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EDITORIAL

For many years the First Church of Tampa, Fla., was supported by the Home Board. Their contribution to Home Missions this year will be \$1,250. That is far better than some of our churches that are much wealthier.

Our State secretaries of Missions, and a noble set they are, are now calling loudly to their people on behalf of Home and Foreign Missions. We hope the pastors everywhere will give echo to these calls. Speaking for Home Missions, we will say there is great need that this shall be done.

There are 12,000 Cubans and 8,000 Italians in Tampa, more than half the population of the city. Southern Baptists have two workers among the Cubans, none among the Italians. We are in correspondence with Dr. Everett Gill, of Rome, Italy, about an Italian missionary for Tampa. What individual or church will provide his support?

During April we must have over \$100,000 for Home Missions. This can be raised and more, if our people will take the matter to heart. But we must do that or failure confronts us. Last year during April

we received more than \$96,000, which was more than we received for the eleven months preceding. If we close this year without debt, we must do that again.

The examples of Vice-President Thompson, of North Carolina, in getting out a Home Mission number of the North Carolina Baptist (by courtesy of Euitor Oates) and of Vice-President Dill and Secretary Bow, of Kentucky, in arranging a Home Mission campaign for that State are worthy of the consideration and imitation of other State officers.

. A good deacon of one of our best churches recently said to his popular pastor: "Brother Pastor, do you know that you have not spoken on missions to our church a single time for a whole year?" If that case is at all typical it amply explains why the Home Board with eleven months gone has received only one-third of the \$275,000 needed for our work. Churches will not do their whole duty even when pastors press the mission work upon them. If the pastors fail in their duty as instructors and leaders, there can be no hope of liberal offerings from the churches.

The article by Miss Buhlmaier published in this number, was written for a friend by request, to be read before the students of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at the February missionary meeting. We heard the paper read and it was so excellent we secured it for our readers. In like manner, the article by Brother Gore was to a friend and not for publication. In preparing for his Home Mission collection, Rev. R. M. Inlow, of Joplin, Missouri, requested a letter from Missionary Gore, his old schoolmate. It was so helpful to Brother Inlow's people he sent it to us for Our Home Field.

Scarcely a week passes during which there is not some new developments in the question of immigration for the South. State and interstate conferences and conventions are held, great ship and other transportation companies are engaged in its favor, successive deputations are abroad to stimulate interest sent encourage European emigraand and foreign ministers tion, Washington are giving the matter There is no careful consideration. doubt that the time is right upon us when we shall see ah unprecedented growth of foreign population in the South. Woe to the old religious order in the South if these foreigners are not promptly met with the old gospel which has given the South its great glory!

The hundreds of weak churches, applying to the Home Board for help in support of their pastors or in building houses of worship, al-

most invariably say something like "It will come back to you a hundred fold in a year or two." "This year or two" has come with these churches all over the South, especially in the Southwest-Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Indian Territory, Missouri and Louisiana, and not one State east of the Mississippi has gone without the helping hand of the Board. Like a generous mother who gives to her struggling children till her funds are exhausted and then borrows that she may give again, the Board has stood by the weak churches and helped to make them strong. Now in her appeal for money to help other struggling churches will she be forgotten by her children whom she has made rich? Surely not. Some are responding nobly. Was ever gratitude more timely than now? Is there one of all these children who will not heed the mother's cry?

The Assistant Secretary filled various appointments in Kentucky last month. Dr. J. G. Bow, the State Secretary, and Dr. J. S. Dill, the Home Board's Vice-President for Kentucky, had made all the arrangements for the itinerary and alternately accompanied the visitor during the tour. They proved to be traveling companions delightful and rendered good service by their speeches. We are grateful to them. The journeyings to and fro in the State confirmed the conviction that Kentucky Baptists are a mighty people. In point of numbers, Kentucky stands third among the great Baptist States in the South. In the matter of wealth we should place

Kentucky Baptists ahead of them all. There is intelligence among them, too. The time is not far distant when this State will give a new demonstration of Baptist power in the South. The present year promises to be a record-breaking one in contributions to Home Missions. Many brethren and sisters have given assurance of growing interest and increased liberality.

Prosperity Our Peril.

The prosperity of the South is its greatest peril. We are in danger from our dollars. In our rush for riches we may ose the greater treasure, character. David puts it correctly for communities as well as for individuals: "If riches increase set not you heart upon them." An insatiate desire for wealth imperils honesty, fair dealing, truthfulness, probity.

It is estimated that the wealth of the South during 1906 increased \$7,300,000 for every day of the year, or a total of \$2,690,000,000. That equals \$100 each for very man, woman and child in the South, Remember that is the increase. Onetenth of that is \$269,000,000, which should have gone to benevolence. Baptists probably got quite a third of the increase in wealth and their share of the benevolence should be between \$90,000,000 and \$100,000,-000. By as much as they failed to render to God His portion of this increase by so much have they become sordid and selfish. We have robbed God, and if, like the people in the days of Malachi, we ask,

wherein have we robbed Him, the answer is ready: "In tithes and offerings." Nearly eleven months have rolled by and we have less than \$100,000 for Home Missions. We have one hundred Baptists in the South, who, averaging \$1,000 each, could give that sum without a sacrifice; and if our people, so numerous and increasing so rapidly in wealth, were for the thirty days of April to practice Christian stewardship, we would close our books for the year with \$1,000,000!

May God prepare our people for the proper use of the prosperity He is permitting them to enjoy.

The Better Way.

There ought to be sense as well as cents in taking a mission collection. It will not take itself. It is freely admitted that circumstances have much to do with the method; but earnest prayer and thorough preparation beforehand with a definite plan are necessary to the highest success. Some of the best and strongest givers could accentuate the pastor's appeal when the collection is taken by a few hearty words of endorsement before the subscriptions are made.

There ought to be during April 5,000 churches to make Home Mission offerings. The vast majority of them will give very small amounts. But with many, yes, very many, the contributions ought to range from \$100 to \$3,000. As indicating what may be done by the better way and to stimulate other pastors and churches, we give in his own words the recent experience of

a noble pastor in his collection for Home Missions. Will not five hundred men try it during April? Beloved pastors, we look to you for help. Here is the better way. Try it:

"I am sending you herewith our Shouts of Triumph, which were brought to us last Sunday morning. It was the day for our Home Mis-Formerly this sion | collection. church has been giving about \$70 and less-many times much lessto this work. Some of the brethren thought we might be able to get it up to \$100. I had distributed some literature, and had engaged in much prayer as the hour approached for the offering. The morning was cloudy and lowering. The congregation was not up to its usual size. I preached on The Open Door which stood before us; told of our destitution, of our homeless churches, of our Negroes, of our immigration proposition and some other things. I asked no man to hurt himself, but offered an opportunity to them to second God's effort to save these people. At the morning service we raised \$307. At the evening service I restated the proposition and with kindling enthusiasm they ran the offering to \$410. Some of the brethren said. 'Let's make it five hundred dollars,' but the hour was late, we had received some new members and had baptized several, the congregation was breaking up, we sang the Doxology, shook hands and went to our homes. It was the greatest day we have ever had in - in the First Church. "This is more than five times as

much as we have ever before given for this holy work.

"I thought you would be glad to listen to these words of triumph."

Our Work in Cuba.

Interest in Cuba grows apace. Her political situation is watched with intense concern by millions in the United States, while other nations, especially Germany and Great Britain, whose people have large interests on the Island, are looking on with grave concern.

The responsibility for safety and order in Cuba just now is upon the big Republic across the Gulf Stream, "Uncle Sam" has a sumed that responsibility and the outside world and the Treaty of Paris will hold him to it. If Cuba is incapable of self-government, the Platt amendment calls for the intervention of the United States. Just how long Cuba may be allowed to experiment with herself in statecraft is a question

What Cuba needs most is stability of government. This all classes, Conservatives and Liberals alike, devoutly wish. The thoughtful people, so far as our inquiry and intercourse justify an opinion want some kind of supervision by the United States. The form of supervision, whether protectorate, annexation or something else, is not of much concern; the results of itstability, order and safety—are vital, they say.

Give her a stable government and Cuba will dazzle the world by the splendor of her progress.

Meanwhile, our opportunity to

enter that open door with the pure gospel must be seized or it will be rapidly closed. Already we have lost fearfully by our delay.

Hopeful Conditions.

For lack of space we must omit details, but on the whole our work in Cuba is in a hopeful condition. There is need of patience and persistence, but conditions are growing better.

A number of our native preachers are filled with the spirit of evangelism. Many converts are awaiting baptism. We witnessed the baptism of nine converts in the Calvary church in Havana during our stay there. The spirituality of the churches in several places is quite marked. In a number of instances devoted, capable laymen are observed to be active and consecrated in the work. The leaven is spreading and the future in this respect is encouraging.

Lawsuit Settled in Favor of the Board.

Our people throughout the South know that for several years a vexatious and unjust lawsuit has been going through the courts of Cuba, seeking to annul the Board's title to our valuable property, the Jane building. It was pressed from one court to another until it reached the Supreme Court and was there decided in our favor. The denomination is to be congratulated on the settlement of this suit. There was never the slightest ground for a suit against us. The property was purchased years ago by the Board and has served a great purpose. It cost \$65,000. The Board has recently refused a cash offer of \$80,-

000 in Spanish gold for the property. It is the most central church property in the city. Diagonally across the street from our property the half million dollar government postoffice is to be erected immediately. Mr. T. D. Osborn, of Louisville, Ky., who went with us all through our property, says that with a stable government and the post office erected on the opposite corner within five years our property will be worth a quarter of a million dollars. That may be an overestimate, but it is the judgment of one of our wisest and most thoroughly informed brethren.

Cuban Convention

The annual convention of our brethren was held at Santa Clara. all the from Representatives churches ave Trinidad were present. An excellent program was carthrough with fine ried Brother M. N. McCall, secretary; Rev. G. Cardenas, vice-president; Rev. A. U. Cabrera, treasurer. The convention sermon was preached by Dr. E. F. Redrigues (in Spanish, of course), and was of a high order, so Brother McCall assured us. Brother McCall says that the Cubans are natural theologians and that the discussions during this convention would have done credit to our conventions in the States Evangelism received hearty and enthusiastic discussion. The pastors for the coming year are to enlarge their work on that line. The Santa Clara church is one of the very best on the Island, having been served for seven years by Rev. A. U. Cabrera, our hymn-writer. The convention meets next year at Colon, the place most in the eyes and upon the hearts of our good women of the South on account of the

Chapel at Colon,

which they are to provide this year. Pastor Paez is all aglow with enthusiasm over the good work. Brother McCall and the secretary spent the night under his roof. The work on the chapel will be completed by or before the middle of April. In addition to that we are erecting a modest pastor's home hard by the church. The chapel will be modest, but convenient and attractive and will be a joy to our people in that important center. New public roads are extending from Colon into the adjoining country, thus giving great importance to it as a strategic point for our work.

Our Cuban American College.

Dr. L. T. Mays, principal, with his force of teachers has been steadily at work. The number enrolled has surpassed his highest expectations. More American pupils were enrolled than in any other school in Havana, so we were told. work necessarily is preparatory work, but on this foundation we must build a splendid college that will be as a lighthouse in that city of superstition. An institution of the right sort in this centre of 300,-000 people must have a powerful influence for good throughout the island.

Needs of the Field.

The supreme needs at the present time are at least four additional American missionaries and half dozen additional native workers and a dozen chapels. These chapels will

cost from \$1,000.00 to \$7,000.00 each. Their erection ought not to be delayed another season. It is supremely important that we give the air of permanency to our work and so long as we rent we are considered temporary; as pastor Franqui said, "Birds of Paradise." We visited all Missions except Sagua la Grande, Matanzas, Pinar del Rio and the Isle of Pines. About all of these we had conference with the pastors. Everywhere the spirit of advancement pervades our workers.

At Trinidad, the southernmost point of our work on the Carribean coast, Supt. McCall and the Secretary were pleased with the work done by Pastor Franqui. The great need there is a chapel. A most excellent location with a house suited for temporary worship can be had on the corner of the public square of the city. \$3,000.00 will secure it for us. Will not some individual, or church, at once supply us the money to secure this important location? Trinidad is one of the oldest cities on the island, founded in 1514, has been a place of vast wealth; four great cathedrais in the place, two of them crumbling in ruins, only one of the others having worship. Trinidad is distinct and separate from the other fields. We must at once have our own property. The pastor does Mission work in the adjoining country and at Casilda, the seaport town three miles away. He was as proud as a boy with a new toy over the horse furnished by the good women of South Carolina for his work.

We have opened new work in

Cardenas in charge of Brother Cabrera. Cardenas is on the north coast, a splendid city and presents an open door. A large number of converts can soon be gathered into an organized church.

In the Isle of Pines

we need a teacher and preacher combined. That little island is now interesting our people in some respects more than Cuba. The question as to whether the Isle of Pines belongs to the United States, or Cuba, has recently been brought befort the United States Senate. Several hundred Americans live on the island and a capable man, who can both teach and preach would be supported in a short time by Americans. May God send such a man to us speedily!

To reiterate what we said at the beginning, the outlook for our Cu-

ban work is more hopeful than ever before. A vexatious law suit is a thing of the past. Our magnificent property in Havana is worth 50 per cent more than it cost us, A spirit of revival pervades our The membership of missionaries. the churches is growing in excellence and stability. Our school has had a most prosperous year. The future of the island will soon be made certain and its two million of people will become more and more settled in their habits and thousands upon thousands of our Americans, as well as increasing numbers from China and Great Britain and Continental Europe will pour into Cuba to reap the wealth of that marvellous island. Now is our day and opportunity. Let us heed the call of God and redeem the land from its . superstition by giving them the pure Gospel of Jesus Chirst.



THE "BAND OF MERCY" COMPOSED OF PUPILS OF THE CUBAN-AMERICAN COLLEGE, HAVANA.

PERTINENT PARAGRAPHS

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 Oyke.

Home Missions lie at the base of all Missions. Strengthen the base and you may build as high and as wide and as long as you please.— The American Home Missionary.

Listen: When we know that every collar spent in Home Missionary work sets two dollars at work for all other Missions upon the lowest estimate, and that enlargement on the Home Field must necessarily lead to enlargement on the Foreign Field, are we not short-sighted if we neglect to support Home Missions? And does not every argument drive home the duty of increasing the power of the Home Board to enter fertile and long fields?-The American standing Home Missionary.

Concerning "Aliens or Americans."

If wise counsels prevail, there will be no general movement of the colored people towards the North. We can not think of anything more likely to be detrimental to the negroes than such a migration. Neither the climate nor the environment are favorable, and the race problem that has to be settled in the North, along with the labor problems, will keep the Northern people busy without the injection of

any other large element. We are far from believing that there is less race prejudice in the North than in the South, or that the colored people would more easily secure justice and fair treatment in one section than in another. We are selfish enough to want to have a chance to evangelize and civilize the alien hosts sweeping in upon us before we have any further difficulties with which to grapple.—Baptist Home Mission Monthly.

Circulating Medium.

"Say, brother preacher, don't you think that you talk just a little too much about Missions? Most every sermon and every prayer-meeting you say a lot about Missions, Missions, Missions, Missions, We are doin a mighty good work in our church. They ain't many of us 'at can pay much—you know that. Just a few of us gives it all.

"Another thing, brother, you preachers don't have much business sense anyhow, and I want to give you a little bit of advice. It good business to keep consumin' your capital. The people in our church are the givers to your salary and run this church.

"Now, there's only so much circulatin' medium, ye know."

"Well, excuse me brother just one moment. Let me say that you are burning up—in that old pipe of yours—more of that 'old circulating medium' than you are putting into circulation for Jesus Christ. If I

didn't exercise business sense enough to persistently present the claims of your Lord and Master, you would keep on consuming His money upon your own lusts, and He would get nothing from you at all."

—The American Home Missionary.

Wanted: 2,500 Church Buildings.

MISS FANNIE E. S. HECK.

Where? In Southern Baptist territory west of the Mississippi.

By Whom? By 2,500 homeless Baptist churches.

Why? Because a homeless church is as helpless as a homeless family.

When? Now, because this is the hour. Communities plastic today will be hardened tomorrow.

How? By a little help wisely given at the moment when a small congregation, struggling to build, faces failure without it.

By Whom? By you through your contributions to the Tichenor Building Loan Fund created for just such a purpose.

How Long? Always, since the money is to be loaned, not given, and this to go on perpetually building up waste places.

How Much? The Home Mission Board needs, and will not be satisfied with less than a perpetual Building Fund of \$100,000 (one hundred thousand dollars). It is a proud thing that the Woman's Missionary Union took the first steps in this direction six years ago in the be-

ginning of the Tichenor Church Building Loan Fund. Of the \$20,000 promised, \$12,000 remains to be raised this year. If it was proud to begin, how much better to complete?

Can We? Beyond the shadow of a doubt.

God on the Side of the Right.

(For the Home Field.)

REV. WALTER M. LEE

Ye servants of God, be courageous,
Push manfully on with the fight;
The truth shall finally conquer,
For God's on the side of the right.

The forces of evil are weaklings,

Compared with omnipotent

might;

No power can ever supplant us, When God's on the side of the right.

The legions of sin, struck with ter-

Will quickly take refuge in flight,

No man can fight boldly for error, When God's on the side of the right.

Though darkness and sin be in

Fight hopefully on through the night;

The morning will break on the morrow,

Revealing the triumph of right. 4508 Camp St., New Orleans, La

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At the Immigrant Pier.

MISS MARIE BUHLMAIER

It gives me great pleasure to note from your letter the interest in Missions among the students of S. B. T. S. and will therefore gladly snatch the time to write and tell you something of the present conditions along the line of immigration.

That the influx of foreigners was the greatest this past year, is a fact well known to all interested; also that Baltimore got its share of the increase and in consequence Miss Froehlich and myself were also busy.

It is a good sign that Christians of all creeds in our country are waking up and are beginning to inquire in real earnest as to what this great movement of all nations . to our country may mean, and are about to learn the lessons God is trying to teach us. For instance, "The Immigrant Question" is the topic for special study this year among the Presbyterians throughout the land, and surely it is well worth the while, for it is one of the greatest questions or problems ever before us. We cannot afford to shut our eyes to the dangers ins volved therein nor to lose sight of its overflowing opportunities.

We, as Christians, need not grope in the dark, since Jesus, our Divine Master, has enabled us to hear His voice and "walk in the light." We know "there is no other name un-

der Heaven given among men whereby we must be saved." how then shall they call on Him in whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a and how shall preacher? preach unless they are sent? so! Most of the immigrants coming have not yet learned the true way of salvation. They know not God. Yet He wants that all should know Him and is therefore in great mercy and goodness reaching out to the nations across the seas, bringing them over that we may help them.

True, they do not realize spiritual destitution, but that should appeal to us more strongly and make us even more anxious to show them the light.

It is hard for us in this "Land of Plenty" even along spiritual lines, to realize that others are wanting. A look at the surging crowds around us, when we offer them literature, would open the eyes of many.

Our Sunday-school Board supplies the need as far as possible and so we are ready to meet the German, Bohemian, Pole, Slav, Roman, Greek, Russian, Croat, Hungarian and others with at least a tract containing the Gospel Message, if not with "The Book" itself. Last year we distributed 551 copies of New Testaments, and 9,253 copies of single Gospels, together with 302,016 pages of literature in this way.

This "seed sowing" ought to be followed up, however, by missionary endeavor wherever these people settle and that, in their own mother tongue, and surely a great number would soon be won for King Immanuel.

We have been especially busy during the past winter months with the many detained ones. There was an unusual number in the hospitals and we were, according to their own testimony, the only ones to bring them cheer and comfort.

Think of a family away from their home in Russia, since August last, en route to this country. After two months delay on the other side, they find another "halt" upon reaching this side and after a seven week's separation between the family here, when father, mother and child were held at the Detention House and the other three children in the Eye Hospital, two of the "turned down" for latter were "Trachonia," excluded and departed the 23rd of January. And that other one separated because two of the four children were sick and the mother, a widow, had to go to the hospital with them, while the other two, little girls of about seven and nine, were obliged to stay by themselves in the Detention House for six long weeks. Can you picture to yourself the longing of that mother and her anxiety of heart? then the meeting and bitter tears flowing freely when they asked: "Where is the baby?" and she had to tell her little girls it had died several weeks before.

That aged mother, coming all the way from Russia to end her days

with her children, excluded, sent back to-what? Where? friend left on the other side, no, not one! Oh, it is so hard often times to keep up, but it is necessary to do so and to improve the time to do them good and point them to Jesus. Yes, and we always have a hearing and good is surely done. But we need the help of those interested with us in the salvation of souls. We need special guidance from on high to do the best, the right, the most abiding good in the short moments or days these foreigners are in our reach. My dear friends, pray for us; pray the Lord of the harvest to thrust forth laborers able to teach and to reach these immigrants! That seems to me, is the nearest and safest approach, and one most essential.

Truly yours, in His name, Baltimore, Md.

A Frontiersman's Story.

REV. JAMES GORE

My work here is assuming larger proportions than it has ever done. About two hundred and forty in our Sunday-school, counting our Home Department. I have baptized every Sunday, except two, this year, and will baptize at our prayermeeting tonight. While this seems mighty good to these people here, yet it is appalling to me to know how very far short we are of the pace at which this country is moving. Ten whole families from our church moved to the country in one week. This seems like making a new church every few weeks and,

were it not for the help from our Home Board, we could not sustain our work at all. And what is the sad side of it all, to me, is that this church and the church at Durant are practically the only working bodies in our Association. And people are coming here in herds. this spring, that they may farm. Many of them are going to be permanent citizens, and the majority of them are of Baptist persuasion. The weak organizations throughout the country do not appeal to people who have lived in well organized churches in other States, consequently they remain out of the churches and, in that way, bring them into worse disrepute.

The majority of the preachers here are uneducated men who have been crowded out in other places. and who are not able to give any time to study, and these poorly organized churches are not able to induce able ministers to come to these fields and stay until they can work the field and build up self-supporting churches. Consequently this whole country is in a state of religious destitution, and doomed to remain so unless our Boards come to our rescue. I could start north and go to Holdenville from Coalgate (fifty miles) and not find a church that is at work. East and south the same conditions. worse, exist to the state lines of Arkansas and Texas, distances of eighty and fifty miles, respectively. I could continue in this strain indefinitely, but will not.

But God is doing things in this country and, if we live to be three score and ten, this new State will

have more Baptists, richer Baptists and larger missionary offerings than the State of Missouri is giving today, but it is imperative we occupy this land today, or pay double for every inch we gain.

We need more preachers in this country who have faith and willing to invest money and life-blood in this people and hold on until God brings things to pass, through them, or takes them to Heaven from this Indian Territory soil.

Perhaps you are saying, "Well, what are you doing to bring this all to pass?" I am trying to pastor this church at Coalgate with 10,000 inhabitants; I preach at Lehigh at 3:00 every Sunday, (a town of 3,500, six miles south of us); I am holding services occasionally at Round Hill, (nine miles east); this is a school house. We will organize a church at the Indian Orphan's Home in a few days, where I have done some preaching.

Right at three hundred have come into this mission church since I came here three years ago. It has been two months since we had room for our Sunday night congregations. The building proposition is now looking us squarely in the face and our people are already praying about it.

Our offering to Foreign Missions last Sunday, was \$50.00 and to District Missions in December, \$35.00.

But our parish is a hundred miles in diameter, made up of boys who need to be cared for, or they are forever lost. Pray for us, and send us some good men help us to keep them for a few years, and we will send you back your own with interest, and, in the meantime, heaven will be wonderfully enriched by the redeemed souls of your sons and daughters who have come to be a part of this new and growing State.

Your brother in Christ, Coalgate, I. T.

The Canal Zone.

REV. J. H. SOBEY.

The construction of the Isthmian canal is certainly the most gigantic work man has ever attempted. While the French company failed, and early, too, in their work, the Americans, with their almost unrivaled ability and improved machinery, already give evidence of complete success in the no distant future. They are able to foot the bill, and with their skill the work will be done.

The eyes of the world are watching, and they must not see anything which will tarnish the fair name of the United States.

While interested in the great material work, our concern is respecting the greater-the spiritual work. If the creation of a world is of smaller consideration than man's redemption, then surely the work of the Church of Christ is of immense Large numbers of importance. men already on the zone closely connected with churches in the home lands must have the shepherd's earliest attention and care. The teeming masses of others there, and still they come, and will come, are without God and without hope. For these, and to these, an army of picked men must be sent, and sent soon, to preach the Word of Life. For unless a Christian sentiment exists and prevails thousands will speedily rush into sinners' graves. The fields are already white unto harvest, but the laborers are few. In connection with the various churches already at work, there are Weslevans, two ministers; Baptists, two; Angelicans, two; Methodists, United States, one; Presbyterians, one, and the these men vation Army. All could find ample scope in the city of Colon, and then there would be work for other hands to do. Colon and Panama, because of their sudden growth in population, have also grown in wickedness. Therefore, the claims on the Church of Christ are immediate. Men called of God and well equipped as Christian workers will find an inviting field. While sins, alas, too common, will be found down on the zone, vet we fear the caterers to the lusts of the flesh will multiply in the cities at either end of the zone. The United States authorities, through the government of Panama, must use their influence to prevent our sons from being cursed and sent to an early grave. A more needy field for missionary work it would be difficult to find.

All Christians, especially Christians in the United States, should respond to the call, face the responsibility and claim the privilege, give to the teeming masses the gospel of Jesus Christ. The pressing need for the present, as it seems to us, is itinerary, energetic gospel work. In the insettled state of the employees.

suddenly removed from place to place, necessary to the progress of the canal work, such gospel work as is indicated would meet the need. With but few exceptions it will be difficult for a long time to do much organized church work. That will come later on. To do this work men must be sent and sustained. This will make it difficult for the self-constituted religious adventurer to carry on his work. Some of us have had painful experiences with such men in the past. Church of Christ must at once arise, and rise to her privilege and give the good news to the perishing on the Isthmus. If we would but listen a wail from across the continent could be heard-"No man careth for my soul." As Baptists we should always be in our place, in the front of the battle. Now is the time to form churches in the cities of Panama and Colon. Your missionary, Mr. Wise, is promised locations for church buildings. I hope the Boardwill at once send the means to erect the buildings and men to help extend the work.

Mountain Missions in the Indian Territory.

REV. R. PETERSON

This is a field infantile in its development but wonderful in its possibilities. Primarily it is a coal country. Rich coal beds underlie nearly this whole section, and great quantities are being mined every day. But the mining interest is not developed as it will be after a few

years. Hundreds of miners with their families occupy this section, but after a while there will be thousands where there are hundreds now. This land being coal land naturally is not as productive as some parts. Yet I have seen this year some fine corn and cotton growing in this immediate section. Much of this land, owing to the fact that it is segregated and titles cannot yet be secured, is not in a state of cultivation. Farming is carried on chiefly by renters and leasers, and as a natural result the lands that are under cultivation are not improved as they otherwise would be. The farmers in the main are whites and mixed breeds, there being but few full-blood Indians in this part.

As to the educational condition of the country it is much better than I expected to find when I came here a year ago. In this town we have a public school taught by four good, competent teachers. Prof. Harsman, the principal, is a three-year student of the State Normal of Warnsburg, Mo., and is also a fine Christian gentleman. Jones's Academy for Indian children, a splendid school, is located five miles north of this place. Bowne College, of Bowne, I. T., furnishes opportunity for higher education.

As to religious status of the country much could be said, but I will remark briefly. I came here the fourteenth of last November, at the urgent request of Rev. A. L. Duncan, to assist in a meeting. We had a very good meeting. As Rev. A. L. Duncan had previously resigned

the pastorate here the brethren took advantage of the occasion and called me as pastor. After surveying the field and seeing the crying need for work to be done I set myself to the arduous task. church is not very strong, yet it supports two missions. Haileyville has a population of about 2,000. The two missions are located in towns about three miles from Haileyville." One of these towns has a population of about five hundred, the other about one thousand. One town has no service but ours; the other has a small Methodist church. Haileyville has three other churches besides the Baptist-Presbyterians, Campbellites and Latterday Saints.

Nearly half of the population are miners, who, in the main, are not They are good-hearted religious. men, but naturally indifferent to religion. Quite a few of them are foreigners-Russians, Italians and Polanders-whose religions are directly opposed to ours. When these miners are converted they make splendid Christians and church members. Most of the other half of the population is composed of railroad and business men. Many of the railroad men work on Sundays and so find but little time to go to church, and as a result but few of them are religious. The people of these western towns seem to have come out here not so much to serve the Lord as to make money, and they are succeeding pretty well.

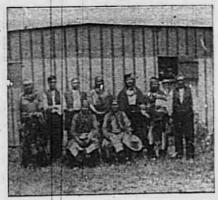
Notwithstanding the difficulties, we have made marked progress. I have preached three sermons

weekly besides funerals and protracted meetings. Made about one thousand religious visits. We have dedicated our church home after finishing the building, organized one of the missions into a church of fifty members, held three protracted meetings, baptized forty-three, received some sixty-five into the fellowship of the churches.

But there is one great difficulty in the work here now and heretofore, and that is the unsettled condition of the people. While one is
building up the work many are
leaving, and so the net gain is not
much after all. Of course, it is a
gain to the Lord's cause, as the
saved go out to strengthen the
work elsewhere.

But a changed and better condition is just ahead. Statehood, with all its blessings and advantages, is near at hand. Next spring the Indian Territory and Oklahoma will become a State of this grand old Union and occupy no mean position in the starry galaxy. The undeveloped lands and rich mineral deposits of this section will be very inviting to honest toilers and true homeseekers. A settled condition of the population will be the inevitable result. The country will be occupied by thrifty farmers, mines will be filled with miners, towns now existing will become cities, other towns will spring up as by magic. and prosperity will be the final result.

A call for increased religious activity is evident. More and better laborers will be needed and more and larger church houses will be in demand to meet the needs of the increased population. The opportunities of this section at the present are wonderful indeed and the magnitude of its possibilities indescribable. But I must close before I become burdensome. I pray the Lord of the harvest to bless His laborers everywhere and send us the needed laborers to meet the floodtide of immigration now turned this way.



THE LAST CHIEF COUNCIL OF THE

Sitting: On the left, Chief Nekah-wah-she-tum-kah. To the right, Second Chief Brave.

Standing in line beginning at the left: (1) Old Jim, (2) Frank Tinker, (3) J. B. Trundily, (4) Henty Red Eagle, (5) Black Dog, (6) Tahwehe, (7) Frank Corndropper.

Foreigners in Southwest Texas.

REV. R. A. COHRON

Through the agency of our Home Board Middle Texas has, in good measure, been won to the cause of Christ and put under Baptist influence, and is now a mighty force in supplying the gospel to other needy places. Why may not the same thing be accomplished for Southwest Texas?

In the years to come South and Southwest Texas will be the battle field in which many glorious victories and triumphant achievements shall be witnessed for our Lord. The fight is on now. The people here and those who will come in the future are, in large measure, different from those who settled in other parts of Texas, in the earlier days.

We have a large German and Mexican element among us, and their ways of thinking, their habits, their religious and civic tendencies are somewhat different from one to the "Manor born."

These must be Christianized, remoulded and trained for the service
of God at home and for world evangelization. Now is the time for
Baptists to lay the plastic hand upon
these people, and prepare them to
help secure their kinsmen and
friends when they, too, shall come
to the land of political liberty and
religious freedom.

Here, in Southwest Texas one's ears are as often greeted with strange speech as they are in one's mother language; at home we are in the midst of strangers and foreigners. Yet they are a noble, brave, industrious and economical people. They need the gospel as we see it and as our Lord saw it a long time ago.

Some of the most vigorous piety and earnest Christian giving in our associational meetings last fall were seen in our brethren who bore the German name. The gospel is doing in some small way for our neighbors what it did under the burning heart of Oncken in Germany. Within the eight months that I have been in this part of our Empire State I have baptized several people with these strangely spelled names, and they are among the best members of the Kerrville Baptist Church.

One will get some idea of our settlers when I write the names of several towns that are my near neighbors: Boerne, Bugheim, Schiller, New Braunfels, Fredricksburg. The last two named are county seats, having each a population of 2,500 or 3,000.

Recently Baptist preaching was begun in New Braunfels, but so far as I am informed there is not a Baptist man living in the little city of Fredricksburg; but the Catholics have a well organized congregation and a house of worship costing \$60,000.00. There, too, the Lutherans are well planted. The Methodists have two churches.

Our Brother Baines, a noble, consecrated lawyer who died in Fredricksburg in November, had fixed his heart on planting the cause for Baptists, had already selected the lot for a meeting house, but death intervened and so we have no active representative among that people.

We need in this section one or two pious, wide-awake, discreet German Baptist preachers to help us take these places for Christ.

My soul is stirred within me as I look out on the prospect and promise of Southwest Texas. Men of Israel, help!

Kerrville, Texas.

neighbors what it did under the Home Mission Opportunity in the

REV. I. W. O'HARA

Every section of the Home Mission Board field is coming into notice and is receiving more careful Never were consideration. prospects so bright nor the promise of large and abundant fruitage so evident. At the present rate of accentuation Home Missions will soon have the proper place in estimation by the people. While every phase of the work gives rich returns, yet the section west of the Mississippi River seems the field of ripest harvest and readiest opportunity for the following reasons:

I. It has a large area. The area of the five States, Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas and Oklahoma (including both territories), in which the Home Mission Board is grappling with monumental questions, is in round numbers 508,000 square miles, while the territory east of the Mississippi River is about 60,000 square miles less. Two decades ago much of this territory was uninhabited plains and ranches. Today its population is almost equal to that east of the river with vast sections still uninhabited. Two decades more will work many and mighty changes in this section. Hence the need to occupy with the gospel of Christ.

2. It is a section of inestimable wealth. Its fertile plains are as productive as the Mississippi bottoms for all kinds of grain, hay, cotton, cane and vegetables. It is rich in lead and zinc mines, ore mines,

coal mines, and almost every metal found in the United States. It furnishes unlimited resources for cattle raising. It has developed several manufacturing centers second to none. It is traversed by a number of trunk-line railways and their branch lines which put these resources into market quickly. This wealth belongs to the Lord and should be converted into glory to His name. It is a Home Mission opportunity.

- 3. The evangelistic phase of the Board's work has been a great success. The total number of baptisms reported last year was 15,436, including white and colored. Of this number 10,975 were baptized in the West, being 769 negroes and 10,206 whites. Hence it is evident that almost three-fourths of all the baptisms by the Home Board Missionaries were in this section. This alone should argue not only a field of large opportunity, but a place for the best paying investment.
- 4. It affords an unparalleled opportunity for church building. At present at least 2,500 churches are without houses of worship. During last year only 201 were built and In the meantime 302 repaired. churches were constituted. Hence the increase of churches was tor more than the houses erected. It is plain that we are falling behind instead of even keeping pace with the natural growth and development. This shortage is intensified when we consider that there are hundreds of places which ought to be occupied at once, and yet it is impossible, for the Board has neither means nor men for any greater

advance. The Board could today spend wisely \$400,000 in this section.

- 5. It is an opportunity from the standpoint of dollars and cents. The expenditure of the Home Board last year on this field was \$40,224.91 and that of the Foreign Board \$3,-737.15, making a total of \$43,962.06. The Home Board received in return \$42,655.69 and the Foreign Board-\$52,423.50, making a total of \$95,079.19. Thus for all Missions the receipts were more than double the expenditures on this field. These returns will be multiplied as the West is developed and we help to establish self-supporting churches. A church helped today becomes a helper tomorrow, while to the contrary if not helped, may become helpless and die tomorrow. This is the argument of figures, and facts and figures no man can disregard.
- The rescue work makes it well worth the effort. I do not use this word in the commonly accepted meaning of the term, but in the sense of helping young men who may be wandering through the plains of the West. Many leave the States for the West to grow rich and see the world. Some are there without mother knowing their They are brought whereabouts. into contact with some of the consecrated workers of the Home Board, led to some little struggling church, possibly converted, and probably started homeward, better boys. If these were your boys, would you not want to send a large gift to help in this struggle? They are some mother's boys, and possibly yours some day.

EVANGELISM

REV. W. W. HAMILTON, General Evangelist.

Brother Wright has begun in Mobile,

Brother Sledge goes next to Dallas, Texas.

Keep the evangelists before the

The Blood Bought Band grows. Do you wear a red ribbon?

The lectures at the Seminary were well received by faculty and students.

These addresses in book form should sell well in this day of evangelism.

We are grateful to the Sundayschool Board for its help and its great interest in our work.

The Argus speaks of the Ft. Worth revival as "An ideally conducted meeting." Yes, Brother Burroughs knows how.

We shall be glad to help pastors secure singers to help them in meetings, and to have singers keep us posted as to their engagements.

It is a source of joy to see how God is calling out men for this work. Many of the children are looking forward to the time when they can sing the gospel.

One thing we urge—plan for a longer time in your evangelistic meetings. As one pastor said, we plan a brilliant dash instead of a prolonged siege.

We are grateful to Brethren Dawson, Myers, McConnell and Hatcher for the service rendered the cause of evangelism by their addresses at the Seminary. We hope it may seem wise to the Board and the Seminary to continue this course.

Brethren Sledge and Wright are much in demand and we are sorry we cannot send these brethren to everybody who wants them. Pray that God may lead us to other men who are willing, as these brethren are, to make the sacrifices necessary to this work.

Brother Wright began in Mobile the third and will remain until possibly the twenty-fourth and will then go to Ashland, Ala. Any mail for any of the evangelists will be promptly forwarded from the Home Board offices. Write these brethren personally about meetings.

Brother Sledge is having great meetings in Williamsburg, Ky., with Pastor Hibbs—73 additions March 10th. His next work is at Dallas, in the concerted meeting there, and will probably go then to be with Pastor Brengle, St. Charles Ave-

nue, New Orleans. Many invitations have come to him for work in the West during the summer.

Hugh L. Hiett, singing evangelist, reports a great work of grace at Shawnee, Oklahoma, with Pastor Wolfe. He goes from there to Pittsburg, Texas, March 10th. Brother Hiett did good service in the meetings in San Antonio and in Ft. Worth, where he makes his home.

The Board is just publishing a tract by E. P. Burroughs on "Getting Ready for the Revival. He knows how to get ready. Write to the Department of Evangelism for the tract, and study its suggestions. Some of its features are cottage meetings, house-to-house visitation, chorus choir, thorough advertising, importunate prayer, soul-winners band.

Pastor Claude W. Duke is rejoicing in the work in Tampa. He and his faithful church have made earnest preparation and are seeing results. Brother Edwards, of the "Witness," was there, by invitation, to secure subscribers and many of the pastors and State workers came in and rendered most valuable service. Things are taking place in Tampa under Brother Duke's leadership.

Brother Wakefield was greatly blessed in a meeting of two weeks at Kissimmee, Fla. There were forty-nine additions and more to follow. We believe that God is not only using this brother to preach and sing the gospel and win souls, but is

through him leading many others to see the great good to be done by consecrating a good will to God and singing a message for His glory.

The first day of Brother Wright's work with the Board was a blessed one. A letter from Mobile says: "Great meeting yesterday, twelve professions and six additions. Immense congregations at night and deep interest throughout. Fine prospects for a great meeting." Will not every one who reads these lines pause a moment just here and pray specially for the evangelists in their work?

An article on "Home Board (1) It gives Evangelism" says: evangelism its rightful place in our denominational work. (2) It gives evangelism a denominational (3) It gives the evangelist favorable environment to his best self and his best work. (4) Gives him a regular salary. (5) Gives strong appeal for finances, and gives pastor and evangelist opportunity to ask for large gifts. (6) Gives opportunity to help at needy points. (7) Gives equipment for larger movements saving no few the necessity of calling in other denominations. (8) Gives better opportunity for doing a more thorough and well rounded work, with time to lay siege instead of make "a brilliant dash."

Brother Hamilton in an article on "Evangelistic Experiences" says (1)
Barriers are not near so numerous or so formidable as we think they are. (2) Christian people are

ready to be led into work for the lost. (3) The results in a meeting depend more largely upon the pastor and the church than upon the evangelist. (4) Too little_importance is given by our pastors and churches to preparation. (5) We make too little of advertising our meetings. If the Holy Spirit called all Jerusalem together by a great noise, surely we need not hesitate to use any means available. (6) We are too much afraid of expending money. (7) The time given to our special meetings is too short. (8) We give too much honour and prominence to men and too little to God.

To win a soul to Christ, show from the Bible what God says:

1st. THAT HE IS CON-DEMNED AND LOST. Ro. 3:23. 6:23, Jno. 3:18, 36, Matt. 12:30, Gal. 3:10, Jas. 2:10, Isa. 53:6.

2d. THAT HELL IS HIS AW-FUL CHOICE. Rev. 14:11, 16:11, Jno. 6:37, 2 Pet. 3:9, Matt. 5:29, 10:28, 13:40-42, 25:41, Mk. 3:28, 9:44.

3d. THAT HE CANNOT SAVE 'waiting before God.

HIMSELF. Ro. 5:6, Acts 13:39, 10:43, Eph. 2:8, Gal. 2:16, 21, Acts 4:12, Ro. 3:24-26.

4th. THAT CHRIST DIED TO SAVE HIM. Jno. 3:16, Isa. 53:5, 1 Pet. 2:24, Col. 1:14, Ro. 3:24, 8:1, 10:4, Jno. 5:24, 6:47.

5th. TO REPENT AND RE-CEIVE JESUS. Acts 20:21, Jno. 1:12, Ro. 10:9, Jno. 7:17, Matt. 16:24, Rev. 22:17, Isa. 1:18, Matt.

6th. TEST OF LOVE IS OBE-DIENCE. Ino. 14:21, 15:14, Matt. 10:37, 2 Cor. 6:17, 18, Ro. 6:4, 14:23, Heb. 10:25, Matt. 6:6, Phils. 3:12.

7th. DANGER AND DEATH IN DELAY. Heb. 2:3, Prov. 27:1, 29:1, 2 Cor. 6:2, Isa. 55:6, Matt. 24:44, Luke 12:20, Matt. 25:10.

The Tampa meetings are greatly successful. On one Sunday thirty-four boys and girls and young men and women made profession in the Sunday-school, thirty-two men in a meeting for men only, and about fifteen at the night service. It was a great day and the people were in God's house ten and a half hours, waiting before God.



RECONCENTRADOS-CUBA, 1898.

NEWS FROM THE FRONT

Rev. William Pfeiffer, German Missionary, Baltimore: Before a large gathering, mostly Lutherans and Catholics, we had an excellent baptismal service. In our Sunday-school we have some new scholars. A good spirit prevails and seven scholars confess to be converted. We will hold special meetings with the help of a neighboring pastor shortly.

Rev. J. B. Thomas, Clintwood, Va.: Our work here is more encouraging than it has ever been since I have been here. We have had a hard pull, but notwithstanding our work is growing against most formidable opposition. Missipnaries are not popular, and in some places are not wanted. We are planning a summer campaign with the State Evangelist, J. B. Craft, who will be with us for three months with a tent, furnished by the State Mission Board. We are looking for great showers of blessings. Pray for us.

J. H. Crain, Antlers, I. T.: Our field is very destitute. The large per cent of the people that come here are wicked. The field, indeed, is needy and the laborers are few. But the Lord is blessing the labors of the faithful few. Interest is being awakened in the minds of some of the lost. Mine camps and mill settlements are pleading for meetings to be held with them. I am planning to spend all the time I

possibly can in these places this year. Pray for me that the Lord may bless my labors, that many souls may be saved.

Albert Maddox, Kuhn, Okla.: We have, indeed, a needy field here in this newly settled country. As you see from my report we have no houses of worship. We are planning to build at Hooker this spring. We want to build a house that will cost us about \$2,500, but it will be a hard struggle, for our membership is small and poor. My work here is very hard, being scattered over a great deal of territory, yet it is encouraging. We have some of God's noblest people here, though the majority of the people are more interested in establishing themselves in their new homes than in religion. Pray for us here in this new country.

Joe S. King, Meers, Okla.: We need in this frontier field more consecrated workers. We need men and women who love God and a lost world, and are willing to sacrifice their lives in the work, if need be: We need more houses of worship and God-called preachers to preach the gospel, but most of all we need God's Holy Spirit to lead us in the work, and to comfort us in our difficulties. Amid all the privations, difficulties and hardships we thank God and take courage; for we hope to see the fruit of God's servants some thirty, some sixty, and some an hundred fold. We have many kinds of heresies to contend with, and some false brethren, but we know if we let the Holy Spirit lead all will be well. The weather has been exceedingly bad during this quarter. Through rain, through mud, sleet and snow this poor missionary tried to go. Pray for me.

Rev. W. A. Williams, Crescent City, Okla.: The field here, while hard at present, is, I think, bright and ripe for good, hard work. This country is, comparatively speaking, new and all kinds of people are flocking here from the Northern States, mixed considerably and principally with other denominations, few Baptists. The Baptists have been organized about eighteen different months. about three churches coming together here and making one as strong as possible. We have about forty-two in number now and I am going to work hard to double in twelve months.

R. E. Ford, Durant, I. T.: We have now begun our new church house at Fulson Grove. We are having a hard struggle, but by the help of the whole community I think we have it safely on foot. We didn't feel like we would do the Board justice to call on them for help, as they had already helped us this year, so by calling on every

one in the community and trusting in the Lord I think we will build a neat, though small church house. My work is going on nicely at both Fulsom Grove and Albany. Although both churches and Sundayschools are small, they are trying to do what they can.

Catherine Hansen, Lindsay, I. T .: Our woman's work, we might say, is really only in its infancy, so unorganized and undeveloped.

Had also to apportion all of the societies in regard to Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State Missions and Field Workers and general expenses of our woman's work, which is something new to our societies out here.

I feel that the outlook is very encouraging. I have met everywhere with the heartiest co-operation from the pastors, and our women are willing to take up the study of Missions as they realize their personal responsibility in regard to it. Many are anxious to be more of a spiritual power in the church and community and more of a missionary power in the world.

Have been in the services almost every day during the week and three and four on Sundays while out on the field, and in many places there has been a meeting of some kind at night-prayer meeting, consecration meetings and so on.

BOOKS OF SPECIAL INTEREST.

The Baptist and Congregational Pioneers.—By J. H. Shakespeare, M. A. American Baptist Publication Society. Philadelphia and Atlanta.

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ALABAMA: W. R. Wall, Huntsville, \$10.00; Moody B. Ch., by L. C., Odenville, \$25.00; Union Asso. of Ala., by W. G. R., Carrollton, \$29.05; Pine Barren Asso., by J. F. F., Pine Apple, \$76.40; Mt. Pleasant Ch., by Lafayette Cooke, Cook's Springs, \$25.00; Clayton St. Ch., by J. W. O'H., Montgomery, \$7.90; Clayton St. S. S., \$1.01; Trussville Baptist Ch., by D. N. T., \$11.25; W. B. Crumpton, Montgomery, for General Work \$258,91, B. & L. F. 95c., Miss Buhlmaler 25c., Tichenor Memorial \$194.90, Mountain Schools \$1.00, Colon Chapel \$131.00. Total, \$772.62. Previously reported, \$5,-920.79. Total since May, \$6,693.41.

ARKANSAS: L. A. S. First Ch., by Mrs. A. H. R., Little Rock, for Tichenor Memorial, \$25.00; R. G. Bowers, Little Rock, \$48.50; a sister, Monticello, by Mrs. M. H. R., for Tichenor Memorial, \$5.00. Total, \$78.50. Previously reported, \$538.78. Total since May, \$617.28.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: First Ch., by J. W. W., Washington, \$9.93; Mrs. J. H. W., Marriott, for Building Loan Fund, Washington, \$5.00; Immanuel Mission Circle of First Ch., Washington, for Tichenor Memorial, \$8.00; First B. Ch., by J. W. W., Washington, \$8.48. Total, \$31.41. Previously reported, \$433.17. Total since May, \$464.58.

FLORIDA: Calvary B. Ch., by G. E. Arnold, Palmetto, \$3.55; L. D. Gelger, Apopka, General Work \$60.87, Cuban Students \$5.00, Mountain Schools \$6.50, Mrs. Teakell \$10.00, Pawnee Indians \$5.20, Tichenor Memorial \$14.90. Total \$106.02. Previously reported, \$3,873.83. Total since May, \$3,979.85.

GEORGIA: B. W. James, Macon, \$5.00; W. M. S., Dublin, by R. J. W., \$3.50; Sarah Hall M. S., Central Ch., by Mrs. W. A. S., Newnan, H. M. \$20.00, Tichenor Memo. \$15.00; R. L. Valentine, Gardi, Hopewell Ch. \$6.50, Bethlehem Ch. \$2.25, Midway 75c.; B. Y. P. U. of Corner Memorial B. Ch., by Miss N. M., Columbus, 42c.; Funston B. Ch., by H. N., \$5.72; J. J. Bennett, \$484.90. Total, \$544.04. Previously reported, \$9,471.21. Total since May, \$10,015.25.

INDIAN TERRITORY: First B. Ch., by H. F. M., Vinita, \$10.25; Mrs. Fanny Rich, Chant, \$1.50. Total, \$11.75. Previously reported, \$222.94. Total since May, \$234.69.

KENTUCKY: Miss Willie Lamb, Louisville, for Tichenor Memo., \$344.70, Mountain Schools \$33.76, Colon Chapel \$54.00, General Fund \$179.27, A. K. Marshall, North Fork, \$5.00; W. M. S., New Salem Ch., by Miss Willie Lamb, Louisville, for Tichenor Memorial, \$5.00; J. G. Bow, Louisville, \$154.73; A. J. Williams, Owensboro, for Building Loan Fund, \$25.00. Total, \$802.06. Previously reported, \$7,669.70. Total since May, \$8.471.76.

LOUISIANA. Total since May, \$1, 301.98.

MARYLAND: First B. Ch., by F. R. H., Baltimore, \$11.25; Brantly B. Ch., by C. W. W., Baltimore, \$20.00; B. Y. P. U., Rockville B. Ch., by Miss M. L., for Tichenor Memo., \$5.00; Grace B. Ch., by W. E. M., Baltimore, \$15.00; Eutaw Place Ch., by H. W. P., Baltimore, \$64.25; Rider Fund, formerly omitted, \$279.90. Total, \$395.40. Previously reported, \$2,438.33. Total since May, \$2,833.73.

MISSISSIPPI: Gen. Asso. of Miss., by Rev. D. T. C., Newton, for M. N. Mc-Call's salary, \$150.00; Ladies' Missionary Society of First Ch., by A. W. Amis, Gulfport, \$8.82; Immanuel B. Ch., by C. G. E., Meridian, \$3.95; A. V. Rowe, Winona, \$250.00, also heretofore omitted by error, \$1,006.15. Total, \$1,418.92. Previously reported, \$3,201.92; Total since May, \$4,620.84.

MISSOURI: A. W. Payne, St. Louis, Gen. Fund \$111.40, Tichenor Memorial \$2.50; Mrs. O. M. White, Palmyra, \$1.00; Mo. Chs., by A. W. P., \$342.04; A. W. Payne, R. W. & M. L. Gillespie, for Cuba, \$2.50, Delmar Ave. Y. L., for Miss Froelich \$4.35, Columbia Y. L., for Miss Froelich \$8.60, Calvary, Kansas City, \$15.00, Mo. Chs., for Gen. Fund, \$30.86. Total, \$518.28. Previously reported, \$6,210.96. Total since May, \$6,729.21.

Columbus, 42c.; Funston B. Ch., by H.

N, \$5,72; J. J. Bennett, \$484.90. Total, mington, by S. H. B., for Evangelistic Fund, \$85.40; Walters Durham, Raleigh, \$900.00. Total, \$985.00. Previously re-INDIAN TERRITORY: First B. Ch., by H. F. M. Vinita, \$10.25; Mrs. Fanny, 736.64.

OKLAHOMA. Webber's Fall B. Ch., by T. F. Coe, \$1.25, Ladies' Society, \$1.25; Baptist Ch., Guthrie, by Rev. W. H. S., for Gen. Evangelistic Work, \$37.50, Tract Fund, \$6.04; W. P. Botts, Mutual, Thackberry, 60c., Indian Creek 22c, Thigly 61c. Total, \$47.47. Previously reported, \$165.32. Total since May, \$212.79.

SOUTH CAROLINA: Wellford Ch., by S. C. Vaughan, \$7.25; Locust Grove B. Ch., N. G. Asso., by W. A. H., Traveller's Rest, \$1.76; Mt. Tabor B. Ch., Beaverdam Asso., by H. B. F., Anderson, \$1.42; Townville B. S. S., by J. D. B.,

\$10.00; Cheraw B. Ch., by Mrs. A. L. E., \$9.00; W. M. U. of S. C., by Mrs. J. N. C., Spartanburg, Home Missions \$75.86, Tichenor Memorial \$72.32, Colon Chapel \$8.00, Osage Indians \$6.35, Miss Buhlmaler \$2.71; Mayesville Ch., Sumter Asso., by W. S. W, \$2.41; Baptist Ch., Edgefield, \$36.80; L. A. S., Edgefield, by O. S., \$13.20; Unity Ch., Spartanburg Asso., by H. A. M., Woodruff, \$2.31; Blackville B. Ch., by J. E. H., \$5.25; Long Branch Ch., by G. E. B., Elko, \$2.78; Honway B. Ch., by R. H. F., Chester, \$12.25; Friendship B. Ch., by J. R. W., Wellford, \$1.90; Mt. Oliver Ch., Kershaw Asso., by J. E. R., Camden. \$3.07: First B. Ch., Piedmont Asso., by J. N. H., Easley, \$8.41; First B. Ch., by G: A. W., Newberry, \$38.98; Buffalo B. Ch., by C. J. Britt, \$1.41; Mush Creek Ch., N. Greenville Asso., by H. A. T., Traveiler's Rest, \$1.30; New Prospect Ch., Spartanburg Asso., by C. J. D., Campobello, \$5.00; First B. Ch., by Miss F. H., Sumter, \$11.60; Bethel B. Ch., by G. A. Steele, Scranton, \$6.69; Beaverdam B. Asso., Oconee Co., by James Seaborn, Walhalla, Toxaway Ch. \$1.00. Conneross \$1.70, Seneca \$6.42; Padgetts Creek B. Ch., by W. J. M., Union, \$10. 00; C. H. Roper, Laurens, Watts Mills, W. M. S., \$1.11, First Laurens Sunbeams \$4.29, First Laurens Y. P. M. S. \$3.00, First Laurens W. M. S. \$20.00, First Laurens \$21.82, Lanford W. M. S. \$9.63; Pisgah Ch., Piedmont Asso., by E. F. A., Liberty, \$2.50; B. Y. P. U., by J. E. B., Greers, \$1.75; Mt. Pisgah B. Ch., by W. A. Kershaw, \$3.43; W. M. S., by J. B. F., Whitney, \$5.00; Whitney B. Ch., by J. B. F., \$3.96; Fairforest Ch., by J. E. M., \$12.05; Greeleyville B. Ch., by C. E. R., \$1.35; Santee Ch., Charleston Asso., by T. W. U., Eloree, \$6.00; H. G. White, Hyman, Union Ch., Florence Asso., \$2. 00; Beulah, Florence Asso., \$7.60; Ephesus, Florence Asso., \$1.00; Mt. Zion, Florence Asso., \$2.66; Mt. Zion S. S., \$4.31; Hurrican Ch., by C. C. Y., Clinton, \$1.85; Bethabara Ch., by R. S. G., Cross Hill, \$3.50; L. M. S., Laurens Asso., Cross Hill, \$1.55; Mt. Aaron Ch., Barnwell Asso., by J. O. W., Appleton, \$5.30; Ridgeland B. S. S., by Miss A. A. B.,

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Miss Myrtle Drane, TENNESSEE: Clarksville, \$25.00; Mrs. Selah Buckles, by E. J. W., Watauga Valley, 50c.; Christianburg Ch., by W. H. Roy, Sweetwater, \$3.05; E. A. Morris, Concord, \$1.00; W. M. Woodcock, Nashville, for Colon Chapel \$5.20, Tichenor Memorial \$29.15. Mountain Schools \$1.25, Miss Moody \$10.00, Miss Maguire \$40.00, Regular Work \$136.92; Madisonville Ch., by Rev. T. F. H., \$12.00; L. A. S., First Ch., Morristown, for Colon Chapel, by Mrs. J. C. M. \$5.00. Total, \$269.07. Previously reported, \$4,377.00. Total since May, \$4,646.07.

TEXAS: Broadway B. Ch., Ft. Worth, Evangelistic Fund \$65.50, Evangelistic Tracts \$2.05; Broadway Ch., Ft. Worth, Evangelism, \$350.00. Total, \$417.55. reported, \$5,421.47. Total \$1,839.02.

VIRGINIA: First B. Ch., Bristol, Evangelistic Tracts, \$1.00; Mrs. J. D. Hughey, Nut Bush, for Mountain Schools, \$5.00. Total, \$6.00. Previously reported, \$8,303.60. Total since May, \$8,309.60.

MISCELLANEOUS: Previously reported since May, \$3,320.03.

AGGREGATE: Total, \$7,002.03. Previously reported, \$76,311.43. Total since May, \$83,572.28.

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Africa-Study Topic April, 1907.

"Thirty years ago, the larger part of Africa was the most consolidated mass of pure barbarism unrelieved by a single ray of light, in the world. But the work of enlightenment, through improvement of the material conditions of barbarous peoples, is advancing in the most remote parts of the Mission Field.

"The culture of garden and farm, iron smelting and manufactures, the planting of rubber, the banana, and the co-coanut tree are now enlisting the energies of New Guinea Cannibals formerly given to orgie and foray." So says Cyrus C. Adams in "The civilizing work of modern Christian Missions."

The grandest humanitarian feature of Christian Missions is the medical phase. Its success has stimulated governments to follow the example of the humble preachers of the gospel. The great brick hospital at Boma, the capital of the Congo Free State, is the special pride of the government, which also has its hospitals and dispensaries at every station throughout its immense domain.

Livingstone's many years of gentle ministration to the sick, and Arnot's journey over half of tropical Africa with nothing to pay his way excepting his box of medicines, did much to call attention to the value of Medical Missions

The ministrations of the old-time Missionary were mainly intellectual and spiritual. He taught barbarians to read so that they might spell out the Scrip-

tures he translated for them. He went among them to win converts, and his first and highest duty was to preach the gospel. He has not changed a whit in his conception of his high calling; but he has found new ways to make himself more effective in it. He has discovered that the seeds of religious teaching thrive best in soil where some elements of our material civilization have been planted, watered and coaxed to grow.

The model farm is now seen among the savages of New Guinea, black men press clay into moulds and produce on the Congo the counterpart of the brickyards of Haverstraw.

September a year ago a railroad was completed around the rapids in the Upper Congo. At Acera, on the Gold Coast, about 1,200 miles above the Congo mouth, is a famous Mission station that has long taught trades to the natives. Some of these skilled artisans were employed to supervise the 3,000 common laborers who did the rough work of railroad construction. So it was the disciplined skill as well as the brain and muscle of African workmen that pushed this railroad through the Congo forests. Only about one hundred white men participated.

The Missionary is helping to refashion the life of the backward races, and the civilized governments of the world are taking part in this work of regeneration.

In 1900, under the direction of Mr. Wilson, then Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, three graduates of Tuskeegee Institute were sent to the Congo Free State to teach the German

Colonies how to raise cotton. At the end of two years three more men were asked for. In 1903 one hundred bales of cotton were shipped to Berlin as the result of this experiment. So, the negro, trained industrially in the Southern States, can be mighty factors in the uplifting of the "Dark Continent."

Senator Morgan, the grand old man from Alabama, recently urged that the Fifty-ninth Congress make formal claim to lands in the Congo Free State, so that the negroes of America may come into the inheritance of what is rightfully theirs in this land of marvelous undeveloped mineral wealth.

It is glorious to see how God is using governments, railroads, commercial interests, and many other human agencies to fulfill his definite purpose of salvation for Africa.

And yet, Africa's own sons and daughters must themselves be encouraged to-work out her material regeneration.

In 1879 Stanley could not induce a Congo native to carry a pound of freight or do other work for him. He had to send to Liberia and to Zanibar for labor. Now tens of thousands are voluntarily serving the government, and are going from the Mission schools into service.

The King of Barotse asked the present King of England, when he visited that country, to send him more men to teach his people carpentry and other trades, so that they might advance more rapidly in civilization. Many other native rulers are interested in the progress of the people.

Civilization does not advance uniformly, as the ranks of an army on parade, but in zigzag ways as an army makes progress in battle. Right valient has been the fight of our own noble soldiers of the cross in Africa. The Southern Baptist Convention records tell of many martyrs who died for Africa's Spiritual redemption. Such names as Bowen, Eubank, Smith, David Lumbley and many others are worthy of highest praise. It was the writer's privi-

lege to know many of these noble men who have hoped as against hope and struggled manfully on under burdens almost too hard to be borne. A recital of their sacrifices and victories would be useless unless it served to inspire us to greater efforts in behalf of Africa's salvation.

The following letter from Miss Rodriguez came too late for the March issue. We wish that all of the W. M. U. sisters might know this fascinating, consecrated Cuban girl who is working so faithfully in Sagua la Grande. The letter speaks for itself:

Sagua la Grande, Cuba, Feb. 11, 1907. My Dear Mrs. Gray:

Your kind letter was received and I thank you for it. Our struggling little church in Sagua is now in a period of reorganization. My father has been again elected by the members as their pastor and I have taken the care of the Sunday-school, all with the approval of Brother McCall. I hope that the Lord will bless our work which is done to the glory of His name.

Among the several reasons why I abandoned the Roman Church, I will mention my antipathy to the dogma of the infallibility of the Popes, whose history denies the truth of said assertion; and, besides, the fact that the gospel of Jesus Christ is tied up in the Roman denomination, and I longed in my heart for the pure untied water of life of the gospel of Jesus Christ. I am very busy now with my music school. I had a fine concert after examination in January. With much love I remain,

Yours in Christ, Conception de la Luz Rodriguez.

Miss Rodriguez is a graduate of the Havana Conservatory of Music and has a branch of same with fifty pupils in Sagua. She is a girl of many graces of person and mind. But best of all she is thoroughly consecrated in her life, freely giving her time to training the children in the Sunday-school.

Sagua is a beautiful little city of 17,000 souls. Our Board has a fine lot, but

no chapel as yet. When will we rouse to the full realization of our duty to the lost? Oh, for money with which to build churches!

Official Announcement.

The Woman's Missionary Union will hold its 19th Annual Meeting in the Second Baptist Church of Richmond, Va., May 16-19, 1907. A meeting of the Executive Committee and State Vice-Presidents will be held Wednesday evening, May 19th, at eight o'clock in a committee room of the Second Baptist Church. At the same hour a Preparatory Prayer Meeting will be held by the women of Richmond, the women delegates and visitors, in the main auditorium of the same church.

The Union will convene Thursday morning. May 16th, at ten o'clock, holding morning and afternoon services Thursday and Friday. Thursday evening at eight o'clock there will be a public meeting in the interest of the Union in charge of Dr. Willingham and addressed by Missionaries and other leading men. Thursday morning will be utilized for Topical and State Meetings, the informal discussion being open to both visitors and delegates. Sunday afternoon the meeting will be addressed by Women Missipnaries from the Home and Foreign Fields.

> FANNIE E. S. HECK, President W. M. U.

THE UNION MAIL.

Conducted by MISS FANNIE E. S. HECK

Only six weeks and then the Annual Meeting=What of our aim for the year, now? We set before us seventy-five thousand for Foreign and sixty thousand in money for Home Missions. Will we reach it? That depends.=We hear much of mass movements. But mass movements are only individuals moving in masses. Our aim can only be reached by such a mass movement of the individuals who compose the seven or eight thousand societies which compose the

Union, moving each with the determination each to do her part.=Each treasurer can render special help by sending in promptly and carefully designated all contributions from the Week of Thanksgiving for Home Missions and for the Tichenor Church Building Loan Fund= In another place the official announcement of the Annual Meeting of the Union is made. In the Mail there are some open secrets. For one, Young Woman's Work will be given more time and space than ever before. Along this same line is a revival of the suggestion made at the last meeting that at least one member of a Young Ladies' seciety be among the eight delegates from each State .= Another secret has been loudly whispered—"Wc want discussions, speeches." Then come prepared to discuss, for there is to be a time when every woman, delegate or otherwise, will be given an opportunity to say what she will, provided she can say it in not more than five minutes .= Who has a typewriter to give to Home Missions? There is a Home Missionary with a hand so crippled that he cannot write otherwise, who could be made glad by one. If you wish to make him happy, Miss Elizabeth Poulson, 301 N. Charles St., Baltimore, will tell you who he is and where to find him .= Some one thought that the Tichenor Fund was "almost complete." Not by any means. It can easily be fully completed if we really wish it to be. There is yet six thousand dollars and more to be sent in toround up the twenty thousand dollars.= The president of the Union recently spent a week in Baltimore in consultation with the Executive Committee When she arrived the rooms were piled high with boxes waiting to be filled with programs, envelopes and leaflets for the Week of Thanksgiving for Home Missions, which four or five young women were busily folding and sorting. The first orders were so large that in a few days the 130,000 envelopes ordered for the week had disappeared as if by magic .= Where did they go? Some were thrown aside and forgotten; some re-

ceived a sum so small that the word "thanksgiving" on the outside blushed, while some were returned so freighted with gifts and prayers that they almost broke with their own weight .= Have you felt it? Among some of the contributors to the Mail there has been "a feeling" that the year would be crowned with more than one large gift to missions through the Union. Who would not covet such a privilege?=Don't forget to report the boxes. Every one sent out this year ought to be reported before the middle of April.=Miss Buhlmaier reports a busy but happy winter. "Twice in particular," she says, "I have noticed large groups of immigrants going South, and I have found by years of observation that where some go many more will follow."

BOXES TO MISSIONARIES.

The lowing boxes have been sent to Home Missionaries and mountain schools since the last report in March Journal:

KENTUCKY: Pembroke, \$85.00; Bardstown, \$96.88; Georgetown, \$72.00; Bowling Green, \$115.00; Walton, \$59.50; Winchester, \$144.00.

LOUISIANA: Monroe, \$88.60; Monroe, \$105.30.

MARYLAND: Brantly Ch., Baltimore, \$230.25; First Ch., Baltimore, \$200.00; Pastor's Aid, First Ch., Baltimore, \$190.00; Y. W. S., Franklin Square Ch., Baltimore, \$124.00; Grace Ch., Baltimore, \$150.41; Y. W. S., Grace Ch., Baltimore, \$42.00; Fourth Ch., Baltimore, \$8.25 (contribution); North Ave. Ch., Balti-

more, \$120.00; W. M. S., Franklin Sq. Ch., Baltimore, \$258.43; Fulton Ave. Ch., Baltimore, \$100.00.

MISSISSIPPI: Starkville, \$82.00; Laurel, \$128.00; Clinton, \$118.25; Mc-Comb, \$96.10; Coffeeville, (contb.) \$39.-75; Coffeeville Sunbeams, (contb.) 75c.; Coffeeville Sunbeams, (contb.) \$5.00; Granada, (contb.) \$29.20; Mt. Paran, (contb.) \$5.00; Spring Hill, (contb.) \$2.50.

MISSOURI: Benton Boulevard, Kansas City, \$50.00; Benton Boulevard, Kansas City, \$40.00; Marshall, \$35,30.

VIRGINIA: Freemason St. Ch., Norfolk, Portsmouth Asso., \$192.77; Hampton Ch., Peninsula Asso., \$200.00; Fourth Ch., Portsmouth, Portsmouth Asso., \$185.00; Hampton, Peninsula Asso., \$217.75. Total, \$3,880.94.

Previously reported, \$13,459.03. Grand total, \$17.339.97.

BOXES TO MOUNTAIN SCHOOLS.

KENTUCKY: Falmouth, \$50.00; First Ch., Lexington, \$95.00; First Ch., Lexington, \$110.00; Ciliton, \$130.00; Broadway Ch., Lexington, \$115.00; Walnut St. Ch., Louisville, \$100.00.

VIRGINIA: Sunbeams, Parksley Ch., Accomac Co., \$13.65; Girls' Soc., Broaddus Mem. Ch., Richmond, \$17.50; Fork, Fork Union, Albemarle Asso., \$10.00.

Total, \$641.15.

Previously reported, \$546.18.

Grand total, \$1,187.33.

LATER: Box reports sent from Georgia, Home Miss. boxes.

GEORGIA: Hephzibah, \$92.35; Valdosta, \$71.60.



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With each gift or bequest any lawful and reasonable conditions may be added by the donor; but it is best that gifts be hampered with as few conditions or limitations as possible, leaving methods of use and administration to the discretion of the Board.



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