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OUR MISSIONARY, E. A. NELSON, BAPTIZING IN THE AMAZON.

PASTORS' EDITION.

This Journal has been prepared with especial reference to our pastors. Both of the Editors of the Journal have been Pastors, and we enter into hearty sympathy and love with these leaders in Zion. Will they give fifteen or twenty minutes to read carefully what we have tried to write prayerfully for the Master's glory?



FOREIGN MISSIONS, "THE RIGHT OF WAY."

A train on a great trunk line has on board a notable company, with valuable treasures. It must reach its destination as soon as possible. The lives of men and vast interests are at stake. Orders go out all along the line, to give it the track. It has **THE RIGHT OF WAY**—valuable privilege! Great, long freight trains take sidetracks and wait. Signal lights and warning torpedoes are put out. Hurrying passenger trains pull up and stop at side stations. The train has **THE RIGHT OF**

WAY. By a kind of tacit agreement, the brethren in our Southern Zion who love the Lord's work and love each other have agreed on giving Foreign Missions (and also Home Missions), the right of way for the next three months. Our people have been building many churches, giving hundreds of thousands for schools, establishing orphanages, and building up the work in the home land. Now, there are millions who need these same things abroad, and need the Gospel more. We want to help them in our Master's name. We want to send men and women to them and tell them of our Saviour. From the mountains and vales of Virginia to the beautiful broad plains of Texas, from the rich, verdant fields of Missouri to the orange groves and palms of Florida will go the sound and signals, "The Right of Way for World-wide Evangelization." Editors and secretaries and pastors and deacons and Sabbath-school teachers and women's societies, and, best of all, the churches, will take up the cry. May the Gospel train move gloriously on. Some will make many another trip; with some this will be the last. May God help each of us, whether first or last, to do our very best for His glory and lost souls. Let us all send in liberal contributions within the next three months.

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THE MISSIONARY ATMOSPHERE OF A CHURCH.

Every church has its own atmosphere—an influence or power difficult to define, yet felt by all who come in contact with the church. In some churches it is cold, in others indifferent, and in others still genial and glowing with spiritual warmth. People feel it, though they cannot tell in words exactly what it is, and are attracted to it or repelled by it, just as they are attracted by heat and repelled by cold. A cordial, social atmosphere will always attract young people, sometimes even when the preaching is indifferent. An atmosphere which suggests stiffness or mere formality will repel the careless worshippers and make all feel more or less ill at ease. Evidently, then, the atmosphere of a church is a very important matter.

But there is also in every true church a missionary atmosphere. This, alas! is sometimes as cold as the grave; more frequently it is lukewarm, but sometimes it is marked as to warmth and power. When it is cold God hates it, and when it is indifferent or lukewarm, He detests it. Concerning the church at Laodacea, the Spirit said (Rev. 3: 16): "Because thou art lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spue thee out of my mouth." The missionary spirit is to the church what oxygen is to the atmosphere. It is the vital principle. A church, then, which is lukewarm in missions is like an atmosphere wanting in oxygen, and consequently debilitating, if not positively poisonous. A church with an indifferent missionary spirit is in a lukewarm state, and a continuance in this state is highly offensive to God and hurtful to men. The Spirit exhorts such churches (Rev. 3: 19) to "be *zealous* and repent."

Alas! it is not passing censorious judgment on the Lord's people to say that there are hundreds of such churches in our Southland. What is the remedy?

The pastor is the chief factor. Above all others it is he who determines the atmosphere of his church. If he is alive on missions, the almost invariable rule is that the church will be alive also. Here is a minute of one of our Associations, which shows a country church of 160 members, but that church gave more than three hundred dollars to foreign missions last year, while the town church near by, with over three hundred members, gave less than one hundred dollars. Both had educated, consecrated, godly men as pastors. The church which gave most for missions is fullest of life and most attractive. The pastors have given to their churches a distinct character. Enter them and you will feel the differences of atmosphere.

There are churches where even the casual worshipper must hear of missions in song or prayer or sermon. He cannot help it, because the subject is in the air. The atmosphere of the church is spiritual and charged with missions. World-wide views give tone and character to all the services.

This matter of missionary atmosphere is very important, because careless or indifferent church members get their impressions and shape their actions from the tone and character of the church life as much or more than from the sermons. The preaching is of value chiefly as it contributes to make this character and tone. The young can acquire strength for mission work only in a church whose atmosphere is thoroughly missionary. If these things are true, every pastor should inquire as to the condition of his church in this regard, and set about to better it, with God's help, if it needs to be made better.



FOREIGN MISSIONS—IS IT PRIMARY OR SECONDARY IN YOUR CHURCH?

The work Christ gave us to do was to preach the Gospel in all the world. Has this been THE work of your church, or is it in eclipse? There are many ways that men have of setting this work aside as of less or secondary importance. Some claim, needs at home; some want more expensive houses of worship; some, to adorn present edifices; some, more elegant organs; some, to pay an old debt, which they would have paid long ago if they had wanted to, and still others give various and sundry excuses. But in all candor, while one church gives \$500 or \$1,000 for sending the Gospel to dying men, and another near by, of equal means, contributes annually only \$30 or \$40, which one obeys the Master in spirit and in truth? With which one is His command primary, and with which secondary?

We Baptists glory in believing in *implicit obedience* to God. Let us glory in the practice of this obedience in mission work. What a noble people we would be if we were Missionary Baptists.

COMMON SENSE IN THE LORD'S WORK.

Christ said the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light. We ought to present our best to God—best gifts, best love, best thoughts. We need consecration of head as well as of heart. Let us love God with all the mind. In taking foreign mission collections, what we have just said is eminently applicable. We should arrange and plan for the Lord's work. It does not stand to reason that people will give for that which they do not love. They do not love that in which they are not interested. They are not interested in that of which they know nothing.

Then if we desire a good contribution from a church or individual the first thing is to inform, then interest. Any pastor who is not himself informed cannot tell of the work to others. Our denominational papers are constantly giving information of our work. The Foreign Mission Journal is filled with the latest facts. Mission tracts can be gotten free by return mail by only dropping a card to the Corresponding Secretary, at Richmond, Va. Now, we wish to make a few suggestions about

TAKING THE COLLECTION.

First, decide definitely how much you wish to get. Many churches, which give five dollars, will give more joyfully fifty, if the matter is properly presented to them. The pastor and deacons can decide, or the pastor alone, to ask God and the brethren to give a good, large amount. The writer was recently where a collection was asked for, and he did not know whether fifty dollars was needed or five hundred; if fifty, then his share would have not been over a few dollars; if five hundred, more. He wanted to give his proper proportion of what was needed. Many churches would give largely if only called on to do so. If the pastor rises up and asks only for loose change, not much is expected, and not much will be given.

After informing the people and setting a high mark before them, give a little time for payment. Most of our people do not carry much ready cash. Let us use judgment in the Lord's work. If a man will give \$10 in a month who will only contribute \$1 cash, allow him a month. And as there are many of this class, it is well to take subscriptions, payable a short while later.

We have thus called attention to three points—information, high ideal, adaptation. But above all, let us say, if you want the people to give for missions, preach missions and pray for missions all the year long. Get God's ear and ask His blessing and earnestly present His work to His people. Some pastors have a mission week of prayer and praise, just before taking their foreign mission collection. This is excellent. May all our churches be in the Spirit as we consider this great work of God. And may we seize upon the glorious opportunities now presented to us of carrying the Gospel to all nations.

TWO POINTS FOR PASTORS.

Would you, brother pastor, like your members to be more enlightened as to all the work of the denomination, and readier to help you in pushing forward the various interests in your church? We make two suggestions:

First. Get as many as possible to take their denomination paper. Time spent by a pastor in this way will bear rich fruit. It is very easy by occasional reference from the pulpit and in private to get the people anxious to see the paper. Give out old copies to those who do not take it. Help the canvasser for the paper in your church. We probably never had better denominational papers than now. They are clean, devout, strong, and true. Some of them are GRAND. Even in those States where the circumstances do not justify a large circulation, we have some good papers. The pastor who has a reading people will generally have a ready people. Our people when regenerated only need information to make them liberal. We know of a case where a great revival meeting was closed by the pastor telling the people they should take their religious paper, and then and there got a large number of them to subscribe.

Second. Get as many of your members as possible to attend general denominational gatherings, such as district meetings, associations, State conventions—yes, even the Southern Baptist Convention. They will go back with their horizon greatly enlarged, their interest quickened. The whole church will be helped. To secure attendance at these meetings, it is well to speak of them beforehand, publicly and privately. Ask certain brethren and sisters to go. Arrange for them and with them. Then, on returning home, have a good, live meeting, and let every brother tell what most impressed him. It is wonderful what an interest will be awakened in this way for the different objects of benevolence among us. If one-tenth of our people could attend the next Southern Baptist Convention, we could raise next year vastly more for all objects fostered by us. Shall we say ten times as much?



NOTABLE ADVANCE.

A very notable advance has been made recently in North China in the opening up of work in Laichow-fu. This is an important walled city of 75,000 inhabitants. It is distant from Teng Chow 80 miles, from Hwang-Hien 60, and from Pingtu 33, and is near the centre of our present work. It is situated on the "great road" from Chefoo to the capital of the province, and to Peking. It is said to be a very healthy city, and is only six miles from the coast, which is always an advantage in that section. Villages are all around it. It is said that as you stand on the city wall and look around you can count eighty villages and towns, not one over ten miles away. This city is the seat of examinations, and 10,000 students go there annually to stand their examinations.

Heretofore admission has been refused the missionaries on this very account.

The first convert from Laichow-fu was a servant in Dr. Hartwell's family, the man whom he brought with him to this country in 1871.

In 1900 a large number of native Christians were beaten and imprisoned, but now the officials have been changed, and "broad-minded men are in their places." It is proposed by the Chinese official to open a high school of Western learning, and Bro. J. C. Owen has been requested to take the oversight of this, "hold daily prayer service with the pupils, and preach on Sunday." Surely China is moving at last.

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HOW DOES YOUR CHURCH STAND?

\$100 CHURCHES.

Will your church stand in the \$100 column this year? What a blessed thing to give enough to pay the whole salary and expenses of one native preacher in foreign lands for a year.

\$500 CHURCHES.

Will your church stand in the \$500 column this year? Blessed privilege to pay the salary of a missionary for China, and your pastor's salary also.

\$1,000 CHURCHES.

Quite a number of our churches have decided to give not only enough to pay the salary of one missionary, but of two. Blessings on the missionaries and those who support them.

\$2,000 CHURCHES.

Some of our wealthier churches give even above \$2,000. We thank God for men who have consecrated hearts to use vast wealth for His glory.

\$3,000 CHURCHES.

We hope this year to have some. God is giving our people in many instances much of this world's goods. Let them use it for His glory.

\$10 CHURCHES.

Yea, they will be many, and five of these will pay the salary of a man in China who gives all his time to selling Bibles and giving tracts and telling of Jesus in foreign lands.

00 CHURCHES.

We hope there will not be one.

Let no one hear you idly saying,
There is nothing I can do;
For the souls of men are dying,
And the Master calls for you.

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Mission tracts free to any one who will send for them.

GREETINGS FROM CHINA.

The inscription below came on a piece of red paper four by eight inches. The translation on the back helped us to know that good and not evil was intended. Doctors have curious signs, and we are glad Dr. Ayers did not have any *poison* to administer in these Chinese characters. We all return, "Happy, blessed New Year to you, Bro. Luke."

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 與 你 求 個 又 快 樂 又 有 福 氣 的 基 督 生
 我 今 從 這 極 遠 的 中 國 請 你 的 安 而 且
 弟 艾 禮 律 拜

TRANSLATION.

It Wai (this being my Chinese name): From this far-off land I extend to you greetings, and wish for you a joyous Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Truly your friend,

T. W. AYERS.



WONDERFUL!

If all the mission work for the past century had not resulted in the conversion of one soul, we would still have the same command of God, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." His command would be imperative, our duty plain. But it is wonderful what encouragements are presented to us. Carey, Judson and Morrison had faith to work and wait seven years each, but to-day the glorious advance of the army of the Lord is attended by shouts of victory enough to incite our hearts with holy enthusiasm and to enlist our noblest efforts. The force of missionaries and native assistants, more than ninety thousand, constitute a grand advance over the lonely Carey and Thomas, going out to start the work a century ago.

Look at the hundreds of thousands of converts praising God in the foreign lands. China, Japan, India, Africa, nation after nation, and the isles of the ocean join in praise. All the world has been drawn together by steam and electricity. Mexico and Cuba are next door neighbors. China, Japan and Africa are closer than California was a few years ago, and they talk to us daily. Before breakfast in the morning we read of what they did last night. Our missionaries are able to speak to us readily if in need.

God's Book, blessed light for all people, has been translated into over four hundred languages. Millions of copies are being printed and distributed. Hundreds of young men, in foreign lands, are preparing to preach, telling, in their own tongues, the marvellous works of God. God-loving physicians have gone out by the hundreds, and while they minister to afflicted bodies, they tell of the Great Physician, who can cure the soul. Multitudes are hearing and turning to God in foreign lands. Who can remain idle and inactive while all this is going on? God is calling all who love Him to pray and work for the coming of His kingdom. Let each one say, Lord, here am I, use me!



OUR THEOLOGICAL TRAINING SCHOOLS.

Our people have cause to rejoice in the training schools for young preachers in our various missions. We consider this a decided step forward. We have in training, many young preachers, who will thus be able to develop and carry forward the young, struggling churches, and also go forth and open new work among their own people. We have just received from South China the course of study used in the school there, and give it below:

COURSE OF STUDY FOR TRAINING CLASS.

Canton, China, 1902.

I. Exegesis.—1. Old Testament. 2. New Testament. Dr. Graves.

II. Introduction.—1. Williamson's Introduction. Yeng Hai Fung. 2. Biblical Geogrophy. Yeng Hai Fung. 3. Biblical Antiquities. Pastor Fung Chak.

III. Theology.—1. Martyr's Evidences. Dr. Simmons. 2. Christian Doctrine. G. W. Greene.

IV. Pastoral Duties.—1. Church Government. 2. Preacher's Work With Individuals. Dr. Simmons.

Homiletics.—1. Preparation of Sermons. 2. Public Worship. G. W. Greene.



RECEIPTS BY STATES

from May 1, 1901, to January 15, 1902; also amounts asked for this Convention year:

Kentucky	\$12,288 30	\$20,000
Virginia	11,013 11	30,000
Georgia	10,451 30	25,000
South Carolina	6,258 95	13,000
Alabama	5,579 19	13,000
Texas	5,097 86	25,000
Missouri	5,047 36	11,000
Tennessee	3,609 60	13,000
North Carolina	3,102 60	13,000
Mississippi	2,944 94	11,000
Maryland	2,610 35	8,000
Louisiana	1,267 11	4,000
Arkansas	814 81	5,000
District of Columbia	248 70	1,500
Florida	233 91	2,000
Indian Territory	114 75	500
Oklahoma	35 28	500
Sundries	21 75	4,500
Total	\$70,740 08	\$200,000

A QUARTER OF A CENTURY REVIEW.

During the first week in January of the present year, a Week of Prayer was held in the Mission Rooms by the members of the Foreign Mission Board. One topic was the Board, and special prayers were made for the Board. The brief talks of the brethren, of which there were several, were tinged with reminiscent sentiment, and were quite impressive. Dr. Hatcher, in the closing talk, which was called forth by the occasion spoke in substance as follows:

"I have been a member of this body for twenty-six years. It gives me much satisfaction to say that I have never felt so hopeful and assured as to the work committed to our hands as at present.

"For one thing I am confirmed by these years of experience in my confidence in the Board as an agency for spreading the Gospel. There were times when our work moved slowly, and when disaffection wantonly assailed us, and we were confronted with antagonistic plans. These things never uprooted my loyalty, but they put an interrogation point to all of our plans and policies. Those pretentious novelties are no longer a menace, and the constructive vigor and unity of this organization was never so manifest as now. I would gladly exchange this Board for something better—if it was at hand—but as yet it has not appeared.

"I am also strongly impressed with the increasing missionary zeal among our great constituency, which once fought on the vital question as to the divine authority for missions, but who, abandoning that contest, wrangle now only as to methods, and not much on that. There is increased intelligence, steadiness, and conviction among our people as to the missionary idea. This I see wherever I go, and feel it in every missionary meeting I attend. I hope to see the receipts of this Board rise to a half million before I die.

"My experiences in this Board have also done much to enhance my reverence and respect for our missionaries. I need not tell you that we have had straining times with some of our brethren; separations occasionally were unavoidable, and not one of them or of us is without fault, but the years have indicated a notable growth in manliness, endurance, effectiveness and power in the missionary. He is better trained, more adequately equipped, and has a broader scope. He is a bigger man, and the average is steadily rising. It has been my fortune to see something of the converts on the foreign field, and they strike me with favor. They command my confidence, and gladden my soul.

"So I thank God and feel better. To the Board and its laborious, faithful Secretaries I make my bow, give them honor for their good works, and bid them hope while they toil, and toil while they hope."



Note these ringing words from Editor J. W. Bailey, of North Carolina:

"We have long felt that we could do no better thing than to inaugurate a great forward movement for foreign missions. We believe that it is the will of God that our greatly favored people should do more for the peoples in darkness. We believe that there is deep spiritual help in foreign missions. We believe, too, that once you get a man's faith up to the foreign mission point you have him where he will also give to home and to State missions. The larger life, the larger work, the larger faith necessarily includes the less large."

KEEPING FOREIGN MISSIONS IN THE BACKGROUND.

We give below an excellent article by Dr. W. C. Tyree, written for the *Biblical Recorder*. We hope all will read it. What he says about North Carolina is equally applicable to other States:

"This is the season of the year most favorable for our churches to press the claims of foreign missions. Other important objects claim our attention for some months preceding our State Convention, but at the beginning of the year the way is clear for us to do our best for this great cause. Our contributions for foreign missions last year were nearly \$2,000 more than the year before, and probably more than we ever gave before. For some years our gifts to this object have been steadily but slowly increasing. But compared with our ability, the importance of the work, and our contributions to other causes, we have never given anything like what we might and ought to give to this. Somehow, as it seems to me, the cause of foreign missions has never been urged and emphasized among North Carolina Baptists as it deserves to be. I mean we have never made this object the chief and predominant feature of any one year's work in our State. This I doubt not has been because our Convention has had so many other great and important enterprises which imperatively claimed its support and monopolized its attention. But is not the way practically clear this year, and the conditions favorable for a great and general foreign mission campaign? I know we must raise the \$50,000 for our schools, but this has already been subscribed, and while it will require strenuous efforts to collect these subscriptions, I do not think this need interfere at all with a general and enthusiastic movement in behalf of foreign missions.

"Brethren, I believe the time has come in the history of our State work when such a movement is not only wise, but really necessary. Circumstances have made it necessary to put greater emphasis upon home work so long that the religious life of our people is suffering from an abnormal and unhealthy contraction of sympathy for the world at large, which sympathy characterizes vigorous piety. The spiritual life and power of our people and their development in all Christian graces make it necessary now that they be appealed to to give largely for the great work of saving a lost world. A work so unselfish and Christ-like as this will be the mightiest agency and influence for suppressing worldliness and increasing spirituality in our churches. If we continue to keep foreign missions in the background, and give most prominence to State and home work, I believe it will become harder and harder to get our people to do their duty to the work at home. When the extremities grow cold, the heart is growing feeble and death is approaching. If during this year we can have a general, united, earnest and prayerful effort to arouse all our churches to a truer conception of their obligations to this great work, and get them to enlarge their gifts, I believe we shall have as a result gracious revivals throughout the State, and every other benevolent cause will be more liberally supported. I would be so glad if pastors and other brethren would pray and think seriously about the matter, and if they think as I do, would it not be well for them to express their convictions, as I have done, in our papers. May God's Spirit teach and lead us."



We are glad to announce the marriage of Miss Alice S. Johnson, M. D., to Dr. C. A. Hayes, at Los Angeles, Cal., February 11, 1902. They sail for China February 25th. May the blessings of our Heavenly Father rest upon them and make them useful, glorious missionaries.

TRAINING CLASS.

In North China a very important work is being carried on by Dr. Hartwell. He has a desire and purpose to train the believers, in God's Word. Having tried to get them to come to his home in Tung Chow, he found that he could not gather as many as he wished, and so by request of the mission he now goes from one large city in our mission to another and teaches the people in this way. Read what Rev. J. W. Lowe writes:

Dr. and Mrs. Hartwell are now with us as our guests. The good Doctor is carrying his class of 70-odd students carefully through Dr. Broadus' "Harmony of the Gospels." The interest already awakened in study of the life of our Lord is wonderful. I sit in the class and feel myself back again in the Seminary studying the New Testament. Our hours for study together are from 9:30-11:30 A. M., and from 2:30-4:30 P. M. In the mean time I give the brethren a "quiz" of one-half hour or more. We have a prayer-meeting every night, from 7 to 8 o'clock. Don't forget to pray for this Training Class.

Of the same school Dr. Hartwell writes:

"I am in Pingtu, at request of the mission, teaching, for one month, a class of Christians in the Gospels. Up to this time (three weeks) the class seems to have been an eminent success. I have enrolled 76 pupils, 66 men and 10 women, nearly all of whom answer daily, morning and afternoon, to roll-call. All seem intently interested, and we can but hope for good results. I have one more week to stay here. Prayer-meetings every night."



TRACTS! TRACTS!

We have on hand a large lot of excellent mission tracts. You can do mission work by distributing them. They are free. All you have to do to secure a supply is to drop a line to R. J. Willingham, Corresponding Secretary, Richmond, Va., and the tracts will go back by return mail.



NOTES.

Any one has only to read the letters from the missionaries to see how God is greatly blessing our work.

Any pastor who wishes to subscribe for the Journal can send us 25 cents during February and get it for a year.

Rev. C. W. Pruitt writes from North China: "Dr. Ayers is making a fine impression; he has the magistrate for a patient."

With all the blessings of God on our work, we ought to make this the greatest year we have ever known for giving the Gospel to dying men.

Rev. Bruce Benton, of Baton Rouge, La., has been elected vice-president of the Board for his State, in place of Rev. C. W. Tomkies, who has moved to Texas. Bro. Tomkies has helped us in the work for

many years, and will continue to do so as pastor, though in another State.

Rev. T. N. Compton, Madisonville, Ky., sends \$50 for the Training School library in Rome, Italy. He hopes to raise another \$50 soon.

Dr. C. A. Hayes and wife will locate in South China, probably at Wuchow, with Dr. Thos. McCloy. Later we expect to have a hospital there.

Every pastor ought to have a Bible, a good religious paper and the *Foreign Mission Journal*, so as to keep informed as to God's Word and His works.

"My pastor just preaches missions all the time." "I haven't heard a mission sermon in my church for years." Which leader loved Christ and souls most?

A note from Miss Anna Hartwell, dated January 3d, "In sight of Honolulu," lets us know that our missionaries, who sailed December 28th, have gotten safely that far.

Have you noticed our offer to send that excellent book, "Story of Yates, the Missionary," by Taylor, free, to any one sending us 20 subscribers for the *Journal* at 25 cents each?

We very much need several copies of the September, 1898, and July, 1901, issues of the *Journal*. Who will be so kind as to send us copies. Direct to R. J. Willingham, Richmond, Va.

If we raise a large amount for foreign missions this year there must be much earnest praying, faithful talking, wise planning, and liberal giving. We need each one to do his or her duty.

There are enough annoyances to keep any man out of the foreign field; but, praise the Lord, there is enough power in the dying love of Christ to lead any man there.—Geo. F. Hambleton, of Japan.

The Student Volunteer Convention meets in Toronto, Canada, February 26th to March 2d. Former meetings of this body have been productive of much good, and we hope for a great Convention in Toronto.

Dr. T. W. Ayers and family very much need a house in which to live in China. The Board has decided to let them buy or build. It will likely cost \$2,500 or \$3,000 for a good house. Who will help us and them?

The Blue Mountain College (Mississippi) has presented to the Foreign Board well executed drawings of Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Graves, of Canton, China. By order of the president, B. G. Lowrey, the pictures were neatly framed, and now adorn the walls of the Board Rooms.

We regret that in the account given in the last *Journal* of the life of Miss A. S. Johnson, our new missionary, there were some mistakes. The writer who furnished us the account was misinformed. She was raised by Lutheran parents, and in Iceland knew of no other denomination, but being converted through the preaching of an evangelist, she

longed for a religious liberty she did not find in her native country, and so came to America. She was not, however, ostracized by her family, but retained their love and prayers.

Dr. P. S. Evans and wife will locate at Yang Chow, China. This is a large city in Central China, on the canal, about eighteen miles from Chinkiang. Many towns and cities lie close around, and this will prove a vast field of usefulness. For the present they will abide at Chinkiang.

The sad news comes to us by the same mail of the death in Meridian, Miss., of the mother of our Bro. W. T. Lumbley, of Africa, and the infant son of Bro. and Sister A. C. Watkins, of Mexico, who are now in Clinton, Miss. May the Lord of all grace and strength comfort the bereaved loved ones.

The Foreign Mission Board observed the first week in January as a week of praise and prayer. We thanked God for His great mercies and blessings, and different evenings prayed for the missionaries and native converts, the pastors, the churches, and the board. Pastors of the city came in with us, and the meetings were much enjoyed.

At a collection in a city recently the pastor looked over the amounts subscribed for foreign missions, and said, "Look here, brother, a widow woman, working for her daily bread, has subscribed more than these three deacons put together." On a certain other occasion the Master was looking on, and He said, "She hath given more than they all."

Our beloved President Mullins, in a private letter, writes: "Nothing will, of course, give me more pleasure than to help foreign mission work in any way in my power. It is very near to my heart, always has been since I was a Christian, and always will be; and whenever I can speak or write for it, you can count on me to do it with pleasure."

A pastor, trying to raise \$500, writes: Over half our missionary's salary is secured, and the field is by no means worked up yet. Somehow I feel like saying to my church, if you do not send another man, I must go myself. What does it mean that so late in life and labor I have just awaked to my Lord's command? And why—oh why—are so many other pastors yet sleeping?

Have you noticed the "all" in Christ's commission, all power, all things, all the world, all people, all times? Many lay emphasis on preaching of all power, and all times, who neglect to preach all things. Some people emphasize preaching *all things*, but only at home. Let us take ALL the commission and preach all things to all the world. We Baptists have a big work before us.

A brother writes: "We wish to use envelopes for our foreign mission offering this year. Last year we used them to some extent, and the offering increased from \$4 to \$26. Last year you sent us 200 envelopes; will you kindly send us 800 by return mail, if possible?" We imagine that a live member in that church is working the envelope

plan. Every plan needs a man to work it. And oftentimes the man is a woman. Collection envelopes will be sent free to any one desiring them.

Farewell! Miss Jessie Pettigrew sent a sweet farewell as she went on board the "Coptic" for China December 28, 1901. She writes: "I think this is about the happiest day of my life. I have looked forward to this day with much pleasure, and would not turn back now for anything. The promise, 'Lo! I am with you always, even unto the end of the world,' has come to me very forcibly these last few days."

"The Native Races Deputation," on December 6, 1901, presented to Secretary Hay, in Washington, D. C., a petition addressed "To All Civilized Nations," asking the prohibition by treaties and laws, of the sale of intoxicants and opium to all uncivilized races. This is an important question, and we hope the day is not distant when missionaries and rum will not go on the same ships to foreign lands, as they do now.

Rev. Z. C. Taylor and family, from Bahia, Brazil, have recently spent a week in Richmond, Va. Dr. Taylor and his wife returned home both utterly broken down. They are fast recuperating in the blessed climate of their home-land. They go to Americus, Ga., where Rev. R. E. Neighbor will kindly entertain them for awhile, and then they go to their old homes in Texas. Remember, brethren, our Board physician says they ought not to talk much for awhile. Please bear this in mind, and do not let them overtax themselves.

Is foreign missions a live or a dead issue in your church? "I would have nothing to do with the Seminary unless I could nail to the mast-head, 'The World for Christ,'" was a remark made by Dr. John A. Broadus shortly before his death, in a speech made in Baltimore, Md. As a young pastor, it is known how earnest and zealous he was in reference to foreign missions. He did not believe in letting anything throw this great work into the background. In church or seminary he believed it of first importance, hence the wonderful impress of his life for world-wide evangelization. The work left to us by Christ is to give the Gospel to all men in all the world. All else is subordinate to this.

Some years ago, soon after the writer began preaching, a brother said to him: "Don't let the Devil side-track you. He will do it if he can. Keep on the main track, and you will do the most good. There are noble preachers who are side-tracked about this or that subordinate thing, like a box-car on a spur track, getting wrecked, leaky, and unfit for use, because they will not keep on the main track. While they are talking the trains, loaded with good things, are passing by, and their lives are going to waste."



EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS OF OUR MISSIONARIES.

Bro. L. W. Pierce, Yang Chow, China, October 15, 1901: "Our work is encouraging at this time. I have just returned from a trip on which I met a number of inquirers. We are glad to know that it is the purpose of the Convention to go forward. We shall hope for an increase in our working forces in this field."

S. L. Ginsburg, Pernambuco, Brazil, October 10, 1901: "Five baptized to-day, two last Sunday, and two on the 8th instant. To-morrow five more will be baptized—total of 14 baptisms this month. We are marching on. As soon as we get the new chapel, the work will go forward more than ever. Help us to get it finished. Pray for us."

Dr. P. S. Evans, Shanghai, China, November 27, 1901: "My wife and I spent much time in prayer and consultation, and this morning we came to the conclusion that God would have us at Yang Chow. So we shall immediately make arrangements to go up to Chinkiang, to stay with the Lawtons till they go home, then we may keep their house till we are well enough grounded in the language to go to Yang Chow. I have been impressed, as all the new missionaries are, with the immense work to be done by this handful of people. At home we have the idea that the part of China near the coast is well provided for, yet here in Shanghai, with over one hundred missionaries (of all denominations), there are hundreds of villages almost in sight where no work is being done. Oh, when will the people at home begin to realize the great need of workers! May God help me to do my duty."

M. L. Stone, Lagos, Africa: "The Lord has been very gracious to us. On the 24th of November last 26 persons were added to the church by baptism. This makes sixty-four baptisms we have had during the year—the largest number ever reached at Lagos. As the old year is drawing to a close, we feel more of His drawing power. Last Sunday the Lord's Supper was administered to about 90 of our members. Our collections during the year were very good."

W. T. Lumbly, Abbeokuta (via Lagos), West Africa, December 7, 1901: "Please return my most hearty thanks to the Board for the \$250 appropriated for a chapel at Ibada Gate. It (the chapel) has seemed so much needed that we have already gotten the work started, and hope to have it up early in the new year. I am glad to say some of our members seem to be much interested in the work there, and I sincerely trust it may be divinely blessed to the good of the crowds of heathen living in that part. Bro. Smith failed to get down at last, but I had the pleasure of welcoming Bro. Duval at Lagos, and, after a stay of about two weeks with us here (in which time he had four days of fever), we sped him on his way to visit the other brethren and their work. I trust he may soon be getting hold of the language and into the heart of the work. How delighted we would be if the Board could send us two more brethren to help us push the work forward."

J. S. Cheavens, Saltillo, Mexico, December 2, 1901: "Last night we had 34 grown people in the prayer-meeting. Miss Barton is succeeding well in her house-to-house work. Mrs. Cheavens' Bible class is doing fine work. * * * Things are "on a boom" in Saltillo—rather a mild "boom," but real, nevertheless. The new railroad, from here to Torreon, will be completed about August. The National Railroad is changing its track (from narrow to standard guage), and expects to reach here about September. All this is going to make things look up, for a while, at least."

F. F. Soren, pastor at Rio Janeiro, Brazil, December 15th: "Our church here is in a very pleasing attitude. It seems that every member is willing to do his best to serve the cause of our Master. Besides my work in the church, I have established four preaching stations, which are kept up by "my boys," and visited by myself every now and then. Our church services are well attended as never before. One thing against us is that beer garden in front of our church. It had been partially destroyed by fire, but is reopened now with double force and diabolic power. They make such a noise that in some of our night services we

cannot have prayers. Every time they start up their music, etc., I have to stop and sing a hymn. This, of course, destroys the effect of the sermon. Our prayer-meeting and Bible class on Tuesdays are two blessed services. The Bible, Dr. Strong's 'Theology,' and Mr. Torry's 'How to Bring Men to Christ,' have been the books used in my Bible class. Over 40 persons in this class every Tuesday after prayer-meeting."

E. F. Tatum, Shanghai, China, November 5th: "Though a year ago we hardly dared to go to the surrounding country to preach, we find it different now. Having a pressing invitation from an evangelist at Quinsan to visit his station a few weeks ago, it was my privilege to comply with his request. On reaching the place I found one woman and three men who wanted to unite with the church there. They had been attending Christian services for several months, and seemed to understand and believe the Gospel, and declared that they wanted to be baptized, after joining the church. After mingling with and teaching them three days, a church meeting was called, and they were received into fellowship. An interesting question came up concerning baptism. The candidates received there since the church was organized, in the seventies, have gone to Shanghai or Soochow for baptism. It was explained to them that they might be baptized in the canal outside the wall of their own city, and that we would be glad to have them do this, if they were willing to take the risk. The woman was the first to propose that they be baptized there, and said she would be glad to witness to the observing of the ordinance to all who might gather to see it. After a service at the chapel, we quietly repaired to the place agreed upon for the baptism. This place was a suitable one; both banks of the canal grassy—one side nicely inclined and convenient to go into. The heathen spectators gathered by the score, but were quiet and respectful. Only one woman was noticed to regard the matter frivolously, and she was a Catholic, the wife of our boatman. Everything seemed ideal, and it was a very enjoyable exercise. It was the first time I have administered the ordinance in the interior out of a baptistry. I am inclined to think it was the first experience of the kind during the history of our mission here."

S. G. Pinnock, Lagos, Africa, October 11th: "The call to prayer reached us just in time for the Lumbleys, who were staying at our house to join in with us, and we felt it to be a helpful time to our souls. Prayer is already answered at our out-station, Ilora, several men having given up idolatry and are now being taught in the doctrines of grace. I shall hope to send you better news yet, for if this work is of God, as I believe, it will continue to grow."

Bro. E. W. Kerr, a young native, who is active in the work in Brazil, writes from Para: "I can see what wonderful work the Baptists are doing all over the places where they preach. The Pernambuco mission does not stop one instant, and so it is in all stations in the South. About two days ago two Spanish brethren came from Manaus (on the Amazon river), and told me what progress the Gospel is making there. Both of them are going to preach Christ to their parents and countrymen."

T. C. Britton, Soochow, China, November 7th: "Since quiet has been restored in this country our friends of other denominations in this section are pouring in their workers and going forward with a mighty effort. We rejoice with our Baptist brethren in their ability to go forward at the other stations, and we *must* go forward, according to our Master's orders, here at this station. But it seems impossible to do so without reinforcement, at least one family. Our native preacher and I are trying to preach the Gospel to thousands here as best we can, having ten or twelve services for the heathen a week. But oh, we do long to be able to begin some work on this great triangle that Dr. Yates marked out, to open some other stations besides those that were opened before he died."



THRESHING GRAIN IN CHINA.

MISSIONARY LITERATURE IN THE SEMINARY.

By W. O. Carver, Professor of Missions, So. Bap. Theo. Sem'y.

The missionary department of our Seminary Library is now quite well stocked with the best books on all fields and phases of missionary work. This has been carefully attended to all along, and this section has been allowed its full share of the limited appropriations available for the purchase of books.

For two years the Sunday School Board has invited the librarian to send Dr. Frost a list of the most needed books for this section, to the amount of one hundred dollars, and these have been donated. Dr. Frost, who deserves the credit for first suggesting this idea, is deeply interested in the completeness and efficiency of our mission literature.

Since the election of a professor of Comparative Religion and Missions, it has become the business of one member of the faculty to keep a sharp lookout for the new books in this department, and carefully to consider all the older books. It is not strange, then, that his list of books has to be cut down about one-half each year in order to bring it within proper limits for submission to Dr. Frost.

The foremost missionary magazines are also on our tables for constant examination. But the mere having of books means little. For several years it has been officially declared by the librarian that the missionary section is the most popular part of our library. The calls for these books surpass in number those for any other class of writings, and all the leading books in the section bear on their pages the marks of much reading and study. And, too, with all we have been able to do, there are each session calls for desirable works, which we are unable to provide.

The publishers are now giving us so many missionary works that it is hard, especially for the pastor who must keep up with all lines of religious thought and work, to know what to buy. So many requests have come to me to recommend books that I have prepared a list of about one hundred of the most serviceable. Of this number seven are designated as an excellent course of reading for the average man. The list is classified, and, while one hundred is a formidable lot of books, it will be possible for each man to make his selections from the list. These hundred have been selected from lists of some thousands. Many will miss from the list some books that have been of especial value to them, and there is room for differences of estimate. On the whole, these are, in the compiler's opinion, in each class, what would be most serviceable to the average pastor.



FOREIGN MISSION NOTES.

By M. J. Breaker, C. S., in Missouri.

Foreign missions are the basal missions. In the New Testament foreign missions saved Christianity from becoming a mere sect of Judaism, and the founder of Christendom was the chief foreign missionary. In modern times foreign missions ushered in the new missionary era, which has led more people to the profession of Christ in the past century than in all the previous centuries put together. Among us Baptists, foreign missions have transformed our people from a weak, ignorant, inefficient little company, into a vast host, where are marvellous might, great scholarship and splendid efficiency in proclaiming the Gospel. Practically, all other Christian activity has grown out of foreign missions.



During the Boxer war in China many hundred of the native Christians perished, most of whom could have escaped had they been willing to renounce Christ. Dear reader, are you willing to give up your life for your Lord?

Foreign missions do not rest on the needs of the heathen (though all of them are lost without Christ), but on the command of the Lord Jesus. He said most solemnly: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." It is every believer's duty to go as far as he can, if that is only to take one step or give one penny. And inasmuch as very few can go all the way, it is the duty of the vast body of the Lord's people to help others go. This they can do by prayer and by offerings. Both these are bound to give. For the Lord Jesus said: "If ye love Me, ye will keep My words." To refuse to obey is fatal, for it proves a heart without love for Him.

"But may we not wait till we have thoroughly evangelized the home land first?" No. In the beginning, while yet multitudes in the home land believed not, the Lord sent Paul to the Gentiles. Had the earliest disciples waited till the home lands had all been evangelized, we had not yet heard the Gospel. The work must go on at the same time on the home field and in the foreign, and each must help the other.

Can you be depended on to do your duty in the greatest business ever committed to men, the business in which the Son of God gave His life?



SIGNAL BLESSING.

By Rev. W. M. Perry.

The Lord is signally blessing the efforts of the Southern Baptist Convention in its work for the salvation of the heathen world. In proportion to income of

the Board, and force on field, including native helpers, there were more additions last year than to any other leading Board in this country, with one exception, and this just equals ours. The absence from the Board of unnecessary and complicated machinery, small proportion of gifts utilized for home expenses, the joyful, self-sacrificing brethren composing the Board, who give their time without compensation, should commend itself to the earnest support of all, and banish forever from the minds of the most critical the spirit of distrust.

Our missionaries are doing their duty; the Board is urging forward the work, hence the present burden of responsibility lies with those supplying the material needs for moving onward. Every Christian has these questions to face: What have I to do with the thousands of converts and inquirers who need training, as the result of recent revivals in Japan and elsewhere? What about the Chinese, even officials, whose hands were stained with the blood of martyrs last year, who are pleading for the return of missionaries to teach them? Have I no obligation towards the whitening fields of Africa, South America, and other papal lands? Let no one pray, "Thy kingdom come" until these questions are answered by the expression of a given *life* or given *means* for this work. Thus, when the Christians shall have performed their duty, God will honor His Word by giving the heathen for their inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for their possession.



DOING THE THING.

A letter just received from a pastor speaks for itself. We give it below:

"I presented to my church last Sunday night, January 12, 1902, the matter of raising \$100, a sufficient amount to support a native preacher in the foreign field, and they agreed to do so promptly, and took a collection and subscription to more than cover the amount. Over half of this was paid down, the balance to be paid between now and April 15, 1902."



BOOK NOTICES.

MISSIONARY ISSUES OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY. Nashville, Tenn.:
Published by Geo. W. Cain.

A valuable work. It contains the addresses and papers of the General Missionary Conference of the M. E. Church, South, at New Orleans, April, 1901. It is very instructive and inspiring.

BAPTIST PRINCIPLES RESET. Religious Herald Company, Richmond, Va.

This very valuable work of more than 300 pages consists of articles on Baptist principles by Dr. J. B. Jeter, Dr. E. Y. Mullins, Dr. J. B. Gambrell, and others. Perhaps the most valuable of all is the chapter by Dr. A. E. Dickinson, on "What Baptist Principles Are Worth to the World," which has been translated into German and Spanish, and read in pamphlet form by many thousand readers.

UNCLE BOSTON'S SPICY BREEZES. By Boston W. Smith. 12mo, 255 pages.
Price, \$1.00 net. American Baptist Publication Society, 1420 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

We hail with pleasure this book of experiences from "Uncle Boston" Smith. May it do great good on its mission of love.

Baptist Theological School in Rome

83 Via Arenula, Rome, Dec. 2, 1901.

Dear Brother,—I am happy to report to you that our school has begun. On November 26th, in our church, we had our opening exercises, at which Dr. G. B. Taylor, as it was eminently proper, presided. He made an address of some length and much interest, in which he said appropriate things for the occasion. He was followed by Sig. Henry Paschetto, our pastor here in Rome, and he was followed by me. I read my address, as I could not trust myself to speak "extempore" in so short a time of preparation. After my remarks, Sig. N. H. Shaw made a very happy and fitting address. A number of our members were present, as well as some of our English Baptist brethren who live in Rome. Sig. Galassi, of Florence, came down to be at our meeting.

At present we have a faculty of four: Dr. Taylor teaches Systematic Theology and Ethics; Sig. Paschetto, Old Testament, Italian and Hebrew and Biblical Introduction; Sig. Shaw, Homiletics, and I have the New Testament Interpretation, Italian and Greek, besides a class in English. The purpose in teaching English is to enable our students to read Protestant theology, with which our language is so richly blessed. As you doubtless know, the Italian language has very few books on theological subjects which would be helpful to our students. We have about the same course of study as at Louisville, but, of course, not so thorough. We shall spend more time on the study of the Bible text, and less on other things. But in my report to you later I shall give you more information about the course of studies.

Now as to the students: We have six, and could have had twenty, but we feared to receive some who wished to come for fear they were not prompted by the right motives. The students form quite a variety from whatever standpoint they are viewed. One, Sig. Guani, is a converted priest, 37 years of age. Only a few weeks ago he was

baptized by our Florence pastor, although he had been convinced of evangelical truth for some time. He is from Genoa originally. Another is an Austrian, and lives at Trieste. He speaks Italian very well, and I think he is a promising man. Another was born at Alexandria, Egypt, but is an Italian. If he will become half as useful as some of his predecessors at Alexandria I shall be satisfied. Another was born in Sardinia, but at present lives at Palermo. He has preached somewhat. Still another comes from Florence, where he was born. There is also a Roman, who is the son of a Baptist pastor here. All things considered, I am very much pleased with the prospects of the school, and the students seem to be zealous and enthusiastic in their work. I find it quite difficult to lecture in Italian and teach Greek after only "seven months' study" of the language, but, of course, it will become easier all the time as my knowledge of the language increases.

The students have rooms in the mission property, and we are at present using the church for a lecture hall.

Of course, it is useless for me to state that Dr. Taylor's services, in organizing and beginning the school work, were indispensable. His long experience in Italian work, and his wide knowledge of men and things, make impossible to do anything well without his advice and help.

Sig. Paschetto, who has had considerable experience in teaching, has been of service to me.

At present we need some books for our library, and other things, which I shall not mention by name. I hope the Lord will put it into the heart of some one to donate a good amount of money to buy necessaries, not luxuries. A school is like everything else. It cannot be run without money. You and the Board must pray for us in our new work.

May the Lord bless you in your great work.

Yours fraternally,
D. G. WHITTINGHILL.

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MISSION CARD TOPIC FOR FEBRUARY, 1902, THE COLORED PEOPLE.

"Ethiopia shall soon stretch out her hand unto God." Ten millions of negroes in the South. Large majority of their church members, 1,600,000, are Baptists. Their evangelization has been sought by Baptists ever since their introduction into this country. Co-operation work is done by Home Board, S. B. C., Home Mission Society, of New York, State Boards and Colored Baptist organizations.

STUDY TOPICS.—The Introduction of Negroes into this Country. Results of slavery to the race. Possible future as divinely appointed agents to Christianize Africa. Our debt to them; what has been done; what remains to be done?

PROGRAM FOR FEBRUARY, 1902.

"Duties are ours, events are God's."

1. Prayer for the presence of the Holy Spirit.
2. Hymn—"Saviour, Thy Dying Love."
3. Scripture—"Be Helpful." Prov. 3: 27; Rom. 15: 1; Rom. 14: 7-10; I Cor. 4: 7.
4. Food for Thought—What is necessary for the colored people is character building. There is no legal short cut to this; no suffrage pill for the cure of

ignorance and immorality. It requires time, and Southern Baptists are specially fitted, in the providence of God, for aiding in this work. The greatest consecration is needed, but the love of Christ constraineth us.

5. Reading of Leaflet, written by Mrs. V. W. Broughton (negro).
6. Discuss practical methods of helping the colored people.
7. Business—Collection, etc.
8. Look forward to observance of Week of Self-Denial in March.
9. Short Address—Subject: "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus."
10. Prayer—For light on our duty to the colored people; for willingness to fulfill our obligations, for a blessing on the work being done by them.
11. Closing Hymn—"America."



MONTHLY MISSIONARY LITERATURE.

FOR PASTORS AND PEOPLE; FOR LEADERS AND LED.—With the "Colored People" as a topic for February, the leaflet, "The Development of Christian Homes the Hope of the Negro Race," has been written by Mrs. V. W. Broughton. From a preface to the leaflet, written by Miss Annie Armstrong, we append the following explanatory extract:

"It is hoped that the reading of this leaflet, which consists of extracts from a pamphlet issued by the National Baptist Publication Board (colored), and written by the recording secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary, Mrs. V. W. Broughton, may create an interest in this organization, and may also lead Southern Baptist women to recognize as never before how great are their opportunities for influencing the home life of the colored people. Representative women from among the better class of these realize their weakness, and are asking our help in the Christian development of the race. In the light of God's Word can we refuse to give it?"

Dr. Lincoln Hulley, a Northern man, but a thoughtful student of history, said lately to a Southern audience: "From Northern ignorance of the negro, and from Southern prejudice against him, neither is fitted to solve the problem. The negro himself must work it out for himself." The leaflet for the month shows that this conclusion has been reached by the colored people, and the women have begun at the core by seeking to develop the home life by higher and holier methods.



MAMMY'S GROWIN' OLE.

In de little cabin yonder Mammy's growin' ole;
 But she lubs to set and ponder, when de sunset gol'
 Flushes up de hill and medder, how de deah good Laud hab led her.
 Th'u' de sunshine an' de shadder,
 Till she's gray an' ole.

You kin see her th'u' de winder, near de firelight's glow;
 Dar you'll fine her summah an' winter, rain er shine er snow,
 Dressed in her ole-fashioned manner, in her apron an' bandanner,
 Croonin' softly, sometimes, an' er
 Rockin' to an' fro.

Yes, she's gittin' ole, an' failin'—failin' evah day;
 You kin see de way she's aillin' she hain't long to stay;
 An' some day, while tears a'h streamin',
 Mammy'll fall asleep a-dreamin' ob de light she's seed a-gleamin'
 Up de King's highway.

—J. D. Corrothers.

BOXES TO MISSIONARIES.

From the following Woman's Missionary Union Societies, boxes of clothing, valued as below, have been reported as sent to home missionaries since December 8, 1901:

ALABAMA.—Livingstone, \$31; East Lake, \$105; Jacksonville, \$66.50.

FLORIDA.—High Springs, \$15.

GEORGIA.—Thomaston, \$43.50; Camilla, \$40; New Providence Ch., Guyton, \$41.33; Cedartown, \$50.

KENTUCKY.—Henderson, \$50; Paducah, \$100; Walnut St. Ch., Owensboro, \$50; First Ch., Owensboro, \$73; London, \$40; Bethlehem, \$30.40; New Salem, \$105; First Ch., Lexington, \$130; North Bend and Campbell Co. W. M. U., \$56.30; Clifton Ch., \$35; Fulton, \$25.

MARYLAND.—Lee St. Ch., Baltimore (contribution German work), \$7.95; Mt. Zion Ch. (additional valuation), \$9; Fulton Ave. Ch., Baltimore, \$203.73; Towson (contribution German work), \$3; Franklin Sq. Ch., Baltimore, \$250; Juniors, Franklin Sq. Ch., Baltimore (contribution), \$1.50; Young Ladies' Auxillary, Franklin Sq. Ch., Baltimore (contribution), \$2; Grace Ch., Baltimore, \$94.20; Seventh Ch., Baltimore, \$120; Rockville, \$50; Centennial Society, Rockville (contribution), \$15.45; First Ch., Baltimore, \$140; Pastor's Aid and Miss'y Soc., First Ch., Baltimore, \$175; Brantley Ch., Baltimore, \$145; Fuller Memorial Ch., Baltimore, \$117.38; Waverly Ch., Baltimore (contribution German work), \$3.50; Myra Band, Seventh Ch., Baltimore, \$95.29; Scott St. Ch., Baltimore, \$107.07.

MISSISSIPPI.—Gloster (contribution), \$52.60; Macon, \$55; Kewanee, \$23.65; Hattiesburg, Lebanon Assoc'n, \$117.25; Lumberton (contribution), \$27.50; Laurel (contribution), \$20; Purvis (contribution), \$15; McHenry (contribution), \$15; Shady Grove (contribution), \$2.50; Perkinson (contribution), \$1.90; Starkville, \$55.

MISSOURI.—Maplewood, \$35; Stanberry, \$45.50; West Park Ch., St. Louis, \$33.50; Pleasant Hill, \$60; Moberly, \$50; Calvary Ch., Kansas City, \$40; Pattee Park Ch., St. Joseph, \$50; Carthage, \$68.85; Harrisonville, \$70; Columbia, \$43.50; Fulton, \$23.

NORTH CAROLINA.—First Ch., New Bern, \$51.90; Morehead City, \$31.99; Sunbeams, First Ch., Asheville (contribution) \$3.27; First Ch., Raleigh, \$140; Wake Forest, \$112.67; Maggie Nutt Soc., Oxford, \$45; Oxford, \$25; Ruther-

fordton, \$36.84; Waynesville, \$44.63; Tryon St. Ch., Charlotte, \$160; Young Ladies' Soc., Tryon St. Ch., Charlotte (contribution), \$100; Durham Second Ch., \$55.13; Goldsboro, \$53; Wadesboro, \$59.61; Rockingham, \$33.04; Reidsville, \$75; High Point, \$43; Winston, \$50; Young Ladies' Soc., Winston (contribution), \$3.50; Cary, \$50; Apex, \$33.65; Lumberton, \$82; Pittsboro, \$20; Siler City, \$25; Fayetteville, \$36.75; Sunbeams, Henderson, \$40; Scotland Neck, \$108; Louisburg, \$84.81; Weldon, \$50; Monroe, \$42; Chowan, \$25.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—First Ch., Sumter, \$55.

TENNESSEE.—Gallatin, \$25; Bell Ave. Ch., Knoxville, \$37.27; Second Ch., Knoxville, \$50; Central Ch., Chattanooga, \$86.93; Friendship Ch., Willard, \$19.05; Ripley, \$26.

VIRGINIA.—Zion Ch., Accomac Assoc., \$70.50; Park Ave. Ch., Norfolk, \$120; West View Ch., Richmond, \$75; Keysville Ch., Appomattox Assoc., \$12.35; Friendship Ch. (contribution), \$10; Charlestown, \$31.35; First Ch., Lynchburg, \$78.07.

Total, \$5,835.26. Previously reported, \$9,539.92.

Grand total, \$15,375.18.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSIONARIES.

GEORGIA.—Athens, \$150; Dublin, \$93.27; Vienna, \$43.20; Decatur, \$32.15.

KENTUCKY.—Paris, \$115; Fairview, \$95.50.

LOUISIANA.—Monroe, \$60.80.

MISSISSIPPI.—Winona, \$37.58.

MISSOURI.—First Ch., Kansas City, \$40; Albany, \$20; Hamilton, \$18.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—Florence, \$38; Gaffney, \$25.

TENNESSEE.—Clarksville, \$25; Trinity Ch., Memphis, \$30; Springfield, \$91.02.

VIRGINIA.—Hollins, \$100; Hampton Ch., Accomac Assoc., \$200; Pisgah Ch., Appomattox Assoc., \$41.44; Second Ch., Richmond, \$64.74; Lexington, \$25.63; Mt. Zion Ch., James River Assoc., \$37.95; Concord, James River Assoc. (contribution), \$14.55.

Total, \$1,403.83. Previously reported, \$4,131.87.

Grand total, \$5,535.70.



THE COLORED PEOPLE.

AS THEY WERE.—The imported Africans, brought to this country in slave ships, were heathen (worshipping fetishes, as do those in the Dark Continent today), grossly ignorant, full of superstition, and seemingly most unpromising soil in which to sow Gospel truths. But, though so degraded, it was appreciated by ministers and Christian slaveholders that they were human, sinful, accountable, in need of and capable of redemption through Christ.

AS THEY ARE.—The providence of God has led the negroes of this country through slavery up to Christianity, civilization and freedom. The religious tendencies which characterize them are seen in many ways, such as a strong desire for Bibles, tracts and religious papers.

A city missionary, in her visit through the hospital, passed into a colored ward, and one of the sick patients asked for the Sunday school paper with the picture of a baptism on the first page. Some copies of Kind Words had been given him during a former visit, and he had been pleased and impressed with this scene.

More than one million and a half of the eight million colored people in the South are communicants in regular Baptist churches. A certain class of them have made marked progress, are most desirous that the lives of their own people shall bring forth the practical fruits of Christianity; and they are also realizing responsibility for their kindred in Africa. Yet with all this, the divorcement between religion and morality is painfully apparent in many sections. A God-given responsibility rests upon Southern Baptists to look with Christ-like forbearance upon their weaknesses, and to continue to give a helping hand in raising them to a higher plane of life and purer conceptions of duty towards God and man.



W. M. U. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NOTES.

January 14, 1902.—First meeting in the new quarters, 233 N. Howard street. The attempt to keep abreast of the regular work and move at the same time has made the month one of unusually trying character. 1,036 letters have been sent.—*Boxes.*—To home missionaries, 85; valued at \$5,835; total to date, \$15,375. To S. S. missionaries, 22; valued at \$1,403; total to date, \$5,535. A comparison with last year shows an advance of \$482, which proves that the boxes have been more valuable, or else they have been sent earlier, so that quicker reports have been made. There are still names in hand awaiting calls from societies. A very touching request came from an aged couple in Texas, the husband being 85, and having served 55 years in the ministry. His name had not been forwarded through the Home or S. S. Boards, and the Secretary W. M. U. could not give his application for aid to a society. However, the plea was so pathetic that she sent it to Dr. McConnell. He promptly placed the name on the accredited list. The case was mentioned at the Executive Committee meeting, and was immediately accepted by one of the members. The proceedings were stopped for a prayer of gratitude to God for His felt presence and power at work in our midst, and for a blessing on His aged servant. Another incident: A society had decided not to send a box, but was stirred to renewed interest by the poem, "A Frontier Box." They felt the difficulties in the way of securing the things to be insurmountable, especially the minister's suit. Where was \$35 to come from with which to buy one? As they discussed it an offer was made of a suit, but it seemed useless, as the would-be donor was short and the missionary tall. Upon explanation, the suit proved to be one made for a tall man, of the proportions of the missionary, and passed on to the shorter man to have altered. The suit cost \$35. God hears and answers prayers to-day. The rest of the things were secured with unusual ease. That society was surely blessed in their efforts to bless others, the Executive Committee felt refreshed at hearing the recital of success, and the story is passed on to encourage others to renewed faith in God, who rewards every effort to "go forward." Societies sometimes urge sending money instead of clothing. Of course, Baptists are independent, and may do as each thinks best; but it is also urged, on the other side, that it is easier to get clothing than money, and consequently more will be sent; the preparation of a box brings the missionaries and their needs closer to the society; and lastly and most important, the missionaries constantly state that the clothing is more valuable to them, as dry goods are high and only poor qualities obtainable. An example: In New Orleans a missionary saw some article in the stores marked 10 cents, for which he had been asked \$1 in his outpost home.—*Christmas Offerings.*—It is not usual to have a report to give in January, and the one received to date from the Foreign Board is only \$174.94. If the first fruits

of Christmas could be offered to the Lord rather than the emptiness of the aftermath, would not the treasury of the Christmas Offering be filled sooner and fuller? —*Children's Day*.—The programme for June, on the harmony of God's Words and Works, has been prepared already, with the design for the front page and the collection box, and has been forwarded to the S. S. Board, in readiness for printing. It is unusually interesting and helpful.—*Self-Denial Week* literature is also in readiness to be used the third week in March; the programme for the annual meeting in Asheville in May is now in preparation. To be "fore-handed" with all this press of work is the only hope of smooth running of the vast machine, and none can begin to appreciate it but those who see its workings. A failure to be ready would be felt all along the line.—*Week of Prayer* has been largely observed in many places, with gracious outpourings of the Spirit and renewed enthusiasm for work.

A. A.



GOSPEL GIVING

By Marianne Hardcastle.

Begin the training with the missions, the child-church, as it were, who are just commencing their career. Each member should set aside a certain part of each dollar. The wisdom of demanding strictly the tenth is questionable, but it were well to hold that proportion up as the goal. Some one may be led to give a fifteenth, or even a twentieth at first, finally increasing the amount until a tenth is reached, after the giving grace has been developed by careful training and gentle nurturing.

I had almost despaired of our little mission at Easton, Md., ever reaching the joyful period in its history when the majority of its members would be giving a tenth, but God has so abundantly blessed us. He has opened the way for so great a stride upward in the plane of Christian giving that my faith is strengthened. I feel no hesitancy in saying, and firmly believing, that the majority in the Baptist denomination, before another decade has passed, will be contributing to God's cause in God's way. I refer to supporting the church by free-will offerings. Our little church before mentioned determined this year to try to raise an extra needed amount by self-denial instead of resorting to such questionable methods as fairs, suppers, festivals, etc. God has wonderfully blessed us. For one year we have kept Christ's banner aloft. We have kept clean hands and light hearts. God, I believe, has honored our faith, and the majority of our membership trusts God now, where they formerly trusted festivals.

If all churches could have the faith to take this step, to throw themselves on God's promise, as found in Mal. 3: 10, I know we would soon have the revival we have longed for; our church coffers would be full; our State work receive an impetus, and more effective work would be done by our pastors, who are now handicapped by our sinful, worldly, money-making schemes.

It is His church, His people, His money, then why should we not obey, and enjoy a clearer light, fuller love, and deeper spirituality, which always comes with walking in our Father's ways.



WHAT HAVE I GAINED BY BEING A MEMBER OF A WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY?

Mrs. W. B. Montgomery.

The little city of N— was full of the bustle and stir of enterprise. The people were zealous for advancement and active in social intercourse, and yet, strange to say, the women of this progressive place were too busy to join a mis-

sionary society, with the exception of a faithful few, who had difficulty in holding regular, well-attended meetings. Mrs. Grey, their president, was often grieved by rebuff or indifference to the work where she had a right to expect hearty co-operation. Her friend, Mrs. White, had never once attended the society, and when again invited to do so she abruptly asks this question: "Mrs. Grey, what have you gained by being a member of a missionary society?"

"What have I gained? Well, really, Mrs. White, I had not thought of it as a matter of personal gain?" was the reply. "But let us quietly discuss this matter, for I have often wondered how you and other of God's children could contentedly neglect this division of His work. What have you gained, dear friend, by refusing to join us?"

"That is easily answered," replied Mrs. White. "I have gained time for attending to my home and the satisfaction of letting women's clubs and societies strictly alone."

"The missionary society does not conflict with home life and its duties," was the hearty response. "I recognize the responsibility resting upon me there, and give to it my first and most sacred attention."

"Oh, you misunderstand," Mrs. White interrupted, "if you imagine that I think otherwise. It is a pleasure to visit your happy home. And I confess that my children do not show the interest that yours do in Sunday school and church. But enough of this; please answer my question, 'What have you gained by being a member of a woman's missionary society?'"

"Truly," answered Mrs. Grey, with a sweet smile. "I believe, for one thing, I've become a more patient and contented wife and mother?"

"How is that possible?" asked Mrs. White, with a slight tone of incredulity.

"In this way," was the prompt rejoinder, "in my home I've had much real drudgery to do—sewing, sweeping, scrubbing, dish-washing, etc.—and I often grew restless and discontented under the constant strain. The daily routine became doubly irksome as I thought of it to be borne over and over again; my children seemed unnecessarily careless and thoughtless, and I became fretful, for I called my lot hard, as compared with my more prosperous neighbors. You see, I was keeping my eye on the glass, and so could see nothing beyond, but only the cracks and flaws upon its surface."

"Keeping your eye on the glass. I do not understand," exclaimed Mrs. White.

"Then," was the gentle answer, "you've forgotten our pastor's sermon, and these lines that he quoted:

"A man who looks on glass, on it may stay his eye;
Or, if he pleases, through it pass, and then the heavens espy!"

"I am learning to look through the glass, to use a figure of speech, and what once seemed ugly cracks and flaws has grown bright and smooth, for now I know something of the life of Miss Moon, Mrs. Entzminger and others, and my petty hardships vanish as compared with theirs, who have forsaken father, mother, and home for the Gospel's sake."

"Do you not think," asked Mrs. White, "that our pastor's sermon and your Bible should inspire such feelings?"

"That's just it," was the earnest rejoinder. "Last Sunday's sermon and my morning chapter seem the sweeter for this personal service. It is something like this, Mrs. White: you meet a person at church, sing from one book, worship side by side, but you must exchange visits, must know her in her home to understand and love her fully. So with this work of the missionaries; you are introduced to it from the pulpit, and, in a formal way, sing and pray about it; but at the society, where it is a subject of study and prayer, you are brought into closer contact with the work, and become personally acquainted."

Spartanburg, S. C.

(To be continued.)

Band Department.

[Edited by Miss F. E. S. HICK, Raleigh, N. C.]

IN THE WAKE OF THE MISSIONARIES—Chapter XII. AT THE IMMIGRANT PIER.

The travellers were again in their own country, and in Baltimore, but never had they looked upon a more foreign scene. From the great ship poured forth in single file a seemingly endless line of men, women, children and babies from twenty or more foreign countries or provinces, and speaking as many languages.

Here came a group of Bohemians, the tired mother carrying the big baby, while six other children cling in terror to her skirts, fearing they knew not what ere they reach their father in the far West. Behind followed a group of sturdy young men, calling back jests to one another as they set foot in the free land, where they expected to win fabulous fame or fortune. Behind them tottered a feeble old man, bent with age and toil, coming to spend his last days in the home of a daughter, who had preceded him by many years. Next creeps a young wife bearing a tiny infant which has been born upon the voyage. So the long line, with ever-changing faces, and costumes as strange as their tongues, files on and on until six hundred souls have passed.

Inside the great barn-like building, into which they have filed, all is quiet. The strangers are in the hands of a strange government, whose strange language and stranger ways fill them with fear and suspicion. They stood in long parallel lines, each being required in turn to pass through a gate up to an officer's desk and satisfy certain requirements for admission into the country—all of which is written in a great book by the officer. They must show their passports, sign their names, for none who cannot do this, as an evidence that they can read, are allowed to enter; show that they have a certain amount of money, as paupers are also excluded, and, if a young girl, that she is with guardians or friends.

Those who cannot meet these requirements are set aside for further examinations, and if this prove unsatisfactory, they are sent back by the outgoing ship.

"There's going to be a marriage," whispered Miss Bulhmair, leaving her post by the desk, where she had been standing, to speak a word of welcome to the new-comers as they passed through the last gate and were free to roam through the great building.

"I know which they are," said Bessie, her eyes gleaming. "He met her at the gangway, and though they could not reach each other with their hands, they waved and waved. There they are now!"

And so they were holding hands and talking to each other very fast, indeed.

"But why marry them here," asked Fred. "They'd like to go to church, I dare say."

"The government is a matrimonial bureau," explained the school mistress, laughingly, "in so far that it will not allow engaged girls who come alone to leave the wharf until married to their promised husbands. Often the groom must come half across the continent to be married here. This one has come from Wisconsin. The tall man in black is the government's minister, who performs these marriages."

But now the real work of the day had begun for Miss Bulhmair, whose movements the travellers watched with even increasing interest. Great crowds were now past the desk and through the gates. Many crowded round the railroad ticket office, for few of the new-comers remain in Baltimore; others hurried to

the post-office, while still others sent or received telegrams, and then hurried down-stairs to claim their odd-looking bags and bundles.

The woman with the seven children still clinging to her skirts is in trouble over her tickets to far-off Dakota. She cannot understand the agent, and the big tears of distress and weariness drop on the baby's head. Miss Bulhmair is by her side in a moment. Words of cheer in her own tongue, a painstaking explanation, and a smile of relief and gratitude breaks over the worn face.

"I'll never forget you, lady," she cries.

"Oh, that will matter little," replies the missionary; "if you remember God. Have you a Bible?"

"No. There had been one, but it was left in the old country."

"Will you read it if I give you one? Will you promise?"

"Gladly, lady."

So the book is given with a few earnest words, and with it a map of the United States. On it is pointed out her destination and the name of the nearest minister who can speak her own tongue.

Sounds of sobs are heard near by. A woman holds a yellow slip from the telegraph office. The sister, whom she had heard was sick ere she left her far-off home—the sister whom she had not seen since she, too, left that far-off land twenty years before—is dead. This is her greeting to the new land.

In a moment Miss Bulhmair is seated by her, holding her limp, hopeless hand. In all her grief she tells her she has a friend, a great and powerful friend in America, Christ. Does she know Him? Can she not trust Him even now? There are motherless children in the sister's home. She must train them for God. Here, in His Book, He tells her how to meet her new duties. So the Bible is given, with many words of sympathy and the promise—always asked—that it will be read.

The news has been carried down stairs that a lady up-stairs is giving away nice red books, and a group of young men come clattering up the stairs, in their heavy nailed shoes, to ask for them

But she does not give carelessly. Do they know what the Book is? she asks, as she stands in the midst of the ever-growing crowd. Why do they want it? Have they Bibles. No, answered almost every one. Will they promise, one by one, to read something in the book every day if she gives it to them? And in a few more sentences she presses the need of this new guide in the new land. A group of young Jews hesitate to accept the New Testament on her conditions. But she urges. You must not condemn any one unheard. You do not believe in Jesus, but you have never read of Him or His words. You would not be so unjust. Then they promise, and Bibles in their own tongue are given them.

A group of women have followed the men up-stairs, and, in their turn, they crowd around the missionary. As she talks to them, slow tears steal down their cheeks, and one, leaning forward, catches the hand that holds the outstretched Bible, and kisses it.

At last the missionary and the travellers make their way down-stairs, where a very babble of tongues greet them. The people sit around on boxes, bags and benches, talking as they munch the long foreign bread which they have purchased from the stalls that line the great room.

One woman, with three children clamoring around her, tries to hide her tears. She has her tickets for a three days' journey, but not one cent to buy food for herself and her children, who are already crying with hunger. Miss Bulhmair soon has the children munching contentedly, while, as the mother tucks away

bread for the journey, she talks to her of Him who fed the hungry. Near by a sick baby is wailing pitifully, its mother too poor to buy it any milk. Farther along is a teething baby, sick and fretful. Soon there is milk for the one and a simple remedy for the other.

The travellers have seated themselves on a bench at one end of the great room, and are following the missionary's movements from one group to another—now holding a fretful child, now helping to retie a great, stubborn package, now explaining, for the hundredth time, the route to be taken to an unknown city. At last Fred said:

"It's a wonderful work, isn't it? Foreign missions at home."

"I wonder," queried Bessie, "if she ever hears from her seed?"

"It's a wide scattering," said the school mistress; "yet sometimes she hears. But whether or not she hears, I am sure God does."

"Think how many people she has spoken to to-day! She meets every ship, and seventeen thousand immigrants came through the port of Baltimore last year."

"And they go to almost every State in the Union, I should think from what I have seen to-day," said Mary.

"I wouldn't care to be an immigrant," said Fred; "but if I were, I think I'd never forget the first friendly word I heard on the shore."

"And here," said Bessie, in her gentle way, "that first word is Jesus, and the first gift the Book that tells of Him. I know this seed will grow."

"My word shall not return unto me void," quoted the school mistress. "We may be sure what God says *shall* be."



QUIZ.

How many immigrants passed through Baltimore last year? Who meets them? Under what Board does she work? What kind of Bibles does she give them? Who supplies them? Can you tell anything of Miss Mulhairs? What do you think of this work?



RECEIPTS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS

From December 15, 1901, to January 15, 1902.

ALABAMA.—W. M. S., Second Ch., Selma, by Mrs. L. J. W. (Miss Kelly), \$5; Sipsey Ass'n, by W. D., \$9.40; Joshua H. Foster, \$5.15; W. B. Crumpton, Treas. (Miss Hartwell), \$15; Miss Kelly, \$58.90; Canton Home, \$45; China, \$15.56; \$617.60; J. S. Bush and wife, \$600; Miss Fannie M. Bean (support child in China), \$15. Total, \$1,252.15.

Previously reported, \$4,327.01. Total this year, \$5,579.19.

ARKANSAS.—"A Sister" (Mexico), \$5; Howard Co. Ass'n, by C. W. S., \$22.50; Bodcaw Ch., No. 2, Union Ass'n, by A. J. V., \$5.15. Total, \$32.65.

Previously reported, \$782.16. Total this year, \$814.81.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—"A Friend" (Christmas offering), \$20; Mrs. Battles and daughter, \$3; Member Second Ch., Washington, \$5; Farther Light Circle, W. Wash., by Miss A. R. H., \$1.17; "A Friend," \$5. Total, \$34.17.

Previously reported, \$214.53. Total this year, \$248.70.

FLORIDA.—"Friends," Bay Ridge (Christmas offering), 40 cents; First Ch., Jacksonville, by A. G. C., \$1. Total, \$1.40.

Previously reported, \$232.54. Total this year, \$233.94.

GEORGIA.—S. F. C. Miss'y So., by Mrs. C. C. (Miss Whilden's school), \$22.50; W. M. S., College Park, by W. B. W. (Miss Whilden's school), \$30; New Providence Ch., Guyton, by B. J. C. (native missionaries), \$12.15; Chinese, First S. S., First Ch., Atlanta, by A. A. (Canton mission), \$5; Jackson Ch., by F. S. C., \$35.86; W. S. Walker, Monroe, \$10; S. Y. Jameson, Treas., \$160; Mary Davis Jackson, \$25; East Macon, by J. C. J., \$30; W. M. S., First Ch., Americus, by Miss A. W. (Christmas offering, \$20.40; native help, \$4), \$32.50; S. Y. Jameson, Treas. (Med. Missions, \$85.90; Japan, \$4; Canton Home, \$20.50; Sear's Fund, \$18.25; Miss White's Boat, \$15; Miss Parker, \$25.30; native helper, \$10.50; Christmas offering, \$45), \$1,157.55; Geo. M. Faust, \$2.50. Total, \$1,523.06.

Previously reported, \$8,928.24. Total this year, \$10,451.30.

KENTUCKY.—Great Crossings, W. M. S., by T. J. S. (China), \$15; L. Soc., Bowling Green, by Mrs. E. H. P., \$50.07; Lewisburg S. S., by C. N. B., \$3.81; Shirley Bradley, \$5; J. G. Bow, Cor. Sec'y, \$188.16; Friends, by T. N. C., for Library in Rome, Italy, Theolog. T. Sc., \$50; Cen. Com., by E. R.—Nicholasville (Christmas offering), \$5; Darlington (Christmas offering), \$2; Williamsburg, (Christmas offering), \$10; Franklin Sunbeams

(McCloy Home), \$5; North Fork (Christmas offering), \$1; Primary Class, London, 54 cents; Pembroke Sunbeams (Christmas offering), \$4; Danville (Reading woman with Mrs. McCloy), \$15; Children, Winchester, \$1; Christmas offering, \$6.35; Mrs. Hawes, (McCloy Home), \$2; B. Y. P. W., Shelbyville, (Christmas offering), \$2; Dayton, \$2.42; Christmas offering, \$1; Shelbyville, (Christmas offering), \$11; Burk's Branch (McCloy Home), \$3; Broadway (Mrs. McCloy's salary), \$65; Greenville, \$4.39; Frankfort (Christmas offering), \$11; Georgetown (Christmas offering), \$18.50; Annie Westfall (Christmas offering), \$1; Walnut St. Sunbeams (Christmas offering), \$1; Ashland (McCloy Home), \$11; Bowling Green, Baby Branch (Ratcliff Walne), \$8.47; McFerran Memorial (McCloy Home), \$12.50; Beechland, \$1; Young Ladies, McFerran Memorial, \$25—\$230.17. Total, \$542.21.

Previously reported, \$11,746.09. Total this year, \$12,288.30.

LOUISIANA.—L. A. S., Lake Charles, by E. F. (Y. L. H., Canton), \$25; Annie T. Perks, \$20; W. M. S., Bunkie Ch., by Mrs. A. B. W. (Miss Pettigrew), \$10; B. F. Harrell, \$25; Mrs. C. T. Dorman, Arcadia (China), \$3.05. Total, \$83.05.

Previously reported, \$1,184.06. Total this year, \$1,267.11.

MARYLAND.—Fourth Ch., Baltimore, by F. R. H., \$6.59; First Ch., Hagerstown, by B. F. B., \$3.54; Mt. Zion Ch., by T. H. C., \$3; King's Daughters' So., North Ave. S. S., by J. H. T., (Chinese Pub. So.), \$5; Franklin Sq. Ch., by F. E. W., \$100; Huntington, by L. S. C., \$6.87; Fourth Ch., Baltimore, by F. R. H., \$5.30; W. B. F. M., by Mrs. E. L., \$30.25; Rockville Ladies' So., \$6.25; Mrs. Hartwell's salary, German Ch., China, \$2; Home in Canton, \$1; Seventh Ch., Myra Band, Africa, \$10; Home in Canton, \$2; Fulton Ave. Busy Bees, foreign missions, \$2; Crisfield Ladies' So. (Christmas offering), \$2; Fourth Ch. Ladies' So. (foreign missions), \$5. Total, \$160.55.

Previously reported, \$2,449.80. Total this year, \$2,610.35.

MISSISSIPPI.—Liberty Ch., by G. G. G. (Christmas offering, China), \$5; J. R. Sumner, \$7.65; Oscar Langford, \$2; Sunbeam So., Blue Mountain (Peyton Stephens), \$2.30; Immanuel Ch., Meridian, by C. G. E., \$3. Total, \$24.95.

Previously reported, \$2,919.99. Total this year, \$2,944.94.

MISSOURI.—Thos. J. Owens, 50 cents.

Previously reported, \$5,046.86. Total this year, \$5,047.36.

NORTH CAROLINA.—Green Springs, Cedar Creek Ass'n, by T. B. M., \$2.19; W. B. Noble, \$1.78; Cullowhee Ch., by M. A. L., \$1. Total, \$4.97.

Previously reported, \$3,097.81. Total this year, \$3,102.78.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—Wassamasaw Ch., by F. E. L., \$1; Calvary Ch., Chester Ass'n, by D. A. S., \$4.50; Edgefield Ch., by O. S., \$3.75; Edgefield W. M. S., by O. S., \$5.20; Bethel S. S., Spartanburg Ass'n, by J. W. M., \$4.26; George's Creek Ch., Piedmont Ass'n, by A. B. K., \$1.93; Manning Ch., by T. O. R., \$5.05; Santee Ch., Charleston Ass'n, by T. W. W., \$4.65; Florence Ch., by W. J. B., \$25; First Ch., Columbia, by E. G. Q., \$35; Bishopville Ch., Santee Ass'n, by J. P. H., \$1.75; Chestnut Ridge Ch., by C. H. R., \$16.26; New Prospect Ch., by C. H. R., \$16; Rabun Creek Ch., by C. H. R., \$14.17; Langston Ch.,

by C. H. R., \$2.40; Batesburg Ch., Ridge Ass'n, by J. C. G., \$25; Washington Ch., by H. D. S., \$19.40; First Ch., Columbia, by E. G. Q., \$33; Cen. Com., by Mrs. J. S. (Peyton Stephens, \$4.55; Mrs. W. E. Entzinger, \$2.82; Canton, \$1.85; Christmas offering, China, \$43.07), \$258.25; Parksville S. S., by J. C. M., \$1.30; Beulah Ch., Union Co. Ass'n, by S. C., \$1.21; First, Columbia, by E. G. Q., \$52.50; S. S., First Ch., Darlington, by C. B. E., \$4.68; Easley Ch., by J. N. Howard, \$2.25; First Ch., Sumter, by Mrs. C. C. B., \$16.62; First Laurens Ch., by C. H. R. (Mrs. Hartwell's salary, \$6.25; Christmas offering, China, \$2; Home in Canton, \$3), \$335.50; Providence Ch., Broad River Ass'n, by D. W. C., \$4.40; Orangeburg Ch., by A. C. D., \$50; Misses E. and A. Little (Christmas offering), \$2.87; Union No. 2, Orangeburg Ass'n, by H. H. H., \$3.65; Little River Ch., by F. E. E., Saluda Ass'n, 90 cents; Langley Ch., by T. M. B., \$1.85; S. S., First Ch., Gaffney, by L. G. B., \$5; St. John's, Charleston Ass'n by J. E. E., \$2.45; Wassamasaw, Charleston Ass'n, by J. E. E., 92 cents; W. H. Ramsey, for Ch., \$1.34. Total, \$369.01.

Previously reported, \$5,289.94. Total this year, \$6,258.95.

TENNESSEE.—"E. and L." \$2.50; New Hopewell Ch., by J. R. N., \$3.60; Annie Bell, Andrew Chapel (native helper), \$25; Orinda Ch., by J. A. C. (E. F. Tatum), \$125; W. M. Woodcock, Treas. (desk Tung Chow, \$7.77), \$244.79. Total, \$400.83.

Previously reported, \$3,208.71. Total this year, \$3,609.60.

TEXAS.—Miss Jennie Williams (Christmas offering), \$2; Mt. Springs, by T. S. G., \$10; M. J. Dean (Ho Lip Cheen), \$50; R. B. Kilpatrick, \$1.67; Mrs. C. R. Goodman, Theodore (Christmas offering), \$1; Mrs. Otto Beckelman (Christmas offering), \$2; Mrs. M. C. Atkinson, \$1; W. A. and M. S., First Ch., Bonham (D. G. Whittinghill, \$11.23; Miss M. D. Willeford, \$11.27), \$22.55. Total, \$93.22.

Previously reported, \$5,004.64. Total this year, \$5,097.86.

VIRGINIA.—Ebenezer Sunbeams, by Miss F. H. (school at Tung Chow), \$7.80; "A Brother," 50 cents; Sallie A. Thompson (Christmas offering), \$1; "Mrs. D." (China), 20 cents; "A Country Girl," \$10; Aaron Creek M. S., by Miss C. T. (native missionary with E. Z. Simmons), \$15; B. A. Jacob, Treas., \$2,000. Total, \$2,034.50.

Previously reported, \$8,978.61. Total this year, \$11,013.11.

INDIAN TERRITORY.—Mrs. Hettie Ledbetter Society, Woodford (Christmas offering), \$1.70; Coal Creek Ch., by J. A. J., \$3; Oak Grove Ch., by J. M. C., \$5; Roff Ch., by C. H. C., \$4.75; Chas. S. Leonard, Eufaula, \$6.65. Total, \$21.10.

Previously reported, \$93.65. Total this year, \$114.75.

IOWA.—J. E. Standacher, 25 cents.

WEST VIRGINIA.—Mrs. M. J. M. Masters (Christmas offering), \$1; Miss Lizzie Parrish, by M. J. M., \$1; Birdie Peck, by M. J. M., 50 cents. Total, \$2.50.

PENNSYLVANIA.—S. S., Anita, by A. W. (E. A. Nelson), \$9.50.

AGGREGATE.

Total this month, \$7,190.63.

Previously reported, \$63,549.45.

Total this year, \$70,740.03.

Amount on hand May 1, 1901, \$7,070.41.

Expenditures, \$112,170.99.

Liabilities, \$34,360.50.

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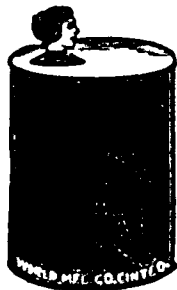
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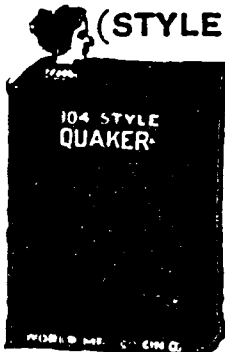
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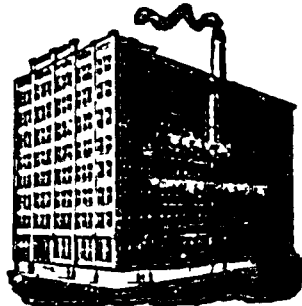
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