

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

LESSON FOR THE WEEK END. BIBLE LESSONS, 1881. THIRD QUARTER.

Monday, Dec. 11. LAST DAYS OF MOSES.

Coloss. 3:1-7. Let us lay off our hearts upon our duty. We may apply our hearts upon our duty. Ps. 10:12.

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what Poets! what nobler subject could inspire your songs than this? And yet no poet's song will exclaim his name; no acquirer's hand will strive to change words of stone the limbs of his form; no sculptured manum will rear his snowy columns above the lowly grave where he sleeps.

His monument is mere sand during this other meeting since the hills were written upon the hearts of men. And to day if all to whom he ever did a kindly deed could come and tell what he did for them, volumes could be filled with the story of his life.

Was it not "well done?" Fifty years of work for Jesus! Has he not earned his rest? "Grand old warrior! is the world not better that each man have lived in it? And now, "Life's work all done, he sleeps well;" but in years to come, in all this region, lips will quiver and eyes grow moist when you name the name of John Holliday.

When we first heard you night-light, "The bright vision of the cross," "And the vibrant fruits are ripened," "All the stars are known as lights," "And we stand upon the heights," "In a soft and hopeful tone," "Will the stars be lights to me," "On and upward to my home!"

Letter from Arkansas.

The Arkansas Baptist State Convention met with Calvary Baptist church, Little Rock, Nov. 3d. Rev. J. P. Eagle, of Loneack, was elected president, and Mr. Ben. J. Thomas, D.D., of Little Rock, was elected secretary. All parts of the State were more generally represented, perhaps, than at any other meeting since the war.

On account of the large and enthusiastic delegation, the session was one of intense interest from beginning to end. The first matter brought to the notice of the convention was the report of the executive board, which has under its supervision all the objects and interests fostered by the convention. These matters were all brought to the notice of the convention in the report as read by the secretary of the board.

Committees were appointed by the president to report on the various features of the conventional work. The report on Domestic and State Missions was more fully and freely discussed than any other matter which came before the body, because it was justly thought to be the most important matter about which the convention was concerned.

The report on education was an able paper, clearly setting forth the importance of the subject from general and denominational stand-points. The fact was very forcibly brought out, that the doctrine held by Baptists (uses nothing at the hands of sanctified scholarship. The convention was a number of Baptist schools, but none of them sustain any organic relation to the convention. It is the intention of Arkansas Baptists in the near future to build one grand central school, the peer of any in the West, in which to promote higher education.

The report on publications strongly recommended the *Evangelist* as the organ of Arkansas Baptists. The Baptists of this great State have a pamphlet of which some of them are ashamed. It was expressed on the part of the convention, "The *Evangelist* is clean in material and spirit." And I may add, that it is the fixed determination of those connected with it to keep it "clean."

Among the visitors from abroad I noticed Dr. Marston, of St. Louis, who represents the American Baptist Home Mission Society, of New York; Rev. J. H. Chris, of the Baptist Home Mission, Nashville, Tenn.; and Rev. W. A. Clark, D.D., of Bristol, Tenn.

As we were encouraged by their presence, and benefited by their counsel. We hope they may come again.

Arkansas is making headway in both material and moral progress. At no very distant day she is destined to take a prominent place in the grand sisterhood of States. Railroads are being projected in every direction through our State. Cities are springing up almost as by magic.

Our State now stands an inviting land to the immigrants who have entered to "follow the star of empire" and go West.

It behooves Baptists to lay their plans now for the future. They are trying to do. We hope, by God's blessing, within twenty years to be a great and prosperous people.

The Baptist University of Arkansas has some valuable additions of late, among whom I mention Rev. C. W. Callaway, of Hope; Rev. J. T. Jenkins, of Arkadelphia; Rev. S. B. Thomas, of Searcy; Rev. J. P. Weaver,

of Russellville; Rev. E. H. Womack, D.D., of the Evangel, Dardanelles; and others who might be mentioned, all of whom have come to this State within the last five years. Still there is room for working, sacrificing men; and we most kindly invite them to come. Some of the most important work in the State are now vacant.

We mention Pine Bluff, Helena, Eureka Springs, and Ft. Smith. Still persistent, working, organizing men are needed in these fields, and it is useless for others to attempt to occupy them. There are other places which might be mentioned, and other things that might be said, but I feel that I am taking up too much space.

A. J. Fawcett.

Dear Brother: In a recent issue of the Recorder you have enlightened us somewhat as to the policy of the Publication Society, but your letter has awakened in my mind some queries, which, together with some already there, I would like for you to answer through the columns of the Recorder:

1. When the society makes a donation of books or publications for the support of a missionary, as you say has been done in Texas, are the publications rated at the wholesale or retail price? In other words, does the society give as many books, etc., as could be bought with \$500 cash?

2. When the society contributes a part of the support of missionaries and colporteurs, and other societies contribute the remainder of the support for the same men, does the society publish as the results of their missionary work the whole time and results of such labors, or only such a part as the amount contributed by the society bears to the whole amount contributed by all? In other words, when the Publication Society and the State Convention enter into a partnership for the support of a missionary in the State, does each body report the entire amount of work done? If so, is it strictly honest and business-like?

3. Could not the missionary work of the Publication Society be done more economically and permanently by the American Baptist Home Mission Society? In answering this question I would like for you to state (a) the salary paid the different classes of missionaries employed by the Publication Society, missionary secretary, State Sunday-school missionaries and colporteurs. (I have looked through the annual report of the Board and have failed to find an itemized account, so as to compare with that of the Home Mission Society.) (b) Has it or has it not been demonstrated that a Sunday-school more readily grows up after a church is established (such as is contemplated by the policy of the Home Mission Society), than that a church will grow up after a Sunday-school missionary has called for a few days and organized a Sunday-school?

4. Do the Sunday-school missionaries of the Publication Society give the location of the house of worship, the name of the pastor, the hours of service, the hour of the Sabbath-school meeting, etc., and having it framed, hang it up in each hotel of the town or village, that the wayfarer may know when and where to meet with the people of God, not only on the Sabbath, but during the week. He tells that in Hinghamton, N. Y., the Baptist church is accustomed to have a printed circular giving its hours of service and other things, that on Saturday evening the registers of all the hotels are examined and a copy of the circular, inclosed in an envelope, addressed to each guest in his room inviting him to attend service with that church. It is hardly to be wondered at that the Baptist is the most popular church in the city.—*Jour. of Mass.*

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PROGRESS OF THE SOUTH SINCE THE WAR.

In a recent article we stated that it was customary for us to say, "Providence seems to be against us in the late war, but experience has since taught that Providence is for us and not against us."

THE TIME-EXTENDER.

Some of our delinquent subscribers have taken advantage of the reduction we have offered them, and have sent forward their arrears, but large numbers, and many of them the farthest behind, pay no attention to the matter.

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