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THEY KNOW THEIR BUSINESS.

There were a number of interesting things incidentally appearing during the meeting of the commission with the Home Board. Perhaps one of the most striking was the thorough acquaintance shown by the Board with the details of its work. This, of course, was not surprising, but it was gratifying. It was a marvel to see how different members of the Board had information at their finger tips on any question touching their work. Those "longheaded" business men whose hands are full of their own affairs have evidently given painstaking thought to the interests committed by the denomination to their keeping. The preachers on the Board amid all the multiplied duties of city pastorates, have given the same earnest heed to the various phases to Home Mission work. The whole body knows its business. Their plans and policies are based on a wide and long acquaintance with facts and are not the sudden lunges of poorly informed people who feel that something or other ought to be done.

To acquire such a knowledge of so vast a work must have taken much time from men to whom time is of very great value. As we looked into their quiet, determined faces, and then thought of the storm of criticism forever howling about them we wondered how long they would continue to give gratuitous service, whose immediate reward is so liberally mixed with kicks and blows. They are not above criticism. No servant of the churches must ever be. But the reckless speech of many brethren needs to be tempered with reason and love—and fact—else the time may come when the patience of the patient will break down and the convention will be unable to command the service of men whose wisdom it daily needs. And we would make this last remark apply to all our Boards, State, Home, Foreign, Sunday School, Colleges, Orphanages and all else.

These denominational servants are all too often regarded as legitimate marks for any man who has an arrow to shoot. Nor are the arrows always free from poison.—*The Alabama Baptist*.

President R. T. Vann, of the Baptist Female University of North Carolina:

Please permit a hearty amen to Sec. L. Johnson's commendation of A. E. Brown in your October number. Not only are the gracious changes reported by Bro. Johnson observable in the mountains, but the central colleges are beginning to feel the influence of these mountain schools in the increase and finer quality of their patronage.

Brown is not an experiment but a tested success. Taking up this kind of work a few years ago as a sort of side line, in a region where dollars were large and scarce and with little or no outside help, he has dotted the mountains with high schools and academies whose light is already shining afar.

To those familiar with the facts it is doubtful whether the Home Board could have discovered in all the South a better man for this work than A. E. Brown.

Raleigh October 18, 1904.

THE SECOND STEP.

The above caption is the title to an interesting leaflet written by Rev. H. A. Sumrell in which the natural and Divinely appointed order of world-wide evangelization is clearly set forth. The Home Mission Board has printed a revised edition of this leaflet, copies of which will be sent free upon application in quantities sufficient for distribution in Churches and Mission Societies.

The following is the closing paragraphs of this excellent little leaflet:

Have we not minimized, if indeed not belittled this second step? Have we not been tempted to look from Judea unto the uttermost parts with diminishing regard for the importance of Samaria? I would not for one moment, nor in the least



MISS SOPHIA FERNER,
Co-worker of Miss Marie Buhlmaier at Immigrant Pier,
Baltimore.

measure, retard the present splendid ratio of enlargement in Foreign Missions. It is too noble, too inspiring, and lies too close to the heart of the great king for such a thought to once be indulged. But there is power enough in the Gospel, and there are men enough and there is money enough among us to at the same time quadruple the facilities and energies of our Home Board.

"These"—the noble enlargement and the many sided conquests in Foreign Missions—"ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other"—the essential and fundamental work of Home Missions—"undone." Brethren, shall we not redouble our efforts for Samaria? Opportunities and demands for work in this particular field have increased astonishingly with the rapid growth of our Southland. Never was the work of this Board greater or more urgent than at this very hour.

Situations, little dreamed of by the fathers, grave in their magnitude, have arisen and are calling for the power and patience of the Gospel of Christ. By order of our beloved Convention, the Home Board is attempting more resolutely than ever, and upon a greatly enlarged basis, to

heed these calls and meet these situations. As never before in its history, and with a faith born out of a vision of God and sublime in its stalwartness, it is saying to the world, "There is power enough in the Atoning Blood to save any soul, however debauched by sin, to master any situation however grave or intricate".

Brethren, shall we not in earnest prayerfulness and liberal giving say, without a reservation, "Amen".

And thus shall we hasten the coming of the day when from Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and the uttermost parts of the earth the redeemed of the King shall

"To him all majesty ascribe,
And crown him Lord of all".

HOME MISSIONS.

A church which, in its zeal for foreign missions, overlooks the claims of the home field, is like a man who attempts to build a house without foundations. In America the work of foreign missions lies in part at our very doors, in evangelizing the millions of heathen thronging to this country from every nation under the sun. To neglect America is for the Christian army to neglect its base of supplies; it is surrendering its citadel to the enemy while attempting to maintain its outposts.

The missionary work of the church is one work: it is a seamless coat that should not be divided. The great commission obligates the local church, and, indeed, every individual Christian, to do all that is possible for the evangelization of the members of his own family, his neighbors, his fellow-citizens, the stranger within his gates, and the inhabitants of the world.—*The Home Mission Monthly*.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY TRAINING SCHOOL.

Plans have been perfected for establishing a Missionary Training School for women in connection with the Buckner Orphan's Home at Dallas, Texas. It is to be operated under the immediate direction of Dr. R. C. Buckner, with the following excellent faculty: Dr. R. C. and Mrs. Buckner, Dr. J. B. and Mrs. Gambrell, Rev. Geo. W. and Mrs. McDaniel, Dr. Geo. W. Truett, Rev. W. M. Hall, and Rev. T. J. Waine.

There is a growing demand for training of this character and the above efficient and well poised corps of instructors gives promise of a work of great usefulness to the denomination.

Home Missions, beyond all question, is the basis of foreign missions. If an army is to advance into the country of the enemy, it needs a strong base of supply to sustain its operation. If the Church had been spreading itself more systematically at home, it would be supporting a far larger number on the foreign field. The Church has lost rich, valuable territory enough in the west to support a dozen men in China or Japan. * * * Money must be spent in the home field as a basis of operation for the foreign.—*At Our Own Door*.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

Look at the Honor Roll and See who is helping to swell our subscription list. Many others are sending smaller lists, with equal fidelity to the cause. Help us brother, sister.

Is there any mission work that equals in results that in our Western territories? Over 1500 baptisms by the missionaries of our Board in Indian Territory last year. About the same in Oklahoma.

The work in the territories not only yields immediate results but is permanent. The churches soon become self-supporting, and in turn not only help evangelize their own country, but give liberally to foreign missions.

Rev. C. D. Daniel writes of baptisms in Havana and speaks hopefully of the work. He cries out for more men for Cuba. Give us the money, brethren, and we will send the men. Rev. C. C. Carroll has been sick for some time, but is improving slowly.

On our first page is the picture of Miss Ferber, the devoted co-worker of Miss Bußmaier, at Immigrant Pier in Baltimore. Miss Ferber is suffering from overwork and needs our sympathy and prayers. She is a most faithful and consecrated worker.

There were more than 500 baptisms by our missionaries last year in Comanche County, Oklahoma. The revival spirit is sweeping over large portions of the territories. Let us pray for those heroic toilers on the Western plains and give of our means to carry on the glorious work.

The demands in Cuba are urgent. Now is the time for us to take the Island while

the minds of the people are turning to American customs and thought, and, as they think, American religion. If we wait they will go to the other extreme of Catholicism, which is indifference, skepticism, and infidelity. Let us give them the Gospel now.

"Every time I read the Home Field I love both Home and Foreign Missions better". So writes one of the best women of Georgia. Thanks, sister. It is one cause. No better compliment could be given Our Home Field. It is for both home and foreign missions.

The Home Board needs \$200,000 for its work this year. Of that amount we have agreed, under certain conditions, to spend \$15,000 for work among the negroes, which is less than one-thirteenth of the whole amount needed. Surely the \$15,000 is little enough for 9,000,000 Negroes.

The proposed step of the Home Board in opening the mission in Panama will strike a responsive cord in the hearts of our people. This Panama strip is to be one of the world's centers of population and commercial influence. Our people will cheerfully supply the money for us to take it for Christ as it develops.

When the great collection was being taken for Blackwell College at the Oklahoma Convention, a brother got up and pledged \$20 to be paid by picking cotton. He and a few around him pledged \$5.00 each. Another brother announced that the Ladies Society of his church would soon have a cotton picking day to help build their house of worship! Let us help those women.

The Southern Baptist Convention endorsed the Home Board's plans for enlarged co-operative work among the Negroes and so did the Negro Convention at Austin, Texas. The only difference being this: The Negro Convention put a limit of one year and our Southern Convention put no limit as to the time. The Negroes, in line with the Southern Baptist Convention, appointed a Commission to counsel with the Negro Home Mission Board during the year.

The clear, level head of Dr. Frost, in connection with the exceptional opportunities he has had for forming a deliberate judgment in regard to the organization, character and work of The (Negro) National Baptist Convention, gives such authority to his conclusions as will commend any utterance from him on the subject to the confidence of the denomination. We hope it will be the pleasure of our readers generally to read the comprehensive article from Dr. Frost's pen, which appears in this issue.

OUR SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND CUBAN CHAPELS.

October the 9th was set apart for gifts by our Sunday Schools in the South to our Cuban Chapel Fund. Quite a number of superintendents have written us saying other things interfered with their schools on the 9th of October, but that they would have their schools set apart a day in the near future for our Cuban Chapel Fund. We beg every superintendent whose school has not had a part in this great work to give his pupils an opportunity at the earliest day possible. Many schools joined in the effort and their contributions are coming in beautifully. The total amount will be very gratifying.

Our pastors can greatly aid in the movement by helping the superintendents with the Sunday School. The cry for chapels comes up from every mission station in Cuba. Let us help, and help immediately and generously.

OUR HOME FIELD.

Our friends are doing nobly. The subscriptions are coming in grandly. Last month we received 1542, and we asked for 2000 during October. As we go to press, we have more than the 2000, with eight days of October to still swell the list! The Lord and the brethren have gone beyond our request even. We shall in all probability receive 2500 subscriptions during October. We want as many, for November and the other months till next May. Then our aim for the year will be reached viz., 30,000 subscribers! That ought to mean more than 100,000 readers, and this ought to mean thousands of souls inspired with fresh and abiding zeal for our great Home Mission Work. Brother, sister, help us put the paper into the homes of the people. As never before we shall fill its pages with the facts and figures about our work. Look at the Honor Roll for this issue and see who are comrades in the great work of putting the paper into the homes of our people. Many others have sent us smaller lists for which we are sincerely thankful, but we have not the space to publish all their name. Let the names come! Let the list enlarge! And may God bless all the workers.

"THEY KNOW THEIR BUSINESS."

Turn and read that article on page 1. It is true, every word of it. Our Home Board Members do "know their business", and, what is equally true and quite as important, they are attending to their business.

They lay aside their own personal business and come seriously and prayerfully every first Tuesday afternoon of each month to attend to this great denominational interest.

In the meantime, most of the work of the month has been done by them in spec-

ial Committees, making it possible to expedite business at the regular monthly Board meeting. We thus have the matured judgement of business men, lawyers and ministers put in written form for the consideration of the whole Board. The work of the Board is divided among the following Committees:

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We thank the Alabama Baptist for its appreciative treatment of Our Home Board members. It would be a graceful thing if the other papers would print the appreciation and thus let the Baptists of the South know who their servants are that administer the affairs of their Home Mission Board.

A CLUSTER OF CONVENTIONS.

The Indian Territory Convention

met at Vinita in the northeastern part of the Territory Sept. 22-24, the place of meeting having been changed from Holdenville, a few weeks before the Convention met. Pastor A. G. Washburn and his excellent people gave abundant hospitality and were not at all embarrassed by the brief time in which they had to prepare for the coming hosts.

Rev. E. D. Cameron was elected President and Rev. W. P. Blake Secretary. The attendance was good, the spirit of the meeting fine. The work of Corresponding Secretary J. C. Stalcup showed up gloriously. More than 1500 baptisms by the Missionaries were reported and other phases of the work were most encouraging. A small financial deficit was provided for by a few brethren before the report of the Mission Board was read, and the Convention was confronted with no debt. They

had raised nearly \$5000 for Territorial Missions. They propose a great advance for another year and promised larger gifts to Home Missions. In many places great revivals were reported and the outlook for the future is glorious.

Our Home Board is spending some \$5,000 a year in the work. Besides, we are helping to the extent of \$2,000 to supply the demands for houses of worship. But we must help them more. In many instances, \$100, or \$250, or \$500 would guarantee the erection of a neat church building in a growing town and establish our cause for all time to come. Nowhere on earth does mission work tell for more than the work in the territories.

Oklahoma Convention.

Immediately following that of Indian Territory, came the Oklahoma Convention at Shawnee, in the beautiful valley of Canadian river. It vies with Oklahoma City in claiming to be the Magic City of the plains. Only nine years old, it has a population of more than 20,000 and is growing at a great rate. The clans came from all quarters. A great tent was necessary to hold the crowds. The air was electrical. From every quarter came glorious reports of work done. All former years were eclipsed, a great tidal wave of evangelism had been sweeping over the plains, especially over the West and Southwest.

More than 1500 baptisms were reported by the missionaries, new churches organized, houses of worship built, pastorates made self-supporting,—all departments of benevolence looked after. The subscriptions for Blackwell College were enough to provide for the debt and the outlook for the school is better than ever. The Home Board this year is spending \$5,000. in the Territory for mission work and \$2,000 for church building. As in the Indian Territory, one great need is houses of worship. Build a neat chapel in a western town now and next year the church will be on its feet and in a year or two become self-supporting and give hundreds of dollars to our general work. But now is the time. Sow there now and almost immediately we will reap a great harvest, and in the years to come an hundred fold.

The hospitality of Pastor Wolfe and the Shawnee people was great. We had to leave just before the Convention closed to meet an engagement in Memphis, but left with a mighty conviction of the greatness of our work in that country.

The Missouri Convention.

Rather, to be technical, it should be the General Association. The meeting place was the beautiful town of Chillicothe in the Northwestern part of the state, time, Oct. 16-19. A fine atmosphere pervaded the meetings from start to finish. The attendance was excellent and the Secretaries, Breaker and West, reported through their respective mission boards the greatest year of their history. The discussions were able and timely. Evangelism received due

emphasis and that work will be stressed the coming year. An advance on Home Mission Contributions over any previous year and a purpose to still increase their gifts to this great cause made us rejoice. Missouri is a great Home Mission territory. The foreigner is there. A large number of Swedes, 800,000 Germans, and still other nationalities, make that a great and needy mission field. Baptists need to take the great centres of that mighty commonwealth. St. Joseph, Kansas City, Joplin and St. Louis are the four great centres of influence, with a combined population of more than a million! OUR HOME BOARD is helping in all these places. We have an evangelist among the Germans, work among the Swedes, will soon have a missionary in Joplin, and ought to spend \$10,000 this year in St. Louis in addition to what we are doing.

Missouri is a mighty empire, vast in extent of territory, rich in soil, bracing in climate, immense in wealth, centrally located, and destined more and more to be felt among the sisterhood of states.

As in so many states, NOW is the supreme opportunity for Baptists. They are numerous and wealthy, and are girding themselves for great things.

President E. W. Stephens ran things delightfully. His zeal in preparing for a great afternoon Laymen's Conference was richly rewarded by the presence of a large number of the leading laymen of the state. We left the body with the conviction that the coming year is to be one of vast progress among Missouri Baptists. May the Lord lead them!

ANENT PRESENT PLAN OF WORK AMONG THE NEGROES.

It would be interesting to trace the sentiment of Southern Baptists in regard to their obligations and plans for work among the Negroes, as expressed by the Southern Baptist Convention from year to year since its organization. Steadied by years of experience along the lines laid down by the deliberate judgment of the Convention, the Home Board has wrought out its present plans for enlarged work among the Negroes. It is a notable fact that the present plans of work are not new and novel in character or purpose, but are in perfect accord and harmony with work that has been most satisfactorily done for many years.

The similarity, as well as the natural development of this work, is clearly shown in the past records of the Home Board, and of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Annual Report of the Board to the Convention at Montgomery in 1886, eighteen years ago, contained the following:

In all this broad land there is no Christian work which has stronger claims upon us, none in which we can hope for more blessed results to ourselves or to those for whom we labor, than among the colored people of the South.

We have been thinking, and talking, and planning for years as to how best to do this work. In the opinion of your Board, the time has now come for earnest, vigorous action. We believe that God has placed before us an open door, which we trust no man can shut. For the first time in the history of this Convention, more than twenty colored preachers are enrolled among its missionaries. They have been selected by those who knew them to be capable of instructing their brethren, and faithful to their Master's work. They have, by earnestness and zeal, proved themselves worthy of the trust confided to their hands. We need such in every State in the South. The great mass of the colored people are under the influence of the Baptists. Of the seven millions of them, perhaps five millions of them hold the Baptist as the church of their choice.

Upon the consideration of the above report of the Home Board by a special representative Committee appointed by the Convention, a report was submitted to, and unanimously adopted by the Convention, which contained the following endorsement of the Board's plan, and instruction for enlargement:

The plan adopted by the Home Mission Board of sending to the destitute among the colored people, missionaries of their own color, appears to be wise and to give promise of the best results.

The progress of religious knowledge and education in the colored ministry furnishes many acceptable and eligible workers. The choice of missionaries is often a delicate and difficult task, but not more so here than in other cases, and the Board may safely be trusted with such a power.

Your Committee recommends the adoption of the following:

Resolved, 1st. That the work of the Home Mission Board among the colored people meets the cordial endorsement and approval of this Convention; and that said Board be authorized and empowered in their discretion to apply the sum of ten thousand dollars of the funds coming in during the next year from churches and people tributary to this Convention, to the carrying on and enlarging of said work.

2d. That our churches and congregations be earnestly requested and urged to raise the sum of ten thousand dollars for this work during next year, in addition to their ordinary contributions and as opportunity offers, to aid young colored ministers in acquiring education and more perfect training for their work.

FIELD NOTES.

M. P. HUNT, FIELD SECRETARY.

Bales Ave. Church of Kansas City is one of great promise. Here Dr. W. J. Williamson began his work while a student of William Jewell. From the first the work enjoyed phenomenal prosperity. So when at the end of ten years he laid it down to go to the Third Church, St. Louis, Mo., it was the largest of all the Baptist Churches in Kansas City. The field is capable of limitless development. Rev. H. H. Hulton, a Missouri boy, a graduate of William Jewell College and of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, who during a pastorate of four years has accomplished a phenomenal work at Shelbyville, Ind., has just come to Bales Ave., in answer to a unanimous and enthusiastic call. It was mine to run in home and supply for this people's church on Sept. 18th and to receive the incoming pastor and his wife into the church. A great work is confidently expected.

Deleware Association, Ind. Ter.,

Held its recent session with Bartlesville Baptist Church. This is one of the strongest associations

in the territory and is accomplishing a truly great work. There were several Delaware Indians delegates present and great interest and enthusiasm was awakened in the discussion of the report on District Missions, and the churches pledged the support of two District Missionaries and they are at work. One of them is to give special attention to the work among the Delaware. The reports from most of the churches indicated a revival spirit and a hopeful outlook.

Blue River Association, Mo.

This Association includes Kansas City and adjacent territory on the Missouri side. The body is composed of some forty seven churches and has some 11,000 members. Of the forty-five letters read at the recent meeting at Pleasant Hill, forty-three reported offerings for Foreign Missions, and thirty-three for Home Missions. This is the best showing of any Association I have attended as to Foreign Missions. When will pastors and churches come to understand that Home Missions are just as essential as Foreign and that it is the Home Mission work that is to make possible large things in the years to come for Foreign Missions? It is a short sighted vision that magnifies Foreign Missions at the expense of Home Missions. My plea is not less for Foreign Missions, but more for Home Missions, the great basal work that is to build up and develop the plant that is to evangelize the world.

The Indian Territorial Convention.

At Vinita was indeed a great meeting. Pastor A. G. Washburn and his good people entertained the body royally. The evangelistic and missionary spirit ran high from the beginning. The introductory sermon by Rev. C. Stablefield, pastor at Durant, was a splendid heart to heart message from a faithful servant of God to his brethren and co-laborers. Territorial Sec'y J. C. Stalcup submitted his first annual report and in spite of many adverse circumstances, notably amongst them the recent prolonged and serious illness of his wife, was by the grace of some liberal pledges from several leading laymen and pastors for themselves and churches enabled to report no debt and also to show a large advance in the offerings for Territorial Missions. This year we may confidently expect them to pass the \$5,000 mark for territorial Mission, and the day dawn when they are going to be able in a large measure to care for the destitution within their bounds, and to turn into the treasury of the Home Board, that has so long and liberally helped them, bountiful offerings for answering the calls for the great unevangelized cities of our Southland. In Indian Territory last year the Baptists organized fifty churches, fifty-five Bible schools, baptized 2500 converts and built eighteen houses of worship. The spirit of unity and brotherly love that prevailed was indeed beautiful and promises much for the advance of our work. Grace, grit and gumption will give us in this territory, soon to be made a state, a great Baptist commonwealth. The Mission money poured into this land is soon to come back with interest. Sec'y Gray by his inimitable addresses enlarged the already large place he and the Home Mission Board have in the hearts of the Indian Territory Baptists. Of course J. C. Stalcup was continued in office and the work of Territorial Missions is to be more aggressively pressed than ever before.

Rev. J. B. Rounds, who some months ago was led to give up his work as missionary to the Choctaw and Chickasaw, was again most heartily and enthusiastically re-elected. This move came as a great surprise to Bro. Rounds who had made application to our Richmond Board to go to the Foreign Field. But it was the judgement of all associated with Bro. Rounds that for this work he is peculiarly fitted and so the Board asked him to prayerfully consider the matter and decide between the Indians and Foreign work. I am glad to report that Bro. Rounds after a struggle sees it his duty to accept the Indian work to which he at once gives himself.

One of the most striking and pleasing incidents of Vinita meeting was the singing of Rev. Mose O. Field and his choir, all full blood Cherokees. Rev. E. D. Cameron the popular and efficient pastor at South McAlester was made moderator and bore his honors gracefully and presided like a veteran.

The Oklahoma Convention.

Oklahoma territorial meeting followed hard on that of the Indian Territory. Shawnee, the second city of the territory, was the place. Pastor L. C. Wolfe and people had the matter of caring for the Convention well in hand. The sessions were held under a large tent. The visiting brethren were the same as at Vinita and added much to the meeting. Here is the list.

Baptist Publication Society, Dr. R. G. Seymour, Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Dr. I. J. Van Ness and Rev. R. M. Inlow. Foreign Mission Board, Dr. R. E. Bomar. Home Mission Board, Dr. B. D. Gray. Missionary Union, Dr. I. N. Clark. Home Mission Society, Drs. E. E. Chivers, N. B. Rairden, and Rev. J. H. Franklin.

The Baptist Argus of Louisville, Rev. H. E. Cleaton. The Word and Way, Kansas City, Dr. S. M. Brown. Western Baptist, South McAlester, Dr. J. L. Walker. Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Dr. W. O. Carver. Kansas City Theological Seminary, Pres. Cannell. Missionary Sec'y C. W. Brewer read his first annual report and in many ways it was ideal. In spite of the fact that at the beginning of the year three months were lost by the protracted illness and ultimate death of former Sec'y L. L. Smith, Bro. Brewer was enabled to show an increase of a \$1000 over the year previous and all obligations provided for.

The reports of the missionaries like those of Indian Territory told of gracious meetings and many baptisms. The Baptists of Oklahoma will endeavor to go from \$3100 this year for Territorial Missions to \$5000 the coming year.

Rev. J. A. Scott the evangelist will continue to work under the direction of the Territorial Board. His labors have been greatly blessed. Rev. J. L. H. Hawkins of whose phenomenal work in Comanche Co. notice was made last month was also elected to evangelize under the direction of the Territorial Board. Much to the disappointment of many he declines that he may serve as the missionary of his own, Comanche Co. Association.

Blackwell College.

For four years this school has been struggling against a burdensome debt. For the last six months Rev. A. P. Stone has given himself to an effort to save the school. At times it looked like the undertaking was impossible. But in spite of many discouragements, he pressed on and reported at the Convention that \$2,000 additional subscriptions would save the property. After several good speeches, your scribe took pledges aggregating \$2000 and something over. If this school pulls out as it now promises to do, it will owe its existence to the indefatigable work of A. P. Stone and the generous help of our Home Board.

A resolution recommending to the churches that all offerings for Home Missions be equally divided between the Home Mission Society of New York and the Home Board of Atlanta, Ga., and that all offerings for Foreign Missions be equally divided between the Foreign Mission Board at Richmond and the Missionary Union of New York and that all offerings for Bible Work be equally divided between the American Baptist Publication Society of Philadelphia, and the Sunday School Board of Nashville, Tenn. was unanimously adopted.

Rev. W. C. Burnett was appointed to Mission work among the Osage Indians with headquarters at Pawhuska.

Miss Lura Stump, our lady missionary to the Osages, is starting off well in her work.

Rev. J. W. Campbell who has recently opened

a private school in the Baptist church at Pawhuska reports a good opening with fine prospects for a splendid work.

The little struggling church at Pawhuska was enabled to erect the building of three rooms last year that now serves as church home and school house at once, through the liberal help of our Home Board.

Rev. C. W. James of Comanche, Iowa, has just accepted a call to the pastorate to the Pawhuska church to succeed Bro. Burnett who gives all his time to work among the Indians.

Pattee Park, St. Joseph.

This was my church before becoming a wanderer. A matter of business called me that way Saturday, Oct. 2nd, and Sunday morning following I slipped in late and found my way into one of the parlors just to the rear of the pulpit and heard the new pastor, Rev. W. M. Anderson, formerly of the 1st church, Oklahoma City, preach his initiating sermon. It was a good message from the words "God forbid that I should glory save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ." Just as he announced the closing hymn I walked in on him. The surprise of himself and congregation can be better imagined than told. I tried to say a few words calculated to help pastor and people and a hymn and general handshaking followed after which it was my pleasure to receive Pastor Anderson and wife into the church. Blessed church, fortunate pastor.

Savannah, Mo.

This is the county seat of Andrew Co. and has a population of some 2000 souls and is some eighteen miles N. E. of St. Joseph. Up to a little more than two years ago the place had no Baptist church. Some two years ago Bro. J. N. Hartley came to the church as her first pastor. He had accomplished a phenomenal work at Paragould, Ark. and good things were expected of him at Savannah, but he and his people have surpassed all of our expectations. In a little over two years the church has gone from 45 to more than 100 members and built and paid for a \$11,000 church house, and this year every member made an offering to Home and Foreign Missions. The church is aggressive along all lines and takes first rank among the churches of the town. Pastor and people believe in the Southern Baptist Convention and co-operate heartily with our Mission Boards and use the Nashville literature. Sunday night, Oct. 2nd, I was with Pastor Hartley and preached to an audience that crowded the building. Although a goodly number of our Foreign Mission Journals and Home Fields were already taken, yet in just a few minutes fifteen new names were added.

Missouri Negro Baptists.

They are numerous and are doing things. At this writing they are holding their State meeting with the Francis St. Church of St. Joseph. It was mine to be present and preach the second day of the Women's meeting which precedes the Convention proper. I was greatly pleased with what I saw and they gave me a splendid hearing.

Miss Annie W. Armstrong's recent visit to Missouri and the two territories was productive of great good, what a treasure she is to our Southern Zion, what an inspiration to come in touch with one so thoroughly given up to the service of our Lord and his church.

OUR HOME FIELD HONOR ROLL.

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THE NEGRO NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION.

Two Great Sessions Described.

REV. J. M. FROST, D. D.

I have visited two sessions of this Negro Convention, at Nashville, 1899 and at Birmingham, 1902, having gone to Birmingham under special invitation and addressed the Convention on their "Publishing Interests as a Negro Industry." I had the company of Dr. A. C. Davidson, a pastor in the city, and Dr. S. M. Provence, now of Tuskegee, Alabama.

Of course I saw much more of the Nashville meeting being present frequently in company with other brethren. Addresses of welcome were delivered by the Governor of the State, by a Nashville city official, and by the late Dr. John O. Rust. The response from a member of the Convention was admirable in fitness and finish, and awakened the enthusiastic admiration of the visitors. At one time I was accompanied by Dr. F. H. Kerfoot since deceased, who chanced to be spending the day with me enroute to Atlanta, Ga. to take charge of the Home Mission Board to whose Secretaryship he had then lately been elected. He took advantage of the opportunity to see the Negroes in Convention, was called on for a speech, and responded with his usual vigor and effectiveness.

It is National.

This Negro Convention is national as to territory, constituency and scope of work. It is organized much after the general plan of the Southern Baptist Convention, with three Boards, namely, The Home Mission, The Foreign Mission and the Educational Boards. At first these three Boards had each its annual Convention, were practically three Societies all meeting together at the same time and so having their Anniversaries—combining somewhat the Society idea as found among the Baptists at the North and the Convention idea as found among the Baptists of the South as a method of organization and work. But in Atlanta, 1895, the three were merged into one, becoming the National Baptist Convention and retaining the three Boards as the three agencies of the one Convention each to prosecute the same line of work as theretofore.

In each of these meetings, at Nashville and Birmingham, there were present some ten or twelve hundred delegates, coming from nearly every state and territory in the Union, having a constituency almost, if not quite, as large as the constituency of the Southern Baptist Convention, and representing all grades from the men who could not read, to the men who held diplomas from Harvard and other great schools; and representing also vast differences in thought and a great variety of opinions—but all set deeply in one thing, namely, that they were Baptists in their declaration of faith and practice, and deeply set also, it seemed to me, in an honest effort to elevate their race and advance the kingdom of God.

The Convention fell short in the deliberative and administrative quality, and that too, notwithstanding the presiding officer was capable and strong. In this matter the Convention would aim at go to pieces, becoming at times almost turbulent in "raising points of order," and some one seeing this and only this phase of their work, called the Convention "a mob." This was the weak spot in the conduct of their meeting, and I made free to call public attention to it, but in a sympathetic way, having had a taste of such things in other assemblies.

Speaking of High Order.

But on the other hand when the Convention was following the previously prepared program, and the Negroes had under discussion some great question, (the program included some of the vital questions of the day), there was speaking of high

order and creditable in every way. I recall a paper presented the afternoon Dr. Kerfoot and I were there. It was the product of a Negro, and treated of ministerial education in general, but specifically of their founding a Theological Seminary among themselves for the education of their preachers. The paper made a profound impression, and at the close of its reading Dr. Kerfoot who was deeply interested, said to me, "That paper would do credit to Dr. Boyce in his palmiest days." This is a fair sample, perhaps above the average, of things as they came and went at the meeting.

The Convention met last year in Philadelphia, and meets this year in Austin, Tex. The Minutes—a pamphlet of 352 octavo pages—gives abundant information concerning the Baptist Negroes both as to their religious condition throughout the United States, and as to what they are doing religiously through their organized effort. This information, however, though accurate as far as it goes, is sometimes quite crude in form—a fact which will awaken sympathetic regard rather than a spirit of criticism. This fault will be corrected in due time as they advance in experience and skill, and even now the crudeness arises not from any intention to misrepresent, but partly from a lack of skill and partly also from the vast amount of the exhibit which in all sincerity they wish to make of the things being done and being undertaken.

Stand for Self Help.

From these Minutes you learn that the Negro National Convention "stands for self help," for Home and Foreign Missions, for the promotion and publication of religious literature and for fostering the cause of education. They have also their woman's work, and their B. Y. P. U. work, and raise money in considerable sums for all of these objects and are conducting them all with commendable zeal and surprising success. They have listed in their Minutes a large number of schools, numbering some seventy-five, nine of which were founded and are operated by the Home Mission Society of New York, which also pays in part the salaries in some of the other schools.

Without detracting one whit from the generous and large-handed work done by that Society for education among the Negroes in the South, and allowing full consideration for the enormous expenditure made by our own people in the way of taxation for education among the Negroes, still it remains true that the Negroes themselves are doing much in the line of founding and conducting and maintaining their own schools. And then too, the Negroes have paid large sums in the way of patronage to support the Society's schools amounting in one year to \$175,931.55. This amount does not detract from the merit of the Society's gift to education, but must be taken into account in any complete estimate of what the Negroes are doing for their own education.

This Minute of the Convention contains the unfortunate resolution passed at Philadelphia last year to which public attention has been called, that "concerns franchising and disfranchising." Judging from what I have seen in the Convention and from what I know of those who form its very soul and spirit and purpose, I should count this resolution a sporadic, rather than a general trend or even characteristic. Their general purpose and spirit so far as has come under my personal observation, is better illustrated in another case. For example: when the Convention met in Richmond, 1900, Miss Jewett, of Boston, was present and made several efforts to address the body on the question of lynching, but each time she was prevented and was kept from making any speech, until finally she went into the streets to get a hearing, the leaders having determined that she should not speak in the Convention. I heartily condemn any tendency to introduce politics into either their churches or their Conventions for it would work evil and only evil and that continually. And I

have told them so, frankly and stoutly, on more than one occasion. It may be the business of the white Baptists of the South, and now may be our opportunity, to give them a higher ideal of church life, church work and church spirit, and a higher ideal also of Convention life and work. The Negroes are fearfully imitative, and for forty years have had religious and political teachers. Unteaching is a hard, hard task but it may be our solemn duty before God to show them a more excellent way by precept and example. The way will open to this if we can win their confidence and lend a sympathetic ear to the appeal which they are making to us to help them evangelize their race.

Dr. Kerfoot's Initiative.

The visit which Dr. Kerfoot made to the Negro Convention at Nashville bore almost immediate results. He was profoundly impressed by what he saw and heard. His great heart was deeply moved and he was quick to see the strategic situation. He came at once to the conclusion that we should do something sure enough to evangelize the Negroes, and that this could be best done through the Southern Baptist Convention, and that the place for us to take hold most effectively was the Negro National Convention—a force already organized and a mighty power in their religious life. This led to a conference between our Home Mission Board and representatives from the Negro Convention. I was present on Dr. Kerfoot's invitation. I think he also extended an invitation to Dr. Morehouse in recognition of the large work being done by the Home Mission Society of the North among the Negroes of the South. At any rate he read a letter in the conference from Dr. Morehouse, setting out that there was no need for the existence of either the Negro Home Mission Board or this Negro National Convention. Nevertheless the Conference proceeded, and developed a plan of co-operation between the Southern Home Board and the Negro Board. In this plan eighteen hundred dollars was given to the Negroes to pay the salaries of two general missionaries to be selected by the Negro Board, but to be approved by our Home Board. The plan was moderate and tentative, but worked well in every way; so well indeed that the Negroes enlarged upon it by raising a sum equal to what was given them and put two more men in the field. And then the plan was next enlarged by our Home Board and endorsed by the Southern Baptist Convention in its recent session, and so assumed proportions more commanding and more commensurate with the mighty task of dealing with the Negro problem. All this is simply reciting history, and Dr. Kerfoot's reports submitted to the Convention at Hot Springs and New Orleans will be read with interest at this time. Being dead he yet speaks.

Their Publishing House.

This article already so long, will not be complete if no mention is made of the Negro Publishing Interest conducted by the National Convention through its Home Mission Board in this city. It was begun seven or eight years ago and was located in Nashville simply because of the printing facilities here and because the printing houses held out a helping hand as a matter of business. It was simply business reciprocity, alike creditable to all parties, that led the Negroes to Nashville in their publishing venture—a venture absolutely without anything at the start either in fact or in prospect. They have never had any connection whatever with the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention—it were needless to say this except contrary Statements have been freely circulated. In the first stages of their movement (1895) the Negroes called on Dr. T. P. Bell, then Secretary of the Sunday School Board, to consult with him about the undertaking. True to his instincts of generous enlargement, of wise spirit and caution, he encouraged them, but advised postponement until their National Convention

should pass on the question. When a year later their Convention did authorize the undertaking, they called on me as Dr. Bell's successor in office. I also gave them words of encouragement, and, after consideration, consented to their using the plates of our lesson expositions in their first efforts at making a series of Sunday School periodicals. Nothing whatever was charged or received for the use of these plates, though payment was offered. It was a small matter, not worth the mention in a great venture, and yet it served to tide the venture over from the point of absolute nothing to the point of actual start, and that was a prodigious advance. The Negroes have been generous, even extravagant in their words of appreciation, and this has been our only and ample reward. I have watched with interest the progress of their work. They have conducted the enterprise with spirit and caution and independence, winning not only my sympathy but my confidence at the first and holding it until now as to their honesty of purpose and effort. The Negro's greatest problem is with himself. The effort of a race to lift itself awakens pathetic interest and ought to command the sympathetic attention of public spirited citizens.

Their success in this undertaking has been very remarkable. The Negroes now have a large printing plant of their own, with a full line of machinery worth about seventy-five thousand dollars, with a working force of from seventy-five to one hundred and twenty-five persons. They publish a full set of Sunday School periodicals which are the product of their own people and their own presses and which are furnished to Negro Schools throughout the United States and have also published many books, tracts, song books, etc. They have the foundation laid for a four story building and have an immense annual volume of business that is the highest testimony as to the skill of the management, and the prophecy of what may yet be done. I wish there were more space to go further into details as to this interesting work the Negroes are doing among themselves. Dr. R. H. Boyd, the manager, has the hearty co-operation and support of his Board and of his people generally. He has won also the confidence of the business men in this community with whom he has had business dealings, and conducts his work in a quiet, modest way; though he cannot but be conscious of what it means for his people and its far-reaching power for their betterment. In my judgement he is doing as great a work for his race as is being done by Booker Washington.

Opportunity of Southern Baptists.

Here my narrative ends. It is only a narrative, intended simply to recite events and conditions as they have come under my observation, without attempt to either conceal or exploit my personal views and convictions. I believe that the Baptists of the South, our own people, have come into a supreme moment in our national life. There are many grave conditions to be considered. Our gravest problem is the gigantic task of lifting ourselves, and afterwards along with this, the task of lifting others. Whether we will or not, we must determine our attitude toward the Negro race as a factor in the life of the nation. They are turning to us for assistance—not money assistance always and never exclusively, not assistance that carries in the arms as a child, or cares for one as a ward, but that assistance of constructive sympathy which will help them in their efforts to help themselves, and will help them to improve their churches, their District Associations and their Conventions. Help that will make them better church members, will make them better citizens.

Fifty per cent of the entire Negro race in this country are church members, and half of this number call their churches Baptist churches.

This National Convention as an organization holding the vast majority of these churches as its constituents, is in my judgement, the greatest single factor in the religious life of the Negroes. Our attitude should be one of sympathy and encouragement and helpfulness so far as we can give it in their organized effort to evangelize themselves. My deep conviction is that Dr. Kerfoot was right: (1) that the Baptists of the South ought to help the Negroes, (2) that the Southern Baptist Convention through its Home Board is the agency through which to do this work, and (3) that the Negro Baptist Convention is the most effective place to take hold. This Conviction is the growth of years, having received its first impulse from a paper read in the Southern Baptist Convention in New Orleans, 1877, as a report on the work of the Home Board among the Negroes.

This is a question *Not of Social equality in any sense*, but simply whether we are willing to give the gospel of Christ to Africa at our doors—to Africa already largely though imperfectly evangelized.

Nashville, Tenn. August 6, 1904.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

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Motto: GO FORWARD.

MISS ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG, Editor.

AN INSPIRATION.

Moses said unto God, "who am I that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt?" Ex. 3:2.

Had Moses failed to go, had God
Granted his prayer, there would have been
For him no leadership to win;
No pillared fire, no magic rod;
No wonders in the land of Zin;
No smiting of the sea; no tears
Ecstatic shed on Sinai steep;
No Nebo with a God to keep
His burial, only forty years
Of desert, watching with his sheep.

HOME AGAIN.

After an absence of five weeks, in the interest of Missions, the Corresponding Secretary of Woman's Missionary Union returned to Baltimore, Thursday October 6th. A number of places in different States and in Oklahoma and Indian Territory were visited. These included Pawhuska, Oklahoma, where Miss Lura Stump recently appointed by the Home Mission Board, will be located. It will be remembered by some that Miss Stump is to be supported by the girls of South Carolina and that her work is among the Osage Indians. Having been among these Indians and thus learned much of thrilling interest regarding their savage practices and need of the Gospel, it would be a great pleasure to "pass on" this information and other facts in connection with the trip. Extreme pressure of work makes it impossible at this time, but in the next issue of OUR HOME FIELD, we hope to have an article of this character.

GOD IS LEADING.

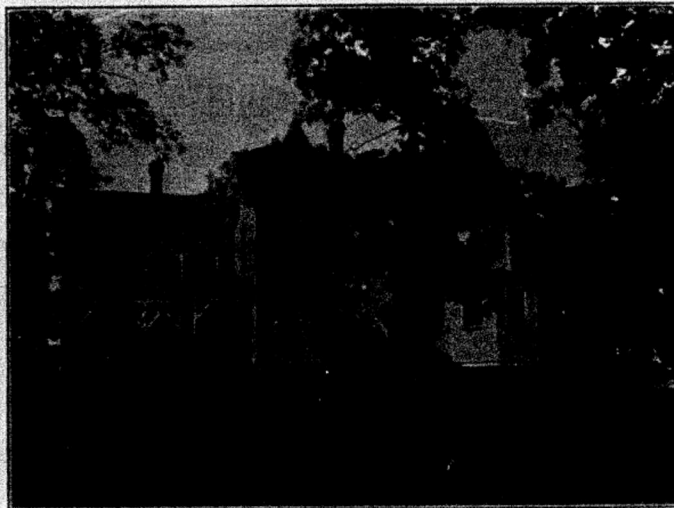
In 1888 when Woman's Missionary Union was organized for the express purpose of "stimulating the missionary spirit and grace of giving among women and children", when for our motto the inspiring word "Go Forward" were chosen, how little we knew where the paths of service should be. But as years have passed by, each has borne unmistakable evidence to the fact that "God is leading", each has marked advance movements in some directions.

To those familiar with W. M. U. work in all its details, "marvelous in our eyes" has been the way in which, while in the performance of one duty, God has opened wide the door to another and given glorious visions of future possibilities. The most recent experience of this kind is in connection with "The Margaret Home for Missionaries' Children."

It will be remembered that during the last Conventional year, Woman's Missionary Union, appreciating the imperative necessity for helping feeble churches to build houses of worship, and in memory of the honored Dr. I. T. Tichenor so

long Secretary of the Home Mission Board, endeavored to raise \$20,000, as a Tichenor Memorial of the Church Building Loan Fund. Owing to the great fire in Baltimore, to some extent the work was retarded, but over a thousand letters were sent to individuals by the Corresponding Secretary W. M. U., seeking gifts. One of these brought a reply and a contribution of \$50, to the Tichenor Memorial, but it bore testimony also that upon the heart of a woman of large means God had laid a special work, and that the letter in behalf of the Tichenor Memorial from Woman's Missionary Union had suggested the way by which the plan most dear to her might be carried out. Further correspondence ensued, then a visit by the Cor. Sec. W. M. U., and more letters, the fruits of which were presented at the last Annual Meeting of W. M. U. in the announcement of an offering of ten thousand dollars for the establishment of a Home for Missionaries' Children. The gift was most gratefully accepted, and the necessary steps immediately taken towards receiving it, purchasing property etc. etc.

For lack of space, it is not possible to give details of all that has been accomplished. It is a great pleasure, however, to present in this issue of OUR HOME FIELD a picture of the property which has been purchased, and which will be known by request of the donor as "The Margaret



Home for Missionaries' Children.

It is located at Greenville, South Carolina, a growing town of about 20,000 inhabitants, a thorough Baptist community and with the advantages, but without the disadvantages, of a large city.

Dr. B. D. Gray, Secretary of the Home Mission Board, first selected Greenville as the best place for the Home. Applications for location of Home were received in accordance with notice in OUR HOME FIELD and FOREIGN MISSION JOURNAL, up to August first. From Greenville, there were two, one from a Committee of representative Baptist women, the other, from the Minister's Conference. The inducements of these applications, which included ten scholarships in Greenville Female College and ten in Furman University to the children of missionaries, were so far superior to those of any other, that, after consultation with the donor, it was decided to locate the Home at Greenville.

We wish it were possible for the women of the South to see, not only a picture but the property itself. By instructions from the donor, who wishes to be known only as a "Christian Mother", it was hoped a "typical Southern home" might be secured, but we have something far superior to the most sanguine expectations. The home is substantial, modern in design with all conven-

ces, beautifully finished in hard wood, in every way adapted to an ideal "Home". There are six acres of ground. The extensive lawn with grand old trees of native forest will make a most delightful play ground, while other portions of the grounds may be utilized for various purposes. The out buildings well built and complete should not be overlooked as they will be of great advantage.

In this splendid property now in the possession of Woman's Missionary Union, the Cor. Secretary sees not only every requirement for such a home as will be a joy to our missionaries and a pride to Southern Baptists, but looks forward to the time when these spacious grounds shall include cottages prepared specially for the missionaries who need rest. Here they may come feeling that they also have a temporary home of their own and, during their stay, the children who have become members of the Margaret Home will live with them, thus giving opportunity for re-united family enjoyment.

The purchase price of the property was \$10,000, and an additional gift of \$500. for electric lighting has been made by the same generous "Christian Mother".

The matter of furnishing as well as supporting the Home will be referred to the W. M. U. aux. S. B. C. at the Annual Meeting May 1905, in Kansas City, Missouri. It will therefore be understood that the Home cannot be opened until after that time. Applications for Admissions must be endorsed either by the Home or Foreign Mission Boards, and sent to the Chairman of Committee on Application, Miss Annie W. Armstrong.

"What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits?" was the cry of the psalmist.

How may we show gratitude to God for continued leading throughout the years of Woman's Missionary Union history is the desire of our hearts. Remembering Paul's noble words: "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me", shall we not be more faithful in performance of the many duties which have opened before us. As one year ago, there was the desire to aid the Church Building Loan Fund by a Tichenor Memorial of \$20,000, so now let there be an effort on the part of every Society to bring this to pass. Then indeed, may we feel assured of continued guidance and of blessings on enlarged plans now contemplated.

Annie W. Armstrong, N. B. Those who wish further particulars in connection with the Home and to see another picture are referred to FOREIGN MISSION JOURNAL.

THE IMPORTANCE OF HOME MISSIONS.

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

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

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

Cash Receipts from Sept. 15th to Oct. 15th, 1904.

ALABAMA: Oakman S. S., \$2.50; Pine Barren Assn., \$101.65; Clayton St. Ch., Montgomery, \$4.95; W. M. U., \$2.75; B. V. P. U., Clayton St. Ch., \$9; A. Young Person, Quin., \$9; Clark Co. Assn., \$54.63; W. B. Crumpton, Cor. Sec., Ch. B. & L. Fund, \$5.65; W. B. Crumpton, Cor. Sec., \$51.19; Mrs. D. F. W. Furman, for Cuba, \$5.00; New Prospect S. S., Tusculum, \$2.00; Sister Springs Ch., for Cuba, \$2.50. Total, \$761.95. Previously reported, \$647.73. Total since May, \$1,391.68.

ARKANSAS: Lady Member, and Ch., Little Rock, for Cuba, \$1.00; J. F. Love, Cor. Sec., \$7.74; Palestine Ch., Greenbrier Assn., \$1.50. Total, \$9.24. Previously reported, \$15.86. Total since May, \$149.10.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: B. Washington Heights, \$10.00; and Ch., Washington, \$30.00; 1st B. Ch., \$10.86. Total, \$50.86. Previously reported, \$98.40. Total since May, \$149.26.

FLORIDA: L. D. Geiger, Cor. Sec., for Cuba, \$25.50; Home Missions, \$114.70; Self Denial, \$1.25; Tichenor Memorial Fund, \$12.75; 1st B. S. S., Tampa, for Cuba, \$13.60. Total, \$167.80. Previously reported, \$235.15. Total since May, \$402.95.

GEORGIA: Corner Mem. S. S., for Cuba, \$5.00; Dr. S. V. Jameson, Cor. Sec., as follows: Home Missions, \$63.75; Tichenor Mem. Fund, \$10.00; New Orleans, \$5.00; West End Ch., for lot in Cuba, \$15.00; Ch. B. & L. in Cuba, \$4.00; 1st Ch., Macon, Cuba, \$75.00; Lady of the Lilies Missionary, \$7.25; Towaliga Bap. S. S., for Cuba, \$6.34; Labanon B. S. S., Plains, for Cuba, \$22.36; R. Mah S. S., near Palmetto, for Cuba, \$6.25. Total, \$89.95. Previously reported, \$165.71. Total since May, \$245.76.

INDIAN TERRITORY: Loco Ch., \$3.00; L. C. G., Ft. Gibson, \$1.00; W. W. R., \$5; Sapulpa Ch., \$5.25; Rev. D. W. G., Vinita, \$1.00; W. M. S., McAlester Ch., Tichenor Mem., \$10.00; W. S. A., Anderson, \$2.00; By Miss Annie W. Armstrong, \$1.00; Short Mt. Assn., \$5.50; Salim Assn., \$8.00; by Miss A. W. Armstrong, L. A. S., Wetumpka, \$2.40. Total, \$40.30. Previously reported, \$68.82. Total since May, \$109.12.

KENTUCKY: Oakdale S. S., for Cuba, \$6.93; Karns Grove S. S., for Cuba, \$1.00; J. G. Bow, Cor. Sec., \$69.62; Y. L. M. B., 1st B. Ch., Bowling Green, \$25.00. Total, \$74.55. Previously reported, \$98.92. Total since May, \$170.47.

LOUISIANA: A. M. Herndon, Treas., as follows: Chapel at Pinar del Rio, \$14.75; General Fund, \$245.65; An Afflicted Sister, Denham Springs, \$5; By Miss Annie W. Armstrong, Tichenor Mem. Fund, Miss A. S., \$25.00. Total, \$286.95. Previously reported, \$230.54. Total since May, \$517.49.

MARYLAND: Franklin Sq. B. Ch., Baltimore, \$50.00; College Ave. B. Ch., Annapolis, \$28.09; 1st B. Ch., Hagerstown, \$7.86; North Ave. B. Ch., Baltimore, \$27.20; Marion B. Ch., \$5.75; Ladies Aid, Marion B. Ch., \$1.00; 1st B. Ch., Easton, \$1.57. Total, \$121.47. Previously reported, \$502.27. Total since May, \$623.74.

MISSISSIPPI: Clear Creek Ch., \$2.00; New Hope Ch., \$2.00; A. V. Rowe, Cor. Sec., \$250.00; Immanuel B. Ch., \$4.45; Steens Creek S. S., \$8.75; Coffeeville B. S. S., for Cuba, \$10.00; Calhoun Assn., Blue, \$67.10; Liberty Assn., Linton, \$30.38. Total, \$375.63. Previously reported, \$338.55. Total since May, \$714.22.

MISSOURI: A. W. Payne, Tr., as follows: A. W. Payne Tr., \$350.41; W. M. S., Calhoun, \$2.00; W. M. S., Grand Prairie, \$10.00; W. M. S., McCroskie's Creek, for Miss Ferber, \$40; W. M. S., E. Sedalia, for Miss Ferber, \$5.00; W. M. S., Mexico, Ch. B. & L. Fund, \$5.00; W. M. S., 5th St., Bethel, \$60; W. M. S., Bethany, \$1.25; W. M. S., Third, St. Louis, \$50. Total, \$402.66. Previously reported, \$2037.94. Total since May, \$2440.60.

NORTH CAROLINA: Henrietta Ch., \$3.93; Gabriel Creek Ch., \$2.43; W. M. S., Waynesville Ch., \$13.33; B. S. S., Kelford, for Cuba, \$3.00; Beulah B. S. S., Horse Shoe, \$5.10. Total, \$27.79. Previously reported, \$207.71 (corrected). Total since May, \$535.60.

OKLAHOMA: Ridge Spring Ch., \$3.00; Sibony Ch., \$4.25; Dunbar Ch., \$1.50; Sayre Ch., \$3.15; J. M. N., Tyrone, \$2.50; Martha Ch., Granits, \$7.60; Reed Ch., \$30; W. M. S., Anadarko, \$1.50; Walnut Grove Ch., Arco, \$1.00. Total, \$25.30. Previously reported, \$53.87. Total since May, \$79.17.

SOUTH CAROLINA: L. M. S., Ghents Branch, \$11.90; Bethabard Ch., Laurens Assn., \$1.62; W. M. S., Long Branch, \$1.75; Williamston S. S., \$5.00; Ridge Assn., \$23.25; Little River Ch., Saluda Assn., \$2.90; 1st Ch., Sumter, \$13.36; Rion Ch., \$30; Little River Ch., Fairfield Assn., \$3.70; Wellford Ch., \$1.65; Wd. Joy Ch., Union Co., \$2.00; W. M. S., Clinton Ch., for Tich. Mem., \$10.00; Clinton Ch., \$4.10; Shining Lights, Bold Spring Ch., \$1.50; Inman Ch., Spartanburg Assn., \$8.93; Lynchburg S. S., Santee Assn., \$2.37; Townville S. S., \$4.18; Summerville Ch., \$2.65; Sardis Ch., \$17.85; Woodfin Ch., \$2.46; Fairmount Ch., \$10.00; Bethel Ch., Barnwell Assn., \$5.00; Ft. Hill S. S., Heath Springs, for Cuba, \$1.50; Piedmont Assn., Liberty, \$5.60; Wayside B. Ch., Darlington, \$5.00; W. M. S., by Mrs. Jno. Stout, as follows: W. M. S., Swift Creek, Organ for Miss Cova, \$50.00; Frontier Missions, \$29.55; Tichenor Memorial, \$12.32; Miss Lura Stump, \$91.58; Self Denial Offering, \$1.85; General Fund, \$148.31; Chesterfield Assn., \$3.00; Edisto Assn., Springfield, \$22.00; Mt. Calvary Ch., Elko, \$2.00; Lake City Ch., \$5.37; George's Creek Ch., Barnwell Assn., \$4.00; Reedy River Assn., Bush River, \$26.50; Reedy River Assn., Mt. Zion Ch., \$14.30; Pine Forest Ch., Langley, \$1.86; Flint Hill Ch., York Assn., \$30.00; Green St. Ch., Spartanburg, \$6.00; Pendleton St. Ch., Greenville, \$10; Mayesville Ch., Santee Assn., \$1.00; Laurens Assn., by C. H. Roper, Treas., as follows: Lanford, \$4.29; 1st Ch., Laurens, \$12.35; New Prospect, \$1.11; Harmony, \$4.00; Warrior Creek, \$4.00; Mountville, \$9.76; Cross Hill, \$3.95; Durban, \$13.43; Mt. Pleasant, \$5.50; Chestnut Ridge, \$2.30; Friendship, \$4.54; Florence B. Ch., \$38.00; 1st B. Ch., Lancaster, Moriah Assn., \$11.00; Sally B. Ch., \$5.92; Richland Springs Ch., Ridge Assn., \$2.77; Lexington B. Assn., \$11.81; Rocky Grove Ch., Edisto Assn., \$5.64; Bartlett St. B. Ch., Sumter, \$3.90; Moriah Assn., Lancaster, \$16.22; Harmon B. Ch., Wylie's Mill, \$5.00; Dillon B. Ch., P. D. Assn., \$5.00; Oak Grove B. Ch., York Assn., \$5.00; Healing Springs B. Ch., S. S., Blackville, for Cuba, \$5; 1st B. Ch., Sumter, \$7.26; White Plains Ch., Piedmont Assn., \$1.00; Good Hope Ch., Charleston Assn., \$2.00; Fort Mill B. Ch., \$3.15; Tabernacle B. Ch., Edisto Assn., \$2.00. Total, \$808.41. Previously reported, \$1444.36. Total since May, \$2252.77.

TENNESSEE: W. M. Woodcock, Treas., \$399.10; Mt. Harmony S. S., \$1.50; Salem Assn., \$15.43; Lone Hill Ch., \$3.25; W. M. Woodcock, Treas., for Cuba, \$1.00; for Pinar del Rio, \$5.00; Spring City S. S.,

\$2.86; Friendship Bap. Assn., \$38.72. Total, \$366.86. Previously reported, \$807.56. Total since May, \$1174.42.

TEXAS: Fairview Bap. Ch., \$2.30; Prairie Grove S. S., for Cuba, \$90; Goshen Bap. S. S., McGregor, \$6.20; Marble Falls Bap. S. S., for Cuba, \$5.25. Total, \$14.65. Previously reported, \$32.38. Total since May, \$47.03.

VIRGINIA: B. A. Jacob, Treasurer, \$1100.00. Total since May, \$2,800.00.

MISCELLANEOUS: Account forfeit on agreed sale of First Baptist Church property in New Orleans, La., by Cicero A. Ramsey, \$1,000.00. Previously reported, \$1,427.60. Total since May, \$2,427.60.

AGGREGATE: \$7,081.42. Previously reported, \$13,992.17. Total since May, \$20,073.59.

Boxes Sent to Frontier Missionaries—Reported by Miss Annie W. Armstrong

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Previously reported since May, \$10.00.

GEORGIA: W. M. S., Norwood, \$70.00; W. M. S., Cartersville, \$70.00; W. M. S., Statesboro, \$57.00. Total, \$197.00. Previously reported, \$21.97. Total since May, \$218.97.

KENTUCKY: W. M. S., Labanon Junction, \$77.00; W. M. S., Carlisle, \$52.00; W. M. S., Parkland Church, Louisville, \$126.07. Total, \$255.07.

LOUISIANA: Total since May, \$85.00.

MISSOURI: W. M. S., Columbia, \$107.25. Previously reported, \$60.00. Total since May, \$167.25.

NORTH CAROLINA: W. M. S., Kingston, \$53.00; W. M. S., Rockingham, \$34.25; W. M. S., Rolandell, (contribution) \$18.20; W. M. S., First Church, Durham, \$208.00. Total, \$313.25. Previously reported, \$217.20. Total since May, \$530.45.

SOUTH CAROLINA: W. M. S., Williston, \$89.45; W. M. S., First Church, Anderson, \$90.00; W. M. S., Whatsoever Mission Circle, First Church, Anderson (contribution), \$6.50; W. M. S., Chester Baptist Church, \$63.00. Total, \$249.25. Previously reported, \$27.40. Total since May, \$276.65.

TENNESSEE: W. M. S., Lexington, \$22.50; W. M. S., Third Church, Knoxville, \$123.40; W. M. S., Central Church, Knoxville, \$81.12; W. M. S., Newport, \$39.00; W. M. S., Orlando, \$100.00. Total, \$337.02. Total since May, \$357.02.

VIRGINIA: Previously reported since May, \$149.00.

AGGREGATE: Total number boxes, 35; total value, \$2,049.41.

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