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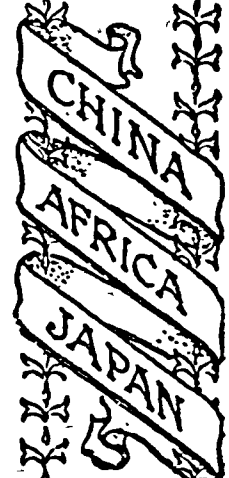
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*At present in this country.

*"And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament;
and they that turn many to righteousness, as the stars forever and ever."*

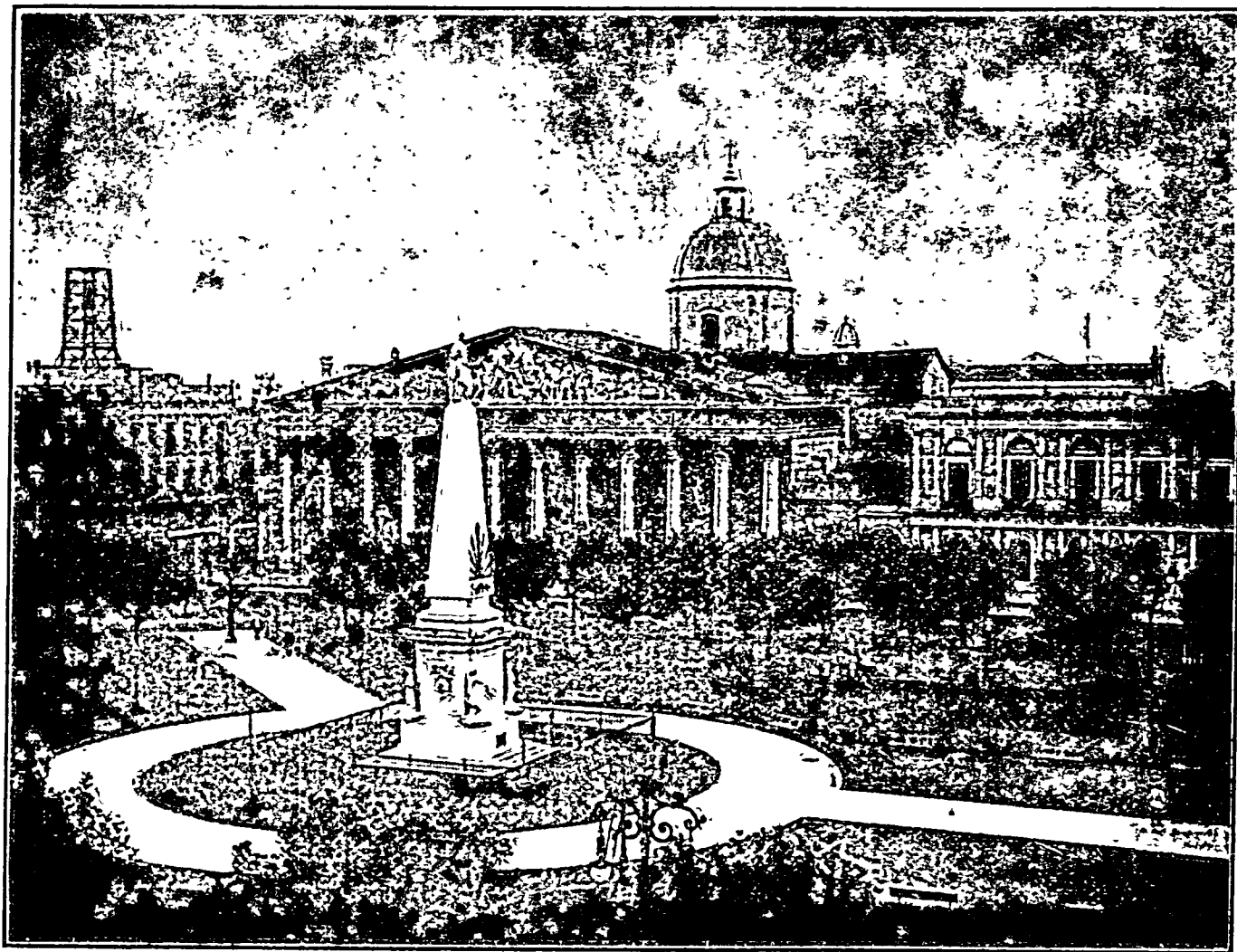
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THE PLAZA VICTORIA.

The principal square in Buenos Ayres, called Victoria, from a victory over the English under General Beresford, in 1806, during the Napoleonic wars in Europe. Here the people of Buenos Ayres, May 25, 1810, declared themselves independent of Spain. The monument in the front was erected to celebrate the declaration of independence.

THE LAST AND BEST.

The last month of our convention year has come. This is the month when the small and large amounts come flowing together like brooklets in the spring freshet, until they form a mighty stream. We have been

borrowing funds for months to pay our missionaries. Large appropriations have been made. All these must now be provided for by the last of April.

While the annual reports have not all been received from the foreign fields, yet enough have come to show us that we have never had such a year as the past among our workers at the front, and we want to go up to the Convention praising God because we have never had such a year for the foreign mission work in this country also. Let every pastor and every church remember Christ's great work committed to us, and let us gird ourselves afresh to take this world for our Lord.



THE WAY TO DO A THING IS TO DO IT.

During the civil war Stonewall Jackson wanted a bridge built quick. He said to his old bridge builder: "You must keep the men at work all day and all night and finish that bridge by to-morrow morning. My engineer will give you a plan." Early next morning the General asked about the bridge, and if it was built according to the engineer's plan. "General," replied the old bridge builder, slowly, "the bridge is done; I don't know whether the picture is or not." We want men and women after the style of that bridge builder in church work, who will go forward and do things without waiting on their slow neighbors.—*Ex.*

The point of the above paragraph is not that there must not be well constructed plans. The truth is, this "old bridge builder" had a plan which he had mastered, which was in him, and which he could work and work promptly. The simple point is, "the way to do a thing is to do it." Reader, are you waiting for ideal conditions, for help which you think you ought to have or may have before doing God's work? Souls are dying while you are waiting for a good time to take a collection, it may be. The time is short. "Find a way or make it."



PITIFUL APPEALS.

Pitiful, pitiful are the appeals which come to us from the missionaries at the front for strong men and women to go and help in the mighty work. The missionaries see the wide open doors, the perishing thousands and beg us to send out laborers. But how can we send them unless God calls them? There are some who apply, but it seems necessary to be careful in appointing new workers. Even as careful as we try to be, at times the missionaries complain and write back saying: "Please do not send any unless they are all right; we need strong men and women here." Brethren at home and at the front, your Board is trying to be careful. Will you not all join in praying to God to give us many of His choicest for this, His work?

HOW HE TOOK HIS COLLECTION.

Bro. J. B. Lawrence, pastor of the church at Brownsville, Tenn., had printed and distributed among his members the following card, in order to help him in his foreign mission collection. The result was a pleasing surprise to his members. The church went up from \$85.32, their contribution in 1903, to \$210. Others to hear from makes the church fairly sure of \$250. This is another illustration of what can be done when there is "a definite aim and a live pastor":

IT TAKES \$600.00 TO PAY THE SALARY of a Foreign Missionary. This divided into months, weeks and days is as follows:

For One Year.....	\$600 00	For Two Weeks.....	\$ 25 00
For Six Months.....	300 00	For One Week.....	12 50
For Three Months..	150 00	For One Day.....	1 78
For One Month.....	50 00	For One Hour.....	17

How much of his time do you wish to pay for?

How many days do you wish to work in the Foreign field?

I will pay \$....., which employs a worker in the Foreign field for.....days,.....weeks,months.

Signed.....

The salary for missionaries in China and Africa is \$500, because the cost of living is less expensive. If this sum had been taken the figures in detail would have been somewhat different. One noteworthy result of this increase in Brownsville is that they are praying and planning for even better things.



MISSIONARIES LEARNING THE LANGUAGE.

Several months ago the Foreign Board made a rule calling on all new missionaries to stand an examination on the language of the people among whom they go to work. This has been found to be necessary, as some of the missionaries from one cause or another have failed to learn the language, and hence gone at a limping gait and done poor, ineffectual work.

The question has been raised as to whether the married women should also stand these examinations. After considering the question, the following resolution was passed:

"The wives of our missionaries are not required to stand the examination on the language, but the Board desires these to learn the language as far as possible and engage in the work. But all unmarried female missionaries are required to stand the examination."

While the married women are thus left free to stand the examina-

tion or not, still, on the record which will be kept, we will be glad to enroll the names of all these sisters who have stood successfully the examinations.



THE WAR BETWEEN JAPAN AND RUSSIA.

While people are looking with much interest for the news from the field of war, the question is often asked, will it affect our missionaries? We hope not. The nearest of our missionaries to the fields of action so far are those in North China just across from Port Arthur. We do not think these will be materially affected in their work unless China shall unite with Japan against Russia. There is much commotion, of course, in Japan and will continue to be. Rowdyism, which is one of the concomitants of war, will be rampant. But the spirit of the Japanese towards the Americans is very friendly. One of the missionaries writes: "We are regarded with the utmost good will and are as safe here as in the U. S. A. unless Russia should bombard our city."

No one can foretell the result of the war, but we trust and believe that it will turn out for the advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom. Anyone who has read the history of the past century can readily see how God is not only saying to His people, *go*, and furnishing facilities to His people for going to the nations, but He is battering down the barriers and throwing these nations wide open for our entering in. The kingdoms of this world are to become the kingdom of our Lord and His Christ.



YATES' COLLEGE.

Dr. Bryan presents the following note, which we gladly publish: "Dear brethren and sisters, to whom I have written about raising money to build Yates' College, in Shanghai, please do not fail to lend a helping hand in this great matter. Let all help, as requested. We expect soon to return to China to build this, the first Baptist college in China—a memorial to Dr. Yates, and a training home for leaders in our churches.

R. T. BRYAN."



CONSIDER THIS EXTRAORDINARY OFFER.

For 15 subscribers to the Foreign Mission Journal at 25 cents each we will give as a premium that uplifting and inspiring book, "The Story of Yates, the Missionary." At least 5 of the 15 must be new subscribers. Here is another offer: For 30 subscribers (at least 10 of them new names), we will give as a premium three books: "The Story of Yates," "Crisis of Missions," and "How Christ Came to Church." Many are availing themselves of this offer. Will you?

MISSION SUPPLIES.

The Board keeps constantly on hand a large supply of tracts and mission envelopes, which we gladly send free of charge to any person or church wishing them.

The Missionary Map of the World is pleasing our people very much. It is large and handsome, printed in colors on cloth. Over two hundred of them have already been taken. The price is very reasonable, being only \$3 delivered at any post-office. The mission stations of the Southern Baptist Convention are printed on the map. You can secure one by writing to the Corresponding Secretary of the Board and sending \$3.

Sample copies of the Foreign Mission Journal will be sent free to those wishing them. The price of subscription is only 35 cents a year, or 25 cents in clubs of ten.



ENVELOPES.

We furnish free to pastors envelopes for taking foreign mission collections. By placing an envelope in the hands of *each member of the church*, young or old, rich or poor, great good can be done in eliciting the energies and interesting the people. One of our pastors says that in this way he succeeded in getting a contribution from every member of his church. Country churches as well as city churches are using them to advantage.



TRACTS.

The Board has on hand a large supply of tracts free to all workers. We will furnish as many as requested. They cover our special fields, Mexico, Brazil, Italy, Argentina, Africa, China and Japan. There is also a good assortment of those which treat foreign missions from the standpoint of duty, privilege, exhortation, etc. One special tract, entitled "Facts You Should Know," is a synopsis of last year's work, and invaluable for churches and Associations. Get some and distribute them carefully, but freely.



NOTES.

Dr. J. M. Oxner and wife expect to sail from San Francisco for Pingtu, China, April 16th.

The Bowling Green, Ky., church again this year raises \$1,000 for foreign missions and \$100 additional for the Yates College, in Shanghai, China.

We have already sold about two hundred and fifty of the beautiful Missionary Maps of the World, and have had to order another lot. They are remarkably cheap at \$3, being printed on cloth, in colors, and

our stations marked on them. Any one can get one by sending three dollars.

Dr. R. T. Bryan has been travelling in several States securing funds for "Yates College," in Shanghai. He hopes to return to China in the early fall.

Dr. George B. Taylor, our beloved veteran missionary to Italy, expects to sail from New York for Rome March 29th. His two daughters will accompany him.

Dr. J. G. Meadows and wife, Miss Julia Meadows and Rev. B. P. Roach, recently appointed as missionaries, all expect to start for their work in South China in September.

Rev. J. L. Hart and wife expect to sail from New York for Buenos Ayres, April 5th. Rev. K. W. Cawthon and wife, who were to sail with them, have been detained on account of the sickness of Mrs. Cawthon's mother.

We have secured by purchase good property for the girl's school in Toluca, Mexico; also an excellent property for a residence and chapel attached in Morelia, Mexico. These buildings will aid much in the prosecution of our work.

Sometimes the question is asked: "Will you get the \$300,000?" Nobody knows. It all depends upon whether the children of God do their duty. One thing is clear; too many put off doing anything for God's cause until the last weeks of the Convention year. If they neglect the work or do it hastily and carelessly, there will be comparative failures. Let us have no failures.



RECEIPTS BY STATES.

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

Georgia	\$21,368 11	Louisiana	\$ 2,283 17
Virginia	17,562 47	Maryland	2,013 77
Kentucky	12,885 36	Arkansas	1,850 09
South Carolina	12,847 88	Florida	1,313 56
Alabama	9,750 32	District of Columbia.....	615 75
Missouri	9,407 50	Oklahoma	393 08
North Carolina	9,375 65	Indian Territory	257 43
Tennessee	9,105 10	Other Sources	2,067 55
Mississippi	6,048 84		
Texas	3,961 80	Total	\$123,107 43



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MEW MISSIONARY.

We take pleasure in giving below the picture and short life account of a young sister just appointed to work in Argentina.



J. L. HART.



MRS. J. L. HART.

TENNESSEE HAMILTON HART, daughter of Hon. and Mrs. Thomas H. Hamilton, was born near Flaherty, in Meade county, Kentucky, September 21, 1881. At the age of twelve she gave her heart to Christ and united with the Brandenburg Baptist church, in which church she has since been a faithful worker in the choir, the Sunday school and as President of the Young Ladies' Missionary Society. Mrs. Hart attended school at the Brandenburg Normal Institute, from which she graduated at sixteen, winning the scholarship, and elocution medal. She next attended the Shelbyville College, from which she was graduated with the degree of B. S. in 1901. Since that time she has taught school two sessions. On the morning of March 17th she was married to Rev. Joseph L. Hart. Since childhood Mrs. Hart has been deeply interested in the mission cause, and the passing years have only served to deepen that interest into a conviction, and she is now happy in giving her life to the Master's work in a foreign land. She was appointed March 15, 1904, a missionary of the Board and will sail with her husband from New York, April 5th, for Buenos Ayres, Argentina.



"Everywhere in China, in Japan, in India, in Africa one speaks of agelong barriers just overturned, of doors widely open, of worm-eaten religious systems which threaten ruin, of more or less conscious aspirations of whole populations toward something new, superior to that which they had hitherto known. In proportion as God shakes the heathen world, he awakens the churches to their missionary vocation—so that the general refrain of all the missionary societies is, 'He must needs have an increase of our resources.'"—Bulletin of Missions.

EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS OF OUR MISSIONARIES.

E. N. WALNE, Nagasaki, Japan, November 23:

We will all miss McCollum sadly. He has had a part in all that each member of the mission has accomplished. We have always found him unselfish, sympathetic, tactful and ever ready to lend a helping hand. He is very much in need of a rest, but his health is so much better than it was during the summer that we hope to keep him for a few months beyond the time fixed for his departure.

J. E. HAMILTON, Para, Brazil, February 4:

At present this State has but one centre of life and operations, the city of Para. The State has one railroad and a considerable number of boat lines, so that all towns of any size are easily accessible from the capital. In the lower Amazon river are hundreds of islands, the largest nearly as large as Portugal and with a population of 20,000 and more. The islands are all reached from the capital. People from all over the State are all the time coming to Para. Hundreds come from the rivers and islands for their health. Many come to pass the holidays; many on business. Our work is gradually going out into the interior. We now have preaching in four towns outside of Para—one nearly 500 miles away—and our literature has gone out into many more places. We are getting into the best towns ahead of other evangelical denominations.

LOUIS M. DUVAL, Saki, via Lagos, Africa:

Last Sunday we again had the great joy of baptizing six converts. These with two others who come to us by letter will be received into the church next Sunday, making our membership twenty-three. We have the walls of our church built, and are waiting for the roofing to come from Lagos. We expect to have the pleasure of a visit from Bro. and Sister Smith in two weeks' time. This will be the first visit from any missionaries.

ALICE JOHNSON HAYES, Yingtak, China:

As far as we know there is not a single Christian woman in this city except those who are with us, and most of the women say that they have never heard before the story of Christ's salvation, and it is very wonderful to them, especially the blessed truth that it can be purchased without "money and without price." There is a great and wonderful joy in telling it to those who have never heard, and what will it be when we can tell it without hesitation and without aid from other tongues? I have made several out calls to patients and treated urgent cases only as we thought that refusing to treat chronic ones might urge the people on to rent to us. We are very happy to say that we reopen the regular medical work to-morrow, and that every one who comes for bodily healing will hear the Gospel. Oh this poor people; so poor, so ignorant and superstitious, sick in body and soul! May the Lord give us love, strength and wisdom that we may be used here as He sees fit.

MRS. PEARL HALL WILLIAMS, Yingtak, China, January 5:

As I have been unable to secure a teacher I am studying with Dr. and Mrs. Hayes. I spend some time each week among the people with a native worker. While it is always very little I can do, yet no work has ever given me such joy. The weeks and months of silence, dead silence, which come to the new missionary, after years of activity in the homeland, certainly serve for lessons in patience, and make the first work, however small it may be, more

appreciated than it could otherwise have been. Mrs. Hayes has asked me to take charge of the evangelistic work among the women in her dispensary. This will begin in about one week. My heart aches for the multitude of unsaved Hak-ka women who have never as yet heard of our wonderful Saviour. God speed the day when I can be among them with a loosened tongue telling the sweet story of the cross.

S. M. SOWELL, Buenos Ayres, January 16:

I am very well, and the more I see of the city and of the work of other missionaries the more hopeful I am of the success of our work here. The people listen well to the Gospel and on every hand there are testimonies of those who are tired of Rome. I am full of hope that we shall soon see God's blessings on our efforts. Except the Methodists, all work is comparatively new, and hence no great number of the natives have been reached, but workers are coming and the door is already open. So far I have met very few English-speaking people who will likely co-operate with us. All of the so-called Baptists here are allied with inter-denominational work. Yet I am thankful for the few who are so kind and who promise to do whatever they can. I am able to talk a little in Spanish, and for the past two weeks have been able to catch the general run of conversation. I attend some meeting at least four times a week and frequently oftener, thus learning not only something of the language, but also the methods of work. I read only Spanish and am pleased to find that the reading is comparatively easy. I am gaining ground.

E. A. NELSON, Manaus, Brazil, February 25, 1904:

I arrived yesterday from Madeira Falls. I sold five boxes of Bibles, Testaments and Gospels, distributed thousands of tracts and papers, books, etc., in more than 80 places along the Madeira river. I saw the "Maderia Mamore" railroad project of 1870; also an old-new locomotive still standing on the track awaiting some repairs and coal and water to make it carry the Bible around the falls to the priest-ridden Bolivians. May I have the privilege of going on that road when finished and preach to the benighted Bolivians! I am invited. Our new brother up the river is being wonderfully blessed. He has organized a church, so we have now three churches in the "Solimors," or on the way to Peru, and five preaching places besides. God is blessing him wonderfully. I expect to open a new station next Sunday. Here in Manaus the church is busy and has done quite well in my absence. May God prosper you and may the people of God help us to gather in the harvest.

MRS. E. A. NELSON, Manaus, Brazil, February 13:

We praise God for five new native workers, but O, we need so many more. If some of you people at home could just see the need for once, you could not help saying, "Here, Lord, send me."

Z. C. TAYLOR, Bahia, Brazil, February 2:

Returned from inauguration of new church building last week. Fifteen brethren erected a nice house for \$500. I advanced them \$100 on the part of the mission. The mayor, officials and many families were present during the six services held. Mrs. Taylor accompanied me with a small organ. Do not know the number of baptisms yet, but there were six churches organized, three native pastors ordained, and two houses of worship built; two others in course of construction. School begins Monday. Students are coming in from distant

States. I have four theological students—one a blind boy whom I am preparing for evangelical work.

MISS ADDIE BARTON, Toluca, Mexico, March 11:

I have been looking and praying for a helper. Next year we open our normal department. I am quite sure that our school is the best preparatory school in the city. The Normal School for girls and the State University may be ahead of us because they are best equipped, but we hope to make ours the best of all in time. We have twenty-one boarders and four others have written for scholarships. We have already matriculated 64 this year, the same number we closed with last year, and as pupils keep coming in we expect to have at least seventy-five.



WHAT A MISSIONARY SEES OF THE WAR IN JAPAN.

MRS. NATHAN MAYNARD.

To-day we are right in the midst of the bustle and stir of war preparations, for Japan is starting out to *whip Russia*. Kokura being the headquarters for the Kiushiu troops, I suppose no city in Japan is in a greater state of excitement. In nearly every home soldiers are quartered, though the daily moving off of the troops will soon relieve the loyal citizens of this burden. The preparation of the food for this great number falls heavily upon the women, who do it joyfully, however, feeling that it is one way in which they can show their loyalty. One woman told me that she had not slept for three nights, as there were 17 in her father's home to be fed. All of the available space around the city is occupied with temporary sheds for the horses, while almost hourly a train of little pack horses heavily laden with provender are passing through the streets. The close companionship of these vicious little animals is not desirable; this and the crowds of soldiers everywhere make it preferable to stay in the house. However, as everybody is going to see the soldiers off we have been to the station once or twice with the crowd. It was far from pleasant, as there was not only the crowd, but a high wind and much dust, but we did it "In His Name." We felt that it would tighten our hold upon the people. The leaving of these poor fellows is triumphal, whatever their return may be. The road to the station is lined with flags, and for night use, lanterns. This is a new station, and a recently built branch track going around the city instead of through it. It is being used for the first time. All of the schools have suspended study, and led by their teachers, carrying flags and singing patriotic songs, have gone to the station for three successive days, remaining from early morn till night, in order to "banzai" (long live) each outgoing train with its crowd of soldiers. Fortunately the weather has been good, and between the trains, which are two hours apart, there is time for games, picnicing, etc., so that it is a fine holiday for the little folks. At the same time here lies the secret of Japan's patriotism. It begins with the infant, for the babies were everywhere in evidence also, on the backs of their mothers and nurses, waving their tiny flags, and unconsciously imbibing the spirit which makes Japan one of the most loyal countries on earth. In addition to the regular troops men have been called from every rank of life. On the 6th the call came and on Sunday the 7th several came to say good-bye, among them a lawyer from the court, and our first cook. The next day a theological student called by on his

way from the seminary. In America this might exempt one, but the fact that he once served on a war vessel was sufficient to enlist him. We were especially touched by the spirit these Christian men manifested. They were going in the strength of the Lord and hoping for opportunities for other service than that of a military kind. One of the men whom Mr. Maynard baptized just two weeks ago said he was so thankful that he had Christ to go with him. Our hearts yearn for these, but even more do we feel for the lonely wives and the little children. The notice was so short that there was not time for a general distribution of tracts, but all that we had, more than a hundred portions of scripture and as many tracts were distributed, and in no instance was there unwillingness to accept them. Like the doubting disciple of old, we may feel like saying, "What are these among so many?" but the same Lord can with these feed the multitude, and oh, may we have faith to pray and faith to believe that they may prove the "bread of life" to many. Encouraged by the Empress, the peeresses have organized the Woman's Patriotic Association of Japan, branches of which are to be found in all of the chief cities. Ladies from the court circle, of high rank and great wealth, are visiting the ports and other centres of importance lecturing (!) before large crowds. Think of this in Japan! One who heard a recent address said that it was inspiring. She was plainly dressed, but among her hearers were many officers' wives in silk kimonos. She said: "This is no time for silken robes and luxurious living; we have sent our husbands and sons to battle; shall we sit idly by and weep and wait for their return? Let us rather deny ourselves everything, even to selling the luxuries we already possess, that there may be no lack of food for our men or funds for battle equipment." We are filled with admiration and accord them a place with the far-famed Spartan mothers, or shall I not honor them even more highly and say, with the noble self-sacrificing women of our own dear Sunny South? These are not the only influences, however, that make us hopeful as to Japan's future. There are other gatherings of mothers and wives in many a quiet hamlet as well as in the city. They will be of humbler origin. Not many of noble blood will be among them. They will have but little influence at Japan's throne, but who can measure their influence at the throne of heaven? To-morrow afternoon there will be such a gathering in your missionary's home. The daughter of the captain of the garrison, who is an earnest Bible student, has said she wished to come and have us pray for her father, and there are many others who will not go to the temple, as they did in the war with China. Will not the Christians at home unite with us in earnest prayer that this war may prove to be, not a stumbling block, but a powerful aid to the growth of Christianity in Japan, China, and Korea? We have no fears of any internal disturbance, and trust that our friends will have no anxiety on our account. We are hoping for a speedy ending of the trouble. Already we are rejoicing over the great naval victory. While every one deploras war, since it has come, we can but cry with the children: "*Banzai, brave little Japan!*"



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WORKING YOUR BLOCK.

At the Toronto Student Volunteer Convention, Mr. L. D. Wishard told this incident:

"I recently had given me at first hand the following interesting facts concerning the conduct of the Presidential campaign of 1888 in the United States: A prominent business man, whose name is known throughout the entire Christian world, was asked to take a leading part in the campaign. The duty assigned him was the carrying of the Empire State by the party with which he was affiliated. He knew that the storm centre of the battle was the metropolitan city of the continent. He knew that it would be impossible to reverse the majority of the opposing party in that city. He believed, however, that the majority could be so reduced that it might be overcome by the tidal wave which his party would roll down to the Harlem river. He therefore set himself to the task of reducing the majority in the city. He believed that it could be done by securing a fair registration. He accordingly enlisted the services of about one hundred young men from the leading jobbing houses, insurance offices and other commercial centres. He stationed each of these men in a block of the city where there was great danger of false registration and held each man responsible for knowing everything that breathed within the four boundary lines of his block. He frequently addressed these men as follows: 'You are not responsible for the national campaign nor the State campaign; neither are you responsible as individuals for the city campaign. Appropriate committees have been made responsible for the national, State and city campaigns, and you are not members of those committees; but, gentlemen, the block, the block!' Those who heard him declare that he uttered the words 'the block' with such fire in his eyes and voice, that he made every man of the hundred feel that upon his own block the national campaign hinged. Those men went back to their blocks and watched them day and night like faithful watch-dogs. They made it utterly impossible for any man to register falsely from any one of those blocks. A fair registration resulted; and from that a fair vote; and from that a reduced majority; and from that the overwhelming of the majority by the tidal wave from the State. That business man won the contest by the block system."

That was sense and enterprise applied to politics. Can we not do as well in our work for the kingdom of our Lord? Let each pastor, each secretary, each editor, and each head of any department of the Lord's work, remember his "BLOCK" and do his duty thoroughly and well.

**THIS IS OUR JUDAISM.**

The following extract from a sermon on Foreign Missions by Phillips Brooks is worthy of repetition: "Missions are not an occasional duty, but the essential necessity of the Christian life. The fundamental condition without which man cannot live. Have you ever thought how exactly the modern Christian 'who does not believe in foreign missions' corresponds to the Jews of the Old Testament? He has not indeed the excuse and the self-explanation which the best Jews had. He does not say to himself, as they said, that it is for a purpose and a deliberate design of God that his religion is shut up in himself and forbidden to go abroad. But without the excuse or the explanation, his condition is exactly the same as that of the old Jew. Look at him. Conscious of privilege, perfectly aware that

God has given him truth and light which are inestimably precious, holding the tables of a divine law in his sanctuary, feeling the illumination of a divine wisdom burn in the jewels of his breastplate, he is perpetually aware of how his life belongs to God, and, looking forth from the observatory of his privilege, he sees the whole dark world. Sometimes he pities it, sometimes he despises it. Sometimes he almost hates it. He cannot always shut his eyes and ears to the working of the Spirit of God among the Gentiles. He prays his prayers, and they are real prayers. He believes his truths, and they are real truths. He does his tasks, and they are real tasks. But what is the spiritual life of the Esquimaux among his snows, or the Asiatic in his jungle is nothing in the world to him. The very question smites his ear with no reality. This is our Judaism. Do you remember Peter on the housetop at Joppa? 'How strange that I should ever have imagined that God could think any of His children unclean or common!' So we all feel when our Judaisms at last break open. Some look out on a new life and are amazed that the old life ever satisfied us. So the Christian made the missionary seem for the first time to have known what his faith really is."



RELIGIOUS SUICIDE.

Exaltation of local interests at the expense of the world-wide extension of the kingdom of Christ is a policy of spiritual suicide. As soon as the Christian heart becomes too small to take in the whole world for Christ, the process of narrowing goes on in a rapidly increasing ratio. The outer circles of Christian benevolence are excluded one after another, until the circle becomes so small that it is not large enough to include anything but self. In this final outcome is seen the real spirit which excludes any portion of the world from the interest and efforts of any and every Christian. It is selfishness; and selfishness, we repeat, is spiritual suicide. An editorial in *Our Day* for October refers to one who withdrew from the Reform Bureau, established for the reformation of the nation because, as he wrote, "Home calls come first." In this case provincialism took the place of patriotism, and it is but a preceding step when patriotism takes the place of that piety which has an interest in everything that is of interest to the great Head of the Church Himself. When any church excludes the world-wide cause of Christ it soon becomes too poor to do anything for our country; then shuts out State mission work, then city mission work and then mission work of any kind. It then becomes too poor to support a pastor or to carry on the activities of the church, and at last reaches the state of one church which the writer has in mind, where the few remaining members were simply waiting for one or two more to die off, and then they proposed to sell the church property and divide the money among themselves. It is a sad day for any church when they begin to sing:

"My town it is of thee,
Home of my folks and me.
Of thee I sing."

If *Our Day* will allow a slight change in its parody of a well-known hymn. A Christian and a church will do best for their own interests when they are doing their very best for the largest extension of the cause of the Redeemer in all countries and among all peoples, at home and abroad.—Selected.

FIFTY DAYS AMONG THE HAK-KAS.

REV. J. R. SAUNDERS.

On the 20th of last October Mrs. Saunders and myself with our assistants, left Ying-tak for a tour of the Hak-ka field. Heretofore no foreign woman had ever been permitted to go among our people, but I had made a short journey with the lamented S. T. Williams last autumn.

The first day we reached Tai-Chun after travelling about thirty (30) miles over rugged roads and high mountains. Here we spent the night in a Chinese inn. The whole town came out to see the strange sight, a "foreign woman." We hastened from this place on to Wung-ngan where we have a chapel opened this year. Some five days were spent at this place holding service twice each day. This is a very promising work. Many have been moved by the Spirit to examine the Word "to see if these things are true." On the Sabbath the services continued from early dawn till late in the day. It was a great blessing to see how men were moved as they heard the word of life for the first time. Here we baptized fourteen and observed the Lord's supper, took up a cash collection of about fifty cents a member, and went on our way rejoicing. The third place where we stopped was Tsai-ha where we spent ten days studying the situation and working with the brethren. This is one of our oldest stations where many have united with the church. There is a membership of over four hundred, and out of this number not so many as ten women; so Mrs. Saunders found many hearts ready for her coming. She labored with great joy among the women who had so long looked for the messenger of love and peace to come to them. The story of His redeeming love was strange to some, but nevertheless a great joy. Among the brethren and the heathen the writer found much to do. As we examined into their religious life, we often thought of the days of Paul when he worked with "the babes in Christ." I baptized four here.

From Tsai-ha we moved to Lung-teen, a few miles distant, where I encouraged the brethren to build a house of worship. They have until now worshipped in the house of a brother. They have outgrown this stage and need a large house.

From Lung-teen we went to Lung-seen, spending a week here. The work among the women continued with much interest. We separated at this place for two days. I made a long journey to a flourishing town where the brethren have offered us a chapel free of rent well fixed for the work. We mean to open work here next year. At Lung-seen we had the pleasure of baptizing nine men and one woman, the first woman to accept the Saviour at this place. Here the brethren mean to furnish a good place for a chapel. Many persons are studying the doctrines in this section.

From Lung-seen we made a long journey to Tong-Tsuin, where the brethren are building a good church. At this village we found the people awaiting our arrival with great expectation. Many came to the daily services. The brethren have given much to build the chapel which they expect to complete this year. When it is finished it would be well suited for worship in the homeland. We have arranged to open a school here at the beginning of their new year. The preacher at this place was Bro. Williams' assistant for the most part while he was in China. He has done faithful work. On the Lord's day we baptized six. Mrs. Saunders and her helper found the women anxious to hear the gospel mes-

sage, and many of them show signs of the new life as it is in Jesus Christ. They do not worship idols and declared they truly love the World's Redeemer. When we return again we confidently expect quite a number to be prepared for the church by the great and mighty workings of the Holy Spirit.

From Tong-Tsuin we passed to Yong-Shok, where we spent about two weeks. At this place the most glorious results can be seen. Many features of the work remind us vividly of a harmonious church in the land of Christianity. As we approached the chapel building women in the fields and men along the road hailed with delight our coming. The women praised their Father in Heaven because the missionary's helpmate had come too. The chapel itself presented a beautiful clean appearance, a great contrast to the buildings of the heathen. It was swept and polished, made ready for our coming. On the Sabbath the house was more than full of church members and those who wanted to join. Everything was done decently and in order. A deep sense of the Lord's presence was felt by us all, and we could say, "The Lord is surely in this place." The people came from twenty (20) and thirty (30) miles to hear the words of eternal life. Many believed and it was our privilege to baptize twenty-five while here. Many more sought to be accepted by the church but were asked to wait until they better understood the doctrines and could show better evidence of a new heart. It is here we have our only church house. The brethren are now raising funds to build a large school-house. They mean to build their house and manage their school. The mission will not need to help either in building the house or supporting the school. The work here is very nearly self-supporting in every way, and we expect it to be entirely so in a short while. Most of the women who belong to the churches of this field have been received into this church. The dear old women with hearts full of joy and faces radiant with the light of the soul were a constant benediction to us. Mrs. Saunders was very busy all the while she remained at this place; so many to visit and talk with about their Saviour. From this point I went to surrounding towns, finding brethren everywhere I went.

From Yong-Shok we went to Pak-Tsa where we are arranging to open a new station and from this place we took a boat to our home in Ying-tak, arriving here safely on the 9th of December, where we found our co-laborers busy in the work, Dr. Hayes having virtually closed contract for a building we can use for both dispensary and chapel. This is a great move forward and we are now expecting to be able to prosecute the work with more vigor and success than we have been able to do in the past. The ladies have already commenced with marked success their visiting among the women.

The whole field presents many encouraging features. The greatest need of all is sufficient equipped men to meet the opportunities of the hour. We mean to begin the educational work this coming year, but little can be done until help comes to us. We are praying continually that the Lord of the harvest will call more laborers into the field. We look in each Journal to see if some one has not been set apart for this field. We will labor and wait.

Ying-tak, via Canton, Dec. 18, 1903.



"Answers to prayer are calls to sacrifice."—Hen. Wright.

A WEEK OF PRAYER FOR MISSIONS ABROAD—MARCH 27 TO APRIL 3, 1904.

In April, 1903, Christian people in the United States and Canada were asked to unite in a week of special prayer for missions abroad. The response to this suggestion was so general and cordial that the Annual Conference of the Foreign Missions Boards in the United States and Canada, meeting in New York in January, decided to repeat the request for these united intercessions during the week beginning March 27th and closing April 3, 1904.

To prayers for the non-Christian world it is suggested that there be added intercessions for the men and women who are giving their lives for missionary work, and for a wider recognition by Christians in the home land of the duty and privilege of sharing more fully the inspiring enterprise of making our Lord known to the world.

It is hoped that this spirit of prayer may be carried into daily or mid-week church services, and be given expression at parlor or neighborhood meetings in private houses on one or more evenings, at family prayers and in daily private devotions.

**NOTICE AS TO THE JOURNAL.**

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The London Missionary Society is now crying for workers. There is a "dearth of candidates for missionary service." They are also face to face with many serious problems created by the remarkable growth of Christian work in China during recent years. The Wesleyan Missionary Society of England is rejoicing over a revived missionary interest. At a recent conference, it declared its deliberate conviction that the present duty to the foreign missionary cause required (a) that the missionary prayer meeting should be revived in every circuit; (b) there should be a great increase in the number of lives consecrated to missionary service and pledged subscribers to and workers for the cause; (c) the present income of the missionary society should at least be doubled.

Letters from Our Missionaries.



BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, NORTH CHINA.

CHINA.

The Chinese to Turn a Temple Into a School.

Pingtou, Shantung, China,
Jan. 11, 1904.

Dear Brother,—We have just made a report of the Pingtu station. At our last mission meeting it was voted to do away with the individual reports and only have station one. I think this the better plan. The Pingtu station has made a very short report. We have so much to report that we did not know where to begin. The past year has been another good year. Our work is spreading out and in a much better shape than ever before.

Pastor Li has been a great help to the work. He is a modest man and one that can be relied upon. He has not missed a single appointment with any of the four churches during the last twelve months.

I wish we had many more such workers. The evangelist and Bible

women have spread the Gospel in every direction and many new villages have heard the tidings for the first time.

In the Pingtu district there are just 400 Christians living in 108 villages, 16 villages have been added this past year, or 42 in the past two years. There have been 60 baptisms.

Last Saturday thirteen of the leading men of the Saling village, the first village entered by the Baptist missionaries, came in to ask the magistrate if he would permit them to sell the temple lands and tear down the temple and put up a village school house. Every class in the village was represented and all the village elders were present. For some months the talk has been that all temples with their lands, by the authority of the Emperor, were to be used for schools. The people of Saling for several years have not had much use for the temple, so they welcomed this news and are anxious to put the money from the

sale of the temple and land to a better use than feeding a lazy good for nothing priest. If the magistrate permits they hope to put the surplus money, after building the school house, on interest and use this to run the school.

While there are only two Christians on the committee, yet they are talking of adopting the course of study used by our Christian school there and uniting on one school for the whole village. They have even asked that the teacher in our school may be employed next year.

There is perfect unity all around, and let us hope that this may be the means of bringing the pupils and their parents under the influence and final acceptance of Christianity.

Yours in the Master's work,

WM. H. SEARS.

Work Among the Hak-ka People.

Ying-tak, China, Jan. 11, 1904.

Dear Brother,—I am glad to report that arrangements are practically completed to reopen the dispensary on Friday of this week. A very suitable building has been rented, and repaired in such a way to make it suitable for chapel and dispensary combined. I expect to have a native preacher and other workers present on each dispensary day, so that every patient that is treated shall have an opportunity to hear the Gospel. The opportunities just now seem unusually good, and quite a number of people have expressed a desire to study the Word. I am still teaching my class in English. I feel that the Lord is surely blessing this work, and bringing us into touch with the better class of merchants and others.

We held preaching services in our new chapel last Sunday for the first time. Within a few minutes after opening the doors the room was

crowded with men. They came out of curiosity, but most all stayed during the services, but if any one left others would quickly take their places.

There is nothing new to write about buying land. There is a choice piece that we are trying to buy, but there are many difficulties in the way, and it is somewhat uncertain about our being able to buy it, but time will tell. There is another piece of land on a lower level that can be bought now, but that land was flooded twice last year five or six feet deep, lasting several days each time. This is liable to occur every year, but again there might be two or three years go by without it, but the possibility of that land being frequently flooded is so great that I consider it very unwise to buy it. The cost of building houses would be far greater, as the land would have to be *filled in* where the houses are built, several feet deep. This would make building quite expensive. I do hope we shall be able to buy the higher land. I am studying the language regularly every day, but am sorry to say, with many interruptions. I feel very much encouraged in our work, for surely the opportunities are great. Pray much for our work here, for this is a new station.

Yours fraternally,

CHAS. A. HAYES.

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BRAZIL.

More Men From the States.

Bahia, February 17, 1904.

Dear Brother,—Inclosed find annual report. In many respects it is the best ever made from this mission. There were more baptisms last year, but nearly one-half of them were from the Espirito Santo State. This year they have been more general among all the churches, old and new.

The spirit of self-support and gov-

ernment is growing nicely. We need more men from the States to do the work Paul and his colaborers did in evangelization, planting, and looking after the churches, without destroying independence and spontaneity in the local churches.

We need greatly now a combined boarding and theological school. The people are looking to us for Christian education. Eight have come and asked Mrs. Taylor to take their boys into her home, as five of them came from three other States, three live in this city. If we were to announce they would come from several States. Four young men are asking for preparation for the ministry, and next year I hope to establish an annual three months' school, which will take in quite all our eight pastors and other workers. We must prepare them for their important work. I am willing to undertake this work myself (director of combined school) if a man cannot be found for it. Mrs. Taylor has the prospect of yet doing much service; if she can be relieved soon of the great burden she has borne for six years. I fear the Board cannot understand how important the present school is, and the proposed combined school will be to our cause. It is simply a monument. Or, as a good brother expressed it: "We Baptists would be insignificant but for the *Collegio Americano Egydio* and the *Journal Baptista*."

Yours in Christ, Z. C. TAYLOR.



Abundant in Labors and Blessings.

Simphcio, Corrente de Piauhy,

Brazil, S. A., Jan. 4, 1904.

Dear Brother,—With gratitude to God for the privilege, we send you New Year's greetings. As we look back upon the year just closed we cannot but exclaim: "Ebenezer! Alle-

luia!" It has been a year of difficulties and dangers, of trials and triumphs, but above all has it been one of great joy in a fuller realization of our Father's infinite love.

The end, as the beginning of this last quarter, found me here in Piauhy. On the first Lord's day of the quarter a strange, new scene was witnessed in that town, from which we had twice retired on account of persecution. Seven redeemed souls followed their Lord in baptism, among them the first female, perhaps, in the entire State, to abandon the traditions of her fathers and thus come out on the Lord's side. On Tuesday, of that week a young cattle farmer interrupted my journey back to the Rio Preto to have me preach in his house. After the preaching, before many witnesses, he gave testimony to his Saviour's redeeming love, and was baptized at 10 o'clock in a very beautiful moonlight. This completed the number of 10 baptized believers in southern Piauhy. On the following Lord's day, in the Rio Preto, I had the joy of baptizing the only living son of our aged sister Carlotta. Without seeking it, he was recently elected president of the town council, having previously won the confidence and esteem of the people as mayor. Four years ago, when Bro. Joas Baptista was stoned here, the priest was president. With the above was baptized a remarkable monument of God's mercy and grace in the presence of hundreds of people, who knew what their former life had been—one having been a very devout Roman Catholic and the other having been recently cleared from the crime of murder. Both have since proven faithful, fervent Christians and loyal helpers.

Early in November Bro. Siniad, with a mule load of Bibles and Testa-

ments, went to the adjoining State of Goyaz, where the good seed had been sown on a former visit. Another visited the Rio Grande with gospels, tracts, etc., and returned with a cordial invitation from the people to come to them again with the words of life.

I have been praying and laboring



COL. BENJ. NOGUEIRA,
of Corrente, Brazil, a native Christian,
who pays the salary of a teacher
from the United States, and the
recently given a building for church,
school and library.

that every believer might feel his individual responsibility to God and to his fellow-man, and to induce every one to dedicate himself to the winning of souls. In December I began preaching a series of doctrinal sermons preparatory to the organization of a church in the Rio Preto. I was interrupted in this by the arrival of mules to bring me here to Piahy to baptize other waiting candidates and to take part in the dedication of the first house built in all this territory for the worship of God. It is situated

in the town of the Corrente, and is a house of worship, school and library combined, built at the expense of Bro. Benjamin Nogueira. I send you a photograph of this loyal helper in the evangelization of Brazil. For some time quite a congregation has been worshipping in this place every Lord's day. A young brother, baptized about two years ago, leads the meetings. Alternately after the preaching service there is a Sunday school or prayer-meeting.

On this visit here to Piahy I find the people nearly everywhere friendly disposed and eager to hear the Gospel. On New Year's eve the Lord prepared for me a glad surprise. I was overtaken on my way to this place and urged to turn aside and preach where the Gospel had never been proclaimed, but where a Bible I had sold on my first trip to Piahy had been used of God to the salvation of a soul. This man, the eldest son in a large family, bravely confessed his Saviour before His people, and early on New Year's morning was baptized. Two other brethren were with me there. Thus it was our Father's good pleasure for us to bring to a close the old year, so full of His loving kindness and tender mercies. After baptising the young man, the brethren took me ten miles farther on to the Corrente, where brethren and friends were expecting me. I was delighted at this manifestation of their desire to begin the new year with God and acknowledge Him in all their ways. The theme for the morning was "Christ our Aim," and the watchword adopted for the year Phil. 3: 14.

I still hope some day to receive the Foreign Mission Journal, that we may rejoice with you in the blessings of God upon His work in other parts of His vineyard.

ERNEST A. JACKSON.

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MISSION CARD TOPIC FOR APRIL, 1904, THE COLORED PEOPLE.

"As ye have opportunity, do good unto all men." New Era Institute work in Virginia, North Carolina, Missouri, and Kentucky. Co-operative work with National Baptist Convention (colored) employing two general missionaries and two women missionaries.

STUDY TOPICS.—Colored people and evangelization of Africa. Colored people and Romanists. Help towards self help the best. Am I my brother's keeper?

PROGRAM FOR APRIL, 1904.

Programs are suggestive. The introduction of new features, selection of additional hymns, subjects of prayer, etc., are left with the Society.

"Do the duty that lies nearest you."

1. The Lord's Prayer in concert.
2. Self-Denial—a condition of discipleship; Luke 14:27; I John 2:3-10; Example, Rom. 15:1, 5; Rom. 12:1, 19-21.
3. Ask forgiveness for past shortcomings; for the Saviour's presence at the meeting.
4. Leaflet: "The Colored People," in Questions and Answers. A good plan: Let the Leader ask the questions; if they cannot be answered, let her give printed answers, afterwards reviewing them.

5. For Emphasis: "Nearly 40 per cent. of all our population in the South are Negroes, and Southern people are doing almost nothing for them. Can you realize what this must mean to the South in a few years?"—Dr. F. H. Kerfoot.

6. Leaflet: "House-Top Saint."

7. Encouragement to Prayer: "God rules the world by the prayer of His saints. Prayer is the power by which Satan is conquered. The power of believing prayer is simply irresistible.

8. Subjects of Prayer: That the great problem of the South—the Colored People—may be solved by Christianity. For Christ-like sympathy with those who are trying to live right, and for His compassion towards the lowest.

9. Business, collection, etc.

10. Direct attention to "Bright Hours" (see April Foreign Mission Journal). Testimony of an experienced leader: "It is the finest help to all kinds of mission work I have ever had."

11. Close with "Helpful Thoughts from Master Workers" (page 2 of "Mission Manual").



MONTHLY MISSIONARY LITERATURE.

FOR PASTOR AND PEOPLE; FOR LEADER AND LED.—The foregoing program calls for two publications: Questions and answers on "The Colored People," a popular and compact way of giving information; and "The House Top Saint," a leaflet classic by Mrs. J. D. Chaplin, giving the quaint but felnd and real experience of an old colored woman that will help many to a higher life. Price 3 cents, Mis. Lit. Dept., 233 N. Howard street, Baltimore.

The package of literature for the quarter, April, May, June, besides the two leaflets already mentioned, contains the following: "Our Workers and our Work in Japan," "Work in Africa," "The Woman Who Gave Herself," "Cuba and Home Mission Work," "Silver or Souls? Dollars or Duty," Young People's Program, Circular for Money Box, Envelope. Quarterly subscription, 8 cents; annual subscription, 30 cents. No Society or Band should be without the valuable aid offered in this literature for monthly use, sent quarterly.

Please do not send subscriptions or other orders to 1423 McCulloh street, but to 233 N. Howard street.



PERSONAL WORK AMONG THE COLORED PEOPLE.

"Lord, if thou wilt, Thou canst make me clean." "And Jesus put forth His hand and touched him, saying, 'I will, be thou clean,' and immediately his leprosy was cleaned." Not thousands but millions of colored people are waiting for the outstretched hand of Christianity, the touch of Jesus, the contact with intelligent, sympathetic helpfulness. Where can this touch be given and where felt as in the home? A missionary among the colored people when asked, "What are you doing?" replied, "Caring for immortal souls in ebony houses." Yes, and they are also caring for the houses of these souls, for multitudes sin and suffer because they know so little about their bodlies. The teaching of some of the missionaries was characteristically emphasized by the woman who exclaimed, "I will, honey, I will look up to God and clean up my house." She had the right conception of the order, Godliness, then cleanli-

ness; as inseparable as faith and works. The influence of a growing plant helped to get one home in better condition; the introduction of a pretty picture wrought a change in another. In view of such facts, how numerous are the opportunities of Southern Baptist women to extend a helping hand, and to influence for good those who are at our doors, looking to us for help!



CHRISTMAS OFFERING AS REPORTED BY STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEES,
ETC., TO MARCH 10, 1904.

Alabama	\$ 568.89	S. Carolina	\$1,720.64
Arkansas	79.28	Tennessee	266.71
D. C.	43.95	Texas	154.76
Florida	285.20	Virginia	1,384.80
Georgia	1,412.31		
Ind. Ter.	82.77	Total	\$9,328.02
Kentucky	439.45	Additional reported by Secre-	
Louisiana	633.60	tary of Foreign Board:	
Maryland	278.80	S. Carolina	\$515.42
Mississippi	167.13	Tennessee ...	99.63
Missouri	739.05		615.05
N. Carolina	1,024.88		
Oklahoma	66.80	Grand total	\$9,943.07

Our aim for the Christmas offering for years has been the \$10,000 mark. We shall surely reach it this year, as the above is not final, many of the States sending word that their report is not complete. We ask that the full reports be surely sent by April 10th, that the returns may be finished for the May Journal. Last year the total was \$7,534.27—the largest offering made. This year's will exceed that by \$2,500 at least. We have "Gone Forward."

ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG. •



ANNUAL MEETING OF W. M. U., AUX. S. B. C.

The annual meeting of Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, will be held in connection with that of the Convention, which begins May 13, 1904. W. M. U. delegates and all ladies who contemplate going to Nashville, Tennessee—the place of meeting—are requested to *note particularly* that the W. M. U. meeting will begin a day before the Convention, viz., Thursday, May 12. This change from the custom of former years is in accordance with the following recommendation from Committee on Plan of Work, which was adopted last year at Savannah:

"That in view of the repeatedly expressed desire by our workers for more opportunity to attend the Convention, we recommend that this Union open its session a day earlier than the Convention, holding sessions Thursday morning and afternoon, Friday morning and afternoon, and Sunday afternoon."

Preparatory to the opening of the annual meeting, "an hour of prayer" will be held on Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. J. A. Barker, President of W. M. U., is busily engaged at the time of writing in carrying out another recommendation which was adopted at Savannah:

"That in future it shall be the duty of the President W. M. U., assisted by

the State Vice-Presidents, to prepare program and make all arrangements for the annual meeting."

Particulars in regard to the program and other matters of interest will be given later.



REPORTS OF THE YEAR.

The time is drawing near when the year's results of W. M. U. effort will be made known as far as figures can record them. Doubtless the workers of every State will be interested in knowing whether the aim for the year, \$90,000, has been reached, or how near we have come to it. It is hoped, therefore, that Societies will now realize the necessity of *promptly sending* to their respective State officers all contributions for Home and Foreign Missions which have not yet been forwarded, bearing in mind that reports of State officers must be in Baltimore by April 20th. Contributions reaching them too late to be included in these reports will not be credited to this year's account.



BOXES TO MISSIONARIES.

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

ALABAMA.—Livingstone, \$23.85; Ensley, \$66.25; Fountain Heights (contribution), \$39.25; Y. L. S., East Lake, \$159; Frances St. Ch., Mobile, \$300; Second Ch., Selma, \$57.50; Auburn, \$30; Parker Memorial Ch., Anniston, \$181.50.

GEORGIA.—Duffy St. Ch., Savannah, \$173; Elberton, \$58.

KENTUCKY.—Ludlow, \$82.28.

MISSOURI.—Columbia, \$73.06; First Ch., St. Joseph, \$75; Boonville, \$45; First Ch., Springfield, \$55.

TENNESSEE.—Columbia Ch., Ebenezer Ass'n, \$135.55; Seventh Ch., Nashville, \$64.07. VIRGINIA.—Berkley Ch., Berkley, \$51.45; Olivet Ch., Little Plymouth, Rappahannock Ass'n, \$37.29.

Total, \$1,707.05.

Previously reported, \$30,379.37.

Grand total, \$32,086.42.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSIONARIES.

ALABAMA.—Fort Deposit, \$60.

Previously reported, \$168.35.

Grand total, \$228.35.

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"THE TICHENOR MEMORIAL."

Many who were present at the last annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union, and others who have read the recommendations of the Home Board for the conventional year 1903-1904, will recall that W. M. U. was asked to raise this year \$20,000 as a Tichenor Memorial of the Church Building Loan Fund. The suggestion was adopted with enthusiasm by W. M. U. workers in attendance upon the meeting in Savannah, and a collection was taken amounting in cash and pledges to \$987.96. That interest in the matter has continued is evident from the number who have written asking for literature and other information bearing upon the Tichenor Memorial. For the benefit of the many who are already interested and for those whom we hope to interest, it is with pleasure two announcements are now made.

First: Dr. Lansing Burrows, whose ability is so well recognized throughout the South, and who was a warm friend of Dr. Tichenor, has written a leaflet setting forth in beautiful language the strength of Dr. Tichenor's character, the great work which he did for Southern Baptists, the need of the Church Building Loan Fund, and the appropriateness and wisdom of such a tribute to the "large-souled man who gave his thought and labor and prayer to the religious phase of the remarkable development of his country." Dr. Burrows

says: "Upon his deathbed, the homeless churches of his people burdened his mind. Now that his eloquent speech is stilled and the prayers of this servant of God are ended, let him speak from hundreds of pulpits to weak and discouraged saints, and his petitions find reply in the multiplication of houses consecrated to the praise of a prayer-hearing God."

Second: A generous offering of \$1,000 towards the Tichenor Memorial Fund has been made by a lady, who wishes her name withheld. The gift was secured through the influence of Dr. J. S. Dill, son-in-law of Dr. Tichenor.

Having visited Oklahoma and Indian Territory three times, the Corresponding Secretary W. M. U. has come in close touch with the distressing need for church buildings, and appreciates the vital necessity of immediate help for these struggling frontier interests. The Methodists have a \$1,000,000 Church Building Loan Fund and, by turning it over and over as a loan, have secured \$12,000,000 worth of property, planting Methodist churches among pioneer settlements. Southern Baptists have between five and six thousand dollars. Is it not time for us to do larger things for God and for the Baptist cause? Are there not others to whom God has entrusted large amounts who ought without hesitancy to follow the example of our sister by giving at least \$1,000?

We will be glad to send copies of Dr. Burrows' leaflet to individuals or societies, who will either make offerings themselves or try to secure them from others for the Tichenor Memorial Fund. Though there may be comparatively few who can give \$1,000, we have faith to believe that there are many who will heed the call of God through human tongue and pen in behalf of weaker ones without church homes, and, as an expression of regard for one whose name and labors will thus be memorialized, will give \$100 towards the Tichenor Memorial of the Church Building Loan Fund.

ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG.

In sending contributions to the Tichenor Memorial of the Church Building Loan Fund, it is very important that the purpose for which they are intended should be designated. Otherwise, they will be included in the general receipts, and there will be no means of knowing what advance is being made towards the desired memorial of \$20,000. In reference to this matter, Dr. B. D. Gray, Secretary of the Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Georgia, has written to the Cor. Sec. W. M. U.:

"I know you are very, very busy, but it would so simplify matters if you could ask the ladies in various States when sending their remittances for Tichenor Memorial to their State Treasurers or State Secretaries to send notice thereof to me at this office."



IS THE CHURCH BUILDING LOAN FUND NEEDED?

Miss Annie W. Armstrong,

Dear Sister,—If you will look on a map of Texas and at the north tier of counties, you will easily locate this place. I am missionary of this Association and the only Baptist preacher in four counties—my field of labor. There is not a church house in this territory and but few small school-houses. It is a prairie country, so we do not even have brush to build a shade under which to hold meetings. The country is settled and settling by a well-to-do, thrifty people. If we had a tent which would seat 150 or 200 people, it would be a won-

derful help in our work, especially in holding meetings in summer. I write to earnestly ask you in the name of our dear Lord, and through you the Woman's Missionary Union of our loved Southland, to donate a tent for this work. Can you, will you do so? I humbly pray God to put it in your heart to send help for this work."

Explanation in regard to the above letter seems unnecessary. Reaching the Corresponding Secretary W. M. U. at a time when the most earnest effort is being made to secure the \$20,000 Tichenor Memorial of the Church Building Loan Fund, the facts as stated therein are sufficient answer to the question: Is the Church Building Loan Fund needed?

God grant that the reading of this letter may cause some to appreciate as never before how many precious opportunities for upbuilding Christ's cause are being lost by our Home Mission Board because of inadequate means! If money for a simple house of worship in this and many other equally destitute sections is not forthcoming, who will be held responsible by the Great Searcher of Hearts when the influence of the missionary is impaired, interest dies out, and communities become wholly absorbed in the things of this world?



BRIGHT HOURS.

Allow me to introduce you to a new publication of the Mission Literature Department—Bright Hours. The name indicates its purpose, which is to brighten missionary meetings. The name also indicates its character, for Bright Hours is undoubtedly the prettiest, brightest publication ever issued by the Mission Literature Department, S. B. C. The *title page*, in itself interesting and educational, is a fitting introduction to what follows, as upon it in colors are the flags of the different nations where our Home and Foreign Boards are working. The *leaves* of the booklet—each devoted to one missionary subject and containing on one side a picture in national dress, on the other varied condensed information for leaders—are held together with ribbon in order that they may be readily separated. From this you will appreciate that the booklet is not to be utilized as a whole, but after the manner of separate programs. For a long time we have had requests for something which might meet the need in young people's work as does the "Monthly Literature" that of adult organizations; and it is hoped Bright Hours will do this. Each booklet contains ample material for twenty meetings, and the price is 25 cents (it cannot be furnished free), making it less expensive than the Monthly Literature, which is 30 cents per annum. While this new publication is intended primarily for young people's work, yet it contains much helpful material for societies. If you think Bright Hours will be of service to you in stimulating missionary interest, I would suggest the purchase of a copy from the Mission Literature Department, S. B. C., 233 N. Howard St., Baltimore.

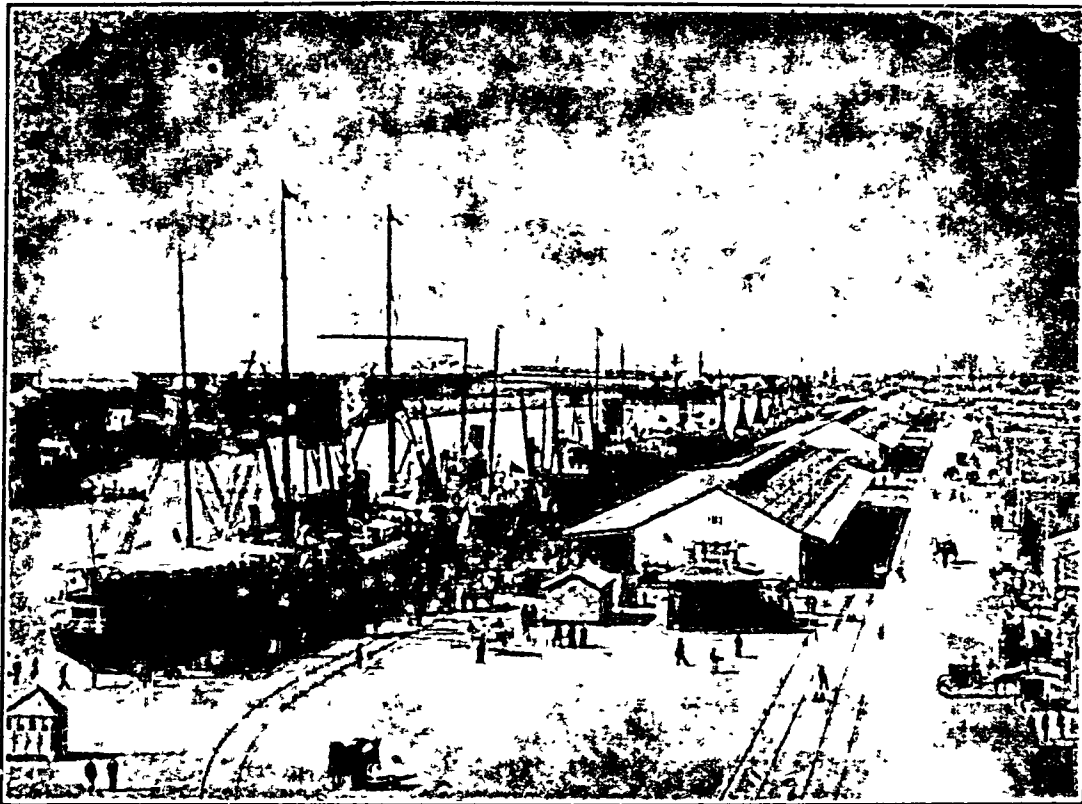
"I think 'Bright Hours' magnificent. It is the finest help to all kinds of mission workers I have ever had. The ladies who are in charge of our societies in the First church, Chattanooga, all agree with me. I shall try to sell one, at least, to every band in the Young South and as many as possible to individuals. It is certainly gotten up most beautifully and attractively. Wishing you great success with it,

Yours most truly,

L. D. EAKIN.

Young People's Department.

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



A VIEW IN THE DOCKS, BUENOS AYRES.

Most solidly constructed, supplied with all modern conveniences, brilliantly lighted with electricity. Built by English capitalists. Cost \$15,000,000.

Docks are crowded with vessels of all nations.

PROGRAMS FOR BANDS.

No. 1.

1. Choral service. 2. Bible prayers from the Psalms. 3. Chain of prayer (children encouraged to make the prayers; just read their own. Write out a number of short sentence prayers, as "Create in me a clean heart, oh God," giving them to older members with the request that if they can really pray them they make this petition in the chain of prayer. Thus many have been brought to pray.) 4. Missionary glimpses (from extracts from letters in Foreign Journal). 5. Map review (use outline map presented at last meeting). 6. Essay, What I know about Argentina. 7. The great city—miles of houses. 8. Hymn. 9. Many churches; missions; so few among so many. 10. Business; dismissal.

PROGRAM No. 2.

1. Prayer for blessing on the singing of the Gospel in song. 2. Two or more hymns on love of God. 3. Bible verses on same topic. 4. Review questions on Argentina. 5. Why should we have missions in Argentina? (each member asked for a reason). 6. Composition—Captain Allen Gardener. 7. Reception of new members. 8. Prayer for the Argentina missionaries by name; dismissal.

LEAFLETS.—Argentina, from Baptist Mission Rooms, 233 N. Howard St., Baltimore, Md.; South America, 1c.; A Partnership, 2c.; Captain Gardener, 1c. Address Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, 501 Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia.



ARGENTINA—No. 3.

THE GREAT CITY.

Before we speak more especially of the mission needs of Argentina, let us

learn something of the great city in which our first mission station will be—Boo-a-nos Eyrace the Argentinoes call it, not Buenos Aires as we do. To reach it from New York you would take a great steamer and sail 5,000 miles southeast. As you went south it would grow even warmer and warmer until you crossed the equator, which crosses Brazil on a line with the mouth of the great Amazon river. Then, though still sailing south, the climate would grow gradually cooler until the hundred-mile-wide mouth of the Rio de la Plata was reached and you sailed up to Buenos Aires, two hundred miles inland. Here we would be as far away from the equator on the south as Wilmington, N. C., is on the north, but would find the climate more like that of New Orleans.

A school boy in Buenos Aires is lucky if he can make a snow ball once in ten years.

You will doubtless be surprised by the size of the city. Not only is it the largest in South America, but the largest in the Western Hemisphere south of Philadelphia. In a few years it will probably have a million people, for there are now gathered here nearly a fifth of all the people in the entire country. It is an Argentinian saying that "everybody comes to Buenos Aires," and the visitor will readily believe it. There are more Italians in the city than Argentinians—indeed, 350,000 of them; Spaniards, French and Germans by the tens of thousands and enough English people to have three daily papers printed in English.

MILES OF HOUSES.

Large as the city is in population it is larger in extent, covering twice as much ground as the great city of Paris. You would understand this if you saw its one story houses stretching away for miles and miles. These houses are built around an open square called the *patio*, on which every room opens. If it rains one must have overshoes and umbrella to go from one part of the house to the other across this open court. Besides these houses, which have the great advantage of plenty of light and air, there are many public squares adorned with monuments of their national heroes, chief among whom are San Martin, Moren and Belgrano. May 25, 1810, is the independence day of Argentina, as Fourth of July, 1776, is ours, and a fine avenue called "Avenue 25th of May," is being built through the heart of the city from the Plaza Victoria to the capitol, several miles away. When this avenue is completed it will be one of the finest streets in the world.

MANY CHURCHES.

But you will ask, what churches has this great city? As it is the third largest Catholic city in the world, and nearly twice as large as Rome, you will find many Catholic churches. Of these the two most interesting is the Old Cathedral, which covers more than an acre and will hold nine thousand people. It is in this cathedral that the President goes to mass, for Catholicism is the State religion. The law, however, does not allow anyone to be persecuted on account of his belief and no persecutions have marked the course of missions in this country as in Brazil.

MISSIONS IN ARGENTINA.

As we have seen, "everybody comes to Buenos Aires," and there missions began. The English and Scotch people brought with them their own Protestant ministers, who by and by began to teach the people around them. At first this was attended with much difficulty, because for many years (until 1867) preaching in the Spanish tongue was forbidden. After this Bible Societies began the work of sending colporteurs to carry the Bible far and wide through the country. From reading these Bibles has come the readiness of many of the people to hear the Protestants, who preach from this word, which their priests forbid them to read. So it comes about to-day that we find in Buenos Aires "enough converted Spaniards to make a large church in Madrid, enough Italians to form a body of Christian witnesses for Rome herself." The Methodists of America have had missions in Argentina for many years, while some other churches have more recently entered the work.

SO FEW AMONG SO MANY.

But the missionaries of all denominations are very, very few for this great

country. They can never hope to reach all the people unless others are sent to help them. Our missionaries in Brazil saw the great need in Argentina. Our Foreign Mission Board saw it. Therefore they took the great New Year's resolution of which we spoke in our first study of Argentina. It was to send missionaries to Argentina where no Baptist missionary was at work. Can you give the names of these missionaries?

The first to go was S. M. Sowell, and like every one else he went to Buenos Aires. He reached the great city in January. As yet he has sent back no message, but to him we have, I trust, sent many blessings by our prayers. Surely new missionaries in a new land should have a large share in our thoughts.

There are now on their way to join him two others, Mr. Joseph Lancaster Hart and wife, and two more expect to leave soon; these are Mr. King Wolsey Cawthon and Mrs. Lillian McCall Cawthon. If you will look up your Journal for January you will find sketches and pictures of these new helpers. We are not told when Mr. Cawthon became a Christian, but I want both the boys and girls to notice that Mr. Hart became a Christian at ten and Mrs. Cawthon at seven. The time to begin to prepare for a missionary's life, at home or abroad, dear Sunbeams, is *now*. As you pray month by month for these new workers will you not add a prayer that you may even now become their fellow Christians?



SUGGESTED PROGRAM FOR YOUNG LADIES' SOCIETY.

(Based on Chapter IV. of Protestant Missions in South America.)

Scripture Reading—Bible Lilies. (Verses of purity.)

The Growth of a Republic.

Life in Brazil.

A View of Missions.

Trials and Triumphs of S. B. C. Work.

Missionary Marconigrams. (Current events.)

A Missionary Jumble. (Letters of missionaries, names transposed.)



QUESTIONS ON BRAZIL.

When and by whom discovered? Leading features of first 140 years of European occupation? The work of the early Jesuits? Prosperity and its off-sets? When were the Jesuits expelled? Why is 1808 the beginning of a new era? Tell of the reigns of Dom Pedro I. and II.? When were the United States of Brazil established? The People—Whites, blacks, Indians, immigrants? What of Brazilian Catholicism? Political conditions? The story of the first college in Brazil? Why are 14,000,000 of the entire population of 17,000,000 unable to read? Who were the pioneer missionaries? What attempts were made by Dutch missionaries? What American church first sent missionaries? The most successful features of mission work in Brazil? When were S. B. missions begun? Name of present stations? Number of church members?

Leaflets.—Glance at Baptist Work in Brazil, 2c.; Features of Work in Brazil, 2c.; Home Life in Brazil, 2c.; Land of the Southern Cross, 2c. Address Baptist Mission Rooms, 233 N. Howard St., Baltimore, Md.



METHOD CORNER.

Copy letters or parts of letters from missionaries, put in envelopes with old foreign stamps, direct to Society and read at meetings. It will make the facts seem more "really, truly" for them.

A postal card committee will be useful. Send a postal to each absent member.

Make much of the Flower Committee in these spring days. It will be a sweet service of love to have bright flowers not only at the Sunbeam meeting but on the Superintendent's desk each Sunday morning.

Missionary Gardens are not a new idea, but worth trying.

Avail yourself of the pictures of new missionaries in the Foreign Mission Journal—using them in your missionary album.

RECEIPTS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS

From February 15 to March 15, 1904.

ALABAMA.—Sycamore Ch., by D. L. L., \$6.38; Big Spring Ch., Unity Ass'n, by W. J. W., \$4; J. W. O'Hara, Wylam, \$1.80; J. H. Creighton, Whatley, \$1; L. A. S., Pineapple, by Mrs. C. H. (J. W. McCollum), \$5; Sunbeam Soc., Gadsden, by J. G. D. (Mrs. McCollum, helper), \$28.50; W. B. Crumpton, Sec'y (Miss Kelly, \$90.05; Miss Kelly's school, \$25; Christmas offering, \$84.92; Hak-ka, \$2; Miss Hartwell, \$24.25; missionaries' homes in China, \$5.50; Chapels in China, \$5.50), \$519.36; First Ch., Dothan, through G. H. Malone, Treas., by S. H. C., \$239.15. Total, \$805.19.

Previously reported, \$8,945.13. Total this year, \$9,750.32.

ARKANSAS.—Miss Lucia Lide, by A. W. A. (Hak-ka Home), \$2.50; H. C. Munger, Judsonia (native missionary, Akesela, Ogbomoshaw), \$10; B. Y. P. U., Ozark, by R. E. C. (Christmas offering), \$3.62; T. E. Windham, Winfield, \$1. Total, \$17.12.

Previously reported, \$1,832.97. Total this year, \$1,850.09.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—West Washington Ch., by W. H. H., \$25; First Ch., Washington, by J. W. W. (N. Maynard), \$31.10; Y. P. S., First Ch., Washington, by J. W. W. (teacher in Mexico), \$15; W. M. S., West Washington Ch., by A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$3.50; First Ch., Washington, by J. W. W. (N. Maynard), \$27.81; W. I. Mission Circle, First Ch., Washington, by J. W. W. (Christmas offering, China), \$15; L. M. C., Brookland Ch., by A. W. A., \$5; Temple Ch., Washington, by F. A. R., \$13; "A Friend," \$10; West Washington Ch., by W. H. H., \$25. Total, \$220.41.

Previously reported, \$395.34. Total this year, \$615.75.

FLORIDA.—Ochwilla Ch., by B. R. M., \$8.50; L. D. Geiger, Treas. (Ellan Sunbeams, support scholar in Chinese mission school, \$16.70; Live Oak W. M. S., Williams' Memo. Home, \$1.35; Live Oak W. M. S., Williams' Memo. Home, 80 cents), \$500; New Zion Ch., by A. J. C., \$10; "A Friend," by Edmunds Wells, \$10; S. J. Revell, Bristol, \$2.50. Total, \$531.00.

Previously reported, \$782.56. Total this year, \$1,313.56.

GEORGIA.—W. M. S., Red Oak Ch. neighborhood, by M. F. (Christmas offering), \$4; M. S., Union Point, by R. C. (Christmas offering), \$11.75; East Macon Ch., by J. C. J., \$40; Mrs. C. N. Churchhill (Hak-ka Home), \$5; Mrs. W. W. Finley and Miss Sallie Merk, by W. W. F., \$1.04; New Hope Ch., by J. C. B., \$5; Mrs. Mary Davis Jackson, Greensboro, \$25; W. M. S., Harmony Grove, by Mrs. H. O. W. (Bible woman with Miss L. Price), \$1.40; W. M. S., First Ch., Americus, by M. F. B. (native helper), \$5.80; Mt. Zion S. S., Blythe, by V. J. M. (S. S. B. F.), \$1.50; Mrs. B. L. W., \$10; Elberton Ch., by Mrs. A. E. D., \$100; "A Friend" (colporter in China), \$4.25; Vineville Ch., by S. J. F., \$2.31; Union Ch., by E. C. H., \$1; L. M. S., Boston Ch., by J. D. (J. C. Owen, for education of boy, Rushin Parker), \$12; East Macon Ch., by J. C. J., \$15; Bethesda Ch., by C. H. L., \$1.51; Y. L. M. S., First Ch., Athens, by A. S. P. (Bible woman with Mrs. Greene), \$36; S. Y.

Jameson, Treas. (Christmas offering, China, \$389.39; Medical Missions, \$32.55; Miss Moon, \$9.21; Prof. and Mrs. T. J. Slimmons, personal native helper, \$50; Waycross W. M. S., native helper, \$6.25; Capitol Ave. W. M. S., native helper, \$34; Hak-ka Home, \$7; Peyton Stephens, \$10; Miss Kennon's Bible woman, \$2.50; native helper, \$1; Sylvester W. M. S., Miss Kennon, \$12; First Macon S. S., Home for missionaries \$100; Mrs. Clarke's work in Japan, \$6; Mrs. McCollum, \$2), \$2,000; L. M. S., Dublin, by Mrs. W. W. R. (native helper, \$11.60), \$17.90; Milltown S. S., by L. S., \$4.56; Milltown L. M. S., by L. S., \$2.85. Total, \$2,307.87.

Previously reported, \$19,060.24. Total this year, \$21,368.11.

INDIAN TERRITORY.—W. M. U., McAlester, by A. W. A., \$2.50; Ladies, Choate Prairie Union, by N. C. (China), \$6; W. M. S., Caddo, by A. W. A. (Christmas offering), \$1; H. H. Mouser, by J. C. S., \$1; Employees at Creek Orphan Home, Okmulgee (Christmas offering), 74 cents; Thomas N. Watkins, Hart, by A. W. A. (China), \$4. Total, \$15.24.

Previously reported, \$242.19. Total this year, \$257.43.

KENTUCKY.—Warren Ass'n, by W. F. C., \$91.76; Y. L. M. S., First Ch., Owensboro, by Mrs. P. J. M., (education native helper with J. W. McCollum), \$38.81; Twolick S. S., by J. W. C., \$4.70; Bradenburg Ch., by J. R. W., \$12.70; Mrs. Willett's S. S. Class, by J. R. W., \$3.10; W. H. Newman, \$100; Grove School, by J. E., \$1; J. G. Bow, Cor. Sec'y, \$679.49; Miss Mattie Trabue (Letug Taat Koo, Bible woman with Miss Kennon), \$7.10; Soc., Hopkinsville, by Miss S. U. C. (Miss Hartwell's assistant teacher), \$25; L. M. A. Soc., Sanders, by Mrs. W. F., \$8.30; W. H. Bell, \$5; Miss Eva Fowler, \$1; Cen. Com., by W. L. (Broadway, Mrs. McCloy, \$28.22; Christmas offering, \$19.25), \$78.52; East Hickman S. S., by J. A. M. (S. S. B. F.), \$4.15; Cedar Creek Ch., by S. E. S., \$8.50; Beechland Ch., by S. E. S., \$32.25; Clifton Ch., by H. O. W., \$100; W. M. S., Harrisburg (Christmas offering), \$3.05. Total, \$1,204.43.

Previously reported, \$11,680.93. Total this year, \$12,885.36.

LOUISIANA.—Unionville Ch., by J. C. J., \$7.20; Spring Creek Ch., by I. E. C., \$5; Friendship Ch., by I. E. C., \$2; L. M. S., Opelousas, by E. L. J. (Hak-ka Home), \$5; Union Ch., by G. W. D., \$3; W. M. S., Kingston, by Miss E. N. (Christmas offering, Miss Pettigrew), \$7.50. Total, \$29.70.

Previously reported, \$2,253.47. Total this year, \$2,283.17.

MARYLAND.—First Ch., Hyattsville, by H. E. D., \$2.50; Brantley Ch., by C. W. W., \$24; First Ch., Easton, by E. L. H., \$10.22; Huntington Ch., by L. S. C., \$8.22; W. F. M. Soc., by Mrs. E. L. (Christmas offering), \$231.85; Wednesday Evening Mission Fund, Brantley Ch., by C. W. W., \$25. Total, \$301.79.

Previously reported, \$1,711.98. Total this year, \$2,013.77.

MISSISSIPPI.—W. M. S., Philadelphia Ch., by M. H. (New Testaments), \$1.20; Philadelphia Ch., Lincoln Co. Ass'n, by J. E. W.,

\$20.36; Eastabuchle S. S., by W. S., \$1.08; Unity Ch., by A. C. M., \$5; Bala Chitto Ch., by G. H. V., \$11.75; Clinton Sunbeam Soc., by M. R. J. (China), \$1; Mrs. J. T. Lipsey and S. S. Class (Bible woman, China), \$1.25; A. V. Rowe, Cor. Sec'y (Christmas offering, China, \$102.18; Meridian, First Ch. (J. R. Saunders), \$50; Hak-ka Home, \$11; Concord and Antioch Chs. (native), \$10), \$1,000; Immanuel Ch., Meridian, by C. G. E., \$7.45; Rev. L. G. Varnado, Carriere, \$24. Total, \$1,873.09.

Previously reported, \$4,975.75. Total this year, \$6,048.84.

MISSOURI.—A. W. Payne, Treas. (B. Y. P. U., Braymer, Bible woman under J. W. Lowe, \$30; Slater S. S. (Wau Sing Chung, China), \$15), \$562.96; A. W. Payne, Treas. (Shelbina W. M. S., (Christmas), \$5; Bowling Green W. M. S. (Christmas), \$7.50; Moberly Sunbeam Band (Desk in Mrs. Sears' school, Pingtu, China), \$10; Moberly Juniors (Christmas), \$1; W. M. S., Compton Heights, \$4; W. M. S., Liberty (Yates College), \$10; W. M. S., Bethany (Christmas), \$3; W. M. S., Wakenda (Christmas), \$5.25; W. M. S., Utica (Christmas), \$5; W. M. S., New Hope (Christmas), \$1; W. M. S., Corder (Christmas), \$8.50; W. M. S., Brush Creek (Christmas), \$2.32; W. M. S., Olive St. (Christmas), \$20; \$21.10; W. M. S., Paris (Christmas), \$3.35; W. M. S., Clark (Christmas), \$2; W. M. S., Milan (Christmas), \$5; W. M. S., Good Hope (Christmas), \$5; W. M. S., Carondelet (Christmas), \$6.30; W. M. S., Keytesville (Christmas, \$7), \$13.75; W. M. S., Tipton, \$10; W. M. S., DeSoto (Christmas), \$10; W. M. S., Sweet Springs (Christmas, \$2.57), \$7.67; W. M. S., Pleasant Grove (Christmas), \$13.35; W. M. S., Charleston (Christmas), \$6.60; W. M. S., Carrollton (Christmas), \$20; W. M. S., South Union (Christmas), \$10; W. M. S., Richland, \$12.50; W. M. S., Windsor (Christmas), \$7.85; W. M. S., Calvary (Child in school, Canton, China), \$15; W. M. S., Marshall, \$13.01; W. M. S., Union (Christmas), \$5; W. M. S., Fayette (Christmas), \$20.05; W. M. S., Jonesburg (Christmas offering for Miss Dutton), \$10; B. Y. P. U., Jonesburg (Christmas offering for Miss Dutton), \$2; W. M. S., Ewing (Christmas), \$1.75; W. M. S., Dover (Christmas), \$2.80; W. M. S., Liberty (Christmas, \$22.33), \$29.33; W. M. S., Lexington (Christmas, \$30.68), \$34.33; W. M. S., Pin Oak German (Christmas), \$9.51; W. M. S., Miami (Christmas), \$21.50; W. M. S., Grandin (Christmas), \$2.82; W. M. S., Maryville (Christmas), \$5; W. M. S., Salisbury (Christmas), \$8.70; W. M. S., Huntsville (Christmas), \$7; W. M. S., Bunceton (Christmas), \$15; W. M. S., Bowling Green (Christmas), \$10; W. M. S., Fish Creek (Christmas), \$8; W. M. S., Memphis (Christmas), \$4.03; W. M. S., Brush Creek (Christmas), \$1; W. M. S., Wyaconda (Christmas), \$3.22; W. M. S., Warsaw (Christmas), \$20; W. M. S., Fredericktown (Christmas), \$7.60; W. M. S., Pleasant Ridge (Christmas, \$4), \$8; W. M. S., Kahoka (Christmas), \$9.15; Ladies, Tabernacle, Kansas City (Christmas), \$25; W. M. S., Mexico (Christmas, \$31.20; towards Bible woman, \$10), \$53.70; Miss M. Gallaher (Christmas), \$5; W. M. S., Third, St. Louis (Christmas), \$4; W. M. S., Euclid Ave., St. Louis (Christmas), \$2; W. M. S., Tipton (Christmas), \$6; W. M. S., Union (Christmas), \$4.75; W. M. S., Mt. Zion (Christmas),

\$4.80; W. M. S., Deepwater (Christmas), \$1.53; W. M. S., Bales Chapel (Christmas, \$5), \$20), \$617.62. Total, \$1,180.58.

Previously reported, \$8,226.92. Total this year, \$9,407.50.

NORTH CAROLINA.—Henrietta Ch., by J. M. F., \$4.64; "A Friend," \$1; S. S., Mocksville Ch., by H. E. (China), \$2.25; Miss Annie West, Sec'y, Cotton, \$6.50; "A Friend," \$1; L. M. S., Waynesville Ch., by W. J. H., \$11.50; Sunbeam Soc., Waynesville Ch., by W. J. H., \$3.25; W. M. S., First Ch., Asheville, by Miss E. A. D. (Hak-ka Home), \$10; Asher O. Allison, for S. S., 30 cents; H. C. Bridger, \$150; Mt. Sinla S. S., by R. J. B., 50 cents; "A Brother," \$1; Walter Durham, Treas., \$1,500; Second S. S., Durham, by J. H., \$16.40. Total, \$1,708.34.

Previously reported, \$7,667.31. Total this year, \$9,375.65.

OKLAHOMA.—J. J. Corum, Lawton, 65 cents; Rev. O. T. Finch, Newkirk, \$1; Omega Ch., by Mrs. K. H., \$16; Omega Ch., by Mrs. K. H., \$1.10; Blair Ch., by R. C. F., \$3.10; Corinth Ch., by R. C. F., \$3.05; Martha Ch., by R. C. F., \$1. Total, \$25.90.

Previously reported, \$367.18. Total this year, \$393.08.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—Rocky Grove Ch., Edisto Ass'n, by H. J. S., \$1.11; Evergreen Ch., Florence Ass'n, by G. C. L. C., \$1.05; Arkwright S. S., by W. C. W., \$1.46; North Ch., Orangeburg Ass'n, by J. S. C., \$2.53; Dillon Ch., Pee Dee Ass'n, by T. E. H., \$17; Upper Marion Union, by W. H. S. (Pee Dee Ass'n), \$12; Catfish Ch., by W. H. S. (Pee Dee Ass'n), \$7.16; Lamar Ch., Welch Neck Ass'n, by E. L. G., \$4.86; Saul Dam Ch., by C. H. P., \$4; First Ch., Columbia, by D. J., \$19.60; First Ch., Spartanburg, by L. M. R., \$600; Good Hope Ch., Charleston Ass'n, by C. A. S., \$2; Georgetown S. S., by W. H. P. (S. S. B. F.), \$6; Dudley Ch., by J. J. N., \$3.20; Bradley Ch., by W. W. C., \$3; Taylors Ch., No. Greenville Ass'n, by E. P. S. (W. H. Cannada), \$3.40; Princeton Ch., Laurens Ass'n, by C. H. R., \$5; Bellview Ch., Laurens Ass'n, by C. H. R., \$5; New Prospect L. M. S., Laurens Ass'n, by C. H. R., \$5; Richland Springs Ch., Ridge Ass'n, by H. I. R., \$3.91; J. A. Tuten, Ravenels, 65 cents; Harmony Ch., by R. H. F., \$15; Friendship S. S., by W. E. B., \$5; Wolf's Creek S. S., by R. G. C. (S. S. B. F.), \$5; Pleasant Grove S. S., by J. H. J., \$1.12; No. Greenville Ass'n, by J. J. W. (Cannada's salary), \$47.69; Mt. Calvary S. S., by R. E. B. (S. S. B. F.), \$6.26; Mt. Zion S. S., by A. J. F., \$2.50; Ebenezer Ch., by J. B. S., \$7.50; Dudley Ch., Chesterfield Ass'n, by B. S. F., \$4.40; Spring Hill Ch., Moriah Ass'n, by B. S. F., \$3; Little Roach Ch., by C. C. B., \$11.50; Mrs. John Stout, Cor. Sec'y (Citadel Square L. B. S., Miss Whilden's school, \$13; Cital Square L. B. S., Hak-ka Home, \$13; Miss C. Bostick, \$2; Christmas, \$513.70 (\$12 for Miss Bostick); Societies of Saluda Ass'n (Miss Whilden), \$17.50; Christmas offering, \$9.70 (Miss Whilden), \$680.45; Clover Ch., York Ass'n, by T. G. M., \$4.83; Vinson S. S., by J. B. C., \$1; Holly Springs Ch., Spartanburg Co., by W. W. J., \$1.55; Rion Ch., by J. E. F., \$1.11; Mathews Creek Ch., by J. H. F. (W. H. Cannada), \$10; Providence Ch., Broad River Ass'n, by D. W. C., \$43.20; Ridge Spring Ch.,

by M. G. S. (missionary), \$25.50; Steel Creek Ch., Savannah River Ass'n, by J. A. M., \$2; Ebenezer S. S., Orangeburg Ass'n, by J. P. S. (S. S. B. F.), \$19.15; Cedar Creek Ch., by L. M. D., \$1.36; Good Hope Ch., S. S., Charleston Ass'n, by J. R. S. (S. S. B. F., China), \$1.30; Mrs. A. S. Williams, \$5; Jefferson Ch., Chesterfield Ass'n, by J. C. C., \$1.35; Timrod Ch., Kershaw Ass'n, by J. C. C., \$1.30; Mt. Lebanon Ch., Union Co. Ass'n, by W. H. W., \$3.10; Four Holes Ch., by T. F. R., \$5.50; Blackville S. S., by W. A. G., \$10; Blackville Ch., by W. A. G., \$8.75; Bethel Ch., Barnwell Ass'n, by G. M. B., \$3.40; Fairmount Ch., by J. W. K., \$3.50; Miss Ella Little, \$50; The Thomas Memorial Ch., by J. T. D., \$30; Arkwright Ch., Spartanburg Ass'n, by W. P. S., \$3.60; Calvary Ch., Orangeburg Ass'n, by D. H. C., \$2.56; Double Branch Ch., Orangeburg Ass'n, by D. H. C., \$1.40. Total, \$1,735.41.

Previously reported, \$11,112.47. Total this year, \$12,847.88.

TENNESSEE.—Pleasant Home Ch., by L. L. W., \$4.46; W. W. Hancock, \$10; Oneida Ch., by F. R., 56 cents; Bethlehem Ch., by J. R. W., \$2.30; New Lebanon S. S., by J. F. W. D., \$2.21; W. M. Woodcock, Treas (Hak-ka Home, \$1; Woman's Christmas offering, China, \$134.07), \$456.59; Fall Branch Ch., Holston Ass'n, by R. W., \$3; Fall Branch S. S., Halston Ass'n, by R. W. (S. S. B. F.), \$1; J. A. Lowery, Halls (Friendship Ass'n), \$11.32; First Ch. L. A., Johnston City, by H. A. R., \$10. Total, \$501.54.

Previously reported, \$3,603.56. Total this year, \$9,105.10.

TEXAS.—Mrs. W. W. Meniffee's S. S. Class, First Ch., San Antonio (W. E. Sallee, Christmas offering), \$3; Salt Fork Ch., by W. P. W., \$5.25; J. B. Gambrell, Supt. (Christmas offering, \$99.56; native helper, \$100), \$420.23;

Comstock S. S., by H. C. P. (S. S. B. F.), \$2.15; J. C. Osborne, \$1; B. Y. P. U., Albany, by J. L. W. (girl in Toluca school), \$1.50; W. A. Pool and wife (support of little girl with Miss Anna Greene), \$10; Mrs. Sue A. Dollar, \$4; Amarillo L. M. S., by Mrs. T. A. C. (support Wootatshan, native missionary, China, \$25; native missionary, \$25), \$50; Whitney S. S., by T. H. (S. S. B. F.), \$5; Pedigo S. S., by Miss L. B., \$4; J. M. Lee, Supt. S. S., Edna (Christmas offering, China), \$2.50. Total, \$503.63.

Previously reported, \$3,453.17. Total this year, \$3,961.80.

VIRGINIA.—Home S. S. Band, by E. M. (Children of China), \$3; First Lettish S. S., by F. E., \$5; West Norfolk S. S., by Z. D. O. (S. S. B. F.), \$5; Fork S. S., by G. N. B. (S. S. B. F.), \$5; B. A. Jacob, Treas. (Christmas offering, \$247; Walnut Grove Ch., Dover Ass'n, tuition of pupil Ying Ling, Canton, \$15; Little Leaders' Miss'y Soc., College St. Ch., F. F. Soren's salary, \$40.22; Riverside Sunbeam Soc., Centennial Ch., Rappahannock Ass'n, Mrs. Jackson's work, \$25; W. M. S. Freemason Ch., Christmas offering, day school in China under Miss Moon, \$75), \$1,500. Total, \$1,518.

Previously reported, \$16,044.47. Total this year, \$17,562.47.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.—Miss'y Soc., by J. L. J., \$119.50.

Previously reported, \$276.51. Total this year, \$396.01.

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Total this month, \$13,803.74.

Previously reported, \$109,303.69.

Total this year, \$123,107.43.

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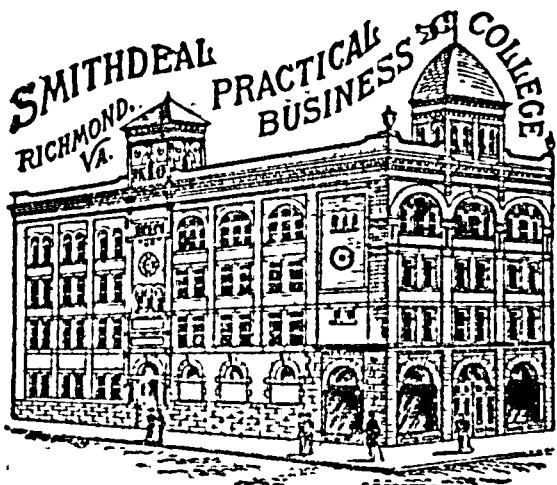
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