \$4	100 00
25 Pulpit Bibles No. 23, at \$4.50	112 50
10 Pulpit Bibles No. 34, at \$7.50	75 00
10 Pulpit Bibles No. 27, at \$5	50 00
12 Pulpit Bibles No. 27, at \$11	132 00
15 Cash Records No. 558, at \$1.90	28 50
15 Cash Records No. 387, at \$1.25	18 75
15 Cash Records No. 55, at 7c	1 05
15 Cash Records, at 4c	60 00
15 Practical Dial, at 15c	2 25
15 Primary Recitations, at 1c	15 00

40 Day Dial, at 30c.....	12 00
55 Little P. Speakers, at 15c.....	12 75
75 Holiday Ent. at 30c.....	22 50
20 Practical Recitations, at 15c.....	4 50
15 Furnishings for Workers, at 35c.....	5 25
2 Holman's Dictionaries No. 444, at 70c.....	14 00
15 Holman's Dictionaries No. 414, at 15c.....	2 25
25 Holman's Dictionaries No. 413, at 40c.....	10 00
10 Holman's Dictionaries No. 462, at \$1.....	10 00
12 Vest Pocket Testaments No. 2143, at 35c.....	4 20
300 Theological Kernels, at \$1.....	300 00
40 Bibles No. 201X, at \$1.25.....	117 50
20 Bibles No. 201X, at \$1.25.....	92 50
8 Organ Instructions, at \$1.50.....	12 00
100 Bibles No. 200, at \$2.....	200 00
115 Bibles No. 200X, at \$2.25.....	253 75
55 Bibles No. 200, at \$1.25.....	137 50
12 Bibles No. 200, at \$2.25.....	27 00
4 Bibles No. 200X, at \$2.25.....	21 00
40 Am. Standard Bibles No. 172, at \$2.....	80 00
75 Bibles No. 201X, at \$1.25.....	68 75
27 Bibles No. 2570, Index, at \$1.25.....	52 50
50 Bibles No. 200, at \$2.10.....	105 00
12 Bibles No. 220, at \$2.30.....	27 60
20 Bibles No. 200X, at \$2.75.....	55 00
4 Family Testaments, at \$1.75.....	15 00
15 Bibles No. 2257X, at \$1.....	60 00
25 Bibles No. 212A, at \$1.25.....	31 25
30 Bibles No. 1108 Index, at \$2.25.....	20 50
15 Bibles No. 1108, at \$2.....	30 00
20 Testaments No. 322, at 75c.....	53 50
25 Bibles No. 1200, at \$1.50.....	62 50
25 Testaments No. 20T, at \$1.50.....	37 50
100 Testaments No. 12, Red Letter, at 25c.....	25 00
90 Church Directories, at \$1.50.....	135 00
150 Brief Notes, at \$1.....	150 00
125 Topical Text Books, at 20c.....	25 00
75 Bibles, at \$1.50.....	112 50
30 Teaching Problems, at 30c.....	25 00
15 Bible Studies Popularized, at \$1.25.....	18 75
20 Encyclopedia Hand Books, at \$1.50.....	30 00
25 How to Mark Your Bible (paper), at 50c.....	12 50
25 How to Mark Your Bible (cloth), at 75c.....	18 75
50 Graduating the Sunday School, at 50c.....	25 00
30 Concordance, at \$1.....	30 00
25 Heart Talks, at \$1.....	25 00
50 Synonyms, at \$1.....	50 00

44 English Bibles, at 40c.....	86 00
20 Practical Outlines, at 40c.....	24 00
30 Story of the Bible, at 76c.....	37 50
20 Smith's Bible Dictionaries, at \$1.50.....	30 00
20 Caps, at 25c.....	5 00
12 The Bible in Shakespeare, at \$1.50.....	18 00
12 Vest Pocket Dictionaries by Hill, at 25c.....	3 00
25 Star Books, at \$1.....	25 00
12 Pastoral Leadership, at 50c.....	6 00
5 Harmonies of Gospel, at \$1.50.....	12 00
15 Little Baptists, at 60c.....	9 00
3 Three Reasons Why I am a Baptist, at 60c.....	5 40
7 From Nowhere to Deutschland, at 25c.....	1 75
100 Bible Atlas, at \$3.....	275 00
12 Greek in a Nut Shell, at 10c.....	1 20
12 The Pastor, at \$1.....	12 00
12 The Church, at \$1.....	12 00
13 Moral Dignity, at 50c.....	12 50
12 American Problems, at \$1.....	12 00
3 Boy Problems, at \$1.....	9 00
5 Genesis of Am. Antislavery, at \$1.....	8 00
27 Little Brother James, at 30c.....	13 50
5 Kept for Master's Use, at 30c.....	4 00
50 Object Sermons, at \$1.25.....	62 50
25 Self-Test Service, at \$1.....	25 00
20 Kindergartens, at \$1.25.....	25 00
25 Moody's Lectures, at 60c.....	15 00
12 New Testaments and Hymns, at 50c.....	6 00
6 Lord of Glory, at \$1.50.....	9 00
6 Grace Abounding, at \$1.50.....	9 00
25 Ex of Grace (cloth), at 40c.....	10 00
12 Memorial Supper, at 90c.....	10 00
25 Ex of Grace (paper), at 20c.....	8 75
10 Growing Pastors, at 50c.....	201 00
20 Growing Christians, at 50c.....	15 00
25 Growing Church, at 50c.....	14 00
22 Humorous Dialogues, at 30c.....	22 50
25 New Year and Midwinter Exercises, at 30c.....	15 00
20 Comic Dialogues, at 30c.....	9 00
20 Temperance Selections, at 30c.....	6 00
25 Spring and Summer School Celebration, at 30c.....	7 50
25 Practical Declamation, at 15c.....	11 25
40 Successful Entertainments, at 30c.....	12 00
25 Holiday Selections, at 30c.....	18 00
40 Money Making Ent. at 30c.....	13 50
100 Young Peoples Speakers, at 15c.....	18 00
25 Young Folks Dialogues, at 25c.....	13 75

59 Tiny Tots, at 15c	12 50
60 How to Celebrate Thanksgiving and Christmas, 30c	12 00
60 Sunday School Selections, at 30c	10 00
90 Drills and Marches, at 25c	22 50
40 Fancy Drills and Marches, at 30c	9 00
80 Little People's Dialogues, at 25c	20 00
75 Select Speech of Deeds at 30c	22 50
80 Choice Dialogues, at 30c	24 00
15 Primary Speakers, at 15c	6 75
25 Christmas Entertainments, at 30c	7 50
25 Little Primary Pieces, at 30c	3 75
45 Christmas Selections, at 30c	13 50
65 Sunday School Entertainments, at 25c	16 25
1000 Mite Boxes, at 2c	20 00
200 The Nation, at \$1	200 00
200 Reflections, at \$1	200 00
250 Life of Walker, at \$1	250 00
500 Sanctification and Pantheism, at \$1	500 00
10,000 State Buttons, at 5c	500 00
200 Missionary Gleaners, at 10c	20 00
200 Combination Gleaners, at 10c	20 00
225 Thank Offering Gleaners, at 10c	22 50
200 Home Gleaners, at 10c	20 00
175 Church Debts, at 10c	17 50
150 Combination Albums, at 10c	15 00
100 Helping Hand Gleaners, at 10c	10 00
230 Church Furniture, at 10c	23 00
125 Tithing Gleaners, at 10c	12 50
175 Cheerful Givers Albums, at 10c	17 50
75 Church Repair Gleaners, at 10c	7 50
100 New Church Bell Gleaners, at 10c	10 00
50 Paraphrase Gleaners, at 10c	5 00
225 Nickel Albums, at 10c	22 50
275 Call Bells No. 51, at \$1	275 00
250 Call Bells No. 55, at \$2.25	562 50
200 Call Bells No. 52, at \$1.25	250 00
240 Call Bells No. 51, at \$1.50	360 00
175 Successful Soul Winning, at 25c	43 75
100 Novels on Vancouver Island, at \$1	100 00
10 Manuals on Etiquette, at 20c	2 00
22 Theodora Earnest, at 60c	13 20
25 Holy War, at 10c	2 50
12 Holy War Illustrated, at 60c	7 20
20 Pilgrim Progress, at 75c	15 00
10 Teacher Child and Book, at \$1	10 00
30 Ways of Working, at \$1	30 00
150 Church Directories, at 30c	45 00

600 Organized Sunday Schools, at 50c	400 00
10,000 Bring One and Brought One Button, at 5c	500 00
500 Souvenir Albums, at 10c	50 00
25 Men of the Bible, at \$1.25	4 75
40 Credit Rolls, at \$1	40 00
19 Cash Records No. 50, at \$1.90	36 10
12 Cash Records No. 385, at \$1.90	22 80
14 Roll Books No. 604 1-4, at 75c	10 50
15 Cash Records No. 384, at 65c	9 75
250 Pocket Notes No. 78 1-4, at 5c	3 00
60 Note Books No. 1015, at 5c	3 00
75 Receipt Books No. 3016 1-2, at 25c	18 75
50 Receipt Books No. 344, at 15c	7 50
25 Hand Note Books No. 4, at 5c	1 25
35 Universal Encyclopedias, at \$10	350 00
3 Blackboards, at \$5.10	15 30
1 Trunk, at \$17	17 00
125 Tramped Angels, at \$1	125 00
25 Histories of A. M. E., Alabama, at \$1	25 00
25 Once a Methodist, but now a Baptist, at \$1	25 00
24 Laboratory Methods of Histology and Anat., at \$1	24 00
25 Life of McKinley, at \$1	25 00
25 Little Baptists, at 75c	18 75
40 Back Lane Commentaries, at 75c	30 00
550 Letter files, at 50c	275 00
10,000 Christmas Candy Boxes, at 5c	500 00
200 Lead pencils, at 5c	35 00
120 Cross and Crown Pins, at 85c	102 00
2 Quilt racks, at \$7	14 00
4 Window Boards, at \$2.50	10 00
12 Registered Attendance Boards, at \$3.50	42 00
450 Reward Tickets, at 75c	45 00
315 Reward Tickets, at 15c	47 25
171 Reward Tickets, at 20c	34 20
600 Reward Cards, at 10c	60 00
480 Reward Cards, at 15c	72 00
190 Reward Cards, at 20c	38 00
260 Reward Cards, at 25c	65 00
170 Reward Cards, at 30c	51 00
500 Christmas Buttons, at 5c	25 00
100 Motto Cards, at 50c	50 00
150 Motto Cards, at 5c	7 50
160 Motto Cards, at 10c	16 00
125 Motto Cards, at 15c	18 75
100 Motto Cards, at 20c	20 00
25 Motto Cards, at 25c	6 25
60 Marriage Certificates No. 15, at 10c	6 00

25 Marriage Certificates No. 16, at 20c.....	5 00
40 Marriage Certificates No. 18, at 25c.....	10 00
40 Marriage Certificates No. 24, at 35c.....	14 00
35 Marriage Certificates No. 111, at 20c.....	7 00
30 Marriage Certificates, No. 112, at 20c.....	6 00
1 case writing ink.....	6 00
50 Christmas Banners Welcome, at 60c.....	30 00
300 Sunday-School Records, at 30c.....	150 00
500 Church Records, at \$1.50.....	750 00
100 Lord's Prayer, at 50c.....	50 00
50 Musks No. 5036, at 40c.....	20 00
25 Musks No. 5075, at 60c.....	15 00
15 No 5073, at 35c (boxes and candles).....	15 15
10 Boxes Candles No 5071, at 35c.....	14 00
50 Boxes Candles No 5072, at 35c.....	21 00
50 Christmas Bells No. 5061, at 25c.....	22 50
50 Christmas Bells No 5053, at 15c.....	12 00
1,000 Wooden Money Barrels, at 5c.....	50 00
1,000 Wooden Money Eggs, at 5c.....	50 00
100 Festoons, at 25c.....	25 00
1,000 Cross and Crown pins No. 0, at 1c.....	10 00
500 Attendance Rolls, at 15c.....	75 00
5,000 Stars, at 10c per hundred.....	5 00
500 Flags, at 10c per hundred.....	50 00
10,000 Barred Labels, at 20c per hundred.....	20 00
150 Superintendent's Hand Books (leather), at 35c.....	52 50
100 Ancient, Medieval and Modern History of Negro, at \$1.....	100 00
100 Superintendent's Hand Books (cloth), at 25c.....	25 00
75 Teacher's Hand Books (leather), at 35c.....	26 25
75 Teacher's Hand Books (leather), at 35c.....	26 25
15 Teacher's Hand Books (cloth), at 25c.....	11 25
12 Birthday Books, at \$1.50.....	18 00
100 Ideal Money Banks, at \$1.50.....	150 00
300 Missionary Society Buttons, at 5c.....	15 00
15 Brooms, at 35c.....	5 25
1,000 Church Letters, at 20c.....	200 00
30 Revivals No. 4 (paper), at 25c.....	7 50
40 Triumphant Songs No. 1, at 35c.....	14 00
30 Triumphant Songs No. 2, at 35c.....	10 50
10 Triumphant Songs No. 3, at 35c.....	3 50
15 Triumphant Songs No. 3 and 4, at 40c.....	6 00
150 Gospel Hymns No. 3 (paper), at 12c.....	18 00
250 Gospel Hymns Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 (paper), at 6c.....	15 00
250 Gospel Hymns Nos. 5 and 6 (Himp), at 11c.....	27 50
450 Gospel Hymns Nos. 1-6 (Himp), at 12c.....	54 00
250 Gospel Hymns Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 (Himp), at 11c.....	27 50
2,000 Sunday-School Congress Anthems, at 15c.....	300 00



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Field Secretary National Baptist Home
Mission Board

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National Baptist Anthem Series, at 25c.....	625 00
Young People's Hymnals No. 2 (board), at 35c.....	8 75
20 Young People's Hymnals No. 1 (word), at 10c.....	2 00
20 Young People's Hymnals No. 2 (word), at 10c.....	2 00
Living Water (paper), at 15c.....	3 00
Living Water (lamp), at 15c.....	3 00
10,000 Bible Thoughts, at 25c.....	2,500 00
15,000 Post Cards, at 1c.....	1,500 00
10,000 We Miss You cards, at 80c per hundred.....	80 00
2,000 S. S. Collection Envelopes, at 40c per hundred.....	8 00
1,000 Boyd's Class Collection Envelope, by Landers, at \$1.20 per hundred.....	64 00
Prayer Hands, at \$1.....	222 00
Time Card, at 10c.....	50 00
Preschers' License, at 10c.....	200 00
200 Ordinations, at 10c.....	20 00
2,000 Private Mailing Cards, at 1c.....	30 00
200 National Baptist Sunday School Commentaries, at 75c.....	600 00
500 Boyd's photos, at 50c.....	500 00
2,000 Women's Guides No. 1 at 10c.....	900 00
500 Out of the Darkness (Grant), at \$1.....	540 00
20,000 Text Huttons, at 5c.....	1,000 00
1 Set of Communion Ware, at \$25.....	100 00
1000 Tag Labels, at 20c per hundred.....	4 00
15 Tea Commendments, at \$1.....	125 00
1000 Celestial Showers No. 1, at 35c.....	5,250 00
1000 Celestial Showers No. 2, at 35c.....	3,500 00
All Sorts of Animals, at 10c.....	14 00
Uncle Tom's Cabin, at 50c.....	25 00
Sunday Series, at 10c.....	25 20
Bible Series, at 10c.....	15 00
Highland Life of Methuensis, at 75c.....	125 25
1000 Call Hells No. 70, at 65c.....	342 50
2000 Call Hells No. 72, at 75c.....	325 00
21 Life of Joseph, at 25c.....	6 00
22 Life of Esther, at 25c.....	10 50
10 Life of Daniel, at 25c.....	10 00
43 Life of Christ, at 25c.....	10 75
15 Life of Christ, at 60c.....	10 20
10 Life of Paul, at 60c.....	15 00
1,000 Boyd's Memorandum Books, at 35c.....	350 00
2,000 Pastors Guides, at 50c.....	1,000 00
12 Arnold's Notes, at 50c.....	6 00
250 Bible Studies, at 25c.....	62 50
2 Century Libraries, at \$15.....	45 00
150 Calendars.....	12 00
12 Studies Gospel John, at \$1.....	12 00

26 Primers of Homiletics, at 35c.....	21 35
63 Sets of Dunbar, at \$1.60.....	94 00
40 Daily Portfolios, at 40c.....	16 00
12 Distinctive Principal Baptist, at \$1.....	12 00
12 Teaching and Teachers, at \$1.25.....	15 00
30 Teachers' Meeting, at 30c.....	24 00
20 Story of the Gospel, at 75c.....	15 00
12 Manual of S. S. Methods, at 75c.....	9 00
40 Plain Theologies, at 30c.....	12 00
75 Reed's Parliamentary Rules, at 75c.....	4 75
15 Short History of Baptists, at 60c.....	9 00
12 Histories of Christian Presbyters, at \$1.50.....	18 00
12 Pedobaptists, at \$1.....	12 00
100 Church Manuals, Pendleton, at 50c.....	50 00
60 Script. Anecdotes, at 50c.....	15 00
30 Jefferson Bibles, at 50c.....	15 00
30 Revivals No. 4 (board), at 35c.....	10 00
40 Making of Sermons (Patterson), at \$1.50.....	60 00
175 Hiccox's Church Manuals, at 50c.....	87 50
12 Floyd Flowers (half morocco), at \$1.50.....	18 00
12 Floyd Flowers (cloth), at \$1.....	12 00
8 Floyd Flowers (full morocco), at \$2.....	16 00
12 Histories of Baptists (full size), at \$1.05.....	12 36
30 His Life (paper), at 15c.....	4 50
25 His Life (cloth), at 25c.....	4 35
20 His Life (leather), at 75c.....	15 00
40 His Friends (paper), at 15c.....	6 00
25 His Friends (cloth), at 25c.....	6 35
15 His Friends (leather), at 75c.....	11 15
30 His Great Apostles (paper), at 15c.....	4 50
20 His Great Apostles (cloth), at 25c.....	5 00
15 His Great Apostles (leather), at 75c.....	11 25
100 Howell on Deacons, at 50c.....	50 00
25 Sermons and S. S. Lessons, at \$1.25.....	25 00
40 Christian Doctrines, at \$1.50.....	60 00
50 Brief Imperial Dictionaries, at 25c.....	12 50
12 Dictionaries for school and office, at \$1.....	12 00
15 Howe Games, at 25c.....	3 75
16 Abstract Theologies, Boyce, at \$1.50.....	40 00
60 All about the Bible, at \$1.....	30 00
500 S. S. Congress Badges, at 10c.....	50 00
12 Life of B. T. Washington (cloth), at \$1.50.....	21 00
12 Life of B. T. Washington, h. Mor., at \$2.50.....	30 00
9 Life of B. T. Washington, f. Mor., at \$1.10.....	31 50
100 Josephus, at \$1.60.....	160 00
590 Baptist in History, at 1.....	59 00
107 Lord's Supper, at 10c.....	10 70

216 Sketch History, at 10c.....	21 60
508 Excuse Answered, at 10c.....	50 80
680 Modern Superintendent, at 5c.....	32 50
600 Bible Alphabet, at 20c.....	120 00
3 No. 18 Bible Roll Paper, at \$3.25.....	9 75
150 No. 9 Bible Roll paper, at \$1.60.....	170 00
48 No. 24 Bible Roll paper, at \$2.75, express.....	132 00
25,000 Easy Lesson Primers, at 5c.....	1,250 00
400 B Catechisms, at 5c.....	20 00
25,000 D. Catechisms, at 5c.....	1,250 00
20,000 What Baptists Believe and Practice, at 5c.....	1,000 00
20,000 Systematic Giving, at 5c.....	1,000 00
2 Mailing racks, at \$2.25.....	4 50
2 Large size twine, at 40c.....	1 20
123 small size twine, at 4c.....	5 00
2 mailing and wrapping tables, at \$5.....	10 00
2 paper racks, large size, at \$3.....	6 00
2 paper racks, small size, at \$2.....	4 00
2 stools, at 75c.....	1 50
3 chairs, at \$2.50.....	7 50
1 Subscription books (Union).....	16 00
2 files, at 50c.....	1 00
100 Commentaries (1903), at 75c.....	75 00
50,000 labels, blank, at 40c per M.....	20 00
2 Paste bowls, at 15c.....	30
3 Paste brushes, at 60c.....	1 20
2 Shears, at 75c.....	1 50
1 Stove.....	4 00
1 Trunk trays, at \$2.....	4 00
20 Poles 1-2 (light), at 25c.....	5 00
1 Pole 1 (trest), at 15c.....	1 05
5 Poles, 1 red, at 15c.....	75
1 Pole, 3-4 red, at 15c.....	1 50
2,500 Labels for mailing rack, at 40c per M.....	100 00
McGirt's Magazine, P. M. Edition, at 10c.....	10 00
1 Gross cup hook, at 75c.....	75
100 Order blanks, at 40c per M.....	20 00
1 Gross cup hooks, at 75c.....	75
10 Pole ends (6 pr. box), brass, at 30c.....	3 00
12 Spoons (6 pr. box), brass, at 30c.....	3 60
1 Pole caps, 1 gross, at 30c.....	1 50
2 Gross pole caps 3-4, at 25c.....	50
125,000 Assorted circulars for quarterly letter, at 40c per M.....	50 00
2 Paste blocks, at 5c.....	10
2 Mailing tubes, at 10c.....	20
2 Ink stands, at 25c.....	50
4 pen holders, at 5c.....	20

MINUTES.

RAW STOCK DEPARTMENT.

AUGUST 31, 1909.

ENVELOPES.

5,000 Twentieth Century	5 75
5,000 Oriole Linen	10 00
1,500 White No. 50-6 1-2	1 75
500 White XX 6 1-2X9 1-2	2 00
1,000 White Wave No. 12 XX	2 10
1,000 Brown No. 50	1 50
2,000 Pw envelopes No. 2	1 00
2,000 Cherry 1-1-2	2 50
10,000 Manila XXX No. 8	10 00
1,500 White No. 9	3 00
500 Postage Savage 6 1-4	1 00
1,500 Manila XXXX 1-4	2 75
500 Old Hampshire Bond 6 1-2	1 75
5,000 White Drug No. 3	2 25
Envelopes Printed—	

ENVELOPES PRINTED.

3,000 Taylor & 1-4	4 00
1,000 Beckham	2 00
1,000 House & 1-4	2 00

PAPER BOND COVERS.

500 Celestial Showers No. 2; 1,500 Celestial Showers No. 1;	
2,000 Gospel Voices No. 1; 3,000 Hark of Zion; 2,600	
Chorus Songs (21 teams), at \$2	42 00

CARD BOARD.

700 18ply Edna Sheets	70 00
X100-6ply Red Sheet	4 00
100 4ply Crescent Sheets	4 00
60 3ply Blue	1 00
500 3ply Index Bristol	2 50
200 4ply Record Index	2 00

CYCLING PAPER.

300 2ply No. 24 Lakewood; 500 2ply No. 6 Lakewood; 500	
2ply No. 24 Lakewood; 1,500 2ply No. 22 Lakewood	1 00
1 Box 2ply No. 24 Lakewood	
1 Box 2ply No. 22 Lakewood	
2 Box 2ply No. 21 Lakewood	

MINUTES.

LINEN.

1 Box No. 117; 1 Box No. 113 (plain edge)	3 00
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WEDDING CABINET.

1 Box No. 74 lbs. White Wedding 7 1-8	2 50
500 Sheets Super Cream, Wedding Paper 7 1-4 to 1-2 lbs	6 00

CORONA CAMBS.

2000 No. 36 Round Corner	3 00
1000 No. 19 Round Corner	1 25

RULED STOCK—BILLHEADS.

15,000 Industrial Bond No. 4	15 00
5,000 Kentworth Bond No. 4	4 80
2,500 G. Manifold 17X28	10 00
2,500 Industrial Bond 17X28	6 00
1,000 Oriole Linen, 16 lbs.	10 50
2,000 Amber Canova 17X28	1 50
500 Terminal Bond Sheets 17X28, 20 lbs.	2 00
150 Memoranda Buff Cover Sheets	8 75
1,000 Tally Sheets, Ruled	12 00
200 Parchment paper 17X28 sheets	

RULED STOCK FOR MEMORIAL RECORD.

1,000 20X28, 10 lbs	210 00
1 Paper cutter (white)	600 00
20 White side (cut) 5 1-2X8 1-2 (lbs)	1 20
500 Blue Manilla, 30 lbs 17X28	26 00
1,000 M. F. White, Bell Cut, No. 16, 6X9	6 00
1,500 Nashen, 1 case, 40 lbs. 22X24 (sheets)	31 20
2 Cases, Lockland, 20X28 (40 lbs)	64 00
Canopies	4 00
1 Box (130) Jesus' Only Song Books	30 00
1 Pair trucks	15 00
500 Mailing Paper 20X25 (sheets)	1 50
1 Water sprinkler	75
1 Broom	2 00
1 Urn toilet	5 00
2 Chairs (case bottom)	2 00
Step ladder (2 high)	4 50

REMARKS.

500 Advance paper, 36X48, 78 lbs	1,746 00
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400 Primary and Intermediate, 33X48, 61 lbs	1,340 00
100 Senior, 38X53, 90 lbs	480 00

BOND BOOK STOCK.

50 Music Stock, 36X48, 70 lbs (cream)	215 00
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REGULAR BOOK STOCK.

100-36X42 (cream)	425 00
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CLARK STOCK.

12-36X52 (cream)	51 00
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SPECIAL TAG BOARD.

24-11X17 Sheets	5 00
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CAMP PAPER.

100-31X18, 70 (cream)	120 00
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QUARTER COVER STOCK.

12 Teachers, 19X26 1-2 cream	471 00
15 Reams Senior Cover Stock, 19X26 1-2	54 10
25 Reams Intermediate Cover, light blue, 24X33	112 32
14 Reams Advanced cover, sea green, 24X36	191 20
62 Reams Primary cover, cherry, 24X33	278 72
8 Reams S. S. C. Stock, 28X18, 10 lbs	25 60
30 Reams Bible paper stock, 28X48 M. F.	99 00
1 Reams Manila paper stock (40)	6 10
7 Industrial Bond, 12X18 (20)	15 10
4 1-2 Reams Dalton Linen Ledger, 16X21-32	15 36

CHECK BOOK STOCK.

1 Ream Wellington Mills, 19X26	2 48
2 Reams Checks, superfine, 19X26	6 70
300 Sheets Pertless Cover, 20X25	8 75

Total \$ 7,024 62

PUBLISHED PLATES BY VALUE

Aug. 31, 1909.

225 Pages Gospel Voices Nos. 1 and 2 Combined	\$ 717 50
64 Pages National Vocal Selections	115 00
454 Pages National Baptist Hymnal	1,185 00
226 Pages Celestial Showers No. 2	105 00
226 Pages Celestial Showers No. 2, Dup.	165 00

178 Pages Celestial Showers No. 1	445 00
178 Pages Celestial Showers No. 1, Dup.	445 00
146 Pages National Harp of Zion	365 00
146 Pages National Harp of Zion, Dup.	365 00
44 Pages Choice Songs No. 1	165 00
66 Pages Choice Songs No. 1, Dup.	165 00
98 Pages Pearls of Paradise No. 1, Dup.	245 00
98 Pages Pearls of Paradise No. 1 Dup.	245 00
Pages Jesus Only	760 00
122 Pages National Gospel Voices No. 1	304 00
122 Pages National Gospel Voices No. 1, Dup.	304 00
166 Pages National Gospel Voices No. 2	415 00
166 Pages National Gospel Voices No. 2, Dup.	415 00
400 Pages Commentary	200 00
290 Pages Theological Kernels	580 00
116 Pages Sermons Outlined	272 00
68 Pages What Baptists Believe and Practice	176 00
288 Pages Unfettered	576 00
252 Pages Up the Ladder in Foreign Missions	544 00
88 Pages National Baptist Pastors' Guide	176 00
250 Pages National Baptist Hymn Book	1,060 00
254 Pages Sermons and Sermonettes	612 00
64 Pages Right Living and Systematic Giving	128 00
98 Pages National Tidings of Joy	343 00
56 Pages Easy Lesson Primer	72 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

50 Music Plates	\$ 189 00
250 Catalogue plates	600 00
56 Pages Baptist Sunday-School Catechisms	30 00
26 Pages Child's Bible Question Book	36 00
12 Pages Common Sense	636 00
218 Pages Miscellaneous Plates	30 00
17 Pages Use of Hymns	672 00
234 Pages Unfettered Band	106 00
54 Pages Boyd's Pastors' Memorandum Book	

Total \$14,260 00

INVENTORY OF BINDERY
AUGUST 31, 1909.

Easy Lesson Primers Unbound	\$ 408 00
U. S. Poets	100 00
Hymn Book cases	300 00

200 S Outlined cards	11 00
1 Sets of Joint rods	1 50
1 Pair Backing boards	2 00
3,000 Lining Papers	4 50
500 Boyd's Guide Unbound	212 00
500 Boyd's Memorandum Unbound	200 00
200,000 Unbound Adv. Quarterlies	2,000 00
600,000 Unbound Intermediate Quarterlies	420 00
75,000 Unbound Primary Quarterlies	750 00
1 Dnz. copies unfinished gold edge	
1 Dnz. copies Morrice handbound hymnals	24 00
1 Paring stone	3 75
1 Cutting zlar	1 00
1 2 12 Polishing Irons	2 50
1 Sheep polish board	75
1 Gas stove and connection	6 00
1 Roll finishing board	2 50
2 sets of gliding boards	6 00
1 dozen ironing boards	12 00
2 Hides, Russia leather	14 00
1 Seybold Duplex Trimmer	3,000 00
1 Sheridan, New Model 38" Cutter	900 00
1 Fuller Jobber Folder 33X50	3,800 00
1 Fuller Pile Feeder	1,500 00
1 Fuller Circular Folder	400 00
1 Fuller Jobber Folder 26X42	3,300 00
1 Morrison Perfection No 4 Stitcher	450 00
1 Monitor Bench No 3 Stitcher, No 1 34 Century	450 00
1 Monitor Embosser	175 00
1 Smith Sewing Machine	1,600 00
1 Black and Chawm Perforator 24"	100 00
1 National Perforator 26", 5 Rotary knives extra	450 00
1 Crawley Binding Press	125 00
1 Round corner and punching machine, 5 extra knives, 4 dies	35 00
2 Solid cushions, 2 dies	50 00
1 Cloth Moine machine	50 00
1 Thomas & Co Rotary Board Cutter	75 00
1 Ellis Roller Ducker	450 00
1 Standing press 17 7/8 28	110 00
1 Standing press 18X24	80 00
1 Standing press 16X24	60 00
1 Gliding press	12 75
1 Gliding Press Stand	11 00
1 Finishing Press	2 00
2 Numbering machines	20 00
1 Plow	4 00

1 knife cutter	18 00
100 Kokers Seybold Trimmer	180 00
2 Lettering Pallet	16 00
1 Finigbers roll	12 00
1 Bench block	3 50
2 Forming Iron	6 00
1 Case gauges	24 00
2 Agate Burnishers	4 00
2 Hammers	6 00
1 Blaudun Burnisher	8 50
5 Pair 12" Binders' Shears	16 75
1 Sprinkling seize	65
1 Gine pots	7 00
1 Type cabinet	8 00
1 font 26 pt. type (copper alloy)	6 50
1 font 28 pt. type (copper alloy)	6 00
1 font 18 pt type (copper alloy)	3 25
1 font 22 pt type (copper alloy)	4 00
1 font 12 pt type (copper alloy)	3 25
1 font 20 Script brass type	19 50
1 font 14 pt Script brass type	14 50
1 font 15 pt Gothic condensed brass type	16 75
1 font 12 pt Gothic brass script type	7 50
1 font 6 pt copper alloy type	3 50
2 Gold knife	1 50
2 Gold cushions	4 00
3 Gold pads or lifters	1 50
5 lbs Egg Albumen	5 00
7 lbs Anderson's size	4 50
1 Gelatin	50
1 quart sweet oil	1 25
1 quart Oxalic acid	25
1 quart French varnish	1 50
1 quart asphaltum	75
3 lbs Casine	10 50
10 Packs XX Gold Leaf	75 00
1 Pack Dutch Metal Leaf	3 00
1 Pack Aluminum Leaf	2 50
100 sheets white color foil leaf	20 00
100 sheets red color foil leaf	24 00
1 lbs shellac	1 50
4 Finishing rubbers	3 00
2 Finishing brushes	1 50
24 balls soft twine	4 20
10 yds 3/4 32 silk ribbon	3 00
10 yds No. 16 satin ribbon, tulle	2 00
20 yds No 16 satin ribbon	4 00

10 yds. No. 16 Patron satin ribbon	2 00
8 yds. No. 12 Patron satin ribbon	1 50
10 yds. No. 12 Champion satin ribbon	1 50
1 Patent bit Jack plain	1 75
2 screw drivers	1 50
2 1-2 Brass rule	1 25
18 in. brass border	4 50
2 electro embossing plates, Theological Kernel (front)	4 00
1 electro embossing plate, Sermons Outlined (front)	2 25
1 electro embossing plate, The Nations, etc. (front)	2 25
2 electro embossing plates, Trumpet Blast (front)	5 50
1 electro embossing plates, Pastors' Guide (front)	11 25
5 electro embossing plates, Commentary (front)	27 50
2 electro embossing plates, Bacteriology set (front)	7 50
2 electro embossing plates, Chas. T. Walker (front)	7 50
1 electro embossing plate, Nixon set	2 75
1 electro embossing plates, Unfettered set	9 25
2 electro embossing plates, Overshadowed set	3 25
2 electro embossing plates, Reflections set	6 50
1 electro embossing plates, Ant. Missionism (front)	6 50
1 electro embossing plate, Sermons and Sermonettes (front)	3 25
2 electro embossing plates, National Convention badges	6 50
1 doz. cutting sticks for cutter	12 00
12 doz. pre-cutting blocks for cutter	12 00
20 spools No. 21, Smyth sewing machine thread	34 50
12 spools No. 16 Smyth Sewing Machine thread	15 00
12 spools No. 20 Smyth Sewing Machine thread	15 00
12 yds. 27" hard finish Indian Head Domestic	4 25
11 yds. 33" soft finish Indian Head domestic	1 35
35 yds. 21" percale	3 50
6 yds. 25" bleached domestic	71
5 yds. unbleached domestic	35
114 yds. No. 22 7" L. hook cloth	13 65
76 yds. No. 26 C. hook cloth	9 12
108 yds. No. 21 T. hook cloth	20 50
246 yds. No. 11 S. hook cloth	45 00
1 1-2 doz. sides seal grain Russia huffing	64 00
1 1-2 sides water grain Russia huffing	8 75
1 1-4 sides green Morocco	2 00
1 1-4 sides Law Skiver	1 35
1 sq. ft. Little Skiver	40
6 pieces Gray Super	9 00
2 pieces 1" folder tape	3 60
38 16X24 brass bound press boards	134 00
4 15X22 Cherry press boards	5 00

6 sewing benches	12 00
2 easers for press boards	10 00
250 lbs. Steco Plate composition	16 25
250 lbs. X1 ground blue	27 00
96 lbs. Sphinx Gum glue	19 20
20 lbs. flexible glue	3 00
10 lbs. padding glue	13 00
12 lbs. Hayco 2 cord No. 16 thread	12 50
250 pcs 1-2 round 36" long molding	11 25
250 pcs 2x 2x 36" long molding	11 25
50 bundles No. 33 pulp board	98 00
50 sheets mounting	3 00
1-2 bundle No. 100 straw	65
3 bundles No. 25 mabled board	18 00
3 bundles No. 30 28X36 cloth board	31 60
4 bundles No. 33 medium cloth board	4 20
25 sheets of various numbers of cloth board	1 05
5 reams Litho lining paper	54 00
2 reams Skytogen	30 00
27 pieces lined Skytogen (white) 34X36; 150 pieces lined Skytogen (white) 36X36; 2 pieces lined Skytogen colored 34X36	4 00
1 reams of Belgium Wave Mabled paper	18 00
1 ream approximately scraps Mabled paper	4 50
one end papers	4 00
22 Badge bars, Cor. Sec'y	2 60
18 Badge bars, Vice-President	2 40
9 Badge bars, Members	45
51 Badge bars, Treasurer	2 65
48 Badge bars, President	3 10
27 Badge bars, Leader	2 85
25 Badge bars, Recording Sec'y	2 65
2 spools No. 28 round wire	1 80
22 spools No. 20 round wire	26 00
20 spools No. 25 round wire	22 50
12 spools No. 22 round wire	9 00
20 spools No. 26 round wire	16 00
100 cups of spools	48 00
2 doz. home folders	6 00
20 copper bound glue brushes	20 00
15 cutting knives	8 00
10 plate pans	2 40
2 plate huckets	1 00
20 chairs	22 50
9 chairs	7 65
2 tables	27 00
1 foreman's desk	15 00

Duplicate parts for No. 4 stitcher	10 00
Duplicate parts for Maglor stitcher	4 25
Duplicate parts for sewing machine	4 00

EXCLUDED WITH MACHINE.

1 dyepot	\$
1 Gross 1-4 inch brass rings	60
1-2 bolt coutache woff brand	10
2 boxes larks	12 00
1,000 red and black threads	43 00
100 Ten Commandment Charts	36 00

Total \$22,013 00

INVENTORY COMPOSING ROOM.

AUGUST 31, 1909.

COMPOSING STONES.

1. 48X60	20 00
2. 36X48	10 00
3. 36X30	15 00
4. 36X24	12 00
5. 36X18	10 00

STANDS.

1 double (12 cases)	\$ 24 00
1 double top 1 side (8 cases)	20 00
1 double top 1 side regular (12 cases)	4 25
1 double top 1 side 3-4 case	20 00
1 cabinet full (12 cases)	20 00
1 cabinet half (12 cases)	10 00

BASKETS.

2 No. 4 cases full	\$ 10 00
100 yards nonp. 100 yds pica	4 00

CHASERS.

32X44 D. B.	10 00
30 1-4X48 1-3 D. B.	10 00

32X40 1-2 S. B.	9 25
26X37 D. B.	12 00
32X34 S. B.	7 95
1-2 X 28 1-2	5 60
32X44 D. B.	14 35
32 1-2X32 1-2	5 50
22X32 1-2 S. B.	7 95
32X42 1-2 D. B.	13 70
19X20	4 50
(2) 21 1-2X28 1-2 S. B.	14 00
(2) 14X22	8 00
(2) 26 1-2X37 1-2 S. B.	15 90
(4) 26 1-2X39 S. P.	26 60
28X34 1-2 D. B.	13 25
(2) 10 1-4X14	6 00
37 1-4X37 1-2 D. B.	12 30
(2) 17 1-2X22 3-4	7 00
39X33 D. B.	12 00
38 1-2X33 S. B.	12 00
(6) 29X42 1-2 S. B.	52 50

CLINTONTYPE CHASERS.

(12) 10X14	\$ 14 00
(15) 10X22	0 00
(4) 10X27	7 00
(2) 10X12	2 40

TYPE HENSSE.

1. 1000 1/2 pt.	12 00
1. 1000 1/4 pt.	15 00
1. 1000 1/8 pt.	15 00
1. 1000 1/16 pt.	10 00
1. 1000 1/32 pt.	10 00
1. 1000 1/64 pt.	10 00
1. 1000 1/128 pt.	10 00
1. 1000 1/256 pt.	10 00
1. 1000 1/512 pt.	10 00
1. 1000 1/1024 pt.	10 00
1. 1000 1/2048 pt.	10 00
1. 1000 1/4096 pt.	10 00
1. 1000 1/8192 pt.	10 00

IRLAND COPPER PLATE.

1. 1000 1/2 pt.	4 00
1. 1000 1/4 pt.	7 50
1. 1000 1/8 pt.	5 40

1 fonte 12 pts.	18 00
1 fonte 20 pts.	18 00
1 fonte 24 pts.	20 00
1 fonte 30 pts.	30 00
1 fonte 36 pts.	40 00

CORONA, No. 7.

1 fonte 8 pts.	12 00
1 fonte 10 pts.	12 00
1 fonte 12 pts.	22 00
1 fonte 30 pts.	30 00
1 fonte 36 pts.	34 00
1 fonte 18 pts.	20 00

CORONA, No. 8.

1 fonte 12 pts.	3 00
1 fonte 18 pts.	2 40
1 fonte 22 pts.	3 00
1 fonte 28 pts.	4 00

VICTORIA

1 fonte 12 pts.	2 00
1 fonte 18 pts.	3 60
1 fonte 24 pts.	4 50

VICTORIA, No. 10 pt.

1 lbs.	105 00
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VICTORIA, No. 11.

1 caixa 15 lbs.	45 00
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VICTORIA, No. 12.

1 fonte 4 pts.	12 00
1 fonte 8 pts.	13 00
1 fonte 10 pts.	13 60
1 fonte 12 pts.	17 40
1 fonte 18 pts.	19 30
1 fonte 20 pts.	19 30
1 fonte 24 pts.	31 00
1 fonte 36 pts.	39 40

VICTORIA, No. 13.

1 fonte 10 pts.	25 20
1 fonte 12 pts.	28 30
1 fonte 18 pts.	16 50
1 fonte 20 pts.	16 00

1 fonte 24 pts.	18 00
1 fonte 28 pts.	24 00

ALDINE

1 fonte 10 pts.	50 00
1 fonte 12 pts.	50 00
1 fonte 18 pts.	50 00
1 fonte 24 pts.	50 00

ANTONIA.

1 fonte 8 pts.	5 50
1 fonte 10 pts.	6 00
1 fonte 12 pts.	6 00
1 fonte 18 pts.	7 00
1 fonte 20 pts.	7 00
1 fonte 24 pts.	10 00
1 fonte 36 pts.	12 00

BISHAMPT

1 fonte 12 pts.	1 60
1 fonte 18 pts.	1 60
1 fonte 24 pts.	2 25

C. BERNARD.

1 fonte 8 pts.	5 00
1 fonte 12 pts.	5 50

ANTIQU

1 fonte 8 pts.	2 00
1 fonte 10 pts.	4 00
1 fonte 12 pts.	2 00
1 fonte 18 pts.	4 30
1 fonte 24 pts.	5 00
1 fonte 36 pts.	7 00

EASTON ANTIQUE.

1 fonte 8 pts.	9 00
1 fonte 10 pts.	10 50
1 fonte 12 pts.	13 50
1 fonte 18 pts.	15 00

EXPENSES PLATE.

1 font 12 pts. No. 1.....	\$ 4 00
1 font 13 pts. No. 2.....	3 00
1 font 24 pts. No. 3.....	10 00
2 sets Bedford Justals, 48 pts.....	16 00
1 set copper spacer.....	4 00

PRICE TOTAL.

1 font 6 pts. No. 1.....	\$ 4 00
1 font 6 pts. No. 2.....	4 00
1 font 6 pts. No. 1.....	4 00

SUMMER SERIES.

1 font 6 pts.....	\$ 8 00
1 font 8 pts.....	9 00
1 font 10 pts.....	10 00
1 font 12 pts.....	11 00
1 font 14 pts.....	12 00
1 font 16 pts.....	13 00
1 font 18 pts.....	14 00
1 font 20 pts.....	15 00
1 font 22 pts.....	16 00
1 font 24 pts.....	17 00

CLAIR SERIES.

1 font 6 pts. No. 1.....	\$ 4 00
1 font 6 pts. No. 2.....	4 00
1 font 6 pts. No. 3.....	4 00
1 font 6 pts. No. 4.....	4 00
1 font 12 pts. No. 1.....	6 00
1 font 12 pts. No. 2.....	6 00
1 font 12 pts. No. 3.....	6 00
1 font 12 pts. No. 4.....	6 00
2 fonts. Bold Face Italic 8 pts.....	6 00

IRON.

100 lbs. Nonp. O. S.....	\$ 64 00
150 lbs. Nonp. Modern.....	96 00
150 lbs. Recv. O. S.....	28 00
50 lbs. Recv. Modern.....	26 00
100 lbs. Recv. O. S.....	28 00
100 lbs. Recv. O. S.....	28 00
100 lbs. Recv. O. S.....	28 00
100 lbs. Recv. O. S.....	28 00

25 lbs. Italic Modern 6 pts.....	16 00
25 lbs. O. S. 8 pts.....	13 00
25 lbs. Italic Modern 8 pts.....	13 00
100 lbs. Italic Modern 10 pts.....	46 00
25 lbs. Law Italic 10 pts.....	11 50
25 lbs. Italic O. S. 11 pts.....	11 00
50 lbs. Lining Law Italic No. 520, 14 pts.....	22 00
25 lbs. Italic O. S. 12 pts.....	31 50
50 Small Capitals, 8 pts.....	26 00
15 Caps Capitals 11 pts.....	6 00

CRAPERS.

25 lbs. 2 dot, 6 pts.....	\$ 16 00
25 lbs. 2 dot, 8 pts.....	65 00
5 lbs. 12 strokes to the em.....	5 12
25 lbs. 11 pts, 2 dot.....	11 00
10 lbs. 12 pts, 2 dot.....	5 12
25 lbs. 10 pts. times fine dot.....	50 00

PATENT BLOCKS.

32 1/2 12X8 1-4.....	
32 3/4X8.....	\$ 71 00
4 1/2 14X8 1-2.....	9 60
42 sectionals and 5 sets of centers.....	150 00
32 1 1/2X8 1-4.....	43 00
32 1 1/2X8 1-2.....	71 60
32 1 1/2X8 3-4.....	41 00

BRASS RULES.

120 lbs. 11 pt. to 12 pts. all facts.....	\$ 250 00
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CALLEYS.

34 H. C. Brass, 6 1/4X13 1-2.....	\$ 60 00
62 S. C. Brass, 3 1/2X23 1-8.....	124 00
24 H. C. Wooden, 6 1/4X23 1.....	39 60
2 Job. 12X13.....	7 50
2 Job. 10X16.....	6 00
40 H. C. Zinc.....	8 00
50 lbs. Assorted Metal Furniture.....	146 00
200 lbs. steel furniture, assorted.....	150 00

WOODEN TYPE.

3 A font Devlinne, 12 line.....	\$ 9 00
3 A font, S (a) Cond. (Class N), 16 line.....	9 00

1,000 lbs. metal	50 00
447 matrices of hymnal	44 00
170 matrices 2d. quat. literature	17 00

FURN.

104 miscellaneous song paper	310 00
28 church supply department catalogues	21 00
2 Tennessee Baptist History	16 00
1 Man on Tiring Line	6 00
1 fine steam fan	11 00
1 copy box	1 00
1 shovel	4 00
2 benches	7 00
1 benzine	0 00
1 copy books	0 00
1 desks	25 00
1 night day clock	6 00
1 form dummy	6 00
1 date and stamp pad	2 00
1 coal hod	1 00
1 shovel	1 00
1 vat books	1 00
1 Song books	6 00
1 dictionary (unabridged)	9 00
1 small Bibles	3 00
1 Revised Version Bible	3 00
1 letter file	1 00
6 lbs. page card	3 00
1 upright letterer	14 00
1 iron tire form track	3 00
1 galley proof press	30 00
1 California job cuts	130 00
22 new cages	25 25
1 rule case	1 00
1 24" poster mkt	1 20
10 comp. sticks	12 00
2 pro bellows	2 25
1 wooden mallet	2 00
3 planes	4 50
2 benzine cans	1 00
1 Ramon Perforator	10 00
1 Eureka lead rack	2 50
1 Mammoth furniture cage	5 00
1 yard stick	0 00
4,000 lbs. lead	64 00

300 yds. wood furniture	17 00
250 half tone cuts (9521 sq. ins.)	441 50
1,250 stock cuts (14,196 sq. ins.)	1,449 00
244 Bible cuts (1,926 sq. ins.)	273 00
28 cuts Publishing House and original zinc etching	40 00
17 cuts of outside parties	24 00
1 water cooler	5 00
2 horse power motors	105 00
1 No. 4 Foster stove	12 00
1 No. 7 Big Seal	16 00
1 electric fan	17 00

LITHOGRAPH MACHINES, ETC.

1 machine No. 450	3,600 00
1 machine No. 415	3,600 00
2 sets Nonparel matrices	132 00
2 sets Grey matrices	193 00
2 sets Long Primer (10 pt) matrices	132 00
2 sets 11 pt matrices	652 00
1 Linotype magazine	200 00
Linotype supplies, etc.	40 00
4 motor blinks	8 00
slong recording mounds	2 00
quad block	0 00
marry slides (number and rules)	50 00
metal pot (for melting metal)	0 00

WASHING MACHINES, ETC.

1 chase rack (with shelves for cuts)	250 00
Shelving and other fixtures	150 00
Books, book cages, files, etc.	500 00
Washing lists (Nat. Bap. Union and Nashville Globe)	175 00
1 Washington hand press	175 00
	321.386 00

INVENTORY OF PRESS ROOM.

AUGUST 21, 1903.

CYLINDER ROOM.

Cylinder No. 11 - 1 Roller	4,000 00
Cylinder No. 12 - 2 Roller	3,000 00

Optimus No. 8 4 Roller	3,600 00
Optimus No. 4 2 Roller (Pony)	2,400 00
Miehle No. 1 4 Roller	3,600 00
3 Cross Automatic paper feeders	4,500 00

JOB PAPER.

Chandler and Price 1-2 Medium	\$ 750 00
Chandler and Price 1-8 Medium	750 00
1 White 12" paper cutter	1,500 00

BOOK INKS.

260 lbs. black, at 25c	65 00
165 lbs. at 25c	41 25
20 lbs. book black, at 50c	10 00
20 lbs. Special Negro doll covers (green) at \$1.50	46 00
10 lbs. Special V. S. Brown, at \$2	20 00
10 lbs. Special Cover Blue, at \$1.50	15 00
25 lbs. Bismark Brown, at \$1.50	37 50

JOB INKS.

Bronze and Size-	
1 lbs. Silver bronze, at \$1.50	1 50
10 lbs. Aluminum size, at \$1.50	15 00
2 lbs. Magnesia	1 00
1 lb. Gold bronze	1 00
10 lbs. Camo Ink Reducer, at 15c	1 50
4 lbs. Bulbam Red, at \$2	8 00
3 lbs. Yellow, at \$2	6 00
1 lb. Glucose Tine, at \$3	3 00
8 lbs. Reflex Blue, at \$2	16 00
1 lb. Imperial, at \$1.50	1 50
1 lb. Light Sky	1 00
10 lbs. Gold size, at \$2	20 00
2 Counter shafts with back cones and drive pulleys	
1" Main shafting, 6 iron cone pulleys	
115" Leather belt	
5 sets of keys for patent quions	25 50
10 Wash sockets for patent blocks	7 50
12 box coglet	20 00

Total

INVENTORY OF HEATING, LIGHTING AND POWER PLANT.

One Erie City 50-Horse Power boiler and fixtures	\$ 1,000 00
One 55-Horse Power Engine and fixtures	500 00

One 500-Electric light generator	460 00
One 40-Horse Power steam engine with fixtures	660 00
One Mareb steam pump	60 00
One steam heating plant	1,000 00
1 1/2 ft. shafting 1 1/2-16 with fixtures	315 00
230 ft. shafting 1 7-16 with fixtures	210 00
1 Chest machinist's tools	285 00
1 Set Fireman's tools	68 00
1 blacksmith's forge and anvil	95 00
1 steam condenser 10 inches by 10 ft.	360 00
1 1-2 inch globe valve	35
1 3-4 inch globe valve	70
2 3-4 inch check valves	1 50
2 1/2 inch pipe cutters	10 00
2 3-4 inch globe valves	2 60
Five 2 inch els	1 25
Four 3 inch sockets	1 00
Two 2 inch T's	3 60
One 3 inch El	1 10
One pt. H. pump, 1 inch	1 25
One 2 inch Antonon valve	4 60
Two valves	16 00
Twelve 1 inch sockets	1 20
1 extra steam gauge	16 00
One 1-1/2 inch check	60
One 4 inch socket	75
Six 2 inch collars	3 00
1 1-2 inch sockets	1 75
17 rock plug	20
Two 40 gallon oil cans, with oil pumps	16 00
One long handle dirt shovel	2 25
Three picks	2 25
One box boiler compound	4 00
One waste can	8 30
One telephoto	25 00
One White paper cutter	1,200 00
One paper knife grinder	650 00
Miscellaneous steam and electric fixtures and supplies	280 00

Total

RECAPITULATION.

Inventory General Secretary's private office, Page 151	\$ 132 00
Inventory Assistant Secretary's office, Page 151	100 10
Inventory bookkeeping department, Aug. 31, 1909, Page 152	750 75
Inventory fixtures and supplies of stenographic department, August 31, 1909, Page 154	1,503 05

Inventory wholesale, book, periodical, prerequisite and mail ing department, August 31, 1909, Pages 154-163.....	75,834 35
Inventory raw stock department, August 31, 1909, Pages 164-166.....	1,774 41
Inventory electrolyte plates in vault, August 31, 1909, Pages 167-172.....	14,359 00
Inventory Bindery and supplies, August 31, 1909, Pages 173-175.....	23,813 63
Inventory composing department, Pages 176-183.....	21,386 03
Inventory press room, August 31, 1909, Pages 184-184.....	23,104 50
Inventory heating, lighting and power plant, August 31, 1909, Pages 184-184.....	7,304 45
Grand total of inventories at the close of the fiscal year,	

August 31, 1909.....\$178,429 49

To the Investigating Committee of the National Baptist Convention
of America, Inc., E. J. Fisher, Sr., Chairman; Rev. C. T. Stamps,
Secretary.

Gentlemen:—

Your questions of February 9, 1910, dated from Nashville, Ten-
nessee, were handed to me by a member of your committee at this time
p. m., with thanks for the same. I am pleased to answer as briefly
as possible, as the employee of the Publishing Board, to answer to
the best of my ability. Your first question is a compound one as
follows: "(a) Please inform this committee what property is held
by your Board. (b) How much has been paid on the same. (c) How
much is yet due and covered by mortgages, or liens, or otherwise? (d)
To whom said mortgages or liens are made and when they be-
come due."

Inclosed herewith I am handing you an inventory of all personal
property in my custody as employee of the National Baptist Publish-
ing Board, held in trust for the National Baptist Convention, said in-
ventory having been taken at the close of the fiscal year, August 31,
1909, and consisting of forty-three typewritten pages, which is as fol-
lows:

Inventory of office fixtures, furniture, books and para- phernalia of the General Secretary's private office, P. J. \$	897 41
Inventory of furniture, fixtures, etc., Assistant Secretary's private office, Page 1.....	155 10
Inventory of office fixtures, furniture, stationery, books, etc., of Bookkeeping Department, Page 2.....	714 71
Inventory of furniture, supplies, etc., Stenographic Depart- ment, Page 3.....	2,545 00
Inventory of book, sales, periodicals, prerequisites and other stock in retail, wholesale mailing and shipping depart- ment, Pages 4-10.....	10,000 00

Inventory of raw stock, consisting of printing paper, lugs, board, leather, cloth, etc., in stock dept., Pages 17-19.....	7,024 63
Inventory of electrolyte book plates in vault, Pages 20, 21.....	14,259 00
Inventory of bindery supplies, binding machines, etc., in Bindery Pages 22-27.....	23,813 63
Inventory of composition department, consisting of type, lead, cuts, chases, typesetting machines, stones, etc., Pa- ges 28-40.....	21,386 03
Inventory of press department, consisting of printing presses, trucks, chases and other machinery and paraphernalia, Page 41.....	24,104 50
Inventory heat, lighting and power plant, consisting of dy- namos, boilers, engines, motors, pulleys, shafts, piping, etc., Pages 42, 43.....	7,304 45

Grand total of personal property, machinery, books, period-
icals, material, etc., as shown in the above inventory up
to date of taking inventory.....\$178,429 49

You will please take notice, gentlemen, that there is an omission,
which was left out in taking the inventory on August 31, 1909, to
which my attention was not called until this date and which I will
now decline to put into the inventory at this late hour. These omis-
sions are the Editorial Secretary's office, office fixtures, books, etc.,
which should have been included. Also the Field Secretary's office,
office fixtures, furniture, etc., which should have been included. The
office of the Superintendent of Teacher's Training Service, office fix-
tures, furniture, etc., which should have been included. You will
also notice that in this inventory is omitted our live stock, vehicles,
etc., which were clearly an oversight in making up our inventory,
last August, and which we do not at this time include in this inventory,
as the same has been made a matter of record and could not at this
time be correctly amended. But I call your attention to the fact
that you may know that as custodian of the property for the Board
I have these in my possession and they are all included in our in-
surance policies and properly covered by our general insurance
blankets and riders.

Q. This question, gentlemen, it would be impossible for me to
answer as it would require my going over fourteen years' transac-
tions to know just how much has been paid on all of this amount of
personal property held by me as custodian, but part C will possibly
give you the answer which you desire to know. We therefore state
that all has been paid on this personal property except \$——.

A. There are no mortgages on any of the personal property in
my custody, but there remain some small vendors, or purchasers'
liens on some of the personal property, or machinery, which had

not been paid, and unpaid claims on machinery purchased in the State of Tennessee are liens on such machinery until paid. These unpaid claims were:

To E. F. Fuller & Company \$525 00
To J. H. Schroeter & Brother 525 00
To American Type Foundry 150 00

Total \$1,200 00

I inclose you herewith a conveyance from R. H. Boyd and wife, marker A, which will show the first conveyance of the personal property made to the National Baptist Publishing Board after its incorporation. This conveyance was made by us for the reason that it was the opinion of the best attorneys that as the National Baptist Publishing Board was run for nearly two years without being incorporated it was essential to the best interest and safety that this conveyance be made to make safe the rights of the National Baptist Publishing Board to this personal property. With this conveyance there remains a note for \$1,000, which will fall due September 1, 1919.

Your second question is as follows: (a) Please inform the committee of the status of all real estate held by your Board in the name of the Convention; (b) What the purchased price of the real estate was; (c) How much of it is covered with mortgage; (d) To whom these mortgages were given and the amount still due on such real estate and when payable. To which I make the following answers: (a) All real estate held by our Board is deeded to the National Baptist Publishing Board of the National Baptist Convention. (b) The purchased price at the time that we bought it was: two deeds No. 1, from R. H. Boyd and wife, \$1,541.00; deed No. 2, from H. N. McNich, Trustee, \$2,500.00; on deed No. 3 from W. H. Rieckhardt and wife, \$10,000.00; on deed No. 4, from Georgeanna Albany, \$350.00. (c) There are two pieces of property still covered by vendors, or purchaser's liens. On deed No. 1, \$1,500; on deed No. 3, \$3,400. (d) These liens are due to the parties from whom the property was purchased and are not yet due, but are being paid as fast as they fall due.

Your question three is as follows: "Please inform the committee concerning all salary due the Secretary of your Board, the different years in which such salary accumulated, and the total amount due the Secretary up to the meeting of the National Baptist Convention in Columbus, Ohio, September, 1909." The Secretary has allowed his salary to run on into the business and only drew it as he had need for it, such amounts accumulating from time to time. From 1905 about Three Thousand (\$3,000.00) Dollars was due the Secretary on salary to August 31, 1909.

Question 4. Your question four is as follows: "Please inform the committee of the status of all copyrights with regard to books and

periodicals made by the Board and used as business assets, and in whom these copyrights inhere." In answer to this question, the National Baptist Publishing Board has never owned a copyright. All books published by the National Baptist Publishing Board are copyrighted by the author, and the National Baptist Publishing Board only holds publisher's rights to these books.

Question 5: "Please present to the committee all deeds and papers pertaining to the above facts." I have herewith handed you five deeds to five separate lots, tracts, or parcels of land, three of which are in Nashville and are occupied by the Publishing Board in the operation of its plant, one is situated in Key West, Florida, and is held for a house of worship, and one is on the Canal Zone, Panama, occupied for a house of worship and a parsonage for the preacher. The Board has erected additional buildings on each piece of real estate property that it holds in Nashville; the value thereby has greatly increased, and I would estimate that this real estate and the buildings thereon are worth in the neighborhood of Forty or Fifty Thousand Dollars.

Question 6: "Please inform the committee how much of your time is given to the work of the Board which you represent." My entire time is taken in prosecuting the work of the two Boards which I represent, namely: The Home Mission and Publishing Boards, which Boards work jointly.

Question 7: "If any part of the real estate held by your Board is leased to other parties for any purpose, please advise the committee with regard to such rental, giving the parties to whom such lease has been granted and the amount charged for the same."

In answer to the above I beg to state that two rooms are rented, one to the National Negro Hall Company and one to Moses McKinnack & Company, Architects and Builders. These rooms rent for \$5.00 per month each.

After answering the six captioned questions propounded to me, I desire to give you as the bottom of these questions and answers a recapitulated statement of the indebtedness of the National Baptist Publishing Board in their order. We have four classes of indebtedness or claims against the National Baptist Publishing Board, which are: First, real estate indebtedness, which is secured by vendors, or liens against the Board; second, vendors' liens against personal property and which we designate as personal liens third, floating claims. This indebtedness consists of notes given by the Board to cover such claims or debts against the Board, which notes are not secured by any recorded liens; fourth, debts which we call operative expenses against the Board. Our real estate debts or claims against the Board were \$3,300.00, due as shown in answers to your second question. Our personal liens against the personal property were \$2,200.00, as shown in answers to your first question under caption B. Our floating indebtedness, that is, outstanding notes for building material, machinery, etc., which is out-

standing and may be renewed from time to time, which is not secured by liens or on any property, but is accepted on the credit of the Board, is \$5,592.49. The grand total of these three claims of not standing against the Board is \$11,672.49. These notes are held by the Graham Paper Company, of St. Louis, Mo.; One-Cont Savings Bank, of Nashville, Tennessee, and Mrs. H. A. Boyd, of Nashville, Tennessee. The Board held at the close of the fiscal year more than enough open accounts, outstanding debts and notes to nearly cover each and all of these amounts. Therefore, we give you as assets of the Board as follows:

Personal property	\$178,425 41
Real estate and buildings	60,000 00
Good will of the plant	118,000 00

Total assets of the Board at the close of the fiscal year,
August 31, 1909 \$356,425 41

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. BOYD,

Secretary National Baptist Publishing Board.

The above has been received.

Your Committee journeyed to Louisville, Ky., and submitted to the Foreign Mission Board the series of questions marked Exhibit "A." We received the following response:

EXHIBIT "H"

Office of the Foreign Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 11, 1910.

To the Investigating Committee Appointed by the National Baptist Convention:

Gentlemen:

Your letter containing seven questions came to me yesterday. As secretary of the Foreign Mission Board I feel that the questions asked are not applicable to a Board doing the work we are doing; hence I am going to answer you as follows, believing this will bring the desirable results and give the satisfaction sought by our great Brotherhood:

First.

Please inform this Committee what property is held by your Board, how much money has been paid on the same, how much is yet due

and, covered by mortgages or liens, otherwise, to whom said mortgages or liens are made and when they become due?

Answer:

2 Typewriters, valued each at	\$ 100 00
1 Roller-top Desk, valued at	25 00
1 Typewriter Desk, valued at	30 00
1 High Office Desk, valued at	11 00
3 Office Chairs, valued at	9 00
2 Typewriter Chairs, valued at	8 00
6 Common Chairs, valued at	4 50
1 Filing Case, in two sections, valued at	30 00
Bookcases and Shelving, valued at	22 00
1 Safe, valued at	22 00
Cuts, valued at	700 00
Books and Printed Matter	400 00

Total \$1,362 25

These things are all paid for with the exception of \$11.50 on a typewriter and \$407.25 on supplies and cuts. This makes \$468.75 paid. There are no mortgages on the above named property.

Second.

Please inform the Committee of the status of all real estate held by your Board in the name of the Convention, what the purchase price of the real estate was, how much of it is covered with mortgages, to whom these mortgages were given and the amount still due on such real estate and when the same is payable?

Answer—The Board owns no real estate in America, but has the following assets in foreign fields:

I.—West Coast of Africa.

160 Acres of Land, Grand Cape Mound	\$ 300 00
Mission Home	200 00
Other Buildings	600 00
Chapel Organ	75 00

Total \$1,175 00

Indebtedness \$ 300 00

(See Letter.)

II.—South Africa.

Indebtedness.

Mission Home and Lot in Capetown	\$4,600 00—\$ 700 00
Middelburg Church Building	500 00
Mission Home	300 00
School Houses	1,600 00—\$ 600 00
Two Bells	50 00
Queenstown School House	\$2,600 00—\$ 650 00

Queensdown Church	2,300 00—1,10
One Organ	40 00
One Bell	25 00
Two Typewriters	85 00
Benks, Carpenter Tools and Books	150 00

Orange River Colony and Transvaal Churches	\$1,525 00—\$ 50 00
One Bell	25 00
One Typewriter	35 00

\$13,615 00—\$4,050 00

(See Letter.)

III.—Central Africa.

92 Acres of Land valued at	\$ 300 00
Substantial Brick Church House	1,200 00
Four room Home for Missionary	650 00
Three room Home for Missionary	500 00—\$ 125 00
Organ	40 00

\$2,700 00

(See Letter.)

IV.—South America.

Georgetown—Bethel Baptist Church	\$4,800 00—\$3,011 00
Georgetown—Nazareth Baptist Church	500 00
Organs and Bells	150 00

\$5,450 00

(See Letter.)

V.—West Indies.

Mission Home, St. John's, Barbados	\$1,500 00—\$ 100 00
Total	\$24,840 00—\$6,600 00

(See Letter.)

This does not include the buildings under Dr. Majola Agbabi, church bells, communion sets, buildings and lands, nor that owned by our missionaries, Brethren Solani, Mogabias, Ntiala, and others which will reach quite \$5,000. Our Board has contributed to all these men but the bells and fixtures have been paid for by us exclusively.

Two years ago, a superintendent of our work was appointed in South America, the West Indies, West Africa, South Africa and East Central Africa. We have written them recently for a status of our property in their fields. We know of two mortgages on the school and church property at Queensdown, held by Messrs. A. Spann and N. L. Goldschmidt. I am not able to give the names of the men holding mortgages against the property under Drs. Proud and Muri. We are sorry to say that the deeds to our holdings in foreign fields are not in possession of the Board. As in this country so in all countries, where civilized men do business, they retain legal hold of property in which they have money interests.

The late Dr. Bouey, superintendent of our work on the West Coast of Africa, received money to have the property at Cape Mound transferred in the name of our Board, and we have no doubt but that the document is among his effects.

Dr. Muri, superintendent of our work in South Africa was given Power of Attorney and had all the documents touching the property straightened up in order to give mortgages for the necessary money to complete the Mission Home and School.

As to the 92 acres of land and the houses in Central Africa, among the last things attended to by Rev. L. N. Chock before returning to America was to have the deeds, making over said property to this Board filed with the proper government officials.

Dr. Proud, superintendent of our work in South America, has been so urgent at times to have everything done for and in the name of the Board and leave written evidence, we are sure that the property there and that in the West Indies acquired by Rev. A. S. Phillips, from a water bucket to a house and lot, is in the name of this Board.

We feel safe in saying, as soon as we can pay off the present indebtedness, the deeds will be placed in the safe at Headquarters.

All the debts against our holdings in foreign fields are long past due. The estimates given on holdings in foreign fields are at least 25 per cent below their value.

Third.

Please inform the Committee concerning all salary due the Secretary of your Board, the different years in which such salary accumulated and the total amount due the Secretary up to the meeting of the National Baptist Convention in Columbus, Ohio, September, 1909.

Answer—The Board has not paid me up to February 1, 1910.

Fourth.

Please inform the Committee of the status of all copyrights with regard to books and periodicals made by your Board and used as business assets and in whom these copyrights inhere?

Answer—The Secretary has a copyright on "Up The Ladder in Missions." The Board owns no copyrights.

Fifth.

Please present to the Committee all deeds and papers pertaining to the above fact.

Answer.—The books and reports of the Board are the only things in hand save the letters from missionaries, as evidence in the fact set forth.

Sixth.

Please inform the Committee how much of your time, as Secretary, is given to the work of the Board you represent?

Answer.—I give an average of fifteen hours per day the year round to the service of the Board I represent. By the grace of God I have added to this \$75.00 per year for eight years on \$2,000.00 insurance policies, which have been willed to the Board for work in Africa.

Seventh.

If any part of the real estate held by your Board is leased to other parties for any purpose, please advise the Committee with regard to such rentals, giving the parties to whom such lease has been made and the amount charged for the same.

Answer.—This information is given in Articles First and Second.

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD.

Supplementary Questions No. 11.

What rent do you pay?

Answer.—We pay \$15 per month for rent to the Douglas Improvement Company.

What is the cost of your office force?

Answer.—The regular cost of our office force is \$21.50 per week. This includes two stenographers and a bookkeeper. At times we must have a special force for aiding in the quick distribution of special appeals and special issues of the Mission Herald.

Please explain your relation to the Mission Herald.

Answer.—The Herald is owned by the Foreign Mission Board and its secretary. I edit it. When issued as a four-page paper, it costs monthly, on an average of \$8.00 per thousand; when issued as an eight-page paper it costs monthly, on an average of \$16.00 per thousand.

How gotten out? Do you own the outfit?

Answer.—It is issued monthly. I own the printing outfit.

We submitted the questions marked Exhibit "A" to the Woman's Auxiliary Board, and received the following reply:

EXHIBIT "I"

To Rev. C. T. Stamps,

Washington, D. C., July 1, 1910

Chairman, Investigating Committee,
National Baptist Convention,
Edwards, Mississippi.

No 1—The Woman's Auxiliary and the National Baptist Convention own six acres of land in the District of Columbia, known as Lincoln Heights. This was purchased July 29, 1907, from Dr. Peter L. Price at a cost of \$6,000.00, payable as follows:

Cash	\$1,000 00
October 1, 1907—Note No. 1	400 00
March 1, 1908—Note No. 2	300 00
October 1, 1908—Note No. 3	300 00
March 1, 1909—Note No. 4	300 00
October 1, 1909—Note No. 5	1,100 00

All bearing an interest of five per cent.

There was a mortgage held by Joseph H. Stewart and Wallace T. Chapman for \$2,000.00. They number twenty, payable quarterly, \$100.00 each. The last note, due May 18th, was not paid. We owe on the Price Note, \$600.00 and interest. We owe on the Chapman Note, \$800.00. We made \$3,500.00 improvements on the property and real estate has advanced from 1,000.00 to \$1,600.00 per acre in this subdivision. The Price Note is past due (\$500.00 and interest.)

No 2—The Institution is incorporated. The certificate of Title is signed by Nannie H. Burroughs and Julia M. Layton, trustees. The certificate of incorporation provides for eighty trustees, all of the Baptist denomination, and this certificate is signed by Nannie H. Burroughs, Julia M. Layton and L. G. Jordan, representing the trustee board.

No 3—The board owed the secretary two months' salary, September 1, 1909.

No 4—The Convention is not publishing books, but we do issue leaflets upon which we have no copyright. They are gotten out by the Secretary for the Woman's Convention.

No 5—We hold all deeds and papers, canceled notes, also insurance on the buildings to the amount of \$4,000.00. We do not own any property at our headquarters at Louisville, Kentucky. Office space is given by the Foreign Mission Board. Furnishings for the

office consists of one roller top desk, one stenographer's desk, two typewriters, letter-press and cuts and plates, valued at Five Hundred Dollars.

No. 6.—The entire time of the Secretary is given to the work of the Convention.

No. 7.—No part of the real estate owned by the Woman's Convention is leased to other parties for any purposes.

Signed,

N. H. BURROUGHS, Secretary.

To the National Baptist Benefit Board, we submitted the questions marked Exhibit "A," and received the following reply:

EXHIBIT "J"

Mound Bayou, Miss., Feb. 9, 1930.

To the Investigating Committee of the National Baptist Convention:

The National Baptist Benefit Association owns no real estate, nor has any money invested in any real estate. The money we handle is collected from persons joining the Association, from collections or donations, from churches, Sunday-schools, etc., for our aged and decrepit ministers' department, and from the quarterly dues from the members of the Association.

We have an office desk, worth \$20.00; 1 safe, worth \$60.00; other fixtures worth about \$20.00.

We have on hand \$476.00, and our liabilities are about \$476.00.

Respectfully submitted,

A. A. COSEY, Cor. Secretary.

You now have before you the status of the holdings of the several Boards.

Your Committee feels that there is nothing that we can add to throw more light upon the findings with reference to the Educational, B. Y. P. U., Foreign Mission, National Baptist Benefit and Woman's Auxiliary Boards.

We recommend the following:

1. The satisfaction of the original contract of R. H. Royd and wife.
2. The payment of the incumbrance in the real estate.
3. The satisfaction of the salary debt of the secretary.
4. The turning over to the Board of copyrights of all books prepared on the time of the paid officials of the Boards including the secretary himself.
5. A complete divorcing of all private business from that of Publishing Board.

6. We all know that our peculiar form of church government renders its somewhat difficult for us to raise large sums of money on short notice.

Our publishing plant should be put out of the zone of danger. We have been in danger of losing an offer of twenty-five thousand dollars because of tardiness in raising ten thousand. Our plant, rated at over \$300,000.00 by our secretary could be taken from us, even now by those whom we owe.

The profit of the business at Nashville should be directed toward making the business independent of this danger.

We recommend the appointment of a commission of sound business men and responsible brethren to be given plenary power to take such action as may be necessary to attain the ends sought. We recommend that the whole matter be put before attorneys at this session of the Convention, that the necessary resolutions may be drafted and passed. We further recommend that this property be bought down to date after turning it back to cover the limit of the law in the State of Tennessee.

Expense of the Committee \$250.02.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. Fisher, Chairman; C. T. Stamps, Secretary; A. B. Harbour, J. H. Eason, M. W. Gilbert.

After the report of the committee, on motion of Dr. D. T. Gulley, Florida, with discussion led by Drs. Chas. S. Morris, New York; W. H. Brown, Louisiana; E. J. Fisher, Illinois; Attorney Ewing, Tennessee, counsel for the National Baptist Publishing Board, and Dr. R. H. Royd, the report was adopted.

A special communication was received from Prof. J. R. E. Lee, Tuskegee, inviting delegates to visit Tuskegee on their return home.

After announcements a special collection was lifted to help defray traveling expenses, etc., of the Investigating Committee. Collection, \$34.25.

On motion, Dr. S. W. Bacote, Missouri, was re-elected Statistician. On motion, Dr. Robert Mitchell was re-elected Auditor.

The Convention took recess until afternoon. Benediction by Dr. Robert Mitchell.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention was called to order with Vice-President Dr. W. G. Johnson, Georgia, presiding.

Rev. Dr. J. F. Walker, Ohio, read the twenty-third division of Psalms. Rev. J. L. E. Burr offered prayer.

The Convention sang "Look to Jesus and Live." President R. W. Perkins, Leland University, was introduced and delivered a splendid address, which was well received.

Dr. A. J. Stokes, Alabama, delivered a strong address on the race question.

Dr. L. C. Simon, Louisiana, responded with timely remarks. A committee, consisting of Drs. A. Barbour, L. L. Campbell and J. L. Cohron was appointed to meet the local committee and report to Convention as to bonus promised.

Dr. G. E. Stewart, Jamaica, President of the National Convention of Jamaica, auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention, U. S. A., was introduced and delivered a strong address concerning the work in Jamaica.

Dr. H. D. Proud, returned missionary from Jamaica, submitted a report in a most effective manner. The report was received by the Convention.

Mrs. S. W. Layton, President of the Woman's Auxiliary, was introduced and in a few choice words presented the Corresponding Secretary, Miss N. H. Burroughs, to submit the report of the Woman's Convention.

Miss Burroughs, in an eloquent address, peculiarly her own, delivered her message, making a report which thrilled the Convention. On motion of Rev. J. W. Bailey, Texas, the report was adopted and a vote of thanks extended.

Rev. Dr. Bailey offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Resolutions:

WHEREAS, The work of the Educational Board is charged by the National Baptist Convention with the important task of raising the \$10,000 necessary to secure the \$25,000 donated or to be donated by the A. B. H. M. Society of New York, making \$35,000 as the basis for our great National Baptist Theological Seminary; and

WHEREAS, The present Educational Secretary, Rev. S. E. Griggs, D.D., of Nashville, Tenn., has made such glowing

reports showing what can be done by him if the proper support be given him by the several States of this Union composing the National Baptist Convention;

Resolved 1. That the amount to be raised to secure the donation given by the Society, be prorated among the several States composing the Convention.

2. That the Educational Board and its Corresponding Secretaries be given power to act in carrying out the above resolution.

J. W. BAILEY,

Texas Superintendent of Missions.

Dr. A. J. Stokes made a statement relative to the publication of the *National Baptist Union*. The Secretary, Hon. J. Thomas Turner, Tennessee, read the report for the National Baptist Union Committee.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF UNION COMMITTEE.

To the Officers and Members of the National Baptist Convention:
We, your Committee on the Publication of the National Baptist Union, beg leave to report the following:

SUMMARY.

Receipts.

Oct. 15, 1909, borrowed from People's Savings Bank & Trust Co.	\$ 04 00
Dec. 15, 1909, from subscriptions and advertisements	244 05
Dec. 15, 1909, borrowed from People's Savings Bank & Trust Co.	100 00
Dec. 15, 1909, borrowed from People's Savings Bank & Trust Co.	100 00
Feb. 3, 1910, from subscriptions and advertisements from Dec. 8	163 36
Feb. 3, 1910, borrowed from People's Savings Bank & Trust Co.	519 40
Feb. 19, 1910, from subscriptions and advertisements from Feb. 7	430 84
July 19, 1910	
Total	\$1,052 55

SUMMARY.

Expenses.

Union Publishing Company	\$ 186 77
Postage, dragee and mailing	230 70
For labor	373 81
Union Printing Company	238 25
F. T. Lowe Publishing Company	10 00
People's Savings Bank & Trust Company	50
C. F. Stamps	115 00
Well News	14 00
Miscellaneous accounts	
Whittaker Paper Company	

National Baptist Publishing Board.	53 15
E. W. D. Isaac, on salary	15 00
Total	\$1,052 51

RECAPITULATION.

Receipts.

Borrowed from People's Savings Bank & Trust Co., less interest	\$ 812 40
From subscription	839 15
Total	\$1,651 55

EXPENSES.

Paper	\$ 206 05
Postage, freight and mailing	107 01
Interest	236 70
Press work on Union	300 00
Linotype work	450 00
Print on borrowed money	349 25
Miscellaneous	115 28
On salary	12 00
Total	\$1,452 51

Total receipts	\$1,651 55
Total expenses	\$1,452 51

Balance on hand	\$ 94
Statement of People's Savings Bank & Trust Company:	
Total amount borrowed from People's Savings Bank & Trust Co.	\$925 10
Paid on interest and notes	236 70
Balance due	\$713 85
Credited by error	90 85
Due to date	\$855 00
Interest due to date	8 82
Total amount due on notes and interest	\$863 82
Statement of Rev. A. J. Stokes:	
Nov. 15, 1909, borrowed from Rev. A. J. Stokes	\$ 50 00
Dec. 8, 1909, borrowed from Rev. A. J. Stokes	50 00
Dec. 15, 1909, borrowed from Rev. A. J. Stokes	100 00
June 8, 1910, borrowed from Rev. A. J. Stokes	50 00
Borrowed from Rev. A. J. Stokes	25 00
Due to Rev. A. J. Stokes, expenses	50 00
Total	\$325 00
Due to People's Savings Bank & Trust Co.	\$604 48
Due to Rev. A. J. Stokes	325 00
Total due on borrowed money	\$929 48

Respectfully submitted.

A. J. STOKES, Manager.

J. THOS. TURNER, Secretary.

On motion the rules were suspended to select place of next meeting.

Dr. J. R. Bennett, St. Louis, Mo., was presented and read invitations from the executive and influential citizens of that city, and in turn introduced Dr. J. L. Cohron, who in a very eloquent speech placed St. Louis in nomination. Dr. W. H. Jernagin and Dr. Neil, of Oklahoma, placed in nomination Oklahoma City. Drs. A. M. Robinson and J. C. Jackson, Pennsylvania, spoke earnestly in nominating Pittsburg. The Hon. J. Vance Lewis made the closing speech, nominating Houston, Texas.

After canvassing votes, Pittsburg having received the largest number of votes, was declared the place of our next meeting.

On motion of Dr. J. R. Bennett, the selection of Pittsburg was made unanimous. The Convention adjourned till evening. Benediction by Dr. J. R. Bennett.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention was called to order at 7:45, Dr. Wm. Haynes, Tennessee, presiding.

Dr. Pius, Musical Director, for fifteen minutes led the congregation in song service. The congregation was fired to the highest pitch of enthusiasm.

Rev. J. C. Fields, B.D., Tennessee, read the eighty-fifth division of the Psalms. An earnest and fervent prayer was offered by Rev. L. S. Jones, Mississippi.

The chorus sang, "Hail, National Baptist Convention." At the close of the selection the vast audience gave the chorus the Chautauqua salute.

The Rev. W. L. Williams, a graduate of the Blind School of North Carolina, was introduced by Dr. A. J. Stokes.

Rev. Williams delivered an able address, which was highly received by the Convention.

Announcements were made by the local committee relative to Sunday appointments.

Prof. H. B. Britt, gospel singer, Kentucky, sang "Meet Mother in the Sky." The prolonged applause and repeated encores compelled Prof. Britt to favor the audience with another selection.

Dr. J. M. Marshall, Mississippi, was introduced as the speaker of the evening.

He selected as a text Matt. 26, theme, "Freedom and a Life of Service. The speaker delivered an excellent sermon, forcible and convincing in argument. He impressed his hearers that he had been with God and learned his ways.

Rev. W. L. Williams offered prayer. Song by chorus.

Rev. W. L. Dixon, Texas, introduced several orphan children from the Orphanage of Texas. A collection was taken as follows: Orphanage of Texas, \$4.30; aged ministers, \$6.24; Rev. Williams, \$1.90.

Adjourned with benediction by Dr. Marshall.

FIFTH DAY'S SESSION.

SUNDAY MORNING.

September 18, 1910.

The Sunday-school mass-meeting was called to order at 10 o'clock with Dr. Wm. Beckham, Tennessee, presiding. The Convention song, "Hail, the National Baptist Convention," was sung by the chorus.

Dr. T. L. Griffith, Des Moines, Iowa, offered prayer. The chorus sang "Cling to the Cross."

Dr. W. S. Ellington, Editorial Secretary of the Publishing Board, was asked to take charge of the Sunday-school.

Dr. Ellington took charge of the school and for fifteen minutes, in a methodical way, conducted the classes. Dr. Wm. Lawrence, in an acceptable manner, reviewed the lesson. Dr. H. W. Colston, Pennsylvania, also spoke on the lesson. Rev. A. Robinson, Louisiana, made a short talk on the lesson.

Dr. N. H. Pius, Superintendent of the National Teacher-Training Course, was introduced and spoke effectively on his work.

Dr. S. T. Clanton, Alabama, made a few remarks and offered the following resolution, which was received.

The Carey Missionary Society, of Selma University, Selma, Ala., in co-operation with the Baptist Sunday-school

of Selma and its vicinity, is engaged in educating and supporting Mr. D. B. Gxoyia, a native African, in order that when his literary and theological courses are completed he will go to preach and teach the gospel of Jesus Christ for the salvation and civilization of Darkest Africa and its countless millions.

DR. S. T. CLANTON.

Announcements were made. The chorus sang several selections while all the children passed out in line.

The Amazon Sunday-School, Mr. F. H. Brooks, Superintendent, raised the largest amount of money, \$8.66, of any city Sunday-school, and the State of Louisiana raised \$28.60, the largest amount for any State, only seven States contesting.

MORNING SERVICE.

The Convention was called to order at 11:30, Dr. J. Goins, Missouri, presiding.

The chorus sang several selections, which aroused the congregation to the highest pitch of religious fervor.

Dr. M. H. Williams, Kentucky, read Isaiah, 40th chapter. Chorus sang "Praise Ye the Lord."

Rev. M. H. Young, Missouri, fervently petitioned the throne of grace.

After announcements and a collection of \$56.57, Dr. A. Barbour, Texas, led the congregation in singing "I Heard the Voices of Jesus Say."

Dr. E. C. Morris was introduced to preach. He selected as a text John 3:9-10.

Dr. Morris was filled with the spirit, and as he spoke with great power the vast audience was moved to tears and amidst great rejoicing and "Hallelujahs" unto the Lord. Clear and profound as a thinker, mighty in argument, matchless in delivery, Dr. Morris told the story of the Cross and of a Christ "mighty to save."

The congregation sang "Go Preach My Gospel, Saith the Lord."

Dr. J. C. Washington, Pennsylvania, led the Convention in an earnest prayer.

Benediction by Dr. E. C. Morris.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The missionary mass-meeting was called to order at 3 p. m.; with Dr. C. H. Parrish, Kentucky, presiding. The chorus sang "Rouse, Ye Valiant Soldiers." Select Scripture reading, Matthew, 23th chapter; Revelations 2d and 5th chapters.

After selection by the chorus, Dr. Robert Mitchell, Kentucky, offered a fervent prayer.

Rev. H. Allen Boyd, in a few choice words, presented a banner on behalf of the National Baptist Publishing Board to the Amazon Sunday-school, of New Orleans, for the largest donation of any city Sunday-school, and the special banner to Louisiana for the largest State collection given to the Publishing Board.

Dr. L. G. Jordan was introduced. After appropriate remarks on behalf of the Foreign Mission Board the following workers were introduced and delivered short addresses:

Mrs. Josephine Straughn, Miss E. B. Delaney, Dr. G. E. Stewart, President of National Baptist Convention of Jamaica Auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention, U. S. A.; Miss Julia Holmes, Dr. R. A. Jackson, Jeremiah Menze, South Africa; Dr. H. D. Proud, South America, and Dr. A. R. Griggs.

Prof. H. B. Britt, gospel singer, captivated the audience as he sang "Don't Stop Praying."

Miss N. H. Burroughs, in a thrilling and most eloquent speech, spoke of the missionaries as she knew them. Collection, \$51.00.

The ordination of Brother Jeremiah Menze, missionary to Africa, took place. The congregation sang, "Go, Preach My Gospel." The ordination prayer was made by Dr. G. W. Smith, Kansas. The laying on of hands was had while Dr. Parrish delivered appropriate words. The Bible was presented by Dr. G. B. Miller, Kentucky, pastor of candidate.

The charge was given by Dr. J. R. Bennett, Missouri. Dr. A. R. Griggs, Texas, extended the right hand of fellowship on behalf of two million Negro Baptists.

The candidate, Rev. Jeremiah Menze, spoke a few words of farewell and thanked the Convention for money given for his education in America in preparing him for labor among his people.

Dr. G. W. Smith, Kansas, led the Convention in song, "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound." The Rev. W. L.

Williams, the blind preacher, read the 103d division of the Psalms. He proceeded to preach from John 3:3, and delivered a most excellent sermon. In a masterly way he convinced his hearers that he was a prepared workman who needed not be ashamed. Collection, \$18.00.

Benediction by Dr. J. R. Bennett, Missouri.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention was called to order at 8:15 with Dr. L. L. Campbell presiding.

Mrs. J. E. Givens was introduced to the Convention and spoke very pleasingly of her trip abroad.

After announcements the chorus sang "Standing by the Cross." After other selections Prof. Perkins led the congregation in repeating the 23d Psalm and read Hebrews, 11th chapter.

The chorus sang "Peace Be Within Thy Walls." Rev. Dr. E. B. Young, Mississippi, offered prayer. The chorus again sang, "I Know That the Lord Laid His Hands on Me."

Vice-President Campbell introduced Dr. C. T. Walker, Georgia, to deliver the closing sermon. Dr. Walker selected as a text Deut. 33:27, from which he delivered one of the most powerful sermons ever delivered before the Convention. With oratorical flashes unsurpassed out of a voluminous vocabulary, with a soul charged and surcharged with the power of the Holy Spirit, the vast audience shouted for joy.

Rev. Geo. McNeil, Kansas, offered a pathetic and soul-stirring prayer. The chorus sang, "Moving On." A collection of \$6.45 was taken for the benefit of the Board.

Adjourned with benediction by Dr. S. W. Timms, New York.

SIXTH DAY'S SESSION.

MONDAY MORNING.

September 19, 1910.

The Convention was called to order at 10 o'clock with Vice-President Dr. A. M. Johnson, Mississippi, presiding.

The chorus sweetly sang under the directorship of Prof. John A. Pace, New Orleans, author, "The Fight for Jesus."

Dr. R. W. Demas, of Mississippi, read the 23d division of the Psalms. The chorus sang "The Church is Moving On."

Rev. E. H. Branch, in a soul-stirring prayer, petitioned the throne of grace.

The chorus sang sweetly, "I Feel Like Going On."

Committees were announced by Secretary Hudson. Rev. G. McNeil asked for time to pray for several unsaved persons who had requested prayers.

After prayer by Dr. A. E. Edwards, two souls made a profession of religion and names were received by Dr. A. Hubb to be recommended to some of the local churches.

Statistician Dr. S. W. Bacote reported. On motion, the report was adopted.

Dr. A. T. Stewart, Arkansas, offered a resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

Dr. Sutton E. Griggs introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, The National Baptist Convention has embarked upon the task of founding a National Baptist Theological Seminary and of seeking to supply a well-prepared ministry for our churches; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the second Sunday in February of each year be set apart as National Education Day, and that all of our churches and church organizations be requested to observe said day according to plans arranged by the Educational Board through its Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

SUTTON E. GRIGGS.

On motion of Rev. Winfield Scott, Louisiana, the Committee on President's Recommendations submitted report per Dr. C. L. Fisher, Alabama. On motion of Dr. C. H. Parrish, the report was adopted by items.

The report was adopted with the amendment that the Congress be called Sunday-school Congress of the National Baptist Convention.

Mr. President and Members of the National Baptist Convention:

We, your Committee on President's special message to the Convention, after carefully considering and discussing the same, have arrived at the following conclusion, which we beg leave to submit to you:

1. We are in hearty accord with the President's position that the employees of the Convention and its Boards should be paid such salaries as would justify their giving all of their time to the Convention work. The greatest good to the largest number cannot be accomplished otherwise. We therefore recommend that the Convention adopt this as its policy, and order its Boards to see that it is carried out.

2. We agree with the President that while it is lawful that officers of the several Boards serve as Trustees to hold in trust the property of the Convention, yet it is not expedient. We further agree that the property belonging to the National Baptist Convention should at all times be in such condition as not to be affected by the death or removal from office of any officer or any of the Boards, hence we endorse the recommendation that the by-laws of all Boards be so amended as to make it unlawful for any officer of any Board of the National Baptist Convention to act as trustee for any property held in trust by any of the Boards for the National Baptist Convention.

3. We believe that the recommendation to purchase the Bond and Beckham lot, or, if this cannot be done, to sell the lots owned by the Publishing Board so as to get the property of the Board together, is both wise and timely advice, and advise that this matter be put into the hands of the commission appointed, with plenary power to complete the investigation of the Boards and their holdings, with instruction to act according to their best judgment in this matter also.

4. Your committee shares the solicitude of the President concerning the Department of Education fostered by this Convention under the management of the Educational Board, and with his desire to see a brighter day, the dawn of which, we believe, is already breaking. But the daylight will fully appear only when a site has been purchased, paid for, improved, and a well organized, well manned and well endowed Theological Seminary operating thereon.

We are therefore pleased to inform the Convention that before we could get to you with this report the Educational Board appointed a committee to examine the property in Kosciusko and to consider in connection with this proposition any other that may be made, and report their findings to the first quarterly meeting of the Educational Board. We urge a speedy selection of some favorable or suitable site, as we believe that such a procedure will swell the income of the Educational Board (for the confidence of the people will be strengthened) and will make possible the establishment of the school at an earlier date.

5. As to the recommendation with reference to the discontinuance of the National Baptist Sunday-school Con-

gress, we recommend the name to be changed to the Sunday-school Congress of the National Baptist Convention.
Respectfully submitted,

W. G. JOHNSON, Georgia,
Chairman.
C. L. FISHER, Alabama,
Secretary.
E. J. FISHER, Illinois.
WM. TAYLOR, Louisiana.
E. T. FISHBACK, Kansas.
JNO. GOINS, Missouri.
W. B. BALL, Texas.
T. J. SEARCY, Tennessee.
J. W. JACKSON, Georgia.
S. L. SHORT, Arkansas.

On motion that the rules be suspended to amend the Constitution to provide for election of Vice-President at large. After the suspension of the rules, Dr. J. C. Jackson, Pennsylvania, in a splendid speech, put in nomination Dr. W. G. Parks, Pennsylvania, and Rev. R. F. Frye, Ohio, placed in nomination Dr. J. F. Walker, Ohio. The vote was taken, Dr. Parks receiving the majority vote, being declared elected.

On motion, Dr. Parks' election was made unanimous.

On motion of Dr. Jordan, that the Publishing Board and the Home Mission Board make arrangements to look after property of the R. Y. P. U. Board to save it. Dr. C. S. Morris, New York, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, Much valuable time of the Convention is consumed in a prolonged series of welcoming addresses, thereby seriously encroaching upon the time of the Convention, therefore it is hereby ordered that the time for said addresses of welcome and responses be confined to the morning session of the first day.

C. S. MORRIS.

Secretary R. B. Hudson called attention to the fact that the Local Committee had not yet reported the bonus promised the Convention.

Chairman Burwell, Secretary Hubbs and Dr. E. D. Simms, of the Local Committee, made the statement that after their expenses that they had \$200 on hand to be turned over to the Convention, and urged that the State Convention do their part.

Prof. Codwell offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

MR. PRESIDENT:

WHEREAS, The report of the Committee on Investiga-

tion did not provide for the number to serve on the commission which it recommended to be appointed for the purposes set forth in its report; therefore be it

Resolved, That said commission shall consist of seven (7) members, and that the selection of the commission be left to the President.

* *Resolved further*, That the President of the Convention shall be and is hereby constituted or appointed a member of said commission.

Respectfully submitted,
J. M. CODWELL.

Dr. A. Barbour, Texas, offered a motion that the Educational Board be instructed to pay the salary of only one Secretary, and that the services and salary of the second be discontinued.

Prof. Hynes presented President Morris a set of pictures of the Convention.

Dr. E. R. Carter offered resolutions on bonus which was adopted:

WHEREAS, We have had so much trouble in collecting the pledge bonus; therefore

Resolved, That all places hereafter applying for the Convention will pay to the Secretary the promised bonus ninety days before the time of meeting for the Convention. A failure to do this forfeits the rights, and the second city applicant will be notified that the Convention will convene with it provided it pays over the bonus.

E. R. CARTER.

Adjourned with benediction by Dr. L. G. Jordan.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention was called to order at 4 p. m. by Dr. T. J. Searcy, Tennessee.

The chorus sang "Forward Move, O Church of God," after which Dr. C. D. Douglass led in prayer.

The chorus sang "There's a Shout in the Camp." Announcements were made relative to outgoing trains.

The chorus sang, "I Feel Like Going On." Dr. S. E. Griggs, Tennessee, made a statement about "Wisdom's 'all'" and sold several copies. A motion prevailed suggesting that Sunday-school workers and others assist Dr. Griggs in his effort to get his book on the market.

The following resolution endorsing the work of Attorney T. G. Ewing was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, T. G. Ewing attorney, has attended the legal business of the Convention for the past ten years, advising the several Boards on all legal questions arising in the prosecution of their work, especially the Publication Board; therefore

Resolved, That this Convention endorse his cause and extend to him a vote of thanks for the services he rendered on behalf of the Union Publication Committee.

President Morris referred to the World's Baptist Alliance which is to meet in Philadelphia in June, 1911, and urged the brethren to attend. He spoke of the very kind treatment that the colored delegates received at the hands of the English brethren while attending the Alliance some years ago in London. He wished to return in part the courteous treatment, and named Rev. A. Barbour, D.D., Texas, as general manager of the train to be run from Philadelphia to Washington, a complimentary outing to foreign delegates. The brethren throughout the country are urged to fall in line and enter into hearty co-operation with Dr. Barbour.

The President gave notice that the commission as provided for in resolution of Prof. Codwell and the Committee on Constitution and Charters would be named in time for same to appear in Minutes.

The following report of the Auditor, Dr. R. Mitchell, was ordered printed:

Mr. President and Members of the National Baptist Convention:

DEAR BRETHREN: It is a great pleasure to report to you the condition of our Boards. I found some of them doing well and increasing in usefulness, and others not doing so well for one reason or another.

As has been my custom for years, I visited the Boards at Nashville, Tenn., where four (4) of our Boards are located. I was courteously received by the Secretaries and every opportunity extended me to make a careful examination of their books and accounts. I now submit to you my findings as follows:

HOME MISSION BOARD.

Receipts and disbursements of this Board the last fiscal year were \$52,483.94.

PUBLISHING BOARD.

Receipts of this Board the past year, including
The missionary department \$177,507 91
Disbursements 177,020 65

September 1, balance \$ 486 26

B. Y. P. U. BOARD.

Receipts the past year \$12,451 30
Disbursements 12,451 34

September 1, balance \$ 13 96

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD.

Receipts last year \$26,229 54
Disbursements 23,895 21

September 1, balance \$ 2,334 33
Designated as per report.

WOMEN'S BOARD.

I examined the account of our Women's Board and found them as the Secretary's report, including the Training School at Washington City.

The books of the Educational and Benefit Boards since I have been at the Convention, and found their reports as made to you.

REAL ESTATE.

Under the instruction of President Morris I examined the records to ascertain the Convention's real estate holdings, which I found to be as follows:

First piece of real estate conveyed to National Baptist Publishing Board by R. H. Boyd and wife, balance due on same, three notes of \$500 remain unpaid, neither of which is due. The deed is recorded in Deed Book No. 265, page 335.

Bought from Lockhart and wife, there remains six unpaid notes of \$300 each, none of which is now due. One of these notes falls due quarterly. Deed Book 290, page 173.

3. Bought of H. L. McNish is paid for. Deed Book 324, page 259.

4. The fourth piece of real estate is in Key West, Fla. and is paid for.

5. There are three lots in Ancon Canal, Panama Zone owned by the Convention. These three lots are governmental leases rather than fee simple purchases.

6. The Home Mission and Publishing Boards own for the Convention seven lots, five of which are free from encumbrance.

PERSONAL PROPERTY.

The deed of conveyance of personal property of R. H. Boyd and wife is recorded in Deed Book No. 228, page 201. The conveyance was made May 27, 1899.

As to personal property the Boards take an itemized inventory each year, which I, as your Auditor, have personally examined. The same is at the disposal of any member of this Convention.

This inventory consists of thirty to fifty typewritten pages each year. It would be too voluminous for either the Secretary's or Auditor's report.

I certify that the above is correct to the best of my ability.

ROBT. MITCHELL,
Auditor of National Baptist Convention.

September 1, 1910.

The following statement was presented by Dr. L. L. Campbell, of Texas, and after some discussion was ordered printed in the Minutes:

A STATEMENT.

During the past summer while we were touring Palestine we went on the 8th of July to the point of the River Jordan where, by consensus of scholastic opinion, Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist. By actual entrance we found the sacred stream of sufficient depth, less than six feet from the brink of the river, for the immersion of persons of the largest stature. Using the boat of a Greek fisherman we found the water 8 feet, 10 feet, and out in midstream 20 feet in depth. This is the dry season in Palestine. We had photographs made of our personal entrance. These and the above measurements we have brought out for what value

they may possess to the denomination in our contention in our baptismal doctrinal teaching as set forth in the New Testament.

S. M. FISHER, Alabama.
G. W. PARKS, Pennsylvania.
P. J. BRYANT, Georgia.
G. W. WYATT, Ohio.
J. McROBERTS, Ohio.
R. D. PHILLIPS, Ohio.
A. S. JACKSON, Texas.

Be it Resolved, That this Convention, in the name of the Baptists of this country, accept and adopt this testimony of these brethren, who are so widely known for veracity and of such high and unimpeachable Christian honor; be it further

Resolved, That the testimony as presented by Dr. C. H. Parrish in 1904, on his return from the Holy Land, be approved by this National Convention.

Signed,

L. L. CAMPBELL.

The business of the Convention being completed, on motion the Convention stood adjourned to meet in Pittsburg, September, 1911. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. J. M. Coleman, B.D., Alabama.

REV. E. C. MORRIS, D.D., President.

R. B. HUDSON, Secretary.

T. O. Fuller, D.D., E. H. McDonald, D.D., E. A. Wilson, D.D., and Prof. J. M. Codwell, Assistant Secretaries.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING.

At the close of the Convention the Executive Board was called to order by President Morris to hear the final report of the Finance Committee, to make the disbursements for the Convention and to transact any other business left to the Board by the Convention.

The Finance Committee reported the amount collected from enrollment, donations, collections and for current expenses to be \$2,112.61.

By motion, the report was adopted.

By motion, the following disbursements were made:

To ushers	\$ 67 50
To Finance Committee	67 00
To current expenses of committee	25 00
To Enrollment Committee	20 00
To Assistant Secretaries	37 50

To badges, etc.	210 00
To Chas. Stewart, Official Reporter	100 00
To correspondence and miscellaneous expense	119 00
To Union Publishing Committee	500 00
To Secretary on back expense	285 75
To Musical Director	20 00
To office of President E. C. Morris	420 31
To Investigating Committee	34 25
To help at building	5 00
To Dr. A. J. Stokes	200 00

Total \$2,112 01

There being no further business, after it being decided to give notes to those whose accounts had not been settled, the committee adjourned.

REV. E. C. MORRIS, D. D., President.

R. B. HUDSON, Secretary.

The following gave \$1 to assist in meeting the expenses of the Investigating Committee:

E. C. Morris, R. B. Hudson, P. J. Jackson, M. E. Robinson, J. T. Davis, J. H. Burks, A. E. Edwards, S. A. Moseley, M. M. Rodgers, M. V. Morris, P. J. Bryant, P. A. Knowles, H. W. Bundy, J. W. Jackson, W. H. Steward, D. S. Shadd, W. G. Parks, Mrs. M. E. Rone, William Hicks, A. M. Moore, E. D. Hubbard, S. L. Short, D. H. Branch, N. P. Pullum, Daniel Wilson, William Taylor, F. H. Kelly, W. D. Hardiman, J. C. Jackson, L. G. Jordan, A. Barbour, H. M. Williams, S. T. Floyd, James Kelley, L. L. Campbell, H. C. Caldwell, T. H. C. Messer, P. R. Neil, A. R. Robinson, S. E. Griggs, S. N. Vass, M. D. Hardiman. Paid 50 cents each: J. W. Bailey, J. H. C. Henry. Total \$34.25.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF CONSTITUTION.

Ala., R. B. Hudson; Ark., R. M. Caver; Col., A. E. Edwards; D. C., W. Bishop Johnson; Fla., H. Holman; Ga., E. R. Carter; W. R. Forbes; Ind., G. William Ward; Kans., E. Arlington Wilson; Ky., J. H. Frank; Miss., A. M. Johnson, R. T. Sims; Mo., Choron, (E. M.); N. J., Geo. E. Morris; N. Y., M. W. Gilbert; N. C., C. M. Cartwright, S. N. Vass; Pa., J. C. Jackson, S. C., J. J. Durham; Tex., J. M. Caldwell, W. B. Ball; Tenn., C. H. Clark; Va., W. F. Graham.

NATIONAL BAPTIST COMMISSION.

Ga., W. G. Johnson; Okla., P. R. Neil; Tenn., A. L. Hall; Ky., William H. Steward; Tex., L. L. Campbell; Ala., C. L. Fisher; E. C. Morris.

NAMES OF THOSE RESPONDING TO "SPECIAL APPEAL" ON EXPENSE OF THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE AFTER ADJOURNMENT OF CONVENTION.

Rev. J. B. Miller, Columbus, Georgia	\$ 1.00
Rev. A. R. Burke, Greenville, S. C.	1.00
Rev. G. W. Dorsey, Princeton, Ind.	1.00
Rev. R. T. Sims, Canton, Miss.	1.00
Rev. A. R. Parr, Brownsville, Tenn.	1.00
Rev. McSpringer, Jonesboro, Ark.	1.00
Rev. S. N. Vass, Raleigh, N. C.	1.00
Rev. R. T. Thomas, Chicago, Ill.	1.00
Rev. W. M. Crudup, Chicago, Ill.	1.00
Rev. Robert Lewis, Chicago, Ill.	1.00
Rev. R. L. Ferguson, Chicago, Ill.	1.00
Rev. L. N. Cheek, Lexington, Ky.	1.00
Rev. J. M. Booker, Kansas City, Mo.	1.00
Rev. S. D. Minor, Crystal Springs, Miss.	1.00
Rev. S. D. King, Ocean Springs, Miss.	1.00
Rev. J. C. Jackson, Jenkinstown, Penn.	1.00
Rev. J. H. Rowland, Houston, Texas	1.00
Rev. McNilton, Zachary, La.	1.00
Rev. C. L. Lindsey, Sanford, Miss.	1.00
Rev. E. H. Pickett, Pensacola, Fla.	1.00
Rev. J. B. Sherman, Linwood, Ala.	1.00
Rev. D. H. Shivers, Bryan, Texas	1.00
Rev. H. Ray, DeSoto, Miss.	1.00
Rev. I. G. Pennington, Ashville, Ala.	1.00
Rev. P. Pringle, Russel, Miss.	1.00
Rev. Benj. Pearson, Coushatta, La.	1.00
Rev. M. Leggett, Mahned, Miss.	1.00
Rev. A. A. Galvin, Danville, Va.	1.00
Rev. E. W. Atkinson, Navasota, Texas	1.00
Rev. W. H. Hall	1.00
Rev. E. C. Canedy, Lyon, Miss.	1.00
Rev. G. M. Hunter, Lake Charles, La.	1.50
Rev. L. L. Campbell, Austin, Texas	1.00
Rev. M. M. Rodgers, LaGrange, Texas	1.00
Rev. G. W. Palman, McHenry, Miss.	1.00
Rev. W. D. Hardiman, Long View, Texas	1.00
Rev. O. E. Edwards, San Antonio, Texas	1.00
Rev. P. P. Jones, Monroe, La.	1.00
Rev. B. Tyrell, Lynchburg, Va.	1.00
Rev. T. W. Walker, Birmingham, Ala.	2.00
Rev. K. D. Britt, Melton, Fla.	1.50
Rev. L. S. Powell, Ruston, La.	1.00
Rev. R. A. Adams, Baxter, La.	1.00
Rev. D. Ingram, Jackson, Tenn.	1.00

Rev. W. H. Jernamy, Houston, Texas
Rev. J. J. Goodwyn, Canbage, Texas
Rev. A. B. Borden, Greenville, Miss
Rev. R. A. Davis, Teller, Ark
Rev. J. H. Banks, Fulshear, Texas
Rev. E. M. Walker, Anding, Miss
Rev. E. D. Hubbard, Laurel, Miss
Rev. A. M. Moore, Marshall, Texas
Rev. A. M. Moore, District Board
Rev. J. A. McPherson, Kauntz, Texas
Rev. P. H. Collier, Houston, Texas
Rev. J. H. E. Nelson, Gastonia, N. C
Rev. G. R. Cruisingherry, Houston, Tex
Rev. B. J. Hall, Galveston, Texas
Rev. J. M. Cadwell, Hot Springs, Ark
Rev. C. H. Smith, Houston, Texas
Rev. T. P. Smith, Earlinton, Ky
Rev. T. J. Searcy, Memphis, Tenn

The following is the action taken by the Boards of the Convention in joint session, with reference to publishing the "USNO."

CITIZEN, ORGAN.

With Dr. A. J. Stokes, presiding, D. B. Gaines, Secretary, the Boards of the National Baptist Convention met in joint session to consider the propriety of publishing a denominational organ. The chairman, Dr. Stokes, announced the meeting in order for business. The President of the Convention made a very brief but pointed statement calling attention to the friction that has been in the past and that it must not continue in the future. The discussion of ways and means to reach the end sought was carried on by many of the brethren present.

The question of the legality of the presence of Dr. Vass was brought up. The question was settled in the affirmative.

The committee proceeded to select an official organ for the Convention.

A motion was offered by Dr. Boyd that the American Baptist be made the official organ. The motion was, after some discussion, withdrawn.

By motion of Rev. J. H. C. Henry, D. D., that the *National Baptist Union* be continued and that the *NATIONAL BAPTIST REVIEW* be changed to the *National Baptist Sunday-School Review*.

The question of the editor of the *Union* was taken up. A motion prevailed that an editor of the *Union* be paid a salary of nine hundred (\$900) dollars a year, or seventy-five dollars per month.

By motion the several Boards of the Convention, together with the Publishing Committee, become responsible for the editor's salary until paper shall become self-supporting. (The motion was carried.)

By motion, Prof. J. D. Crenshaw, of Nashville, Tenn., was elected editor of the *Union* at the above salary.

A proposition was offered by Dr. R. H. Boyd that the Publishing Board, take the paper, publish and circulate it, and endeavor to keep it alive, and that all moneys be sent to the Publishing Board and books kept open for inspection.

The motion prevailed that the restraining power of the editor be in the hands of the Publishing Committee.

The motion prevailed that these proceedings become a part of the minutes of the National Baptist Convention.

REV. A. J. STOKES, *Chairman.*

REV. D. B. GAINES, Secretary.

The following is the report submitted by the Publishing and Home Mission Boards, showing amount of money collected during sessions of the Convention:

From W. C. Brown, Pt. Washington, Florida, (Stamps) \$ 40

From J. V. Watts, Pace, Ala., Donation to Panama Canal Zone Work 1.50

From Maple Creek Church, by Rev. J. T. Williams,
Mt. Holly, N. C., enrollment to the National Baptist Convention 1.50

From Rev. C. H. Smith, 76 Flynn St., Houston, Texas, Texas Free Mission Baptist Convention, donation to Panama Canal Zone Work	5.00
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From the Lydia Mission of the Union Baptist Church, by Rev. W. G. Parks, Philadelphia, donation to the Panama Canal Zone Work	12.00
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The Montgomery Antioch District B. Y. P. U., by Rev. N. N. Neely, Montgomery, Ala., donation to the Panama Canal Zone Work.....	1.50
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Rev. D. A. Gaddie, D. D., Louisville, Ky., donation to Panama Canal Zone Work.....	2.0
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The North Carolina National Baptist Convention, by Rev. C. M. Cartwright, Edenton, N. C., donation to Panama Canal Zone Work	15.00
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Zion Hill Association, by Rev. E. M. Griggs, Palestine Texas, donation to Panama Canal Zone Work.....	1.0
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The Woman's Auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention, by Mrs. C. H. Parrish, Louisville, Ky., donation to Panama Canal Zone..... 12.5

Rev. E. M. Griggs, D. D., Palestine, Texas, donation to Panama Canal Zone Work	5.00
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The Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Indianapolis, Ind., by Rev. G. Wm. Ward, donation to Panama Canal Zone Work	
Rev. N. A. Robinson, from the State of Oklahoma, Missionary work	1.00
West Florida Association, by Rev. D. T. Gully, Panama Work	1.00
The Greenwood Baptist Church, Shady Dale, Ga., by J. D. Williams, donation for Panama Canal Zone Work	1.00
Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Pensacola, Fla., by Dr. M. S. G. Abbott for Panama Canal Zone Work	2.00
The General Baptist Convention of Texas, by Rev. J. H. Winn, Sherman, Texas, donation for the Panama Canal Zone Work	1.00
Rev. J. G. Gathing, Austin, Texas, from the General Baptist Convention, donation to the Panama Canal Zone Work	1.00
Rev. J. K. Dial, Lookout Mountain, Tenn., donation to Panama Zone Work	1.00
Rev. G. Wm. Ward, Indianapolis, Ind., from the Mt. Zion Baptist Church, donation to the Panama Canal Zone Work	1.00
Willow Grove Association by Rev. M. D. Hardaman, Waco, Texas, donation to Canal Zone Work	1.00
Louisiana Baptist State Convention, donation Panama Zone Work. (By T. Allen)	1.00
Texas Baptist State Convention, by Rev. E. Watkinson, Navasota, Texas, donation to Panama Canal Zone Work	1.00
Mississippi General Fund, by Rev. E. D. Hubbard, Laurel, Miss., for Missionary work on the Zone	1.00
Ebenezer Baptist Sunday-School of Chicago, Ill., by Prof. Crudup, Missionary donation	1.00
The Oklahoma State Convention by Rev. S. S. Jones, Ardmore, Okla., donation to the Panama Canal Zone Work	1.00
Educational Convention of Texas, by Rev. E. M. Griggs of Palestine, Texas, donation to the Canal Zone Work	1.00
The Zion Hill Association, donation Home Mission Board	1.00
Bethel Church, by Rev. E. M. Griggs, Palestine, Tex., donation to the Publishing Board	1.00
The Colorado Great Western Association by Rev. A. E. Reynolds, Denver, Colo., to Canal Zone Work	1.00
The Texas Baptist State Convention by Rev. R. L.	

Williams, donation to the Canal Zone Work	2.50
Rev. E. M. Lawrence, Nashville, Tenn., Home Mission Board	1.00
Bethlehem Sunday-School, Plaquemine, La., Home Mission Board	1.00
Total	\$ 136.40

The following letter was received from Sister Joanna P. Moore and was ordered printed in the minutes of the Convention. For many years, directly after the close of the War, Sister Moore took up the work among the colored people and is still following it. The letter fully explains her position towards our people:

Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 15, 1910.

To the President of the Convention.

Dear Brethren of the National Baptist Convention now in session at New Orleans, La.

I send you a happy, hopeful greeting, because I live in the sunshine of God's love. There we always triumph in Christ Jesus. (II Cor. 2:14.) With God, is always success—a success that lasts in both time and eternity.

To-day I am praying, and thousands of others are praying with me, for the success of your great anniversary. May you see God and Christ at his right hand interceding for you. This will give you real courage and wisdom for your work. You will gain no inspiration for your good work by dwelling on the works of Satan and all his hosts. The Devil receives too much attention. Let us be occupied with Christ, see that our own soldiers are in good working order and all will end well.

Beloved friends, I have longed to meet with you this year, because I love you and have bestowed much labor on the city in which you meet, and also on the whole State of Louisiana, from 1873 to 1890, when you know I left the State in tears.

A few may be present who will remember our work on plantations and in towns. Brothers Hubbs, Burrell, Sims, Cotton and others; but their corners were not as dark as many others.

Our work was organizing Sunday-schools, Temperance Societies and especially visiting from house to house, and supplying Bibles to those who could read. We often worked twenty hours out of the twenty-four hours. I was strong and vigorous in those days and could do more work than most persons.

During the day we taught the old people and children in their homes, and at noon a little meeting. At night, we met in a church, if they had one, and if not, in a home and rode from one plantation to another in a two-wheeled cart drawn by a slow mule, and old chairs for seats. How I did enjoy gathering the little

children, men and women, around me, reading and telling Bible stories as a mother would to her children; often with a child upon my knee. Oh, how dear to me were those people! And to-day I love them with a mother's love. I am giving you this little bit of my history because to-day there are many places in all the States that need this heart-to-heart and hand-to-hand touch with those we hope to save.

It will help you to understand, if I copy a little from Sarah Butler's Journal, a missionary that accompanied me on a part of my journeys. Only this is the bright side of the story, as you will see.

"Thursday, April 15, 1880. Sister Moore and I started from New Orleans for St. Landry Parish. Brother Sam White had been begging us to come. He had bought a new covered buggy, and in it we traveled 158 miles, visited 10 churches, held 34 meetings. We found great need of temperance work; 263 signed the pledge here.

"The place of most interest to me was at Bledsaw, Brother John Horn's church. The building was like a great barn, and was filled with people, with a few lights around the pulpit; all the rest was dark. You gave the Bible lesson on Luke XVIII; I taught them to sing. Those who could read came to the front. You closed with a Temperance lesson. One brother said, 'I did not know those verses were in the Bible.' When you asked, 'Who would sign the pledge?' He was the first to come forward. He said, he had drunk whiskey all his life, but he would give it up after hearing those verses.

"We made him president of the Temperance society we organized, sold some Bibles and closed at 11 p. m. Twenty-four persons followed us to the cabin where we spent the night. We studied the Sabbath School lesson and sang hymns till one o'clock, and then had to send them home. Those who had not money came back at four a. m. the next morning. You got up and talked and prayed with them, but I was so worn out, I remained in bed."

I remember those pioneer days with great joy and comfort, and, indeed, all my work during these forty-seven years has been glorious, happy, hopeful labor, because God was with me and as I have said before, this kind of work is greatly needed to-day; only by individual human touch can lives be reformed.

I am often asked, How can we reach the masses? I answer, "By going to them." I learned this plan from the Lord Jesus himself. To-day, though I am 78 years of age, I do not live in a quiet corner. Last Sabbath, at an early hour, I walked the streets in New York City and saw the enemy at work; but not one Christian, except the "buyers and sellers" were Christians. There were groups of men and women in soiled garments

gossiping on street corners, but I had not the strength to hold a street talk with them as I used to do. O God do send warm hearted Christians to lead these lost children to Jesus' waiting arms.

While Christians sleep Satan is at work from early morn till night, yes, all night long. Pastors read Acts 20:28 and take heed; see to it that your flock feeds on prayer and Bible study, morning and evening, seven days, every week.

This is the third letter I have written to you but none of them were earnest and practical enough to overcome the dangers that surround us to-day.

There is no power that saves but the power of God, which power we receive through the indwelling power of the Holy Spirit. Seek to be filled with the Spirit and do not grieve nor quench the voice of the Spirit. Then one can chase a thousand and two put ten thousand to flight. Remember Jesus said, "You shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost has come upon you." (Acts 1:8.) We are helpless without this power. I give you an overflowing promise. (II Cor. 9:8.) Read and believe it. March on to victory in the name of the Lord God of hosts. Amen.

Hopefully your sister,

JOANNA P. MOORE.

PERMANENT ORGANIZATION.

Alabama, Rev. C. J. Davis, B. D., Mt. Meigs; Arkansas, Rev. J. W. Skull; Colorado, Rev. P. H. Hughes; California, Rev. D. Evans; Connecticut, —; District of Columbia, Thomas Taylor; Florida, Rev. J. D. Brooks, Jacksonville; Florida, Rev. E. W. Pickett, Pensacola; Georgia, Rev. S. R. Jackson, Macon; Illinois, Rev. W. P. McCoo; Indiana, Rev. G. W. Dorsey; Iowa, Dr. T. L. Griffith; Kentucky, E. W. Hawthorn, D. D., Lexington; Kansas, Rev. C. Teal, Independence; Louisiana, Rev. J. M. Carter; Louisiana, —; Maryland, —; Mississippi, East, W. J. Murray; Macon, Mississippi, G. A. Nunney; Missouri, Dr. W. C. Howell; Massachusetts, —; Michigan, —; Minnesota, Mrs. Fannie D. Sears, St. Paul; North Carolina, Rev. S. N. C. D. Griffin, D. D., Hertford; North Carolina, Rev. S. N. Vass, D. D., Raleigh; Nebraska, —; New Jersey, Rev. Geo. E. Morris, D. D., Morristown; New York, Rev. Dr. S. W. Timms, Brooklyn; Pennsylvania, Rev. G. L. P. Taliaferro; Philadelphia, B. L. Smallwood; Ohio, Rev. W. P. Chatman, Camp Denison; Philippine Islands, —; Panama, Rhode Island, —; South Carolina, B. J. Annum, Norway; South Carolina, Dr. W. H. Moses; Tennes-

see, Rev. H. C. Swayne, McKenzie; Texas, Marshall; Baptist State Convention, Rev. J. Johnson, Conroe; Texas General Convention, Rev. S. R. Price, Ft. Worth; Texas, Rev. Dr. B. Tyrell, Lynchburg; Virginia, Rev. B. R. Reed, Charleston; Mississippi, Rev. J. C. Scott, Greenville.

TEMPERANCE.

Alabama, Rev. J. T. Simpson, D. D., Ensley; Arkansas, Rev. R. A. Adams, Baxter; California, Rev. J. W. Wilson, Colorado, Mrs. N. Tyler, Denver; District of Columbia, Rev. W. H. Brooks, D. D., Washington; East Mississippi, C. W. Williams, Hollisburg; Florida, Rev. H. H. Henderson, Maline; Georgia, Rev. R. B. Williams, D. D., Macon; Illinois, Rev. S. S. Sisson, D. D.; Indiana, Rev. J. L. Mason; Iowa, Dr. T. L. Griffith; Kentucky, T. J. Lewis; Kansas, Rev. J. S. King, Chetopa; Louisiana, Rev. L. Allen, Shreveport; Maryland, Rev. D. R. Page, Baltimore; Mississippi, Prof. B. J. Ross; Mississippi General Convention, Rev. D. Harris, Greenville; Massachusetts, ———; Michigan, ———; Minnesota, Rev. W. Withers, Minneapolis; North Carolina, Rev. J. T. Williams, B. Th.; North Carolina, Rev. I. B. Reach, East City; Nebraska, ———; New Jersey, Rev. G. W. Bailey, D. D., Plainfield; New York, Rev. A. C. Powell, D. D., New York City; Ohio, Mr. Albert J. Wisner, Camp Denison; Oklahoma, H. C. Caldwell; Pennsylvania, Rev. A. D. Jamison; Philippine Islands, ———; Panama, ———; Rhode Island, ———; South Carolina, Rev. J. H. Williams, Fort Mott; South Carolina, Rev. W. T. Kenner; Tennessee, Rev. William Seymour, D. D., Clarksville; Texas, American Baptist Free Mission, A. Brentley; Texas General Convention, A. H. Rowland, Gold; Texas Baptist State Convention, Rev. J. R. Black, Austin; Texas Missionary Educational Convention, Rev. E. M. Griegs, B. Th. Palestine; Virginia, Rev. W. R. Brown, Roanoke; West Virginia, Rev. A. D. Lewis, Hinton; West Florida, Rev. H. Holman, Tampa; Missouri, Rev. Dr. David Johnson; Georgia, Rev. C. H. Robinson, Athens; Mississippi, Prof. B. J. Ross.

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Prof. D. Abner, Conroe	1.00
Rev. M. Simmons, Eagle Lake	1.00
Rev. J. H. Earl, Houston	1.00
Rev. F. B. Lakey, Dallas	1.00
Rev. E. W. Atkinson, Navasota	1.00
Rev. J. W. Harris, Tunis	1.00
Rev. J. E. Jenkins, Richmond	1.00
Rev. S. J. Dickson, Springs	1.00
Rev. M. E. Robinson, Beaumont	1.00
Rev. A. A. Travis, Wallis	1.00
Rev. J. D. Montgomery, Wharton	1.00

Rev. H. C. Cashaw, Wharton	1.00
Prof. W. J. Adams, Hickerson	1.00
Rev. W. M. Halten, Wallis	1.00
Rev. A. J. Johnson, Beaumont	1.00
Rev. M. W. Ames, Simelton	1.00
Rev. J. E. Ellis, Brenham	1.00
Rev. A. B. Beavers, McDade	1.00
Rev. W. M. Greene, Houston	1.00
C. H. Smith, Houston	1.00
J. C. Calhoun, Galveston	1.00
B. J. Hall, Galveston	1.00
G. R. Cushingberry, Houston	1.00
M. H. Ellis, Houston	1.00
A. Brantley, Houston	1.00
R. C. Churchill, Houston	1.00
R. P. M. Mayhoe, Victory	1.00
O. Edward, San Antonio	1.00
A. L. Taylor, Houston	1.00
American Bapt. Free Miss State Educational Con.	10.00
American Bapt. Free Miss. Dist. Association	5.00
Foreign Miss. Board	3.50
Rev. J. E. Ellis, Brenham	1.00
Rev. W. I. N. McCann, Bonus	1.00
Rev. W. P. Keeling, Bryant	1.00
Rev. I. S. Newsome, Prenham	1.00
Rev. D. T. Brandon, Texarkana	1.00
Rev. L. R. Guyler, Burkeville	1.00
Rev. J. H. Turner, Mart	1.00
Rev. D. C. Gray, Burnond	1.00
Rev. J. M. McGill, Brenham	1.00
Rev. A. Grant, Kirbyville	1.00
Rev. A. D. Dove, Sugarland	1.00
Rev. A. B. Lennox, Detroit	1.00
Rev. A. L. Moore, Corsicana	1.00
Rev. F. M. McCloud, Fuqua	1.00
Rev. W. F. Johnson, Liberty	1.00
Rev. W. L. Dixon, Gilmore	1.00
Rev. F. R. Skinner, Conroe	1.00
Rev. J. D. Hill, Waco	1.00
Rev. M. M. Ames, Simelton	1.00
Rev. S. S. Lane, Buda	1.00
Rev. S. W. Stevenson, Calvert	1.00
Rev. D. B. Gipson, Beaumont	1.00
Rev. H. M. Williams, Galveston	1.00
Rev. S. J. Dixon, Houston	1.00
Rev. A. T. Gordon, Wharton	1.00
Rev. I. S. Wright, Richmond	1.00

C. W. Westly, Houston	1.00
Rev. C. C. Collins, Manor	1.00
Rev. H. W. Luckett, Austin	1.00
Rev. A. G. Harris, Caldwell	1.00
Rev. H. A. Alfred, Beaumont	1.00
Rev. C. T. Bacote, Waco	1.00
Rev. E. L. Lockett, Brenham	1.00
Rev. W. C. Barnes, Corsicana	1.00
Rev. M. E. Robinson, Beaumont	1.00
Rev. A. H. Smith, Dallas	1.00
Rev. Wm. McGreen, Houston	1.00
Rev. M. V. Morris, Houston	1.00
Rev. H. W. Boykins, Houston	1.00
Rev. A. G. Harris, Caldwell	1.00
Rev. J. N. Ussery, Cuero	1.00
Rev. B. W. Whitfield, Cuero	1.00
Rev. A. D. Fagle, Houston Heights	1.00
Rev. W. B. Ball, Sequin	1.00
S. J. Williams	1.00
E. Kirkwood, Beaumont	1.00
A. L. Boone, Terrell	1.00

VIRGINIA.

Rev. C. H. Phillips, Richmond	\$ 1.00
Rev. B. Tyrnell, Lynchburg	1.00
Rev. J. Craig, Roanoke	1.00
Rev. R. C. Woods, Staunton	1.00
Rev. A. A. Galvin, Danville	1.00
Rev. J. H. Burks, Roanoke	1.00
Rev. W. R. Brown, Roanoke	1.00
Rev. Eli Tartie, Petersburg	1.00
Rev. L. O. Lewis, Lynchburg	1.00

List of Churches giving the amount opposite their names for current expenses.

ALABAMA.

Franklin St. Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. R. Williams, Mobile	\$ 1.50
Bethel Bapt. Ch., Rev. L. W. Brown, Margarette	1.50
Sardis Bapt. Ch., Rev. W. C. Owens, Birmingham	1.50
St. James Bapt. Ch., Rev. A. C. Morris, Birmingham	1.50
First Bapt. Ch., Rev. R. J. Madison, Evergreen	1.50
Mt. Calvary Bapt. Ch., Rev. W. T. Bibb, Irondale	1.50
Free Miss. Association, Rev. D. Duke, Monroe Co.	1.50
Dallas Co. Association, Rev. A. C. Collins, Dallas Co.	1.50
Mt. Ararat Bapt. Ch., Rev. G. L. Thornton, Selma	1.50
Mt. Zion Bapt. Ch., Rev. W. M. Banks, Brantley	1.50

Mt. Zion Bapt. Ch., Rev. R. W. Williams, Enterprise	1.50
First Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. R. Scott, Greenville	1.50
First Col. Bapt. Ch., Rev. A. J. Stokes, Montgomery	1.50
Board St. Bapt. Ch., Rev. B. J. Smith, Birmingham	3.50
Uniontown S. S. Con., Prof. R. B. Hudson, Selma	5.00
214 St. Bapt. Ch., Rev. A. Hawkins, Birmingham	3.00
Mt. Zion Bapt. Ch., Bolling	1.50
New Boiling Sprgs. Bapt. Ch., Rev. G. Marshall, Gaston	1.50
16th St. Bapt. Ch., Rev. C. L. Fisher, D. D., Birmingham	1.50
Colored Bethel Ass'n, Thomasville	1.50
St. Louis Bapt. Ch., Rev. S. M. Fisher, D. D., Mobile	1.50
Trinity Bapt. Ch., Birmingham	1.50
Hall St. Bapt. Ch., Montgomery	1.50
Uniontown Bapt. Ass'n., Rev. Wm. Madison, Uniontown	5.00
Galilee Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. H. Eason, Anniston	1.50
First Bapt., Rev. E. M. Moten, Faunsdale	2.00
Day St., Rev. Wm. Madison, Montgomery	4.00
1st Baptist, Rev. Wm. Carter, Sheffield	1.50

ARKANSAS.

Ark. Bapt. churches, Per J. H. Sims	\$1.50
2d Bapt. Ch., Rev. G. A. Long, Helena (already credited)	1.50
Pleasant Green Ch., Rev. H. C. Clark, Grand Lake	1.50
New Light Ch., Rev. E. M. Mosely, Helena	1.50
First Bapt. Ch., Rev. P. H. Glimpse, Monticella	1.50
Mt. Caana Bapt. Ch., Dr. W. F. Lovelace, Hot Springs	1.50
St. Mark Bapt. Ch., Rev. N. H. Hunter, Wynne	1.50
First Bapt. Ch., Rev. W. L. McDonald, Jonesboro	1.50
Second Bapt. Ch., Rev. S. H. McKenzie, Marianna	1.50
Evie Bapt. Ch., Rev. Wm. Rogers, Scotts	1.50
First Bapt. Ch., Rev. Wm. Rogers, Wrightsville	1.50
St. John Bapt. Ch., Rev. Wm. Rogers, Ozark	1.50
Peter's Rock Bapt. Ch., Rev. W. A. Moss, Forrest City	1.50
Mt. Zion Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. R. Jamison, Marriton	1.50
St. Mark No. 1 Ch., Palmer	1.50
Mt. Olive, Mareville	1.50
Centennial Bapt. Ch., Helena	1.50
Canaan Bapt. Ch., Texarkana	1.50
St. James Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. Williams, Earl	1.50
Roanoke Bapt. Ch., Rev. S. E. J. Watson, Hot Springs	1.50
Warren Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. H. Abnastha, Marietta	1.50
Mt. Zion Bapt. Ch., Ebony	1.50
S. Marian S. S. Con., Rev. W. B. Brownlee, Pine Bluff	1.50
Morning Star, Rev. E. J. Wheeler, Newport	1.50
Mt. Luke Bapt. Ch., Rev. C. R. Taylor, Toltce	1.50
Oak Grove Bapt. Ch., Rev. C. S. Davis, Crawfordville	1.50

GEORGIA.

Mt. Olive Bapt. Ch., Rev. Chas. Williams, Augusta	\$ 1.50
Beulah Bapt. Ch., Rev. C. J. Hardy, Atlanta	1.50
Springfield Bapt. Ch., Rev. L. P. Pinkney, Greensboro	1.50
Calvary Bapt. Ch., Rev. L. P. Pinkney, Madison	1.50
First Bapt. Ch., Macon	1.50
Greenwood Ch., Rev. J. D. Williams, Shady Dale	1.50
Metropolitan Ch., Columbus	1.50
Mt. Carmel Ch., Rev. G. W. Harrison, Wingfield	1.50
Mt. Zion Ch., Rev. G. W. Harrison, Lethersville, Lincoln Co.	1.50
New Hope Ch., Rev. W. W. Harrison, Harlen	1.50
Greenbranch Ch., Rev. H. W. Harrison, Thompson	1.50
New Salem Ch., Rev. R. W. White, Elberton	1.50
Mt. Olive Ch., Rev. R. T. Shell, Americus	1.50
Bethesda Ch., Rev. J. M. Nasbit, Americus	1.50
Tremont Temple, Rev. W. R. Forbes, Macon	1.50
Lebanon Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. T. Thomas, Albany	1.50
Mt. Olive Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. T. Thomas, Albany	1.50
Shady Grove Ch., Rev. Turpin, Columbus	1.50
Friendship Ch., Rev. R. K. Paschal, Columbus	1.50
First Bapt. Ch., Rev. A. W. Bryant, Valdosta	1.50
Providence Bapt. Ch., Rev. W. H. Brown, Macon	1.50
Sardis Bapt. Ch., Rev. H. F. Taylor, Dawson	1.50
Zion Bapt. Ch., Rev. H. F. Barnes, Marietta	1.50
First Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. J. Carter, Columbus	1.50
Friendship Bapt. Ch., Rev. W. R. Forbes, Macon	1.50
Mt. Moriah Bapt. Ch., Rev. N. B. Wright, Macon	1.50
Macedonia Bapt. Ch., Rev. R. B. Williams, Macon	1.50
Teminville Bapt. Ch., Rev. R. B. Williams, Teminville	1.50
First African, Rev. W. L. Jones, Savannah	1.50
New Jersey Bapt. Ch., Buxley, Rev. I. A. Thomas, A. B., Macon	1.50

FLORIDA.

Antioch Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. L. Simpson, Muskogee	\$ 1.50
Mt. Zion Bapt. Ch., Rev. M. S. G. Abbott, Pensacola	1.50
St. John Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. L. Simpson, Warrington	1.50
Mt. Pilgrim Bapt. Ch., Rev. K. D. Britt, Melton	1.50
Thomas Grove Bapt. Ch., Rev. R. B. Williams, Macon, Ga	1.50
Bethlehem Bapt. Ch., Rev. W. H. Brown, Madison	1.50
St. Paul Bapt. Ch., Rev. A. L. Fendley, Rex	1.50

ILLINOIS.

Shiloh Bapt. Ch., Chicago	\$ 1.50
Tahernacle Ch., Rev. R. L. Darden, Chicago	1.50
Ebenezer Bapt. Ch., Chicago	1.50
Original Bapt. Ch., Rev. S. L. M. Francis, Chicago	1.50

INDIANA.

Mt. Zion Bapt. Ch., Rev. G. Wm. Ward, Indianapolis	\$ 1.50
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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

19th St. Bapt. Ch., Dr. W. H. Brooks, Washington	\$ 1.50
Jerusalem Bapt. Ch., Rev. C. H. Harris, Washington	1.50

LOUISIANA.

Caatan Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. B. Davis, Kilona	\$ 1.50
State St. Bapt. Ch., Rev. Mitchell, Bowling Green	1.50
Little Zion Bapt. Ch., Rev. Joseph Moreland, New Orleans	1.50
Christ Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. D. Collins, Algiers	1.50
1st Free Will Bapt. Ch., Rev. S. D. Gunn, New Orleans	1.50
Shiloh Bapt. Ch., Rev. A. G. Jacks, Washington	1.50
St. John Bapt. Ch., Rev. R. W. Nicholson, Millard	1.50
St. James Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. D. Smith, Waxia	1.50
Seventh Dist. Bapt. Miss. Ass'n., Rev. A. G. Jackson, Washington	5 00
Tulane Ave. Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. D. Sims, New Orleans	1.50
Little Zion Bapt. Ch., Rev. H. W. Coleman, Burwick City	1.50
Calvary Bapt. Ch., Rev. H. W. Coleman, Genereette	1.50
St. John Bapt. Ch., Rev. A. L. Holmes, Marksville	1.50
Sixth Bapt. Ch., Rev. John Marks, New Orleans	1.50
Point Pleasant Ch., Rev. P. P. Jones, Fairview	1.50
1st Emanuel Bapt. Ch., Rev. John Richards, New Orleans	1.50
Israelite Bapt. Ch., Rev. Jordan Thomas, New Orleans	1.50
St. Luke Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. A. Claibourne, New Orleans	1.50
Union Bapt. Ch., Rev. G. W. Davis, Alexandria	1.50
St. John Bapt. Ch., Rev. L. C. Washington, Dorseyville	1.50
Mt. Pleasant Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. C. Green, Bayou Togoula	1.50
St. Andrew Bapt. Ch., Rev. Lord Madison, Brighton	1.50
Sardis Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. P. Bell, New Orleans	1.50
St. Paul Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. A. Watkins, Howard	1.50
St. Peter Bapt. Ch., Rev. H. Butler, Genereette	1.50
St. Peter Bapt. Ch., Rev. I. S. Jones, Plaquemine	1.50
Dist. S. S. Ass'n., Rev. E. W. Renty, Port Barre	1.50
Antioch, Lakeville	1.50
True Vine Bapt. Ch., Rev. P. Parker, Catara	1.50
Mt. Gillett Bapt. Ch., Rev. Joseph Edwards, Prairieville	1.50
Greenfield Bapt. Ch., Rev. James W. Washington, Hammond	1.50
Good Hope Bapt. Ch., Rev. H. C. Cotton, Belle	1.50
Good Hope Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. C. Rochelle, Patterson	1.50
Six Union Bapt. Ch., Rev. Wm. Williams, New Orleans	1.50
March Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. N. Webb, Genereette	1.50
Antioch Bapt. Ch., Rev. B. Moore, Shreveport	1.50

Galilee Bapt. Ch., Rev. W. M. Caldwell, Springville	1.50
Louisiana Bapt. Ch., Rev. R. Hopkins, New Orleans	1.50
St. John Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. D. Carter, Phoenix	1.50
Rev. E. D. Collins, Algiers Sta. A.	1.50
First Mission, Rev. John Wilson, New Orleans	1.50
Mt. Gillion Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. D. Harris, Magnolia St., New Orleans	1.50
Good Hope Bapt. Ch., E. N. Webb, J. Winslow, 2106 Jackson Ave., New Orleans	1.50
Macedonia Bapt. Ch., W. L. Roy, Seymourville	1.50
St. Joseph Bapt. Ch., W. L. Roy, Seymourville	1.50
Rev. Moses Salter, Mangham	1.50
Rev. M. Carter, Barton	1.50
Rev. J. H. Ellis, Colfax	1.50
Union Bapt. Ch., Rev. W. C. Evans, Boudreaux	1.50
Rose Hill Bapt. Ch., Rev. F. M. Marshall, Magnolia, Miss	1.50

MISSOURI.

Fifth Bapt. Ch., J. R. Bennett	\$ 1.50
First Bapt. Ch., Webster Grove	1.50
St. James Ch., Rev. J. R. Williams, Kansas City	1.50
New Era Ch., Kansas City	3.00
Pleasant Hill Bapt. Ch., Rev. L. E. Avant, Poplar Bluff	1.50
Pleasant Green, Rev. J. K. Parker, St. Louis	1.50
Central, Rev. George E. Stevens, St. Louis	1.50
First Bapt. Ch., Rev. H. H. Harris, St. Louis	1.50
Second Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. B. Branham, Kirkwood	1.50

MARYLAND.

Rev. H. Johnson, D. D., Baltimore	\$ 5.00
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MISSISSIPPI.

First Bapt. Ch., Rev. P. J. Benoit, Bay St. Louis	\$ 1.50
Gloster Bapt. Ch., Rev. R. W. Demas, Gloster	1.50
Antioch Bapt. Ch., Rev. R. W. Demas, Merwin	1.50
Summit Bapt. Ch., Rev. L. S. June, Summit	1.50
Sherman Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. M. Cunnigen, Magnolia	1.50
Dist. Convention, Rev. P. S. Evans, Magnolia	5.00
New Hope Ch., Rev. J. W. Gooden, Russel	1.50
Union Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. S. Brookins, Kemper	1.50
Unity Bapt. Ch., Joplin	1.50
Salem Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. Kerrey, Toreks	1.50
First Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. R. Young, Biloxi	1.50
First Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. B. Young, Parkers	1.50
St. Chapel Bam. Ch., Rev. E. W. Goff, Magnolia	1.50
Rose Hill Bapt. Ch., F. M. Marshall, Sec., Magnolia	1.50
Salem Bapt. Ch., J. A. Carney, Sec., Topeka	1.50

MINNESOTA.

Pilgrim Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. H. McDonald, St. Paul	\$ 1.50
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NEW YORK.

Holy Trinity Bapt. Ch., Brooklyn	\$ 1.50
Mt. Olivet Bapt. Ch., Dr. Gilbert, New York	1.50

NEW JERSEY.

Shiloh Bapt. Ch., Rev. Jno. W. Henderson, Atlantic City	\$ 1.50
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NORTH CAROLINA.

Olive Branch Bapt. Ch., Rev. C. M. Cartwright, Elizabeth City	\$ 1.50
Shoal Creek Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. H. E. H. Nelson, Earles	1.50
First Bapt. Ch., Rev. G. D. Griffin, Hurtford	1.50

OKLAHOMA.

Olda. State Convention, Rev. S. S. James	\$ 2.50
First Bapt. Ch., Muskogee	1.50
E. Star, Rev. Wm. Haralson, McAlester	1.50
T. E. Higgs, Idabel	1.50

OHIO.

New Unity Bapt. Ch., Cincinnati	\$ 1.50
Second Bapt. Ch., Rev. R. T. Frye, Springfield	1.50
First Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. L. Francis, Cincinnati	1.50

PENNSYLVANIA.

Calvary Bapt. Ch., Dr. A. R. Robinson, Chester	\$10.00
Union Bapt. Ch., Dr. W. G. Parks, Philadelphia	1.50
Salem Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. C. Jackson, Jenkenstown	1.50
Central Bapt. Ch., Rev. Chas. Blackwell, Philadelphia	1.50

KANSAS.

Mt. Pleasant Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. R. Richardson, Kansas City	\$ 1.50
Bethlehem Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. S. King, Chetopa	1.50
Kansas Convention, Rev. E. A. Weson, Kansas City	10.00

KENTUCKY.

Pleasant Green Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. W. Hawthorne, Lexington	\$ 1.50
First Bapt. Ch., Rev. W. J. M. Price, Henderson	1.50
Washington Bapt. Ch., Rev. V. S. Smith, Paducah	1.50
Lancaster United Bapt. Ch., Dr. G. W. Wurd, Lancaster	1.50
Harrison St. Bapt. Ch., Dr. J. O. Griffin, Paducah	1.50
Green St. Bapt. Ch., Dr. D. A. Goddie, Louisville	1.50

SOUTH CAROLINA.

Liberty Hill Bapt. Ch., Rev. D. B. McClure, Cataba	1.50
St. Paul Bapt. Ch., Rev. D. B. McClure, Gastonia	1.50
Mt. Calvary Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. W. Bowen, Chester	1.50
Foster Chapel Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. W. Bowen, Jonesboro	1.50
Central Bapt. Ch., Rev. Chas. F. Gandy, Charleston	1.50
Dead River Bapt. Ch., Rev. C. Danforth, Beech Island	1.50
Mt. Prospect Bapt. Ch., Rev. F. S. Gilmer, Rock Hill	1.50
Shiloh Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. A. Penson, Sumter	1.50
Enon Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. A. Penson, Sumter	1.50
St. Paul Bapt. Ch., Rev. G. Richardson, Lexington	1.50

TENNESSEE.

St. Stephens Bapt. Ch., Memphis	1.50
Salem Bapt. Ch., Rev. A. J. Brown, Humboldt	1.50
St. James Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. Moore, Chattanooga	1.50
Monumental Bapt. Ch., Rev. M. W. Moore, Chattanooga	1.50
Mt. Zion Bapt. Ch., Knoxville	1.50
St. John Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. S. Bransford, Newbern	1.50
New Salem Bapt. Ch., Rev. P. B. Broaden, Chattanooga	1.50
New Bethel Bapt. Ch., Rev. H. B. Boyd, Rosine	1.50
First Bapt. Ch., Rev. C. A. Belle, Chattanooga	1.50
First Bapt. Ch., Rev. S. E. Griggs, Nashville	1.50
Metropolitan Bapt. Ch., Rev. T. J. Searry, Memphis	1.50
Mt. Olive Bapt. Ch., Rev. C. H. Clark, Nashville	1.50
Central Bapt. Ch., Rev. Wm. Thomas, Memphis	1.50
Tabernacle Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. J. Williams, Memphis	1.50
New Bethel Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. W. Shaw, Memphis	1.50
Berean Bapt. Ch., Rev. T. J. Gondall, Jackson	1.50
Ebenezer Bapt. Ch., Rev. R. T. Scott, Memphis	1.50
First Bapt. Ch., Rev. A. Parr, Brownsville	1.50
Mt. Vernon Bapt. Ch., Memphis	1.50
Pilgrim Bapt. Ch., Memphis	1.50
Mt. Zion Bapt. Ch., Memphis	1.50
Canaan Bapt. Ch., Hening	1.50
St. Paul Bapt. Ch., Rev. A. J. S. Brown, Malesus	1.50
Gilfield, Memphis	1.50
Second Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. S. Mastin, Chattanooga	1.50
Gospel Temple Bapt. Ch., Rev. F. Thomas, Memphis	1.50

TEXAS.

Second Bapt. Ch., Rev. W. B. Ball, Seguin	1.50
New Elm Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. D. Lenard, Hearne	1.50
Marlin Bapt. Ch., Rev. Ira M. Hendon, Marlin	1.50
Zion Hill Bapt. Ch., Rev. W. M. Sauls, Gause	1.50
Sardis Bapt. Ch., Rev. A. H. Rowland, Caldwell	1.50

Pleasant Bethany Ch., Rev. J. H. Winn, Elgin	1.50
Second Bapt. Ch., Rev. I. H. Keelie, San Antonio	1.50
Provident Bapt. Ch., Rev. R. L. Williams, Marlin	1.50
Am. Bapt. Free Miss. Association, Rev. C. H. Smith, Houston	4.00
Galilee Bapt. Ch., Rev. R. D. Barnett, Marshall	1.50
New Hope Bapt. Ch., Rev. A. S. Jackson, Dallas	1.50
Wyatt Chapel Bapt. Ch., Rev. W. H. Jirmany, Houston	1.50
Mullin Chapel, Rev. A. B. Lenox, Howland	1.50
Palestine Bapt. Ch., Rev. F. L. Morris, Victoria	1.50
Sunset Bapt. Ch., Rev. S. T. Brandon, Texarkana	1.50
St. Paul Bapt. Ch., Rev. C. N. Hampton, Paris	1.50
Bethel Bapt. Ch., Rev. A. A. Gordon, Tyler	1.50
Mt. Moriah Ch., Avenger	1.50
New Antioch Ch., Linden	1.50
Bethel Ch., Rev. J. E. Knox, Houston	1.50
Antioch Ch., Houston	1.50
Antioch, Rev. M. E. Robinson, Beaumont	1.50
Live Oak Ch., Rev. D. B. Gibson, Beaumont	1.50
Pleasant Hill, Rev. McGregor, Waco	1.50
Mt. Zion, Rev. J. D. Leonard, Bailyville	1.50
Shiloh, Rev. W. M. Sauls, Houston	1.50
Old Bethlehem, Rev. A. J. Harris, Caldwell	1.50
Pressive, Rev. J. H. Williams, Sherman	1.50
S. W. Central Ass'n., Rev. E. H. Branch, D. D.	5.00
Harmony Bapt. Ch., Rev. D. J. Crawford, Sherman	2.50
New Bethel Bapt. Ch., Rev. H. H. Bendy, Silsbee	1.50
First Bapt. Ch., Rev. H. H. Bendy, Nacogdoches	1.50
New Jerusalem Bapt. Ch., Rev. H. H. Bendy, Olive	1.50
Missionary and Education Convention, Rev. A. M. Moore, Rev. W. F. Bledsoe, Texas and La. Ass'n.	10.00
Missionary and Educational, Rev. F. R. Ruffin, Lagrange Association	5.00
Missionary and Educational, Rev. A. L. Boone, Friendship Association	10.00
Miss. & Ed. Rev. A. Barbour, D. D., State S. S. Convention, \$5; Gen. Ex., \$1.	6.00
Miss. & Ed. Convention Cypress Ass'n.	5.00
Miss. & Ed. Convention Trinity Valley Ass'n.	5.00
Miss. & Ed. Convention, East Texas, Bethel Ass'n.	10.00
Baptist Missionary & Educational Con. of Texas	4.00
W. R. Rainey, Clarksville	1.50

VIRGINIA.

Diamond Hill Bapt. Ch., Rev. B. Terrell, Lynchburg	1.50
Natural Bridge, Rev. W. D. Wood, Natural Bridge	1.50
Green Ridge Bapt. Ch., Rev. W. D. Woods, Hollins	1.50
First Bapt. Ch., Rev. E. Taritt, Petersburg	1.50

First Bapt. Ch., Rev. W. R. Brown, Roanoke	1.00
Loyal St. Bapt. Ch., Rev. A. A. Galvin, Danville	1.00
Court St. Bapt. Ch., Rev. L. R. Johnson, Lynchburg	1.00
Union Bapt. Ch., Rev. C. H. Phillips, Beaver Dam	1.00
Calvary Bapt. Ch., Rev. J. P. Wallace, Norfolk	1.50

FINANCIAL REPORT.

CALIFORNIA.

The State of California submits the following financial Statement:

We have made at this session of the Convention the following donations:

Total Annual Membership Fee.....\$ 10.00

Respectfully submitted:

C. H. ANDERSON.

FLORIDA.

The State of Florida submits the following financial Statement:

To Foreign Mission Board	\$ 7.50
To Home Mission Board	2.50
To B. Y. P. U. Board	1.00
To General Expenses	4.50
Total Annual Membership Fee	23.00

Grand total from all sources.....\$ 38.00

Respectfully Submitted:

REV. J. B. LAKE, D. D., Pres.
REV. K. D. BRITT, D. D., Sec.

NEW JERSEY.

The State of New Jersey submits the following financial Statement:

To Foreign Mission Board.....\$ 30.00

Grand total for all purposes.....\$ 30.00

Respectfully submitted:

GEO. E. MORRIS, President,
W. R. LAWRENCE, Secretary,
New Jersey Delegation.

TENNESSEE.

The State of Tennessee submits the following financial statement:

To Foreign Mission Board.....\$ 10.00

To General Expenses	33.00
Total Annual Membership Fee	73.00

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Respectfully submitted:

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The State of Texas submits the following financial statement:

To Foreign Mission Board	\$ 10.00
To Publishing Board	5.00
To Home Mission Board	10.00
To B. Y. P. U. Board	7.00
To Educational Board	10.00
To National Benefit Board	1.75
To General Expenses	10.00
To Annual Membership Fee	51.00
Bapt. State Convention, S. T. Floyd, Manor, Texas; P. H. Collier, Houston, Texas; R. L. Williams, Mar- lin, Texas	\$ 8.25
Mt. Zion Lively Hope, A. A. Travis	5.00
Central Dist. S. S. Convention, H. J. Lockett	5.00
Lagrange Western, S. T. Floyd, W. J. Adams	10.00
Providence Bapt. Ch., R. L. Williams	1.50
St. John Land Mark, J. B. Black	5.00
Central Ass'n., E. W. Atkinson	5.00
Little Bethel Bapt. Ch., A. R. Ditton	1.00
North Texas Ass'n. No. 1., A. R. Ditton, S. S. Stephens	5.00
North Texas Dist. S. S. Convention, I. B. Lakey, H. C. Curry	3.00

Grand total from all sources.....

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SEPTEMBER 14—19, 1910

CONSTITUTION OF THE Woman's Auxiliary Convention.

PREAMBLE.

We, the women of the churches connected with the National Baptist Convention, desirous of stimulating and transmitting a missionary spirit and grace of giving among the women and children of the churches and aiding in collecting funds for missions to be disbursed as ordered by the Convention, organize and adopt the following:

Article I.—Name.

This organization shall be known as "The Woman's Convention, Auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention."

Article II.—Object.

The twofold object of said Convention shall be to distribute information and stimulate effort through women's local, district and state organizations where they exist, and where they do not, to encourage the organization of societies; to secure the earnest, systematic co-operation of women and children in collecting and raising money for education and missions at home and abroad.

Article III.—Officers.

The Officers shall be a President, a Vice President at large, a Vice President from each State, a Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Assistant Recording Secretary, and a Treasurer, with a local committee of nine managers, who shall reside in, or not remote from the city, where the Corresponding Secretary resides. These shall constitute the Advisory Committee to the Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Convention. Five of them shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article IV.—Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting for the election of officers and transaction of business shall be held each year at the same time and city as the National Baptist Convention.

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Article V.—Representation at the Annual Meeting.

The officers of the Woman's Convention, State Conventions, that have paid \$20 to the work, District Associations that have paid \$10, local societies that have paid \$5, and Children's Bands that have paid \$2.50, shall be allowed two delegates for each \$5 paid. Only such delegates as are personally present and duly accredited by the Convention or local societies they represent shall be entitled to a vote. Any individual may become an annual member by the payment of \$1.00. Annual members are entitled to vote.

Article VI.—Conduct of Meetings.

Every session of the Woman's Convention shall be opened and closed with religious exercises.

Article VII.—Amendments.

The Constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote at any annual meeting, thirty days previous notice having been sent through the State Secretary to the Woman's Convention. The Corresponding Secretary shall notify each Vice-President of the proposed amendment.

BY-LAWS.

Article 1. The President shall preside at the annual meeting of the Woman's Convention and at all meetings of the Executive Committee; shall appoint all committees not otherwise provided for; shall organize new societies, and shall be an ex-officio member of all standing committees. She may, through the Corresponding Secretary, call special meetings of the Executive Committee, when in her judgment needful, or at the request of five members of the Executive Committee. In her absence the Vice-President from the State where the committee may be located shall take her place. The Vice-President shall represent the interest of the Convention and Boards in their respective States or Territories, in co-operation with the State Boards, State Conventions and State Missionaries.

Art. 2. The Vice-Presidents shall be considered an Advisory Board of the Executive Committee, who are entitled, when present, to vote at its sessions.

Art. 3. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to send to the Corresponding Secretary of each State, and to societies when there is no state organization, three months before the annual meeting, a blank for the report of such organizations; and from them reports the Corresponding Secretary shall collect the annual reports.

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She shall conduct the correspondence of the Executive Committee, and shall be authorized to organize societies, and transact all necessary business connected therewith.

Art. 4. The Recording Secretary shall keep a faithful record of all proceedings of the annual meeting, compile and distribute the minutes and see that minutes are sent to all members, whether life or annual.

Art. 5. The Treasurer shall receive all monies collected on the field or at the Convention. The Treasurer shall pay out no money without an order from the Corresponding Secretary, signed by the President. An accurate account of all receipts and disbursements of money as reported or received by her shall be kept; she shall present a detailed account of all monies paid out by her, to whom, for what and the amount turned over to the Boards.

Art. 6. The Executive Committee of twelve members shall be nominated by a committee appointed for that purpose, and shall be voted for at the annual meeting. It shall be their duty to advise the Corresponding Secretary in her work, hear her monthly report and pass upon the same. The Executive Committee shall also keep in hand two hundred dollars for Corresponding Secretary, in case of emergency. Instead of reporting monthly to the committee, she may report quarterly. There shall be five members in the city or thereabouts.

Art. 7. The officers, with the exception of the Vice-President, shall be elected by ballot on the morning of the last day of the annual meeting, through duly appointed tellers. Each Vice-President shall be nominated by the delegates from her own State, and shall be elected by acclamation, unless otherwise ordered. An Assistant Corresponding Secretary may be appointed by the Executive Committee.

Art. 8. Tellers having been appointed by the meeting, an informal ballot shall be cast for each officer, and the delegates shall then proceed to vote by ballot for the two highest nominees for each office.

Art. 9. The Executive Committee is directed to form and maintain the closest possible connection with the Boards of the National Baptist Convention and with the State organizations.

Art. 10. The Executive Committee shall report through its officers at each annual session of the Baptist Woman's Convention what has been done toward carrying out the objects of the organization.

Art. 11. The By-Laws may be altered or amended by a two-thirds majority vote at any annual meeting, three months' previous notice having been sent through the Secretary to the Woman's Missionary Convention. The Corresponding Secretary shall notify each Vice-President of the proposed amendment.

Art. 12. All members shall remain during the session, except permission to leave is given by the President.

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Mrs. M. S. Jones	Texas

OFFICIAL PROGRAM OF THE Woman's Auxiliary Convention

FOREIGN MISSION PERIOD.

AFTERNOON.

- 1:00—Devotional Services, "Fishing." Matt. 1:1-20. Mrs. L. A. K. Johnson, Mississippi, and Mrs. S. Prince, Texas.
 - 2:00—Address, "The Evangelization of the World," Miss Henrietta Hoffman, Tennessee.
 - 3:00—Address, "Hardiness and Opposition in Missionary Service," Mrs. E. P. Holland, Rhode Island.
 - 4:00—Address, "The Effect of Studying Christian Missions," Miss Lillie L. Smith, Colorado.
 - 5:00—Presentation of Foreign Missionaries.
 - 6:00—Symposium, "A Personal Obligation and Opportunity," led by Miss E. B. Holaney, returned missionary.
 - 7:00—Opening of Question Box, Mrs. Mattie E. Harris, Georgia, and Mrs. Eva Hooper, Illinois.
- Introduction of visitors.
Offering. Announcements. Adjournment.

EVENING.

PLATFORM MEETING—EDUCATION.

- 7:30—Devotional Services, "The Bible as a Lamp," 2 Tim. 2:1-5. Miss Mattie I. Forrest, Georgia, and Mrs. R. E. Pitts, Alabama.
 - 8:00—Music.
 - 8:15—Report of Board of Trustees National Training School.
 - 8:30—Address, "The Christian School as a Factor in Our Race Life," Mrs. P. J. Bryant, Georgia.
 - 8:45—Address, "Two in One," Mrs. E. Arlington Wilson, Kansas.
 - 9:00—Address, "The Woman We Need," Rev. J. E. Wood, Kentucky.
 - 9:15—Address, "The Duty of the Denomination to Prepare Its Workers," Rev. W. Bishop Johnson, D. D., LL. D., Washington, D. C.
- Roll Call. Greetings and Contributions from Trustees.
(Two minutes talks.)
Pledges. Offering. Announcements. Adjournment.

SATURDAY—17th.

MORNING.

THE HOME MISSION PERIOD.

- 5:30—Sunrise Prayer-meeting, led by Mrs. Lula M. Jackson, Kentucky.
- 8:45—Bible Hour, conducted by Miss Dessie Hoffman, Texas, and Miss Fannie Blackburn, Ohio.
- 9:15—Intermission.
- 9:30—Opening Convention with prayer by Mrs. I. Miller, Texas.
- 9:25—Address, "What We Can Do To Improve the Home Life of the Masses?" Mrs. Sarah Johnson, Ohio.
- 9:50—Address, "Our Weight—The Street Element, and How to Lift Them," Mrs. C. H. McDowell, Missouri.
- 10:10—Address, "Our Greatest Foes the Saloon and the Nickel Theater," Mrs. N. V. Maxey, Texas. The Saloon. Mrs. S. J. Maxwell, Illinois. The Nickel Theater.
- 10:30—Discussion:
- "What We Can Do to Improve the Home Life of the Masses" opened by Mrs. S. M. Fisher, Alabama.
 - "Our Weight—The Street Element and How to Lift Them" opened by Mrs. M. J. Foster, Louisiana.
 - "Our Greatest Foes the Saloon and the Nickel Theater" opened by Mrs. M. Evans, Georgia.
- Reports of Committees.
- 11:15—Election of Officers

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2:30—Worker's Conference.

Subjects:

1. The Child Problem, Mrs. Mary Flowers, Tennessee.
2. Keeping the Missionary Society Alive, Mrs. H. J. Kirk, Illinois.
3. How to Use Literature Effectively, Mrs. Emma Galt, Kansas.
4. How to Vary the Program, Mrs. M. W. Gilbert, New York.
5. How to Keep the Pastor Interested, Mrs. O. M. Jones, Texas.
6. How to Increase the Attendance at each meeting, Mrs. R. T. Frye, Ohio.
7. Good and Bad Financial Methods, Mrs. L. A. M. Wilson, Texas.
8. What Has Helped My Missionary Society Most, Mrs. R. C. Robinson, South Carolina.

DISCUSSION—All women who are actively engaged in Missionary Work are urged to attend this meeting, the object of which is to discuss conditions on the field, in the local organizations and to give helpful advice and suggestions as to how to succeed with the work they are trying to do.

1:00—Conference—All State and District Presidents and Secretaries.

MINUTES.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

New Orleans, La., Sept. 14, 1910.

The Woman's Convention, Auxiliary to The National Baptist Convention, convened in its tenth annual session in The Austerlitz Baptist Church, Rev. J. I. Lawson, Pastor, Wednesday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock.

Mrs. C. R. McDowell, of Missouri, conducted a general Praise Service while the Executive Board was in session. Report of Executive Board Session will appear with other reports.

EVENING SESSION.

Devotions were conducted by Sisters M. A. Sharkie, Texas, and M. D. Grigsby, Indiana. Song, "What a fellowship." Subject, "Sowing and Reaping." Gal. 5:1-10. Sister Sharkie commented effectually upon the verses read. Song, "Nearer my God to Thee." Sentence prayers were offered by several. Song.

President S. W. Layten expressed her joy in being again permitted to meet the women of the National Baptist Convention. She extended a hearty greeting to the dear ones whom she had so often met; and a cordial welcome to the many new friends who were meeting for the first time. She then declared the Convention duly opened. The ladies who were announced to say words of welcome, were called to the platform.

The choir, under the direction of Corresponding Secretary, rendered a beautiful selection, "I'm on my way to heaven."

Mrs. Susie O. Love, representing the local churches, bade us a hearty welcome; she told us of the beauties of the Crescent City—the lovely flora, and delicious fruits; assuring us that all the churches had joined hands to make our stay in New Orleans pleasant as well as profitable. A

sketch of history relative to our racial life was fluently given, the fact that we represented so much of industry, art and noble endeavors, and the true religion of Jesus. The following lines closed this excellent address: "Blest be the tie that binds," etc.

Mrs. Francis Joseph Gaudett bade us welcome in behalf of the Industrial Schools. She said that she could not boast of as great schools as some of our states, but she was proud to tell us, that the State of Louisiana supported one Industrial School in New Orleans. She told the story of the school, which was begun ten years ago, under her guidance, when the colored people realized the importance of doing something for themselves toward the industrial training of their children. She emphasized the need of Industrial Education, and extended us a cordial invitation to visit the school that God had enabled her to establish.

Miss Philemene Joseph bade us welcome on behalf of the Woman's State Convention of Louisiana. She said that the Baptist Church had only existed in Louisiana since 1840. It had grown steadily, and now numbered its communicants by the thousands, all of whom stood ready to contribute to the success of our work, to the extent of their ability.

Mrs. S. H. Wright, of Alabama, as substitute for Mrs. Bowie, of Alabama, responded to the words of welcome. She expressed our high appreciation for the cordial welcome extended and urged the sisters to live up to our motto, "Higher Ground," and thus let our light so shine, that the people of New Orleans, many of whom were Roman Catholics, might have no evil to say of us, but on the contrary, would be impressed, that we were the people of God, and here to attend to the King's business. Song, "You may look for me."

President Layten announced the Finance and Enrollment Committees, (See reports) and asked all delegates to enroll before the opening of Thursday morning's session.

Rev. A. S. Jackson, of Texas, was escorted to the rostrum. Rev. A. S. Jackson was presented by President Layten. By request the familiar hymn, "Draw me nearer" was sung by the congregation, the choir leading. Dr. Jackson's intro-

ductory remarks were complimentary of the great work our Convention had done, and is now doing. He assured us of his growing interest in our endeavors, and was happy to know that hereafter our work would be reported in the General Convention as that of all the other Boards. Theme—"Sowing and Reaping."

(1) Parable of the sower—Christ's explanation.

(a) The field—the world. In our prayers, influence and efforts we should labor for the salvation of the world.

(b) Redeeming love—points out the world as the field. (John 3:16.)

(c) Mixed racial blood flowing through our Lord's veins on Calvary, another evidence—the world the field. (Matt. 1:1-16.)

(d) The propaganda given to the assembled church—(Matt. 28:19-20.)

(2) Sowing and reaping must be done.

(a) Spiritual blindness needs healing.

(b) Spiritual near-sightedness needs healing, that we might see the whole world.

(c) Activity urged—Now the time to work; opportunities many; laborers few.

Emphasized fitness—God's call; God's anointing; essential to successful service.

(3) Special preparation needed.

(a) Zeal without wisdom cannot do much.

(b) Christian training absolutely necessary in this age.

(c) Holy Spirit the power necessary to keep and inspire the worker.

Illustration—Elijah's triumph on Mt. Carmel.

Dr. Jackson concluded by stating his purpose to have his church give \$100 annually to our National Training School.

Prayer, Rev. P. J. Bryant, D. D., Georgia. Songs, "There's power in the blood," "Everybody talking 'bout heaven, ain't going there."

Offering taken, \$5.36. Announcements were made.

Doxology—"Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

Benediction—Rev. G. W. Parks, Pennsylvania.

EARLY PRAYER SERVICE.

Thursday, Sept. 15, 1910.

This meeting was led by a sister from Florida. Song, "My soul be on thy guard;" prayer, by Sister Tyler, of Colorado; Bible Reading, John 20 chapter. Vice President Bryant testified and offered a pathetic prayer for the officers of the Convention and the Training School. Miss N. H. Burroughs testified to God's goodness, and admonished the women to attend the sunrise meetings and endeavor to bring others with them.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Bible lesson was conducted by Miss Jessie Holman, of Texas, and Miss Fannie Blackburn, of Ohio. Song, "Higher ground." Bible Lesson, Matt. 20:1-16. The sisters read the verses separately and Miss Holman commented upon them effectively.

Mrs. McDowell, of Missouri, told how she and Sister Yates had rescued a young girl from prison. Mrs. Williams, of Illinois, spoke of the slum work they were doing. Mrs. M. Bledsoe, of Illinois, spoke to the subject, calling special attention to the work of "The Charity Aid" in Cairo, Ill.

Song, "I'll go where you want me to go." The Field Secretary of Indiana spoke of the work that she was doing in the saloons and dives; Sisters L. A. Anderson and Peters also spoke to the subject.

Song, "When Jesus comes to reward his servants."

Remarks by Sisters M. A. Jones and M. H. Flowers.

Prayer by Sister Mamie Clark, Ohio. Minutes of the evening session were read; and by motion they were approved. Vice President Buckner, of Texas, was presiding.

The Enrollment Committee made a partial report. By motion the report was received and adopted, Committee continued.

Corresponding Secretary read the list of names sent her. By motion the list of delegates read by the Secretary was received.

Vice President Bryant called the Convention's attention to the grave importance of the President's annual message;

and in beautiful terms, significant of the greatness of the occasion, she presented Mrs. S. W. Layton to deliver her tenth annual address.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Preliminary remarks—She brought the greetings of her father who was only absent from the meeting because of his failing health; he desired the choicest blessings of God to rest upon our deliberations; and that he might be kindly remembered in our prayers.

Theme—"God with us." Opening of the great East for evangelization, God's cause marching on; large philanthropic movements, another evidence—progress in our own denominational interests; large opportunities ours; hence large responsibilities; great demands for money being made, and many demands met. Large national gatherings with varied interests referred to: Key-note of them all—improvement and better conditions along all lines.

No organization better prepared to impress true development, than our Christian organizations. All valuable things were costly; hence, our work will cost sacrifice, suffering, hard work and money. Special attention was being given by public institutions to deformities in children. Parents should be more concerned as to the training of their children; mothers should make confidants of their daughters and teach them the lessons of life God would have them know; fathers should unite heartily with mothers in this all-important work of training their children. Boys should be taught to respect womanhood. A deserving compliment was paid to our women for their manifest advancement; and our brethren admonished to be more respectful to our women.

Condition of women prisoners referred to for our thoughtful concern; the New York court for women, was an improvement, as to the disposition of their cases.

Labor conditions were freely discussed, and an appeal made that we strive to excel in whatever industry we were engaged. A premium had been placed upon the labor of our women since they had been welcomed into the Labor Union.

Touchingly the President referred to our beloved dead. Sister Annie Peyton, of Illinois, was tenderly referred to; Sister Beulah Moore, of Pennsylvania, was spoken of as being in her last illness, and prayer was asked for her.

A brief review was made of the great work of "The Association for the Protection of Colored Women." Several

striking incidents told of the rescue work, over which she had personal oversight. She concluded her excellent address with questions and answers that forcefully impressed us with the grave responsibilities of our work, and the need of our measuring up to them.

A motion that we receive our President's address, and refer her recommendations to a Committee on Recommendations, prevailed.

Mrs. V. W. Broughton, of Tennessee, spoke to the President's address; with special reference to the rescue work being done in Memphis, under the auspices of The Memphis Branch of "The Association for the Protection of Colored Women."

A motion to suspend rule and elect President Layten by acclamation. The constitutional requirement relative to the election was urged. Question was called. Vote taken: Yeas, 74; Nays, 62. Mrs. S. W. Layten was declared duly elected as President for ensuing year.

Offering taken, \$5.27.

Benediction by Dr. C. H. Parrish, Ky.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotions were conducted by Sister Brockway, of Oklahoma. Songs, "Yield not to temptation," "Blessed assurance." Prayer by Rev. Nicks.

Delegates were seated by States, Mrs. S. C. Shanks, Sergeant-at-arms, directing. Minutes of morning session were read; and, by motion they were adopted.

Committees were appointed. (See reports.)

Sister Holland, President of the Woman's New England Convention was presented. She brought us greetings from the New England sisterhood; she expressed her joy to be present with us; she told how she had been delighted to have our President, Corresponding Secretary and Missionaries Jackson present in the New England Convention. It was from their visit she had been constrained to meet us. She bade us a hearty God-speed in all our noble endeavors.

Mrs. Laura F. Prince was also presented. She spoke of her love for children, and thought that all women should

teach other women to be good wives, mothers and house-keepers; and they could best do that, after having had the experience common to wives and mothers.

Rev. R. F. Williams, of St. Charles, La., was also introduced.

President Layten appropriately presented Mrs. N. H. Burroughs to make her annual report.

MISS BURROUGH'S REPORT.

Madam President, Co-workers and friends: Just ten years ago on Friday, Sept. 15, 1900, in Richmond, Virginia, a Baptist Child was born in a Methodist Cradle. It was in the Third Street African Methodist Episcopal Church, 3rd between Jackson and Lehigh streets, that the Woman's Convention, Auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention became a living creature. The National Baptist Convention was then holding its 20th Annual Session in the Fifth Street Baptist Church, and because of the convenient location, the women were called to organize in the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

This organization was born to give itself unreservedly to the putting of the gospel within the reach of the millions who have been sitting in darkness for centuries; to do its part in teaching woman her sacred mission, and to so inspire her soul with love for service that she would not be satisfied unless her life is occupied with doing the Master's bidding. Ten years ago, like Moses of Old, a company of Negro women, went to Pisgah and for the first time, got a clear vision. It was not a vision of Canaan but of fields ripe unto harvest, and only a few Baptist women here and there gleaning. God spoke to them out of Heaven saying, "Go work in my vineyard, and what is right, I will pay thee." Down from the mountain the host came, and into the fields they went to labor. For ten years they have been sowing and reaping. They have come over the plains, up the mountains weary they have trod, down hill and over dale, until to-day, they meet in the crescent city, with its old cathedrals, beautiful plazas, and French Market.

But the history of this great old city would not be a tale that's told, unless it had running through and giving it life the story that tells of the sufferings, sacrifices, struggles and triumphs of the Heralds of the Cross. And so here in New Orleans, to-day, we stand on Holy Ground. It was in this city that seed were sown that gave birth to the Woman's

American Baptist Home Mission Society and later to this very organization. Soon after the war there came to Louisiana a most remarkable character. It was back in those days when you could not find one out of a hundred colored women who could write her name. Many of them loved God, but could not read His word. Fired with a passion for souls, and conscious of the blight that slavery had left upon the thousands of her sisters, Joanna P. Moore came to administer to mind, soul and body of the thousands of neglected, abandoned freedmen whose backs had not ceased bleeding and whose hearts were yet sad. Whatever may be said of the future efforts in the organization of white or colored Baptist Women, this far-sighted, Godly woman inspired her white sisters, and continued to lay this burden of opportunity and duty to a less fortunate race upon their hearts, and so remarkable were her personal sacrifices, that they were constrained to look upon the field. Just a look convinced them that it was time to thrust in the sickle, and so the Home Mission Society that has done such a splendid work for our people, was born. The scenes in Louisiana inspired Sister Moore and she inspired her white sisters.

This saintly woman is living to-day to see the fruits of her early labors, and to receive answers to many of the prayers she prayed on the plantations of the state in the huts and hovels of those who shall love her until time shall be no more.

The work of Florence Nightingale, Clara Barton, Anita NuComb M. Gee, and Ida Lewis will be told to the children of each succeeding generation, and while the partial historian may fail to record the deeds of modern disciples, no poem singing the praises of Christian heroes and heroines is complete unless it tells of the sufferings, sacrifices and unswerving devotion of Joanna P. Moore, who though absent in body is present in mind, and sends to you the following message:

Dear Brothers and Sisters of the National Baptist Convention, now in session in New Orleans, La., September.

Dearly Beloved in the Lord: After I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints, I ceased not to give thanks for you and to make mention of you always in my prayers, that God would give unto you the spirit of wisdom in the knowledge of God.—(Eph. 1:15-17.)

It means much to KNOW God, the God that loves us; the God with whom we expect to live throughout the endless ages of eternity. We have spent many hours meditating on Jer. 9:23, 24. (Read slowly from the Bible these texts.) These are perilous times in which we live. They tax to the utmost both our faith and our love. But true realization of

the LOVE, POWER and WISDOM of our God will keep us sweet and patient and hopeful in the darkest hour. We get no strength or courage by watching the enemy. Satan receives entirely too much attention. When he knocks at my door, I answer, "I cannot let you in. I am occupied with the Lord Jesus." Then away he goes for a season. We are too apt to pile up our discouragements until they hide our blessings. Keep your eyes on Jesus and march on to Jesus. The battle is the Lord's. I want my little message to help to cheer you up.

I have been comparing the city in which you are to-day assembled, and the state also, with what it was when I came to help you in 1873—37 years ago. Perhaps a few will be present who remember, also the work on the plantations, which I began in 1876. One year we organized seventy-eight new Sunday-schools, and they required careful nursing for a whole year. How tired my arms and feet were, carrying large packages of Bibles through the mud and mire. But though the Master's work made weary feet, it always left the spirit glad. In many places, I was the first one that came with Bibles. But alas! the enemy had been there ever since the close of the war with hundreds and thousands of barrels of whiskey and beer. I remember once on Bayou Lafourche, the severe threats of the whiskey men sent us back to the city, but we returned very soon with new courage. To-day I am rejoicing that God gave me the joy and pleasure of doing a little pioneer work during the last forty-seven years. To God be all the glory! (There is much land yet to be possessed. Buckle on the armor and go forth in victory. God has helped you to accomplish Great things hitherto. God and all good people are with us.

Joyfully, hopefully, your sister,

JOANNA P. MOORE.

Inspired by her service, and moved by her constant appeal for helpers, others made their way to Louisiana to represent the society whose organization she had been wonderfully instrumental in inspiring, and so you have written upon your hearts, the names of Walter H. Brooks, Jennie L. Peck, A. S. Jackson, and others serving for the Home Missionary Society.

Well might all of Louisiana, the cradle of home missionary endeavor, join heartily in welcoming home her children, and it is with peculiar pride that we attempt to report to you what we have been doing.

"GETTING TOGETHER."

During all these years we have been marshalling our forces. When the work was begun in this state by this one

little woman, there was not a Missionary Society or educational organization among our people. Time would now fail me if I should attempt to call the names of even the religious organizations that are now doing splendid service for God and for humanity. I merely mention the fact that we have 12,753 Missionary Societies, and over 7,000 Children's Bands. Add to this the large number of educational, temperance, Doreas and various Relief Organizations operated by the women in our churches, you will have an aggregation in our Baptist Churches alone, of nearly Two Million. What possibilities are wrapped up in such an army of devoted followers, it is impossible to estimate. As an organization we have spent ten years in getting the people together and while some work has been accomplished, if you consider simply numbers, we now have enrolled, we have not given very much money. Forget not that the majority of these people are poor, and have had the struggles of securing homes, educating and rearing large families as well as to build churches, school houses, and orphan and old folks' homes. Kind hands and sympathetic hearts of friends north and south have made it possible for them to accomplish more than they could have accomplished, single-handed and alone.

TEN YEARS' WORK.

It is within human power to give a list of the material used in the construction of the Chinese Wall. It will be possible for this government to report by item, the material used in the construction of the Panama Canal, but it is simply impossible to tell what an organization, dealing not with material but spiritual things, has used in its constructive work.

Thousands of the women have been inspired by your efforts. There are noble impulses that you have awakened of which you will never know until Eternity, bearing the records of the deeds of men, report for you. Just a gingham dress sent by a member of this convention was the means of bringing an African girl to Christ. Not a member of her family had ever accepted Christ, and even now they are in the gall of bitterness and in the bonds of iniquity, but this girl is in a mission school where she has been the means of bringing many of her tribe to Christ. Thus, one life blessed, has in turn blessed others, and these in turn will bless others, and like the ringlets set in motion by the dropping of the pebble into the ocean, the influence of the lives you have touched has spread until even on the other shore the work and influence of this organization is felt.

But the millions of pages of printed matter that you have sent forth are doing service of which you little dream. While we could have used effectively ten times the number of leaflets, tracts and pamphlets that we have, we have done the best we could with the means in hand, and God is simply putting a stamp of approval upon the service.

There is not a week in which we do not receive a message from some woman or girl stating that she has read certain matter sent out by the organization, and that she wants to be enlisted in the army. Then our field Missionaries have been voices in the wilderness. But these things are all spiritual in nature, so I turn to discuss briefly some of the material things we have accomplished.

Ten years ago we were unknown. We did not own a piece of paper on which to write our names. At Richmond, we had a handful of women who raised in their meeting, \$9.00. The following is the ten years' record:

We have stood loyally by the Foreign Mission Board and have not only contributed as liberally as we could to its general efforts, but whenever they have appealed to us for help in any definite work, we have responded to the call. At the Cherdzula, British Central Africa, a brick Mission home, built under the supervision of Miss E. B. DeLaney, shall ever be the pride of the women of this convention. They not only contributed the money for the building, but tried in every way to make friends for our sister while she labored in foreign fields. There is not a Missionary on the field to whose support we have not given. Last year, we contributed to the Mission Home at Capetown, and during the ten years, we have received 315 boxes and the contents have been sent to the Missionaries on the field.

Our African girls have been cared for, and the boys who have come to be educated have been helped in every way possible. Our only regret is that we have not been able to give more and to do more.

The Home Mission work of the Convention up to a few years ago was confined to awakening and informing our women. Missionary Societies and Children's Bands have been organized by the hundreds and we have supplied the literature to help them do their work more effectively. Supplementing the efforts to help the Foreign Board we have established the only religious and educational Training School operated by the race for its women. And so to whatever has been done in Africa we must add this achievement, and you not only have in your broad, wisely-laid plan of organization opportunity for saving souls in the benighted parts of the earth, but opportunity for lifting up the less

fortunate at home, through the service of your own trained workers. And while you owned no property ten years ago, to-day you have the *only* piece of property, owned by colored women and used by them as an educational institution. In fact you have the *only* piece of school property owned by the race at the *Capital of the Nation*, the most strategic education point in this country. Those who started with us ten years ago, and thank God that many of them are now in this meeting, did not see all of this beautiful vision, but God has been leading us, and therefore before us, no obstacle has been permitted to stand, or no foe prevail. The Red Sea and the Jordan opened a path, in the midst of their waves; Jericho's Wall fell down, and this host has kept on a steady march. The way has been dark though light, mysterious though luminous, obscure though glorious, instinct with divine intelligence, and vocal with divine utterances.

We have seen the Foreign Mission Work, that was in its infancy when we organized, grow until to-day, we have on the west coast of Africa, at Grand Cape Mound, property valued at \$1,575, Capetown property \$1,500, Middelrift \$1,150, Queenstown \$5,080, Orange River Colony \$1,575, Central Africa \$1,100; in South America, property valued at \$5,150, and in the West Indies \$1,500; making a total value of property in Foreign Fields, \$27,540; not including property held by native workers, valued at over \$5,000.

The present working force on Foreign Fields is 65, consisting of native helpers and missionaries. The marvelous growth of this work is a challenge to the churches at home, and an opportunity for us to show how much we love our Lord, and how much we love those, who are bone of our bone and flesh of our flesh. The denomination should have at least three hundred Foreign workers and should support them.

Ten years ago, there was some opposition to the organization of this convention. Thank God these objections have been removed and those who did not see the wisdom of the organization of Colored Baptist Women then, are to-day rejoicing with us. God has been on our side, and is still leading us. His presence is very manifest. For these ten years, the organization has been a veritable burning bush, with every leaf and twig aflame with His presence.

"THE SAILING OF OUR MISSIONARIES."

In November, three workers under the Foreign Mission Board, sailed for Middelrift, South Africa. They were Rev. and Mrs. J. E. East and Miss Mary Buchanan. The latter

spent five years in this country, at the expense of this organization. The following is an exact copy of the letter received by us, April 4th:

Gillton School, Mar. 2, 1910.

Miss N. H. Burroughs:

Dear Friend:—I am indeed very glad to have this opportunity to write you these few lines. I am very well at this present hour, and I hope when these few lines reach you, they may find you well.

I am now in possession of one of my father's schools. I opened my school with forty-three children, and before the week ended, I had over sixty. I felt very proud. I am teaching from the first standard up to the sixth. I have a girl who teaches the A and B Classes.

I am getting along very nicely with the school. The only thing that is hard on me is the food, though I have no complaint to make. I hope ere this letter reaches you that you have received my first letter. The thing which hinders me from writing oftener is stamps. Money is very scarce. Well I must close. Love to all the office folks and friends. Also remember me to the Training School, and the rest of the people. I ask your prayers upon my school.

From yours in Christ,

MARY BUCHANAN,

Care Mr. D. Moody, Tynmie Post, Gillton School.

Before sailing, Miss Buchanan was provided with everything she needed in the line of wearing apparel, and the Wheat Street Baptist Church, of Atlanta, Ga., Rev. P. James Bryant, Pastor, has contributed to her support.

On June 8 she was married to Mr. Tyesi, and resigned as the teacher of the school at Gillton. This is quite a surprise to us who are anxious that she might accomplish something as missionary and teacher, but we know the training she received here during the five years, if put into practice will make her a model house-wife and an example to the hundreds of women about her who are not trained in the art.

SUPPLYING LITERATURE.

Ten years ago our local organizations were without material with which to work, and much time has been devoted in the preparation of such literature as would do the most good in developing the local societies. Constitutions, guides, record books, topic cards, charts, tracts of various kinds, children's bands, young girls' clubs, constitutions with many other helps and suggestions and how to use them, have been provided, and generously used. The great awakening that

has come to all of our local societies is due in the main to the fact, that they have received life and light and have been quickened by the National body.

During this year 21,000 letters, 500 guides, 92 charts, 96 record-books, 32,000 topic cards, together with 118 "The Upward Path," by Miss Helm, were sent out, together with badges and tracts by the hundreds.

The Missionary Societies that are using National Helps are the most wide-awake and progressive, and the presidents of local societies who insist upon the antiquated, ante-bellum methods, and will not use the new song books, and topic cards and other modern devices are so far behind time that they will never get within hailing distance of the Army of the Lord, that has resolved to put the Gospel within the reach of all men in our generation.

Any woman who will not construct her Missionary Society on modern plans and use modern methods, need not expect the society to grow. It is true while we supply a large number of local societies, in churches, yet there are too many women coming to the Missionary Society to lead and are unprepared, hunting the Bible over, and then read the tenth chapter of Genesis, singing, "Am I born to Die" as an opening hymn, praying a long prayer, calling for a collection, and using as a rallying song, "Nothing in My Hands I Bring," and as a closing song, "Everybody talking about Heaven Ain't Going There."

BOXES FOR MISSIONARIES.

During the ten years we have sent the contents of 315 boxes. The annual Christmas offering for 1909 from the local societies in the form of boxes of supplies for the Missionaries on Foreign Fields, went forward in December. Six large, well-packed boxes were sent. Some who pledged did not get their supplies to us in time, and this prevented us from sending as usual the gift to the church a St. Jno., Barbadoes, West Indies. We have, however, succeeded in getting nearly enough to fill a box, and we hope before the close of this meeting that you will pledge for your society the things we need. An urgent appeal has come from Deaconess Higginson, who is looking after the women as best she can in the absence of Brother Phillips.

It is now time for you to make your pledge for the boxes for the Christmas of 1910. As usual we need bolts of gingham, calico, unbleached cotton and thread, needles, thimbles, stockings and overalls of all sizes for boys. Please do not send old clothes, as at most stations the government will

permit such supplies to land. Then, too, we feel that our workers deserve at least a few yards of new material from your organizations, instead of old cast-off finery and discarded garments that are neither fit to wear in Africa or America. Please send gifts for mission boxes not later than November 1th.

WORK OF VICE PRESIDENTS.

It is absolutely necessary for the life of any National Organization to have as its state representatives, workers who will be both constant and loyal; women who have influence in their state organizations, and will let no opportunity pass to present the claims and to make friends for the Convention.

Our Vice Presidents can do more than anyone else toward moulding such favorable sentiment that the women in the local societies throughout the country will be constrained to take an active part in the Missionary Campaign. Some of our Vice Presidents have served since the organization at Richmond, and some who entered upon the work as State representatives have passed away. The Vice Presidents who were elected and have given ten years continuous service are Mrs. C. M. Wells, Alabama; Mrs. Sophia C. Shanks, Arkansas; Mrs. M. E. Hamilton, Tennessee; Mrs. M. M. Buckner, Texas; Mrs. I. Miller, Texas; Mrs. E. P. Fox, Virginia. It was our plan to present at this meeting a report of their ten years' work, but in a future review, we hope to cover the services rendered by these good women.

Mrs. M. M. Gilmore, Vice President for South Carolina, leads the roll of vice presidents, having sent in \$153.00. The vice presidents of Illinois, Indiana, Missouri and Georgia, have done good work.

STAMP DAY.

January 1st is the day set apart by this organization to solicit one or more stamps from each friend to help reduce the postage bill. We conduct an immense correspondence, and send out supplies and literature that make the postage bill unusually large. Those who give help to economize and enable us to divert the funds into the Missionary channel.

We received \$123.06 worth of stamps January, 1910. Mrs. Eva Hooper, Illinois, reported the largest number. Mrs. Hooper is one of the most loyal and untiring workers in this country. She reported 2,832 one cent stamps.

The Board thinks it best to name the stamp collectors at each Annual Meeting, that they may have ample time to reach a large number of friends.

WORK AMONG THE CHILDREN.

We have to report 193 new Bands this year. There are some that have been organized that have not reported. Several of the superintendents appointed last year have been very active.

There is yet a need of literature for the children.

Your most active State Superintendents are: Miss Fannie Blackburn, Ohio; Mrs. Florence Cook, Illinois; Mrs. Mary Flowers, Tennessee; Miss Rebecca Means, Arkansas.

Others perhaps have done the best they could, but we are anxious that the superintendents realize what a great opportunity they have for training the future church. To our minds, this is just as sacred a duty as that of preaching the Gospel to the members of the present church. Let us therefore approach our duty with an assurance that those who feed the lambs have as important place in God's service as those who care for the sheep.

Though Miss Fannie Blackburn, of Ohio, has been in the Training School equipping herself for better service, she kept alive the work throughout the state of Ohio by correspondence when she was in school, and by personal effort during her vacation. Each state needs a wide-awake woman, who knows how to get hold of children, and hold them after she gets them.

FIELD MISSIONARIES.

Each year you send forth into the Harvest Field to sow and to reap, to plant and to water, those faithful, untiring women, who serve as Field Missionaries. You have but to go into the homes, towns and the churches to realize the value of their work.

During the past year, Mrs. E. E. Whitfield has spent all of her time in Virginia, Washington, D. C., Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts and Nova Scotia. Working fields that have not been worked in behalf of our cause, and while in many places the people were uninformed or disinterested, she has succeeded in making friends and opening doors. We are exceedingly grateful to the pastors and missionary workers in the states mentioned, for the help given.

Virginia pastors deserve special mention. They threw open their doors, and gave their people an opportunity of hearing Mrs. Whitfield, and of contributing to the work of the convention.

She also made many friends in the New England States.

The people of Nova Scotia, though few in number, were not only liberal in their contributions, but sent a student and asked for a trained missionary from the school.

Pastors and friends in Massachusetts fell in line and were glad to assist in the good work.

Miss M. M. Kimball has been physically unable to do any work on the field, until the early part of August.

Mrs. L. M. Jackson did not go on the field until January, and has since been doing work in Washington, D. C., New York, West Virginia, Kentucky, Illinois and Missouri. We were grateful to the friends who helped both of these workers to accomplish what is reported by them in this meeting, and in connection, to thank the friends in Washington, D. C., Maryland, Pennsylvania, the New England States, Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky, Illinois, Mississippi, Louisiana and Alabama for their cordiality and liberality upon the visits of the Corresponding Secretary. No section is more loyal to the interest of this convention than this great southland. The southern tour of the Secretary was the most pleasant and profitable she has ever made. Pastors and laymen in all walks of life, turned out en masse to show their interest in the work of the organization. New Orleans gave great meetings every night for one whole week.

OUR STUDENTS.

Miss Delia Dudolph, of Capetown, South Africa, made a good record in the Missionary Training Department during the past year. She regrets that she cannot be here but sends the following letter:

Lincoln Heights, D. C., August 14, 1910.

Miss N. H. Burroughs, Louisville, Ky.

Dear Miss Burroughs—I received a letter from home in which my mother said that Mary will be married soon. Her mother is bitterly opposed to it. I am sorry that she is going to marry so soon. I was in hopes that she would at least do a few years' service, showing her appreciation to the Board, which has given her an education.

We have had a great time here this summer. Miss Moore, our English teacher, is fine. She even goes on Sundays with Mrs. Dillon to conduct Sunday-school in the alleys. They all are calling her Sister Moore.

We had a convert at school to-day. Well, if we are not full of English and the Holy Ghost when we leave here, we will never get full. I hope to go forth to bless others in return for the blessings that are coming to me in America.

Sorry I can't go to the convention. It is so far and it is so pleasant on the hill. Hope you will have a great meeting. Love to all.

Yours,

Miss Alice Alixis, of Hayti, was presented to us last year but did not enter the Training School for the reason that she returned to Wales to help make friends for the work in Hayti. She is now at the school, and we are very glad to say to you that the indications are, that she is going to be one of our very best students.

She is a very cultured little lady, skilled with the needle, and industrious in her general habits and speaks French fluently.

Her tuition has not been provided, and we must also arrange for her clothing. We hope that some organization will give the One Hundred Dollars a year for tuition and board, and that some other organization will give Fifty Dollars a year for her clothing and incidentals.

We have two more boys added to our number of African students, the youngest sixteen years old, and the son of Rev. E. B. Koti, and the other is his cousin. Both are to enter school this year.

They need two suits of clothing each, and four suits of winter underwear each, and before we close the meeting, we hope the organization will pledge them.

All of the boys who were in school last year made good records, and we are grateful to those friends in the states where they attended school who helped them in any way.

MISS SONTUNZI'S VISIT.

Last year we were exceedingly anxious to bring Miss Sontunzi to America, but Brother Murff thought that her health would not permit her to travel. She has again petitioned us to send for her, and is disappointed because she cannot be at this meeting.

The Board decided that if we received enough from the appeal sent out that they would consider having her come, but up to this time, not many friends have responded to appeal in helping to pay the transportation.

Brother Murff is urging us to bring her here, because he believes that the contact with American women, and the training she will get in the Institution at Washington, will make her one of the strongest characters we have in Missionary History. He said without contact and training, Jeannie Sontunzi is a most remarkable woman, and has rendered better service than any native helper or teacher.

Over a hundred women joined the Sontunzi Club, and promised to pay twenty-five cents per month for her support. During the past twelve months we have received less than \$75.00. The pledgers, seemingly, have grown tired of this systematic giving, to a most deserving Missionary.

The Board has pledged its support to Miss Sontunzi for another year, and has decided that the best thing to do is to enroll the faithful few and continue to enlist new friends for her. Will you be one to promise twenty-five cents per month, and then keep your promise for twelve months?

MRS. D. E. MURFF.

There are three girls who have been in the Industrial School at Capetown, whom Mrs. Murff is very anxious to have come to this country to be educated. She feels that they will make excellent workers and will be of great service in many of the mission schools of South Africa.

We have laid the matter before the Foreign Mission Board, and they are willing that the girls be brought, if we can make friends for them who will provide their transportation.

Mrs. Murff further informs us that the Advanced Industrial Class, is making a beautiful banner that they would like to present to the state raising the largest amount of money for our next Conventional year. We are sure the states will be glad to work for a banner made by our African girls.

The Board has decided to offer this banner to the state contributing the largest amount of money next year, and we request that the representatives who desire to compete will hand in their names and addresses before they leave this meeting.

GREAT MEETINGS.

There have been three meetings held this year that are world-wide in their influence—the Laymen's Missionary Movement, The World's Sunday-School Convention and the World's Ecumenical Conference. All of them have widened the vision of the churches and stimulated a deeper interest in the cause of missions. No Christian can attend these meetings without becoming more inspired to do.

During the past year we have been brought face to face with our responsibility to the unconverted world as never before. Those who turn their backs on this responsibility find it still facing them, and those who meet it are getting more out of life than they ever conceived was possible.

There is a wonderfully vitalizing, energizing power in all of these movements, and it is fortunate for all of us that they are inaugurated at this time to save us from our selfishness, and from our commercialism.

Men and women of ability and means, are dedicating their talents and their money to the advancement of the Lord's kingdom, and we are all beginning to realize that our chief business is to reconcile the world unto God. Working on the present plan each one of us can become a world force, and through our direct co-operation and gifts, actually make our life felt around the whole world. The Missionary Movement is broad enough and deep enough for the expressions of the best that is in each one of us. Those who have not already looked upon the field, we beg you to get the vision of the world and its needs, that you may bear your part of the burden of responsibility and into your life will come a new purpose, a new joy, and the rich spiritual blessing that nothing else can give.

SUMMER SCHOOL.

We beg to call your attention again to the importance of leaders in Missionary Circles becoming more familiar with their Bibles. The time has passed when we can excuse our women, who lead religious organizations for not being familiar with the Bible.

There are women who are doing the best they can, but the societies should now take a step forward and give those women who are qualified for leadership, special training in the word of God. The Summer Schools for Bible Study should be crowded with Christian women from our churches, and societies cannot make a better investment than in putting at least one representative in some good Bible school.

The course covers a period of about six weeks and is equivalent to five or six months course in a regular school.

We have done well, when we consider that very few of us have had any preparation for our work, but if we are going to keep pace with progress, we will find it necessary to know our Bibles and to know how to use them effectively in the home, in the Missionary Society, in the church and in dealing with the individuals, who are looking to us for light. Each society is urged to provide a special fund to give the most capable woman they have a course in a Summer School next year.

WOMAN'S DAY.

The last Sunday in July, was as usual, observed as National Woman's Day. Material for making the meetings



MRS. M. A. LIVINGSTON WILSON.
Baltimore.



MRS. M. E. COLLINS.

ness was furnished, and a number of societies cooperated with us in our effort to rally the women all over the country in behalf of missions.

We had hoped to place One Thousand Dollars into the hands of the Foreign Mission Board, as a result of our Anniversary effort, but the total receipts were \$576.13.

The women of Cincinnati observed the 4th Sunday in July and the Corresponding Secretary was present. Nearly \$100 Dollars was given, and many new friends made. On the last Sunday in the month, the day set aside by the organization, the Secretary was the guest of the Woman's Missionary Society of Olivet Baptist Church, Chicago, Mrs. Julia Burgess, President. These women raised \$60.00 and pledged anew their support to the organization. What is done in these two cities can be done in any large city, if those interested in the convention will lay the matter upon the hearts of the people. The day will come when every church interested in the cause of Missions will set aside this day upon which to inform and inspire women to nobler service.

Some of the organizations in the churches sent for our programs, used our material with which to make their meetings a success, and then converted the funds in paying church debts. We did not receive a cent.

A number of individual friends contributed this year, and all we extend our heartiest thanks. Each society is asked to set apart one day in July, use our programs and inform the people of the work and solicit their cooperation.

STUDY CLASS.

Classes for the study of missions are being formed in some churches, but this work is not progressing as rapidly as it could. Each Vice President should organize at least one study class every month. When we cannot get people to study the question of missions, we cannot expect them to have an increasing and an abiding interest in the cause.

The classes are not only helpful in broadening our vision, increasing our knowledge and strengthening our sympathy, but they are wonderfully invigorating spiritually. Each local society should have a study class aside from its regular meeting.

A fair trial of this work under proper management will convince not only missionary workers, but the church as well. Aside from the preaching of the Gospel, there is nothing so stimulating to the church. Those who are working and waiting for the coming of the Kingdom ought to know what

progress is being made by the soldiers of the Cross who are on the Firing Line. The church that is sleeping may be awakened, the society that is dead may have a resurrection if we will study God's promises until we believe them and think of the needs of man until we feel them.

The encouraging reports from the Mission fields are inspiring to any Christian, and if we study the question more we would be prepared to do more intelligent giving and praying.

Every Missionary Society ought to be familiar with the important fields, and the need, and should take pleasure in helping to pray for the workers and to supply their needs. The Mission Study Class will prove a blessing wherever it is taught by consecrated, prayerful, intelligent leaders.

CONDUCT IN PUBLIC PLACES.

Missionary workers can render the race valuable service by doing all they can to help that class of people who provoke unfavorable comment by their unbecoming conduct in public places.

This is particularly noticeable on street cars and in public carriers. We must lower our voices and talk to our associates and not disturb other passengers. Many people wait until they get on the train to give orders about things that must be done at home, and to discuss things that they have already discussed, and to yell at friends a half a block away.

There is entirely too much loud talking on the streets, even during church services. We talk too loud and know too much about everybody and everything. There are many people who do not have contact with us in our homes, in business places who must judge us by this loud mouthed manner, and they actually conclude that we have no home training.

Mothers can help us in this work and can certainly help the school force by calling the attention of their children to the fact, that they are entirely too loud and rude in their conduct during the recess and at the close of school, and so on. One who did not know, would think that the inmates of an insane asylum have escaped, the girls are as bad as the boys. We sympathize with these youthful spirits and we know that many of them must give vent to their feelings, but it is possible for young people to enjoy themselves and yet not act like escaped lunatics.

There can be much real good work done toward changing public opinion, if we will be a little more careful of our public deportment.

Our critics are forever looking for an opportunity to prove that education is not helping the young Negro, and our good deportment will go a long way toward refuting the charge.

Again we have an opportunity to show our good breeding by not running over the people who are in front of us to get a seat in the car or train or any public carrier. A certain class of whites have set a poor example for the Negro in many sections, by making it a point to rush in and read out, so that we cannot get seats, and others show how ill-bred they are, by trying to keep Negroes from sitting down, when the seat is not occupied. There is hardly a day that we do not see cases of this kind.

Many times Negroes are made to stand when there are a number of vacant seats. We have always found that the same class of white people have no objection in the world to sitting by decent Negroes in public carriers, and may remind you here, that decent Negroes have as much aversion to sitting beside dirty Negroes, as they have to sitting beside dirty white persons, but both races can help each other, by being a little more considerate and courteous in public places. Each race is helped and not hurt by being courteous and respectful.

Those who believe that courteous treatment makes the Negro pompous are very much mistaken, but it is neither more nor civil that we be made to stand when we have paid a nickel for a seat, and when another man who has not paid but a nickel is allowed to monopolize two seats. People who object to Negroes sitting beside them do so, not because they are embarrassed, or because the Negro is personally offensive, but because they have an idea that the Negro is good, and that this contact makes him think that he is equal. Perhaps such might be the feeling, but the Negro knows that the man who takes the same kind of fare he takes, and who is little enough to object to him because of color, is not far enough ahead of him to make him feel that he is being elevated by contact.

We have seen our people provoked to act very rudely and demand seats, or squeeze in, and almost sit in the laps of "spreaders." Here is an opportunity for us to show our superiority by not squeezing in. It is better to stand than it is to try to get even with ill-bred passengers. Let us at all times and on all occasions, remember that the quiet, dignified individual who is respectful to others is after all the superior individual, be he black or white.

OUR GIRLS.

A campaign for the enlistment of young women in Christian work must be inaugurated and vigorously pushed. There have been made more and more conscious of the fact that for some reason the church is not getting hold of our young people. The streets are teeming with them, and the church doors are wide open and the pews empty. Criticizing and fault-finding will not draw them. Over against the situation set by the world, Christian women must set attractive as positive and as alluring.

To do effective work we shall certainly have to go to the homes and enlist the mothers. Too many girls are dropping out of the Public Schools before they finish the work in the grades. Too many bad girls are being sent to our Christian or State Schools to be reformed. Many mothers are simply converting our Institutions of learning into reform schools, thereby ruining good girls, who must be thrown into rooms or into close contact every day in the year with those whose thoughts are impure and whose lives are not exemplary. It is very evident that mothers are not doing their duty.

Some girls are allowed to do as they please at home and to associate with all kinds of company right under the mother's roof. There are too many "sweet sixteens" due to old-fashioned courting. Somehow when a girl gets to "courting," she gets to "bossing," and since she cannot get the man, she tries her hand on her mother or other members of the household.

In the average home there is not enough outlined every-day work, and not enough outlined every-day study for girls to do. Indeed the average home is run without a rule, any system, any head, any time to go or any time to come—kind of a do as you please shelter.

We must make our homes more attractive. Each mother should as carefully arrange her program for the day as evening as a schedule is arranged in an institution of learning. The evening should be the time for the family reunion when the pleasant incidents of the day may be related, when the little problems and perplexities and little annoyances may be discussed, where music and innocent games are indulged in with mother and father taking an active part.

Our young people are in the streets very often for lack of companionship in the home. We have in mind a young woman of seventeen, who came to us a few days ago and stated that she had left home because her

was so mean, and in the next breath, she stated that she had married and had left her husband, because he too, was mean to her. This young woman has some ability, but she is going to wreck her life and that speedily. This is the story of hundreds of young women. They run from home where peace and happiness does not prevail and rush into the marital relation, soon to drift with the tide.

We believe it is possible to get hold of the young women who are drifting and we shall not be satisfied until this organization has in every city a Young Girls' Club, that will devote itself entirely to getting its hands on young women and turning them into the church, and into other organizations that will help to build them up. During the past year, we have talked to hundreds of young women, and we believe that the personal touch that we have had with them is going to mean the awakening of aspiration for higher and better things. It may be that you cannot get a large number of members at the start, but you can form a Young Girls' Club in your town, and you will be surprised at the number of young women who really want to be something, and with a little encouragement will get on the right track. Let us save our girls.

THE RAILROADS.

We have continued our interest in the improvement of conditions on the Railroads. The laws are still flagrantly violated, and the roads are slow in doing anything to promote the comfort of their Colored patrons. We decided long since that we would not let up on this question, until some things for which we have asked are granted, and we come to this meeting more fully resolved than ever, to continue to "annoy" the roads about their treatment of colored patrons. Be it understood that we have no objection to riding in cars "For Colored Only" but we shall not be satisfied until first-class accommodations be given, when first-class fares are paid.

We are simply being imposed upon by rich corporations. We come to this convention, bringing a petition to be signed by every delegate here and every representative of state and district organizations, asking that separate toilets be provided for men and women. The present arrangement is too indecent to be permitted by the men, who stand at the head of these great corporations—men who live in luxury, and who would not think of keeping their dogs in places such as they provide for the thousands of colored people who patronize their roads.

We are still asking for basins in which to wash our faces and hands. One or two roads have made provisions, but the majority have not as yet, heeded our petition. We worked for the step boxes until we got some of the roads to order porters to put out the box when necessary.

We have been insisting that all signs be taken down when the Mason-Dixon Line is crossed, and the roads declare that they have given definite instructions to the porters to do this, but we find that while none of the porters forget to put them up quite awhile before we reach the line, but they very often forget (?) to take them down. They may forget to remove the signs, but we shall never fail to remind the operating officials when the signs are up, and as far as possible give our patronage to those roads that look out for their colored patrons, not only when they want to handle a large delegation, but when they are handling the regular traffic.

TEMPERANCE CAUSE.

The temperance cause is still gaining ground.

States, counties and towns are going dry, and many of us will live to see the day, when the legalized traffic of Liquor will be abolished, and when our government will regard the revenue from strong drink as money washed in the blood of the thousands, who are annually lowered to drunkards' graves leaving behind them blots upon our Christian Civilization and families wrecked and ruined, mentally, morally and spiritually.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union deserves the hearty cooperation of every member of the convention, and whenever a battle is waged against the saloon in our state or town, let us take a definite and decided stand against the evil that is doing more injury to our race, than all of the discriminating, humiliating laws can possibly do.

We ask each delegate and friend to carry home this resolution, that if we cannot vote the saloon out of town, we will vote it out of our homes and out of our churches. Men may make liquor, and men may be put into office, who are in favor of the saloon, but no manufacturer and no law-maker can compel us to drink. If we cannot vote the saloon out of town we can vote the beer bucket and the whiskey flask out of the home and out of the pocket. If we cannot put into office men who are opposed to saloons, we can put out of the pulpit men who do not stand for temperance. In fact no man who is not out and out against the saloon should be permitted to preach the Gospel and the church can do much toward breaking up the saloon by putting into the pulpit

men who stand for anti-saloon pulpit, anti-saloon deacons, anti-saloon Trustee Board and anti-saloon church.

The saloon is the worst enemy the home has, and the pastor should certainly stand for the home, for upon its purity and strength, the church must depend for growth.

TWO EVILS.

The five-cent theatres so numerous in our large cities are simply clearing our churches of young people on the Sabbath. The Nickel-theatre is demoralizing. Anything that absorbs the life at the exclusion of Christ, is demoralizing.

There must be an organized effort to reach the mothers, and to lay upon their hearts the evident danger in all of the amusements to which our young people are so much wedded. The pace at which the majority of our young people are going will render hopeless the condition of the next generation. Where will we get mothers—from the streets and public dance halls? God save the race from this brand of mothers, but unless there is a right about face, we will not have any other source from which to get them.

Inviting homes, with a little more of the old-fashioned comfort and less of the fancy installment plan stuff will keep many girls and boys away from amusement resorts. The home needs clean walls, bare floors, well painted, a few rugs that can be cleaned without coming to pieces, and a good library with the best books and magazines. If one half of the money that is spent in buying carpets of flaming hues, fancy clocks, lace curtains, plush furniture, brass beds, was spent in books and in wholesome food, ten thousand homes would be ten thousand times better off. Entirely too much money is wasted in gaudy, showy, cheap stuff, that wears out before it is paid for, or that is taken away by the installment man as soon as the real value is paid. All Installment junk wears out before it is paid for—the dresses, shoes, hats, coats and furniture usually look woe begone before the account is settled. Thousands of people are simply working for the installment man.

In many sections, all of the last season's clothes from New York are sold to installment venders for a song and they in turn sell them at wonderfully advanced prices. As the consequence, installment merchants are reaping a fortune. We know how active they are during the gathering of the cotton, corn and cane crops. We must have clothes. But let us buy less of the cheap and gaudy and get sensible serviceable garments, and either pay cash, or go to reputable firms, and get out of the clutches of the installment sharks.

Thousands of our young women who work at service in the North are simply slaving for these men. Fancy silk skirts that are not worth over Three Dollars, are sold for Ten and Twelve, and hats that can be bought for Four and Five Dollars are marked at twice or three times their value. Would-be fur coats and cloth suits are advanced four times their value. How many poor working girls have you seen "dressed to death" on installment plan, with an outfit that has cost them Fifty or Seventy-five Dollars. This is a pitiful state in which we find too many working girls, who are trying to "dress the fashion of the lady upstairs."

We beg these young women to save their money, buy sensible serviceable clothes, join a reputable benefit organization, and lay by a few dollars each month, for the rainy day that is sure to come. How much we need a dress reform can be told by those who come in contact daily with the mass of working women. Christian women in our churches and Club Organizations are doing much, perhaps unconsciously, to delay the reform.

A premium is being placed on dress, and those who are not able to keep up are not on the list of the "socially eligible." There was a meeting held this summer in which women spent hundreds of dollars for clothing, and several were reported to have had on dresses that cost One Hundred Fifty Dollars and Two Hundred Dollars. The effort of this meeting should have been to show the poor, struggling woman who is trying to rise, how well a woman can look in an inexpensive garment.

We must begin to teach our people that dress and showy tinsel and glitter are not the real things, but that to get the most out of life one must give attention to fundamental things. Religion is the first requisite, industry the next step, education the next, and with these three properly incorporated into one's life, all of the other things may be easily added, but without these essentials no permanent advancement of individual or race is possible.

The mass of the people are simply going fashion-mad, and good time crazy, and to make the case worse, too many of the newly rich Negroes are having great spreads at which we try to outdress each other every time a distinguished personage comes to town.

We want our women to dress becomingly, to at least keep within hailing distance of the fashion, and look as well as they can on all occasions, but it certainly does not require all of the time, money and thought that we are now giving to it, and the influence upon the masses that must be lifted is positively demoralizing.

GET DOWN TO THE MAIN THING.

The primary aim of the Mission work of this convention through its Missionary Societies is not to collect a few old clothes to contribute to the poor and to operate beneficial societies in the churches, but to seek and save souls. All of the Missionary Societies ought to give more time to soul-winning. If this is done, our church pews would not be so empty, and our streets would not be so crowded. The people would flock to the House of the Lord to be saved.

Unless we watch carefully and work earnestly, the encroaching tie of worldiness will sweep this generation off the scene and will make room for a people that will put this transcendent duty of soul-winning first in the work of the church.

How to reach the people is a great question. The only way to reach the North Pole is to go to it. That late Dwight L. Moody attended the International Convention at Indianapolis, Ind., some years ago. It is said that one evening about six o'clock, while the delegates were off to supper, that Mr. Moody walked into a corner grocery store and asked the man to let him use a large box he saw on the outside. The permission was granted. At the suggestion of Mr. Moody, his assistant got up on the box and began singing:

Am I a soldier of the cross,
A follower of the Lamb?
And shall I fear to own His cause
Or blush to speak His name?

A considerable crowd soon gathered. After the singing, Mr. Moody climbed up on the box and began to talk. The working men were just going home from the mills and factories, and in a short time a very large crowd had gathered. The people stood spellbound as the words fell from Mr. Moody's lips with wonderful force and rapidity. When he had spoken for some twenty-five minutes, he announced that the meeting would be continued at the Opera House and invited the people to accompany him there. He lead the way, and as the crowd moved in the direction of the Opera House they sang a number of familiar hymns. The men with dinner pails, followed closely on his heels, and so completely were they carried away with the sermon, that they forgot that they were on their way home, they forgot that they were tired and dirty. The man touched their hearts, their thoughts were turned inward, and so they followed him who could tell them the most of this Divine glory that came to

them through the sermon and through the songs. The Opera House was soon packed to the door. He saw that all the men were seated before he ascended the platform. His second address was as captivating as the one delivered on the street corner and it was not until the delegates had arrived for the evening session of the convention, that Mr. Moody closed the meeting saying, "Now we must close, as the brethren of the Convention, wish to come in to discuss the question, 'How to reach the masses.'" Here was a man who had successfully reached the masses, while others were talking about it.

We cannot reach the masses by simply holding conventions, making eloquent speeches and reading fine papers. We will find that we must talk to the people, not about them, and not at them. The class we are after is in the streets, in the alleys and in the lanes. They do not read the daily papers, they do not come to our churches. They do not read our papers that week by week plead for and with our people, condemning their vices, and extolling their virtues, and giving as far as it is possible, the bright and dark side of the question. There is no use to continue the discussion, "How to Reach the Masses." We are all agreed that there is but one way—Go out among them and preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ to them.

Then, too we believe that the church on fire spiritually will draw the people. The people are really hungering for the Gospel, the real old-fashioned Gospel like that preached by Peter on the day of Pentecost. That Gospel so full of Christ and of Heaven and of glory that men will give anything to go to glory with us.

"THEY REST FROM THEIR LABORS."

This convention has lost by death, two of its treasurers: the first Mrs. S. C. V. Foster, Alabama, and Mrs. Artissa Gilbert Wilkerson, Kentucky, and four of its Vice Presidents: Mrs. E. P. Donaldston, Washington; Mrs. S. C. Gates, La.; Mrs. Hattie E. Jackson, Ohio; Mrs. A. M. Peyton, Illinois. The last named was with us in our Annual Session at Columbus. A few months after news flashed over Chicago, that death had claimed Anna M. Peyton. A chill ran through the many hundreds of women throughout the city and state who had been with her in religious and fraternal organizations. The departed lived a useful, active life. She never missed a single session of this convention, and was always assigned to work on its most important committees. Though physically incapacitated for duty, so anxious was she to

serve that she died in the harness. If departed saints are permitted to look down upon such pleasant scenes as this, our sister Anna M. Peyton speaks to us out of heaven to-day asking us to sing "Where Jesus is 'Tis Heaven," the song she sang so beautifully before we parted last year.

We mourn her loss. We miss her but thank God, like others who rest from their labors and who die in the Lord, she is not dead.

"A star gone down
To shine upon some fairer shore,
And bright in Heaven's jeweled-crown,
She shines forevermore."

THE TRAINING SCHOOL.

The National Training School for women and girls, owned and operated by the Woman's Auxiliary and the National Baptist Convention, is a reality. The opening day, if prophetic, will bring to your efforts glorious results. It was an ideal Autumn day, and hundreds of people were present to bid us "God Speed." Many representatives from the States were present, and many more sent greetings.

During the year, we have given much attention to getting things properly started, and injecting into the teachers, as well as the students, the spirit of harmony, good-will, contentment, cleanliness, industry, that should prevail in the ideal Educational Institution, that this must ever be. Filled with the right spirit, we have lived happily together for these ten months.

The Winter was a severe one, and like all persons who have just started to housekeeping, our needs were many. Food and fuel were daily necessities, and while we practiced the strictest economy, the bills would run up. We closed the year, however, not owing a cent for food or fuel.

OUR STUDENTS.

A finer set of women and girls cannot be found in the world—loyal, helpful, cheerful and hopeful—they made this year a very happy one to us. No sacrifice was too great, no task too arduous for them if it meant help for the Institution. Their "spirit" was simply inspiring, and at the close of the school year, fifteen decided not to go home during the Summer, but preferred to stay on the hill and look after the chickens, the garden, and the orchard for you. As a result, we have over 200 chickens, 400 jars and glasses of pre-

serves and jam, made from the fruit out of our orchard, and out of the garden they fed the Summer School, and we have sweet potatoes, onions and turnips enough to supply us quite a while during the Winter. They could have reported more to you, but we did not have a horse and plow to till more ground, but with the coming of the horse already pledged by Zion Baptist Church, Cincinnati, Ohio, of which the Vice-Chairman of our Trustee Board, Rev. J. Franklin Walker is pastor, our girls will plant vegetables enough to supply the school.

You may wonder why they have been so helpful. It is because they know that the Institution is theirs, and its success means their success. They know that the hundreds of women over this country, who have made possible the establishment of the school, are expecting great things of them, and they are determined that they shall not be disappointed. They fully realize that the opening of this school is in answer to prayer, and that God is expecting their lives to count in His service. Truly this is the Training School spirit and God helping us it shall ever live.

MANAGEMENT.

We have taken the very best care we possibly could of all that you have given us. Only four towels were lost last year. Three vegetable dishes, four plates, five cups, three saucers, four glasses and one knife were broken. Not a table napkin was lost. Three table-cloths got very small holes in them, and had to be darned. Not a sheet, nor a quill, nor a blanket was misplaced or damaged in any way. One mattress was damaged. Any number of lamp chimneys were broken, but everything that was broken or damaged was promptly paid for by the student who was so unfortunate. Our walls were not marred. Not a chair, nor a piece of furniture was damaged. We are giving as much attention to taking care of what we have, as we are to getting what we need. The floors are bare, and are kept perfectly white by old-fashioned scrubbing once a week. The rooms are cleaned thoroughly daily, and every closet is kept in perfect order, for every day and at any hour, the inspector may be around.

The students are compelled to do their laundry work every week, and must wash every soiled piece they have, so that there are no "left-overs." The soiled linen is kept in the laundry and not in the rooms.

Our students keep well. We did not have to have a physician for any of them during the entire year. The President was the only one who spoiled the record by getting sick.

OUR TEACHERS.

We had five teachers and a matron who stayed on the grounds, and three who came from the city. They gave splendid service and several of them deserve special personal mention. They were paid promptly each month.

Drs. W. Bishop Johnson, J. Milton Waldron, Walter H. Brooks, teachers in the Missionary Training Department, deserve special commendation. They served us without charge, and were faithful to their duty as teachers, and exceedingly helpful in making friends for the school.

Miss M. M. Wall, who served as Secretary and teacher, deserves special mention. She has been the most faithful, stirring, and unselfish woman with whom it has been our pleasure to be associated. Without her, we would not have been able to stand up as well as we did, and the Lord gave us to us for just such an hour as this.

THE WOMAN'S AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY HELP.

The Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, closed the Training School at Dallas, Texas, last fall, and turned over to us, two students and the very best teacher we had. We were delayed in opening the Missionary Department because Miss Jennie L. Peck, Dean, had to attend the business of closing out the Caroline Bishop School at Dallas. She came to Washington in December, and took charge of the work of training our young women for Missionary Service at home and abroad. Her rich and ripe experience and her special fitness for the work assigned her, made her a most valuable accession. She has stood nobly on our side during these months, and her encouragement, advice, and great sympathy, and above all, intense desire to make the Training School the greatest Institution in our country for the preparation of our women for work in the church and home, has made us thank God again and again. The Board at Chicago saw fit to make such a valuable contribution to our cause.

There are fifteen students in the Missionary Training Department, four are being trained for work in Africa, and one for work in Hayti. The others will do service on the home field.

We extend to the society our heartiest thanks, and we are sure that though in our first year, that they are able to report more colored women in training in our Institution to Missionary work, than they have in any other school in

this country. Their investment is going to pay, and well, for there are several in the class who are going to bright and shining lights.

During the year, we were visited by Mrs. Katherine Westfall, Secretary of the Society, Mrs. Johnson, of the Educational Department, Mrs. A. E. Reynolds, who has been appointed a member of our Advisory Board, Mrs. Mapleton, Mrs. A. Baker, the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Barbour, Treasurer, our own Sister Moore, Mrs. Dr. Inald and several others.

SPECIAL GIFTS.

Many of the letters that came on Opening Day contained not only congratulatory messages, but contributions.

Mrs. Maggie Walker, President of the St. Luke's Band, the most successful Negro business woman in the world, sent greetings and a check for Five Hundred Dollars. Mrs. Walker is one of those unselfish, unpretentious Christian women, who give because she loves the Lord, and not to have her deeds of charity heralded abroad. It was her request that we simply accept this handsome gift, and use it in paying for our property, and not make any mention of it, but we are very much like the little boy, whose sister was afraid that he would tell her beau what she had been saying about him, so she gave him a quarter to keep his mouth shut. When her beau came, the little fellow looked at him and grinned, and went off in a corner and sat where he could get a good view of him, and kept laughing, when he could not control himself any longer, he said, "Here sister, you told this quarter, I will have to tell what you told me or bud." Though we were asked not to make any mention of the gift, we will simply make an apology to Mrs. Walker, for we are certain that Mrs. Walker is the only woman in the room who has thought enough of the struggles of her own people to give even half of this amount this year. There are some who are able to do it, but they have not quite enough of the selfishness and indifference out of them to do so.

We do not wonder at the rapid growth of the Independent Order of the St. Luke's. It has at its head, a woman who loves God and her fellowman. Her great love for masses, and her willingness to join hands in their up have been rewarded by the way in which she is treated the thousands of women who are willing to join us thanks to God for having given us a woman who as she advances gets nearer and nearer her own people.

During May we received a contribution from Mr. John Converse, to help us in our Summer School Work. This philanthropist, one of the largest contributors to the work of practical evangelism, has since passed away. Because of his gifts, thousands of souls have been saved. It may be truly said that he loved his fellowman, supremely, because he loved their souls. We shall ever remember him, for the kind words he sent us, and for the contribution he made to our effort to train the women of our race for service at home and abroad.

We have one friend who has stood by us all of these years, and whose words of cheer, have served as a source of strength and inspiration. We refer to Miss Ewen; she is thoroughly interested in all we are trying to do, and we thank God not only for her help, but for her love messages, that have served as a wonderful stimulus, when the way has been dark, and the path rugged. Thank God for all of these friends, and we shall make their contributions count in the lives of those they have striven to help.

ENLARGEMENT.

It is absolutely necessary that we have a building sufficiently large, and equipped for the work that this Institution is doing. The growth is going to be so rapid, that the matter cannot be delayed. \$50,000 is the amount asked for by the trustees, and we trust that every friend will contribute handsomely to the Building Fund, and the work may be begun within the next three or four months.

Under this one roof, we must have an immense Laundry, equipped to do all kinds of work, for not only can we get students enough who are too poor to pay for their education, but we can get all the work we can do to enable them to complete their education.

In this building must be a Domestic Science Hall, Commercial Department, Millinery and Dressmaking Department, together with necessary class rooms and dormitories. It is useless to attempt anything small, for even though we have this building properly equipped, we will outgrow it within the next two or three years.

HOW WE CAN GET IT.

If a thousand men and women in this Convention will give Ten Dollars each, five hundred, Five Dollars Each, two thousand, Two Dollars each and one thousand, Three Dollars each, we will have the building finished before we

come to another Annual Meeting. This must be done. We have ordered it, and you need it, and it will come to us. Help us to lay it upon the hearts of those who realize the importance of training a large number of the women who will make their lives count in the uplift of the race.

URGENT NEEDS.

We must have money with which to meet pressing obligations, and we beg to suggest the following financial plan. If you will accept this, and help us to work it, we will be out of debt in a few months, and will be able to give our attention to the raising of funds for the building of the Industrial Hall. Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars will wipe out the present indebtedness paying note, interest on property for all improvements, repairs and furnishings. To this end we are asking One Hundred Churches to give Five Dollars each, Two Thousand Women to give One Dollar each, and Five Hundred men to give Two Dollars each by December first. Each trustee will be responsible for raising Ten Dollars of the amount asked for. This plan makes the burden so light, that it can be carried without anyone feeling it.

Our other immediate needs are a permanent teachers' salary fund of \$3,600 per year, wind-mill, furnace, two complete all-wool blankets, outfit for Domestic Science Department, scholarships, \$100.00 each per year for deserving girls, books, especially of Reference; standard books of History, Literature, Biography and Travel; farm and garden implements.

We must call particular attention to our immediate need of a furnace. The kind that should be installed, will cost \$178.00. We cannot go into the winter without it. If a hundred friends will lay \$1.00 each on the table tonight for this particular purpose, and seventy-eight others will pledge a dollar to be paid October 15th, the work will be done at once.

We call special attention to the service a laundry will be to us. It will not only give us an opportunity to make the teaching in this department very practical, but it will enable us to help girls who are simply begging us to help them to get an education. They are willing to do most any kind of work. We all know that it is not difficult to get a plenty of laundry work, particularly for an institution that is trying to teach students to help themselves. Mrs. Whitfield has been appealing for this particular work. We trust that her dreams will be realized in the building of a laundry in a very few months.

GIFTS PROMISED.

At the meeting of the Trustee Board, of the Vice Chairman, Rev. J. Franklin Walker, promised for the Zion Baptist Church, to give a horse before the opening of school. Drs. L. G. Jordan and E. C. Morris, a delivery wagon; Rev. Geo. E. Morris, a harness; Rev. S. W. Bacote and church, a range for Domestic Science Hall. We are expecting these gifts to be on hand at the opening, October 4th.

THE SUMMER SCHOOL.

The Summer School of Bible Study and Industrial Arts was conducted from July 4th to August 16th. Rev. S. N. Vass, Miss Jennie L. Peck, Miss Georgia G. Moore, and Rev. J. Milton Waldron were the instructors. Special lectures were delivered by Rev. M. W. D. Norman and Prof. Kelly Miller. The average attendance was thirty-four, and those who took advantage of the special instruction by these distinguished teachers were wonderfully helped. As a climax to the work of six weeks, the spirit of the Lord touched the heart of one of the young women and she was converted.

Not only did we conduct a school out on the hill, but under Miss Peck, assisted by two students in the Missionary Training Department, a Summer Vacation Bible and Industrial School was conducted in the city every day for five weeks. Seventy-four persons attended with the number of strangers who from time to time swelled this number considerably.

The Sunday-school has given opportunity to the students for practice work, and it has been a great blessing to our neighborhood.

We also conducted an Industrial School weekly. This is attended by boys and girls, and we have fifty-three enrolled. The Dean of the Missionary Training Department has charge of this work. We have been glad to help those that are at our doors, and the people of the community have shown their appreciation for our efforts by sending their children to our Industrial School, and by taking an interest in all of our Public Meetings.

There are fifteen in the Missionary Training Department; four pledge to do work in Africa, one in Hayti and ten to join hands with you, in doing Mission work on the Home Field. Our church and city mission work needs them now, and we are glad to say to our pastors, that some of these young women will prove very valuable pastor's assistants. Nine states are represented in the Department, seventeen states and two Foreign countries in the school, and of

the thirty-one students enrolled last year; all of them are preparing themselves to do some definite work. The majority of them have a decided mission spirit, and the Dean of the Department says that "with a few years of thorough training, they will develop into strong, faithful, unselfish leaders, such as are greatly needed, both on the Home and Foreign Fields." Every student who was in school last year, will be with us again this year, and we have on our roll 75 Prospective Students. The attendance this year will be between seventy-five and a hundred.

WHY SEND YOUR GIRLS TO US.

Because this Institution is devoting itself entirely to the development of the best that there is in every woman and girl, and thus create within her, self-reliance, deep sympathy, and will so clear her vision, that she will see her duty and on every hand, work to do, and will not be lacking in the disposition or determination to do her part well. Send them to us because we look after the Moral, Religious, Intellectual and Industrial Development of their lives. Send them to us because they are free from social temptations so common in most of our mixed schools. Send them to us, because we are not going to turn out makeshifts, but workmen of whom you will be proud.

At the conclusion of Secretary's address, a motion by Mrs. P. J. Bryant, that the most profound address of Secretary Burroughs, brimful of facts, that inspired us with renewed zeal and hope, be received and adopted; and her recommendations referred to the Committee on Recommendations. Carried.

A motion to suspend rule, and elect Corresponding Secretary by acclamation. Several sisters spoke to the motion, contending for Constitutional requirement. Question was called by the house. Vote taken: Yeas, 120; nays, 10.

A motion by Mrs. Bryant that the election of Secretary be made unanimous, carried.

A motion by Mrs. Lillie Smith, of Colorado to make the election of President unanimous. That motion considered out of order. Dr. Fanny Kneeland spoke, contending for Constitution, President Layten informed the doctor, there was nothing before the house.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Mrs. Parrish said, after listening for several hours to the inspiring address of our Secretary, we were too full to contain more; so she would omit her written report which she had prepared as Treasurer, and simply give us the figures of receipts and disbursements which corresponded to those read by Corresponding Secretary. (See the Report.)

A motion prevailed to receive and adopt Treasurer's report. A motion, that rule be suspended, and the Treasurer and all other officers be elected unanimously; and Secretary Broughton cast ballot for the Convention. Carried.

A motion to reconsider the action relative to President Layten's election, and make her election unanimous, carried.

Announcements made. Benediction by Dr. C. H. Parrish.

EVENING SESSION.

Miss Burroughs called the house to order, and presented Dr. Clanton. Dr. Clanton called our attention to two books, that would be helpful additions to our libraries. Dr. Walter Brooks also presented us a book, containing valuable information relative to our Denomination. These books were highly commended. A letter of inquiry was read.

THE YOUNG GIRLS PROGRAM TAKEN UP.

Miss Burroughs called the participants to the platform, and turned the meeting over to Miss Holman. Bible reading, Eccl. 12th chapter by Mrs. Lula Jackson. She emphasized verse 13, taking as a theme—"The Time to Enlist." As early as a child realizes himself a sinner, he should enlist in God's service.

Song, "Higher Ground."—Prayer. Remarks by Miss Holman, emphasizing the importance of the early conversion of children.

An address—"Home Influence the Chief Factor in a Girl's Life," was effectually delivered by Miss D. A. Horkenhull, of Arkansas.

Solo, "His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me." This beautiful selection was rendered with telling

effect, by Miss Ophelia Porter, of Louisiana. An encore, "Does Jesus care?" was sweetly sung.

Address, "The Responsibility of the Women of Our Churches to Young Girls," was well delivered by Miss Ida Mae Miller, of Indiana. Duet, "Is there any one to help us?" This selection was sung pathetically, and made deeply impressive by the fairy-like attire of the singers, and their suggestive Delsartean movements.

Address, "Shall we save the girls or reform the women." Miss Rosalie Hanna delivered this address so forcefully all were impressed, to save our girls was the chief concern of all mothers.

Solo, "He lifted me." This was sweetly sung by Miss Geneva Staulz, Louisiana.

Rev. E. E. Whitfield was called to the platform to pray for our young women.

Miss Burroughs spoke of the importance of the occasion, and asked that the offering be taken without singing or speaking. Amount collected, \$38.74. Prayer by Dr. A. R. Griggs. Announcements made.

Benediction by Rev. W. S. Ellington, Editorial Secretary of Publishing Board.

EARLY PRAYER MEETING.

Friday, September 16, 1910.

Prayer service opened with prayer, by Miss Burroughs. Theme, "What God hath done for us," announced by Vice President Bryant. All present testified to the many blessings God had bestowed upon them. The manifestation of the Holy Spirit gladdened all hearts.

FRIDAY—MORNING SESSION.

BIBLE HOUR.

Misses Holman and Blackburn conductors.

Prayer by Mrs Mamie Clark, of Ohio. Song, "Is thy heart right with God?" Bible Lesson, Luke 10:1-16; subject, "Need of laborers." Sisters read the lesson. Comments by Miss Holman, (1) Pray for laborers; (2) Kind of laborers needed.

A small boy of seven years of age read a verse and sweetly commented; another sister commented on the topic.

Song, "Glory to his name." Prayer by Mrs. Rosie Stevens, Georgia. Song, "What a fellowship."

President Layten called Mrs. Rosella Robinson, of Indiana, to formally open Convention with prayer. Committees were again announced. (See Reports.) Order of the day taken up.

REVIEW OF THE FIELD.

Mrs. E. E. Whitfield, subject, "The Pastor." Introduction remarks. She spoke of her journeys with their varied experiences, expressing a wish that she might speak at the victories and triumphs of our work; but as she was assigned a subject, she must commit herself to the subject. However, her heart was so full of the struggles, and victories achieved through the prayers, and faithfulness of the faithful, she could not refrain from saying words touching that subject. Her stirring words touched the hearts of her hearers. She then proceeded to deliver the following address:

THE MINISTER A HELPER AND HINDERER TO MISSIONS."

We have both Helpers and Hinderers, but I am glad to say, however, the Helpers number more than the Hinderers. Perfect revival of interest in Missions depends largely on a thoroughly consecrated, aggressive ministry. The missionary work of our churches will never rise higher than the ministry. We have ministers whose hearts are filled with divine zeal for world-wide Missions, and their churches are filled with the same spirit. They have prayer in their churches, and prayer is a lever that will move the world. They work, they give, they send, they run, they go and by doing they are obeying the command of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, who has said "Let my gospel run and be glorified." These ministers' churches are not dead, but are working up to that spiritual height that will bear the entire church onward upon a wave of spiritual enthusiasm. Peter was worked up to this spiritual height and the people heard him, when he preached that day and three thousands were caught up and borne heavenward. The ministers who help do missionary work—not spasmodically, simply when they hear returned missionaries tell of

the suffering in the dark and benighted lands; but they have their shoulders to the wheel day after day and year after year, always abounding in the works of the Lord. These ministers have good churches. They have money to pay off the indebtedness of their churches. They have plenty to eat. They are taking care of their families nicely.

But not so with the ministers who hinder missionary work. They will not do any missionary work and they do not encourage their churches to do so. But they do encourage charitable work and church extension work.

But every time you meet these ministers who hinder, they are crying hard times and look like worse is coming; these people are drifting away from their churches and they are not preaching the gospel of world-wide missions. I would like to say right here to the ministers who hinder the work of God's gospel who has said go in all the world and preach my gospel to every creature, the gospel has saved you and it will save others; then let it go. Every minister ought to say way down in his soul, let me help throw out the life-line.

President Layten complimented Sister Whitfield's address, and said, that it was difficult to tell which was the preacher in the Whitfield family, Sister or Brother Whitfield.

Mrs. Lula M. Jackson, an address,—“The Vice Presidents and President of Missionary Societies.” Sister Jackson's introductory remarks. A touching story of sickness and sorrow in her home during the past year was related; we were glad to know the everlasting arms were underneath her, and she was safely borne through the storm, with her every want supplied. Thence to her subject.

(1) Vice Presidents and all officers have excellent opportunities for Christian service.

(2) Choice of officers important.

(a) Should be active and loyal to the cause.

(b) Glorifying in the cross only.

(c) Elect for fitness not favoritism.

(d) Elect women given to hospitality, who will pray, plan and assist field workers, when in their territory.

She kindly referred to Vice Presidents, who had been especially helpful to her,—Mesdames Parrish, Briggs, Griggsby, Williams and McDowell. Mrs. McDowell, at her own expense, had accompanied the missionary throughout her state. All the good women, as Vice Presidents and all the good women who had in any way contributed to forward the work, were encouraged to go forward, and do greater

better work. She also sounded a note of warning.—If those in command did not do their duty, God would remove them, and place others, better fitted to serve, in their stead.

President Layten complimented Mrs. Jackson's pointed, thoughtful address, and then presented Miss M. M. Kimball to address us, subject, “The People.” Miss Kimball expressed her joy in being present, and stated that sickness had prevented her from appearing before us as field worker, the past two years. She said that she wished to subscribe her approval to what had been said about pastors, and officers of missionary societies. These distinguished personages were the doors of the people. The people in the aggregate, are with us for the principles we hold,—the uplift of womanhood and world-wide missions. As a body set in motion will continue to move unless hindered by an external force, so the people will do right if let alone, and not hindered by our leaders. A jealous spirit existing among leaders; the world-vision necessary to broaden our views, and bring us closer together in our endeavors. Spirit of disinterestedness and indifference seemed apparent. God was raising up an army of young people to take the place of antiquated leaders, who hindered the work. Let the people alone, and our principles will prevail.

GREETINGS FROM THE STATES' VICE PRESIDENTS.

“What have I done to promote the work of the Convention,” Mrs. C. M. Wells, Vice President, Alabama made a strong speech; she impressed the Convention that she had done a good work in the State of Alabama. She presented \$5 to Miss Burroughs for the training of a young woman; and pledged \$10 per month toward her support.

Mrs. S. C. V. Shanks, Vice President, Arkansas, said that she had been loyal to the work for the past ten years. She saw the work to-day more clearly than ever; and she had induced not a few of the women of her state to feel that Arkansas was an important factor in promoting the work of this Convention.

Mrs. Lillie Smith, Vice President, Colorado. She brought the greetings of Colorado, and said, that three years ago, a state organization was effected in Colorado. She was appointed missionary, and in six months time succeeded in building up a work for God, that was telling upon the lives of the people in that mining district. There were only fourteen Baptist churches in Colorado and there were fourteen

missionary societies. Hers was a hard field, many oppositions; but God was with her, giving her victories; and as the people were getting informed, the work was growing, her sisters were with us to be helped, and to help along all lines.

Mrs. M. J. Davis, Vice President, California, brought greetings from southern California. She said that different conditions prevailed in California, and she could not repeat as others had done. Hitherto the colored Baptists in California had worked with the white Baptists. There were only a few colored Baptist Churches with small membership; they did some home mission work; were in sympathy with us, and wished our field workers would visit California and help impress her people with the work of our Convention.

Mrs. Minor, substitute for Mrs. J. M. Layten, Vice President of District of Columbia, brought greetings; she said that her sisters were moving steadily forward under the noble leadership of their worthy Vice President.

Mrs. H. E. Harris, Vice President of Georgia, brought greetings. She said, that she had met a goodly number of women in the rural districts of Georgia and thereby made many new friends for our work. The old story, of charity beginning at home, had been often repeated; but in spite of obstacles, the work in Georgia was going forward.

Mrs. L. Washington, Vice President of Georgia, emphasized the fact, that anti-missionary pastors did seek to hinder our work; but she had pressed forward, and was thanking God for the victories He had given her.

Mrs. M. D. Griggsby, Vice President of Indiana, brought greetings from her state. She had proven her loyalty to the work of this Convention during the past ten years, and she was ready to renew her pledge to stand by the work of the convention along all lines. God had used her in the salvation of fifty souls during the year; and she had been given added zeal for future service.

Mrs. Hattie Wells, Vice President of Illinois, brought greetings. She realized that women were necessary to the success of any worthy cause; she was glad to say that the women of Illinois possessed the warriors' spirit and could be relied upon to do their full duty.

Mrs. Emma Goins, Vice President of Kansas brought greetings of the Sunflower State. She said that her sisters were laboring and praying to be helpful to every phase of our work. An Old Folks' Home, and other charities were being fostered by her state. The National Workers

The men's Convention hold the right-of-way in Kansas. She hoped the sisters' work would continue to advance and Kansas would do more to help it.

Mrs. M. V. Parrish, Vice President of Kentucky, brought the greetings of her State. While she had done no little, she was not here to tell just what she had done; because it was all of the Lord, and not herself. She regretted that her sisters criticized the ministers, for they were God's appointed. She had kept in touch with the heads of all the departments; she approved of working in harmony with the white Baptists. Other denominations gained strength from such co-operation, and were getting hold of our children. Baptists should grind their corn at their own mill, and save the toll." She gave the following statistics: Prayer meetings attended, 1,190; Bibles and Testaments distributed, 11; Pages of Tracts distributed, 2,925; Religious visits made, 384; children induced to attend Sunday-school, 384; non-church-goers induced to attend church, 378; religious talks, 211; poor and suffering aided, 608; garments distributed, 38; sinners brought to Christ, 276.

Mrs. N. L. West, Vice President of Louisiana, said that she was glad to have us in her state; a Pentecostal shower had swept over Louisiana and many souls had been saved; Louisiana was determined to take the world for Christ. She assured us that her state was loyal to our work; and presented a check of \$25 for Foreign Missions.

Mrs. R. L. Bennett, Vice President Missouri. She told of the hearty welcome extended her, upon going into that state; she had found Sister McDonald, President of the State, loyal to the work of this Convention. She spoke of the Girl's Dormitory, as an object of special endeavor in Missouri, a Woman's Union in St. Louis, another special line of work in Missouri. Bible Institutes are also held, and greatly stimulate the work. She presented \$5 for Foreign Missions.

Mrs. Lula Jackson reported her work in St. Louis at this point. In three weeks, she raised there, \$127.44.

Mrs. Sarah Johnson, Vice President, Ohio, brought greetings from her State. She referred to the decease of the late Vice President, Sister Jackson, and said, like Elisha of old, who received Elijah's mantle, she had received the mantle of Sister Jackson, and would endeavor to do her full duty to have Ohio keep in line with all the work of our Convention.

Mrs. L. M. Landrum, Vice President, Oklahoma, said that her state organization was young; but was loyal to the National Convention. The State was trying to build a school; yet hoped to aid us in the general National work. She donated \$2.

Mrs. M. E. Hamilton, Vice President, Tennessee, spoke of her pleasant connection with the Convention of these ten years; she was deeply in love with her State, for the work she was doing; and that Tennessee was loyal to the National Convention. Her State had 14 District Women's Associations; 1 State Convention, 3 Denominational Schools, and many local missionary societies. She had answered every call of the Corresponding Secretary, she had ever been near the Executive Officers, and was ever on hand to do her duty as an individual, and as representative of the great State of Tennessee. She spoke tenderly of President Layten from her relation to Tennessee, as the home of her childhood. She had been helped by her contact with the good women of the Convention, and as she missed the dear departed ones she hoped to be missed, when she departed to her Heavenly home.

President Layten stated that Vice Presidents Bryant and Parrish would preside in the afternoon meeting; and the reports of Vice Presidents of States would be continued.

Offering taken, \$1.71.

Benediction by Rev. B. S. Evans, Mississippi.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotions were conducted by Mrs. L. A. K. Johnson, of Mississippi, and Mrs. _____ of Texas.

Song, "I need Thee every hour." Bible Lesson, Matt. 4:1-20; subject, "Fishing." Song, "Just as I am." Lord's Prayer, repeated in concert. Song, "Blessed assurance."

Minutes of morning session were read and approved.

Greetings from Vice Presidents continued.

Mrs. M. M. Buckner, Vice President of Texas, said that Texas was such a large State, she was proud to speak for it. She asked the delegates from Texas to rise, as witnesses of her statement. Truly a large number were present. In 1866 she was carried from New Orleans as a child; to return a free Christian woman engaged in the great work of Missions, as represented by our Convention was a great joy to her. She assured us she had been a loyal representative of Texas all of the ten years of our existence as an organization; she was still loyal, and would ever keep on work before her constituency in Texas. She spoke of the State Schools, and an Old Folks' Home they were fostering in Texas; told also of her effort to raise her anniversary money for the National, and presented \$25.

Mrs. McNorton, of Texas, substitute for Vice President Miller brought greetings from the Missionary and Educational Convention of Texas. She reported 17 District Associations; 73 Local Societies; 950 members; 25 Starlight Bands; money raised \$784.63. Her sisters were interested in a Nurse-Training Department in connection with one of their State Schools. She was present to get information and inspiration, and would return home more determined to work for the interests of our Convention.

Mrs. M. M. Gilmore, Vice President, South Carolina, brought greetings; she spoke of three State Schools that her sisters were fostering; they also responded to every call of the Corresponding Secretary; her interest had steadily grown, since she met the Convention in Washington, D. C., and she had kept busy to have South Carolina represented each year.

Vice President Buckner pledged a monthly donation for the support of Miss Alice Pierre Alixir, of Hayti, in the Training School. Mrs. S. C. V. Shanks pledged \$10 for Arkansas; Mrs. Lillie Smith, \$5 for Colorado. A letter of inquiry was read. Ladies on program for afternoon were called to platform.

FOREIGN MISSION PERIOD.

Miss Hoffman, of Tennessee, being absent sent her paper, "The evangelization of the world," which was read by Mrs. M. R. Flowers.

- (1) The great commission was our marching orders.
- (a) The word "go," was often used by our Lord.
- (b) Who should go—Ye who are saved, ye who believe in Jesus; yes, all of you, who are saved are commanded to go.
- (2) Why should we evangelize?
 - (a) Because of the millions who know not God in heathen lands.
 - (b) Because of the indifference of those in Christian lands.
 - (c) Harvest great—laborers few.
 - (3) How to accomplish the work.
 - (a) Through Christ we can do all things.
 - (b) Now the time to work; the night cometh.

alarming number of heathen, who have never heard of Jesus, should move all Christians to obey the Saviour's command. Go! and evangelize the nations.

Mrs. E. P. Holland, of Rhode Island, an address—"Hardness and Opposition in Missionary Service." She expressed her joy in being present, and her gratitude to her New England sisters who had placed \$75 in her hands to come to

this meeting, and learn of our work. Paul's admonition Timothy was presented, "Endure hardness," etc.; *self*; lift up Christ; and He will enable us to do all things. Hardness may result from lack of consecration; from lack of self-sacrifice. We were urged to open our ears to the voice of God—be deaf to the world; consecrate our tongues to speak the truth; our hands to do helpful service; our feet to walk in wisdom's ways. Thus prepared, much of the hardness would be overcome. Lack of encouragement in service hard. She wished for us God's choicest blessing and said she would return to her home with glad tidings of the work we are doing.

An address, "The effect of studying Christian Missions," by Mrs. Lillie L. Smith, Colorado. Skilled labor plentiful; competition strong; hence, no workman should undertake anything worth while without preparation. As in the business world, so in church life, preparation is essential to a degree of success. The old quotation—"Open your mouth and the Lord will fill it," had been too long abused by the too lazy, or too ignorant to apply themselves to meet the demands of the age.

Why emphasize the study of Christian Missions? because it is the greatest subject in all the realm of thought; all Christendom is aroused on the subject; the door of opportunity stands open at Lincoln Heights, Washington, D. C., in our Training School, for this all important work of preparation for Christian Missions. Jenny Lynn's ambition was to be the best. Hence her world-wide fame as a singer. Emulate her noble ambition.

Miss E. B. Delaney, returned missionary from Africa, was presented.

A Symposium—"A Personal Obligation and Opportunity." Miss Delaney extended a kindly greeting to the sisters and expressed herself as delighted to meet them; she then addressed the Convention upon the subject given.

(1) We are obligated to mankind,—those far away, as well as those nearby.

(a) We owe service, thought, influence, prayer, money, indeed all we are and have.

(b) Will take our life-time to pay our obligation. God sends deputies; as rescuers are sent to sinking vessels, so are we sent forth of God to rescue dying souls, that will be eternally, unless as individuals we do our duty to save them.

(2) Never was there greater opportunity.

(a) The war is on.

(b) Through you God will redeem his pledge, "I will be to me," etc., (Ps. 2:8.)

Thus beautifully and impressively did Miss Delaney discuss the subject assigned her. Vice President Bryant gave sisters opportunity to discuss the subject.

Opening of Question Box was called for.

Song, "Higher Ground."

Miss Camilla Weems, of Spellman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga., was introduced. She spoke of the excellent facilities Spellman offered for the Christian education of our young women, and solicited the patronage of the Convention. Mrs. J. W. Hawkins, the widow of the late Rev. J. W. Hawkins of Lexington, Kentucky, was also introduced. She expressed joy in being present and assured us of her interest in the great work we are engaged in. Rev. J. W. Thompson, of Marshall, Texas, was introduced. He led in singing, "When we all get to Heaven." By special request of Miss Burroughs, he also led the song, "Step in anywhere." All rejoiced, as these inspiring songs were sung; and many hearty amens, and hallelujahs were heard.

Collection taken, \$6.40.

Benediction.

EVENING SESSION.

Devotions conducted by Miss Hattie I. Forrest, of Georgia. Subject, "The Bible as a Lamp." (2 Tim. 2:1-15.) Song, "Leaning on the everlasting arms." Prayer; song, "I'm a child of the King." Prayer; songs, "When the battle's over;" "Saviour more than life to me." Mesdames Griggaby, Vice President, Indiana, and L. Washington, Vice President Georgia, were presiding.

Mrs. S. J. Gray, of Illinois, commented on the passage—"Study to show thyself a workman," etc.

Mrs. Fanny Bogan rejoiced to be present, for she regarded her presence there a direct answer to prayer. General discussion of the subject, "The Bible as a Lamp," and singing songs of praise were engaged in by several.

Order of the day taken up.

Song, "I'll shout His praise in Glory."

Report of Board of Trustees of The National Training School. Mrs. M. V. Parrish, Chairman, rendered the report.

She said the first year's work had been a glowing success. The Bible was the chief classic taught, Christian development the chief object; number enrolled 31; spiritual life commendable. Five teachers employed; and three others from the city gave their services.

An interesting letter read from Miss Jenny Peck, Dean of the Missionary Department. The teachers were named and their work complimented. The handsome donations were spoken of; the commencement exercises enjoyed by all; products of the garden, orchard, and poultry yard all contributed to the success of the year's work; summer school was well attended.

Treasurer of School reported. Total amount received, \$7,043.42; total expenses, \$9,283.24. A motion to adopt the reports of Chairman and Treasurer of the Training School, was carried.

An address, "The Christian School as a Factor in Our Race Life," Mrs. P. J. Bryant, of Georgia. The Christian School stands for the three-fold development of Heart, Head, and Hand.

- (a) Industrial Education emphasized.
- (b) Heart culture essential to any acceptable service.
- (c) Special demand for skilled labor made Head culture indispensable.

We present you such a School on Lincoln Heights, Washington, D. C., and entreat you to consider our School, and give it the hearty support it so well deserves.

Address, "Two in One," Mrs. E. Arlington Wilson, of Kansas.

- (1) Education, a safe-guard to the State.
 - (2) A healthy evolution in the system of Education.
 - (a) The practical, and not theoretical only, is the demand now.
 - (b) Intellectual and physical—two in one.
 - (3) The education of our youth a great problem.
 - (a) All the educators see the importance of the two-fold training.
 - (b) Our National Training School a fulfillment of the prayers and efforts of our noble women.
- Song, by choir, "Singing and trusting."

ROLL CALL OF TRUSTEES.

Mrs. Pitts, Alabama, \$25.25; Prof. Hudson, Alabama, \$10; Rev. J. P. Roberson, Arkansas, Mrs. P. J. Bryant, Georgia, \$10; Mrs. Anna Webber, Indiana, Mrs. E. A. Wilson, Kansas, \$5; G. E. Morris, \$3; Rev. M. W. Gilbert, New York,

\$5; Mrs. H. Weakley, Texas, \$16; Dr. Griggs, Texas, \$5; Mrs. M. E. Terrell, Virginia, \$12.56; F. Cobb, West Virginia, \$30; Prof. Byrd Prillerraan, West Virginia, \$5; Mrs. S. W. Layten, \$5; Miss N. H. Burroughs, \$50; Mrs. M. V. Parrish; Mrs. V. W. Broughton, Tennessee, \$1; Mrs. M. E. Goins, Missouri, \$5; General Convention, Texas, \$15; Mrs. L. Smith, \$1; Other contributions were made: Mrs. M. G. Gibbs, Alabama, \$17; Mrs. A. S. Jackson, Texas, \$50; Mrs. M. E. Hamilton, Tennessee, \$15.

A lady's suit, baskets, aprons and other articles were offered as gifts on certain conditions. A public collection was taken as follows: Alabama, \$3; Louisiana, 50cts.; South Carolina, 50 cts.; Illinois, \$5.

Mrs. Margaret Blake, of Chicago, Ill., secured the dress, as the person giving the largest sum in the State, that gave most in the public collection.

Benediction by Rev. Chas. Morris, of New York.

SATURDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Saturday, Sept. 17, 1910.

The early morning prayer service was conducted by Sister Lula M. Jackson. Bible Lesson, Jas. 1st chapter. She commented on verse twenty-seven. Talking about Jesus and his love, is not enough; talk needs to be followed by active service. A goodly number were present; all seemed blessed, and took part in the services.

Bible Hour—Miss Holman conductress. Song; prayer; song, "Blessed assurance." Bible Reading, Eph. 4th chapter. The lesson was discussed generally. The women were urged to develop the gifts God had given them and faithfully serve in whatever place they were fitted to fill. Sisters Alexander, Jenkins and Means testified.

Song, "I am thine, O, Lord." Prayer, Mrs. H. Weakley of Texas. Song, "Loud and strong the Master calleth."

Minutes of Friday afternoon and evening read and approved.

THE HOME MISSION PERIOD.

An address, "What We Can Do to Improve the Home Life of the Masses."

- (1) Get the masses converted to the Christian religion.
- (a) Gospel the panacea for all ills.

- (b) United effort needed.
 - (2) With God's aid, all things possible.
 - (a) Personal contact necessary.
 - (b) Example together with precept will help greatly
- Quotation—Longfellow's—"Psalm of Life."

An address—"Our Weights: The Street Element, and How to Lift Them," by Mrs. C. R. McDowell, of Missouri. Mrs. McDowell began her address by reference to a scene on the streets of New Orleans; little girls as well as boys had been seen there cleaning the streets. These children were criminals, and thus working out their sentences for petty offenses; lack of home training possibly the cause of the sad condition. She said, that we need not criticize nor complain, there was a cause underlying the condition; impurity in the home life was too general; married women refusing to be mothers of children, hence many were born unwelcomed even by their mothers. We should seek to remedy the evil, rescue the children; and strive to help the mothers. Other waifs; idle men and women loitering around the streets; we should strive to reach and help them; no time to delay; message to save the nations given to women; an appeal made to the more fortunate ones to give largely to reform schools, detention homes, et cetera. A strong earnest talk relative to our duty to the criminal element of the race.

An address—"Our greatest Foes—The Saloon and the Nickel Theatres," Mrs. N. V. Maxey, of Texas. "The Saloon." Mrs. Maxey paid a high compliment to the Convention, and thanked the Committee on Program for assigning the above subject to her for discussion; for she detested the saloon and really considered it our deadliest foe. The removal of the saloon decreases crime, enriches the people, and increases the population. Figures and testimonials of officials given to substantiate above statements. Time limit prevented Mrs. Maxey from concluding this most instructive address.

Address—"The Nickel Theatre," Mrs. Frances, of Illinois. Mrs. Frances spoke of her visits to saloons, jails, and almshouses, and said, the greatest harm was the loss of human souls; children left fatherless, homeless and uncared for; women left widows, with no visible means of support. The ravages of the saloon were everywhere manifest in demoralizing our race. The Nickel Theatre was hand in hand with the saloon in the destructive work, that hindered the progress of the race.

A motion to give Mrs. Maxey five minutes more. Lost.
Mrs. S. M. Fisher, of Alabama, discussed "What We Can Do to Improve the Home-life of the Masses."

- (1) The Home-life the base of all civilized life; the mask is taken off in the home—it's the soul's retreat. Home—the oldest institution; the church an aggregate of homes.
- (2) Our previous condition as slaves, largely responsible for our crude ideas of Home-life.

- (a) By example, we are to teach what a well-regulated home should be.

- (b) Jesus said much about the home-life; His spirit will enable us to do much, to improve conditions.

"Our great Foes—The Saloon and Nickel Theatre," discussed by Mrs. M. Evans, of Georgia. These evils were encouraged, because of the financial benefits to those operating them; the drunkard was diseased in soul and body; patent medicines partially responsible for increased consumption of strong drink. The Saloon and Nickel Theatre great foes to good health and morals; hence we should never cease to make war against them.

"Our Weights—The Street Elements and How to Lift Them," discussed by Mrs. S. J. Gray, of Illinois. Mrs. Gray, said that the unwillingness many of our women had, to become mothers, was the cause of much distress, sickness and death; and the placing of waifs on the streets to the mercy of the world. Extravagant and unbecoming dress a great weight. Illustrations given. Failure of our men supporting their wives and children, a great weight. A strong practical talk that was very impressive. President Layten said, that all our women would marry could they find congenial companions.

Mrs. F. E. Cook, Illinois, Superintendent of Children's Bands, said she had reached a goodly number of children; had raised some money; and secured a life membership badge.

Mrs. Rebecca Means, of Arkansas, Superintendent of Children's Bands, said, that her work was growing; many children had been converted; and she had brought some money to the Convention. She also brought little James Buschee, seven years old, of Little Rock, Arkansas, who moved all our hearts, by the gracious words he spoke so distinctly and audibly, that we wondered, what manner of child he was. Mrs. M. H. Flowers, of Tennessee, brought greetings from the W. B. H. M. S. She also spoke of Miss J. P. Moore, extended her love to all; and called attention to Sister Moore's books, that she greatly desired her friends in Louisiana to read.

Mrs. Maxey was given five minutes more to conclude her

address. She added many other helpful thoughts, as to the destructive effect of the saloon. Finance Committee reported. (See Report.)

Total amount reported, \$618.23. By motion the report was adopted.

Mrs. Elnora Williams, of N. California, brought greetings. She came 2,000 miles or more as a volunteer to represent her section. She was doing mission work as best she could; and hoped the time was not far distant when her section would be fully represented in our Convention.

Song, "Onward Christian soldiers."

Mrs. Givens, of Kentucky, presented a book for sale. The net proceeds were to assist "A National Industrial Home."

Corresponding Secretary made her supplementary report. Total amount received, \$918.81. (See her reports, for itemized statements.)

A motion to adopt report. Carried.

Enrollment Committee made report. (See report.)

A motion to adopt report prevailed.

Corresponding Secretary also submitted a list of names Committee on Obituary reported. (See report.) A motion to adopt. Mrs. Lula Jackson spoke to the report. Report was then adopted.

Mrs. L. Smith, of Colorado, called attention to the illness of the pastor of Austerlitz Baptist Church, and suggested that special prayer be offered for him. President Layton called attention to the presence of a blind brother, and asked the sisters to remember him as they were able to do.

Mrs. Sylvania Williams, of New Orleans, was introduced. She spoke a few words of congratulations.

Benediction by Dr. Terrell, of Virginia.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President Layton took up the order of the day.

Committee on Education read report. (See report.) By motion the report was adopted.

Committee on Recommendations read report. (See report.) By motion, the report was adopted.

Rev. Thorbourne, of Panama, spoke of his work and

asked for our prayers and continued support. A communion set was one of his special needs. A collection of \$8.08 was taken for him.

An address, "The Child Problem," by Mrs. M. H. Flowers, Tennessee. This is a very important subject; the world is being stirred over it.

(1) The right kind of parent is needed to train the child.

(a) Children a blessing to the home.

(b) Should not be left to themselves.

(2) God desires the babies to be saved.

(a) More attention should be given to their training.

(b) God's word will never fail, as to the training of children.

Mrs. H. J. Wells, an address, "Keeping the Missionary Society Alive." Keep down vanity; reach young women; circulate literature, and have trained workers.

An address, "How to Increase the Attendance at Each Meeting," Mrs. R. T. Frye. She mentioned the following twenty-one plans:

1. By preparing ourselves in secret prayer. 2. A wide-awake president. 3. Officers who will cooperate with president. 4. A live Missionary Committee. 5. Individual reports. 6. Missionary library. 7. Short sessions; never exceed an hour. 8. Invite women to attend, publicly, etc. 9. Appoint some one to report current news. 10. Have entertainments that will please. 11. Be sure to have sympathy of pastor and church. 12. Have a Missionary rally. 13. Organize a Union Missionary Society. 14. Change order of things when necessary. 15. Celebrate Woman's Day. 16. Have Society represented in National Convention. 17. Take monthly collections. 18. Have an Annual Sermon. 19. Use your Topic Cards. 20. Have a public installation and free reception. 21. Advertise your society in the papers.—Thus laboring you will surely interest many.

An address—"Good and Bad Financial Methods," Mrs. L. A. M. Williams, Texas.

All good methods should be taken from the Bible.

(a) Give systematically.

(b) Give willingly.

Give as God hath prospered you.

Bad methods.

(a) Entertainments on Sunday.

(b) Questionable amusements at any time.

An address, "How to Use Literature Effectively." Be-

cause of Mrs. Emma Gaines' illness, Mrs. Watson discussed the subject. She said, appoint leaders who are prepared to teach; and use the Topic Cards as arranged for our study.

Dr. Vass was introduced. He spoke of his interest in our work and his great desire to have the people read their Bibles. He congratulated our women for the manner they were conducting their Convention.

Dr. Perkins, of Leland University, New Orleans, La., was introduced. He said, that he heard that several of his graduates were in the city, and he came to see them, and bid us a hearty God-speed in our worthy effort to develop the womanhood of the race.

Mrs. Green, a President of Georgia; Mrs. M. T. Wells, President of First District of Louisiana; Mrs. A. Westbrook, of Oklahoma, were all presented, and spoke a few words, assuring the Convention of their love and loyalty to the work of the National Baptist Convention.

Benediction by Dr. Vass.

EVENING SESSION.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Misses Jessie Holman and Blackburn. Many fervent prayers and songs of praise were engaged in. Rev. C. G. Fishback, of Kansas, Field Secretary of Foreign Mission Board read Luke 16:1-10; subject, "Stewardship." Dr. Fishback ably discussed the subject; and Mrs. J. E. Givens, of Kentucky, and Mrs. M. T. Mitchell, of Illinois, spoke on the subject.

The Committee on Temperance made report. (See report.) A motion to adopt report. Carried. Dr. Sutton E. Griggs, of Tennessee, Secretary of Educational Board, was introduced. He spoke of the deplorable state of heresy existing in the north, east and west. Even President Taft said not to believe in the Divinity, Miracles and Resurrection of Christ. The south alone believes in the one Lord and one faith. He concluded his remarks by paying a glowing tribute to the consecrated women of this country.

Committee on Missions reported. (See report.) A motion to adopt the report. Carried.

Conference—State and District Presidents, Mrs. R. H. Wright, of Alabama, spoke complimentary of the Normal school in her state; and of the good work done for this

vention. She said Alabama had given the handsome sum of \$500.62 for this Convention. Mrs. J. E. Givens spoke of the excellent work being done in Kentucky, emphasizing the slum and charitable work done there. In a few well-chosen words she spoke of her trip to Scotland, referring to the excellent treatment shown her by the Bishop of London, giving her a special carriage and extending her all courtesies possible for the short time of her visit. Dr. L. G. Jordan, Secretary of Foreign Mission Board, was presented. He spoke in detail of the World's Missionary Congress in Scotland. He said, that we do not pray enough—we are twenty-five years behind in Mission work. He gave suggestions how to foster Missions in our churches: Have five-minute talks on Missions every Sunday by some prepared worker; be more Christ-like, for we had more money than religion. He paid a glowing tribute to the women for their \$1,100 contribution to Foreign Missions this year. He spoke highly of the work of the Training School. In sad terms he spoke of the death of Rev. H. N. Bouey and his son.

Miss N. H. Burroughs made announcements; and asked for pledges for the School. Mrs. J. E. Givens pledged \$25; Miss J. P. Moore gave 100 copies of her book—"Courtship and Marriage;" Mrs. E. A. Jackson, of Kentucky, assisted in selling the books, at fifteen cents each.

The Finance Committee raised collection, \$7.30.

Dr. R. H. Boyd, Secretary of Home Mission and Publishing Board, was introduced. He briefly reported the great work of his Boards, emphasizing the work in the Panama Zone, telling us some of the urgent needs of that field.

Doxology. Benediction, Rev. L. G. Jordan, D. D.

SUNDAY—MORNING SERVICE.

September 18, 1910.

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. Carter, of Georgia, Rev. Roberson, of Arkansas, and Rev. Bennett, of Missouri. Song, "Lord, in the morning thou shalt hear." Prayer by Rev. E. P. Johnson. Scripture reading, Matt. 5:1-16 by Rev. Carter, of Georgia. Song, "What a friend we have in

Jesus." Prayer—Rev. Dr. Fishback. Song, "Give me that old time religion." Rev. C. H. Bell, D. D., of Tennessee, was introduced by President Layten, as the preacher for the morning service.

Text, 1 Cor. 3:9. Subject, "Christians—God's Fellow-workers."

(1) God a tireless worker. "My Father worketh hitherto and I work."

(a) Superintends work of creation.

(b) In nature, God's footsteps seen.

(c) In history his plan is visible.

(2) Man a partner with God.

(a) Two can't walk together unless they agree. Hence can't work together.

(b) A reverent spirit necessary. Examples—Moses' call illustrative; John and Peter called to be fishers of men.

(c) Clear-sightedness necessary. Second touch of God's grace often necessary, that we may not see men as trees.

(3) Importance of work so great, God has worked from Adam to Noah, from Noah to Abraham—on and on to Jesus. The acme of His love being manifest in the gift of His Only Begotten Son.

(a) His birth portrayed. The marvelous appearance of the Trinity at His Baptism; the Transfiguration.

(b) Jesus, the representative of the gospel, committed that gospel to the church. The great commission.

(c) Christ gives us his idea of the importance of his work. When 12 years old He said, "I must be about my Father's business." As substitute for a saved sinner, when asking baptism of John He said, "Suffer it to be so." Though hungry and tired at Jacob's well, he forgot himself, and saved a lost woman.

(4) Great condescension for God to take man into partnership with Himself.

(a) Wondrous love! God dependent upon us.

(b) We should be stirred to the depths of our souls, as to our responsibility.

(c) Man dependent upon God. Without the Holy Spirit man can do nothing. Illustration—Without sunshine and rain no vegetation can grow and bear fruit. No man can do effectual service without the anointing of the Holy Spirit.

(5) God's presence assures success.

(a) Training School can run.

(b) New Mission stations can be operated.

(c) Discouragements of every kind overcome—poverty, envy, intrigue.

Strong appeal made to labor on together with God until the war is over.

Song, "The Gospel ship is sailing." President Layten testified to the blessedness of the gospel message delivered us; many hearts echoed amen to this testimony.

Offering taken \$12.59. Announcements were made. Song, "Step in anywhere." Rev. Thompson, the sweet singer in Israel, was still leading in the singing.

An intelligent blind brother was present; and he praised God to have an opportunity to appear before our Convention that he might encourage those who might consider themselves unfortunate from blindness, or any infirmity. He praised God, because he loved all his children, and made it possible, that all, under any misfortune could be useful, and not cast away. He made an appeal to the unfortunate to patronize the institution for the blind, the deaf and dumb, a forceful, convincing talk was made, full of suggestive reference to the history of God's dealing with the blind and other unfortunate persons.

He presented an ordinary typewriter, and wrote several sentences, as given by persons in the audience. His work was highly commendable; his blindness seemed no impediment. We were all convinced that God could use all his children, who would submit themselves to him.

An offering of \$4.45 was taken for the blind man.

Benediction by Dr. C. H. Bell.

EVENING SESSION.

Song service conducted by Rev. Thompson, of Kentucky, and Rev. C. M. Cartwright, of North Carolina. Songs, "Am I a soldier of the cross?" "Dare to stand like Joshua." Bible Reading, Ps. 1. Prayer. Song, "Lean on His arms." Prayer by Dr. Griffith, of Iowa. Song, "I have a friend so precious." Prayer, Dr. Proud, returned missionary from South America. Song, "Give me that old time religion." Scripture Lesson, Hab. 2:1-14, read by Dr. Griffith. Song, "Blest be the tie that binds." Dr. Stevens, of St. Louis, Mo., was presented by President Layten to preach at that hour.

Introductory remarks—Congratulations for President Layten and Secretary Burroughs; the work of the Training School, and of the States in general. Text, Hab. 2:2.

(1) Habakkuk on the watch tower waiting to hear the Lord's message.

(a) Need of this day, workmen who have a vision from God.

(b) God's charge to prophet—make the message plain.

(c) Running multitudes to be reached. Great problems before the American people—many mentioned. The race question of greatest importance.

(2) The Lord gave the word, and they that published it, were a host of women.

(a) Women must inspire and encourage men.

(b) Religion a principle, not a spasm—ignorance a curse—knowledge power—Habakkuk in the tower to learn.

(c) Women should exalt God's word, seek to have it taught in all our schools; encourage its teaching as to giving: economy, chastity and temperance, especially.

(3) Knowledge of God shall cover the earth.

(a) Adjust our saving machinery to the people—go to them; manifest love for them! Save them!

(b) Express gratitude to the Christian white people who have helped us hitherto; keep in touch with them.

(c) This knowledge of God will reconcile all nations. Like Joel of old, our women must second every action that tends to save the race. With the one word, "Jesus," as our watchword, let us take the world for Christ!

Song—"Marching to Zion."

In the absence of Dr. E. J. Fisher, of Illinois, Dr. P. J. Bryant, of Georgia, was asked to install the officers. The elective officers, and all the State Vice Presidents; Superintendents of Children's Bands, and Superintendents of the four sections of the country were called forward. They were formally and impressively installed with apt suggestions relative to the duties of the respective offices, by Dr. P. J. Bryant, of Atlanta, Ga. Song, "When we get to Heaven." Offering taken, \$12.43. Songs, "Step in anywhere," by request, "Glory to His name." Miss H. A. Shaw, pianist, served us graciously throughout the various sessions, as accompanist. The choir, Rev. Thompson and the pianist have our most sincere thanks and gratitude for their gracious, cheering services. By request, Rev. Goins, of Missouri,

prayed for the pastor of the Austerlitz Baptist Church, who was sick, and hence unable to attend any of our services; also for Mrs. Nellie Bishop, of Tennessee, Dr. Fisher, of Illinois, Dr. Coran, and others of our number who were suffering from ills of various kinds.

Dr. Proud was given an opportunity to present his work in South America. He spoke of his pleasant relation to our Convention in Cincinnati, Ohio; our encouragement given him in Washington—and then told us that his work in South America was in a healthy condition; valuable property was being secured, and whatever help we could render, would be thankfully received, and relieve him of serious embarrassment. He spoke pathetically of Sister Rhea, a fellow-worker, who had departed this life; and said, that her son was here being educated for the blessed ministry in South America. He made an earnest appeal for our Missions in South America. Beside the contributions brought up for Foreign Missions, a collection was taken for Dr. Proud's work. Amount collected, \$8. A banner was to be given as announced to the State reporting the largest number of annual members.

Song, "God be with you, till we meet again." A general handshaking. Benediction by Rev. Griffith, of Iowa.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING.

New Orleans, La., Sept. 14, 1910.

The Executive Board of the Woman's Convention Auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention, held a session Wednesday afternoon in the Austerlitz Baptist Church. The minutes of last meeting were called for. Miss Burroughs stated that making of the program was the only work done at the last meeting. The statement was accepted. Secretary Broughton read the minutes of the Executive Board meeting held in Columbus, Ohio, Sept. 1909. Mrs. Edward suggested a correction relative to the appointment of the Finance Committee. Considerable discussion arose as to the four names selected. Finally, the minutes were adopted as read.

The Local Committee read Recommendations. A motion

that the Recommendations be adopted, as read, unless there were objections. Carried.

- (1) Call roll of members.
 - (2) Seat annual members.
 - (3) Badges to be sold only to delegates, representing organizations; and to annual members.
 - (4) That the Executive Board select persons to represent States when not otherwise represented.
 - (5) That we be responsible for the education of Miss Alice Pierre Alixir. Mrs. Edwards pledged \$10 toward the young lady's clothing, annually.
 - (6) The matter of adjusting the distribution of minutes. The matter was freely discussed. A motion, that a committee of three to work in connection with President and Secretary Burroughs, previously appointed, to arrange a plan for printing and distributing minutes. Carried.
 - (7) That we have a meeting of all officers of State and local societies, ere the Convention closes its annual sessions.
 - (8) That we make "Woman's Day," the 5th Sunday in July, in deed and in truth,—“Woman's Day.”
 - (9) That the President be given her expenses and \$35 at the Annual Meeting; also her expenses to the Executive Board meetings and Commencement of the Training School, when she attends.
 - (10) That the Vice President, at large, be mentioned in the Constitution, in the list of officers.
 - (11) That the country be divided into Districts, and Superintendents be selected for each District.
 - (12) That Mrs. Amanda Godsey be elected Vice President for State of Washington, and Mrs. Mary Stratton Vice President for West Virginia.
 - (13) That the Conventional year close July 1st or 15th rather than Aug. 1st.
- A motion by Mrs. A. A. Whitfield that Mrs. C. H. Johnson, of Nova Scotia, be Vice President of that Section.
- An amendment, that the contributions already paid in by the societies in Nova Scotia be accepted as their representation in this Convention; and the lady presented by Sister Whitfield be elected as Vice President. Carried.

Mrs. Parrish called attention to the wisdom in having an hour's service in memoriam of our beloved dead. By common consent the service was agreed upon.

The matter of increasing salaries of Field Workers was discussed; no action taken.

(14) A recommendation: That we inaugurate a campaign to enlist young women for our work; that we increase our membership by enlisting 5,000 new women, who have not hitherto been reached.

(15) That special effort be made to save, and help educate our girls, and secure employment for them.

(16) That railroads be asked to give separate toilets for our men and women.

(17) That we have two closed sessions: one for women only; one for Baptists only. Mrs. A. A. Whitfield spoke to the recommendation relative to railroads, saying, “we need to send petitions to our men as well as to the railroads.”

A motion, to refer all other business to the local Executive Committee. Carried.

EVENING SESSION

Meeting opened with prayer by Vice President Bryant. The matter relative to President's appropriation was called up. Chairman Parrish ruled that the matter should be settled by the Convention. Questions and answers relative to the work of the Executive Board followed.

We learned that the Executive Board was subject to the Convention; and during the sitting of the Convention, the voice of the Convention was supreme. A motion by Mrs. A. A. Whitfield—That, in lieu of the \$100 annual appropriation to the President, her expenses and \$36 be paid to attend the National Convention; also her expenses be paid to at least one Board meeting during the year, and to the Commencement exercises of the Training School, when attended. Carried.

Mrs. R. L. Bennett asked why Prof. Chas. Stewart had not reported the doings of our Convention. Corresponding Secretary Burroughs said, that Prof. Stewart had not given due consideration to our conventional work heretofore, and

consequently she had not encouraged him to report this year's work. A general discussion ensued.

A motion prevailed that we secure Prof. Stewart as reporter for next year, at \$15, if available.

A motion—That Prof. Stewart publish a synopsis of our work of this Convention in the morning paper. Carried.

A motion to pay Prof. Stewart \$5 for reporting a synopsis. Carried.

A motion prevailed to pay Secretary Hudson \$50, due on minutes.

A motion prevailed to pay bills—

President Layten's expenses.....	\$ 66.61
Vice President Bryant.....	25.00
Treasurer Parrish.....	25.00
Recording Secretary.....	56.00
Assistant Recording Secretary.....	42.00
Finance Committee.....	16.00
Enrollment Committee.....	16.00
Sergeant-at-Arms.....	4.00
Two Assistants.....	8.00
Sexton.....	4.00

A discussion arose concerning a bill presented by Chairman of Committee on Courtesies. Finally, the bill was paid, \$4.

A motion prevailed that hereafter only the officers' bills, Finance and Enrollment Committees' bills, and those for current expenses be paid. Mrs. L. S. Edwards, and Mrs. M. E. Hamilton offered to give their services hereafter.

A motion to adjourn presented. By request of President the matter relative to her appropriation was settled by the Executive Board. The motion as presented by Mrs. Whitfield was again presented—Yeas 24; nays 6. Thus deciding to give the President expenses and \$35 to attend the annual meeting; and her expenses to at least one Board meeting during the year, and to the Commencement of The National Training School, when attended.

A motion to divide the country into districts, and appoint the superintendents. Carried. Mrs. E. B. Holland, Superintendent for North, Mrs. L. D. Pruett, of Louisiana, Super-

intendent for South, Mrs. Lyons, of New Hampshire, Superintendent for East, Mrs. Francis Grant, Superintendent for West.

A motion to give the remaining \$3.37 to Rev. Thorburne as our part of \$25 for a communion set. Carried.

The motion to adjourn called. The Board adjourned subject to call of Chairman.

S. W. LAYTEN, President.

V. W. BROUGHTON, Secretary.

Finance Committee—Mrs. M. E. Hamilton, Tennessee, Mrs. L. S. Edwards, Virginia, Mrs. Harris, Georgia, Mrs. Thomas, Illinois.

Reports of Committees as rendered. They served during the sitting of the Convention.

COURTESIES.

Mrs. Bledsoe, Ill.; Anna Hall, Tenn.; W. F. Botts, Mo.; Maggie Jordan, Miss.; M. L. Blank, Camille Weems, Ga.; Annie Gun, Ga.; M. A. B. Smith, Tex.; Horance Walker, Tex.; Mrs. J. W. Hawkins, Ky.; Miss Mary G. Harris, Ky.; A. W. Wiesm, Tex.; Mrs. E. L. Hill, La.

LOST AND FOUND.

Mrs. R. R. Jackson, Mo.; Mrs. Sallie C. Williams, La.; Mrs. S. A. Mims, Miss.; Nancy Tyler; L. O. Washington, Ala.; Rosaline Gray, La.; Rosie Stevens, Ga.; A. E. Jackson, Ky.; Margaret McNeal, Tenn.; Maggie Newman, Miss.; Sadie Reed, Ind.; M. J. Reddish, Fla.; R. M. Grave, Tex.; Miss Lillie Frazer, Ky.

COMMITTEE ON SEATING.

Mrs. Shanks, Ark.; ——— West, Okla.; Mrs. C. R. McDowell, Mo.; Mrs. Dean, Ill.; Mattie Gibson, Mo.; E. R. Jackson, Ga.; M. V. Watts, Ark.; Emma Pullum, Tex.; Lizzie Coleman, Ky.; Katie Flood, La.

APPENDIX.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

New Orleans, La., Sept., 1910.

ALABAMA.

Woman's Educational Congress.....	\$ 5.00
Missionary Circle, Franklin St. Baptist Church, Mo- bile.....	5.00
Mrs. Mabel Mills, Brewton.....	1.00
Total.....	\$11.00

ARKANSAS.

Woman's Union District Association.....	\$10.00
State Convention.....	20.00
Mission Band, Canaan Baptist Church, Texarkana..	5.00
Sunshine Band, First Baptist Church, Little Rock...	2.50
Total.....	\$37.50

CALIFORNIA.

Woman's Convention of South California.....	\$10.00
Mrs. Elnora Williams, East Oakland.....	1.00
Total.....	\$11.00

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Sunday School, Metropolitan Baptist Church, Wash- ington.....	\$5.00
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FLORIDA.

Missionary Society, John the Baptist Church, Pensa- cola.....	\$5.00
Mrs. Y. A. Roberts, Sanford.....	1.00
Mrs. P. A. Turner, St. Petersburg.....	1.00
Total.....	\$ 7.00

MINUTES.

GEORGIA.

Missionary Circle, Liberty Baptist Church, Atlanta.	\$5.00
Woman's Missionary Society, Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Atlanta	2.00
Junior B. Y. P. U. Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Atlanta.	5.00
Total	\$15.00

INDIANA.

Missionary Society, Union Tabernacle Baptist Church, Indianapolis	\$5.00
Woman's Missionary Circle, Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Indianapolis	6.00
Missionary Society Whitely, Muncie Baptist Church, Muncie	4.00
Total	\$15.00

ILLINOIS.

Women's Missionary and Educational Convention, Aux. to Bethlehem Association	\$15.00
Mother's Union, Ebenezer Baptist Church, Chicago	5.00
Missionary Circle, Hermon Baptist Church, Chicago	5.00
Young Ladies League, St. John Baptist Church, Chicago	10.00
Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, Original Providence Baptist Church, Chicago	5.00
Total	\$40.00

KANSAS.

Woman's Baptist Home and Foreign Mission Convention	\$20.00
Mission Circle, Pleasant Green Baptist Church, Kansas City	8.00
Mission Circle, First Baptist Church, Kansas City	10.00
Total	\$38.00

KENTUCKY.

Mission Circle, First Baptist Church, Lexington	\$8.00
Mission Circle, Lampton Baptist Church, Louisville	12.00
Miss Hattie C. Harris, Richmond	1.00
Mrs. E. D. Walker, Louisville	1.00
Total	\$22.00

MINUTES.

LOUISIANA.

Woman's First District Association, New Orleans	\$10.00
Springville Educational Association	14.00
Woman's Baptist State Convention	20.00
Louisiana Missionary Baptist State Convention	18.00
Greenfield Missionary Baptist Society, Hammond	5.00
Home Mission Society, Austerlitz Baptist Church, New Orleans	5.00
Ladies Auxiliary to the Ministers' Extension Union, New Orleans	5.00
Mission Society, Jerusalem Baptist Church, Minden	5.00
Mission Society Sixth Baptist Church, New Orleans	5.00
Mrs. M. J. Porter, Alexandria	1.00
Mrs. Mary Forman, Hammond	1.00
Mrs. Chloe Davis, Monroe	1.00
Mrs. Lillie D. Davis, Shreveport	1.00
Mrs. Mary E. Robinson, New Orleans	1.00
Total	\$92.00

MINNESOTA.

Woman's Auxiliary Pilgrim Baptist Church, St. Paul	\$5.00
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MISSISSIPPI.

Woman's State Convention	\$20.00
Second New Hope and Meridian District Convention	14.00
Enoch Grove Missionary Society, Florence	1.50
Mission Circle, El Bethel Baptist Church, Meridian	5.00
Missionary Society, Mt. Olive Baptist Church, West Point	\$10.00
Mrs. Bertha Winder, Boguachitto	1.00
Mrs. Julia E. Lenoir, McComb City	1.00
Mrs. S. A. Jenkins, Meridian	5.00
Mrs. Mary E. Ford, Greenwood	1.00
Total	\$58.50

MISSOURI.

Mission Circle, Biddle Street Baptist Church, St. Louis	2.00
Mission Circle, South Galilee Baptist Church, St. Louis	\$2.00
Mrs. M. F. Herrold, Keytesville	1.00
Total	\$ 6.00

MINUTES.

OHIO.

Cincinnati District Convention	\$10.00
Missionary Union of Cincinnati	5.00
State Convention	20.00
Total	\$35.00

OKLAHOMA.

North Central District Convention	\$30.00
Baptist State Convention	20.00
Mission Society, Tabernacle Baptist Church, Oklahoma City	5.00
Total	\$55.00

PENNSYLVANIA.

Malinka Mission Society, Shiloh Baptist Church, Philadelphia	\$42.00
Lydian Mission Circle, Union Baptist Church, Philadelphia	10.00
Total	\$52.00

RHODE ISLAND.

Women's Auxiliary to the New England Convention,	\$20.00
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SOUTH CAROLINA.

Mission Society, Second Baptist Church, Spartanburg	\$5.00
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TENNESSEE.

Auxiliary of Riverside Baptist Union Association	5.00
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TEXAS.

North West Association of Texas	\$10.00
Cypress Woman's Auxiliary Association	10.00
Mt. Zion District Association	10.00
Lincoln District Convention	10.00
Trinity Valley District Convention	5.00
Friendship District Association	10.00
Woman's Convention Auxiliary to the District South	10.00
Woman's Mission Convention	12.00

MINUTES.

Mrs. Annie E. McPherson, Houston	\$ 1.00
Mrs. Mary Jones, Marshall	1.00
Mrs. H. Williams, Taylor	1.00
Mrs. Georgia Morris Brandon, Texarkana	\$1.00

Total

Public collections, leaving out one that did not come to the hands of the Committee, \$55.82.

MRS. M. E. HAMILTON, Chairman.

MRS. J. F. THOMAS,

MRS. H. C. HARRIS,

MRS. L. S. EDWARDS, Secretary.

Committee.

Madam President.

We submit the following report:

States represented	34
State Conventions	15
District Associations	13
Local Societies	31
Delegates enrolled	299
Annual Members	108

Grand total

Respectfully submitted:

MRS. RUTH L. BENNETT,

MRS. F. H. LEWIS,

MRS. MATTIE D. GRIGGSBY,

MRS. M. J. BROCKWAY.

KANSAS—Pleasant Green Baptist Church—Delegate, Mrs. Frances B. Watson.

KANSAS—Woman's H. and F. Mission Convention—Delegates, Mrs. Emma Gaines, Mrs. A. E. Wilson, Mrs. Ida R. Frazier, Mrs. J. W. Gordon, Mrs. Frances B. Watson, Rev. George McNeal, Rev. E. F. Fishback, Rev. E. A. Wilson.

KANSAS CITY—First Baptist Missionary Circle—Delegate, Rev. W. A. Bowen.

KENTUCKY—Woman's Missionary Society—Delegate, Mrs. J. W. Hawkins, Mrs. Lillie Frazier.

KENTUCKY—Missionary S. of Lampton B. C.—Delegates, L. S. Edwards, Mrs. Lizzie Coleman, Miss Dora Lee, Miss Mary E. Harris, Miss Lucy Drane.

ILLINOIS—Woman's Convention Aux. to the Bethlehem Association—Delegate, Mrs. C. D. Trice, Mrs. S. L. M. Francis, Mrs. Mattie Miller, Mrs. Ella Eldridge, Mrs. Amanda Jones.

ILLINOIS, COOK COUNTY, CHICAGO—Mother's Union of Ebenezer Church—Delegates, Mrs. M. F. Mitchell, Mrs. Florence Smith, Mrs. Margaret Blake.

ILLINOIS—Herman Baptist Mission Society—Delegate, Mrs. Fannie Bogen.

ILLINOIS—Original Providence Baptist Church of the Woman's H. and F. M. Circle—Delegate, Mrs. Maggie S. Francis.

ILLINOIS—Young Ladies' League of St. John B. C.—Delegate Rev. F. A. McCoo, Mrs. F. A. McCoo, Mrs. Hattie Trice, Mrs. Bessie Crudup.

OKLAHOMA—North Central District—Delegates, Mrs. M. J. Brockway, Mrs. Eula Westbrook, Leona Garriett, Martha Jones.

OKLAHOMA—Woman's State Convention—Delegates, Mrs. L. W. Landrum, Mrs. G. L. Prince, Mrs. F. A. Townsend, Mrs. L. A. Garrett, Mrs. L. A. Anderson, Mrs. E. Smith, Mrs. J. E. Patterson, Mrs. Laura Lawrence.

OKLAHOMA—The W. H. & F. Mission Circle Tabernacle Church, (Oklahoma City)—Delegates, Mrs. F. A. Townsend, Rev. W. H. Jernagin.

PHILADELPHIA, PENN.—Shiloh Baptist Church—Delegate, Mrs. S. W. Layten.

ARKANSAS—State Convention—Delegates, Mrs. E. J. Wheeler, Mrs. L. C. Watts, Mrs. Hattie Epperson, Miss Dicy A. Hockenhuil.

ARKANSAS—Woman's Union District—Delegates, Mrs. S. J. Porter, Mrs. G. E. Dennis.

TEXARKANA, ARK.—Sisters Mission Band, Canaan Baptist Church—Delegates, Mrs. Isabella Cisco.

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS—First Baptist Children's Mission Band—Delegates, Mrs. Pashana Buschee, Miss Julia Stevens, Little Master James Buschee.

GEORGIA—Liberty Baptist Church—Delegate, Mrs. L. L. Hodges.

ATLANTA, GA.—Junior B. Y. P. U., Mt. Olive Church—Delegate, Mrs. Josie Turnipseed.

GEORGIA—Woman's Mission of Mt. Olive B. Church—Delegates, Mrs. L. L. Davis, Mrs. S. C. Johnson.

FLORIDA—John The Baptist Church—Mrs. J. B. Lake, Miss Daisy Holly.

MINNESOTA—Pilgrim Baptist Woman's Auxiliary, St. Paul—Delegates, Mrs. Fannie Dodd Sears, Mrs. Henrietta Dodd.

ST. PAUL, MINN.—Pilgrim Baptist Woman's Auxiliary—Delegates, Mrs. Fannie Dodd Sears, Mrs. Henrietta Dodd.

ALABAMA—Woman's Educational Congress, Birmingham—Delegates, Mrs. C. M. Wells, Mrs. Alice Shields.

ALABAMA—Franklin Baptist Missionary Union—Delegates, Mrs. Fannie H. Bonds, Mrs. Hattie A. Dennis.

PENNSYLVANIA—Shiloh Baptist Church, Philadelphia—Delegate, Mrs. S. W. Layten.

RHODE ISLAND—Woman's Auxiliary to New England Convention—Delegate, Mrs. E. B. Holland.

INDIANA—Union Tabernacle Circle, Indianapolis—Delegate, Id. Mae Myller. Woman's Mission Circle of Mt. Zion, Delegate, Rev. G. W. Ward; Missionary Society of Whitely, Pastor, Rev. Carothers.

SOUTH CAROLINA—W. H. & F. Mission Society—Delegates, Mrs. Mary Moody, Mrs. Olivia Hill.

CALIFORNIA—Woman's H. & F. Mission Convention, Southern—Delegate, Mrs. M. J. Davis.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—Metropolitan Baptist S. S.—Delegates, Mrs. Bertha L. Brown, Mrs. Sarah E. Minor.

CINCINNATI, OHIO—District Convention—Delegate, Mrs. Nanie Clark.

CINCINNATI, OHIO—Missionary Union of Cincinnati—Delegate, M. Fannie White.

OHIO—State Convention—Delegates, Mrs. Sarah Johnson, Mrs. Mamie Clark, Mrs. Fannie White, Mrs. Maggie Craig.

TENNESSEE—Riverside District Association—Delegate, Mrs. Bettie L. Harris.

TENNESSEE—W. S. Convention—Delegates, Mrs. M. E. Hamilton, M. H. Flowers, V. W. Broughton, M. S. Byrnes, Emma Battle, Anna Hall, L. A. Bennett, M. McNeal, Bell Dunn, Carrie Dickson, Dr. F. E. Kneeland, Mrs. Amanda Jones, Mrs. Lizzie Elder, Mrs. J. J. Fork, Lucinda Perry.

TEXAS—N. W. Baptist Association—Delegates, Mrs. J. N. Moss, Mrs. L. J. McNorton, Mrs. W. M. Robinson, Mrs. S. Straughter.

TEXAS—Cypress Woman's Auxiliary Association—Delegate, Mrs. S. J. Alsbrooks.

TEXAS—Mt. Zion District—Delegate, Mrs. E. J. Lethridge, Mrs. E. E. Whitfield, S. Prince, Sarah Russell.

TEXAS—Lincoln Association—Delegates, Mrs. E. M. Wright Johnson, Mrs. H. L. Mundine, Mrs. A. G. Lewis, Mrs. M. Curry.

TEXAS—Trinity Valley District Convention—Delegate, Mrs. Azama Wilson.

TEXAS—Friendship District Association—Delegates, Mrs. M. E. Akins, Mrs. A. Ingram, Mrs. A. McPherson, Mrs. M. W. Wilson.

MISSISSIPPI—Missionary Society El. Bethel Church—Delegates, Mrs. L. A. Finley, Miss B. L. Smith.

MISSISSIPPI—Woman's State Convention—Delegates, Mrs. M. A. Alston, Mrs. L. A. Golden, H. E. Cunningham, M. J. Miller, L. A. K. Johnson, N. E. Ward, Emma Brunson, Maggie L. A. Newman.

MISSISSIPPI—Second New Hope and Meridian District Convention—Delegate, Mrs. M. J. Scott.

MISSISSIPPI—Delegate, Mrs. S. A. Jenkins.

MISSISSIPPI—Mt. Olivet Baptist Church, (West Point)—Delegates, Rev. N. C. Wicks, Rev. A. Bell.

LOUISIANA—Woman's First District Association—Delegates Mrs. Susie O. Love, Mrs. Martha Anderson, Mrs. E. J. Windsor, Mrs. M. T. Wells.

LOUISIANA—Missionary Society of Sixth Baptist Church—Delegates, Mrs. F. H. Lewis Miss Claudia E. Gates.

LOUISIANA—Woman's Convention—Delegates, Mrs. N. L. West, Mrs. M. A. Cook, Mrs. J. P. Harden, Mrs. M. L. Graham, Mrs. Sallie C. Williams, Mrs. M. T. Wells, Mrs. L. D. Pruitt, Mrs. F. H. Lewis.

LOUISIANA—Greenfield Missionary Baptist Society—Delegate, Mary Forman.

LOUISIANA—Home Mission Society, Austerlitz Baptist Church—Delegates, Mrs. Rebecca Scott, Mrs. Phebe Skirt, Mrs. Mary Willis.

LOUISIANA—Springfield Education Association—Delegates, Mrs. M. S. Hawk, Mrs. M. Steward.

LOUISIANA—Ladies' Auxiliary to the Ministers' Executive Union—Delegate, Mrs. F. Augustine, Mrs. G. A. Wiggins.

LOUISIANA—Jerusalem Baptist Society, (Sparta)—Delegate, Mae Dee Moore.

LOUISIANA—Tenth District—Delegates, Mrs. Willia Green, Mrs. Katie Floyd, Mrs. E. L. Hill, Mrs. M. Hill.

LOUISIANA—Louisiana Missionary Baptist Convention—Delegates, Mrs. A. D. Thompson, Mrs. C. A. Cox, Mrs. A. D. McGrude, Mrs. S. Sawyer, Mrs. V. Javers, Mrs. L. C. Joley, Mrs. R. L. Williams, Mrs. O. Wallace.

TEXAS—W. C. Auxiliary to District Southwest Central Association—Delegates, Mrs. S. F. Brown, Mrs. A. E. Wilbourn, Mrs. R. J. Clark, (Houston), Mrs. M. J. Rankin.

TEXAS—General Foreign Mission Convention—Delegates, Mrs. R. L. Williams, Mrs. E. W. Abner, Mrs. M. J. Rankin.

TEXAS—Woman's Twentieth Century District Association—Delegate, Mrs. A. N. Simmons.

TEXAS—Woman's Auxiliary Baptist Convention—Delegates, Mrs. R. L. Williams, Mrs. C. M. Downey, Mrs. M. J. Johnson, Mrs. A. D. Banks, Mrs. C. H. Douglass.

MISSOURI—Woman's Baptist Union, St. Louis—Delegates, Ruth L. Bennett, Belle T. Woods, Mamie Henderson, O. L. Whitfield, Agnes Bryant, Ella G. Goldsby, S. E. Stokes, Mattie Gibson, J. K. Parker, R. C. Douglas.

MISSOURI—W. S. Convention—C. R. McDonald, M. L. Saunders, M. Goins, E. A. J. Abington, R. L. Bennett.

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ON TEMPERANCE.

We your Committee having carefully investigated the growth of the evils of intemperance upon our race, decide that the subject of intemperance does not include intoxicating liquors only, but with intoxicants go its kindred vices, such as improper dress, food, insufficient air and all drugs used as narcotics, as the leading causes of other and all other loathsome diseases. We, therefore recommend that we, as missionary workers, do all in our power to suppress the use of all intoxicating liquors.

We further recommend that no woman who indulges in drinking any intoxicant be allowed to hold office in any missionary body.

We notice with much sorrow the growing evil of race suicide and we recommend that we warn upon our women the danger of furthering it, and that our women be examples to our younger women in habits of temperance and cheap theatre being discouraged. We recommend that parents will be encouraged

by our leaders, to take more interest in preparing harmless home amusements for the enjoyment of their children, in order to keep them from such places.

TEMPERANCE.

Mrs. Salina Grey, Ill.; Mrs. Tabitha Christian, Mich.; Mrs. I. N. Moss, Tex.; Mrs. M. T. Wells, La.; Mrs. Anna Frye, Ohio; Mrs. O. L. Whitfield, Mo.; Mrs. Lula M. Jackson, Ky.; Mrs. M. Whitfield, Tex.; Mrs. Ella Peters, Ind.; Mrs. Philip Favors, Ga.; Miss M. J. Walker, Fla.; Miss Hattie Forrest, Ga.; Mrs. Emma Battle, Tenn.; Mrs. S. A. Simms, Miss.; Mrs. R. B. Williams, Ill.; Mrs. Josie Turnipseed, Ga.; Mrs. J. E. Lindsey, Ark.; Mrs. T. G. Byrd, Tex.; Mrs. Emma Pulman, Tex.; Mrs. Mary Flowers, Tenn.; N. V. Maxey, Tex.; Mrs. E. D. Letherday, Tex.; Mrs. M. Lucas, Ala.; Mrs. J. K. Parker, Mo.; Mrs. M. A. Cook, La.; Mrs. F. B. Webber, Tex.; Mrs. Arrene Benton, Ark.; Mrs. L. A. Reid, Miss.

ON MISSIONS.

We your Committee on Missions beg leave to submit the following report:

It should be borne in mind that this is a Missionary organization, doing missionary work almost exclusively, and dependent for its support in a very large measure, upon missionary contributions. We are firm in the opinion that the fundamental purpose of the church is the preaching of the gospel, and that all things else are secondary and subordinate. We labor diligently, to enlist all our young people. In order to foster and promote the missionary spirit it may be observed that the constitution of the local societies provides for a Committee on Missions, whose duty it is to divide the church into districts, receive visitors, seek new scholars for the Sunday-school.

It is our duty, then, as a missionary denomination to supply all our moral, mental and spiritual energy in the furtherance of the missionary enterprise.

Mrs. L. L. Davis, Ga.; Mrs. H. Beman, Ga.; Miss Jessie Holman, Tex.; Mrs. Eva Hicks, Ill.; Mrs. P. R. Jones, Fla.; Mrs. Rosa Williams, Ky.; Mrs. M. G. Gibbs, Ala.; Mrs. Ada L. Young, La.; Mrs. Fannie Prints, Miss.; Mrs. Ida Miller, Ind.; Mrs. Fannie White, Mich.; Mrs. M. E. Bias, D. C.; Florence Walker, Ky.; J. J. Fork, Tenn.; E. J. Lethridge, Tex.; S. E. Atkinson, Tex.; M. L. Graham, La.

EDUCATION.

Madam President.

We your Committee on Education beg to submit the following report:

Seeing the great need of trained workers along all lines, and knowing that any race is handicapped that is not fully prepared for the issues of life, and that if we would compete with the other races we must train head, heart and hand.

We MUST educate if we would rise above the ignorance and vice by which we are surrounded. Our girls and boys must be trained for the higher service. We must rise to higher ground and to do this we must educate.

The field indeed is white to harvest, but the laborers are few, the Master said long ago, but we find it just as true to-day.

Knowing this and seeing the great efforts that are being made by our denomination in many states to erect schools for our own denomination, to teach the distinctive principles for which we stand, we recommend that the sisters in their respective states do support and encourage their home school in all ways possible.

While we have these State Schools, yet there is great need of a school that shall be national in its scope; therefore we urge that we give the National Training School at Washington, D. C., our heartiest support, not only financially, but we urge our girls and women to attend.

We also recommend that we do all in our power to make it a success as a monument to the efforts of Negro women.

We also recommend that one day each in the month of September be known as Training School Day when every Missionary Society shall gather an offering for the school and have it at the school at the opening day in October.

We also urge a closer union between the parents and teachers.

We also recommend that in this age of materialism, we look carefully to the necessity of the intellectual and higher spiritual training of our people, and that we see to it that we do not be wafted away by the industrial wave which is passing over this country.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. S. H. Wright, Ala.; Mrs. M. L. Sanders, Mo.; Mrs. I. Armstrong, Tex.; Mrs. L. D. Print, La.; Mrs. A. E. McPherson, Tex.; Mrs. R. Douglas, Mo.; Mrs. Y. A. Roberts, Fla.; Mrs. M. M. Kimbal, Tex.; Mrs. R. C. Daniels, Ga.; Mrs. Maggie Jordan, Miss.; Mrs. Lillie E. Smith, Colo.; Dr. Fannie Kneeland, Tenn.; Mrs. E. A. Wilson, Kans.; Mrs. Leona

Gibbs, Ga.; Mrs. G. E. Dennis, Ark.; Mrs. B. B. Boldin, Tex.; Mrs. J. D. Smith, Ky.; Mrs. F. B. W. Smith, Kans.; Mrs. W. Tyler, Cal.; Mrs. Eliza J. Bennett, Ga.; Mrs. Rosella Robinson, Mrs. A. E. Jones, Ill.; Miss Claudia E. Gates, La.; Ida Miller, Ind.

ON RECOMMENDATIONS.

We your Committee on Recommendations beg leave to submit the following report:

Whereas, Mrs. S. W. Layten, our worthy President, has done so much to develop the work of the National Association for the Protection of Colored Women, having established branch associations in several cities, placing our Baptist women in charge of a work that is destined to reach, rescue and save our girls as no other agency now operating. Be it

Resolved, That this Convention endorse the work in what other cities it may be inaugurated and Mrs. S. W. Layten be consulted and her plans of work be followed out as far as practicable throughout our country.

Second, We recommend that organization of our women in domestic science as is being done by women working in trades, factories etc., encourage their membership in the National Woman's Trade Unions.

Third. That we make a special study of the young people in our denomination, and of some method of preventing their being so largely proselyted by other denominations and wandering from our church organizations.

Fourth. That the Board in making out the Annual program space be given for the Recording Secretary and Vice President.

We recommend, that national officers and state officers have a mutual understanding as to time and place, of meetings; that when visits are made by our national officers, they may be placed upon program and received with honors due our national workers.

Whereas, we find in our churches the lack of interest in missions among so many women be it

Resolved, That we unite in systematic canvas in our churches to get every woman interested in the work.

We recommend that this Convention tender a vote of thanks to the pastor, members, and friends of Austerlitz Street Baptist Church, and the pastors and citizens of New Orleans in general for their efforts to make this Convention a success and for their consideration for the personal welfare of the delegates.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That we plan and push a vigorous campaign for the enlistment of young women in Christian Work.

2. That we begin at once a "Membership Campaign," in which we shall enlist every local society in every Baptist Church in this country, and that an effort be made to bring them in vital touch with the Convention. To this end, let local officers be appointed in the states and districts, who shall send in names of all society presidents, secretaries, and that we seek by letter, tract and voice to enlist Five Thousand women who have never been interested in our work. This is the crisis in the denominational and race life, and we need to be strengthened and re-enforced to do the work that the Lord has laid at our door.

3. That a greater effort be put forth to interest the HOMES in missions, because we realize that if we can get the home life of the race permeated with the mission spirit, the moral and spiritual uplift of all who abide there will be certain.

4. That all women be called upon to help make the next WOMAN'S DAY the most widely observed and the best we urge this, because of what the day properly observed, will mean to the disinterested and Union formed on the Missionary Question.

5. That more encouragement be given to girls of the denomination who are trying to get an education or who have shed school and are looking for positions.

6. That railroads again be petitioned to provide separate toilets for men and women in the trains, operated in the states where the separate car-law is in force.

7. That at the Annual Meeting, we hold two closed-door sessions, one for WOMEN ONLY, and the other for BAPTISTS ONLY.

8. That we as Baptists give more attention to the hundreds of waifs in our streets and not depend upon the white people of other denominations to do all of our rescue work.

RESOLUTION TO OUR HONORED DEAD.

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God, in his all wise Providence to remove from our midst our beloved sisters and co-workers in the Master's vineyard, and

WHEREAS, Our hearts have been saddened and our ranks have been broken by the hand of death, we realize that our loss is heaven's gain, and we bow in humble submission to His will, who doeth all things well. Be it

Resolved, That the Convention hold a memorial service in honor of our deceased sisters. Be it

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be printed in the Mission Herald. Be it further

Resolved, That this Convention extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved families and friends.

"Asleep in Jesus blessed sleep,
From which none ever wakes to weep."

Mrs. L. B. Tyrel, La.; Mrs. R. F. Wilson, Ala.; Mrs. Douglass, Mo.; Mrs. Eveline Holland, R. I.; Mrs. N. L. West, La.; Mrs. P. A. James, Fla.; Mrs. Emma Gains, Kans.; Mrs. L. Smith, Colo.; Mrs. M. Davis, Cal.; Mrs. Fannie White, Ohio; Bessie E. Foster, Ga.; L. L. Hodges, Ga.; M. L. Waterford, Ark.; M. A. B. Smith, Tex.; J. E. Harrison, Mo.; M. V. Parrish, Ky.; A. E. M. Phearn, Tex.; G. L. Prince, Okla.; Carrie Dickerson, Tenn.; E. A. Wilson, Kans.; M. M. Buckner, Tex.; J. P. Harden, La.

REPORT ON OBITUARY.

Mrs. President. Officers and Members of the National Baptist Convention:

Your Committee on Obituaries, brings the names of Sisters who have fallen asleep since last we met. They are dead and yet they live for their works are following them.

The number that we bring to you has fallen asleep and we come to pay tribute to their labors. We want the world to know that we have not forgotten them.

The names of those that have left us, are as follows: Mrs. Annie E. Peyton, Chicago, Ill., State President; Mrs. Hattie E. Jackson, State Vice President, Ohio. Oklahoma—Mrs. Peggie Owens, Muskogee, Okla.; Mrs. Boatright, Muskogee, Okla. Mrs. Mattie Henderson, Muskogee, Okla. Texas—Mrs. J. L. Stewart, Mrs. Mary D. Lewis, Mrs. Amanda Christian, Mrs. Cora Cobbs, Mrs. Iba Bowie, Mrs. Rosie A. Corbitt, Mrs. Eddie Henderson; Louisiana; Austerlitz; Miss.—Mrs. Harriet York, Mrs. Amanda Robinson. Texas—Mrs. Epsy Waller, Dallas, Tex.; Mrs. O. L. Jimmerson, Sulphur Springs, Tex.; Mrs. Rhoda Turner, Mt. Vernon, Tex.; Mrs. Mollie Worsum, Houston, Tex.; Mrs. Ellen Robinson, Antioch, Houston, Tex.; Sister Robinson, Houston; Mrs. Harriet Carr, Ft. Worth, Tex.; Mrs. Mary L. Shepherd, Gainville, Tex.; Mrs. Fannie Reddick, Sulphur Springs; Mrs. Shirley Stephens, Sulphur Springs; Mrs. Pearl Calloway, Sulphur Springs; Mrs. Carrie Mayfield, Marshall; Mrs. A. Hill, Marshall; Mrs. Mattie Morgan, Longview; Mrs. Sarah Johnson, Longview; Mrs. Mary Murray, Clarksville. Ohio.—Sister Clara Bell. Missouri.—Miss Susan

Dailey, St. Louis, Mo.; Miss Willie Kelley, St. Louis, Mo. Georgia.—Mrs. Mittie Jones, Macon. Texas.—Mrs. A. D. Davis, Mrs. E. Payne; North Carolina.—Mrs. Jane Jordan; Mrs. Carrie Johnson; Mrs. Clara Fifer, all of Asheville, N. C. New Orleans, La.—Mrs. Martha Anderson.

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GENERAL RECEIPTS SUMMARY.

Alabama	\$136.66	Florida	138.65
Arkansas	89.32	Georgia	367.41
California	5.30	Illinois	420.26
Colorado	49.31	Indiana	166.94
Connecticut	1.60	Iowa	3.25
District of Columbia	30.37	Kansas	38.46
Massachusetts	8.73	Louisiana	166.47
Michigan	35.20	Maryland	3.00
Minnesota	6.00	Rhode Island	69.60
Mississippi	172.35	South Carolina	30.60
Missouri	256.40	Tennessee	183.87
Nebraska	1.00	Texas	113.63
New Jersey	93.45	Unknown	5.25
New York	18.74	Virginia	131.61
North Carolina	25.61	West Virginia	224.17
Ohio	248.80	Washington	2.00
Oklahoma	116.08	Total from States	\$3,970.46
Pennsylvania	266.86	Board and tuition	2,304.22
Rhode Island	50	Special Gifts	645.00
South Carolina	243.97	Poultry and Supply Depts.	223.74
Tennessee	45.71		
Texas	172.16	Grand total	\$7,043.42
Sale of supplies at Convention	196.68		
Virginia	32.32	GENERAL EXPENSE SUMMARY	
Washington	6.50	Expressage and drayage	\$ 30.71
		Field	46.15

West Virginia	\$7.31
Unknown	2.10
Total receipts from the States	\$3,703.87

TRAINING SCHOOL RECEIPTS SUMMARY.

Alabama	286.68
Arkansas	44.60
California	11.00
Colorado	2.00
Connecticut	17.11
District of Columbia	548.98
Florida	23.15
Georgia	67.00
Illinois	89.37
Indiana	49.28
Iowa	4.00
Kansas	24.21
Kentucky	144.65
Louisiana	226.50
Maryland	50.82
Massachusetts	67.83
Michigan	7.00
Minnesota	16.00
Maine	5.00
Montana	5.00
Mississippi	168.02
Missouri	124.17
New Hampshire	14.77
New Jersey	239.43
North Carolina	25.35
Nova Scotia	10.00
Ohio	134.94
Oklahoma	22.85
Pennsylvania	279.19

FINAL RECEIPT SUMMARY

Balance September 1	\$ 38.30
From the State	688.79
Notes Payable	688.79
Training School Fund	1,442.48

Grand Total Receipts \$6,273.06

FINAL TRAINING SCHOOL RECEIPT SUMMARY.

Balance September 1	1,769.70
Total Receipts	7,043.42
Notes Payable	570.12

Grand Total	8,389.34
General Receipts	6,273.06
Training School Receipts	9,383.24

Grand Total \$15,656.30

Foreign Mission Board	1,117.20
Field Missionaries—Salaries	785.00
Field Missionaries—Travel	700.00
Home Missions	1.23
Nat. Bap. Pub. Board	32.47
National Baptist Union	3.04
Office	34.20
Postage	228.62
Printing	318.36
Salaries	1,166.78
Supplies and cuts	358.49
Traveling	122.60
Expenses of Offices at last Convention	345.10

Total \$6,147.94

EXPENSE SUMMARY TRAINING SCHOOL.

Building and repairs	\$2,232.77
Boarding Department	409.73
Expressage and drayage	185.70
Field	82.40
Furnishings	981.82
Heating and lights	332.11
Notes and interest	1,020.79
Stationery books, supplies	570.41
Garden and Yard	44.55
Supply Department	260.77
Poultry Department	266.99
Postage	81.69
Printing	125.50
Salaries	2,165.50
Traveling	246.82

Total \$9,283.24

NOTICE—This does not include the \$7,280.57, reported by Local Societies and State Organizations and spent by them for Education and State Missions. Including this sum, we have a Grand Total of \$22,916.87.

MARY V. PARRISH Chair.
N. H. BURROUGHS, Cor. Sec.

Louisville, Ky., Sept. 2, 1910.

This is to certify that I have carefully examined the books and accounts of the Woman's Audi-

EXPENSE.

General	\$6,147.94
Training School	9,383.24
Total	\$15,531.18

September 1st—Balance on hand	122.12
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itary Convention Board, and it is a pleasure to me to testify to the correctness of the same.

Sincerely yours,
ROBERT MITCHELL,
Auditor.
National Baptist Convention.

ALABAMA

NAME AND PLACE.	NAME AND PLACE.	Best of the Year	Grants, Gifts and the Women's Fund	Woman's Mission	Prayer-Union	National Training Service	Education	Total
Mrs. Fannie H. Bonds and Hattie A. Dennis	Franklin Street Baptist Missionary Union	240 00		1 00	1 50	1 50	50	5 00
Mrs. C. M. Wells, Birmingham	Women's Educational Congress				2 00	3 00		5 00

ARKANSAS

Mrs. E. J. Wheeler, Mrs. L. C. Watte and Mrs. Hattie Epper	State Convention				10 00	10 00		20 00
Miss Dicy A. Hockenbuhl, Mrs. Frank and Busbee, Mrs. Julie Stevens and Master James Busbee, Little Rock	First Baptist Children's Mission Band		2 50					2 50
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