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EDITORIAL NOTES.

A Watchword for the Year.

How would it do to take as our motto for this year the text, "In all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us." We have often used the word "victory" in the closing campaign and with reference to the financial outcome. Let us take this text as our watchword for this whole year and with reference to all phases of the work at home and abroad. To be more than conquerors is to have thorough, permanent, triumphant victory. Let us begin now to pray and strive that all individuals and churches at home may do their full duty and that on all the foreign fields, difficulties may be overcome, needs supplied and multitudes won for Christ. Then we can close the year with triumph. At St. Louis the report of the Board will sound the triumphant note and the missionaries from the front can tell how victory came on their fields.

A South-Wide Revival.

The report of the Committee on Evangelism at the recent convention closed with a call for a Southwide revival. God grant that it may come. It is needed as much for the sake of our foreign mission work as it is for the homeland. In so much as the lives of our people testify to the holy, uplifting, purifying power of the Gospel will our missionaries be able to go forth to other lands bearing with power the Gospel of redemption. Let us try to realize fully the importance of home living and service for world witness. In order that this revival may come two things are necessary. (1) We must remember the one secret of power in all our work, "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit saith the Lord of Hosts." (2) We must have a great and ceaseless love for souls. Both of these necessary forces come in answer to prayer. The Father delights to bestow the gift of the Spirit upon those who ask. Love is of God. "Ask and ye shall have." Let all our people begin now such praying. such pleading with God as we have never known and the Southwide revival will come.

The Need of System.

Some of our people at the convention in Oklahoma City asked if all the indebtedness of the Board had been paid by the amounts which had come in between the last of April and the 15th of May, when the convention met. They did not realize that the receipts of the first few months of the convention year are very small, while the outgo is just the same as at any other time of the year. We began the year with a deficit of $56,000. Running expenses are about $46,000 a month, so that up to the 13th of June, when this is written, our expenditures on this year have been about $68,000. Our receipts for the same period have been $19,605.09. Here is a clear call to our people to make their contributions for world-wide missions earlier in the convention year. We hear very much about getting rid of the interest account. The best way to do that is for our people to adopt a regular, systematic plan of weekly or monthly giving, and to see that the contributions are sent forward promptly. We

have an urgent call for better business plans in our work for the Lord. What churches will set the example among their sister churches? Actions in this case will be the best talk for a better system.

Judson Centennial.

Our papers have given accounts of the great enterprise of celebrating the Judson Centennial by raising one and a quarter million dollars. The committee who had this matter in charge, brought in a report which was unanimously and heartily approved by the convention. After surveying the whole field of operation, the brethren recommended that one and a quarter million be raised. Of this amount a million is to be known as the education fund, $800,000 for schools, colleges, etc., and $200,000 for publications. The brethren rightly decided that we ought to better provide for our publication plants in which God's word and millions of pages of religious tracts and books are to be printed. The $800,000 includes our seminaries and training schools in which institutions hundreds of young men and women are being prepared for the great work of evangelization among their own people. Two hundred and fifty thousand of the Centennial Fund is to provide for needed chapels, homes for our missionaries and hospitals among the suffering millions in the lands of darkness. Our missionaries as they hear about this movement among our people, are rejoicing. Some of them have been pleading for homes for their families some for God's word printed without being marred in the translation. Others of them have been pleading for schools and equipment for seminaries. Let our people take hold vigorously of this great movement. It is not necessary to feel discouraged with the idea that a million and a quarter is more than we can raise. It is not planned to raise it all at once this year. The proposed plan is for it to be raised in the next few years. Many of our people are making vast sums of money, and as their attention is turned to the great work of God, they will be glad to give in large amounts.

Apportionment.

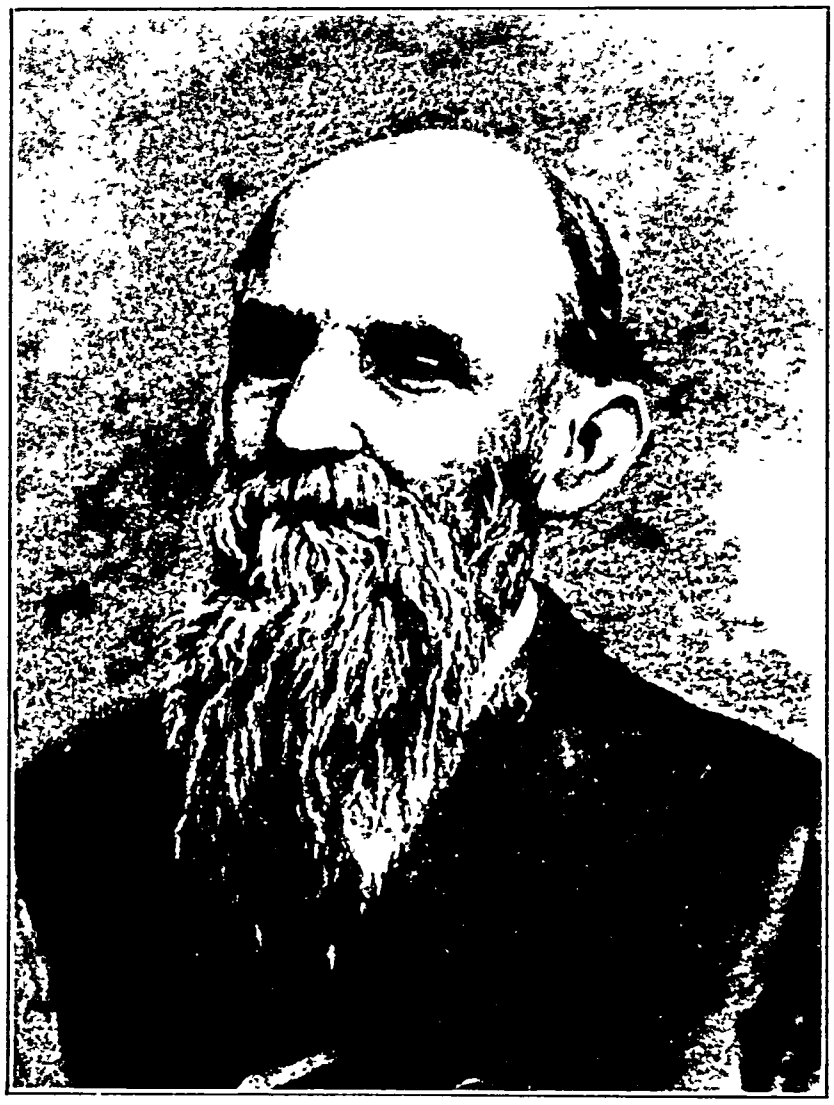
The convention has asked the states this year to raise for foreign missions $618,000. This ought to be done without any trouble. Last year we went up $70,000 on the record of any previous year, and if this year we go up from $580,000 to $618,000, it is really an advance of only $38,000. We surely ought to do that well. If we will come up to the apportionments in the various states, we can meet the expenses for the year, and besides meet all of our old obligations and report in 1913 in our convention in St. Louis that every obligation has been paid. Let us now at the beginning of the year set our hearts to do this thing for the glory of the Lord. We ask the prayers and the hearty co-operation of all of the Lord's hosts. The work is His. Let us press forward in it for His glory.

The following is the apportionment by States:

Alabama	$38,500
Arkansas	11,500
District of Columbia	5,000
Florida	10,000
Georgia	86,000
Illinois	1,000
Kentucky	46,000
Louisiana	10,500
Maryland	18,000
Mississippi	42,000
Missouri	23,600
New Mexico	1,500
North Carolina	50,000
Oklahoma	5,000
South Carolina	52,000
Tennessee	37,600
Texas	85,500
Virginia	85,000
Miscellaneous	9,300
	$618,000

THE HOME-GOING OF A GREAT MISSIONARY.

On June 3, 1912, the Foreign Mission Board received a cable message from Canton, China, bearing the same date, containing just two words, "Graves dead." What a world of meaning in those two words! They brought a message both of sorrow and of joy—profound sorrow that the veteran of fifty-six years of missionary service is no more, and joy and gratitude that he was spared for so many years of noble work, and in the thought of his abundant entrance into the Kingdom above.



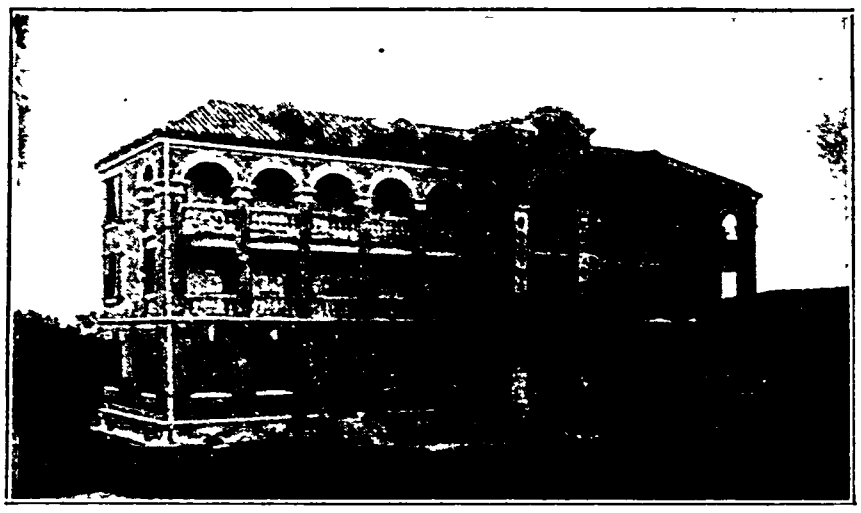
DR. R. H. GRAVES.

Rev. Rosewell H. Graves, M. D., was born in Baltimore, Md., May 29, 1833, and had just entered his eightieth year. He was baptized by Dr. Richard Fuller October 15, 1848. He graduated at St. Mary's College, Baltimore, in 1851. After he decided to become a missionary, Dr. Graves studied medicine under his father, who was a physician, and attended lectures at the University of Maryland, from which he afterward received the honorary degree of M. D. He had always expected to follow in the footsteps of his father in the practice of medicine, and this was his father's desire. But as soon as he was converted he felt that he must preach the gospel. After he had entered the ministry his mother, a most Godly, devoted woman, told him that at his birth she had consecrated him, her first born son, to the ministry of the Word. In the providence of God the young man fulfilled the desire of his father and the prayers of his mother by both practicing medicine and preaching the gospel among the lost millions of South China.

When the Southern Baptist Convention met in Baltimore in 1853 young Graves was greatly impressed by the earnest appeals of Rev. J. L. Shuck in behalf of China and the stirring account of the work in Africa by Rev. T. J. Bowen, and his heart was turned to the foreign mission field. On March 15, 1855, he was accepted by the Board and appointed a missionary to Canton, China. He was ordained a missionary at the Seventh Baptist Church, Baltimore, April 12, 1856, and sailed from New York on the 19th of the same month, reaching Canton August 12, 1856. In the middle of 1863, Dr. Graves was married to Mrs. Eva M. Gaillard, who lived only little over one year and died December 12, 1864, leaving a son, who still survives and lives in Baltimore. On January 15, 1872, Dr.

Graves married Miss Jane W. Norris, of Baltimore, who died April 20, 1888. Dr. Graves was again married in October, 1890, to Mrs. Jane Lowrey Sanford, daughter of Rev. M. P. Lowrey, D. D., of Mississippi. She lives to mourn his departure.

Dr. Graves was a great missionary. Few men have ever been permitted to see such a long term of service or such blessed results. When he reached South China he found in that Mission two missionaries, one native preacher, two chapels and three day schools with 69 pupils. When he passed away he left forty-two missionaries, 149 native workers, 33 churches and 72 out-stations with 5,154 members, and 42 schools with 1,345 students. As early as 1864 he was left alone, the only missionary of the Board in South China, and henceforth he was the senior member of the Mission, the wise counselor and leading spirit. Much of the notable success of the work is due to his patient perseverance, his wisdom and his consecration.



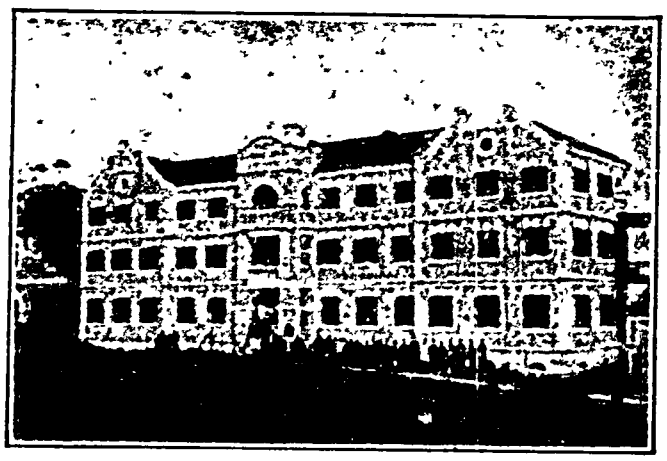
THE GRAVES THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Almost from the beginning of his career he saw the need of schools as a help to evangelization, and especially the importance of training native pastors and evangelists. While itinerating through the country around Canton, locating chapels, opening dispensaries, distributing religious literature and constantly preaching in both city and country, he gathered around him a group of native workers, formed them into a class and taught them daily. This class developed into the Graves' Theological Seminary, which had 58 students last year. He was the founder and President of the Seminary.

Although having at first great difficulty with the language, by persistent effort, and, as he himself says, by the grace of God, he mastered it so thoroughly that for years he was one of a small committee chosen by the great Bible societies for the translation and revision of the Scriptures. From the first he had great faith in the power of the printed page among the Chinese, he wrote many books and tracts and had much to do with the organization of the China Baptist Publication Society.

Dr. Graves' policy was always to encourage the Chinese churches in self-support and to lead them in building up their institutions. To his influence largely is due the remarkable development of the South China Baptists in carrying on their own work.

The Board has lost one of its noblest missionaries, the South China Mission a wise leader, and the whole denomination one of its greatest representatives at the front. But Heaven is richer because he is there. "Soldier of Christ, well done!" May God comfort his loved ones, sustain the Mission in its sad loss, and call forth strong young men to take up his beloved work.

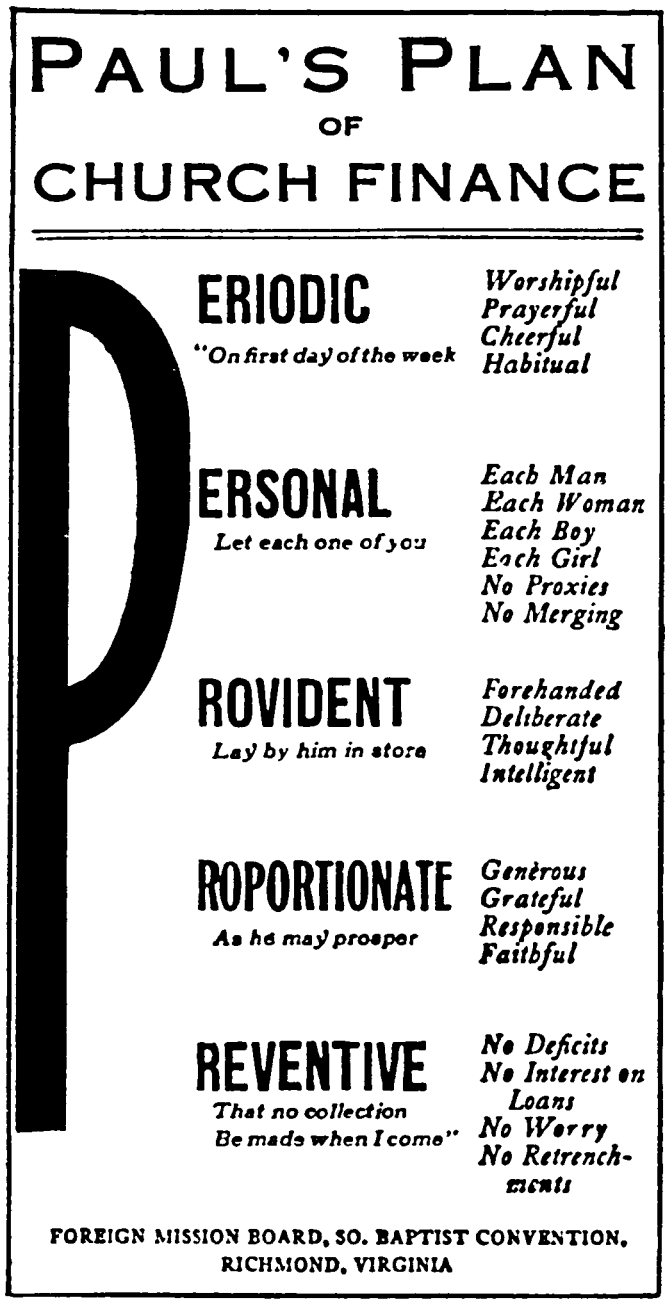


THE CANTON GIRLS' SCHOOL.

HOW TO OPERATE PAUL'S PLAN.

1. APPOINT A LIVE CHURCH MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

Let this Committee plan for approaching



every member in the church for a contribution to missions.

Familiarize the church thoroughly with the plan and get the church to endorse it.

Prepare a subscription card which will contain a blank for at least State, Home and Foreign Missions. Add other blanks if desired.

Prepare a package of envelopes containing an envelope for a mission contribution every Sunday. The Duplex Envelope is recommended.

2. CANVASS EVERY MEMBER OF THE CHURCH.

The Committee should divide the church roll, and then go two and two to solicit every member for a contribution to missions.

Deliver to every member a package of envelopes containing an envelope for a mission contribution on every Sunday in the year the church meets. If the church meets weekly, then it should give to missions weekly; if it meets monthly, it should give to missions monthly.

3. FOLLOW UP THE CANVASS.

No plan will work itself. A sharp eye must be kept on the payment of the pledges. Statements to delinquents should be sent once a quarter.

Discuss frequently the system and urge faithfulness to it.

Remember that such a system put in operation does not preclude the taking of a free will thank offering occasionally if such a course should appear to be wise.

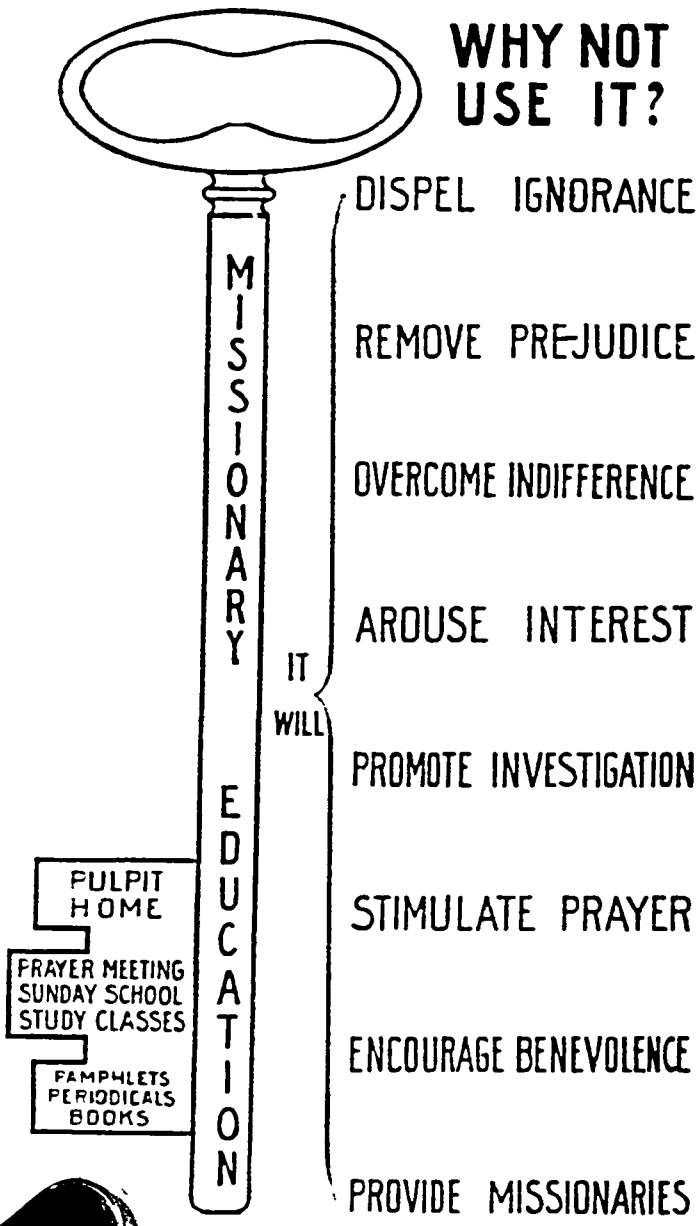
4. BEGIN AT ONCE.

If Paul is right, the sooner we begin to follow his plan the better. Why not make the beginning now?

NOTES OF INTEREST.

Rev. A. Y. Napier, with his family, arrived in Seattle, June 6th, for furlough. Brother Napier went out to China in 1905. We trust that he will have a pleasant and refreshing rest in the home land.

The church at Soochow, China, has called a Chinese pastor. This is a great step forward. By this arrangement Brother Britton will have more time for the country stations around Soochow.



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OF A

MISSIONARY CHURCH

A MISSIONARY PASTOR

A MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

A MISSIONARY SUNDAY SCHOOL

A PROGRAM OF PRAYER FOR MISSIONS

SYSTEMATIC MISSIONARY EDUCATION

AN EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS FOR MISSIONS

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I Cor. 16:2 — Every Member Contributing / Every Cent He Ought / Every Week to Send the Gospel / Everywhere

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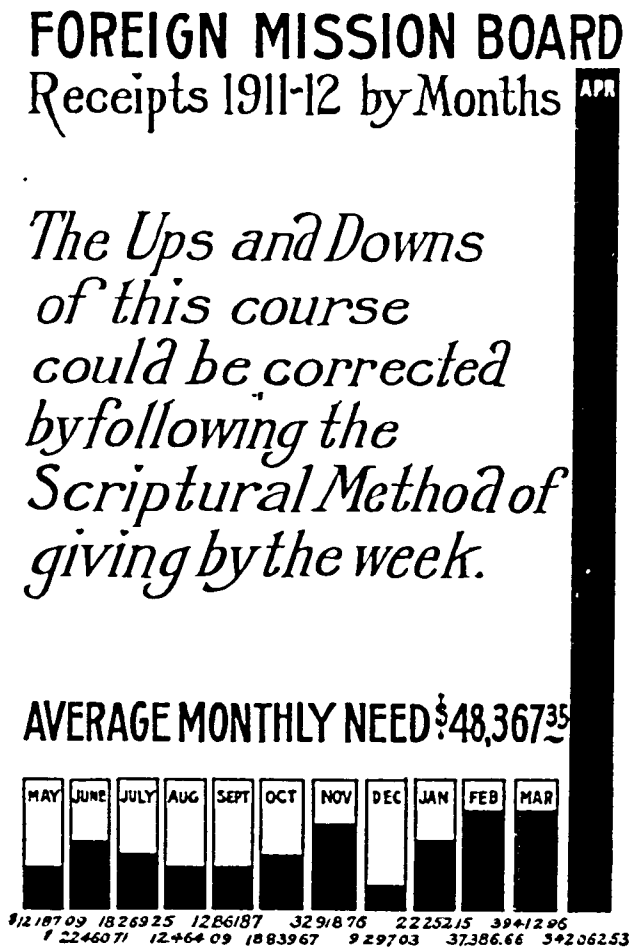
For several weeks past letters have been coming from the missionaries on the foreign field saying "We have been longing for cable message to come telling us of VICTORY, but up to this time nothing has come." It was a sad time for the missionaries when they could not get the message of joy. We hope, however, that our people will give so liberally this year that by the time it closes every account will be paid in full, and we will be able to make a grand forward movement.

We have never seen the indications on the foreign fields more favorable. At this time reference is generally made to China in talking of the advance movement among the nations, but among other nations good progress is being made also. Dr. Whittinghill writes from Italy: "Things are more promising here than ever before, and Baptist stock is going up rapidly."

Mrs. J. F. Seaman, the daughter of our noble Brother and Sister Mathew T. Yates,



present visiting the home of his daughter, Mrs. Lyman in Rome, Georgia. They have returned for a well earned rest. We trust that Mrs. Ayers' health will soon be fully restored.

At this time when so much is being said about Romanism in this country we desire to call attention again to Dr. John H. Eager's valuable book, "Romanism in its Home." Dr. Eager was for sixteen years one of our missionaries in Italy, and wrote with a full understanding of the subject. LaFayette said, "If the liberties of the American people are ever destroyed, they will fall by the hands of the Roman clergy." Dr. John A. Broadus in writing an introduction to the book, says, "It will open the eyes of many to real and grave dangers here at home, and to a soul-stirring need of missionary work in Italy." We commend this book most heartily to

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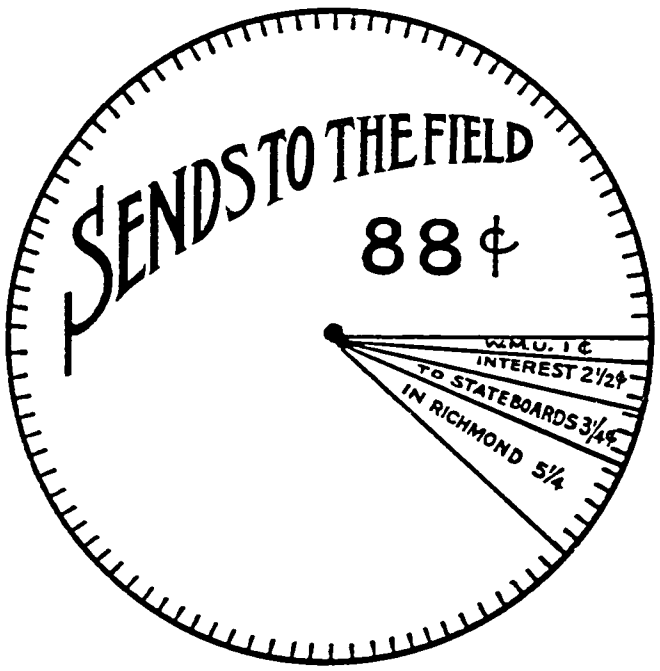
of China, has recently given $12,000 Mexican—about $6,000 gold—for building the Soochow Boys' School. This is a noble gift of our dear sister, and supplies a great need. The school is to be called THE MATHEW TYSON YATES MEMORIAL SCHOOL in memory of Dr. Yates. The gift was not made on this condition, but after Mrs. Seaman had made the gift, by the request of Bro. C. G. McDaniel, who has charge of the school, she consented to the school bearing the name of her father. We greatly appreciate the liberality of our consecrated sister. Many and large have been her gifts for the work to which her father and mother gave their lives. She is a worthy daughter of consecrated, noble parents.

Dr. T. W. Ayers and family arrived in San Francisco. May 6, 1912, and are at



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our people. It can be had from Dr. J. H. Eager, 301 N. Charles street, Baltimore, Md., for fifty cents, or we will give it an a premium for fifteen subscribers to the Foreign Mission Journal.

We are showing in this issue of the Journal a series of charts which were used at the Oklahoma City Convention. They present to the eye some important facts connected with our foreign mission work. These charts will also be issued in tract form, and will be sent for free distribution to all who desire to use them.

We desire to raise the question of whether or not it would be better to omit the monthly publication of the detailed statement of receipts from the Journal. It would save from one to ten pages of space varying according to the time of the year, which might be used for other matter. Nearly all of the missionary magazines have adopted the plan of leaving out this statement of receipts, putting in only the totals, and have found very little objection to the omission. The Treasurer always sends a receipt when contributions come to hand. We would like to have an expression of opinion from our readers as to this question.

INVINCIBLE FORCES.

MIGHTY GOD

"Behold, I am Jehovah, the God of all flesh: is there anything too hard for me?" Jer. 32:37.

"Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts." Zech. 4:6.

MIGHTY MEN

"My grace is sufficient for thee: for my power is made perfect in weakness." II Cor. 12:9.

"I can do all things in Him which strengtheneth me." Phil. 4:13.

"Thy people are free will offerings in the day of Thy power." Ps. 110:3.

MIGHTY MEANS

"As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine. so neither can ye except ye abide in me. If ye abide in me and my words abide in you, ask whatsoever ye will and it shall be done unto you." Jno. 15: 4-7.

MIGHTY TASK

"Enlarge the place of thy tent and let them stretch forth the curtains of thy habitations; spare not: lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes." Is. 54:2.

"AWAKE, AWAKE, PUT ON THY STRENGTH, O, ZION." IS. 52:1.

ANOTHER CAMPAIGN FOR THE JOURNAL.

Last year a large number of brethren and sisters in the churches rendered noble help in increasing the circulation of the Journal. While a splendid advance was made, we are still far short of the hundred thousand subscribers which the Journal ought to have. We appeal to the friends of the cause to help us again this year. Will not every pastor see that a good active representative of the Journal is appointed in his church or churches, and let us know the name and address of this representative? We have often begged for the appointment of such a representative in each church, and we are again very earnestly asking the pastors to help us. We also urge that every church representative will try to send us a list as soon as possible. Let us press the campaign for the Journal vigorously.

We believe that the Journal is well worthy of the support of our brethren. The Central Baptist of June 6th says: "The June issue of The Foreign Mission Journal is an attractive number. It appeals to the eye through a lot of excellent pictures. It brings much information from the fields in most readable form. The reading of it is bound to increase interest in world-wide evangelization." We greatly appreciate these kind words, and they express our ideal for the Journal. It ought to carry its thrilling message into every Southern Baptist home. Who will write for sample copies and secure a list for us?

A WEEK IN THE MARGARET HOME.

MRS. JULIAN P. THOMAS, Chairman General Board.

Sometime before the Convention in Oklahoma a request came from Miss Heck that I make a visit to the Margaret Home to consult with the "Mother" and the local Board on any desirable changes and improvements. This was the occasion of a very delightful visit of a week.

May is a lovely month everywhere, but most of all in Greenville, and the Margaret Home, which seemed, when I reached it early one morning, to be almost hidden in a mass of lovely foliage.

THE MARGARET HOME GREENVILLE, S. C.

I found in the home Mrs. Meadows and her six children, the eldest eight years and the youngest nine months old. It will be remembered Mrs. Meadow's husband, Dr. J. G. Meadows, died last summer while on his vacation in this country. He had told her to try to get the children into the Home, having seen Mrs. Harris, the "Mother" at the Convention and thinking they would find it a congenial place of residence. Mrs. Meadows had therefore asked and received permission to remain in the Home six months. At the time of my visit she and the children had been there five months, and she had applied for permission to stay on. This was gladly granted. She told me she found the Home unusually well suited for the home of young children, the large grounds (six acres), airy rooms, good water, pure air, wholesome food, and fine educational advantages, as well as attractive surroundings, making it a delightful place of residence.

The Meadows children are charming little creatures, loving everybody and expecting and receiving love in return, but genuine children, full of mischief and needing to be held in check. Since there was but one family, it was possible to allow them a good deal of liberty, and this they thoroughly enjoyed. The three eldest attended Greenville Female College, which has primary and kindergarten departments. No tuition is charged the children of missionaries. The young lady of the household, Fountain Hamilton, is the daughter of the Union, having been adopted soon after the death of her father in Brazil. She is now sixteen, full of the plans and thoughts of youth, and hopes to graduate in due time at G. F. C.

The great charm of the place to me was the entire absence of anything like institutional life, for Mrs. Harris has in an unusual degree the gift of home making. It seemed just a home where every one felt privileged to live out his own life with only the restrictions needed in every home. Each day was spent as naturally as if all had been brought together in one family in the usual way. In the morning prayers, then breakfast, then taking their lunches, all the children except the three youngest went off to school. Everybody was ready for dinner when the children came home at midday. Fountain, of course, had a later dinner on her return. The afternoon was spent in play on the lawn and study, then supper and bed. Just the ordinary life of a family of young children.

It was a great pleasure to have Nina

Entzminger, who is now teaching music at G. F. C., come in for a visit of a day and night. She calls herself the only "alumna" of the Home, and with great credit she does it. She is a gifted musician, and played for us delightfully an hour or more from noted composers. But, best of all, she conducted the little service of prayer in the Home most beautifully, showing that her training has been what we desire for these dear children. Nina hopes some time to follow her parents and go to Brazil as missionary.

I left with a wish in my heart that Mrs. Chambers, whose loving heart had made this Home possible, might see all the little family together and know the blessing her gift has brought.

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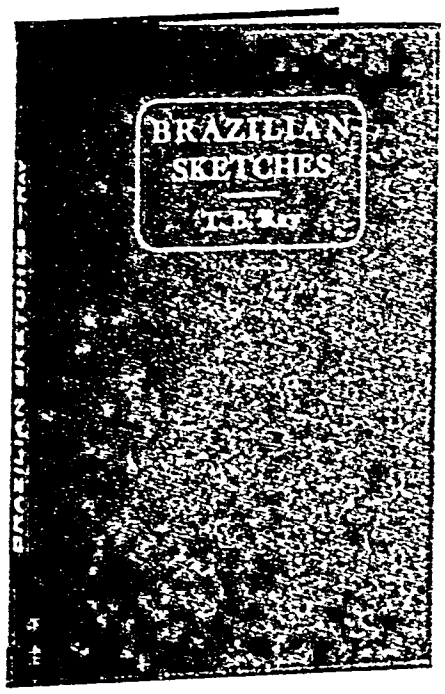
BOOK NOTICES.

Brazilian Sketches. By Dr. T. B. Ray. This is not a book of travel, but it tells stories of actual happenings and interesting objects seen by Dr. Ray on his journey of



several months while visiting our mission stations in Brazil. It tells of the country, the native religion, the triumphs of the gospel, the noble work of Brazilian Baptists and the self-sacrificing spirit of the missionary in a way that appeals to every heart. Dr. Ray has rendered the cause of missions a splendid service. It is well adapted for general reading, and is also an excellent text-book for mission study classes. The book sells for 35 cents in paper, plus 4 cents postage, and 50 cents in cloth, plus 6 cents postage, and can be had from the Book Department of the Foreign Bission Board, Richmond, Va.

The Home Mission Task. Edited by Victor I. Masters. This is an excellent account of the history, fundamental character, magnitude and present urgency of our home mission work. Many of the strongest men in the South have written chapters for the book. Dr. Masters' own contributions, dealing with the history of the Board and the importance of home missions in its relation to the country church, are of special interest. This book ought to be read very widely by all of our people, and many study classes ought to be formed with this as the text-book. The book sells for 50 cents in cloth, plus 10 cents postage, 35 cents in paper, plus 7 cents postage. The book can be had either from the Bood Department of the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va., or from the Publicity Department of the Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.

The Goodly Fellowship. By Miss Schauffler. McMillan Co., publishers. A most interesting story, the scene of which for the most part is laid in connection with a mission compond in Persia . It brings out in a humorous way the human side of the lives of the missionaries, and yet indicates the self-sacrificing and successful work of the missionaries. The book holds the interest of the reader from the start, while giving him an excellent conception of the necessity and effectiveness of missionary work. There is a distinct need for books of this kind dealing with the question of missions in story form, and this book fills the place most admirably.

Receipts For Foreign Missions From May 1st, 1912, to June 15th, 1912.

Texas	$5,839.86	Maryland	519.54
North Carolina	3,097.38	Florida	321.03
South Carolina	2,771.26	Louisiana	177.03
Missouri	1,626.95	Arkansas	107.16
Georgia	1,247.40	Alabama	79.40
Virginia	1,081.00	District of Columbia	66.52
Tennessee	942.78	Other sources	438.95
Mississippi	628.03		
Kentucky	602.37		
Oklahoma	578.56	Total	$20,125.22

BAPTIST MISSIONS IN ITALY.

IMPRESSIONS OF AN INTERESTED OBSERVER.

This article was written by a prominent pastor, whose church does great things for missions. We are earnestly hoping through the centennial equipment fund to meet some of the great needs of which he speaks.—Ed.

On my return from Palestine I spent some time in Italy and visited many of our missions and missionaries in that fair land. If there was ever a country among non-heathen peoples who need the pure gospel, surely Italy is that country. I was in Rome during Easter week. The sights which I saw were enough to make the heart sick. The people are still priest-ridden and kept in the dark, so far as the Scriptures are concerned. Formalism, ritualism, and spectacular show are still the order of the day, while Holy Ghost religion seems to be a scarce article. Be not deceived. Romanism is not dead.

During passion week portions of the true cross, the veil of Saint Veronica and many other sacred relics were exhibited to the credible multitudes. People by the thousand, including both sexes and all ages, classes and conditions of humanity, kissed the toe of the image of St. Peter. Small children who could not reach the toe of the image would kiss their hand and place their hand on the toe. It has been kissed so much until it is partly worn away, though of solid bronze. Because of this continual kissing it has been necessary to repair the toe several times.

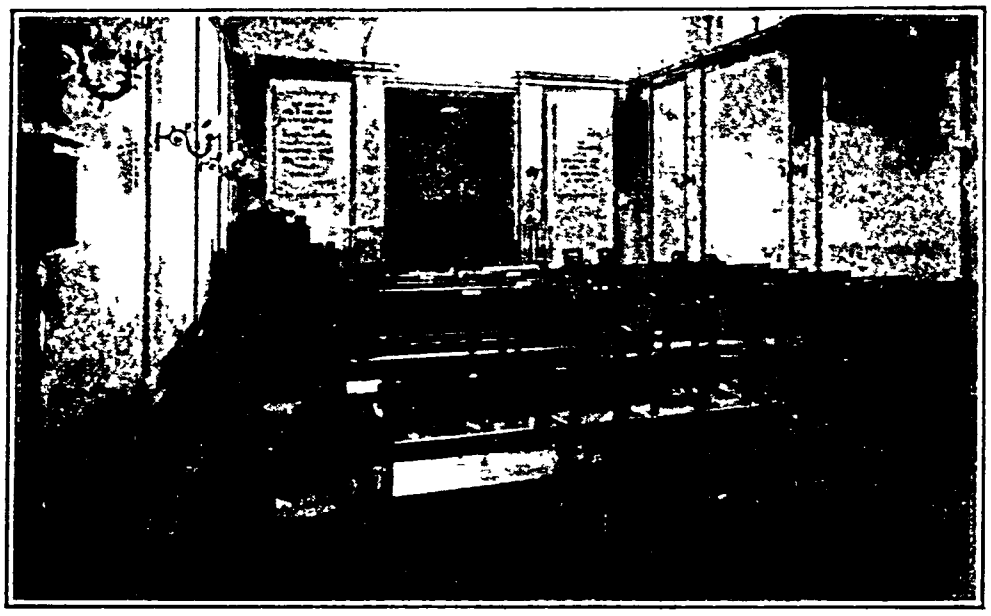
On Good Friday I saw hundreds of people climbing the sacred stairway on their knees, believing, according to a dispensation of a former pope, that for every step there would mean 18 days release of the soul from purgatory. Thus each climb of the stairs, according to their belief, will give them more than two years release from the sufferings of purgatory. This may be applied to their own credit or to the credit of departed relatives who are already in purgatory. It was hard for me to believe that civilized people would do such a thing in this enlightened age. It may have been sinful; if so, may the Lord forgive me, but during passion week in Rome, seeing so much form, ritual, and ceremony, and knowing the trust of the people to be in these rather than the Christ of God, continually there kept running through my mind the words on the cover of one of our

THE "SACRED STAIRWAY."

comic magazines, "What fools these mortals be." Then I enquired of myself, "Who is responsible?" They have been taught these by parents and grandparents, popes and priests for generations. They have never had a chance. They are doing the best they know. The question came to me, which still lingers, "Am I not responsible? Is it not my duty to give them the light and to teach them the better way."

In Naples, after a search for more than an hour, I found one of our missions on Sunday night. A gifted young Italian

bearing the poetical name of Chiminelli was preaching to the people. His voice was musical, his gestures graceful, and his manners charming. Though I could understand but few words. I saw that he caught and held the attention of the people. The pews were hard, the hymn books poor, and they had no musical instrument.



INTERIOR OF BAPTIST CHAPEL, ROME, ITALY.

In Rome I found and talked with Drs. Gill and Stewart, who were hard at work. Dr. Whittinghill was called out of Rome on the King's business. However, I saw him later at the Italian Baptist Convention at Florence. These are fine brethren. Men of talent, culture, faith and consecration.

On Sunday morning I attended the Methodist Mission. The Presbyterian Mission in the afternoon. Both have good auditoriums and fine equipment. The Methodists have a fine four or five-story building with two or more chapels, fine equipment for their theological seminary, and various rooms for their schools and Sunday-schools. They have a good workshop in a good location.

With considerable difficulty I found the Baptist Mission at night. The cabman knew nothing of it, and took me to a theatre at first, thinking I wanted to go there. Finally I found it in a poor community on a poor street. It is a small, dingy affair. The reed organ was poor, the setas uncomfortable, and the hymn books were flaps and torn. An Italian brother preached what seemed to be a good sermon, which was well received. Dr. Stewart was there. Drs. Gill and Whittinghill were out of the city, where duty called. Our Italian theological seminary has rented quarters.

When I thought of the talents of these three men—Gill, Whittinghill, and Stewart—and of the 35 years work of Dr. Taylor, who recently went home to live with his Lord, together with the faithful work of other messengers of the cross; when I considered the fine native talent which the Lord has raised up in Italy, and when I considered the meagre equipment and the consequent handicap of these workers, I said to myself, "Surely, it is time for Southern Baptists with all of their numbers and wealth to measure up in some degree to the needs and opportunities, and provide better equipment for our work in Italy." Surely now is such a time and I am persuaded that we should supply this important need. It is not right to send

CHILDREN OF THE LOWER CLASS, ITALY.

these talented workers forth with such poor equipment. Besides, it is not consecrated common sense. It might be well to consider what these other denominations have found necessary to carry on a successful work. Let us also remember that the Italians have been used to Cathedrals, and that whatever their failings may be, that their sense of the aesthetic is highly cultivated.

Italian Baptist Convention.

It was my good fortune to be in Florence during the meeting of the annual Italian Baptist Convention. Though we own a meeting house in Florence, most of the sessions were held in a rented hall where one of our congregations worship. I felt at home with my brethren. The sermon was on "The Cross." It made a deep impression. The hall was crowded to the very doors. Many stood. Such singing and enthusiasm I have seldom known. Talking and conversing with the workers, I found there were many problems confronting them. Baptists there, as in America, were exercising their inalienable and God-given rights of independence. The personnel of the Convention was fine. Many fine-looking and gifted brethren were introduced to me. Some could speak many languages. On the whole, they left me with the impression of brethren dead in earnest, "on to the job," seriously and frankly facing the problems before them and endeavoring to solve them in the fear of God.

Let us not forget to pray for priest-ridden, pope-oppressed, pauperized Italy, the land of Cicero and the Cæsars, Virgil and Dante, Raphael, Michael Angelo, and Savanarcle—a people for whost Christ died and a country in which the Apostle Paul suffered martyrdom. I know the calls are

PEASANTS OF THE ROMAN CAMPAGNA, ITALY.

loud and many and varied, but is it not time to give our brethren in Italy better equipment? What an opportunity for some individual, or church to build a memorial for some loved one, either in the form of a church or school building.

ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVES.

It has been the custom for the Foreign Mission Board every year, in consultation with the State Vice-Presidents, to appoint a representative of the Board in each association. Heretofore these brethren have been called Association Vice-Presidents. It has been decided for the sake of clearness that it is better to call them Association Representatives. It is very important for the Board to have an active, aggressive representative to be the foreign mission leader for the entire body. This year these brethren will be appointed at the general meeting of the Board, which takes place on July 10th. All of the State Vice-Presidents will be present at that meeting. The Association Representatives who are appointed will act through the next meeting of the association. At that meeting the association is expected to elect its representative and notify the Board of such election. If the association fails to elect, the Board will appoint a representative for the association.

These representatives are vital connecting links between the Board and the churches, and a good man is needed for the office. Such a man can wield a powerful influence throughout the whole association and become a great factor in the evangelization of the world. We appeal to all our pastors and churches to co-operate with these Association Representatives.

S. O. S.—"SAVE OUR SOULS."

By REV. W. THORBURN CLARK.

It was night,
And through the gloom, a great and noble boat
Ploughed deep her furrow, in the ocean's wave.
From out of the darkness, came the warning of
The icebergs near approach, but plunged along,
The vessel, all unheeding, and then ahead,
There loomed a mount of ice, pitiless and cold
Too late, the look-out cried, and then a shock,
And from stem to stern, the great boat trembled,
As in her side, a mortal wound was made.
But ere she sank beneath the sea, a call
For help had sped across the ether's waves,
"S. O. S. Save our souls."
And far distant boats heard that cry, and turned
Their prows in her direction, if possible
To give succor to their dying comrade
Of the seas.

But there seemed some,
Who caught the call, whose hearts no pity felt,
Nor turned aside, to render help to those,
Whose need was sore. Our hearts are filled with horror.
When we think, that mortals could so heartless be.
But let us an examination make,
To see if we are hearing calls of need, that come to us.

Across the
Waters of the sea, and from far distant
Lands, there comes a mute appeal, from millions
Of earth's creatures, who no Gospel have.
From far-off China and Japan, from Afric's
Sunny clime, and others, comes the urgent S. O. S.
Shall we listen, and send to them the message which our Saviour
Wrote with his life's blood, on Calvary's height,
Which he truly cautioned his disciples
To all nations give, or shall we, too, a
Deaf ear have, heeding not the call for light,
From those who walk in darkness, and unmindful
Of our brother's needs, hold selfishly our course
Through life.

If we cannot go
To lands beyond, and tell of Christ to those,
Who know him not, there are others who will go,
And from our store, meager or abundant,
We can give, that the message they may bear.
Give the rich, stopping not with paltry tithe,
For what is that to them; but answering
Back the smile of heaven, in earth's treasures,
Open wide the hand, and pour a never-ending
Stream into the treasury of the Lord.

Nor let the one
Whose gift, need be, is small, shrink from its giving,
For as the Lord, against the treasury,
Sat in olden time, and blessed the widow's gift,
Because she gave her all, and with it, heart's
Deep love, so He, to-day, will bless the smallest
Sum, if from the heart and best that one can do.
And with the gift, though large or small, let
Earnest prayer be given.

When those,
Who name the name of Him, whose banner floats
On high, shall hear and heed the call of need,
From nearby doors and distant lands, then the
Kingdom of the Lord will come at home, and
In the far-off nations of the earth.

Parksley, Va.

SOME REFLECTIONS ON MISSION CAMPAIGNS.

D. L. HAMILTON.

Now that the campaign for missions is past, it is not out of place to spend a few moments in reflection. Beginning in the first days of March, I made a short campaign in southwest Louisiana. Immediately following this I went to Stephens Co., Oklahoma, where I had been invited by Dr. G. W. Light, pastor at Duncan. Accompanied by Bro. Light and Bro. C. M. Curb, associational missionary, and a host of other noble pastors, we went to practically every church in the county, conducting three services at each church, as a rule, the good sisters providing us with dinner on the ground.

We had services every day in the week, during which time we experienced some of the severest weather of the whole winter, yet we never wholly missed a single appointment. And notwithstanding the busy season among farmers, the attendance was good throughout.

With only one day's rest with my family, I passed immediately to Denton County, Texas, where I had been invited by Rev. R. A. Fitzgerald, associational missionary. This campaign was very similar to the one just preceding, except that a greater number of pastors took part in the program, and the force was so divided as to reach a church each day and yet spend two nights and a day at each place.

A few general observations may be pertinent. A large majority of our non-contributing churches are in the rural districts. As a rule these country churches are sound on every question of doctrine except missions. Their pastors emphasize all the cardinal doctrines until they come to the great commission, and then some of them balk. Of course some preach missions with as clear a ring as does any town or city pastor. But their people are generally more difficult to lead out on this subject.

Our country churches cannot be ignored. From them have come and are coming many of our most capable leaders. But the days of all non-missionary churches are numbered. Therefore, for the sake of their own local usefulness, our noble country churches must be awakened to missionary zeal. Then the Macedonian cry from all our mission fields demands the enlistment into a solid phalanx of every redeemed child on earth.

Question: When will our mission problem be solved?

Answer: When all our churches adopt the Bible plan of contributing of their means, and when the lives of our preachers, deacons and laymen may be pointed to as models for our own children—then the problem will be solved.

A COUNTRY TRIP IN CHINA.

J. VALMORE TURNER, MISSIONARY.

Wednesday morning, April the 3d, 1912, was a bright, beautiful one in Tengchowfu, Shantung, China. I arose early, saddled my gray horse and away we went for the Ma Kia Church (distance about ten miles), of which I am the pastor. The horse being heavy laden with bedding, food, books and cooking outfit, received my sympathy.

I felt so sorry for him that I got off to walk and drive him before me as the Chinese do their donkeys. The old horse that had just got my sympathy lost it all at once, for as soon as he realized I had dismounted he left me far behind him. Out across the fields he went running and bucking. Soon enough Chinese had gathered to catch any horse and they all helped me catch him. The candy peddler, plowmen, grass gatherers and others were in hot chase after old gray. I gave each of them a few copper cash upon the catching of the horse and we were off again.

A royal welcome was given me at Ma Kia. A member of the church met me as I entered the village and escorted us to the chapel, which is used for preaching and school purposes. People on either side of the street were asking me how I was, and if I had left everything peaceful at home. We had gone almost through the village before we reached the chapel. The school had not closed for noon, as it was only 11 o'clock. The old Chinese teacher and all his boys came running to meet me, each fellow with his hands clasped, extended in front of him, moving up and down. This is the Chinese hand-shake. He shakes his own hands, but there are many learning and practicing the American hand-shake. As soon as they had finished shaking their hands they gathered my things together and away they went to the room in the west end of the chapel, where I slept part of the next four nights. These nights were divided in three divisions, viz., preaching, entertaining guests and sleeping. The teacher took me to the room, telling me how glad they were that I had come. I have often breathed the prayer of thanks to God for this kind of hospitality and similar courtesies extended me by the Chinese. Such a lovable people they are! I love them! How could one be lonely in China in God's service?

In a few minutes I had warmed up some chicken and bread that had been cooked at home. After I had finished eating a colporter came and we went to a nearby village to make the first two calls of the fifteen that were made in four days. This is not called large visiting in America, but it is in China. It surprised me that every Christian home received me, as formerly it was not proper for men to be received into the homes if there were women present so I was told. This indicates to me that the Chinese are throwing off some of their old customs which will help advance the Kingdom of God in China rapidly. Thanks be unto God for it! Furthermore I ate Chinese food in five homes. I learned how to use the chop sticks. They are about the size of a pencil made of wood and a foot or more long. You hold the two sticks between the thumb and the first two fingers of the right hand unless you are lefthanded. "Practice makes perfect."

I talked religion, politics and of other things. China is now the newest Republic in the world. Some of these folk have heard the roaring of cannons in less than two months before this writing. They had seen the soldiers going and coming. As the Chinese in the country have very little access to newspapers they were very anxious to get all the news they could from the foreigner for they think he knows most everything there is to be known as the prophets of old when it comes to these troublesome times. Therefore you may conclude that from the old gray headed men and women down to the school boy asked for the latest war news. I heard my name mentioned several times as quoting what I had told them about the late war. But we talked about religion too. It seemed they had remembered all the foreigners they had ever seen.

The colporter and I preached in the chapel at night and the villages in day time. Had great crowds. Hundreds heard the Gospel. Many heard the good news for the first time, but I trust not the last. We sold about fifty gospels in three hours, at three markets in three days, respectively. Several and yet few for the thousands of people. China is ready for the Gospel. Oh that she had more men to preach and sell books and lead men from darkness to

light. From this one chapel miles each way not a chapel. Ought to be many. Dear reader, won't you say, "What I can do, I will do to help China for the glory of God."

Tengchowfu, Shantung, via Chefoo, China.

A GOOD BEGINNING IN MONTEVIDEO.

J. C. QUARLES.

Just a few lines to let you know we are still plugging away here. We are not discouraged though as yet we have not succeeded in turning Montevideo up-side down.

During the past summer we have had pleasant visits from the Buenos Aires missionaries. My brother and wife were over here in January. I had him preach for us a number of times, and I was really surprised at the good progress he has made in Spanish, in spite of the fact that he is my brother.

Don Pablo Besson and Brother Logan and family were with us in February. We took advantage of their presence to hold a series of meetings that were well ttended. Mr. Besson's visit was quite helpful as he is acquainted with a good number of people in the upper circles, many of whom honored us with their attendance at the services.

At the request of some university students who constantly attend our meetings here, Mr. Besson gave a special address on the Historic and Divine Person of Jesus, answering some of the rationalistic teachings so current in university circles here. The address was splendid, he repeated the same subject in the Y. M. C. A.

It was a great pleasure, too, to have the Logans in our home for a couple of weeks. It was really the first opportunity we have had to know them intimately. In them we have two consecrated and efficient missionaries, highly spiritual and well prepared for work.

ARGENTINE BAPTIST CONVENTION, 1912.

We have recently had our first additions by baptism. Last Wednesday (March 20th) I baptized Jose Briata, a native of Montevideo; Gabriel Guerroro Lazaro, a Spaniard, and Julio Morasque, a native of Poland. Each of these men have an interesting history, and gives promise of being a good member of our church. All three were prepared to receive the gospel before they ever came to our service; the last two had never been to an evangelical meeting until about two months ago.

LETTERS FROM THE FIELD.

News Notes from Japan.

The first year of our night school has been very successful. The anniversary was observed on February 1st. The church was packed with men. The attendance is keeping up well, although there is always some change in individuals. The nightly chapel service is our chief joy. We are sure many lives have been changed. A number are regular attendants at church and we feel sure they are very near the Kingdom, although none have yet been received.

The recent conference of religions in Tokyo seems to have given Christianity due recognition. This is already proving to be an influence for a forward movement and promises to open up the way for the work and workers. The native Christians are even planning to conduct Sunday-schools in the dormitories of the government schools. We foreigners are almost shocked at their boldness. While it probably cannot be done in many places, no doubt the way for Bible study will be open. Surely this is a day for hope and renewed energy.

Mr. Moncure came to us in September. He is working hard, and we love him thoroughly.

The ladies have built up a fine class for the girls. It has developed fast.

I have thoroughly enjoyed the work with the young men, so many of them have become my warm personal friends. They are worth all one's efforts.

Soon I am hoping to take up some work with the employees at the railway station. There is a large number of them—clerks and bookkeepers. They are a progressive, eager lot, not bigoted and very open to Christianity, as a rule. I have always made friends of railway men, and I am full of hope in undertaking this new work.

Sincerely yours in Him,

ERNEST O. MILLS.

Fukuoka, Japan.

A Fine Report from Bahia.

This first quarter has been one of transition and adjustment. The Santo Antonio Convention proved to be a great stimulus to all the brethren who attended and was the occasion of a blessed ingathering. Fourteen were baptized. The Convention recommended more caution in baptizing and organizing churches and appealed for special prayer for workers.

So far fifty-seven baptisms have been reported for the first quarter. We have yet to hear from many churches and several workers. A church which had been broken up by the Seventh Day Adventists was restored and comforted by the visit of an evangelist. Many believers who were also being turned aside in the vicinity of Ilheos were established in the gospel on our visit there in February. We found a great open door in Ilheos, the most important commercial center in the southern part of the State. The wife of the friend in whose house I preached there burned her idols, and the couple are now near the kingdom. In the large town of Banco near by there is a group of believers and almost the entire population attended the meeting. On our visit to the Valenca Church in March the greater part of the membership (which had been divided) took part in the installation of the new pastor, Joae Martins. About twenty-five miles from there and in other parts of the State there are small groups of believers which desire to be organized into churches. We think it best to give them time for further development and to receive more instructions before organizing.

The city work has been somewhat hampered by the going of Augusto Fernandes to Santa Rita, the failing health of the veteran, Jose Domingos, and the dismission of another. Almeida Sobrinho is giving his entire time to the Collegio and Matanca churches. Seven were received for baptism in the two. There is a fine attendance at the meetings in all the

churches of the city. We have requests for preachers to conduct regular meetings in different suburbs.

The attendance at the school has gone beyond our most sanguine expectations. It opened with twenty seven and now has an enrollment of sixty-six, representing many of the principal families of the city. The school board will meet to-day to decide on improvements urgently needed in order to accommodate the pupils. Preparations are being made also to open a boarding department for girls.

We are all full of joy and expectancy over the coming of the Terrys. There is such urgent and great need of more workers in this field, I am afraid we will not want to give them up for Piauhy, although there is a glorious opening there. Greater would be our joy if another couple and a kindergartener could be sent with them. May the month of April witness such an awakening and missionary revival among the churches in the homeland that the debt of the Board will be rolled away. With love in the Lord,

Yours fraternally,

E. A. JACKSON.

Bahia, Brazil.

A Good Report from Miss Spainhour.

This has been an interesting quarter's work for me. During the month of February I attended the Union Language School in Shanghai. This was held for one month during the China New Year vacation time. Owing to there being so many refugees in Shanghai, the school was well attended. I believe the enrollment reached one hundred and seventy. There were ten or twelve experienced missionaries on the faculty. They were assisted by good Chinese teachers. One of the most helpful classes I had was under Dr. Bryan. Mr. Rawlinson was also on the teaching staff, but I didn't happen to be in one of his classes. I feel that the month I had there has been invaluable to me and I hope that it may be possible to establish such a school as a permanency.

Since I came home Mrs. Ugauh, the Bible woman, and I have started work in two new places. We go on Mondays to Iding, a small place on the railroad between here and Shanghai. We have an evangelist living there, and a day school there, but heretofore no one had been free to open up work there for the women and children. Last week we had sixty women, and almost as many children. The women seem interested and quite a number of them were willing to stay after the service and talk about the "doctrine."

We have been able to start a similar meeting at a chapel outside one of the city gates. There has been some good work done among the children there, by the Chinese evangelist in charge, and his predecessor. Heretofore there had been no regular work among the women out there. We get as large crowds as the chapel will accommodate. They seem to be really interested in the message, and not merely to come from curiosity.

The meetings here at the church on Sundays and Wednesdays continue to grow. Yesterday there were more than four hundred present. This time last year we should have considered thirty a good crowd. The same ones come time after time. Surely God is giving us a great opportunity at our very doors.

Last fall we had a small primary day school here. It was a private experiment. Mrs. Vong, the widow of Mr. Vong, the evangelist who died last summer, was the teacher. She came at New Year to be the matron of Miss Lanneau's school. Mr. McDaniel and Miss Lanneau were willing to undertake the establishment of a permanent day school as a feeder for their schools. I have charge of this day school and give about an hour a day to it. Our enrollment now numbers fifty. We feel that this school meets a real need.

Soochow has been somewhat disturbed by looting soldiers, but things are quieting down now.

It is needless to say that we are much interested in what these weeks will bring forth for our Board. Sincerely,

LETTIE SPAINHOUR.

Conditions in Mexico.

Possibly you would like to know something of mission matters in this section. On the whole the work of my immediate field is doing well, all things considered. Regular services are being conducted at all the preaching stations. Baptisms are comparatively few; but the Lord is giving us souls from time to time. Nearly all my churches have suffered severely from the present revolution. Some of the members are on one side or the other. Four of the churches have been in centers of revolutionary activity and fighting. We have had quite a number of fights around Torreon. Fighting is going on at present from day to day within a few miles of here. A force of revolutionists are making desperate efforts to take Torreon. The end of these troubles seems far off. Who will finally win is hard to tell. My earnest prayer is that there may not be American intervention. Americans in Mexico are being treated comparatively well. If unjustly and with emperalistic motives an army should be sent into Mexico our mission work will be almost lost. With the Lord's protection I hope to remain with the work from now on, although there may be risk in so doing. Torreon is one of the centers of the war. I cannot with a clean conscience remain away from the work. Ask the brethren to plead for the work during these trying times. My faith was never greater and the Lord never seemed nearer. I think we should in faith begin arrangements for the opening of our theological school here this fall. Our families should remain on the other side but we men might do something.

Your brother,

G. H. LACY.

Torreon, Mex.

A Good Report from Africa.

Just a few items about the work at Ogbomoso. Bro. Pinnock left for furlough in December last so that left Mrs. Green and myself alone until Bro. Patterson came from Ede early in February. The evangelistic, educational and medical work of the station has been kept in regular running order. On the reopening of the training school it fell to me to again assume the duties of acting principal, and as this required a good part of my time the medical work has had to take second or third place this quarter. My dispensary assistant after being with me for nearly a year has reached the stage in his training where he can help in many of the minor surgical cases and in the dressing of ulcers, the more serious surgical and medical cases wait for my time at the dispensary between my classes at the training school. A feature of interest this quarter was a conference of all the native workers of the Ogbomoso and Oyo stations and out stations. This conference was called for March 27th and 28th, and it proved a very helpful occasion. Reports were received from all the workers, special prayer following each report. After receiving the reports we had a general discussion on the question "How to have a revival in our Mission Work." This afforded an opportunity for the free interchange of ideas on this great and timely subject and provided food for thought and prayer.

Our hearts were saddened by the death in March of Babalola Barika, one of our Ogbomoso workers. A graduate of our training school, he had been in the mission work for nearly three years. At the time of his death he was stationed at Ejigbo a town some six hours walk from Ogbomoso. He was taken sick on Sunday, March 24th, (I diagnosed it tetanus from the symptoms, I did not have an opportunity to see him) and passed away on the night of the 26th. I regret his death. He had some commendable traits of character. I taught him as a student in the training school, and after graduation he worked as a teacher in our school at Ogbomoso, and later at our outstations, Ede and Ejigbo. A few months after graduation, I married him to one of the girls Mrs. Compere had in training during her missionary life at Ogbomoso. Owing to the indebtedness and the financial situation of our Board the appropriation for native workers at

Ogbomoso for 1912 is not sufficient to pay the salaries of the workers at present employed, I was thinking of asking this young man to be one of two or three who would try to find work outside our mission and thus support themselves for this year, but the Lord has called him hence. I find here food for thought, but I leave the thought unexpressed. Our hearts are sad as we read in the Foreign Mission Journal, the Religious Herald and other messengers from the Southland of the great financial difficulties that confront our Board. With great sympathy and earnest desire are we praying that the members of our Southern churches may render a good account of their stewardship and enable our Board to report at the Convention "Victory."

We rejoice in good health, Baby Virginia is doing splendidly, our Heavenly Father is very good to us, His blessings come to us new every morning and fresh every evening.

With hearty and affectionate greetings,

Yours fraternally,

GEORGE GREEN.

A BEAUTIFUL SIGHT.

We have just closed a glorious meeting of several days in Pingtu city. Last Saturday enquirers and Christians began coming in and it was soon evident that we would be taxed to accommodate them. Saturday night the church began the examination of applicants for baptism. Sunday morning the church convened at eight A. M. and the examination again commenced and continued two hours. At ten o'clock, Pastor Li preached to over eight hundred persons. Afterwards several more candidates were examined. At one o'clock we began again and by three, fifty-six were examined and thirty-six accepted—and were baptized by the pastor. After the baptism the Lord's supper was observed in a simple and impressive way. It was a beautiful sight to see over five hundred saved from heathenism thus remembering their blessed Saviour. At the church, business meeting that followed May 19th was set as the day, God being willing, for the ordination of their new pastor. The meeting adjourned. Everybody was ready as we had had eight hours in meetings.

Monday we had several committee meetings. Tuesday was the meeting of our Chinese co-workers. In their reports we were glad to note that there are 184 applicants for baptisms. It was decided to open seven new out or mission stations. The Lord is greatly blessing the labors of all the Chinese co-workers and they are going forward. Because they are going forward God is blessing them.

Tuesday night we had committee meetings, schools, famine, etc.

Wednesday morning at nine o'clock the Anti-footing Society held its semi-annual meeting, and in the afternoon the Temperance Society met. Both were well attended and many helpful speeches were made. At the close I made a very welcome announcement that since we met to-day I had over $600 for famine relief work. Many prayers went up in thanks to God and the meetings closed by singing "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow."

Last month the Famine Committee helped 684 persons. This month they will be able to help 800 from Christian homes and more than three times number of their non-Christian neighbors. There has been no deaths, we are glad to state among our Christians from starvation, thanks to the generous help you have given us; but I am sorry this cannot be said of their neighbors. For want of help, hundreds have died so, now we are certainly thankful that we are able to help some even if we are not able to help all.

It was decided to get some of these we are helping to straighten a small stream and build and embankment on a pond that has rendered the approach to the hospital very difficult. The official and Gentry are also helping in this worthy enterprise and it will be the means of making a road and street passable that has not been usable since the heavy rains last August.

Yours fraternally,

WM. H. SEARS.

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PROGRAM FOR JULY, 1912,

Subject: *Mexico.*

"Oh! if we could make this missionary problem a personal one, if we could fill the hearts of the people with a personal love for the Savior who died for them, the indifference of Christendom would disappear, and the kingdom of Christ would appear."

In the beginning God—Gen. 1:1.

"Come and wander with me
Into regions yet untrod,
And read what is still unread
In the manuscript of God."

1. Singing—"I would love Thee, God and Father."
2. Roll Call—Of missionaries in Mexico.
3. Bible Reading—God—omnipresent, omniscient and omnipotent, loving and just—is everywhere. Ps. 139:7-10; Prov. 15:3. Knoweth all things, Job. 12:22; Psa. 139:12; I John 3:20. Can do anything, Job 42:2; Matt. 19:26. Is loving, I John 4:8; Eph. 2:4; Jer. 31:3; John 3:16; I John 4:19. Is just, Psa. 89:14; Deut. 32:4; Rev. 16:7. The promise, I John 5:20; John 7:17. "For the love of Christ constraineth us."
4. Prayer—That we may know God and do His will.
5. Statistics of Work in Mexico—Missionaries, male 15, female 18; ordained native helpers, 16; unordained, 28; churches, 54; Sunday-schools, 50; out-stations 52. We have 9 day schools, 1 boys' and 1 girls' boarding school; 1 women's training school, 1 theological school, 2 medical missionaries and 2 dispensaries.
6. Readings—From "Our Mission Fields."
7. Reading—"Some of the Conditions a Medical Missionary in Mexico Has to Meet." (This issue of the Journal.)
8. Prayer—For our missionaries in Mexico, and for our work, that God will

protect and bless them and it during these troublous times.

9. Singing—"I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord."
10. Open Parliament. Consideration of recommendations of Executive Board of W. M. U.; of Foreign, Home, and Sunday-school Boards. (This issue of the Journal.)
11. Business—Plans for "Personal Service."
12. Concert Reading—I John 4. Follow with chain of prayer.

SOME OF THE CONDITIONS A MEDICAL MISSIONARY IN MEXICO HAS TO MEET.

One day I was examining my patients one by one as they had come, when towards the last came a case of scarlet fever. She had awaited her turn in my waiting room with other patients, among whom were three children. I had a sickening sense of my responsibility, but how was I, working alone, able to watch the patients who came in and wait on those already in. A hospital with a trained nurse or some sort of an assistant would have prevented that exposure of others to contagion. They were show people, showed pet snakes, etc., and lived in a meson, a public inn for men and animals. The horses and donkeys are tied to stakes or put in small enclosures in the central court while the people sleep in the rooms around the court. *Selah.* The husband waited on her in the day and then went to his show at night without changing clothes, for he hadn't more clothes. The same day the man's mother came in a worse condition. I went the next day to see her and found that no one had waited on her. Her throat was almost closed, her fever high, and she had had no water, no medicine, and no one in the room since she had reached home from my office. I staid two hours and taught a woman how to swab her throat, give her water and nourishment per rectum, and I furnished the syringe and gave her the water until it slaked her terrible thirst, and I applied the hot fomentations to her throat until she could open her mouth sufficiently to gargle.

The meson was directly in front of the bull-pen, and I made a visit to the two patients on Sunday afternoon during the bull fight. I could scarcely make my way through the crowd. The poor who could not pay from two to five dollars entrance fee had come to see the slayer of the bull when he should be brought out on the shoulders of the shouting crowd. The fruit venders were there, the candy makers had their little tables of candy there, brushing off the flies as they happened to think of it with a dried ox-tail, the long hairs of the tail brushing over the candy. Inside the meson was crowded with the horses of the gentlemen from the ranches and the burros that had brought loads of vegetables and fruit to the market that day, while continually the crowd surged in and out of the meson for water. Why did I not get my patients out of such a place and isolate them? Because there was no other place in the whole city of Toluca for them, yet it is a city of 100,000 inhabitants.

One day I got back from a visit there and found many patients waiting, one a baby almost dead from a bite of some reptile. They were in a hurry, but I took time to change clothes and disinfect my hands. I waited on them all by turn, and the last one was broken out with small-pox. She had been in the waiting room with the others even before I got home.

Only once in my experience have I had the opportunity of preventing them from coming to my office. I was out on a visit and met a woman who told me she was going to bring her child that afternoon, for it had a rash of some sort. I told her not to bring it, but just as soon as I had finished with my office patients I would come to see the child. I found a case of small-pox. I sent seven children out of the room while I examined the child. The home was

one room of a vecindad, which is a place for some twenty-five or more families, each family having one of the many rooms which surround a large central court, where all the children play together, where the chickens, pigeons and pigs stay during the day and the women cook and wash not only their clothes, but those of the wealthier families for whom they work.

These are not unusual cases. I had hoped to tell you of many more, but space forbids. I could fill your whole magazine with cases from my short experience.

Does Mexico need hospitals or medical missionaries? I ask you the question.

Yours for the Master's cause,

HALLIE GARRETT NEAL.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF EXECUTIVE BOARD OF W. M. U.

I.

WATCHWORD.—Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I command you. Matt. 29:20.

II.

That we shall aim to put the spiritual emphasis first in all our plans; that systematic Bible study and united prayer shall be an ever growing feature of our work, and that our sense of responsibility toward those around us shall be expressed in definite forms of personal service.

III.

PUBLICATIONS.—That the influence of the Literature Department may be widened by a more extended use of its leaflets; that this department be instructed to publish again a Calendar of Prayer, and that it be authorized to take over the publishing of *Our Mission Fields*, securing a permanent editor, continuing it in its present form and character, but making it a magazine with a subscription price of twenty cents a year, and no longer a free publication of the Union. The magazine on its new basis shall begin with the October number.

IV.

MARGARET HOME.—That this Home shall be a center for our prayer and thoughts, and that we shall still apportion the current expense fund of $1,200.00 among the societies (giving this apportionment to the Sunbeams and Royal Ambassadors where possible).

V.

TRAINING SCHOOL.—That we shall seek to bring the advantages of this school more widely to the attention of our young women; that the Student Funds be $175 each, and the Current Expense Fund $3,000; that the Enlargement Fund of $7,000 again be part of our aims, but if any State has failed either in 1911 or in 1912 to meet its apportionment for enlargement for that year it shall endeavor not only to meet the apportionment for 1913, but to make up the deficiency existing in the other two years, in order that at the end of 1915 the full $35,000 shall be in hand, and that this matter be referred to the Apportionment Committee.

VI.

COLLEGE CORRESPONDENT.—That we keep closely in touch with the young women in the schools and colleges in our territory through the Union and State College correspondents.

VII.

SPECIAL SEASONS.—That we continue a concentration of effort on the special seasons of prayer and gifts for State, Home and Foreign Missions, and to encourage the observance of Bible Day, the offerings on that day to be given to the Bible Fund of the Sunday School Board.

VIII.

PLAN OF WORK—WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY AIMS AND GIFTS.—That every W. M. S. shall hold as a working ideal "every woman in the Church a member of the missionary society," and to this end shall seek earnestly new methods of stimulating interest through sub-jubilee meetings followed by carefully planned smaller

meetings in the individual churches with a very definite Biblical and missionary program; that each society shall begin a missionary library if there is no Association Circulating Library which it can use; that each shall feel definite responsibility for fostering the work among the younger women and children; that the W. M. S. offerings shall be given as follows:

HOME MISSIONS.—Work on the frontier and among foreigner.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—The support of all women missionaries and the schools fostered by them.

YOUNG WOMAN'S AUXILIARY AIMS AND GIFTS.—That every Young Woman's and Junior Auxiliary base its work on the new Constitution and broader plans in the new Auxiliary Manual; that all societies now organized shall consider the adopting of this Constitution and the plans in the Manual, and that new societies be organized with this Constitution and adopt this Manual for their guidance; that each Auxiliary be represented by regularly appointed delegates at associational and State unions, and that each State have at least two delegates to the Annual Session of the General Union from the Y. W. A.; that every Y. W. A. shall endeavor to be represented at the Summer Conference at Monte Ne, Arkansas, June 14-24, or at Blue Ridge, North Carolina, June 25-July 4; that the Auxiliaries give special attention to the attainment of the standard of excellence, personal service and consider carefully the matter of tithing; that their offerings shall be made as follows:

HOME MISSIONS.—Mountain School Work.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—Support of hospital work on foreign fields.

SUNBEAM AND ROYAL AMBASSADOR AIMS AND GIFTS.—That the Sunbeam and Royal Ambassador Leaders shall make Christian character building their chief concern, teach the Bible as the Book of Missions, give some clear knowledge of each mission field, interest the boys and girls in live missionary literature and train them to practice the giving of their efforts and their money to Christian service, that their offerings shall be given as follows:

SUNBEAMS:

HOME MISSION.—Mission schools in El Paso, Tampa, and Cuba.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—Kindergartens and schools for boys and girls in the foreign field.

ROYAL AMBASSADORS:

HOME MISSIONS.—Work among the Indians.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—Boys' school in Toluca.

IX.

CONTRIBUTION.—That we pledge ourselves anew to furthering systematic and proportionate giving in all societies, striving steadily to increase the number of those who give not less than one-tenth of the income under their control to God's work; that we aim at a total increase of 10 per cent. above the gifts to Home and Foreign Missions for the year 1911-12, the proportionate between the aims of Home and Foreign Missions to bein the ratio of 4 to 6, the ratio adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in annual session May, 1911.

X.

STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE.—That we again adopt a standard of excellence for our societies, reporting on it annually as to the degree in which it has been realized in each State. Unless otherwise determined on by a State, those societies fulfilling all points shall be on a list of honor; those fulfilling eight points in the A class; six points in the B class, and four in the C class.

1. At least 12 meetings a year with a devotional exercise and a definite missionary programme.
2. An increase in membership during the year of at least 25 per cent. of the number enrolled at the beginning of the year until all the women of the church be enrolled.
3. An increase in gifts of not less than

10 per cent. of the preceding year's contributions.

4. Regular reports to State officers according to the plan outlined by each State.
5. One of the denominational magazines or a Calendar of Prayer subscribed for in at least one-half of the homes represented in your missionary society, the ultimate aim being one in every home.
6. Observance of the special seasons of prayer and gifts for State, Home and Foreign Missions.
7. At least one mission study class during the year.
8. Some definite, organized personal service for the spiritual uplift of your own community conducted by the member of your society under its oversight.
9. An average attendance at the twelve meetings of a number equal to two-thirds of the membership.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD, TO THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

We extend to our sisters hearty congratulations on the success which you have had in the work of the Lord during the past year, and we trust that you will be able to enlist thousands of additional sisters in your work for the new year upon which we enter. Appreciating the help which you have so faithfully given us in the past, we make the following recommendations to you for the year 1912-13:

1. That the most earnest prayer be made to God for His blessings upon the work that this may be a year glorious because of the thousands and hundreds of thousands that were won into His kingdom. Let us plead for souls, that our people in the home land may rejoice in sending the good news, and that those in foreign fields may rejoice in receiving it and turning to our Lord.

2. That the sisters use every effort to get systematic and proportionate giving among the people. We feel that this is one of the most urgent needs in order that our work may be on a strong, growing basis. We recommend that the people adopt the plan of giving at least one-tenth of their income to the Lord. If only we could get our people to give this much there would be no lack of funds to send out the gospel. The sisters can do much towards getting the churches to adopt systematic and proportionate giving.

3. That the members of the W. M. U. all over our convention see to it that information is disseminated not only among the society members, but among our people. Tracts are furnished free, and the *Foreign Mission Journal* is published at a very small cost. Mission study classes are used to get our people informed and interested. Let every method available be brought into exercise so that our people will know of the Lord's work, and in this way we can get them interested.

4. We again recommend to the sisters for their Christmas offering for 1912 gifts for the work in China. This country, with her 400,000,000, our next door neighbor, has been thrown wide open. It is one of the most marvelous opportunities for mission work that has ever been given in the history of the world. The women of China need Christ, the men need Christ, the children need Christ. Our sisters are doing a noble work in helping this people. Now is the day of opportunity.

5. That the Young Women Auxiliaries raise funds for supporting hospital work on foreign fields. Thousands come to have their bodies cured, and they at the same time hear of the Great Physician of the soul. Our young women can do much good by helping in this work.

6. That the Sunbeam Bands undertake the support of the kindergartens and schools for boys and girls in our various foreign fields. We are getting hold of thou-

sands of children, and while they are yet young much can be done to train them for the Lord. We want our Sunbeams to take an active part in this work.

7. That the sisters enlist the Royal Ambassadors in providing for the boys' school at Toluca.

8. That the sisters endeavor to raise funds sufficient for the support of all of our women missionaries who are at the front. While we realize that this is a great undertaking, yet we feel that the sisters can do this glorious thing for our Lord. May they have courage to undertake an earnest purpose to accomplish this task.

THE HOME MISSION BOARD'S RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

The Home Mission Board is sincerely grateful to our Southern Baptist women for their hearty co-operation in the great work of Home Missions. We bring the good news of God's abundant favor upon the work of the year. And as we share together this joy over the fruits of our labors we beg the renewed co-operation of our sisters in the blessed work committed to our hands. That the work may reach its highest efficiency we recommend:

1. That you join us in the circulation of our literature—tracts, leaflets, The Home Field, good Home Mission books, especially our own book, "The Home Mission Task," just brought from the press; price, 50 cents cloth binding, 35 cents paper cover.

2. We most cordially recommend the continuance of the first week in March as the Week of Prayer and Self-Denial (or Thank-Offering) for Home Missions, and that the season immediately preceding and succeeding this week be given respectively to preparation for and gathering up the results of this great season of fellowship and gifts.

3. We again recommend that your Treasurer's books remain open till April 30th, in order to conform to the fiscal year of the Southern Baptist Convention, and in order that ample time may be had for reporting to your Treasurer and for completing the Self-Denial Offering we request that you join us in asking State Unions not to close their Treasurer's books till April 25th.

4. In addition to the support of our work in general we would recommend that the Woman's Missionary Societies give special attention to foreigners and frontier; Young Woman's Auxiliaries to Mountain School Work; the Sunbeams to our Mission Schools in El Paso and Tampa and Cuba; the Royal Ambassadors to the Indians.

5. We recommend that unceasing and importunate prayer be made for more laborers. The greatest asset of Southern Baptists is the large body of fine young men and women in our churches. Their enlistment in the Master's service constitutes alike our greatest opportunity and most pressing responsibility. We recommend that earnest prayer be made that God will call large numbers of them into His service and make our people more liberal in supporting them through their course of preparation for this Home Mission service.

6. The foundation of our Church Building Loan Fund was laid by our women in their $20,000 "Tichenor Memorial." Many of our people blessed of the Lord could be induced to make special gifts to our Loan Fund. Others could be induced to remember it in their wills. We recommend that in every wise way our women help us to increase this all-important department of our work.

7. We venture to repeat with renewed emphasis a recommendation of last year, that prayer be made unceasingly for greater consecration and liberality on the part of our people and that God would save us from the dangers of worldliness and commercialism.

Young People's Department

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MONEYED AIMS FOR BANDS, 1912-13.

SUNBEAM BANDS:

Foreign Missions $10,110.00
Home Missions 5,866.00

Objects: Foreign Missions, kindergartens on foreign fields; Home Missions, schools at El Paso, Texas., Tampa, Fla., and Cuba.

ROYAL AMBASSADORS:

Foreign Missions $930.00
Home Missions 520.00

Objects: Foreign Missions—boys' school at Toluca , Mexico; Home Missions—Indians.

MEXICO.

BY REV. H. L. MOREHOUSE.

Ho, watchman! what tidings from Mexico?
I see the gleam of a brighter day,
The lofttier peaks with its light aglow,
While the shadowed valleys are growing gray
With the glimmering rays through the mists below
I see the lingering shadows retire
And the lovers of darkness sullenly go,
The coming of others with a holy desire
To mold from the old a new Mexico.

Ho, watchman! what further of Mexico?
I hear the noise of a host astir,
The sound of a going whose meaning we know,—
A stirring of souls, as the boughs of the fir
Are vibrant when heavenly breezes blow;
I hear the lament of tyrants who quake
At the doom of their merited overthrow,
And the jubilant tones of heroes who break
The bonds from the old for a new Mexico.

And what of the future of Mexico?
Our faith responds; it will not be long
Ere we wrest the land from the hand of the foe,
And strongholds of error erected on wrong
Shall fall like the walls of Jericho;
While the moral deserts of brier and thorn
Shall bloom as the rose, and fountains shall flow;
And a nation refashioned, redeemed, reborn,
Shall unfold from the old a new Mexico.

POOR MEXICO

The revolutionary warfare going on now in Mexico is greatly hindering the work of missions in that troubled country. It seems that the Mexicans have streaks of loyalty and streaks of rebellion, and one can never count on which streak will be uppermost from day to day.

After the flight of President Diaz, Madero was elected to the presidency, one might think that peace would follow such an unanimous demonstration; but no, Mexico was like a boiling pot, and broke out here and there in small revolutions. While there are no regular battles being fought, the revolutionists enter and pillage towns, overthrow the authorities and put in their own officers.

General Bernardo Reyes, who was living in Paris, returned to Mexico after the downfall of President Diaz, and has per-

haps done more to keep the pot of discord boiling than any other man in Mexico. He came to San Antonio, Texas, and began to plot another revolution in his native land, but Uncle Sam sent him flying back to Mexico. He again sent out frantic appeals to those who hated Madero, but the fickle Mexicans, with the exception of a handful of malcontents, refused to join him. The State police soon put them to flight. Here was a revolutionist without a revolution. He gave himself up, and now awaits trial on the charge of fomenting rebellion, for which the extreme penalty is death and the minimum penalty ten years' imprisonment. In the case of Reyes the minimum penalty will be sufficient to put him beyond the danger of doing further harm, since he is now about 70 years of age.

After this happening the friends of Mexico may well take new courage. A country thus thoroughly wearied of warfare needs only a strong and capable hand to guide it, and above all, the guiding hand of the Heavenly Father

Have you noticed how the revolutions and wars in the various countries open the doors to the gospel? May the doors of Mexico swing wide for the King of Glory to enter in.

THE TOLUCA SCHOOL.

In Mexico it is the custom to have separate schools for the boys and girls. Out of respect to this established practice the school at Toluca has two buildings used as dormitories and boarding departments, one for the boys and one for the girls, but they recite in the same classes, just as they do in our co-educational schools.

Because the summers are not hot and the winters are so very cool, and the buildings not being heated, the school term runs from the first of February until the first of November, giving the vacation in mid-winter.

The school opened last February with a large attendance, both dormitories were soon full and some applicants had to be turned away. Much uneasiness was felt by the principal, Missionary Neal, on account of the revolution and the unsettled condition of the country. If the school should be ordered closed, how were all these boys and girls to be gotten home, since railroad communication had been destroyed to a large extent? Many of the 131 pupils lived far away. Notwithstanding these anxieties, this year has been a good one in the Toluca School. There are ten young men in the theological department, most of whom give promise of making good preachers. There are five graduates in the Literary Department and three in the Missionary Training Department. These three departments include music, a commercial course, and sewing for the girls.

There was a splendid program each night of the commencement, the exercises being attended by the best class of people from the city.

As the Royal Ambassadors will again take this school for the object of their contributions for the coming year, it is a great pleasure to present to them again such an interesting and worthy cause for prayers and gifts.

A LITTLE SENORITA'S SORROW.

One afternoon, just at dark, I was hurrying to the postoffice, in Saltillo, Mexico, when my attention was attracted by a little girl, eight or nine years old, who was searching in the midst of the paved street and sobbing aloud in a most heart-broken way. An old woman was helping her hunt, and they were feeling over every stone for yards around. "What have you lost?" I asked. "A ten and a five," sobbed the child, hardly looking up from the ground. As I had no money with me, I simply told her

that I was sorry and walked quickly on. Returning by the same street, after having left the letters, there was the child, mourning bitterly and still searching in all the crevices between the stones, though it was now too dark to see anything. "Tell me all about it," I said. "Did your mother send you on an errand?" "My mother is dying," she said. "She has had the pneumonia and now she is dying, and they took off her skirt and told me to run to the pawn-shop and pawn it, so we could get the priest to come with the viaticum. It costs twenty-five cents to get him, but they would only give me fifteen, and I was carrying it home to see what else we could pawn, when the money slipped out of my fingers," and she burst into an agony of tears.

Think of it, you who know what a terrible trial it is when a dear mother is taken away, with loving friends near, and a kind pastor present to comfort her with the precious promises of Jesus to go with his children over the dark river of death. The viaticum is the sacrament given to dying persons, which the ignorant people believe insures their entrance into glory, and the poor little girl felt that she had shut her dead mother out of heaven by her carelessness. "If you will come with me," I said, "I will give you the money," and the old woman, who was a stranger also to her and had nothing to give her but her sympathy, said, "Go, go, child!" and we went off together.

As we walked quickly to the house, I said, "My child, I will give you the money so you will not be blamed, but you do not need it. Tell your mother to pray to God. He loves her and will forgive her, and He does not want any money. She can confess to Him, and it is no matter if the priest does not get there in time." The little one promised, dried her tears, and went off comforted with the twenty-five cents, but is it not a sad picture? Will you not thank God to-night that you can have the precious words of life free, and will you not help to send the message of joy into this dark land?—Selected.

BLESSING THE ANIMALS.

While we all know we should be kind to animals, and should not beat or starve them, but we never feel that we must take them to church to have them made better, because we know they only live on this earth and need not be prepared for heaven. In Mexico there is a day on which animals are taken to church to be blessed, because the Mexicans believe that the Virgin Mary will bless all animals on St. Anthony's day.

"On that day the court in front of the church is crowded. Here are little girls with their kittens, parrots, and canaries; boys with dogs and rabbits; men with sheep, donkeys and horses. One woman carries a squealing pig under her arm, another has her pet hen gayly ornamented with tissue paper, and still another carries a dove. The barking, mewing, squealing and grunting makes an indescribable medley, and the noise increases as the crowd presses under a balcony where the priest is expected to appear. Soon he comes with an assistant, who bears what seems to be a pail of holy water. Up go the cages of birds, and the small animals are also held up while the priest dips in his sprinkler and gives a few flirts in the air. Then the crowd falls back, some congratulating themselves that a few drops fell directly upon their pets, and others disappointed because the blessing did not reach them. This is repeated many times during the afternoon, and at night the streets are full of smiling people carrying home their pets."

Receipts for Foreign Missions from May 1st, 1912 to June 15th, 1912.

ALABAMA.—Dr. W. T. Berry Birmingham, native missionary, $10; Dr. W. T. Berry, Birmingham, native missionary, $10; Pleasant Hill, T. B. L., pastor, $2.25. Total this month, $22.25.

Previously reported, $57.15. Total this year, $79.40.

ARKANSAS.—No receipts this month.

Previously reported, $107.16.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—No receipts this month.

Previously reported, $66.52.

FLORIDA.—S. B. Rogers, Cor. Sec'y $185.56; W. M. U. of Florida, Mrs. H. C. Peelman, Tr., Jubilee, $5; undesignated, $27.97; Mrs H W. Tribble, Lake City, H. W. Tribble, missionary, $100. Total this month, $318.53.

Previously reported, $2.50. Total this year, $321.03.

GEORGIA.—Damascus Ch., G. I. G., clerk, $8.20; Mrs. Mary Davis Jackson, Greensboro, $25; Baraca Class Tatnall Square Ch., Macon, F. F. G., Cor. Sec'y, two Bible women, $15.10; Mrs. B. E. Barksdale, Cochran, $2; Sunbeams, Rochelle, L. R., support of girl with McKenzie, $2.50; W. M. U., Moultrie Ch., Mrs. A. P. A. Ashburn, S. E. Stephens' salary, $600; "A Friend," College Park, annuity at 5 per cent., $575; City Union, Augusta, by E. T. S., $5. Total this month, $1,232.80.

Previously reported, $14.60. Total this year, $1 247.40.

KENTUCKY.—L. A. Society, Brandenburg, Mrs. C. A. C., Tr., Miss Mackenzie, $25; Dayton Bapt. Ch., R. R. McM., Tr., $130; Chapel Grove Bapt. Ch., F. M. J., Tr., $2.75; Providence Bapt. Ch., U. L. A., Tr. $3; W. D. Powell, Cor. Sec'y, Mrs. Snuggs' work, $3.30; undesignated, $411.32. Total this month, $575.37.

Previously reported, $27. Total this year, $602.37.

LOUISIANA.—Unity Bapt. Ch., W. H. J., Tr., $4.92; New Hope and Greenville S. S's., L. F. Sec'y, $18; Mt. Pisgah Bapt. S. S., Miss O. F., Tr., $1.06; Miss Rosa Capooch, Clowalla, by R. J. W., $3; Clifton Bapt. Ch., W. T. A., $6.45; L. R. Lawhon, Shreveport, missionary, $100; Alma Frederick Baton Rouge, $20. Total this month, $153.43.

Previously reported, $23.60. Total this year $177.03.

MARYLAND.—North Ave. Bapt. Ch., Baltimore, C. M. K., Tr., $36.79; Eutaw Place Bapt. Ch., Baltimore, H. W. P., Tr., $112.67; Brantley Bapt. Ch., Baltimore, C. W. W., Tr., Wednesday Evening Fund, $10.70; press for R. E. Chambers $12; undesignated, $75; W. B. F. M. Society of Maryland, Mrs. W. G. Tyler, Tr., $25.32; F. S. and L. B.," Baltimore, $100; Seventh Bapt. Ch., Baltimore, O. M. La B., $24.48; First Bapt. Ch., Baltimore, J. N. G., Tr., $43.26. Total this month, $440.22.

Previously reported $79.32. Total this year, $519.54.

MISSISSIPPI.—J. H. Boone, Coldwater, by W. Y. Q., native worker, China, $100; Victor Montgomery, Edwards Ch., by G. P. B., $4.50; "A Brother," First Bapt. Ch., by G. P. B., $1; Philathea Class, Laurel W. R. N., Tr., Bible woman, $10; W. M. U., Ecru, Mrs. J. M. O., "Miss Yang" with Miss Caldwell, $16.35; W. M. S., Peach Creek Ch., Miss O. F. K., Tr., native preacher, $9. Total this month, $140.85.

Previously reported, $487.18. Total this year, $628.03.

MISSOURI.—Perseverance Ch., Boone Co., D. B. C. (W.), $1.25.

Previously reported, $1,625.70. Total this year, $1,626.95.

NORTH CAROLINA.—L. M. S., Biltmore Ch. Y. F. S., clerk, $2; W. M. S., East Durham, Mrs. R. E., Tr., Bible woman, Pingtu, $6.25; Y. W. Auxiliary, First Ch., Asheville, H. L., Tr., by Miss Pearl Holman, native worker, $5; Elk Shoal Bapt. Ch., T. G. R., Tr., $2; Rock Springs Bapt. Ch., W. O. W., Tr., $12; Rev. C. A. Peterson, Clinton, $4. Total this month, $31.25.

Previously reported, $3,066.13. Total this year, $3,097.38.

OKLAHOMA.—J. C. Stalcup, Cor. Sec'y, Frederick Ch., Bible woman, $30; undesignated, $304.94; W. B. F. M. Soc'y, Oklahoma, Sue O. Howell, Tr., $113.34; W. M. U., at Convention, by Mrs. W. C., Tr., for organ at Saltillo, Mex., $73.91. Total this month, $522.19.

Previously reported, $56.37. Total this year, $578.56.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—Antioch Bapt. Ch., Lexington Assn., H. W. M., Tr., $4; C. H. Snider, Conway, Bible woman, $2.50; Hodges Bapt. Ch., J. C. S., clerk, $4.46 New Liberty Bapt. Ch., No. Greenville Assn., Z. H., Tr. $4.85; Graham Bapt. Ch., Santee Assn., J. B. J., Tr., $6.10; Cross Roads Bapt. Ch., R M. H., clerk, $6.12; Pelham Bapt. Ch., Greenville Assn., E. G. R., Tr., $13; Willow Creek Bapt. Ch., Florence Assn., M. M. C., Tr., $2.50; Clearwater Bapt. Ch., W. O. Johnson, $3.05; Sparrow Swamp Ch., Florence Assn., E. A., Tr., $2.75; "A Friend of Missions," China, $5; Sardis Ch., Lexington Assn., W. T. S., $1; First Bapt. Ch., Easley, Piedmont Assn., H. S. H., Tr., $3.14; Antioch Bapt. Ch., Edgefield Assn., J. T. L., $2.25; Bethlehem Bapt. Ch., W. W. M., Tr., $11.29; Mt. Olive Bapt. Ch., D. S., Tr., $1; Waccamaw Bapt. Assn., J. C. S., Tr., S. L., Tr., 39.37; bequest of Mrs. Julia K. $23.13; estate of Miss E. A. Morrow, by L. S. L., Tr., $39.37; bequest of Mrs. Julia K. Dupont, Euhaw Bapt. Ch., E. W. B., $250; Town Creek Bapt. Ch., J. C. R., $7; Double Springs Bapt. S. S., L. B., Sec'y, $1.15; Cheraw Bapt. S. S., infant class, C. W. E., Tr., $1.36; Dillon Bapt. S. S., W. E. H., $3.93; Little River Bapt. Ch., Mrs. A. Moore, $5.75; Tabernacle Bapt. Ch., Columbia, J. F. G., Tr., $6.02; Philathea Class Inman S. S., Mrs. L. F., native worker, China, $2.50; Addie Hughey, So. Main St. Ch., Greenwood, A. E. A., Supt., Bible woman, China, $7.50; Second Bapt. Ch., Pickens Assn., A. A. W., Tr., $2.50; Mrs. J. N. Cudd, Treas., designated as follows: Mrs. Jno. Lake, $50; Bible woman, $6.55; Xmas offering, $14.90; undesignated, $1,077.55; Walnut Hill Ch., W. G., Tr., $2.66; C. H. Snider, Conway, Bible woman, $2.50; W. M. S., Mizpah Ch., Orangeburg Assn., Mrs. J. P. H., $5.95; W. M. S., Clear Springs Ch., Greenville Assn., L. A. V., Tr., $3.61; Enoree Bapt. Ch., Reedy River Assn., C. S. S., clerk, $12; Second Bapt. Ch., Central, W. E. T., $3.45. Total this month, $1,602.39.

Previously reported, $1,168.87. Total this year, $2,771.26.

TENNESSEE.—W. M. Woodcock, Treas., $914.90; J. A. Chambliss, Chatt, $8.34. Total this month, $923.24.

Previously reported, $19.54. Total this year, $942.78.

TEXAS.—F. C. McConnell, Cor. Sec'y, Jubilee Fund, $127; F. C. McConnell, Cor. Sec'y, native missionaries China, $85; F. C. McConnell, Cor. Sec'y, by R. J. W., $4,783;

Honey Grove Ch., by B. G., pastor, Church Home, Yangchow, $14; Mrs. Sallie P. Flanngan, First Bapt. Ch., Austin, native missionary in South China, $100; L. A. S., German Bapt. Ch., Dallas, Mrs. F. S., work China, $5; Pleasant Run Ch., R. E. Guy, by R. J. W., $3; J. M. McCorkill, Fort Worth, $5; B. Y. P. U., Austin, by R. B., "Mr. Tsee" with J. W. Lowe, $100; Mrs. W. B. Adams, Devine, native missionary, "Kwan Hi" with Simmons, $100. Total this month, $5,322.

Previously reported, $517.86. Total this year, $5,839.86.

VIRGINIA.—B. A. Jacob, Treas., designated as follows: Virginia Intermont College (young ladies), native missionary in China, $11.05; Berkley Ave. Ch., Portsmouth Assn. (W. M. S.), native worker in China, $20.20; First Newport News Ch., Peninsula Assn. (W. M. S.), Bible woman in China, $30; Kedron Ch., Appomattox Assn. (Sunbeams), kindergarten and schools, 50 cts.; Kedron Ch., Appomattox Assn. (Sunbeams), Williams' Memorial, 50 cts.; Beulah Ch., Hermon Assn. (Sunbeams), Williams' Memorial, $2.94; Second Newport News Ch., Peninsula Assn. (S. S.), support of native preacher China, $100; First Richmond Ch., Dover Assn. (W. M. S.), Bible woman, $5; First Richmond Ch., Dover Assn. (W. M. S.), missionary salary, $26.36; undesignated, $803.45. Total this month, $1,000.

Previously reported, $81. Total this year, $1,081.

NEW YORK.—Thos. P. Miller Memorial, by E. C. M., Dr. T. O. Hearn, $100.

NEW MEXICO.—Alamogardo Ch., T. A. Pace, $15

CHINA.—Mrs. W. W. Adams, North China, by C. W. P., Tr., $50.

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Previously reported	7,674.45
Total this year	$20,125.22

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