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and they that turn many to righteousness, as the stars forever and ever."*

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A NOBLE GIFT.

Members of the family of the late Rev. John Stout, of Society Hill, S. C., have given \$2,500 to build a memorial hospital to him at Wuchow, China. Dr. Stout was one of our noblest, best men. He was taken sick at the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Dallas, Texas, May, 1894, and died soon after. His life was a blessing, and many who loved him will be glad to hear of the John Stout Hospital, which, erected through the generosity of kindred friends, is to give temporal and spiritual blessings to the suffering in China. May the blessings of God rest richly on the generous givers, as well as the receivers of the gift.



THE EDITORS' EMBARRASSMENT.

We have no desire to exaggerate a situation; we prefer to be over-cautious rather than too sanguine. And yet when all allowance is made the plain truth is that we have not room in the Journal to present all the interesting, hopeful and inspiring facts in connection with our work. We publish some letters, cull extracts from others, make a note of some features, but still there is not room for most interesting matters. Here, for instance, is a letter from Mrs. Rebecca Miller Owen, delightfully written and giving a graphic account of the work in North China. She says: "I fear you have not been having very full accounts of the glorious work going on in this city (Tung Chow) now," and then gives us a glowing account of the work. Alas! we have not room to print it. Maybe we can do so later. Then there is another letter from Mrs. A. C. Joyce, telling of the work in Bahia, and how it goes on, even though those choice workers, Bro. and Sister Z. C. Taylor, are in this country. We cannot cut that down, because one cannot tell a great thing in a few sentences. So, from Africa, Italy, Mexico and Japan letters come which tell us of the days of the "right hand of the most high."

The editors' embarrassment is not only for room, though the Journal ought to be larger, but it is also to present the work in such a way that God's people can see what is going on. There is not room enough in our pages to tell all, and when some interesting facts are given, behold, there are more yet untold. Pray for the editors, and for the Journal. Work

for the Journal, and let us get a very much larger subscription list, that we may, if possible, increase the size without increasing the cost. Go to work this summer. The protracted meeting, Unions and Associations give splendid opportunities.



HOPEFUL WORK IN COUNTRY PASTORATES.

Working for missions in country pastorates has its difficulties. The membership is scattered over a wide stretch of country; roads are bad; meetings cannot be held at night—so they say—preaching days are frequently not oftener than once, or, at the most, twice a month; money is scarce and slow of circulation; people in the country are often reluctant to lead in religious enterprises—these are some well-known difficulties; and to this category others could be added.

But do not many pastors in the country forget two things? First, every situation has its compensations; and second, that it is a great mistake to dwell long on difficulties. They are found everywhere. It is the dream of a fool to get to a place in this world where there are no trials. What a mistake, then, to be living always like Elijah under the juniper tree, beneath the shadow of one's difficulties. Mention missions to some pastors and they will mention the difficulties of their fields.

The story is told of the firm of Push, Difficulty & Force. Push and Force were always for doing something, and Difficulty held them back or retarded their action by telling them of the trials that awaited them. When they were young and rash, Difficulty had his office, but they soon grew tired of one whose genius lay only in telling where the "trouble is." When left to himself he found no heart to do anything, because he had accustomed himself to look at difficulties. Other men overcame, but he was overcome to begin with.

Alas! that is too often the way with pastors and churches, always deterred by their difficulties. Here is a noble brother, who actually gives for his churches because some members have convinced him that they are too poor to give anything to foreign missions!

But, again and again, letters come to us of a different sort. Two are found in this issue, one elsewhere and one below. Both show what can be done when the pastors get up out of old ruts; believe in their people, teach them that they are God's agents, and lead them to attempt something worthy of the church and the great cause committed to them. One feature is prominent in all such letters—the people are filled with joy. But here is the letter. It is written by Pastor J. T. Haley, of Virginia, whose churches are miles and miles from any railroad:

"You remember I told you I would do my best to get Upper Essex, Va., to give \$75 at least to foreign missions. I think we will give you over \$100. The largest collection at Essex in the past has been \$40. I went to work to get \$100 yesterday, to be divided between State and foreign, and they gave \$147, which will be made \$150. It was the greatest day I have ever seen here. They were wild with joy. I felt like shouting. God be praised for it. Pray for us."

NOTES.

Read the letters from our missionaries, and see how graciously God is blessing them.

Rev. J. W. Newbrough and family are located at Chihuahua, Mexico. They moved to their new field June 1st.

Rev. N. Maynard and wife have gone to Oakland, Cal., where they expect to remain until they sail for Japan, about the 1st of September.

We want 10,000 new Journal subscribers. It would mean much to our work to secure them. Will you, reader, send us five or ten? If not, send one.

We have on hand a number of copies of the report of the Foreign Board recently made to the Convention. Any one can get a copy by applying to the Corresponding Secretary.

Wake Forest College, N. C., has conferred the degree of D. D. upon Rev. G. W. Greene, of Canton, China. All the honor there is in the degree let these noble, worthy workers at the front have it.

A pastor in Georgia writes: "We had our collection for missions yesterday. There is some jewelry we must sell, and some pledges of absent ones to come in, and when all is in we will have at least \$500."

We are glad that so many people are writing for tracts. It shows an interest in the work. We will gladly send a supply to any one who will write for them. Read the tracts, distribute them with tact, and act on what they say.

Rev. W. W. Lawton and family, with Miss Lottie Price, from Shanghai, China, arrived in New York May 26, 1902. They brought with them the little motherless girl of Rev. W. E. Crocker. She will be cared for by her grandmother, in Gaffney, S. C.

In the annual report of the Treasurer of the Foreign Board, the *expenses of collecting* in the State of Arkansas are given for "thirteen months." The amount of contribution is for the year, and not for thirteen months, as it might seem from the report.

Rev. W. T. Lumbley and family sailed from London for New York June 11th. Thence they went to their home, 500 Fourteenth avenue, Meridian, Miss. The Lord grant unto them a rapid and full recuperation of their strength, that they may take up their loved work.

What are you doing to increase the number of subscribers to the Foreign Mission Journal? All admit that the reading of the Journal increases the mission spirit; very many write us that they cannot do without the Journal. Well, what are you going to do about it? A pastor from Georgia writes: "My intention is to ask for a committee in



A GROUP OF SOUTH CHINA MISSIONARIES.

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each church in my Association to solicit subscribers for the Journal. I am going to send a reply postal to each church." May the Lord prosper him in this work. Evidently he is trying to do the Lord's work thoroughly.

President Greene, in his noble speech at Asheville said with feeling, when speaking of the great commission: "O, that our Baptist young people would learn to put the first thing first—go, make disciples of all nations." Reader, do you put the first energies of your soul on the first thing? Is the first thing first?

We had occasion recently to send a cable message to Canton, China. In a letter received, we are told that the brethren read the message on the other side of the globe just eight hours after it left Richmond, Va. How close we all are to each other! Yet, closer still to God. Often before we call His answers of blessings are on the way. The heart yearns. He hears. He answers.

Would it not be a good idea, brethren, to call your deacons together, and if advisable, the entire membership, and consult with them about the possibility of a decided advance this year. Great is the opportunity, greater by far than ever before. If placed before the sensible, godly deacons in our churches, many would be in favor of their churches doubling or even quadrupling their offering. Suppose you try.

We again call attention to "The Missionary Work of the Southern Baptist Convention," by Miss Mary E. Wright, of Augusta, Ga., and published by the American Baptist Publication Society, 1420 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, Pa. This book of 312 pages contains a very readable history of all mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention, and is indispensable to the best work for missions. The price is \$1.25. Send and get it. You will find use for it soon.

Fellowship, forward—the two words which best express the spirit of the Asheville meeting. Now is the time for pastors and laymen to begin to prepare for a great meeting in Savannah in 1903. Let pastors and leading laymen talk of the meeting and try to enlist interest. Then let us all work with the idea that on each of us depends its greatest success. Our people have been praying, yet our Father loves for us continually to come to Him. Let us, above all else, look to Him and take hold of His omnipotence.

A brother, whose name is withheld for obvious reasons, writes: "You will remember that last year at the Convention you asked me to give \$100 for foreign missions. It is my purpose during this Convention year to give enough to support one missionary, which will be \$600, and confidently hope to give twice that much, which will be \$1,200. I think it best to give this through the regular channels than to select any one missionary. My heart and my hand are with you and also my

purse to the extent of my ability." God be praised for such men who recognize the claims of their Lord and Master on their means. There are men whose prime object in making money is to give it to the Lord. God give us more!

Pastor Weston Bruner, of Baltimore, Md., is rejoicing in the noble gift of \$550 from his church (Lee-Street) for foreign missions. He hopes it will reach \$600. He went right home from the Convention in Asheville, and did not wait for the Corresponding Secretary to come and preach, but took his collection before the Secretary got a chance to speak. He and his people are rejoicing together. God is greatly blessing them. This is an excellent example. Do not wait till the close of the year, but let your people subscribe now, and pay regularly through the year.

We have received a copy of "The True Light Monthly," of Canton, China. This is the Baptist periodical published by the Chinese Baptist Publication Society. It is very neatly gotten up. The editors are Rev. R. E. Chambers and Mr. Chan Ue Ting. We find among the contributors the names of R. H. Graves, Dr. E. Z. Simmons, Dr. G. W. Greene, and a number of Chinese brethren. The price is 35 cents a year. If you wish to subscribe, write to Brother Chambers. You will not be able to read it, but can see it monthly, and hand to some poor Chinaman near you.

Bro. C. T. Taylor, Glade Springs, Va., writes joyfully of the good work of his churches: "I am glad to announce that my plan to raise \$100 in my six churches for the support of a native preacher on the foreign field has been a little more than a success. I am sure of over \$100 any way, divided among my churches. While these amounts are not large, and not even what the churches may yet do, they represent advance and some hard work in order to accomplish so much under present conditions. In 1895 the whole of Lebanon Association gave to foreign missions \$110.56. I am sure my field alone will exceed that this year. There are a few of us who are hoping in two or three more years to get the Association to raise \$500, the salary of a missionary."

A pastor in South Carolina: "I enclose money order. This is the first payment on a subscription of \$100 from my field (of three churches) which I have named the 'free-will offering,' as it is to be extra of our regular contributions to foreign missions. I wrote some time ago asking the Corresponding Secretary to join me in prayer that my people might give this amount. Please tell him that the amount has been subscribed, and that I will collect it during the year and forward to him." Here is another proof of what a country pastor can do. It has been only a few years since the idea of giving to all missions \$100 would have staggered the churches of which this brother is pastor. It is wonderful how much latent strength there is in even the weakest of our churches.

NOTICE THIS SPECIAL OFFER.

To any one sending twenty new subscribers, at 25 cents each, we will give as a premium "The Story of Yates," by Taylor. The book sells for \$1 by the Sunday School Board in Nashville, Tenn. Here is an opportunity to get it as a premium, postage prepaid. Renewals will count the same as new subscribers.



RECEIPTS BY STATES.

We give below the receipts of the Board from May 1st to June 15th, arranged according to States. It is significant that the four States which are this year to raise at least \$100,000 lead the list:

Georgia	\$1,464 49	Alabama	\$ 35 27
Texas	1,277 16	Florida	23 50
Kentucky	1,253 20	Arkansas	22 50
Virginia	998 15	Oklahoma	11 20
South Carolina	763 43	Tennessee	9 94
Missouri	580 77	Indian Territory	8 00
North Carolina	367 06	John Stout Memorial.....	2,500 00
Mississippi	352 53	Collection at S. B. C.	387 10
Louisiana	318 45	Sundry	9 00
Maryland	69 29		
District of Columbia	50 75	Total	\$10,501 79



NOTICE AS TO THE JOURNAL.

If you fail to get your Journal promptly or hear of any one else who does, will you please drop us a postal and promptly notify us.

We want ten thousand new subscribers at once. Will you send a club of ten or more?

The Journal now has a very large subscription list, but we ought to issue 40,000 a month, instead of 22,000. The sisters help us much in procuring new subscribers.

PREMIUMS FOR THE JOURNAL.

For 40 cash subscribers, at 25 cents each, we will send free to the one getting up the club a copy of "Italy and the Italians," by Dr. George B. Taylor.

For 20 subscribers, at 25 cents each, one copy of "The Story of Yates," by Dr. Charles E. Taylor.

For 20 subscribers, at 25 cents each, one copy of "Romanism In Its Home," by J. H. Eager, D. D.

For 10 subscribers, at 25 cents each, a copy of Pierson's great book, "Crisis of Missions," or Gordon's excellent book, "How Christ Came to Church," or one year's subscription to the Journal.

EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS OF OUR MISSIONARIES.

The Lord is with us, giving us many encouragements. Over fifty were baptized during the first quarter in Pernambuco. We expect 200 this year. The Alagoas mission, too, is forging ahead. Bro. Hamilton is doing a good work. To-morrow I hope to go to Penedo, where a new work has been started. It is the key to the important San Francisco Valley. Our church building at this time is at a standstill, but I hope to see it go forward very soon. Times are very difficult with us now, and with the bubonic plague in the country, it is worse. But our trust is in God Almighty. Pray for us.—S. L. Ginsburg, Pernambuco, Brazil, April 16, 1902.

Letters, the Journal, and papers came this morning. No one who has not experienced it knows the joy of receiving mail after not having heard from the outside world for six weeks, nor heard a word of English spoken all that time. The Journal always brings a blessing. The earnest appeals of the editors, the encouraging words from the pastors, the enthusiasm of some churches, and the happy spirit of the missionaries always make me offer praise and thanksgiving—an experience that can only be expressed in tears. Am having a very happy journey in many respects. The Lord is preparing the way for me. Hope to reach Canton the 1st of June.—S. T. Williams, Zu Kai, China, April 18, 1902.

Born, in Teng Chow Fu, China, May 4, 1902, to Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Owen, a daughter (Margaret Anna).

I am happy to send you the above announcement. I know the many friends of Bro. and Sister Owen will be glad to receive it. Mother and babe are both doing well. God continues to bless our work. On January 13th I baptized six converts; January 26th, two; March 2d, Bro. Owen, six; March 9th, Bro. Owen, four; March 16th, I baptized four; on March 23d, two; March 30th, one; at Shang Tswong, April 8th, five; at Teng Chow, April 13th, two, making in Shang Tswong and Teng Chow since January 1st, thirty-two. News of similar indications of God's favor come from Hwang-Hien and Pingtu.—J. B. Hartwell.

Bro. S. T. Williams wrote from the Hakka district: "Have been away from Canton two and one-half weeks, and am now some 200 miles interior. Have found the people very kind. Many are asking to be received into the churches. I baptized 21 here yesterday. More than 50 applied. The attendance at the baptizing was very large, between four and five hundred."

Bro. Duval is working at the language and doing medical work. I am busy here teaching in the training school and building the training school buildings, besides attending to other mission matters, and it keeps one very busy and pulls me more than one way at a time very often. * * * Our church work is encouraging. There are some ten or twelve inquirers now, and all from among the heathen and from different houses, showing an increasing interest on the part of the people. I have recently received a letter from a new worker in a village east of Ogbomoshaw about 40 miles, but twice as far by road. He is very much encouraged, and says the people are taking hold of his work earnestly and agreeing to keep the Sabbath, etc.—C. E. Smith, Ogbomoshaw, Africa, March 11, 1902.

We have about 14 regular services connected with our church here every week. Four baptisms this month, one for each Sunday. Our English work is looking up some. Our boys have done well in their examinations. We have

seen them growing in knowledge of the Scriptures. They memorized Matthew, Acts, Romans, 1st and 2d Corinthians, 1st and 2d Thessalonians, Galatians, Ephesians, Colossians, 1st and 2d Timothy, Titus and Philemon. They have studied with them "Harmony of the Gospels," following Broadus. Their examinations were excellent, and their papers full, correct and entire. To-morrow they stand on "Life of Paul in Acts." They have a good select course in Old Testament. I am sure they have done as much good, solid work as anybody's class anywhere.—A. C. Watkins, Torreon, Mexico, May 27th.

We had five baptisms to-day, among the number deacon Wong's grandson, for which we all praise the Lord. I am off to Quin San to-morrow; hope to be gone some time.—Willie H. Kelly, Shanghai, China, April 20th.

I have just returned from Wu Chow and Shek Tong. The interest and opportunities are great, especially Shek Tong. Fifteen men and five women came before the church and were examined. Ten men and four women were accepted for baptism. We had to go to a mountain stream, two miles away, to baptize them, and there had been no rain for six months. The four women were all over sixty years. Two of them are the mothers of two of our best and ablest Kwong Sai preachers. One of the sons will probably become a teacher in the Theological School in Canton next year.—Dr. Thomas McCloy, China.

Last Sunday was a happy day at the Old North Gate! Bro. Tatum baptized seven girls in the morning. Pastor Wu baptized seven men and boys for the North Gate church. At 3 P. M. several others applied, but we thought it best to let them wait until we had some evidence of the genuineness of their professions. There were ten applicants from our school at the end of the Chinese year, but their parents objected.—Dr. Bryant, Shanghai, China, March 22d.



MOTIVE POWER IN MISSIONS.

By W. Ashmore, D. D.

The missionary motive in its divine and scriptural fulness is not the exercise of a single emotion, or the yielding to a single bit of ethical pressure. Even if it were, the word "duty" would not express it. A man supports the wife he has chosen because it is his duty, but if he did it simply because it was his duty, she would not be much flattered. The man who serves God mainly because it is his duty is a machine Christian, just as there are machine soldiers. But now duty does come in to make up the missionary motive, but above that, by far, is *love*. "If ye love Me keep My commandments." Ye obey the commission because Christ has so commanded; ye do well, but happy for you if you want to do it of your own accord because you *love* Him.

To sum it up and gather together in one all these flying shreds, the missionary motive is marvellously complex and marvellously comprehensive. In one form or another, at one time or another, it makes a demand on all the parts of our concrete being, body, soul and spirit. Our pity, our compassion, our hatred of sin, our love for lost men, our detestation of the devil, and our restless desire to see his kingdom overthrown, our desire to see righteousness exalted and wickedness and wicked men brought low to the dust, all these things enter into the separate strands. Should tales of the miserable wretchedness of the heathen continue to be told? Of course they should. Such things moved Christ and moved Paul, and moved our own missionary fathers—it was the

degradation of the heathen that started Carey—and they will continue to move us still. Woe to us, and woe to the missionary interest when they cease to do so. We draw the materials of our motive from heaven, and from earth and from hell, from the life that now is and the life that is to come.

Not that the appeals to the different susceptibilities of our regenerate nature are all felt at once, nor all felt in the same degree by the same person. Sometimes one thing appeals, it may be pity for human misery; and then another thing appeals, it may be jealousy for Christ that he is being robbed of his own and possibly by his own servants in his own house. Sometimes our zeal flames in one direction, and sometimes in another direction. But sooner or later we feel more or less of them all, at a time. Our hearts are a missionary keyboard, along which move the finger tips of the Holy Spirit. Then again, one man is more susceptible in one given direction, another man in another direction, the Holy Spirit dividing to each one severally as he will, as one towards evangelization, one towards pastoral work, one towards translation and book work, and one towards healing, but all together uniting in the great missionary diapason of human redemption and the glorification of Christ. In fact, an exhibition of the highest missionary impulse is the highest earthly exhibition of the new nature of man. As the science of missions is the science subordinative of all the sciences, so the missionary impulse is the impulse subordinative of all the impulses that arise in the regenerate nature in regard to fallen man.—*Missionary Magazine.*



WHAT IS LUXURY?

What is luxury? How far is the enjoyment of the comforts of life legitimate for a Christian, and when does it become reprehensible, in view of the command to "Preach the Gospel to every creature," and the want and distress of tens of thousands of his fellow-countrymen? A question easily asked, not easily answered. A social problem of the utmost difficulty and complexity is bound up with the answer, and only a wise man—who is necessarily also a patient man—is fit to give an answer. What does the Bishop of Durham—successor of a series of prince-bishops, himself the possessor of a large income, which he conscientiously administers as "trustee" only—say upon this question? "A life spent in the pursuit of personal enjoyment cannot claim to be a human, still less a Christian, life." Safe, so far the reader may say; a truism, though strongly expressed. But mark the next sentences: "Every exceptional indulgence in amusement or living which we admit, every use which we make of money or leisure for rest, for travel, for the accumulation of works of art or literature, must satisfy two tests before it can be approved by an awakened conscience. (1) It must be found to contribute directly or indirectly its full value to the efficiency of our work; (2) and it must not be such as to cause even the weak to offend by a perilous example."

Not practical? If the consciences of all Christians were "awakened" enough to insist on those two tests, and their expenditure and gifts to the cause of God modified accordingly, how long would it be before the church would be revolutionized? We take the liberty of italicizing the next sentence: *That, therefore, is a culpable luxury for an individual which costs more, either in money, or time, or vital energy, than it contributes to his power of service.* Shut out all forms of enjoyment which waste instead of recruit strength; all that lend

themselves to pride and ostentation; all that form a mere concession to the customs of society, and use the money thus saved to the service of man in the name of Christ for the glory of God, and how many steps forward will have been taken towards the coming of the divine kingdom?—Zion's Herald.



NEW MISSIONARIES.

We present below a sketch of the life of Rev. C. T. Willingham, appointed May 3d, with cuts of himself and Miss Bessie B. Hardy, appointed March 24th:

CALDER TRUEHEART WILLINGHAM, son of Robert J. and Corneille Bacon Willingham, was born in Talbotton, Ga., March 3, 1879. He professed faith in Christ when he was eight years of age, and was baptized by his father in Barnesville, Ga., April 10, 1887. He attended Richmond College, Richmond, Va., and took the A. B. degree in 1899; from there he went to the Theological Seminary, in Louisville, Ky., and graduated with the full graduate (Th. M.) degree in May, 1902. He began preaching when eighteen years of age, and has supplied various churches during his vacations from school work. While his disposition is buoyant and cheerful, his life has been marked by purity and noble bearing. On May 3, 1902, he was appointed as a missionary to Japan. He does not go alone, but has had the good fortune to get Miss Bessie Bell Hardy, of Salem, Va., to agree to go with him. They expect to be married July 10, 1902, and to sail for Japan September 19, 1902.



C. T. WILLINGHAM.



MISS B. B. HARDY.

We give above the picture of Miss Bessie Bell Hardy, a sketch of whose life and appointment to mission work was given in the May, 1902, Journal. She has been earnestly desirous of giving her life to Japan, and rejoices in her appointment there. With her cultivated, consecrated gifts, she will be in far Japan as she has already been in the home land, a valuable worker for Christ.

FOREIGN MISSIONS BEARING FRUIT AT HOME.

By Mrs. W. S. Ayers.

It has occurred to me that many readers of the *Foreign Mission Journal*, who have given prayers and money for the work of the Southern Baptist Convention in Italy, may be interested to learn how that work is bearing fruit in the old Commonwealth of Massachusetts. In the little town of Monson, not far from Springfield, is located a quarry, where over three hundred Italians are employed. There came among them a man who had been converted through the labors of one of your missionaries in Italy. This man was much concerned at the spiritual condition of his fellow-workmen, and began to labor earnestly for their salvation. In a few months seventeen of them found Christ, and a message, signed by all of them, was sent to the secretary of the Massachusetts Baptist Convention, saying: "In God's name send us a missionary." A man was sent to them to baptize the believers and to preach the Gospel among them. One of the converts had a room for worship built on the roof of his own house, with a stairway leading to it from the outside. In this little chapel meetings were held until the place would not contain the numbers who thronged to the services. The man then moved his family up-stairs and gave up his dwelling below to be enlarged and fitted up with a baptistery for the needs of the work. The expense of this, about \$800, was largely met by the contributions of the men themselves. Five services are held each week, and much good is being done.

The centennial of the organization of the Massachusetts Baptist Convention occurs on May 26th. In its early history it was known as the Massachusetts Baptist Missionary Society. The name was changed in 1835. The last census gives us the appalling figures that nearly seven-tenths of the present population of the State are either foreign born or of foreign parentage, bringing the churches of Massachusetts face to face with a magnificent opportunity and an imperative duty to do aggressive missionary work within her own borders.

As a former missionary of the Southern Baptist Convention, I follow with deep interest all the plans for the extension of Christ's kingdom in the various countries, but especially in China.

Westfield, Mass., May 19, 1902.



"I have compared the annual expense of running three New York churches with the annual expense of carrying on the Arcot Mission, in India, since it was established forty years ago, and it is less than that of those countries. And note what has been accomplished: There are now 8 mission stations; 100 village congregations; 24 organized churches, with 4,910 members, and 1,861 catechumens. There are 120 schools, with 2,992 pupils, of whom 2,200 are not Christians; also 16 girl schools, with 1,343 pupils; 4 Anglo-vernacular schools, where 1,000 young men are taught; 6 training schools, with 322 boarding pupils; and yet the average cost of all this mission work is less than it costs to support one New York city church."—Dr. Jacob Chamberlain.

**TRACTS.**

We have just issued from the press a fine lot of new mission tracts. We will take pleasure in sending a supply, free, to any one who will distribute them.

Letters from Our Missionaries.

CHINA.

Encouraging Work; Calling for Help.

Shanghai, China, April 5, 1902.

Dear Brother,—Your regular letters do me so much good, and especially your last, because it told me that you were going to send some one soon to help us here in Shanghai in this great work.

Did I write you in my last that we had had fourteen baptisms? Last Sunday six more were received out of about fifteen applicants. The number of enquirers is on the increase. The time will soon come when the great difficulty will be to keep the unsaved out of the church. The harvest time is near at hand. Our work here is encouraging on all lines. The most discouraging thing is the lack of workers.

God is slowly, but surely, raising up some native laborers to help in this great work, but we need more missionaries. We are carrying on more work in Shanghai than at any of the other stations, and need more missionaries. Now that the other stations each have two men, our time has come for the third man. Brother, we just must have him. Tatum cannot do his work and mine too. How much longer do you want me to stay here in an almost broken-down condition without my family? Even after a man comes, I must stay until he can speak a little. I would like to stay at least a year after the new missionary comes before I leave. We need a strong man and wife, who will be willing to do educational work. Let us pray God to send you the right ones for Shanghai. It made me very happy to hear that you would be willing to send some one to Shanghai if the suitable person could be found. I really ought to give the

best part of my time to training the members of my Bible class. There are now ten in the class. Several have been sent off to work; one to assist the Northern Mission, and two will perhaps be made colporters. One is working in Chinkiang. Those who have been sent out were the older ones. The younger ones are being kept for more thorough training.

Central China will not always be behind in reporting converts. Give my love to your family. My heart is with you. We shall miss the Lawtons and Sister Price. They are precious to us.

Fondly,

R. T. BRYAN.



A New Church in South China.

Canton, China, May 10, 1902.

Dear Brother,—You will be interested in a brief account of the organization of the Sai-naam Baptist church. At my request, Pastor Tsang, of Shiu-Hing, and Pastor Fung, of Canton, spent nearly a week there previous to the organization instructing the members in the duties, responsibilities, etc., of church, pastor, and deacons. Dr. Simmons and I went up there Friday, April 25th. The three nights we were there the chapel was literally jammed by outsiders, and an average of three sermons were preached each night. Saturday the church was formally organized, and pastor and deacons elected. Twenty-five members went into the new organization, and the same afternoon five new converts were received for baptism. Sunday the pastor and deacons were ordained, and the new pastor baptized the new converts. One marked feature of the organization and related meetings was the friendliness of the heathen. More than a hundred of them sent congratulatory scrolls and

presents to the evangelist upon the occasion of his ordination.

At least 800 persons hired boats and went to the baptizing, which took place near a little island just in front of the town. And the crowd was surprisingly orderly. It was much to be regretted that our chapel was so small. We could have preached to five times as many as heard us if we had had the room for them. When I came to China we had no preaching place in Sai-naam. The people were very turbulent, and several unsuccessful attempts had been made to begin work there. A small place was secured at first that would accommodate only a dozen or so. Then the present place was secured, which will seat about one hundred, including a small room back of the pulpit. We could easily get a chapel full if we had seats for a thousand, but it is well to go slowly, and not to get too far ahead of the real interest, as an unfriendly crowd might easily make trouble. But we ought to have a good chapel now to seat between 200 and 300 in the main room, and have a room for women's meetings. Such a building and the lot that is needed will cost about \$2,000, silver (about \$1,000 gold). Of this amount, the Sai-naam members will raise about \$500. Dr. Simmons has offered to give as much as they together give. I should be very glad if \$500, gold, could be secured from the United States. If more than the above-mentioned \$500 is secured from the Chinese, the extra amount might be used very wisely in putting up a better building. Sai-naam has about as many people as Richmond, and ours is at present the only preaching place there. I feel that now is the time to press the work there while the people are so much interested and so friendly.

Faternally,

R. E. CHAMBERS.

The Martyr is Avenged.

Pingtu, via Tsingtau, China,

April 21, 1902.

Dear Brother,—Yesterday I went on my wheel fifteen miles southwest of Pingtu city, to Tsrei Kwoa, one of our out-stations. I had a fine day.

Wu Pie Sin, the first convert of this village, was baptized in the spring of 1897. His cousin, Wu Tei Suan, was baptized in the fall of the same year, and was killed by the Boxers in 1900. There had been but little interest in Christianity until after this brother's death, but now there are dozens of enquirers in and around this village.

April 12th, seven of his relatives were baptized, and yesterday six more of them were received for baptism, and all of them are of the same name and from the same village. We had twenty-two baptisms April 12th.

Instead of the Boxers stamping out Christ's cause by killing His followers, they only made it possible for them, like Stephen, to show forth by their death the reality of Christian experience and the power of Christ's love, which example is convicting many and causing them to repent and come to Jesus.

The son of the martyred Christian was baptized the other day, and his wife wishes to be. I visited their home yesterday, and they seem to be happy. They will be above want, for, with some money we had on hand after the Boxer trouble, we bought several acres of land to be held for their use.

Most of you have no doubt heard of the benevolent deed of the Chinese Baptist church of San Francisco in sending money for the relief of our North China Christians. As the Pingtu Christians were the main sufferers, the money was handed over to Pastor Li, to be distributed among the needy. Several were thus enabled to pass over

that trying time, when all they had was taken from them. They appreciated that loan from the Lord, and to show their appreciation, as soon as they were able they returned every cent of it to Pastor Li. Where can you find a more noble example?

The usefulness of this San Francisco contribution did not stop here. The Christian who was killed left his family in a destitute condition. What was to be done to relieve their needs? We could go to law and push the case, and no doubt get enough money to place the family in fairly good circumstances; but, after consulting the other missionaries, it was decided to use this money and buy several acres of land, as stated above. Here we have one contribution doing double work.

God can and will use your money to a good advantage if you will permit him. In the face of all of this, who can accuse the Chinese of being "rice Christians?" No one could have objected if the Christians had not returned the money; it was given to them, and if they had joined the church for a living they would not have returned it.

There is a village school in Tsrei Kwoa that is getting along nicely.

Yours very truly,

WM. H. SEARS

Honoring the Chinese Preacher.

Pingtu, via Tsingtau, China,

April 28, 1902.

Dear Brother,—April 25th I went out to Pastor Li's village to the bestowing of honors on him by the non-Christians of the neighboring villages. I have always known that he has been held in high esteem, and the villagers took this occasion to show their regard for him. It was quite an imposing sight to see the leading men of over a score of villages dressed in

their ceremonial robes, carrying banners, following a band of musicians, not to mention the hundreds of followers bringing up the procession. They presented him with a tablet extolling his virtues, and with several silk scrolls, and erected a small marble monument near his home called a "good man monument," with the following inscription: "Li Sheo Ting, a good man, whose noble example is worth following." The Chinese believe in honoring a man while he is still alive, and I do not know but what their way is the best.

As soon as the presentation ceremony was over, the guests were all invited to a feast which Pastor Li had prepared. There were over 300 guests, and all seemed to enjoy the feast, and before they went home, according to the custom of this part of China, each left sufficient money to cover his part of the expense of the feast.

This does not mean at all that these people are going to become Christians. I wish they were; but even the greatest of heathen are not blind to noble examples, and they are just as free to show their disgust of evil examples, as was shown only a few months ago, when a great many of the neighbors of a certain church leader, not a Baptist, near here, moved in on him to force him to pay back a part of the money he had falsely received after the Boxer troubles.

The Christians love their pastor more than the outsiders do, but they do not choose to adopt this plan of showing it. Yesterday I went to Hwot San church, and at the morning service their part of the pastor's salary for the year was raised in cash and pledges without any trouble. The Chinese are poor, but they will willingly give what they are able to a worthy object. There were eleven applicants for

baptism in the afternoon, and most of them will be accepted.

Yours very truly,

WM. H. SEARS.

P. S.—Wu Tswang church has secured a house of worship, and they will not have to build. I hope to go to see it in a few days. It shall not cost the Board a cent.



Thoroughly Enjoying Everything.

Hwang-Hien, China, March 3, 1902.

Dear Brother,—I have been wanting to write to you ever since my arrival in China, but I delayed at first, thinking I would like to be settled before writing. Then for more than two weeks since coming to Hwang-Hien I have been exceedingly busy, and have done practically no writing at all. I am studying five hours a day with my teacher, then nursing between times, so you can imagine how fully my time is taken up.

I have thoroughly enjoyed everything here from the very first. The day we reached Shanghai Miss Kelly invited me to go to a Chinese feast with her and Miss Price, so my first meal in China was thoroughly Chinese, in a Chinese home, and eaten with chop sticks. I didn't come away hungry, for I managed to use the chop sticks pretty well.

We were three days, instead of two, going from Chefoo to Teng Chow Fu, staying in the inn two nights. The weather was bitter cold, but we were perfectly well when we reached Dr. Hartwell's home on the 1st of February.

To tell you what my first impressions were would take me hours, but I think the most pitiful thing I have seen is the poor little girls with their bound feet. The expression on the face of a little heathen girl is so very different from that on the face of a

child with Christian parents. Everything seems very strange, of course, but that is to be expected, and the novelty adds to the interest. And oh! how one longs to talk. I have learned a few words of every-day use, and try to use them on all occasions, more frequently making grave errors, but as Dr. Mateer says in his book, "Use everything you get, no matter who laughs." The language, though hard, is very interesting, and I have a very good teacher so I am going to try my very best to talk soon. Two years seems a long time to learn to use the language.

Just before I left Teng Chow Fu a Chinaman came to see Dr. Hartwell; the Doctor being over here, he went to Mr. Owens. He had heard the Gospel, secured a New Testament, and was under deep conviction. After the plan of salvation was explained to him he was beautifully converted, and on last Sunday was baptized with five others. One thing I find so different from Christians in the home land—they never refuse to pray from the time they are converted. At first only a few simple words, yet they never refuse to make the effort.

Oh, for more earnest prayers among our home churches for these "babes in Christ," who are just learning. One great need of China is *prayer*. Pray for me, that I may get along well with the language. My teacher is a heathen, but came and bought a Testament. We are very hopeful of his conversion.

Yours for China,

JESSIE L. PETTIGREW.



ITALY.

A Message from Dr. Taylor.

Rome, Italy, April, 1902.

Dear Brother,—I have to thank you for your letters of the 11th and 16th

instant, received together yesterday. Please accept my warmest congratulations on the consecration of your noble son to the mission work. Give him my love, and may God bless him abundantly and make him a blessing.

From the 6th to the 17th instant inclusive I made a journey to the south, visiting Naples, Reggio, in Calabria, Messina, Palermo, and Boseoreale. At Naples Dr. Whittinghill, leaving the friends with whom he had gone thither, joined me for the rest of the trip. He proved a pleasant and helpful companion, and in the meeting at Messina he spoke a few words in Italian, his first, it being not quite a year since reaching Italy. Though very retiring, he will win the love and confidence of the Italian brethren.

I spoke to one of our Naples congregations in the morning and the other at night, giving them both some plain talk and good counsel and seeking to stir them up to better things. The turnout was fine at both places, and the brethren showed an excellent spirit. It must be ever borne in mind that Italy is very poor, and that our members come everywhere from the poor, hard-working classes, who often just manage to live, while the few that get better wages have hard work to help those who are sick or out of work. I have no doubt that the good-will exists everywhere in this mission, and if there were more members and better times the offerings would increase in proportion, for I personally know that some of the best of our people, with the dear and increasing cost of living, and with growing families, find it hard to pay rent and make buckle and tongue meet. It was pleasant to find faithful and active in Naples a brother I baptized elsewhere ten years ago, another who had been with Bro. Basile at Portier, and another at whose baptism I

had assisted in Venice years ago, and a sister formerly in Florence. The first named of these would have us three to dine with him, and took us in carriages and by the electric tram to his home in the heights overlooking the vast expanse of land and sea all bathed in beauty.

We attended week night meetings in Messina and Palermo, and coming all unannounced, as was the case at every other meeting, we found good congregations and received from the brethren at each place a warm welcome. We also made in Messina two visits with the young evangelist, which I trust were very useful, as Scriptures were read, and we prayed and spoke of the Gospel. At one place several young men calling were present. It was the home of the evangelist's betrothed. The other family visited was the one whose nearly every member I had baptized in previous visits. They had not thrown themselves heartily into the work, having lived out of town and having gotten a little miffed at something, but we got that all set right. In Palermo, though ill, I enjoyed speaking, after the minister's good sermon, and things are promising there if he will not go too fast in receiving members.

We spent a Sunday in Reggio. I preached in the morning to a crowded congregation. We ought to enlarge the hall, as we are urged to do, if only the money were not so scarce. At night, after the usual service, there was a meeting of the Circolo "Cristo e Patria"—that is, the "Christ and Country" club, composed chiefly of young men, but including several prominent citizens. One of these last, a lawyer, spoke at length, and earnestly, showing from history and his own experience the preciousness of the Bible, and the blessed influence of evangelical religion. Then several young men, in

turn, told of what Christ had done for them. I closed the service, speaking from my seat on the importance of youth and the great mistake of thoughtlessness in that critical time, on the importance of forming good habits specially as to imagination, that no thoughts be indulged in which one would blush for his mother and sister to know, and on the need of Christ to pardon and enable one to live a pure and noble life. It was 11 o'clock when the service closed, but no one seemed wearied or restless, and the interest was unflagging to the end. Several of those precious young men wish to be baptized, and certain ones of them will be at an early date, while the others will be asked to wait for a longer trial.

In the afternoon we were driven out by our evangelist to his brother's, and in the small but fertile grounds plucked sweet flowers and partook of Japan apples and oranges right off of the trees. Thus, you see, we had drops of refreshment not only for the spirit, but also for the body during our journey, which was not without its petty troubles. Neither of us felt well, nor could we get food suitable to our appetites, made delicate from the too sudden change to the Sicilian climate. In crossing the Straits of Messina, a big wave dashed over our backs, but we only laughed and went below, where some were fainting, and some were badly seasick.

We made the voyage between Naples and Sicily by steamer in the second class. Our room-mates in going were two dirty friars bound for Jerusalem. The return voyage was rough and delayed. Dr. Whittinghill suffered. My sufferings culminated only after I reached Rome, keeping me four days in bed. If I mention these trifles it is only to give a tolerably complete picture of the trip. Greater ills

would we joyfully bear for the work's sake, for Him who loved us and gave Himself for us. Two other pleasant experiences must in fairness be mentioned. The views of the blue and purple sea and of the pink Eolian isles, and the brilliantly blooming geranium hedge rows en route for Palermo charmed Dr. Whittinghill, and seemed to me even more lovely than I had remembered. At Boscoreale, where we visited two families, Mrs. Martinelli had saved her Easter good things for our coming, and she made us a quiet feast, which, most apropos, came on Dr. Whittinghill's birthday. It made me glad that everywhere Dr. Whittinghill found the work more promising than he had expected. Compared with that he had little eye or care for the objects which draw tourists to Naples, and to that golden isle of stately halls, the garden of the Hesperides, the land of the myrtle and citron, of a life-giving sun, and of breezes soft and sweet.

Very affectionately,

GEO B. TAYLOR.



AFRICA.

Happy Experience and Happy Anticipations.

Liverpool, England, May 6, 1902.

Dear Brother,—We arrived in Liverpool last Thursday after a fairly good voyage. We all experienced more or less seasickness, especially last Sunday, at which time we had quite a severe storm.

Mrs. Pinnock met us at the landing stage, and rendered us assistance and advice. It was quite a treat to meet a missionary from the field. My wife and I could have sailed the Saturday following our arrival here, but on account of Miss Spragg's shopping, found it necessary to wait until Wednesday, at which time we are booked to sail.

We are pleasantly situated in our

quarters in this city. We secured special missionary rates. The proprietor is an excellent Christian man. Every morning the servants are called in to prayers; also all visitors are invited. This is the first hotel I have ever seen run on this principle.

The proprietor heard us speak of purchasing a hair mattress. He interrupted us by saying he had one which he would gladly let us have free of charge. You may be sure Mrs. Perry and I were both thankful, for it not only because it saved us an item of expense, but it came as a token that God will bless us with the temporal needs of this life.

When this reaches you we will be borne on our way to the land we love and for whose people we have given our lives. How our hearts will bound upon catching a glimpse of Africa's soil! And more so when actually among the degraded souls we shall strive to uplift.

The Convention will soon convene. How anxious I will be to hear the report. I hope we will receive a copy as soon as practicable. Our message to the Convention is I Thess. 5: 25.

Yours fraternally,

W. M. PERRY.



BRAZIL.

Thoroughly Interested in the Lord's Work.

Campinas, Brazil, March 13, 1902.

Dear Brother,—This letter leaves us in good health and in fine spirits. Our little girl is in Sao Paulo for a month of change and visiting.

Mrs. Deter and I were at the American Colony last Sunday, where I preached, and though it was a rainy and muddy day, the house was crowded. It was the very gate of heaven for me, for I could speak in my native tongue. One young woman gave her

heart to God, I think. She took the start. Mrs. Deter and I wrote a personal letter to every man, woman, and child in the colony—four hundred in all—and the work gave rich returns. They are paying nearly half enough to keep a young ministerial student in school here. I am teaching English to four young men, who are preparing to preach. One is an American. He has recently dedicated his life to God. The American colony will soon pay the way of one of these young men.

A week ago last Sunday night I baptized a bright young woman here out under the bright stars of this glorious southern sky. O, how my heart rejoiced as she went under the water and rose to walk in newness of life! God's own child, I verily believe. I have never been so thoroughly interested in our dear Lord's work before. There is so much to be done. Many are intensely interested, others are becoming so. I have arranged to rent a house for worship at Arraial dos Souzas, a village two hours' run from here. We have seven members there and several who wish to be baptized. The house of worship there is crowded, and many people standing at the door.

When we came here the church was located in a little house on a back street. No one would attend there—rarely an audience of over five. We moved the church to the present house. We have an audience that averages one hundred, with increasing interest and attention. This building is on a commercial street, and was used for a store. It is not a sanitary house to live in, but good for a church. We are compelled to live in it now to pay the rent, as there is only \$20 given for the rent of a hall of worship. I am sure it is not expedient for us to live over the church room. It is not best for our work, and it is a very undesirable

place to live; therefore, we are compelled to have \$25 for church hall rent, making in all for this purpose here \$45 per month. We cannot rent a suitable house of worship for less.

We think now that Mrs. Deter is going to have splendid health here, and my health is improved, and Ellis is growing faster than ever in her life. If the Lord wills, we will be able to do some hard work here in the next few years. We never felt more like work, nor had we ever more to do.

I am now a member of the Bales chapel church, Kansas City. Missouri is my native State, and I am glad to be known as coming from there.

Most sincerely, A. B. DETER.



MEXICO.

A Good Association and a Long Trip.

San Juan (Nocupetaro), Mich.,

Dear Brother,—We are having a good Association. The attendance of delegates and visitors is rather large; the discussions have been free, and general interest good. Brethren Hatchell, of Morelia, and Sloan, of Mexico, are here and adding materially to the interest of the meeting. The number of baptisms reported the past year has not come up to the year before, but the churches are in good condition and working well. The brethren seem in fine spirits, everybody happy and ready to begin another year's work for the Lord.

I am now (300 miles) 120 leagues

southeast from Guadalajara. Our little mules are holding up moderately well, though they must carry many packages and bundles, besides their riders. I have not heard a word from home since I left there, now nearly two weeks ago.

We are to start on our return trip day after to-morrow (the 27th), and hope to reach home by February 8th or 10th, but cannot tell positively, since I don't know the road, never having travelled over this part of the country. I was much pleased with the down trip. Don't know how we shall get on going back. If I find my family getting on well, I hope to make a long trip from Guadalajara westward, via Tepic toward the Pacific, the last of February. I will write you again about the middle of February—i. e., when I get home from this trip.

My health was never better, have had hardly a pain or ache since I left home. My regular weight is about 150 to 153, but I now draw 159. But pardon me, I must not trouble you with such things as these.

We are praying and working to have "a good day in the camps of Israel" to-morrow (Sunday). I feel a greater interest and responsibility perhaps, because I am now formally and officially leaving this part of the country, and may never visit here again. The dear Lord bless these, my children, in the Gospel! I love them all.

Fraternally,

J. G. CHASTAIN.



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MISSION TOPIC FOR JULY, 1902, THE HOME BOARD.

"Look to yourselves that we lose not those things which we have wrought." Missionaries, 674; churches and stations, 1,757; baptisms, 8,150; churches constituted, 231; houses of worship built and improved, 398. Cash receipts, \$98,950.29. Box receipts, \$24,459.47.

STUDY TOPICS.—Growth of the South. Departments of Work: Frontier Missions, Foreign Population, Destitute regions in States like Florida and Louisiana, the Appalachian Mountains and its need of religious education, Cuba.

PROGRAM FOR JULY, 1902.

Urge members who cannot attend to send a written excuse and passage of Scripture, which shall bespeak interest in the meeting.

1. Bible Reading: "The Redemption of Time." Ps. 90: 12; John 9: 4; Eph. 5: 14-17; Col. 4: 5; I Peter 1: 13-25; II Tim. 4: 7-8.

2. Hyman: "In the harvest field there is work to do."

3. For Leader: "Educational and material prosperity cannot save us." Mormonism has 1,400 missionaries. Catholicism is extending its power; 448,572 immigrants came here in 1900.

4. Heart Question (suggested by Leader): How much time each month do we devote to missions?

5. Petition for greater appreciation of the value of time and life's obligation.

6. Present the New Mission Cards. Previous to the meeting, these may be

obtained free from State Central Committees. Urge their use as a reminder for prayer and study.

7. Leaflet: "My Country—How can I best serve it?" By Rev. F. R. Boston.
8. Items from Reports of Home Board and Cor. Sec'y W. M. U. (See July Home Field.)
9. Discussion. "The Tendency of our Times—Drifting away from God." Sunday Travel, Sunday Newspaper, Small Church Attendance.
10. Recommendations of Boards S. B. C. are the basis of W. M. U. effort. Carefully consider those of the Home Board.
11. Look forward to sending box to needy missionary. Name and letter may be obtained from State Central Committee.
12. Prayer: For Missionaries and Work of the Home Mission Board.



MONTHLY MISSIONARY LITERATURE.

FOR PASTOR AND PEOPLE; FOR LEADER AND LED.—The mission calendar year begins with July, and has "The Home Board" for its first topic. Rev. F. R. Boston has contributed the manuscript for the monthly leaflet, "My Country—How Can I Best Serve It?" (Price, 3 cents, Missionary Literature Department, S. B. C., 233 N. Howard street, Baltimore.) It is an earnest plea to use present opportunities through the Home Board to Christianize our own land as the highest service which may be rendered to it.

As this month begins the calendar mission year and a new quarter, we would again press upon all mission workers the advantages of the monthly literature. It is sent quarterly, and the present package contains seven enclosures: The mission topic card, three programmes, four leaflets, and the Children's Day programme. The price is 8 cents per quarter, 30 cents per annum. A single leaflet has to be sold for 3 cents to cover postage and printing. It is best and cheapest to order for the year, and to receive quarterly. Send all orders and money to 233 N. Howard street, Baltimore, Md.



FINANCES OF THE HOME BOARD.

"The amount of cash received during the year for the regular work of the Home Board has been \$98,950.29, which is an increase of \$12,045.61 over the previous year. In addition to this, the Board has received in special gifts, upon which it pays an annuity during the life of the donors, to be used in connection with the Church Building Loan Fund and other investments, the sum of \$1,500. This makes the actual amount of cash received \$100,450.29, as against the sum of \$91,075.11 received the previous year. All of the States except five of the older and stronger ones show an increase in cash contributions over last year."



RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD

TO WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION, AUXILIARY S. B. C., ADOPTED AT ANNUAL MEETING,
ASHEVILLE, N. C., MAY 9, 1902.

The Home Mission Board would re-emphasize its great appreciation of the help rendered by the Woman's Missionary Union, and makes the following suggestions for the coming year:

- I. That the Church Building Loan Fund be continued as a special feature in the work of the Union.

II. That the women be directed to prayer and effort in behalf of the services of women working under the auspices of our Board.

III. We would remind the societies that notwithstanding the love and genuine sympathy shown by sending boxes, they cannot be counted on salaries, and urge that this good work shall be additional to cash contributions.

IV. We call the attention of our devoted women to the vast work of our Board in the aggregate of its special fields: Negroes, Cities, Foreigners, Frontiers, Cuba, Mountains, Church Building, etc., and to the sum necessary to meet the several appropriations, suggesting \$35,000 in cash as the object of their combined, consecrated efforts for the coming year.

V. The increasing value of the special week in March of prayer and effort for Home Missions is apparent and its continuance is requested.

VI. While possibly not so apparent as results from other efforts, we are convinced that no work of the women is more valuable than the formation of Societies and Bands to train the children, and we most heartily commend to the women this noble foundation work.



HOME MISSION NEEDS FOR 1902-'03.

Dear Sisters,—The Home Mission Board begins the new year very hopefully. The generous gifts of the churches in the year that has just closed gives fresh spirit in all the noble work they have set our Board to accomplish. The total amount of cash received during the year for the regular work of the Home Board was \$98,950.29, which is an increase of \$12,045.61 over the previous year. In addition to this, the Board has received in special gifts, to be used in connection with the Church Building and Loan Fund and other investments, the sum of \$1,500. This makes the actual amount of cash received \$100,450.29.

The Convention, in session at Asheville, instructed the Board to lay out its work for the coming year on a basis of 25 per cent. increase over the receipts of the past year. It will not be difficult to lay the work out on a larger scale, because there are constantly opening opportunities of vast importance and promise of blessed results. Our great difficulty appears when, towards the close of the year, we find ourselves obliged to deny some of the most urgent appeals because we find always that we have been constrained to go beyond the limits fixed.

Our work in Cuba will require the 25 per cent. increase this year in order that we may hold the ground already taken. There are three hopeful interests in our mountain work, which have already made application, that require more than the 25 per cent. increase in that direction. Our missions west of the Mississippi river furnish almost an unbounded field, and open to us far more rapidly than we have been enabled to occupy them. Work among the foreign population constantly appeals to us for enlargement, and the demand this year is even more urgent than ever.

The Church Building and Loan department of our Board was increased last year by a very small amount, and yet the possibilities for usefulness to that department are well-nigh unbounded. It is designed that this fund shall be a permanent fund, to be used for no other purpose than loans to churches to aid them in building houses of worship, and that these loans shall be made on strictly business principles. The committee in charge of this fund has, under direction of the Board, made quite a number of loans, varying in amounts from \$150 to \$400, for from three to five years. In each instance where such loans have been

made the church has thus been enabled to complete its house, and in many instances to secure property that could not otherwise have been held. If persons whom the Lord has blessed with means will remember the work of their Master in their wills and bequeath to the Home Mission Board for permanent use sums of money as others have done, there will soon accumulate a fund in the hands of the Board that will become a powerful agency in the advancement of the Master's kingdom long after we are dead and gone.

May the blessing of God abide upon our noble women in their constant and untiring efforts to promote the Master's cause, and may heaven's joy fill their hearts as they plan and labor together for the promotion of the Master's kingdom.

Sincerely,

F. C. McCONNELL, Cor. Sec'y.



MISS BUHLMAIER AT THE EMIGRANT PIER.

Coming home from the Convention on Wednesday, I found the steamer waiting with over 1,000 immigrants. Beside the usual work at the landing, we were particularly interested in the sick at this time.

Forty-five passengers were detained on account of measles; four from pneumonia, and one, a lady in her seventy-fourth year, travelling alone, intending to go to her children in St. Louis, Mo., completely exhausted, dropped on the floor of the pier and laid there until some hours later, when the hospital ambulance carried her away; but, in the mean time, I was given free access, and was allowed to minister to her. After visiting the poor old woman at the hospital several times, it was also my privilege to present her release and see her safely off. The measles patients were at another hospital, and yesterday I was permitted to escort a young mother, whose child had died the day before, from there to the railroad station. The nurse gave her a splendid testimony of devotion, cleanliness, etc., yet some thought her stoical. When I came with the release and had spoken a few kind words, she just fell in my arms and wept like a child. Her grief was touching in the extreme. However, the thought of her leaving now to join her husband, from whom she was separated so abruptly upon their arrival last week, gave her renewed courage and strength. It is hard enough for the passengers ordinarily, but when such things occur, and they are detained in places like the above, unable to speak a word to either doctor, nurse or patients, the strain is simply unspeakable, but the relief likewise on meeting a friend. What a privilege to be God's messengers of peace and comfort! If we could only always remember that we are laborers together, each having her own part in the work, and each sharing alike in the reward, if only we are faithful.

Among the 6,157 passengers landed here during the past month, we distributed about 1,300 copies of God's own Word. The demand for Bibles and other literature is greater than ever. To keep the supply up means much. Will we be able to do it, or will I have to cut down? If so, where must I begin? Would that our Southern Baptists would work, pray and give to the Bible fund as never before, and thus see to the needed supply. I trust "Children's Day" will prove a great blessing.



EXTRACTS FROM ANNUAL REPORT CORRESPONDING SECRETARY W. M. U.

MISS ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG.

A sense of "God with us" gives courage to those who "Go Forward" in this work of missions. God who was in the beginning, who is the Alpha and Omega,

"the same yesterday, to-day and forever," in carrying out His plan—the gathering out from the nations a people for Himself—now as in the past is working through human instrumentality. Realizing as we oft-times do our weakness and incompetence for the duties devolving upon us, faith may be strengthened by bringing to remembrance some instruments which have been honored by Him: A rod in the hand of Moses at God's command divided the Red Sea. Pitchers, trumpets, lamps, when used in obedience to His instructions, were sufficient for the overcoming of the host of Midianites by Gideon and his little band of three hundred. Ignorant fishermen of Galilee through obedience to the command, "Follow Me," became teachers of the most learned. After the apathy of the Middle Ages when God wished to rouse His people to their obligation for sending the Gospel to those in darkness, upon a poor cobbler He laid the burden of the heathen world, its condition and its salvation. In our own day, the one who probably gathered more sheaves for the Master than any other was Dwight L. Moody, but would we have thought him fitted for the grand work he accomplished? Another instrumentality of the present time which has become a mighty power because of God working through it, is the organized work of women and children. Of this Dr. A. T. Pierson says: "It is one of the greatest of modern chapters in the New Acts of the Apostles."

THE BASIS OF W. M. U. WORK being Recommendations of the Home, Foreign and Sunday School Boards, persistent, painstaking, prayerful effort has been made to render every possible assistance along all suggested lines of service.

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR 1901-'02.—Towards work in home and foreign lands as promoted by the Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention, the Baptist women and children of the South have contributed in cash during the past year, \$51,776.52, an increase of \$1,803.25 over last year. *Cash Contributions.* \$34,787.17 to the Foreign Board; \$19,510 to the Home Board; \$478.87 to the Sunday School Board. In contributions to the Home Board is included an offering of \$1,000 for the Church Building Loan Fund from Montgomery, Ala. *Box Contributions:* 369 boxes, valued at \$24,459.47, were sent to missionaries of the Home Board; 126 boxes, valued at \$8,891.08, to Sunday School missionaries.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.—China, "the greatest mission field in the world," was again selected by the Foreign Board as the object of work for which offerings should be made at the season of rejoicing because of the gift of a Saviour. As usual, special literature was prepared; 76,800 envelopes were distributed. Receipts, \$6,088.17. Accurate results cannot be obtained, as money is sometimes undesignated. * * *

WEEK OF PRAYER AND SELF-DENIAL FOR HOME MISSIONS.—The third week in March has for several years been set aside as the time for making special effort in behalf of the Home Mission Board. A programme adapted to every day of the week, including both home and foreign fields, was prepared as an aid to meetings for prayer; also leaflets were furnished. Dr. F. C. McConnell, Secretary of the Home Mission Board, furnished two circular letters, one to pastors, the other to Woman's Mission Societies. Through State papers and the Foreign Mission Journal, the President of Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. Charles A. Stakely, made an earnest appeal for co-operation in securing successful observance of the Week of Self-Denial.

CHILDREN'S DAY IN JUNE for the Sunday School Board is another special line of

work. This was inaugurated in 1898 for the benefit of the Bible Fund, and Woman's Missionary Union has since endeavored to stimulate interest in the distribution of God's Word by Southern Baptists through their own agency—the Sunday School Board. Programme and mite boxes for last June were provided by Woman's Missionary Union.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSIONARY DAY.—As in previous years, Missionary Day was emphasized in Recommendations of the Boards for the year 1901-1902. Appreciating that this service is acceptable to the Great Teacher, who gave to children a place in the new dispensation, Woman's Missionary Union again sought to interest pastors, superintendents of Sunday schools, members of Mission Societies in making this a feature of their Sunday schools. The programme was prepared by Miss F. E. S. Heck, and, as in former years, contributions which are sent to the Sunday School Board were equally divided and given to the Home and Foreign Boards.

W. M. U. DEPARTMENTS in the Foreign Mission Journal, Our Home Field and Kind Words are continued. Through the W. M. U. Departments in the Foreign Mission Journal and Our Home Field, special pains are taken to present such matter as can be utilized in missionary meetings, and will keep our workers in touch with the plans of the general organization. A Band Department in the Foreign Missionary Journal has been taking the children upon a delightful imaginary journey around the world—"In the Wake of the Missionaries." Kind Words grows better with advancing years, is a delight to readers of all ages, but is especially adapted to young people. During the past year, we have continued sending out sample copies of these periodicals of the Boards, and have been gratified by securing a large number of new subscribers.

THE HOME DEPARTMENT, WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.—At the suggestion of the Woman's Board of the Woman's Missionary Union of Virginia, this new feature of W. M. U. work was embodied in the Executive Committee Recommendations which were adopted at the last annual meeting. The purpose and plan of the Home Department W. M. U. are very simple, and to those familiar with the Sunday School Home Department the idea is readily grasped. Its purpose is to reach those who do not or cannot attend missionary meetings, or those who have no meetings to attend. Comparatively few in any community, city or country, are as yet identified with mission work. The plan is as simple and direct as the purpose. The missionary literature is carried to the individuals, the understanding being that each one receiving it promises to devote thirty minutes each week to reading and praying for missions. A booklet consisting of five leaflets and mission (prayer) card is loaned each one who will make the required promise. An envelope for the collection (no stated amount, but to be divided between home and foreign missions) accompanies the booklets. At the end of three months the visitor (person in charge of the Mission Home Department) collects envelopes and booklets previously loaned and transfers them. It is believed that through the Home Department many will become more interested in missions and will in time make it possible either to overcome obstacles and unite with missionary societies, or to form them where none now exists. Very gratifying therefore is the fact that this new plan is already meeting with much favor, and though now but in its infancy, the prospects for the future are very bright.

(To be continued next month.)

Band Department.

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TRAVELLER'S RECITAL—No. 3.

SIAM AND BURMAH.

1. *Hymn*.—"Jesus Saves." 421 Gospel Hymns, 1-6.

2. *Words of Command*. (Divide the Band into two sections. The leader asks the questions, as "What is Christ's command to go to work," etc., etc.? Half the band respond with Bible verse, the other half with verses of poetry.)

First Command—Go. Mark 16: 15.

Go and tell of Jesus,
Bear the joyful news;
'Tis the Lord's commandment,
Who shall dare refuse?
Lo, I'm with you always
Is His gracious word;
Go to those who need Him,
Trusting in the Lord.

Second Command—Work. James 2:
17-18.

Work to do for Jesus,
Is there none for us?
Can we prove we love Him?
We can show it thus:
Faith alone is nothing,
Work betrays its life;
Lord, Thyself prepare us
For the toil and strife.

Third Command—Wait. Luke 12: 36.

Wait upon the Master,
Though He tarry long,
He will come with blessings;
Wait, and be thou strong.
Trust in God forever,
Ye shall never fail;
Faith o'er doubt and darkness
Shall at length prevail.

Fourth Command—Shine. Matt. 5: 16.

Shine as lights in darkness,
Each one in his place;
Let us catch the shining
Of our Saviour's face.
Others then may see it,
And shall glorify
God our Heavenly Father
Throned in light on high.

3. *Hymn*.—"Onward, Christian Soldier," No. 87.

4. *Prayer*.

5. *Talk by the Courier*. (Prepare a large map, and have one of the larger Band point out on the map the route one would take to reach Bangkok, Siam, giving a few words of description about each point at which the vessel would

Fifth Command—Help. III John 8.

Help the weak and erring,
Help the cause of right;
Where there lies a burden
Lift with all thy might.
Give as God has given,
By whose power we live;
Freely God doth bless us,
Let us freely give.

Sixth Command—Love and Hope.
Rom. 13: 10.

Love is even the greatest
Of the blessed three,
Love is the fulfilling
Of the law for thee.
Hope in God who loveth,
Make thine anchor fast;
Hope shall find fruition
Far on high at last.

Seventh and Eighth Command—Prayer
and Praise. I Thess. 5: 17; Ps. 30: 23.

Pray for all things needful,
God for thee doth care;
Daily make petition
He will answer prayer.
Praise Him for the blessing
Of His bounteous hand;
Praise and bless Jehovah,
This is His command.

Ninth Command—Hear and Do. Ps.
85: 8; John 15: 14.

Hear the gracious message
Of our mighty Lord.
What is His commandment;
What His binding word?
Do the will of Jesus
With obedient love,
Laying up your treasure
In His home above.
What is His commandment;
What His word to you?
Blest are they that hearken,
Blest are they that do.

touch—Hawaii; Tokio, Japan; Shanghai, China; Canton, China. In Journals of January, February, March and April, 1901.)

6. Paper. A Morning in Bangkok. (See Journal, April, 1901.)

7. A few words from a girl of Siam. (Costume, very narrow skirt of light calico, with all the fullness in front, with tight-fitting jacket of unbleached cloth and a long scarf of yellow cheese cloth, with ends in front.)

"Our country is often called 'The Land of the White Elephant,' and there is always great rejoicing when one is found. You see our flag has a white elephant on a red ground, and some of our coins are stamped with a picture of an elephant. My city, Bangkok, is the capital of Siam, and it is a very large city. I live in a double-roofed *boat house*, and there are many other houses like mine all along the river. They are built on rafts, so that they rise or fall with the tide. Missionaries have churches, boys' and girls' schools and a hospital in Bangkok, and we have the Bible printed in our language."

8. Plea for the children. By six little Sunbeams.

PLEA FOR THE CHILDREN.

Response.

We plead for the little children
Who have opened their baby eyes
In the far-off lands of darkness
Where the shadow of death yet lies.

O surely a hundred tapers,
Which even small fingers can clasp,
May lighten as much of the darkness
As a lamp in a stronger grasp.

Ah, sad! it is idol worship
Their stammering lips are taught;
To cruel false gods only
Are their gifts and offerings brought.

And then, as the line grows longer,
So many tapers, though small,
May kindle a brighter shining
Than a lamp would, after all.

And what can we children offer,
Who dwell in this Christian land?
Is there no work for the Master
In reach of each little hand?

So the lights shall be quicker kindled,
And darkness the sooner shall flee;
Many "little ones" learn of the Saviour
Both here and "far over the sea."

9. Solo—"I gave my life for thee," No. 660.

10. A Missionary Heroine—Mrs. Anna Judson. Paper by larger girl. (See Journal, May, 1901.)

11. Hymn—"Tell it out," No. 192.



A MISSIONARY HERO OF SIAM.

William Dean.

The eldest child of a family of eight has many responsibilities, for he will be followed by the younger ones. Perhaps William Dean, the oldest son of a Baptist deacon in the State of New York, sometimes felt, as many another eldest boy has done, that he would have liked to have stopped being "an example" for a while. But it may have been—and I would much rather think so—that it was his constant delight to help his mother with her many cares. However this may be, he lived the life of an ordinary country boy until he was sixteen. Then his dear mother died, and grief at her loss, the questioning doubt whether he should meet her again in heaven, led him to think of his duty to God, and finally to give his heart to his Saviour.

At this time Mr. and Mrs. Judson had been in Burmah only eleven years (1825). As you know, they had gone out as Congregationalists, but by study of the Word of God had become Baptist on their long, long sea voyage.

There was no Baptist Mission Board; no one to whom they could look for support, yet they did not fear to trust God.

They wrote home to a Baptist friend and waited. It was God's way of calling the Baptists of our country to a Foreign Mission work. The news went from Maine to Florida. Though there were no railroads, no telegraph wires, and no steamboats, although one had been built a few years before, the story went fast and far. "God has called Baptists to His work in heathen lands. He has given us missionaries, and they are now in India. Shall we let them starve?" This was the question from one end of the country to the other. The Baptists replied, "No. Never!" The result was that in 1814, two years after Mr. and Mrs. Judson sailed for India, Baptists from all over the United States met in Philadelphia. They elected a man from South Carolina president, and one from Massachusetts for secretary, and thus formed the Triennial Baptist Convention.

From that time forward the Baptists, who were then very few, had an ever-increasing interest in missions, and when William Dean sailed for China, in 1834, he went in company with twelve or fourteen Baptist missionaries. Some were for Burmah to join the Judsons, some for Siam, and Mr. Dean to knock at the closed door of China. But before he sailed it was shown that he had been an example to his friends at home.

He was in his own home town, which he would not see again for many years. Ere he sailed, there were some who wished him to baptize them. They were not strangers, but his cousins, his young friends, and those he had taught. Thus having learned to lead his friends to Christ at home, he was ready for work abroad.

The missionary company on the "Cashmere" at last reached Maulmain, India, and were joyfully greeted by the Judsons. After resting here a few days Mr. and Mrs. Judson gave into Mr. Dean's hands a charge that nearly cost him his life. Little George Dana Boardman's father had died teaching the Koreans, and after some years his mother had become Mr. Judson's second wife. Now they found it necessary to send little George, who afterward became a great preacher, home, to be educated in America. The ship, Cashmere, on which the missionary party had come, would sail for America, after going to a town farther on Mr. Dean's way to his field. So George was put in his care, and went with them to Singapore. Here the passengers landed, while the ship stayed for some weeks getting ready for the long voyage back to America. When the time came to sail we may be sure the little boy took leave of his new friends with a sad heart. As they sailed out to the big ship in a little boat they were suddenly attacked by pirates. They threw Mr. Jones, another missionary, into the sea; sent a number of fishing spears into Dr. Dean's body, but failed to see the little boy, who was safely hidden under the seat. Seizing a box of letters, which they thought full of money, the pirates made off, and Mr. Dean succeeded in pulling Mr. Jones, now almost dead, into the boat. Next day little George went over to the big ship with a strong band of soldiers. But his friends, Mr. Dean and his wife, could not enter China. Its doors were fast closed against missionaries. Still, "where there's a will there's a way," in missions as in all else.

Bankok, the capital of Siam, was full of Chinese. They were the merchants, carpenters, ship owners, tailors, and clerks of the city. Here, thought Mr. Dean, is work for the Chinese and the Siamese as well, for if these influential men learn of Christ, they will teach their Siamese friends, and by and by take the news back to China, where they may go if a foreigner cannot.

Thus began more than fifty years' work for Siam and China. But his wife

was not with him. Already a heavy sorrow had come to him. His young wife, after a voyage of 176 days, never reached Bangkok, but died at Singapore, India.

A short time before Mr. Dean arrived, Mr. Jones, who was preaching among the Siamese, begun a little prayer-meeting for the Chinese. This little meeting was led by a Chinese convert. Small though this beginning was, the dozen who became regular in their attendance did much by the distribution of tracts and Bibles among their countrymen. When Mr. Dean came he took charge of this little company. The next year he baptized three converts, and in 1837 he became the pastor of the first Protestant church in Siam. Mr. Dean himself has left an account of what was required of one who would be baptized. First, he said, their idols must be thrown down. Often the heathen wife will plead hard that this may not be so, for she believes that some terrible evil will come if they are taken away. If not quite safe, she will say to her husband, to leave your family to the care of devils, while you are gone.

One thing that would have seemed strange to us about this church, which, however, is not uncommon in the churches gathered in heathen lands, was that it was a church of *old men*. On communion Sunday, after the work had been going on for some years, these old men would come in from miles around. Along among the first, wrote another missionary, would come old Pe Tong, eighty-three years old. He had come from the nearest out-station, nearly thirty miles away, to join in the Lord's Supper. Pe Hoke, seventy-one, followed, leaning on his staff, for he is not only old, but lame. Next, Deacon Pe Hwa, seventy-four, the praises of whose good, pure life are told by both Christians and heathen. Then came two very deaf men, and next a blind man, old, yet rejoicing in the great light which had come at last into his soul. But old as they were, their work did not die with them, for the grandchildren of one of those who formed that first church are officers of that church to-day.

And what of China, to which Mr. Dean had been sent? Seven years after he left America, in 1842, the long-closed door of China began to open. The island of Hong Kong came into the possession of the English, and Mr. Dean hastened hither. Here he labored for some years, but when the missions there were established under the charge of other missionaries, he turned his face once more to Bangkok. Year after year found him at his post. As the time went by five churches were organized and five hundred converts baptized. He was an old man, broken in health, and his friends said, "Come home. You have done your part. Lay down your work and rest." Thus persuaded, and being too sick to keep up his work, he returned to America. But his heart was in Siam. After ten years he could bear the separation from his beloved mission field no longer. Once more the long voyage was taken and the work renewed.

On his sixty-seventh birthday he preached once in English and once in Chinese at Bangkok. On the Sunday before he had baptized twenty-five, and organized a church, and on the Sabbath before that baptized thirty-five Chinese in another town. On his return to Siam from a visit to America, he was welcomed by the king, who had long been his friend, in the following letter:

To William Dean, D. D.:

I, your friend, have thought of you continually during your absence to visit your native land. Now that I hear the news that you have returned to my country in health and comfort, having had no mishap on the journey, I am very happy. For you were my royal father's friend before me, and now are my friend. I beg that you may long enjoy happiness. Not having opportunity to see you now, I write this note of welcome to reach you. CHU LA LONG KORN.

Royal Palace, Bangkok, December 23, 1876.

Nine years more pass by. Fifty years of mission work have been completed, and the old missionary is still happy in his work. My life, he writes, has not been one of self-denial, but of happiness. It is a *grace*, a favor, a privilege, with all it costs, to preach the Gospel to the heathen. Those who work for them do not wait for happiness in heaven, but have enjoyment now a hundredfold.

So let us leave one happy hero, who was great in the faithfulness of a lifetime.

RECEIPTS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS

From May 15 to June 15, 1902.

ALABAMA.—Athens Ch., by E. B., \$1.33; Pleasant Grove Ch., by J. A. P., \$3.05; Bethlehem Ch., by J. A. P., \$1.50. Total, \$3.88. Previously reported, \$26.39. Total this year, \$35.27.

ARKANSAS.—DeWitt Ch., by I. K., \$2.50. Previously reported, \$20. Total this year, \$22.50.

FLORIDA.—Mt. Elon Ch., by J. I. L., \$3; B. B. Mosley, Hampton (China Pub. So.), \$5. Total, \$8. Previously reported, \$15.50. Total this year, \$23.50.

GEORGIA.—S. Y. Jameson, Treas. (J. C. Owen), \$195; W. M. S., First Ch., Macon, by W. D., \$6.55; Fayetteville Ch., by W. D., \$6.25; Coal Mt., by J. J. B., \$1.21; Second S. S., Macon, by W. B., \$12.32; Blue Water Ch., Ebenezer Ass'n, by E. C., \$1.50; W. F. M. S., First Ch., Americus, by Miss A. W. (native help), \$8.50; Mary Davis Jackson, Greensboro, \$25; Jackson Ch., by F. S. E., \$41.66; S. Y. Jameson, Treas. (China), \$9.55; Peyton Stephens, \$15; Miss Parker, \$35; Miss Kennon's Bible woman, \$2.50; Brazil, \$6.35; Mexico, \$6.35; Medical Missions, \$20.15; W. H. Sears, \$200, \$1,010.78; Corinth Ch., Middle Ass'n, by Mrs. S. E. S., \$5.70. Total, \$1,314.47. Previously reported, \$150.02. Total this year, \$1,464.49.

KENTUCKY.—Mrs. F. M. Spilman (China Pub. So.), \$1; bequest Matthew Layne, by O. E. L., \$650; Junior B. Y. P. U., Williamsburg, by G. R. K. (China Pub. So.), \$5; Jefferson-town Ch., by S. A. C., \$6; Paris Ch., by G. W. A., \$10; Miss'y So., S. B. T. S., by H. B. F., \$46.41; J. G. Bow, Cor. Sec'y (Cynthiana for native worker with Dr. Graves, China, \$100), \$202.55; Miss'y So., Clifton Ch., by Mrs. W. E. F. (home for J. W. Lowe), \$10; Miss Mattie Traleur, by J. P., \$6.37; Third Ch., Owensboro, by J. G. B. (Miss Mackenzie), \$100. Total, \$1,037.33.

Previously reported, \$215.87. Total this year, \$1,253.20.

LOUISIANA.—Mt. Hermon Ch., by M. J. S., \$8.95; M. P. Newson, \$15; Grand Cane Ch., by W. H. H., \$7.60; B. Y. P. U., First Ch., Shreveport, by P. W. C., \$29.50; Leon Bankston, by I. E. C., 25 cents; Chesbro S. S., by L. M. C., \$1.15. Total, \$62.45.

Previously reported, \$256. Total this year, \$319.45.

MARYLAND.—W. F. M. So., by Mrs. E. L. (Fulton Ave. Busy Bee Band, \$2; Grace Ch. Baby Band, 90 cents; Waverly Woman's So., \$4.09; Pocomoke City Ladies' So. (Mrs. Hartwell's salary), \$3; North Ave. Woman's So., \$7.90; Rockville Ladies' So. (Mrs. Hartwell's salary), \$6.25), \$24.14.

Previously reported, \$45.15. Total this year, \$69.29.

MISSISSIPPI.—Concord Ch., by J. W. H., \$2.50; Poplar Springs Ch., by G. C. J., \$13.45; Longview M. Ch., by C. A. D. P., \$5; General Ass'n, by D. T. C. (J. G. Chastain, \$150; A. C. Watkins, \$150), \$300; Immanuel Ch., Meridian, by C. G. E., \$5.75; Crystal Springs Ch., by J. W. P., \$7.75. Total, \$334.45.

Previously reported, \$18.03. Total this year, \$352.53.

MISSOURI.—E. H. Sawyer, Treas., \$565.77. Previously reported, \$15. Total this year, \$580.77.

NORTH CAROLINA.—Franklin Ch., Tuckaslege, Ass'n, by J. W. B., \$2.85; M. S.

Hope Mills Ch., by M. W., \$6; S. S., by J. N. Arnold, Highlands (China missions), \$5; collection Battery Park Hotel, Convention, \$5.85. Total, \$19.70.

Previously reported, \$347.36. Total this year, \$367.06.

OKLAHOMA.—R. H. Jones, Treas., Hobart, \$11.20.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—Broad River Ass'n, by W. L. G. (W. E. Crocker), \$5; Hebron Ch., Southeast Ass'n, by J. O. W., \$2.52; Bethlehem Ch., Spartanburg Ass'n, by H. L. B., \$8.93; Cen. Com., W. M. S., by Mrs. J. S. (Goucher Creek W. M. S. (W. E. Crocker), \$7.80; Sunbeam Miss'y, \$7.69; Griffith Memorial chapel, \$38.34), \$132.79; Sunbeam So., Citadel Square Ch., by Z. D. (Blind Girl in China), \$15; Ebenezer, N. Greenville Ass'n, by R. W. S. (China Pub. So., Printing N. Testament), \$2.83; Beech Island Ch., Savannah River Ass'n, by J. W. C. (W. W. Lawton), \$1; Pisgah Ch., Santee Ass'n, by J. C. C., \$1; Mt. Olivet, Santee Ass'n, by J. C. C., 10 cents; C. W. Seibels, \$25; Williamston S. S., by J. J. B., \$5; Wassamasaw Ch., by S. E. L., 70 cents; Warrior Creek Ch., by A. J., \$2.88; Pendleton Ch., by J. H. W., \$35; Hebron Ch., by L. H., \$2; Rehoboth Ch., by N. Z. Q., \$1.13; Fairmont Ch., by J. W. K., 85 cents; Y. L. M. S., Citadel Square Ch., Charleston, by Miss A. (Miss Whilden's blind girls), \$10; Bold Spring Ch., Edgefield Ass'n, by J. S. J., \$4; Beaver Creek Ch., Chester Ass'n, by W. S. D., \$11.46; Red Bank Ch., by H. L. B., \$1.50; Sardis Ch., by H. L. B., \$4; Black Swamp Ch., by a former member (Brazilian missions, Sao Paulo), \$25; Citadel Square S. S., Charleston, by Z. D., \$10. Total, 307.63.

Previously reported, \$455.74. Total this year, \$763.43.

TENNESSEE.—Chewalla Ch., by J. S. B., \$2.30; Zion Hill Ch., by S. B. Y., 85 cents; New Providence Ch., by C. M. H., \$2.66; Salem Ch., Chilhowee Ass'n, by J. T. K., \$1.38. Total, \$7.19.

Previously reported, \$2.75. Total this year, \$9.94.

TEXAS.—Mar. Prairie Ch., by M. H. K., \$5.91; Searsville Ch., \$8; Eagan Branch M. Ch., by J. G. C., \$3.15; Mrs. Virginia A. Reid, (L. A. S., First Ch., Waco, \$12.50), (Blind girl with Miss Whilden), \$24.20; R. B. Kilpatrick, M. D., \$10; Mrs. G. L. Paxton (W. F. Hatchell's school), \$5; M. J. Dean, Tyler (Ho Lip Cheen), \$25; J. B. Gambrell, Supt. (Missionary school, Morelia, \$25; L. M. S., Albany, native helper, \$27.25; L. M. S., Amarillo, Eliza McCloy estate, \$300; First Ch., Henrietta, \$34.33), \$1,045.50; L. A. S., F. B. Ch., Amarillo, by Mrs. A. W. J., \$25.50. Total, \$1,152.06.

Previously reported, \$125.10. Total this year, \$1,277.16.

VIRGINIA.—B. A. Jacob, Treas., \$930 (Miss Moon's day school, \$25); L. M. S., Bainbridge St. Ch., by Mrs. H. (native helper, China), \$12.50. Total, \$992.50.

Previously reported, \$5.65. Total this year, \$998.15.

RELATIVES OF REV. JOHN STOUT (Memorial Hospital, Wuchow, China), \$2,500.

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