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"A WORD FROM DR. CLAPP."

Dr. Clapp of New Orleans, is a worker and is ardently engaged in the promulgation of liberal Christianity.

His letters always show a spirit of devotion to God and his truth. We are glad to hear from him.

The following brief business letter is just received, and though it was not designed for publication, he will excuse us for placing it in the Star. The intelligence which it contains concerning Rev. Mr. Ferguson is indeed encouraging.

New Orleans, March 8, Sunday evening.

"Dear Friend and Brother:—I am tired, having been studying, preaching and writing, most five o'clock this morning.

A friend has called, who, with his whole family, is coming over to us. He wants two sets of Paige's Commentary. Please send him. The other books arrived in due time, and have done good service. Don't delay, if you please. Our kind remembrances to Mrs. Garley. Ever thine, with the highest love,

T. CLAPP.

"P. S.—Mr. Ferguson of Nashville, has been here a month, and has just left. He is with us fully. No preacher was ever more liked in this city. An intelligent man from Tennessee said to me, Mr. F. will regenerate the Campbellite church throughout the West. Last Dec."—Star on the West.

The "Star in the West" is a Universalist paper, and Dr. Clapp is a distinguished proponent of Universalism in New Orleans. The "Christian Age," a Campbellite paper published in Cincinnati, appends in the above extract the following remarks.

"There is nothing startling or unexpected to us in the above. Mr. Ferguson has gone where he was manifestly tending long ago. If he had thrown off the mask sooner, we should have respected him much more. If the above is reliable, he is now taking his position where conscience is a master of manhood, where his doubts will amount to nothing, and his gospel mission in heaven, to those who could not be reached by the grace of God, and the blood of Christ, will answer as well as any thing else.

The idea of his "regenerating the Campbellite Church," in an era with that law of mockery of religion—that sneering at the holiest appointment of God, among a people who have no regeneration, no repentance, and no gospel ordinance of the New Testament. Preaching Universalism never was the means of regenerating any man, or causing any person to repent since the world was made.

Mr. F. can do some harm. What amount we can not tell; the Lord knows. We have no doubt he can do more harm than he ever did good in his life. He has betrayed the sacred confidence reposed in him by thousands of us true-hearted disciples of Christ as he on earth, and deceived them, not for want of light, for he has done it with his eyes open. He has betrayed the Christian ministry, that highest and holiest trust committed to the hands of mortals in the flesh. He has betrayed the holy teachings of the New Testament, the highest and most sacred teachings of the Bible. He has betrayed the gracious cause for which Jesus laid down his life. He has betrayed his Lord, "crucified him anew, and put him to an open shame."—The righteous Judge of all the earth will do right in the case.

"I have only room now to refer all who profess the wicked life, to Ezek. 13: 22—The following is what God says: "Because with lies ye have made the heart of the righteous sad, whom I have not made sad, and strengthened the hands of the wicked, that he should not return from his wicked way, by promising him life." This passage states the sinfulness of Universalism—viz., to strengthen the hands of the wicked, keep him from repenting, and seduce the hearts of the righteous."

John C. Burman, the talented editor of the Universalist Herald, in reply to a communication of John T. Walsh, a Camp-

bellite, and which is published in his paper of the 25th March last, thus places himself on the strength of Universalism in this country, and the prospects of Campbellism: "Universalists are not anxious to boast of their numbers—neither were Christ or his Apostles; but the Universalist church is more prosperous now, than at any former period. Our candid opposers themselves, generally admit this. I will here give the statistics of the Universalist denomination, in order that the public may judge of its strength. In this country we have 1 General Convocation; 18 State Conventions; 20 periodicals; 1084 churches; 805 meeting houses; 700 ministers; and about 800,000 members. Recently, \$100,000 have been raised to endow a College near Boston, and another one is under way in Illinois.

I will now take a glance at Campbellism, with which Mr. W. is identified. Where in their monthly paper which was once published in Richmond, Va. Echo answers, it is dead! What kind of congregations did Mr. W. have in the Odd Fellows' Hall in Richmond? very small, from 40 to 50 persons. In truth Mr. W.'s friends were so very few, that he was compelled to go to selling cakes, pies and sals, in order to obtain a living. So notorious is this fact, that he was familiarly called "with and pie wad." Where is the Campbellite paper once published in S. C.? It has gone to oblivion, and its editor has embraced the truth, and is now preaching Universal Salvation, to which Mr. W. is so much opposed. Where is the "Gospel Proclamation," once published in Ohio, by Alexander Hall? It stambled and fell, and its bleeding remains were conveyed to the "Reformer," for shelter. Where is the "Disciple," another Campbellite monthly, once published in Tennessee, Ala.? It grew "lamentably less," until it edged right in. I have other instances of decline in my mind, but I will pass on, by observing that the Campbellite Church near this place is now in the struggles of death. There has been no preaching in the house for about a year, and it is now used (and that more profitably) as a school house. This is the way Campbellism "ebbs." "But the end is not yet." Rev. Jesse B. Ferguson, editor of the Nashville "Christian Magazine," has left the old treadmill of Campbell, and declares that the doom of the ungodly is not irrevocably fixed at death—that they will be allowed an opportunity to repent hereafter, and that all who leave this world in rebellion, may yet be saved. This, to say the least, is hypothetical Universalism.

Abstract of Letters for the Week.

The Letters received since our last issue, justify the belief that the friends of the Tennessee Baptist are in earnest. They indicate a determination not to stop until they see it announced that the subscription list has gone up from 6,000 to 12,000. We repeat, what we have stated before, that from what has already been done, the list can be doubled by the 1st of July next. If the friends can be induced to persevere—come up to the starting point, the work can be easily accomplished.

Our Bro. M. J. Green, of Arkansas, writes: "I am in receipt of your circular, and shall use my best efforts to procure at least five new subscribers. Mrs. G. says, she will, if possible, exceed that number. The enterprise is commendable. To effect the object had in view, so plan could have been matured more congenial to Baptist views of propriety. If all will bet come up to the work, the object will be accomplished. You would be able to purchase a power press and go on your way rejoicing."

Rev. Jas. B. McLellan writes: Our aim here is to get a subscription to your paper at this office of 50. You will hear from us again soon, with an additional number of cash subscribers. I earnestly hope the requisite number of cash subscribers may be obtained within the specified time. I was sorry to see in the last paper there was a falling off in the number, from the week before. I am anxiously looking forward to the day when your paper will be placed on an independent footing. I liked to have said, "our paper," for I believe the Baptists of the whole South-west should say "our paper." I have not the shadow of a doubt, that the object will be obtained. I believe God's blessing is on the effort, and it must succeed."

Let our friends every where emulate Bro McLellan. Let all do what they can—be active—try, and see what you can do—work, work, is the law of life. He that stands still, will soon be astonished to see how far he has fallen in the rear of his fellows, who the world with rary speed is rolling on, and leaving him behind it.

Rev. J. H. Borum, writes: The new subscribers in the foregoing list have been procured by a noble sister, (a member of the Elton Church, of which I am the pastor) SARAH PORTER. She says that when Bro. Graves made his appeal, I felt that I ought to do something, and immediately went to work. Tell him that I expect to get more subscribers yet."

Thank you, Sister Porter. This is an example that we hope other ladies will follow. We always feel strengthened when we have the generous sympathies of the ladies enlisted in a good cause.

Bro. E. C. Watkins writes: "Feeling the cause you have so valiantly defended, to be the cause of my own; and the cause of mankind every where, I feel that it is my duty to do something to do something to aid you in procuring that power press, that you may have faith the thunder bolts of truth against error, until the world shall have been reclaimed from sin and the devil. I enclose you \$70, in which you may send your paper for the next five years, to

John Gap, Hamilton county, East Tennessee." Rev. J. H. Edmiston says: "With others I received a circular from the brethren. I very much determined to do my part in carrying out the plan suggested. Accordingly, I went to work in good earnest, and had not advanced far, when an excellent Deacon of our church at Decatur said to me, 'If you will obtain five new subscribers to the Tennessee Baptist, I will obtain five others.' This has inspired me with more than ordinary zeal, and in less than forty-eight hours, I had the cash in hand for six new subscribers; which amount I enclose to you in this letter. A few minutes since I informed the Deacon alluded to, that I had performed my part of the contract. He let me know that his amount should be forthcoming in due time. You may, therefore, confidently expect five other new subscribers from this Post-office between this and next June, and as many more as we can. Permit me to say, that you have many warm friends in this great valley, who will do all they can to accomplish the ends proposed in the circular. Not only are they anxious that you shall be freed from debt, but especially that you shall have a new press. We are confident that this enterprise may, and will be accomplished."

Our Bro. E. S. Edwards of East Tennessee, writes: "Send me the 'Baptist' for another year—indeed, I cannot do without it, for it is the medium through which I can hear of the progress of truth, and it is the conductor of that spiritual electricity, i. e., Bible truth, which is tearing off the rotten scales of tradition, and the decayed branches of the wild olive, and showing forth the true and genuine stock. I feel much anxiety for your success in the proposition, and hope you will succeed; though being confined to a school, I have not had opportunity to do any thing; and other brethren in the village having circulars as well as myself; but I think our Post-office will more than make the five new subscribers. I will do what I can, when I get loose from school—I must have determined to do. If I make yearly \$3 to spare, I want \$2 to pay for the Tennessee Baptist, and one to go to the cause of Missions."

"I. S. Some say the 'Baptist' is too dear—well, I say to such, if they will just pay what they do for the cheap literature of the day—mere newspaper trash—to enable you to purchase a press of your own, and enlarge the 'Baptist,' it would be better spent."

Bro W. J. Bowdon, of Arkansas, writes: "I received your prospectus of the Tennessee Baptist last Monday, and forthwith set about raising a club of six new subscribers, as follows: The last one in the list is a son of Mrs. _____ to whom she sends the paper, besides taking and paying for a copy for her own use. Will not mothers, having sons away from home, do like Sister _____, send them the Tennessee Baptist?"

Bro Jonathan Luman, of Alabama, writes: "You will perceive from the above that I have obtained seven new subscribers, and herewith enclose the money. I have exerted myself for your paper, and hope you will succeed in making it a blessing to thousands that have never read it."

Bro Wm. Johnson writes: "Herein find the names of eight new subscribers, and the money. I send you such money as is current here. I sincerely hope you may be able to procure a press, and pay all your old debts—that you may long live to edit the Tennessee Baptist. I feel disposed to do what I can to sustain it."

Rev. Jas. A. Davis, of East Tennessee, writes: "It is a source of real pleasure to me to be able to send you the names of five new subscribers, accompanied with my best efforts to extend the circulation of your paper. Baptists cannot do without it. That 'debt' must and will be paid, and you enabled to procure that 'power press.' May God arouse the Baptists to a sense of their duty."

Rev. J. J. Martin, after giving directions about some subscribers, and remittance for old ones, says: "We are endeavoring to do what we can that you may be able to pay off that 'old debt,' and procure the 'power press.' I think there has been fifty new subscribers sent to you, within a few days, from the church of which I am at present the pastor, (Bradley's Creek) and I hope we may yet be able to do something more in this line."

Bro Wm. Mauree, of West Tennessee, writes: "I herewith send you the names of six new subscribers, and the money. I will retain your circular; and try to get more subscribers."

Bro Temple Harris, writing from East Tennessee, says: "Enclosed please find—dollars for 12 months subscription for your paper for the following persons: I have been doing all I could for your paper for two years, and am still doing all in my power to get it circulated in this vicinity. I live in a strong hold of Pedoism, and have but a small field to operate in, this makes seven I have sent you in a few months. I am going to Grainger county shortly, and will there see what can be done; my opportunities to get subscribers are limited, as I am closely confined to business. I find several Baptists who should take your paper but from some cause or other, cannot be got to do so. I am inclined to the opinion that they are not up with the times, and will be left in the rear of the rapid progress of our denomination. I have made the proposition that if they will take your paper twelve months, and I am not satisfied, that I will pay them for what they say they are loathe; but that I shall have reclaimed from sin and the devil. I enclose you \$70, in which you may send your paper for the next five years, to

ing out. I think it will come off in June or July—we are anxious to bring it about. War is what the Baptists of East Tennessee need to bring them out of their present state of lethargy—and the day is soon at hand, I hope. I find that Baptists lose nothing by these discussions. As to the press and that old debt, the Baptists are recalcitrant to their trust if they will not sustain, and put the Tennessee Baptist on a firm basis, such as to give the press an open field and a fair race. I hope soon to add a few more to your list."

That Press and Those Books. BROTHA GRAVES: Enclosed you will find \$77 50, to be disposed of as herein after directed. It must be peculiarly gratifying to you, and to the lovers of "the truth, and of the whole truth" generally, to know that the friends of the "Baptist" are rallying to its succor and relief, and are exerting themselves to give it a much wider circulation, and thus bring the important truths it advocates within the notice of all, as well as to increase the pecuniary resources of the establishment so as to release it from the galling bondage of "that old debt"—purchase deliveries from dependence upon others by furnishing it with "that Power Press," and thus enable you, sir, upon this your seventh year of fearless, faithful, and successful service, to sing long, loud, and merrily, the joyful song of Jubilee. A consummation, you will say, long most devoutly desired. For then can be unfurled to every breeze, with a clear sky and untroubled sea, in sheet and book form, the whole system of divine truth, unadulterated by the traditions and innovations of man. How far this may counteract the baneful influence of the hydra-headed monster of error, so rife in "these lands," cannot be calculated by mathematical rules.

Religious truth should be of so lovely a nature, as to need only to be seen, to be received and obeyed by all who claim to be the followers of Christ. But such is the deceitfulness of the human heart, and so humiliating to the pride of man, is the practice of the whole truth, that many professing Christianity prefer to follow the less humiliating practices of some of the many man made institutions of the day, which arrogantly claim to be the Church of Christ.

Among the antagonistic principles upon which these are constituted, and the various, opposite, and conflicting doctrines which they teach, is a sufficient variety to accommodate the whims and caprices of all. But alas! how unlike are these, to the exhortation of the Apostle, "that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind, and in the same judgment." And how unlike the prayer of the Saviour, who prayed that his disciples might all be one, as he and the Father were one!

That the kingdom instituted by the Saviour is a unit, is an axiom too plain to need arguments to prove. And that it is uniform in its government, its subjects, its doctrines, its ordinances, and the mode and design of these ordinances, is equally clear. That it shall "fill the whole earth," and "stand forever," are the predictions of holy Seers. And that "the gates of hell shall not prevail against it" is the declaration of the King himself. To circumscribe the influence of this kingdom, and retard its progress over earth, "heaven has raged, and the people imagined a vain thing, the rulers of the earth set themselves, and the rulers have taken council together, against the Lord, and against his Anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us." "The rage of the heathen," the council of the rulers, &c., have partially succeeded in breaking asunder the hands of union that should bind the subjects of this kingdom together, and in casting away the cords of humility and restraint imposed upon them by the "Anointed" himself, and upon the fragments thus created have arisen various rival establishments, the friends of which are urging their respective claims, promulgating their sentiments, and circulating books and periodicals containing their peculiar dogmas, with a seal and industry becoming the cause of truth. Now is it not of as much, yea of more, importance that Baptists not only emulate, but excel in this work, as truth is more important than error? Are they constituted upon the true principles of the Gospel, and "contending for the faith once delivered to the saints" and will they lay down their arms, slumber at their post—remain in a state of inglorious ease? To remain to their own interests, and to their obligations to the "King in Zion," and to the world? Or will they arouse from their lethargy—arise in their majesty and might, and come up, in one unbroken phalanx, to the help of establishing a press of their own, free from embarrassments, from which may issue Baptist literature, in periodical and book form, sufficient to supply the wants of all? And, then, in obedience to the command of Christ, disseminate these among all nations.

Surely if they would read the history of the past, they would provide better for the future. Let each one answer the inquiry, "Lord what wilt thou have me to do?" and soon you will be free, and permitted to go on in your noble work of publishing the whole truth fearlessly, exposing error meekly, and in a spirit of love, until the texts from "the book" opened at the head of your columns, shall be observed—the Scriptures sought—the character, perfections, attributes and requirements of the "one Lord" understood—the "one Faith," the gift of God by grace—received the "one Baptism"—a symbolic representation of our death, and of a Saviour's burial and resurrection, and of our future resurrection in him, shall be practised by all. J. T. Case, Miss. Herald 29, 1853.

For the Tennessee Baptist. The undersigned have seen with pleasure the call for a Convention of Baptists for conference on the subject of Sunday Schools, to meet at Richmond, Va., May 19th, immediately succeeding the Southern Baptist Convention at Baltimore. We cordially snite in expressing our high sense of the importance of Sunday Schools, and in recommending the proposed Convention to the attendance of our brethren and friends throughout the South and South-west.

Jno. W. M. Williams, Maryland. Geo. F. Adams, Franklin Wilson, John Berg, R. B. C. Howell, Virginia, J. B. Jeter, Ro. Ryland, J. B. Taylor, North Carolina, John B. White, Wm. T. Brooks, W. T. Walters, Thomas W. Tobey, James McDaniel, W. H. Jordan, W. Hooper, E. R. Kendrick, South Carolina, E. T. Winkler, C. H. Cutbert, J. D. Mallary, Georgia, B. Manly, Alabama, T. F. Curtis, W. Carey Crane, Mississippi, John C. Carpenter, C. S. McCloud, Wm. L. Balfour, P. S. Gayle, Wm. T. Wright, Wm. C. Duncan, Louisiana, J. H. Eaton, Wm. C. Buck, J. R. Graves, Chas. K. Winston, Wm. P. Jones, John W. King, B. Winston, H. O. Seovel, A. B. Shankland, John D. Winston, W. H. Bethel, Wm. Shelton, Mat. Hillsman, Champ C. Connor, Samuel Baker, A. D. Sears, Kentucky, D. M. Pendleton, D. R. Campbell, W. W. Everts, OBJECT OF THE S. S. CONVENTION.

In calling for a Convention of those interested in Baptist Sunday Schools throughout the South and South-West, the committee of arrangements are relieved of the necessity of proving their aims to be higher than a mere local or insignificant assemblage, by the kind approbation of the brethren whose names have preceded. We do indeed hope that the Convention may give some stimulus to our own zeal, and add wisdom to the efforts of the Richmond schools; but our principal design has been to extend the blessings of Sunday School instruction into every church in the land, which is destitute of it, and to increase the efficiency of such schools wherever they exist.

For the Tennessee Baptist. We have called a Southern Convention, because we of the South must act together in this as well as other great benevolent enterprises; because the South, from its more sparsely settled condition, is comparatively destitute of Sunday schools; and because the success of our northern brethren, from whom we would learn in every good thing, has shown the advantages of such Conventions.

We have desired a Baptist Sunday School Convention for similar reasons, and not at all from unfriendliness to our brethren of other denominations. The best way to keep peace in a neighborhood is, we believe, not to have all the land in one vast field, cultivated in common—but for each to have his field, cultivate his own crop, and mind his own business. And, in religion, we think each denomination will have enough to do to take care of its own interests, wishing well to all, intermeddling with none. The highest interests we have are in the growing up of children. And we wish Baptists everywhere to be engaged in the religious training of the young. We find this duty extensively neglected among us, as among other denominations, and we desire to concentrate attention upon the subject.

We have appointed this convention about the time of the Southern Baptist Convention, in order that our brethren from a distance may be able to afford as the pleasure and profit of their presence; and we have desired it in Richmond rather than Baltimore, for the simple reason that the various subjects before the Convention at Baltimore are so important and pressing, that they will necessarily engross all the time which is usually set apart for that Convention.

Ample arrangements will be made for the accommodation of brethren who may attend the Convention, and we cordially invite a large attendance.

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS AND REPORTS. Rev. J. R. Kendrick, of Charleston, South Carolina, has been appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon. Rev. Franklin Wilson, of Baltimore, Rev. C. D. Mallary, of Georgia, and Rev. S. Baker, of Tennessee, have been requested to prepare reports on various important subjects connected with Sunday Schools; and other

brothers are expected to make interesting addresses. STATISTICS OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS. We earnestly desire every Superintendent of a Baptist Sunday School to prepare a statement of the statistics of his school for the past year, and forward it, either by a delegate or by mail, post-paid, to the undersigned. Please state, 1. Name of the school, of superintendent, and of post-office. 2. Number of officers and teachers. 3. Number of scholars on the roll. 4. Average number in attendance. 5. Number of conversions during past year. 6. Number of volumes in the library.

In cities, we should be glad to have similar details respecting the Sunday Schools of the other denominations; stating—1st, the number of schools—2nd, whole number of officers and teachers, &c. By order of committee of arrangements. B. MANLY, JR. Richmond, April 2, 1853.

For the Tennessee Baptist. OUR CHURCH. QUINCY, ILL., April 8th, 1853. BROTHA GRAVES: We live up in the "cold north," and are just on the "free side" of the line; but even here, there are some warm hearts, and no lines or boundaries circumscribe our religious sympathies, or efforts, or our prayers. As long as "the field is the world," and that "world lieth in darkness," we love to have a heart and faith as large as the field, and feel the propriety of "preaching the gospel to every creature."

The Quincy Church is in a pleasant little bluff of 10,000 inhabitants, located on a high bluff, overlooking no very mean portion of this lower creation; has as many churches in proportion to population, and as efficient ministrars as usually found on this "Creek." Sixteen years ago, nine brethren and sisters erected the Baptist standard here, and its dipped banner waved over our Jordan; but they were laughed at, and at a much later period the baby sprinklers, when asked "is there a Baptist church in your city?" were used to say:—"He—m—ah—well, I don't know, but I did hear of one or two who call themselves Baptists, but nobody knows anything about them; and I guess they haven't any sort of meetings—they will never come to much any how."

But some time, the standard has been raised a little higher, and higher, and higher, and our flag has dipped a little oftener, until at length it has within its folds enclosed many a poor sinner and many who thought this dipping was indeed a "wedding ceremony," and men of business, talented and "honorable women not a few." The late Homer Parr, whose fall from a buggy was doubtless the key that unlocked his grave; and Aaron Jackson, now of New York, have held acceptably the pastoral office here.

When the present pastor entered upon his labors, fifteen months since, the church was enfeebled and reduced so, that the whole attendance was not usually much more than one hundred. The 17th of January, '52, will be remembered as a new era. Cheered by the presence of a new pastor, who had the preceding day crossed the "Father of Waters" with his family, on the ice, the little band resolved as individuals to begin the year by attending all the prayer meetings. For two weeks these were held weekly, then semi-weekly, then tri-weekly, and at length the pastor felt it his duty, though single and alone, to preach every night. This was done for one week, then a prayer and conference and enquiry meeting was held every afternoon, and preaching every night for nine weeks. We met and prayed, and talked, and preached, and God heard prayer, and faith took hold of promises and power that reached the sinner's heart. "And the Lord added daily to the church such as (we trust) shall be saved."

About eighty were added into our membership. (Up this way, sir, members get into a Baptist church, only by being voted in; and sometimes they have to be voted out. It is hard work to do it, but there is no back door, such as crossing their names off, and we are obliged to pat them on the "back track" and vote them out at the door which swings both ways, first to let them in, and then to let them out.) And of these about sixty were led "down into the water," and were "buried in baptism;" and up to the present the whole number received is 180. The meeting-house was a plain frame building, 40 by 60 feet, which being too strait, has received an addition of 24 feet in length. And the church now numbers two hundred members, and has in its bosom many monuments of the power of saving grace, and affords a striking instance of the potency of Baptist leaves, and of the power and faithfulness of God. More anon. Yours, as ever, K. W.

American Indian Mission Association. AMERICAN INDIAN MISSION ROOMS, Louisville, Ky., March, 1853. DEAR BROTHERS: The American Indian Mission Association is about to hold its tenth Anniversary. Without at any time appealing very largely to the Churches for aid, it has steadily pursued the objects of its organization, (the moral and religious improvement of the Aborigines of our country) with results of the most satisfactory character.—Great moral improvement is manifest; the cause of Education has been steadily prosecuted and large numbers of the Indians have been converted to God; and our Missions among them compare favorably with those of other denominations, and it is seriously doubted whether any of the Missionary efforts, at home or abroad, would show so large an amount of good accomplished, in proportion to the means employ-

ed as the Mission of the American Indian Mission Association. But the increase of our operations requires a very considerable increase of resources, and we now confidently appeal in your aid, as one of the steadfast friends of the Missionary Enterprise, for your co-operation and support. Our labors are mainly directed to the Choctaw, Creek, Wagon, Miami, and Patawissa tribes, among whom we have 21 Churches, 20 Ministers and Assistants, and nearly 1600 church members. To sustain these several stations, and to send some laborers in the opening fields of New Mexico, if possible, we must have an immediate increase of contributions on the part of the churches; and in order to make every dollar of such contributions available to the Missions themselves, it is desirable that these offerings should be made ad forwarded, as far as practicable, without the necessity of employing Agents to travel the country and present the claims of the Society. The whole expenses of the Society here, in carrying out the objects of its organization, do not amount to \$800 per annum, and it is believed that some of our Missions, of any denomination, are managed with greater economy.

The recent intelligence from the several stations is of the most cheering character. One of the Missionaries writes under date of February 8th: "Last Lord-day the two ordinances were administered; three days previous the weather had been very severe, the candidates were asked if they wished the ordinance to be postponed; without a moment's hesitation they replied that they wished to be baptized. The ice was then broken and the liquid grave received these happy followers, six in number, of the Creek and Iowa tribes. ••• Four more Choctaw will, God willing, be baptized at Dog Creek the first Sabbath in March. ••• I may be prejudiced in favor of the Choctaw, but in all my intercourse with mankind I have never witnessed more real dignity, cheerfulness and solemnity combined in the Christian profession." Another Missionary, giving an account of a Church meeting, writes, under date of February 3d: "Mr. B., an aged white man, who has been long a resident among the Creeks, professed faith in Christ and was received for baptism. Also a white woman. These have both been members of another denomination, and will be baptized at our next church meeting. ••• I never saw more evident concern on the subject of religion than was manifested by the congregation on Sunday. While the interpreter was speaking to the people, many of them would cry aloud. The Creek nation is, without doubt, the most interesting field occupied by Baptist Missionaries."

We might greatly multiply these extracts of interesting intelligence, but we forbear. With all practicable brevity the case is laid before you, and we earnestly request you to use your influence in our behalf. During the month of April or as early thereafter as practicable, please take up a collection in your congregation and forward the amount to Charles S. Tucker, Esq., Treasurer, Louisville, Ky., and the blessing of "Those ready to perish" will be your reward.

In behalf of the Society. W. W. EVERTS, JNO. L. KIRK, JAMES E. TYLER, Committee.

For the Tennessee Baptist. BROTHA GRAVES: Agreeable to a call made by Proposed Church, Carroll County, West Tennessee, the following brethren met with said church Saturday the 9th instant, to wit: Revs. J. W. Cearly, J. C. Park, and J. P. Arnold, to act as a presbytery to set apart to the full work of the Gospel Ministry Bro. C. S. Butler—the ordination was attended in on Sabbath, in the following order: 1. Ordination Sermon, by Rev. J. W. Cearly. 2. Examination of candidate, by Rev. J. C. Park. 3. Consecrating prayer, by Rev. J. W. Cearly. 4. Presentation of Bible and charge, by Rev. J. P. Arnold. 5. Right hand of fellowship, by presbytery and church. 6. Benediction by candidate. May the Lord abundantly bless his brother in all his efforts to preach Christ and his crucified.

J. P. ARNOLD. April 13th, 1853. The Agency of Dr. Maclay in Kentucky. Dr. Maclay, as General Agent of the Bible Revision Association, has been laboring about two months in Kentucky. During that time he has obtained in subscriptions more than \$5,000, and a little over \$1,000 of that sum he has received in cash. And yet, for several weeks he was quite unwell—the weather, too, much of the time, was quite inclement. It is worthy of note, also, that his expenses from Buffalo, N. Y., and during his two months' agency in Kentucky, were \$30.50, which he gave to make himself a Life Member of the Revision Association. He has paid into the Treasury every cent received by him to this Association. These facts need no comment. They sufficiently illustrate the character of the noble Agent of the Bible Revision Association, and show the deep-seated veneration of Kentuckians to sustain the mission enterprise. Malice is disarmed by one, and skepticism silenced by the other.—Western Recorder.

MARRIED. By the Rev. Joseph H. Borum, on the 16th of April, 1853, at the residence of Dr. Daniel H. Borum, Mr. James W. Tom and Miss Catherine T. Borum—all of Landonville, Warren Co., Tenn. On the 13th of April, 1853, by Rev. E. B. Johnson, Mr. L. J. Carson and Miss Catherine Carson—both of Franklin, Tenn.

Met persons exercises conducted by Mrs. J. M. D. Cane, of Nashville, Tenn. The committee following reported: President—Louisville, Ky. Vice Pres—Va. Sec—W. S. L. Esq. Md; Be Wm. C. Cran Ala; Rev. R. Geo. W. Bain son, Ky; Rev. S. Mathes, Ill; Prof. Adkins, Rev. Wm. C. Baker, D. D. son, Tenn; B. D. L. Russell Rev. P. S. Fa John M. Deip Cor Sec—

Rev. W. W. B. Slaughter, Graham, Dr. Crump, J. W. E. D. Fore Charles Quady, S. W. V. Louisville, Ky. Rev. S. S. O. Tenn; Rev. C. Corner, T. son, Ia; R. M. W. Phillips, ton, Miss; Rev. W. W. Gardin bell, L. D. Rev. John B. Ky; Rev. D. J. J. Kirby, Ill; J. Call, Ia; H. Macrae, Cullen Hall John A. McIn Rev. L. H. Hayward, Min Wm. P. Bo Rev. R. L. Ky.

The Annual Managers were Secretary. On motion seconded to Report was adopted, and the committee and resolutions adopted. Prof. A. D. Ford resolved to attend in a special deputation. Rev. Jacob sent and signed No. 2, which The Association past 7 o'clock S. L. Helm.

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Walnut Street Ky. The West, which we ket The First An The 25th first Annual Baptist meet tucky, comm at 10 o'clock President. by reading of prayer, by York. Rev. V. E. Association e and the follow dopted: Resolved, appointed to Association s Committee V. E. Kirley B. F. Hall, Dnfield. On motion Resolved, appointed to ad exercises for considered Committee Jacob Creath D. D. On motion, William Garre to receive bers in attend Rev. R. L. Drury, on m mittee on cos By request the Associate interesting at Adjourned Henderson, J Met persons exercises by ton, Ky. The commi following rep onfirmed: President— Louisville, Ky. Vice Pres Va; Sec—W. S. L. Esq. Md; Be Wm. C. Cran Ala; Rev. R. Geo. W. Bain son, Ky; Rev. S. Mathes, Ill; Prof. Adkins, Rev. Wm. C. Baker, D. D. son, Tenn; B. D. L. Russell Rev. P. S. Fa John M. Deip Cor Sec—

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FIRST ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BIBLE REVISION ASSOCIATION.

The body met on the 1st inst., in the Walnut Street hall of worship, Louisville, Ky.

The Western Session of the 1st inst. has a copy of the proceedings, which we transfer to our columns:

The first Anniversary of the Bible Revision Association.

The Bible Revision Association held its first Annual Meeting at the Walnut Street Baptist meeting-house, Louisville, Kentucky, commencing Friday, April 1st, 1853, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The meeting was called to order by the President. The services were introduced by reading of the Scriptures, singing and prayer, by Rev. A. Maclay, D. D., New York.

Rev. V. E. Kirtley, Agent of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, made the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of six be appointed to nominate the officers of the Association for the ensuing year.

Committee under this resolution—Rev. V. E. Kirtley, H. T. Anderson, S. L. Helm, B. F. Hall, Y. B. Pitts, and bro. Charles Duffield.

On motion, Messrs. John L. Kirk, and William Garnett were appointed a committee to receive and enroll the names of members in attendance.

Rev. R. L. Thurman, Rev. John Young, President of Bacon College, and Prof. A. Drury, on motion, were appointed a committee on communications.

By request, Dr. Maclay then addressed the Association for half an hour in a very interesting and instructive discourse.

Adjourned till 3 o'clock, P. M. Benediction, by Rev. John Bryce, of Henderson, Kentucky.

3 o'clock, P. M. Met pursuant to adjournment. Religious exercises by Rev. Walter Scott, of Covington, Ky.

The committee on nominations made the following report which was unanimously confirmed:

President—Rev. JOHN L. WALLER, of Louisville, Ky.

Vice Presidents—Rev. A. Campbell, of Va.; S. W. Lynd, D. D., Ky; Wm. Crann, Esq. Md.; Rev. James Shannon, Mo; Rev. Wm. C. Cruse, Miss; Rev. I. T. Tinsler, Ala.; Rev. B. C. Barlow, Texas; Rev. Geo. W. Baines, Texas; Rev. J. T. Johnson, Ky; Rev. John T. Jones, Ill; Rev. J. S. Mathis, Ia; Rev. T. S. N. King, Ark; Rev. Prof. Adams, Ia; Rev. Wm. Rowse, Pa; Rev. Wm. C. Duane, La; Rev. Samuel Baskin, D. T.; Rev. E. C. Hendrickson, Tenn.; Rev. John L. Dagg, Ga; Rev. D. L. Rossell, Mo; Dr. A. J. Coles, Mo; Rev. S. S. Fall, Ky; Dr. F. Rees, Ky; and John M. Delph, Ky.

Cop. Sec.—JOHN L. KIRK, Louisville, Ky. Sec.—D. SPALDING, " Treasurer—WILLIAM GARBETT, " Auditor—CHARLES DUFFIELD, "

Managers—Rev. Henry T. Anderson, Rev. W. E. Kirtley, Dr. T. B. Johnson, J. E. Shaugher, Rev. W. W. Crawford, B. W. Graham, Dr. Wm. B. Caldwell, G. B. Crump, J. W. Newland, Dr. T. S. Bell, Dr. E. D. Fove, S. J. Evans, John W. Rand, Charles Quarry, Arthur Fater, Wm. Snoddy, J. V. Van Caten, C. Van Bunkirk, Louisville, Ky; Rev. A. W. La Rue, Ky; Rev. S. S. Church, Mo; Dr. C. K. Winston, Tex; Rev. T. Fanning, Tenn; Rev. C. C. Casner, Tennessee; Rev. H. L. James, Ia; Rev. J. P. Barnett, Ia; Dr. M. W. Phillips, Miss; Rev. H. W. Middleton, Miss; Rev. Geo. Tucker, Texas; Rev. W. W. Gasdiner, Ky; Rev. D. R. Campbell, L. D., Ky; Rev. K. Owens, Mo; Rev. John Bassam, Ark; Prof. A. Drury, Ky; Rev. D. P. Henderson, Mo; J. W. Jeffers, Ill; Rev. John O'Keefe, Ia; Rev. J. Call, Ia; Rev. Wm. Yangban, Ky; Dr. H. Merran, La; Rev. E. S. Smith, Ia; John C. Allen, Ala; Rev. L. P. Ramsey, Ala; John A. McGill, Miss; Elijah Dupree, Miss; Rev. L. H. Mulliken, Miss; Rev. H. E. Hayward, Miss; Prof. J. A. R. Stone, Mich; Wm. P. Bond, Tenn; Rev. K. Strode, Tenn; Rev. R. L. Coleman, Va; Rev. Walker Scott, Ky.

On motion, resolutions 10, 11, 12, were unanimously adopted without debate.

Adjourned until 7 o'clock, P. M. Benediction by President Young.

7 o'clock, P. M. Met pursuant to adjournment. Reading of the Scriptures and prayer, by Rev. J. Bryce.

Resolution No. 13 was moved by Rev. T. Fanning, President of Franklin College, Tenn., and sustained in an elaborate speech. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The Association was then addressed by Samuel Haycraft, Esq., of Elizabethtown, Ky.

1. Resolved, That the object of this Association, is to promote the translation of the Scriptures into every language, and to place a pure version of the Scriptures in every hand, is worthy of our highest aspirations and increasing efforts.

2. Resolved, That principles and not men, should continue to be as it has been the watchword of the great enterprise of Bible Revision.

3. Resolved, That no objections which can be offered to the enterprise of Revision, based either upon the merits of the case or upon considerations of expediency, ought, in the least degree, to diminish our zeal in its behalf.

4. Resolved, That the association of different denominations in the prosecution of an object in which they agree, does not compromise their distinctive views in other matters, nor render one responsible for the tenets of another. That an enterprise must be characterized by its principles. In these are found its life and vigor, which are not affected by any difference of view on other subjects among those who support it.

5. Resolved, That an imperfect knowledge of truth is the chief source of diversity of views among Christians. That imperfect knowledge is a necessary result of an imperfect translation. That a faithful and accurate version of the truth, must, by increasing the light, correct diversities of views, and unite many who now differ.

That to object that some who now differ in their views, are jointly seeking this increase of light, is to oppose the dispensation of truth, and the prospective union of Christians upon the basis of truth.

6. Resolved, That the great change in the public mind in respect to the importance of pure translations throughout the world, especially of a corrected version of the English Scriptures, is due, under God, to the measures proposed and the discussions

of Rev. S. W. Lynd, D. D., was unanimously adopted. Adjourned until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock. Benediction by Rev. J. Smith, of Georgetown, Ky.

SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 2. Met pursuant to adjournment. Scriptures read and prayer offered, by Rev. P. S. Fall, of Frankfort, Ky.

Resolution No. 4, moved by Dr. B. F. Hall and seconded by Rev. D. R. Campbell, L. D., President of Georgetown College, was adopted without dissent.

The Association was then addressed by Rev. J. P. Barnett, of Madison, Indiana.

Rev. John Young, President of Bacon College, presented resolution No. 5, and after a speech from him, in its support, the Association adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M. Benediction by Rev. John Bray, of Shelbyville, Ky.

3 o'clock, P. M. Met pursuant to adjournment. Reading of the Scriptures, by Rev. W. Morton, of Mo.

The resolution moved by President Young this morning, was seconded by Rev. W. Scott in a speech, and it was then agreed to unanimously.

A speech was then made by Rev. S. L. Helm, of Owensboro', Ky., in support of resolution No. 6, and the resolution was unanimously adopted.

Adjourned until 7 o'clock, P. M. Benediction by Rev. H. T. Anderson, of Louisville.

The resolutions are presented together, that the views of the Association at this meeting may be seen in a connected and perspicuous form.

7 o'clock, P. M. Met pursuant to adjournment. Religious exercises conducted by Rev. J. Winter, of Va.

W. H. Wyckoff, Esq., Corresponding Secretary of the American Bible Union, gave a statement of what that body had done and is doing in the work of revising the English Scriptures.

Rev. N. B. Baldwin, pastor of the Bethesda Baptist Church, New York city, then addressed the Association.

Adjourned until Monday morning, 10 o'clock. Benediction by Rev. D. S. Colgas, Ky.

MORNING, APRIL 4. The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Reading of the Scriptures and prayer, by Rev. Mr. Rice, of Shelbyville, Ky.

Rev. John Winter, of Va., moved, and Rev. John T. Johnson, of Ky., seconded, resolution No. 7, which they sustained by appropriate remarks. It was adopted unanimously. This resolution was also spoken to by Rev. W. W. Everts, of Louisville, and Rev. R. W. Thomas, of Warren county, Ky.

Resolution No. 8 was moved by Rev. W. Morton, of Mo., sustained by Dr. B. F. Hall, Rev. W. W. Everts, and Rev. D. S. Colgas, and was unanimously adopted.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M. Benediction by Rev. Mr. Hagbes, of Mo.

3 o'clock, P. M. Met pursuant to adjournment. Reading of the Scriptures and prayer, by Rev. W. Whittington, of Ky.

Rev. H. T. Anderson, of Louisville, moved, and Rev. John Bryce, of Henderson, seconded, resolution No. 9, and supported it by addresses. It was agreed to unanimously.

On motion, resolutions 10, 11, 12, were unanimously adopted without debate.

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of the original friends of the American and Foreign Bible Society, and now being carried out by the American Bible Union, and the Bible Revision Association.

7. Resolved, That the object and principles of the American Bible Union and of the Bible Revision Association, need but to be known to be commended;—that opposition among the people is only commensurate with ignorance or prejudiced information; while friends multiply, with the diffusion of intelligence and impartial inquiry.

8. Resolved, That pure translations of the Scriptures are the necessary vantage ground for Truth in her conflict with the varied and formidable forces of error.

9. Inasmuch as true ministers of Jesus our Lord are supposed to speak as the spirit gives them utterance—therefore, Resolved, That all true ministers of Jesus our Lord ought to be advocates of a pure version of God's Word.

10. Resolved, That while we deeply regret the partial and unkind course of that portion of the religious press which persists in refusing to permit our principles and plans to be explained and advocated in its columns, we are obliged to recommend to the patronage of those who wish to understand the whole subject, those journals and periodicals which are willing candidly to present both sides, and to abide the consequences of the force of truth.

11. Resolved, That we rejoice in the more liberal views that are beginning to prevail in regard to words relating to baptism and other controverted points; and that we believe that the plan of the Bible Union, in not referring to such matters in the contract with Revisors, but requiring adherence to a principle which must bring out the truth, whatever it be, cannot fail to please God, and to commend itself to the approbation of all intelligent and candid men.

12. Resolved, That the members and friends of the Bible Revision Association use soft words and hard arguments as the best means to stop the mouths of gainsayers, and to accomplish the glorious work of revising the English Scriptures.

13. Resolved, That the Sacred Scriptures afford the only true interpretation of God's mind to man.

On motion, the place for the next Annual Meeting was referred to the Board of Managers.

On motion of Rev. J. Creagh, Jr., Resolved, unanimously, That the thanks of this meeting be returned to the citizens of Louisville for their hospitality, kindness and attention to the members of this Association, during its present session.

After the concluding address of the President, prayer was offered by the venerable Dr. Maclay, and the Association adjourned sine die.

JOHN L. WALLER, President. Wm. GARBETT, Acting Secretary. JOHN L. KIRK, Acting Secretary.

DILIGENCE.—Every segment of the great circle of civilized society is useful except that occupied by the lazy man; he alone is worse than useless. Each link in the great chain of humanity may be equally sound and equally useful, though un-ally formed and polished, except the indolent; he is always as useless and treacherous as a rope of sand. Every one may be of some utility in the world-wide, except the miserable do-nothing and eat-everything drone; he is an insufferable nuisance in his best estate, and the sooner he is marched off, as honor-bees dispose of their lazy members, the better. A sluggard who attempts to live gratis in the world, especially such a nuisance in the church, is a useless cipher among men, a burden to the earth, and a loathsome excrescence on the healthy growth of society, sucking otherwise productive aliment from the resources of the general good, but yielding in return neither fruit nor ornament. Jehovah proves his existence by perpetually creating. The process has never ceased; at this moment suns are throwing off nebulae, and are hardening into worlds. Why should the immortal soul be dormant? Its Creator, repose never. Think you that Paul is at rest, and Newton idle amid the opening splendors of the universe? Growth in happiness lies in a fight from inertia to energy. God has given man the power of setting all things in motion for useful ends, and in the humble but diligently exercised of this prerogative consists our chiefest joy. The working soul is a spiritual hero, armed with sanctified valor, who ventures forward into the gulf for the disentanglement of mankind. He is fortified with strength more than human, and "through the impassable paves a road." On the contrary, the wicked servant who was cast into outer darkness was a slothful servant; indescribable remorse in the eternal world conspired with the indolence and viciousness of his existence on earth. Constituted inactivity is the bell of the wicked, but beneficent toil is the heaven of the just.—Meyers.

For the Tennessee Baptist. At a regular meeting of the Baptist Church at Winchester, Feb. 23, 1853, it was Resolved, That we return our thanks to the Baptist Church for surrendering to us her claims to the next meeting of the Deck River Association.

Resolved, That we request the churches of the Association at an early period to take action in relation to the change, and have the result published in the Tennessee Baptist.

Resolved, also, That we earnestly request the Liberty Association to meet with us at her regular time of meeting, and that her churches be invited to the same.

Resolved, That we request the churches of the Deck River Association that if the change is made, and the two associations meet together, the meeting will be on Friday evening the third Sabbath in September.

A. D. TRIMBLE, Mod. K. MARRIS, Clerk.

Special Notices.

BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION OF TEXAS. The next session of this convention is to meet with the Baptist Church, Houston, Walker county, on Saturday before the third Sabbath in June, 1853.

Rev. Thos. Chilton to preach the Introductory Sermon—Rev. J. M. Neary his alternate.

Rev. Jesse Wilcox to preach the Missionary Sermon—Rev. E. R. Tallier his alternate.

Rev. J. H. Strubling to preach the Educational Sermon—Rev. J. B. Stisher his alternate.

Ample provision will be made for all the brethren and friends who may wish to stand, by the Church in this place.

J. W. D. CREATH, Gen. Ag. B. S. Con. Texm. Huntsville, Texas, March 29, 1853.

P. S.—Brethren with whom I have left subscriptions for the Convention, will please call on me at Huntsville, or send it up by brethren or friends to the Convention. The Board will see that we can possibly raise to meet our obligations to our Missionaries in June.

J. W. D. C. SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION. Notice.—The Baptist Churches of Baltimore will take great pleasure in welcoming to their city the Delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention, which is to meet with the Seventh Baptist Church on May 13th. A Committee has been appointed to receive the delegates, who on their arrival are requested to report themselves to the committee on the Lecture-room of the First Baptist Church, corner of Sharp and Lombard streets, where they will be provided with houses.

R. P. FULLAN, on behalf of the Rev. B. Church, J. W. WILLIAMS, " First B. " Geo. F. ADAMS, " Sec. B. " John BASS, " High St. " N. B.—The Baptist papers of the South and South west are requested to copy this notice.

EP A Crisis Meeting, by the appointment of the Churches Association, will be held with the Church at Tyler, Smith County, Texas, commencing on Friday before the fifth Sabbath in May next. In connection with this meeting the Trustees of Tyler University will hold their first annual meeting, and important business is connected with the occasion.

It is thought that the propriety of organizing a Texas General Association will be discussed. This will involve the interests of the whole East and North, and we trust every church will be represented. A large meeting is expected, and extensive arrangements will be made.

Signed in behalf of the Board. G. G. BAGGEBLY. TEXAS AFRICAN MISSION CHURCH.—Our brethren of the Colored Mission of this city have erected a fine brick chapel, located back of Capitol Hill, and finished it in a neat style, and paid for it among themselves. They are now in a prosperous condition, with a flourishing Sabbath School of 75 or 80 scholars. Brother Nelson Meyer is the Moderator.

They cordially invite ministering brethren visiting the city, whenever convenient, to favor them with their services. They are an energetic and religious body of brethren.

DELEGATES TO THE CONVENTION. Col. Stevenson informs me that Delegates to the Convention in Baltimore will be allowed to pass and re-pass at half the usual price over the Railroad, at least from this place to Charleston.

I write to Louisville, Ky., to ascertain what statement the directors of the Steamboat line to Wheeling and the Rail Road to Baltimore would make, and received a reply that the Agent of the Steamboat line was in favor of taking them at half price, and engaged to use his influence with the President of the Rail Road to do the same.

The boats from Nashville to Cincinnati will make no abatement, but the Agent of the Stage line agrees to take our delegates to Louisville for \$10 each, instead of \$12, the usual price.

It will be necessary, however, for each delegate to be able to show his commission, in order to satisfy the several Agents, &c.

By order of the Board. WM. C. RUCK, Cor. Sec. B. S. B. C. CENTRAL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.—The Missionary Board of this Association will hold its second meeting with the Clinton Baptist Church, on Saturday, 3rd May next. The Union Meeting of the 3rd district will be held at the same time and place. Will not the churches composing this division be fully represented at this meeting? Come on, dear brethren and sisters, full of the spirit of religion, and God will bless you.

J. JOHNSON DENROY, Secy. Verasa, Miss. Feb. 4, 1853.

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