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RESOLVE.

To keep my health! To do my work! To live!
To see to it I grow and gain and give!
Never look behind me for an hour.
To wait in weakness and to walk in power;
But always fronting onward to the light,
Always and always facing toward the right;
Robbed starved, defeated, fallen, wide astray—
On, with what strength I have! Back to the way!
—Charlotte Perkins Stetson.

PERSONAL AND PRACTICAL.

-Thanks, Santa, thanks awfully. You were very good to us. Come again.

—Well, we certainly had a white Christmas. According to the old saying, then, we ought to have a healthy year.

—Is it more blessed to give or to receive? With your experience of giving and receiving Christmas presents, what do you think?

—Let us again call attention to the fact that the time of many of our subscribers expires January 1, and request that they will be certain to renew by that time.

—The night before Christmas, the day of Christmas, the night after Christmas, which is best? In other words, which do you prefer, anticipation, realization or reprospection?

-On the occasion of the 61st birthday of Dr. Osler, one of the boys in the school wrote:

"Brothers, I am 61, I feel my work on earth is done. Peace should follow after storm, Reach me down the chleroform."

—In a letter accompanying the statement to our subscribers, which we recently sent out, we requested that they would let us hear from them by January 1, at the latest. Many of them have already written, renewing their subscriptions. We hope that all will do so. We have large obligations accruing at that time, and shall need the amounts due us in order to meet them.

-Prof. E. W. Farrar, for a number of years professor in Bethel College, Russellville, Ky., has given up educational work and accepted a position with a life insurance company. This is no reflection upon Prof. Farrar, for he was a teacher of exceptional ability. It is, however, a reflection upon the salaries paid teachers, and an argument for larger salaries to the members of this important and hard-working profession.

—We appreciate the following kind words in the Baptist Flag of last week: "Although a trifle belated we extend our heartiest congratulations to Editor Folk, of the Baptist and Reflector, on having rounded out twenty-one years of editorial work on the Baptist and Reflector. Dr. Folk knows how to make his paper extremely interesting— a trait which some editors do not have. May the next twenty-one years rest as lightly upon Dr. Folk as the past twenty-one." Accept our thanks, Brother Moore.

—Says the Western Recorders "The latest large work on the history of the Early Church,' is by Prof. Gwatkins, an English churchman. He makes some honest admissions. He says the bishops of the New Testament were not bishops in the modern ecclesiastical sense, that baptism was administered by immersion and there is decisive evidence that infant baptism is no direct institution either of our Lord or his disciples." These are the candid admissions of a scholar, and are such as are made by most scholars of every denomination.

One of the most thrilling sounds we ever heard was, when at 6 o'clock on Christmas morning, the chimes in the Tulip Street Methodist Church, this city, just across the street from our home, pealed out in loud and glad tones:

"Joy to the world, the Lord is come, Let earth receive her king," Let every heart prepare him room And heaven and nature sing."

followed by other selections appropriate for Christmas morning.

—Mr. H. H. Tift, of Tifton, Ga., has offered Bessie Tift College at Forsythe, Ga., \$60,000 on condition that Baptists of Georgia raise \$300,000. It is said that "they are going after it and will get it." This is a generous contribution upon the part of Mr. Tift. He is a prominent and successful business man of South Georgia He himself is not a member of the church. His wife, however, formerly Miss Bessie Willingham, first cousin of Dr. R. J. Willingham, and a sister of Mrs. W. L. Pickard, is a consecrated Christian woman. It was after her—that the school was named.

—In a thoughtful editorial last week on "The Church and Democracy," the Christian Advocate says that it is "apparent that in our day, in this good land, where popular government is in the very air, to work smoothly, to deliver energy without noise and heat; to accomplish the ends of their organization, churches must have a liberal infusion of democracy—real democracy—in their manner of governing themselves." And thus Dr. Winton joins Bishop Hoss in his advocacy of an ecclesiastical government by the people, of the people and for the people. It seems to us that the logical conclusion is a congregational form of church government. It is only in this way that the democratic spirit can be fully expressed.

—After wrestling for a considerable time with the proposition, "What is whiskey?" President William H. Taft has decided that whiskey is "all potable liquor distilled from grain." In his decision the President says: "It is undoubtedly true that the liquor trade has been disgracefully full of frauds on the public by false labels." He then decides that "in order to prevent further frauds they (the liquor men) are required to use a brand which will show exactly the kind of whiskey they are selling." This is something the liquor men do not want to do, and will not do if they can find any way to violate the law. The liquor traffic is simply a lawless business. Being against the law of God, it is against the law of man in every way possible.

—Dr. G. M. Savage, of Union University, Jackson, is pastor of several town and country churches. He is very fond of these churches, and it goes without saying that they are very fond of him. He has appointed committees in his Tennessee churches, whose especial business it is to look after the interests of the Baptist and Reflector. He writes: "I expect to keep them as standing committees to report from month to month. The Baptist and Reflector is necessary to the prosperity of Baptists in this long State, so heterogeneous in its parts geographically and politically, but so homogeneous Baptistically." In addition, Dr. Savage proposes to send copies of the Baptist and Reflector to some friends as Christmas or New Year's presents.

—By the time this copy of the BAPTIST AND REFLECT-OR reaches many of our subscribers, the year 1909 will have gone—gone with all its joys and sorrows, successes and failures, hopes and disappointments, anticipations and realizations, gone never to return. Let us, like Paul, "forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before;" "press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." With our backs to the past and our faces to the future, let us go forward into the year 1910 with brave hearts, determined to do our

part in the advancement of the kingdom of our Lord, and to bring about that glorious day when the will of the Father shall be done upon each as it is done in heaven.

—While Police Commissioner of New York Theodore Roosevelt gave expression to the following very significant utterances: "The worst possible lesson to teach any citizen is contempt for law. No man should take a public office unless he is willing to obey his oath and to enforce the law. If the poor man has a right to break the law on Sunday to get beer, he has a right to break the law on every day to get bread. It is a good deal more important to the poor man that he should get fed on week days than that he get drunk on Sundays. The people who try to teach him that he has a right to break the law on one day to get beer are doing their best to prepare him for breaking the law some other day to take bread." These things are as true now as they were then; as true in Tennessee as they were in New York State, as true in Nashville and Memphis and Chattanooga as they were in New York City.

—Commander Peary, now the undoubted and undisputed discoverer of the North Pole, is writing a series of articles in Hampton's Magazine giving an account of his discovery of the Pole. The closing paragraphs of his first article are as follows:

"And I felt, as we steamed northward from Cape York on the first day of August, 1908, that I was at last face to face with my own destiny, which was now to have the final word with me; I felt that all my years of work and all my former expeditions we merely preparations for this last and supreme eff. It has been said that well-directed labor toward a given end is the best kind of prayer for its attainment. But no man can live for years surrounded by the great white mystery of the arctic without feeling that within and behind it is an Intelligence—watchful and responsive. And if, standing there with my back to the world and my face toward that Mystery, I dared to ask of It the boon for which I had labored so long, can any one wonder that I say so?"

Can any one wonder that, with such a spirit, he should have attained the goal of his ambition at last, and should have succeeded where so many others have failed?

-In an article headed "Will Japan Become a Christian Nation?" a writer in Hampton's Magazine for December expressed the opinion "that, if Christian peoples had two decades ago presented to the Japanese a united Christianity, it would have become a Christian nation before this. It was in fact contemplated by the Privy Council to declare Japan Christian, but they were deterred by the multitude of Christian denominations, not knowing just what form of Christianity to decide upon. And now the time has passed by, and Japan will not become a Christian nation as a whole. The failure of the sweeping success of Christian missions in Japan is laid to the door of the divisions in the body of Christ. And the reason given for not expecting Japan to become Christian in the immediate future is equally startling. It is because Japan has now adopted the scientific agnosticism which Japanese students learned in the colleges of Europe and America. Twenty years ago Japan knew Christianity as it was taught by the missionaries, and was favorably impressed; but was confused by the various names and various beliefs of Christian bodies. While Japan was waiting to see what form of Christianity it would adopt multitudes of students returned from completing their education in the colleges of Christian lands. They brought with them the scientific rationalism they had been taught in the great colleges of Europe and America, and Japan has turned from the Christianity of the missionaries to the evolutionary ethics of the great schools of Christian lands." This article is a fearful arraignment of the semi-infidelity in our so-called Christian schools here in America, as well as a powerful argument for Christian unity.

THE OLD YEAR.

Last night, when all the village
Was lying white and still,
With starlight in the valley,
With moonlight on the hill,
I wakened from my dreaming,
And hushed my heart to hear
The old clock on the steeple
Toll out the dying year.

They say that when the angels
The blessed New Year bring,
The souls that wake to listen
Can hear them softly sing
The same melodious anthem
Of peace and love on earth,
That told to Judah's shepherds
The dear Redeemer's birth.

No sound dame through the silence;
But, waiting there, I thought
Of all the gifts and blessings
The year to me had brought;
And something sang within me;
"O happy heart, today
Remember all who sorrow,
And wipe their tears away."

So, in that solemn morning

When first thy feet shall stand
Where dawn in light unshadowed
The years of God's right hand,
The words of benediction
Thy welcome home shall be,
"Thy deeds of love and mercy
Have all been done to Me!"

-Selected.

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Many a father will wish his boy to read these letters as his own message to his child. They are thoroughly good.—Baptist Sunday-School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

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The letters which make up the book recently sent out by our good friend, Dr. E. E. Folk, were published in the Baptist and Reflector, and proved so interesting and helpful that he yielded to the clamor of the public and now gives them in attractive book form. The first twenty-one letters cover very thoroughly the leading topics of our Baptist principles. The last five letters are well worth the price of the book for reference.—Alabama Baptist.

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We have read this earnest and charming book with more than ordinary interest. We come from the reading with a clearer understanding and a fuller appreciation of Baptist principles than we had hitherto lad. The style is easy and the facts and arguments are marshaled in an orderly and forcible way. careful and comprehensive discussion of every tun damental Baptist principle, together with their several various correlated questions. The author is an intelligent and loyal Baptist. He makes no apologies for his Baptist principles. He makes it clear that these principles are rooted in New Testament soil. The book is calculated to confirm the reader who is already a Baptist and make him proud of his principles. book will come with convincing power to the openminded reader who is not a Baptist. No man in our Baptist ranks has been more constant, more consistent and more courageous in the promulgation and defense of Baptist principles than has Dr. Folk. This most ex cellent book deserves a wide reading. And the rank and file of our Baptist people need the education in Baptist doctrine contained in this book.-Word and Way.

While much has been written along these lines, there is nothing more valuable than this series of letters. Get this book and read it; it is worth while.—
—Florida Baptist Witness.

Editor E. E. Folk, of the Baptist and Reflector, Nashville, wrote a series of articles, of letters addressed to his son, a lad in his teens, whose picture graces 'he front of the book, which now contains these letters, explaining to him in colloquial and fatherly languagd the facts and history connected with the establishment and maintenance of Baptist principles. This easy style enables the author to go into many details, giving names of leading Baptists and telling incidents to accept the points under discussion. Dr. Folk is well known as an easy writer and a loyal expounder of the faith. These letters cover about the whole case and serve to instruct and kindle, we hope, very many young Baptists who shall grow to leadership in the kingdom.—Bapiist World.

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senger.

Your "Baptist Principles" reached me yesterday, and today I have just finished the last letter. I wish I could convey to you just how much good the reading did me. I feel strengthened, cheered, helped. After wading through so much learned "pro and con" discussion, which only befuddles the brain, your "Principles" comes as simple and clear as a gourd of pure spring water to a tired and thirsty soul. Thank you, dear Dr. Folk, for giving us Baptists, and every cneelse, such a stirring and convincing "because." It should be in every Baptist Sunday School and home—Elizabeth Padfield, Louisville, Ky.

Send orders to the Baptist and Reflector, Nashville, Tenn.

CHILE FOR CHRIST.

What Brazilian Baptists are Doing.

Among the fields that are slowly, after many centuries, opening to the Lord of the Harvest, may be reckoned Chile. Faithful soldiers of Jesus Christ are at last penetrating the barriers that surround that rocky coast, and finding that here, as elsewhere, Christ accompanies and supports these that act upon His parting message; and here, as elsewhere, both those who enter the field and those that support the work from at home are reaping the fruit of their self-denial in precious souls.

We have before us various letters from which we will take a few encouraging extracts, and may God stir up many at home to follow with prayer, men, and means, what He is doing in Chile!

"A few days ago," writes our brother McDonald, "I received a letter from Dr. Willingham, and was encouraged to find that the Richmond Board is increasingly interested in the Lord's work in Chile."

Difficulties.—"The work progresses, but, as in most cases, not without difficulty. August has been the worst month this winter. The roads are in hopeless condition, and have prevented me doing all I wished. A short time ago, some disturbers were at work among our people. Hearing of two who were engaged in troubling the brethren in the district of Las Tarrias, I was obliged to go two leagues on foot, but was amply rewarded by finding the brethren standing firm, and at night we had a splendid meeting. Early Sunday morning I went another league and preached at 10 in went another league and preached at 10 in the morning, returning for a meeting at 2 o'clock. 5:30 I went out to another meeting at Gorbea at 7:30, but was obliged to give up owing to weakness, having eaten practically nothing the whole day. Brother Chaves took my place. The next day I had to keep my bed. (Letter dated Aug. 28, '09.)

Baptisms.—"Three candidates for baptism are awaiting my arrival today at the Gorbea church * * * and perhaps another who lives a little distance away. Still another has asked for baptism at Temuco. The th'rd Sunday this month (D. V.) we hope to baptize others at Munes. Pastor Valdivia tells me he has at least twelve candidates ready, and I expect to baptize others when I can get to Huillue." (Letter dated Sept. 13, 1909.)

A True Soldier.—"Our brother Domingo Alvares, who is anxious to matriculate in the Seminary at Rio de Janeiro, is doing good work. Every time we go to Huillue, we find fresh candidates ready to follow the Lord Jesus. Praised be His name!"

Further Plans.—"At the end of September, the winter ends and the roads improve. I hope shortly to be able to visit the following places: Caterpulli, Nuevo Imperial, Caragui, Penominco, Pia, etc. There are numbers in all these places awaiting baptism."

The last letter we received from our valued brother

TO THE DYING YEAR.

MARGARET MC RAE LACKEY.

As some dear friend we long have known, Slips out of life and leaves us lone To count the joys that we have shared; Or measure moments when we've bared Our hearts in common sorrow, so Old Year, we sigh to see thee go.

You brought such wealths of sweets with you,-New Hopes so bright, new Friends so true; New Faith for larger, purer life; New Strength to overcome in strife; New Love to lift us out of Self; New Work each day, 'bove common Pelf.

For these, and other blessings brought,-For living lessons thou hast taught,-We turn us now beside thy bier, And give thee thanks, thou dying Year. Our hearts are full of gratitude Because thou gavest much of good.

But when we con thy blessings o'er, And note how many an Open Door Thou didst along our pathway find, Where "simple act of being kind" Was thrust aside with heedless leer,-Thy going makes us sad, Old Year.

Yet other years we trust will prove We're not disdainful of thy love; And where we've failed to live with thee, The life unselfish, full and free, May sheathful Futures, far and near, Prove well thy worth to us, Old Year.

McDonald bears the date of Sept. 28, in which he writes: "Since I last wrote we have had three baptisms and before this letter reaches you we shall have * * * I preached in the morning at Gorbea, and in the afternoon at Las Tarrias, where the congregation has grown wonderfully. We had an excellent meeting; at night I returned to Gorbea, where we had a full house."

In 1907, during the Bartist Convention, held in Bahia, Brazil, the plan was deliberated of making-a more definite assault upon the stronghold of Chile, and in 1908 Dr. Bagby, of Sao Paulo, paid his first visit to that field, his expenses being paid by Brazilian Bap-The Chilian Baptist Convention was organized with twelve registered churches and many native groups, self-supporting. Acting in a line with the commands of Christ, the Brazilian Convention promised to support one native evangelist, and it was hoped that the Foreign Mission Board would help with a foreign missionary, Mr. W. D. MacDonald. The Board, however, owing to lack of funds, was unable to do anything in the matter, and our brother MacDonald, MacDonald, counting on God, left without funds and, although supporting a large family, is heroically keeping up the work.

The Brazilian Foreign Mission Board is as yet hardly able to undertake such an enterprise, and help is urgently needed from outside. The Brazilian Board sends at present Rs. \$200 per month, but the needs are at least Rs. \$500, namely Rs. \$300 for Chile and Rs. \$200 for Portugal. How many of those who read these lines could help without difficulty! And how many more with a little sacrifice!

An Example.-Two churches in Brazil have set us an example worthy of imitation, not only of what can be done, but also of how God blesses a church which remembers missionary work. The Sao Paulo church, not only pays its current expenses, but is working for a suitable building for the service of God. Besides this, they support two men in the Rio Gymnasio; and in addition to these evidences of sound life and health, they have contributed Rs. \$30 per month to missionary The Most High is sealing this fidelity with His

In one of the suburbs of Pernambuco a church was organized on Dec. 25, 1908, composed chiefly of poor artisans. From the very start they resolved to contrib ute monthly Rs. \$5 for missionary work, one-half for National missions, and one-half for Foreign missions. This church has prospered wonderfully. It has already built its own place for worship, and the membership, which was thirty-five at the start, is now more than doubled.

A Last Word.-Can we thank God for a similar blessing in our own church? Have we complied with the conditions? This is as much our work as their work, because it is the Lord's work. And the doors of the

heart once opened to the Master's call, who shall limit the blessing which He gives and no man can recall? SOLOMON L. GINSBURG,

Box 184.

Cor. Sec. For Mission Board, Brazil Baptist Convention, Bahai,

MATERIALISM A DOMESTIC MISSION PROB-LEM.

VICTOR I. MASTERS.

God has never so abundantly prospered the home mission work even of Southern Baptists as he is doing in this year of grace, nor have the opportunities and the obligations for faithful and large home mission effort ever towered just so high as they do now. In the long ago home mission effort very largely was a providing for the frontier. That was a small proposition compared with the multiform problems that now confront Christian denominations in America.

The frontier problem itself has become a thing more intense and complex far than it was in the quiet days of our fathers. In the great Southwest Southern Baptists have the power within less than ten years either to save or to lose an empire.

What will they do about it? Many of them have not even yet found out that they are confronted by such a situation.

Then there are the problems of the immigrant hordes, of alien and native infidelity of three million Southern highlanders, of the congested and vitiated sections of urban population, of the Negro, and of

Greater than any of these there is the problem of materialism. The Providence of God is smiling with favor upon the fields and labors of the South. cotton crop this year will be worth a billion of dollars. A large part of this wealth is in the hands of Baptists.

What will we do about it? Wealth is power. If it is consecrated to spiritual ends it is a blessing. If it is considered an end in itself it becomes a curse-corrupting, vitiating and destroying. A Missouri pastor recently said before the Missouri Baptist Convention that the automobiles gathered at the door of his church on a Sabbath morning cost more money than all the Baptists of Missouri gave to all missionary objects during the entire year. More than ninety per cent. of the millions invested in automobiles represent pleasure. Of the \$225,000 that will be invested in automobiles next year, millions of dollars will come out of Baptists' pockets.

What shall we do about it? Materialism not only threatens to ruin many people whom we should save It also stupefies the spiritual perception of those whom we must depend to furnish the money and do the work of saving the lost.

Have Southern Baptists whose fathers had the manhood to turn the desolation of a destructive Civil War into success, the courage and the earnestness necessary to consecrate all this wealth that is coming to spiritual ends? Either there must be more liberal giving or we must confess that there is a great deal more of selfish grasping.

This is a great problem that confronts the Home Mission Board and each one of our State Mission Boards and churches in the South.

With all of this wonderful prosperity coming upon us, the Home Board had up to December 15th only received \$3,000 less than it had at the same date last May God in His grace quicken the Baptists of Tennessee and of each one of our Southern States to do valiantly for the consecration of the wealth of our people to the spread of the gospel in our homeland, seven-ninths of whose citizens make no profession of religion in any evangelical church.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 20.

NORTHERN INDIANA NOTES.

Things in our northern Baptist Zion are moving smoothly, and gradually upward. We are not so numerous as the Baptists in Tennessee; but our people are of a good grade, and the work is of a very stable nature. We are but a short way out of Chicago, and are in a cluster of a number of cities of importance. Valparaiso, an educational center, has but the one Baptist church, Rev. S. R. Long being its efficient pastor; and there are constant additions to his membership. South Bend First Church has been without a pastor for quite awhile, and is being supplied with ministers from different parts of the country. Mishawaka First Church is selling out its property, down in the heart of the city, and is moving back into the resident portion. Rev. Gibelet, the pastor, is an Englishman, a preacher and leader of considerable force. Peru First Church has lately passed through a most glorious revival, re-

sulting in more than 200 conversions. Pastor Cliver had . the assistance of Evangelist Miller, one of our State evangelists. One hundred and fifty were baptized. This church was already a great organization, giving its thousands to education and missions; but now, still stronger. The Baptists are building at Gary. This is a city on Lake Michigan, four years of age, and already has more than 30,000 inhabitants. The great steel plants and locomotive plants are located there; and it will only be a matter of a few years until it will num-ber a hundred thousand. The basement of the church is about completed, and we are the first to build.

Rochester First Church, Rev. Dr. O. P. Miles, pastor, has been having a steady, upward movement for five years. The church is composed of some of the strongest people in the State. Its influence is not only felt in the city, but throughout the country. only led in the fight against the saloons, and the prosecution of illegal sale of liquor, but lawlessness in gen-Dr. Miles is a Southerner by birth, an orthodox Baptist, and if I am not mistaken, he came from your State.

Rev. Wm. E. Pope, our State Superintendent of Missions, is bringing things to pass. Six evangelists are at work in the State, and several hundred have been baptized since the Convention in October. Bro. Pope hails from Oregon, and has only been in our State a little more than a year.

The amount given to missions for the last year was double the amount of that of the previous year.

Your brother in Christ,

SAMUEL L. ESSICK.

Rochester, Ind.

NORFOLK, VIRGINIA.

Norfolk and Virginia are to lose Rev. A. J. Fristoe, D.D., who will leave the Park Avenue church and go to Baltimore, Maryland, to take charge of the evangelistic work of that State. His going will be a distinct loss to this community. No man has ever had a better grip on Norfolk and the regions around about than has Dr. Fristoe. He has had more to do in bringing the Baptists to the front in Norfolk than any other man, I feel free to say. He is a great worker in the study and in the pastorate, yet he takes time to look after matters concerning the kingdom outside of his church, which is one of the largest and most efficient in the city. He is a man of many fine traits, cultured in mind, refined in his thought, elegant in address, fascinating p sonality and a man strong in the scriptures, which he preaches with rare power. His pastorates here and Portsmouth have made for him a wide acquaintance and a great following. He is also blessed with a charming family, which has added much to his popularity. His wife is truly a pastor's wife, one who is not only in deep sympathy with him, but throws herself with her splendid gifts into the work. Personally, I feel his going very keenly. He was wise in council, kind and thoughtful in presiding over the ministers' conference, of which he is president, and his presence seemed a benediction to the brethren. He will have charge of a great work and he is the right man for such, and no doubt but that he will set in motion tremendous forces for the coming of the kingdom. Park Avenue people are, in sorrow, for they well know that it will be very hard for any man to come and fill all the places Dr. -Fristoe filled.

My work is moving along nicely, and I am in love with Norfolk.

G. W. PERRYMAN.

I can't do without the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR. I came here from dear old Tennessee in March, 1908, and I think I am about as homesick as another one of the Tennessee deserters. I mean our good brother, Holt. While he was in Florida, the Land of Flowers and Sunshine and Golden Glories, still he thought of old Tennessee. And now, although in the new and delightful home in the balmy breezes of Oklahoma, still he echoes back "Dear Old Tennessee, I love thee." 1 join heartily with him in offering congratulations to you on your seniority as editor. If some of those Baptists in Tennessee were here in Hoboken, N. J., starvingfor Bible, Baptist, Gospel preaching, as I am, it would not be long before you would get \$2 from each one of them, and they would be saying, "Please send me the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR. I am hungry." Brother Folk, please tell all the people through the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR to pray for me. I wrote you once since I came to. Hoboken that we had 450 saloons and two Baptist churches. But it seems now that the devil is gaining some headway, for there are now 465 saloons and one of the Baptist churches has lost its pastor. Pray for us. C. J. Hipps.

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THE DIVINE REVELATION OF THE BIBLE.

BY ROBERT STUART MACARTHUR.

It is confidently affirmed in many quarters that the Church is losing its hold upon large classes in the community, that the Bible has ceased to command the reverence and even the respect of the people, and that religion itself is no longer the potent factor which once it was in human thought and life. It is doubtless true, in the case of many who make these assertions, that the wish is father to the thought; and it is also true that similar assertions often have been made which were proved untrue by subsequent events. It must be admitted, however, that the Sabbath is no longer garded with the sanctity which characterized it in for mer generations. The early part of the day is wellnigh smothered by the blanket-sheet newspaper; later portions of the day are rolled in the dust by the automobile; and many professedly Christian people join with the acknowledged people of the world in spending what remains of the day in social festivities. The continental Sunday has made grievous inroads on the American Sabbath; the holy day has largely become simply a holiday.

It is not difficult to account for the indifference and irreverence which characterize Sunday and its services in recent times. For this deplorable result, the unwise and often really unscholarly destructive criticism of the Bible is largely responsible. In former times the enemies of divine revelation were called intidels; now they are sometimes churchmen of various creeds. Formerly they stood outside the temple of truth which wished to destroy; now they occasionally stand in its holy places, wearing its honors and titles, while they are vigorously but vainly striving to undermine The time its eternal foundations. has come preachers and all evangelical believers to speak clearly, strongly, loyally and lovingly in affirmation of the old faith and in defense of the old Bible. It is believed that in all our churches there are many men and women who are utterly weary of the indefiniteness of much of the pulpit teaching of the last few years. It will not be intelligently denied that the pulpit often has spoken hesitantly, vaguely, and apologetically; certainly the time has come for it to speak confidently, affirmatively and authoritatively.

Revelation is the act or process of revealing or disclosing what before was unknown. The word itself is profoundly suggestive. It comes from the Latin revelo, which is made up of re, back, and velum, a veil. In revelation God draws back the veil which concealed Him from men. Our deepest needs cry out for light that which we derive from the light of nature, we from God. Except help come from God other than shall sink into moral inanity, if not into despair. joyously recognize the fact that nature is a revelation. so far as it goes. This truth is beautifully illustrated in the nineteenth psalm. The first six verses of the psalm give us a statement of natural religion; beginning at the seventh verse and going to the end of the thirteenth verse, we have an illustration of the characters and effect of revealed religion; in the last verse of the psalm we have a manifestation of experimental religion. We thus have creation, revelation and regeneration in the psalm. There is no contradiction whatever between these three forms of communicating the mind of God. Nature is an unwritten Bible, as the Scriptures are a written Bible.

Young, in his "Night Thoughts," has well said of nature:

"'Tis elder Scripture, writ by God's own hand-

Scripture authentic; uncorrupt by man.' And Sir Thomas Browne, as quoted by Dr. George Dana Boardman in his pamphlet, "The Two Bibles," has expressed quaintly and forcibly a similar thought. when he says: "There are two books from which I collect my divinity; besides that written one of God, another of his servant, nature-that universal and public manuscript that lies expansed unto the eyes of all." We err when we unduly depreciate the light of nature. We have sometimes supposed that we honored the God of the Word by inadequately appreciating the God of the world. It is possible for us in this way to imagine that we are specially religious toward God's written Bible, when we are simply irreverent toward God's

But there are great questions which the light of nature can never answer; and these questions are to us of the utmost importance. If they be not answered our moral nature will become dwarfed, shrivelled, truncated; and even our intellectual powers will be restrained and warped. How can man be just with God? Is there forgiveness for sin? Is there power anywhere to enable us to triumph over evil? Is there a God in the universe? If so, is he compassionate, forgiving, loving; or is he the reverse? Natural religion cannot fully answer these profound questions. Even in the case of the questions which it does answer we require

fuller confirmation than nature herself can give. Natural religion often gives hopelessly confus ing and conflicting testimony, and just where we need its voice to be most authoritative, there it is most defective. Greece, in all the glory of her art and song, was helpless to overcome the moral evil her heart which was destroying her life. Rome, in her varied majesty and martial splendor, was unable to stem the awful tide of corruption which swept over all classes alike. The highest knowledge possible apart from a divine revelation is painfully imperfect, if it be not grossly corrupt. Every heathen altar in ancient days and in modern times tells of man's need of a divine revelation. There is nothing at once more pathetic and inspiring than the Apostle Paul's reference in his sermon on Mars' Hill, to the altar dedicated "to The Greeks had lords many, but the unknown god." they did not satisfy the aspirations of the cultured minds and the longings of the aching hearts of that remarkable people. In Japan, today, may be seen an idolatry as gross, superstitious, and repulsive as that among the nations which reputedly are far below the Japanese in intelligence and even inmorality. Every heathen form of worship is a testimony at once to man's need of divine help, to his extreme moral depravity, and to the possibility of his rendering worship to the true God. There is evermore in the heart of man a longing after God, perverted though it invariably becomes. Even among degraded peoples there are remnants of the nobility of their nature and examples of their varied aspirations after God. God's image, though defaced, is not effaced. Thus the most advanced heathen nations, in their idolatrous practices, confess their ignorance regarding the profoundest questions of time and eternity, and their need of divine revelation.

Calvary Study, New York City.

THE NEW YEAR.

BY REV. O. C. PEYTON.

It has come! We write it now, 1910. The serious and important question is: What are you going to do with it? It will assuredly bring you many opportunities and privileges. Are you going to make a wise and profitable use of them? "Ah!" you say, "it is no use for me to make any resolutions for this new-year. I have done that so often and they were soon broken.' But let me tell you your mistake. strength to keep them on yourself and, of course, they were broken. Surely, you do earnestly and sincerely desire to be better and to do better. Is not that so? Now, it is silly to place any reliance on vague longings or half-hearted intentions. If you do honestly long to arouse yourself from your life of sluggish ease or galling slavery to evil habit, you must say from your heart I must be better than I am, and by God's grace, I will Now, in face of your failures in the past, I beg you to unite with me in adopting some resolutions for 1910. It is true that they take their shape and color from my own sense of personal need, but, I trust you will find them in some degree alike applicable to your own case.

I will strive during this year of 1910 to feel more than ever before a sense of my individual moral re sponsibility to God for the talents and the opportunities for using them He has given me.

II. To the end that I may be more useful to my fellowmen, I will try diligently to cultivate my powers, and, at the same time, to acquire a greater and more direct personal influence.

I will seek to devote more time to the careful reading of the Bible and try to cultivate a spirit of hearty rev erence and sincere prayerfulness both for myself and for those I love and whose lives I would bless.

III.

IV. I will cultivate the feeling that in the widest sense I belong not to myself and that life can have no true and genuine meaning to me, unless it is bearing blessings to those by whom I am immediately surrounded or who are within the circuit of my personal influence.

By tongue, pen and life, I will strive to convince men of the genuineness and desirability of the Christian religion; to aid the cause of temperance; to discourage vulgarity, profanity, lying and every species of immorality and to encourage an energetic public sentiment to

Living in an age and nation marked by impatience and restless activity, I will strive to be more patient, enduring without complaint the ills and disadvantages of my lot and persevering in my efforts to do all the good possible in my station and using my opportunities.

Now, may God bestow the riches of His grace that you may be restrained from sin, constrained to duty and sustained in trial throughout 1910.

"A STRANGE STORY"-YET TRUE.

The article published in the columns of the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR, entitled a "Strange Story," is true to the very letter, except that as I remember it rained a light shower Saturday evening before the baptising was to be done on Sunday. It rained soon after noon, but not sufficient for the water to run in the road. I do not understand that the bed of the creek was entirely but here and there quite a distance apart, were small pools, which the investigating party found, but none of them of anything like sufficient depth for baptising. I did not know, until Sunday morning, of the filling of the pool, which was simply a round basin which had previously been washed out by the current. It is due the reader, however, that I should state the results of an investigation made later. There was a spring from fifty to 100 yards above the place of bap tising, boiling up in the edge of the creek bed all the Of a dry time, the water from the spring disappeared in the pebbles a few feet away. Some persons tried to account for the strange incident by the flushing of this spring by the light shower the evening before But it is a fact that the creek bed was perfectly dry above and below this pool on Saturday evening after the rain. In fact, I am sure there were no visible signs of the rain in two hours after it had fallen. It is also a fact that the pool was dry again before the middle of the following week. I was not much exercised about the miraculous features of the incident. We had postponed indefinitely the baptising on account of insufficiency of water. Following the Sunday morning service we baptized because we had sufficiency of water It is also a fact that the pool where the baptising was done, was dry twenty-four hours before the baptising. and had been dry for weeks before. I suspect that there are at least one hundred living witnesses who would be willing to make affidayit to the above facts.

J. N. BOWLING.

President.

WEEK OF PRAYER.

The following is the list of topics for the coming Week of Prayer, as suggested by the Evangelical Al liance for the United States:

Sunday, Jan. 2, 1910-Sermons. THE ABIDING GRACE AND TRUTH.

And this word, yet once more, signifieth 'he removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that have been made, that those things which are not shaken may remain. Wherefore, receiving a kingdom that can not be shaken, let us have grace, whereby we may offer service well pleasing to God with reverence and Heb. 12:27, 28.

Monday, Jan. 3-"Human History a Witness for God.'

Tuesday, Jan. 4-"The Foundations Unshaken, Im-

Wednesday, Jan. 5-"The Church of God on Earth." Thursday, Jan. 6—"Missions the Necessary Expression of Christian Devotion."

Friday, Jan. 7-"The Things Within the Kingdom and Without." Saturday, Jan. 8—"The Signs of the Times." Sunday, Jan. 9—Sermons. "Freedom Through the

If ye abide in my word, then are ye truly my disciples; and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.-John 8:31, 32; 16:13. With best wishes, yours sincerely,
LEANDER T. CHAMBERLAIN.

The "Chelsea," West 23d Street, New York, Dec. 11, 1909.

Dr. George W. Truett, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Dallas, Tex., sends a card with the following beautiful sentiments upon it to his friends, among whom we are glad to be numbered. "At this season, I have a gift for you. It is not a gift of silver and gold, but a gift of the heart, voiced in the familiar words: 'I wish you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.' The days come so close together, that there is one thought-for you-a day of joy and a year of blessing; and many days and years of glad living and serving. May the Lord of life fill your heart with His loye, inspire you with His ideals, strengthen you with His spirit. Now and forevermore! This is the earnest wish of my heart for you, because you are my friend,

and for myself, because I am yours. Christmas, 1909. GEO. W. TRUETT." We heartily reciprocate the kind wishes of Dr. Truett, and extend to him our best wishes for continued usefulness in the Master's kingdom.

PASTORS' CONFERENCEL.

NASHVILLE

First.—Pastor R. M. Inlow preached at the morning hour on "Why Go to Church," and at night on "The Drifting Life," The church made a generous offering the Orphans' Home.

Third.—Pastor Yankee preached on "Jesus, Where Is He, and What Does He Do?" and "The Travail of One baptized.

Immanuel.—Pastor Rufus W. Weaver preached upon The Transfiguration of Life," and "Paying Your Three received; I by letter; 2 for baptism.

Seventh.—Pastor Wright preached at both hours on "The Result of Faith," and "The Kind of Faith We need." One prefession; 1 received by baptism.

Howell Memorial.—Pastor Cox preached at both services. Morning theme, "The Year's Record." Evening theme, "Singleness of Purpose." Good services. Lockeland.-Pastor J. E. Skinner preached on " Three-Fold Mission of Jesus as Told in the Song of the Angels," and on "The Best Friend Crowded Out." Very ine services. Graded our Sunday School, Outlook very fine.

Calvary.-Pastor Woodcock preached at the morning hour on "After Christmas," and at night on "My Best Friend and His Enemies." Two received under watch

South Side.—Pastor Stewart preached in the morning on "Room for Jesus," and Brother Fitzpatrick preached at night on "Honor Conferred on the Followers of Christ." Very good day.

Mt. View.—Pastor Fitzpatrick preached at 11 a. m. on "Law and Love," and at night preached at South Side Church, Nashville, on "Honor Conferred on the Followers of Christ."

Cedar Hill.-State Evangelist T. O. Reese preached at both hours. Good attendance, considering the cold. One accession by letter and one by baptism.

The conference was largely attended. Bro. J. H. Sharp read a paper on "The Forbidden World," which as discussed freely by the brethren present.

First.—Pastor Taylor preached on "Keeping the faith," and "House Not Made with Hands." 270 in S. S. One baptized. For the year baptized 60; reaived by letter, 58; married 11 couples.

Deaderick Ave.—Pastor C. B. Waller preached on "A look Backward, A Look Forward," and "Losing an Op-Good S. S. Fine congregations and interortunity." st; four saved; six reclaimed. Pastor Waller anneed amidst great enthusiasm a gift of \$10,000 from Hon. B. W. Hooper, of Newport, Tenn., to establish in Orphanage.

Broadway.—Pastor W. A. Atchley preached on "Im-manuel," and "Homes in Which Jesus Dwells." One approved for baptism. 114 in Northside Mission. 359

Bell Ave Pastor J. H. Sharp preached on "The Dy Year," and "The Right Time." 456 in S. S.

Oakwood.—Pastor Geo. W. Edens preached on "The Christ Life," and "The Demoniac Healed." 75 in S. three received by letter.

Euclid Ave.—Pastor, L. A. Hurst. Sunday School rogram in the morning. Rev. W. W. Bailey preached the evening on "The Parable of the Sower." 178

Island Home.-Pastor J. L. Dance preached on "Home and Work of Jesus." No services in the evening. 150 S. S.; one received by letter. Snow and very cold.
Middlebrook.—Pastor, A. F. Green. D. A. Webb
reached on "The Atonement."

Lonsdale.—Pastor J. M. Lewis preached in the morn-ag on "Christ the Light of the World." Bro. Edard Ray (blind man) preached in the evening on Education of the Blind." 123 in S. S. Three reived for baptism.

Gillespie Ave.—Pastor A. C. Hutson preached Burden-bearing," and "Covetousness." 102 in S. S. Lincoln Park.—Pastor J. C. Davis preached on "Obe-ience," and "Reflections of the Past Year." Good S. Good S. Pastor closed a great meeting at Russellville, Ten-

Smithwood.—Pastor J. C. Shipe preached on "The Vonderful Names," and "The Christian Armor." 53

Mt. Olive.—Pastor preached on "The Birth of hrist." Congregation not large owing to the bad eather.

Sharon.—Pastor S. G. Wells preached on "Giving of

Beaumont Ave.—Pastor J. F. Williams preached on Acquaint Thyself With Him." Prayer service in the evening. Good collection for Orphans' Home. 67 in S. S. Good day, considering the bad weather. Church

Grove City.—Pastor, G. T. King. Rev. A. T. Hayes

preached on "The Power of Gods," and "Thou Fool."

86 in S. S. Excellent B. Y. P. U. Harriman.—Pastor, B. N. Brooks. M. C. Lunsford preached on "Real Parents," and "Real Loss." Several requests for prayer.

White Spring.—Pastor, D. A. Webb. Bro. Cate preached on Matt. 1:21. A. F. Green preached in the evening. 58 in S. S. Good congregations.

Fountain City.—Pastor M. C. Atchley preached on "The Greatness of Jesus," and "Trees." Good S. S. Morristown.—Rev. O. C. Peyton, of Jefferson City, preached morning and night. Subjects, "The Uplifted Good congregations, Christ," and "Growing in Grace." considering the weather.

CHATTANOOGA.

Central.—D. P. Harris, pastor. Subjects: "The Priesthood of Christ," and "The Just Shall Live by Faith." 86 in S. S.; good B. Y. P. U. Splendid congregations at both services. One received by letter, and two received for baptism. Christmas entertainment will be given tonight in the S. S. room.

East Chattanooga.—Pastor Fitch preached on "On Earth Peace, Good Will to Men," and "Looking Back-Pastor has been away in the North for several weeks. Fine S. S.

Chamberlain Ave.-Pastor A. P. Moore preached on "Some Tributes to the Child Jesus," and in the even-ing an informal service to lodge hall. Good S. S. Outlook hopeful. Will hold opening services in new

church next Sunday.

St. Elmo.—R. L. Peoples, pastor, preached on "Retrospective Views of the Year," and "Life's Vineyard."

80 in S. S. Interesting B. Y. P. U. Attendance at S. S. and church services not so large as usual on account of cold day.

East Lake.-Pastor Chunn preached at 11 a. m. on "The New Commandment." 45 in S. S. No service at night on account of not having all the windows in the new building. We will have the opening service of our new church January 9. Dr. W. C. Golden will preach the sermon.

Hill City.-Pastor W. E. McGregor preached on "The Message of the Angel to the Shepherds," and ' Shall Come a Star Out of Jacob." Collections for Ministerial Education." 105 in S. S. B. Y. P. U. conducted by Bro. Hoppe, of Carson and Newman Col-

Shellmound, Macedonia Church.—Three good services. Subjects, "Proclamation of Peace," and "The Christian's Responsibility."

MEMPHIS.

First.-Pastor A. U. Boone preached in the morning and Bro. Gilbert Dobbs, of Commerce, Ga., preached in the evening. Two received by letter and one baptized.

Central.—Pastor Thomas S. Potts preached at both hours. Subjects: "The Questions of a Grateful Heart," and "The Church's Debt to Men."

Seventh Street.-Pastor I. N. Strother preached on "The Bright Side," and "Peculiar Love."

Bellevue.-Pastor H. P. Hurt preached on "All in the Family," and "Christ the Saviour of the World." for baptism.

-Pastor J. W. Gillon preached "Wisdom's Well Spent Christmas," and "The Saloon and the Home." One addition by letter. Good day.

McLemore Ave.-Pastor W. J. Bearden preached on "Clearing the Way for the Lame." In the evening Rev. M. W. DeLoach preached on "The Covenant of

Blythe Ave.-Pastor O. T. Finch preached on "God's Great Christmas." Rev. E. F. Curle, of Jonesboro, Ark., preached in the evening on "All Things Work Together for Good to Them that Love God."

Union Avenue.—Pastor E. L. Watson preached on "Father, the Hour is Come," and "The Journey Through the Years." Good congregations.

e Years." Good congregations.

Boulevard.—Pastor C. L. Owen preached on "The Name Jesus," and "The Only Sufficient Ground for

Crawfordsville, Ark.-Pastor J. H. Pennock preached on "Nativity of Christ," and "Orphanage." Collection for Arkansas Baptist Orphans' Home of \$10. Attendance small at both services. Attention good.

I have an important use for minutes of the Associa-tions of Middle and West Tennessee. Now, for one time, treat me a little more kindly than you are treating Brother Golden, though he does not merit the neglect he is suffering at the hands of many clerks. I will gladly send you the postage you have advanced as soon as the copy of your minutes has been received.

Jackson, Tenn.

G. M. SAVAGE.

Sixty-two churches have pastors from the member-ship of the J. R. G. Society this year. The boys do much supply work also. Oh! What a work for the denomination this University is doing! We have just gotten out a University Bulletin. If you want a copy. just send me your address right away; it will cost you G. M. SAVAGE

Please change my address from Jackson, Miss., to Anniston, Ala., where I go January 1st, next, to assume the pastoral care of the Parker Memorial Baptist Church. I must have the Baptist and Reflector continue its weekly visits. It is unsurpassed as a gatherer of Baptist news, and its editor has a moral backbone that commands the respect of all men and the admiration of every lover of righteousness.

W. F. YARBOROUGH. Jackson, Miss.

Last Tuesday, while standing on a washstand fixing up a stove, the stand turned over with me, causing a very hard fall on the floor. I sustained a broken arm. One of the bones just above the wrist was badly broken. The doctor was here in a few minutes, and made me as comfortable as possible. It has been very painful, but we are thankful that it is no worse.

Will have to miss my appointment at Mar's Hill tomorrow. To miss an appointment on any account is a rare thing with me.

Expect to be able to go to Taylor's Chapel the first Sunday in January. A happy Christmas and a prosperous New-Year to you and yours.

Wartrace, Tenn. L. B. JARMON.

The Ladies' Mite Society and the Ladies' Missionary Society, of the Paducah First Baptist Church, have decided to pay the expenses of one young minister in Union University. At the death of that fine young man, H. C. Leigh, whom they were supporting, they wrote to me a letter, and in the letter made inquiry as to whether any debt of his was unpaid, and also expressed the prayer of theirs that the Lord would give them opportunity to work for him in educating some worthy one to preach. I recommended Brother Bowdler, from South America. They invited Brother Bowdler to come and see them, and sent more than enough money for the expenses of the trip. He went, and was with them on the Sabbath, and Monday delivered talks for them in their society meetings. They were so delighted that they wanted to load him with gifts-new overcoat and suit. But he felt that he should not accept so much. The expenses of this young minister are secured till his education is finished, and he is ready to rejoin Thos. Spight in evangelizing South America. Why should not such streams of beneficence flow

from Nashville, Memphis, Paris, Clarksville, Humboldt, from Nashville, Memphis, Paris, Clarksville, Humboldt, etc., etc.? One of our best young men came to me a few days ago. He said that he should have to stop. I asked him how much help would he have to have to stay. He said if he could get \$25, he could stay till June. I told him to stay, and I would guarantee his getting that much. I will pay it if necessary, if others will not help. I know his modesty and his worth. I mention this to show what opportunities are here to do much with a little money. The Lord himself commanded: Pray ye the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers.

A GOOD PAPER.

The BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR is a good paper. It gets better and better. It has a good editor, represents a good cause, is contributed to by good writers and is read by good people. It keeps one in touch with the great things the Baptists of the State are doing and the things they intend to do. What could we do with-out it, or what would we do? We wouldn't do much, because we wouldn't know just what we were doing and what those about us were doing. We are encouraged, as we read its pages—encouraged because we read of the glorious results of the Baptists—and thus by this encouragement we determine to do greater

Why not make the year 1910 BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR ear? When you get a subscriber to the BAPTIST AND vear? REFLECTOR you increase our contributions to Missions. People who read it are going to give more; they are going to see that it is their duty to give more; they are going to see that what they give does great good. Oh, that our State paper, our Baptist paper, our dear old BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR, were in every Baptist home in Tennessee "speaking the truth in love." Then, Dr. Folk's smile would be bigger and brighter than it is, wouldn't it, Doctor? It sure would be big and bright then. What do you say, brethren, about working more earnestly for the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR next year? I make that as one of our New Year resolutions. All CHARLES E. WAUFORD.

Jackson, Tenn.

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W. M. U. MISSION TOPIC FOR JANUARY.

JANUARY, THE HOME BASE.

At Atlanta, Ga., in the Austell build ing is the busy office of the Home Mission Board. Here lies the home base of our home mission work. On eve y side are rich and large opportunities. The Home Board can cultivate them only as Southern Baptists come to its support with liberal contributions. The Home Board is merely their agent.

The home base for our forcign work is located, as we all know, at Richmond,

Va.
What prayer, thought, tact and care
these centres i.e. operating all the interests of these Boards, we little know. In some measure we can judge by results, but these results do not show all the parience, intelligence, and industry exercised at the home base.

The Sunday School Board with generous hand helps all branches of our work, establishing the weak places, an almoner to all.

Our own beloved Union, as an aux illiary to the three Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention, belongs to the home base; and every Southern Bap-tist woman should be, as one of our State leaders wrote us the other day, proud to belong to such an organiza-

From this base of operations, may such efforts go forth this year, that when we come to the Convention at Baltimore next May, we may see results of the highest, practical value. Best of all, let us confidently expect, the Lord himself to acknowledge our work and send upon us a new effusion of the Holy Spirit.

Let us rejoice when God draws heavily upon us, because this is an evidence that His work is going forward on a larger scale and demands a larger share human co-operation. The problems to be solved at the home base of Foreign and Home Missions need the prayers and gifts of the Woman's Missionary Union. Let us purpose to do more this year than ever before.

THE CALL OF THE NEW YEAR.

Laborers of Christ-lift up your. heads. Be not dismayed or disheartened. No one life is long enough, no one vision broad enough, to measure the results of mission work and witness. But there is no lost effort for human uplifting which is in the line of God's own appointment. The promise of God is sure; His Word is liv-ing and life-giving. The gospel is the tian school shapes the plastic clay of the young character; the healing art paves the way for the Soul-healer; the native church is at once the proof and the propagator of missions; the dissemination of the Pitt :- the dispersion of the divine light; and the great Captain of Salvation perpetually goes before to lead His army of conquest, to open doors and break down barriers, while the all-conquering Spirit mysteriously breathes life into the dead. God is for us, who can be against us? The mountain is full of horses and chariots of fire, and we must not trust the carnal vision to which spiritual forces are invisible and unreal. The only way do any work for the unseen God is to work as well as walk by faith and not by sight-to believe that beyond the range of our short vision and finite observation stretch limitless realms of truth and fact. Behind all work for God stands God Himself, its inspiration and its assurance, its warrant and its reward. Let us believe that His command constitutes authority and His promise security, and in that faith to the end dare to do our duty as He has shown it, waiting for the end to interpret the beginning and all that lies between.-Missionary Review,

FOR ROYAL AMBASSADORS. A LONG RUN.

Any boy who can throw a ball knows what a home base is. The ground of operations for mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention has four cities you might call bases: Richmond, Va.; Atlanta, Ga.; Nashville, Tenn., and Baltimore, Md. These make a very ir-"diamond" and the run from one base to another is many miles; let us run around this irregular diamond in imagination. Starting from Atlan-ta, the home of our Home Mission Board, and going northeast to Richmond, we reach the home of our Foreign Mission Board. Here we can stop long enough to learn that Dr. R. J. Willingham, a big, kind man, is the Corresponding Secretary, and we can subscribe for the Foreign Mission Journal, and get all kinds of information about foreign missionaries and their work in distant countries.

The next base nearest to Richmond, still going north, is Baltimore, where the big Convention will meet next May, and where the Woman's Missionary Union lives. This is a big society to

which your mothers, your sisters, your aunts, and your cousins, and you belong; it is a help or auxiliary to the other boards. Here, our Mission Fields is published with programs in it for Royal Ambassadors and Sunbeams. Leaving Baltimore, we take the longest run of all, going southwest to Nashville, where the Sunday School Board has its busy office. We all know the good help we get for our Sunday Schools from Dr. J. M. Frost, the Corresponding Secretary; we might stop long enough to tell him how much we cirjoy our Sunday School paper, "Kind Words.'

Now, for a home run back to Atlanta, to our Home Board office. Here you can learn about Mission work among the Indians, the immigrants, the mountain people. Cubans, and many other people, to whom Dr. B. D. Gray, the Corresponding Secretary, sends his workers. Don't forget to ask for the

"Home Field."

COUNSEL FOR THE NEW YEAR.

1. To Throw Stones.-Fold each one carefully in a feather bed, and give notice to all the neighborhood when and where you are going to pitch it.

2. To Carry Gunpowder in the Pocket.-Soak it well in cold water, and then wrap it up in a cover of oiled silk.

3. To Slide Down the Banister.-Let a surgeon sit upon the lower stair. Also, carry a pailful of poultice in each of your hands, as you may need it,
4. To cure Creaky Boots or Shoes.

Wear them always in going into the pantry to get some of mother's cakes and pies .- Ex.

WHAT GOD GIVES A BOY.

A body to keep clean and healthy, as a dwelling for his mind and a temple for his soul.

A pair of hands to use for himself and others, but never against others for himself.

A pair of feet to do errands of love, and kindness, and charity, and business, but not to loiter in places of mischief or temptation or sin.

A pair of lips to speak true, kind, brave words.

A pair of ears to hear music of bird, tree and human voice, but not to give heed to what the serpent says or to what dishonors God or his mother.

A pair of eyes to see the beautiful, the good, and the true-God's finger print in flower and snow-flakes .- Household.

RESOLUTIONS OF STOCK CREEK CHURCH, ON RETIRING PASTOR.

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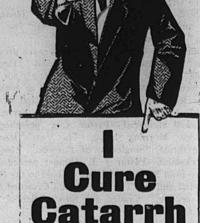
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beloved pastor our church and community sustain an irreparable loss. we adopt this means whereby to show our appreciation of his many virtues, and his excellent Christian character, also our gratitude for the keen interest he has always manifested in every department of our work;

RESOLVED further, That we commend him most heartily to the Baptists of Etowah, Tenn., as an able preacher, a loyal friend and faithful pastor. And may our Heavenly Father watch tenderly over him and his faithful wife, and dear children; keeping them always in the hollow of his hand. May his labors be crowned with success and many be brought into the heavenly kingdom.

RESOLVED further, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon record of this church, and a copy be furnished Etowah Baptist church, also the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR, and Maryville Times for publication.

W. O. MAXEY, Т. А. Камво, JAS. R. HARRIS Committee. By order of Church, Dec. 14, 1909.



We borrowed this dance From the days of the past And the wonder grows as we dance it-How they kept up the pace And the strength of the race without

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THE PROGRAM OF THE WORLD MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

The program of the meetings of the World Missionary Conference is nearly completed. The Conference proper is to held in Assembly Hall, Edinburgh, Scotland, beginning June 14, 1910, and the 1,100 delegates are to be seated on the floor, while missionaries, wives of delegates and other visitors are to occupy the galleries to the number of about a thousand. The morning and afternoon sessions of the Conference will be given to the reports of the eight commissions and the discussions there-These reports, each of which will make a large volume when printed, deal with the administration and prosecution of missionary work among non-Christian peoples; such as forces necessary to occupy all fields; the native church and native workers, education, the most effective form of the Christian message to the various glasses of non-Christians; the preparation of mission. aries; the development of the resources of the Home Churches; the relation of missionaries to governments; co-operation and unity among the various missions. Each commission is to present to the Conference, through its Chairman, its findings, with a statement of the evidence on which they are based, and discussion is to follow under such regulations as will insure intelligent and profitable treatment. The reports and the discussions will be expert tions to the subjects with which they deal, and will cover the field of missionary enterprise as it never has been covered before.

The evening meetings are to be of a more popular character, and men of ce in church, and in professional and public life, and of recognized power on the platform, are to speak. Representatives from England and Scotland, several countries of Europe, India, China and Japan, and the United States are on the list, many of whom are of world-wide reputation.

The topics are as follows:

Tuesday evening, June 14-"The Missionary Enterprise Central in the Life of the Church." "Christ the Leader of the "Christ the Leader of the Missionary Enterprise." Two addresses.

Wednesday evening, June 15—"Christianity the Final and Universal Religion." Two addresses.

Thursday evening, June Missions of the Early Church in Their Bearing on the Modern Missionary Enterprise." "Medieval Missions in Their Bearing on Modern Missionary Enter-Two addresses.

Friday evening, June 17-"The Extent and Characteristics of German Missions." "The Contribution of Holland and Scandinavia to the Missionary Enterprise." Three addresses.

Saturday evening, June 18-"Changes in the Character of the Missionary Problem in Recent Years; (a) in the Far East; (b) in India; (c) Among Puritanical and Backward Peoples." Three addresses.

Sunday evening, June 19-"The Duty of Christian Nations." "The Contribution of non-Christian Races to the Body of Christ." Two addresses.

Monday evening, June 20—"The Problem of Co-operation Between For-eign and Native Workers." Two of the three speakers on this subject will probably be native Christians from Asiatic fields. Three addresses.

Tuesday evening, June 21—"The Demand Made on the Church by the Missionary Enterprise." Three addresses.

Wednesday evening, June 22-"The

Sufficiency of God." Two addresses Thursday evening, June 23-Will be the closing meeting.

While the sessions of the Conference and evening meetings are in progress in Assembly Hall, Synod Hall, which also accommodates about 2,000 people, will be occupied with parrallel meetings. The Conference will busy itself mainly with questions arising in the conduct of missionary work in the field: the meetings in Synod Hall will be of a more popular character, and will consider the missionary problem as it affects the home church-the collection and disbursement of funds; the selection and appointment of missionaries, the training of the young in missionary knowledge; developing the recourses of the church, inspiring the laity to seek thorough information respecting missionary work, etc. It is intended to make these meetings, morning, afternoon and evening, of special service to ministers and laymen. The speakers will be men and women well qualified to give interesting, inspiring and instructive addresses.

The admission to the Synod Hall meetings and to the galleries of Assembly Hall will be by ticket only, for which moderate charges will be made. Season tickets to Synod Hall will be less than \$2 each. It will be possible for at least 2,500 of the general public to attend meetings at the two halls. Tickets for one day only are to be sold for the galleries of Assembly Hall, excepting missionaries and wives of delegates, whom a limited number of season tickets will be available.

THIS WILL INTEREST MANY.

F. W. Parkhurst, the Boston publisher, says that if anyone afflicted with rheumatism in any form, neuralgia, or kidney trouble, will send their address to him at 704-35 Carney Bldg., Boston, Mass., he will direct them to a perfect cure. He has nothing to sell or give, only tells you how he was cured after years of search for relief. Hundreds have tested it with success.

ENUMERATOR'S TEST EASY.

Census Director Durand Sets Feb. 5 as the Date.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 27, 1909 .-Any person of good judgment, who has received an ordinary common school education, can readily and easily pass the test to be given applicants for Census enumerator's places on Saturday, Feb. 5, the date finally set by United States Census Director Durand, according to an announcement from the Cen-This will be a com-Bureau today. forting assurance to the several hundred thousand who are believed to be contemplating application for the places.

It was emphatically stated at the Bureau that the test will be an eminently reasonable and practical one, similar to that applied to applicants at the Twelfth Census. It will consist of filling out a sample schedule of population from a description, in narrative form, of typical families; and, in the case of enumerators, whose work will be in the rural districts, they will be called upon to fill out an additional sample schedule of agriculture, from information furnished by the Census Bureau.

All persons, whether women or men, who may desire to become Census enumerators, must be citizens of the United States; residents of the supervisor's dis-



A REAL BLESSING

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trict for which they wish to be appointed: must be not less than 18 nor more than 70 years of age; must be physically able to do the work; must be trustworthy, honest and of good habits; must have at least an ordinary education, and must be able to write plainly and with reasonable rapidity.

Those who can comply with these requirements are invited to put in their applications, as there will be at least 68,000 enumerators' places to be filled by the middle of March, in preparation for the enumeration beginning April 15.

Application forms, with full instructions for filling in, and complete information concerning the test and the method of appointment, can be secured by writing to the supervisor of Census for the supervisor's district in which the applicant lives. All applications, properly filled in must be filed with the supervisors not later than Jan. 25, as any received after that date can not be considered.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR.

New mercies, new blessings, new light on the way, New courage, new hope, and new strength for each day, New notes of thanksgiving, new chords of delight, New songs in the morning, new songs in the night

New wine in the chance, new altars to raise, New fruit for the Master, new garments of praise, New gifts from His treasures, new smiles from His face.

New streams from the fountain of infinite grace.

New stars for thy crown, new tokens of love, New gleams of the glory that waits thee above New light of His countenance, radiant and clear, All this be the joy of the Happy New Year.

-Frances Ridley Havergal.

MR. BRYAN AND THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

In a speech at Chattanooga on December 16th, Hon, William J. Bryan said: "For years I have taken no cognizance of one issue in

the United States and have said nothing about it, preferring to let each State regulate itself on this ques-This is the liquor question, and it has become such a dominant force in national politics that I, for one, decline to keep silent on it any longer. It is the liquor interests that furnish the money to corrupt your laws and these laws in turn are used to corrupt your States. I think it is about time that the responsibility for their actions was shifted from the shoulders of the Democratic party to those of the Republican party, where it belongs.

There is another thing which I want to set myself clear upon, and that is the right of dry States to prohibit 'the shipment of liquor into their territory. is a good old Democratic doctrine of States' rights that needs stirring up at Washington, right now, the States' rights that will stop interstate commerce laws from protecting the liquor interests in corrupting individual States against the direct will of the people by shipping liquor into dry territory. My father always told me that I might sometimes be in the minority, but I never could afford to be in the wrong.

"He said that if I was in the minority and right that

the majority would soon be with me, while, if I was wrong and in the majority I would soon be in the min-Whoever takes the right side takes the side that is going to grow, and I think it is high time for the Democratic party to get on the growing side of this great question."

This coming from the recognized leader of a great political party in the United States, a man who has been three times honored by his party with the nomination for the Presidency, and who, as acknowledged by every one, political friend and political foe alike, is one of the greatest and most influential men the country ever pro-duced, is certainly quite significant. It shows and most influential men the country, country duced, is certainly quite significant. It shows the growing strength of the prohibition cause when a man like Mr. Bryan will speak out against the liquor interests, now, after having been silent the liquor interests, as he says, "for nineteen on the great question, as he says,

About two years ago Mr. Bryan made a speech in Nashville at the Ryman Auditorium, which was packed to its limit with an enthusiastic audience. It was, beyond question, a great speech. We do not know that we ever heard a greater. As we left the Auditorium a friend of ours was speaking to us in enraptured terms about the speech. We said to him that it was certainly a great speech, but there was one question which Mr. Bryan had left out, and that was the liquor question. We confess it seemed strange to us that a man like Mr. Bryan, a devout Christian, who was willing to avow his Christian principles even in heathen lands, a man with fearless courage, who dared to advocate what he believed before any audience, should not previously have spoken out on this, the greatest question before the American people. But, as he told us once in a private conversation, he was disposed to favor the "moral suasion" theory. Besides, in keeping silent on this ques-tion, he was only in line with all of the other prominent politicians of both great political par-

We did think that Mr. Roosevelt, while he was President, would have the courage to speak out on the subject in one of his messages, but even he who could wield the big stick against everything else, did not dare to lift it against the liquor traffic, the greatest evil of all.

The liquor traffic now has a stronger hold upon this country than even slavery had. Slavery was confined to the Southern States, with many sympathizers in the North, but the liquor traffic has penetrated to every State and almost every nook and corner of every State in Union. It will be harder to dislodge it than it was to dislodge slavery. It is to be hoped that its abolition will not lead to a great war, as slavery did; and, in fact, this is not likely, as slavery, being located in only a part of the country arrayed section against section, while the liquor traffic, penetrating and interpenetrating all sections, would array neighbor against neighbor and friend against friend in case of a war. But its abolition is just as certain as the abolition of But its slavery was, and this declaration of Mr. Bryan, following the example of such men as E. W. Carmack and Richard Pearson Hobson, marks the beginning of the end. We do not believe the liquor men would dare kill Mr. Bryan, as they did Mr. Carmack, though, of course, they will do everything they can to misrepresent him and impugn his motives and minify his influence. But Mr. Bryan is too great a man to be downed even by the combined liquor interests of this country.

That is certainly a strong point which Mr. Bryan makes that the old Democratic doctrine of States' rights would require that each State should have the right to determine for itself whether liquor should be shipped into jts territory, and that other States and the government of the United States should respect the rights of each State in this way. Two years ago or more we suggested to Senator Carmack that a plank of this kind should be put into the National Democratic platform. We did not see how any Democratic platform. We did not see how any Democrat could oppose such a plank. Mr. Carmack said that he would favor it and would try to see that it got into the platform. He did not, however, attend the Convention. We spoke to to see that it got into the platform. He did not, however, attend the Convention. We spoke to another prominent politician who did attend the Convention about the matter. He said that he favored it, but he did not think that Mr. Bryan would. We are glad to know now that Mr. Bryan has come out in favor of such a policy.

Just this we want to add. Mr. Bryan says "it

is time for the Democratic party to unload the liquor interests onto the Republican party." From a Democratic standpoint this would be a fine stroke of policy. It would be reversing the order of things, when the Republican party unloaded slavery onto the Democratic party, and on the strength of it beat the Democratic party and has remained in power for fifty years. But we doubt if it can be done. The liquor men we doubt if it can be done. The liquor men know no party. They do not care the snap of their finger for party. All they want with any party or anybody is that they will stand for them and for their interests. They will fasten themselves on to the Democratic party where that party is stronger or to the Republican party where that is stronger. They are Democrats in a Democratic State and Republicans in a Republican State; Democrats in one part of the State—such as Tennessee, for instance—and Republicans in another part of the same State. In this regard they are, we think, worthy of imitation. The children of this world are wiser than the children of light. The temperance people the children of light. The temperance people need to do the same thing. In fact, they are do-ing it. Rapidly old party lines are being wiped out and they are reforming on moral issues, material issues. These lines are crystalizing around the question of the continuance or the olition of the liquor traffic in this country. This question is fast becoming the dominant issue in politics everywhere, and by 1912 we should not be surprised to see it the paramount issue in the politics of this country,

Mr. Bryan says he does not expect to see this question become a national issue in his day. But he forgets that things move very rapidly now. At least we shall expect it to be a national issue, so far as the interstate shipment of liquor is con-

The declaration of Mr. Bryan has practically precipitated that issue. So far as we are con-cerned, we want to repeat what we have frequently said before, that we put principle above party, that not only will we never vote for any man of any party who is in favor of the liquor traffic, but we are willing to follow any man of any party who is against that traffic.

DR. COOK.

The University of Copenhagen, the first institution of learning to recognize Dr. Frederick A. Cook as the discoverer of the North Pole, declared last week that the explorer had failed to establish the claim upon which his high honors had been based. The report of the committee declares that Dr. Cook's papers, as presented to the commission appointed by the University, are without any value. The report of the University is practically the same as that published upon his return from his Arctic expedition. copies of his note book submitted, the committee says, contained no original calculations of observations, but only results thereof. Accordingly the committee concludes that he affords no proof of having reached the Pole.

Our readers will, of course, remember how, early in September of this year, the startling news was flashed around the world that Dr. Cook had reached the North Pole April 21, 1908. Then came in a few days the equally startling telegram from Commander Peary, who had gone in search of the Pole, that he had nailed the stars and of the Pole, that he had nailed the stars and stripes to the Pole on April 6, 1909. There followed an era of the bitterest controversy, some people taking one side, some the other. jority of people in this country sympathized with Dr. Cook, thinking that he had been the first one to reach the Pole, and inasmuch as he did not attempt to deny that Mr. Peary had reached it also, while Peary denied that Cook had done so. This gave Cook the advantage of apparent magnanimity, which the American public always admires. Dr. Cook started on a lecture tour, telling about his discovery of the Pole, having large audiences and making much money. The demands. iences and making much money. The demands, however, that he submit his proofs to scientists however, that he submit his proofs to scientists became so insistent that he was compelled to abandon the lecture field and prepare his proofs. And suddenly, about the time his proofs were sent to the University of Copenhagen, he disappeared from view. It is stated that he is now in Europe. The decision of the University authorities stamps Dr. Cook not only as a fakir, but as the monumental fraud of the ages. No one before had ever attempted to humbug the world before had ever attempted to humbug the world on so extensive a scale. His present humiliation proves the truth of the old adage that "cheating

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never thrives." It is a striking illustration also of the scriptural saying, "Be sure your sin will find you out," and we hope will have the effect of teaching the world a much needed lesson of the importance of honesty and straightforwardness.

DR. J. B. MOODY.

We were surprised to see the following paragraph in the *Baptist Builder* of last week, under the head of "Moody's Musings:"

"GAG."

"We are accustomed to war down at Martin, and we don't object to fighting a 'good fight' or 'warring a good warfare,' but the gag fight is not of our kind. The Romans had a good custom of giving a fellow a hearing before putting him to death. Think of the BATIST AND REFLECTOR, heretofore the synonim of all that is honorable, tying the hands of an old comrade, while his sharpshooter hurls his fiery darts. That is the only kind this victim has received from that quarter for a long time. I tried to get a reply in, two weeks ago, but it seems I am to be subjected to ridicule, and that of the lowest kind, with no word of explanation. I appeal unto Ceasar.'

"Do these brethren think it ridiculous that we think mough of ourselves and Hall-Moody to set up a de-

fense?"

With reference to the above, we wish to say:

1. The paragraph to which Dr. Moody objects was written by our Corresponding Editor, Bro.

Fleetwood Ball.

2. We think that Bro. Moody mistakes the meaning of Bro. Ball. He had, we are sure, no intention of reflecting upon Dr. Moody at all, or of hurling "fiery darts" into him or subjecting him to "ridicule," or anything of that kind.

3. Our columns have been utterly overcrowded. We are compelled to leave over many articles every week. It was impracticable to publish Dr. Moody's article two weeks ago. It was published, however, in last week's paper. The fact that it was on a back page was due to the printer, because it would fit there better than on the seventh page, for which we had marked it.

4. So far as we are concerned, as we have taken frequent occasion to say, we have the highest opinion of Dr. Moody as a man, as a preactier, as a writer and as an orthodox Bapist. There are mighty few points in which we differ from Dr. Moody, and they are not of any great importance. We admire and honor and love him both personally and for his work's sake, and we feel sure that Bro. Ball joins us in this feeling towards Dr. Moody.

A SELFISH LIFE.

Following the policy of "Nil nisi bonum de mortuis"—"Nothing but good concerning the dead"—we had nothing to say last week concerning the death of King Leopold, of Belgium. There was so little of good and so much of bad to be said about him that we thought at first we would say nothing at all. We see, however, that all of the papers, religious and secular, are discussing him, and all of them with ungloved hands. Not, we presume, since the days of Nero, has a man gone out of the world with more universal execration than did King Leopold. Selfish, sordid, grasping, immoral, cruel, he had no friends while living and no mourners when dead. He was the kind of man of whom Scott wrote:

"Go mark him well,
For him no minstrel raptures swell.
High though his title, power or pelf,
The wretch concentered all in self,
Living, shall forfeit high renown,
And doubly dying shall go down
To the vile dust from which he sprung,
Unwept, unhonored and unsung."

In what contrast was the life of King Leopold with that of Queen Victoria, his contemporary sovereign for many years across the English Channel. Beloved in life, she was honored in death. Her memory will be revered throughout the ages to come, while Leopold will take his place in history along with that of Nero. He presents the most striking illustration we have ever known of the sadness and folly of living a selfish life.

The Western Recorder states that "of the five applicants who stood the examination at Lexington, Ky., for the Rhodes Scholarship, only three made the required mark. All three of these were students in Georgetown College."

RECENT EVENTS.

—We want to request that pastors and agents of the Baptist and Reflector who have been taking subscriptions for the paper will send in the subscriptions promptly. We should like to receive them by January I, or January 3, at latest.

Among many designs submitted for a modern fireproof office building to be erected in Chattanooga, those of Mr. R. H. Hunt, the Baptist architect of that city, were adopted. The plans provide for a twelve-story building, and will be quite a credit to Chattanooga.

Dr. J. G. Bow has resigned as business manager of the Baptist Book Concern and is supplying temporarily the pulpit of the Calvary Baptist Church, Louisville. He is a fine preacher and a popular pastor. Rev. H. C. McGill, of Nicholasville, has been elected in his place.

Brother S. H. Price has returned to Nashville after a visit of several months to friends and relatives in Greene County. He seems to have enjoyed the visit very greatly and gained twelve pounds in weight. His many friends here are glad to have him back in Nashville.

In a letter to us Brother B. F. Jarrell, of Humboldt, says; "Dr. Wood leaves us next week for his new field of labor. This breaks us all up." We sympathize with the Humboldt people in their loss of a pastor to whom they were so greatly devoted. But so noble a church cannot long be pastorless.

Brother L. H. Bassinger, of Gainesville, Texas, in renewing his subscription orders a copy of "Baptist Principles" for his boy, Charles Spurgeon Folk, nine months old. Brother Bassinger says: "Our greatest desire is that he may be called of God to preach the gospel of His Son to a dying world." May the life of the boy be spared. May he grow to a noble and useful manhood.

It was with much regret that we learned of the recent death of Brother W. J. Knox, of Murfreesboro. His son, Brother R. L. Knox, writes us that he was never well after attending the Tennessee Baptist Convention in Nashville last fall. He was a member of the Murfreesboro Baptist Church. His funeral was preached by Dr. A. W. Bealer. His pallbearers were Confederate soldiers.

Dr. W. M. Vines has been back in Asheville, N. C., as pastor of the First Baptist Church just three months. During this time there have been 75 additions to the church. His congregations are always large, and on Sunday evening it is said that he preaches to more people than all the other preachers of Asheville combined. Dr. Vines, it will be remembered, is a Tennessean.

Rev. W. D. Mathis, the young pastor of the church at Waverly, Tenn., was married on December 23 to Miss Jeanette B. Armstrong, of Biloxi, Miss. The marriage was performed at the Baptist church in Waverly. This will explain the need for a Baptist pastorium in Waverly, of which Brother Box told us last week. We extend cordial congratulations, with best wishes for happiness and continued usefulness.

The Religious Herald publishes the picture of Rev. J. R. Johnson, the new pastor of the Venable Street Church, Richmond, Va., and says of him: "He is already securely entrenched in the hearts of his people and has learned to be at home among his Virginia brethren. He is a strong, faithful, tireless pastor and preacher." Bro. Johnson is a Tennessean. His many friends in this State will be glad to know that he is doing so well in Virginia.

Rev. Clay I. Hudson, the popular young pastor of the North Edgefield Baptist church, this city, and Miss Colice Corbitt were married at the North Edgefield church on last Tuesday morning at 7:30 o'clock. Despite the early hour, the house was full of friends of the young couple. The ceremony was performed by Dr. W. C. Golden. Immediately afterwards Mr. and Mrs. Hudson left on a visit to his father's home in Auburn, Ala. We wish them the most abundant happiness and prosperity.

The Ft. Scott Daily Republican said of a sermon recently delivered in that State by Dr. Ray Palmer: "Col. R. M. Chenault, who heard the sermon of Dr. Palmer, Wednesday night, pronounced it one of the

ablest and best sermons he ever listened to. He has heard Broadus, Truett, Carroll, Hatcher of the South, and Strong, Henson, Lorimer and others of the North; but none of these ever surpassed that sermon. He said that he wished so much that it could be published and scattered broadcast all over America. He looks upon Dr. Palmer as one of the greatest revivalists of the age."

Rev. David C. Hughes, D.D., father of Governor Charles Hughes, died at the Governor's Mansion, in Albany, N. Y., Dec. 15, at the age of seventy-seven years. He was of Welsh descent, studied at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., and was ordained to the ministry at Glen's Falls, N. Y., in 1860. He was subsequently pastor at Sandy Hill, and Oswego, N. Y., at Newark, and Jersey City, N. J., at Scranton, Pa., in Brooklyn, and in New York City. He was an effective preacher, a conscientious and faithful pastor, and was highly esteemed by his brethren in the ministry.—

Journal and Messenger.

Mr. M. F. Jordan died at his home in Murfreesboro last week. He had not been in good health for some time, and his death was not entirely unexpected. Bro. Jordan had for many years been a prominent member of the Baptist Church at Murfreesboro. He it was who suggested the name of Dr. A. W. Bealer for the pastorate of the church. It was rather strange that his funeral should be one of the first to be preached by Dr. Bealer after becoming pastor. He leaves to mourn his loss a wife, two daughters and a son, besides a brother and sister and other relatives. We extend sympathy to them all."

Mrs. Mary J. Brown, widow of Mr. Polk Brown, died at her home in Spring City on December 14th. Mrs. Brown had from her girlhood been a devoted member of the Baptist Church, and will be greatly missed in the church at Spring City. Her funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. W. L. Patton, assisted by her former pastor, Rev. William White, in the presence of a large congregation of relatives, neighbors and friends. We have had the privilege of being entertained in the hospitable home of Sister Brown, and counted her among our good friends. She leaves to mourn her loss several children. We extend deep sympathy to them all.

Capt. B. W. Hooper, of Newport, Tenn., has contributed to the Deaderick Ave. Church, Knoxville, through its pastor, Rev. C. B. Waller, the sum of \$10,-000, to be used for the purpose of establishing a home for orphan children near Knoxville, with the conditions that the church shall raise a like sum for the same purpose, that the institution shall be open to destitute children from all East Tennessee, and that any destitute be admitted to the institution, whether of a Baptist family or not. Capt. Hooper hopes that the school will "some time take on all the features of a first-class industrial school, serving East-Tennessee and supported by East Tennessee." In a letter to us telling about the contribution Brother Waller says: work shall in no sense come in competition with our State Orphans' Home, but shall help it. This Home shall be more an institution for destitute children. whether orphans or not, and shall combine the feature of industrial training."

Mrs. H. R. Clinkscales, of Golden Rod, Texas, sends \$10 to pay her subscription to the BAPTIST AND RE-FLECTOR for five years, which moves her figures to October 24, 1914, thus paying her farthest in advance of any subscriber on our list. Mrs. Clinkscales adds the following kind words: "I would be glad if enough of your subscribers would pay in advance to make it easy for you to go to the Holy Land next year. The Baptist, the Tennessee Baptist and the BAPTIST AND RE-FLECTOR have been coming to our home over fifty years. The paper has always been good, but now it is better." We appreciate very much both the renewal of Mrs. Clinkscales and also her kind words, together with her suggestion. If all of the subscribers of the Baptist AND REFLECTOR would renew for five years, as she has done, we could pay all of the expenses of the paper for the five years, even if we did not receive another new subscriber during that time-as, of course, we wouldcould take our long desired trip to the Holy Land, and the following year take a trip around the world, and still have money left to enlarge the paper, as we desire to do, and improve it in other ways. If, however, each of our present subscribers does not feel able to pay for five years at one time, but would only renew promptly each year, then we could do all of the above things, and would be also able to secure a good many additional subscribers.

THE HOME

************** A PSALM FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE.

A friend stands at the door, In either etight-closed hand Hiding rich gifts, three hundred and threescore,

Waiting to sow them daily o'er the land.

Even as the seed the sower.

Each drops, he treads it in, and passes by;

It can not be made fruitful till it die,

O good New Year, we clasp That warm, shut hand of thine, Loosing forever, with half sigh, half grasp,

That which from ours falls like dead fingers' twine.

Ay, whether fierce its grasp Has been, or gentle, having been, we know.

That it was blessed; let the Old Year 20.

Yet hang some lamp-like hope Above this unknown way, Kind Year, to give our spirits freer

scope And our hands strength to work while it is day.

But if that way must slope

Tombward, O bring before our fading

The lamp of life, the hope that never dies!

Comfort our souls with love-Love of all human kind;

Love special, close-in which, like sheltered dove.

Each weary heart its own safe nest may find;

And love that turns above

Adoringly, contented to resign

All loves, if need be, for the Love Divine.

Friend, come thou like a friend, And whether bright thy face, Or dim with clouds, we can not com-

prehend. We'll hold out patient hands, each in his place,

And trust thee to the end.

Knowing thou leadest onward to those spheres

Where there are neither days nor months nor years

-Dinah Mulock Craik.

HER OPEN DOOR.

BY ELLEN GOODRICH MEANS.

"I know I shall shock you, but I wish there needn't be any New Year. It is such a farce. We wish each other a 'Happy New Year,' and the compliments of the season, and make all manner of pretty speeches, but what does it all amount to? No. don't interrupt me yet. I dread the first of January, I almost hate it. I am tired of the text for the day: 'Forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forward to those things which are before: I can not forget that New Year two years ago when father was taken from me. He was all I had. Now everything is gone. I haven't anything before me to press forward to. I am so sick of it all. And I know it isn't right, Ruth. don't want to feel so. I long to get into a happier mood, but I just can not."

The despairing tone kept Ruth Haviland silent a moment then she bent forward with a sudden question:

"At what time did you lunch today, Florence?"

"Lunch? I—why, at one, I believe, but I didn't eat anything."

"I thought not. You shall stop to tea with me. I'll send Ned over to say that

you will not be home, and he and I will take you safely back by and by. I am studying medicine, you know, and you shall be my patient. Put yourself on the sofa while I speak to Ned."

Left alone a few moments Florence Mallory silently mused:

"Well, she isn't openly shocked, and it is a relief to speak out. I wish she would stay and talk. I don't want anything to eat. Oh, father, father!'

The young girl's life outwardly was smooth enough. She had no remembrance of her mother, and save for her father's sudden death two years before nothing had ever befallen her.

When Ruth returned and saw her looking into the fire with such a sad, white face, she was startled. But she only drew a hassock to the sofa, and taking Florence's hand, began in a sweet way:

"It is more than good of you to stay. Mother and father are away for a day or two, and I am alone, so you are doing me a kindness in relieving my sol-

"It is nice to put it that way," began Florence, but a finger on her lips stopped

"Not a word just yet, please. You are hungry, dear, mentally and physically, and I shall feed you. Here comes our tea," as a tray was brought into the room and placed on the table by them.

With bits of bright talk far removed from the subject of their thoughts and with delicate attentions, Ruth saw that her guest made a good supper and seemed, if not more cheerful, at least less miserable than when she came. After the tea things were taken away, Ruth began:

"Now, dear, you have brooded too long and are morbid. The hue of your gown has infected your spirits. Let us see if we can not get a new view of matters."

"You can't bring my bather back," was the quick reply.

"No, nor would you if you could. You know it is well, better than well, with him. I have wished so much to see more of you since your return, but I am a laboring woman, you know, and my hospital studies take up so much What have you been doing with time. Are you taking singvourself lately? ing lessons still or keeping up your music?"

'No, I tried, but I couldn't but think how father cared to hear me play, and was always there to listen. I did it for him, and now there is no one to care, and I can not go on."

"You used to read aloud a great deal." "Yes, but not now. 'Tis of no use, Ruthie, I have honestly tried to go on as far as possible in the old way, but have given it up."

"I see just how it is. Now I want you to take my prescription. Show that you love your father more than ever by ceasing to think of yourself. He did so much good always that many persons and enterprises have missed his help. Take up his work, Florence. Give yourself something to do."

"Oh, I do give money, and-"

"Not that only. Give yourself, too. You have not come back into the Sunday School."

"Not yet, please. That class "You shall come into the infant class with me. You shall play for the babies

to sing and help me answer their ques-Have you found that story you were looking for last week?"

'Yes, I got it yesterday."

"That is good. I know it will inter-est my girl's club. It meets here every Friday afternoon to sew. We are make ing Christmas gifts just now for our mission school, and I want you to come and read to us tomorrow while we work. Then-don't be alarmed, this is my last prescription-Mrs. Davis, our seamstress, has a daughter just longing

for music lessons. She could practice on the school piano if she could afford instruction.'

"You know I would do anything to please you, Ruthie, but-

"Thank you. Then it is settled. Bertha Davis will be the hapipest girl in the city. She shall come here tomorrow night after the club meeting to have you tell her when she can go to you for lessons."

There was a slight pause, then-

"So you think in doing something for others I will help myself, Ruth?"

"Just that, and I am delighted to have so acquiescent a pupil.'

"I know you are right, Ruth. I have been selfish in my grief, but if I can help your girls to be happy I will do it."

The very next day Florence began her Reading aloud was a new duties. pleasure when one had such eager young listeners as the dozen girls in the mission band, and the radiant face of Bertha Davis as she took her first music lesson was a revelation to her teacher. But best of all, perhaps, was that Sunday hour when a score and more of childish voices practiced their little carols with her accompaniments. Once beginning, it was easy to go on, aided by Ruth's gentle suggestions and cherry views, and in the few weeks remaining before the New Year she found that love and life were still dear to her. Many a time she grew morbid and castdown, but she took for her year's mot-to this thought: "Behold, I have set before thee an open door," and acting upon it found many forms of service. She put into circulation papers and magazines after they were read, gave many a shut-in sufferer drives through the country lanes, and with the help of Ruth and her own cousin Margaret, made her home a restful gathering place for the teachers and scholars in the mission school.

When once more were heard the New Year greetings, Ruth found on her table, half-buried in a mass of pansies, one of glistening gold with a diamond dewdrop, and folded with it these words from Florence:

"For one who has shown me that New Year wishes are not a farce, but 'a feast; who has taught me the blessedness of 'beginning again,' and set before me the open door of loving service; who has been in every truth my heart'sease."-New York Observer.

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FLOSSIE'S BEST WISH.

It seemed to Flossie that she had longed for it for years and years. Every birthday and every Christmas she hoped that somebody would think of it. She never watched one go fluttering by in the hands of a happy little maid, that she did not give a sigh of ecstasy and longing. Aunt Marion had no less than three herself, to match her different

And yet, with three big brothers, mother, father, grandmother, Uncle Jack and Aunt Marion to give her things, Flossie had grown almost to the age of six years without owning one. She was quite sure that few little girls had so large or so delightful a family, yet none of them had ever guessed this wish hidden away in the heart of the little girl with the thistledown hair, which had won for her the pet name of Flossie. It was strange that she did not tell some of them about it, but she did not. "For you just can't hint to folks about presents," she reasoned to her-

self. "That wouldn't be a mite nice. But if ever I do grow up and be a young lady with my hair done up high, and have a watch and a hopra glass, like Aunt Marion, the very first thing I'm going to do is to buy myself a pink silk pawrysawl with a white handle!"

It was almost Flossie's birthday, only one more day left. There was a birthday cake with pink candles on top and six tiny pink candles, all ready in the pantry; and there were three queershaped packages in mother's top drawer, where the little girl had been sent for a paper of needles. But her quick eyes took in at a glance that not one of them was shaped in the least like a "pawry-

At last the birthday came, and at breakfast Flossie found those and other mysterious packages piled high about her plate. She would have been a very strange little girl indeed not to have been pleased at the new doll with "truly" evelashes, and the tiny comb and handglass just for herself, and the white slippers she had wished for. But underneath it all, deep down in a corner of her heart, the place reserved for a pink silk "pawrysawl" was still, empty, and she sighed just a little.

That afternoon she was dressed in a white frock and the new slippers and allowed to go with mother down town, as a part of the birthday treat. "For I would be so lonely some if you go away, Muver," she had said. "That's why I have always and always wished I was a twin. I would be more company for myself if I was a twin."

And this was quite true. Flossie did not care in the least if Uncle Jack did laugh and call her a "funny little kid."

They went to several stores, and finally to a very large one where there was a great crowd of people. Then Mrs. Andrews, a friend of Flossie's mother, invited them to drive home with her in her carriage.

"Keep close to me, dear," said her mother, "or we shall get separated in this crowd."

The next moment the little girl saw before her the most beautiful sight-

row upon row of parsols of every tint of the rainbow! Flossie gasped with delight. She had

never seen so many in all her life. Her golden head was only a little above the counter, and her wide, admiring eyes were upon the pink, blue, yellow rose and white parasols before her. A gentleman close by her side watched

with amused eyes the eager, delightful face of the little girl, and a quick smile of sympathy overspread his own face as she whispered under her breath, "I choose that pawrysawl. No, I choose this pink silk pawrysawl." "Better take one, dear," he said, "tell

your mother they are only hal today." And passed on smiling. half-price

He was the floorwalker, only Flossie did not know it. She was too happy to speak, and it seemed too good to really true. He must be the man who owned the big store, or he would not have told her to "take one." She was sorry she had not gained her voice to thank him, but he was quite lost in the crowd now

She lifted one of the lovely pink ones very carefully from the box close to the edge of the counter, and speechless with happiness, followed the crowd that was going out of the big doors. Close by one of the doors stood the gentleman with the kind eyes. Flossie paused by his side, and gained courage to say shy-

'Thank you ever so much. I've been awishing all my life for a pink silk

"Oh," said the gentleman. "O, little Goldy Locks, did you get one? I'm glad." And he swill the said of the said of the swill the said of t again as the crowd swept her on out to



REV. W. R. LECKETT.

The new Pastor at Lawrenceburg and Iron City.

Lawrenceburg Baptist Church has just enjoyed the best meeting in the history of the church. The meeting was conducted by State Evangelist T O. Reese. The crowds were large from the first, and increased to the last, notwithstanding the cold weather. There were quite a number of conversions, and thirteen accessions to the church.

The church has been pastorless for several months, but has called Rev. W. R. Beckett, who was only recently ordained by the Clayton Street Baptist Church, of Montgomery, Ala. Brother Beckett is said to be a young man of culture and ability, and will no doubt do a fine work on this important field. welcome him back to Tennessee, his na-

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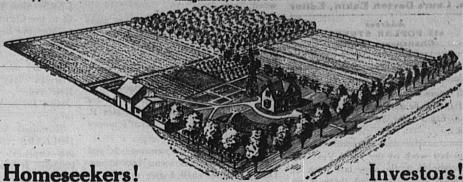
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W. C. GOLDEN.

...... Young South Mrs. Laura Dayton Eakin, Editor

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Missionary's Address: Mrs. Bessie Harlowe Maynard, Buena Vista, Va.

All communications for this depart ment should be addressed to Mrs. L. D. Eakin, 615 Poplar Street, Chattanooga,

The last week of the year! Yes! We have come to it, the very last week of this good year, 1909, and there is no time for preliminaries this morning. The snow has put back things greatly here at the foot of the mountain, and everybody is in a hurry to accomplish Santa Claus' behests, and I must go in haste like the rest.

It is numbers we are proud of today. We have not had so many glad, sweet messages in a long time. so grateful for such a good ending and so will you be, I am sure.

First, let us take up the orders for the pretty calendars. All these have on to Mrs. Nimmo, in Baltimore, and I hope they will reach the senders in good time, if as I suspect, they are meant for Christmas gifts.

No. 1 comes from Dyersburg:

"I am a little boy 6 years old, and I want to join the Young South. I bring you 45 cents that I earned by picking cotton. Give it to the orphans in Nashville.

"Mamma sends 30 cents for two of the calendars."-George Allen House.

We give you glad hands of welcome. Stay with us all next year. Mrs. House's calendars are ordered.

No. 2 is from Hartsville: "Find enclosed 15 cents for a calendar. "May the Lord bless you!"—Lenthie

Thank you!

No. 3 is from Woodbury:

"I herewith enclose \$1.30, for which be so kind as to send the following literature:

Home Field, to Mrs. Stanton Smith; Home Field, to Miss Lizzie Moore; Foreign Mission Journal to Miss Linda Brevard; Foreign Mission Journal to Mrs. W. L. Preston; Our Mission Fields to Mrs. Jo Davis; Our Mission Fields to Mrs. H. L. Preston; Calendar of Prayer for Missions to Mrs. H. L. Preston, all to Woodbury, Tenn."-Mrs. H. L. Preston.

I like to get an order like that. It shows that those ladies will be well posted next year.

I have ordered them all (2 Home Fields, 2 Foreign Journals, 2 Our Mission Fields and I calendar), and if Mrs. Preston will "count up," she will see that they amount to \$1.55. One is so prone to make little mistakes at Christmas times.

No. 4 is from Cowan, and orders one calendar for Mrs. E. J. Baldwin. know she will be pleased.

No. 5 is from Etheridge:

"Enclosed you will find 30 cents, for which send me two calendars.

With a sincere prayer for your work."-Mrs. Josie Collier.

Thank you for the prayer! May the calendars be greatly blessed in their mission.

Sweetwater comes in No. 6:

"Enclosed find 50 cents. Please send me two calendars and use the rest as you think best. I wish you much success in 1910."-Mrs. J. P. Janeway. Shall I give the 20 cents to the Christ-

mas offering for China? Yes? Thanks, And No. 7 from Englewood, says: "Enclosed find 45 cents, for which

send calendars to the following addresses:

Mamie Smith, Harrisburg, Penn.; Mrs. Ann Ferguson, Englewood, Tenn.; Miss wood, Tenn. Miss Grace Chestnutt, Engle-

"May many Christmas blessings come to the Young South."—Grace Chestnutt.

I am glad to send a calendar so far north! They are ordered. But the calendars are not all the literature wanted.

No. 8, from Hill City, encloses 70 cents for the Journal, the Home Field and Our Mission Fields, for Hester R. McGregor, during 1910 That's money well spent!

No. 9, from Loudon, encloses \$1 and bids me divide it as seems best to me. Dear "Friend," shall I give 25 cents to the Christmas offering, 25 cents to the old ministers, 25 cents to Mt. Pisgah Church and 25 cents to Kokura Chapel? Will that do? All right. Many thanks to you.

In No. 10 the "Grown-up Child" rounds up his "Sunday eggs offering"

with \$1.53, which makes \$5.71 this year. "Give this to China," he says, "and may the Lord add his blessing.

That's fine! May the "new" arrang ment bring even more next year. We are most grateful for our share, and may all be well with the "Grown-up Child" in 1910.

Hampton sends good news in No. 11. "Enclosed you will find \$2 from the society. Please give it to the orphans in West Nashville.

"We wish the Young South much suc--Virgie Jackson, Secretary.

We are most grateful, and so will the orphans be.

And No. 12 is from our old friends McKenzie.

"Enclosed find \$2. Mr. John Williams and Charlie Hicks each send 25 cents for the Orphans' Home. Lillian and I give the rest, begging you to use it where it is most needed. With our prayers for you and yours, our mission-

"Our hens are taking a rest, so we will have no more contributions for a -Mrs. Mollie Burdett.

Let's see! Shall we give 50 cents to the old ministers, 50 cents to Mt. Pisgah Church, and 50 cents to the Christmas offering for China? Yes? Thank you offering for China? Love to Miss Lillian. so much!

And Madisonville makes the 13th for

"We are two little brothers and we want to help the orphans. We send \$2 that was given us for Christmas."—

Robert and Estes Kefauver.

That is kind! The orphans will appreciate your unselfishness and God's blessing will follow you.

No. 14 comes from Hickory Valley Enclosed find \$2.50, our family col lection for the Orphans' Home. We hope it will reach you in time for the Christmas contribution."-Mrs. F. M. Patton.

Yes, it will be in good time. Thank all who helped.

No. 5 is from our dear old friend at Smyrna, who never forgets us. She

says:
"I have some money I am anxious for husband or you to have, but neither my husband or myself have been able to attend to mail-

"Enclosed you will find \$3. Give \$2 to the Orphans' Home, and \$1 to the old ministers'

"I am glad to see the Young South coming up so grandly in the work.

'At Powell Chapel we have been much saddened by the death of a Young South worker, Mrs. Mary Robertson. Her death is a personal loss to me."

—Mrs. Julia T. Johns.

so sad to have death come to us at the Christmas-tide. Thank you for again remembering us. May 1910 bring you better health.

capitals, Mr. Printer.

No. 16 brings this from Goodlettsville:

"Enclosed please find SIX DOL-LARS. Give \$2 to Kokura Chapel, and \$4 to the Christmas offering to China.

"May the Lord make it a blessing to some one in heathen lands."-An Old

We are so much obliged, dear "Old Friend." May God give you a happy New Year.

And No 17, from Jonesboro, has this

Enclosed you will find SEVEN DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS for the Orphans' Home, from Harmony Church. It is a Christmas offering. We love to give to the orphans, and we pray that God's blessing may rest on them abundantly."-W. M. Fulkerson.

Isn't that grand? We are deeply grateful, and we beg you to express our sincerest thanks to "Harmony's" good

And No. 18, from Slavden, ends the year for us most splendidly:

enclose within TEN DOLLARS for the Young South work in the Master's cause.

"Will you give it to the different objects most needing help?

"But I ask that you do not mention my name in your acknowledgment. God knows it and that is all sufficient.

"I wish the Young South, one and all. a glorious Christmas.'

Shall I give her a name? I'll say "One who loves her Lord." She helps to give us the "glorious Christmas," does she not? May God bless her in the giving to His work.

Shall I say \$1 to each of the Boards, \$1 to each of the Homes, and \$1 to Mt Pisgah Church that was blown away, \$r the Christmas offering for China, \$1 to Kokura Chapel and \$1 to the Ministerial Relief Fund, and \$1 to Ministerial Education? That My, doesn't it go a long ways?

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loves her Lord." We could not have chosen a better ending to our sixteenth

year. Now, shall we begin 1910 as well? We shall see.

With deepest gratitude, Yours most sincerely. LAURA DAYTON EAKIN.

Chattanooga, Tenn.

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AMONG THE BRETHREN.

Scott Woodward, of Pine Bluff, Ark., and Miss Addie Adams, of Timberlake, near Lexington, were married Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, the writer officiating. Only the immediate relatives were present. It was our pleasure some years ago to baptize Mr. Woodward.

The Religious Herald made attractive its front page last week with a large picture of Rev. J. R. Johnson, a former Tennessean, who lately began work as the Venable Street Church, Richmond, Va.

Rev. F. W. Kerfoot has resigned the care of Port Norfolk Church, Nortolk, , to accept a hearty call to Nowater, Okla., where a promising field awaits him. He will be missed from Virginia.

Dr. A. J. Fristoe, of Parke Avenue Church, Norfolk, Va., has resigned to become evangelist of the State Mission Beard of Maryland, with headquarters at Baltimore. He is beloved in Ten-

Rev. E. P. West, of Pittsburg, Tex., accepts the care of the First Church, Denison, Text, this week. A strong

In Calvary Church, Washington, D. C., 3,706 members have been received during the pastorate of Dr. S. H. Greene, which has extended over thirty The church now numbers 1.820.

Miss Eula Franklin and Henry Welch of Lexington, Tenn., were the contracting parties in a happy marriage Wednesday night, Dec. 23, at the home of the bride's father, Chief of Police John D. Franklin, in Lexington, the writer performing the ceremony in the pres-ence of many friends. We buried the bride in baptism recently.

The First Church, Independence, Mo., loses its pastor, Rev. E. A. Howard, to accept the care of the First Church, Hobart, Okla. He is a native of the dark and bloody ground. He is of a long line of Baptist ancestry.

The latest arrival among Texas Baptists is the Southwestern Baptist Evangelists' and Gospel Singers' Association. Its officers are, President, L. E. Finney; Vice-President, John C. F. Kyger; Secretary-Treasurer, J. A. Brown, Waco. The Association meets annually on the two days preceeding the Texas General Convention.

Rev. William Crawford has accepted the care of the First Church, Weatherford, Okla., and moves at once to the field, which promises great good.

Messrs, J. W. Rosser and B. W. Walker were ordained deacons in the church at Wildersville, Tenn., Christmas day after a sermon by Rev. Alonzo Nunnery, of Granite, Okla., which was a strong doctrinal discourse.

T. E. McKenzie, of Tahoka, Tex., has accepted the position of general evangelist of the State Mission Board of Arkansas, to begin work Feb. I. He has strong evangelistic qualifica-

Rev. Martin Ball, of the First Church, Winona, Miss., was given a two weeks' vacation by his church, and the time was spent with relations in Paris and Lexington, Tenn. He preached to splendid audiences at the latter place Lexington, last Sunday morning and night. In the afternoon he was heard at Chapel Hill Church.

The editor of the Baptist Advance dreamed on a recent night that some one had endowed his paper with \$50,000 and was handing over \$2,000 interest bear the running expenses. But, oh, what a difference in the morning!

Rev. J. B. Routh has closed a meeting at Monroe, Ark., which resulted in 44 professions and 44 additions, 38 by baptism. It was a great upliftment to

the church.

Rev. L. W. Russell, a former Tennessean, is pastor at Walnut Ridge,

Ark., and is leading the church to grand achievements. A beautiful new church is in course of construction.

The church at Cardwell, Mo., has called Rev. J. H. Pennock, of Harrisburg, Ark., and he begins work in Jan-He will preach once a month for the church

Rev. R. J. Williams, of Martin, Tenn., accepts the care of the church at Binghamton, Tenn., a suburb of Memphis, Tenn.; succeeding Rev. M. W. DeLoach. Bro. Williams is a faithful worker.

The Brown-Franklin Co., is the style of the firm which has established a new Baptist Book and Bible House at Waco, Tex. Laymen like James A. Brown, George W. Carroll, J. T. Franklin, and several preachers compose the company. The company is already doing a large business, both wholesale and retail.

Rev. S. Morris, of Florence, Miss. has accepted the care of the church at Oak Grove, La., and has moved on the field He preaches twice a month at Oak Grove and twice at Forest.

Rev. A. Nunnery, of Granite, Okla., had a most cordial reception by the churches in Tennessee which he visited during the holidays. Many of them were his former pastorates and to them his sermons were real spiritual food, even strong meat.

Rev. S. L. Morris, of Winfield, La.,

has resigned that pastorate to become editor of the Baptist Forum, a new paper recently started. There are several thorns in the path before him.

Rev. W. H. Bruton, of Norton, Va., who ought never to have left Tennessee is succeeding well in his new field. He is reported to have the best congrega tions of any pastor the church ever had.

Rev. J. H. McLean, of Boston, Mass., has accepted the care of the Calvary Church, Parkersburg, W. Va., and be gins the work under most favorable auspices.

Rev. J. S. Edmonds has resigned the are of the church at DeFuniak Springs, Fla., to accept the pastorate at Florala, Fla. Bro. Edmonds is an able minister of the Word.

Count on Rev. M. R. Cooper, of El dorado, Ill., for progress along all lines. He is publishing a monthly local church paper called Baptist Tidings to help him in his work. The limitations of hard work do not coop Cooper. .

Our hearts go out in the very deepest sympathy to Rev. Lloyd T. Wilson and wife, of Newport News, Va., who recently lost their infant son. Everett Todd Wilson. How rich are the consolations of the Gospel in such a time as thist

Prof. W. E. Farrar, of the chair of Latin and Greek in Bethel College, Russellville, Ky., and for many years nected in the same capacity with Union University, Jackson, has abandoned the teaching profession and accepted a position with the National Life Insurance Company. He knew his business as a

In the recent revival at East Church Paducah, Ky., in which Rev. N. S. Castleberry, of Benton, Ky., assisted Rev. J. P. Riley, there were 16 accessions, 11 by baptism. The work was substantial.

William E. Weldon, of Paris, Tenn., formerly a Methodist steward and Sun day-school Superintendent, recently united with the Chickasaw Church, near Paris, was baptized by Rev. Daniel Spaulding and licensed to preach by that church. He is calculated to ac complish much good.

Rev. J. G. Bow, late business mana of the Western Recorder, Louisville, Ky., has become temporary supply of the Calvary Church, Louisville, Ky. H. is Bow that hurls the javelins of truth

Rev. B. F. Hagan, of Trenton, Ky., has lately resigned as pastor of the church at Allensville, Ky., on account of having been called to the Trenton pastorate for full time.

Rev. J. D. Anderson, of Prichard Church, Mobile, Ala., has lately enjoyed a revival in his church which resulted in 28 accessions. Rev. E. E. George did the preaching. The church is growing with rapid strides.

Dr. B. W. Wiseman has been elected Financial Agent of Shurtleff College, the pioneer college of the West. If he accepts it will mean much for that school, as he has had great success along those lines.

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Last summer I was visited by a representative of the Henderson Church, with an invitation to become pastor there. The Henderson Church was my first pastorate, in 1871; and the many years of such relation much endeared the people to me. I accepted. This and my removal back to Jackson led me to resign at Woodland Mills.

My last day there was yesterday.

The Woodland Mills Church is both financially and numerically strong, and has some of the elect, or salt of the earth. I had not thought that it would be such a trial to me to leave them, till the time came.

This year the church obligated itself to give to various objects for which Tennessee Baptists contribute, three times as much as the pastor's salary, though this was as much as he had suggested to them, and it, too, has all been paid.

The church owns a beautiful lot of acres adjoining the church lot

This has been a year of great plenty with the members, for nearly all of them are farmers; only a few are merchants and traders. Their products are chiefly corn, wheat, hogs and cattle. And this year they have had the best corn crop for years

I stayed with Bro. J. D. Jones Saturday night. He has a farm of 200 acres; he told me that he had sold over \$4,500 worth of stuff from his farm this year. This sum includes in the sale of cattle and hogs raised on it, only the profits. In estimating the whole of the advantages of this farm, you must include the large reserve of corn, meat, etc., he kept back for home consumption. This \$4,500 is only a part of his income. His bank books show that he has gathered and shipped hogs, cattle, etc., to the amount of \$35,000. He is a busy man, but is always at church and Sunday School, both Saturday and Sunday.

I mention this largely to show how foolish it is for an educated young man to leave the farm and go to town into a little clerkship for \$50 or \$100 a month, or into a still more precarious mercantile business. At present the country is

offering young men the largest induce-

I know the spirit of the Woodland Mills brethren; and when they come to see that the tenth of their income be-longs to the Lord and they are his stewards, they will pay it. Then they support a good man as pastor for all his time, and two missionaries on the foreign field, and do much beside. The Baptists own nearly all of this rich section of Tennessee.

G. M. SAVAGE.

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INVITATION OF THE EVANGELI-CAL ALLIANCE FOR THE WEEK OF UNITED AND UNIVERSAL PRAYER, JAN. 2-9, 1910.

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BRETHREN IN CHRIST:

Let us bear in mind that there is no possibility of a veritable "Week of Prayer" whose beginning is by date and whose end is on a day fixed. Prayer is not put on and off like a garment. Prayer is inseparable from love and faith and service. It partakes of penitence and necessitates personal consectation. Prayer involves character. consideration which makes a special call to prayer worth while, is the call's inand quickening challenge new realization of what prayer itself as. Prayer is either a superstitious tradition. it is a permission and prerogative than which there is nothing actual or conceivable which is more vital and

Prayer is not a superstitious tradition. It has the promises of the Father, and the example of the Son, and the witness of the Spirit, and the history of the Church, and the experience of tudes now living, as its incomparable warrant. Let us pray!

Let us pray all the more truly and earnestly, for the reason that the spiritual realities which inspire and justify prayer, are popularly called in question. There is a philosophizing which disparages divine authority and is more than ready to relegate Christ to a merely human rank. The "two-world" theory is put aside in the alleged interest of this world's exaltation. Evolution, self-development, is said to make fiction sin and redemption. Eternal wards and retributions are discarded. The "great white throne" of judgment is held to be less then pictorial.

Let us pray that such misapprehen sions may be removed by clear, refreshing, persuasive manifestations of truth. from the Spirit of truth, and by means of the godly lives of truth's professing children.

Let us thankfully mark the still wider signs of the times: the vast circulation of the Scriptures as the Word of God; the glorious progress of Christian Missions; the increasing arousal of the Church to the duty and privilege of unselfish service; the spirit of national and international fraternity which seeks to meliorate class distinctions and to remove inequality of rights enjoyed; the intensified longing for the cessation of cruel wars; and the advancing realization that human brotherhood takes in all members of the race.

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OBITUARY.

RAINES.-Mrs. Pearl Agnes Raines. Wife of T. G. Raines, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Petty, died Aug. 25, 1909. She was born Dec. 18, 1874, was converted and joined Spring, Hill Baptist Church in 1889. She was a member of the Davis, Okla., Baptist church at the time of her death. She was a dutiful daughter and a loving sister, tenderly and patiently caring for her loved ones. She was a model wife and devoted mother, always seeking to make home cheerful and attractive. She was a faithful friend, always sharing the burdens of those whom she loved. She was a true Christian, cheerful and pa-tient amid all her suffering; trusting her Heavenly Father both in sad and joyous experiences; faithful to her pastor and true to her church at all times. Her whole life was devoted to loving ministries-bringing light to those in darkness, courage to those discouraged, and joy to the disconsolate. She now rests from her labors, but her works do follow her. Her-friends and loved ones mourn for her departure, but heaven rejoices over her arrival home.

"There is no death, the stars go down, To rise upon some other shore, And bright in heaven's jeweled crown,

They shine forever more.'

She leaves a husband, three children, father, mother, brother and two sisters to mourn their loss. But her suffering here was great, and she often spoke of her impatience to go to her home in heaven, and we humbly submit to the will of Him who doeth all things well.

"There is no death; an Angel form Walks o're the earth with silent tread;

He bears our best beloved ones away, And then we call them 'dead.'"

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He was married twice during his life, the first time to Miss Margaret Tyson, Aug. 16, 1849. This was a happy union, until death removed her. During this union three children were born to them, towit: Mr. W. A. Sorrell, Mrs. Celia J. Campbell, and M. Stanford Sorrell, the latter dying quite young. This union was broken Oct. 14, 1892. Later, in February, 1894, he was united to Miss Lacy. This was a happy union until broken by her death.

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