

BREVITIES.

Rev. T. J. Brown, pastor of the Central church, has returned home from a month's vacation, and will occupy his pulpit as usual.

THE BLUE CROSS.—The blue cross upon your paper indicates that your time expires with this number, or within four weeks. Will you not renew at once, and not miss a single number?

It is now understood that the Baptist Encyclopedia, to be published by the American Baptist Publication Society, will be issued this fall. It will be a large volume, and will contain over three thousand different articles.

Rev. L. H. Deamer, pastor of the German Baptist church, Cincinnati, recently baptized Rev. E. Berch, of the Evangelical German church. Mr. Berch became a member of the Cesar's Creek Baptist church, Indiana. — Journal and Messenger.

Isaac Davis, of Worcester, Mass., has contributed \$5,000 to the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, the interest alone to be applied every year to the cause of foreign missions. He made the same generous donation to the Missouri Union.

Bro. E. B. Miller, of De Soto county, Miss., passed through the city this week, on his way to Louisville, Ky., to attend the Seminary, which opens September 1st. Bro. Miller is a graduate of the Southwestern Baptist University, Jackson, Tenn. We hope to present our readers with an occasional article from his pen.

The Baptists of Tennessee will work and pray to make the State Convention a success. We can afford to pass by in silence the melancholy croakings of a minority who see with jaundiced eyes only divisions among us. Let all the churches and Associations send up delegates to the meeting at Knoxville.

We call the attention of all who propose to attend the State Convention, (and we hope a large number will make preparations to go,) to the card of Bro. Strickland, pastor of the First church, Knoxville, with whom the body meets. Ample accommodations will be provided, and the brethren should promptly comply with the very reasonable requests of Bro. Strickland.

We direct the attention of our readers to the card of Mr. George Mitchell, dealer in furniture, carpets, etc., in our advertising columns. This is strictly a first-class name, and our patrons who favor Mr. Mitchell with their orders, may rest assured that they will be honestly and fairly dealt with. He carries one of the most complete stocks of goods in the city.

I like THE BAPTIST better every week, I can't do without it. Bro. Seary makes a good editor, and is sure to succeed. — A. J. Whorton, Arkansas. The brethren, generally, are of the same opinion, Bro. Whorton. Let the brethren in Arkansas make a vigorous effort to put the paper in the hands of every Baptist in the State. Bro. Seary will do his part, and do it well.

Our Bro. J. B. Mahaffy, spent a week in St. Louis, last month, and enjoyed the right-sewing, etc., in the "future great." While there he called upon the editors of the Central Baptist, and found Bro. Ferguson hard at work, notwithstanding the thermometer was away up in the "nineties." The Central is ably conducted, and its editors have reason to congratulate themselves on its success. He also called at the Baptist Headquarters, where Bro. Lewis B. Kline, the depository agent of the American Baptist Publication Society holds forth. Bro. Kline is one of the most pleasant and social of men, and it is a pleasure to do business with him. He is particularly indebted to Bro. Jones, the book-keeper of the "Headquarters," for special favors. He spent two days in search of Dr. G. A. Luffin, pastor of the Third church, only to learn that he had left the city on a vacation trip. Among the places of interest visited was the large publishing house of Bro. Chaney B. Barnes, who has just brought out that magnificent book, "Baptist Doctrines," and completed the arrangement for its sale by the Baptist Book House of this city. He enjoyed the pleasure of meeting Dr. S. W. Marion at the "Headquarters," who is

laboring in the South among the colored Baptists. From all the brethren it was his pleasure to most be received a most cordial welcome, and he came away convinced that the Baptists of St. Louis are a great people.

GRASSES.—Messrs. R. G. Craig & Co. are the pioneer house in this question, having induced the sowing of grasses to so large an extent that our mutual friend and agriculturist, Dr. M. W. Phillips, of Mississippi fame, demonstrated by figures, while visiting their house last May, that sales of Field and Grass Seeds for this season only, would seed down upwards of sixty thousand acres, and worth to the farming public half a million dollars. They are trying an experiment by sowing Red Clover on very poor land with Cow Peas. The seed was sown early in June—one bushel peas and fifteen pounds clover to the acre. To-day, Sept. 1, the ground stands eighteen inches deep in peas, with a complete and satisfactory stand of clover among the peas. Their object is to get the clover started so as to make good winter grazing, and furnish a cutting the following season. Write R. G. Craig & Co., Memphis, Tenn., for reliable farm implements and seeds.

DID THE DIVINITY OF CHRIST SUFFER?

D. W. DUNN, as his third question, (in the Divinity of Christ suffer on the cross? If so, in what way?) The answer is, "We have always taught the divinity suffered. Christ is divine as well as human," etc.

I called the attention of a minister of large experience, and one who seems to think for himself, to it. He asked this question: "Can anything suffer which is not subject to change?" "Suppose ye that the divinity of Christ is subject to change? In other words, can divinity change?" "Now, if divinity cannot change, and the divinity of Christ suffered on the cross, it must follow as certain that the divinity of Christ is now suffering, most always suffer; ye more, has always suffered from all eternity, and will to all eternity; for it cannot change!" Proof: James i. 17; mat. III. 3; Heb. xiii. 8.

We find the above in the Baptist Banner, Illinois. This minister of large experience and small logic deceives himself with his own fallacy. Suppose we change the proposition a little:—

If divinity cannot change, then divinity could not and has not become incarnate, and the Bible is false and we are lost.

Again:— If God did become incarnate and live on this earth, then he is incarnate and on this earth to-day.

Whoever to his mobility or to his emotional nature, but that all his acts are in strict accord with his mental attributes. His infinite perfections are unchangeable, but their manifestations necessitate mutation of emotion and mutation of action; yet there is no change in the character or purposes of the unchanging God. He is always just, and always merciful, always omnipotent, and always omniscient; consequently there can be no change in his character or purpose. To deny him either mutation of emotion or mutation of action would be to deny him the exercise of his attributes, and therefore to deny him his proper Deity.

The dogma that "God is not passible" originated in the Catholic church, the mother of abominable doctrines, as well as sects, and this is certainly one of them as applied to the atonement. Reduced to its last analysis, it annihilates the God of the Bible from the universe as effectually as it does the divinity from the redemption of man.

NEWS FROM THE STATES.

TEXAS.—The General Association has its missionaries employed for the entire year, and are negotiating with other with the view of placing them in the field. — Elder E. S. Hayes has been called to the care of the Good Hope church, Collin county. — A new Association, to be called the Rio Grande, to be composed of churches west of the Brazos river, will most likely be organized at an early day. — Have been conducting protracted meetings for the last two weeks, until yesterday. We closed the meeting at the water. Seven were baptized. Many left inquiring the way of life. — W. M. Seymour, Penn.

MISSOURI.—Rev. J. G. Laman has retired from the editorial staff of the Central Baptist. — A series of influential lectures to the young, delivered last winter by Dr. G. A. Luffin, pastor of the Third church, St. Louis, are to be published in book form by the enterprising publisher, Mr. Chaney B. Barnes. — The contract for a new church at Northfield is now being made.

Louisiana.—Elder George Tucker has been appointed by the State Board to labor among the colored people.

Elder L. C. Kelle has been appointed to the care of the Bayville church August 5. — The State Board have now over 100 churches in the field. — We have just closed a very interesting meeting at Jones Creek church. Eleven baptisms, one from the Episcopalian, (by only order). Three were received. Thank God for his divine aid. — W. F. Garg, Indian Range.

Kentucky.—Active preparations are being made at the new Waverly Hotel for receiving the missionary students, and those who come this season will receive a warm greeting. — Recorder. — Bethel Association recently met at Alleysville, Todd county. Reports from the churches showed that four hundred and thirty persons were baptized during the year. — Mr. W. T. Carr, of Felton, has given our church in that place a valuable lot of land to build. Felton is one of the points included by our State Mission Board. — Recorder.

Carolina.—Judge Jacob P. Reed, a member of the Anderson church, and a prominent and useful citizen of the community, died on the 24th of August. — The new building of the Cross Hill Baptist church was dedicated on the 15th of August. — The Anderson Intelligencer says that Rev. L. M. Ayer is carrying on an interesting and encouraging meeting at Flat Rock church. — A meeting at Mt. Bethel church, in Rowan county, conducted by Rev. B. C. Beware, resulted in twenty additions by baptism and one by profession. — Standard Churcher.

North Carolina.—A new Baptist paper has been started at Hendersonville, to be issued weekly, at \$1.00 per year. — Rev. D. B. Nelson has been recalled to the pastorate of the church at Hendersonville.

Georgia.—Elder M. E. Rooten, writing from Concord to the Baptist Banner, says: "I closed a meeting Monday night at Habron. I do not think I ever enjoyed a meeting in my life that was productive of so good. The interest seemed to pervade the entire community and reach all classes of the people. One very remarkable feature was that it commenced with the old and then reached the young. Forty-three were received by profession."

Mississippi.—Broth. J. J. Jackson and E. M. Jones were recently ordained to the full work of the ministry by the church at Abbeville. — Times have been severe seasons to the church here (Meridian) by latter while a month past. Pastor Bosman has endeavored to remain at his post, not taking a protracted vacation. Pastoral labors, in a city like ours, are necessarily arduous, but they receive great aid from the aid of the laity. — Chickasaw Association met with the Meridian church on Friday. — Bro. I. A. Halley, who has been laboring at Hindsboro during vacation, will return to the Seminary.

Alabama.—We raised enough money at our last appointment of Kierkegaard to justify us in commencing a nine-thousand-dollar brick-house of worship. This is a live church. — If the brethren are not on their guard, they will have to come again to this country in the next generation. — We are glad to hear that Bro. Farham has gone North for the month. — B. H. Criswell, of Jackson, Baptist. — Rev. J. A. (Vol. line come aided mission August 15. He had been in a protracted state of melancholy for some time, which had impaired his reason. — Rev. E. P. Buzner, the veteran missionary to the Indian tribes, has been on a visit to Talladega, to attend a sick daughter.

Tennessee.—Held the Tennessee Sunday-school Convention convened with Ellsworth church on the 6th. — We have just closed a meeting at this church, (Spring Creek). Results: The church much revived, 41 additions, 14 by baptism, 10 by letter and restoration, 333 conversions. Rev. J. C. Foster was with us; he is a young man of rare gifts as an evangelist, his main object appears to be to induce immediate action on the part of both saint and sinner. His labors are being abundantly blessed. — E. P. Berry, August 20. — I closed a protracted meeting with the New Hope church the 8th ult. Fourteen professed faith in Christ, and eight were added to the church by baptism. Gifts have been approved for baptism. I was assisted by Broth. Fulbright and Alfred, both of the Southwestern Baptist University. They are anxious to return if they can get the money. They are worthy young brethren, and I am doing what I can to get up money for them. Can you do anything for these through your valuable paper? — J. E. Cassie, Cass, Tenn. — We have just closed a glorious meeting at Poplar Grove church, Gibson county. Upwards of twenty professed, and fourteen additions—thirteen by baptism, and one by profession of faith. — M. Hillman and D. L. Halley. They wrought nobly. To God be all the glory. — Bro. H. Brown, Dyersburg. — In the New Heights Association, Tennessee, there is an arm of twelve hundred members wholly ignorant, where no Baptist ever preached. These women and children are perishing for the bread of life. — Baptist Epitaph. We beg to assure our brethren of the State, and of our exchange who have copied the above paragraph, that the people of this area are as intelligent, cultivated and enterprising as to be found in any other State. It is waste of the ink to say they are "wholly ignorant," or even partially so, in the common conception of the term. Another serious feature about the paragraph is the statement that the "women and children are perishing for the bread of life." The man certainly are perishing in the same ratio with the women and children. While the officers of this area of country may not be conversant with Baptist doctrine and procedure, still they are not "wholly ignorant" of these, and it is a fact that no "Baptist ever preached" there, as the following extract from the report of Home Missions, of the 1st session of the Big Heights Association, will show: "We would also represent that it is our opinion, that in the larger part of country stretching from Ashby to Whitesville, and from the Indianville to Fishersville, B. on the north to Crossville and Hamilton Central B.

on the south, there are but few Baptist churches; that missionaries should be employed for their whole time. While we are idle, others are doing all in their power to occupy this large and rich field." The Association properly regards this as a missionary ground, and proposes to occupy it. The only part of the report that refers to any number of "square miles, is the closing sentence: "Remember, to-day there are two hundred square miles in the limits of our Association entirely desolate, and where Baptists are unknown." The committee evidently meant comparatively unknown, but we have not the least idea that there is a man or woman in the area referred to but what has heard of Baptists, and know there is such a people. In this tract of country there are public and private schools, and the citizens are a long remove from "wholly ignorant."

THE MEETING AT WOODLAWN.

ON Saturday, Aug. 14, we commenced a meeting at this church, which continued twelve days, closing at the water on Wednesday, the 31st. The meeting resulted in six additions to the church by experience, and in refreshing the zeal and renewing the consecration of the members, calling forth from them repeated public pledges that in the future they would give more attention to the condition and needs of the church, and earnestly strive to do something for its prosperity.

Eld. W. H. Barksdale, of Memphis, assisted for a few days by Eld. E. C. Faulkner, of Ripley, did most of the preaching, and it is the pleasure of the pastor to say that Bro. Barksdale's labors among us were, in an eminent degree, satisfactory to the church and congregation, and were highly appreciated by them. No man has ever assisted me in a meeting at this place whose labors have been more acceptable to the people, or who will be more kindly remembered by them.

Eld. Faulkner, already much beloved by this people for his works' sake, gained, during this meeting, a still stronger hold on their hearts by his quiet, unassuming manners, and his earnest and efficient preaching.

Eld. M. Whittle also preached one sermon and rendered valuable aid. The outlook of this church is encouraging. To God be all the praise. J. P. KINCAID.

THREE POINTS OF DOCTRINE.

BRO. GRAVES.—By your permission I will say a few words in the interests of Christianity and Bible truth:—

1. I endorse your views on the immortality of man; have been guilty of teaching that our immortality is a matter of the sovereign pleasure of God.

2. I most heartily endorse your position on communion, i. e., that it is a church ordinance, and not a denominational ordinance. Ever since I joined the Baptists (I was first a Methodist) I have been hearing both our private members and ministers say that the members of the church at A could not commune with the church at B, as a matter of right; that the church at A could invite the members at B, but only as a matter of courtesy. Now if the members at B cannot commune at A as a matter of right, it is because the law of the New Testament does not provide for it, and if Christ's law makes no provision for inter-communion as a matter of right, can a church invite members of other churches without violating the law regulating the observance of the Supper? I think not. Then such courtesies should not be extended. For one I am fighting under the banner of church communion only.

3. Again, we are agreed on the question of corrective discipline. In Matt. xviii. is recorded the law governing personal offenses, and has nothing to do with such offenses as drunkenness, covetousness, lying, etc. I hold and teach that he who is guilty of conduct reproachful to Christianity must be promptly excluded from church fellowship, though he may confess his sin and weep tears of blood. We are not to look at the pain and disgrace of the offender in case he is excluded, but we must look at the disgrace and injury to Christianity, as the result of his bad conduct, and exclude him. All the church need know is the fact of his guilt, and then it is ready for action. (See 1 Cor. v. 2-5, and 9-12). Neither here nor anywhere else in the New Testament is there any provision made for bearing acknowledgments and

retaining a member guilty of a gross offence, such as are mentioned above; and the too prevalent practice of endeavoring to forgive the drunkard and those guilty of similar offenses is keeping in our churches those who ought to be excluded. Under the present practice of forgiving and retaining the disorderly, a man can add crime to ungodliness, and at last come out "a member in full fellowship and good standing." In city, town and country our churches are groaning under their load of disorderly members. Now who is to blame? I answer, the ministry. They are the teachers, and they have either taught the churches wrong or have not taught them at all. M. LANBRIGHT.

ILLUSTRATIONS OF THE LIFE OF THE CHRISTIAN.

SOME India shawls are made of hundreds of pieces, some so small as to be only an eighth of an inch square, others of various sizes, some larger than a square half yard. Each piece, even the smallest, form a complete bit of the pattern, and the right side, being the under one on the frame on which it is woven, is not seen by the weaver until the piece is finished. The pieces are all so beautifully joined together that it is impossible to find the joining.

How often we are "discouraged because of the way," because we can only see the wrong side of the pattern our daily life is weaving. We forget that "the Lord knoweth them that are his," and that "all things work together for good to them that love God." And should we not try to remember also that though our place in the work may be a very small one, the great fabric, the church of God, would be incomplete if that place were not filled?

There is another point of similarity; each thread is bleached perfectly white before being re-dyed for the shawl; so we also, before becoming a part of the church, must be washed and made white in the blood of the lamb, "that he might present it to himself, a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle, or any such thing;" but that it should be holy and without blemish.

I know the hand that is guiding me through the shadows to the light; And I know that all blessing me is meted not aught. I know that the thorny path I tread is ruled by a golden line; And I know that the darker it is tangled thread, the richer the deep design.

THE INFLUENCE OF THE BAPTIST.

(The following private letter is from a young minister of promise, graduate of Mississippi College, Clinton. It is one among the multitudes that we have received, and are receiving. It should be sent every lover of a sound ministry to circulate the paper.—Ed.)

DEAR BRO. GRAVES:—I have had it in my heart for some time to write you. I want to thank you for the good influence which THE BAPTIST has ever had over me. I scarcely know how to do this as I desire. Had it not been for THE BAPTIST, with its precept upon precept, line after line, and its constant and fearless exposure of error, I feel confident that I would to day be a pulpit affiliationist, perhaps an open-communionist, and many other things of which a Baptist ought to be ashamed. But you have faithfully pointed out the "old paths," and insisted upon keeping to the Bible "landmarks," and this has greatly strengthened and assisted me to stand. I have never yet had a pastoral in any State or town, but what Pedobaptists have sought to have me affiliate with them. On one occasion they tried to force me to pulpit affiliation. It is really amusing to see what turns they will take and what plans they will lay, all in order to get Baptists to affiliate with them and thus endorse what we know to be false. I am proud to say that I have never yet brought disgrace upon the good Master and his cause by engaging in union meetings, practicing pulpit affiliation, or by endorsing "pedo societies" as churches of God, or their preachers as ministers of Christ. For this consistent course, and my soundness in Bible principles and practice, I must say that I am largely indebted to you and to your teachings. I felt like saying this much to you, Bro. Graves.

I know that you are advancing in years, and that your life-work will soon be ended. Be faithful still. Don't weary in your noble work. The lessons of truth must be repeated again and again. They must be kept constantly before the world. God will reward you, my brother.

Your sermon in THE BAPTIST of May 8th, ought to be published in pamphlet style. Can you not do this? I would like to get at least twenty-five or thirty copies of it. I love to circulate such literature.

You need to send THE BAPTIST to our reading-rooms at Union University. It was there I learned to love it. Since that time I have not failed to love and read it.

Bro. Graves, what I have written is especially for your eye. You can use it, though, as you think best. I only wanted to bid you be of good cheer. Doubtless there are hundreds and thousands of others, who, like myself, feel to thank you for the noble services you have done the cause of God and truth. Let us know if we shall expect a visit from you in the autumn or fall. In Christian love, Q. W. CARLISLE.

THE VOICE OF JESUS.

OFTEN the child of God with start and bound and bleeding by the most hard of fate, strives to penetrate the dark clouds of adversity; that hang like an unwelcome pall around the business of their life; while the "burden of the heavy yoke" with such violence, that the calyx of "hope" seems swept away, and all is left a drear and desolate wreck. But when the gentle voice of Jesus sweetly whispers, "Come unto me, and I will give you rest," I will breathe over the troubled depths of thy soul, "Blissful, peace be still;" and thy drooping bow will I straighten with the tints of an sunny path. What a change is wrought! At once the heart is lifted up from the depths of woe, to the heights of bliss; and made to cry aloud, "Oh! how great is thy goodness, which thou hast hid from those that fear thee!" "my Father, and my God!"

Again the voice of Jesus whispers, "Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in me." "I go to prepare a place for you." How sweet to be Christian to know that while toiling ever amid the shadows of earth, Jesus is preparing a home of rest in the Father's house, that "fadeeth not away." And, O, how the soul is lifted up!

Through trials to-day we are grieving, To-morrow pass away, to meet on earth no more, We know the happy home of Canaan will friends and joys restore.

The voice of Jesus cheers not alone, the Christian's heart, but to the stranger, tossed upon life's billows, longing for some haven of rest. In soft tones it speaks. It comes not like a phant's fleeting fancy, from some far away region of mystery, but close beside the lonely stranger it gently lingers; whispering the welcome which, come, come rest in my bosom; may thy bleeding heart may be noticed in the range of a savior's love. It bids him turn the tearful vision from the shadows and crumbed idols of earth; to that divine radiance, that emanates from God's pure and perfect throne. Down in the "deep" dark dungeons of earth, where no kindly human voice is heard, sweetly manifests the voice of redeeming love, saying to wretched man, "rest in me, for I am the way through which thou mayest escape to a home of light and love.

Along the dark, and cherries plains of earth, there blooms no flower of gariand oasis, whereas the weary feet may rest, but as we wander, the voice of Jesus.

"Lift thy glittering sash of light, I'll show you a better way; And still as darkness greets the sight, Beams a brighter day."

And even as our frail barges float onward, o'er the impetuous waste of time's undulating current, still that voice whispers, loved one pass not here, though earthly pleasures entice, thy stay, rest thou, thy anchor in heaven."

Baptist, Ia.

EMMA BRIART.

The Young South.

Edited by "UNCLE JAMES," to whom all communications for this department may be addressed care THE BAPTIST.

BOYS WANTED.

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ADDS of spirit, boys of will,
Days of morn, noon, and power,
Fit to cope with anything.

A BEAUTIFUL STORY.

A YOUNG man, who had been on a three-day debauch, wandered into the reading room of a hotel where he was well known, sat down, and stared moodily into the street. Presently a little girl of about ten years came in and looked timidly at the man. She was dressed in rags, but she had a sweet, intelligent face that could scarcely fail to excite sympathy.

HONESTY REWARDED.

GEORGE and Harry worked in the same shop; but as the working season was almost over, and there would be little work to do during the winter months, their employer informed them as they sat down on Saturday evening that he could give only one of them work hereafter.

That evening as they sat over their week's wages, Harry said to his friend: "Mr. Wilson had paid me a quarter of a dollar too much." "So he has not," said George, as he looked at his.

If he knew what you wanted, and I'm sure you worked hard enough to earn it." But Harry called and handed his employer the money, who thanked him for returning it, and went into the house. Mr. Wilson had paid them each a quarter of a dollar too much, on purpose, to test their honesty.

A LITTLE CANDLE, SHINING FAR.

A MOTHER, on the green hills of Vermont, was holding by the right hand a boy, six years old, mad with the love of the sea. And as he stood at the garden gate one morning, she said: "Edward, they tell me—for I never saw the ocean—that the great temptation of seamen's life is drink. Promise me, before you go, that you will never drink a drop of liquor."

QUEEN VICTORIA AND THE WATCH.

WE find the following story about in the paper: "Queen Victoria was noted in early years for her punctuality, and was apt to be impatient with those who were negligent as to time. She administered once a courteous reproof to the Duchess of Sunderland, who, as Mistress of Robes, was obliged to be near the Queen on public occasions.

PRETTY LADIES.

THREE young men, who, being on their summer vacation, had leisure to be a little silly, were strolling in front of a country post-office, waiting for the opening of the mail.

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"I hain't got any sisters at all," was the reply. "Cousins?" "Yes, but they're all boys." "Oh, you keep city boarders?" "No we don't, neither! My mother won't be bothered with them, they're so lousy," said Sammy, innocently.

On each face that calm cheerfulness that gives beauty to the plainest features, and through eyes not yet so beautiful there shone a gentle love that made them lovely to those who called at the cottage home.

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To all Sufferers from Pro-lapsed Organs.

I take this method of calling your attention to the celebrated Body and Lung Brace, which I have sold for the last eighteen years, that it may make it a benefit to my paper by making it a far greater good to you.

I do not claim that the Body and Lung Brace will cure every disease, but that it is a powerful and valuable aid in the treatment of all diseases of the lungs, and of the organs of the chest, and of the abdominal organs.

It expands and enlarges the lungs, and thus renders breathing free and easy, and thereby promotes digestion. It relieves chronic catarrhs of the lungs, and all other organs have filled.

It invariably relieves all cases of indigestion, and of flatulence, a disease that no medicine can reach, because, like a broken limb, it needs mechanical support.

Our IMPROVED BRACE. The original Brace, made only for ladies, was too weak for the ordinary sex. I remedied it by an important improvement, as the following will show:

TESTIMONIALS. I could not do better than to give the testimony of hundreds of eminent physicians and surgeons of the North, that refer to give a few Southern practitioners, who are known or may be written to.

Now, after a personal experience of nearly twenty years, and the added experience of more than one thousand ministers and public speakers upon whom I have fitted the Brace with invariable success, I am prepared to testify of its real merit.

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ANNUAL REPORT. The New York Herald's exploring expedition Jeannette is given up as lost. The rust and rot are doing considerable damage to the cotton crop in Madison county, Miss. The public debt up to the first of September, 1894, is \$1,924,569,974, less cash in the treasury.

Tenn. received 400,509 bales of cotton up to the first of September, the close of the commercial year. Its cash value was \$23,732,529. China has officially informed the Government of the removal of foreign trade restrictions upon her own subjects, and of her intention to push her enterprises to America.

Under the French Republic, the price of three per cent. Government Securities is two per cent. higher than in the most prosperous times of the last Empire. This tells its own story. The people of New Orleans are rejoicing over the completion of the Morgan railroad line to Houston, which secures to them quick connection with, and rapid transit to all the leading cities and towns in Texas.

General Ord telegraphs that Victoria's Indians have had cut up and demoralized, and that he will send them to the troops in New Mexico and Arizona. The Mexican troops neither attacked the Indians nor got in their way.

The Grand Jury of the U. S. District Court at New York City, after a careful investigation of all the facts connected with the Sewanahatchee disaster, have presented indictments for manslaughter against the captain, engineer and owners of that ill-fated vessel, and also against the "booby" inspectors of boilers, hulls, and life-saving apparatus.

The New York State Teachers' Convention at Canandaigua has adopted resolutions recommending the adoption of industrial education in common schools, better sanitary conditions in school surroundings, and the selection of better men for school superintendents and teachers and school boards designed only to fit for high schools.

The act of Congress incorporating the United States International Commission for the purpose of holding a World's Fair in New York in 1898, is celebrated on the 100th anniversary of the Treaty of Peace and the recognition of American independence by two commissioners from each State, with two alternates, and also names about one hundred gentlemen of the city of New York as inspectors.

The London Times, in discussing the monetary crisis in Germany, says: "The Imperial Bank of Germany is still paying gold for its notes in Berlin, but not in Bremen or Hamburg. This stoppage of gold payments is sufficiently significant. It need surprise nobody should Germany be forced to resort to silver everywhere as a legal tender. Gold and silver in the Imperial Bank of Germany are not distinguished in the weekly returns, but it is currently reported that the stock of gold is really very small."

A Good Advice. "To see if it is long years of bed-ridden sickness and suffering, costing \$200 per year, total, \$1,200—all of which was stopped by three bottles of Hop Bitters taken by my wife, who has done her own housework for the last six years, and I want every body to know it for their benefit." JOHN WATSON, Butler, N.Y.

physician of repute prove that the practice is very injurious." Of thirty-seven men from the habit of smoking, who had been in the habit of smoking, in twenty-seven men found various disorders of the circulation and digestion, palpitation of the heart, and more or less craving for strong drink; and twelve had slight ulceration of the mouth. All were treated for weakness and nervousness, but successfully only after they had relinquished smoking. The Times says of this smoking: "One of the worst effects is the provocation of an appetite for liquor, which, indeed, is not confined to the young, but which grown persons are better able to manage. Where boys drink to excess they are almost invariably smokers; and it is very rare to find a man over fond of spirits who is not addicted to tobacco. Men who want to give up drinking usually have to give up smoking as well."

The great increase of smoking among boys in recent years is one of the alarming tendencies of our time. There ought at once to be inaugurated a vigorous anti-tobacco crusade throughout the land.

DEAR BRO. MEXX, Ed. The Central Methodist, Catsburg, Ky. I see in the last Central that you want a remedy for Sick Headache. If you will use a remedy that you advertise in your paper every week, I am sure you will be greatly benefited thereby, and I believe have. I have been a sufferer from Sick Headache, and can say almost from infancy, and never found any remedy I could get, and never found anything to do me any good until I used Simmons' Liver Regulator. It has been nearly three years since I first used it, and I have never had Sick Headache since, and I have never used but two packages and a half of the Regulator. I had a sister last Spring that had from one to two attacks of Sick Headache every week. I sent her half of a package, and she says she has not had it since. I feel for any one that suffers with that terrible disease, and I hope you will give it a trial. C. S. MORRIS, Bowling Green, Va.

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Everybody should add the fact that the best remedy known for Coughs, Colds, etc., is Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. Price only 25 cents a bottle.

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