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## PERSONAL AND PRACTICAL.

"December as pleasant as May" is not only poetry; it is a fact as regards last December and this May.

When Brother C. E. Smith, our honored missionary to Africa, and a native African boy sang "Safe in the arms of Jesus," in the African dialect, it sent a thrill of joy through the Convention. When they closed the members of the Convention arose and sang it in English, making the very rafters ring with the echoes of the song.

The place of amusement at the Jamestown Exposition is called "The Warpath." It corresponds to the Midway of the Chicago Exposition; Vanity Fair, of the Nashville Exposition, and the Pike, of the St. Louis Exposition. It has some very excellent attractions. We went only in one or two of them, but as far as we could see they were all good.

The *Religious Herald* tells the following story about Dr. A. M. Poindexter: "Some one, gently rebuking him for apparent severity of manner, shouted in his ear-trumpet, 'you can catch more flies with honey than with vinegar.' The old war-horse removed his trumpet and replied in the quiet voice so often used by the deaf, 'Yes, but I am not in the business of catching flies.'"

Dr. J. J. Taylor, returned missionary from Brazil, says that his parish embraces about one million people in six hundred square miles. The city of Rio De Janeiro, where he labors, has a population of about 800,000. Suppose there were no more Baptist preachers in Tennessee than there are in his parish, that would give only two Baptist preachers to the whole of Tennessee. Think of what that would mean!

Admiral Robley D. Evans has started a crusade against strong drink of every kind with the purpose of driving and keeping it out of the navy. The enlisted man who violates the rules he lays down, by intoxication while on shore, is given the limit of punishment. The officer, whatever his rank, who shows signs of excessive indulgence gets a reprimand which he will be apt long to remember.

On the walls of the Baptist building is the following inscription: "The Baptists of Virginia led unswervingly for religious freedom: First imprisonment, 1768. First petition, 1770. The battle was won 1786." Another inscription on the walls of the Baptist building is: "The Baptists were the first and the only propounders of absolute liberty, just and true liberty, equal and impartial liberty. Locke." On the outside of the building is inscribed: "Religious liberty was from the first a trophy of the Baptists. Bancroft."

The Guide Book at the Exposition states that there is a place in the Exposition called "Lover's Lane." We asked a gentleman in the grounds if he could tell us where the Warpath was. He said that it was in a certain part of the grounds. We then asked him where Lover's Lane was. He said he did not know, but he supposed it led to the Warpath. We asked him if he was married. He said that he was not. We told him that it took an old bachelor to make a remark of that kind. A married man of course would not have said it;—he would have been afraid to do so.

Nearly all of the paper was taken up last week with accounts of the great meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Richmond. We also give a large part of it this week to the remainder of the Convention, and to the meeting of the General Baptist Convention, in Norfolk. To get all this in we were compelled to leave over a number of contributed articles and also some important news matter. But there is nothing perhaps of more special interest to the Baptists of Tennessee now, than the accounts of these Conventions. We hope to get straightened out in a week or two and will resume the normal contents of the paper.

The Laymen's Movement, set on foot at Richmond is the culmination of a movement which was begun in Tennessee some seventeen or eighteen years ago. It was suggested by the lamented Stacy Lord, then of Chattanooga, later of Greenville, Miss., now a citizen of Heaven. Several laymen's conferences were held in Tennessee, led by him. A similar movement was started about the same time in Virginia. It is gratifying to know that the threads of these two movements are now gathered into one great Southern organization. There are large possibilities in it. We trust they may be fully realized.

One of the most eloquent addresses delivered before the Convention was by a Chinese boy on Monday night. He used good English, his voice was clear, his enunciation distinct. When in his address he said, "How I wish I could sound one bugle note that would inspire you to send the gospel to my benighted people," it sent a thrill through the great Convention. Think of it! Here was this Chinese boy pleading with Southern Baptists to send missionaries to his people. And out of the nearly two million Southern Baptists comparatively few have given anything at all to help send missionaries to them. Shall we not heed the cry of this boy? It is the Macedonian cry, calling us to come over and help the millions of China.

The Baptist Argus announces that Dr. Edwin M. Poteat will, in connection with his presidential duties, take to the lecture platform. His subjects will be for the platform, "Mazzani: A Definition of Patriotism," "Public Spirit: Ants, Bees and Men, with a lesson from Sir Reynard, the Fox," "The Reign of Law," "Robert Browning, with Readings," and "Goethe." For churches and religious assemblies he has, "The Renaissance of Wonder," "Christus Victor, or the Decisive Battle of the Nineteenth Century," "Christian Education Defined." As the *Argus* says, Dr. Poteat is finely equipped in "person, spirit, mind and voice for the platform." Lectures on the subjects announced will be deeply interesting, and at the same time instructive.

The following story is told: A darky went to the rector of a very fashionable church on Fifth Avenue, New York, and told him that he wanted to join his church. The rector, realizing the incongruity of it and not wishing to hurt the darky's feelings, said, "You go home and pray the Lord for guidance, and then, at the end of another week if you still have the desire to join the church, come and talk it over with me again." After some days the darky appeared at the rectory. "Ah've dutifully prayed to the Lord for guidance in this heah matter, and He says to me, says He, 'Rastus, Ah wouldn't try to get into that church of Ah was you, for Ah've been trying to get in thar Myself for the last ten years an' Ah haven't succeeded yet.'" We fear there is too much truth in the story.

When you go to the Exposition be sure and visit the cyclorama called "The Battle of the Merrimac and the Monitor," which is a remarkably realistic reproduction of the battle, which occurred in Hampton Roads, just off of Norfolk, on March 8, 1862, and which, being the first battle between iron clad boats, revolutionized the naval warfare of the world, and led to the construction of armored vessels in the navies of all the nations. We do not know when we have seen anything so interesting, so thrilling as this cyclorama. No visitor to the Exposition can afford to miss it. Also you ought to see the cyclorama called "The Battle of Gettysburg," nearby. This is a painting and not a realistic reproduction of the battle. But it is very fine. This is said to be the original painting of the battle of Gettysburg.

Mill Creek Baptist Church celebrated its 110th anniversary last Sunday. Talks were made in the Sunday-school by Dr. W. C. Golden, Judge R. R. Caldwell and Prof. R. L. Wright. Addresses were delivered in the church services by the pastor, Rev. S. C. Reid, by Dr.

W. C. Golden, and the editor. Mill Creek is the second oldest Baptist Church in Middle Tennessee, the Red River Church at Adams Station being older by some eight or ten years. The Buffalo Ridge, Cherokee and Sinking Creek Churches in the Holston Association are also about ten years older. Mill Creek is the mother of all the Baptist Churches in and around Nashville. It has had a long and noble history not unmixed with sadness. During the war the house was occupied by Federal troops, and the church was scattered. About 1870 it was reorganized. It now has about 100 members. Rev. S. C. Reid, of Antioch, is the faithful pastor.

The (N.Y.) *Christian Advocate* says: "The day is near when health departments in all American cities and towns will check the spread of disease by attacking the breeding-places of the mosquito." Formerly it was the custom for people to kill mosquitos by slapping them with their hand. That was good. Then they made mosquito bars to protect themselves from the mosquito. That was better. Now they have concluded that the best thing to do is to kill the mosquitos in their breeding places so as to prevent them from hatching. And that is best. Now, is there not an analogy between mosquitos and saloons? At first people would try to kill a few saloons. Then they tried to protect themselves from the saloons. Meanwhile, the breeding places of the saloons—the breweries and distilleries—are allowed to exist and turn out their products, to bite and poison and ruin the human system, not only physically, but morally. Now, people are proposing to go after the breeding places of the saloon, and destroy them.

Even Illinois—Illinois, which, of course, includes Chicago—is waking up on the temperance question. Brother J. K. Shields, State Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, says in the *Standard* of April 27: "Our local option bill providing for vote by township, city and village, passed the Senate April 17, by a vote of thirty-five to six. The bill is now before the House and the battle is on which will determine whether or not the Representatives of the State of Illinois, and especially the Representatives of Chicago, are going to grant to the people of the State this just measure. The Brown Residence District Local Option bill also passed the Senate on third reading by a vote of thirty-one to one. The Glackin bill, prohibiting minors from entering dance-halls where intoxicating liquor is sold or given away, passed the Senate almost unanimously. The Highwood bill has passed the House and is now up for second reading in the Senate and will, in all probability, pass that body this week." We have not learned whether any of these bills have passed both Houses and become a law, but we hope that they will. And thus saloons are being driven out, even from their strongholds.

Mrs. Wm. McKinley, the widow of President McKinley, died at her home in Canton, Ohio, last Sunday. She was a noble Christian woman and a loving wife. Her life was saddened by the death of two children in their youth, soon after which she became an invalid, and remained so until the day of her death. But throughout all her sufferings she was sweet and patient and uncomplaining. The devotion of President McKinley to her was beautiful. She came first with him. No cares of State were great enough to cause him to neglect her. He stopped suddenly in the midst of a trip to the Pacific Coast to return home with her when she was taken ill. When President McKinley was in Nashville during the Centennial Exposition, we saw him do a very graceful thing. He was on the rostrum in the Auditorium on the grounds. Some prominent official was speaking. We noticed that President McKinley was restless. He paid little attention to the speaker, but kept his eyes fixed on the door. All at once, right in the midst of the official's speech, he got up, walked off the platform, met Mrs. McKinley, who had just come in, escorted her to the platform and seated her by him. It was hard on the speaker, but it was as fine an exemplification of a husband's devotion as we ever saw.

## HE LEADETH ME.

In "pastures green?" Not always.  
 Sometimes He who knoweth best  
 In kindness leadeth me in weary ways,  
 Where heavy shadows be,  
 Out of the sunshine warm and soft and bright,  
 Out of the sunshine into darkest night.  
 I oft would faint with sorrow and affright,  
 Only for this—I know He holds my hand.  
 So, whether led in green or desert land,  
 I trust, altho' I cannot understand.

And by "still waters?" No, not always so,  
 Ofttimes the heavy tempests 'round me blow,  
 And o'er my soul the waves and billows go.

But when the storm beats loudest,  
 And I cry aloud for help, the Master  
 Standeth by and whispers to my soul,  
 "Lo, it is I."

Above the tempest wild I hear him say,  
 "Beyond the darkness lies the perfect day,  
 In every path of thine I lead the way."

So whether on the hilltops  
 High and fair I dwell,  
 Or in the sunless valleys where the  
 Shadows lie—What matter?  
 He is there. And more than this,  
 Where e'er the pathway lead,  
 He gives to me no helpless, broken reed,  
 But His own hand sufficient for my need.  
 So where He leads me I can safely go,  
 And in the blest hereafter I shall know  
 Why in His wisdom He has led me so.

—Exchange.

## Southern Baptist Convention

### Fifty-Second Session

(Continued from Last Week).

#### SATURDAY MORNING SESSION.

Typical convention weather prevailed on the morning of the third day of the Convention. Bright sunshine and balmy air invigorated all.

Vice-president S. Y. Jameson, of Georgia, presided, and called the Convention to order at 9:30 o'clock in the auditorium building. The opening prayer was offered by Dr. A. C. Graves, of Kentucky. Dr. B. W. Spillman, of North Carolina, chairman of the committee on time and place, reported that Hot Springs, Ark., had been selected as the meeting place of the Convention in 1908.

The time of meeting has not been fixed, but Dr. Spillman reported that another meeting of the committee would be held today, and it is expected that a full report will be presented at tonight's session.

Secretary O. F. Gregory, of Virginia, in a brief address moved that the ladies of the Woman's Missionary Union be considered as delegates to the Convention and that the distinctive red delegate's badge be presented to each. The motion unanimously prevailed and Mrs. M. W. Barcafer, of Missouri, has the honor of being the first woman delegate to receive the badge.

#### EDUCATION.

Dr. P. T. Hale, of Kentucky, submitted the report of the committee on education, which was accepted.

The report gives a tabulated statement showing that school property under the convention is located in fourteen States. These institutions have upon their rolls 1,274 instructors and 22,518 students. The value of the property is \$6,594,385, and the endowment amounts to \$3,113,704; total investment, \$9,708,089. Continuing, the report makes the following findings:

1. That most of our institutions are in debt, of which they should be promptly relieved.
2. That our schools are a great unifying force. President J. W. Conger writes: "Our Baptist schools in Arkansas have saved the day for the Baptists in all our divisions, and they are now the unifying power of the denomination in this State."
3. There is no well defined, generally accepted plan of ownership. Some schools are owned by stock companies, some by an association, or by a group of associations, and some by the State conventions.
4. The home board is doing a much needed and extremely important work through our mountain schools, and its hands should be strengthened in its efforts in this direction.
5. There is not one Baptist young person in ten in our Baptist schools of those who ought to be there.

6. There are fewer real colleges for women than for men; but Tennessee is just opening one, and Virginia is raising a half million dollars for a woman's college in connection with Richmond College.

7. From the best figures available, North Carolina leads in the number of students in Baptist schools, with Texas and Kentucky following far behind.

8. In the number of ministerial students Texas leads, with Missouri a close second—each having nearly as many as any other two States.

9. In property and equipment—exclusive of endowment—Texas and Virginia lead, with Georgia a close third.

10. In permanent endowment Missouri leads, with Kentucky a close second.

11. In proportion to her endowment, Arkansas is teaching more young people than any other State. Louisiana, while weak educationally, is bravely going forward in her educational enterprises.

The report also contained the following recommendations:

1. That a campaign for Baptist education be pressed and that pastors, editors and the people generally be urged to press this great work with consecrated vigor.

2. That an effort be made to bring into the schools for training those whom God has called into the ministry of His Son.

Southern white Baptists number 1,800,000 and have only about 1,500 educated for the ministry—one to every 12,000.

3. That pastors urge upon the men of large means the duty of giving liberally, while living, to the institutions, and of leaving bequests to them in their wills.

4. That we study the subject of correlation of our schools, and that we strive to equip and endow the institutions so that they may at least be the equal of their strongest competitors.

4. That not only the Bible be taught in all our schools, but also Baptist principles and history—without, of course, forcing upon students of other denominations our views.

6. That the Baptists loyally patronize their own schools.

7. That the people earnestly pray and study as to whether the time has not now come when the nearly two million white Baptists of the South should found at some city, that may be decided by the convention, a great Baptist university—one that shall be worthy of the great denomination.

The report further showed that the endowment fund of the various Baptist schools and colleges in the South aggregated something over \$9,000,000 and that of this amount \$6,594,385 was in property values.

#### THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Following the report on Education, Dr. E. Y. Mullins, President of the Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, submitted a report. Dr. Mullins said that the trustees of the Seminary had decided yesterday to undertake to increase the endowment of the Seminary to \$1,000,000.

Dr. W. W. Landrum, of Georgia, officially announced the election of Dr. C. S. Gardner, of Virginia, to succeed Dr. E. C. Dargan as professor of Homiletics in the Seminary.

Ex-Governor W. J. Northern, of Georgia, addressed the Convention, earnestly pleading for the \$1,000,000 endowment which the Seminary needs.

Dr. W. E. Hatcher, of Virginia, followed, urging that the fiftieth birthday of the Seminary be celebrated in 1909 with a jubilee meeting of the Convention in the city of Louisville, at which time the announcement shall be made of the complete success of the movement to raise a million dollars.

Rev. A. T. Robertson, the Rev. John H. Eager and the Rev. J. B. Marvin addressed the Convention in the interests of the Seminary and general education. "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" was sung by the congregation, and prayer was offered by Dr. J. M. Frost, of Tennessee.

Vice-president S. Y. Jameson, of Georgia, released the chair to Vice-president J. B. Marvin, of Kentucky.

#### WOMAN'S TRAINING SCHOOL.

Dr. Mullins spoke on the "Woman's Training School" in Louisville, explaining its methods and relating some of its needs at present. Dr. Frost offered a resolution endorsing the school and commending the work already achieved in it.

The Rev. W. E. Hatcher took the stand and briefly stated that his only business was to announce that the \$20,000 needed for the school had to be raised, and then in his inimitable way he proceeded to "lift the collection." Pledges by churches and individuals amounted to something like \$4,000, which Dr. Hatcher said was a splendid "starter," and he had no doubt the churches, under the inspiration of the women, would fill up the financial vacuum in a short while.

#### HOOR FOR PRAYER.

Promptly at noon all business was suspended and the body joined with Dr. J. M. Frost in prayer. The Convention had been made aware that the "Northern Anniversaries," which is the Northern Baptist Convention, now in session in Washington, would have a special prayer service at noon. The Southern Baptist Convention suspended business at that moment to join with the Northern brethren in prayer, and Dr. Frost led.

Rev. H. A. Sumrell, of Louisiana, brought the message to the Convention from Dr. W. S. Penick, of Shreveport, who is supposed to be on his death-bed. The message was responded to by prayer, offered by Secretary Gregory for the aged and dying minister.

#### GREETINGS FROM EPISCOPALIANS.

The secretary read a telegram of greeting from the Episcopal Council of the Diocese, of Virginia, now in session at Warrenton.

The Convention arose to hear this most cordial Christian greeting, and the secretary was instructed to make suitable reply in the name of the Convention.

The following additional committees were appointed:

On Enrollment—J. J. Bennett, George W. Eller, H. Beauchamp, J. G. Bow, C. P. Stealey, W. A. Kingsley, E. D. West, E. O. Ware, M. J. Breaker, W. P. Blake, R. H. Tardy, Sumpter Johnson, W. T. Derieux, W. C. Golden, Charles H. Ryland.

On Nominations—F. C. McConnell, George Hill'yer, P. V. Bomar, W. R. L. Smith, J. E. Healy, R. H. Carroll, A. T. Robertson, T. J. Taylor, J. I. Allen, F. K. Mathews, W. C. Foster, H. A. Porter, W. T. Amis, C. V. Edwards, J. J. Darlington.

On Woman's Work—C. A. Stakely, W. Russell Owen, R. T. Vann, J. H. Edwards, J. N. Prestridge, J. E. Hampton, William Cooksey, C. W. Duke, J. U. H. Wharton.

On Reports of Vice-presidents—Preston Blake, R. C. Buckner, F. Y. Campbell, Z. T. Cody, W. A. Hobson, C. B. Waller, E. G. Willingham, J. A. Hatchett, J. W. Lynch.

On Time and Place for Next Convention Meeting—I. J. Van Ness, I. F. Love, W. A. Smith, T. T. Eaton, C. C. Coleman, L. P. Leavell, H. E. Tralle, William Lunceford, M. M. McGee, E. Hez Swem, J. Harry Taylor, W. L. Mahone, Robert Hall.

The morning session closed with brief devotional exercises.

#### SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

President E. W. Stephens, of Missouri, called the Convention to order at 3 o'clock.

After the large audience had sung enthusiastically, "In the Sweet Bye and Bye," Dr. A. U. Boone, of Tennessee, led a fervent prayer.

#### SUNDAY-SCHOOL BOARD'S WORK.

Dr. R. G. Bowers, of Arkansas, read the report on Sunday-schools, and followed the reading by a short address in which he praised the work of the Baptist Young People's Union, which, he said, was a great influence for good and for progress.

President Stephens introduced President S. P. Brooks, of Baylor University, Waco, Texas, who also spoke on the subject of Sunday-schools. President Brooks made a fine talk and held his audience despite his statement in his introduction that every good Baptist knew as much regarding the subject of Sunday-schools as he did. He paid a tribute to Dr. Willingham, Dr. Gray and to the men who gave so generously to the cause of foreign missions on Friday night, when \$136,000 was raised.

Dr. W. D. Nowlin, of Owensboro, Ky., next took the speakers' stand and made an interesting address on Sunday-schools to "drive home" the points made by those who preceded him. "The great thing," he said, "is not only to plan your work, but to work your plan. An ax won't cut, but put a strong man behind it, and it will perform." With such striking examples he explained that Sunday-school workers needed "enthusiasm."

In answer to questions, Dr. Nowlin said that Owensboro had a population of 20,000, and that his Sunday-school reached the immense number of 1,303, and he added: "I did not use premiums, ribbons, candy, nor did I promise a picnic." He added that Dr. Hunt, of Louisville, had run him a close second, but had not reached the high attendance, although he won out on general average.

The next speaker was Dr. B. G. Lowrey, of Mississippi, the president of the Blue Mountain Female College of that State. He was introduced by Dr. Frost. Dr. Lowrey has made a specialty of training young women to be leaders in the religious work of the day, particularly the Sunday-school work. His very interesting address was in the form of a recital of his experience and observation in this field of labor. The speaker

showed that he was enthusiastic in the work. He believes that the true end of education is to make men and women more useful in the Sunday-school and church work.

Rev. M. P. Hunt, of Louisville, Ky., declared that he had but three things to say, and about the first thing he did say was in reply to Dr. Nowlin, of Owensboro, alleging humorously that Dr. Nowlin's boast that he had beaten his (Dr. Hunt's) school was very true, as far as it went. The Owensboro school had beaten his one Sunday, but on the other fifty-one Sundays of the same year the Louisville school, over which he presides as pastor, was ahead of Owensboro.

Corresponding Secretary J. M. Frost, of Tennessee, spoke by special request. He assembled five field secretaries of the Board about him and held an experience meeting, in which Rev. Harvey Beauchamp, of Arkansas, W. E. Brittain, of Texas, B. W. Spillman, of North Carolina, R. M. Inlow, of Missouri, and Prof. L. P. Leavell, of Oxford, Miss., spoke briefly, defining their work.

Dr. Frost closed the discussion with an address on the general work of the Board.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Barcafer, of Missouri, sang as a duet, the beautiful song entitled, "I am happy in Him."

#### BARON UXKULL.

Dr. J. B. Gambrell, of Texas, introduced to the Convention, Baron Uxkull, of Russia, representative of the Baptist Union of Russia. The Baron was received most cordially, all the members rising to greet him.

Baron Uxkull has a splendid voice that can abundantly fill the Auditorium, but his faulty English made it a little hard for him to be understood. He addressed the Convention briefly in the interest of Baptist work in Russia. He explained the aims and purposes of the Baptist Theological Seminary, which the Union is seeking to put on a firm financial foundation at Reval, Russia. The Baron explained the needs of the seminary, but did not explain, as he might have done, that out of his private income he is a very large contributor to the seminary. The sum of \$100,000 is needed to put the seminary in good shape. However, the speaker did not make any special appeal for money, but rather asked for the sympathy and the prayers of the Baptist brotherhood.

Dr. J. N. Prestridge, of Kentucky, introduced the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That this body cordially sympathize with the effort of the Baptist Union of Russia to establish a Baptist Theological Seminary, at Reval, and commends this enterprise to the good will and liberality of the Baptist's brotherhood. This seminary enterprise is represented by Baron Uxkull, the treasurer of the Russian Baptist Union, whom the union has sent to enlist in their work the sympathy and co-operation of their American brethren.

#### TEMPERANCE AND OTHER MATTERS.

Under the head of miscellaneous business a number of matters were rushed through.

Judge Geo. Hillyer, of Georgia, offered a resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to arrange for a mass-meeting at the next annual meeting of the Convention to take action upon the laxity noticeable in the execution of the laws of the land. Judge Hillyer made a strong speech in advocacy of his resolution. Mr. F. S. Woodson, a Virginia delegate, moved that it be referred to the Legislatures of the various States, contending that the question raised was a subject for their consideration, and not for a church body. He added that the way for church people to remedy the evil complained of was to deal with it as citizens, and not as church members. "Vote right and elect the right kind of legislators," said he, "and the laws will be executed all right."

The chair very properly declared the motion to refer out of order, as the Convention has no authority over legislatures, and Judge Hillyer's resolution was adopted.

#### RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

Dr. E. E. Folk, of Tennessee, offered the following resolution:

Whereas, the greatest enemy of the cause of Christ, which we, as a Convention, in part represent, is the legalized liquor traffic.

Whereas, all of the States composing this Convention have more or less of prohibition territory within their borders;

Resolved, That we respectfully, but very earnestly, request the officials of our national government not to issue privilege taxes for the sale of liquor where its sale is prohibited by the laws of the State.

2. That we urge our Senators and Representatives in Congress to pass the Hepburn-Dolliver bill, or the Littlefield-Carmack bill, or some similar measure, making liquor shipped from one State into another subject to the laws of the State into which it is imported.

Dr. Edgar E. Folk, of Tennessee, was at his best in a strong temperance address that completely captured the Convention. The delegates arose at the conclusion of his speech and gave him the chautauqua salute, waving their handkerchiefs violently.

Ex-Governor W. J. Northern, of Georgia, introduced a resolution indorsing the action of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention in establishing a Baptist settlement at Swannanoa Gap in the Blue Ridge mountains, east of Asheville, N. C.

The resolution was opposed by Rev. I. P. Trotter, of Mississippi, who characterized it as a "religious land sale," and there resulted a considerable parliamentary wrangle over various amendments, motions to reconsider, and to table. The paper was finally amended by striking out all mention of the prices and sale of lots, and by the insertion of a clause that the Convention assumed no financial responsibility for the movement. The paper was then adopted by a large majority.

The Convention adjourned at 6:30 o'clock, with prayer.

#### SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION.

The audience was not half so large as at the previous night services, but the enthusiasm was apparently unabated.

President E. W. Stephens rapped for order at 8 o'clock and the congregation sang "Son of my Soul."

Prayer was offered by Dr. J. M. Weaver, of Kentucky, the oldest minister in point of service in the bounds of the Convention.

President Stephens read the following note sent to the platform by a delegate, who, he said, was evidently in great fear of the ladies. The note read:

"Please ask the ladies to remove their hats for the benefit of suffering humanity."

There was a perfect scramble among the ladies to comply with the request, while the delegates laughed complacently.

#### LIVELY SCRAMBLES.

The following was therefore introduced by Dr. A. J. S. Thomas, chairman of the committee on order of business:

"The committee on order of business recommend that the meetings for Monday be held in the Grace Street Baptist Church."

Dr. Thomas explained the reasons for the resolution, saying:

"It is better for a small room to be well filled than to have the large Auditorium only partially filled, and, further, that it is expected that the attendance will be greatly reduced on Monday, as many of the visitors will have departed. This condition will not be exceptional, as it has been the history of the Convention that the last day has a much smaller attendance."

Dr. A. J. S. Thomas wished it distinctly understood that in proposing to meet tomorrow in the Grace Street Church, no reflection whatever was intended upon the arrangements made by the local committee. He felt that the few delegates who will remain for the Monday sessions of the Convention will enjoy coming closer together in a smaller auditorium, such as the Grace Street Baptist Church. He made the recommendation after consulting with the other members of the committee—Drs. Frost, Gray, Willingham and Mullins—and they all agreed that the church auditorium would be more suitable for the Monday meetings, and, though appreciating fully the trouble and expense of fitting up the Auditorium, and being thoroughly familiar with convention conditions, they assumed the entire responsibility of suggesting the change, although the Convention declined on Friday to change its place of meeting.

#### ELLETT TAKES THE FLOOR.

Mr. T. H. Ellett, of this city, and a member of the Board of Aldermen, took the floor in opposition to the recommendation to move. Mr. Ellett told of the work done by the local committee, of the \$16,000 spent by the city in fitting up the Auditorium for the gathering, and stated that the moving of the Convention to any other place would be in the nature of a reflection on the hospitable arrangements made in Richmond. The trouble was not with the Auditorium, he stated, but in the disorder and confusion in the back of the house.

Rev. Ryland Knight, secretary, and Mr. E. D. Starke, chairman of the local committee, stated that they would not consider it a reflection on them if the Convention removed to some other place. The vote was then taken, the Convention deciding by a large majority to remain in the City Auditorium to the end.

#### HOME MISSION BOARD'S WORK.

Dr. J. B. Gambrell, of Texas, submitted a lengthy report on "Our Fields."

Dr. W. E. Hatcher, of Virginia, reported for the committee on "Our Forces."

Corresponding Secretary B. D. Gray, of Georgia, himself reported on the subject "Our Finances."

Dr. J. B. Gambrell, of Texas, discussed the reports in his characteristically witty, scholarly and statesman-like way, greatly delighting his auditors. He spoke very feelingly of what he had seen of the work of the Home Board from day to day.

Dr. W. E. Hatcher, of Virginia, the next speaker, dealt largely with statistics, showing the actual work of the Boards. He closed with a strong appeal to the Convention and the Southern Baptists to rally to the support of the Home Board, and by their liberal contributions forbid another report that the organization is in debt.

#### DR. GRAY SPEAKS.

Dr. Gray closed the discussion with an impassioned address on the good work of the Home Board. The secretary is an enthusiastic worker and a believer in big tasks. The burden of his address was "big work." He spoke of the board's labors on the frontier, of its responsibilities in Cuba and the Philippines; its duty to the incoming immigrants in this country; its duty to the Southern negro. His conclusion was a most eloquent appeal to the Southern Baptist brotherhood to finance the board to the extent of at least a half-million dollars, every cent of which, he declared, can be "judicially expended in the Master's cause within a stone's throw of your door."

Dr. Gray called for no subscriptions, but left the cause he eloquently plead for on the hearts of his hearers, who, he assumed, were the representatives of the people who in the end furnish the "sinews of war."

The reports which had been submitted were readily adopted by the Convention.

Several announcements were made, and then the Convention, which was tired out after a long day's work, most cordially adopted the motion to adjourn until 9:30 o'clock Monday morning.

#### SUNDAY SERVICES.

The Lord's Day was wholly given over to divine services. Every Protestant pulpit in Richmond was placed at the disposal of the Baptist preachers and the old, old story of the Cross was heard in every quarter of the city.

It was the pleasure of this scribe to hear Dr. Len G. Broughton, of Atlanta, Ga., at Grove Avenue Baptist Church, at 11 o'clock, on the theme, "How Can the Church of Today Win?"

In the afternoon a mass-meeting on "Evangelism" was held in Grove Avenue Church, presided over by Dr. W. W. Landrum, of Atlanta, Ga. Addresses on that vital theme were delivered by Drs. L. G. Broughton, of Georgia, H. H. Hutten, of North Carolina, John E. White, of Georgia, and others.

A great mass meeting of laymen was held in the First Baptist Church, Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, ex-Governor W. J. Northern, of Georgia, presiding. The services were opened by singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." Will D. Upshaw, editor of the *Golden Age*, of Atlanta, Ga., offered prayer. President J. T. Henderson, of Bristol, Tenn., also prayed, as did also President B. G. Lowrey, of Blue Mountain, Miss.

Hon. Mornay Williams, of New York, Hon. Joshua Levering, of Baltimore, and J. Harry Tyler, of Baltimore spoke on enlisting laymen in greater financial sacrifices for missions. B. G. Lowrey, of Mississippi, E. W. Stephens, of Missouri, W. D. Upshaw, of Georgia, O. F. Laughton, of South Carolina, W. H. Mayfield, of Missouri, and J. C. F. Kyger, of Texas, made brief addresses. The exercises closed with several short fervent prayers.

#### MONDAY MORNING SESSION.

It was a small audience that gathered to witness the closing day's session of the Convention, but the program was one of the most interesting of the entire gathering. There was a ripple of excitement occasioned by a radical disagreement between members of the Convention.

Considering the somewhat strenuous Sunday spent by the delegates, their promptness in assembling on the morning of the last day was remarkable. At 9:30 o'clock at least 300 delegates were in their seats and they seemed as eager to take part in the proceedings as they were at any previous meeting.

After brief devotional exercises the Convention proceeded to business.

Secretary Lansing Burrows, of Tennessee, made an effort to counteract the effect of the bad acoustic properties by offering a resolution providing that the delegates be seated in the middle tier of seats, where they might the better hear the speakers, and that the members of the Woman's Missionary Union and other privileged visitors be seated in the side tiers. The resolution was adopted, and the ushers were instructed ac-

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## WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

AUXILIARY TO SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

(Mrs. W. C. Golden.)

The nineteenth annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union was held in the beautiful Second Baptist Church of Richmond, May 16, 17 and 19. Although the house is exceedingly large, it was filled at all the services.

In her annual address, the President, Miss F. E. S. Heck, said in part: "The annual meeting of a body which claims to live but for the fulfillment of the will of God must be a solemn, if joyous, occasion. The most sacred feast of the Jews was most joyous. Today we would be most ungrateful if we did not return to God heartfelt thanks for what he has enabled us to do in the past year, honoring the labor of our hands beyond our hopes. This year's report is the best in the history of the Union.

"The motto of our Union is 'Go forward,' and we are tempted to trace the wonderful development since its beginning in a Presbyterian Sunday-school room of this city nineteen years ago." Passing on, she discussed the problem of meeting the tide of immigration that is pouring into the South year by year. She also spoke of the enlisting of the children and young people in the work, and other signs of progress all over the South.

In "A Survey of the Year," also prepared by Miss Heck, she tells of the feeling of responsibility with which we entered this past year. The resignation of Miss Armstrong, who, for eighteen years had so successfully directed our work, left a vacancy that only God could help to fill in the furtherance of His work. The Executive Committee at Baltimore was made up of almost entirely new officers, as only five of the old members retained their former positions.

At the first Executive Committee meeting May 18, after arranging to restock the room with current missionary supplies and for the issue of the Missionary Topic Card, it was decided to issue a complete missionary program for each month. This was to be sent free to each society, additional copies to be purchased at the rate of five cents each. In this way "Our Mission Fields" was started, which has proved to be such a boon to our work. Its popularity has been proven by the increasing number published each quarter. Manuscript was ready for the first issue by June 13, when another Executive Committee meeting was held. At this time the Committee, in the name of Woman's Missionary Union, accepted the gift of \$1,402 from the Maryland Union Association for the foundation and maintenance of a Missionary Literature Department. At the October meeting of the Executive Committee, Mrs. Tucker having resigned as Office Secretary, Miss Elizabeth Poulson was elected Assistant Corresponding Secretary, as it was thought best not to elect a Corresponding Secretary until the annual meeting in Richmond.

Box work has been carried on as formerly, the literature for the Weeks of Prayer for Foreign Missions in January and for Home Missions in March has been prepared. Gifts for these objects showed a large increase over former efforts. The Tichenor Memorial Fund was pressed so that at the close of the year, \$18,862.27 was reported in the hands of the Home Board for church building. Of this amount \$2,000 was given by the Sunday-school Board.

The survey ended with a testimonial to the close knit sympathy, purpose and plans of the Union workers as a whole. The key note of the year was conference, and in this lies the secret of the success of the year. "The Union has been fortunate in its corps of editors—Mrs. W. S. Leake, of Danville, Va., editing W. M. U. Department in the Foreign Mission Journal; Mrs. B. D. Gray, of Atlanta, that in our Home Field; Mrs. Wilson Marriott, of Washington, the Department in Kind Words, while Mrs. William Nimmo, of Baltimore, has supplied material for State columns. The moneyed increase reported this year is larger than in any year in the nineteen years of the Union's history. In other words, we have given in cash to the Foreign, Home and Sunday School Boards, and for the maintenance of the Margaret Home \$125,124.04, a cash increase of \$22,011.51 over the report of last year; \$29,550.84 worth of boxes have been sent, making a total cash and box contribution of \$154,674.88. To Him who alone can give the increase, whoever may plant or tend the work, be all honor and praise."

The annual report of the Assistant Corresponding Secretary gave many interesting facts. Our work was unique in the fact that the year's work had been carried on without a Corresponding Secretary. In July, the "Mission Rooms" were changed to more convenient and desirable rooms in the Wilson Building.

All the sixteen States contributed to the Margaret Home during the year, and eight of them exceeded their apportionment. Tennessee was one of these that

went above its apportionment. All expenses of the Home were met during the year. No loss of interest has been shown in the box work, but the number of names sent in this year was smaller than ever before. The name of every missionary desiring a box was sent out, and so far 248 boxes have been reported. Furnishings to mountain schools have been sent out, amounting in value to \$1,792.51. The increase in our cash gifts to the Home Board was \$10,635.51, made possible, perhaps, by the turning of some of our former expenditure in boxes into the regular channels of the Board's work.

A larger demand than usual was made for the Christmas literature. Our President's suggested motto of "Put Christ First" was perhaps responsible for the large sum of \$17,552.21 returned in the little envelopes sent out for this purpose. Judging from the larger quantity of envelopes and programs sent out for the observance of the Week of Prayer in March, receipts for this Board, when fully returned, will show a large increase also.

"Our Mission Fields" is the most important new publication of the year, filling as it does a long-felt want. A new edition of the Mission Worker's Manual has been issued; also one of a folder formerly in demand by Sunbeam leaders, which, revised and enlarged, appears under a new name, "Hints and Helps for the Organization and Maintenance of Bands." Two new leaflets, "The Bride of the West," and one on the Margaret Home have been issued, and a catalogue of the Literature Department. Work for the young people has not been overlooked. Special programs for the young ladies and for Sunbeams have appeared in "Our Mission Fields," and in the special literature for the Weeks of Prayer. The Junior Portfolio, containing twelve monthly programs for the Sunbeams, with directions and suggestions for leaders, has been prepared by Miss Spaulding, and is sold for ten cents. Many narrative leaflets, exercises and recitations for young people have been added to the stock of the Literature Department. Larger plans for the young ladies are to be discussed at the annual meeting.

With the largest contributions in our history, \$154,709.88, the total expense has been \$4,488.66.

In the Treasurer's report, we Tennesseans noticed with gratitude that while in the number of societies Tennessee ranks ninth, in total contributions we rank seventh. Our young women numerically rank as the fourth, but in their total contributions they rank third, while the report of the Young South ranks third in their gifts as compared with the Band work of other States. Since our total gifts have been given in these columns prior to the Convention, they will not now be repeated.

A delightful feature of both days' sessions was the fifteen minutes of prayer just at noon, all business being set aside for this season of rest and communion.

By the vote of an overwhelming majority, afterwards made unanimous, the Constitution was changed to admit of our Treasurer handling the funds for the support of the Home for women attending the Training School, in connection with the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky. By this vote the Union committed itself to the Training School and the Home for the women students.

The recommendations of the Home Mission Board to Woman's Missionary Union were then read and adopted. Among other things, the Home Board recommends that special stress be laid upon the work of enlisting our young people in the salvation of our dear homeland, and that through this department \$5,000 be raised for our school building in El Paso for work among the Mexicans; that we seek to raise \$20,000 during our next Week of Prayer; that after the completion of the Tichenor Memorial, which yet lacks about \$1,100, that we turn our attention to the raising of the larger \$500,000 to be used as a building fund to help the more than 3,000 Baptist "churchless churches" in our bounds; that we ourselves raise \$75,000 this year for Home Missions. While these recommendations called for an unusually large increase for the coming year, they were heartily accepted, and earnest efforts will be made to do all that is asked.

So great has been the interest in the Tichenor Memorial, that it was decided at this time to make up the small deficit. In a few minutes the \$1,100 was raised and this memorial finished.

Telegram of greeting was sent to Miss Annie Armstrong, the beloved and talented woman, who for so long guided W. M. U. affairs. Later on, a resolution was presented and most heartily adopted, asking that the Foreign and Home Boards each set aside \$5,000 of the amount sent them by Woman's Missionary Union, as a memorial of our love to her. The Home Board is requested to place its amount in some mountain school, and the Foreign Board in some hospital.

Several missionaries were in attendance, and at different times spoke briefly. Among them were Miss

Carrie Bostick, Mrs. E. F. Tatum, Mrs. W. E. Crocker, and Miss Ida Pruitt, of China; Miss Katherine Hanson, of Oklahoma; Miss Buhlmeier and her assistant, Miss Froelick, from Baltimore, and Miss Bristow, from Tampa, Florida.

In the report on the Literature Department, Mrs. J. H. Eager made mention of the fact that while they had added new features, and enlarged the number of publications, yet they had so handled their investment that they had made quite a little money, and could today report more cash on hand than when the fund was turned over to them by the Baltimore Association.

At the request of the Treasurer, she was made a bonded officer, and notice of the change in Constitution was given that will provide for an Auditor. This has not been necessary in the past, since our Treasurer has not handled any money, but now she is to receive gifts for the Margaret Home and for the Training School, and so she requested that this change be made.

A most interesting feature was the introduction of two young Mexican preachers, missionaries to their own people. Mr. Benito Perez, of El Paso, spoke of the great number of Mexicans in Texas with only three preachers doing work among them. Through these Mexicans is the best way to reach Mexico itself. Southern Baptists must evangelize these Mexicans in Texas, if for no other reason than to preserve our own land from the rapid spread of infidelity and Catholicism. He urged the necessity of building the school and church property in El Paso, already referred to in the recommendations of the Home Board. Brother Perez spoke English most eloquently and easily fixed the attention of the whole body. Brother Jonas Garcia, of San Antonio, spoke Spanish, which was interpreted by Brother C. D. Daniel, our Home Board Missionary to the Mexicans of Texas. Both these young men are brilliant preachers, and well equipped in every way to do a large work for Southern Baptists in their respective fields.

Since the report of the Committee on Young Woman's Work is so full of interest to all, it is here given in full:

Your committee recommend:

1. That the universal name of our young women's societies be Young Woman's Auxiliary, the name receiving the largest number of votes in response to the recent request.

2. Since the name, Young Woman's Auxiliary, has been adopted by Alabama, and since they have as a badge a gold pin bearing the monogram Y. W. A., the same pin be adopted by the Union.

3. That the motto be Daniel 12:3: "They that are wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever."

4. That each State appoint a leader for the Young Woman's Auxiliary.

5. That at least one of the eight delegates from each State be from the ranks of the Young Woman's Auxiliary.

6. That the aim of the Young Woman's Auxiliary for the year be two-fold: First, the regular study of our mission fields, and of the mission study courses of the Young People's Forward Movement; ten thousand dollars in contributions for Home and Foreign Missions.

The Conference on Young Woman's Work was most helpful. Miss Mary Northington, of Clarksville, the representative of our Tennessee girls, spoke of the work in Tennessee in a most creditable manner.

In the report of the Committee on the Training School, it is noticed that the Seminary surrenders all management of the Home to W. M. U., and that the local Board at Louisville gives to W. M. U. all furnishings, etc., amounting to between \$1,000 and \$1,500. The Committee recommended the school and the Home at Louisville, and that the amount needed for the support of the Home be apportioned to the State organizations. Tennessee's part in this for the coming year is \$150. There were about 23 girls in the Home last year, and with larger facilities this number will be increased from year to year. This report was adopted and another feature is thereby added to W. M. U. work.

The evening session was a new departure, but was one of the most delightful of the whole meeting. Dr. Willingham presided. Addresses were made by Dr. Gray and Dr. Frost, and Missionary Education was presented by Rev. T. B. Ray, recently appointed for this department of work. A number of missionaries were presented and spoke briefly. Rev. E. F. Tatum, for many years a missionary in Shanghai, spoke of the progress of our work there. He went out the last year of Yates' service. Brethren Nathan Maynard, of Japan, and C. E. Smith, of Ogbomoshaw, Africa, and Bro. J. L. Wise, of the Panama District, were also introduced. A native of Ogbomoshaw was then presented. It was exceedingly interesting to see face to face one redeemed from heathenism by our own missionary,

Brother C. E. Smith, and taught by him in his theological school. This African brother is a preacher, and is now in school in Richmond, preparing himself for the best service, when he shall return to his native country as missionary to his own people. He will always bear in his face the marks of heathendom, since he, like all his people, was cut to show to what tribe he belonged.

Another interesting speaker was a native Brazilian, who spoke his heart's desire for his own people. It reminded us of the immortal words of another missionary, "Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they might be saved."

Another interesting speaker was a native Chinese, who has been in Richmond College for several years preparing himself for missionary work in China. His father was a preacher in Canton. He spoke his gratitude for his salvation due to the work of our missionaries. His record in Richmond College is an excellent one, and his address was masterly in every way.

The recommendations of the Foreign Board ask that \$5,000 be raised by the Sunbeams for a Girls' School at Yingtak, China, and that W. M. U., as a whole raise \$100,000 for Foreign Missions during the year. While this is much larger than anything yet given by our Union, yet it was unhesitatingly attempted.

To reach the suggested amounts for Home and Foreign Missions, it was necessary that the Apportionment Committee make greatly increased apportionments to each State. Tennessee's task is Foreign Missions, \$6,200, and Home Missions, \$5,000.

Miss Buhlmeier spoke on the recommendations of the Sunday School Board, emphasizing the work of the Bible Fund. The collection in pledges for this fund amounted to \$585 more than was given all last year to this work. One dear woman in Tennessee pledged one hundred dollars of this amount.

The report on the Margaret Home showed everything in the most encouraging condition. Ivo Nelson has been converted during the year, and was baptized. Frequent letters from Mrs. Nelson express her gratitude for the lovely home for her children. The Taylor girls are beautiful and gifted, and it is indeed a privilege for our Southern women to have part in the training of these talented children. All are happy and contented.

All the present officers were re-elected, and the vacancy in the office of Corresponding Secretary was at last filled by the appointment of Miss Edith Crane, of Baltimore, who accepts the position. Miss Crane is highly spoken of in every way, and it is a matter of congratulation that W. M. U. has secured her services.

The special effort of W. M. U. for last year was the raising of the \$5,000 for the chapel at Colon. Only \$2,100 was reported at Atlanta as having been received for that purpose. It is hoped that the rest of that amount will be given and forwarded at once, although doubtless, much more than that has been given undesigned.

A novel idea was presented for a system of tithing. For those who are not now giving one-tenth of their income, it was suggested that they make an offering to the work of Home Missions amounting to one-tenth of what they expend for dress. A number stood on their feet testifying their willingness to do this.

Our Sunday afternoon missionary service was one of the best, as usual. The great house was thronged, and several hundred were turned away. Mrs. Whitfield, who had presided at the meeting in Richmond nineteen years ago, at the organization of W. M. U., was introduced and spoke briefly of that meeting and of the days that followed, congratulating the Union on the wonderful progress they had made during these years.

All the missionaries previously introduced spoke more at leisure, but time and space forbids giving their speeches in full.

The imperative demand is for more trained workers. This fact was so earnestly pressed that it prepared the way for the great collection that followed. The President had served notice that an offering would be made at this service to purchase or build a Home for the young women attending the Training School at Louisville. Miss Heck announced that she wanted \$10,000 from this meeting, \$5,000 having already been pledged by the men in the general Convention. Mrs. J. H. Eager took charge of the offering, and asked first for a gift of \$1,000. Mrs. Tift responded to this, and gave \$1,000. A number responded to the \$500 proposition, two of whom were from Tennessee. Then the gifts kept coming from that amount down to \$25, and the basket collection, but when all was in the total amounted to more than \$10,300. Of this amount, nearly \$1,500 was pledged from Tennessee, so that while as a general Union we have no pledge in this amount, yet this will be given from this State. Those desiring to have part in this work can do so, as it is certain that

the building required for our work in Louisville will cost more than has already been pledged for this purpose.

Our own Miss Hill, sister to Miss Gertrude, was introduced and spoke of the work at Fruitland School, where she has been teaching for the past year. They need furnishing for the rooms, which will cost about \$25 per room. They greatly desire that this amount be sent them by different societies through the Home Mission Board.

While this meeting was going on at the Second Church, Miss Buhlmeier was speaking to an audience in another building on the immigrant problem.

This closed the nineteenth meeting of W. M. U., one marked with much enthusiasm and great interest, and one which will tell in the future for greatly enlarged work along all lines.

Nashville, Tenn.

#### PASTORS CONFERENCE.

##### Nashville.

*New Hope.*—(Hermitage) The pastor took the morning hour and discussed missions. Good feeling.

*Howell Memorial.*—Pastor Cox preached at both services. Morning theme, "Rich, yet poor." Evening theme, "Poor, yet rich." Good congregation at both services.

*Edgefield Baptist Church.*—Arch C. Cree. Morning, "Echoes from the Convention." Night, "Have faith in God." Three received by letter. The new church will be dedicated next Sunday. Dr. Geo. W. Truett, of Texas, will preach in the morning at 10:45, and at the dedicatory service at 3:00 p. m.

*Union Hill.*—Pastor Price preached to good audiences at both hours. "The pleasure of the Lord consummated in Christ's death." "I will say."

*Third.*—Pastor Yankee spoke on "The Convention;" at night on "The Church." Two approved for baptism; one baptized.

*First Church.*—Pastor Burrows preached on "The great forward movement," and "The law of the wilderness life." In the afternoon, Commencement sermon at Peabody College.

*Lockeland Baptist Church.*—Preaching at 11 a. m. by A. E. Booth and at 8 p. m. by Rev. T. J. Chambliss. Good services both hours.

*Centennial.*—Pastor Stewart preached on "Watch and pray," and "The greater gift—self." A good day.

*Belmont Church.*—Preaching at both hours by Rev. W. C. Cleveland. Good services.

##### Knoxville.

*Broadway.*—Pastor W. A. Atchley preached the memorial sermon to the G. A. R. on "Duties of Citizenship." The pastor gave an account of the meetings of the S. B. C. at night. 507 in S. S.; 3 received by letter.

*Euclid Ave.*—Preaching in the morning by Rev. Thos. Elgar on "Forgotten Prisoners." Pastor Hurst preached at night on "Christ's Prayer for Peter." Six received by experience; 5 baptized; 230 in S. S.

*Deaderick Ave.*—Pastor G. W. Perryman preached on "Who Are Blessed?" and "Quick to Decide." Four received by letter; 672 in S. S.; congregations very large.

*Bell Avenue.*—Pastor J. H. Sharp preached on "Christ and Gain," and "Lot's Choice." 3 received by letter; 4 baptized; 2 for baptism; 377 in S. S.

*Lonsdale.*—Pastor S. P. White preached on "Convention Echoes" and "The Divine Christ." 119 in S. S.; 2 received by letter.

*Immanuel.*—Preaching by Pastor E. A. Cate on the 15th Psalm, and Luke xiv:20. 90 in S. S. Will begin a meeting next Sunday. Rev. G. W. Perryman will conduct the meeting.

*Middlebrook.*—Pastor T. L. Cate preached on "Overcoming," and "Consecration." 29 in S. S.

*Smithwood.*—Pastor J. M. Anderson preached on "Absentees in Heaven," and "Inhabitants in Hell." 75 in S. S. 9 additions.

*Third Creek.*—Pastor J. C. Shipe preached on "The Whole Armor of God," and "The Great Purchase of Christ." 77 in S. S.

*Sixth Ave.*—The revival continues. 60 professions to date. 12 baptized; 166 in S. S. Brother F. M. Dowell to hold the meeting.—H. A. Kibby, pastor.

*Oakwood.*—Pastor J. W. Crow preached on "Echoes of the Convention," and "Christ's Power to Save." 97 in S. S.

*Third.*—Preaching by Pastor A. J. Holt on a "Report of the Convention," and "The Layman's Movement."

##### Memphis.

*First.*—Pastor A. U. Boone preached. One received by letter.

*Central.*—Pastor Thos. S. Potts preached at both hours. Two received by letter.

*Frayser.*—Pastor Downing preached. Three baptized; 1 received for baptism.

*McLemore.*—Pastor W. J. Bearden preached at both hours. One profession of faith. Pastor leaves to hold meeting at Comanche, I. T.

*Boulevard.*—Pastor J. R. Wiggs preached at both hours.

*Rowan.*—Pastor H. L. Martin preached at both hours. One received for baptism; 1 baptized.

*LaBelle.*—Pastor J. N. Lawless preached at both hours. One profession.

*Seventh Street.*—Pastor I. N. Strother preached at both hours.

*Bellevue.*—Pastor H. P. Hurt preached at both hours.

*Florida Mission.*—Missionary O. T. Finch began labor.

##### Chattanooga.

*First.*—Dr. Jones preached at 11 on "The Best Boast of Baptists," and at night he had for his theme, "A Modern Emancipation Proclamation." On Wednesday night the pastor will report the recent Conventions.

*Hill City.*—Rev. Chunn preached on "The One Thing To Do." 65 in S. S.

*Rossville.*—Pastor Chunn spoke on "Transformed Ministers of Satan."

*St. Elmo.*—Preaching by the pastor on "The Call of Matthew," and "The Broken Hedge." 147 in S. S.

*Second.*—Pastor C. B. Waller preached on "Trip Notes on the Convention at Richmond," and "The Lost in the City." 354 in S. S.; 102 in Mission School; 2 professions; deep interest; 4 baptized. Miss Josie Ferrell, of Carson-Newman College, was elected as pastor's assistant.

*East Chattanooga Baptist Church.*—Pastor Gorbet preached on "The Master is Come, and Callesth for Thee." In the evening, "Turn or Burn." Good interest in both services. 181 in S. S.

Sister Stapp was present in the morning and organized a Young Ladies' Missionary Society.

*Highland Park.*—Pastor R. D. Cecil preached on "Glimpses of the Convention," and "If I Had My Life to Live Over." Two additions by letter; 151 in S. S.; 40 in Junior Union; 35 in B. Y. P. U. Collections for Ministerial Relief and Ministerial Education: Junior Union, \$3.50; Woman's Missionary Society, \$2.50; Sunday School, \$2; church, \$2. Total, \$10.

Rev. C. B. Waller spoke to the Conference of the Convention.

*Carthage.*—I filled my regular appointment at New Salem Sunday, and had good congregation. The services were encouraging. I will preach for them again the fourth Sunday in June.—R. B. Davis.

Chattanooga, May 20.

Central Baptist Church:

Rev. Ackland L. Boyle, Superintendent of the Vine & Branch Mission work of Chattanooga, preached, in the absence of the pastor, Rev. F. K. Mathews. His topic was "the calico church." Evening sermon was on "The king's jewels." Rev. Boyle opened the mission morning services at ten, at Ft. Cheatham Mission. In the afternoon, together with his assistant and a small band of helpers, he inaugurated a preaching service in the open air at East Lake park. Good results; four bright young men requested prayers.

Our town has been moved as never before by the powerful preaching of that prince of preachers, Dr. J. J. Porter, of Joplin, Mo. He was with us fourteen days and there were about one hundred professions and reclamations. All Christians seemed to pass into a renewed experience of love and fellowship and I have never witnessed such earnest work among the membership of the different denominations before. Strange that not a word of adverse criticism was heard from any quarter against the preacher, but all were captivated by his plain, pungent presentation of the gospel. Last Sunday night I baptized thirteen happy converts. We have some approved and awaiting baptism—while we expect others to join yet.

W. H. BRUTON.

Ripley, Tenn., May 25, 07.

It is stated that recently a highway robber in Korea was converted to Christianity. On becoming satisfied that Christ expected him to confess his crimes, he gave himself up to the authorities. The Governor of the province said that never before in all Korean history had a criminal made voluntary confession, and therefore, instead of beheading the robber, as the law required, he pardoned and dismissed the new convert with commendation of his wisdom in adopting a religion that can change the heart. And this is what Christianity does for a person.

## SPIRIT TREASURES.

FLORENCE S. CRAIG.

The world is beautiful to me  
Because I have the eyes to see;  
Had I no eyes 'twould all be dark,  
Not lighted by a single spark.  
Melodious are the sounds I hear,  
Because I have a listening ear.

Had I no ears, a stillness deep  
Would hover o'er my life like sleep;  
A sweet perfume I know quite well,  
Because I have the sense of smell.  
A bitter bite I eat in haste,  
Because I have the sense of taste,  
And, oh! what would existence be  
Were not these senses given to me!

Yet oft I feel but poor indeed;  
Of this world's goods in sorry need;  
The luxuries of life I crave,  
O'er foolish, fancied wants I rave,  
Desiring pleasures false and fair,  
The baubles of the millionaire,  
Until I wake my soul from sleep,  
And search its chamber dark and deep;  
Then in my heart there steals a sense  
Of God's untold munificence.

Five mortal senses given to me,  
The sixth sense of Deity  
An heir of God, a child of wealth,  
Possessing intellect and health—  
What greater boon could I require?  
What other wealth should man desire?

—Exchange.

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ordingly. Special deputy ushers were appointed to assist the regulars in enforcing the new law.

## HOME MISSIONS.

Corresponding Secretary B. D. Gray, of Georgia, took the exercises in hand.

Rev. H. L. Weeks, of Mississippi, read the report of the Committee on Building and Loan Fund. The report, which was brief, simply told of the hopes of the Board to build more churches and chapels in the present year; emphasized the importance of the work and appealed to the churches for an enlarged building fund.

Dr. W. J. McGlothlin, of Kentucky, read the report on "Our Finances and Our Future." The report sets forth that the general report of the present session shows the largest collections ever known, but there is a dark shadow in the document in the shape of a debt amounting to something over \$7,000.

As to the future, the report declares that never in the history of the Board were its opportunities as great as now. The work among negroes in the South, the Cuban work and the demands on the frontier call for further enlargement of the treasury of the Board. "The South for Christ" must be the battle-cry of the Board, and of the 2,000,000 Baptists behind it. The demands of the situation call for \$350,000 for the Home Board for the ensuing year, and this is the amount the committee appeals to the churches for.

Rev. H. L. Weeks, of Mississippi took the floor to discuss both reports, but gave the most of his attention to the building and loan fund. To advance the Baptist interests in the Southwest, in the West and in Cuba, good church buildings are absolutely necessary, and the duty of providing them has been imposed on the Home Mission Board. Dr. Weeks contended that the battle-cry, "The South for Christ," as well as denominational pride, demand the enlargement of this branch of the work.

Prof. J. T. Henderson, of Virginia, who denied that he was a D.D., but "only plain Brother Henderson," made an eloquent and earnest appeal for enlargement of the building fund. His speech was strong and impressive.

Rev. R. T. Hanks, of Mississippi, and Dr. W. J. McGlothlin, of Kentucky, each plead for the \$350,000 asked for in the report with which to prosecute the work of the Board.

Dr. John E. White, of Georgia, made a short but stirring address. He declared that the idea which had entered the minds of some of the brethren that the Board was in a complaining or pessimistic mood, was erroneous. The Board is enthusiastic and has mapped out wonderful work for the ensuing year. It needs \$350,000, and the churches must take up promptly the matter of raising it.

Corresponding Secretary B. D. Gray, of Georgia,

then took the floor and in a cheerful, witty and eloquent speech created a spirit of enthusiasm, and various plans to pay off the debt of \$7,000 and to make a big start on the \$350,000 fund were suggested.

Mr. R. E. Burke, of Texas, a layman, made an entirely new proposition. He said he was more or less familiar with the needs of the Board, and he wants to see a special building fund of \$100,000, to be raised and turned in by October 1; this to be a special fund; independent of the regular amount called for and independent of the debt. Mr. Burke enthusiastically declared that he believes there are 200 Baptists in the South, who will obligate themselves to pay in \$500 each by October 1, and he would head the list.

Mr. A. C. Glass, of Alabama, pledged \$500, as did Dr. W. B. Crumpton, of Alabama. At this point in the proceedings several short speeches were made converting the Convention for the time being into an experience meeting.

Dr. Thomas S. Potts, of Memphis, Tenn., said that a few years ago the Home Board came to the rescue of his church and put it on its feet. Now the church supports a foreign missionary and gave \$400 to Home Missions last year. Dr. Ben Cox, of Little Rock, Ark., told of a similar experience in his church. Dr. W. A. Hobson, of Jacksonville, Fla., said the Board furnished his church \$5,000 a few years ago, and now the church has a splendid edifice and is a liberal contributor to all the Boards.

Dr. A. V. Rowe, of Mississippi, said that six years ago the Board helped a Jackson church, which now supports two missionaries in the foreign field, and gave the Home Board \$1,000 last year.

Dr. B. D. Gray, of Georgia, thought it was a good time to pay off the debt by taking subscriptions, and he temporarily side-tracked the \$100,000 building fund proposition. He first asked all pastors who were willing to pledge themselves to go home and raise the money by the middle of June to rise. There was a general response. An enthusiastic layman said, "Let's raise it now," and he handed in \$50. Pledges for amounts ranging from \$25 to \$500 came in showers, and there was a goodly cash collection, the total being \$5,421.63. Dr. Gray gave way for the next order of business, announcing that he would resume this pleasing business later on, perhaps.

## EVANGELISM.

Dr. George W. Truett, of Texas, submitted the report on Evangelism, which was so long, that as a result of the much-abused acoustic properties of the building, the delegates couldn't very well take it in from the reading, and a member moved that the Home Board be re-world, it presents "one of the most interesting mission fields God has ever opened up for Christian effort."

Rev. A. E. Brown, of North Carolina, and J. R. Posey, of North Carolina, discussed the mountain school work of the Board.

Mr. M. C. Treat, a layman of Pennsylvania, who has business interests in the mountains, has noted the good work of the schools, and has become a liberal supporter of the cause. He addressed the Convention briefly.

## HIS MOTHER DEAD.

During the afternoon session Rev. Dr. Ben Cox, of Little Rock, received a telegram announcing the sudden death of his mother in Little Rock. When this fact became known and the announcement was made, the Convention was led in prayer by Rev. R. G. Bowers, of Little Rock.

## LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT.

Hon. Joshua Levering, of Baltimore, read the report on this movement, which declared that in the judgment of the committee there has been no organized effort in recent years for the advancement of the kingdom of God having in it more of promise for practical and speedy results than the laymen's missionary movement.

The recommendations are that the Convention approve the laymen's missionary movement; that Baptist laymen throughout the South be urged to take prompt action, through committees and otherwise, "to bring the question of personal responsibility for largely increased giving to the Lord's cause to the thoughtful consideration of the men of our various churches."

The report further recommended that a committee, of which Mr. J. Harry Tyler, of Baltimore, is to be chairman, be appointed; to be called the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement of Southern Baptists, the object being through this agency to bring more directly to the attention of the laymen the purposes and spirit of this movement.

Speeches on the report were made by Hon. Joshua Levering, of Baltimore, Col. C. C. Slaughter, of Texas, the "Cattle King," and Mr. A. C. Avery, of Missouri, J. F. Brownlow, of Tennessee, and R. H. Edmonds, editor of the *Manufacturer's Record*, of Baltimore. The speeches had now been limited to five minutes each, which gave the enthusiastic laymen only

time to register their unqualified approval and indorsement of the movement.

The other speakers were Messrs. A. R. Levering, of Missouri; H. R. Pollard, of Virginia; R. E. Burke, of Texas; W. D. Upshaw, of Georgia; G. S. Haynes, of Mississippi; J. P. Saul, of Virginia; Dr. Mayfield, of Missouri, T. P. Bell, and Walter Dunston, of Georgia. The resolutions and recommendations were unanimously adopted, and the afternoon session was closed with prayer.

## MONDAY NIGHT'S SESSION.

The auditorium was more than two-thirds filled when the gavel of President E. W. Stephens, of Missouri, fell on the closing session of the Convention.

Brief devotional exercises were held. The choir, much reduced in numbers, but undaunted in enthusiasm, sang several rousing missionary hymns.

## FRATERNAL VISITORS.

About forty members of the Northern Baptist Convention, on invitation of President Stephens, made their way to the platform and were introduced to the Convention, the delegates rising and responding with the Chautauqua salute. The session of the Northern Convention had just closed in Washington, D. C. President Stephens made a hearty address of welcome to the visitors, and Dr. N. M. Woods, of New Jersey, appropriately responded to the greeting. It was a truly inspiring scene when the delegates during the singing of "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," waved a perfect sea of white handkerchiefs as a salute to the Northern brethren.

Dr. W. L. Pickard, of Georgia, offered a short resolution expressing the delight of the Convention that the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary had inaugurated a plan to add a million dollars to its endowment fund, and heartily endorsing the movement.

## WORK OF WOMEN.

The report on the work of the Woman's Missionary Union was read and adopted. The report says in part: "It could go without the saying that our noble women are a constant source of inspiration to our Baptist cause in the Southern country.

"The Woman's Missionary Union has wrought wonderfully during the past year. Under the wise and inspiring leadership of the President, Miss Fannie E. S. Heck, its work has advanced along every line. The union is marked by harmony, compactness and enthusiasm which cannot but lead to even stronger and larger things in the future.

"The good women are perfectly at one with the brethren in all the purposes of the Southern Baptist Convention, and are a mighty aid in every good word and work.

"According to the Treasurer's report the moneys yielded by the Union during the year aggregated in round numbers the sum of \$125,000, being an advance of about \$22,000 over the preceding year, \$48,000 going to the Home Board, while the Foreign Board was favored with a sum just a little less than \$75,000. The Tichenor memorial fund of \$20,000, a fund for church-building and loans, was completed during the year with the exception of about \$1,100, which was raised at the Convention this year.

"The Margaret Home, located at Greenville, S. C., is reported on a satisfactory basis and in such order that for this reason, among others, the ladies found themselves more than willing that the Woman's Missionary Training School, at Louisville, as the property of the Union, the Union itself having been incorporated during the year. Great enthusiasm has been manifested during the present sessions of the Union over the raising of about \$15,000 for this school.

"The new Corresponding Secretary of the Union is Miss Edith Crane, of Baltimore, who is considered in every way qualified for the high and responsible office to which she has been called."

## FOREIGN MISSION MASS MEETING.

The special order for the hour being Foreign Missions, Corresponding Secretary R. J. Willingham, of Virginia, took charge of the meeting, and made a brief address, in which he read two letters from missionaries in Mexico in response to the telegram and cablegram he sent to all the workers in the field on the night of April 30, announcing the success of the financial campaign of the Foreign Mission Board.

The announcement was made that the addresses to follow would be by missionaries who have but recently returned from the foreign mission fields, and who know from actual experience of the work that is going on there.

Rev. C. E. Smith, of Africa, who for 22 years, has labored in the dark continent, spoke briefly and interestingly of his work.

Rev. Nathan Maynard, of Japan, and Revs. E. F. Tatum and W. E. Crocker of China also spoke. Each

gave graphic accounts of his experience in the foreign field.

Rev. J. J. Taylor, of Brazil, spoke with enthusiasm. Rev. C. E. Smith, of Africa, introduced Oyeringe, a jet-black Negro from Africa, one of his assistants and students in the schools and missions of Africa, and the native African addressed the Convention in broken English, but with a stentorian voice.

He requested to have it printed in pamphlet form for circulation among the churches. The motion was promptly adopted.

The report goes into much detail concerning the work the corps of evangelists in the employ of the Board have accomplished throughout the South in the past few years, especially the past year. The facts and figures brought out show that the Baptists of the South are making great strides in response to the battle-cry, "The South for Christ."

Evangelist W. W. Hamilton, of Georgia, spoke to the report, and said in introduction: "I call your attention to the importance of making preparation for the evangelist. I do not mean in painting the town red with pictures, but heart preparation on the part of the church. I like concerted movement—each church in a community holding revival service at the same time. I believe in preaching the gospel everywhere—in the tent, on the street—wherever men assemble; but the man never gets over the place of his birth. A convert often gets the characteristics of the man under whom he is converted. I believe in a live church. Some persons think more of their grandmother's grave than they do of the great work of God."

With these words as a kind of introductory, Brother Hamilton furnished to the Convention a general review of the methods of evangelists sent out by the Board, interspersing his remarks with accounts of some of the thrilling and inspiring experiences of the men who are engaged in the work. He laid stress upon the importance to the denomination of the aggressive and progressive work of the evangelical department of the Home Mission Board. Dr. Hamilton's address aroused the Convention to a high pitch of enthusiasm and the delegates wanted to hear more of the work, and they called for Dr. Geo. W. Truett, of Texas, who is very actively identified with the work.

#### A FIRE-BRAND BURST.

But at this point a little fire-brand burst forth in the Convention. Dr. T. F. Eaton, of Kentucky, arose to a point of personal privilege and announced that at the next annual meeting of the Convention to be held at Hot Springs, Ark., he would offer a resolution providing for a change in the order of business. He said he would move the appointment of a Nominating Committee, whose duty it should be to nominate a year in advance a chairman and a vice-chairman of each of the standing committees. He then bluntly stated that the object of the resolution and the change in the mode of procedure was to prevent the Secretaries from dictating to the President who should be the chairmen of the various committees. The announcement attracted but little attention at the time, and a few minutes later Dr. Eaton left the platform and the building.

After a stirring address from Dr. Truett, of Texas, on Evangelism, Recording Secretary O. F. Gregory, of Virginia, arose and explained that he presumed Dr. Eaton meant the Secretaries of the Boards and not the Secretaries of the Convention, for everybody knew that he and his colleague, Dr. Burrows, had their hands full and rarely ever held conferences with the President. He said he made the statement because since Dr. Eaton had spoken and since he had left the building several delegates had informed him that it was generally thought that Dr. Eaton referred to him and to Dr. Burrows.

Dr. R. J. Willingham, Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, then, in a dignified and at the same time feeling manner, denied emphatically the accuracy of the insinuation of Dr. Eaton that he or Drs. Gray and Frost, the Secretaries of the other two Boards, had ever in any way tried to interfere with the prerogatives and the duties of the President. He said there was no law and no need for a law forbidding the President to confer with the Secretaries of the Boards, who, in the nature of the case, were more familiar with the working forces in the churches than the President with reference to the formation of the committees, and when he did so they deemed it their duty to give him names of such persons as in their judgment were suitable for service on these committees, but the President was in no way bound to follow their suggestions, and the speaker did not know that he ever had.

This little incident created some stir in the Convention, but it closed at least for the time being with the statement of Dr. Willingham, Dr. Eaton not being present to reply, and no one assuming to make answer for him.

#### PLACE AND PREACHER.

Dr. I. J. Van Ness, of Tennessee, in behalf of the

committee, submitted the report on the place of meeting and preacher of annual sermon for the next Convention, recommending that the opening session be held on Thursday night after the second Sunday in May, 1908, and that Dr. Henry W. Battle, of North Carolina, preach the annual sermon; Dr. J. M. Weaver, of Kentucky, alternate. The report was adopted.

#### STATE VICE-PRESIDENTS OF BOARDS.

Dr. Z. T. Cody, of South Carolina, submitted the report of the Committee on State Vice-Presidents of the Boards. The report regrets that information concerning the work of the Vice-Presidents in their territories is in the main meagre and unsatisfactory. However, such of them as have reported have done very good work. The report earnestly urges the Vice-Presidents to be more active and diligent in advancing the cause of the Boards and the denomination in their sections.

The session closed with brief devotional services.

#### MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

Scarcely a hundred delegates were in their places when the Convention opened at 3 o'clock, President E. W. Stephens, of Missouri, in the chair.

After a short devotional service, miscellaneous business was called for, but very little appeared.

Rev. H. R. Schramm, of Alabama, presented a resolution of thanks to the citizens of Richmond for hospitality; the local church committees for their splendid management; to the railroads for courtesies, and to the newspapers for their full reports.

The Secretaries were ordered to have printed and distributed 10,000 copies of the proceedings of the Convention, with its statistical tables. While the motion was under discussion, Secretary Lansing Burrows, of Tennessee, spoke, saying the growth of the Convention had increased the burdens of the Secretaries until it was a little beyond the ability of two somewhat aged men. He said he and Dr. Gregory would like to retire, and he asked the Convention either to allow them to make room for younger men, or to let them employ an enrolling clerk. The Convention would not for a moment consider the retirement of these two Secretaries, who have been at the desk 25 years, and it promptly voted them an enrolling clerk, and also increased their salaries, adding \$100 more to the pay of each.

#### HOME MISSIONS AGAIN.

The hour having arrived for the further discussion of Home Missions, Dr. B. D. Gray, of Georgia, took charge of the meeting and introduced Dr. C. D. Daniel, of Texas, in charge of the Mexican mission at El Paso, Rev. Jose Garcia, of San Antonio, and Rev. Benito Perez, of Mexico, who have become ministers, and are working in South Texas among the Mexican population. Mr. Garcia spoke to the Convention in Spanish, Dr. Daniel acting as interpreter. Mr. Perez made a splendid speech in English.

Rev. J. P. Wise, of Panama, Missionary of the Board in the Canal Zone, was introduced and spoke. He gave an interesting account of the effort of the Baptists in Panama, the pioneers in establishing mission stations in the canal zone. He says that with the thousands flocking to Panama from all parts of the and wherever they spoke the light came, and there was no more "dark Africa." At the conclusion of his remarks, he and Mr. Smith sang the well-known hymn, "Safe in the Arms of Jesus," in the Eruba language. The wording was worse than Greek to the audience, but it was music all right, for both of the men sing well. After they had sung two verses, at the suggestion of Dr. Willingham, the audience joined with them, the two from the dark continent sticking to the Eruba and the Convention to the English of it.

The next speaker was Rev. J. A. Bellfort, of Brazil, and he was followed by Aeufoing, an eloquent young Chinaman, formerly a student of Richmond College, but now of the Seminary at Louisville. His address was short and to the point, but it is safe to say that no more entertaining and instructive orator has appeared on the platform during the sessions of the Convention. The young Chinaman is really eloquent, and he speaks faultless English. As soon as his college studies are completed he will leave this country for his native land to preach the gospel to his countrymen.

Mrs. E. F. Tatum and Mrs. W. E. Crocker were presented to the audience as two faithful women who are sacrificing their lives to help to carry the gospel to the benighted. They were merely presented, and the large audience arose and received them with the Chautauqua salute.

#### AUDIENCE GREATLY MOVED.

The appearance of the actual workers in the mission fields, together with the description of some of the fruits of their labors, aroused a quiet enthusiasm that was noticeable at a casual glance at the audience. These exercises closed the program of the great

fifty-second session of the Convention, but the vast congregation was deeply interested, and there was no disposition to leave the hall.

President Stephens, in a most graceful manner, introduced Rev. Dr. R. S. McArthur, of New York, who has been the pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church of that city for thirty-seven years. Dr. McArthur has been attending the Northern Baptist Association in Washington, and is on his way to the Jamestown Exposition, to be present at the general Baptist meetings to be held there this week. Dr. McArthur had to make a speech, although he said he had already made during the day one speech of "considerable continuity." He admitted the accuracy of President Stephens's charge that he had been the pastor of one church thirty-seven years, but he begged his hearers to remember that he was a mere child when he commenced. He was glad to have the opportunity to attend at least a part of the session of the Southern Baptist Convention; he was glad of the opportunity to congratulate his Southern brethren on "the new era in the history of the Church of Christ."

Dr. McArthur declared himself an expansionist, not because he wanted to increase the lands and the territory of this country, but because he knows that the cross of Christ will follow the flag of this free and enlightened country wherever it floats.

Dr. J. W. Carter, of West Virginia, another of the visitors from the Northern Association, was introduced, and spoke briefly.

#### FINAL HANDSHAKING.

President Stephens then took the floor and made a parting talk to the Convention, congratulating the delegates on the great work done and the harmony that has prevailed.

The officers of the body, the older members of the Convention and the Northern visitors then formed a line on the rostrum, and, while "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" was sung, there was a general and most cordial handshaking.

The greatest session of the Convention that has ever been held in the sixty-two years of its existence was closed with a fervent prayer by Rev. Dr. R. J. Willingham.

The *Baptist Argus* tells the following story: "One day in London a wise-looking cleric approached the gentle-souled Alexander and said: 'I don't like the way Dr. Torrey conducts these meetings.' 'Well,' said Mr. Alexander, 'he does not altogether like it himself; but he cannot find a better way. How do you do it?' 'O,' said the cleric, 'I don't do it at all!' 'O, well,' said Mr. Alexander, 'I think I like the way Dr. Torrey does it better than the way you do not do it!' It is much easier to stand off and criticise a thing than it is to do a thing yourself. It is easier to know how to do it than it is to do it. This is true, for instance, with reference to preaching or editing a paper. We find that there are plenty of people who know how to run the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR, know much better how to do it, in fact, than we, who have been trying to run it for the past eighteen years. We have seen two gentlemen playing checkers. A bystander would suggest moves to them. And they would probably be good moves, too. But when that bystander sat down to play the game himself, he seemed unable to see the best move, and was easily beaten. A man who is doing a thing may not be able always to do it in the best way, or, at least, in the way which is satisfactory to everybody, but if he is only *doing things*, perhaps it would be better to let him alone."

Dr. G. B. Winton, the able editor of the *Christian Advocate* of this city, recently published a card in the *Nashville American* in which he thus effectually refuted a falsehood which has grown hoary with age. And yet it turns up every now and then, sometimes in secular papers, sometimes even in religious papers: "I did not suppose that there was an editorial writer on the *American* who would repeat that old saw about spending a dollar to send a dime to foreign missions. The office expenses of Foreign Mission Boards run from 7 to 10 per cent. of their income. Other corporations usually allow from 12 1-2 to 25 per cent., as was shown in the investigation of the life insurance companies. Besides, there is a very considerable offset to even this low rate in the premium paid upon drafts in nearly all foreign countries. In Mexico, for example, the draft of the Treasurer of either of the two Foreign Boards located in Nashville is worth about 100 per cent. of its face. In other words, instead of its taking a dollar to send a dime, or even to send a dollar, each dollar sent becomes two dollars when it reaches its destination. That saying, so often quoted and again given currency by the *American*, is not simply incorrect; it is absurd." The *American* said that its paragraph was simply a joke.

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## THE GENERAL BAPTIST CONVENTION.

It was certainly a very inspiring scene when, on Wednesday afternoon at 2 p. m., the Baptists of North America from the North and the South, from the East and the West, from Canada and Mexico, and Cuba and Porto Rico, met in Assembly Hall at the Exposition grounds in the General Baptist Convention. Not only was the scene inspiring, it was historic. It marked the consummation of the movement begun two years ago to bring the Baptists of the North and the South closer together, not in an organic union, but in a union of brotherhood and of service. There were probably 4,000 or 5,000 Baptists gathered in the hall when the meeting was called to order by President Stephens.

The Convention quickly got down to business. A Committee on Enrollment was appointed. By request of the Executive Committee President E. W. Stephens delivered an address, which was full of Baptist facts and Baptist truths. There are now in America about 50,000 churches, with 5,000,000 members, who are giving \$1,000,000 to Home Missions, \$1,500,000 to Foreign Missions, employing 2,500 home missionaries and 800 foreign missionaries, and have a membership of 15,000 in foreign lands. He thanked God that we are Americans and Baptists. Rhode Island and Virginia can join hands. Faith, freedom, fraternalism should be the watchwords of American Baptists.

Rev. Claude Kelly, of Missouri, presented to the President a gavel, the head made from the First Baptist Church, Providence, R. I., the han-

dle from old Bethel Church, the first in Missouri.

The representatives of our general denominational interests were given eight minutes in which to tell what their Boards had done in the last two years, a large task for so short a time, but they did it well. The first speaker was Dr. R. J. Wingham, Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. "Let Jesus have us and the world will have Jesus, but if the world has us the world will not have Jesus."

Dr. Thomas S. Barbour, Corresponding Secretary of the Missionary Union, was the next speaker. "You cannot distinguish the history of the world and the history of Christian missions."

Dr. J. M. Frost; Corresponding Secretary of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Convention, told of the work of the Board. Dr. A. J. Rowland, Corresponding Secretary of the Baptist Publication Society, told of what the Society has done in the last two years.

Other speakers were Dr. C. E. Morris, President of the National Baptist Convention (Col.), who said the Convention represents 16,000 churches, 15,000 ministers, and 2,200,000 members. Dr. J. G. Brown, Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of Canadian Baptists, spoke. They have 1,200 churches and 135,000 members. Recently the four Conventions were united into a National Baptist Convention. Winnipeg, with 100,000 people, has 60 languages spoken in it. They are trying to give the gospel in 40 languages. Baptists have done more than any other denomination to give religious liberty in Bolivia.

Dr. H. L. Morehouse, Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Society, gave an interesting account of the work of the Society. Dr. B. D. Gray, Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Board, delivered a very thrilling address, which was enthusiastically received.

At the night session Gov. A. J. Montague delivered the address of welcome in an eloquent manner, to which Dr. H. M. King, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Providence, R. I., made a very appropriate response, which was replete with historical information. Drs. Jno. E. White, of Atlanta, Ga., and O. P. Gifford, of Buffalo, N. Y., discussed the question, "How far our denomination may go in the correction of public evils." Dr. White, in a statesman-like speech, contended that this question should be settled through our denominational institutions, through our papers, our preachers, and through public opinion. Dr. Gifford argued in a most pungent and striking address that the correction of public evils means nothing short of the destruction of those evils.

On Thursday morning the attendance had thinned out considerably. Still there were perhaps 1,000 or 2,000 people present. The Committee on Resolutions reported favorably a number of resolutions, among them the resolutions adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention, requesting officials of the National Government not to issue privilege taxes for the sale of liquor where it is prohibited by the laws of the State, and calling upon Congress to pass some measure similar to the Hepburn-Dolliver bill. The principal address of the morning was by Dr. E. Y. Mullins, President of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, on "The Contribution of Baptists to American Civilization." These contributions are:

1. Proper interpretation of the meaning of the Reformation.
2. Spiritual interpretation of Christianity.
3. Denominational unity. Baptists have genius for elimination. They have genius for propagation.

4. Baptists have given the only complete idea of liberty. Cardinal Gibbons, in his definition of religious liberty, says that "it is the right to worship God according to the dictates of a right conscience." In this definition lie all the persecutions of the middle ages. It was no accident that S. F. Smith, a Baptist, wrote our national anthem, an ode to freedom.

5. Baptists have furnished the principle of the competency of man in religion. The town meeting is the corner stone in our civil life. It is the analogue of the local church. The religious principle is the stalactite and the civil principle is the stalagmite. After awhile both shall meet. The address of Dr. Mullins was very fine and created much enthusiasm.

Dr. A. H. Strong was elected President for next year; Governor Hughes, Vice-President; Thomas D. Osborne, Secretary.

The Convention closed about 1 p. m., with an address by Dr. E. E. Chivers, of New York.

## THE JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION.

The Jamestown Exposition at Norfolk is going to be very fine. We say "going to be;" it is not yet completed. The managers promise, however, that it will be complete by the 10th of June. At any rate there is enough to be seen there to make it of great interest to any one who will attend. This is true not only of the Exposition itself, but of the historic scenes in and around Norfolk, including Jamestown, about thirty miles up the river James. It was on this island April 26, 1607, that the pioneers first landed and made their home. Here the English colony continued for something like 100 years. For many years, however, it has been practically abandoned. The tower of the old church erected there in 1619 is still standing. Recently the church has been restored, the side and rear walls and roof being added to the tower. Also the graves of a number of the early settlers have been discovered, and their tombstones dug out from the earth, in which they lay buried many years, and restored as nearly as practicable. Around the cemetery runs an old wall built in 1700. Inside of the church are stones to the memory of Sir Geo. Yeardley, who died in 1627, John Clough, who died in 1628, and John Smith, who died in 1631.

There is also on the island the foundations of the State House, built in 1629, and burned in 1659; and of another State House built in 1666, and used in 1676, rebuilt in 1686, and used to 1698. It is 73½ feet long by 20½ feet wide. Adjoining it are the three houses of Governor Ludwell, 42½ feet long by 40 feet wide; also the rooms of Sir Francis Wyatt, who was Governor from 1621 to 1626, and from 1639 to 1642. The ruins of another residence, which was burned in Bacon's rebellion in 1770, burned by Tarleton's Dragoons in 1781, burned in the Civil War, and burned again in 1892, are standing. The island of Jamestown now has 1,600 acres. It is owned by a lady who, with a few servants, is the only inhabitant of the island at present.

## "BECAUSE."

A story said to be true is told of Mrs. Ella W. Peattie, author of "The Shape of Fear" and other things. It seems that on an occasion when she was absent from home, she was seized with a nameless fear that the children, left at home with their father, were in some terrible trouble. She could not shake off the presentiment, so finally she wired her husband, "Are the children well?" The telegram was delivered to Mr. Peattie at 2 a. m. Relieved to know nothing was wrong with his absent better half, but a little annoyed, he sent a reply: "Yes, Why?" At half past three the second message came. After pay-

ing the extra delivery charges, he read it. It was brief, but satisfying: "Because."

This is a woman's reason, you know. A man cannot understand that reason. But a woman can. It may be meaningless to him, but it is full of meaning to her. Behind that "Because" lay those most powerful of all human motives, a mother's love and solicitude for her children.

#### QUESTION BOX.

*Question.*—We had a question in our Sunday-school a few Sundays ago which caused some argument. We would be glad if you would answer it for us. The question is, Who was the agent through whom the world was created?

*Answer.*—John has answered this question: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. *All things were made by Him; and without Him was not anything made that was made*" (John 1:1-3). "The Word," of course, means Jesus, who was the expression of God. He then was the agent of God the Father in the creation of the world. There was, of course, no human agent.

#### CONVENTION NOTES

"Romanism," said Dr. J. J. Taylor, "is baptized Paganism." This was a true expression.

That was a fine sentiment of Dr. MacArthur: "I do not want to go to heaven yet. I want to stay here and try to bring a little more heaven here." God help us all to try to carry out that sentiment in our daily lives.

The evangelistic meeting on Sunday afternoon was very interesting and inspiring. The addresses of Drs. John E. White, H. H. Hulten and L. G. Broughton were very helpful. We believe that great good will come of the meeting.

The address of Dr. R. S. MacArthur, of New York City, Monday night was a thrilling one. It was greatly enjoyed by the Convention. Taking him altogether, Dr. MacArthur is certainly one of the greatest pulpit orators in America.

On Sunday of the Convention we had the pleasure of hearing Drs. T. W. O'Kelley and W. W. Landrum, both at the Second Baptist Church. Dr. O'Kelley preached an earnest, practical gospel sermon on "That Good Part;" Dr. Landrum, an eloquent one on "Visions and Voices."

Dr. L. G. Broughton, pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga., is quite unique—unique in his appearance, unique in his style, unique in his thought. He is always heard with much pleasure in the Convention. He is doing a great work in Atlanta, as evidenced by the \$1,000,000 church building which he is proposing to erect.

One of the most beautiful things about the Convention was its harmony. We do not remember a negative vote on but one question, and that was the question as to whether we would stay in the Convention hall or go to the church on account of the poor acoustics of the hall. When it was decided, however, by a rising vote that we should remain in the hall, every one acquiesced with the utmost good humor in the decision.

We did not have the pleasure of attending the Layman's Conference on Sunday afternoon, as we attended the evangelistic meeting held at the same hour. We learned, however, that the Conference was very interesting and enthusiastic. It inaugurated a movement which we believe will result in much larger contribution to our denominational work in the South, and means the dawn of a new era for us.

It was announced in the General Baptist Convention that Ex. Gov. A. J. Montague, who was to deliver the address of welcome, was not present in the afternoon, but would be present at night, as he did not expect the meeting to begin until that night. A motion was made to postpone the address of welcome and response until the night session. There were a number of ayes and a good many nos. "The ayes have it," promptly declared President Stephens, and then added, "The ayes have to have it, as the one who is to deliver the address of welcome is not present." President Stephens, by the way, made a very fine presiding officer for the

Southern Baptist Convention and the General Baptist Convention. So far as we hear, he gave entire satisfaction in both places. He is kind without being lax and is firm without being tyrannical.

One of the best speeches made before the Southern Baptist Convention was by Dr. B. D. Gray, on Home Missions, Saturday night. It was full of information, bristling with facts and stimulating with its suggestions of what might be done by the Baptists of the South. The speech by Dr. Gray before the General Baptist Convention, in Norfolk, was also one of the best before that Convention. Dr. Gray is a Christian statesman and a philosopher, as well as a genial, whole-souled Christian man.

During the Convention the father of Rev. J. H. Dew, of Missouri, the mother of Rev. Ben Cox, of Arkansas, and the sister of Dr. C. S. Gardner, of Richmond, died, and the father of Dr. W. W. Hamilton was stricken with paralysis while taking supper at the home of Dr. J. B. Hutson, Monday night. Brother Hamilton is the popular hotel keeper of Bristol, Va. At last accounts he was some better. We trust he may be completely restored to health.

Those who left the Convention Monday, supposing the Monday night service would not be interesting, do not know what they missed. It was by common consent of every one present the very best session of the Convention. Tell us why in the world it is anyhow, that people will insist upon leaving a meeting before it is over. We have noticed frequently that they scarcely get to a meeting before they begin leaving. This is true of churches, associations, State Conventions, and the Southern Baptist Convention. We sometimes wonder what people come to these meetings for anyhow.

The Southern Baptist Convention adjourned Monday night, in Richmond. On Friday afternoon, in Nashville, the Minutes were ready for distribution. And they were large Minutes, too, embracing 311 pages, and containing the proceedings of the Convention, the list of delegates, the reports of the Boards, the denominational statistics, the list of pastors in the Convention, ordinations, deaths, and Minutes of the Baptist Young People's Union. There were 1411 delegates present—1245 on the financial basis, and 166 as Associational representatives. Again we must say, Great are our Secretaries, Drs. Burrows and Gregory.

The sums of \$750,000 for Foreign Missions and \$500,000 for Home Missions which the Convention decided it would attempt to raise next year seemed quite large. They are nearly double what was given by the Baptists of the South last year for both of these causes. At first we thought that the Convention perhaps, in its enthusiasm, was attempting too much, but we did not care to interpose any objection. Besides, when we thought about the Laymen's movement and how it would mean much larger contributions from our laymen all over the South, we felt that, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit and directed by the secretaries of our boards, we ought to be able to raise these amounts.

It was a pleasure while in Richmond to take meals with our friends, Drs. W. R. L. Smith, pastor of the Second Baptist Church, and R. J. Willingham, Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, both of whom were formerly Tennessee pastors. Dr. Smith is doing a great work in Richmond. The Second Baptist Church, of which he is pastor, is a noble church. Its new house of worship, recently erected at a cost of about \$85,000 is a gem of architectural beauty. It is Grecian in its design and resembles to some extent the famous Parthenon, of Athens. As every Southern Baptist knows, Dr. Willingham is doing a magnificent work as Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board. Since he took charge the contributions of the Board have increased from \$100,000 to \$400,000—thus being quadrupled.

The next meeting of the Convention will be held at Hot Springs, Ark., on Thursday night after the second Sunday in May, which means the Thursday night before the third Sunday in May, the same time at which the Convention met this year, instead of on Friday before the second Sunday in May, as heretofore. We like the idea of the Convention meeting on Thursday night. We are not sure, however, that we like its meeting on the week preceding the third Sunday in May, for two reasons: First, this puts it in the Commencement season. Some of our school men were kept away this year on account of the Convention meeting the time it did. Others were compelled to hurry away from the Convention to their Commencements. Second, because nearly all of the other general denominational bodies meet that same week, such as the Northern

Baptist Convention, the Presbyterians, North and South, and the Cumberland Presbyterians. We believe that our Convention would perhaps be given more prominence in the papers if it were to come at a time when there were not so many meetings of the kind to be reported.

The greatest meeting of the whole Convention was on Monday night, when our various returned missionaries spoke. These were the vanguards of our denominational army—the soldiers who had gone to the front to fight our battles for us, and who had returned to tell us of their trials and triumphs. It did seem to us a tremendous pity that after they had come thousands of miles to attend the Convention—from Brazil, Mexico, Italy, Japan, China, and Africa—that they should be limited to ten minutes. Why, what they told us were the very things we wanted to hear, and, in fact, the most important things that were to be heard. They were facts, not theories. Of course, if each one had been allowed to speak for half an hour or more it would have taken up too much time at one meeting. We think, however, that the speeches of our missionaries ought to be distributed through the meetings of the Convention, and they ought to be given at least half an hour apiece. We move that this be done next year. If necessary, some of us who are accustomed to attending the Convention every year can make our speeches fewer and shorter in order to allow these missionaries who attend it only about once in eight or ten years to tell about their work.

#### RECENT EVENTS.

"We heard Bro. S. M. Provence in the Tabernacle pulpit Sunday. He gave the congregation a really great sermon."—*Biblical Recorder*. Dr. Provence is one of our deepest thinkers and strongest preachers.

The *Baptist Advance*, of Little Rock, Ark., has improved very much under the skillful management of Rev. E. J. A. McKinney, and is one of the most interesting exchanges which comes to our desk.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Underwood invite us to the marriage of their niece, Miss Mary Pemberton Glenn, to Dr. Benjamin Joseph Willingham, June 12, at Fayetteville, North Carolina. We extend congratulations.

We regret to learn that Rev. I. S. Baker, of New Haven, Ky., has been stricken with paralysis, and is lying dangerously ill. We hope he may be restored to health. He was doing a fine work at New Haven, as he had done at other places.

Mrs. Julia Harwood, the beloved wife of Brother C. B. Harwood, of Una, died week before last. She had been ill for some time and her death was not unexpected. She was a loving wife, a fond mother and a noble, consecrated Christian woman. She was a sister of Dr. C. S. Gardner, of Richmond. We tender to all of the bereaved family and friends our deep sympathy in her death.

We acknowledge receipt of an invitation from Mr. and Mrs. John Tolliver Long, to be present at the marriage of their sister, Miss Bessie Oakes Williams, to Mr. Jerome Baxter Pendleton, May 28, in St. Louis. Mr. Pendleton was formerly a member of the First Baptist Church, Chattanooga, and was agent for the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR in that city. He has been living in St. Louis now for several years, and has been quite successful. We judge, though, that his greatest success is indicated by the above card.

Miss Annie Naive, daughter of Brother W. H. Naive, and sister of Misses Myrtle and Grace Naive, of the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR office force, died Sunday afternoon. She had been in ill health for some time, but her death was quite a shock. She was about 15 years of age, was a member of the North Edgefield Baptist Church, and was a sweet, gentle Christian girl. We tender to the sorrowing friends our warm sympathy in her untimely death. May they find comfort in Him, whose grace is sufficient for every time of need.

The General Association of Kentucky Baptists meets with the First Baptist Church, Mayfield, Ky., June 24. The Committee on Entertainment desires us to announce that they will be delighted to have with them on that occasion all brethren who can come, that ample arrangements are being made for the accommodation of all, and that they expect a glorious meeting. They request that each person who contemplates going to the Association will notify C. W. Wilson, Secretary, not later than Monday, June 17. And if after that date something should occur to make it impossible to attend, notify Mr. Wilson of that fact.

## THE HOME

### "HE GIVETH HIS LOVED ONES SLEEP."

He sees when their footsteps falter, when their hearts grow weak and faint;

He marks when their strength is failing, and listens to each complaint; He bids them rest for a season, for the pathway has grown too steep, And, folded in fair green pastures, He giveth His loved ones sleep.

Like weary and wornout children that sigh for the daylight's close, He knows that they oft are longing for home and its sweet repose.

So He calls them in from their labor ere the shadows around them creep, And, silently watching o'er them, He giveth His loved ones sleep.

He giveth it—oh, so gently!—as a mother will hush to rest

The babe that she softly pillows so tenderly on her breast;

Forgotten are now the trials and sorrows that made them weep,

For, with many a soothing promise, He giveth His loved ones sleep.

—Christian Observer.

### HOW JOHNNY WAS CURED.

Johnny was a great brag. A brag is a boaster. If he heard a playmate tell of something he had done, no matter what it was, Johnny would give a snort, and exclaim:

"Pooh! That's nothing! Who couldn't do that?"

One evening the family sat around the fire in the sitting-room. Papa was reading, grandma and mamma were sewing. Alice and Joe were studying their lessons, when Johnny came strutting in. He took a chair by the table and began reading "Robinson Crusoe."

Presently Joe, who was younger than Johnny, went up to his brother, saying, "Look at my drawing. I did it today in school. Isn't it good?"

"Pooh! Call that good! You ought to see the one I drew! It beat yours all hollow!"

Joe was rather crestfallen, and little Alice, who had a sympathetic heart, pitied her brother, and, going to Joe, asked him to let her see his drawing. "I wish I could do as well as you do, Joe," she said, hoping to revive her brother's drooping spirits.

"Pooh!" sneered Johnny. "You needn't try to draw; for girl's can't make even a straight line."

It was not long before Mr. Boaster left the room for a few moments. When he came back, everything seemed to be going on as when he left. Papa was reading, grandma and mamma were sewing, and Joe and Alice were busy with their lessons.

"At last I have finished my hem," remarked grandma, folding the napkin she had been hemming so industriously.

"Pooh!" said mamma, contemptuously "that is nothing. I have done two while you are doing one!"

The children looked up quickly; for who would have believed she would have spoken so.

Grandma picked up another napkin and began hemming it, but said nothing.

"Papa, look at my examples, please. I have done every one of them, and haven't made a single mistake," said Alice, crossing the room to where her father was sitting before the open grate fire.

"Pooh! That's nothing," replied her father, not even taking her paper to

look at it. "You ought to see the way I used to do examples when I was your age!"

Poor little Alice was greatly astonished to hear such a discouraging and boastful remark from her generally kind father, and she was about to turn away when he drew her near to him and whispered something in her ear which brought smiles to her face.

For a few minutes no one said anything, and work went on as before. Johnny was deeply engrossed in the history of Crusoe's adventures, and the other children continued their studies.

"My flowers look so well! I believe the geraniums are going to bloom again," remarked mamma.

"Pooh! They are not half so thrifty as those I used to raise. Why, I had flowers all winter long, and you have only had a few blossoms in the whole winter," said grandma, contemptuously.

"What was the matter with everybody?" thought Johnny. He had never known them to be in such a humor as they were that evening.

When papa remarked presently that he had stepped into the grocer's and been weighed that afternoon, and that he "tipped the beam" at 168 pounds, and that was doing "pretty well" for him, mamma said, crossly:

"Pooh! You call that doing pretty well? Old Mr. Benson weighs 225 pounds, and no one ever heard him bragging of it."

Everybody laughed. Papa shouted. It was such a surprise, and grandma got up and left the room to keep from choking with laughter.

Johnny saw them all look at him, and after a minute or two began to "smell a mouse," as the saying goes.

"Papa," said he, "what are you all laughing about? Is it at me?"

"Well, we are not exactly laughing at you. We thought we would try your way of boasting of our accomplishments, and see how you thought it sounded; but mamma spoiled our game before we had finished it."

Johnny looked rather sheepish the rest of the evening. He wondered if he was as disagreeable as the older folks that evening when he boasted of what he could do or had done. He was forced to admit that boasting sounded very unpleasant, and he resolved to break himself of the habit.—*Our Morning Globe.*

### GOD DOES CARE FOR CHILDREN.

Sometimes we may think that God is so busy caring for great things in this universe that He doesn't notice little children. This is a mistake God is interested in His whole creation. This is the way two little folks reasoned it out:

"Do you suppose," said Johnny, as his little cousin laid away her largest, rosiest apple for a sick girl, "that God cares about such little things as we do? He is too busy taking care of the big folks to notice us much." Winnie shook her head and pointed to mamma, who had just lifted the baby from the crib. "Do you think," said Winnie, "that mamma is so busy with the big folks that she forgets the little ones? She thinks of the baby first because he's the littlest. Surely God knows how to love as well as mother."

This is good reasoning. God does care for the little ones. When Jesus was on earth He took up little children in His arms, and blessed them. They were contented and happy in His presence, because they realized he loved them. We know that He still loves children.—*Friends for Boys and Girls.*

A woman can always be comfortable on a couch if she can get enough uncomfortable cushions on it.

### JAPANESE OPINION OF AMERICAN DRESS.

Writing on the interchange of ideas and ideals between America and Japan, in the May Housekeeper, Marion Bon-sall illustrates her point by an amusing and instructive anecdote.

A Japanese girl and an American girl were having an amusing time at a Japanese home in Tokyo, one evening, dressing in one another's clothes: the Japanese girl arraying herself in an American evening gown, and the American girl in a ceremonial kimona. The first instinct of the Japanese girl was to pull up the low neck of the gown and pull down the sleeves; and the American girl's impulse was to pull the kimona smoothly around the waist and hips, just exactly where it should have folded over. Then they started to assist each other, each one protesting firmly against certain principles the other demanded as essential to correct dressing. But even when finished there was something radically wrong with the ensemble; and the girls, after hypocritically insisting that the other looked beautiful, sat on the matting and laughed.

"I feel very strange," said O-Take-San.

"I feel funny," said the American girl. "I think you are very tight where we are loose," said O-Take-San again.

"The idea of making your waist the broadest part of you!" laughed the American girl.

"I feel," said O-Take-San solemnly, "as though my kimona were falling off," as she indicated the cut of her waist and the fullness of her skirt. "Do you always feel cold like this when you wear such dress?" she queried, as she ran away to the mirror again, giggling in a very feminine way.

When she came back to be helped out of the imprisoning hooks and eyes, she gave her ultimatum on the subject of American clothes.

"I think," she said, reflectively, "that the American dress is good to have no heavy obi; but I think it not good to be cold and to be tight. And I should not like to feel stiff like board and wear such many skirts."

I have been with Brother T. T. Thompson, State Evangelist, for a few days in a great meeting at Monterey. The Lord is blessing his work as presented by this servant of his. It is a great pleasure to be with, and work in a meeting with this man of God. His method of evangelism is such as to do lasting good, and it will be easy for a pastor to follow his work. He is one among the few evangelists who is striving to honor God, rather than take honor to himself. He preaches the gospel, and asks the unsaved to trust the living Christ. The result of the meeting is not summed up yet and will not be, perhaps, until the judgment. The writer has been called as pastor of this church and has announced his acceptance. Will begin work June 1.

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To sum it all up, I would not go through such another ordeal of affliction for thirty-five years for the State of Kansas. (signed) W. M. Chidester, Hutchinson, Kan., April 20, 1905.

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Mission Topic for May: "The Mountain Schools."

**YOUNG SOUTH CORRESPONDENCE**

Yes, we've taken breath; we've rested a bit, and started on again—up, up, the hill of 1907-08.

I see in the paper that they have had torrential rains in Richmond, but they have not even dampened the enthusiasm of the hosts of Baptists in their annual conference about missions. They ask the women and children of the South to give \$100,000 to the Foreign Board and \$75,000 to the Home Board, this year. The Young South must do its best.

Our plans will be unfolded shortly, and meanwhile, let us go on giving to all the various lines regularly, and promptly.

I know you have had thankful hearts over our dear missionary's letter last week. We all rejoice together to think of her in her father's home with loved ones about her, and we will continue to pray God to restore her speedily.

"They also serve who only stand and wait." We hope soon to hear again from her when she can go more into details as to what she wants the Young South to do while she is "waiting." May God give her all needed grace. So pray we all!

I am quite encouraged by the first offering that comes this fourth week in May:

No. 1, postmarked Johnson City, brings SIX DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS. One dollar is from Watauga Church, and \$5.50 from Cherokee Church, and all to be given to Miss Sarah Rowsey to help finish that much needed church at West Shiloh. I am a little late in receiving it, as it was directed to Nashville instead of Chattanooga, and had therefore to be re-sent. Will Miss Jennie Stover thank the friends who are so generous to this worthy cause?

No. 2 is from Athens, and brings \$1 from Miss Josephine Netherland's class at Mt. Harmony, who says I am to use it as I think best. I am sure the class will be pleased to "sow beside all waters," and so I will divide it among the Boards thus: 50 cents to Foreign Missions, 25 cents to Home Missions, and 25 cents to State Missions. This letter ends, "May God bless the Young South." We are most thankful for the prayer, as well as for the aid the money brings. Will the teacher thank the class?

Then there is No. 3, from Fountain City: Enclosed find \$1 from Judson and Frank Stamps, and myself for our missionary's salary. I trust she will soon reach home and be fully restored to health, and may God spare her useful life many years to come.—Mrs. D. B. Stamps. Thank you all so much. We have decided to count all given for work in Japan as "Foreign Missions," and instruct Dr. Willingham, as it goes to him, where it is to be applied.

No. 4 is from Talbott: "The Missionary Society of Talbott Church sends you \$1.50 for ministerial education, and \$2.35 for Home Missions.—Mrs. J. B. Franklin, Treasurer."

Please say how much obliged we are, Mrs. Franklin. Both of those lines need help just now. The Home Board ended the year with a small debt. Let us help pay it at once.

Will some one who wrote me about the 17th of May, sending \$3, please tell me for what it was intended? I have the money safe, but the letter persistently refuses to show itself, and I cannot now recall the address or contents; and will be so deeply obliged if the writer will repeat it at once.

I see in the new "recommendations" of the W. M. U. that they wish the Young People's Bands to build a school at Ying Tak, China, to cost \$5,000, and thereby assist the Foreign Board; also a school at El Paso, Texas, to be called the "Sunbeam School of El Paso," to cost a like amount, and thereby assist the Home Board. Both will accomplish infinite good. Shall our bands help? Just specify, "School at Ying Tak" or "School at El Paso," when you send in your offerings.

I always expect dull weeks while the Commencements are going on, but I hope you will make this year an exception. Let us begin June with a great crowd anxious to serve the Master.

With great hope, Yours,  
LAURA DAYTON EAKIN.

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BY CHIN K. HING.

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The afflicted portion of late is the part of the country through which the river Huai flows. The river flows into the sea between the Yellow river and Yang-tse-kiang. The flooded districts include parts of four provinces—Kiangsu, Anhui, Honan and Shantung. "With inundation wide, the deluge reigns, drowns the deep valleys, and o'er-spreads the plains." These words may well be borrowed in picturing the condition of these districts. Nor is this all. Long famines are as a rule followed by epidemic diseases, and it is no exception to this unusually deplorable one; smallpox having broken out at various places.

The total area of the disastrous districts covers about 40,000 square miles, and the probable population is about 10,000,000. Of this number not all are destitute, but according to the estimate of the Nanking Viceroy, His Excellency, Tuan Fang, about 8,000,000 are entirely without means of subsistence. And according to the later report of the relief committee at the front, that they find the bodies of the sufferers bloated, and that their faces turn green or black as the result of starvation. The people are pulling the growing crops for food. Whole families have been found dead in their houses and corpses are seen lying by the roadside. Probably five thousand persons are dying daily from starvation.

To relieve the suffering, His Majesty, the Emperor, contributed 200,000 taels from his private purse. Various officials were mentioned as having contributed 300,000 taels, and the Chinese merchants in Shanghai sent 400,000 taels, as their first contribution. Taxes have been remitted, and no doubt the Imperial contributions have been vastly increased and will continue to the end of the famine. Private contributions of money and grain are pouring into the afflicted region from Chinese philanthropists all the time. The officials and teachers in the prosperous regions near the famine districts are contributing one-tenth of their salaries for the next five months. Even among the small circle of Chinese students out here, subscriptions are being raised towards the same end. But with all that we can do, the suffering and loss of life will be appalling, for the need is so great.

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## AMONG THE BRETHREN.

BY FLEETWOOD BALL.

The church at Memphis, Mo., is pastorless, and has been so since Rev. W. H. F. Jones resigned to attend the Seminary at Louisville.

Rev. W. W. Horner, of Nashville, Tenn., is in charge now of Grace Church, New Orleans, La., and the outlook is quite encouraging.

Evangelist Gordon W. Hill is assisting in a revival at Oakdale Church, Louisville, Ky., of which Rev. S. N. Mohler is pastor, which has already resulted in 67 additions.

Evangelist W. H. Smith, of Bowling Green, Ky., held a revival lately at Prestonsburg, Ky., which resulted in the organization of a church of nine members. The Methodists not only allowed their house for the meeting, but have consented to let the Baptists use it once a month.

Rev. E. W. Burnett was assisted in a revival at Corbin, Ky., lately by Evangelist E. B. Farrar. The results were 35 accessions by baptism and 26 otherwise. The church was lifted to a high plane.

Rev. L. H. Williams has accepted the care of South Seventh Street Church, Springfield, Ill., resigning the pastorate of Water Tower Church, St. Louis, Mo., in order to do it.

Another broken down pastor must rest. He is Dr. Kerr Boyce Tupper, who has resigned the care of Madison Avenue Church, New York, for that purpose.

Dr. E. Y. Mullins, of the Seminary at Louisville, is in demand far and near for great occasions. He is to preach the Commencement of Ottawa University, Kansas, June 5th.

Central College, Conway, Ark., had a notable Commencement last Sunday. Rev. J. S. Rogers, of Searcy delivered the Baccalaureate Sermon and Rev. W. T. Amis, of Hot Springs, the address.

Revs. J. H. Peay and W. E. Kimbrough are the field editors of the *Baptist Advance*, and are mightily bringing things to pass for that splendid paper.

Rev. H. C. Rosamond has resigned the care of the First Church, Paragould, Ark. There were six additions to the church on the day of his resignation, making 169 in 27 months. It is thought he will accept the care of the church at Eldorado, Ark.

Rev. F. P. Turner has resigned the care of the church at Monticello, Ark., taking effect last Sunday. He succeeds Rev. O. T. Finch, of Little Rock, Ark., as Financial Agent for the Baptist Orphans' Home.

Rev. W. A. Freeman, until recently, pastor at Stamps, Ark., is now supplying at Magnolia, Ark., most acceptably.

Rev. J. H. Taylor has accepted a hearty call to the church at Leonard, Texas, having resigned at Nevada, Texas, where for years his labors have been effective.

Rev. W. R. Covington has severed his connection with the Second Church, Dallas, Texas, as assistant pastor, although his plans are not as yet matured.

Rev. Eugene P. Alldrid has resigned the care of the Second Church, Dallas, Texas, on account of an aggravated catarrhal trouble that forces him to go to La Grande, New Mexico, for recuperation. We sincerely trust his will be a speedy recovery.

Rev. L. J. Mims, of Waco, Texas, goes to Dublin, Texas, as pastor succeeding Rev. E. L. Compere, now pastor at Greenville, Texas.

Rev. J. Milnor Wilbur, who for years has served the Church of the Evangel, at Narberth, Pa., and has become pastor of the Central Church, Trenton, N. J.

Dr. A. J. Fristoe, beloved greatly in Tennessee, who continues to do things in a lively manner as pastor of Park

Avenue Church, Norfolk, Va., has lately been complimented with a \$500 raise in salary.

The Southern Presbyterians resolved to raise \$1,000,000 for Foreign Missions next year, which would be \$4 apiece.

The great new meeting-house of the First Church, Newport News, Va., Dr. J. W. Porter, pastor, was opened for worship Sunday May 12. Dr. J. B. Hawthorne, of Richmond, Va., delivered the dedicatory sermon.

Evangelist Sam Kirkland, of Fulton, Ky., has associated with him Mr. A. E. Harshbarger, a gifted singer, and they begin meetings at Iuka, Ill., May 29, and at Louisville, Ill., June 13.

Rev. U. A. Ransom has resigned the care of Third Avenue Church, Louisville, Ky., taking effect May 26. It is not known where he will locate.

Dr. W. E. Hatcher, of Richmond, Va., lately assisted our beloved friend of former days, Rev. L. E. Barton, in a revival at Quitman, Ga., with most gracious results. That church lately gave \$1000 for Foreign Missions and \$500 for Home Missions.

Evangelist T. T. Martin, of Blue Mountain, Miss., was eminently successful in his late revival with Rev. John E. Brigge, of Capitol Avenue Church, Atlanta, Ga. There were 86 accessions.

The revival at Arcadia, Fla., in which Rev. B. P. Robertson was assisted by Evangelist P. G. Elsom, resulted in 68 accessions to the church and there are 50 others who signified their intention to join.

Revs. T. E. Willms and J. B. Hill were ordained to the full work of the ministry by Fellowship Church, in Crockett County, Tenn., on a recent Sunday. Rev. H. D. Clift conducted the examination and delivered the sermon.

The beloved wife of Dr. J. C. Young, a deacon in the church in Martin, Tenn., passed to her great reward, Friday, May 17. She was a notably strong character who will be sadly missed. Revs. J. B. Moody, T. A. Waggener and I. N. Penick officiated at the burial.

Dr. B. F. Riley, of Houston, Texas, has become superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Texas and is writing a biography of Dr. J. B. Hawthorne, of Richmond, Va. It is wonderful how conspicuous Baptist preachers are in reform movements.

Rev. H. Clay Roberts, of Biloxi, Miss., lately assisted Dr. W. C. Grace in a revival at the First Church, Gulfport, Miss., resulting in 10 accessions.

One of the best productions we have seen lately is an article in a late issue of the *Baptist Record* entitled "The Evolution of Modern Missions; or the Reward of His Suffering," by our brilliant friend and former schoolmate, Rev. W. A. Jordan, of Clarksdale, Miss.

Walnut Street Church, Louisville, Ky., Dr. T. T. Eaton, pastor, put itself on record as being unanimously opposed to withdrawing from Long Run Association in order to enter with the other church of Louisville in the formation of a new Association composed solely of Louisville churches.

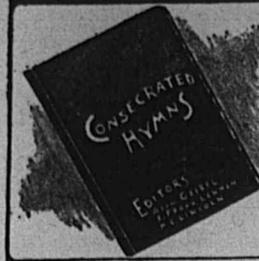
Rev. B. A. Dawes, of Highland Church, Louisville, Ky., has been called to the care of the church at Georgetown, Ky., one of the most important pastorates in that State.

Rev. Terry Martin, of West Jackson Church, Jackson, Tenn., will assist the writer in a revival at Rock Hill Church, near Lexington, Tenn., beginning the Second Sunday in August.

The revival at Ripley, Tenn., in which Dr. J. J. Porter, of Joplin, Mo., assisted the gifted Rev. W. H. Bruton, has at last accounts resulted in over 50 conversions, most of them men. The whole town was stirred.

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Evangelist E. D. Solomon lately held a great meeting with Rev. J. A. Held, of Natchez, Miss., resulting in 76 professions and 42 additions. The church was lifted forward greatly.

Rev. R. A. Kimbrough, of Tupelo, Miss., the salt of the earth, lately assisted Rev. W. G. Mahaffey in a meeting at Coffeeville, Miss., resulting in 21 additions; 15 by baptism.

Rev. I. A. Hailey, of Fifteenth Avenue Church, Meridian, Miss., did all the preaching in a meeting with his church, which resulted in 30 accessions; 25 by baptism. His many friends in Tennessee note pleausrably his success for God.

Next Sunday, Dr. George B. Eager, of the Seminary at Louisville, Ky., delivers the Commencement sermon of the University of Tennessee, which is the fifteenth anniversary of the establishment of that great institution.

Rev. E. V. Baldy, of Bainbridge Street Church, Richmond, Va., has been called to the care of the church at Hartsville, S. C., with strong probability that he will accept.

Dr. A. B. Cabaniss, of Trenton, Ky., is dead, at a very advanced age. This brother beloved was well known throughout Tennessee, having procured hundreds of subscribers for this paper. He was for years a missionary in China. Verily, he has reaped a rich reward.

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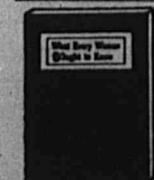
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**Bristol**—The Tennessee State Committee is planning to complete the building campaigns in the State for the first half of the year, by an effort to secure \$20,000 additional in Bristol, where \$60,000 has already been pledged for the Y. M. C. A. S. W. McGill, State Secretary, and R. N. Watts, Field Secretary, are assisting in the campaigns.

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My wife became suddenly ill the night after I left for the Convention, and I was called home from Richmond by telegram on Friday. She has been quite sick, but after about ten days is able to be up again. She is very weak, but gradually improving. I suppose, the moving strain was too much for her. Our new church is nearing completion.

We hope to have it ready for the East Tennessee Sunday-school Convention in July. Come to see me then. Bring Brother Golden with you.

ISAAC W. MARTIN.  
Sweetwater, Tenn., May 24, 1907.

There has been a fine revival spirit in our church for many months and many were being brought into the Kingdom. But we thought that it would be wise to have some special meetings. Brother C. B. Waller came up from Chattanooga and preached nine days for us, much to the delight of the vast crowds that came to hear him. He is a preacher of remarkable gifts. He knows how to reach human hearts and move people to a decision. In the pulpit he is attractive; in the home he is interesting, and in social circles he is pleasing. The interest in the meeting rose high and swift over the whole city and many were converted. Between 90 and 100 have thus far united with our church. It was one of the best meetings I have ever been in. Several fine business and professional men were among the number who came into the church. I have never known a church in better condition to do great things than this one. The Lord is with his people and we are thankful.

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RESOLVED, That we tender our sympathy to the bereaved wife, children and friends of the deceased; saying to them: "that while their loss is great, his gain is greater." Respectfully,  
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*Be it further resolved,* That we express our sincere sympathy to the heart-broken family and commend them to that Grace which is sufficient for all.  
By order of the church, April 14, 1907.  
W. H. SILER, M.D.,  
A. F. MCPHERSON,  
MRS. SARILIA FRY,  
Committee.

The second Sunday was a very good day with the church at Walnut Grove. Preaching by Rev. J. H. Lane, followed by the ordination of Brethren Charlie Davis, and Riley Howard, to the deaconship of the church. The ordaining council was composed of J. F. Guinn, J. N. Davis, O. L. Adams, A. S. Vaughn, J. H. Lane and the writer. The council was organized by election of J. P. Masengil, Moderator, and O. L. Adams, Clerk. Then the church engaged in the supper in the presence of one of the largest crowds that we have seen at Walnut Grove for some time, in which service the Lord wonderfully blessed His people; and we have not enjoyed so much of the Spirit's power and presence in a long time at this church. Walnut Grove Church is one of the best little churches in the country. They are advancing along various lines very nicely. We have a nice and interesting Sunday-school and prayer-meeting; and preaching most every Sunday.  
J. P. MASENGIL,  
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