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INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT FINANCES.

HOW THE STATES STAND.

The following table is more eloquent than any words that we can write. It shows at a glance how matters stand with the Board and indicates something of the conditions in each State. It is not necessary for the Journal to preach to the brethren. Let the facts speak.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS BY STATES FROM MAY 1, TO JANUARY 15, 1907, AND FROM MAY 1, TO JANUARY 15, 1908.

	1908.	1907.	Loss.	GAIN.
Georgia	\$ 20,675 83	\$ 25,086 55	\$4 410 72	\$.....
Virginia	19,741 17	18,858 99	.....	882 18
North Carolina.....	17,074 77	13,351 88	.....	3,722 89
Kentucky	13,860 66	12,310 38	.....	1,550 28
Missouri	11,870 24	7,314 84	.....	4,555 40
South Carolina.....	11,762 72	13,019 60	1,256 88	.....
Tennessee	6,994 36	6,621 48	.....	372 88
Alabama	6,806 38	9,456 42	2,650 04	.....
Texas	4,876 36	16,592 73	11,716 37	.....
Mississippi	4,035 48	4,147 98	112 50	.....
Maryland	2,748 71	3,188 27	439 56	.....
Louisiana	2,458 16	2,116 46	.....	341 70
Arkansas	2,282 88	1,458 14	.....	824 74
District of Columbia.....	965 21	753 79	.....	211 42
Florida	1,987 41	3,312 25	1,324 84	.....
Oklahoma and Indian Territory	687 93	749 92	61 99	.....
Other sources.....	1,181 60	4,175 73	2,994 13	.....
	\$130,009 87	\$142,515 41	\$24,967 03	\$12,461 49

Total loss to date, compared with receipts January 15, 1907.....\$12,505 54

These facts give tremendous emphasis to the following points:

1. An exceedingly vigorous campaign must be carried on for the next three months. Only three months! But a great deal can be done in that time to redeem the situation. The Secretaries are doing their best. It does not seem possible for them to add anything to their efforts. But they will try to do more. Now, we appeal to the brethren. Will not the State Secretaries, the Editors, the Vice-Presidents on the Board, both State and Associational, and, above all, the pastors, come to the help of the cause?

2. The table shows where the campaign needs to be most vigorous. Some States have made gratifying gains; others have fallen off in their contributions, but not one of them has reached anything like the amount that should be expected according to the figures set by the Southern Baptist

Convention and the various State meetings.

3. Shall the Corresponding Secretary return on the first of April encouraged, rejoicing over the financial condition of the Board? Or, shall he be disappointed and dismayed, and feel that the brotherhood, who insisted on his making the sacrifice of leaving his family and the work he loves so well to go on this long tour of the fields, have not stood by the work in his absence? We have two months in which we must answer these questions.

4. Are there not wealthy brethren who have not been hurt by the financial depression and who can make princely gifts at this time of sore need in our foreign mission work? Are there not multitudes who cannot make large gifts but can and will make small contributions to swell the aggregate?

SOMETHING TO BE DONE NOW.

Just before the battle of Trafalgar, Admiral Nelson stood on the quarterdeck of his flagship, the "*Victory*," surrounded by his fleet captains, who had been summoned on board. It was an intense moment, for soon they would be enveloped in the smoke of battle. One of the captains expressed the fear that some one of them might make a mistake when the engagement should begin. The reply of Lord Nelson is worthy of a place in the mind of every servant of Christ, for it was the very utterance of genius. He said gravely, "No captain can make a mistake if he lays his ship alongside a French ship." The captains did lay their ships alongside the French ships and a great victory came.

As servants of Jesus Christ we will make no mistake if we give ourselves unsparingly to the tasks immediately confronting us in such way as to set forward the larger interests of the Kingdom. However circumscribed our environments we may link our endeavors with the widest movements of the world's progress. Carey, the cobbler, had a map of the world hanging on his shop wall. He was a greater dreamer than Alexander the Great; and who will dare to say that he did not accomplish more? Many a man close shut in by the narrow walls of duty has a mind with wings, a window that opens to the sky and a vision that reaches to the ends of the earth.

Here is a letter from a man in Alabama who is seventy-five years of age and has

been a minister of the gospel for fifty-four years. But his heart is not old, nor has he lost interest in the affairs of his Master's Kingdom. He accepts the position of Vice-President of the Foreign Mission Board for his Association, and declares his purpose to visit the churches and general meetings in order to stir up the people in behalf of missions. He has a buoyant faith, a clarified vision, and is willing to lay himself out for the remainder of his days in earnest endeavor for his Lord. He is willing to "bring his ship alongside" and fight as "under the Great Taskmaster's eye."

And here is another letter. It is from a good woman in Texas. She has a large family and lives three miles from the country church of which she is a member. She is not blessed with much of the wealth of this world, but she is rich toward God. She has ordered some books on missions, and tells how she has enjoyed studying them. She has gone into the homes of her neighbors and talked to them about foreign missions, and in her church and in her Woman's Missionary Society she is doing a work whose force will be felt around the world.

Dear friend, just where you are there is a work to be done. Lay yourself out in the Master's service and do it now. "Do the duty that lies nearest thee; thy second duty will already have become clear." You will make no mistake if you "lay your ship alongside."



NOTES OF INTEREST.

CONCERNING OUR MISSIONARIES AND OTHER NEWS

Miss Florence Jones arrived in Hwang-hien, China, on November 22d after a pleasant voyage. She says: "I find everything and everybody very pleasant here, and thank the Lord for sending me to this field."

Rev. W. H. Sears writes: "The officials

here in Pingtu have been exceedingly friendly. One has presented the Girls' School with a gift of nearly \$100, which we are going to spend in some useful way."

Dr. T. B. Ray, the Educational Secretary of the Board, was married to Miss Davie

Bruce Jasper, of Plano, Texas, on January first. The Journal extends to them most hearty congratulations and good wishes. They expect to be at home in Richmond after February first.

Dr. Willingham expects to leave Rome about March 15th, and will reach home somewhere near the first of April. Only two months remain in which we can have the opportunity of giving him great joy over the financial condition of the Board when he arrives. Let us all do our best during these two months.

The interesting article in the last Foreign Mission Journal entitled "A Great Plan for Little Builders," was written by Miss Elizabeth N. Briggs, of Raleigh, N. C. Through inadvertence, her name was not given in connection with the article. She is the leader of the Sunbeam Bands for North Carolina, and is doing a great work among them.

Rev. Everette Gill and family arrived in New York on January 8th. Brother Gill came by Richmond, and was present at the meeting of the Foreign Mission Board. He hopes to return to Italy as soon as he and his family can regain their health. He urged the Board to redouble their efforts in Italy, and hopes to see the work there greatly enlarged.

The Journal is greatly embarrassed with the wealth of material for publication. We are compelled to hold over a number of splendid articles for lack of room. What

a pity it is that we cannot so increase our subscription list as to justify the enlargement of the Journal! We need far more space in which to give the good news which comes from the fields.

Brother E. A. Nelson, who has been for a long time in the Amazon Valley and struggling alone in that immense field, has been compelled to move his family to Maranhoe, where he can get the recuperating influence of the ocean breeze. From this point he will still carry on the work. He says, "We hope to hold out until April, 1909. In fact, we are so run down that it would be risky to try a long sea voyage now. We hope that in another year God may send us a man or prepare the churches so that they may take care of themselves while we come home."

We have just received from the Sunday School Board at Nashville their latest publication—"The Highway of Mission Thought," edited by Dr. T. B. Ray, Educational Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board. It is made up of eight of the greatest discourses on missions that have appeared in modern times, with introduction and notes by the editor. It is well bound and printed in good, clear type on good paper. It is a book full of interest to the young people, the women, to the laymen, and the preachers. It is sold at seventy-five cents, postpaid. Dr. Frost says it could not be sold at this price if it were only a business venture. We commend it most heartily to all our readers.

DR. WILLINGHAM IN CENTRAL CHINA.

A REMARKABLE LETTER.

S. S. "Hitachi Maru."
December 6, 1907.

We have just left Shanghai and are now on our way to Hongkong and Canton. When I last wrote we were on the Yangtze River coming down to Chinkiang. It was our great pleasure to see Brethren Crock-

er and McCrea awaiting us on the dock when we arrived at Chinkiang. They soon took us up to their homes and made us feel at home. While we stopped with Brother and Sister McCrea, the two mission houses are right together and these brethren and their families are on such

intimate terms and in such perfect harmony that it was almost like one big family.

Our Chinkiang Work.

Chinkiang is a fine, growing city. It is at the intersection of the Yangtze River and the Grand Canal. Great ships come up from the ocean to bring their cargo and re-load for the world's ports. Literally, thousands of drafts of different kinds and sizes come to this city. Then the new railroad for Shanghai has just been opened. It is luxurious in its appointments. I know of nothing in America neater and nicer for day coaches. Thousands of people ride daily. The third and fourth class rates are quite cheap. With these excellent means of communication, and being located in a fertile country, Chinkiang is prosperous. We have a good church building here and two mission houses. The work has not been as prosperous in the past as we would have been glad to see it. This has probably been due in part to the fact that the missionaries who were located at Chinkiang have not remained long. We are glad to see that those now located there seem pleased with their work and are planning for enlargement. On Sunday, after a sweet service, one native brother was introduced who had given up his inheritance for the Lord's cause; another, who had been rescued from the opium habit; still another, who had been in the Taiping rebellion.

The brethren reported that at an out-station there were about forty enquirers. Brother Crocker was arranging to go out and preach to the people there for several days and the brethren at Chinkiang wish, as soon as possible, to start the academy for the boys. This will be a feeder for the college we are building at Shanghai.

Chinkiang is a very important point in China, and the work there should be enlarged just as soon as possible.

Yangchow.

It is only eighteen miles from Chinkiang to Yangchow. Dr. P. S. Evans, Jr., kindly came to meet and conduct us to the latter place. We got on a canal boat pulled by a tug. It is three miles up the

river to the mouth of the Grand Canal, and then fifteen miles up the canal to Yangchow. The weather was quite cold, especially so to people who stood on top of the canal boat in order to see. But we were there to see, and why stay down below where the people were packed in



DR. WILLINGHAM WITH MISSIONARIES AT YANGCHOW.

when we could go above and breathe freely and see much. Here are hundreds of boats, under sail or being towed by people walking on the banks. The ropes by which the boats are drawn are attached to the top of the masts. Many of these boats are steered by women, and often women and children are seen drawing them.

Old graves are along the way as they are everywhere else in China. Some of these are open at one end. Many of the coffins lie on top of the ground without anything on them.

We were met on our arrival in Yangchow by a number of the brethren and sisters and even the children. Our bodies were cold, but our hearts responded to the warm greeting they gave us. We were soon domiciled at Brother and Sister Pierce's house, where a good, warm room and excellent meal awaited us. Brother and Sister Pierce are our veterans at Yangchow. They toiled here for many years in the midst of trying conditions, but they are rejoicing now in the development of the work. Dr. Evans has his hospital finished, and was to have a formal opening a few days after we left.

However, he is already treating many patients. He hopes in time to be able to double the present capacity of the hospital. His dear wife, the accomplished daughter of Brother Joshua Levering, of Baltimore, has three sweet little children. She seems as happy in her home and work in China as any princess in her palace elsewhere. God bless our women in the foreign fields. Miss Julia Mackenzie has her school for girls in fine shape. We were especially pleased with the neatness and system displayed on every hand. There was one fault we found, however—we fear this noble sister does not provide sufficiently well for herself. We do not want her to lose her health or valuable life. In addition to the school for girls, the ladies have a training school for women. This is a very important part of the work. Brother and Sister Napier have moved to Yangchow and are taking hold of the language. Brother Napier wants to reach out for the out-lying territory as soon as possible. There are not only many towns around, but also a number of walled cities. There is work right in this section for a hundred missionaries. Brother Napier is a fine man and we trust God will use him for great things in this territory.

Miss Moorman was away, having gone to Soochow on account of sickness. It was a great pleasure to meet her there later and to find out that she was much better.

The cause is looking up in and around Yangchow. Brother Pierce had an engagement to go out immediately after our departure and assist in a meeting where there were about forty or fifty enquirers.

We were glad to hear good reports of Dr. and Mrs. Adrian S. Taylor. These young people came out about a year ago. Dr. Taylor's salary is being paid by the students in the University of Virginia. He is a worthy son of this great old institution. Sister Taylor is the sweet young daughter of Dr. W. J. E. Cox, of Mobile, Ala. We look for a great work from these young people. God has blessed them by entrusting to them a fine little boy.

Yangchow is a large, rich city. It is hard to reach. But God's grace abounds and His message faithfully delivered will bring forth fruit.

Soochow.

We take at Yangchow the boat down the Grand Canal to Chinkiang, and here transfer to the train on the railroad for Soochow. We can go in a few hours what it formerly took days to travel by boat on canal. Brethren McCrea and Crocker went with us on our journey to Soochow and Brother Britton met us "up the road," so that we had no trouble in traveling. At the depot we were greeted most cordially by the missionaries and some of the native Christians. Everywhere we meet so much kindness that we hardly know what to do or say.

At Soochow we were escorted right from the depot into a boat on a canal and in this we were carried into the city to the home of Brother and Sister T. C. Britton "within the walls."

Soochow is the Venice of China. It is laid out regularly and has canals as well as streets running in every direction. Thousands of boats ply on these canals. Some are heavily loaded with freight, others carry passengers. The Methodist (M. E. S.) are doing a large work at Soochow. It was a great surprise and joy to us to meet here Rev. Will Burke, now Presiding Elder. Thirty years ago he was a bright, fine boy in a school taught by the writer in Macon, Georgia. As he stood and spoke to the Chinese we thought of the time when he used to declaim in school long years ago.

Brother Britton, with his noble, consecrated wife, is highly esteemed by the people here. They stood for many years alone, and a few years ago they were reinforced by the coming of Brother and Sister C. G. McDaniel. These earnest young people are putting their lives heartily into the work and are bringing things to pass.

The boys' and girls' schools are being pushed forward. One only needs to see to be impressed with the urgent opportunities now before us in China.

Brother P. W. Hamlett and Miss Sophie Lanneau have recently been added to this mission. They have not come too soon, as they are both very much needed right now, whereas it will take a year or two of hard study on the language before they

can accomplish much in the mission.

Brother Britton, in addition to the work in Soochow, is reaching after surrounding towns and cities. We need at once a number of new missionaries here. Think of a great city with hundreds of thousands of human souls and no Baptist worker, and only a very few of any faith telling of Christ and His love. Yet this city is lying right close to our missionaries. No wonder their hearts long to enter in. But already they have a hundred times more than they can do.

I hope that the funds are coming in well for foreign missions. The November Journal has come to us here. It is very enjoyable until I come to "Receipts," to find out how far many of the States are behind last year. To make a man see all of the needs here and then the small gifts there is—. But, God open the hearts of our people.

On to Shanghai.

It is Saturday evening, and we are on the new railroad rushing on to Shanghai. At one of the stations Dr. McKay, Secretary of the Canadian Presbyterian Board, gets on the train and travels with us. He has been out here for months, part of the time visiting his only daughter, who is a missionary.

On arrival in Shanghai we were met by a large number of brethren and sisters and taken up to Dr. Bryan's home, actually in a carriage. We enjoyed this new experience in China. Here we had been on shentzi, jinriksha, cart, pony, donkey, wheelbarrow, chair, various and sundry kinds of boats, but a carriage! no, not once in weeks of travel. It is not the usual way for missionaries to travel, but they wanted to honor the visitors, and hence this great pleasure for us.

We were taken right to the home of Dr. and Sister Bryan, and here we spent the nights during our stay. In the day time and until late at night it was go, go, go; see, see, see! We thought we were kept busy at home in America, and some one said we had come off to rest. Think of it! Speaking four times the first day, riding twenty miles and speaking twice the second day, and this was for only part of

the day; we had besides other duties the great pleasure of calling and receiving callers. But then, there is very much to see and hear and do in Shanghai. It is a marvellous city; the New York of the East.

It was a great pleasure to preach Sunday morning in the old North Gate Church. Here is where the great and noble Yates labored. It has been difficult for the brethren to know how to meet the demands on them in Shanghai. The Chinese of different dialects have come in by the thousands. Here are many who speak Mandarin, thousands of others who speak the Cantonese. In order to meet these needs, the missionaries have wisely organized churches and schools for them. These new interests greatly need houses at once. Shanghai should have at as early a date as possible several new church edifices costing from three to five thousand dollars each. It is such a marvellous, growing city we ought not to build small, cheap houses. The old North Gate Church is now self-supporting. May God hasten the day when we shall have a number of such in this great city.

Brother Provence is much interested in the Male Academy. This has outgrown the building and needs larger quarters. Dr. Bryan took us to see the Shanghai Baptist College property. We were pleased with the location and the progress being made. Neat, good buildings are being erected for the professors and the Yates Hall has been begun. Rev. Jno. T. Proctor, of the Missionary Union, was pushing forward the work. This institution, as many of our people know, is the joint property of the Northern and Southern Baptists. Dr. Bryan, with Brother White, of the Missionary Union, has already opened the Theological Department, which has about forty young preachers in attendance.

The Girls' School conducted by Miss Lottie Price has grown until it is overcrowded. Think of having seventeen girls to sleep in a room twenty by twenty feet. The girls gave an exhibition, which was much enjoyed. Miss Price is ably assisted by Misses Priest and Mamie Sallee. Right

by the Girls' School is the Training School for the women. Miss Willie Kelly has charge of this important work. She is throwing her heart and life into it. Brother E. F. Tatum, with his consecrated wife, has just returned from the States. They added much to the pleasure of our visit. Their praises are in the mouths of all the missionaries. The brethren are hoping that Brother Rawlinson, who went home sick, can return soon. There are so many calls and so few workers that, when one worker drops out it is felt much.

I could write much more, but fear that already my letter is too long. I want to mention the great kindness to us of Mrs. Seaman, the daughter of Dr. M. T. Yates. She married a merchant, who is doing a large business in Shanghai. She lives in an elegant home with beautiful grounds. Here missionaries are always welcomed guests. Her kindnesses to them are marked, and her gifts for the work munificent. She is such a modest, quiet woman one would not realize, without being told, that she does so much for the great work which her noble father loved and which she loves. Her husband is also held in high esteem by the missionaries.

We had the pleasure of meeting United States Consul Denby. He is well spoken of and seems to be a worthy son of his noble father, who for so many years represented the United States Government as Minister to the court in Peking.

We can never forget the kindness of Sister Bryan to us during our stay. Her health has not been good of late. May the great Physician touch and restore her.

As our boat steamed down the river, we passed by our College grounds. There stood a half-mile or more away Dr. Bryan with his theological students and many others waving at us. They stood out on the point of land projecting in the river and as the noble missionary and great man waved us farewell, it was as though he said, "I will stand here and try to do my duty cheerfully, but send us help, send us help!" We turned away with husky voice and tearful eyes, feeling, by God's grace, we will.

Hoping this may find you all well, and that a great wave of enthusiasm may roll all over our Southland to send the much needed gospel to these lost millions, I am,

Yours in His service,

R. J. WILLINGHAM.

JOYS AND TRIALS OF A MISSIONARY.

A THRILLING EXPERIENCE.

Shortly after my return from the Shanghai Conference, arrangements were made to go to "Hoh Fau," my most distant station. As Mrs. Snuggs had never taken a country trip and the weather being fine and her health not good, I prevailed on her and the children to accompany me. We hired a houseboat and set out with high spirits and anticipation. At San Kiu, our first station out from Shlu-Hing, the people were so eager to see and hear our children sing and recite in the Chinese language that crowds followed us through the streets to the chapel, where finally the doors had to be closed, and Mrs. Snuggs had to hide herself from the increasing, gaping crowds.

At our next stopping place the people gathered on the river banks in hundreds; from the bow of the boat, our children sang "Jesus Loves Me," and other hymns, afterwards I spoke to the people; this was the first time I had preached from a boat, and rejoiced at the privilege of being in a line with the Master in His message and methods. The suddenness of the unique situation together with the inspiration realized was an experience not soon forgotten.

The Corresponding Secretary of the "Home Mission Board," returning from the city at the same moment, exclaimed "Ah ya m shai yap shing wan tai fong kong shue pak sing i king tai to ngoh tai chue"

(it is not necessary to enter the city and seek a preaching place, the people have already come to us), and he poured forth the message of life after the writer, from weariness, had been forced to rest.

Later on in the evening, we held a meeting in a small store belonging to one of our members, which was so crowded that "there was no room to receive them, no not so much as about the door."

The next evening, anchoring in the middle of the river for safety from night pirates, a service was held for the native peo-

searching my person for money, finding none, he threatened again and then went to Mrs. Snuggs, repeating the same tactics, finally wrenching her wedding ring from off her finger; he afterwards robbed the Chinese in the next compartment of one hundred and ten dollars; a minute later, another man was opening our trunk and basket, found some twenty-two dollars in cash, my watch, umbrella and other things, amounting in all to about seventy dollars. The Chinese brethren lost some fifty dollars in moneys and goods. They,



CRAFTS ON WEST RIVER, CHINA, DURING FESTIVAL OF DRAGON'S MOTHER.

ple on the boat. After a most impressive service, conducted by the "Home Mission Board Secretary," our eldest son, Harold, asked him if the pirates would come that night. With much emphasis, he answered, "No, where would they come from?" All being tired, we went to bed and were soon fast asleep. At about 1 A. M., hearing a noise, and seeing torches, I at once awakened, to find that three pirates armed with 6-chambered revolvers and long knives had boarded the boat and were robbing our Chinese servant, pastor and teacher. Harold awoke at the same moment to find a thief bending over him with a pistol pointed at his breast, threatening to shoot if he stirred; a moment later, the same man threatened me in a like manner and was

with us, begged the pirates to return certain articles, and our requests were granted. It was serious on the one hand to see the weapons and hear the threats; on the other it was ludicrous to see them smile when I invited them to take some New Testaments and tracts, and pointed out the eighth Commandment, and reasoned with them concerning their night's work. After taking all they wished from our boat, they went to another boat occupied by a lady missionary of another Society, who was traveling with us for safety. Here they hauled some one hundred dollars odd and then left. The passage boat anchored near by with two policemen on board (the boat had guns also) was not touched. And as the pirates were running away in a

northern direction a gun was fired—not at them, for it was pointed east. Early the next morning the Mandarin of the district was informed of the robbery. He promised to try and catch the thieves and restore the moneys and things stolen, which he afterwards did as far as he was able.

We continued our journey, and in two days reached "Hoh Fau," our destination.



A PIRATE OF WEST RIVER, CHINA, WEARING CAUGUE AS PUNISHMENT.

The next day, Sunday, preaching services and the Lord's Supper were held with the church members. Monday special services were held. Tuesday a visit was made to Nui Tung, a district near by. Here a service was held and the opening of a boys' school discussed. This district is a robber's stronghold, a trouble to the officials for years past; a few were present at the service; hard, vicious, daring looking men, but listened to the gospel with marked attention. Wednesday morning, some of us not feeling well and the rain falling in torrents, the boat was headed for home, where we arrived safely on Thursday night, thankful to God for opportunities of service, full of praise for His care of our lives, and astonished at the calmness of Mrs. Snuggs and the children during our dangerous and trying trip. Writing

at this time, I can see that the experience was very hard on the nerves of us all.

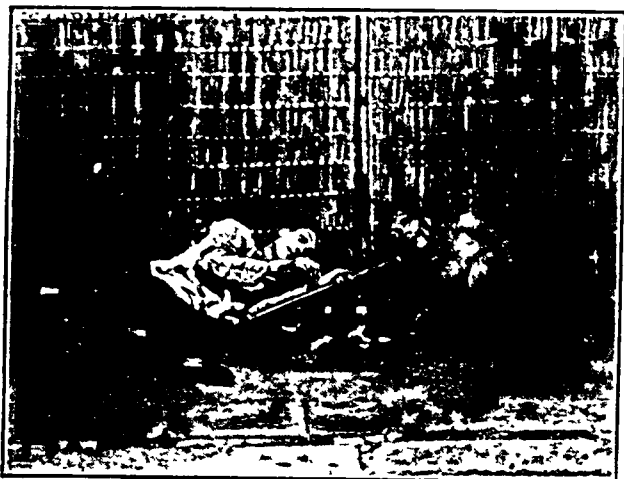
After a few days' rest, two missionaries of another Society, several native brethren and your missionary went to the festival of the Lung Mo (the dragon's mother) at a small town near by. Some thirty to forty thousand people congregate here for the annual event. Before I started, one of our oldest pastors said: "Ten years ago it would mean death to any one attempting to preach the gospel at that place during the festivities." We were there five days, had the fullest liberty everywhere for preaching, even possible to sell gospels and tracts in the temple itself. I had an unusual experience, as no one called me "Fau Kwai" (foreign devil) during the entire visit. We have no chapel at this place, but a few native Christians; they secured a house for a preaching point; this was crowded at our day and evening meetings, as with our large number of workers we were able to hold continuous services. Much precious seed was sown which will be found after many days. The heat was intense during our stay and the streets packed with crowds of people, making it almost unbearable. Fortunately, we were living on a boat, from which one could "cool off" by taking a plunge in the river two or three times a day.

A few days after my return, our little daughter was taken ill, the symptoms getting worse, we telegraphed to Canton for Dr. Hayes; he came quickly and confirmed our fears by pronouncing it scarlet fever.

Miss North went to Canton so that we might isolate the other two children in her rooms. Slowly, but surely, to our great joy, the dear child recovered. The illness put us all in quarantine for six weeks, and I missed the Quarterly Mission Meeting in Canton. The next Mission Meeting was held in Wu-chow, which I attended. Since that time I have visited two of the out-stations and preached and helped in Shlu-Hing as opportunity offered.

News has just been received that our beloved Secretary, Dr. R. J. Willingham, and Mrs. Willingham, will be in Canton about the tenth of December. We have prayed and longed for this visit. I am

sure his tour will be of untold help to us and the cause so dear to all of our hearts.



OPIUM SMOKERS, WEST RIVER, SOUTH CHINA.

There are several important questions concerning this station that the Mission has deferred acting upon until Dr. Willingham is with us in consultation. My next report to you will doubtless refer again

to the matter. Since my last letter, four men and five women have been baptized here. Unseasonable and unusual heavy rains have fallen in this district, destroying the rice crop almost entirely. I am somewhat anxious for the future, robbers and pirates have abounded for several years, the late calamity will add to their number and desperation.

The government knows of the danger, but alas! seems helpless. It has been suggested that British gunboats acting in connection with the Chinese customs take over the policing of the West River. I send you a recent copy of the "China Overland Mail," with articles on this subject. Our own Brother Chambers is the Canton correspondent for this paper.

With constant prayer for the Board.

Yours fraternally,

EDWARD T. SNUGGS.

Shiu-Hing, South China.



OPENING OF THE YANGCHOW HOSPITAL.

AN INTERESTING OCCASION.

The Yangchow Baptist Hospital was formally opened on Friday, November 29th. When the dispensary was opened, two and a half years ago, there was such a large attendance that it was thought wise to have two services this time. So we invited the Christians in the city to a morning service, and the officials and other outside friends for 3 P. M. The morning hour was not very convenient, yet a large number of friends attended, representing all the churches in the city, and Dr. Macklin representing the Nanking friends.

There had been so many delays in finishing the building that the time for opening could not be settled till a few days before the event, so there was not time to invite friends from any distance.

The main address of the morning was made by Mr. Chu, pastor of the Methodist church of this city. Rev. L. W. Pierce, Dr. W. E. Macklin, Rev. A. Y.

Napier, Dr. Y. L. Sz, and Dr. Evans also took part.

After the service, Chinese tea and cakes were served in the dispensary guest rooms which were decorated with chrysanthemums. There were no printed programs, but the hymns to be sung were printed on sheets of red paper, and handed to each guest.

The afternoon guests were separated. The officials, about sixteen in number, were received in the parlor of Dr. Evans' house, where tea and cake were served in foreign fashion. The other guests were received in the dispensary guest room, where they received foreign cake and tea in the regular Chinese way.

After refreshments the officials were escorted through the hospital, followed by the other guests; and then all went into the chapel for a service somewhat like that of the morning, but more general in character. We sang once, and had a

short reading from the Bible, but nothing to correspond to the dedicatory prayer of the morning. The hospital had been opened and dedicated in the morning by the Christians. The afternoon meeting was more of a reception given to allow them to examine the hospital.

The main address was by Mr. Mar, a teacher in one of the foreign style schools



DR. SZ (IN CENTER) AND HELPERS YANG-CHOW HOSPITAL.

of the city; Dr. Macklin, Mr. Pierce, Dr. A. S. Taylor, and Mr. Wu spoke. Mr. P. C. Kwoh, a Christian, English-speaking Chinaman, who is in charge of the I. P. O., spoke on behalf of the officials.

Every one seemed much pleased with the new buildings, and with the way the "opening" passed off. The day was pleasant, and the only thing regretted was the shortness of time which prevented our inviting many friends who had expressed their interest in the work here.

Our medical work here is situated on a main cross road a short distance inside the South Gate, in a part of the city that is rather thinly settled, giving lots of sunshine and fresh air, yet very convenient to the center of the city. The residence of the first foreign doctor was finished in March, 1904, and regular work for Chinese out-patients begun in December of that year, three years ago to-morrow. The dispensary opening was delayed till the

chapel was completed in April. The contract for this first hospital building was signed December 21, 1905, nearly two years ago. This long delay being due largely to the time needed to make or buy the furnishings, many of which are still to be gotten.

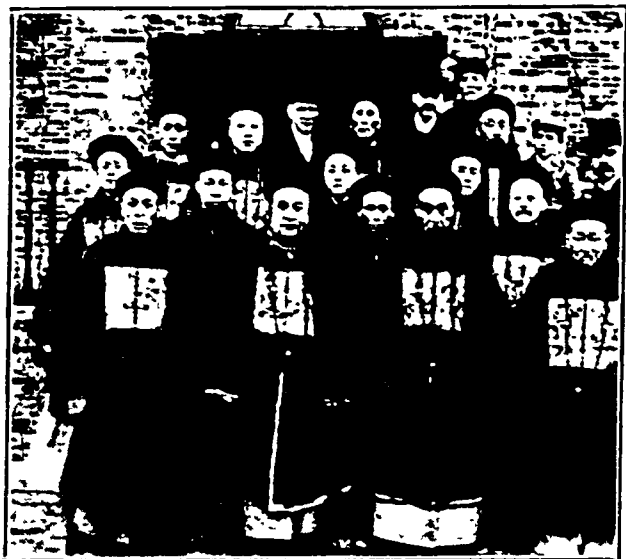
The chapel is 35x25 feet. The dispensary, one end of which has an upper story, is 68x24 feet. The hospital is 65 feet long, including an 8-foot veranda on the west end. The east end is 37 1-2 feet wide, while the west end is 27 1-2 feet, including a balcony 2 1-2 feet wide all along the south side. This veranda is a slight departure from the generally accepted style. The advantage of this arrangement is that you have the sun coming into the rooms, particularly the wards, during the cold months, while it does not even touch the walls in the summer months.

The operating room, 14x16, is on the northeast corner, upstairs, with a skylight 7x7, with the adjoining room, 12x14, for sterilizing, dressing, etc. There are two wards, 22x22, much smaller than first planned because of the increase in price of material, and poor exchange. There are two rooms for private patients, and the regular rooms for office, assistant, linen, bath rooms, etc. The kitchen, servants' room, store room, laundry, etc., are all separate, being built against the north wall of the compound to get good southern exposure.

The hospital staff now consists of two foreign physicians, A. S. Taylor, M. D., P. S. Evans, Jr., M. D.; Y. L. Sz, a graduate of Dr. Parke's hospital in Soochow, and four pupil assistants, with other regular help. There have been a good many applicants for the hospital. So far, two have come. The dispensary clinic runs along about twenty-five to thirty.

It has only been possible to go to out-calls since a trained assistant was secured. He now carries on most of the routine dispensary work. The out-calls average nearly one a day. Just yesterday one of the out-call patients, wife of the viceroy, Chow Fu, said she was going to send five hundred taels for the hospital.

We hope this is a promise that the work can be self-supporting before long.



YANGCHOW OFFICIAL AT OPENING OF HOSPITAL.

We need a ward for women, and hope to soon need another for men. The pres-

ent building was planned with the idea of having other wards beside those in the building. There is room both on the east and west for wards built like the present one, running east and west. Then we have recently purchased about 140 "fang" of land just opposite the gate, where we hope to have a house for the first assistant.

The enclosed pictures will show what the building looks like, and will show the officials (all but one or two) who came that day. The Prefect and one of the Magistrates are among the number.

We feel that now it ought to be possible to do a great deal to help on the cause of the Master here. This district has always had the name of being very hard territory for mission work. We are hoping that the medical work may be the means of helping change this condition.

Yangchow, China. P. S. EVANS, JR.



DR. WILLINGHAM'S VISIT.

W. EUGENE SALLEE.

It is hard to believe that any looked forward more expectantly to the visit of Dr. and Mrs. Willingham than did the little band of missionaries who wear the big name of "The Interior China Baptist Mission." They have come and they have gone, having tarried with us five days. One of these precious days was spent in visiting the city of Kai-feng. It would be impossible for me to picture to you the eagerness with which we listened to the report he gave us of the growing missionary spirit in the home land, or for you to understand what an inspiration and encouragement the visit proved.

Dr. Willingham will most likely give his own report of the visit, but I feel that I want to add a word concerning what I saw through his eyes. The first thing I would mention is the vastness of the work. Many times during those five days did he utter a sigh as his great heart was moved with compassion at the thought of the un-

saved multitudes about him. How many times did he give expression to the thought that China has not yet been touched.

Another fact that he impressed upon us was the immediate need of three or four more well equipped central stations in Interior China. We felt the need before, but he encouraged us to hope and pray and plead for the men and women to man them. After three years we have almost enough workers for one well manned station, but what impression could three or four pastors and their wives make on a State? Not only is Honan larger than most of our Southern States, but it has a population many times as large as any one of them! Will you not join us in prayer that the Lord will provide the laborers for this field?

The third and last thing that I wish to mention is the Baptist opportunity in Kai-feng. Dr. Willingham mentioned with re-

gret that our brethren had not occupied the capitals either in Japan or China. Though we are late on the field, we have a splendid opportunity to occupy a great and important capital. In the Province of Honan there are as yet only two or three large missions. One of these came in from the North and naturally settled down in the great field north of the Yellow River. The others are working principally in the South of the Province. Owing to the anti-foreign spirit in the Province and especially in the city of Kai-feng, and also its former inaccessibility, work has been very slow to open. As yet there are only two missions with work there, and one of these has just opened work this year. These are the great China Inland Mission and the American Free Methodist Mission. Kai-feng is the only one of the large and important capitals in China that is left without a large Christian educational plant, and it cannot remain without one long. The great Feking-Hankow Railway

running north and south passes through Chengchow, only forty-five miles west of Kai-feng, and another road is already completed between Chengchow and Kai-feng which must ultimately extend east to the coast and far into the great northwest. These two roads are bound to be two of the greatest railways in the Chinese Empire, making this one of the most important and influential centers in the Interior. The China Inland Mission has never entered extensively into educational work and the opportunity is open for us if we are ready to undertake it. It is an opportunity to plant a large educational institution in the center of one of the greatest of the interior provinces. The question is, are we Southern Baptists ready to undertake such a work on a large scale, or shall we leave it to others? Who will offer himself to help enter this open door?

Chengchow, Honan, China.



"THE KEY TO THE SITUATION FOR NEARLY ONE HALF OF SOUTH AMERICA."

The following picture, with those accompanying it, show the buildings and surroundings of the First Baptist Church of Rio de Janeiro.

Brother F. F. Soren, who is pastor of this church, is a native of Rio de Janeiro, and a graduate of William Jewell College, Missouri. Brother Soren is President of the Brazilian National Baptist Convention. He is a good organizer and pastor, and is considered second to none among the strong Brazilian pastors of the various denominations.

Twenty candidates were baptized into this church at one time recently, and there was no protracted meeting in progress. On Sunday morning, every seat in this church is occupied. At night there is not room for the people who crowd to hear the Word of Life. The members (even the women) of the church are compelled to give their seats to strangers and retire to

the Sunday school room behind the church where they can hear only fragments of the sermon. This condition is a permanent feature of the Sunday night service. An ordinary prayer meeting will fill the church to overflowing. The Sunday school has come to a point where absolutely no progress can be made for want of room to expand.

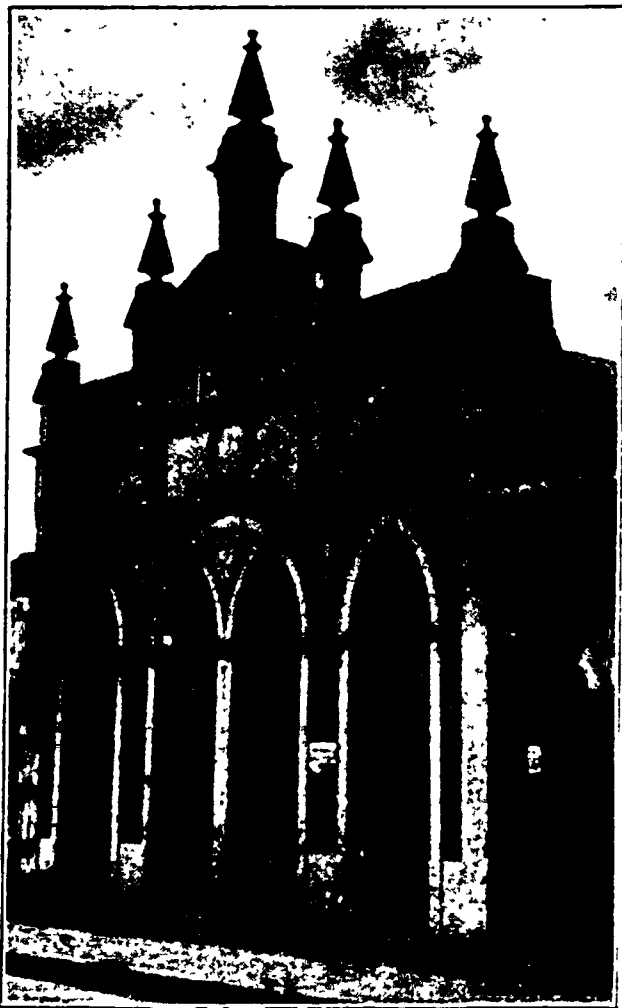
We verily believe that Brother Soren and his trained body of earnest workers could fill a room every Sunday that would hold one thousand people; while the one in which they are forced to work has only about three hundred chairs.

Will he and his faithful church have to toil on through the years doing less than one-third the work they could do for want of a proper building?

Like many churches in the great cities of America, this church has been left far down in the center of the city, while a

rough, low element has grown up around it.

A merry-go-round and beer garden on the opposite side of the street are only fifty feet from the front door of the church. The Catholic church joins the



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH RIO BRAZIL.

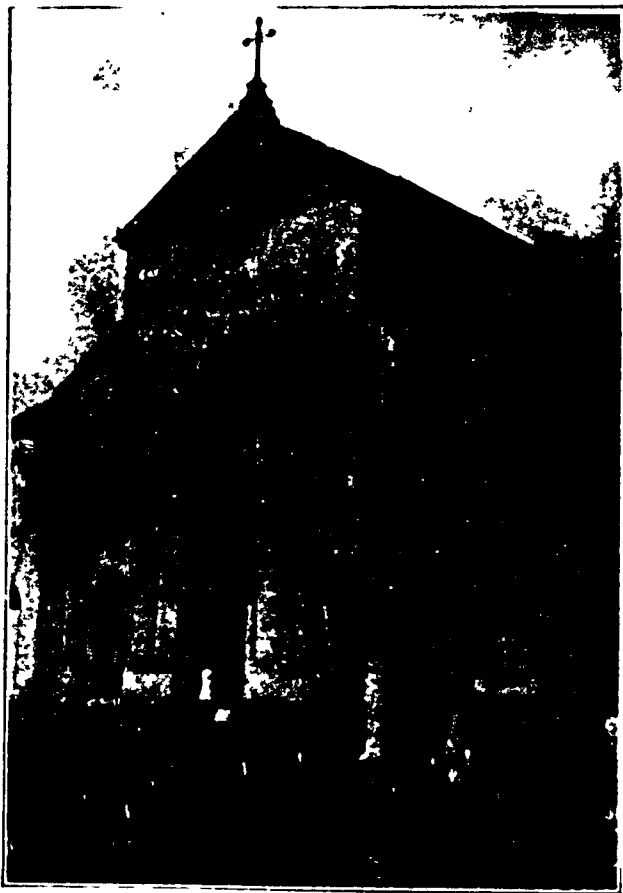
merry-go-round and the beer garden. The bells of this church are sounded on purpose and with deafening clangor when the brethren come together for worship. A large brass band is mounted on the walls fifty feet from the church. These all make the days and nights hideous. Who could preach and pray with power in this inferno?

The street in front of the church is crowded from five o'clock in the afternoon till twelve o'clock at night with the lowest element of Rio—the great Babylon of South America.

It is hard for the pastor and his faithful band to get any of the better classes or any respectable person, who knows not

Jesus, to face this low mob and still lower music and beer garden, in order to crowd their ways to the doors of the church. When they get into the church, the preacher must shout at them to be heard.

Year after year for five years we have cried out for a new building, one that will hold the multitudes that come to hear this man of God. The Board has seen our need and has tried to meet it. Dr. Willingham in his last letter on the subject said the Board might give ten thousand a year for four or five years till the new building should be finished. Let the brethren all over this land look at this proposition and send in the money. Other denominations have already sent money to build churches in Rio. They see the strategic importance of the city. Listen to one of their great leaders on this subject. Dr. Francis E. Clark, in a recent letter on the subject, said: "The government is most friendly to Protestant work and there are few more important centers for work than Rio de Janeiro. It is a city that is not



CATHOLIC CHURCH JUST ACROSS THE STREET FROM FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

only surpassingly beautiful in its situa-

tion and architecture, but one that holds the key to the situation for nearly one-half of South America."

The Lord has sent the man that can do his work and the Baptists of America owe it to Him to untie that man's hands by giving him a house that will at least hold the people that crowd to hear him.

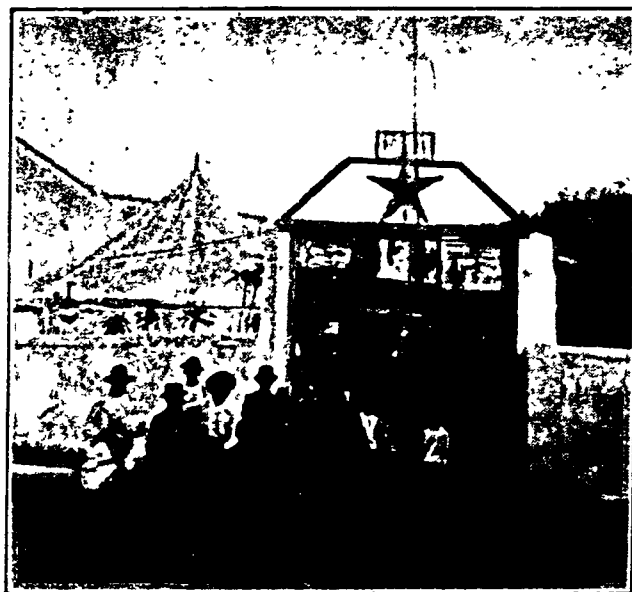
The Baptists alone have an inadequate church building in this great center.

Who will make Dr. Willingham's proposition possible?

"Ten thousand a year for four or five years" will do it.

Arcadia, Kan.

A. B. DETER.

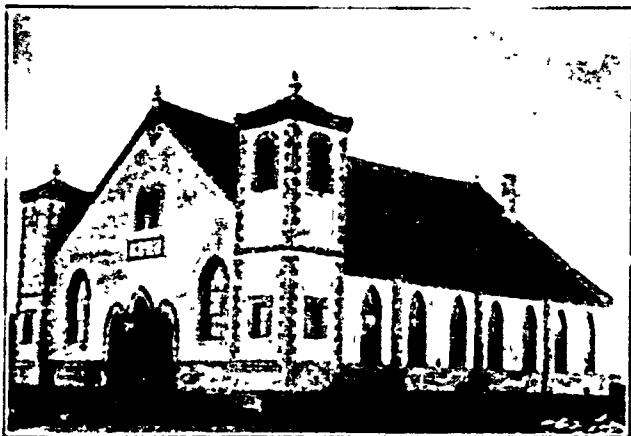


FIFTY FEET FROM THE DOOR OF THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.



DEDICATION OF THE JACKSON CHAPEL.

It has been one month since Dr. Willingham preached a most powerful sermon at the dedication of the Jackson Chapel, a cut of which I am sending you by this mail.



JACKSON CHAPEL, HWANG-HIEN, CHINA.

The day was perfect, and our new church, which comfortably seats five hundred and sixty people, was full. This was the largest gathering ever seen in Hwang-hien to

hear the gospel, and our dear Secretary was equal to the occasion, and set the work speedily forward in this new place of worship.

Dr. Willingham's brief but lucid story of taking the collection at Jackson, Ga., to build this new church was told with fine effect, and we all, both missionaries and native Christians, entered most heartily with him into the joy which was his, and ours, too, on the occasion of preaching this dedication sermon. It was a great day. God was with us in blessed power. We "thank God and take courage" every time we think of that gracious experience.

There have been evangelistic services in the new chapel almost every day since its dedication, and many who never heard before have listened with much interest to the preaching of the gospel. God be praised!

Joyfully yours,

S. EMMETT STEPHENS.

Hwang-hien, China.



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HOW THE BATTLE GOES.

WORDS FROM THE FIRING LINE.

· Zion on Wheels.

Dr. Z. C. Taylor writes:

With all the giant steps our people are making in missions, and with all the new reinforcements, we are still losing much already gained for lack of men. From the North and the South some plaintive appeals "Can't you just lend us a brother or a sister till we can get reinforcements?" How hard it is to reply: "We are not able to hold our own here, dear brother. Look up to the Lord of the harvest."

With brethren Hamilton and Pettigrew in this mission, we are very greatly in need of two more missionary families. In one section churches are going down for lack of attention; in another section the others are encroaching and proselyting. I do work to the extent of my strength, and with joy, but the hardest trial is to stand amidst the wreck and not be able to save it.

I have labored among these people for twenty-five years, and for two years past have been able, little by little, to preach on the streets and public squares. The people now are ready and willing to hear the gospel and my whole heart is to give it to them at the earliest moment. Last

Sunday we had detachments from city churches and preached all day in a suburb of 10,000. At least 2,000 heard the gospel for the first time. We are getting Zion out on wheels.

Again young men are being called of God to preach without adequate preparation for them. I have at least three promising young men whom I am waiting to see if I can invite to come and receive training next year.

Since my return from that long trip I have gotten stronger, and if I can travel occasionally I think I can hold on indefinitely, perhaps till Mrs. Taylor comes back. I am sure also that my presence at the Convention at Rio next year is necessary (June).

We are now laying the foundations. Besides, this mission would suffer much if I were to leave it now. The Archbishop has been out in the interior scattering and trying to root out our work. I must follow his tracks soon and bring the people back to the gospel; i. e., some of them. I am organizing bands to join me and, with our blind brother, Constantino, and his folding organ, we are to visit all the churches in that section, preaching in

open air, theatres, town councils and everywhere. Pray for us constantly. We remember every day our Board and people who sustain us in this, the Lord's work. And may He give you wisdom ever for your important office.

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An Interesting Convention.

Dr. William H. Sears writes from Pingtu: "The fourth session of the Y. M. C. A. Convention of Shantung Province met with the Boys' Institute Society of Pingtu on September 7th. Besides four visiting missionaries there were some forty Chinese delegates in attendance. There were several societies represented and several denominations. There were some forty or fifty others that remained on the place and attended regularly, besides a great many that came from home daily. Our official was present at the first session and made a short talk. From his talk it was evident that it was the first meeting he had ever attended."

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Welcomed Back to China.

Rev. W. E. Crocker and family arrived in Chinkiang on the 10th of last November, after spending a happy and helpful furlough in this country and in Scotland. He says: "I expected to find, when I got back, a good deal of slackness on the part of the Christians, but what has been my joy to find them still going forward. In one of the country places they have names of forty-one inquirers, and in another place they have several others, and have rented a new place for services in a cluster of villages, and have paid the rent themselves. One of the young men from that district is also asking to be sent to the Theological School. We will have two or three brethren to graduate from the school this spring, and we hope with their help to push on into wider fields. My heart has been rejoicing since I came back at the genuine, hearty reception the brethren have given us. On my first trip to the country stations they would not let me pay anything for entertainment. My boy went in at Mr. Feng's place while we were there and found him killing one of his big, fat chickens, proofs of which we had later.

My heart has been rejoiced because I feel that the root of the matter has been planted here. We are thankful for good health, for these wonderful opportunities, for the loving reception we had at home, and for the good will and love of our Chinese brethren."

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A Valiant Soldier of the Cross.

Rev. D. L. Hamilton writes in the following interesting way concerning our veteran missionary in Brazil: "Brother Taylor has just returned from a long trip of about two months in the interior. I do not mention this to give news, but to speak of the man Taylor. He is an inspiration wherever he goes. A truer specimen of Christian devotion I never saw. He can make short trips, and this is better for his health than remaining in the city; but as long as I am here I shall not agree for him to make another long trip where it is necessary to pass through hardships. Younger men must do this. He will have eternal rest by and by, but I want him to have some here. Not only this, but I want his health protected so that we may have the benefit of his counsels and inspiration and help as long as possible."

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Pleased With the New Recruits.

Rev. Charles G. McDaniel, in writing of the arrival of Miss Lanneau and Rev. F. W. Hamlett, says: "Miss Lanneau is the first single lady worker that has ever come to our station. We like her so well we want another one just like her. Indeed, single ladies on the foreign field always do better in pairs. We want the other one just as soon as possible. We have high hopes of Brother Hamlett. In the five years that I have been in Soochow never have I been so hopeful of our future as I am to-day. Never have I been so glad that the Lord sent me to China, and sent me to this particular place—'Beautiful Soo,' as the city is called by the Chinese."

Dr. R. H. Graves says of the two young people who went to South China: "I suppose you have already heard from Bro. Anderson. We were very glad to welcome him and Miss Harrison and are much

pleased with them both. They are well and strong and we hope will both prove efficient workers. Our work is progressing. We have over forty at the Theological Seminary, several of whom will complete their course this year. Some give promise of being very useful helpers to the work in the future."



The Third Anniversary of the Church at Rio Novo.

Rev. L. M. Reno tells of the trip recently in which he suffered many hardships. He says: "The object of this trip was to attend the third anniversary of the Church at Rio Novo. This is where we had suffered persecution a little time ago. I passed through a few weeks ago and baptized seven. On the day of the anniversary I baptized twenty-six more. You see that persecution cannot separate us from the love of Christ in this, our day. It is good for us. The house was crowded to overflowing all the day, and the street full of people. I was surprised to find so many people in all the meetings. The faithfulness of the members of that church is enough to put heart into the poorest pastor. Women carrying babies walk from five to seven miles almost every Sunday to the meetings of the Church."



A Faithful Convert.

Rev. L. W. Pierce gives the following account of one of the recent converts in China: "In the spring I baptized a man from Ru Kiao (a sub-prefectural city) 100 miles east of Yangchow. He had studied for over two months previous in Yangchow. He stayed here and studied at his own expense. After his baptism he returned to his home. I was away during the summer, so did not hear from him. On returning to Yangchow, I learned that this brother, with some inquirers, was preparing a place for worship in their city. The news came yesterday that they had prepared a chapel and are anxious for us to come out and teach them. It is my purpose to go in a few days."



Pleased With the Work in Lagos.

Rev. L. M. Duval says in a recent letter:

"I have just returned from Lagos where I had been to see my wife safely embarked for home. I was much impressed with Brother M. Stone's work in Lagos. He is a wonderful preacher. Each Sunday evening his church is crowded with earnest listeners. The new work in Ibadan is also encouraging. Although it is not directly under our Mission, it is an outgrowth. In the church organized about two years ago they have about fifty members. They are now building a new church building (this is the second) and are dedicating it to the memory of Brother S. Cook, who died in Ibadan a few months ago. Our work looks bright."



News from South China.

In a recent letter concerning the work in South China, Rev. W. H. Tipton says: "I spent nearly six weeks at Macao during the first part of the quarter, and returned to Wuchow the middle of August. Opportunities here in the city have been very good since our return. No country trips during the quarter. Pastor Ue Yik Shaan made an extensive trip to all the out-stations of the Wuchow church and reported that there was a considerable amount of persecution in some localities. He reported fewer baptisms than usual, probably due to the influence of the persecutions, and probably partly due to the fact that our people are becoming more careful in taking in members. Not specially a bad sign for the work.

"Fung Chak, of Canton, was with us five days and held special evangelistic meetings for the heathen. He did some most excellent preaching. We have succeeded in renting a large Buddhist Monastery for our boys' school next year. This is one of the best locations in the city for a school. We rented it from the gentry at a nominal price."



An Iron Church.

Rev. F. J. Fowler writes that Brother R. S. Hosford, a useful member of our church at Rosario, has just returned from a visit to Ireland. He says: "While there he bought and paid for an iron church, put it on a boat and brought it

home with him. By the time this reaches you he hopes to have it up and preaching in it. Brother Hosford is a financial genius. We need more Hosfords."



Many Baptisms at Lagos.

Rev. M. L. Stone, our native pastor at Lagos, has been compelled to go to Ebulematta, not far from Lagos, on account of his health. He says the climate there is cooler and the weather is better than in Lagos. He gives the following interesting report of his work: "My work at Lagos is doing well. Last August I baptized nineteen candidates, and in September sixteen candidates, making thirty-six baptisms during the last quarter. And the interest is growing both among our own people and other denominations. Last Sunday evening I preached to a congregation of from five hundred to six hundred people from all parts of town and from all denominations."



The Death of Dr. Simmon's Mother.

In a recent letter, Dr. Simmons says: "I do not think that I have written to you of my mother's death, which occurred August 15th. She was ninety years and five days old. Her home is near Lexington, Texas. She was born in North Carolina, near Raleigh. Our home was at Kosuth, Mississippi, till about twenty-five years ago, when father and mother moved to Texas. Mother was ready and longing to go. She has been feeble for some years. Since father's death about three years ago she just seemed to be waiting. They celebrated the sixty-seventh anniversary of their marriage before father's death. The physician said there was nothing the matter with mother, she did not suffer. 'She just seemed to quit living.' She was a great lover of her Bible, of her Church, and of missions. Thank God for such a mother!"

MESSAGES FROM OUR MISSIONARIES.

LETTERS FROM THE FIELDS.

A Novel Baptismal Celebration.

The most of my time the last quarter has been spent in Shiu Hing, but have made two visits to Sainaam. The girls' school there is flourishing. Three of the pupils have been baptized. The parents are Christians. One girl is about twelve years old; the other two only about eight. They passed a good examination before the church. At its close one of the brethren asked, "What does Jesus love best?" The reply came quickly from the eldest one, "Children." There being no baptistry in the church, and the river being unusually high, the baptisms, including one woman, took place at the back door of the chapel. As soon as this service was over, I was more than surprised to hear firecrackers burning. Upon inquiry, I found that the heathen schoolmates of the girls were thus celebrating the occasion. They, with their teacher, had congregated on the upper veranda to witness the ceremony.

Some of these girls had never attended a chapel service before, being new pupils.

Three miles from the above place lies a small district city, the terminus of the Canton Railroad. No regular Christian work has been done there, though a few visits have been made. I have now rented a small house and placed a worker there. At first large numbers of women came to hear the gospel and there was a prospect of being able to open a school there. After a time, some opposition arose, as is usually the case when new work is opened, but the work is still going on though the school has not been opened. Fifteen women have spent a longer or shorter time studying at Shiu Hing this half year. This number is larger than any at any previous time except during a class of two weeks I held nearly two years ago. The most of these women have not yet professed Christ in public, but I feel that some of them will soon do so.

One woman, baptized at the last Communion, was the first of the class held two years ago. At that time she was living with a heathen husband; since then he has died and she has been married to a Christian man, thus giving her the opportunity to be baptized.

While the work goes on slowly, there is much to encourage. Yours truly,

H. F. NORTH.

Shiu Hing, China, July 8, 1907.

A Great Work in Yingtak.

We have been here a month, and I want to write some things that you should know. The Saunders and Roaches are hard at work. I have heard both of them speak in Hakka, and they preach well. There is considerable interest in the gospel. Two weeks ago, eleven were baptized—three women and eight men. Others are studying the doctrine. We now have some twenty members here. It will not be long before a church is organized here in Yingtak.

The language is mixed—Cantonese and Hakka. The people largely understand both dialects.

For three weeks I led in these services, besides preaching on Sundays. This is about as much as my strength and the weather would allow me to do. The attendance has been limited only by the size of the chapel. The chapel is two old shops about eighteen feet wide, low, overhead floors. The brick and mud walls, about fifteen inches thick, separate the men and women. Where the preacher stands, a part of the wall has been taken down. One needs to stand in the center and have two good eyes to see on both sides. The light comes from two glass skylights in the roof. Ventilation is very bad. It is hot and close when the people are packed in. It will seat, each side, about fifty. The floor is part brick and part lime and mortar. This is the kind of a place that we are holding all of our meetings in. We could have three or four hundred as well as one hundred if the chapel were large enough. There was a time when the small chapels would hold the people, but that time has past. The people are friendly

and cordial and want to hear the gospel. I covet for our younger missionaries larger and better chapels than we have had in the past. Our usefulness might be doubled or quadrupled here with proper equipment.

I wish I could get you and the Board to see the importance of sending a physician to Yingtak as soon as possible. There is a fine field for a consecrated doctor here. Many people are asking if we are not going to have another doctor come here.

This field should have another general missionary. Brother Saunders will need to take his furlough in about fifteen months, and some one should be here now to help while he is away.

The possibilities of this field are very great, and I trust the Board may realize this and send the five more missionaries needed as soon as possible.

We hope Dr. Willingham will be able to see our needs here when he comes up in December.

Our hearts all bleed for poor Brother Tipton and his three motherless children. May God comfort, guide and sustain him at this time.

Wife and I start home on Monday. It will take us three days to make the trip by boat. When the railroad that is being built is finished this far, on the way to Hankow, we can make the trip to Canton in five hours. I got to Richmond a year ago to-day. I am,

Yours fraternally,

E. Z. SIMMONS.

Yingtak, China, Sept 27, '07.

Dr. Taylor's Funeral.

You have doubtless heard ere this of the death of our dear and honored missionary, Dr. George B. Taylor, which took place on Saturday, September 28th, at his residence in Rome. He had returned from the country, only three days before the end came, where he had gone to seek rest and better health. But God willed to take him to Himself, where our brother now enjoys the presence of his Saviour Whom he so long and faithfully served.

The funeral, which took place on Monday at the beautiful Protestant cemetery,

was modest, impressive and beautiful in every sense of the word. Many friends were present to honor our departed one whom they had known and loved so long. Telegrams and letters from every part of Italy and elsewhere have been received by the afflicted family, testifying to the love and esteem in which Dr. Taylor was held. All the churches founded by Dr. Taylor, as well as their ministers, have hastened to express their sympathy for the family and their love for "the father of the Italian Mission." Nearly every letter and telegram speaks of his saintliness, generosity, wisdom, broadness of spirit, fidelity and fatherly affection for his fellow laborers—a combination of virtues rarely found, but which preeminently shown forth in Dr. Taylor. I shall sadly miss his wise counsels and many times shall long for his help in solving the difficulties which constantly beset one on this trying field. My prayer is that God may make those who remain worthy of those who have gone on to their reward!

Fraternally yours,

D. G. WHITTINGHILL.

Rome, October 4, 1907.

A Great Trip.

I will give you a short description of a long journey I recently made into the adjoining State of Minas.

About three years ago an aged man in that State came into this State to be cured by fetish process. Then on Rio Pardo he heard the gospel and accepted Jesus as his Saviour immediately and came to Bahia without loss of time to be baptized.

Several visits were made to his town, S. Miguel, and a number baptized, among them an aged pharmacist, who is still the principal doctor among the people. Threats were made to ride our brethren out of town on the backs of wild oxen. God overruled and now two of those men are crazy, while the kingdom marches on.

The Romish missionaries had preceded me about a month, teaching their vain "Commandments of men," and bore off their prize in large quantities of money which they extorted from the people. I found the people very much frightened and

while most of the principal men of the place visited me, or worshipped once, they were slow to return. Wherein we took to the streets and public squares, where every day hundreds heard the gospel. We baptized two, organized a church of twelve, and left the people re-established in the gospel. I rode horseback about one hundred and fifty miles, having fever three days from the excessive heat.

I intended extending my visit across the country to visit other churches, but had to return on boat, down the rock-bedded river, passing many dangerous falls, one side of the river being inhabited by wild Indians, and the forests abounding in monkeys, tapirs, panthers, deer, wild hogs, parrots, macaws, anaconda, etc.

I passed by the site General Hawthorne selected for his agricultural colony in 1865, or before he became a Christian. You know it was the kind treatment of the Brazilians at that time that made him such a hero of Brazilian missions after his conversion in 1878. The plot is in the finest section of the chocolate-growing region, on the Jequitinhonha river, some fifty miles from its mouth.

I returned after two months and found the church under headway, having good congregations; six baptisms in my absence; one received at Conference meeting this week for baptism.

We are to take up our city work again soon of preaching on Sundays and holidays on the streets and in public squares. We have, during the last two years, preached many Sundays at the squares, and given two whole days in suburbs. Miss Alyne, our kindergartner, or our blind brother, Constantine, accompanies us with Bilhorn organ, and a theological student on flute. In arriving at the place a circle is formed and a song is sung, during which people crowd about us. Without prayer (public) or reading the Scripture, a brother takes his text or subject and plunges right into the center of the gospel, limiting himself to ten or fifteen minutes. If all is quiet, sometimes another is called out to speak, then a song, an invitation to attend our church services. Then tracts are distributed and each believer, throwing himself or

herself among the hearers talks or points the man to Christ. The company slowly disperses and we go on to another square. At times the people will follow us, in which case we stop at a boat two or three hundred yards distance. At least three thousand people heard the gospel each of those two days spent in this way. I intend to preach all over this and other cities in this good old way Jesus did, and which we can do now without violence from the people. The priests are trying to re-act, but their power is broken, and if God so wills, we will give these people the gospel in a short time. We make no future announcement, but appear and go right to preaching, and close before the enemy is aware. We have in these meetings all the way from fifty to five hundred. For the present we cannot manage more; or prefer to be prudent than attempt large congregations. The police offer and give protection whenever we call for it, and so far we have had nothing beyond bad boys and their doings, whom we are mostly able to overcome in one way or another.

And Jesus shall reign over the ruins of these old idols and His Law will take its place in the hearts of these people; traditions and false prophets must disappear. We only need our forces redoubled. We are so few and the calls so numerous.

Yours for Brazil,

Z. C. TAYLOR.



The Great Labors of a Young Missionary.

How quickly the months come and go to busy missionaries, but the speed with which they pass indicates the abundance of the work to be done and the pleasure we find in the doing of it.

Medical work continues to grow. I thought that having the additional work of the Training School I would try to cut down some of the medical work, but that is impossible. No true physician who loves his profession could turn a deaf ear to the entreaties of suffering ones, much less the medical missionary. Dispensary work does not commence till 9 A. M., but sometimes the patients are waiting out-

side at seven o'clock. Over six hundred persons have received treatment at the dispensary this quarter, and these have the gospel preached to them. My wife assists me in the dispensary work, and in the operations, sometimes giving the anaesthetic. How I would like a medical colleague or a trained nurse to help us in this work. Skilled help is necessary to the performing of many operations so as to obtain the best results in this branch of mission work, which is so much after the pattern of the Great Master Missionary, Jesus Christ; and the people will come to the white doctor.

Both my wife and myself have splendid health, for which we are truly thankful to our Heavenly Father. In addition to our work we make time for vigorous exercise.

Brethren, there are three white missionaries of the Southern Baptist Convention on the mission field of Southern Nigeria (used to be called the Yoruba country)—Brother Duval at Saki (Mrs. Duval went home to Canada last month), my wife and myself at Ogbomoso. We have on this field five mission houses, and three of these are unoccupied. No missionary at Abeokuta; no missionary at Oyo; one lone male missionary at Saki, and only one missionary family at Ogbomoso. How our hearts yearn for workers to come from the ranks of Southern Baptists to this work in Southern Nigeria. This Province is rapidly opening up, railroad and motor cars bringing commerce and making important towns all around us where we should have missionaries at work. And yet, Baptists of the South cannot keep manned already existing mission stations. Can it be true that God has ceased to call for laborers to this portion of His vineyard? I do not think so. This African country is as dear to the heart of God as any other portion of His vineyard. Or, is it true that God is calling men and women to this work and they will not respond? Oh, the grand privilege and opportunity they are missing. Brethren, we are praying for recruits; we are looking for recruits.

My wife joins me in hearty greetings to you all. We are going into our eighth

month in Africa, and with the passing of the months we love our work more, and find larger occasions for thanksgiving to our loving Heavenly Father. God is good to us, and may His goodness be extended to you. Thus unitedly we can say, "Surely, goodness and mercy hath followed me all the days of my life."

Faternally yours,

GEORGE GREEN.

Ogbomoso, October 6, 1907.



First Message from Miss Lanneau.

After a delightful voyage of three weeks and three days, the Manchuria brought us to Shanghai on November 17th. Dr. Bryan, Mr. Tatum, Mr. Provence, and Miss Priest welcomed Miss Huey and me at the pier. Miss Jones had to leave us at Kobe, going alone on a Japanese vessel to Chefoo. Miss Huey had time enough in Shanghai, I presume, to get a letter to you before either of us could.

The decision as to my location was made with little delay, as the Executive Committee had gone over the needs of the whole Mission and settled on that of Soochow as most pressing. Mrs. McDaniel's furlough will be due in about two years, and Mrs. Britton will probably go home just after, so that some one should be ready soon to take their places. They have had a request for two single women since two years ago, and the desire of the Mission now is to secure another as soon as possible, so that we may take the girls' school, which Mrs. McDaniel is conducting now in addition to her many other cares.

During my two days in Shanghai, the question was thoroughly discussed, and liberty of decision offered me. The urgent need gave me no other choice but to go to the place I least expected, and Tuesday morning found me in Soochow. Where it formerly took a day or more by boat, it is now less than two hours on the railroad. Mr. McDaniel and Mr. Britton came to Shanghai Monday, and the former took me back with him Tuesday.

The welcome of the two families was enough to make any one feel at home, and I have felt especially so with our good

North Carolina missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Britton. This first week in China has been full of new impressions, and of things that prevented me from writing more than this statement of facts for tomorrow's early mail.

In grateful acknowledgment of God's goodness in bringing our party to China, and in leading me to this work, and thanking you for your patience in getting us off.

Yours sincerely,

SOPHIE S. LANNEAU.

Soochow, China, Nov. 24, 1907.



Dr. Hearn's First Letter from China.

We expect to start in the morning to mission meeting and it may be some time before I would have another opportunity of writing you.

We started from Seattle, September 13th, had a delightful trip, although a little stormy part of the way, and we all were so glad to have Dr. Willingham and his dear wife in our party.

We spent a week in the different ports and other cities of Japan, which we enjoyed very much. So much could be said of our trip, and we are full of it yet, for we have only been here ten days, but I know you haven't room for a long letter, and I will say something of the people and the country around Pingtu. We are glad indeed to be here, for it does seem that this truly is a field white to harvest and the laborers few. Our first landing in China was at Shanghai, and we came from there by steamer to Tsingtau, then forty miles by railway, then thirty-five miles by shantsi brought us to Pingtu.

The country over which we came from Tsingtau is beautiful; not a single hill did we cross. And the land, which has been in cultivation for three or four thousand years, still produces good potatoes, wheat, millet, and vegetables. Nothing goes to waste on the ground, even the roots and leaves are used for fuel. The old adage, "cheap as dirt," is not used here. The men often take off the top of their ground, sell it for a handsome price, and continue to cultivate successfully the subsoil. The average crop for one man is one-quarter acre. The villages are from one to two

miles apart, and there are on an average six hundred people to the square mile—the vast majority of whom are deep down in dirt, ignorance and sin, and yet they are very susceptible to teaching. When taught, and they once grasp a knowledge of a better life and of the Saviour, they become very active in Christian work and are exceedingly kind and grateful. This Station has four churches—one here and three in the country villages—with a membership of some eight hundred and fifty. There are ten native evangelists and six native Bible women working from this station, all having been right well trained and doing a good work, but ten times as many are needed to reach the people and do the work that is needed to be done in vicinity around here.

The missionaries at this station are, Mr. and Mrs. Sears, Mr. and Mrs. Owen, Mrs. Oxner, Miss Jeter, and wife and I. We have a good church building, a boys' school and a girls' school. The ground and money are secured for our hospital, and will be built when I learn about the kind of building we need and sufficiently advanced in the language to supervise in the construction. We greatly need a missionary architect. We are now hard at work learning the language.

We hope to have, in the near future, money to put up a building for the women's work, and to have another single lady missionary, and money to build our home. Until our home is built, we will live with Mrs. Oxner. She is a dear, good woman, and we think ourselves fortunate in getting to live with her.

Some of our people at home may think that the picture of these people bowing to heathen gods, etc., is overdrawn, but that, it seems to me, would be impossible. We have just gotten here and have already seen them worshipping idols—seen them most covered with dirt and lice, and seen groups of children parading the streets perfectly naked. How bad they need the light. Let us work and pray and give that they may have it.

Pingtu is a city of forty thousand people, and, think of it, only one Christian family.

Our Mission meeting is held this fall at Tengchow—over a hundred miles from here, and we go in shantsi. Surely, the people at home can go to such meetings in their comfortable carriages and cars.

Lovingly,

T. O. HEARN, M. D.

Pingtu, China, Oct. 21, 1907.

A Martyr's Grave.

While in Chefoo, some missionaries of our North China Mission hired a boat and went in search for the grave of Mr. J. Landrum Holmes, one of our first missionaries to North China, who was killed by the Chinese rebels October 7, 1861.

In the autumn of that year a horde of robbers overrun that part of Shantung, burning and slaughtering without regard to age or sex. As Mr. Holmes had visited the Taipings in Soochow, also at their headquarters in Nanking, and had been very courteously received, he hoped he might dissuade the robbers from such murder and cruelty, and thus be of some help to the Chinese that he was working amongst. He took with him Mr. H. M. Parker, of the American Episcopal Mission. It turned out that these bands were not a detachment of the Taiping rebels, but robbers in the fullest sense of the word, so Messrs. Holmes and Parker were not welcomed, but murdered and their bodies partly burned. It was some time before their bodies were found, and as there was no cemetery in Chefoo, they were buried on an island near the entrance to Chefoo harbor. We visited this island, but could not find the slightest trace of Mr. Holmes' grave. The tablet that used to mark it was gone. We found Mr. Parker's grave, which we knew to be near by. The tablet on his grave was in good condition. After sometime we were able to make out most of the inscription, which was as follows:

"Sacred to the memory of
Henry Middleton Parker,
A missionary of the American
Protestant Episcopal Church,
He was killed by the Chinese rebels
While visiting them on a mission of
Peace, on the 7th day of Oct., 1861.

This tablet is erected by his Church and the community of Chefoo in * *

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God. Matt. 5:9."

When Dr. Ayers was home on a furlough some friends gave money to erect a monument and our North China Mission will have it put up to mark the resting place of the body of one of the first martyred missionaries in North China, and the only one of our Mission.

Yours fraternally,

WM. H. SEARS.



A Good Report from North China.

Since my last letter I have attended our Shantung Baptist Association. It met this year in Hwanghien. There were over forty delegates present. Rev. William H. Sears was elected Moderator, and Mr. Wan, Clerk. The fifteen churches reported 221 baptisms and a total membership of 1,902. The contributions amounted to about \$1,500 Mexican. This was quite an increase over last year.

This meeting will long be remembered because of the presence of Dr. and Mrs. Willingham. Dr. Willingham was present at most all the meetings and took a very active part to the delight of every one.

The meetings were held in Hwanghien's elegant new chapel. Hwanghien has been needing a chapel for some years and now they have one that they may well be proud of.

Sunday, the last day of the Association, it was dedicated, Dr. Willingham preaching the sermon. It was a soul-inspiring sermon. The house was crowded and everybody enjoyed it.

Sunday afternoon twelve candidates were baptized. Not only was the church dedicated, but also the baptistry.

At the close of our mission meeting, Dr. and Mrs. Willingham started on their trip to Manchuria, Peking and to Central and Southern China.

Before these meetings, Dr. and Mrs. Willingham visited some of our North China Stations.

Sunday, October 27th was a glorious day

for our Pingtu people. We were rejoiced to have Dr. Willingham with us, and he preached a great sermon, full of love, from John 3:16. Not more than four hundred were present, as the Doctor came on us so unexpectedly the evening before. We were very sorry that Mrs. Willingham remained in Laiebon, and our Christians did not get to see her.

Sunday afternoon the Chinese gave Dr. Willingham a reception. While we were drinking tea and eating sweetmeats, several addresses of welcome were made by the Chinese. Dr. Willingham gave us an impromptu talk that touched the hearts of every one. The meeting closed with a good, old-time handshaking.

Mr. Swordson, of the Swedish Baptist Mission, preached at night. We all wanted Dr. Willingham to remain longer with us, but he had to leave early Monday morning, so as to be in Hwanghien in time for the Association. Although the Doctor's visit was short, yet it was a great blessing, and will long be remembered by every one. We thank God for his coming.

Yours sincerely,

WM. H. SEARS.



Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Notes.

I believe that a few words about missions and missionary interest in the Seminary will prove interesting reading to the host of Journal subscribers.

This is an unusual year with us. It seems that the atmosphere about the place is surcharged with the very spirit of missions. It is the topic of conversation with many almost daily.

Our volunteer hand numbers thirty at present. Two strong men joined at our meeting to-night, and at our next regular meeting there are two more to join. The interest is the same in the Training School. The number of volunteers has reached fifteen. This makes a total of forty-seven, coming within eight of our entire enrolment last year. Only those join the band as active members who expect to go to the foreign field.

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PROGRAM FOR FEBRUARY, 1908.

Subject: Brazil and Argentina.

Motto: Larger Things..

"If this generation is faithful to its trust, America is to become God's right arm in His battle with the world's ignorance, oppression and sin."—Dr. Strong.

1. Singing: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

2. God's Message: Josh. 1:9; Matt. 28: 19-20; Psa. 32:8; Isa. 40:28-31; Psa. 125: 1, 2; Isa. 43: 5, 7; Isa. 61: 11.

3. Prayer: That the Holy Spirit may move us to share the blessings of Protestant Christianity with our South American neighbors that they may become our allies in world-wide evangelization.

4. Mission Symposium: Every member to contribute an item concerning Brazil or Argentina in response to roll call.

5. Readings: From "Our Mission Fields" (numbers 14, 15, 16, 17, 18).

6. Hymn: "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus."

7. Recitation: "Prayer" (page 21 of "Our Mission Fields").

8. Leaflet: "How to Get Rich" (Quarterly Literature).

9. Reading: "The Brazilian Baptist Convention;" "Catholic Superstitions in Argentina" (this issue of Journal).

10. Business.

11. Circle of prayer in closing.



THE BRAZILIAN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

The first general Convention of Brazilian Baptists, which convened in the city of Bahia June 23, 1907, marks an epoch in the history of Baptist work in Brazil, and was the chief event in missionary endeavor in South America during 1907.

For twenty-five years the Southern Baptist Convention has supported missionaries in this rich and populous portion of the "Neglected Continent." The work is now divided into seven mission fields—Pernambuco, Amazon Valley, Victoria, Bahia, Rio

Janeiro, Campos, and Sao Paulo. While each of these seven mission stations has held an annual meeting regularly, there had been no general Convention composed of delegates from all the fields. The need for united effort had long been urgent. Plans were accordingly made for the first general Convention to be held at Bahia, but here were many difficulties to be overcome. The seven fields extended over a territory of five thousand miles in length and railroad facilities are exceedingly limited and the fares excessively high. About fifty messengers were present, representing about one hundred churches and five thousand members. One of these delegates travelled eleven days at a cost of \$170. The Convention was a glorious success in every way. Bahia, though a Catholic stronghold, was greatly interested and stirred to its depths. All the daily papers published records of the proceedings, and representatives from all classes of society attended the sessions. The President of Brazil sent a telegram of greeting. The Holy Spirit's presence in power pervaded the assembly at all times. Conscious of this guiding presence, work was outlined and resolutions adopted that will result in good to the Baptist cause for time and eternity.

The following Boards were brought into existence: The Board of National Evangelization, with headquarters at Campos, to strengthen the existing churches, develop the spirit of self-support, and constitute

new churches; the Foreign Mission Board, a missionary was sent to organize into churches the nine hundred Baptists scattered over Chile, and work will be opened up in Portugal; a Young People's Board, located at Bahia; a Sunday School Board, with headquarters at Rio de Janeiro; a Publication Board, and a Board of Education.

All of the labors incident to this organization for more aggressive work fall upon our already over-worked missionaries. Yet they have taken it up with hopefulness and joy. What Dr. Griffith John has said of mission work in China is true of Brazil: "The great need at the present time is more of everything, and greater efficiency in everything." Our missionaries in Convention sent earnest requests to our Foreign Mission Board for twenty-five new missionaries. This organization with its larger plans will add to the efficiency of the churches, and help them unitedly to cope in successful manner with many difficulties which otherwise might result in failure and loss. How they do need the twenty-five additional workers to help carry forward the plans! If we are liberal in our gifts and persistent in our prayers, the Board will be able to send the missionaries. The responsibility is ours. If we are faithful, Brazil—already the most fruitful of all our foreign mission fields—will speedily become a factor, potent and forceful, in world-wide evangelization.



CATHOLIC SUPERSTITIONS IN ARGENTINA.

The Rev. Francis E. Clark, D. D., LL. D., President of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, while travelling through Argentina recently, came into possession of a tract entitled, "Letter of Jesus Christ About the Drops of Blood Which He Shed Whilst He Went to Calvary." It was given to him by a Protestant printer, and the letter appears in the *Missionary Review of the World* (November) as follows: "You know that the armed soldiers number one hundred and fifty, twenty-

five of whom conducted me bound; the administrators of justice numbered thirty-three. I received fifty blows with the fist on the head and one hundred and eight on the breast. I was pulled by the hair twenty-three times, and thirty persons spat in my face. Those who struck me on the upper part of the body were sixty-six hundred and sixty-six, and one hundred Jews struck me on the head. I was put upon the cross at the eighteenth hour, and at the same time I sighed one hundred and

twenty-five times. The wounds on the head numbered twenty; from the crown of thorns, seventy-two; points of thorns on the forehead, one hundred. There came out of my body twenty-eight thousand, four hundred and thirty drops of blood.

The person who says seven Padre Nuestrós, seven Ave Marias, and nine Gloria Patras, for the space of fifteen years, to pay for the number of drops of blood I have shed, I will apportion five Gracias. The first, plenary indulgence from all sins; second, he will be liberated from all the

pains of Purgatory; third, if he should die before finishing the fifteen years, he will be pardoned; fourth, he shall be regarded as though he had been killed and had shed all his blood for the holy faith; I will come down from heaven to look for their souls and those of their relations to the fourth grade."

In view of such gross and incredible superstitions, do you not think we should redouble our efforts to send missionaries into Argentina?



INTERESTING STATISTICS FOR BRAZIL AND ARGENTINA.

Figures are facts, and, "Facts are the Figures of God."

Brazil: Area, 3,218,130 square miles; population, 18,000,000; Roman Catholics, about 14,000,000; Protestants, about 144,000.

Our Forces: Thirty-three missionaries; 26 ordained native helpers; 36 unordained native helpers; 83 churches with a membership of 4,267; and 198 out-stations.

Our Equipment: Thirty-five houses of worship; 11 day schools with 337 scholars; 42 Sunday schools with 1,472 scholars; one weekly paper, "Journal Baptista;" one publishing house.

Results: Eight hundred and forty baptisms last year, with wide open doors and multitudes seeking to know more of Christianity as taught and lived by Protestants.

Argentina: Population 5,000,000; size, as large as all of the United States east of the Mississippi River.

Our forces: Ten missionaries; one ordained native helper; one unordained native helper; 3 churches with a total membership of 51; 3 out-stations.

Equipment: Four Sunday schools with 87 scholars; services regularly in rented halls.

Results: Twenty-six baptisms last year, and the fields white unto harvest.



AN OPEN LETTER.

Dear Union Workers:—Your Society or Auxillary Presidents have already told you perhaps of the plan adopted by the W. M. U. for celebrating our twentieth anniversary, May 14, 1908. It is an excellent plan, but, like the architect's drawings for a house, it is not a real fact until persons, individual ones like yourself, take hold of it. Twenty thousand dollars sounds so enormous to us, but think of the numbers of people from whom it should come! We do not want to make any one feel weary of the thought of giving, but rather to put before ourselves so high an aim, so

worthy an endeavor, that it will stir us to believe we can and must measure up to God's thought of us. Let us not lose sight of the end we have in view—the best possible facilities for training our women missionaries for home and foreign service. It is worth an effort, and that I, for one, am willing to make. Will you help?

And the greatest joy of it is that we may make this gift, which for many will mean sacrifice, a little expression of our love for the Lord and Master of us all.

Your friend,
EDITH CAMPBELL CRANE.

MRS. LUCY F. STRATTON.

The Central Committee of Alabama, and with them the entire State, deeply mourn the death of Mrs. Lucy F. Stratton, long president of their State Central Committee. Gentle, winning, wise and persevering, Mrs. Stratton's interest and charities were as broad as the world. Many local charities in Birmingham knew her as their inspiration in their days of struggle; hundreds of homes knew her cheering presence. Of her loss to the Central Com-

mittee her fellow-worker, Mrs. T. A. Hamilton, writes: "Our Central Committee needs your earnest prayers that we may not falter as we go on this year with our work. Our hearts are so heavy and our faculties benumbed by our bereavement." But they will not falter. Such lives are rich legacies, inspiring to greater effort, nobler deeds, and through the efforts their example inspires they live again in many lives.

**THE ROUND TABLE.**

CONDUCTED BY MISS FANNIE E. S. HECK.

Our twentieth anniversary!—1888-1908—Richmond-Hot Springs. Small beginnings; great accomplishments; the Baptist women of the South reporting about \$20,000 for missions; the Baptist women of the South striving to reach \$200,000. These are the contracts which bring the cry Ebenezer to ever workers lips.—How shall we give visible token of our praise and make our twentieth anniversary at Hot Springs, May 14th, memorable? This is the answer: By meeting our apportionments for home and foreign missions, and, besides, laying on the treasurer's table, May 14th, 1908, the receipts for \$20,000 for the endowment of the W. M. U. Training School.—Can it be done? The plans for the Anniversary Gift reached the Central Committees about January eighth. A week has brought hopeful and enthusiastic answers from Mississippi, Virginia, Kentucky, Missouri, North Carolina, Tennessee and Florida. We can and we will is the substance of their replies. Who can doubt it with a Union so closely one in thought, in purpose and in effort?—Speaking of union of thought! Have you noticed that the conversation round the table is always cheerful? The croakers, the blue, the dispirited have never a word to say. It is always, whether the voice is from East, South or West. We are "doing better," "we have higher aims," our workers are more enthusiastic." The sun is always shining on the Union.—Just now Mississippi is de-

lighted because they have set the Margaret Home ringing with sweet music. They have shipped them a handsome new piano.—Missouri is planning for their annual meeting in April. During the year it is proposed to make at least 25 per cent. increase in the offerings and to add 200 new societies to the list.—Mrs. W. H. Hatcher, Band Superintendent of South Carolina, writes that the South Carolina Sunbeams are "rivalling in raising our share, or one tenth, of the \$10,000 for the Sunbeam compounds at Yingtak and El Paso. I am so glad our Sunbeams have a specific work to do this year. They appreciate the responsibility and will lift it easily."—The Table fully agrees with Mrs. Hatcher that the Sunbeams will reach the \$10,000 for their compounds, and much more. Nearly every State had some special work of its own—some dearly beloved missionary or school which, from long adoption, had a first claim. The schools were the new work added to the old. In the two quarterly reports of the Union already made, the Sunbeams have reported \$2,713.36 to foreign missions, \$1,421.41 to home missions, or to both objects \$4,134.77. They have, therefore, quite a journey to go before May.—Not so long an acre as the whole Union, however, Note these round numbers and let them tell their own story. Cash amounts reported to Union for first and second quarters, 1907-'08: -

Foreign missions, \$26,971; aim, \$100,000.
Home missions, \$19,995; aim, \$75,000.

But this is not all. We are sure you did not know that we were behind with the current support to the Training School. Up to January 13th only \$740.29 of the \$3,000 apportioned for this purpose had reached our treasurer, Mrs. W. C. Lowndes, designated for this object. A word of reminder is all that is necessary. In sending in be careful to say whether for current expenses or for endowment.—Some one says, What of the Y. W. A. How have they measured up to their \$10,000 aim in the first two quarters? They must not be left out. The Y. W. A. are hereby notified that they as yet reported to home, foreign, Sunday School Board, Margaret Home and Training School only \$3,200.25.—The Table does not often permit itself to use slang, but there's no other way to express it. The calendars went "like hot cakes." Before the middle of January every one of the four thousand were taken and the Union crying for more. If you say so we will have twice as many next year.—The Y. W. A. pins threaten to go in the same way. Virginia writes of ordering fifty "as a beginning."—When the Sunbeams see their beautiful new pin there will be the same demand. It bears the inter-wrought initials S. B. in an olive wreath. The price is 15 cents and 2 cents for postage.—Our missionaries send many loving greetings to the Round Table at the beginning of the year. We return each and every one from a heart full of

love. God be with them all.—We are allowed space for only two of these sweet messages. First, Mrs. Nannie B. McDaniel, of Loochow, China: "A merry Xmas to all who gather at the Round Table, and two little encouraging items: One of your sisters in China is passing through her last illness; many days of pain and suffering have been hers. She bears them patiently and says, "My body hurts much, but there is peace in my heart; I am not afraid to die." A few days ago a bright little girl of ten years, in my day school, refused to worship Buddha for the recovery of her sick mother, saying that she did not believe in those things now. The Gospel seeds sown in her young heart have taken root. These are helps, by the way.—The other, from Miss Cynthia Miller, tells of some of whom we delight to hear. Just a few words of greeting: My prayer for you is that you may have a merry Christmas, because of the large Christmas offering you will be able to raise for China. We have just had a visit from our beloved Secretary and wife, which will be a blessing to us all as long as we live. How they cheered our hearts! And I think they set us an example in patience and adaptability. They took long trips in that dreadful vehicle, the shantza, stopped at the Chinese inns, yet never a murmur or word of complaint, and, too, their tender compassion and loving interest in these dear people. Oh! it did us good.



The following boxes have been sent to home missionaries since report given in December Journal:

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—Mission Circle, Brookland Ch., Washington, \$67.09.

GEORGIA.—Duffy St. Ch., Savannah, \$184.21; Dublin Ch., \$122; Curtis Ch., Augusta, \$134.55; First Ch., Augusta, \$125.

KENTUCKY.—Cynthiana, \$67.55; Mayslick, \$70.29; Parkland Soc., Louisville, \$135; Springfield Soc., Louisville, \$37.50.

MISSISSIPPI.—Columbia St. Ch., Hattiesburg, \$85; West Judson Assoc., \$205; Ellisville, \$117.95; Cophia Assoc., \$270; First Ch., Meridian, \$102.20; First Ch., Meridian, \$125; Columbia St. Ch., Hattiesburg, \$85; Ripley, \$108; Starkville, \$68.

MISSOURI.—Windsor, \$53.20; Marshall, \$45.15; Fifth St. Ch., Hannibal, \$70.15.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—First Ch., Sumter, \$173.50; Johnston, \$82.50; Ladies' Benevolent Soc., Citadel Ch., Charleston, \$100.

VIRGINIA.—Fredericksburg, Goshen Assoc., \$135; Fourth Ch., Portsmouth Assoc., Portsmouth, \$124.30; Eliza Moring, South Ch., Portsmouth, Portsmouth Assoc., \$109.69; Newport News, Peninsula Assoc., \$60; Hampton, Peninsula Assoc., \$257.25.

Total, \$3,320.08.

Previously reported, \$2,137.09.

Grand total, \$5,457.17.

Boxes sent to mountain schools, reported in December. Total, \$117.

BOXES TO HOME MISSIONARIES.

The following boxes have been sent to home missionaries and mountain schools since report in January Journal:

ALABAMA.—Clayton St. Ct., Montgomery, \$221.32; St. Francis St. Ch., Mobile, \$196.90; L. A. and M. S., Tuscaloosa, \$129.45; First Ch., Selma, \$125.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—Mission Circle, First Ch., Washington, \$115.

GEORGIA.—Waynesboro, \$150; Fitzgerald, \$99.50.

KENTUCKY.—Boston, \$50; Bardstown, \$91.31; Clinton, \$97.50; Dayton, \$91.60; Frankfort, \$50; Murray, \$58; Locust Grove (Contrib.), \$19.10; Salem-Blood, River Assoc. (Contrib.), \$1; Middleboro, \$40; Twenty-second and Walnut Sts., Louisville, \$176.53; Salem, Bethel Assoc., \$111.40.

MARYLAND.—Y. W. A., Seventh Ch., Baltimore, \$26.10.

MISSISSIPPI.—Macon, \$70.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—Lawtonville, \$55.

TEXAS.—Houston Heights, \$25; First Ch., Dallas, \$70; First Ch., Dallas, \$70.

VIRGINIA.—Fourth St. Ch., Portsmouth Assoc., \$124.30; First Ch., Lynchburg, Strawberry Assoc., \$176.92; Red Bank Ch., Accomac Assoc., \$53; Wise Ch., Clinch Valley Assoc., \$97.29; College Hill, \$168.

Total, \$2,842.82.

Previously reported, \$5,457.17.

Grand total, \$8,299.99.

BOXES TO MOUNTAIN SCHOOLS.

KENTUCKY.—Murray, \$33.69.

Total \$33.69.

Previously reported, \$117.

Grand total, \$150.69.

LATER.—W. M. S., Anacostia, D. C., \$83.60.

RECEIPTS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS FROM DEC. 15, 1907, TO JAN. 15, 1908.

ALABAMA.—N. D. Crutcher, Madison, \$3; Mrs. Lella Norton, Oxford, \$1; Union Ch., J. H. C., \$1.27; Bassetts Ch., \$1.30; Horet Ch., J. H. C., \$1.32; Halls Lake Ch., J. H. C., 80 cents; Rockville Ch., J. H. C., \$2.12; West Bend Ch., J. H. C., \$5.25; Amity Ch., J. H. C., \$6.25; Mt. Gilead Ch., J. H. C., \$1.69; D. W. Sims, Montgomery (native missionary with Chambers), \$25; Clayton St. Ch., Montgomery, J. W. O. H., \$16.24; Clayton St. S. S., Montgomery, J. W. O. H. (for China, \$2.14), \$3.38; Pisgah Bapt. Ch., W. T. D., \$4.50; W. B. Crumpton, Cor. Sec'y (Christmas offering, China, \$1.23; Peyton Stephens, \$2.75; Italian compound, \$12.85; Miss W. Kelly, \$6; Miss Hartwell, \$6.25; Bouldin Fund, \$12.29; A. Y. Napier, \$10.66), \$1,231.71; Hollywood S. S., by D. B. \$1. Total, \$1,305.83.

Previously reported, \$5,500.55. Total this year, \$6,806.38.

ARKANSAS.—R. G. Bowers, Cor. Sec'y (H. C. Munger, Des Arc, native worker, China, \$10; W. M. U., Jonesboro, Bible woman, China, \$35.35; Waldron Ch., J. S. Compere, \$195.36; H. C. Munger, Des Arc, native worker, Africa, \$15; Mrs. I. J. Neely, for Miss Voorheis, \$5), \$394.38; From Friends, Cabot (Italy, \$50; China, \$100; Japan, \$100; Africa, \$100; Brazil, \$100), \$450; A. J. Espy and wife, Cabot (B. D. G., Sec'y) (Mexico), \$25; J. K. Wadley, Texarkana (Carl Vingren), \$200; Ladies' Helping Hand, Judsonia, C. H. (Christmas offering for China), \$2; Rock Hill Ch., G. H. R., \$7.16; First Ch., Camden, R. F. T., \$21.35; W. M. S., First Ch., Camden, R. F. T. (Christmas offering), \$38.88; W. M. U., First Ch., Paragould (Christmas offering, China), T. T. T., \$22. Total, \$1,160.77.

Previously reported, \$1,122.11. Total this year, \$2,282.88.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—Fifth Bapt. S. S., Washington (salary Dr. Geo. Green), by W. P., \$200; W. M. S., Immanuel Ch., Washington (Christmas offering, China), Mrs. E. D. G., \$5; Immanuel Mission Circle, First Wash. (N. Maynard), J. W. W., \$25; First Ch., Wash. (N. Maynard), J. W. W., \$11.34; C. E. Soc'y, Wash. (Bible woman, Japan), J. W. W., \$15; "A Friend," Wash., \$10; Mrs. J. W. St. Clair, Washington, \$5. Total, \$271.34.

Previously reported, \$693.87. Total this year, \$965.21.

FLORIDA.—L. D. Geiger, Cor. Sec'y (Canton Day school, \$18.57; woman missionary in China, \$4.20; Yingtak, in China, \$15.60; Fowler and wife, \$7.50; Christmas offering, \$146.63), \$752.21; Graves Bapt. Assn., of Florida, J. M. B., \$9.25. Total, \$761.46.

Previously reported, \$1,225.95. Total this year, \$1,987.41.

GEORGIA.—Miss Anna Stine, Augusta, \$1; Mrs. Mary Davis Jackson, Greensboro,

\$25; W. M. S., Rhine Ch., Louisville (Christmas offering for China), Miss M. H., \$2.50; Mrs. J. H. Gastley, Clarksville, \$1; Union Hill Ch., Rev. C. M. S., \$2.75; H. R. Bernard, Auditor (Hahira Busy Bee Band, China, \$3.34; Conyers W. M. S., native helper, \$16.60; Albany W. M. S., for girl in Miss Mackenzie's class, Yangchow, China, \$6.25; Glenwood Sun., P. Stephens, \$1.05; Cuthbert, native helper, \$1.25; Cuthbert, for Stevens Fund, \$35.50; Cartersville W. M. S., L. Moon, \$6.10 Second Atlanta W. M. S., native helper, \$13; Mrs. J. W. Johnson, native helper, \$3; First Cordele, Africa, \$6; general collection at Waynesboro, blankets for China school, \$58.81; First Atlanta, Bible woman, \$5.40; Central, Newnan, support missionary, \$2.50; Woodville W. M. S., Dr. Ayers, \$5; Jackson Hill W. M. A., blankets for China school, \$1; Moultrie, Rena Shepard, \$5; Carlton W. M. U., medical missionary, \$2.60; Omaha, Chinese student at Canton, \$1.79; Brooksville, Chinese student at Canton, 90 cents; Millen Y. W. A. of O. Home, China, \$1; Milledgeville W. M. S., medical missionary, \$5; Milledgeville W. M. S., native helper, \$12.50; Omaha W. M. S., Dr. Ayers, \$2.76; Lavonia Sun., China compound, \$5; Vineville W. M. S., Milan, \$15; Cedar Creek W. M. S., China, 96 cents; First Waycross W. M. S., S. E. Stephens, \$8; W. End W. M. S., medical missionary, \$50; Immanuel W. M. S., New China, \$1.55; Central Newnan, Sarah Garbutt W. M. S., native helper, \$25; T. A. Spurlin, native helper, \$15; Monroe W. M. S., S. E. Stephens, for Bible woman, \$15; Goloid W. M. S., \$1.10; College Park W. M. U., Whilden School, China, \$11.70; New Bethel, Chinese school at Canton, \$1.35; Decatur W. M. S., Dr. Ayers, \$5; Maysville Sun., China compound, \$2.50; Second Atlanta W. M. S., J. C. Owens, for heaters, China, \$150; Thomasville W. M. U., Mrs. S. E. Stephens, China, \$12.70; White Pains W. M. S., \$7.25; Buckhead W. M. S., China, \$6.45; Canton, native helper, \$7.20; member of Countess Daughter Class, Tabernacle, for Misses Mackenzie and Parker, \$25; Misses Margaret and Fannie Lewis, China, \$4; new Bethel, Chinese school at Canton, \$1.65), \$4,456.96; East Macon Baptist Ch., J. C. J., \$31; First Ch., Macon, by C. B. W., \$500. Total, \$5,020.21.

Previously reported, \$15,655.62. Total this year, \$20,675.83.

KENTUCKY.—Younger's Creek Ch., Severns Assn. (native worker), T. L. H., \$56; L. A. S., Pigeon Fork Ch. (Christmas offering), Miss E. H., \$2; Rev. Geo. C. Cates, Louisville (Chiba in Japan, \$30; 10 native workers in China, \$100), \$130; W. M. S. Broadway Ch., Louisville (Miss Priest's salary), Miss W. L., \$41; Y. W. A., Broadway Ch., Louisville (Miss Priest's salary), Miss W. L., \$9; W. D. Powell, Cor. Sec'y (Mt. Zion Assn., Edgar W. Barnett (for Mrs.

Snuggs, China, \$6); Long Run Assn., Clifton Ch., N. C. Shouse, \$102.12; David's Fork Ch., Malcom Thompson, \$67.75; First Ch., Lexington, \$121.15; Cave Run Ch., \$18.10), \$486.30; W. M. S., Switzer (Christmas offering), Mrs. Lee Jones, \$1; Calvary Bapt. Ch., Louisville, W. H. J., \$9.89. Total, \$735.19. Previously reported, \$13,125.47. Total this year, \$13,860.66.

LOUISIANA.—Mrs. C. H. Ogilvie (Cairo, Ill.), \$15; Kentwood Ch., J. A. D., \$43.95; W. M. S., Kentwood Ch., J. A. D., \$6.50; Sunbeams, Kentwood Ch., J. A. D., \$2.05. Total, \$67.50.

Previously reported, \$2,390.66. Total this year, \$2,458.16.

MARYLAND.—W. B. F. M. Soc'y (Christmas offering, China, \$3). Mrs. E. L. \$40.84; Rockville Ch., by C. H. R., \$2.35; Eutaw Place Ch., Balto., H. W. P., \$34; Mrs. Chapman's class, Eutaw Place Ch., Balto. (Lalita Gow, with Mrs. Hartwell), H. W. P., \$15; Huntington Ch., Balto., L. L. C., \$11.62; Division St. Ch., Salisbury, J. R., \$9.65; Gorans S. E. C., G. C., \$9; W. B. F. M. Soc'y, Maryland (Mrs. Sowell, \$6; Christmas offering, China, \$61), Mrs. E. L., \$113.40. Total, \$235.86.

Previously reported, \$2,512.85. Total this year, \$2,748.71.

MISSISSIPPI.—A. V. Rowe, Cor. Sec'y, \$300; Candler Ch., C. S. W., \$5; C. C. Gregory, Center, \$2.50; Sherman Ch., West Judson, J. I. W., \$62.80; Clinton Ch., by G. W., \$25; Miss Sallie Bowen and others, Brushy Fork, 85 cents; A. V. Rowe, Cor. Sec'y, \$350; Immanuel Ch., Meridian, C. G. E., \$5.70. Total, \$751.85.

Previously reported, \$3,283.63. Total this year, \$3,135.48.

MISSOURI.—T. P. Janden, Kansas City, \$5; Churches of Missouri, A. W. Payne, \$2,558.41; Women of Missouri, A. W. Payne (Yingtak school, \$4.80; R. H. Anderson, China, from Kirksville, \$45), \$122.60. Total, \$2,686.01.

Previously reported, \$9,184.23. Total this year, \$11,870.24.

NORTH CAROLINA.—Berea Ch., E. L. O., \$15; W. M. S., Mars Hill Ch. (Christmas offering, \$22), by R. L. M., \$34.25; members of Enon Ch., Transylvania county, J. C. O., \$8; H. C. Bridger, Bladenboro, \$150. Total, \$207.25.

Previously reported, \$16,867.52. Total this year, \$17,074.72.

OKLAHOMA.—E. L. Dawson, Chickasha, \$20; Ivanhoe Ch., Mrs. A. A. D., \$3.50. Total, \$23.50.

Previously reported, \$664.43. Total this year, \$687.93.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—Santee Assn., W. A. J., \$2.75; Lynchburg Ch., J. H. M., \$6.80; Poxville Ch., W. E. T., \$2.77; Mt. Olivet Ch., Kershaw Assn., J. E. R., \$1.16; Camden Ch., I. E. G., \$36; Goucher Ch., Rio River Assn., Miss A. B., \$10; Edgefield Ch., O. S., \$42.90; L. M. and A. Soc'y, Edgefield Ch., O. S., \$28.15; B. Y. P. U., Greenwood, G. W. A., \$50; Liberty Ch., Piedmont Assn., W. T. O. D., \$2.49; Parksville Ch., J. E. B., \$1.15; Mrs. D. C. Shaw, Alcolu, \$5; E. R. Selmus, Oakby Depot, \$1.50; Santee Ch., Charleston Assn., T. W. N., \$5.92; Cross Roads Ch., B. N. G., \$1.35; Entzminger Missionary Society, Orangeburg, E. M. L., \$4; Second Winnsboro Ch., J. L. F., \$2.50; Sulphur Springs, Union County Assn., W. P. S., \$5; Friendship Ch. No. 2, W. D. A., \$7.60; Bethel Bapt. S. S., Spartanburg Assn., J. W. M., \$23; First Ch., Greenville, Miss Sarah Little, \$100; Gapway Ch., Pee Dee Assn., J. A. M., \$3.95; Lake City Ch., B. W. J., Jr., \$8.98; Northern Division of Spartanburg Union, A. S. W., \$37.02; Union No. 2, Orangeburg Assn., J. B. S., \$3.33; Bethel Ch., Ridge Assn., J. M. J., \$4.57; Second Ch., Belton, S. M. W., \$3.80; Boiling Spring Ch., Spartanburg Assn., D. W. W., \$4.08; Bethel Ch., Spartanburg Assn., B. S. B., \$11; Spartanburg County Assn., M. O. G., \$94.41; Mrs. John Stout, W. M. S., Welch Neck Ch., \$75.63; Mrs. John Stout, Junior Miss. Band, \$1.80; Conway Ch., Waccamaw Assn.,

L. H. B., \$2; Lower Three Runs Bapt Ch., E. W. Ellis, Millettville, \$1.45; Ida's Mission Band, Orangeburg (Ida's Girl School, Cheng Chow), Mrs. L. K. S., \$5; Wanamaker's Ch., Pee Dee Assn., A. D. J., \$2.80; Townville Ch., Saluda Assn., J. P. L., \$4.63; Hodges Ch., J. C. S., \$3.08; Rocky Springs Ch., Edisto Assn., M. W. H., \$4.56; Mrs. J. N. Cudd (Christmas offering, \$156.10; Yingtak School, \$25.37; Bible reader, China, \$7.50; desk in China, \$15; Miss Bostick's School, \$3; Oxner Hospital, \$1; Mrs. Entzminger, \$10; Mrs. Clarke, \$8.15), \$503.04; Sandridge Bapt Ch., W. E. S., \$1.35; Hickory Grove Ch., Savannah River Assn., H. W., \$2.85; Maysville Ch., Santee Assn., W. T. W., \$1.75; Fountain Inn Ch., E. R. P., \$9.24; W. M. S., Norway Ch., Orangeburg Assn.), (Christmas offering for China), Mrs. H. H. H., \$1.15; J. F. Williams, Cantechee, \$1.43; "A Friend," Spartanburg (Christmas offering for China), \$50; First Bapt. Ch., Spartanburg, C. M. C., \$25.75; St. George Ch., Orangeburg Assn., H. R. J., \$1.35; Liberty Ch., Piedmont Assn., W. T. O. D., \$7.32; Wanamaker Ch., Pee Dee Assn., A. D. J., \$4; nine ladies of Beulah Ch., Florence Assn., H. G. W. (thank offering), \$9; Athens S. S., Swansea, W. T. S., \$1.32; Mills Mill Ch., Greenville, M. M. R., \$1.40; New Liberty Ch., North Greenville Assn., Z. H., \$6.21; Buffalo Ch., C. J. B., \$9.90; Miss M. A. Bartow, Pelzer (Bible woman, China), \$30. Total, \$1,279.19.

Previously reported, \$10,483.53. Total this year, \$11,762.72.

TENNESSEE.—First Ch., Nashville, H. F. F., \$75; Cherokee Bapt. Ch. (Christmas offering), F. C. C., \$3; Mrs. R. A. Martin, Mt. Juliet, R. No. 4, \$19; Liberty Ch., by C. L. M., \$2. Total, \$99.

Previously reported, \$6,895.36. Total this year, \$6,994.36.

TEXAS.—Sycamore Grove Ch., W. H. A., \$1.75; First Bapt. Ch., Waco (native worker, D. O. Kana), E. E. R., \$50; German Bapt. Ch., Cottonwood, G. F. S., \$9.75; B. W. M. U., Coleman county (native minister, China), Miss J. M. S., \$5; Houston Bapt. Ch., G. H. B., \$12.55; Willing Workers, Van Alston Ch. (Lee Yang Tang, with Sears), Mrs. K. C. B., \$20; Snyder Ch., D. G. W., \$7.65; L. A. Miss'y Soc'y, Beaumont (Mrs. Meadows), Mrs. M. S. F., \$50. Total, \$156.70.

Previously reported, \$4,719.66. Total this year, \$4,876.36.

VIRGINIA.—B. A. Jacob, Treas. (W. M. S. of Wise Ch., Clinch Valley Assn., \$30, for support of a native Bible woman in Hwanghehn, North China; W. M. S. of Calvary Ch., Dover Assn., \$6, for education of Chinese girl; W. M. S. First Ch., Richmond, Dover Assn., \$125, salary for Miss Price; Taylorsville Ch., Dover Assn., \$14.60, for support of a native missionary in South China; Sunbeams of Taylorsville Ch., Dover Assn., \$22.84, for support of a native missionary in South China; Sunbeams of Enon Ch., Valley Assn., \$1.29, for desk in China; W. M. S. of Cool Spring Ch., Dover Assn., \$5, for Bible woman; Sunbeams of Falling River Ch., Appomattox Assn., \$5.15, for Chinese children; Christmas offering for China, \$142.51), \$2,400.

Previously reported, \$17,341.17. Total this year, \$19,741.17.

WEST VIRGINIA.—Mrs. William Masters (Christmas offering, China), Lewisburg, \$2.

MEXICO.—From a Virginia Baptist in Mexico (for China), \$5.

Previously reported, \$2. Total this year, \$7.

ILLINOIS.—Mrs. Alice Anderson, Dewey, \$5.

NEW YORK.—Miss B. D. Fuller, New York, \$25.

Previously reported, \$1,000. Total this year, \$1,025.

AGGREGATE.

Total this month, \$17,198.66.

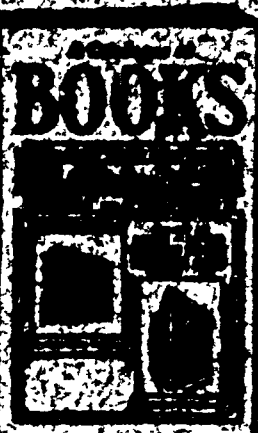
Previously reported, \$112,811.21.

Total this year, \$130,009.87.

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