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EXTRACTS FROM FIFTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD.

SUMMARY. Summary of work for the past conventional year

Missionaries. Weeks of labor 17 423 Churches and stations 2 580 Sermons and addresses 64 718 Prayer-meetings..... 12 620 Religious visits.... 108 336 Baptisms. 6 552 Received by letter 6 431 Total additions. 12 083 Churches constituted. 194 Houses of worship built... 92 Houses of worship improved... 252 Amount expended on houses of worship. \$71 027 Sunday-schools organized. 512 Teachers and pupils 14 768

The State Boards of Alabama, Arkansas, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Indian Territory, Kentucky, Louislana, Maryland, Missouri, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma Territory, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and Western North Carolina are in co-operation with us in part or the whole of their work.

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WORK OF THE YEAR.

The number of missionaries employed this year was 653 against 467 last year. Baptisms this year 6.552 against 4.730 last year. Total additions to churches this year 12,983 against 9,509 last year. Sunday-schools organized this year 512 with 14,768 teachers and pupils, against 297 with 7,710 teachers and pupils last year.

CUBA.

When the armistice between the United States and Spain had suspended the bloody strife, the Board immediately instructed Rev. J. R. O'Halloran to locate in Santiago and begin mission work in that city.

After tedious delays he reached that point and on the 30th of September opened his place of worship. For the first time in all its history a Protestant preached the gospel within its walls. Wonderful success attended his labors. By the first of January he had baptized 150 believers and organized. two churches.

About the same time Rev. A. J. Diaz, then in the employ of the A. B. P. Society, returned to Cuba and renewed his work in Havana. Since that time he has returned to the employ of the Board, and is actively engaged in preaching the gospel in that city, and great success is attending his labors.

Rev. J. V. Cova has been stationed at Matanzas Rev. F. P. Bueno has been sent to Clenfuego, and in consequence of the transfer of the Eastern part of the island to the Home Mission Society, Brother O'Halloran has been stationed at Santa Clara, the capital of the Province bearing that name.

Missions have been opened in several towns and cities in Santa Clara Province. It is proposed to occupy Pinar del Rio, the capital of the Western Province, and from Havana, Matanzas, Santa Clara and Pinar del Rio as centers, work outward until the whole island be covered with our mission stations. This will require about thirty principal stations, with about two or three subordinate stations attached to each one, making altogether more than a hundred stations which should be occupied as speedily as possible. To accomplish this, much assistance must come from the field.

The Board never has, and would not now, overrate the importance of this work as compared with other fields of labor.

Recently new conditions have arisen in the island, and it has assumed new relations to our own country and to the nations of the earth. These new conditions demand our *serious consideration. There is every probability that union with this country will be the ultimate political destiny of this people. If so, then it becomes us to see that when Cuba enters our Union, she shall not come to swell the ranks of the vicious and the ignorant, or to add to the number of those who obey the Papal power.

Cuba is now free. The restrictions imposed by the Spanish government upon the preaching of the gospel have all been removed. A great and effectual door has been opened. Everything invites us to enter and possess the land. The command to preach the gospel to every creature is re-imposed upon us by the marvelous providences which have broken down the despotic decrees of hostility to our Christ and turned to the Baptists of the South the hearts of this new nation.

If we spread the gospel over this island and fill it with the knowledge of the pure Word of Life, it will give us a vantage ground for a wide field of christian activity.

Cuba eyangelized, will become the light bearer to the whole Spanish speaking people of this Western world and a continent inhabited by a kindred people will be open to her entrance with the truth of God.

Such facts ought not to be overlooked in our estimate of the importance of her evangelization, nor in the measurement of our efforts to accomplish this result.

THE MOUNTAIN REGION.

The expressed desire of the Convention that the Board should do more for the mountain people, has not been accompanied by the necessary increase of funds that would enable the Board to execute in full its wishes in this mattter.

Many of the reports of the Board bear witness to the fact that it has not failed to appreciate the importance of this field, or been dilatory in its efforts to supply its needs.

The New York News, one of our most prominent political journals, says of this region after describing a part of it which embraced about one hundred thousand square miles, that this small area possesses greater natural resources than any tract of a million square miles to be found anywhere on the

It is well known that the great majority of these mountaineers are Baptists. Their Isolation has been the great barrier to their progress. They need more and better schools, more instructive preachers, everything that will give them a broader outlook, territory and left no uncultured fields behind.

thus enabling them to appreciate the advantages of their condition and to utilize them, not only for their own good, but for that of the world at large.

What is most needed for this work is a man who shall devote his life to the religious and intellectual development of these people. A man understanding them and in full sympathy with them. A man whom they will hear and follow in ways of truth to higher and grander things. A man whose ability will enable him to go to our most highly cultured churches and secure their sympathy and their aid in uplifting these people. The Board has made earnest effort to secure the services of one thus qualified.

We trust before the end of the Conventional year upon which we are now entering, that such a man may be found and induced to enter this field of duty. Rarely to human hands is committed a nobler task.

FRONTIER WORK.

The frontier of our mission field beginning at the Kansas line, runs southward to the Rio Grande. and thence along that river to the sea. It may be roughly estimated as being one thousand miles long by five hundred miles wide. It is a region of varied resources and vast possibilities. Some of the most productive lands on the continent, which under irrigation yield ample harvests in great variety, are to be found in its limits. This country is rapidly settling up with a sturdy enterprising people, with courage to face the hard conditions of frontier life, who are laying the foundations of a great civilization. What Virginia, the Carolinas and Georgia were a hundred years ago, may now be found to a great extent in Oklanoma, New Mexico and Western Texas, and what these older States now are in wealth, intelligence, culture, christian refinement and liberality will these new commonwealths be in half a century to come.

Though now they may have troubulous times, their discordant elements will fret themselves to atoms, their difference be forgotten in the presence of new and greater issues and the power of a christian law there the solder musching is. tian love be as the golden sunshine in which will ripen the fruitage of many goodly lives.

Seeking to measure the results of our work as we look down the avenues of coming years and see all look down the avenues of coming years and see all this broad area filled with countless happy homes, the abodes of purity and peace, the spires of ten thousand churches rising heavenward, and far stretching fields where "love is brooding and life is born," our hearts overflow with gratitude that we have shared some part in the creation of conditions, bringing such glory to our Creator and such happiness to make the property of the such as the suc

ness to man.

With by we look beyond the days of differences and strife among the brotherhood and see only the days of peace and brotherly kindness in a land resting under the smile of the Lord. The efforts to plant the gospel in that Western world, in which the Board has borne its part, have been glorious in their success.

It was this Board that in the first years of its ev it was this board that in the last veil's of its ex-istence, guided by the Divina Hand, sent Witt and Greath and Pickett and Huckens and Tryon to join hands with Baylor and Burleson and Taliaferro and Morrell and Hill, already upon the field, to pre-empt for the Lord the imperial domain of Texas. There are men yet living who remember that day, and now behold, there are within her borders 5,000 churches and more than 300,000 baptized believers. With Joy we exclaim, "See what hath God With joy we exclaim, wrought."

But our work is not done. There is much land yet to be possessed. We must aid in sending the messenger of peace Southward and Westward antil we have reached everywhere the confines of our



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MISS BUHLMAIER'S WORK.

The whole of Miss Buhimaier's annual report would make interesting reading matter for these columns. It discloses a busy active life in various lines of christian work.

For want of space we cannot publish at this time more than the following extract:

THE WORK AMONG THE IMMIGRANTS: This was attended to throughout the year, and many were the blessings and experiences in this connection. Many a poor, ione traveler has been met and comforted, both among those coming and going. The immigrant fund has been a blessing, enabling us to supply the necessities of those who came entirely penniless. One illustration will suffice to show this.

On one of the bitter cold days last winter our attention was called to a mother and three little ones by the cries of the latter. Looking into the circumstances we learned that they were crying from hunger. We quickly got them some food, which they devoured eagerly. One might ask, "Couldn't the mother buy them something, if not why do people go on such a journey without better preparation, etc?" When this woman started from Russia to join her husband in Chicago, she had all the way paid, besides some cash. After reaching the seaport it was found that one of the children was ill, and fearing the development of some contagious disease she was compelled to remain there and sail some later date. The as that all her cash was used up for food, etc., before even putting foot on board the steamer. When questioning her as to what she thought of doing after landing in Baltimore, without any means of providing any tood for their long trip to Chicago, she said: "Why, I knew we would have to fast, there was no other way. but the children are so small they do not understand, and therefore cry, and cry for bread. I, of course know I could master my appetite. The baby would be compelled to feed on water." Poor mother, she was even then too weak to talk. Oh, how happy she was when all her anxiety was removedi

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention has just closed its eleventh annual session.

The annual reports of the Corresponding Secretary, Miss Annle W. Armstrong, and of the Treasurer, Mrs. W. C. Lowndes, both of Baltimore, show the best year's work of any since the Union was first organized. The sum of \$24,152.92 was given to the Foreign Mission Board, \$36,696.73 to the Home Mission Board, and \$3,263.08 to the Sunday-school Board. Total contributions for the year, \$64,112.73, for all objects. During the eleven years of the organized work of this Union, \$532, 971.96 has been reported. This, however, does not represent all that has been done, for the general interest in missions has been stimulated, thus increasing regular contributions from the churches.

Special mention should be made of the excellence of the papers prepared by Mrs. W. J. Northen, wife of ex-Governor Northen of Georgia, on "The Mountain Region and Its People;" by Mrs. M. H. Pike of Maryland, on "The Life of M. T. Yates;" by Miss McMinn on the "Life of Dr. Graves;" by Mrs. C. A. Stakeiy of Washington, D. C. on "Missionary Literature"

The following efficers for the ensuing year were elected: President, Mrs. C. A. Stakely, Washington, D. C.; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Annie W. Armstrong; Recording Secretary, Miss Nellie Martien; Treasurer, Mrs. W. C. Lowndes, all of Baltimore.

Resolutions of respect and love were offered to the retiring President, Miss Fannle E. S. Heck of North Carolina, who declined re-election, although she had been unanimously chosen by the first ballot.

The closing exercises were conducted by Miss Spaiding of Florida, and the Union adjourned to meet with the Southern Baptist Convention next year at Hot Springs, Ark,

ARE THERE NOT OTHERS?

"THE HOME FIELD: I'am a member of College Hill Church and have interested myself in behalf of the paper. The Sunday-school on yesterday voted to take 100 copies and will send \$5.00 in a few days I write you now so that you may send the April number. I am an old laid by man.

"Affectionately,"

The above greeting came to us on a postal card. What a splendid work for an "old laid by man." He has put into circulation 1,200 copies of a four page paper devoted to the cause of his Master. What inspiration for the extension of Christ's Kingdom in our own beloved land and throughout the world, may result from this labor of love may never be known short of eternity.

How many other old men and women, who feel that they are "laid by," and how many young boys and girls who feel that they have not yet arrived at the age of active usefulness, will go and do like wise. Will not some one, old or young, in every Sunday-school undertake to secure the circulation of not less than 50 copies. Make it more if you can Fifty copies or more mailed to one address, in one wrapper only 5 cents per copy per year. Talk to your teacher and Superintendent about it. A gitate the question—get a vote on it and the good work is accomplished.

WEEK OF SELF DENIAL.

We have received many testimonials of the spiritual benefits resulting from an observance of the week of self denial. A lady writing from Grawfordville, Ga., says: "After our week of self denial we feel closer to the Lord. We feel that we love him more and his work better. He has been with us." Many hearts all over the South will echo this expression.

The following report of Rev. Curtis Lee Laws, Vice-President of the Home Mission Board for Maryland, was received too late, for compilation in the convention minutes:

I have tried in various ways to forward the interests of our work in this state. Have written articles for the papers, sent personal appeals and letters to all the pastors in the state, and made addresses upon various occasions. In our state we have made a special effort this year in behalf of State Missions, for our state is but poorly supplied with Baptist churches. Our people have great confidence in the management of the Home Board and will rally more and more to its support. We greatly regret the fact that our zifts this year were not larger.

Eufaula, I. T .- I feel weak and know that I am not strong as I would like to be. It is only on account of ignorance of the Good Book, but the Good Lord may see that I can do more good as I am, therefore I feel thankful. Sometimes I am glad that I am not too well educated, because I see men who have what I suppose a good education (but not of my blood), who are disbelievers. Thank God, I know no uneducated Indian who does not believe in a great being, one who the Indians look up to, even if he does not pray to him. My race, in their native tongue, do not take their Maker's name in valn-is not this good? But I must confess most Indians like to drink, which is a great fault. On the night of the first of this month the Lord called from this world one of our best preachers, James Colbert, who was a missionary among us. He was a great and good man. He was never known to take one drop of intexicants in his life, not even in sickness, and he has now gone to his reward. He had some education and was a strong worker in the vineyard. We mourn his loss all over the country, but those of us who are left behind must work the harder, and we ask the help of the Baptist people all over this land. Our farms have been flooded this spring. Some of them are ruined. Crops have been washed away by the floods and the prospects are very gloomy for a great many of these good people, but He that doeth this knoweth best, and we will continue to call on Him for help.

Waiker, I. T .: - I preach regularly to only one church. It is in a location that is well worth holding. I cannot leave them because they are poor. Will stay as long as I can, for they are in the midst of false teachers. I generally preach three times at a place, sometimes four. Can only get a congregation on Saturday night and on Sunday. We have quite a number of Mormon elders in this Territory this spring, but they are making very little headway. We are doing better than last year, all the pastors striving to get Sunday Schools in their churches. The Baptist are beginning to see that a so called Union Sunday School is not worth the time it takes to run it. My special work is in destitute places. I am awakening a good interest. Hope to see some fruit from it.

Every pastor in Missouri owes it to his people and his Lerd, to see that regular collections are taken for missions.—Central Baptist.

The same obligation rests on every pastor everywhere.

We ask the readers of OUR HOME FIELD to excuse delay of this issue, occasioned in part by absence in attending the Southern Baptist Convention, and later on account of family affliction.

The Board desires to largely increase the circulation of OUR HOME FIELD. Please help.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

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Motto:-GO FORWARD.

MISS ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG, EDITOR.

SEND REAPERS.

For consecrated reapers now The Master loud is calling, On darkened souls, on sunny plains, Let Gospel light be falling. O ve who stay in Christian lands, The richest and the poorest, Give consecrated means to send The reapers to the harvest! So shall ye help to win the sheaves To fill the heavenly garner, And grain be richer far than leaves To offer to the Master.

MONTHLY MISSIONARY TOPIC, -ITALY.

Italy is pre-eminently the land of art, the finest painting and statuary in the world being collected there. It is notable for the grandeur of its cathedrals, chief of which are St. Peter's at Rome and the cathedral at Milan.

Italy once had pure religion for Paul preached there, but tradition was placed above the Word of God, errors crept in and the Bible was put entirely out of sight.

it is a very difficult mission field. As in all Catholic countries the majority of the people are ignorant, education having been until recently, almost exclusively in the hands of the priests. Missionaries encounter bitter opposition from priests, and indifference from the people, but Goi has given "exceeding great and precious promises."

No one was allowed to preach the gospel until 1870 when Victor Emmanuel entered Rome with his victorious army. A colporteur entered with the army and began distributing and seiling Bibles.

To Cayour more than any other statesman, liberty of speech is due. He had the motto "A free church in a free State" incorporated in the constitution.

A mission of S. B. C. was opened in 1870, the same year that the temporal power of the Pope was destroyed. One missionary and twenty-five native assistants are now in the employ of the Board. Baptisms last year, 55.

Tempting inducements are held out by the priests to those who will return to their fold, and the converts greatly need the prayers and sympathy of christians.

Chapels are essentials to success. They give an air of permanence and force respect for the work. The converts are too poor to build them. To whom shall the Board look for help? Who will God hold responsible if His work be retarded?

The population of Italy is over 31,000,000; more than half are women. In their spiritual blindness, they appeal to those who have been called to be "labourers together with God."

THE SECRET OF HAPPINESS.

Service is the natural expression of love; the love which is unwilling to sacrifice is only a sentiment or fair biossom from which no fruit can be expected. Service for God is also the secret of happiness, for and we claim the right of its practice." Quoting at small cost with leaflets upon any through consecration of self, life is enriched by the words of Dr. H. G. Gibson, "Shall such a fee." Send two-cent stamp for catalogue.

yielding sweeter fragrance and riper fruitage. How fitting then that thanks should be returned for the privilege of service. To Him be praise also for inspiring Southern Baptist women to do their part in making this century "the missionary epoch of the church." Helpfulness to the Boards was the avowed purpose of Woman's Missionary Union, but God has led in more paths than was at first contemplated. He has broadened opportunities of service and caused it to be a unifying power, bringing closer together than ever before the missionary forces of the Convention. During the past year, He who is the inspiration of missions, has inclined the hearts of W. M. U. workers in the various States to labour faithfully, and to him is accorded honor and glory for the fact that the contributions of the past year have amounted to \$64,122.63, being more than has been raised in any preceding year since the organization of W. M. U.

TOTALS FOR HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS SINCE ORGANIZATION.

	30,113.00
1800.	31,237.76
1801	38,990.34
1802	44,282.80
1803 (Centennial Year)	62,336.75
1804	45,128.50
1805	48,065.96
1806	56.342.10
1807	53,407.64
1808 (Including contributions to Sunday	
School Board)	58,293.51
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School Board	64,112.73
Grand Total S	

A DOUBLE CAUSE FOR THANKSGIVING.

The contributions of Woman's Missionary Union for the past year are in excess of those of any preceding year, including the Centennial Year when so much special effort was made. Nor is this all, for not only is it true of the aggregate, but there has been an increase in contributions to each of the three Boards.

With grateful hearts, let us "Magnify the Lord and exalt His name together."

W. M. U. CONTRIBUTIONS TO HOME MISSIONS, APRIL 1898, APRIL 1899.

Showing Division into Cash and Value of Boxes.

STATE.	CASH.	VALUE OF BOXES	TOTAL,
Alabama	\$ 723.51	\$ 1,944 67	\$ 2,608 28
Arkansas	357-90	139.42	488 41
District of Columbia	16,00	117.25	330.37
Florida	045,70	222.25	1,081.95
Georgia	7,718.18.	3,175,40	4,433 35
Indian Territory	41.01		41.95
Kentucky	901-43	1,053.07	2,915.50
Louisiana.	175.11	444,50	625.11
Marriand	802,42	*3,008.04	3,900,46
Mississippi	1,648,00	044-55	2.023.54
Missouri	777 04	1,051.11	1,529.24
North Carolina	1,189.04	2,271,55	5.491.22
Oklahema	3-49	********	1.49
South Carolina	9/27-20	1,193 44	2,191 14
Tennessee	1,077.32	1,519 47	3,715,74
"Young South '	3.30		3/59
Texas	699.42	25 1.28	1,403.00
Virginia (7,408,33	1,349.34	4,617.67
West North Carolina **			191 (1
Total	£14.129 67	\$ 22,567.05	\$36,666.73

Microbated to German Industrial Schools, \$137.63. **Six retails Teport; now consolidated with Raptus State Convention.

A DARK SCENE.

While the alarm has been sounded before, attention is directed to the following startling facts: In tire official report of the Mormon church for 1898, it is stated that the number of converts exceeded that of any other year. 60,000 was the number. It is a mistake to suppose that Marmon women are not in sympathy with polygamy. At a meeting of 2,000 women in Salt Lake City, amid great enthusiasm, a resolution bearing on polygamy was passed in which were these words: "We endorse it as one of the most important principals in our holy religion,

tering, dangerous, loathsome ulcer (as Mormonism) be allowed to work its deadly effects in the body politic with no effort to counteract or remove it?" God forbid.

A WONDROUS OPPORTUNITY.

In startling contrast to the dark Mormon scene from Christian America is the present condition of affairs in Cuba. During all the stormy days of war, the faithful women missionaries continued the day and Sunday-schools, though their forms had become shadowy from lack of food. Now the people are actually hungering and thirsting for the truth as it is in Jesus. One writes: "O, if you could only have seen the eager, tear stained faces of the men and women who drank in the truth today." Rev. A. J. Diaz has gathered together the fragments of the churches in Havana and is preaching to immense congregations. Brethren Cova and O'Halloran have met with great success, the latter has baptized over 100. A member of the Board writesi "It seems from Dr. Powell's representations, which are thoroughly sustained by information from various sources, that it would be an easy matter for Baptists to capture the whole Island, if we had the means to go forward and occupy the fields that are so inviting."

THE BIBLE FUND.

The Bible Fund of the Sunday-school Board is becoming a well known term. Southern Baptists are appreciating the advantages of advancing work in their own territory through their own organizations. Quoting from Miss M. Buhlmaler (missionary of the Home Board to the Germans in Baltimore,) "It is so much more pleasant to go home to get a thing than to be obliged to go begging for it."

During the past year, grants of Bibles and Testaments were made for distribution among the foreign population, on the frontier, among Cuban refugees in Plorida and even In Africa. Rev. O'Halloran, missionary in Cuba, has also been supplied with a large number and the Board hopes to be able to fur nish all that may be required on that island where for so long Bibles have been unknow ...

CHILDREN'S DAY IN JUNE.

Children's Day in June was inaugurated last year' as a means of interesting Sunday-school scholars in the very important work of increasing the Bible Fund of the Sunday-school Board. Another attractive program has been prepared by Woman's Missionary Union for the present month. All contributions sent will be doubled by the Sunday school Board out of appropriations from its business. In other words five dollars Children's Day Offering from any Sunday-school, will be the means of sending forth as missionaries, ten dollars worth of Bibles.

Is your school making preparations for Children's ting? If not, kindly remember the two following facts: First, it is not yet too late; second, as many programs and collection envelopes as are desired may be obtained free of charge, by making application to the Sunday-school Board, Nashville, Tennessee.

Why not take another step forward by conferring with the paster and Sunday-school superintendent regarding the matter, and doing all in your power To make Children's Day a blessing to the school and to those who know not the truth?

THE BAPTIST MISSION ROOMS

304 N. Howard street, Baltimore, is prepared to furnish Massion leaflets covering every field and phase of Missionary effort.

Pastors and Missionary workers may be supplied at small cost with leaflets upon any desired topic.

Receipts of Home Mission Board.

Receipts from April 15th to May 30th, 1899.

\$130.48. cash, corrected, \$223 61.

CALIFORNIA: Previously reported since May, cash, 300.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Cash, E. Washington Heights ch. \$10, Fifth ch. Washington, \$200. Gay St. ch. Washington \$400. tsich Washington, \$200. Total, \$418 00.

Previously reported boxes, \$217.85, cash, \$17.09. Total since May, tocase, \$217.85, cash, corrected, \$501.09.

FLORIDA: Boxes reported by Miss A. W. A., W. M. S., Jacksonville, \$20, W. M. S., Brooksville, \$800. Total, \$42, S. Previously reported boxe. \$204.85, \$237.40.

Cor. Secty, \$44,800. Total, \$44,85. Previously reported boxe. \$204.85, \$237.40.

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bozen, 81,765,27, czah, £2,703,95. Total since May, boxes, \$1,859,57, cash, corrected, \$2,159,57.

XAN: Boxes, reported by Misse A. W. A., W. M. S., Ifyee Park, \$8,77; V. L. S., Tyler, \$37; W. M. S., as ich. Dallas, \$19, Total \$69, 72. Cash, Antice ch. \$17, Pleas and View ch. \$1,65, W. M. S., as t. ch. Marshall, \$2, A. H., Branchville, \$2, Custer City ch. \$8, Kerr's Chappel \$8, 59, Marselouin at \$4, 79, Rose Hill ch. \$2, Se, Eine City ch. \$1, S., Aren's Chappel \$8, 59, Marselouin at \$4, 79, Rose Hill ch. \$2, Se, Eine Store Asi's Ros at, sit ch. Formey Son, Holber Springs, Corrath and Mt. Hospe ch. \$10, Garrison ch. \$1, 20, as th. Hillsbore \$25, Avaleach ch. \$2, 17, C. A. Chappel \$1, S., Cartison ch. \$2, 20, as th. Hillsbore \$25, Avaleach ch. \$2, 17, ct. ch. Meridian \$86, W. M. \$1, as t. ch. San Antonia (additional \$1, 20, E. T. R., Alvanada, for Cuba, \$2, White Hall ch. \$2, 10, Mt. Zion ch. \$2, Mt. Clive ch. \$60, Mr. W. W. A., Reinbarg, \$2, B. B. S. Call, \$4, Rockford ch. \$2, Birdsville ch. \$2, 50, J. B. Garbierell, Supi't, \$2,08, 54, Total \$5,37,37. Previously reported, bases \$566,50, cash \$1,352,50. Total store May, boxes conjected \$565,78, cash corrected \$3,54,52.

VIRGINIA: Rozes, reported by Miss A. W. A., L. M. S., Olivet \$40. Cash, S. S. Misslon day, J. M. F., \$17.59, E. A., Jacobs, Tr., \$3,114.46, Giddings ch. \$5,50. Total \$3,147.48. Previously reported, buxes \$4,000, \$3, cash \$3,89,0. Total since May, boxes corrected \$5,749.34, cash corrected \$7,349.34, cash corrected, boxes \$90.37. Total since May, boxes \$90.37, cash \$20. Star, \$7,349.34, cash \$24,574.56.

GGREGATE: Boxes \$57,86, Cash \$25,745.6. Previously reported boxes \$87,933.74, cash \$34,574.56.

Total since May, corrected, boxes \$90,5706, cash \$65,794.55.

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