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A MYSTERY EXPLAINED.

How was it that the Christians at Corinth, themselves so poor, gave so readily and so liberally to supply the wants of the Saints at Jerusalem? Without argument, or appeal, of their cause, the gift includes all his possessions. "He will withhold no labor and no sacrifice; all his plans and all his aspirations look to the success l f the cause to which he has devoted himself. An illustration of the effect of personal conecration is found in the life of the Apostle Paul. For the cake of Christ he suffered the oss of all things and counted his losses as reak my heart? for I am realy not to be bound aly, but also to die at Jerusalem for the name if the Lord Jesus." When he gave himself to brist, his heart, his soul, all his affections were included in the gift. We have before us another illustration in the example of a young issionary recently entered upon the work of he Lord in a foreign land. This missionary whether man or woman we know not) sends a iberal donation for the chapel at Rome, and

As far as possible, I wish to carry out my as isr as possible, I wish to carry out my after a form and, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to rurry creature." To him I have given my hie, my time, my energies, but I shall be happy if through this small contribution I can be about the carry of the property of the carry of outsitution, I can preach the gospel in Rome with the world and preach the Gospel to every resture.

This spirit of consecration is both the proof cater or a less extent all the disciples of anything from him we well doub bether we have fully given ourselves to the Lord.

FRUIT GATHERED.

There has recently been a remarkable reliious awakening in the mountain region immeliately west of the University of Virginia. ome of the students of that noble institution (whose religious are scarcely second to its disinguished literary advantages) Lave been conacting Sunday Schools and prayer meetings nong the people, who had no stated preaching. rain or shine, heat or cold, they have walked their appointments, a distance of from four six miles. The seed sown by these students as spring up and brought forth fruit. In Priember last the people were moved to hold ly meetings, and for two weeks the Spirit of Lord was with them and about seventy per-Is were converted. The editor of this paper if the privilege of baptising forty-seven of em one Sunday afternoon, and others have ce been baptised. Nearly all of them have ited the Pine Grove Baptist church, of Albeale county. They are a rising people. Many best baptised are Joing men; and we may petaat they will exert a great and beneficial Suence in their neighborhood. They have an dellent house of worship in process of con-

THE SEVEN YEARS' COURSE

We do not refer to the seven years' course, four years in college and three years in seminary, which some denominations think necessary to qualify a joung man to preach the Gospel. It is the seven years' course of Sunday-school instruction to which we refer. The National Sunday-School Convention of last year thought proper to appoint a committee, a very able committee, too, to prepare a series of lessons extending over seven years. The plan is sons extending over seven years. The plan is Soon the name of George Tourne was called for these lessons to be studied simultaneously and the answer was given, I live." Dr. Welch in all the Sunday-schools in Europe, Asia, turned to me, and said, "It linkt George Bourne

good deal of enthusiasm among advanced Sunday-school men. They have no doubt that they have at last discovered that "royal road" of whose existence many experienced educators have all along been so skeptical. It was a happy thought to have uniform lessons from year to year. This was a notable advance on the oldfashioned way of adapting lessons to the capacities of the 'scholars. But the uniform lesson system needed one thing to make it perfect there must be a seven years' course of uniform lessons. This we now have and it would be unreasonable to expect any further improvement in Sunday-school machinery.

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"Have you that sermon with you?"

"Yes: 'erry wall," said Mr. Bourne."

"In the street, sir."

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This perfect system is the very thing to secure the permanency and prosperity of Sunday-school papers. It makes it necessary that there should be special expositions of the lessons, and the Sunday-school papers furnish these expositions, invited the great assemblage to attend in the evening to hear the same sermon under which, more than twenty years ago, their pastor had been converted unto God.

The church was thronged. Mr. Bourne preached the sermon. At the close Dr. Welch tions, which, of course, all the Sunday-schools are send told the convergention that they had the permanency and prosperity of Sundaysalem? Without argument, or appeal, of their own accord, in proportion to their ability, and beyond their ability, they brought in their offerings. They did not wait to be pressed to give; they pressed their gifts upon the reluctant collector, who was unwilling to see them so utterly self-forgetful. What was the secret of this great liberality? The Apostle makes us raderstand the whole matter when he says, "They first gave themselves to the Lord."

They first gave themselves to the Lord. They have been floated on the each of their uniform and told him that when he peached "that sermon in Sansom-Street church, about twenty young men were herefully by one, and nearly all of us which number I all one, and nearly all of us which numbers I equipped for a whole year's work. They have each lesson expounded to them, the questions which they should ask indicated, and the answers to the questions given. They are told how they may apply the truth to the consciences of their pupils; and, in addition, they are furnished with illustrative anecdotes. Unless they choose to be extraordinarily thorough in their study, they need not have Bible Dictionaries, othing. When his friends would prevent him | Commentaries, or even Bibles and Testaments, from exposing himself to the fury of the Jews, so complete is the working apparatus furnished be said: "What mean ye to weep, and to be the exposition papers. by the exposition papers.

Such are some of the great advantages of the seven years' course of uniform lessons. If it is not presumption to criticise a perfect system we would like to mention ove thing about which our mind is not perfectly at rest. The system evidently suits the Sunday-school papers, the superintendents and the teachers, but we are not quite sure that it is the best thing for the scholars. It requires them to study Bible topics rather than the Bible itself; it sometimes calls upon them to explain facts before they have learned them. Sometimes the soup is served in shallow dishes, and sometimes in narrownecked jars, and this, of course, does not suit the foxes and the storks equally well. But our readers must not suppose that we are going to be so unreasonable as to say anything against Sunday-school methods simply because they are not adapted to the wants of the thousands and the characteristic of the new life. To a of Sunday-school scholars. We are far from being so stupid as to object to a perfect system This have it. If we find ourselves withhold- for the slight circumstance that it fails in the

A HUNDREDFOLD.

"In three counties in Northwest Missouri where a few years since there was not a Baptist church, and where Rev. G. W. Huntly, when sent there as a missionary of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, had to find a home in a hotel without Baptists or Baptist home in a hotel without Bantists or Baptist sympathy to assist or encourage him. there are now fifteen Baptist churches, and these churches are united in what is known as The Northwest Missouri Baptist Association. At a late meeting of this association it was found that over two hundred had been baptized into the churches within the year past." within the year past."

Facts like this, stated in the Macedonian and Record, show the importance of our Domestic Mission work. The more we know of it and the more we think of it the more its importance grows upon us. Our labor in the new and growing parts of our country always yields good and speedy returns. In leaving their old homes the people leave behind them old customs, and long standing prejudices. They are disposed to take candid and independent views of things; and to decide every question upon its merits. This we believe to be the disposition of heart most favorable to the reception of Baptist principles. We must not fail to exert an influence on these new settlements during their formative period. They will, after a while, be great centres of inruction, and have called a pastor to preach to fluence, and the seed we now sow on them will spring up and ripen into an abundant harvest. dom."

UNEXPECTED FRUIT.

From "Recollections of Old Ministers," in the Christian Intelligencer, at find the following incident:

ing incident:

At a session of the General Synod of our Reformed Church, bett in the pld lecture-room of the North Reformed Charles, in the city of Albany, more than third Charles, Mr. Bourne was a delegate, he was the writer. The clerk was calling the roll, when he Rev. Dr. T. B. Welch, then pastor of the Baptist Church in Peari street, came in and sessed himself by me. The lessons prepared are called the "international series"; and hundreds of schools have already signified their intention to adopt them. The sevent years' course seems to the seasons prepared are called the "international series"; and hundreds of schools have sir." "Will you introduce him to me?" "Ceratainly, sir." At the recess the introduced that the recess the introduced him to me?" "Ceratainly, sir." At the recess the introduced him to me?"

sued:
"Dr. Welch asked Mr. Bourne: "Do you remember; when your boine was in Germantown, your preaching a sermen to young men in Dr. Stoughton's church, in Sansom street, Philadelphia, where there was an immense assembly

tions, which, of course, all the Sunday-schools must have. Very many excellent Sunday-school journals, the delight of old and young, been greater than the second partial on the

Mr. Bourne was ascribing all the glory to God.

BAPTIST PREACHING HONORED.

The pastor of the Baptist church at Fincastle, Va., an efficient and honored brother, says that of two hundred and fifty persons who have professed conversion in Botetourt county during pass the past years, two hundred and twenty-five were converted in Baptist meetings. At meetings held by other denominations there was comparatively little interest, but whenever Baptists preached, the power of the Lord was present to convert. He says, too, that the same thing has occurred in other countles around him; the people have shown a marked prefereace for Baptist preaching. It is a noteworthy fact and should excite us to gratitude, humility, and diligence. In proportion as we feel that our principles are in accordance with teachings of our Lord should we seek to disseminate them, and rejoice in the effect they produce and the favor with which they are received.

LOOKING AHEAD.

A friend of ours once visited a well-to-do farmer in one of the Southern counties of Virginia. The farmer took him out to show him his hogs, of which he was a successful breeder. "These," said he, pointing to some large, fat fellows, "are my hogs for this fall's killing." Turning to some smaller hogs he said, "and these are for next year's pork." Then pointing to some pigs, he added, "and these are for the year, annual election in Hartford, and it was custom after the next, but where my pork is to come from after that the Lore

It is such looking abend, such carefulness for the distant future, that robs the present of its sweetness and closes the heart against the ap-peals of benevolence. How much better it is to be content with such things as we have, and to trust to the future to provide for its own wants! He who feeds the fowls of the air will take care that to-morrow shall yield its own supplies.

A CHILD'S ANSWER.

The King of Prussia, while visiting a village in his land, was welcomed by the school children of the place. After their speaker had made a speech for them, he thanked them. Then taking an orange from a plate, he asked: "To what kingdom does this belong?"

"The vegetable kingdom, sire," replied a little girl.

little girl.

The king took a gold coin from his pocket, and holding it up asked: "And to what kinged dom does this belong?"

"To the mineral kingdom," said the little

girl. And to what kingdom do I belong, then ?"

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THE VOICE OF THE PAST.

These are clear, strong utterances from the Reflector:

The progress of the Baptists in North Caroli-The progress of the Baptists in North Carilina has been komething remarkable. The first church of the denomination was organized in 1727, at which time the Quakers and Episcopalians constituted the great majority of the people. In 1790 the Baptists had increased to sever thousand; in 1812, to thirteen thousand; and last year, to over one hundred thousand—or one communicant to over the revert the requisition. communicant to every twelve of the population and about as many as the aggregate of all other Christian denominations. The Episcopalians Christian denominations. The Episcopalians and Quakers now number together just about the same as the Baptists did in 1790, and not

the same as the Bartists did in 1790, and not quite as many as were added to the latter by baptism last year.

It is calculated to fill us with holy awe thus to see fulfilled that great law of Christ's kingdom by which the last becomes first and the first last. And it has been seen over and over again in Baptist history, as conspicuously in Virginia as in North Cafolina; and almost as much sain our deponingtion as a whole much so in our denomination as a whole. Luther, Melancthon and all the other leading reformers would have stamped out the Baptists of their day, and did not hesitate to invoke the of their day, and did not hesitate to invoke the sword against them. But their successors relying on that sword more than on Christ, Lutheranism has become the chief source of modern infidelity, while the chief hope of spiritual religion in Germany is, directly and indirectly, in the Baptist churches of that land. Moreover, from the master minds of Germany, the profoundest and most pains-taking scholars in the world, comes the almost unanimous testimony that in the primitive are infant baptism was that in the primitive age infant baptism was unknown, and that baptism was by immersion, in accordance with the very meaning of the

The law we have referred to works both naturally and supernaturally. "The first" become self-satisfied; recline at their case; are come reit-satisfied; recline at their case; are governed by worldly considerations; cater to the great (of whom there are but a handful anywhere); substitute the form of godliness for the power, become proud, domineering, and if the times favor it, seize the sword of persecution. He who is head over all things to His people, sets the laws of human nature against them. Works against them in the combinations them, works against them in the combinations of His providence; and withdraws the shekinah of his own presence. Zeal, activity, self-denial, those universal elements of success, die out. Their children wander off hungry toother folds. Public sympathy turns to the other side. Advance ceases. Death does the rest.

"The last" are humble; know that they are

nobody; go out of themselves to Christ; are driven almon to Min and to each other by the world's contempt fare, cheered and stimulated by the success the Master gives them; are lifted to moral heroism by the persecutions to which they are subject; become themselves living proofs of the power of the Gospel; compel the empty, the dissatisfied, the bereaved, the famished prodigals around them to feel the mighty magnetism of their faith, and hope, and love, and peace, and joy. And so, at length, they pass up to "the first rooms at the feast."

But let them not forget that the working of the same law may carry them clear back from the first to the last again, to be supplanted by a scattered few they are now in danger of des-

NEVER TEMPT A MAN,

The late celebrated John Trumbull, when a boy, resided with his father, Governor Trumbull, at his residence, in Lebanon, Conn., in the neighborhood of the Mohegans. The government of this tribe was hereditary in the family of the celebrated Uncas. Among the heirs of the chieftainship was an Indian named Zachary, who, though a brave man and an excellent hunter, was as drunken and worthless an Indian as could be found. By the death of intervening heirs, Zachary found himself entitled to the royal power. In this moment the better genius of Zachary assumed sway, and he reflected se-riously: "How can such a drunken wretch as I aspire to be the chief of this noble tibe? What will people say? How shall the shades of my glorious ancestors look down indignantly upon such a successor? Aye—drink no more!" And he solemnly resolved that he would drink nothing stronger than water, and he kept to his resolution.

Zachary succeeded to the rule of his tribe It was usual for the Governor to a tend at the ary for the Mohegan chief also to attend, and on his way to stop and dine with the Governor. John, the Governor's son, was but a boy, and on one of these occasions at the festive board occurred a scene which I will give in Trumbull's own words:

One day the mischievous thought struck me to try the sincerity of the old man's temperance.
The family were seated at dinner, and there
was excellent home-brewed heer on the table I addressed the old chief:

"Zachary, the beer is very fine; will you not taste it??

The old man dropped his knife, and, leaning forward with a stern intensity of expression, and his eyes sparkling with angry indignation, fixed on me

"John," said he, "you don't know what you are doing. You are serving the devil, boy! Do you know that I am an Indian? Shall I become again the same contemptible wretch your father remembers me to have been? John, never again while you live tempt a man to break, a good resolution."

Socrates never uttered a more valuable presocrates never utilities a most satisfactory. Demosthenes could not have given it with a more solemn cloquence. I was thunasked the king.

The little girl colored deeply, for she did not like to say "the animal kingdom," as he thought she would, lest his majesty should be offended. Just then it flashed into her mind that "God made man in his own image," and looking up with a brightening eye, she said: "To God's own-kingdom, sire."

Own-kingdom, sire."

The little girl colored deeply, for she did not like to she want the not like to she want the not less than the not she girl. Demostrates could not have freely the not she want the me solemn eloquence. I was thunderstruck. My parents were deeply affected. They looked at me, and then turned their gaze upon the venerable chieftain with a we and respect. They afterward frequently reminded me of the scene, and charged me never to for get it.

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EASILY FLATTERED.

There was once a Scotch drover who, though he could neither read nor write, had nevertheless made a large fortune by sheep farming, wif and was open to any degree of flattery, as to his abilities in this department of labor. A purchaser, knowing his weakness, and anxious to ingratiate himself into his good graces, ventured one evening over the whiskey-toddy to remark "I am of the opinion, sir, that you are a greater man than even the Duke of Wellington!"

Hoot, toot I replied the sheep furmer. modestly, hanging his head with a pleasing smile, and taking a large pinch of snuff, " that's too much—too much by far—by far.

But his guest, after expatiating for a while? upon the great powers of his host in collecting and concentrating upon a southern market as flock of sheep, suggested the question: "Could? the Duke of Wellington have done that?"

The sheep farmer thought a little, snuffed, took a glass of toddy, and replied: "The Duke of Wellington was, no doubt, a clever man; very, very clever, I believe. They tell me he was a good soger; but then, d'ye see, he had reasonable men to deal with—captains, and majors, and generals, that could understand him. every one of them, both officers and men, but I'm not sure, after all, if he could manage, say twenty thousand sheep, beside black cattle, that could not understand one word he said, Gaelic or English, and bring every hoof o' them to Fa'kirk Tryst? I doot it-I doot it-but I have ? done that I''

The inference was evident.

JOTTINGS.

A Boston paper estimates the loss by the great fire in that city at \$80,000,000. Of this amount, \$20,000,000 was in buildings and the remainder in goods of various kinds. It was at first reported that the office of the Watchman" and Reflector, was burned. We are glad this is not the case. It is one of our best exchanges, and one of the best papers printed in this country.

In view of the fact that Maryland is the most destitute State in the Union in Baptists mendorship and ministers, the Maryland Revisit Union Assectation resolved to raise this year (1872) vib. 1000 for missionary purposes. Dr. J. W. M. Williams undertakes to raise this sum without cost to the Association. By the way, Dr. Williams always reminds us of a man of whom we once heard him tell. A little man ... got into a difficulty with a very large one. The large man, looking down on his adversary, contemptuously said, "and pray, sir, how much do you weigh?" The little man replied, "ordinarily I weigh one hundred and twenty pounds, but,, sir, when I get mad, I weigh a whole ton!" We think "a whole ton" is about Dr. W's usual weight.

THE Religious Herald is to have Sa Science column," with Dr. J. L. M. Curry as editor.

REV. T. A. RIED, formerly a missionary to Africa, has become pastor of the Baptist church at Pine Bluff, Ark.. where his appearance has created great joy and enthusiasm.

THE total receipts of the Woman's Baptist Missionary Society, from April 1st to October 1st, 1872, amounted to \$7,553.

THE Memorial Committee of the Virginia Baptist General Association are meeting with encou. aging success in their efforts to raise \$300,-000 for the endowment of Richmond College.

Mr. Corcoran, the Washington banker and President of the Board of Trustees of Columbian College, has given to that institution a tract of land valued at \$250,000.

THE BAPTIST QUARTERLY.

The October number came to hand too late for notice in the November number of the JOURNAL. It contains two articles touching Esptist history in America-one on Roger Williams se an author, by Dr. Caldwell, of Provi-dence, R. I., and the other on Dr. John Clarke, the friend and faithful co-worker of Roger Williams, by Rev. C. E. Barrows, of Newport, R. I. Both articles are interesting mand valuable. In an article on Homer and the Old Testa-ment, Rev. J. B. Ha-ne, of New Jerrey, mentions a numher of resemilation, nearer or more remote, in the utter-ances of Homer and the inspired writers. Dr. Sawyer disusees the Themes and Methor's of Apostolic Preachingsuggestive and important topic. The article that most in-terested us is by Rev. R. H. Graves, of Canton, China, on the Three Systems of Belief in China. The QUARTERLY is very handsomely gotten up. is interesting and able, and ought to be gen-roudy supported. Address Eible and Publication Fociety, 630 Arch street, Philadelphia. Subcription price \$3.

A SEMI-CENTENNIAL.

1823-1873. The fifty years of the New York Observer re completed, and to signalize the event the publishers are about to present to each subscriber a memento in the sbape of a Jubilee Year-Book, which is to be embellished with appropriate illustrations and historical remembrances. Fifty years of unceasing prosperity in a public journal, while pursuing the same understing course, may well inspire its friends with confidence and strong attach-We are informed that the subscribers to the Obment. We are informed that the random variety as the results as the results and the stage; and it backward since its first appearance on the stage; and it bids fair, judging from its present position, to double its circulation and influence in the near future. §3 a year. Sidney E. Morse & Co., 27 Park Row, New York.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

· FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS.

Dr. Jeter has been telegraphed to draw on the Board of Foreign Missions for FIFTEEN THOUSAND FOLLARS on account of the ROME CHAPEL. Brethren who have funds on hand for this object, however small the amount, will do well to remit at once to the Corresponding Secretary, Bex 130, Richmond,

TURNING IN OLD AGE.

We are indebted to the kindness of Mrs. A. J. Graves, of Baltimore, whose heart is fully in the work of Foreign Missions, for the follow

EXTRACTS FROM CANTON LETTERS.

Large and attentive congregations attend the preaching of the word in our chapel. We are not without some tokens of good. I baptised an old man a fortnight ago, the father of Ho Mui, one of our young preachers who has been very much concerned for his father's conversion for a long time. We all rejoice that his prayers have been fulfilled.

One who witnessed the baptism says of the son: "He looked so happy that I thought as I watched him I had rarely seen a person whose face expressed more beaming satisfaction. He - he would be 'wholly happy' if his mother would only turn from idols to serve the living God." There are several women among our inquirers whom we hope will be baptised before long. One of these is quite an interesting case. She lived with one of our members in the Old Women's Home, but had always resisted the truth and refused to hear the Gospel. Ho Mui visited her a few weeks ago, but she said she was too old, and refused to have anything to do with his message. After he left, her room-mate said: "The fact that you are old is the very reason why you should trust in Jesus. You must soon die and what will then become of you?" This word was used by the Spirit to arouse her, and she immediately tore down her idols and began to pray to Jesus. Since then she has come every Sunday to our chapel and now desires to be baptised. I hope the Spirit has, indeed, begun a work in her heart.

TO THE LADIES OF THE BAPTIST CHURCH WHO SUPPORT THE BIBLE WOMAN.

First report of Mrs. Ling, the Native Bible Woman in Canton.

Mrs. Ling (neé Lo) sends this greeting to the Church in America :

May our Heavenly Father bless you and give I am incepted to you, my sisters, for the money for my monthly support. In the doing (sending funds) you are not forgetmember the command of the risen Saviour, "Go into the world and preach the Gospel to every creatu e; he that believeth and is baptised shall be saved." You have not forgotten the command of the Master whether you yourselves come to our middle kingdom to the people in darkness, or whether you subscribe your money to help the progress of the Gospel and save the souls of many. All is fulfilling the words of Jesus when he said: "Whosoever giveth a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple shall in no wise lose his reward."

My husband, Ling Fung Liu, was a preacher for several years, and died three years ago, (written in 1867). Heleft a mother now nearly 70, who has been a believer for many years, and me his widow, now about 50 years of age I have four children—two sons and two daughters. By the calling of God and the teaching of the Holy Spirit I have a hope of Heaven. I received the Gospel without price and I wish to give it to others without price. It is my duty to tell others what I know. I, therefore, every day tell others to repent and souls may be saved from hell and may attain the happiness of Heaven.

own neighborhood. On Tuesday I go to Shek Ki Li (my house R. H. G.) On Wednesday to the new rooms are at No. 130 the small South Gate (our city chapel), and in sight of St. Peter's." Thursday is the day for church prayer-meeting. On Friday I go to the "Old Women's Home," and on Saturday attend to my domestic affairs At the Old Women's Home there are a dozen or more old women who are believers. The work and hear our pastor preach and explain the Scripture. I hope God's blessing may rest on store in a prominent position, a signmy efforts. May our Heavenly Father bless you all. This is my heart's desire.

WIDOW LING (neé Lo).

THE WORK IN ITALY.

From a long letter from Dr. Cote we make such extracts as will doubtless interest our readers. We take first an item from the report of the evangelist

AT BOLOGNA.

"The work of the Lord continues to be blessed of Him. Every one knows that where the Gospel has been preached for twelve years the places of worship are not usually frequented by new comers, but mostly by persons the Lord, I can say, however, that here in side the spiritual church, and we greatly re- meet in private houses, two or three rooms open- in this city.

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three or four months two entire families have and were well filled. The Baptist church meets come over to the truth. To one of them belongs sometime ago, but, led by the spirit of the Lord to our place of worship, she found at last the fullness of His grace. A truly lost sheep of the house of Israel. 'In our church reigns most consoling pence.' 'Common consent' is always found in all things, in virtue of that love which our Father has planted in our hearts, without our neglecting, however, to exercise discipline when required. The Lord keeps us hall for a church. We find the Plymouth brethin this condition, making us to grow in sanctification as individuals and as a church."

Signor Honori Ferraris, who labors in the Waldensian Valleys, gives us an account of several

INTERESTING CONVERTS.

"I have visited several times the family G-The father is convinced on the subject of baptism, and will wait until you return before reeiving the ordinance. I hope to bartise a sister in the faith next Sunday.

"The lady of General D-, after studying the word of God for more than a month, has been gained over to the truth. She imagined she had sinned against the Holy Ghost. I lately called on her and urged her to put her trust in the Lord Jesus Christ. The next day I started on my way to Pinerolo and was praying the Lord to bless my efforts and that lady under conviction of sin. On my arrival, I had hardly taken my dinner, when in called the General, accompanied by his wife, who was now rejoicing in her Saviour. After the reading of God's word and prayer, it was decided to receive her for baptism on Sunday morning at half-past ten. The church was assembled in the room for prayer and singing; we then repaired to the river Angregue for the administration of the ordinance. Without fear and full of joy she went down into the water and was immersed in the name of the Father, of the Son, and the Holy Ghost. After which we sang the hymn 'Du Rocher de Jacob,' and returned to the room where we usually meet and celebrated the Lord's Supper.

"At the close of the meeting the General said: 'Two years since I was baptised. I have not joined any church, because my wife was not with me; but now that she has been buried with Christ in baptism, we both enter into His church with joy and happiness."

PRESSING DEMANDS.

"The brethren in Bari are still without a pastor. They write:

"We are still hoping the Lord will send us a pastor, and we will gladly receive him. The Lord will help you in securing one, and for this

we pray unto him.' "There are hundreds and hundreds of converts throughout the length and breadth of the Peninsula who are Baptists in sentiment, and would gladly receive the ordinance were an Evangelist sent to them as Phillip of old to the inquiring Eunuch. But funds are wanting. What must I do? At times I feel discouraged or rather ashamed, to be forced to say in answer to the appeals for help coming from all sides. I cannot;' it is both disheartening and humiliating. May the Lord move our brethren in the South by His Spirit and give them the will to do for this important mission all in their power, in order to prosecute it more energetically.

STATE OF THE MISSION.

"There are at present two Baptiet church in Rome and six in the provinces, making in all eight regularly organized churches of Baptist believers. And if to these we add the meeting at La Spezia, under the direction of Rev. M. Clarke, an English Baptist Missionary, and a small band of believers at Leghorn, under the lead of Colonel Carlton, a devoted English lavman. you will see that we have in Italy ten Baptist churches, and that they all deserve the sympathy and aid of their sister organizations of America.

"Mr. Van Meter has rented two shops in the Leonine city and will fit them up for a school and for preaching. He has requested Brother believe in Jesus, and be baptised, that their Gioja and myself to take charge of this new interest, which we will gladly do. Thus we hope to have soon the Vatican church to add to On Monday I speak to the women in my our list. Let us rejoice that we Baptist are thus permitted to occupy this post of honor. Borgo Vecchio.

THE GOSPEL IN ITALY.

If one should land in Italy where Paul landed at Puteoli, he would go now direct to Naples. and there finding brethren, might tarry there is not in vain. On Sunday I go to church them seven days. Besides English-speaking Christians, he would see on the quay over a

"THE SCRIPTURES IN VARIOUS LANGUAGES." He would learn that the Vaudois have a con gregation there, besides two others in the vicinity; and three in Sicily, namely, in Catane. Messina, and Palermo. And traveling northward to the very heart of the Appennines, he would find in every place where he stopped a Vaudois Church or a Free Italian Church, or both; and in many places spontaneous congregations meeting to read the Scriptures, and pray, and break bread, without any formal church connection with any denomination. In Rome there are four congregations. Vaudois, Free Italian, or Chiesa Libera, Baptist, and Methodist. Dr. Newman Hall addressed one of who believe in the Lord Jesus. Thanks be to these on Sabbath evening. I spoke a word of greeting to the Vaudois, and Drs. Hall and Bologna the hall where I preach the Gospel of Theo. L. Cuyler, addressed the weekly re-union

joice to know that in the course of the last ing into each other, as as to hold 150 people, in a house on the Forum of Trajan, recently exa Jewish woman who became a Roman Catholic | cavated so as to show the ancient pavements and | They are of great importance for the well being columns, and nearly opposite Trajan's Pillar. But it is no easy matter to rent a house for such they are connected. An impression is made a purpose in Rome, where most of the property upon the children which a long life cannot is owned either by the church or by people who have made, or hope to make, their living out of it. There is no other way of securing any permanent place of Protestant worship in Rome, than to buy an old palace, and use the grand ren to the number of 26, meeting thus in a large chamber near Count Guiceiardini's palace in Florence, the Count continuing his evangelical activity, though he and his friends also support an evangelist.

In leed the Italian societies are already be ginning to experience the necessity of the ministry of the gospel under some name or other, and are devolving its duties upon their evangelists. Hence it has come to pass that in 1870, thirty-three societies united themselves into a body known as Chiesa Libera, or the Free Church of Italy, with a simple evangelical creed and a representative form of government. To th's body constant accessions are being made, of sotist and Methodist Churches need no description. claiming unbroken succession from the Apostles' days.

BIBLE DISTRIBUTION.

The Word of God is the great weapon for overthrowing the Man of Sin, and the bread of life also for feeding the church. Time was when the traveler's trunk was searched, and all save a single copy confiscated. Now one sees the cities, and in many places meets the colporteur Bibles are sold for a franc and a half, and the price of similar editions in America. In Florence 4,000 francs worth of tracts, about 100,000 were sold to eager readers; 1,470 Bibles, 3,728 Testaments, 13,638 Gospels.

THE INFALLIBILITY DECREE

excites more attention everywhere than in Italy. The people seem only to regard its political bearings; many being shrewd enough to thoroughly with the Pope, the proclamation of the dogma may strengthen the cause of Italian liberty. The Italians do not fo get that Protesusher of the Parliment house in Turin, that I was an American, he took me in at once into the ante-room of the Hall of Deputies, and directed my attention to a tery striking picture of a naked man undergoing torture by the Inquisition. Such a picture, in such a place, preaches volumes.

EVANGELICAL TEA PARTIES.

Many Italians are curious to hear the gosrel who do not care to come to the chu ch meet ng. The ready-witted Italian Christians have devised a plan to please them. On Saturday or Sabbath evening, a Christian family invites a number of friends to tea. The pastor or Evangelist is also invited. The subject of religion is at once introduced, and the tea-talk becomes a gospel-talk, an evangelization. I commend this plan to many of our American Christians, who have non-church going friends, prejudiced against long sermons, but quite willing, as one of them said to me, "to give shot about." It must be hard upon an unbeliever to listen all the time, and have no opportunity to reply.

Dr. R. Patterson, in Sunday-school Times

A WOUNDED CONSCIENCE.

Dr. Cote, in writing from Rome under date of September 30th, 1872, says:

"The other day, when I was in the Waldensian Valleys, an evangelist who is held in high estimation, offered to work in connection with us; 'for,' said he, 'every time I am obliged to administer baptism to a child I feel a remorse of conscience. from accepting him, though we require his year. services for the pastorless church at Bari. Our this mission cannot be carried on with their best wishes. The spirit of self-sacrifice must take possession of their hearts and purses, and then, and not till then, will the necessities of our mission in Italy be adequately supplied.

THE CHURCH GROWS.

Signor Giannini gives a good account of his work among the Italians:

I have delayed writing you on account of my weak condition of health, and was anxious to see you and consult with you about the church. The work of the Lord goes on from blessing to blessing. Fraternal love prevails in the church, together with the peace of God, and in all things there is but one heart; so we

can truly say, "The Lord is in our midst." The chapel is always attended by new comers, Bro. R. H. Graves writes Sept. 16, from Canton : who hear the gospel assiduously. Besides recent proselytes made, we have two entire families that have not been baptized as yet, nor admitted to the Lord's Supper, but all believe them to be truly converted to the truth. Lately I administered baptism to six candidates, who will never, I hope, return to the slough of sin. Thanks be rendered unto the Lord that our church, which seemed dead and inert, has, through His grace, risen to new life and power by my humble instrumentality, and we can say, without boasting, that our work is more blessed Christ is always attended by persons from out- of the four on Monday evening. These churches of the Lord even than the two other churches

OUR SCHOOLS IN ROME.

Our schools in the Trastevere, at Civita Vecchia, and at Bari, are in a prosperous condition. and development of the church with which efface. Under the influence of a kind treatment the very expression of the countenance becomes changed, and one can read in those eyes, no longer sullen and suspicious, but frank and cheerful, that the child has recovered itself. Some who had come from Roman Catholic families, trembled at first at the idea of being made Protestants. Now they are by no means the last in love of the Gospel.

BAPTIST PRINCIPLES IN ITALY.

Unless Dr. Cote is very much mistaken in his stimate of the views and feelings of Italians, there is special reason why Baptists should push their work among them. He says:

"The project of Dr. Jeter of spending next winter in this city is one that gives me great satisfaction. He proposes to employ his able pen in the preparation of tracts suited to the capacities and wants of the Italians, to be cieties already existing, and of new stations translated into their tongue, and printed for from their own evangelistic activity. The Bap- gratuitous distribution. This is an important work, calculated to do much good. We have The Vaudois is an ancient Presbyterian church, | already two or three tracts in Italian, on Scripture baptism, and had I the money, I would have them reprinted and distributed by thousands There is no doubt but that our vi-we on the subject of baptism are beginning to excite considerable inquiry among the converts of the other churches. Add to this the fact that our form of church government is emi-Bible openly exposed for sale in all the chief nently adapted to a people like the Italians, who have, as a rule, strong democratic tendenhawking it about the quays and streets. The cies, their government being in fact a republic, with the name of monarchy. The government Testaments for half a franc, just about the of the church by the church resembles too closely that other principle, the government of the people by the people, not to commend itself to the judgment of the Italians. They feel instinctively that we Americans are their best and truest friends, who seek after their highest good. They are beginning to see that our Baptist principles are not only the most democratic in fact, but are also the best arapted to perceive that by disgusting other nations more their wants and aspirations, and respond the most fully to their sense of justice and equity Infant baptism is a contradiction too palpable not to grow every day more unpopular, as the tant powers have more than once interfered to Scriptures become better understood, and the keep the Pope on his throne. When I told the fundamental principles of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ more clearly apprehended. fruth is mighty, and must prevail."

LETTERS FROM MISSIONARIES.

CANTON, CHINA.

CANTON, CHINA, Sept. 18th, 1872. Dea- Bro. Tupper:

The mission seems to me to be advancing slowly. Three have been baptised since my arrival and two old women who recently applied for membership, and who are thought to be sincere seekers after the truth, are cautiously held aloof for a time that they may know the way of the Lord more perfectly.

It is gratifying to see that every precaution is used in our mission, which prudence can devise, in the reception of members. The Chinese christians are, themselves, very strict in their examination of candidates; doubtl-ss made so by the instructions of Bro Graves and their past experience.

As to vital godliness in its membership, I presume the Canton church will compare favorably with most of our churches at home.

Bro Graves is daily at work, at home and in the chapel, teaching and preaching the Word. Bro Simmons is making initial efforts in instruction, gradually "feeling his way" along as he gains a knowledge of the language. He is, I believe, desirous of opening a school for Want of funds prevented me boys at the commencement of the Chinese new

The newly arrived missionaries are closeted

good. A little church of about a dozen mem bers meets here regularly on the Lord's ca.

Our work here goes on without much worth, of note. A fortnight ago I baptised an old man, the father of Ho Mui, one of our young preachers, who has been very anxious for his father's conversion ever since he himself of

The examinations (government) are in progress, and we have many students, both and military, at our chapel services. and military, at our chapter services. Some listen attentively, but the most of them de onse the doctrine of a crucified Saviour.

I have resumed my Bible-Cass. Having spent a week in the review of Genesis, we are

now studying the 1st Epistle to the Corinth

Yours, in Christ, R. H. GRAVES

TUNG CHAU, CHINA.

TUNG CHAU, (P. O. Chefoo,) CHINA, August 26th, 1872

Dear Brother Tupper:

My chapel is almost completed, and by he blessing of God, I hope to dedicate it to his holy service in about three weeks from yes vr. Everybody, both native and foreign, say

it is a most beautiful little structure, and from present indications the acoustics will be very fine, an essential point in a chapel you well know My workmen are wholly ignorant of church building, and I have had a very busy season of it, to prevent them from making all sorts of mistakes.

I wish now to resume my trips to the coun-

try I have a few inquirers who encourage me, but some of my members are just now showing an ugly spirit, and causing me some mental trouble.

mental trouble.

Liss Moon is progressing with the language very rapidly. She has good health and continues to impress us all most favorably. I hope you will send out an independent, thorough-going young lady to live with her on the remainder of the chapel-lot, and aid in laboring for the salvation of these thousands of heathen women. Those who christianize one women will christianize the men.

Mrs. Hartwell has had a painful spell of so kness, and we have for several weeks, been

ness, and we have for several weeks, been fearful that she might not recover.

Mrs. Holmes is as we I as usual, and driving

on with all her might.

Yours, fraternally, T. P. CRAWFORD P. S.—I failed to say above that Mrs. Hartwell is now somewhat better.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS OF W. N. COTE

Of money received by him, when in America, for the Rome Chapel.

Virginia.-W. H. Gwathmey, \$35; W. B. Filcher, \$ Georgia.—Missionary Society Quitman church, \$2 st Rev. A. E. Cloud. \$1; a adv. Macon, \$2; a brother, so ash, Sevannah, \$78 40; E. Allison, \$1. Total, \$103,40

NORTH CAROLINA.—A brother, Raleigh, 50c. New York —N. G. Gifford, \$10. Total, \$10. CANADA.—Rev. T. Riendeaus, Montreal, \$5; I stituts Longueriel, \$5. Total. \$10 Total. \$163.90.

RECEIPTS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS

FROM OCTOBER 10th to NOVEWBER 8th, 1872 MARYLAND.—Seventh Baptist Church, by W. T. Brantis ASSILAND.—Seventh Baptist Church, by W. T. Branife 1391; quarterly con ribution at Concert of Prayer of Let-treet Church, Baltimore, by Rev. M. Pollerd, 412; E. I. ring, Treasurer at Maryland Baptist Union Association 1391; collected by Mrs. Chambler, of Cumberland Church 1392. Total, 2482.

ing, Treasurer at Marviand Baptist Union Assectation; collected by Mrs. Chambler, of Cumberland Chur of Condected by Mrs. Chambler, of Cumberland Chur of Condected by Mrs. Chambler, of Cumberland Chur of Condected by Mrs. Chambler, of Cumberland Chur of Section 45: Jo lah Ryland \$50. First Baptist Chur of Guk, by Rev W. D. Thomas, \$50; for Liberty Church of Brother Neelms, by Dr. Tyres, \$40; County Line Gun h. W. J. Boyd, \$5; Little River Church and Sundayschor william Hutchinson, \$5; received by E. Wortham Tester, by Mrs. L. M. Temple, Treasurer of Missionary 9- (tv. \$227; W. A. Baynham, \$25; James Thomas Jr. \$10; J. Carke, Darville, \$12; Dr. J. L. Burrows, \$-0; Gosh a sectiation, by O. J. Sunner, Treasurer, \$15; J. M. Pier belance, \$15; Alexander H. Sands, Mrs. Rullurk, and r. Rowies, \$2; Keported by Dr. Cote, W. R. Pilcher \$4. The Church, by E. R. Coghill, Treasurer, \$3.50; children Farmville, "circus scones," by H. J. Handy, \$1' sich Street Church, by J. R. Gar ick, \$130; Rerea Church J. A. Sannders, \$105; C. L. Cocke, Enon, \$2.56; J. H. arrison, \$15; N. M. Leslie \$20; Newton Switzer \$5. J. Mathews, \$5; Lynchburg Church, \$30 \$4; L. Johnson I. Idlerty Church and brother Wood, \$20; brother J. Tishtwell, \$30; A. Fribank, for A. C. and T. C. Parker \$1. M. Fage, \$5; Professor Harrson, \$5; James, A. Mundred Church, \$5; Cherry & S. Professor Harrson, \$5; James, A. Mundred Church, \$50; George R. Sreel, Treasurer, \$1,05; Rev. Gardick, 6or his Church, \$10; Lynchburg Church, \$5; W. T. Gresham, \$5; George R. Sreel, Treasurer, \$1,05; Rev. Gardick, 6or his Church, \$10; Lynchburg, \$1; N. Resser, Alleebany Church, by Order of D. A. Brown, \$5; Spring cek Church, by D. P. Carter, \$70. Total, \$2,206.10. WEST YRGUMA.—Jandson Association, \$5; K. N. Resser, Alleebany Church, \$10; Lynchburg, \$1; N. Resser, Alleebany Church, \$10; Lynchburg, \$1; Professor, \$1; Professor, \$1; Product, \$10; Lynchburg, \$1; Professor, \$1; Product, \$10; Lynchburg, \$1; Professor, \$1; Product, \$1; Product, \$1; Product, \$1; Product, \$1; Product, \$1; Produc

William, Tressurer North Care as reported in Biblical Recorder of Novem DI; William Brant, for Fayetteville Sundar reported by Dr. Cote, "A Brother," 500

day after day with men with long ques, at the same time the teacher and the taught; for it is sincumbent upon the aspirant after a knowledge of the Chinese language to teach his teacher how to teach him. And as it is very difficult to know which is the best way to learn the lamguage, especially before he has advanced at all in it, the aspirant is sometimes non-plused as to ways and means.

Pray for uz that we may be divinely sustained in the work to which we feel the Lord has called us.

Your brother, in Christ Jesus,

N. B. WILLIAMS.

CANTON, September 16th, 1872.

Bro. R. H. Graves writes Sept. 16, from Canton:

Bro. T. J. Roberts, who deceased last December, has left his property here to our mission under certain conditions. I enclose a copy of his last will concerning it.

It consists of a chapel and dwelling-house, the latter out of repair but babitable; worth, with the land and chapel, I should think, about \$2,500 or \$3,000 at most. The situation is a fair one for a chapel, but few foreigners would reside in the dwelling, as it is in a very bad neighborhood—about the worst place in the city for gambling-tables and brothels.

Pray for a different property in the chapel under our supervision, and the congregations are long and the congregations are constructed by the congregations are received by Carrey, \$3.1500. Institute later our supervision, and the congregations are constructed by the condition of the congregation o

HOME AND FOREIGN JOURNAL.

FROM AFRICA.

Bro. B. P. Yates, at Monrovia, sends a very gro. B. F. Iairs, as atomics as very speed for the African mission. It is the same of the best of the same will awaken be been in that important field

into hoped that what no says will awaken into interest in that important field.

It interest in that important field.

It was a new era then in the history of our insignary operations, and one fraught with hopeful suguries, when the Southern Baptist operation in resuming their operations. in resuming their operations here, once pushed boldly into the interior and is once pushed boldly into the interior and planted the standard of the cross eighty or one planted the standard of the coast. And the few mudded miles from the coast. And the few missionaries that were employed, were mostly missionaries that were employed, were mostly missionaries that were employed, were mostly missionaries that were employed, in purely heathen you upring stations not only in purely heathen you upring stations which were central and which, in all past missionary offennial, and which, in all past missionary offennial.

ismer, at Taylorsville, and Phillipsburg, are all regretest possible importance. These, rest, ought not, for one moment, to be susgested or abandoned; even if it is found nested or abandoned even if it is found nested to abandoned maintenance, to essiry to their undisturbed maintenance, and the maintenance in the main The station at Taylorsville deserves

If them the station account of succial effort

If the supperson the teacher there, Miss Early;

If the supperson the teacher and at one ball the asken by these people to es-m deep interest taken by these people to esarresting feature in this station, is the female ash a mission there. of the state of th ing coast mass party passaucreeded in collecting seven promising girls, and her skill in the mann, who was a unportant point a little nearer and occupy an important point a little nearer where, for severa years, the people have seen most importunate in their application for

Sizes, principally from the Southern States; and three-fourths of the people who laid the and three-fourths of the people who laid the fundation of the Republic were from Virginia. We have succeeded, by the grace of God, in establishing a nucleus of civilization and christians. res, for hundreds of miles, is greater than clean of large European colonies on the coast.
The whole interior is accessible to us. "The there. felds are white unto harvest." The people are railing from every direction to us for assistance, and any retrograde movement now in our atempts to take possession of the land, would be We cannot do this work unaided. We must call upon our wealthy brethren and fonds in the United States to help us.

"Shall we, whose souls are lighted By westom from on high; Shall we to man benighted, and you before you?"

frect the deliberations of the com rd may the indications of His provicommue and expand the mission in the future to conclude not only to on to prosecute their operations now, without anv suspension

I remain yours. in the bands of the Goanel. BEVERLY P YATES.

WHAT WOMEN CAN DO.

The time when it was thought that Christian was mould no nothing in the work of missions among the heathen except as wives of missions are made and the missions are more than a supervision of winen's Societies, are now engaged as Bible reders and teachers among their own sox in the she lini. They find access to the women, is missionaries cannot do, and as missionaries was have not the time or freedom from domestic cares to do. "This work is denominated than a work, from the name of the living room of the master cares to do." This work is denominated to the master of our denomination.

Rev. J. M. Phillips has resigned the care of the Baptist church in Shelbyville, Tenn., and entered on the discharge of his duties in Harts-ville, Tenn., as President of the Literary Institution of that place. He has been succeeded in Shelbyville by Rev. T. D. Jones, who is one of our denomination. wres nave not the time of the living room leanna-work, from the name of the living room leanna-work, from the name in India, where the better class of families in India, where women of the family pass their time. prima and the women here exclude themselves from society and intercourse, passing their lives from society and intercourse, passing their lives from society and intercourse, passing their lives from the same and the same passing talk. And through these labors poor, leraled betthen women are instructed and primed to Curist. When this system of labor have been more enlarged, and thus more have been more enlarged, and thus more including prosecuted, the work of converting entires will receive a fresh impetus, and the or of the world's redemption will be sensibly

churches, there may be some who are qualified int so instructed that they can at once offer lemselves for this work and enter upon it. Such may feel assured that the Lord will accept the consecration, and bless them in it.

But many who cannot go themselves may repreteless become efficient helpers in many ways in furthering the glorious work. They can contribute of their own means, and interest there who have means to do likewise. They

the contribute of their own means, and interest chers who have means to do likewise. They impray for the success of those who are in the led, and enlist the prayers of others for them. They can warm into new life the spark of interest still existing in the church of which they are members, which, for the want of atdifferent still existing in the church of which late are members, which, for the want of attention, has nearly expired. In many other really suggest, they can be invaluable helpers the work, than which there is none more fail and Christlike.—Christian Index. Fani and Christlike.—Christian Index.

'mn's Strrictency. "Fear not! I will help Fear not! If there is an ant at the for of thy granary, asking for help, it would fruin thee to give him a grain of thy wheat; id thou art nothing but a tiny insect at the of My all-sufficiency. "I will help thee."

DOMESTIC AND INDIAN MISSIONS.

WILL THE PASTORS

Continue to do what some have been doing, take collections up for the Domestic and Indian Board? Go on as you have been doing for the past few weeks, my dear brethren, and all our indebtedness and current expenses will be paid by the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention; and we shall be able to present you one of the most encouraging reports ever submitted by the Board to the Convention. And this is what all true men desire. plannia; and which, in a plannia; and which in a plannia; and which in a plannia; and plannia; are all taxiors lie, and Phillipsburg, are all taxiors lie, and Phillipsburg, are all taxiors lie, no soble importance. These, we are encouraged, and our heart rejoices in prospect of what we can see before us. Come up, one and all, to this noble enterprise.

me as usual since my removal to this place. feature in this seature.

There are fifteen pupils in the school, I have been laboring to bring order out of confuser are fifteen pupils in most difficult fusion, and solvency out of apparent insolven are girls. It is most difficult fusion, and solvency out of apparent insolven are girls. I have been laboring to bring order out of convency. My church debt, I hope, will be paid by the first of January, when we expect to berelanguage, and her interest and z-al in gin to enjoy the superior blessing of giving to re promise of very interesting re- the cause of Christ. That we may lose no got loss a d subject them again to the tender merces of their beathen training. Bro.
densed, who began at Zeo Town, could effectork, give promise cal adoption at the beginning of the year. I look upon the ripening fields of the world, and feel that we are doing something towards different is an off-shoot from the United harvesting them for the heavenly garner."

NEWS FROM THE FIELD. CHATTANOOGA.

Rev. T. T. Eaton has resigned his professorestablishing a nucleus of civilization and clinical fact. It. Lands has resigned his professor-tanty here. We are a feeble people; but, | ship in Union University, and his pastorate of providentially, our influence among the aborig- the Lebanon Baptist church, Tenn., and has removed to the growing and important city of Chattanooga to take charge of our church there. We have flattering hopes of our brother in this new, widening field of labor. Writing from his home in Chattanooga, he says: 'Chattanooga claims 12,000 inhabitants and it is rapidly growing. Our congregations are increasing in a way that is quite gratifying. On Sanday before last (October 31) three joined the church I find a large number of Baptists here standing aloof from the church, for as many reasons as there are individuals. These I am trying to work in, and think I can ero long get most of them enlisted. There is no doubt in my mind, that a large, efficient and self-sustaining church can be here built up in a year or so, at farthest. The material here is abundant." many reasons as there are individuals. These

Rev. William Henry Strickland, the young and promising pastor for many years of our churches at Stone Mountain, Decatur, and churches at Stone Mountain, Decatur, Indian Creek, Ga., has just resigned the of those churches to accept the charge of the Second Baptist church, Augusta Ga. He has the sympathy of many friends in this move, He has The time when it was thought that Christian and their prayers for the Divine blessing. The same could no nothing in the work of missions.

ville, Tenn., as President of the Literary Institution of that place. He has been succeeded in Shelbyville by Rev. T. D. Jones, who is one of the most promising ministers of our faith in the State. This church since the war has had the services of Huff, Nelson, Phillips, and Jones, all under the appointment of the Board, and we nope permanency may be the characteristic of the present incumbent. All have been first class men, and are occupying important positions.

MISSIONARY TO THE INDIANS.

Rev. J. A. Preston, formerly missionary to the Creeks from Greensboro', Ga., and who was obliged to return and abandon the missions under the pressing circumstances of the war, has been re-appointed to the same field and This work is engaging the prayerful attention of ur Foreign Mission Board. In their report to the Southern Baptist Convention, Raleigh, N. (in May last, they say: "The necessity of Caristian women to carry the Word of God, as The action of the Southern Baptist Convention of the Word of God, as The action of the Word of God, as The action of the Southern Baptist Conventions. The sisterhood of our Southern to stitions. The sisterhood of our Southern to stitions, their sister-women from the declaring and destroying thraldom of Paganism.

Among the pious and devoted women in our charches, there may be some who are qualified that they can at once offer this work, and disapprobates all changes that are the off-spring of a mere spirit of discontent and fickleness. All honor to the Burton of the Southern Baptist Convention of our mission work, and disapprobates all changes that are the off-spring of a mere spirit of discontent and fickleness. All honor to the Burton of the Southern Baptist Convention of our mission work, and disapprobates all changes that are the off-spring of a mere spirit of discontent and fickleness. All honor to the Burton of the Southern Burton of the Southern Baptist Convention of the Southern Baptist Conv

Rev. W. T. Russell, who was obliged in July last to leave Texas as our agent, after a few months change of climate and rest, at his new months change of climate and rest, at his home in Georgia, has returned to resume his active labors in the great State of the Southwest. He is the favorite of agents among the Baptists of this rapidly increasing Commonwealth. He has our prayers for his continued health and success. health and success.

PRNSACOLA, FLA.

Rev. P. H. Lundy, of Alabama, has been called to the care of the church in Pensacola, Fla. This is a mission field. Our cause is weak here, but the Bethlehem Association is anxious, in conjunction with the efforts of our Board, to make a vigorous effort to revive our interests and place the church beyond the reach of failure. Some noble and worthy brethren and sisters are found here hard at work, and look to the denomination outside for help. Pensacola is destined to rank high among our coast towns, and enjoy, with Mobile and Savannah, a reputation as a commercial depot.

AN IMPORTANT POINT.

goes to Hazelhurst, Miss. Bro. II. has done a good work in Jackson, and ranks among our ablest men in the State, and deservedly. He has few, if any, superiors in Mississippi as a preacher. He has been one of our most earnest missionaries, and we wish him success in his new position. The church at Jackson is thus left without a pastor, but we hope for a short time only. This is an important point for our cause. for our cause.

BLACKSBURG AND CHRISTIANSBURG, VA.

Rev. W. R. Gittsfield, Montgomery county, Va. He says the Board has done much for me, and I shall ever feel profoundly grateful for it. The field I occupy is one of great distinction, the churches are feeble and generally they have no houses of worship. I have long felt that unless we had houses our cause could not advance as we would like to see it, and with this in view, I bave labored hard for years to secure a house here (Blacksburg) and at Christiansburg. And I am happy to say our house here is completed and nearly paid for, and the one at Christiansburg will be ready to occupy in a short time. Both of these houses are good ones, and will, in time, add greatly to our cause in this region.

A GREAT WORK.

Rev. T. A. Higdon, who has been laboring in the mountains of East Tennessee, writes from Ducktown, his residence: "The work on my field is very encouraging. I have been laboring day and night in as rough and mountainous a part of the country as there is in the South. Since the first of August I have witnessed about one hundred and fifty conversions, and baptised one hundred and twenty. The Lord has surely visited his people in this region again. During the past year I have baptised one hundred and sixty-two with my own hands, and besides, a number have been baptised by others who were converted at my meetings." And speaking of his necessities. meetings." And speaking of his necessities, personal, and fearing he will be compeled to stop work unless bely comes, he continues "It is bard to think of the work stopping, and there is no one else nearer than Bro. A. Corn, of Town's county, (one of our missionaries too,) that is preaching regularly. My desire is to continue my work. I feel that it is the field that the Lord has assigned me. If there is a field that needs help it is this. Can you not

help us some?"

Who can resist such an appeal? Bro II.

must be kept at work, and the churches must not suffer such a laborer to stop.

A GOOD REPORT

R-v. Joseph Flora, of East Tennes ce, the past year has labored 283 days, preached 260 sermons, delivered 226 addresses, visited 366 families, witnessed the conversion of 75 persons. baptised 25, organized one church, ordained two deacons, collected for church buildings two deacons, collected for church outlings, \$600, and succeeded in completing two meeting-houses, worth about \$1,400, traveled 1,740 miles. He says "I am getling old, and nearly worn out—(we should not think so), in the good cause.

Rev. T. J. Walne, of Vicksburg, Miss., says "the Lord is still blessing us at Vicksburg. Have baptised for three consecutive Sabbaths, and others to baptize next Sabbath."

ALABAMA ASSOCIATION.

Rev. T. N. Coleman, a recent graduate of "Crozer Theological Institute," has been appointed a missionary to travel in the bounds of the Alabama. And the Association, at its last session, assumed the amount of his salary for the year. This body is fully alive to the importance of our missions, and is in full co-operation with the Board. and is in full co-operation with the Board.

Bro. C. is a young and vigorous man, and we may look for his steady alvancement in the work of the ministry. Our Theological Institutions are turning out men that mean business, the kind we need. Pray ye, the Lord of the harvest, that He would send laborers into his harvest, already white for the reapers.

Rev. Wm. C. Batchelor has been appointed to labor among the colored people in the Providence Association, Ala. This is in accordance with a resolution of the Association. This body sustained two missionaries last year, and are doing a great work about Mobile and the counties adipining.

Rev. Joseph Mitchell, our missionary laboring in the bounds of the Providence Association, Ala, and whose salary is paid by this body, reports labor for the year, ending October 12th, 1872, as follows: Miles traveled, 4,800; sermons preached, 340; addresses, 41; baptised 33; standing over for baptism, 2; received by letter, 22. This brother is one of ceived by letter, 22. This brother is one of our most industrious and successful workers, and universally beloved on his field. May God give us more of such men.

CHILDREN IN FRANCE.

An exchange gives the following in regard to the children of France:

"While the Sabbath-schools of America and England are by no means all that is to be desired, and fewer children are in them than should be, the contrast of either of these countries with poor France indicates the terrible need in that land of religious culture for the little ones. It is stated that 'in Paris alone there are three hundred thousand children between the ages of seven and thirteen, who go to no school, but are plunged in the grossestignorance. And at Lyons, on the occasion of a recent treat given to the children of the anti-religious schools of that city,' there seems to have been little benefit to them over their neglected companions at Paris talions of the National Guard, with drums and cantinieres, to the Fete d Or Park, where bread, meat, sausages, and wine were distributed—they meat, sausages, and wine were distributed—they drank in such superabundance that in a short time most of them were rolling in a state of drunkenness, or roaring out revolutionary or obscene songs. The number of children seized with illness was so great, that all the medical staff of an ambulance [corps] had to be sent for.' That, surely, is worse than doggerel music, dime novel library books, baby-house theatricals, and other follies and excesses sometimes differentiates the American School the state of the s times disfiguring the American Sabbath school."

That is true; but that is no reason why we should tolerate any evil. For our Sundayschools, even with all their advantages, we need to adopt the Quaker boy's prayer: "Make them gooder, and gooder, and gooder, until Rev. J. A. Hackett, for some years an efficient pastor at Jackson, Miss., has resigned and there is no bad left."—Sunday-School Times.

FROM KENTUCKY.

Things still move in Kentucky. Dr. Boyce is now in the State, making efforts to raise Kentucky's portion of the half million dollars Kentucky's portion of the name Baptist Theo-(300,000) to locate the Southern Baptist Theo-logical Seminary at Louisville. According to latest news he is meeting with satisfactory encouragement. Some of our people, especially in the southern part of the State, do not sympathize with the enterprise, but those about Louisville, in the middle and castern parts, are anxious for its location in our State.

Our two colleges are doing well. Rev. No. b.

Our two colleges are doing well. Bro Noah K. Davis, President of the Bethel College, is universally beloved and regarded as one of our very best educators. With an excellent faculty, and trustees of more than usual financiering ability, good endowment, plenty of students, thorough discipline, etc., there is nothing to hinder the school from prospering. Dr. B. Manly has become a general favorite since he became president of Georgetown Col-

lege. The school was never in a more pros-perous condition than now. Its faculty is full and able. Here at Georgetown is a female seminary under the care of Prof. J. J. Rucker, of the college. It is as near a model school as we have in the South. They are crowded to overflowing with pupils. Dr. Robert Ryland (so long president of the Ruchmond College,) has charge of the Baptist Female College in Lexington; in fact he has bought the college

I have been here a little over two years in the Sunday-School work. Our people are trying to carry on the work without any pecuniary help from abroad, but it goes very hard. ary help from abroad, but it goes very hard. Yet they mean to succeed. As superintendent, I have got the State about half organized into Associational Sunday-School Conventions. During the year, ending August 1st, I preached and lecture 1 over 650 times, traveled about 1,500 miles, organized 50 to 80 Sunday-Schools, put in circulation some thousands of books and distributed some 70,000 pages of tracts besides collecting statistics of the schools in the State. I formed about 125 Sunday-Schools that keep open the whole year. Not more than three hundred churches in the State ever had a Sunday-School at all. I got reports from only about 80 schools. Out of the 7,000 schol-ars and teachers reported, there were 437 conversions, nearly all in the schools that keep running the entire year.

By the above, you can see what a work is on

my hands among tue 40 Associations, 1,000 churches, 80,000 white and 40,000 colored members. But I was never fuller of courage than at present; never loved the work more never loved chi dren and the brethren more and never loved Jesus as much as now. Why should I not, when he leads me on so gently and gives me such success in the Gospel. that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works unto the children of men."

L. B. Fisn. State S. S. Superintendent.

Lexingron, Ky.—[Nat. Baptist.]

BAPTIST CHURCH AT WILMINGTON. The editor of the Biblical Recorder has been to Wilmington, and was not a little pleased with the Baptist church and its pastor. See

what he says: "Let us peep at the Baptist church, built of elegant pressed brick and covered with black slate. The carpeted court extends across the end and receives the people going in or out, with its ample doors which are so arranged as with its ample doors which to avoid confusion or delay. There is a There is a door at each of the four aisles. The benches seem to rest the whole body. The inside is finished with pine, oiled an t varnished; the pulpit and all the wood in its vicinity being made of curled pine, the handsomest wood in the world. No other house on the globe contains so much of that beautiful wood. It surpasses any exhibited at our fairs. The Baptist church

in Fayetteville is to have a pulpit of the same wood in time for the Convention. "Elder James C. Hiden is pastor of the church which worships here. During the last twelve months he has preached 143 sermons, delivered 133 other addresses, and made 1,100 visits. What wonderful work for one year! Pædo-baptists once despised the Baptists in Wilmington, but now Elder Hiden very quietly and very frequently baptizes them. When Baptists preach the Gospel faithfully, in handsome and comfortable houses of worship, the Lord always blesses and prospers them."

MITES GATHERED.

The following note from brother H. J. Handy, of Farmville, Va., may suggest how, by thoughtfulness and self-denial, much may be contributed to the cause of Christ, and others be made far richer and we none the poorer:

"Enclosed please find one dollar and thirtyfive cents, money saved from the circus. I told the children Sabbath morning previous that I wanted those of them who intended going to the show to make the sarriace of staying at home, and give me the money for the chapel in Rome. And this is what I collected Sabbath morning after. It is but little, I know, yet it will put a brick into the building; besides, as given in self-denial, it is more for this reason to be appreciated than for its intrinsic value.

Perfection .- The Northwestern Christian Advocate has no confidence in the profession of perfect love and holiness in certain cases, or in the case of certain persons:

"When we find a brother professing this high grace, talking it, and urging it upon others as the perfecting grace of Christian character, and, at the same time, find him, though blessed with plenty, grasping and greedy for money, driving hard bargains with his neighbors, and giving a mere pittance to the cause of Godfive dollars a year to the missionary cause, one to the Bible Society, and to other benevolent objects in decreasing proportion-we conclude that he is a deceived man; and we know that his influence is injurious to the cause of Christianity. When we find a sister making such a profession, and yet self-indulgent, dressing extravagantly, and living luxuriantly, flashing her diamonds, and rustling her silks, we conclude she is also deceived, and knows not whereof she affirms. There are such cases in the ranks of those who profess Christian perfection."

A TEST QUESTION.

There are times in almost every one's daily experience when the question arises in our hearts, "Is it right for me to do this or that?" Or, taking the benefit of a doubt, "Where can be the harm if I enter into this or that amusement, or indulge in this small gratification?" For I remember well that when I was young I was fond of social pleasures, and dancing parties in particular, were a cource of great enjoyment to me; and after I became a professor of faith in my blessed Saviour, I could not bring myself to realize that I must take a stand either for him or against him, in my daily life and prac-

I was at one time visiting at the house of some gay and fashionable friends, who tried to do everything in their power to make my visit pleasant. I did not think it right to set myself up as holier and wiser than they, and so, really following my own inclinations, I entered into all their festivities, and was the gayest of the

But all the wh le there was an uneasy feeling." in my heart, and I would say, excusing myself, · Where is the harm? It is nothing wicked that I am doing." Then conscience would put in her solemn pleading, "Are you not trying to serve both God and Mammon? Where is the religion of the meek and lowly Jesus, whom you profess to follow?"

Finally I thought I would set my doubts at rest by candidly discussing the matter with a very kind and indulgent friend, who, I knew, would deal as leniently as possible with me, and yet would tell me plainly what was right. So I took the ea liest opportunity to lay my case before him.

Meeting him one day he said to me, "Mise Lizzie, how bright and happy you always scem. Do you never have any troubles?"

"No," I answered; "Not many real troubles, but anxieties, and a great many doubts that distress me. Perhaps you can set my mind at ease on these unsettled questions. I am now visiting with very pleasant friends. Do you think it wrong for me to go about anl enjoy myself with them ?"

"Oh, no," he answerel; "far from it." "Well, do you think it wrong for me to go to concerts and theatres when they invite me, and do you think it wrong for me, a professing Christian, to dance at their social parties, if I do not carry the thing to excess?"

"I may not judge for another," he answered, and arguments on such subjects are useless; but I will give you a test question, which I wish that every Christian man and woman would carry in their hearts, and when a doubt crises as in this case, put this question closely—a **test** on God? Is not this pleasure, or this temptation, or this indulgence, coming in between me and my Saviour?" Think of this, my dear : Lizzie; ask your own conscience the question, and then decide for yourself; and I pray that God's grace may enable you to decide aright."

I did think about it, and I looked upon my past life since I had become a professor of religion; how I had allowed myself to be led into frivolous indulgencies, and how I had been daily 'losing my hold on God." Oh, what constant striving, what careful watching, what earnest praying, we all need, that we may keep in the heavenly way. This test question has proved an invaluable aid to me in my donbts, and I hope that it may help others when in doubt and perplexity. It is a question which each conscience must answer for itself-a question between Gol and the heart of each of his children.

This question proved a turning point to me in my daily experience and life. I fear that if I had not paused in my career, I might have wandered farther and farther from the straight and narrow road, and finally have found myself upon the road that, though pleasent at first, leads on to destruction. That road was opening before me, with its many alluring temptations, and "my feet had well nigh slipped." But the hand of the gracious and merciful One led me back, and set my feet once more in the heavenly way; and, by earnest striving, I pray daily I told that I may not "lose my hold on God."-American Messenger.

> TAKE heed, and beware of coverousness; for a man's life consisten not in the abundance of the things that he possesseth—but rather seek ye first the kingdom of God, and all things shall be added unto you.

RECEIPTS FOR DOM. & INDIAN MISSIONS, FROM OCTOBER 10 TO NOVEMBER 14, 1872.

FROM OCTOBER 10 TO NOVEMBER 11, 1872.

ALBEMA.—Rock Mills Association (Indian), \$22; Grant's Creek church, \$19 50. W. B. Bowdon, \$1; Rev. J. E. Bell, family offering, \$4.50; Mrs. S. A. Meriweather, 25c.; Alabama Association, \$315 85; do. (Indian), \$7; do. Sunday-school cause (Creek Indian), \$11.25; do. education colored minister, \$5; Urace church, \$13 50; Phil Baptist church, £21; Mrs. Henry Ware Seale, 25c.; Tuskegee Association, \$9.185; do. (Indian), \$1; Burn's house, \$33.30; George Young, \$5; Eufalua Association, \$125.20; do. for Burn's house, \$50; do for J. Sim's salary, \$500; Professor Union Association, \$9.85; do. (Indian), 50c; education colored minister, \$1; Marine-Street church, Mobile, \$1.75; John Borders, \$100; Female Slission Society (Seale), \$3; Rock Spring church (Indian), \$6.20; Mill Town church, \$5.50
Mariland.—Mrs. L. E. Roze, \$10; Filiat River Association

Martland.—Entaw-Place church, Baltimore, 524.15.
Geordia.—Mrs. L. E. Rose, \$10; Film River Association
(Indian), \$106.67; Rev. D. &. Daniell collected \$161.43;
Sarepta Association, \$35.60; Rrof. R. D. Mallory, \$10; Rev.
W. N. Chaudoun, District Secretary, \$100; do. \$745.60;
do., \$126; do. (Indian), \$224; Ebenezer Association (Indian), \$75; Hawkinsville church, \$7; Film River Association, individuals for Baker, \$10; T. J. Burney, treasurer, \$1203; do. for State mission, \$23.20; Coosa Association, per Rev. W. T. Russell, ag-nt, \$111.60.

Mississippi.—Dr. H. W. Turnip, \$5; Rev. T. J. Waine ollected \$30.

TEXAS.—Rev. W. T. Russell, agent. \$135.79. Missoual.—Rev. W. T. Russell, agent, \$213.75. NORTH CAROLINA.—Prof. Charles E. Taylor, \$20. KENTOCKY.—Dethel charch, per E. N. D., \$50; East church (Dr. Helm's), \$57; Shelbyville church, per Dr. 2-Pratt, \$100.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

SUGGESTIONS FOR CALLING AND HOLDING SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTIONS AND MASS MEETINGS.

1. Remember that the object is threefold. "1. To awaken an carnest and intelligent Christian cntl.ustasm in the Sunday-school work. 2. To diffuse information in regard to the best methods of conducting Eunday-schools and of teaching Sunday-school classes. 3. To devise and organize means for Sunday-school extension within the territory represented by the Convention." Then strive to make your meetings profitable and entertaining. To do this will not require large numbers, nor great talents, however much these may be desirable. A few devoted, earnest brethren may have a glorious meeting. The best helper is the Holy Spirit. Then, never call a meeting nor try to manage one without asking His Presence.

2. Let the time and place be thoroughly advertised. Publish it in the religious and secular papers. Have pastors to announce it from the pulpit, and superintendents from the desk, and make it known in every available way. Send | tary. special notices to those brethren who are not likely to have their attention called to it in any other way.

3. Endeavor to secure the services of two or three or more brethren, who will deliver addresses on various practical Sunday-school topics. After each address or at the close of each session, give an opportunity for general discussion. Avoid stiffness and formality as far as possible. Make all feel at home, and do not crowd too much work in one day.

4. Above all do not be discouraged if your meeting is not all you would have it. Each one will be better than the last. Experience will point out errors and indicate improvements Do not wait for everybody to get ready before you call a meeting. This will perhaps never happen. Select what you believe to be the best time and place, and go forward, others will fall in. A good presiding officer, good singing, practical, common sense speeches, and a good spirit of prayer, will always result in a good meeting. T. C. BOYKIN.

TO THE BAPTIST SUNDAY-SCHOOL WORK-ERS OF ALABAMA.

DEAR BRETHREN :- Our Sunday-School Board is endeavoring to set on foot a system of Sunday School Mass Meetings and Conventions through out the State, with a view of exciting more in terest in the cause of Sunday-schools.

Will you not comperate with us in this work Several of these meetings have been held, and the brethren who have attended them, bear witness to their good results. They have gone home with their hearts inspired with fresh zeal and enthusiasm, their minds stored with valuable information, and their hands strengthened for new labors. There is an imperative demand upon us to be up and doing. God is plainly calling us to this work, and the fields are whitening to the harvest. The old prejudices against Sunday-schools are fast passing away; the indifferent are becoming concerned, and the lovers of the work are becoming more anxious and earnest. Pastors are beginning to realize the value of the Sunday-school as an auxiliary to the church, 1. In affording an opportunity to develop the talent and zeal of the membership. 2. In more fully securing the cooperation of parents and friends. 3. In bringing all classes, old and young, under the influence of Divine truth. 4th. In increasing the numbers and interest of the congregation. 5th. In adding to the material and spiritual growth of the church.

Parents are realizing the value of the Sundayschool in the amount of Bible knowledge im parted to their children and the religious influences flowing therefrom. The community is realizing the value of the Sunday-school in the improved moral tone of society. All realize its value who have noted the difference between those neighborhoods where no Sunday-schools exist, and those where they have been well organized and well conducted. As Christians, we should be stimulated to enter with renewed vigor upon this work by a knowledge of the fact that our labor will not be in vain-God's blessing attends it. As Baptiste, we should be stimulated by what other denominations are in this work—they are very active. As Alabamians, we should be stimulated by what other States have done, and are now doing.

Let us all feel, that in this work we shall have the approbation of God and our own consciences. Then, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom in the grave whither thou goest."

T. C. BOYKIN, President of the Alabama Board,

Columbiana, Ala. J. J. D. RENFROE.

Corresponding Secretary, Talladega, Ala.

CONSTITUTION FOR A SUNDAY SCHOOL

CONVENTION

Article 1. This Convention shall be called the - Sunday School Convention. 2. Its object shall be to promote the organization and improvement of Sunday Schools in

the bounds of -3. Its officers shall consist of a President and a Vice-President for each district in the Association, a Secretary and Treasurer, who shall perform the duties usual to such offices, and such others as may be assigned them.

4. The Vice Presidents shall have the general supervision of the Sunday Echools in their meeting.

5. The Secretary shall keep a list of all schools, the Superintendents and their postoffices, and the number of officers and teachers, Brother J. B. Starke laboring west of the Blue and report at each meeting.

6. There shall be an Executive Committee, of and attend to any other matters calculated to promote the interests of the Convention.

7. The officers shall hold their offices year, or until their successors are elected.

8. This Constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any regular meeting.

SALARY OF OUR NEW SECRETARY.

It will be the duty of the States to pay each make up the salary of a Corresponding Secre- Board.

At the last session of the East Tennessee Con-SEARCY, ARK., October 9, 1872.

Starcy, Ark., October 9, 1872.

Brother Boykin: Tennessee's quota. And we were authorized to announce that East Tennessee had contributed as much.

assessed for the Secretary's salary; for it will

State.	Salary.	Expense.
Maryland	8200	840
Virginia	400	80
West Virginia	50	10
North Carolina	200	40
South Carolina	50	10
Georgia	400	80
Florida	50	10
Alabama	150	30
Mississippi	150	30
Louisiana	150	30
Texas	250	50
Arkansas	50	10
West.Tennessee	150	30
Middle Tennessee	50	10
East Tennessce	100	20
Kentucky	300	60
Missouri	300	60
	\$3,000	\$750
Texas	150	30 50 10 30 10 20 60

REV, C, E, BRAME,

Bro. Brame is actively engaged in the Sunday-School work in Mississippi, as Sunday-School Missionary of the State Sunday-School Board, and appointee of the Board at Memphis. He has the entire confidence, good-will, and cooperation of the Mississippi Baptists, and is sure to accomplish much good. We bespeak for him the hearty and active support and co-operation of all the Baptist Sunday Schools and churches of Mississippi.

We grieve at the loss by Bro. Brame of his cond son. He had attended the Sabbath-School the day before, and had been out to preaching that night, returned home, and before lying down, called his mother and said "he did not think his little brother," who had laid down, "had said his prayers." These were his last words. He was taken ill in about an hour and died the next morning at 8 o'clock. So writes Bro. Brame to us.

COPY OF REPORT OF REV. W. H. ROBERT. As Sunday-School Missionary of the Arkan-

sas Baptist Sunday-School Convention, from July 10th, 1872, to 30th September, 1872-two months and twenty days, I respectfully report the following items of work:

Miles travelled during the time, 828; Baptist Associations visited, 1; Sunday-School Conventions aided, 1; Sunday-School mass-meetings and festivals conducted, 3; sermons preached, 54; exhortations and addresses, 15; schools visited, 16; number of teachers in same, 70; number of Jupils, 878; cash collected,

REPORT FOR OCTOBER.

Miles travelled, 312; ec., 10; Associational exhortations and addresses, 10; Associational Conventions formed, 3; churches embraced in same, 93; churches visited, 3; schools visited, 6; teachers in same, 29; scholars in same, 281; cash collected, \$34.36.

W. H. ROBERT, S. S. Missiorary. Miles travelled, 314; sermons preached, 22; shortations and addresses, 10; Associational

October 29, 1872.

EXTRACTS.

The following is from a private letter:

"The problem is to get the Sunday-schools to contributing as well as churches and individuals.

Very truly yours,

"John A. Broades."

Most true! And we are hopeful of effecting this. Many churches, schools, and individuals write announcing that they will support the Board. Many schools and churches are adopting a systematic plan of benevolence, and assigning a part of their contributions regularly to the Sunday-school work. Nearly all of the Associations have endorsed the action of the convention and resolved to sustain the Sunday-School Board and second its efforts.

Every Sunday-School Board is acting in har mony with this, and Kind Words has been universally recommended. We are, therefore, hopeful. We believe, too, that all will contribute sooner or later to the Sunday-school work. for all are waking to its importance and putting forth efforts, more or less, in its behalf. Let all the Southern Baptists, and especially the Sunday-schools, unite heartily in sustaining this great work.

PROM BROTHER N. B. CCBB.

"We have a great many warm Sunday-school respective districts, collect statistics and report workers in the castern part of the State; but to the Secretary of the Convention at every almost all the Sunday-schools in Western North Carolina go into winter quarters in the fall and do not come out till late the next spring.

Our State Sunday-School Board have had Ridge, but he has been able to accomplish but little, because the ground was prececupied by whom the President shall be ex-officio chair- Union Sunday-schools, which were organized man-consisting of three members, who shall by Elders Nelson and Jones, agents of the call meetings, arrange appropriate exercises, American Sunday-School Union. The Associations west of the Blue Ridge are not yet cooperating with our Baptist State Convention.

"We are moving in this State, but there are many obstacles in the way of rapid progress. You will find that Baptists, generally, move slowly, but they are moving. You are doing a great work and I hope you will not be discouraged.

"Yours fraternally,

" NEEDHAM B. COBB." Brother N. B. Cobb is President and Secrecertain portion of the amount necessary to tary of the North Carolina State Sunday-School

CORRESPONDENCE.

pledges were given sufficient to make up the sum of \$125. This may be considered East Troncessee's quota. And we were authorized to announce that Last Tennessee had contributed as much.

We give a carefully prepared schedule of the amount for which each State may consider itself assessed for the Secretary's salary; for it will not do to permit this salary to be uncertain.

State.

Salary.

Expense.

Brother Boykin:

Through the unbounded love and goodness of our Lord, I am enabled to make a most gloflows and astonishing report of our own Sunday-School at this place. On Monday night, the 23rd of last month, our church members commenced a nightly prayer meeting to pray for the revival of the church and conversion of sinners, which they kept up until the following sunday night. The result was that the Lord has blessed us abundantly in greatly reviving the church, in bringing into it until the following Sunday night. The result was that the Lord has bleesed us abundantly in greatly reviving the church, in bringing into it outstanding Baptists, and in the happy conversion of thirty-two souls, thirty of whom were pupils of our Sunday-School; and on last Sunday in the presence of an immense and deeply colemn and interested crowd of witnesses, twenty-six of them and four others were, by Bro. Boone, buried with Christ in baptism, and at night partook, with the balance of the church, of the Lord's Supper. Two of the remaining four have been received for baptism. The other two will go one to the Baptist, the other to the Methodist, we think.

The general result of the meeting to the church—which before numbered about 68—is forty-two accessions; ten by letter from other churches, thirty by baptism, and two received for baptism not yet baptized. The result to our Sunday-School is that every young lady of the Sunday-School (except one who was at home sick), and in fact nearly every female over twelve years, and most of the young men and very many of the boys, down to thirteen years, are now christians.

Long have we been praying for the conver-

are now christians.

Long have we been praying for the conversion of our Sunday-School pupils, but our prayers seemed unanswered and the blessing withheld; but at last, in God's own time, it has come in such a shower of grace as we little expected and scarcely dared to hope for. "Bless the Lord!" is the greatful exclamation of our every heart. During the entire meeting there was the deepest feeling, but not a particle of excitement; and the preaching by Bro. Boone was unequaled by any week's preaching Boone was unequaled by any week's preaching I have ever heard in the State. Never, I think, was any people, in modern times, better taught "the way of the Lord" than by him, and with such simplicity that children could, as they did, comprehend and embrace it.

Praternally in Christ,

B. D. TUENER.

FROM TEXAS.

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY. INDEPENDENCE, TEXAS, Oct. 29, 1872.

Dear Bro. Boykin: I am doing all I can for Sunday-Schools.

will write an article for "Kind Words." Rev. W. N. Smith is now General Agent for

our State Sunday School and Colportage Convention. He lives at Brenham, but is traveling for this great interest. Yours truly, in Christ.

WM. CAREY CRANE.

Bro. Crane is the efficient Corresponding Sec-

retary of the Texas Sunday School Board.

WORK!

Nothing great was ever accomplished with out hard work, and no great success can be hoped for in the Sunday-school work without great labor. Then let our Sunday-School Boards, our Sunday-School missionaries, and our State secretaries everywhere, take hold of the Sunday-school work with determined resolution. Attempt great things and expect great

Work and give-give and work! "The hildren of th

LESSONS FOR 1673.

Sunday-schools should adopt the series of lessons which have been determined upon by the National Committee, and which will be published every week in Kind Words.

The amount of mental labor bestowed upon these lessons in all parts of the country will be wonderful, and will give to the series advantages never enjoyed before. Teachers can take teachers' papers, and for the young Kind Words will suffice.

These lessons are admirable-half of them being in Genesis and half in Matthew.

ALABAMA.

At the late Alabama Baptist Convention, held in Eulaula, the Alabama Sunday-School Board reported that Rev. T. C. Boykin had acted for reported that Rev. T. C. Boykin' had acted for several months past as Sunday-School Evangelist. He had traveled 1,468 miles, organized 13 (fermanent) Associational Funday-School Conventions, attended 16 mass meetings, 5 Sunday-School Conventions, and 7 Associations, established 14 Sunday-schools, preached 27 sermons, delivered 61 lectures and addresses, and collected \$396.80; all at an expense of \$79.35. Rev. T. C. Boykin gave a full account of these labors; mentioning that three of the meetings labors; mentioning that three of the meetings he held were followed by revivals.

A WORD TO YOUNG CHRISTIANS.

You have consecrated your lives to the serrice of Christ. You feel and admit that you cannot do too much for Him who loved you and gave Himself for you. You regret, perhaps, that thus far you have done so little, and you intend in future to show commendable zeal. It is a noteworthy fact that many professed Christians have such a regret and intention, and yet permit years, crowded with golden opportunities, to pass unimproved.

No man will accomplish much for Christ who does not goize the present opportunity. The command is "Go work to-day in My vineyard." The obeying that command implicitly, instead of making resolutions to obey it pretty soon, makes all the difference between a useful and wasted life. Those who are going to work tomorrow are no help to the Master. How much you may accomplish if you have a strong desire and firm resolve to work to-day for Christ! Do you ask, " How shall I begin?"

Make a new and entire consecration of yourself to the Lord Jesus. Ask pardon for past remissness, and tell Him how much you desire to honor Him by being a faithful servant. Ask Him to make duty plain, an∹ help you to perform it.

Go to your pastor yourself, and tell him how ready you are to help him, and ask him to designate work for you. With you as his helpers in Christ Jesus, all the waste places in your vicinity may be cultivated, and many sheaves gathered for the Lord of the harvest.

You all can participate in the blessed work of advancing the cause of Christ. It is not for young men alone, it is equally for the young wemen. Not a few pastors can testify that the sisters in the church have rendered them even more efficient help than the brethren. It is but little the pastor can do without the hearty cooperation of the friends of Christ; with it he may expect large and blessed results. "He that respeth receiveth wages." "They that turn many to righteousness shall shine as the stars

CHILDREN IN THE WOODS.

A very touching story, similar to the old tales A very touching story, similar to the old tales of "Babes in the Woods," comes to us from Green River, in the town of Hilledale. A few days since three children of that place, aged respectively four, six and eight, became lost in the mountain woods. The first was a little girl, the other two were boys. They went out to play near the house and strayed away after whortleberries into the woods. The mother missed them and blew the dinner horn all around for a mile pear the house but could get no apwer. near the house, but could get no answer. That night it rained very hard. Thenext day word was sent to the village of Green River by the frantic mother, and all the people turned out and went in search of the children. Every man was fitted out with bread, meat, and stimulants, in case they should find them. All was a vast wilderness for mice around, so the men went in different directions.

Fears were entertained that the children might be attacked by wild beasts, as Mr. Charles Jones, while hunting on this mountain, had discovered three wild cats, who escaped before he could get near enough to shoot them. The mother stood in the door, wringing and twisting her hands, encouraging the hunters to be vigilant, for she said they were barefooted and barcheaded, and would soon starve; they were never away from home before, and the nearest house was three or four miles district and except house was three or four miles distant, and even

house was three or four miles distant, and even to this they had never been.

About three o'clock a little son of Mr. Ingersoll, while hunting in the woods for lost cattle, discovered the three little creatures huddled together under a tree, and covered with leaves. They put up their hands and began to cry when they discovered the boy Ingersoll. He led them along to the open field, and so on to the house, and the joy of the mother may well be imagined. She ran to meet them, screaming and crying, and catching first one in her arms and hugging that for a moment, then letting it down became calcular free one in her arms and hugging that for a moment, then letting it down and taking another one, she pressed that to her heart, and so on for nearly an hour before she became calmed. By this time all the hunters had returned from the search, and they, too, bad to kiss and hold the children, and unbidden tears came to the eyes of the great stalwart men, who had never known tears gives their men, who had never known tears since their

onionood.

One of the men took the little girl in his lap, and asked her if she slept any. She replied, laughing:

laughing:
'Yes; I put on Johnny's cap and my feet on Pat, and the rain came right down on me.'
When found they were all wet to the skin, and would most likely have died in the course of another day if they had not been found. They say they heard their mother's dinner horn that night, but dare not leave the tree that they were under for fear of cetting further away. were under for fear of getting further away. Hudson (N. 1.) Register.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Urges upon the churches and schools everywhere to press forward in the great work of cetablishing and sustaining Sunday-schools, and bringing the young to Jesus. Organization is what is wanted; but if no

more can be done, at least START A SUNDAY-SCHOOL IN YOUR CHURCH!

Let every Baptist church in the whole South have its own Sunday-echool. Let the young be gathered into these schools. Make God's word the subject of study-old and young, male and female, gathering together statedly to learn its sacred truths.

APPOINTMENTS.

The Sunday-School Board has appointed Rev. F. M. Haygood, of Macon, its general agent for the State of Georgia. Brother Haygood is an old and experienced

Sunday-school worker, and if any one in the State can organize this good work in the Banner State, it is Brother Haygood.

He will assume pretty much the entire management of the Sunday-school cause among the Bartists of Georgia, as the State Executive Committee has turned over its work to the Memphis Board.

THE OTHER WORLD.

It lies around us like a cloud, It lies around us naw a cloud,
A world we do not see:
Yet the sweet closing of an eye May bring us there to be Ite gentle breezes fan our cheek, Amid our worldly caree.

Its gentle voices whisper love. And mingle with our prayers Sweet hearts around us throb and heat Sweet helping hands are stirred.

And palpitates the veil between With breathing almost heard And in the hush of rest they bring, Tis easy now to see
How lovely and how sweet a pass The Lour of death may be. To close the eye and close the car-To close the eye and close the ea Wrapped in a trance of blue, And gently laid in loving arms, To swoon to that com this France knowing if we wake or gloss Scarce knowing it we wage of Scarce asking where we are, To feel all evils sink away,

All sorrow and all care. Sweet souls around us, watch us still.
Press nearer to our side.
Into our thoughts, into our prayers With gentle belging glide

Let death between us be as naught...
A dried and vanished stream Your joy be the reality. Our suffering life the dream Mrs H. B &

RECEIPTS OF THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL BOLL FOR JULY AND AUGUST

KENTUCKY.—Broadway Baptist Sunday-whool Lourn. \$50. Total, \$50. SOUTH CAROLINA.—Mrs. Mary G. Harly, \$10. St George Baptist Eunday-school, \$1.50; Tiger River Associate \$25. Total, \$36.50.

AREANSAR - Contribution at Sunday Sch al Convent Louisiana.—Arcadia Baptist Church \$21 in Mount banon Baptist Church, \$43.50. Total, \$400

GEORGIA.—Savannsh Baptist Church, additional Macon Baptist Church, \$10; Rev. W N Chandus, \$170, \$141. ALABAMA.—St. Francis Etreet Daptist (burth No. \$100; Salem Baptist Sunday-echool, for Rev D G Das \$5; Selma Baptist Church, additional, \$75. Total \$150.

TENNESSEE.—Chattanoega Baptist Church Sundayska \$5: Een May, Memphis, \$50: Mrs. M. E. Bond \$250 C. lection Big Hatchie Association, \$20.25. (nelsea Espa Sunday-sehool, \$21. Total, \$98.75. Mississippi.—James T. Minter, Caledona, \$1. Abbet Baptist Sunday-school, \$5 50. Total, \$7:0

NORTH CAROLINA.—Mary R. Purefoy, \$25, W 0 4h \$1. Total, \$26. Vieginia.—C. II. Ryland, \$5; Free Mason Raphet(him Norfolk, \$60; Religious Herald, \$200. Tetal, \$27)

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