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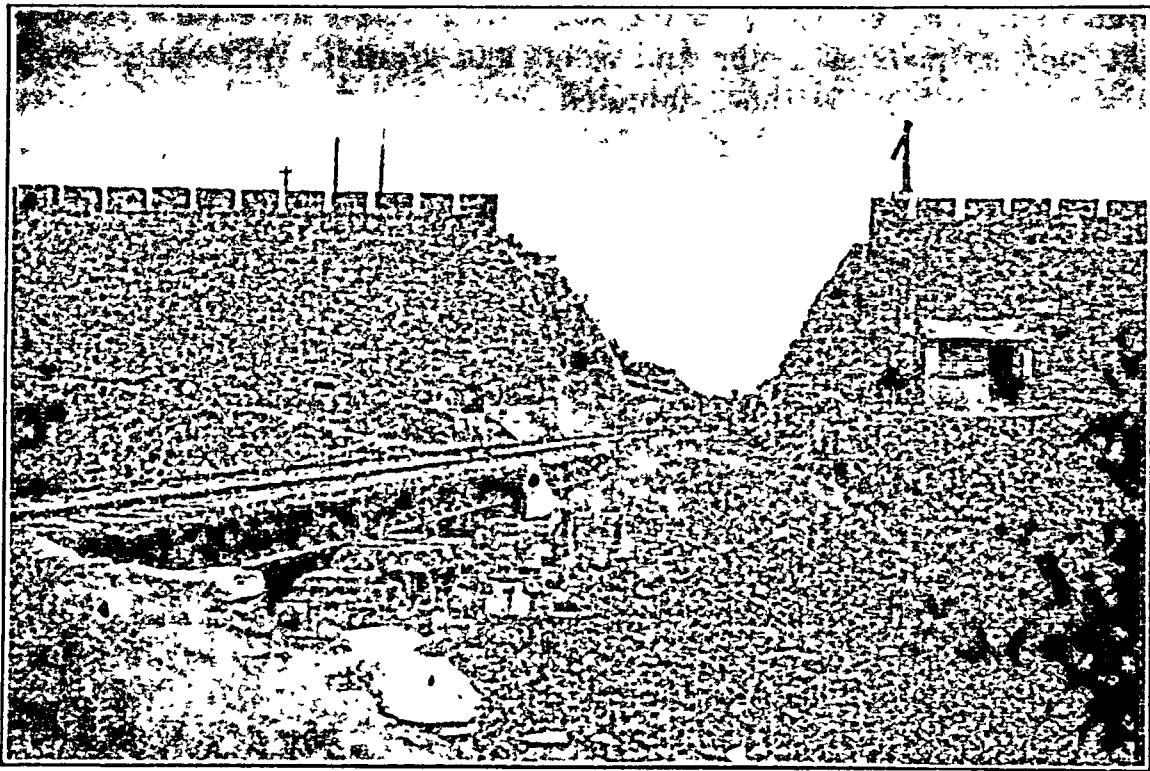
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THE OLD GIVING PLACE TO THE NEW.

Pekin City wall cut through for North China Railroad, now being built from Peking to Shanghai, and expected to run through the whole of China, passing through Ying-tak, in the Hak-ka country, to Canton.

## A POSITIVE FORCE.

The function of every church, no matter how small, is the salvation of the world. That is its plain duty and privilege. Its light is intended to be "for salvation to the ends of the earth." It wrongs itself, it robs the world and dishonors God if for any reason it neglects to let its light so shine. The power actually exists in the lives of God's people. Jesus said, "Ye are the light of the world." The Holy Spirit has lighted the flame; it is for us to see that the lamp is trimmed and burning. This truth is amazing. No obscurity or apparent weakness or any other earthly consideration can rob the humblest church of this world-power. As surely as explosive power lies hidden in a small stick of dynamite, so surely does every church have in it elements of power for the conversion of the world to God. The possession of power im-

poses duty. No situation, however difficult or perplexing, can excuse an individual or a church from duty to a lost world.

Though but a candle thou dost have,  
Its trimmed and glowing ray  
Is infinite. With God no light  
Is great or small, but only bright,  
As is His perfect day.

If poverty, difficulties and troubles could avail to relieve any church to-day, all churches in the beginning would have been relieved. What men so poor as Peter and John and Paul? What churches so needy and troubled as those founded by God through their faith and labors, and through which the word of God was sounded forth in one generation to the remotest borders of the Roman empire?

What latent powers lie hidden in our churches! What a privilege to develop these powers in the service of God!

But every church ought to be a positive force for salvation. The power of each church lies in emphasizing its positiveness. The sermon that is "after a soul" is the sermon that counts. The churches that are after souls to the ends of the earth are the churches that serve for salvation. Under God these are they which bring things to pass. A church which is a positive force in the kingdom will seek to do its best not only for the community, but for the world. It will view the situation; it will marshal its forces; it will pray to God; it will set before the people definite work; it will throw zeal into the work, and thus do with its might what the hands find to do.

It is gratifying to note how some churches are developing positive force in the kingdom. These are not always large churches. Some are quite small. Here, for instance, is a church in Virginia of 75 members which has subscribed the salary of a foreign missionary—\$600! Here is another church in Kentucky, with a small membership in a great city, subscribing over \$800; and others still giving \$500 or \$100, according to ability. In not a few instances whole churches are praying for new missionaries and sometimes their prayers are answered in their midst.

It is not the money first of all that we see, but that which lies back of the gifts—the realization of the mission of each church and the determination to do something, and do it now, in the service of the Lord.

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This word comes in a letter from Arkansas: "The Sunday after the collection for foreign missions we had eleven professions of faith." This is another instance of God's blessings on his people when they honor His cause. The collection referred to was a voluntary Christmas offering by the church of over three hundred dollars.

## THE GREATEST COMMISSION EVER ENTRUSTED TO MEN.

"As the Father hath sent me, even so send I you." God saw a lost world. There was no power on earth to save it. He loved it, so He sent His Son. Even the angels could not understand. That Son, pure and holy, was in the world carrying blessings everywhere he went, but the world knew Him not. They mocked, despised and hated Him. The tragedy of Calvary followed. His body was interred in the tomb. Roman soldiery tried to aid death and hell in keeping Him there. But God wanted Him back in heaven. An angel touched the sealed stone and it rolled away. Christ has risen. It is the evening of the same day and timid, fearful disciples are gathered in a room with the doors shut for fear of the Jews. They have killed the Master, why not these despised followers of His? Suddenly Christ stands in their midst. See his pierced hands and side and feet. He speaks, "Peace be unto you." No cause for troubled, trembling hearts now. He has met the world and death and hell and conquered all. He is going back to His Father, but His work must go on. He gives it to them and through them to His people. "As the Father hath sent me, even so send I you." The work God started, He sent his Son. That Son died and rose again. All of this because God so loved the world. He wants the world to know of and to receive His love, and so while the Son returns to heaven He commits the whole work of extending His kingdom to His people. What a commission! Christ has gone, but is coming again. Meanwhile He wants this whole world, "every creature," to hear the glad story of redeeming love and He has commissioned us to tell it to them. He knew the weakness of His people and so there in that room on that first resurrection day, as He gave them the great commission, He breathed on them, and said, "Receive ye the Holy Spirit." They needed that Spirit. He would make them bold, earnest, patient for their great work. Later we find the Lord standing on Olivet. Listen well, oh disciples; this is His last interview. Catch well His every word. He is going back to heaven to-day. He tells of the Holy Spirit's coming, the power He shall give and the work his people should do; witness to Him "in Jerusalem and all Judea and Samaria and to the uttermost part of the earth," and lo He is going up, up, up to heaven, and those last words remain ringing in their ears, "to the uttermost part of the earth." The Spirit came. He sent them forth to boldly preach the word. Christ as though not satisfied, left high heaven and came back to earth and appeared to another man, Saul of Tarsus, and called him into His service and impressed upon his heart to go "far hence to the Gentiles." Oh, churches of Christ, people of the living God, Christ meant it when He gave us this work. Why is it that after 1900 years, millions know not even His name? Are we in earnest? Do we love Him? Are we obeying Him? Pastor, leader, teacher of God's people, do you preach the

whole gospel, the last doctrine the Lord so impressively taught His people? In God's name let us arise and obey.



#### THE PASTORS SOUGHT AFTER BY THE CHURCHES.

It is remarkable how the pastors who are thoroughly missionary are sought after by the churches. The man who goes into the pulpit with the idea that he is God's prophet, teacher and leader to bring God's people up to service for the Master has a commission in his head and heart. That man must speak. His preaching is not in dull platitudes nor in meaningless figures of speech and flourishes of rhetoric. God has given him a work and he must do it, though the world frowns and the devils of hell hiss and growl. He is the leader of God's people, who, having given His Son, now wants dying men to know of that Son.

That pastor cannot rest with his church simply supporting him, or putting up buildings or erecting organs or acquiring wealth or moving in society. No, no; he hears a cry, "Lift up your eyes and see." He looks, and beholds a lost world, millions in night and blight going down to death. He listens and hears another cry, "Go." His heart responds, "Use me, oh God, use me." That man's ministry to a cold church is transforming. They honor God's Spirit who comes among them. They reach after souls in home and foreign lands. The church as it gives, gets blessings. The people draw nigh to Christ. He draws nigh to them. Pickering and strife are driven away. Debts vanish. No great missionary church stays in debt. The debt somehow vanishes in such an atmosphere. Souls are born into the kingdom. People ask, "How was it done?" Just simply by honoring Christ and pursuing His method.

Take that other pastor who tries to run his church by operatic music with high-paid choir, on style to suit a godless world. The beautiful little ethical, poetical, aesthetical sermonette may tickle the fancy, but it does not stir the heart and transform the life until the men and women have become soulwinners and mighty powers for God, making the world more heavenly because they live in. The churches have been given by God the right to say whom they want for their pastors. Look in your own State and see whom the churches are calling for. It is the men who are missionary. We are glad to see it, and trust that more and more it will come to pass that the men who neglect the work of leading the churches to this God-given work will be neglected by the churches. Yea, better, we trust that our pastors, noble men of God, will see their high calling and that the best way to build up in every good way the churches of Christ is according to his own purpose and plan, which includes "every creature" in its mighty sweep, and that our pastors will become more and more missionary in their ministration for God.

## MISSIONARY DAY IN OUR SEMINARY.

It was the great pleasure of the Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Board to spend January 1, 1904, in the Seminary at Louisville, Ky. What an inspiration to stand before about three hundred young men and women preparing to tell of Jesus and His love in home and foreign lands. No other occasion seems so fraught with weighty responsibility. Here are pastors for the home land and missionaries for the foreign lands. The faculty and students are trying to raise \$2,000 this year for foreign missions. This is not to include what they give through their churches regularly, but to be a free gift over and above their other gifts. The regular mission meeting was held in the forenoon of January 1st, when the Corresponding Secretary spoke on "The Foreign Missionary—The Call, Qualifications, Work, Trials, and Triumphs." By request of the students a special service was called for the afternoon, when those who were considering the question of giving their lives to the Lord for the foreign work would be present. About sixty or seventy came to the meeting, of whom thirty said they had fully decided to go if they could do so, and sixteen more said they were prayerfully considering the question. What a time for earnest prayers to God. Besides these forty-six young people in the Seminary, a number of others in our Convention are prayerfully considering the question. May our Father take of the very best for this His great work.

We wish we had time to speak of how delighted we were at the excellent condition in which we found everything connected with the Seminary. But does not the above speak volumes, even more than we could say? God's Spirit is there.



## POINTS IN TAKING MISSION COLLECTIONS.

Inform the people thoroughly of the work. People prefer to give for that of which they know something. Regenerated people are willing to give, but they need information to know their duty. It is well to have a special week of prayer for missions, in which appeal is made to God and at the same time the needs of the work are set before His people.

Do not take simply a cash collection of coppers and nickels if the people will give tens and hundreds of dollars by letting them subscribe to pay a few weeks later. Most people prefer to do a big thing rather than a small one; they enjoy it more. It is best to set before them a high mark.

Ask for a definite amount. In many churches it ought to be ten times as much as they have been giving for foreign missions. Get some consecrated man or woman to give one-fifth or one-tenth of what you want, and the rest is easy. Whenever a large amount is raised in a church there is always some liberal moving spirit to lead off.

Do not postpone your collection till April. The books of our Board close the last day of April. It is better to take your subscription a month or two in advance, and then let all pay in by April 15th, so that the gifts shall reach the Board by April 30th.

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#### A NOTABLE GIFT.

The missionaries in Japan made application for \$500 to open a depository for Bibles, tracts, and other good literature in Nagasaki. They had an excellent room in connection with the church and on a prominent street. The matter was laid before the Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn., and they kindly contribute \$500, the amount required to begin the work. We trust this is only the beginning of a fine strong plant for the dissemination of religious literature in Japan.

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#### TO THE MISSIONARIES.

We call attention of the new missionaries to the rule of the Board in reference to standing an examination on the language. (See November, 1903, Journal.) We trust that as soon as any stand their examinations a report will be made to the Board at once, so that we can keep a correct record here without having to write to the fields for the results of the examinations. If for any reason the annual report of your mission has not been sent when you read this, please see that it be mailed at once.

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#### NOTES.

The tract recently published by the Board, entitled "Your Block," has been found very helpful. Send for some.

Bro. W. B. Glass and wife arrived in Laichow-fu, China, November 21, 1903. They had a joyful welcome.

Rev. S. M. Sowell arrived in Buenos Ayres November 30, 1903. This date being the opening of our mission in that great Republic, will be memorable.

In a letter just received from Rev. M. A. Jenkins, Dublin, Ga., he says his church will contribute \$1,000 for Foreign Missions this year. This is glorious.

Rev. C. W. Pruitt has moved from Uwang-Hien to Tengehow, China. He will work with Dr. Hartwell in the Training School for young preachers.

Madero Institute, Saltillo, Mexico, reopened January 11, 1904, with thirty girls in attendance, and "still they come," writes Bro. G. H. Lacy, who is in charge.



Miss F. E. S. Heck, who has been writing such interesting articles for the Band Department of the Journal, has started a series on Argentina. Let all read them.

The brethren and sisters at the Florida Convention, which met in Kissimmee January 14th, much enjoyed the presence of those earnest, enthusiastic missionaries from China, Rev. R. T. Bryan and Miss Julia K. Mackenzie.

One of our missionaries in a very recent letter says, "We need to have our stations already opened well manned." It is not enough to open a station and place there one or two missionaries. We must have enough to do the work.

The World's Student Christian Federation has issued a call for a Universal Day of Prayer to be held February 14, 1904. Let us not forget to ask God's blessings on the thousands of students in our schools and colleges. Let us pray at all times that many may be called to the foreign fields. And do not forget the students and teachers in our primary schools, theological training schools in Mexico, South America, Europe, Asia and Africa.

Bro. L. M. Duval has sent a minute of the annual meeting of the African mission, which is truly encouraging. It is a pity our limited space will not permit it to be published in full. It bristles with reports of "progress," "baptisms and others awaiting baptism," from almost all the stations. The meeting passed a resolution reciting that "the most important question is the extension of our work," and asking the Board to "send two more missionary families as soon as possible, and also two single young men, at least one of them a medical man, to seek to open up work in the Soudan beyond Niger river." Who will volunteer?

As we go to press the following, dated December 11th, is received from Bro. S. M. Söwell. His present address is 1273 Estados Unidos, Buenos Ayres: "Since my arrival I have met with nothing but kindness at the hands of Christian people here. The Methodists and Presbyterians have strong churches here and they have extended me every courtesy. Last Sunday night I spoke at the First M. E. church. This church does only English work, but there are three Spanish Methodist churches in the city. There is one close communion Baptist church here. Rev. Paul Besson is pastor. The church is organized and working bravely. There are about twenty members. Bro. Besson was born in French Switzerland and was for some years an ordained minister of the Presbyterian Church in France. It was in France that he became a Baptist and was baptized by a Baptist missionary from Boston, Mass.

He has labored in Argentina twenty-three years, not all the time, however, in this city. He is a good writer and is well known to the reading public. As he speaks very little English, I have not been able to talk with him as much as I would otherwise have done. There are other independent Baptist workers here."

Bro. J. W. McCollum writes, December 18, 1903, that the brethren at four stations have recently united in special meetings. He says that "for the most part the congregations were limited by the size of our chapels \* \* \* and were such as to inspire one to do even beyond his strength. The Lord graciously blessed His word, so that in all the stations several new inquirers declared themselves." He also writes that he will delay his return to the United States, on furlough, "for a few months. The opportunities for work have never been more numerous nor inviting. My strength is not entirely spent; on the contrary, I seem to be more vigorous than for some time." He expects to come in the late spring; in "possibly June or July." How reluctantly these missionaries leave their posts, even for a visit to the dear homeland!

A brother from Texas, in a thoughtful answer to a letter sent him, writes: "I will promise you to do all I can for foreign missions. I am glad indeed that the cause of foreign missions takes more and more hold on our churches in our Southland. To enlarge their contributions from year to year and to aim for \$300,000 is encouraging. But, my dear brother, if we look at the great number of contributors, as given in our last minutes—1,737,466, the amount is small—not quite 21 cents per member. I believe with all my heart that at least 50 cents per member should be given by every member, and can be given by every member if they would. That would furnish our Board the sum of \$868,733. O what could be done if every one would come up to his or her duty! It seems to me if we only loved Jesus we could not keep from giving."

The First church of Savannah, Ga., expects to give about \$2,000 this year for foreign missions. They paid recently the last of an old hampering debt and burnt the papers. Their pastor, Dr. Jordan, and his noble people, said, let's have a great day of praise and look out over the world and see what God wants us to do. They subscribed about \$1,500 that day and prominent brethren said, "We have not finished. Some of our liberal givers are yet to be heard from. Look for \$2,000." The Duffy Street brethren in Savannah said put us down for \$500, and the young South Side church said we want to send \$100. These churches last year gave less than \$800. They were all burdened with debt. If they can pay debts and give \$2,500 this year, what cannot other churches do? Savannah is doing her part to raise the \$300,000 for foreign missions this year.

EXTRACTS FROM A FEW LETTERS.

That noble church at Jackson, Ga., though not strong in numbers, has for years given annually \$500, the salary of one missionary. Here is part of a letter from Bro. F. S. Etheridge, the beloved deacon:

JACKSON, GA., January 18, 1904.

Dear Brother,—Enclosed herewith find check for \$75.00, being part of the balance due on our Foreign Mission pledge last year. This leaves still a balance due, which we will send shortly.

I am pleased also to inform you that on yesterday envelopes were given out at the 11 o'clock service, and each one asked to write upon the envelope the amount they wished to pay during the year, to be paid monthly. Without any show whatever, or the calling for special pledges, which you know are frequently taken with a view of appearing well, each one wrote simply upon the envelope the amount they wanted to give, and over \$360.00 was pledged. We have others yet who were not at the service which we know will run the amount up to \$400.00; \$100.00 will be added from the Sunday school, making \$500.00, which you may expect from us during the year 1904. Our church feels many blessings have come to them by virtue of this step, and they do not feel inclined to give it up. They feel that it would look selfish to sit under the drippings of the Gospel ourselves and drink it in and never be willing that it should be preached elsewhere; therefore, we want to feel that while we are listening to the Gospel, we have one in the foreign lands who is telling the same "old story."

The following from Bro. J. Manning Dunaway, at Emporia, Va., tells its own blessed story:

EMPORIA, VA., January 12, 1904.

My Dear Bro.—I am the happiest pastor in all the land! Saturday night I read in the Times-Dispatch a statement as coming from you that thirty young people in our Seminary had offered themselves to the Board. Then and there I thanked God for these young people. Sunday morning I told my church of it and asked them to join me in a special prayer of thanksgiving to Almighty God for these young persons and also in a petition to Him to move thirty churches in Virginia to send them into the regions beyond. We had a refreshing time at prayer. This afternoon I called to see one of my members who is not well, and to my great joy she said, "Let our church be one of the thirty; we will take one man." Here is an answer to prayer. This church of 75 members will give \$600 to Foreign Missions, and lead the churches in the Portsmouth Association. It is a surprise to me that not a church in the Portsmouth gives \$600 to Foreign Missions. You will please notify one of these young men at the Seminary, a Virginian if he is there, of our purpose, and you and he can look to us for the \$600. Giving this \$600 means a real sacrifice to our church.

Bro. C. C. Coleman, of Washington City, is a young man and has had the heavy burden of a church building debt to provide for. He is originally from Mississippi, the State which made such wonderful advance in foreign missions last year. He was very anxious for the Secretary of the Foreign Board to come and help him raise \$500 this year for foreign missions. But that brother could not, and wrote him to trust in God and do his best. See his letter:

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 10, 1904.

Dear Bro.—“Unto him who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think be glory.” My noble people to-night with great enthusiasm pledged \$765.00 (seven hundred and sixty-five). To God be all the glory! He is in their hearts blessedly, I believe. It was as willingly given as I ever saw any offering.

The church instructs me to correspond with you about a missionary. I am sure no church in the South makes a heavier sacrifice than we. I know you will suggest the choicest man you can. My heart is full of joy. Prayer was the great human instrument in the work. God heard us. Pray for us, that the reflex influence may be blessed.

Bro. W. E. Foster, of Clifton church, Louisville, Ky., whose church had been partially helped by the Mission Board until the 31st of December, and which now has a debt of \$4,000 to provide for, writes:

LOUISVILLE, Ky., January 5, 1904.

My Dear Brother,—I must write you a few lines, for my heart overflows with gratitude to God for His wonderful blessing upon us last Sunday. That was a marvelously great meeting! Think of it, the brother who gave the one hundred dollars had been opposed to missions, and others who gave \$50, \$25, \$5, etc., had strenuously opposed doing anything at all until we first paid the \$4,000 debt upon our building. Truly nothing is too hard for the Lord. The Young People's meeting was suspended at night and we had a great jollification in its stead. Nearly everybody had something to say. Almost your entire sermon was reproduced by different ones at night. We had some present at night who did not hear you in the afternoon, and they asked the privilege voluntarily of giving. One who heard about the meeting, but could not come, sent word to us to count him also. But the best of all, three mothers publicly offered their children to God, and requested us to join her in prayer to God that He would save and call them to some foreign field. Another brother with two sons and a daughter made the same statement.

What a great time we had at night. Putting all together, we found that the cash and pledges amounted to \$505.35. The brethren declared in their speeches we would make it \$1,000. Hold your breath! Join me in praise to God for His great grace upon my people. One of the brethren who had opposed the onward movement called me up over telephone and said that I must lead them on, out and up to greater things yet. This marks a distinct epoch in the history of our church. I herewith hand you a check for \$50 from our Ladies' Missionary Society for foreign missions. May God's blessing be upon it. God's richest blessing be upon you, the missionaries, the churches, and poor lost men and women.



The Board has had many calls for mission tracts. They have sent out hundreds of thousands, which are bearing rich fruit. They keep a large supply on hand, and will furnish them by return mail to any one wishing them.

**TALKING MISSIONS.**

W. M. PERRY, CHASE CITY, VA.

There is a great deal said these days about preaching missions from the pulpit, but the importance of talking missions is only touched upon. What we mean by talking missions is to be ever ready to speak a word in season on the great missionary interests. The politician would consider his time almost lost if he failed to discuss the political situation elsewhere than on the stump. His success depends to a considerable extent upon private interviews. The awakening of a church to the claims of the Gospel can be done to some extent from the pulpit, but how much more by heart-to-heart talks by a live pastor, who feels the need of a lost world as Christ felt it, when He said "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest that he would send forth more laborers into the harvest."

Opportunities can be made. The pastor on his calls can make missions a topic of conversation. Relate interesting news from the foreign fields; tell of peculiar customs; compare the cheery fireside to the dismal homes of the heathen, where Christ is not the head; tell of the Saviour yearning for the light of His love to shine in the lives darkened by sin; and show how that by giving a life and means to the furtherance of the Gospel it would be putting them in the greatest field for usefulness. Talk up the *Foreign Mission Journal* and point out its interesting features; also recommend the reading of missionary books and tracts. This talking missions may be profitably done by laymen as well as pastors. Those met with in business may be led to be interested in the King's service.

Results. The season for seed-sowing is never ended till life is done; so tactful, decisive conversation each day on our missionary work will multiply one's life many times over while on earth and his fruit will still be garnered after his departure. The church is bound to feel the quickening influence of these missionary talks. The contribution will show a marked increase. Lives will be consecrated to actual service on some foreign field. Who, then, can measure the results—the results of a method often employed by Christ—that of privately teaching men some great principle?



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We give below a table showing receipts from each State, etc., from May 1, 1903, to January 15, 1904:

Georgia .....	\$15,046 28	Maryland .....	\$ 1,456 39
Virginia .....	12,488 90	Louisiana .....	1,413 03
Kentucky .....	10,079 53	Florida .....	730 25
South Carolina .....	9,204 35	Arkansas .....	602 45
Tennessee .....	7,769 94	District of Columbia.....	357 14
Alabama .....	7,692 61	Indian Territory .....	211 94
North Carolina .....	7,573 33	Oklahoma .....	184 66
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## EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS OF OUR MISSIONARIES.

E. A. NELSON, Est, Silverio Nery 314, December 5, 1903:

One of our members went up to a place called Periquito a year ago; he felt called to preach to the people around him and God has blessed him so that we were able to baptize six and organize a church at a place called "Eureka" twenty-five miles further up, where he has also preached, so we baptized seven and organized a church. This young man has a fair education. Having been both pilot and captain of river boats, we expect to separate him for the ministry soon. He is very active so that he has preached in one more place, where several are converted and will be baptized soon. We feel certain that he will continue to do a good work, and having been born and raised on this river he is well acquainted. He has been persecuted constantly; he has not given up, but grown stronger. I am more convinced than ever that we must have a small boat. God will supply the means some way. I find encouraging news from Emigdio at Santarem. Hamilton ought to be there by this time. He will undoubtedly organize a church at that place.

W. T. LUMBLEY, Abeokuta, Africa, November 17th, 1903:

I baptized another young man a few days ago into the fellowship of our newly organized second church. This makes five (5) I have baptized since coming out this time. This young man came in my connection with a third station work we are trying to open up in a very destitute part of Abeokuta. I have felt a great deal of interest in this third opening, and trust it may be blest with large efficiency in the Master's work. But I have never before felt more the need of the prayers and co-operation of the Lord's people than now, and not on our own account alone, but on account of the native, and the great and many hindrances that beset him here.

Mrs. ANNA S. PRUITT, Hwang-Hien, China, October 2, 1903:

Our boys' boarding school has been in session for a month now, and has made a promising beginning, though I am continually troubled by the fact that on account of family cares I am unable to do justice to the school. I can neither study as I would wish to prepare for my classes, nor give the time to the moral development, nor attend to the discipline as I ought. A boys' school like ours would be worthy the time and attention of a Christian man from home who felt specially called to the work of training young men. We should be so glad to have Mr. Emmitt Stephens come out to undertake this work. These Chinese boys growing up need the strong influence of a man who can give them his best time and attention. To such a man will I gladly turn over all my rights in the school, though I could not relinquish my interest in the boys' affections. At present I hear five classes a day and three on Sunday, look after the culinary department, keep all accounts of expenditures and income, dose the boys for their little ailments, dress their boils, and have oversight of the discipline. Mr. Pruitt has prayers with them once a day, and is of course my chief adviser, but otherwise has no time for school work, as his pastoral duties, evangelistic duties, and duties in connection with literary work and training classes leave him no time.

Rev. FRANK MARRS, Durango, Mex., writes:

Our old year has closed and we are now facing the new, praying and trusting that it may bring forth more glorious results than any of the past. I know our mission is in better condition in perhaps everything than it has been since I

have known it. True, we are not satisfied *entirely* and I hope we will not reach that stage. But there seems perfect harmony in the entire force of workers, both American and Mexican.

Our boys' school at Torreon is doing most excellent work (the mission met at Torreon a month ago and had the chance of seeing the school at work); and prospects are flattering for a good opening at Madero Institute. We "*tighten the armor*" and press on, looking to our Captain for victory over sin, superstition and ignorance. Remember Mexico in your prayers to God.

Rev. E. A. JACKSON, Santa Ritta do Rio Preto, Bahia, Brazil, November 21, 1903:

I am glad to inform you of the arrival on the 3rd inst. of two little daughters, Ernestine Beazley and Mary Catherine. We trust that they will be spared to long lives of noble Christian service and fruitful ministry in this needy field. It must be quite a rarity to the Board to have their mission force in one new mission doubled in less than a year, but you can look upon these two as additions to your force. Notwithstanding the scarcity of nearly everything here now, God has succoured and delivered mother and children and they are doing as well as possible.

Rev. SOLOMON L. GINSBURG, Pernambuco, Brazil, December 7, 1903:

We have been having real glorious times both in this city and in the country churches. To-night about twelve are expected to make their profession of faith and in Macelo about fifteen or more. By the end of this month we hope to organize a new church at Cilar, in the State of Alagoas. My family, with the Canadas have moved to a place called Carpina, two hours distant from Recife, where a good work is promising.

Rev. R. P. MAHON, Toluca, Mex., December 21, 1903:

Now I think we should at once set about to find a well qualified woman and have her come down at once so that she can study this year and next year drop into the work and grow as the school grows, and thus in a very few years she will have the training school work well in hand. The woman who is to do this work has got to have some rare qualifications, and being good and willing to come and able to send to the Board a batch of recommendations will not suffice. We must know just what she is and all about it, for it does not suffice to say after a missionary is on the field and is not working that good brethren said he or she was all right. We have a magnificent opportunity in this work and should get at it as soon as possible, but a mistake in the one to take up such a work would be worse than a calamity to us and all our work. In the first place, the woman must have a strong body; she must have lots of common sense and tact; she must be as thoroughly educated as possible; she must be industrious (and just include in that every other missionary applicant) and neat in appearance always; she must be unselfish; she must be consecrated and willing to do any kind of work that offers itself; she must love the lost of this world and must have a world of patience. There are other things that would be helpful, but I consider these qualifications as absolutely necessary. The great reason why I was anxious for Miss ——— to take this work, apart from her long experience in the work, is the fact that she is very industrious and loves these people, and no work is too dirty and unpleasant for her to refuse to do it; she is a missionary because she loves the work; she puts her best life's blood into everything she does. Let us pray that the Lord will give us just such a woman as this work

demands, and then let us see that the one sent is qualified for the work. There are some people at home who are doing the same for the work somewhere else, but I am persuaded that the great majority have never realized for one moment what it is to give to the Lord's work in proportion to their ability. Just think, we need right now about \$300 gold to buy furniture with,—this little amount would simply make us too happy for anything and would put our schools in good shape,—and yet we have appealed through the papers at home and by private correspondence and not a cent has come.

Rev. W. B. GLASS, Laichow-fu, China, November 24, 1903:

We arrived at Laichow-fu safely November 21st. Such a welcome we have had! My heart has been stirred within me when I have beheld the multitudes without Christ. We attended our first Chinese services Sunday. There were good congregations, earnest attention, and several inquirers. The Chinese brethren were glad to see us and gave us a hearty welcome. We already love our co-laborers and feel that we shall be most happy in the work. Brother Lowe had engaged us a teacher, but he fails to come. We hope to have one in a few days and get to work on the language. God's blessings be on you, the Board, and all the churches at home.

Rev. W. H. SEARS, Tengchow, China, November 7, 1903:

The Teng Lai Association is now in session. We have the largest attendance we have ever had, 40 delegates. There are now 11 churches. Two, Laichow and Behgo, have been received at this meeting. There have been 137 baptisms during the past year. The total membership is 831. Will meet in Pingtu next year.

Rev. Z. C. TAYLOR, Bahia, Brazil, October, 1903:

I invited Bro. Dunstan to join me in a campaign to the new State of Espirito Santo. Landing at Victoria, capital of Espirito Santo, I left Mrs. Taylor there and went interior with Bro. Dunstan. We had showers of blessing all the way, with many hardships. Everywhere we found a warm reception of the Gospel. The field had been well prepared by the native brother, Francisco Jose da Silva, who left a lucrative position to preach Christ without price or hope of reward. People flocked in to the meetings, and I preached myself down two or three times, talking, counselling and preaching day and night.

We organized two churches interior, ordained the Bro. Francisco, whose fame is among all the people, and two deacons, spending some twenty days. The newly ordained pastor was called by these churches, with promise of support and permission to preach in the regions beyond.

Returning to the city, Bro. Dunstan left for Campos, I remaining a week longer. Preached twice in theatre to crowds, and several times in different parts of the city. We organized a church there also, baptizing 10, leaving membership of 20. In the interior 17 were baptized, making 27 in all; 3 churches and a membership of 107. Thus a whole State has been added to our work. Some 40 others at distant points were left to be baptized by the newly ordained brother.

Mrs. Taylor and I both were much benefitted by our stay in that cool climate. Returning to Bahia, I have preached to congregations in suburbs, and made a trip to Alagoinhas with Mrs. Taylor and organ. We found the cause there in a hopeful condition, with several persons interested.

In the church here there have been 15 baptisms. A young ex-priest has been attending services. The school has reached the highest point of prosperity in its history.



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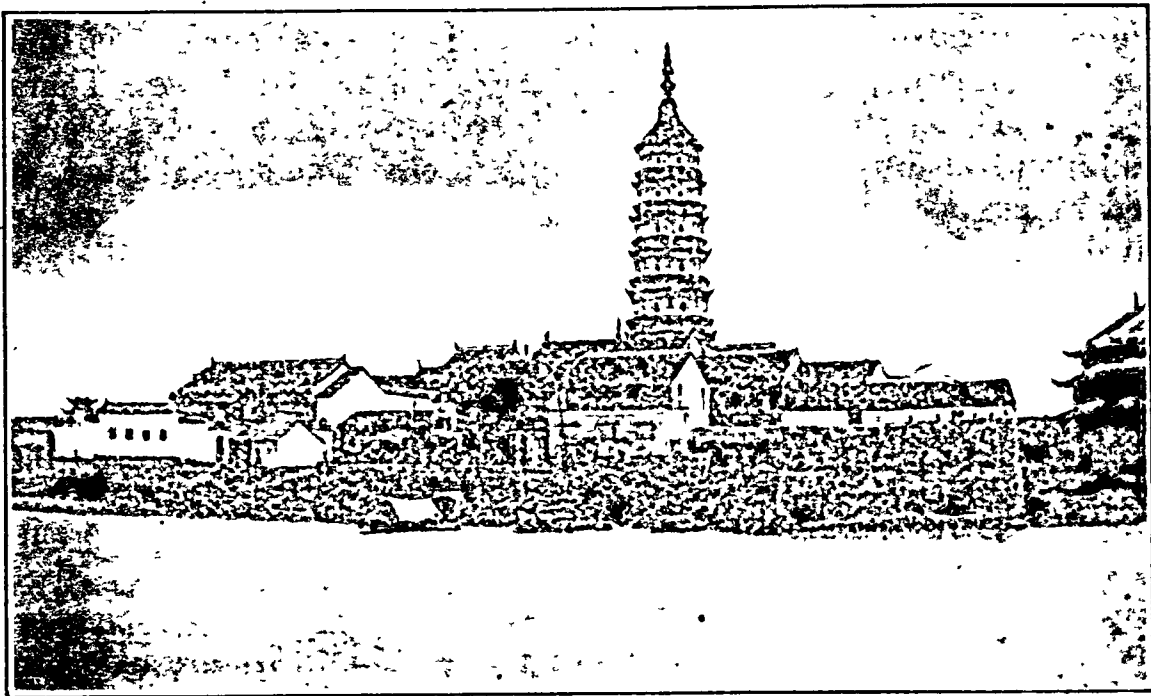


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## Letters from Our Missionaries.



CHINESE HOUSE AND PAGODA.

### CHINA.

Happy and Hard at Work.

Soochow, China, Dec. 9, 1903.

Dear Brother.—Your letter containing the pleasant announcement that the Board had granted the money for the building of a house for us in Soochow reached me this afternoon. Both the Brittons and ourselves are happy over the prospect of having a larger and more ample compound.

I shall be very glad to follow the advice you gave in reference to conferring with other brethren of the mission in the selection of a location for the building. I am anxious that our house shall be so located as to serve the best interest of our work here. I shall also submit the plan of my house to other brethren of the mission for criticism. I shall endeavor to so plan the house as to make it suitable for most any family that might have to occupy it.

With more ample quarters and the prospect of reinforcement in Soochow, I feel hopeful of our future. Surely

there are tens of thousands, and hundreds of thousands of people to be reached. May God help us to reach them, and may he so fill us with his Spirit that our witness for Christ shall not be in vain, but may cause great numbers to seek and find that salvation in which we ourselves so much rejoice. Sometimes as I walk along our crowded streets and think of the myriads of people in this great city who know not their right hand from their left in matters pertaining to their souls' salvation, the very thought overwhelms me. May the Christian people of America soon awaken to their great responsibility in dispelling the gross darkness that still covers China. Much has been done, but there remains so much more to be done. The success we have already had should serve as an incentive to cause us to go forward and finish the work.

I am glad to learn that the Board has taken measures to require the missionaries to learn the language of the people among whom they are sent to work. Surely a message so impor-

tant as the Gospel of Christ should be accurately delivered. This cannot be done without an accurate knowledge of the language in which it is to be delivered. I shall gladly take my examinations as they are due. The mysteries and difficulties of the Chinese language are gradually passing away, and I am very happy to be able to do a little in the way of preaching the precious Gospel to this people. Oh may my tongue become looser and looser, and may I wax stronger and stronger in proclaiming the unsearchable riches of Christ unto this people, who are poor in purse, but infinitely poorer in soul!

Last week Brethren Rawlinson and Sallee paid us a visit. Bro. Rawlinson favored us by preaching to our church his first sermon in Chinese, and a good sermon it was. Bro. Sallee brought our people a warm message from home. Bro. Britton interpreted for him.

We are all well and hard at work, and trust that God may continue to give us health and strength in body and soul for the great work which is before us. Fraternally,

CHAS. G. MCDANIEL.



#### Touring Among the Hak-ka People.

Tong-Tsuin, China, Nov. 16, 1903.

Dear Brother,—Mrs. Saunders and I have been away from Ying-tak one month working in the Hak-ka field. We have had great opportunities to do work with both classes. The coming of the first foreign woman to this territory bringing the message of redemption, we trust will be the beginning of a brighter day with the Hak-ka women. Out of a membership of over twelve hundred there are probably not so many as fifty women. The women appear anxious to know the way of life.

I have baptized twenty-eight since entering the field. We are hoping to open several new chapels this year, and strengthen the old ones.

At this place the brethren are building a neat house of worship. We have but one church house on this large field. I have encouraged the brethren to build at Chew-pi, our oldest station in this field.

I am glad to report that Mrs. Saunders and myself have been greatly blessed in health and strength in travelling over the field. We expect to be away from home eight or nine weeks, returning to Ying-tak about the 20th of December.

We hope to be able to return from this tour with much joy because of the many blessings of the Lord given unto this people while we go among them.

J. R. SAUNDERS.



#### AFRICA.

From the Native Pastor.

Lagos, W. Africa, Dec. 10, 1903.

Dear Bro.—Your letter of the 6th of October last duly came to my hand a few days ago.

Since I have written my last I have baptized (9) nine more candidates on profession of their faith in the Lord Jesus as their only Savior, making (82) eighty-two baptisms during the present year and more to follow. The Lord is to be praised. The year is coming to a close, fifteen (15) days more. "Christmas" will soon be here with its joys and sorrows, and (22) twenty-two days more "New Year" will be here, bringing with it joys and sorrows, disappointments and happiness, sickness and health, life and death, as the case may be. Nineteen hundred and four will be with you before my letter gets to your hand.

Your brother in Christ,

M. L. STONE.

## ARGENTINA.

## Safe Arrival and Hopeful Outlook.

(Morena 452,)

Buenos Ayres, Dec. 2, 1903.

Dear Brother.—I am in Buenos Ayres. I arrived Monday morning, November 30, 1903. A gentleman whom I met on board the "Orina" met me at the dock and took me to one of the most reasonable boarding places. Several friends have shown me kindnesses, among them a young man who works in the Y. M. C. A. here. He has just come to Buenos Ayres and is a Baptist, as is his wife also. They came from Michigan. The pastor of the M. E. English church has been especially kind. Last night he had me in his home. There is an independent Baptist church here. I went this morning to the home of the pastor, Rev. Paul Besson, but did not find him in nor did I find any one who could speak English. I finally succeeded in getting the servant to understand that I would call again to-morrow. I am very favorably impressed with Buenos Ayres. It is certainly a fine city. I am also certain that it is the natural centre for all the surrounding country. But I will write about the city when I know more about it. One thing I see, and that is that board is very high here. I have not yet found a permanent place. I am hunting for one.

I was greatly encouraged by what I saw of the work in Brazil, and I was greatly blessed in my stay there. The brethren cheered my heart. At every point the work is full of hope. The people seem ready to hear the Gospel, and there are frequent demands for preaching, which our limited force cannot supply. One feature of the work there is the readiness with which the Italians hear the Gospel, and the Ital-

ians form a large part of the population there as well as here.

I am perfectly well, and if I can find a teacher and a boarding place within a day or so I shall feel very much at home. The people all say that our work is greatly needed here. And it is certainly a city in great need of the Gospel.

I am always glad to hear from you. I will write again soon.

Most sincerely,

S. M. SOWELL.

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## BRAZIL.

## About South Brazil and Buenos Ayres.

Sao Paulo, Brazil, Caixa 572,

November 30, 1903.

Dear Brother,—I wrote to you some weeks (a month) ago, saying that Bro. Sowell has not yet made his appearance. He came, however, a few days afterward and stayed with us three weeks, leaving on Thursday last for Buenos Ayres—four days run down the coast from Santos. We greatly enjoyed Bro. Sowell's stay with us, and we had time for a number of conversations and consultations about many phases of mission work and experience. He was thrown with a number of Christian workers here, and kept busy seeing and talking and visiting. He went with me to Santa Barbara and Campinas, and preached to the Americans at the former place in English. We all think that the Board has made a *wise choice* of a man to open the great Argentine field. Bro. Sowell seems to be in every way fitted to do, with God's help, a great and lasting foundation work in that vast and growing country. We rejoice that this work has been begun. I do hope that God may raise up some strong men to

join Bro. Sowell in Buenos Ayres very soon.

Our work is going forward. In Jundiahy Bro. Nigro is beginning with great encouragement, and a number of persons seem deeply concerned. From Limeira Bro. Gartner writes that some eight or ten candidates await baptism and we expect to organize a church there the coming month. Mrs. Taylor is getting strong again, after her long illness. Our school is getting along well and we expect great things from it in the future. All the teachers (five) are earnest evangelical Christians. Some of the best families in the city are sending their children to us.

Yours most truly in Christ,  
W. B. BAGBY.



Establishing the Work in Interior Brazil.  
Santa Rita, Oct. 27, 1903.

Dear Brother.—Although we have written several times without receiving a communication of any kind from our friends of the Board, we can't think that they have not written or sent a Journal. The trouble must be in Bahia, where the mail is forwarded, or in Barra, from which place the mail is brought on the back of a pedestrian, and if it be too heavy for him, is left over month after month.

We feel sure that you do remember us in your prayers as we do you. We need that you should daily, yes, hourly, for with us, as with all, there is great need of wisdom, patience and discretion, together with great fidelity.

I am glad to say, to be a Christian here means much more than it does with many at home. It does one's heart good to see the difference between Christians and others. We have worship every night in the week except two and it is well attended. There is a steady growth in interest

and steadily the number of believers is increasing. In the very near future we hope to organize a church, Sunday school and missionary society, besides a day school. One of the best and surest ways of doing mission work is by educating the young, so we are hoping and praying that our Board can send us a missionary to teach the kindergarten and primary course. If they will take the work in hand and do this we feel sure that we can establish a good school here that will be instrumental in training the young for God and in breaking down the prejudice of the old and prominent.

The nearest Christian school as well as the nearest church is seven hundred and fifty miles away. So the most advanced people in all this vast territory are urging us to open the school; even those who do not like our religion do like the idea of having us give their children a better education than they can get in the Catholic schools.

I feel that the best mission work I have been able to do thus far has been to teach English in exchange for Portuguese. My professor understands French and Latin and is desirous to learn English in order to study our literature, etc. I feel sure that his interest in our religion is growing daily. He has attended our worship once, although sorely persecuted for it. His wife is a fanatical Catholic but he takes home our religious papers to read to his children, and he is reading the Bible with me daily, he reading in English and I in Portuguese.

Miss Barlow, who came out with us, at Col. Nogueira's expense, is now at his home in the State of Piauhay, and we hope that she may be greatly used by our Master in building up His cause there. On a recent visit there Mr. Jackson baptized eight promising

young people and left a church and school-house nearing completion.

The launch is eloquent for our Master and we feel sure will be used by Him more and more. The interest manifested here, together with the interest manifested in our work here by friends at home, greatly cheers our hearts, and makes us desire to undertake more and more for the honor of Him who has died for us.

With love for all and praying God's blessing upon all of His laborers in all lands, I am,

Yours for His service,

JANNETTE BEAZLEY JACKSON,  
Santa Rita do Rio Preto, Bahia, Brazil.



#### Marvellous Progress in a Few Weeks.

Caixa 178, Pernambuco, Brazil,  
October 7, 1903.

Dear Bro.,—These have been stirring but glorious times. For a whole year all the Catholic forces have been concentrating their efforts against us, but now, praise His holy name, for He has given us, marvellously, the victory, and in such a way that we cannot but see His hand in it all. Let me tell you in a few words how it all came about.

The priests, to oppose our continued progress, resolved to organize a league. This league has been working hard, using all imaginable ways to hinder our progress, and it succeeded in many things. But in one thing they were blinded and gained the ire of the authorities, and that was in the Bible-burning. Last February they burnt some in a public square before a regular crowd, who were taken by surprise. Very few thought it possible, until it was done. But, when they announced the second burning of Bibles, the whole population was roused up to indignation. The governor sent to the bishop an official intimation not to allow it and the people were watching

the church where the monk who did the first burning lived, so as not to allow him to do it.

Since then there have been daily discussions in the papers, very few defending the inquisitorial monk, but rather condemning him, and the better class of people are inquiring after the truth as it is in Jesus. The church is always crowded and the interest is growing. At the last session four more were accepted for baptism and there are very many ready to follow the Lord Jesus in all things.

After eight months splendid work, the theological class closed its session on September 30th. The examination proved that the students did well and that Bro. Cannada made splendid use of his time. There is no doubt that Bro. C. has done a splendid year's work and that he is the man for preparing native helpers. He is now preparing himself and three other native helpers for next year's work. The students, most of them, are doing now evangelistic work, one in Timbanba, another in Goyanna, and a third here in the city. This work of preparing native helpers ought to be taken into consideration by the brethren at home. It is the hope of our future progress, and now that the good Lord has given us such a man as Bro. Cannada. I hope that the Board will give us means to be able to prepare at least 12 students every year.

The progress of these last few weeks has been marvellous. Last month two new churches were organized and I baptized 26 candidates, besides eight more baptized by native pastors. This month I hope to do a great deal more; and, from what I hear from other fields, it seems to me that this year's report will exceed all previous ones by a long way. Praised be the Lord.

Yours in Jesus for Brazil,

SOLOMON L. GINSBURG.

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## MISSION CARD TOPIC FOR FEBRUARY, 1904, MISSIONS IN SOUTHERN STATES.

"If any man provide not for his own, he is worse than an infidel." Missionaries, 6,387, working among native population in cities, countries, mountains and frontiers, among colored people, Germans, French, Mexicans, Swedes.

STUDY TOPICS.—Religious destitutions of many portions of the South. Growing necessity for work among the foreign population. Demand for missionaries in the trans-Mississippi region. Opportunities for work among the colored people. Rapid increase of our denomination in the South. Mill population.

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### PROGRAM FOR FEBRUARY, 1904.

1. Prayer: For the Power of the Holy Spirit in the meeting.
2. A Study of Mission Motives: Love of Christ, 2 Cor. 5:14, 15; Fellowship with Christ, 2 Cor. 8:9; Compassion, Luke 15:4; Obedience, John 14:15.
3. Seed Thought: "Christians of America have enough power to push every needed reform to victory, to restore the Sabbath, to grind to powder every evil traffic, to give the gospel to every soul in the land. Are you willing to do your part?"
4. Leaflet "The Modern City," by Rev. Ezra K. Bell, D. D.
5. A Missionary News Box: Every member should be asked previous to the meeting to bring a clipping for the box bearing upon the work or need of State

Missions, limited to 100 words. Items should be distributed, no one reading her own.

6. Discussion: In what work could we as individuals engage to improve our town (or city) and State?

7. Business, etc.: Plan for observance of the third week in March by special offerings of money for Home Missions and of prayer. Send to State Central Committees for envelopes and literature.

8. An Inspiration for Special Effort: Found in the words of Dr. Strong—If this generation is faithful to its trust, America is to become God's right arm in His battle with *the world's* ignorance, oppression and sin.

9. A Short Talk based upon Annual Report of Sunday School Board, with emphasis upon need of Mission Schools. See pages 3 and 4 "Field Work."

10. Prayer for all of "our substitutes" in the home land, for ourselves that we may be more faithful.



#### MONTHLY MISSIONARY LITERATURE.

FOR PASTORS AND PEOPLE; FOR LEADERS AND LED.—With the topic for the month, "Missions in Southern States," the growing importance of the city as the great factor of good and evil in our civilization is emphasized strongly in the leaflet for the month, called "The Modern City." (Price, three cents, including postage, 223 N. Howard street, Baltimore.) The report of the S. S. Board is also included in the literature.

We are greatly pleased to note the largely increasing demand for the monthly literature, with the expressions of deep satisfaction at its helpfulness in conducting meetings. The use of the literature is fundamental, affording a basis for 12 meetings a year, at the cost of 30 cents per annum or 8 cents per quarter. The greater its use, the deeper will be the interest in the mission fields.



#### THE IMPORTANCE OF HOME MISSIONS.

Our plea is not "America for America's sake," but "America for the world's sake." If this generation is faithful to its trust, America is to become God's right arm in His battle with the world's ignorance and oppression and sin.—*Josiah Strong.*

It is ours either to be the grave in which the hopes of the world shall be entombed, or the pillar of cloud which shall pilot the race onward to millennial glory.—*Alexander Hamilton.*

America Christianized means the world Christianized.—*Professor Hoppen of Yale.*

America is another name for opportunity. Our whole history appears like a last effort of Divine providence in behalf of the human race.—*R. W. Emerson.*

Love of God and love of country are the two noblest passions in the human heart. And these two unite in Home Missions.—*Henry Van Dyke.*

"America has become the wardrobe of the earth, the wheat-bin of the hemispheres, the corn-crib of all nations, the purveyor of meats to all markets, the successful competitor in the commercial trade of the globe, and the head banker of the world." Now let's make this same America thoroughly and truly Christian that she may the more certainly fill the large place in the history of the world that God desires her to fill.—*John Willis Baer.*



**"OUR LAND FOR JESUS."**

"We claim our land for Jesus,  
Its vales and towering hills,  
Its cities full and hamlets,  
Its brooks and gurgling rills;  
We claim its wealth for Jesus,  
Its lowly-born we claim,  
Its native born and alien  
Of every hue and name.

Around us souls are dying,  
They perish at our door,  
The land is full of sighing  
And sin from shore to shore.  
Gladly we toil to save them,  
From death to make them free,  
For Him whose life He gave them,  
Far back at Calvary."



**RIGHTEOUSNESS IN THE CITY.**

DR. EZRA K. BELL.

The city is becoming more and more the source of that which is best in civilization. It always was the fountain of the worst things in life, but it must be the purpose of the church to make it more and more the fountain of light and truth. And it must be remembered that we are at but the beginning of the growth of city influence. The city that is to be will look back upon our present cities as villages and towns. Not until within the last century was it safe for a city to grow. Before modern methods of transportation and sanitation were applied, cities were constantly menaced by famine and pestilence. As late as the 13th century, 20,000 people died in London from starvation in a single year. Then the city received its food supplies from the neighboring lowlands, but a wet season destroyed the crops, and, as there were not sufficient means to bring food from other parts, the people perished. Such and other hindrances kept the cities of the world within a limited size, until the present century, with rapid transit, sanitation and education made it safe for the city to grow, and rendered the health of the people more secure there than in the average country home. So the city has begun to grow. The world has one city to-day with more than 6,000,000, and America has two having over 2,000,000 of population. The large cities are growing so rapidly that it is not at all unlikely that both New York and Chicago will have populations of from five to ten millions in the next fifty years, and other growing cities, under favorable conditions, will increase their population beyond anything dreamed of now.

Hence the duty of the church is so plain that he who runs may read it. The church must be swift to appropriate opportunities. All agencies, all energies, all activities must be employed to plant and sustain city churches. Mission work must never cease in the city. It must be prosecuted with increasing vigor and faithfulness. The work of Christian missions must create a new patriotism which will exalt duty to the State far above that of private interest. That will solve the grave political problems which confront the city. The church must create a new social life which will cheerfully sacrifice for others and lay less upon the altar of self. Nothing can sweeten the life of the city but the gospel, nothing but the preaching of the cross can redeem it. He who is deaf to the appeal of the city for religious activity and large benevolence has not learned the lesson of the day from the Great Teacher who wept over the greatest city of the land in which He taught. Save the city and the country is safe; redeem it and the church of God has triumphed.

The apocalyptic vision is of a city redeemed and glorified. The first mur-

derer built the first city, and ever since the city has been under the threat of perils appalling; but the last city is to be free from all defiling; murder, impurity and that which maketh a lie shall be shut out. The home of the redeemed will be the new Jerusalem, the glorious city of God.



#### BOXES TO MISSIONARIES.

From the following Woman's Missionary Union Societies boxes of clothing valued as below have been reported as sent to "Missionaries of the Home Board" since December 10th:

ALABAMA.—Huntsville, \$85.38; Tusculumbia, \$53.50; Tuskaloosa, \$10; Evergreen, \$60; Jacksonville, \$57; First Ch., Birmingham, \$99; South Side Ch., Birmingham, \$135; Parker Memorial Ch., Anniston, \$115; Prattville, \$62.50; First Ch., Montgomery, \$227.07; Cuba, \$38.60; Trussville, \$53.97.

ARKANSAS.—Pine Bluff, \$84.45.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—Circle Kendall Baptist Ch., Washington, \$58; West Washington Ch., Washington, \$59.

FLORIDA.—Tampa, \$90.60; Jacksonville, \$100.90; Band Apopka, \$18.

GEORGIA.—Omaha and Summer Hill, \$83.99; Corinth, \$15; Jewells, \$74.34; Second Ch., Atlanta, \$167.98.

KENTUCKY.—Walnut St. Ch., Louisville, \$138; Salem Ch., Bethel Ass'n, \$122; Gilead, \$28.25; North Bend and Campbell Co. W. M. U., First Ch., Covington, \$75; North Bend and Campbell Co. W. M. U., Madison Ave. Ch., Covington, \$69.58; North Bend and Campbell Co. W. M. U., Dayton, \$60; North Bend and Campbell Co. W. M. U., Newport, \$90; Clifton Ch., Louisville, \$85; Clinton, \$67.45; Shelbyville, \$61; 3d Ave. Ch., Louisville, \$15; Frankfort, \$50; Cox's Creek, \$50; Stanford, \$35; Pewee Valley, \$112; Elizabethtown, \$40; Clay Village, \$49; Waddy (contribution), \$46; Sunbeams, Richmond, \$15; Shepherdsville, \$20.50; Middlesboro, \$68.

LOUISIANA.—First Ch., New Orleans, \$158; Valence St. Ch., New Orleans, \$75.

MARYLAND.—Young Ladies' Society, Eutaw Place Ch., Baltimore, \$160.65; Brantly Ch., Baltimore, \$150; Grace Ch., Baltimore, \$128.19; Capcerma Circle, Eutaw Place Ch., Baltimore, \$162.35; Poolesville (contribution), \$12.70; Franklin Square Ch., Baltimore, \$200; Seventh Ch., Baltimore, \$163.

MISSISSIPPI.—Forty-first Ave. Ch., Meridian, \$47; Moss Point, \$50; Senatobia Ch., Cold Water Ass'n, \$67; Sardis Ch., Cold Wa-

ter Ass'n (contribution), \$15.50; Como Ch., Cold Water Ass'n (contribution), \$3; Longtown Ch., Cold Water Ass'n (contribution), \$6; West Point, \$75; Oxford, \$59.80; First Ch., Meridian, \$45.

MISSOURI.—Bunceton, \$32.

NORTH CAROLINA.—Biltmore, \$15.26.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—Green St. Ch., Spartanburg, \$22.40; First Ch., Columbia, \$79; Marion, \$10; Pendleton St. Ch., Greenville, \$131.85; Graniteville, \$28.

TENNESSEE.—First Ch., Chattanooga, \$214.54; First Ch., Jacksonville, \$145; Highland Ave. Ch., Jackson, \$16.79; Sadlersville, \$38.38; Cleveland, \$68.50; Trinity Ch., Memphis, \$57; Immanuel Ch., Nashville, \$75.15; Second Ch., Knoxville, \$146.25; First Ch., Memphis, \$70; Centennial Ch., Knoxville, \$87.15; Central Ch., Nashville, \$113.50; First Ch., Nashville, \$138; Union Ch., Dyersburg, \$105.

TEXAS.—Belton, \$100.

VIRGINIA.—Fourth St. Ch., Portsmouth, \$119.25; Hampton Ch., Accomac Ass'n, \$147.41; Second Ch., Richmond, \$134.43; Charlestown Ch., Shenandoah Ass'n, \$48; Spurgeon Memorial Ch., Norfolk, \$90; Ladies' Aid Soc., Salem Ch., Hermon Ass'n, \$37.90; New Chapel Ch., Appomattox Ass'n, \$11.50; Manassas Ch., Potomac Ass'n, \$23.10; Globe Landing Ch., Rapahannock Ass'n, \$35; Bluefield, New Lebanon Ass'n (additional valuation), \$10; Onancock Ch., Accomac Ass'n, \$100.92; Sunbeams, Onancock Ch., Accomac Ass'n (contribution), \$5.35; East End. Ch., Richmond, \$41.49; Walnut Grove Ch., Dover Ass'n, \$61.16; Red Bank Ch., Accomac Ass'n, \$74; Enon Ch., Valley Ass'n, \$70; Wylliesburg Ch., Concord Ass'n, \$21.58; Lee St. Ch., Danville, \$80; College Hill Ch., Lynchburg, \$67.35.

Total, \$7,624.38. Previously reported, \$15,222.29. Grand total, \$22,846.65.

ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG.



#### NEW W. M. U. LITERATURE.

A rich and varied supply of literature has been prepared and is now being sent to State Central Committees for distribution to Societies.

1. "Mission Workers' Manual." This little pamphlet has been carefully prepared to aid the work in Women's Societies. It contains plans of practical workers gathered from many sources, and is sent forth laden with prayer that it may

be of much benefit in the organization and carrying on of societies. In connection with this has been issued a folder entitled "*Seed Thought for Fruitfulness*," which can be utilized in letter writing. Besides the information for organizing societies printed on it, there is a series of questions to be filled in by societies and returned to proper State officers. This will aid economical use of the pamphlet.

2. Of similar import to the above, but adapted to young people's work, is a pamphlet entitled "*Mission Tool Chest*," and an accompanying folder addressed to "Southern Baptist Woman Interested in Young People," for use in correspondence. Thousands of children and young people need to be interested in missions, first for their own sake and then for ours, for we need their co-operation. Many instances are on record of very young children starting on missionary careers which led to distinguished results. Faithful sowing of missionary thoughts, carefully watered by prayer, will undoubtedly produce an abundant harvest. May God grant that children of Southern Baptists be not retarded through any lack of effort on our part to teach or aid them. Much pains have been taken to gather the material for this pamphlet.

3. The circular on the Money Box, called "The Young Banker's Friend." A cut of this new kind of money box with methods of its use appeared in the January Journal.

4. Of special importance is the leaflet, "*The Dropped Stitch, or Our Young Women*," written by Mrs. May Olive Eager, Vice-President W. M. U. It is an appeal to thoughtful older women to secure the aid of the younger ones, if the work now doing is to go on in the future. The leaflet is full of practical suggestions and plans. May it accomplish its heartfelt purpose of calling attention to that decided gap in our ranks between the Children's Bands and the Woman's Societies, the young women, or "the dropped stitch" in our work, which will prove so fatal a defect if not promptly "picked up."

5. Of great importance also is the leaflet called "The Grace of Giving." The writer, Mrs. Wm. C. Lowndes, Treas. W. M. U., is not theorizing, but giving experiences from her own heart and life. She, therefore, can speak to other hearts and recommend what she has proved to be most helpful to herself. "Love grows by sacrifice; and sacrifice, by love."

6. Some other leaflets are furnished: "Argentina," our new field in South America; "The Shoemaker Missionary," "Young People Can Do Either," and "Have you known it all this time and never told me?" an affecting Indian story.

It is hoped these publications will supply information and inspiration to myriads which will more than repay the labor and pains bestowed upon their preparation.



TANLEQUAH, IND. TER., Dec. 20. 1903.

MISS ANNIE ARMSTRONG:

Dear Sister.—Some time ago we received a letter saying notice had been sent you of a box of missionary goods being sent to us from Baltimore. After a long delay, the box has arrived. It takes a long time for freight to reach Indian Territory but the box came and was received with thankful hearts. It was a nice box and will be a great help to us. I have acknowledged its receipt. Oh, what a help these boxes of missionary goods are to us, not only for our own use, but for

help in our work. This is especially the case in my work among the women and children.

So many of these poor ignorant Indian women have hardly any clothes at all. Disease is prevalent among them, and worst of all, the dreaded consumption. Then, they know so little of the laws of health, and the sanitary condition of their homes is so bad that disease germs readily germinate. Here we have need of bedding, sheets, towels and SOAP. The work of husband and me is mostly among the full bloods that cannot speak a word of English. We use an interpreter. It is to these poor, darkened minds we are trying to bring the light of God's love, and I am trying to teach the mothers what home is and how to make that home.

We find some very distressing things in our work. Husband and I travel among them all the time. We go in our buggy, travelling through storm and rain. We go right into these homes, eat with them and sleep there, and this is the hardest part of our work. You know their bill of fare is not very elaborate. It most always consists of pot fried meat, black coffee and bread. Their dwellings are one little log room, without windows and one door. In this one room a large family will live, or sometimes two families, cooking, eating and sleeping all in the same room, and the dogs, a necessity to the Indian, must share alike with the children. One night, husband and I slept in the room with nine others, two dogs, a cat and a pet pig. At another place we found fourteen people, besides the dogs, all sleeping in one small room. You can be sure they do not have bedsteads, but just lie down on the floors as thick as they can. One place, we slept in the corn crib; have had the chickens sit and roost all night on the bed, as nicely as you please. But worst of all, we have had to stay at some places this year where the copperhead and other snakes made themselves members of the family. Now, these are only a few of the things a missionary has to go through "for His sake."

Oh! that I could get the women of the Southland to realize the great work to be done among these Indians, and that it is their work; that the missionary is only their substitute, doing the work for them while they are at home with their loved ones and enjoying the comforts of life. If they could but realize this, how easy it would be to raise missionary money!

I was so sorry I was not able to be at our Territorial Convention at Duncan. I wanted to meet you so much and talk to you about our work among the Cherokees. Husband had the privilege of talking with you. I have met you once in Dallas, Texas, several years ago, but I suppose you do not remember me. I was not married then. I was superintendent of the work among the newsboys there when it was first started.

I want your prayers that I may be used by the Master to help these poor women and children who are so in need of a Saviour's love. Pray for my health, for the experiences are so hard that I almost broke down this summer, and in winter it is still worse. Last winter we would almost freeze some nights. Husband would wrap his overcoat round me to keep me warm. But God blessed our work, and about 200 gave their hearts to God last year.

We thank you very much for giving our names to the Society for a box. May God bless you and enable you to continue the grand and noble work you are doing.

Yours in love,

MISSIONARY AMONG THE CHEROKEES.

# Young People's Department.

Edited by Miss F. E. S. HECK, Raleigh, N. C.

## BAND PROGRAM.

Subject: Our New Field, Argentina.

1. Hymn—Where are the Reapers.
2. Scripture—White Fields and Faithful Reapers. Matt. 8: 36-38; Matt. 10: 16-20.
3. Prayer for our new mission in Argentina.
4. Business.
5. Mission and Marconigraphs. (Brief items from our missionaries gathered from Foreign Mission Journal.)
6. Hymn—To the work, Gospel Hymns 576.
7. Some things about Argentina. (First and second paragraphs read, or, better, told by two Sunbeams.)
8. One and two Hymn—Sowing the Seed, Gospel Hymns 609.
9. A Great River—A Ride Across the Pampas.
10. Reception of new members.
11. Collection.
12. Singing last verse of 609. Dismission.

As many Sunbeam Societies find it advisable to have two meetings each month suggestions for a second meeting are given.

At first meeting distribute simple geographical questions to be answered at second meeting. Have older Sunbeams to prepare sketch of S. M. Sowell, our first missionary to Argentina. (See files of Foreign Mission Journal.) Use paragraphs Nos. 5, 6 and 7. If possible tell a story of South America.



## ARGENTINA.

### WHY WE STUDY ARGENTINA.

Who does not make New Year's resolutions? Our Southern Baptist Convention has made a tremendous one. This resolution is that we shall enter a new country—the great South American Republic of Argentina. Every mission student knows, I suppose, the countries in which we are already at work—China, Japan, Africa, Italy, Mexico, Brazil. To this even half dozen fields, we add now the seventh, and for three months we will study about our Baby Mission. Look it up on the map. Find out all you can about it, read of it in the Journal, and above all remember in your prayers the new missionaries in this new work. They are S. M. Sowell, Joseph Lancaster Hart, K. W. Cawthon and Mrs. Cawthon.

### WHAT A COUNTRY!

Argentina, or the Argentine Republic, which lies just south of Brazil and divided from it by the smaller countries of Paraguay and Uruguay, does not look very large on the map but it is, nevertheless, as large as all the United States east of the Mississippi and twelve times as large as England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales, and is a thousand and five hundred miles from north to south. Do not forget in speaking of north and south in Argentina, as well as in Brazil, that the

farther north you go the warmer it is. In Northern Argentina you find the fruits which with us grow in Florida—sugar cane, cocoanuts and oranges; in Central Argentina the climate is very much the same as that of Southern Georgia, while in the southern part one finds snow-capped mountains, although in the plains at their feet, the climate is like that of Southern California. In this vast country there are as yet but 5,000,000 (five million) people. If these were scattered equally over the country they would have plenty of "elbow room," for each man, woman and child would have nearly a square mile all to himself. Like the United States, however, immigrants are pouring into Argentina in vast numbers, nearly a quarter of a million coming each year. Who these new people are and where they come from we will learn later.

#### A BIG RIVER.

Wherever a great river flows through a country, there God has made a pathway for the missionary. Judson used the river pathways in India, hundreds of missionaries are using them in China. Missionary steamboats are plying up the three thousand miles of the Congo, and our own missionary, E. A. Nelson, is using the Amazon to plant missions far in the interior of Brazil. Second only to the Amazon itself is the great Plata river and it is said that it and the rivers which flow into it, make a river pathway of 10,000 miles for the missionary. Some day it is hoped that following this river path our missionaries in Argentina may plant missions also in Uruguay and Paraguay, which together with it are known as the Republics of the Plata river. The missionaries will not have, however, to depend on waterways alone, for Argentina has many railroads reaching every part of the country.

#### A RIDE ACROSS THE PAMPAS.

If we should take one of the railroads leading out of Bahia Blanca, the largest seaport of Argentina, we would ride through hundreds of miles of pampas or rich pasture lands on which thousands of sheep graze. They are not raised for food so much as for their wool, which is cut once a year, put up in bales, very much as we bale cotton, and shipped to England. In recent years factories have been built in which the sheep, after being killed and dressed, are frozen. This frozen mutton is carried to Europe and sold in the markets as fresh mutton. This new invention promises to add much to the value of the sheep crop, which is already the greatest industry of Argentina. As the pampas are so rich all one needs to do for the sheep is to give them a little salt and to see that the great vultures do not kill them.

#### HORSE FARMS.

But sheep are not the only animals raised on the pampas and on the less fertile plains farther south. Great herds of horses live on them and are so cheap that "beggars can ride." Indeed, you could hardly guess why horses are raised in such large numbers in Argentina. There are so many in the country already that if they were equally divided there would be one not only for each man and woman, but for each boy and girl as well, and even the babies might have

"A black or a brown,  
A white or a red,  
Among all the pretty little ponies."

You see, therefore, they do not need any more horses either for riding or driving. As you cannot guess, I might as well tell you that they raise the horses largely for their *hides*. At a horse farm you will see hundreds of horse hides drying in the sun getting ready for shipment to Europe, where they will be made into boots and shoes.

A BIG FIELD.

The hundred million sheep, often seen in flocks of two or three thousand, as well as the great herds of horses and cattle, are largely raised in Southern Argentina, which, as you remember, is the coldest part of the country. Leaving Buenos Ayres are going back from the coast into Central Argentina, we come into the great wheat country. Here you are in a great golden sea of grain waving away for miles to the very horizon, without a tree or hill to break the view. Were all the great grain fields of this country put together they would make a wheat field five times the size of the State of New York.

GRAPES IN ABUNDANCE.

We can mention only one other big crop of this country of big things. Going farther north we find it growing even warmer and by and by come into the land of big vineyards. Here we are at the foot of the Andes, whose snow-clad mountains divide Argentina from Chili. The foothills are covered with vines for many miles and in season one may see train loads of grapes being shipped to Buenos Ayres and other points, where they are made into wine.



PROGRAM FOR YOUNG LADIES' SOCIETIES.

Based on first chapter of "Protestant Missions in South America."

1. Devotional Exercises—(Bible Forget-Me-Nots).
2. Nature's Gifts to South America.
3. A Geographic Glimpse of the Continent.
4. Ten Republics—(A Political View).
5. Around the World in Five Minutes—(Missionary Current Events).
6. A Memory Contest—(To see who can write the longest list of South American countries).



QUESTIONS.

How many square miles does South America contain? What proportion of the globe? Review the chief physical features of the continent. (See paragraph 1, F. M. pp. 1 & 2.) Mention the three great rivers of the continent. Locate and give some description of each. Where are the Highlands of South America? Give general description of scenery in the Andes. What is meant by the *Llanos of the Orinoco*, *The Selvas of the Amazon*, *The Gran Chaco and the Pampas*? Describe the two desert regions of the continent. What of immigration to South America? In one sentence name some characteristic of each country of South America.

The program for Young Ladies and the questions given above are based upon *Protestant Missions in South America*, published by Student Volunteer Movement, 3 West 29th street, New York. Price in paper, 35 cents, in cloth 50. Each Society is urged to provide itself with at least one copy of this book as it will be the basis of study for the next six months.

*Bibliograph.*—Dark Continent at Our Doors (1889), E. Olsson. Adventures Amid Equatorial Forests and Rivers of South America, chapter 4, Stuart. Our South American Cousins, chapter 2, W. Taylor.



METHOD CORNER.

Tie together ten large envelopes marked respectively, China, Japan, Africa, Italy, Mexico, Brazil, Argentina, Home Missions, State Missions and Stories and Poems. Keep on your desk ready for clippings under these heads and you will soon have a veritable mine of missionary information. Let each child "adopt" a missionary about whom he is to gather items and for whom he is to pray, especially for six months. Give each a card with cord to hang it by, on which name of adopted missionary is plainly written. Have a Birthday Mission Bank in primary and main school, each member putting in it on his birthday as many pennies as he is old, proceeds to go to the Sunbeam Society. A pretty glass globe with lock and key may be gotten for thirty-five cents.

## RECEIPTS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS

*From December 15, 1903, to January 15, 1904.*

ALABAMA.—Clay Co. Ass'n, by F. J. I., \$35.64; Rock Spring Ch., by W. C. G., \$5; B. Y. P. U., Guin Ch., by J. E. B., \$1; Oliver Roe, Albertville, \$11.14; Gadsden Sunbeam Soc., by Mrs. J. G. D. (Mrs. McCollum, helper, Harode San), \$22; J. C. Bush and wife, \$600. Roanoke Ch., by M. W. H. (Hak-ka Home, \$10; Christmas offering, China), \$15.50; First Ch., Wylam, by J. W. O., \$2; W. B. Crumpton, Sec'y (Miss Kelly, \$103.60, Mexico, \$1.50; Miss Hartwell, \$23.75; China, \$96.28; Hak-ka Home, \$16.05), \$33.25; Brookwood Ch., by L. B. C., \$6.90; J. W. Duckett, Holly Tree, \$5; L. A. and M. S., Park Ave. Ch., No. Birmingham, by R. J. S. (China), \$1.60. Total, \$1,279.03.

Previously reported, \$6,453.58. Total this year, \$7,692.61.

ARKANSAS.—Newport S. S., by A. D. H. (Christmas offering), \$8.50; "A Party," by R. J. W. (Christmas offering), \$1; Miss Loua Riddle (Christmas present), \$20; Rev. James Edmondson, Hackett, by Miss A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$5; Gentry Ch., by F. A. W. (Christmas offering), \$10.43; Harlsford Ch., by Miss A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$6.40; Pleasant Valley Miss'y Ch., by J. B. M., \$3.25; Morrellton Ch., by C. N. J., \$20; Palestine Ch., Greenbrier Ass'n, by W. W. L. (Christmas offering), \$2.60; Gum Springs Ch., by Mrs. S. F. (Christmas offering), \$2.50. Total, \$79.63.

Previously reported, \$522.77. Total this year, \$602.45.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—Miss Anna Pumphrey (Christmas offering), 25 cents; Mrs. M. M. Battles, by A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$1; Mrs. Battles, by A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$1; Mrs. J. W. St. Clair (Christmas offering), \$10; "A Friend," \$10; Miss Florence Henderson, by A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$10; W. I. M. Circle, First Ch., Washington, by J. W. W., \$20; Farther Lights Circle, W. Washington Ch., by A. R. H. (Mrs. Yeung, with Mrs. Greene), \$6.34; "A Friend," \$10. Total, \$68.59.

Previously reported, \$268.55. Total this year, \$337.14.

FLORIDA.—Previously reported, \$720.25.

GEORGIA.—W. M. S., First Ch., Americus, by Miss A. W. A. (native helper, \$5.70; medical missionary, \$2), \$13.08; Louise Cheney, 25 cents; Mrs. Mary Davis Jackson, \$25; Mrs. B. E. Barksdale (Christmaas offering), \$5; Miss Lee Morris, Bowdon (School expenses of girl in Mrs. Grave's School), \$15; First Ch., Americus, by T. F. G., \$50; Shiloh Ch., Mrs. S. H. Z. (Christmas offering), \$1; "Two Friends" (support of boy with Miss Kenon), \$12; "A Friend" (Christmas offering, China), \$6; W. M. S., Harmony Grove Ch. (Bible woman with Miss Price), \$10; Sec. S. S., Macon, by L. F. C., \$14.50; W. M. U., Poplar Springs, by N. O. S. (Christmas offering, China), \$5.95; "A New Year Offering," \$50; Vineville Ch., by R. F. L., \$58.35; Mrs. F. M. Longley, La Grange (China), \$25; Sarah Hall Miss'n Soc., Central Ch., by Mrs. W. A. S. (support native preacher), \$25; "A Friend" (colporter in China), \$4.25; S. Y. Jamcson, Treas. (C. E. Smith, \$100; Mrs. Clarke's work

in Japan, \$6; Med. Missions, \$118.78; Tabernacle W. M. S., Miss Parker, \$27.03; Bainbridge W. M. S., native helper, \$25; Capitol Ave. W. M. S., native helper, \$12.95; Christmas offering, China, \$69.71; Hak-ka Home, \$6; \$900; Mrs. B. E. Barksdale, \$5; W. M. S., College Park, by E. D. W. (Miss Whilden's city school), \$20; New Providence Ch., by B. J. C. (native missionaries), \$18.30. Total, \$1,263.68.

Previously reported, \$13,782.60. Total this year, \$15,046.28.

INDIAN TERRITORY.—W. M. S., Antlers, by A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$1; W. M. S., Nowata, by A. W. A., \$5; W. M. S., Tahlequah, by Miss A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$2.55; L. A. S., Madill, by Miss A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$3.30; W. M. S., Woodford, by Miss A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$1; W. M. S., Fawn, by Miss A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$1.73; S. S., Sulphur, by Miss A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$1.10; Marlow Ch., by G. T. P., \$5; Marlow Ch., by Miss A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$5; Mrs. C. D. Bowden, Holdenville, by A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$1; Swimmer S. S., Tahlequah, by A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$1.04; Alma S. S., by Miss A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$2; Alma Ch., by Miss A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$3; First Ch., Duncan, by F. C. N., \$25; W. M. S., Loco, by Miss A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$9.21; W. M. S., Tahlequah, by A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$1; W. M. S., Tamaha, by A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$5; Y. People, Kully Chaha, by Miss A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$4; Brethren, Sisters and Friends, Pilgrim's Rest Ch., by A. W. A., \$4; Keltner Ch., by W. W. C., \$3; Rev. C. H. Carleton, Hartshorne, by A. W. A., \$1.50; W. M. U., Paul's Valley, by A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$2; Mrs. J. F. Amonette's S. S. Class, Paul's Valley, by A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$1.35. Total, \$88.78.

Previously reported, \$123.16. Total this year, \$211.94.

KENTUCKY.—W. M. S., First Ch., Bowling Green, by G. F. C. (Geo. F. Hambleton), \$150; L. M. S., Hawesville Ch., by J. M. D., \$70.94; Children's Miss'y Soc., Hawesville Ch., by J. M. D., \$20.06; W. O. Carver and family, \$10; J. G. Bow, Cor. Sec'y, \$1,123.91; Sunbeams, Clifton Ch., Louisville (Hak-ka Home), \$5; "Ladies," Campbellsburg, by G. T. L. (support missionary at Ede, Africa), \$25; L. M. S., Clifton Ch., by W. E. F., \$50; Sanders S. S., by Mrs. M. B. K. (Christmas offering), \$5.25. Total, \$1,470.16.

Previously reported, \$8,609.37. Total this year, \$10,079.53.

LOUISIANA.—Hays Creek Ch., by T. J. G., \$2.15; J. D. Adock, pastor First Ch., Mansfield (Christmas offering, China), \$10; A. M. Hendon, Treas. (Hak-ka Home), \$484.80; Miss E. L. Bean, Benville (education of child with Mrs. Hartwell's school), \$15; L. A. and M. S., Monroe Ch., by Mrs. W. L. J. (Christmas offering), \$15.05; W. M. S., Arcadia Ch., by Mrs. J. A. O. (Miss J. L. Pettigrew), \$2.05; Olin and Mary Oden, by Mrs. J. A. O. (Christmas offering), 2 cents; Mt. Pisgah Ch., by J. A. F., \$4.15; Chesbrough S. S., by E. D. O., \$1.50. Total, \$534.72.



Previously reported, \$878. 36. Total this year, \$1,413.03.

MARYLAND.—Fourth Ch., Baltimore, by F. R. H., \$9.77; First Ch., Hagerstown, by A. W., \$9.80; Huntington Ch., by L. S. C., \$6.27; Mrs. Joshua Levering (support of girl in Miss Price's School), \$25; North Ave. Ch., Baltimore, by F. S. B., \$24.25. Total, \$75.09. Previously reported, \$1,381.30. Total this year, \$1,456.39.

MISSISSIPPI.—J. W. Story and wife, \$10.15; Mrs. J. T. Lipsey's S. S. Class and sell (Bible woman, Christmas gift), \$1.25; Wm. Carey M. S., First Ch., Meridian, by F. H. (J. R. Saunders), \$50; Chas. G. Elliott, Meridian, \$6.30; Flora, Mrs. M. J. Simpson (Christmas offering), \$2.95; A. V. Rowe, Cor. Sec'y, \$250; Miss Pearlle Welch's S. S., Meridian, by A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$2.50; Hinkel Creek Ch., Tishomingo Ass'n, by T. F. H., \$10.18; Clinton Ch., by G. W., \$10; L. M. S., Tupelo, by R. A. K. (Christmas offering), \$5.20; "Earnest Workers," Tupelo, by Mrs. R. A. K. (Christmas offering), \$2.75. Total, \$351.23.

Previously reported, \$3,226.90. Total this year, \$3,578.18.

MISSOURI.—"Women of Missouri," by A. W. P. (W. M. S., Memphis, \$3.40; W. M. S., Bethel, \$3.85; W. M. S., Delmar, St. Louis, \$23; W. M. S., Third, St. Louis, \$3.54; W. M. S., La Belle, \$10; W. M. S., Clinton, \$4; W. M. S., Wyconda, \$5), \$52.79. W. M. S., New Frankfort, by A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$2.80. Total, \$55.59.

Previously reported, \$6,204.56. Total this year, \$6,260.15.

NORTH CAROLINA.—First Ch., Elizabeth City, by J. R. P., \$54.26; Peachtree Ch., by J. L. W., \$2. Total, \$56.26.

Previously reported, \$7,517.07. Total this year, \$7,573.33.

OKLAHOMA.—Mt. Pleasant Ch., by G. W. T., \$3; Newkirk Ch., by Miss A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$3.63; New Bethel M. Ch., by T. A. S., \$16.65; Rev. R. E. Smith, Port, by Miss A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$7; Earlsboro Ch., by Miss A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$6; Rock Creek Ch., by Miss A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$2.60; W. M. S., Shawnee, by A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$4.30; B. Y. P. U., Shawnee, by A. W. A. (Christmas offering), 70 cents. Total, \$43.88.

Previously reported, \$140.73. Total this year, \$184.66.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—Broad River Ass'n, by J. D. B. (W. E. Crocker), \$5.60; Bethlehem Ch., by V. A. L., \$6.50; Beulah Ch., Union Co., Ass'n, by S. C., \$1.80; First Ch., and S. S., Newberry, by B. Y. L. Church, \$4.62; Sunday school, \$14.33, \$19.50; Summer-ville Ch., by D. L. A., \$6.93; Peniel h., by W. E. M., \$1.25; Edgefield Ch., by O. S. (Edgefield Ass'n), (John Lake), \$24.50; Harpers Ch., by L. A. P., \$1; Union S. S., No. 1, by O. S., \$5; Rehoboth Sunbeams Soc., by O. S., \$5; Georges Creek Ch., Piedmont Ass'n, by A. B. K., \$2.59; Eazley, Second Ch., by J. M. A., \$1.14; Conway Ch., Waccamaw Ass'n, by C. H. S., \$9.10; Welsh Neck Union, held at New Providence Ch., by J. W. C., \$6.67; Welsh Neck Ch., by A. M. S., \$5.81; Central Ch., by W. R. W., \$1.83; Macedonia

Ch., by R. T. B., \$1.75; Central Ch., Greenville, by R. C. G., 80 cents; Mrs. Mary Earle (Christmas offering, China), \$25; Miss Alice Little (Christmas offering, China), \$30; Miss Ella Little (Christmas offering, China), \$50; Miss Maggie Little (Christmas offering, China), \$20; Goucher Ch., by Miss A. B., \$7.30; Miss Sarah Little, Greenville (Christmas offering, China), \$20; Luna Ch., by W. B. G., 42 cents; Mrs. D. R. Bird, Treas. L. M. S., Blacksburg Ch., by D. R. B. (Broad River Ass'n), \$13; First Ch. S. S., Gaffney, by J. C. P., \$5; Sulphur Springs Ch., Union Co. Ass'n, by W. P. S., \$3.50; Doctors Creek Ch., Colleton Ass'n, by J. O. G., \$1.50; Pickens Ch., by F. E. C., \$5; Bethany Ch., Edgefield Ass'n, by G. H. B., \$15; Graniteville Ch. S. S., by J. K., \$4; Boiling Springs Ch., Spartanburg Ass'n, by D. W. W., \$7.31; Greenwood Ch., by E. W. S., \$55; Mizpah Ch., by G. F. C., \$5.75; Goucher Creek S. S., by S. S. L., \$1; Beaver Dam Ch., Piedmont Ass'n, by D. J. O., \$7.50; Reedy Fork Ch., by J. A. D., \$2.25; Fountain Inn Ch., by J. B. J., \$1.61; Blackville Ch., by W. A. G., \$13.70; Mt. Zion Ch., Spartanburg Ass'n by J. H. D., \$16; Laurens Ass'n, by C. H. R. (New Prospect, \$4.54; Warrior Creek, \$10; Highland Home, \$1.62; Beaver Dam, \$2.15; Lanford S. S., \$9.05; First, Laurens, \$359), \$377.36; Mt. Calvary Ch., by J. L. O., \$7.88; Washington Ch., No. Greenville Ass'n, by J. E. H. (W. H. Canada's salary), \$3.37; No. Greenville Ass'n, by J. T. H. (purchase of printing press for W. H. Canada), \$20; Cen. Com., W. M. S., by J. S. (Mrs. W. E. Entzinger, \$2.50; China, \$3.15; Sunbeam Miss'y, \$3.54; support pupil in Mrs. Prullt's school, \$4.30; Hak-ka Home, \$8; Miss C. E. Bostick (W. M. S., Greenville, First), \$15.45; Miss Whilden (Societies Saluda Ass'n), \$21.63; Christmas offering, \$193.63; Miss Whilden (Mountville Little Workers), \$5; Miss Whilden (Cedar Shoals W. M. S.), \$5), \$448.55; Florence Ch., by W. J. B., \$162; Union Ch., Moriah Ass'n, by S. N. W., \$2.27; Beaver Creek Ch., Moriah Ass'n, by S. N. W., 40 cents; Antioch Ch., Moriah Ass'n, by S. N. W., \$1.55; Jefferson Ch., Chesterfield Ass'n, by S. N. W., \$1.10; Bennettsville Ch., Pee Dee Ass'n, by J. T. D., \$100; Ridge Springs Ch. (Ridge Ass'n), by M. S. (support miss'y), \$13.79. Total, \$1,585.23.

Previously reported, \$7,619.62. Total this year, \$9,204.55.

TENNESSEE.—Ararat Ch., by J. P. L., \$12.23; Orlinda Ch., by J. A. C. (E. F. Tatum), \$125; W. M. Woodcock, Treas. (Women's Christmas offering, \$12.25; Mexico, \$10.21; Mexican boy with R. P. Mahon, \$9.65; \$479.16; C. L. Moore, mother and children, \$1.50; "Estate Mrs. Emily T. Watson," by J. P. Davis, \$2,290.77; A. O. Montague, 4. Total, \$2,312.71.

Previously reported, \$4,857.23. Total this year, \$7,769.94.

TEXAS.—Mrs. Bertha L. Butte, Austin (Christmas offering), \$5; Red River Co. Ass'n, by T. H. B., \$1.50; M. and A. Soc., Pittsburg, by A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$6; J. B. Gambrell, Supt (Eliza McCloy's estate), \$393.35; G. N. Gentry, by R. E. G. (Building fund for Saunders' Home, Christmas offering), \$5; Mrs. R. E. Gentry (Building fund for Saunders' Home, Christmas offering), \$15; Mrs. R. E. Gentry (Miss'y salary purposes), \$10; Rev. J. W. Lackey, by Miss A. W. (Christmas offering), \$5; Thalia Ch., by A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$2; B. Y.

P. U., Albany, by B. M. H. (support Mexican girl in Christian school at Toluca), \$1.50; Rev. S. M. Stovall and wife (Christmas offering), \$1; Rev. S. M. Stovall Ch., by S. M. S. (Christmas offering), \$2.50; Marcy Ch., by Miss A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$5.25; Rayland Ch., by Miss A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$2; Dalingerfield Ch., by M. I. S., \$10. Total, \$470.10.

Previously reported, \$2,708.62. Total this year, \$3,178.73.

VIRGINIA.—Franklin St. Mission S. S., Lynchburg, by W. B. C. (Thanksgiving offering), \$6.16; "A Brother," \$10; J. T. Betts, \$5; Mrs. G. P. Smith, Golansville (China), \$2; B. A. Jacob, Treas., \$1.50; Woolen Mills Union Chapel M. S., by Mrs. H. C. M. (Bible woman), \$30. Total, \$1,553.16.

Previously reported, \$10,935.74. Total this year, \$12,488.90.

WEST VIRGINIA.—Miss Lizzie Parrish, by Miss A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$1; Mrs. M. J. Masters, by Miss A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$1. Total, \$2.

Previously reported, \$5. Total this year, \$7.

CHINA.—Miss M. D. Willeford, \$47.91.

Previously reported, \$47.91. Total this year, \$95.82.

MEXICO.—"A Friend," \$2.

CALIFORNIA.—Chinese S. S., San Francisco, by M. J. A. (China), \$4.

Previously reported, \$10. Total this year, \$14.

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