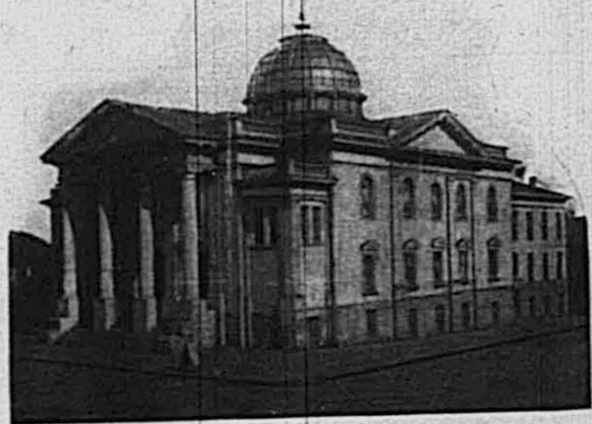


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EDITORIAL

Look! "Where?" At your label. "Why?" To see when your Home Field subscription expires. "Then what?" Renew. "When?" Now.

A fine list of choice friends—those on the Honor Roll. Who will join them? We need one thousand helpers in our effort to add 10,000 new subscribers to the Home Field.

The Swedish Conference, in annual session, sends a resolution of thanks to the Home Mission Board and other Baptist bodies for help rendered in the evangelization of their countrymen who live in America. The Swedes are a fine people, and we must help to give them the gospel.

From month to month we publish brief extracts from the reports of our workers. We beg our readers not to neglect that department. It is full of interest. It tells how the battle goes on many a field. Mission leaders can gain fresh and stimulating information for mission reports and addresses by close attention to this department.

On another page will be found a statement of our financial condition. The situation is serious. Our receipts are about what they were up to this date last year, but our ex-

penditures are much greater. Besides, we had a \$22,000 debt to start with. A crisis is threatened, unless we have immediate, generous and general contributions from the churches. It would be calamitous beyond calculation to retrench now, when the calls for help are so urgent and the blessings of the Lord upon our work are so marvelous.

It is said that in the first six months of this year 677,884 steerage passengers returned from the United States to their native lands. Has the tide of immigration turned backward? Not at all. Remember that about 600,000 of these steerage passengers returning to their native lands bought round-trip tickets back to New York, and so will return to America. No, the tide is still toward our land. The immigrant pier is the point of peril.

Some New Workers.

We are fortunate in securing Miss Mamie Campbell for work among the miners of Oklahoma. She will be located at Coalgate. Miss Campbell is a consecrated Christian, and has excellent training for her important work. She will be supported by the girls and young women of Virginia.

Miss Mabel Haynes, for several

years a teacher in the Deaf and Dumb Institution of North Carolina, has been secured for our school work in Havana, Cuba. She is gifted and consecrated, and will be a great acquisition to our force in Cuba. We are devoutly thankful to God for this capable young woman. A great open door of usefulness awaits her in Cuba.

We greatly regretted having to lose Rev. W. H. Sledge from our evangelistic force. He did a notably successful work. On account of his health, however, he felt constrained to return to the pastorate. He carries on the work at Prestonsburg, Ky., where he held that marvelous meeting recently. May God's richest blessings crown his labors.

Here comes some compensation for the loss of Brother Sledge from our evangelistic work. Dr. C. A. Stewart, of Ft. Scott, Kansas, begins with us October 1st. He is a royal preacher, a great soul-winner, and a man of consecration and piety. His first work was in the great campaign in Birmingham.

Then, to add to our joy, we have that gifted "fisher of men," Rev. W. A. McComb, so well and widely known in Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas, and Rev. W. P. Hines, of Lexington, Ky., whose evangelistic gifts are of uncommon excellence. Surely the brotherhood will rejoice with our Home Board in thanking God for the gift of such men.

Death of Dr. Manly J. Breaker.

Dr. Manly J. Breaker's death, October 1, 1908, has brought sincere grief to thousands of our Baptist people in whose service he spent his

useful life. He was a man of great resourcefulness, of indomitable energy, of noble courage and ceaseless activity. His most conspicuous work was done as Secretary of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions in Missouri. At the very zenith of his powers and in the midst of his work, he was called up higher by the Lord whom he served with loyalty and success. Our last meeting with Dr. Breaker was in Nashville, with the special committee of the Financial Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. He was Secretary of the committee, and by previous correspondence had gathered and put into compact form much valuable information for the committee. Physically, he was not well, but the news of his death so shortly thereafter came as a shock, and filled us with sorrow. We mourn his death, but thank God for his useful life, and pray for heaven's blessings upon his bereaved family.

Dr. Love Goes to Dallas.

Assistant Corresponding Secretary, Dr. J. F. Love, has been transferred by the Home Mission Board to Dallas, Texas. The resolution of the Board making this change is as follows:

"Your committee appointed to consider and report on the advisability of placing a representative in that part of our field west of the Mississippi river, beg leave to say that, in view of the growing importance of this vast territory, the necessity of stimulating interest in our work and to secure larger contributions for its support, by personal

appeals before churches and general bodies, as well as by correspondence and otherwise, and for closer contact and supervision of our work, we deem this step wise and proper. Therefore, be it resolved, that we recommend that Assistant Secretary, Dr. Love, be transferred to that part of our field, and that he be located at Dallas, Texas."

It gives me pleasure to make this announcement to the Baptist brotherhood of the South, and to ask their continued prayers and sympathy and co-operation in the great work committed to their Board. More especially to the brethren west of the Mississippi, among whom he is to live and labor, I beg to commend Dr. Love, who will be glad to serve them in every way possible towards carrying into effect the plans and purposes, as set forth in the above resolution of the Board.

Fraternally,

B. D. GRAY,

Corresponding Secretary.

Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 9, 1908.

The above announcement has been sent to the denominational papers, and we give it place in the columns of the Home Field, that our readers may know of the change in Dr. Love's location.—Editor.

He who is faithful over a few things is lord of cities. It does not matter whether you preach in Westminster Abbey, or teach a ragged class, so you be faithful. The faithfulness is all.—G. MacDonald.

Our Financial Condition.

We give below a table of receipts for the month, and since May 1st.

Our receipts since May 1st are about \$600 ahead of the receipts for the same period last year, and in that respect are encouraging, but we began this year with a debt of \$22,000, whereas the debt at the beginning of last year was a little under \$8,000; so that to be in as good shape as we were a year ago, our receipts should have been \$14,000 greater than they are, or a total of \$56,000 instead of \$42,053.12.

All this is on the supposition that our appropriations this year are the same as those for last year. We, however, made a distinct enlargement in our appropriations for this year. Moreover, last year we made a number of conditional appropriations which were not paid because the conditions were not met. Applications were made for the renewal of these appropriations. Many of them were for church buildings. The conditions in a number of cases were nearly met and recently have been fully complied with. This necessitates payment of some appropriations from four to six months earlier than we usually agree to pay these heavy appropriations, since we save large interest account by deferring payments till spring, when the great bulk of our contributions is received. We cannot delay these payments, the conditions having been met by the brethren. The buildings in a number of cases have been completed. All bills are due, and delay on our part will cause great inconvenience, trouble and possible lawsuits by contractors.

So we must borrow the money and pay these appropriations. Our debt is already far larger than it ever was at this season, and must be immediately increased in order to secure money for payments of these church building appropriations and to pay salaries of our great force of workers.

The panic of one year ago did not affect our Southern people immediately so much as it has done for the last six months. But far and wide over the field we have had serious times financially. By all it is agreed that the stringency is being relieved, cotton is on the market, industries have revived, money is more plentiful, confidence is restored. Our people are able to give. We beg pastors and laymen, our women and young people, to come to our help. If they but knew how the Lord is blessing our work and how urgent is the need for immediate and liberal gifts their response would be wide-spread and generous.

Financial Statement, Month Ending October 1, 1908.

	For Month	Previously Reported	Total Since May 1, 1908
Alabama..	\$ 684 23	\$ 1,040 69	\$ 1,744 92
Arkansas..	4 62	307 38	312 00
D. of C..	20 51	159 21	179 72
Florida..	114 62	747 71	862 33
Georgia..	1,283 65	3,622 72	4,906 37
Kentucky..	88 11	3,293 38	3,381 49
Louisiana..		835 02	835 02
Maryland..	306 79	2,122 33	2,429 12
Mississippi	348 15	359 20	707 35
Missouri..	770 09	4,305 10	5,075 19
N. Carolina	1,000 00	1,640 26	2,640 26
Oklahoma..	72 77	451 67	524 44
S. Carolina	1,823 13	3,105 80	4,928 93
Tennessee	2,236 75	2,020 75	4,257 50
Texas.....	115 60	4,200 32	4,315 92
Virginia..	1,200 00	3,586 01	4,786 01
Miscella's	18 72	147 83	166 55
Total.	\$10,087 74	\$31,965 38	\$42,053 12

Systematic Beneficence.

The action of the Commission on Systematic Beneficence will be found on page 112 of this issue. We bespeak for it the most serious consideration. No subject deserves more attention just now than the one discussed by the Commission. Systematic and symmetrical benevolence is the supreme need in Baptist finances. Without it we move with hesitation and uncertainty. Our plans for enlargement are projected with timidity and executed with fear and trembling.

From the very beginning of the year the Boards have to borrow money. If a debt is brought over from the previous year, like the \$22,000 of the Home Board this year, it is almost impossible to pay it off without seriously injuring collections for the current work. Other denominational interests claim attention and the debt is forgotten, except by the Board and the bankers.

There are hopeful signs for the future. Our people are concerned over the situation. They are discussing methods of beneficence. The conviction is growing that the very best business methods must be put into our denominational work. Pastors and laymen alike are interested on the subject. This means much. Once secure a great conviction that a thing is necessary, we will find methods and means for its accomplishment. Patience must temper and stimulate perseverance, but the task is begun, and that is worth while.

The old credit system in business, made necessary by conditions in the South a generation ago, is giving place to prompter and more frequent settlements, and this in turn is having its effect upon the religious obligations of our people. Pastors' salaries, especially of rural sections, were for a long time paid semi-annually, and sometimes annually. This has given place to quarterly and monthly payments. Boards need money as regularly and frequently for their missionaries as do the churches for their pastors, and the ideal will be reached when our denomination at large is as much concerned for the payment of missionaries' salaries as are the churches for the support of their pastors.

Another hopeful feature is found in the increased attention that is being given to Christian stewardship. This long-neglected doctrine of practical theology has been given unusual emphasis by our Northern brethren in the last three years. They have a very capable man, Dr. C. A. Cook, giving his entire time to the work. The grace of giving is being accorded its rightful place among the Christian graces. All this is hopeful.

The Laymen's Movement will greatly help the financial side of our denominational work. Secretary J. T. Henderson is putting stress on the stewardship of money along with other things. Our pastors will come in for re-enforcement here and our women are making great progress in systematic giving.

With these forces, and others that might be mentioned, at work, by

prayer and perseverance we shall see a marvelous change in no great while.

DEDICATION OF THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Sunday, October 4, 1908, Was a
Notable Day for Southern
Baptists,

being the time appointed for the dedication of the First Baptist Church. This event has been looked to with great interest and anxiety, not only by the members of the First Church, but by our Southern Baptist people at large. The day was bright and beautiful. Most of the Baptist churches of the city having resigned their services, were present to join in the good feelings, which thrilled the hearts of the First Church people and their noble pastor, Rev. C. V. Edwards. The spacious auditorium, when the Sunday school is included, will seat between 12,000 and 15,000 people. Many friends from other denominations were present on the occasion. We felicitated the First Church on entering their beautiful church building.

Most of the Baptist pastors of the city, along with Secretary W. N. Johnson, of the State Mission Board, and former Secretary E. O. Ware, took part in the great dedicatory services. The building committee read a brief history of their work in connection with the erection of the beautiful structure, and gave due credit to the Home Board for their noble part in the accomplishment of this great work.

Beautiful for Situation.

The church is beautifully situated on St. Charles avenue and Delachaise street, and can be seen up and down St. Charles avenue, that wonderful boulevard, for a mile in each direction. The site was purchased by the Home Mission Board for \$15,000 some three years ago, and could now be sold, if vacant, for \$25,000 or \$30,000. The building cost about \$50,000, and is said to be the best arranged and most effective church plant in the city of New Orleans, not the costliest, but the most convenient. Dr. W. J. McGlothlin, who was recently in New Orleans, said to Pastor Edwards that, all in all, the church had more conveniences for effective work than any church building of his acquaintance. It is the prize, not of our Baptist people only, but of all the people of New Orleans. Situated on this notable avenue, in the midst of a great residence section, and with the finest street car facilities, except on lower Canal street, its location is easily the finest in the city of New Orleans.

Our Southern Baptist people have emphasized the importance of New Orleans as the center for Baptists more than any other city of the South, and in Convention, as well as in annual reports there, the Home Mission Board have for fifty years had New Orleans before them. The completion of this splendid temple will thrill the hearts of many of our people. It is the beginning of better days for our cause in the Crescent City. The members of the church, who have sacrificed so much in the past, with poor facilities with which to do their work, and in an out-of-the-way place, were happy

beyond measure on the day of dedication. They face the future with hope and enthusiasm.

It was our pleasure, as Corresponding Secretary, to preach the dedicatory sermon, and to carry renewed assurances, to the church and the brotherhood in the entire city, of the Home Board's interest in our cause there.

Pastor Edwards has given himself unremittingly to this great task, and to him more than to anyone else is due the completeness of its arrangement and the excellence of the building in every way. It will stand as a monument to his splendid taste and indefatigable industry. While the Home Board has furnished by far the greater part of the money for the building, in addition to buying the lot straight out, the church members have made genuine sacrifices in their gifts. In years to come we shall look back to the auspicious day, October 4, when this new Baptist temple in this strategic point, the great city of the South, was dedicated to the service of God.

Other Baptist Interests in the City.

The Grace Baptist Church has recently completed a beautiful chapel in the lower part of the city, conspicuously situated on a beautiful park in the midst of a growing body of people. Rev. W. W. Horner is their consecrated and indefatigable pastor. The members of this church on the whole, like those of the First Church, are poor, and unable to build such a house as they need. The lot was purchased by the Home Board, and most of the money on their \$13,000 building contributed by the Home Mission Board. This church is as well located and suited

to its field as the First Church is for its great section of the city, and the prospects are bright for the future.

The Board two years ago bought a splendid lot on the corner of Hagan and Cleveland avenues, far out Canal street, in a growing section of the city, on what is to be in the course of years one of the greatest boulevards in America. It is a feeble plant, only a mission station recently organized into a church, and patience and perseverance will be required to "make good" in that great and growing section.

St. Charles Avenue Church, two miles or more up the avenue from the First Church, with Pastor W. H. Brengle in the lead, has a bright outlook. We have in this issue of the Home Field a brief, informing article from Pastor Brengle concerning his field. It is hard by the great Tulane University and in the midst of a populous and growing section of the city. They are planning enlargement of their building for Sunday school facilities.

The Valence Street Church is in a mission district, is pastorless, and has had a career of sacrifices. The lamented D. I. Purser was once their consecrated leader, and they have some of the Lord's best in their membership.

The Coliseum Place Church has the best down-town location among Protestant churches, especially if we consider the future growth of the city. Pastor J. B. Lawrence is having phenomenal success in his work. The church is taking on new vigor, and is likewise planning improvements on their building. Except the Coliseum Church, that in the years of the past received time and again

help from the Baptists through the Home Board, every Baptist church in the city is receiving help from the Home Board on pastoral support.

A Great and Growing City.

New Orleans is the great city of the South, with 360,000 people. Situated at the mouth of the Mississippi, as St. Louis is near its head, it is destined to be one of the great cities of the Western world. If St. Louis has the grain fields adjacent to it, New Orleans has the river and the railroads to bring the grain of the Northwest to its wharves, and has rice fields and cane fields and cotton fields to swell its commerce. Some people believe that in twenty-five years New Orleans will equal St. Louis in population, and before that period is half gone the city will have between 750,000 and 1,000,000 people. The railroads and the river, indeed, all the rivers of the Mississippi valley, bear their commerce to the gates of the Crescent City, and thousands upon thousands of people are pouring into the metropolis from the adjacent cities and from the far distant North, as well as from foreign lands. The task of solving the mission problem in a great city is conspicuously at hand at New Orleans. If our Baptists of the South are wise they will hasten to that great strategic city with men and money for its conquest now and its control for all time.

We send greetings and congratulations to our brotherhood throughout the South on the hopeful condition of affairs in that unique, beautiful and mighty city of the lower Mississippi valley.

PERTINENT PARAGRAPHS

I Love the West.

Emma L. Miller.

I LOVE the West, the wild, wild West;

I love its snow-capped mountains;
Its canons, valleys, sunny glens,
Its forests deep and grassy fens,
Its streams and dashing fountains.

I love the West, the new, new West;
Her veins new blood is flushing;
New homes, new towns, new cities rise;
From every land beneath the skies
New life to her is rushing.

I love the West, the Christless West;
My heart goes out in sorrow
To miners', loggers', ranchers' camp,
To thousand hearts without God's Lamb—
Oh, dark must be their morrow!

I love the West, the Christian West;
God bless the sons and daughters
Who hasten there, God's word to take,
Who spend their lives for His dear sake,
Who sow beside all waters.

I love the West, the coming West,
When all our land adorning,
The Sun of Righteousness shall rise,
Illuminate the western skies,
And usher in that morning!

Of all the western races, who that can read skillfully the providence of God, or can read it at all, can hesitate in affirming that the signs of Divine decree point to this land of ours as the one which is fast gathering to itself the races which must take the lead in the final conflicts of Christianity for the world. Ours is the elect nation for the ages to come. We are the chosen people. The plans of God will not wait. These plans seem to have brought us to one of the closing stages in the world's career, in which we can no longer drift with safety to our destiny. We are shut up to a perilous alternative. Immeasurable opportunities surround and overshadow us. Such, as I read it, is the central fact in the philosophy of American home missions.—Austin Phelps, D. D.

The Forty-sixth State.

The new State of Oklahoma has 70,430 square miles, or an area greater than the whole of New England, and a population of 1,500,000.

Its property value exceeds \$1,000,000,000.

The State has nearly 6,000 miles of railroads.

Its percentage of illiteracy is 7. In United States 10%.

Cities range in population from 5,000 to 40,000, and are rapidly growing.

The State produces cattle, corn, cotton, fine small fruit, potatoes, all cereals, coal, asphalt, oil, gas, granite, marble, gypsum, lead, zinc, and valuable woods.

Indian Territory was organized June 30, 1834; Oklahoma was organized May 2, 1890.

Statehood bill approved, June 16, 1906.

Constitutional convention met at Guthrie, November 20, 1906.

Constitution adopted and State officers chosen at election September 17, 1907.

Admitted to statehood by presidential proclamation, November 16, 1907.

Though Oklahoma's sovereignty as a state dates from November 16, the ensigns of the army and navy did not actually display the forty-sixth star until July 4, according to the regulation adopted in such cases.—The Scimitar.

Rev. T. A. Walker, Philpot, Va.: I have never read any paper that I enjoyed more than Our Home Field. What elevating, inspiring articles it does contain! It gives me, a poor, hard-worked pastor, inspiration and power to do my work, humble though it be. The August number is worth the whole year's subscription price. I have read every line in it, except the article headed, "Cash receipts from June 10 to July 10, 1908." I was charmed with the descriptive article, "Afield." Whoever wrote that article is a descriptive writer of "the first water."

I am a teacher and preacher. I am pastor of a country church near a railroad station. There are only about thirty members in this church, and not a single one of them is reading *Our Home Field*, or any other mission paper. The majority of the members of this little Baptist church are poor, but a number of them can subscribe to your valued monthly, and I am going to make a special effort to get them to do so. They have done but little reading on missions, but I have been preaching missions to the best of my ability to them during the brief time I have been with them, and as a result of my effort in this direction they have nearly doubled their contributions to missions and other objects this year. Please send me some sample copies and blank subscription lists for *Our Home Field*.

The Home Missionary Home.

The missionary home is quite apt to be "a full house." There is one home missionary family where there are eight girls, and each girl has a brother. I hope some generous church has secured this family, and will send them a "fat box."

The missionary home abounds in love and the spirit of sacrifice. I have been guest of a family of an even dozen, where the principal dish at dinner was the thinnest kind of bean soup, but we had "lots of fun," and dinner was served with a touch of pomp and ceremony—more pomp than provender—the hostess managing to make three courses of that scanty meal. I have seen his children more than once making their supper wholly of stewed pumpkins and milk.

To every home comes real distress, misfortune, sickness, death; and the missionary home is not exempt. To the true home missionary home the ravens of God are frequent visitors. No distress that can be reached by human sympathy and love is suffered long in this home. When the clothing of the family is becoming threadbare, here comes the home missionary box!

Two Months in Oklahoma.

REV. R. G. McLEES.

Well, and what do you think of Oklahoma? This is the question to be heard on all sides, and our answer is a scriptural one: "Much every way."

Oklahoma City from which I am writing, is but eighteen years old. It is claiming 50,000 people. It is the pride of the state and the wonder of the times.

True, Oklahoma has its defects and drawbacks, but then there are spots in the sun and Achilles had vulnerable heels. The seasons out here are rather too uncertain, and the storms are rather too frequent. There are times when water is distressingly scarce, and then there are times when it is disastrously abundant.

The people remind me of the throng that went up with the Children of Israel out of Egypt. They are a mixed multitude, coming from every state and every land, belonging to every class and every condition. They have gathered here principally for one great purpose—the making of money—and many are succeeding. Many have left behind their church letters, and, sadder still, their church love. Almost to a man they are wildly enthusiastic about Oklahoma. To boost and boom his town and state—that is the first and last article of his civic creed, and this is the best advertised state in the Union.

If ever a home mission field sent up to the church a clarion call for help, a call that brooks not an hour's, not a moment's delay, it is in this land of Oklahoma. With ten thousand tongues it is calling—calling for men—for more men—men with strong bodies who can stand the stress and strain of this rushing life; men with fine brains, and devoted hearts, that by their strong and clear and consecrated lives and teaching can win this Mighty West for Christ. Out here among these cities upon the plains, there is standing one with his face turned toward the East, with his hands outstretched, and he is crying,

"Come over and help us." God grant that the men and women of our church may have eyes to see the vision and ears to hear the call.—The Home Mission Herald.

Western Texas—Opportunity.

REV. W. M. DOGGETT, PRESBYTERIAN EVANGELIST.

The time has come when a full presentation of the conditions in that section of country known as "Southwest Texas" should be laid before the Christian people of our church. This section is not marked out upon the map by definite lines, but is almost exactly coextensive with the lines of the Presbytery of Western Texas. If the reader will start from a point at the mouth of the Rio Grande river, some thirty miles below Brownsville, and follow the tortuous line of that historic stream a distance of seven hundred miles, he will have marked out one boundary of the presbytery, which embraces forty-four counties.

This one presbytery is larger by two hundred square miles than the new state of Oklahoma, and is larger by 28,000 square miles than Tennessee. Square miles may mean little; in proportion as it possesses material worth does it become attractive to men, and an object of interest to the church. In its native material resources it is equal to any one state in the Union, combining the most varied and the richest possibilities for wealth.

This section leads in its cattle and goat raising industry, shipping out millions of dollars' worth annually; also immense quantities of sheep, wool, honey and pecans.

It is an all-round stock country and an unparalleled producer of wheat and other grains, and provender.

Again, this is a fruit country. Peaches, apricots, plums, oranges and figs are a success, but not apples. Dates, prunes, and olives do well. There can be no dispute that it will average with any other section in the production of every variety of vegetables, and it is pre-eminently a cotton country.

I have traveled from the canyons on the northwest to the irrigated regions on the southeast and can truly say that the pure water supply cannot be surpassed. It is a hot country, to be sure, three months in the year, but rarely sultry. During the most heated term the southeast breezes make the nights comfortable. That it is a country promotive of good health

is evidenced in the fact that there are within its borders hundreds who have been greatly benefited and hundreds of others seemingly restored to good health. There are here as fine mountain resorts, as well as splendid coast resorts, as can be found anywhere.

Such a country merits population. The railroad and realty companies are spending thousands of dollars advertising it, and the people are coming in and forming small colonies. Many of these are without preaching from any denomination. In the near future around these



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centers will be built great communities, and the complexion given to these small centers now religiously will be the complexion of the future populous community. The denomination that now comes in and plants itself will be the controlling denomination.

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In July I preached a week in the town of McAllen to good gatherings of men seated on lumber piles in a lumber yard. It is my opinion that in eighteen months there will be in that town fifteen hundred people, besides a thickly settled farming community around it.

Let us turn to a specific case. The lower Rio Grande valley is destined to become the most famous irrigation section in the world. Not because more acres will be irrigated, but because of the extreme fertility of the soil, its multiplied products, and the fact it can put its products upon the market earlier than any other section in the Union.

By the first of January, 1909, two hundred thousand acres of the most fertile land in the world will be ready for cultivation, and thousands of good American citizens will have taken up their abode in this valley who are not in it today. This opinion is based upon the judgment of business men who have backed their faith in the enterprise with millions of dollars. What an opportunity for the borders of our Zion to be enlarged! Where there are such phenomenal developments in the material world there should go along with it phenomenal efforts upon the part of the church to hold its own.—Home Mission Herald.

Those who read these lines have friends to whom a year's subscription to Our Home Field would be a most acceptable Christmas remembrance. Who will profit by the suggestion? Will you? All right. Send on the names and the "quarters."

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Out West.

At the time copy is due this month I am too busy moving my effects to Dallas, and getting established at this new center of operation to write for Our Home Field. Hereafter, the readers may expect to hear from me and the Southwest each month in this department Out West. We will try to give them the freshest information concerning our work in the rapidly growing western half of our territory, and hope to make the department helpful to pastors, missionary societies and workers. But in order to do this, we have a two-fold request to make of the friends of home missions who live in our trans-Mississippi territory, namely, that they will furnish us regularly information, missionary incident, etc., for this department, and that they will help us to inaugurate a campaign for new subscribers in this territory. I am coming to the Southwest to help save it for Christ and Baptists, and to set its great needs and opportunities before the denomination. One of the best agencies given me with which to do this is Our Home Field. Let all who are in sympathy with such a purpose co-operate with me in making this new department of the magazine and in securing a large circulation for it in this territory. Address all communications intended for me and this department to Dallas, Texas.

J. F. LOVE,
Asst. Cor. Secretary.

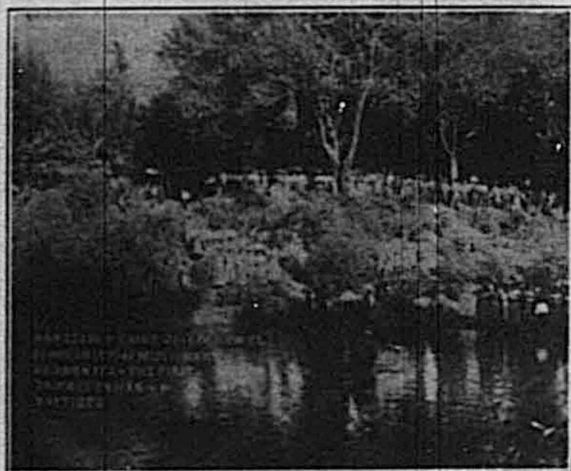
Pawnee Indian Church Constituted.

REV. J. G. BRENDEN, MISSIONARY:

My Dear Brother Welch: I wish you could have been at the Pawnee Mission Sunday. It was a great day in the history of this tribe of Indians. Two weeks ago four had come out for baptism and Sunday, the 20th of September, was set as the day for baptizing. At an early

hour the Indians began to gather at the chapel. By eleven o'clock there were nearly two hundred. The bell was rung and services begun. I preached to them about the "Baptism Way" that Jesus made, and explained to them that all who would follow Jesus must come this way. It was a new revelation to them, as they had never heard baptism explained before. At twelve o'clock we adjourned for dinner. And, Oh! what a feast! A great many of the Indians had brought something to eat and, with what the missionary had prepared, it was all spread out on tablecloths spread on the floor of a small room of the chapel. The Indians all sat down on the floor. It was a great time. One Indian said, "Heap big eat." It was also a social feast. At 2 p. m. the bell was rung and they again gathered in the chapel for services. I explained to them that the church is the body of Christ; that after we have been "born again," we become united to Christ, and when we are baptized, we become members of Christ's body. We are children of God, brothers and sisters with Jesus. After reading and explaining the church covenant, the first Pawnee Indian Baptist Church was organized, with nine members, including the missionary and wife and her mother. We were assisted in the organization by Rev. Arthur Allen, pastor of the white Baptist Church. After the organization, I asked any who wanted to start in the Jesus road to come up for prayer. Twelve came forward. The Holy Spirit was certainly present. I think most every heart was touched. Sobs could be heard all over the house. Tears in every eye. We had prayer, then I asked all who wanted to join the church, but were not ready to be baptized now, to give me their names, and nine came and joined the church. It seemed as if the spirit of God was moving upon that great crowd of Indians. Several of those that had been converted spoke, and exhorted

the other Indians to come and walk in the Jesus road. It was a wonderful service. We then went to the creek. There were about two hundred Indians in the procession. Many more had gathered at the water, besides, a number of white people. O, what an hour to those people, who never stood around a baptismal stream before. They gazed with wonder on the solemn sight. The crowd was orderly and well-behaved as any white crowd. The first one to be baptized was Chief Joseph Howel (god chief), who spoke before the Hot Springs Convention. Look in the picture and see him standing with me in the water. He never saw anyone baptized in his life. What



do you suppose it means to this man, as he has come out from the old Indian ceremonies, and stands here ready to be buried with his Lord in baptism? What a moment it must be. And what does it mean to this tribe as they stand here and see their chief arise from a liquid grave? The first time they had ever beheld such a ceremony. Chief Roberts was another strong man baptized. Albert Long, one of the leading men; Willie Brown, a young man, and Henry Murie, one of the school boys, the first one of the school children to accept Christ. We hope, through him, to reach his father and mother. We got back home at five o'clock, and, after a short rest, wife and I went to the Government school, where

we held service with about one hundred Indian boys and girls. Got back home at 8:30, about worn out, but happy over the services of the day. This is one day's work at the Pawnee Mission. We do beg that all the readers of the Home Field will pray for this young church, and that God will make these Christian Indians strong, and that God may move the hearts of those who are opposed to the Christian way.

Miss Mamie Campbell.

The Home Board has been fortunate in securing the services of Miss Mamie Campbell, of Atlanta, for work among the miners at Coalgate, Okla. Miss Campbell's support is pledged by the girls of Virginia. The following sketch is furnished by Mr. Paul Etheridge:

"Miss Mamie Campbell, youngest daughter of Rev. and Mrs. G. M. Campbell, of Atlanta, Ga., was converted at the age of eleven, at Carlton, Ga., her former home.

She did not take up any regular or special work until several years later, when she became a member of the Immanuel Church, of Atlanta, Ga. At the time of uniting with the church it was very weak in membership, having been recently organized from a mission Sunday school; and here she found much work for her willing hands. For some time she had the leadership of the Young Ladies' Auxillary to the Woman's Missionary Society, and did a great work among the girls. She became so interested in the work that she began praying that God would call one of her class as a witness for Him in some mission field. She urged her girls to pray to this end, and not a day passed that she did not plead at the Throne of Grace for this great blessing. In the meantime, she took up work among the young men, teaching the Baraca class in the Sunday

school. Through her influence and in answer to her prayers, one by one, a large number of young men were led to accept Christ, and are now witnessing for Him in the places to which He has called them.

She had worked in this way among the young people for two or three years, praying constantly for a volunteer for mission work from among them, when the call came to her. She tried to put it away, but could not, and, yielding to the influence of the Spirit, offered herself for whatever work the Master had for her to do.

She spent some time at the Woman's Baptist Missionary Training School in Chicago, preparing herself for her labors, and, while there, did much work in the slums of that city.

She was first appointed from the Northern Board to work in New York City, but before she began her work there she was transferred to the Southern Board, and stationed at Coalgate, Okla., a mining town.

She is a young woman of winning personality, a lover of all mankind, and the humble servant of God, abundantly filled with His grace, and well fitted for

the work she has gone out to do." The esteem in which Miss Campbell is held by the members of Immanuel Baptist congregation and Sunday school was beautifully illustrated at the farewell service held on the evening of October 2nd. The church was well filled with a representative gathering. Representatives of the Home Mission Board were also present and participated in the service. An excellent program of music, recitations and addresses was arranged, including the final farewell words by Miss Campbell herself. She spoke earnestly and with warmth of feeling. In the few words she spoke one could readily recognize a fine intellect enriched

with splendid training, and graced with a spirit of Christian zeal and consecration. At the conclusion of the program it was beautiful to see the old and young as they gathered around Miss Campbell for a loving last word before her departure for Oklahoma.

In a letter written by Miss Campbell from Coalgate, on October 15th, she says:

"I am at last in my new home, and I think I shall be very happy in the work here. Coalgate presents a vast harvest-field to me and, with His help, I shall endeavor to labor wisely."

M. M. W.



MISS CAMPBELL.

Commission on Systematic Beneficence.

The Commission on Systematic Beneficence, appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention at Hot Springs, in May, 1908, met and appointed a sub-committee of five, consisting of E. C. Dargan, chairman; M. J. Breaker, secretary, and J. B. Gambrell, A. V. Rowe and Livingston Johnson, who were (in the language of the report creating the commission) "to devise a better system for raising funds for our missionary operations, and make

recommendation of same to the various State conventions."

At the call of the chairman of this committee, with Secretaries R. J. Willingham and B. D. Gray sitting with them, met at the rooms of the Sunday school Board, at Nashville, August 20, 1908. After carefully considering data collected by Secretary Breaker, and conferring together, the committee presents the following recommendations:

1. The lack of systematic distribution through the year of contributions to home and foreign missions, which results in the strain and rush during the closing weeks of the conventional year, requiring the payment of a large amount

of interest on borrowed money, as well as other evils, is greatly to be deplored, and the need of a change of method is generally recognized. The committee finds that, generally speaking, three conditions prevail: (1) In some of the States there is apparently no system at all; (2) in some there are rudimentary and inadequate systems; (3) in some there are more or less elaborate and carefully worked out plans which, however, are only partially successful. In view of this state of things, the committee recommends to each State convention that through a special commission or otherwise there be adopted a plan of collections which will secure regular, separate offerings for state, home and foreign missions. To this end the following is suggested as illustration: That two months, at different seasons of the year, be devoted to each of the three Mission Boards—State, Home and Foreign—the remaining time being left for other objects.

2. It is further recommended most earnestly that more general, more liberal and more systematic giving be urged in all the associations. Throughout the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention, in every district association, Scriptural giving should have a large place in the deliberations of the body. In these meetings it is easily possible to ascertain the condition of the several churches. It can be known which churches give and which do not. And it should be possible to adopt plans to reach all the churches in any association with an appeal for every part of the Lord's work. In no other of our general bodies are there such possibilities of reaching and influencing the churches. They are near the churches, and nearness is a large element in influencing the human mind. Through the district associations, we may rapidly win to co-operation thousands of churches not now co-operating, and lead them to a systematic and liberal support of all the departments of our Lord's work. We recommend that in every association, practical arrangements be made, by a

corresponding secretary or an executive committee, or by a special committee on co-operation, to push the work of regular giving in all the churches the year round. If the district associations are properly led, it will not be long before we may double the number of regular givers and easily double our aggregate gifts to the objects fostered by the denomination.

3. It is found that the congestion of funds in the last days of the conventional year is attributable in a considerable measure to the tardiness of treasurers of mission funds in forwarding money to the boards. We recommend that all treasurers, state, associational, church and society, promptly remit the moneys to the boards for which they were collected, and thus aid the boards and reduce the interest account of the denomination.

MANLY J. BREAKER.

St. Charles Avenue Church.—Tulane University.—A Great Field in the Crescent City.

REV. W. H. BRENGLE.

According to promise, I send you some facts about our situation that you may use as you see fit.

The St. Charles Avenue Church, as you know, is situated in a well-defined section of the city, and has a definite work to do. Great opportunities have been thrust at our door, and we are confronted with large problems. We are in the great, growing residence section of the city, where buildings are springing up like magic, and are near the Audubon Park, beautiful for situation, and almost hard by Tulane University. This year there will be over five hundred students. Three buildings have gone up on the campus this last summer; one large, magnificent building, to accommodate all the first and second-year medical students. Another building is to be erected soon. The dormitories are full and students have flooded our section of the

city, in private homes and boarding houses. Tulane is destined to be a great institution. Numbers of these students must be reached by our church.

The great need of the work now is more room for the Sunday school and our special meetings. The Young People's work has been very hopeful, but we need larger provisions for them. We are now figuring on more room, but as yet have not solved the problem. The church is united on the fact that we need more room, which is a long step toward it, but have not been able to see the way. Our mark kept up through the summer as never before and was never more hopeful, and yet we are overwhelmed with the largeness of the need and the weight of the responsibility.

Your trip to New Orleans will long be remembered, and last Sunday was the greatest day in Baptist history in the city of New Orleans. May God greatly bless you in your great work. I know you will sometimes pray for us here in the thick of the fight.

A Plan for Giving by Apportionment.

Though having no connection with the Laymen's Movement, a movement is abroad to systematize giving by apportioning the amounts required among the States, and then by sub-dividing the same among the local churches. Thus the Baptists in the recent Oklahoma Convention provided for a budget of \$1,500,000 to cover not only the current appropriations and existing debts, but to give each society a small working capital. Of this

sum, when raised, the Missionary Union is to have \$767,000; the Home Missionary Society, \$588,220; and the Publication Society, \$144,780. Thirty-six States are to be enlisted in this enterprise through committees now being organized, and to whom, as in the case of the Congregational apportionment plan, will fall the duties of superintending the raising of the money in their own States.

Work of Southern Baptist Women.

The Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, celebrated, this spring, its twentieth anniversary. At the convention at Hot Springs, Ark., May 14-17, the treasurer reported gifts for this year amounting to \$190,154.21. As the Woman's Missionary Union works in co-operation with both the Home and the Foreign Board of the Convention, these gifts show a devotion to all the fields in which the denomination is at work. The Union has recently begun the undertaking of supplying trained women workers, both at home and abroad. It has established a missionary training school in Louisville, Ky., with a broad, thorough, and practical curriculum, and opportunities for city mission work.

During the two decades since the organization of the Woman's Missionary Union, Southern Baptist women have made money gifts amounting to \$1,262,000, yet in view of the enlarged responsibilities and opportunities of today, one feels that the significance of these figures lies only in the enlargement they promise for the future.—Edith Campbell Crane, in *Missionary Review*.



EVANGELISM

REV. WM. WISTAR HAMILTON, General Evangelist.

Wondrous blessings in Birmingham!

Brother Raleigh Wright has been quite ill.

Brother R. L. Motley is actively at work again.

Write to Brother W. A. McComb at Clinton, Miss.

The personal worker's button is ready. It is beautiful.

Brother C. A. Stewart's address is 523 Eddy street, Fort Scott, Kansas.

Brother W. H. Sledge has accepted work at Prestonsburg, Ky., under the State Board.

Many calls are coming in for the tract on Bible Baptism.

Take an offering in church, or B. Y. P. U., or Society, or Sunday school, for the Evangelistic Tract Fund.

Thousands and thousands of tracts were distributed during the Birmingham campaign.

The plan of concerted meetings has again proved itself effective in the great Birmingham meetings.

Brother Raleigh Wright expects to begin work again at Pineville, Ky., October 18th, and goes to Louisville November 8th, and to Covington, November 29th.

A card with a string to hang on the door-knob was a very effective way of advertising used by the pastors in Birmingham.

Brother Luther Little goes next to

Plainview, Texas. How we do rejoice with him in the recovery of his little daughter, who has been sick for these two months!

Brother Hamilton's next meeting will be at Jackson, Tenn., with Pastor Virgin, and from there he goes to Fayetteville, Ark., with Pastor Whittle. The meeting at Jackson begins October 28th.

There had been two hundred and ninety-eight additions to the churches in Birmingham at the close of the first week. These notes are written too early to give the final results, but a thousand additions are expected.

Dr. C. A. Stewart, who began his work with the Board at Birmingham, did fine service at the First Baptist Church. Brother Stewart's next meeting will be at the Capitol Avenue Church, Atlanta, assisting Pastor John E. Briggs.

Brother W. E. Rodgers, who has been singing with Evangelist Raleigh Wright in meetings, can be secured by pastors to help them in special services. His address is 21 Crew street, Atlanta, Ga. Brother Rodgers is a member of Jackson Hill Church, Atlanta.

The first edition of five thousand of "The Helping Hand" has been exhausted, and the new edition has the "Birth Page" in it, as has also the companion book, "How to Grow in the Christian Life." This latter book is a gift book to young converts.

It is good to hear how God is blessing the evangelists everywhere. Brother Hugh L. Hiett writes telling that in four months, under the ministry of Brother L. E. Finney, missionary under the State Board of Texas, with whom Brother

Hiett has been working, there have been about eight hundred conversions and over four hundred additions to Baptist churches.

It is probable that a down-town mission station, with a "Rescue Mission" feature, will be established in Birmingham as one of the results of the special meetings held in that city. If so, it will be owned and managed by the Baptist churches, as is the one in Louisville, Ky.

What a force of evangelists that was in the Birmingham meetings! C. A. Stewart, W. A. McComb, R. L. Motley, Luther Little, W. M. Bruce, W. P. Price, E. B. Farrar, Austin V. Crouch, W. D. Hubbard, W. M. Anderson, S. A. Cowan, J. W. O'Hara, J. V. Dickinson, A. D. Glass, T. J. Porter, Wallace Wear, P. M. Jones. And how these men did work, and pray, and preach, and how gracious was the manifestation of the Lord's presence and power!

Some of the special features of the work which took hold of the churches of Birmingham were mothers' prayer-meetings, children's services, street meetings, union service daily for all the churches, mass meetings for men and women and children, theatre meeting for men only, Sunday afternoon service for women only, all-night prayer-meeting, street-car trip through the city singing and distributing invitations to the meetings, the wholesale distribution of tracts.

Just as we go to press we learn that the last day of the Birmingham campaign was most gratifying. Nearly seven hundred additions are reported. In a great union mass meeting on Sunday afternoon, pastors and evangelists were asked to tell in one-minute speeches what they regarded as the best thing about the campaign. Dr. Gray and Dr. Crumpton were present and took part. All were enthusiastic, and regarded the meetings as a success in every way. Some of the speakers said that the best thing about this concerted movement was that the

Baptists had learned how to hold meetings in the great cities, and urged that the Home Board secure a force large enough to go to any of our cities and put an evangelist in every church at the same time.

Street Preaching.

What a pity that street preaching has been turned over to cranks and fads, and that our churches and pastors do not go where more of the fish are when they seek to catch men. Scores of men accepted Christ in the street meetings at Birmingham. Under the leadership of Brother W. M. Bruce and Brother E. B. Farrar, services were held every day at noon on the corners of the streets, and scenes took place there which will never be forgotten. Not only did the evangelists preach and work in these services, but all the pastors were there to sing or pray or speak or work. You could not help but admire and love more than ever such men as Wear and Dickinson and Blake and Shelburne and Morgan and White and Colley and Ray and Page and Frier and Crouch and Bradley and the rest, when you saw them out after lost men. We may catch some men in your own pond or "baited hole," but we must not forget that one of the best places to fish is out where the fish are.

Rev. C. A. Stewart, D. D., Ft. Scott, Kan.

Brother Stewart, pastor of First Baptist Church, Fort Scott, Kansas, who has just accepted work with our Home Board, was born in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1874; was educated at the University of Nebraska, and was converted at Lincoln, Neb., when fourteen years of age. He was formerly a Presbyterian, and united with the Baptist church at Collinsville, Texas, under the ministry of Rev. A. J. Wharton. He has been in evangelistic work about five years, and has been a pastor for about twelve years. While doing evangelistic work in Texas, he accepted the pastorate of Broadway Church, Fort Worth, during the construction of their new building, and his last pastorate of two years has resulted in

more than four hundred additions to the church. We believe that Dr. Stewart will do a great work in helping our pastors in rescuing the lost. His present address is Fort Scott, Kan., and it will not be decided for some few months as to his permanent location.

The Tract Fund.

Pastors and Evangelists are writing for tracts, and we are glad they are in such demand, and are accomplishing so much good. Remember, though, that it costs large sums of money to print them, and that we need many offerings, large and small, in order that we may enlarge this part of our work, and that we may make it more useful and more effective. Our pastors and churches and young people and Sunday schools could do great good with small sums of money through these gospel tracts.

The Pastor, and the Crisis of the Meeting.

Possibly in every real revival there comes a time when the evangelist must faithfully call upon the people for heart-searching and for a putting away of the accursed thing from among them. This is the time when the pastor can help to turn his people away from the blessing by condoning their shortcomings, by praising his church and patting the people on the back, by failing in look and prayer and exhortation to faithfully stand by the man whom he has invited to help him in the harvest, and by failing to faithfully be the other and second witness to the truths which are being proclaimed. This is the test of the pastor's loyalty to truth and sad for the evangelist and the church and the cause. If, at this crisis, the leader falls and prefers a supposed popularity to the deep-

ening of the work of grace and the curing of the hurt of his people.

Rev. F. F. Gibson, Ft. Smith, Ark.: I have never before realized the great work our Brother Michaels is doing till his visit to our church this time. In the services of yesterday that he conducted for the deaf there were three conversions, and last night these joined the church, and will be baptized on next Sunday night. In addition, next Sunday, we will organize a Sunday school class for them, with one of their number as teacher. As a result of this service, I am sure my people will double their contributions to home missions. Brother Michaels did not ask me to write this, but I do it on my own free will, as I feel this commendation of the great work he did here ought to be known and made.

Brother George H. Crutcher, evangelist and field representative of Tennessee College, has already entered upon his work, and pastors are saying good things about his work with them. Isn't it a joy to see how God is raising up pastors and evangelists and gospel singers for such a time as this? We are in the day-dawn of great things!

"Preaching is the presentation of gospel truth with persuasive power."—I. H. Anding.

"Daddy, give me some meat," said the child. "Can't hear you," said the father. "Daddy, please give me some meat," and he received it. "We ask and receive not because we ask amiss, and when we ask right He heareth us."

"Grandpa has a nickle got any blood in it?" asked the little girl. "No, child, no." "Well, has a penny got any blood in it?" What a question! What answers might be given!

NEWS FROM THE FRONT

Rev. T. F. Kelly, Joplin, Mo.: The total number of conversions are thirty-four. We are holding meetings now in one of the hardest parts of Joplin. The Lord is giving victory. Mrs. Kelly organized a B. Y. P. U. of thirty members. They are working fine.

Rev. Alonzo Yancey, Stillwell, Okla.: Ours is a railroad town and, therefore, we have a very hard fight to make. We hope to do better. With the help of God, we will take this field for Christ. I preach only one-half time here. With thanks to the Board, I beg to remain its friend. The church, up to date, owes \$20, but I am advised it will be paid up.

Rev. Geo. T. Herrin, Randlett, Okla.: We are greatly handicapped in our work by not having a meeting-house. We are at present holding our preaching service in the M. E. South building. However, we have every reason for encouragement. The Lord has most wonderfully blessed our labors in the short time we have been serving this people. We are now trying to build a meeting-house. We have bought and paid for two lots and have about \$1,000 subscribed on a building. He hope to have, clear of all indebtedness, church property valued at not less than \$1,500 by the first of the year. A spirit of perfect harmony and brotherly love prevails in the church, and we now believe the Baptist church is the leading denomination in this community.

Rev. Harry Koch, German Missionary: Kansas City is a hard field for German Missionary work, it being one of the most American cities in the United States, still we often see the necessity of it being done. There are many who do not know English well enough to profit from an English sermon, and who, especially in case of illness, are more than thankful for aid and words of comfort in a strange country. This we experienced during the last quarter.

Our young people have taken a new start under their new spiritual-minded President, and the outlook for winter work is encouraging. Dr. Eberhard has asked me to hold German services in the Westport Church Sunday afternoon. Our united work, I hope, will be a means of bringing souls to Christ. We regret not being able to state conversions as a result of our efforts, still we hope you will not weary in supporting, as you have done in the past.

Rev. D. Noble Crane, Gage, Okla.: The work at Indian Creek and Gage, Okla., is slowly progressing. At Gage last Sunday in the eleven o'clock service the Lord added unto us by experience and baptism four. At Indian Creek we have two awaiting baptism, a man and his wife, from the Methodists. I wish the M. E.'s would get their church polity, baptism and doctrine from the Bible, and then the Baptists would not have so much of the M. E.'s work to do over. They are good folks. Our church-house enterprise at Gage is pressing on us heavily. Only twenty-five of us, most of whom are women and children, and yet we have raised and paid out about \$1,500. It has exhausted our resources, and it will take \$1,000 to complete it. The property is worth \$2,500.

Rev. J. A. Morse, Morris, Okla.: This is a good field here. While our membership is not large, yet they are doing things for the Master. We have many of men coming and going all the time. They often attend our services, a score or more at a time. This town is growing rapidly, and will make a good one, but, like all new towns, it is very wicked, drinking and dancing being quite prevalent. My out-stations are doing nicely. One is three miles out, the other, six. I feel quite alone down here, being the only Baptist pastor in a radius of twenty miles, as far as I know. Of course, I can

not cover all this field. Brother J. B. Youngblood is coming today to be with me in a two-weeks' meeting.

Rev. Geo. Steel, St. Louis.: I have returned from my trip to Europe and my visit to the European Baptist Congress greatly improved in health and vigor, and I desire to thank your Board for their great kindness in granting me a vacation. I trust that with the Divine blessing upon my labors here, that Tower Grove Church, which is now enjoying a steady and solid growth, will so prosper as to relieve your Board and the other contributing Boards in some measure, at least, of the burden of its support. The later additions to the church have been nearly all persons of mature age.

Rev. C. D. Daniel, El Paso: Our school opened fairly well, and promises to be a great power in the evangelization of this Mexican people. We have thirty pupils, all in the lower grades, which is better than I had hoped for. About half of them are from Roman Catholic families. Our teachers, Mrs. Robinson and Miss Parodes, are both consecrated Christians, who, I trust, will lead their pupils to the Savior whilst preparing them for the battles of life.

I do wish it was not so far to Atlanta. I would so much enjoy dropping in to see you, and talking mission matters over with the Board. There are so many needs and such meager resources.

I understand Dr. Love is to locate in Dallas, Texas. I think this an important step. He will then be only a little over six hundred miles from El Paso. My, my, Texas is a "whopping" big state. To realize its enormous size, one must travel over it a time or two.

Not only does it comprise a vast territory, but its resources are almost bound-

less, which insures a future beyond the dreams of the most sanguine. You may smile at this statement, but I will make it, nevertheless: Texas is destined to become the greatest Baptist power that the world has ever known. Now, don't put this down as Texas brag, for I am not a native Texan.

Rev. DeWitt Sankey, Hominy, Okla.: Owing to heavy rains and loss of bridges and other such hindrances, the Lord's work has not progressed as we hoped it would. We have received one young lady at Hallet, who was a member of the Christian church, but became dissatisfied with her church and its teaching. She was baptized and is now a believing Baptist. I will, if not providentially hindered, baptize a good lady, Sunday, July 12th, who was sprinkled in childhood, converted at the age of twelve, and instructed in the way of the Lord more perfectly in July, 1908. She lives at Osage Junction and will put her membership in the Cleveland church, of which the beloved C. W. Burnett is pastor.

In giving to our readers the following notation from the quarterly report of one of our missionary pastors we withhold the name and location. Pray for him and the church to which he ministers. He says:

"Field a hard one. Deacons not spiritual; stand in the way of sinners. Some good, religious members, full of faith and zeal for the Master. We had a committee to revise the church roll this quarter. The result is sixty-seven members. We began a series of meetings last night. Our associational missionary is assisting. We pray for good results, but, oh, so many members have never been converted. No change of heart makes the work so hard. Pray for us."

BOOKS OF SPECIAL INTEREST.

All His Benefits.—By Henry Ostrom. The Praise Pub. Co., Philadelphia. 100 pages. Price, 50 cents.

This little book is devotional literature of a high order. The sentiment is lofty, the thought fervently evangelical and the style chaste and beautiful. We are not acquainted with any book, the Bible alone excepted, which will prove to be a greater blessing to shut-ins and Christians of depressed or melancholy spirit. All who read it will offer to God a sweeter incense of gratitude and praise.

How to Know the Holy Bible.—By Dudley L. Limerick. The Praise Pub. Co., Philadelphia. Price, 20 cents.

Here are eighteen pages brimful of facts and suggestions relating to the Bible and Bible study. The book is an excellent compendium of the necessary information for young people's Bible study classes. Its price, as well as its contents, adapts it to use by these classes. We heartily recommend it.

Literary and Historical Activities in North Carolina—1900-1905.—E. M. Uz-zell & Co., State Printers, Raleigh, N. C.

The State of North Carolina has a "Historical Commission," the business of which is to "gather up and preserve in permanent form the fragments which are not already published, or else not published in available form." This collection is to appear in a succession of volumes, under the general title, "Publications of the North Carolina Historical Commission." The volume now under review is the first in this series. Mr. W. J. Peele is the chairman of this Commission, and has done most of the work which was necessary to the collection and publication of it. As the title indicates, this volume of more than six hun-

dred pages contains papers on many historical themes by various authors during a period of five years, beginning with the new century. One can scarcely imagine a richer store of historical information or a more engaging literary repast than is here offered the public. A State singularly rich in historic event, North Carolina will forever be richer in literature, now that these papers are preserved. Many of them will remain classics when libraries shall be filled with the products of North Carolina talent which the work of this Commission is doing so much to inspire. The legislature of North Carolina, which made possible this work, and the gentlemen of the Commission who have executed the task deserve, and will receive, the praise of all who cherish the best traditions of a noble and patriotic people.

Youth's Companion.

In this age of multiplicity of books and periodicals, the responsibility of parents in choosing the character of reading for boys and girls is no light matter. We feel that we can render no better service in this connection than to call attention to the advertisement appearing on the last page of the cover of this issue.

The Youth's Companion meets the highest standard of literary and intellectual requirements. There is plenty of adventure in the stories to satisfy the young, and the heroes and heroines are of the real kind, finding in the line of duty opportunity for courage and usefulness. The entire matter in the make-up of Youth's Companion is high-toned, varied, informing and suggestive. It is printed in the cleanest language and in concise form. No holiday gift by parent or friend to the young will bring better returns in character and intellectual development than the acceptance of the offer contained in the advertisement of the Youth's Companion in this issue.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION AUXILIARY TO S. B. C.

Wilson Building, 301 North Charles Street, Baltimore, Md.

Motto: Higher Things.

Mrs. B. D. GRAY, Editor, College Park, Ga.

"God's ships of treasure sail upon the sea
Of boundless love, of mercy infinite;
To change their course, retard their on-
ward way,
Nor wind nor wave hath might.

Prayer is the tide for which the vessels
wait
Ere they come to port, and if it be
The tide is low, then how can'st thou
expect
The treasure ship to see?"

"Prayer has been called a universal
instinct. Intercession means the fulfill-
ment, not the changing, of God's will.
It is to educate us in intercourse with
our Father, that as sons who are capa-
ble of entering into the plans and pur-
poses of the Eternal, we may put our-
selves in correspondence with his will.
Through our intercessions we may array
all the powers of the world spiritual on
the side of those in need. If we can flash
a message of good-will over miles of
land and under leagues of sea, is it
too much to expect that we can set in
motion, through intercession, great spir-
itual forces for the help of our fellows?"
—John W. Wood, of New York.

Topic—Frontier Missions.

November.

Missions on the Frontier.—"Whoso
hath this world's good, and seeth his
brother have need and shutteth up his
bowels of compassion from him, how
dwelleth the love of God in him?" Num-
ber of missionaries, 919. Churches and
Stations, 2,630. Baptisms, 17,585. W. M.
U. Boxes to Home Missionaries valued
at \$24,543.46.

"I do not care how or where I live, or

what hardships I go through, so long as
I can gain souls for Christ."—David
Brainerd.

It is a fact that makers of history are
seldom recorders of it. Many of our
most consecrated missionaries on the
frontier are working modestly, steadily,
almost buried from human sight; but
God, the loving Father, sees and remem-
bers them.

Even when we, who promise to support
them, forget and cause them to wait for
the pitiful little salary, these heroic ones
struggle on and make their very suffer-
ings a means of grace. But oh! what
about us who forget and neglect to min-
ister to their needs? Shall we be pun-
ished with many stripes for neglect of
duty? Can we lightly disobey the Mas-
ter's commands?

Home and Foreign Missions Inseparable.

Instances are constantly coming to
light of the missionary work done abroad
by foreigners converted in the missions
here in the United States. Rev. Mimi
Marseglla, a home missionary in Provi-
dence, in telling of his work, says:

"We have two foreign missions, too!
In May, 1906, I baptized Vincenzo Sulten
with his wife; they went to Brazil, and
through their labors a mission has been
established, which is now under the care
of the Southern Baptist Convention. My
last letter from them describes the reap-
ing of souls. December 30, 1906, I bap-
tized a young Italian, who went to Italy.
He was a light to his parents and friends,
and we expect a mission will be started
there, near Rome."

There is no surer way to evangelize
Italians in Italy than by evangelizing the
Italians in America.—Examiner.

How complete is the circle of missions! Rounded to a perfect whole, with the Son of God as the center, and His commands, "Go ye into all the world," as the compelling power.

Let us look well to our great Southwest. Much of destiny is wrapped up in your gift and mine to frontier missions.

Young Women of the Southern Baptist Church:

The hosts of God are marshalling for the final victory of truth and righteousness. The onward tramp of the great army is shaking the world. The young people of the Church are arraying themselves for conquest. The Student Volunteer Movement is enlisting college men and women the world over and sending thousands to the front. The Young People's Missionary Movement is reaching out to the young people of the entire Church.

Shall the young women of the Southern Baptist Church take no part in The Greatest Work in the World?

We call on you, individually and collectively, to hear and heed the great martial cry of Victory in God's Name, and rise as one to become a factor in this conquest, worthy of yourselves and our great branch of the Christian church.

The organization and enlistment of the young women of the Southern Baptist church is a prime object of the Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention.

Earnestly and affectionately we urge every one of the 300,000 Southern Baptist young women to unite with us now for the salvation of the world.

FANNIE E. S. HECK,

President Woman's Missionary Union.

Will our young women heed this heart-searching appeal from our beloved President? If not, why not?

In a home mission speech, made some years ago, by Dr. J. W. Millard, at the Southern Baptist Convention, he says:

"During the last century the Baptists

of the South have been entrusted by God with four great missionary opportunities at their very doors—the Indians, the Negroes, Texas and the Southwest, and the island of Cuba.

"These, in addition to our own homeland and people, constitute our heritage from Almighty God.

"In 1835 there was one Baptist church in Texas with fifty members." Now, after seventy-three years, 245,808 white Baptists live in Texas. Think of the growth! This great state stands as a magnificent monument to the work of our Home Board.

"Before the war, the South was the most prosperous section of America, leading the nation in the building of railroads in the decade between 1850 and 1860. At the beginning of the war, she had 25,000 factories of all kinds, in which the sum of \$175,000,000 was invested. She was in every way self-supporting, and perhaps the most prosperous country in all the world.

"All this was changed by the war. Her factories were blotted out of existence. She lost in assessed valuation, nearly two and one-half billions of dollars. Add to this the destitution of the war, its cost, the death of vigorous men, and the disabling of others, and all would amount to a loss of over five billions.

"From being the most prosperous section of America, the South became the most abject in her poverty. And yet, with all this against us, the South is today the greatest Baptist territory on earth, with a united people throbbing with a mighty impulse for God and native land. Three-fifths of the Baptists of the world live in the South."

The Dedication of First Church, New Orleans.

It was our good pleasure to be present at the dedication of the First Baptist Church of New Orleans, on October 4th.

What a day in Zion it was! Men and women worked late into the night in order that the building might be ready for

the Sabbath. Such zeal; such love; such giving; ah! such praying, as those godly people have been noted for during the past seven years, can result only in victory.

Living in this pleasure-loving city on the Gulf, in the midst of all of life's allurements, this people have been a God-fearing and God-serving congregation.

When we remarked upon the beauty of the building, its equipment for service, its strategic location, its spiritual atmosphere that could be felt, Miss Georgia Barnett said, with deep emotion, "I would rather you would say the last thing about us than anything else. Oh! do you think that our church breathes the atmosphere of deep spirituality? Then we have not worked and prayed in vain!"

Led by this efficient organist and the pastor's noble wife, the women of the church have pledged \$3,000 to the building fund; \$2,000 of this is in bank. Oh! sisters, it made us weep to hear of the self-denial of these noble women. Not many mighty, not many rich, make up this church. But it seemed to us that the Father must be pleased with this love, this determination, that is holding on to New Orleans with almost a death grip. They are raising their money by the calendar scheme of giving. Miss Barnett represents the year by giving \$100. Think of it—a woman living on a small salary. Twelve other ladies represent the twelve months, and so on with the fifty-two weeks, the three hundred and sixty-five days. Even the infant class is allowed to give in the making up of the hours and minutes.

Isn't this a beautiful way to mark time by the side of the sounding sea, where the waves in their ceaseless motion tend to wash away all thought of responsibility and the seductive luxuriance of nature, and the balmy air seems to invite only to the pursuit of pleasure?

The Home Board has helped, and is still helping, largely to pay for this all-important church. Sisters, cannot you ask your societies to send gifts, at once, to the Home Board for New Orleans?

Your Secretary, Dr. B. D. Gray,

preached the dedication sermon, his subject being, "What a Church Stands For." The pastor, Brother Edwards, was transported with happiness; the deacons were happy; the congregation was happy. Again, we say, "It was a great day in Zion."

"The Winning of the West" is a subject of much comment. It is a stupendous task. Instead of facts and figures that stagger us, we have concluded to give in full the beautiful little love story written by our own talented Mrs. Mullins. It comes straight home with its own divinely inspired message. Read and enjoy it, dear sisters:

A Bride of the West.

BY MRS. E. Y. MULLINS.

"It will be a poor—very poor—little home, you know, in a poor little town, with absolutely nothing which we will find congenial. We must look for all our pleasure in one another," he said softly, while the lover's tenderness which has wooed and won since time began flooded his eyes.

"I think I understand," she said, and after a little silence, added, with a rueful smile, "It will be a life of all giving and no getting. I'm afraid mine, so far, has been all getting and no giving. Turn about is fair play, though, they say."

How could she help being a bit gay, glad young thing that she was, surrounded with all life's comforts and reared in tenderest affection, never having learned the meaning of sacrifice? Neither did the stalwart young theolog, just about to graduate from the Seminary and start out into active work for the Master, realize what life would mean for him and her in that far-away Western town where he had chosen to go.

A little straggling, dirty town it was, plentifully supplied with saloons, but not a church spire struggling upward.

"Everything is on a dead level, sweeping plains, shanties, and saloons," said the little bride, after a few months' stay. "I never was a balloonist before, but now I would board anything that came along

which would take me up a bit," and she laughed gaily, for there was no lack of fine courage in this bride, and a quaint cheeriness was always hers.

They had thought, of course, there would be somewhere to preach, but there was no hall and absolutely no public place except the saloons. So the little home became also the church.

"I shall write your home-people how lazy you are," the bride merrily said to the preacher, when they had decided to "lend their house to the Lord" on Sundays and prayer meeting nights.

"Instead of your tramping miles and miles to church, as I have read about missionaries doing, you just lazily bring the church to you. How will that sound, sir?" and the preacher stopped her saucy lips in a way that even preachers and missionaries know.

So together they made ready on Sunday mornings. The two rooms were put in their best order, and a folding bed, which the preacher devised, was tilted against the wall; rows of seats, also of preacher-make, were brought in; the combination kitchen and dining room table became the pulpit desk, and the cook stove, the bride said, would do for the pulpit sofa, only he must remember "to sit on it not when it was hot."

"But O, that dead level of things," she said. "We simply can't make the little shanty stand up above other things like God's house should." Then the mischievous light danced in her eyes. "If the old hen wouldn't run away I'd borrow her coop and set it upon the roof for a steeple!"

The preacher laughed heartily, and both agreed they couldn't run the risk of losing their only hen, steeple or no steeple.

There had been a storm of protest from the bride's family, Christians though they were, when they had learned where the preacher's field was to be; and this protest proving of no avail, the father grew cold and harsh. He vetoed any suggestion for making things easier for the young people.

"Let them alone, and they will the

sooner get tired of it and come back to some sensible work."

So you may be sure there was no appeal for help from the two brave pioneers. Bright letters went home each week, and church services were interestingly written up, but no one dreamed that the church and home were one.

The work went on slowly and often discouragingly, though the two refused to see it so. There were times when the bride felt that she simply could not have all that motley crowd come trooping into her little nest, which she had made dainty in many ways; it seemed to her that they were tramping on her bared heart, but only God knew. Both noted gladly each new face which appeared at the services. Curiosity brought some from the very first, then many liked the reminder of far-away homes which they found there, while still others came for the singing. So the services were usually well attended. Then, as time went on, there were tender links between the preacher and some of his little flock; illness and death had come, and the unwavering attention of the preacher and his bride won many hearts.

At last came a day when the people, as they gathered before the preacher's door, found the shades closely drawn, and they made no effort to go in, while the women whispered to one another, and there were nods and smiles. Presently the door opened, and the preacher stood, smiling proudly, while he held in his arms a tiny bundle in white.

"I must show you the Lord's gift sent to us at dawn today—a little son," he said.

Even the roughest there smiled appreciatively.

"We will go away," they said.

"No," he returned hastily and heartily, "my wife begs that you will stand for a brief service so that she may hear and lift her heart with yours in prayer and thanksgiving to God."

Not one left, and when the preacher had deposited his precious bundle within he stood on the little front steps, led the singing, prayed, and would have then ended the service, but some called out.

"Preach to us, parson," to which many responded eagerly, "Yes, preach; we ain't tired;" and so he took a text and began a sermon.

Clouds gathered, but no one noticed, and when big drops began to fall none left. There was a thrill in the preacher's voice that day which held them spell-bound.

The unusual crowd about the parson's door and the preaching on the steps attracted much attention, and the congregation finally included many new listeners, among them the saloon-keeper across the way. When the rain came up he strode back to his den and hastily cleared it of loafers, then, making his way to the preacher, urged that the congregation go across to his place.

"I know it ain't no fitten place, but it's shelter, and the boys say, 'Give the parson a chance,' so everything will be all right."

It was a startling proposition, but O, how he had longed in some way to reach these men who were selling their souls for liquor—and among them were boys from refined Christian homes in the East. Was it God's providence?

"Thank you," he said simply, and turning to his people announced: "My neighbor across the street asks us to continue our service there this morning, so we will go over."

Was ever service more strange? But the preacher's voice did not lose its thrill as he continued his talk, and there was a reverent hush when he ended. A sweet old hymn followed, which even many of the cowboys had heard, and all joined in singing.

As the preacher passed out, the last to leave, the saloon-keeper put out his hand.

"Parson, you'll do," he said.

Another week passed, during which the little bride, indeed, mounted above the level of ordinary things. A week it was of such holy joy, such high hopes, such sweet gaiety, while baby heard the precious new names, "father" and "mother," murmured softly over and over again.

Then another Sabbath came around, clear and beautiful, and the people gathered at the preacher's steps as before—an unusual number, as it was understood the service would be held outside, and interest grew under all the conditions.

There was a hush about the place, however, which was felt by the roughest, though undefined, and as they lingered uncertainly, again the door opened and the preacher stood in the door-way.

White and haggard was his face and broken his voice as he put out his hand beseechingly.

"The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away. Our son went back to the Heavenly Father an hour ago."

It had simply flitted away, with scarce a flutter of tiny wings, to warn them of its flight.

A shocked, sympathetic murmur went over the crowd, and many slipped quietly away, while others begged to help in any way they might.

The saloon-keeper at once went up to "his neighbor," for he had been among the listeners, and begged to be allowed to send fifty miles away for the little casket in which to lay their treasure. Being the most prosperous man in town, he could best afford to do it, and this time with scarce a thought of God's mysterious, wonder-working ways, the preacher accepted his neighbor's kindness.

The saloon-keeper was a big-hearted man, of powerful build, a famous fighter, and a leader of men. During the week following the service in his saloon he had said many times to his followers, "The parson's all right," sometimes emphasizing it with stronger terms familiar to him.

After the getting of the wee casket, for which he went himself, he began to add to this: "The parson ought to have a show. I believe in living and let live. He ought to have a church, every town ought to have a church; t'aint no town without it, and I say let's build him a church!" The listeners began to agree with him, and so it was through the efforts of the saloon-keeper, afterwards a prosperous general merchant instead,

that the church, of which he became in time the most loyal, active member, found a home.

Before many weeks passed lumber was being drawn to the highest spot in the town, for it was understood that the parson's wife wanted it high as possible, and many hands soon had it well under way. A large, rude, simple structure was planned, wholly unsuited to the needs of the rapidly growing town, which was certainly destined to be the center for that region.

But God was moving mysteriously along other paths. Among the crowd who stood in the rain on that glad Sunday and afterward went over to the saloon service was a woman, a leader in mission work, making a tour of the West. And she it was who beheld the joy of that glad, glad week and gave tender comfort in that time of sorrow. Returning to her home in the East, she went about telling of the needs of the West, especially the great need for church buildings. "Other denominations are outstripping us in growing towns," she said; "one of these has a million-dollar church building fund. What could we not do with such a fund? We have countless brave church beginnings which are fostered at great sacrifice by earnest workers, only to die sometimes for need of a good church home, which could easily be provided with a little help at a critical moment if we had an adequate Church Building Fund." Often and tenderly she pictured the sacrifice, the joy and the sorrow of that little shanty home and church, telling of the interest which had led to the beginning of a rude church building there. She told it at last in the home town of the little bride at the old loved church, and need I tell you that the father's heart melted and many comforts made their way to that poor little Western home? And that the rude church building, with a loan from the Church Building Fund, blossomed into a tasteful, substantial structure, while the joy of the preacher and his bride daily grows in this bride of Christ in the far West, which, through His grace, sends its tall

spire up and up above the "dead level of sweeping plains, shanties and saloons," toward the glowing, eternal Heaven.

UNION MAIL.

MISS FANNIE E. S. HECK

It goes without saying that Enlistment has been the chief topic during October—Enlistment Month. Miss Crane says of Enlistment Month work at the Rooms: "Enlistment" has occupied much time and attention during these months. A leaflet called 'Enlistment,' one called 'Seven Reasons and an Invitation,' a leaflet called 'Sunshine,' and Membership Cards for the W. M. S., Y. W. A., and Sunbeams, respectively, were prepared, and very large orders were filled for all of the States. The demand for these has continued until the present, and we have had reprints made of nearly everything, in order to supply the demand. If we may judge by the large quantities required, there ought to be very real returns from this effort."—Miss Crane also sends good news of the interest in the Royal Ambassadors: "The Manual of the Order of 'Royal Ambassadors' was prepared from the report of the committee on that department, and this attractive little booklet has been called for by nearly every State in large quantities. The music for the hymn for the 'Royal Ambassadors' has also had considerable sale, and the department seems to be taking hold rapidly."—The Treasurer's report from April 20th to October 1st is also full of interest, and gives food for thought. You remember we were going to finish the \$20,000 Endowment Fund for the Training School as the first work of the year, leaving the rest of the year wholly free to press home and foreign missions. Have we done it? See Mrs. Lowndes' report to October 1st. The total receipts for endowment and current expenses since April 20th are only \$3,750.15.—Let me emphasize, if any further emphasis is needed, the immediate importance of sending in all funds on hand for the Training School and pressing both the completion of the \$20,000

fund and meeting regularly the current expenses, which are, as you know, \$3,000 a year. The Training School, which has had a fine opening, is very dear to Union Workers, and they only need a word of reminder.—Turning again to Mrs. Lowndes' report, we are gratified to find that the steady contributions to the Margaret Home enable the Union to meet the current expenses regularly month by month. This regular giving is much to be commended. So much for reports. Pleasant news comes from many directions. September and October have been full of activities in all the States. In Virginia, the President of the Central Committee pronounces the Missionary Institutes "the most far-reaching and important step taken in W. M. U. work for a decade, with the possible exception of the Missionary Study Classes."—In North Carolina four of the officers are preparing to give most of November to Missionary Institutes in different parts of the State.—Miss Crane recently went over to Washington to attend a District meeting—an important feature of missionary work in our capital.—Maryland reports larger attendance than ever before at the Woman's Associational meetings.—South Carolina is making great preparations for her annual meeting to be held November 10-12, in the historic city of Charleston.—The Union was exceedingly fortunate in having Mrs. Samuel Woody, of Louisville, to represent its work in general and the Training School in particular at the annual meeting in Oklahoma. From the beginning of the Training School no name has been more closely and helpfully associated with it than that of Mrs. Woody.—On October 13th Miss Crane left Baltimore for the first journey in her cycle of towns, through which she will be able to spend two weeks or more in each State within two years. The plan for the Secretary's autumn tour is as follows: October 13th

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ALABAMA: Roanoke B. Ch., by Rev. Luther Little, for Evang., \$200.00; Clayton St. Ch., Montgomery, by J. W. O., \$6.34; S. S., \$1.07; Roanoke, for Evang., by F. P. N., \$40.74; Pine Barren Assn., by G. A. W., \$13.77; Opelika B. Ch., by W. M. H., for Evang., \$163.85; Central B. Ch., New Decatur, by D. F. G., \$200.00; Calvary B. Ch., Birmingham, by Rev. W. A. McComb, for Evang., \$14.00; Clarke Co. Assn., by J. H. C., \$39.46. Total, \$684.23. Previously reported, \$1,060.69. Total since May, \$1,744.92.

ARKANSAS: W. M. U., Immanuel B. Ch., Eureka Springs, by Mrs. H. T. M., \$4.62. Total, \$4.62. Previously reported, \$307.38. Total since May, \$312.00.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: H. M. S., First B. Ch., Washington, by J. W. W., \$20.51. Total, \$20.51. Previously reported, \$159.21. Total since May, \$179.72.

FLORIDA: Clarke Mem. Ch., Ybor City, by A. S. R., \$5.00; L. D. Gelger, Apopka, for Gen. Work, \$81.69; H. B. D., \$1.00; Cuban Stu., \$2.00; Mtn. Schools, \$2.50; Ybor City School, \$3.68; Pawnee Ind., \$10.25; Mission Worker at Galveston, \$3.50. Total, \$114.62. Previously reported, \$747.71. Total since May, \$862.33.

GEORGIA: Tract Fund, by Mrs. L. C., \$1.00; Mrs. Ida Cooke, Macon, \$25.00; H. R. Bernard, Undesignated Fund, \$1,075.42; Sunbeams, for Chapel at Cardenas, Cuba, \$19.18; for El Paso, \$2.75; Cen. Gainesville Ch., for Chapel at Cardenas, \$3.00; W. M. S., First Ch., Gainesville, \$2.00; W. M. S.'s, for Mtn. Schools, \$15.00; for Miss Perry, \$6.20; Education Mtn. Girl, \$1.40; for M. N. McCall, \$31.70; Eastman B. Ch., by Rev. R. L. Motley, for Evang., \$100.00; Mrs. A. C. Stinebeck, Augusta, \$1.00. Total, \$1,283.65. Previously reported, \$3,622.72. Total since May, \$4,906.37.

KENTUCKY: Tract Fund, by L. T. W., 50c; Highland B. Ch., Louisville, by T. C. EL, \$87.61. Total, \$88.11. Previously reported, \$3,293.38. Total since May, \$3,381.49.

LOUISIANA: Total since May, \$835.02.

MARYLAND: N. Ave B. Ch., Baltimore, by C. M. K., \$114.27; Riverside B. Ch., Baltimore, by H. R. M., \$15.00; Huntington B. Ch., Baltimore, by L. S. C., \$29.16; Mrs. M. Nalle, Baltimore, \$7.50; Fulton Ave. B. Ch., Baltimore, by J. H. D., \$4.47; Seventh B. Ch., Baltimore, by H. S. K., \$49.00; Branch Hill B. Ch., by B. G. P., \$2.17; Athol B. Ch., by B. G. P., \$1.25; First B. Ch., Hagerstown, by G. H., \$12.78; Cordova S. S., by J. T. R., \$1.00; E. New Market B. Ch., by C. E. K., \$5.00; Eutaw Place Ch., Baltimore, by H. W. P., \$24.00; Huntington B. S. S., Baltimore, by L. S. C., \$15.00; Hereford B. S. S., by E. W. R., \$5.00; Marion B. Ch., by C. A., \$6.25; College Ave. B. Ch., Annapolis, by Mrs. F. L. B., \$15.00. Total, \$306.79. Previously reported, \$2,122.33. Total since May, \$2,429.12.

MISSISSIPPI: Lauderdale Co. Assn., by W. H. S., \$32.50; General Assn. of Miss., by D. T. C., for salaries M. N. McCall and A. S. Rodriguez, Cuban Missionaries, \$300.00; Yockonookong B. Ch., McVillie, by J. W. S., \$15.65. Total, \$348.15. Previously reported, \$359.20. Total since May, \$707.35.

MISSOURI: Tract Fund, by F. L. A., Narborne, \$3.55; Tract Fund, by J. R. C., Cowgill, \$3.84; by A. W. Payne, Treas. from Missouri Churches, \$469.02; Mo. Women, \$89.45; for Ch. Bldg and Loan Fund, \$2.50; Tabernacle Society, for Bldg. and Loan Fund, by Miss Mare, \$5.00; from Mo. Women, by Miss Mare, \$201.73. Total, \$770.09. Previously reported, \$4,305.10. Total since May, \$5,075.19.

NORTH CAROLINA: Walters Durham, Treas., \$1,000.00. Previously reported, \$1,640.26. Total since May, \$2,640.26.

OKLAHOMA: W. B. M. S.'s of Oklahoma, by Miss Sue O. Howell, \$71.77; Rev. S. P. McMinn, Conser, \$1.00. Total, \$72.77. Previously reported, \$451.67. Total since May, \$524.44.

SOUTH CAROLINA: Waccamaw Assn., by J. C. S., \$1.65; W. M. U. of S. C., by Mrs. J. N. Cudd, \$402.25; Chapel at Cardenas, \$117.26; Osage Indians, \$161.71; Mtn. Schools, \$3.10; Union

B. Ch. S. S., by M. L. S., \$2.00; Flint Hill Ch. by W. F. B., \$20.00; Beech Island B. Ch., by J. C. G., \$6.49; Welsh Neck S. S., by F. P. S., \$6.16; New Hope Ch., \$5.98; New Hope S. S., by M. C. P., \$2.40; Lowney's Creek Ch., \$1.92; Sanfield B. Ch., by C. W. W., \$5c.; Brookland B. Ch., by W. R. L., \$9.00; Mtn. Creek Ch., by J. D. A., \$26.91; Mills Mill Ch., Greenville, by M. M. R., \$1.05; Longbranch Ch., Elko, by G. E. B., \$3.26; Union B. Ch., by J. D. S., \$10.00; Tabernacle B. Ch., Pelzer, by N. G. W., \$5.15; Dry Creek Ch., by L. B. L., \$3.00; Johnston B. Ch., by M. L. L., \$259.34; West End S. S. of Park B. Ch., Rock Hill, by J. K. H., \$2.00; Fairmount Ch., by J. W. K., \$2.50; North B. Ch., by H. S. F., \$9.90; Princeton B. Ch., by G. M. S., \$2.75; Woodward B. Ch., by J. C. O., \$10.00; Broad River Assn., by J. B. B., \$2.00; Little River Ch., by N. D. R., \$5.65; Leesville B. Ch., by W. E. Q., \$2.00; Hodges B. Ch., by J. C. S., \$1.73; Bold Spg. B. Ch., by A. W. R., \$50.00; Cross Hill Ch., by E. L. W., \$27.25; Salem Ch., by W. O. J., \$1.70; West Creek Ch., by W. H. H., \$5.70; Sawyer Mem. Ch., by Mrs. W. R. H., \$1.14; First B. Ch., Clinton, by R. L. B., \$5.65; West End Ch., Newberry, by J. F. M., \$9.00; Double Pond B. Ch., by J. P. C., \$4.25; First B. Ch., Sumter, by Miss L. S., \$15.02; Ebenezer B. Ch., by G. W. S., \$3.09; Central S. S., Greenville, by D. A. B., \$8.85; Ridge Spg. B. Ch., by M. G. S., \$4.00; Union B. S. S., Iva, by A. H. M., \$1.34; Catfish B. Ch., by W. C. A., \$20.00; Upper Marion Union, by W. C. A., \$5.50; A. B. Langston, Madden, \$3.00; Good Hope Ch., \$5.70; Mt. Pleasant Ch., by S. J. W., \$5.00; White Pond Ch., Aiken, by J. W. B., \$1.38; Friendship B. Ch., by J. O. S., \$6.28; Beaverdam Assn., by J. S., \$13.32; Bush River Ch., \$21.44; Mt. Zion B. Ch., by I. M. S., \$13.50; Fairmount B. Ch., by J. W. K., \$6.00; Unity B. Ch., by O. B. T., \$10.00; Pickens Bap. Assn., by W. J. B., \$45.28; Graham Ch., by J. B. J., \$3.15; New Westminster B. Ch., by L. A. T., \$12.69; Crooked Run B. Ch., by E. T., \$1.90; Bermuda B. Ch., by W. L. S., \$8.00; Kemper B. Ch., by W. S. M., \$5.00;

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TENNESSEE: First B. Ch., Covington, by W. W. H., for Evang., \$200.00; Ex., \$20.25; Tract Fund, \$11.50; Peyton's Creek Ch., by H. T. K., \$5.00; Tenn. Bap. Con., by W. M. Woodcock, for Salary A. T. Finch, \$300.00; Mtn. Schools, \$11.90; El Paso, \$1.43; Chilhowie Acad., \$11.75; Watauga, \$7.50; Fur. Mtn. Schools, \$8.33; Chapel at Cardenas, \$9.50; Chapel at Colon, \$10.00; Gen. Work, \$1,639.59. Total, \$2,236.75. Previously reported, \$2,020.75. Total since May, \$4,257.50.

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VIRGINIA: B. A. Jacobs, Treas., \$1,200.00. Previously reported, \$3,586.01. Total since May, \$4,786.01.

MISCELLANEOUS: J. W. Michaels, for Evang., \$18.72. Previously reported, \$147.83. Total since May, \$166.55.

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