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—Creditors have better memories than debtors; they are a superstitious sect, great observers of set days and times.

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—What a fine set of new pastors were those introduced at the Convention. Again we want to extend to them a very cordial welcome to Tennessee.

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—Some one has suggested that the following is the Christian alphabet:

Adopted, Born, Chosen, Dead to the world, Elected, Forgiven, Glorified, Holy, Immortal, Justified, Kings, Loving, Merciful, New creatures, Obedient, Patient, Quickened, Redeemed, Saved, Transformed, Unspotted, Vigilant, Workmen, Yielding (to God), Zealous.

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—Rev. Madison C. Peters of New York suggests this as an improvement on the saloon: "A gallon of whisky costs \$3, and contains 65 15-cent drinks. Now, if men must drink, let them buy it by the gallon and make their wives, sisters or mothers the barkeepers. Pay them for the drink, and when the gallon is gone they will have a net profit of \$6.75 on every gallon. Let that money be put away, and when the drinkers have become drunkards their wives, mothers and sisters will have money to keep them from want."

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—It will be a matter of gratification to Southern Baptists generally to know that at the recent meeting of the Arkansas Baptist Convention the indebtedness upon Arkansas College was entirely raised. While there was considerable difference of opinion as to the propriety of the Southern Baptist Convention instructing the Home Mission Board to contribute \$10,000 towards the liquidation of the debt upon the school, yet, inasmuch as this contribution probably saved the school to the Baptist cause in Arkansas, we believe that every one now will feel glad that it was given.

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—In an interesting letter to the Watchman-Examiner, Dr. A. T. Robertson says: "each State has developed a degree of State pride, a feeling of unity, and a sense of independence of the work in the other States that is more true in the South than in the North. Every State in the South has its own State paper, except Maryland, which had one till a few months ago. These State papers are usually private enterprises which have the approval of the brotherhood. In Florida and Texas the experiment of organs owned and managed by the State Convention is being tried. The State denominational papers seem absolutely essential in the South to denominational efficiency, but they have a limited circulation and are supported with more or less indifference. They are the sine qua non of success for all the denominational enterprises, but no one has solved the problem of getting the Baptists to subscribe and pay for them." Where is the Euclid who will solve this "Pons Asinorum."

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—Senator Beveridge, in the Saturday Evening Post, makes the following interesting comparison between Germany and Texas: "Germany is only about three-fourths as large as Texas. If you cut out of Northern Texas a section as big as Maryland, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Connecticut, Delaware and Rhode Island, combined, you will have, in the remainder of the Lone Star State, a country about the size of Germany. If into this smaller Texas you crowd all the people of New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Massachusetts, Missouri, Georgia, New Jersey, California, Kentucky, Iowa, North Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama, Minnesota, Virginia, Mississippi and Louisiana, you will have about the population of Germany. If, now, you will take from this reduced Texas, thus jammed full of human beings, a good half of her fertility and natural resources, you will have about the kind of land that on the average makes up the German Empire. And finally, if you will place on the Texas coast only two commercial ports, shallow and hard to get at, you will have the sea outlets of Germany."

—The Presbyterian Advance quotes a deacon as saying to his pastor: "Did you know that I had been put out of business? That a painted-faced young girl has got my job of gathering up the nickels of the children of our church?" "What do you mean?" said the pastor; "I saw you taking the collection on Sunday." "Yes," replied the deacon, "and I passed the plate to ten or fifteen of the children I know and not one put anything on it. Today I saw practically every one of those children hand a nickel to the girl who sits in the ticket booth of the picture-show across from my place of business. I guess I'm about out of a job. The nickels that used to go to missions now go to the movies."

—It is announced that the Panama-Pacific Exposition will open on schedule time, February 20, complete in every detail. It represents an investment of some \$50,000,000.

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One of the guests at the recent Taft banquet, after partaking freely of possum and persimmon beer, remarked to the waiter:

"John, this possum is going to my head."

The darkey replied:

"Yessah, boss, a possum always would hunt a holler when you crowd him."—Ex.

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—Peter Rosegger, the Austrian story-teller, had a dream. The Almighty addressed Moses. "What have you given the people?" "The law." "What have they made of it?" "Sin." "Napoleon, what have you given the people?" "Glory." "What have they made of it?" "Shame." "Christ, what have you given the people?" "Peace." "What have they made of it?" He was silent, but covered his face with his pierced hands and wept.

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—Billy Sunday believes in social service, but sees the danger of magnifying it and ignoring Christ and his salvation. He says: "We've had enough of this godless social service nonsense. I'll go with you in eugenics, in social service, oyster soup, and institutional churches, but when you leave Jesus Christ out of it, good night. The church is the one and only divinely-appointed institution to feed the spiritual hunger of this world."

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—A Western newspaper man tells of a friend who edited, with more or less success, a paper in an Iowa town. That he was somewhat discouraged by the lack of interest shown in his journal was evidenced by this notice which one afternoon appeared on the editorial page: "Burglars entered our house last night. To the everlasting shame of the community, for whose welfare we have labored, be it said, they got nothing." It is not stated whether the paper referred to was a religious paper or not. It to be presumed, however, that it was probably a Baptist paper.

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—The papers record the death on Nov. 20th of Capt. John W. Morton. During the Civil War Capt. Morton was the chief of artillery under Gen. Bedford Forrest. In that capacity he did many valiant deeds. Among them was the following which he once related to us: The Federals held Johnsonville, on the Tennessee River, at the point where it is crossed by the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railway. They would bring foodstuffs and ammunition by river to Johnsonville and ship them to Nashville by rail. In the fort at Johnsonville were stored \$5,000,000 worth of supplies. Besides the guns in the fort, these were guarded by three gunboats in the river at the foot of the fort. Gen. Forrest came up on the opposite side of the river, the west bank. Capt. Morton crawled through the canebrake to a ridge near the river. He decided that if he could get some cannon to that point he could destroy both the fort with its supplies and the gunboats. He asked Gen. Forrest for permission to bring them up. Gen. Forrest at first refused, but afterwards consented, upon Capt. Morton's insistence, to let him bring up one cannon. He did so. The fort and the gunboats opened fire. But, as he had anticipated, their guns could not be depressed sufficiently to hit him at that point. He continued firing until he destroyed the \$5,000,000 worth of supplies in the fort and sank the three gunboats. Their hulls are now in the river, on the east bank just above the bridge, and can be seen when the river is low. We saw them and pointed them out to friends on our way to and from the Tennessee Baptist Convention at Jackson. Bro. T. J. Eastes told us that he was in Forrest's command and was present at Johnsonville at the time, and confirmed the story which had been related to us by Capt. Morton several years ago. Capt. Morton was for eight years Secretary of State. His son, Capt. West Morton, is Register of Davidson County.

MY CREED.

I would be true, for there are those who trust me; I would be pure, FOR THERE ARE THOSE WHO CARE; I would be strong, for there is much to suffer; I would be brave, for there is much to dare; I would be a friend to all, the foe, the friendless. I would be giving and forget the gift; I would be humble, for I know my weakness; I would look up and laugh and love and lift.—Harper's.

—At the request of Rev. Frank Willis Barnett, editor of the Alabama Baptist, the recent Alabama Convention appointed an Advisory Committee to advise with him with regard to the interests of the Alabama Baptist. A list of contributing editors is also announced. Brother Barnett says: "For nearly eight years we have tried to do the impossible. We have been editor, business manager, bookkeeper and traveling man." It has been pretty much the same with us. For twenty-five years we have been editor in chief, office editor, business manager, field editor. We have done about three men's work. We have about reached the limit of human endurance. As a relief to us and for the greater efficiency of the paper, we offered it to the Convention. A committee with Dr. J. M. Burnett as Chairman, was appointed to consider the proposition. If the Convention should not accept the paper, we suggest that it might be well to follow the example of Alabama, and at least have an Advisory Committee. We should welcome the appointment of such a Committee. There needs to be a closer relation between the paper and the Convention.

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—A plea went out from Holland recently for peace in Europe. The "Handelsblad," of Amsterdam, in an editorial entitled, "Is Intervention Possible?" urged the cooperation of the Queen of the Netherlands and President Woodrow Wilson of the United States, to use this "psychological moment" to offer mediation by these two neutral nations. It declared: "Since in the three and a half months the peoples of Europe and Asia have been drawn into a war of which the original issues now have been forgotten, future ideal results are impossible. The war is fast degenerating into a purposeless conflict, calling upon all the worst passions of all the nations. Winter is approaching and the misery everywhere is incredible. The number of dead on the battlefields is being increased by numbers of innocent people who are perishing from illness and starvation. Has not the moment come to save what can be saved?" It seems to us that it has, at least so far as the original nations engaged in the war are concerned; Austria and Germany on one side and Russia, Serbia, France and England, on the other side. As regards Turkey, we think the war should continue until she is driven out of Europe and out of Palestine.

"PRAISE YE THE LORD."

Praise God for wheat, so white and sweet, of which to make our bread!
 Praise God for yellow corn, with which His waiting world is fed!
 Praise God for fish, and flesh, and fowl, He gave to man for food!
 Praise God for every creature which he made, and called it good!
 Praise God for winter's store of ice! Praise God for summer's heat!
 Praise God for fruit-bearing seed—"to you it is for meat!"
 Praise God for all the bounty by which the world is fed!
 Praise God, His children, for bounteous daily bread!
 —E. E. Hale.

BORN OF WATER AND SPIRIT.

On November 5, Bro. N. W. Blalock tries to prove that the word "water" as used in John 3:5 does not mean the spiritual life of Christ, with which he begets children; but that it means the material water of baptism.

His first argument is made against the view that the word "water" signifies the spiritual life blood of Jesus Christ, which produces life in us, and cleanses us from all sin; by showing that the Greek word means literal water.

We all know the word naturally means water, but we also know that Jesus sometimes used natural words with spiritual meanings, such as "He that eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood hath eternal life" (John 6:54).

Jesus shows that he was speaking of a spiritual birth in John 3:5 when he said in the next verse: "That which is born of the Spirit is spirit" of man. The begetting and birth of a natural child is well understood; hence Jesus uses these truths in teaching us how a man's spirit must be begotten and born again in order to be saved. Then as the blood or life of a natural father enters into his child in its generation, even so the blood or life of Christ enters into his spiritual child in its regeneration.

So it is clear to me that "born of water," in John 3:5, signifies the blood or life of Christ. The Holy Spirit is the agent of God who performs his spiritual works, so the Spirit puts the spiritual life-blood of Christ into our spirits, regenerating them and translating them from the power of darkness into the Kingdom of God, and Jesus calls this process being "Born of water and the Spirit."

This view is clearly true, because the spiritual blood of Christ and water of life signify the same eternal life; but I prefer to interpret the word "water" to mean water of life, simply because water is the word used in this verse.

Jesus Christ is the fountain of eternal life, and he says, "I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely" (Rev. 21:6). Again he says, "Whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall become in him a well of water springing up unto eternal life" (John 4:14). Evidently this is the same kind of water spoken of in John 3:5, because it begets eternal life in them who receive it into good and honest hearts.

The Holy Spirit puts this "water" which Christ gives into the spirits of men, and they are thereby "born of water and the spirit."

Surely Bro. Blalock does not think the water spoken of in John 4:14 means the material water of baptism; then why should he think the water spoken of in John 3:5 means baptism?

He seems to think that a man's spirit is begotten in the water of baptism, and born out of the same water; therefore the life-blood of Christ and the Holy Spirit have nothing to do with his new birth.

This view teaches baptismal regeneration straight out, but it is neither scriptural nor true, because the new birth is an entirely spiritual act, and cannot be done in a material element or performed by physical acts.

To prove that no one can be born of blood our Brother gives John 1:13, which says: "As many as received him, to them gave he the right to become children of God, even to them that believe on his name: who were born not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God."

Surely anyone can see that these believers were born of God; a spiritual birth, distinct from the will of their natural flesh and blood man; which cannot be born again until their resurrection from the grave. Neither Bro. Gillon nor myself teach that "born of water" signifies the natural blood of Jesus Christ's body. In fact, Jesus did not beget any children

with his physical life-blood; he shed off his physical flesh and blood in death; and was raised up a complex spiritual man, having power and authority to transmit his eternal spiritual life to the souls of men dead in sin. Any other view of being regenerated and born again is both mystical and unreasonable to me.

Then, to prove that water of life means the Holy Spirit himself, and not the spiritual life of Christ, our brother refers us to John 7:38,39, which reads: "If any man thirst, let him come unto me and drink. He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, from within him shall flow rivers of living water. But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believed on him were to receive, for the Spirit was not yet given; because Jesus was not yet glorified."

It is a fact that the thirsty soul which drinks of Christ, the fountain of the water of life; also receives the Holy Spirit to dwell in him at the same time, and the Spirit flows from within him in the stream of his daily life in this present world. Living water may signify either the spiritual life of Christ or His Spirit.

I agree with Brother Blalock that the blood of Jesus Christ is sprinkled on the multitude of His believers, by each individual receiving as it were a drop of His life blood which regenerates eternal life in them, but the brother's way of reasoning about the sprinkling is truly "abhorrent."

I also agree with the brother that we are begotten children of God through the gospel: because the gospel of Christ is the fact, that Jesus died and was raised up with power to give eternal life to other men; this is good news to lost sinners, and when Christ gives them eternal life their spirits are thereby regenerated.

The shed blood of Jesus Christ died as a sacrifice unto God for the sins of the whole world; but His dead sacrificial blood does not generate life nor cleanse from sin, it is his living blood which produces eternal life in the sinner's heart and cleanses it from all sin.

Again I agree with the brother, that the love of God which is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, is given unto us from Christ, and forms Christ in us the hope of glory. Because through His love, he begets His image in our hearts with His life blood, given to us by the power of the Holy Spirit. So we see that all these expressions which signify the gift of eternal life to our hearts, mean the same thing as "born of water and the Spirit."

But I am sure that being buried with Christ in baptism, does not signify the same thing as being "born of water and the Spirit." Because baptism is a physical act, performed by men; and the new birth is a spiritual act, performed by the Lord.

Regeneration and the new birth creates us in Christ Jesus, while baptism puts into His body of people, His church.

Born of water and the Spirit saves our souls from eternal death, while baptism in water expresses faith that our bodies will be saved in the resurrection. So if being born of water and Spirit is the act of baptism, then baptism saves us from eternal death; because we cannot be saved without the new birth; but there is no scriptural reason for believing this false theory.

Brother Blalock contends, that we are not born out of Satan's Kingdom into the Kingdom of God. All will agree that the new birth takes our spirits out of Satan's Kingdom; then into what place or Kingdom does it translate them, if not into God's Kingdom?

Satan's Kingdom is represented as the power of darkness, and Paul says that God "delivers us out of the power of darkness, and translates us into the Kingdom of God's dear Son." Col. 1:13.

Jesus Christ is in the Kingdom of God, and regeneration creates us in Him, and the new birth translates us into the Kingdom with Christ.

How is it possible to be in Christ and He in God, without all being in the same Kingdom of Heaven? It is a Scriptural truth, that God the Father adopts all of Christ's regenerate children as His own; but the adoption is not the act of translating them into the Kingdom; it is making them heirs of God, and joint heirs with His Son, Jesus Christ.

These Scriptural truths are gathered in the chimney corners, and they should be proclaimed from the house top.

J. H. OSMENT.

Mount Juliet, Tennessee.

"Is there any truth in the assertion made by scientists," asked a young man recently, "that when a man and a woman have lived together for some time their facial characteristics assume a similarity?"

"There most certainly is," was the reply, "I know a man who married a widow, and she was constantly reminding him of her first husband."

LUTHER ON BAPTISM.

Martin Luther is sometimes quoted as justifying immersion as the baptism of the New Testament. But immediately some of his followers deny it and claim that inasmuch as when he "baptized" an infant, saying "Ich Taufe die," he believed that to tauf was to sprinkle, though in common language it means to dip. This controversy has led Rev. John A. Klingman, who is connected with The Christian Leader, our neighbor, to translate one of Luther's sermons in which he discusses the baptismal question. Mr. Klingman, a German by birth, gives the German of the first paragraph and translates it as follows:

"First: Baptism means, according to Greek, Baptismos, according to Latin, mersio: that is, when you dip something entirely in water, so that it covers it, that it—the water—goes zusammen, together. And although the custom in many localities no longer exists (that is) to plunge and dip the children, into the baptistery (font), but they merely dip with the hand from the baptistery and pour upon them, nevertheless, it should be and would be right, according to the Bible word tauf (baptism), when a child or any one is baptized, (they) should be sunk entirely in the water and be immersed and drawn out again; because, without doubt in German language, the word 'tauf' is derived from the word 'tief' (deep), so that one deeply sinks into the water that which is baptized. This the significance of baptism requires, since it signifies that the old man and the sinful nature of flesh and blood should be entirely submerged by the grace of God, as we shall hear. Therefore, one should do justice to the significance of baptism and show forth a sign that is full and complete."

One naturally asks: "Did Luther say that and yet keep on sprinkling?" He certainly did. How can a man so clearly say that he believes one thing and at the same time do another so entirely different? That is one of the mysteries of human nature. A good many others besides Luther can do similar things. Luther continues:

"Second: Baptism is an outward sign or pledge, which separates us from all unbaptized people, that we through it may recognize as people of Christ, our Commander, under whose banner (that is the holy cross) we may continually war against sin. Therefore we must behold three things in the sacred ordinance: the signs or emblems, the signification and the faith. The sign is found in this, that one plunges the person into the water in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, but one does not leave him therein, but lifts him out again: for that reason one says: 'Raised up out of baptism.' Both things must exist in the sign, the dipping into and the drawing out."

And so he goes on to discuss baptism in its various phases, seeking to show forth its significance as an immersion and an emersion, a death to sin and a resurrection to a new life in Christ Jesus. Infant baptism had got such a hold upon Luther, as it has upon his followers, that he could not shake it off, and he could say, as Paul said of himself: "To will is present with me, but how to perform that which is good, I find not. Oh, wretched man that I am, who shall deliver me from the body of this death?" And in this he ought to have the sympathy of a great multitude who are in the same thralldom with him.—Journal and Messenger.

HAVE YOU GOT IT?

By C. C. Brown.

Sometimes a last will and testament is made in all good faith, but the beneficiary is long kept out of the legacy bequeathed to him. Our Lord, when about to depart hence, made a sort of will. His soul He bequeathed to His Father, and His body went to Joseph. His clothes fell to the soldiers who watched Him die. His mother He left to the tender care of John. What will He now bestow upon His disciples? Silver and gold He had none. He gave them what was far better. "My peace I leave with you." Have you got it? Have I got it? Sometimes, when my heart is burning up, and sorrows like billows rise, I ask myself, have I got it? Let us walk together along this line of thought, and as we go, I'll ask. Have you got it?

We love to receive the benediction of the dying. The dying Lord wanted us to have peace, peace in the soul, so that neither trouble, nor sorrow, nor doubt should ever make us unhappy. Doubtless He did not mean that we should never lie in the fiery furnace of suffering, but He did mean that we should

be able to say, "While I have pain, I have peace." O sweet soul, do the fires burn you today—do they burn you and me—poor me—and have we got peace?

You know, I think the secret of peace is a consciousness of harmony between the soul and its God—an unbroken communion. No Christian can be at peace with himself who is not at peace with God. If anarchy reigns within, and thoughts of God give trouble, we do not have to guess at the cause. Sin lieth at the door—lieth within and lieth without. No man can live wholly for two worlds, with one foot on each. One of the two must have precedence. Otherwise if we cling to both, we shall be torn asunder as by wild horses.

"My peace I leave with you." Have you got it? I have loved to sit by the sea, and look upon and think about the silver moon, so quiet in the skies, which pulls the tidal wave this way and that—a wave into which melt and merge all the currents of the deep, rolling around the great world. Sometimes it has to move behind the clouds and one cannot see it, but the same mighty power is still there, and draws into one surge of harmonized motion all the contradictory currents of the sea. Is this like the power of Jesus? Is this what He does for us? Has He done it for you and for me?

"In me ye have peace!" O wonderful Lord, have we really received the legacy you left us? I seem to know what the thing is, but have I got it? I know it is not a dull composure. Surely in giving this peace, Christ numbs no nerve, stifles no impulse, mesmerizes no faculty. "To be spiritually minded is life and peace." Have we got it?

In me you have peace; in the world you have tribulation. In every worldly thing there is trouble. This is why men grow old and sick, and die prematurely. The politician climbs to the summit of human applause, and then dies of suffocation, smothered by disgust. He has found that there is nothing in it that is real and lasting. The retired merchant comes to a time when he wants to make no more money. He too has been deceived. He wants to go aside with his Bible, and allow his soul to dream of better things, while all the time an echo from the past is saying, "In the world ye have tribulation."

The world's best method of giving is a very poor one. It seeks to adjust outward things, but not inward. It seeks to make the bitter sweet and the rugged smooth. It seeks to satisfy craving, but does not regulate desire. It gives what I want, but does not teach me what to want. It lays at my feet the peace of compromise, not the peace of conquest. It teaches me indifference, and calls it peace. It freezes the affections into hardness, and whispers, "Now you have peace." It tells my heart not to care, and seeks to harden it against the strokes of sorrow. It quiets religious solitudes by seeking to drive them away. It tells men to have peace with God by forgetting Him—peace with the conscience by stifling it—peace with the future by despising it. I know this is not the thing my Lord intended you and me to have. O soul, soul, have you got the other thing—the real legacy He left for you and me—the legacy of peace? The soldiers got His woven garment—did they also take the peace He said we should have?

"Not as the world giveth give I unto you." The world gives and takes back. You and I have been rich in what it gave—how poor we are today because of what it has taken back! It is faithless and inconstant, and falls us in the crucial hour. It bears a queen to her throne today, and to a guillotine tomorrow. It cries, "Hail!" to Jesus today, and "Crucify Him!" tomorrow. The very best it has to give will fall us at last. When a man of many millions lay dying, he asked his watchers to sing for him. "What shall we sing?" and he answered, "Come, ye sinners, poor and needy."

In me ye have peace! Have we got it? Have we got it? Can we who are in trouble say, "Come, lay your hand over my heart and see if it beats a single stroke too fast?" Have we got peace? Can we who seem now to do nothing but look down into the graves where we have laid our best and most beautiful, turn our eyes to those about us and say, "Still I have peace! I have peace!" O good soul with eyes so full of yearning and heart so ready to break with unrest, if Jesus left us this beautiful thing, and we have it not, there must be something wrong. There must be.

Now, lay this paper down—go to one side and talk to Him—tell Him you want peace—that you have drunk in vain from earth's broken cisterns—that your heart can break under a blaze of diamonds and your head burst under coronets of gold—that everything about you is empty and unsatisfying—that you want peace—the peace He said He had and would leave for you.

Sumter, S. C.

SOME THOUGHTS.

By Hon. Geo. E. Burbage.

Optimism is power.
Hate is hell; love is heaven.
True forgiveness is true forgetfulness.
Civilization is but another way of spelling Christianity.

To know one's power is well, but to know one's weakness is better.

Satan is never so powerful as when a professed Christian remains silent in the presence of sin.

When man forgives his greatest enemy, he in turn is forgiven by his greatest Friend.

It is just as impossible to justify a lie as it is to justify sin. To do either is to deny God.

The only way man can ever discover the elixir of life is by banishing the cause of death—sin.

There never was a greater falsehood uttered than that contained in the adage, "Hell is paved with good intentions." There is nothing good in hell.

What man calls death, God calls life.

As the magnet draws steel, so prayer draws heaven nearer earth.

What steam is to the locomotive, purpose is to the human soul—it is the one power that makes our lives count for God and good.

Unselfishness is the only foundation upon which man can build a permanent civilization. Selfishness means strife, war, and finally annihilation.

Old age, when blessed by the power of a consecrated past, is in reality the greatest honor to the human race. Without it, heaven would be impossible—it is but the first step in eternity.

The idea that man is mortal while living and only immortal when dead, is a paradox. The instant he repents and accepts Christ, from thence on his life is afire with the Divine spark of Immortality.

Is there such a thing as death? To the unsaved, yes. To the saved, no.

The great law of existence is love. By it and through it alone man has seen the light, and by it alone can he ever see the light of eternal day.

The man who misuses wealth is a thief, for he misuses that which belongs not to him, but to the Maker and Creator of all things.

God saves. Satan destroys. Man chooses.

The only freedom is freedom from self.

Man was not born to die, but more properly made to die that he might live.

To become sanctified is to become perfect. To become perfect is to become Christ-like, and to become Christ-like is to become immortal. If such be possible, why then the need of death or heaven?

Because it took humanity centuries to get the best of ignorance, superstition and barbarism, it doesn't necessarily follow that it will take that long for the American saloon to sap the vitality and life-blood from our most sacred institutions.

Johnson City, Tenn.

A MESSAGE OF REJOICING.

Suffer a word from a one-time Tennessean who feels like sending in a message of rejoicing because of the great Convention which was held in connection with the people to whom he preached for six years.

I feel like shouting at the magnificent reports that were made at the Convention, and especially because of the superb report which the Secretary, Dr. Gillon, made. It seems to me, as I look on now from a slight distance, that the work in Tennessee was never so hopeful and the prospects never so bright. I congratulate the editor on his re-election as President of that splendid body, and rejoice that the Convention was so glorious in every way.

I wished very much personally that I might have been there, but found it impossible to anticipate that for which my heart longed. I am quite sure you found the people in Jackson royal entertainers, and that the brotherhood left with the feeling that the old First Church is one of the greatest churches in the land.

It may be of interest to you to know that Roanoke is a Baptist city. With its environs there are, without a doubt, fifty thousand people here; including both negro and white Baptists, there are ten thousand Baptists connected with the churches; therefore, every fifth person in Roanoke is a Baptist. The campaign recently conducted in the churches of the city was one of the most gloriously successful campaigns that this city or any other has had the joy of being in. With but eight churches in the effort, there were practically 1,200

additions to the congregations, and since the closing of the campaign members have been added to the churches. The people have a mind to hear the gospel, and there is a remarkable responsiveness on the part of the unsaved to the ministry of the Word.

I happen to be the happy successor of W. F. Powell—that prince of men who is at the First Church, Chattanooga. It has not been a difficult task for me to continue the work which he so gloriously conducted for a number of years. The people love him—they have a right to love him, and should he ever come this way he will receive a most glorious greeting from the people to whom he once ministered.

In my eight months' pastorate there have been something more than three hundred additions to the congregation, and it looks very much like God is going to give us many more souls, for many people are interested. In our Bible School we have an enrollment of more than nine hundred.

Your scribe will leave today for Waco, Texas, to be in an evangelistic effort at the Columbus Street Baptist Church, and will also have the privilege of speaking at Baylor University. May I not ask that the good brethren of Tennessee, to whom my heart clings with a lingering tenderness, pray much that God may greatly bless our efforts there.

With cordial good wishes to the editor and to the Baptist brotherhood of the State.

HERBERT WHITING VIRGIN.

Roanoke, Va.

BELL AVENUE CHURCH.

Sunday was the close of the twenty-seventh month of Rev. W. J. Mahoney's pastoral work at the Bell Avenue Church. It was also the close of one of the most successful and helpful revivals ever held in that church. The revival was conducted by the pastor with no help outside the church save the splendid music led by Mr. W. R. Heasty of Chattanooga, Tenn.

Dr. Mahoney was called to the Bell Avenue congregation in July of 1912 from the First Church of Madisonville, Ky., and assumed his work as pastor about the middle of August of the same year. At that time the church was without a building, the old one having been destroyed by fire, but by the generous permission of the Board of Education we were granted the use of the Park City High School Auditorium, which was used by the congregation for a few months. Under the wise leadership of a genius as organizer, Dr. Mahoney, plans for the present building were successfully carried out, and today Bell Avenue is justly proud of one of the grandest edifices in Tennessee.

With the Bible as his guide, the Holy Spirit as his Teacher, Christ as his Leader, he presented the plain, simple gospel without a tinge of emotion. By his cool and deliberate manner of preaching, he has driven the gospel truths home to the hearts of all who have heard him; scores were led to accept Christ, and never before has such an outpouring of the Holy Spirit been witnessed in Knoxville. The presence of the Lord was manifested from the very beginning. There were no idle believers, the saved working for the unsaved. After two weeks of earnest work, because of the great results and opportunities, the meeting was prolonged two weeks, during which time there were 93 additions to the church—17 by letter; 6 by statement; 4 restored; 66 for baptism. To the very last great interest was manifested, the large auditorium being filled each evening. The house last night was crowded. In spite of the limited seating capacity of about 900, there were about 1,200 present. The folks were packed in the seats, chairs were in every available space in the aisles, in front of the pulpit and in the back of the house; the two Sunday School rooms in the front of the building were filled; the choir was filled, and people were turned away. The people said it was the greatest meeting ever held in that church.

As an evangelist Dr. Mahoney is of the type of Wendell Phillips; as a systematic organizer he is recognized by press and public as one of the greatest in the country; as a leader he is a "KING AMONG MEN." All the good resulting from his great leadership will never be known until the Lord calls His own.

An added feature to the cause was the music under the direction of Mr. Heasty. He is a young man of promise in the evangelistic singing work. He has been in the active evangelistic work for the past year. His ability as a singer has gained for himself a great reputation and endearment to the hearts of all who hear him.

A MEMBER OF BELL AVE.

THE LOUISIANA CONVENTION.

Tennesseans cannot be indifferent to the Baptist work in Louisiana, because so many of your sons are prominent in the labors now being rendered by Baptists of this State.

The most glorious Convention in the history of the Louisiana work has just now closed at Monroe. Fine attendance, fine attention, finer attainments.

The Orphans' Home was out of debt, having made many thousand dollars worth of improvements in the past year, and planning to enlarge their plant to the capacity of 250 children during the incoming year.

The State Mission work had a glorious year from every viewpoint. The enlistment workers had great reports of their work. The Sunday School work maintained two workers, Mr. J. B. Moseley and Mrs. Maude Abner, each of whom wrought nobly and efficiently. The large number of missionary pastors were overflowing with gratitude for the blessings bestowed upon their labors, and intense in their fixed purpose to undertake greater things in the year to come, while our seven French missionaries made it clear to all who had the privilege to hear any of them that God is moving mightily in the midst of this people just now. Many conversions. Several new churches organized in that territory during the past year. The newest work in our State was work among the Italians. Prof. J. M. Barra, of North Italy, had been engaged by the State Mission Board, together with Mr. E. N. Luxardo, under whose ministry the Lord had saved and led into the fellowship of Baptist churches, more than forty people (Italians); three churches have been organized, and each was hopeful and determined in the prosecution of their work for the King.

The Convention was so much pleased with the result of the work among the Italians, that they gave instructions to the Board to take up work as soon as possible in the incoming year among the Mexicans and Spanish-speaking people in our State. This will make four languages in which our work is being prosecuted.

That you may have some fair conception of the situation, a comparison by tens will help you see the work being wrought in Louisiana:

In 1894, there were 212 baptisms; 191 received by letter. Total 403.

In 1904, 360 baptisms, 375 by letter. Total, 735.

In 1914, there were 2,182 baptisms, 1,420 by letter. Total, 3,602.

The Convention sermon was preached by Dr. M. E. Dodd, a native of Tennessee; and perhaps the most conspicuous character in the Convention was Dr. R. P. Mahon, also a native of Tennessee, but who is now pastor of one of our great churches. There were seventeen people in attendance upon our Convention at Monroe, who were natives of Tennessee. Many of these have done sacrificial work in this State, and are now rejoicing in the blessings of God upon the labors of the brotherhood.

Many of you go to Houston next spring to the Southern Baptist Convention, and will likely go through New Orleans and sweep across the beautiful Southland, where God has done so much for the soil and the climate, and yet a section of country that has been largely neglected by Gospel influence. If you expect to go and will write me just when you expect to be in New Orleans en route to that Convention, I shall be glad to furnish you with some information that will help you to understand the richest, most needy, at the same time the most hopeful mission territory among Southern Baptists.

Oh, how the Lord has blessed the labors of the past! Will you pray God to give grace and wisdom that His laborers may continue to be faithful to His word, courageous, undaunted, uncompromising—for we have all the things to meet that are to be met anywhere, and these problems are increased by the multiplicity of languages in this State. If Southern Baptists do not rally to the forces in Louisiana now, they are going to "sin away their day of grace" in this field. No State in the South has a more united, aggressive, splendid type of pastors than we have in Louisiana. I cannot keep from praying every day that God will not allow some of our great churches from elsewhere to call some of these noble men. We have a number of pastors here that could hold any pastorate in the South with credit, who are laboring here under great stress and sacrifice for the glory of God.

G. H. CRUTCHER, Cor. Sec.

HOSPITAL, HUNDRED! HUNDRED!

The papers made me say at the recent Convention, "I will be one of one hundred to give one hundred dollars a year for ten years." What I did say was this: "I will be one of one hundred to give one hundred dollars to the hospital, payable \$50 February 1st, and \$50 payable July 1st." I shall be very glad to hear from the other ninety nine. Indeed, have heard from some. If this can be done it will relieve the hospital of a very

great burden just now. Surely there are a hundred sources from which we have a right to expect as much as one hundred dollars. Many persons and many churches in the State have not contributed at all to this great institution. Let individuals, Churches, Societies, Sunday Schools, and Sunday School classes hasten to our assistance in this time of need. If I could only go around and see you I am sure I could find you, but I cannot do that. Suppose you simply send me your name now. All agree that this is a very reasonable request. But do not stop there. Let a hundred people write to me. Any additional information will be gladly furnished by Dr. T. S. Potts, General Superintendent, or by

A. U. BOONE.

Memphis address will be sufficient.

A POUNDING LONG TO BE REMEMBERED.

About 9 o'clock on the evening of Nov. 24, Rev. N. H. Poole and wife of Eastland Baptist church, this city, were startled by hearing at their front door a full chorus burst forth singing "Open Wide the Door." The pastor responded by throwing open the door, and finding the front porch and yard filled with people. More than fifty filed in bearing bundles, baskets and boxes filled with groceries, vegetables and pastries—every thing from potatoes and beans to coconuts and pineapples. There were enough jellies, preserves and canned fruit to last for many weeks. A large dining table was piled full, and many bundles laid on the floor. Speeches were made, prayers were offered, after which all joined in singing "Blest Be the Tie that Binds;" and the kind-hearted neighbors and friends took their departure, leaving the pastor and his good wife feeling humbled and grateful in spirit, and with "the joy-bells of heaven ringing in their hearts."

THE WAR.

Bro. Wells of Houston, Texas, calls on me through the Baptist and Reflector, to write an article for certain papers on the War in Prophecy. In reply will say that I have written an appendix to "After Death, Where and What?" which contains a chapter on "After the War, What?" in which I quote the prophets abundantly. One chapter is on "Pre vs. Post-ism," and one on "Feeding the Heart." This appendix will soon appear in tract form. Those who have the book and all others can get the tract for ten cents. I make the following special offer: "After Death, Where and What?" 55 cents, and appendix, all for 50 cents, or both in cloth, \$1.00, for 60 cents with appendix, or the appendix for ten cents. Address

J. B. MOODY.

Watertown, Tenn.

THANKSGIVING SHOWER.

On Wednesday night before Thanksgiving, about fifty of our friends and neighbors invaded our home and loaded the dining table with good things to eat. The affair was gotten up by Sister J. W. C. Jones, and was a complete surprise. Mrs. Rose and I are happy and our gratitude is too deep for words. It is a joy to labor with such people. Come again and you will find the "latch string on the outside."

W. N. ROSE,

Missionary Pastor.

Dunlap, Tennessee.

A PROSPEROUS YEAR, 1913-1914.

Birchwood Baptist Church closes a prosperous year with November, 1914. Money raised during the year for all purposes, \$553.82; additions during the year 16; deaths, 1; excluded, 1. Good Sunday School all the year with an attendance from 50 to 75. Four sermons each month, on third Sunday and Saturday before.

Miss Ethyl Copinger, clerk, and Mr. J. B. Copinger, Treasurer; Prof. F. N. Sanders, Sunday School Superintendent, and Rev. R. C. Cecil, Pastor.

Birchwood, Tennessee.

Dr. Folk, you asked in the last Baptist and Reflector how many we can take care of next year at the Convention? I have never had any experience in entertaining Conventions, and it is difficult for me to estimate. We have a church of about 500 members. We have six other white churches in our town, and we believe they will all help us, in fact many have already expressed a willingness to help. We have a white population of about 3,000, and I don't know of a town in the State that has more good homes than we have, and we believe they will all be thrown open to the "Jordanic Tribe." One of the Orlinda members said, "Tell Dr. Folk yes, we can take care of 1,000." Then he said, "If you are over run we will haul them out to Orlinda."

Another brother said, "Yes, all the churches of Robertson County will help." So just come along and we will fill up the town and country too, if necessary. But we think Springfield will be able to take care of all that will come.

L. S. EWTON.

Springfield, Tennessee.

(Good. We thought you could do it. There is no more hospitable community anywhere than Springfield. Now, for 1,000 at the Convention next year. Lookout for them, they are coming. Begin now to get ready to go. When we think of the great meeting we are going to have—and incidentally of the good things to eat—we can hardly wait for the time to come. Our mouth is watering now.—Ed.)

Last Sunday the 22nd, we closed a gracious meeting, beginning on the 8th, at the First Baptist Church, this city. In visible results, there were about 15 additions to the church; twelve of them were by baptism. It was a great and helpful meeting; the influence and power of which cannot be tabulated.

The preaching was by Dr. B. B. Bailey of Arkadelphia, Ark., who ploughs a deep gospel furrow. The writer does not think he ever heard a series of greater sermons. Bailey is a great preacher and a skilful teacher of the gospel. His one theme is "Christ and Him Crucified," the only hope of a lost world. By his winsome, gentle spirit, as well as his splendid preaching, he won the hearts of us all.

Mr. Fred Scholfield led the singing, and he did it superbly. He is in a class by himself. He impressed himself upon our people, not only as a good musician, but as a consecrated Christian gentleman. The meetings were well attended, often great crowds thronging the house. As a church we thank God and take courage. To him be all the glory.

W. H. RYALS, Pastor.

Paris, Tennessee.

Revival at the North Side Mission of the Broadway Baptist Church of Knoxville closed last night with good results. The preaching was done by Rev. John F. Williams and Rev. George W. Demarcus. Both men are fine revivalists. Many of you know the great power of Rev. Williams in a revival. Rev. George W. Demarcus is an old-time gospel preacher, although a young man; he uses Bible illustrations and stays within the lids of the Bible, and our people at the mission were greatly pleased with his preaching. We had twenty-two professions and sixteen additions to the church. The new converts will be baptized at Broadway Church tonight. Our annual revival at Broadway Baptist Church will commence the 29th of November, with Dr. William Lunsford of Nashville doing the preaching. We are expecting a great meeting.

J. B. WILLIAMS.

Knoxville, Tenn.

On last Tuesday night, Nov. 17, as we were in the act of retiring, our people surprised us with another great pounding. They filled the table and then covered the floor around it with almost every thing you could think of that is good to eat. There were 53 persons present, and those who could not come brought their bundles next day. This is the third pounding they have given us since we came to this field. Our work is moving along nicely, and it is a great delight to any pastor to have such noble people to labor with as we have here. There is neither jar nor division among them. We are looking forward for greater things next year. Love to all the brethren.

J. H. FULLER.

East Lake, Tenn.

President J. M. Burnett of Carson and Newman College, will deliver the lectures on the Julius Brown Gay Foundation in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, at 10:00 a. m. in the Chapel of Norton Hall, on December 8th, 9th and 10th. President Burnett's subject will be "Some Values in the Newer Psychology for Preachers." His specific topics will be:

1. Psychology and Theology.
2. Psychology and Preaching.
3. The Teaching of Jesus in the Light of the Newer Psychology.

All friends of the Seminary are invited to attend these lectures.

E. Y. MULLINS, President,

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary,
Louisville, Kentucky.

Last week's paper gave me as pastor of Union Grove. I am not. I only preached there Sunday afternoon, and in my report stated that I was pastor-evangelist.

R. D. CECIL.

Dayton, Tenn.

PASTORS' CONFERENCE.

NASHVILLE.

First—Preaching by Pastor Allen Fort. Themes, "The Second Saying of Jesus on the Cross," and "The Queen of Sheba." 198 in S. S. Eight additions since last report. W. Dawson Campbell licensed to preach.

Eastland—Pastor N. N. Poole preached at both hours on "Israel's Challenge to God" and "The Summer Is Ended." 100 in S. S. Splendid B. Y. P. U.

Judson Memorial—Pastor C. H. Cosby preached at 11 a. m. on "Thanksgiving," and at 7:30 p. m. on "Christ Forsaken." The church gave the pastor a surprise shower Tuesday night. I need only to say that this is something Judson Memorial knows how to do.

Cookeville—Pastor Fitzpatrick closed his work. Pastor A. E. Cate began work and will move to Cookeville this week.

Third—Pastor S. P. DeVault reported 149 in S. S. Fine congregation in the morning. Good B. Y. P. U.

Lockeland—Pastor J. E. Skinner preached on "The Christian and the Life to Come" and on "The Sinner and the Life to Come." Rainy day congregations at all the services. Church licensed another of the pastor's boys—William Carey—to preach the gospel.

Centennial—The pastor, C. H. Bell, preached at both hours. Morning theme, "Ye Are Complete in Him;" evening, "The Finished Work of Christ." Two baptized since last report. 95 in S. S. 62 in B. Y. P. U. Good rainy day.

Grandview—J. F. Savell, pastor. Rain greatly interfered with congregations during the day. Pastor preached on "Motives That Move the Junior Order and Daughters of America." At night, "God's Love to All Men."

Edgefield—Pastor Lunsford preached at both hours. Morning on "The Christian's Goodnight;" night, "Blessed Immediately." Three additions. One baptized.

Grace—Pastor Creasman spoke on "The New Jerusalem," and "Darkness and Deity." 154 in S. S. Good audiences. Good day.

Park Ave.—Pastor I. N. Strother preached on "Throne of Grace" and "Pure Religion." Rainy day audiences.

Belmont—John T. Mason preached both morning and evening. The interest was good and services enjoyed. Rain affected the attendance. Sunday School—There were more than 50 per cent of the Sunday School in attendance. Good attendance for the morning.

Seventh—Pastor preached on "Observance of the Sabbath" and "Jonah and the Whale." Raised about \$400. Good day.

North Edgefield—President Geo. J. Burnett spoke at 11 o'clock on Tennessee College. Pastor Carmack preached at night. About \$500 raised for Tennessee College.

KNOXVILLE.

Island Home—Pastor J. L. Dance preached in the morning on "The Meaning of the Cross," and in the evening on "Trying to Please God." 300 in S. S. A good rainy day.

Middle Brook—Pastor E. F. Ammons preached in the morning on "A Wise Choice," and in the evening on "What Will You Do With Jesus?"

Immanuel—W. C. Patton, pastor. Rev. Cates preached in the morning on "The Peace of God," and the pastor preached in the evening on "The Value of the Soul." 185 in S. S. One received by letter.

Bearden—Pastor T. N. Hale preached in the morning on "An Ideal Home," and in the evening on "The Coming Light." One baptized.

Euclid Avenue—Pastor W. E. Conner preached in the morning on "Back Sliding," and in the evening on "First and Last Words of Jesus." 109 in S. S.

Ball Camp—Bro. T. N. Hale preached in the afternoon on "Service—Kingdom."

Deaderick Avenue—Pastor B. C. Hening preached in the morning on "Things I Have Said Unto You," and in the evening on "Friendship." 518 in S. S. Seven baptized.

First—Pastor Taylor preached in the morning on "Christ's Attitude Toward His Work," and in the evening on "Justification." Two additions.

South Knoxville—Pastor W. J. Bolin preached

in the morning on "Glad Living," and in the evening on "A Well Pleased God." 175 in S. S.

Harriman—Pastor A. F. Mahan preached in the morning on "The Journey of Life," and in the evening on "Eternal Life." I close my work at the evening service.

Lonsdale—Pastor J. C. Shipe preached in the morning on "Supposition," and in the evening on "The Father of Lies." 177 in S. S. Fine day.

Bell Ave.—Pastor Wm. J. Mahoney preached in the morning on "Pledging and Paying," and in the evening on "A Good Hiring Plan." Two baptized. Evening on "A Good Hiding Plan." Two baptized.

Mountain View—Rev. J. A. Huling preached in the morning on "Shepherding the Sheep," and in the evening on "God So Loved the World." 190 in S. S. Pastor at Concord at Fifth Sunday meeting.

Grove City—Pastor G. T. King preached in the morning on "The Divine Plan of Forgiveness," and in the evening on "Take Heed to Thyself."

Oakwood—Pastor Geo. W. Edens preached in the morning on "What a Christian Should Know," and in the evening on "Love's Mission." One baptized. One received by letter.

CHATTANOOGA.

Highland Park—Pastor Keese preached at both hours. Excellent congregations despite downpour of rain. "Harvest Home" and "Memorial Supper, or Why Baptists Neither Extend Nor Accept Invitations." 178 in S. S.

East Lake—Pastor J. H. Fuller preached at both hours. Morning on "What Think Ye of Christ?" Evening on "The Gods of Idolatry." Splendid day.

East End—Pastor Buckley preached at both hours. Sermon themes, "Man from Macedonia" and "The Tragedies at the Cross." Two good services. Five professions during the week. Sunday School smaller than usual.

Ridgedale—Pastor Richardson preached on "Faith and Force" and "Influence and Power." Two good congregations considering rain. Good S. S. Large attendance at B. Y. P. U.

Oak Grove Tabernacle—Pastor B. N. Brooks preached at 11 a. m. on "Christ, Our Obedience." At night on "Human Depravity." One baptized.

Central—Pastor Grace reported a fine meeting in which Bro. Yankee assisted. Pastor preached Sunday on "Thou Visitest Him" and "The New Name." Two by restoration. Three for baptism. Six baptized.

North Chattanooga—J. H. Morgan, pastor. Rev. L. E. Happie preached at morning service. No evening service.

Alton Park—Pastor Duncan preached on "The Wisdom of Soul Winning" and "Elijah's Faith." Fairly good rainy day crowds. One professed conversion.

Rossville—J. Bernard Tallant, pastor. A very fine day with us. Subjects, "The Christian's Victory" and "The Prodigal's Homeward Course." 145 in S. S.

Avondale—Pastor Hamic preached. Subjects, "Making Straight Paths for Your Feet," and "A Convenient Season."

First—W. F. Powell, pastor. 286 in Bible School. Sermon themes, "The Four Faces of the Cherubim," and "The Sin of the Tongue." Thirty-one professions. One addition by baptism.

Chamberlain Ave.—Pastor J. E. Merrell preached at both hours. Morning subject, "The Card Table;" evening, "Behold the Man." 81 in the Bible School. Good day.

MEMPHIS.

Bellevue—Brother N. W. P. Bacon of Duck Hill, Miss., preached morning and night.

Rowan—Pastor O. A. Utley preached at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Subjects, "Hearing God's Voice," and "Whatever ye do, do all to the glory of God."

Evergreen—Pastor Koonce preached at both hours. Bro. W. L. Smith preached at Greenland Heights in the evening. 50 in S. S.

Temple—W. A. Gaugh, pastor. Home-coming and roll call at morning service. Fine congregation. Pastor preached at evening service. 182 in S. S.

McLemore Ave.—Pastor A. M. Nicholson preached at both hours to good congregations. 106 in Sunday School.

Boulevard—Pastor Burk preached at both hours to good audiences. 97 in S. S.

LaBelle Place—Pastor Ellis preached morning

and evening to large congregations. One baptized. 228 in S. S. Pastor will move in new home this week.

Central—Pastor Cox preached. One received by letter. 223 in S. S.

First—Pastor Boone preached to good congregations on "First Commandment," and "The Life I Now Live." Inclement weather. 313 in S. S.

Union Ave.—Pastor W. R. Farrow preached at both hours. Morning subject, "Three Hours of Darkness;" evening, "The Death of Christ a Manifestation of God's Love." 204 in S. S. One addition by letter. One baptized.

Seventh St.—Pastor Early preached at both hours. One received for baptism. Eight baptized. 170 in S. S.

Calvary—Pastor Norris preached on "Three On-lys," and "Christ's Humanity." Good crowds despite the inclement weather. Good S. S. One by letter.

JACKSON.

First—Pastor Luther Little preached in the morning on "Sparrows," and in the evening on "Singers by the Sea." Great crowds, much enthusiasm. 444 in the S. S. 75 in B. Y. P. U.

Second—J. W. Dickens, pastor. No service in the morning on account of pastor being away at the Fifth Sunday meeting. A fine sermon was heard at night, Rev. I. N. Penick preaching. 212 in the S. S.

West Jackson—Pastor W. J. Bearden preached in the morning on "Satisfaction Sought After," and in the evening on "Sowing and Reaping." One conversion in the evening. 89 in S. S.

South Royal—W. J. Couch, pastor. Good services at both hours, D. D. Chapman, preaching.

Tellico Plains—Pastor D. W. Lindsey preached at both hours, on "Walking With God," Genesis 5:23, 24; and "A Very Serious and Weighty Question," Psalms 15:1-5. Both services were well attended. Good Sunday School. The first Monday in this month our church sent Dr. Gillon \$95.00 for State Missions.

Dayton (First)—Pastor, R. D. Cecil. Rev. G. W. Brewer preached in the morning, and Rev. W. J. Stewart at night. 69 in S. S. Rev. W. J. Stewart also spoke on the Orphanage work Saturday night.

Morristown—Funeral services of Mrs. E. L. Bowman at morning hour, conducted by the pastor. Pastor Tunnell preached at evening hour, subject, "Solomon's Choice." 418 in S. S.

Birchwood—Pastor, R. D. Cecil. Rev. W. J. Stewart preached in the morning and afternoon on the work of the Orphanage. 71 in S. S. Dinner was served at the church.

Etowah—Bro. Eve preached at both morning and evening services. 119 in S. S. Very fine day for rainy day. Good crowds.

I see that Rev. J. D. McAlister, D. D., of Virginia, has been elected General Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Tennessee. I want to congratulate the League on their choice. He has been Secretary of our League in Virginia for several years and during my sojourn there I found him to be a real man in every way. He is a platform speaker of great ability. He is wise in counsel, prudent in action and manly in deportment. He is brave but not foolish, aggressive but not pugnacious and loyal to the truth, but not narrow in its application. It was my great joy to campaign with him last summer when we put the saloons out of Virginia. I take much pleasure in commending him to my many friends in dear old Tennessee.

G. W. PERRYMAN.

Winchester, Kentucky.

The Sequatchie Valley Association of Baptists met at the Whitwell Baptist church on Friday, Nov. 27, in a fifth Sunday meeting. The ministers present, who were pastors of churches in the Association, were W. N. Rose, A. S. Ulm, M. L. Stroup, A. L. Stines, A. R. Burnett, W. M. Lackey. Rev. Chunn of Chattanooga was a visitor to the meeting. Various phases of our work were discussed, and enthusiastic addresses were heard from all. A brighter day seems to be coming for Baptists of Sequatchie Valley. The next fifth Sunday meeting will be held at Dunlap, Bro. Rose, pastor.

W. N. ROSE, Moderator,
W. M. LACKEY, Clerk.

Woman's Missionary Union

"A land that wears a laurel crown may be fair to see, but twine a few sad cypress leaves around the brow of any land, and be that land beautiful and bleak, it becomes lovely in its consecrated coronet of sorrow, and it wins the sympathy of the heart and of history.

"Give me the land that hath legend and lays,
Enshrining the memories of long vanished days."

On a cold, bleak November day these words of Father Ryan's could not fail to pass through the mind of one who stood for the first time in Clarksville. No matter the wonderful growth of the city, its progressiveness, memory causes the forms of the beloved poet, Father Ryan, of Gustavus Henry, of Stewart, Sears, Northington, House, Cave Johnson, postmaster under Polk, Bailey, of Justice Horace H. Lurton to pass before one.

Not long does memory hold sway. There is a modern pageant; for in this Convention mad age the Baptist women have been loyal to the voice calling "come ye a part for high service." It has been written.

"If you have heard the East a Callin' Ye will never hear aught else."

Having heard the call of the divine, naught else can be followed. As earnest eye looked into earnest eye the old message was flashed "we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him."

The worship began on Tuesday evening at 8:00 o'clock. After a musical program and the congregation singing "All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name." Dr. Ryland Knight, the popular pastor of the church, delivered an inspiring lecture on Adoniram Judson, who with his wife, Ann of Ava, was our first Foreign Missionary. The address was illustrated by stereopticon views of Judson's life.

In the Superintendents' meeting which followed the inspiration of the address was felt. There the recommendations of the Executive Committee were adopted. These recommendations contained suggestions on Mission Study, Special Seasons, Training School Plans, Apportionments.

The section dealing with the Tri-State Memorial Hospital was discussed, and the recommendations as a whole approved. At this meeting all of the officers were present, and eight Superintendents as members of the Executive Board.

For next year the motto suggested was "Be strong in the Lord." Hymn, "The Son of God Goes Forth to War." Special motto for this Convention "We can, if we will," the Judson motto. Miss Buchanan presided over this service, Mrs. Burnley leading in prayer.

Promptly at 9:30 Wednesday morning the Devotional Service for the day began. After the appointment of Enrollment Committee, visitors present were introduced. Mrs. Sterling Fort in a graceful manner welcomed the visitors. Mrs. Edwards replying in her own inimitable way. On the platform which was decorated with ferns and palms, the new President, Mrs. Avery Carter of Nashville, appeared, by her side Miss Buchanan, our Corresponding Secretary, ever faithful. Miss Powers, Vice-Pres. for East Tenn., and Mrs. Farrow, Vice-President for West Tennessee, and Mrs. Burnley, Vice-President for Middle Tennessee; Mrs. Altman, Mrs. Carmack—the various officers of the Union; each to give an ac-

count of Stewardship. Mrs. Carter was conceded by all to be an ideal presiding officer, self-poised, original, ready in repartee, charming and best of all deeply consecrated. Her tones carrying every gamut of human emotion, but always not far from the deep thrill of Christ-like feeling. Her address was resume of woman's endeavor, progress everywhere. The height when like Mary, she places her all at the Master's feet. A call "To Arms" went out to the women of Tennessee. "To Arms" in the service of the great—the only King, mighty issues are at stake. Render real heart service to the King. We need to realize our privileges; to appreciate our riches. We need to realize that we have the gospel. There are fifty-four Associations in the State, only twenty-six organized. What a lack of Leaders. Service a test of love. Serve not in your own strength, but in His, "who would not follow if they heard His call."

The Vice-Presidents being introduced, Miss Laura Powers of East Tennessee, after giving due credit to the Superintendents, gave a most excellent report of Personal Work. The reports of individual Superintendents read.

Mrs. Farrow of West Tennessee, with a motto, "Be Strong in the Lord," gave a report dating from March, which was good in every way. Plans for the Expense Fund show an onward march to "Higher Ground."

The next report was that of Mrs. Burnley, for Middle Tennessee. Unfaltering faith in the Master has carried this gracious body on in leadership. The reports ending with a beautiful prayer to the Lord for guidance.

The Treasurer's report was read by Mrs. Altman, for many years the most efficient of Treasurers. "All women are sometimes systematic, Mrs. Altman is the Treasurer as she is always systematic." The report ended as usual with those pleasant words, "Cash on hand."

Mrs. J. A. Carmack read the Constitution, which Mrs. Carter said must be listened to even by the most rebellious.

The recommendations as prepared by Mrs. Lunsford, read by Miss Buchanan in Mrs. Lunsford absence. On the following afternoon the recommendations passed with slight changes.

The recommendations were made in scope including a wise word on each phase of effort. Quarterly Associations, need of divisional Superintendents, the Jubilate Fund, Prayer Calendar, the Training School plan of the beloved Miss Evie Brown, in which one thousand women were to be asked to give one dollar each. The report ended with the financial aim as the climax. "As we know, we give, as we give we grow."

The chair then introduced Mrs. Phillips, editor of the W. M. U. page in the Baptist and Reflector. Mrs. Phillips spoke of our deep obligation to Dr. Folk for the page, of the policy of the page in creating enthusiasm for special seasons. She plead for the use of the page and urged the active support for the Baptist and Reflector.

Miss Metcalf, representing the Alabama Y. W. A., the highest type of lovely young womanhood introduced. In an impressive manner Miss Metcalf expressed her pleasure at being in Tennessee, especially as Alabama looks up to Tennessee in many ways. In reference to the general State Annuals, Miss Metcalf quoted "the women who publish the tidings are a great throng."

Dr. E. E. Folk, President of the State

Convention, and Dr. Ryland Knight, the fraternal delegates from the State Convention, vied with each other as to who should not make the report carrying out the Biblical injunction "in honor preferring one another." At this point a witty flash of poetic lances occurred between the two Presidents, Mrs. Carter and Dr. Folk, for which Dr. Knight disclaimed any responsibility.

These delegates bore not only greetings, but an invitation from our State Convention to the W. M. U. that she would be welcomed anytime she choose to return to the simultaneous meeting plan. This invitation after being discussed, on motion of Mrs. Roger Eastman, was accepted. As Dr. Gillon Promises that the Convention will see that the ladies have "the time of their lives" at the next Annual a full attendance is assured. The plans for this meeting left with the Executive Committee, it being understood that one meeting is not to conflict with the other. At the noon hour the reports were laid aside and a united body came before the throne of grace for a devotional service, lead by our own Mrs. Wheeler, the beloved ex-President of the Union.

"There is just one text, just one song for this morning. Text, "Be Strong in the Lord and in the Strength of His Might," supplemented by "Not one sparrow falleth to the ground without His Knowledge."

The state of the warring world touch on: we must stand united and hold what we have won—and then go forward. "We can do it, if we will."

"Lift high His Royal Banner—
It must not suffer loss."

The singing of the Union Song, the "Son of God Goes Forth to War," was made all the more impressive by Mrs. Wheeler emphasizing the line "the Matron and the Maid," and at the end of the hymn repeating with divine light radiating from her face.

"O God to us may grace be given
To follow in His train."

Mrs. Wheeler was always eagerly listened to in a way that showed she exercised all of her former power over the body, and kept her place in its heart.

Lunch hour meant the joy of a reunion, a discussion of plans as well as a feast of good "eats" (in school girls language), prepared by the Clarksville ladies. The afternoon session began with the hymn, "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus," and prayer led by Mrs. Moody. After the announcement of Committee, Mrs. Eagan made the report on Personal Service.

The beautiful lines:

"In the beauty of the lilies
Christ was born across the sea,
And the glory of His beauty has
Transfigured you and me."

Personal Service, the solution of many questions. The master's life one of service to others.

The report discussed by Mrs. McClure, "Good Will" centers the keynote of Mrs. McClure's talk at this time. Centers to tie the young to the church, to bring souls to Christ. In speaking of the various forms of Personal Service in church work, the library mentioned. Report further discussed by Mrs. Anderson of Knoxville, Mrs. Burnley, Mrs. Ralston, Miss Northington and others. The thought "reports not for personal glory, but needed to glorify the church, the Bride of Christ," the keynote, Mrs. Anderson began the reading of her report on the W. M. U. of the S. B. C., by saying that her pastor after reading it, said it was "a perfectly lady-like report." "Lady-like," certainly, beautiful thoughts, well rounded, a "four square report." Mrs. Anderson outlined four reports given at that Convention. Miss Mallory's vision

of what might be done, Mrs. Walton's on Personal Service; "God needs me He says so in His Words."

Mrs. McClure's on the Training School, Mrs. Anderson's tribute to Mrs. McClure beautiful and given elsewhere. Miss Heck's report on "World-Wide Missions." "On to Texas" the next Slogan.

At this point letters and messages read from Misses Josephine Winn and Mallory.

The Texas and South Carolina Unions, the Training School girls, Dr. Gillon.

Mrs. Wheeler spoke feelingly of Miss Heck, her great work, her present illness and moved that a wire of love be sent her as well as replies made to each message.

For Mrs. Wheeler, Mrs. McClure, gave the general Vice-President's report, speaking of graded societies in the Church, the Standard of Excellence. The talk was well illustrated with personal experiences. In conclusion the call to prayer given. Address yourselves to the task of getting power in prayer. Mrs. Carter placed the cornerstone on this talk by feelingly repeating the poem "Others:"

"Others, Lord, yes others—
And less of self for me,
Help me to live for others
That I may live for Thee."

In giving the Sunbeam report, Mrs. Pentress suggested many methods for making an appeal to mothers for an increased interest in the work. Aim for fifty new Bands with "In Royal Service" in each home. Training God's little ones for the Service "the greatest thing in world."

As in the end each woman's heart is a mother's heart the Sunbeam demonstration given by Miss Sallie Fox and her model band was pronounced the crowning event of the meeting. Each participant deserves mention. Little Miss Dawson made an ideal presiding officer, her goal the chair of the President of the W. M. U. of the S. B. C. A unique feature of the program was the appearance of children representing Dr. Gillon and other officers of the Board of Missions before "Tennessee," all competing for a crown. "W. M. U.," also appeared with her family. "Little Sunbeam" was given the crown. A rising vote of thanks given Miss Fox and the Chatauqua Salute given the children. "Bless their little hearts" said one delegate and each heart echoed the sentiment.

The Wednesday evening service was ably presided over by Miss Laura Powers, who has borne so nobly the East Tennessee banner. Miss Ina Smith a Tennessee College girl led the devotional service. Miss Elizabeth Taylor of Murfreesboro making the report of Y. W. A. work. Both young ladies were proof positive of the grand training Tennessee College is giving our young womanhood, and were a living presentation of the best reason for the existence of this school. All honors to Drs. Burnett for the great work they are doing! Miss Clyde Metcalfe, Secretary of Y. W. A. of Alabama, addressed the body on Y. W. A. work. "The girls God's big flower garden one is never any more beautiful than one's soul. Stamp your life with the King's Seal. If you are blessed, pass your blessing on. What is the churches attitude toward the College girl? The world is ready to receive her. How does the church welcome her. Give God five reasons why you cannot serve Him, "Forth to His Service I fare with joy." Miss Metcalfe is herself one of the sweetest buds in God's wreath, and Miss Buchanan placed the Convention under obligations to herself by the bringing of both Mrs. McClure and Miss Metcalfe to Tennessee.

The Training School report was made

by Mrs. A. P. Edwards. Well done, since Mrs. Edwards did it. Mrs. McClure who is giving her life to this work, spoke to the report.

A review of the school history given. The "Cheer All Club" led by Tennessee's Miss Northington, touched on—"One Smiles, then another Smiles, then there are miles of Smiles." Our souls were filled with joy as we heard of plans of work, and accomplishment of work, as we listened to the beautiful description of a Training School graduation, and of determination as the gentle voice repeated:

"To the darkness and the sorrow of our life,

Take the light, take the light,
Take the wonder and the glory of the light."

Mrs. Edwards skillfully took charge of the offering for the Y. W. A. scholarship in the interest of Miss McBride, one of the notable training school girls who is to be a medical missionary to China.

Thursday morning session led in prayer by Mrs. Ralston.

Mrs. Roger Eastman presented the Orphanage report, speaking of the peculiar fitness of bringing the subject at this time as Clarksville was the cradle of the Orphanage idea, also speaking feelingly of the needs of "your children and mine."

Miss Martha Hill reading letters from the Home and Foreign Mission Boards, presented the reports of those Boards.

Miss Miller of the Andersonville School, spoke to the report. In a vision we saw our Highland young folks pass before us and realized thus future leadership. For this school donations of every variety asked linen, books, etc. Report further discussed by Miss Powers. It was moved that a chairman be appointed to keep this work before us.

Mrs. De Vault read the report on State Missions, spoken to by Dr. Gillon. Theme, "Efficiency." The efficiency of the entire mission outlook depends upon State Missions. The W. M. U. task and State Mission task bound together. Efficiency shown in making, baptizing and teaching disciples. Let us work together in beautiful harmony.

Mrs. Farrow, the energetic and devoted Vice-President for West Tennessee, spoke in detail of the needs of the Tri-State Hospital. Our hospital. Dr. Boone in discussing the report, spoke of his joy in being in Clarksville as it was here he first began to preach, twenty-three years ago. Lovingly, tenderly, earnestly, he brought the needs of "Tennessee's greatest asset" before us. The hospital a beacon of Love flashing its light into three States. As a proof of their devotion to this practical Christianity the W. M. U. pledged two thousand dollars to be paid by July. Report discussed by Mrs. Rolston, Mrs. Dodson, Miss Buchanan.

The report on Tennessee College prepared by Mrs. Herron, read by Miss Buchanan. Dr. Burnett voted unlimited time in which to speak of Tennessee College. Dr. Burnett's first introduction to a Tennessee audience was in Clarksville. Here plans were made for the establishment of this college. Strong words of appreciation given for W. M. U. support, but the Union urged to complete the task of paying the five thousand dollars promised in 1912. Promised in 1912, only fifteen hundred paid! Too arms, to Arms. "Fail" is not in the W. M. U. vocabulary. The amount three times pledged comes under the imperative head—it must be paid, and will be. "No work begun shall ever pause."

In the meetings it was a joy to see the beaming face of Miss Northington, and many regretted that her enthusiastic tones were seldom heard. The report on "Literature" made of her was well list-

ened to. Since we soar but little higher than what we read a list of literature given in each home is a necessity.

Noon devotions lead by Mrs. Austin Peay. "Unless Jesus Christ is Lord of All, He is not Lord at All." The afternoon session opened with prayer by Mrs. Van Ness. One of the chief subjects for the afternoon was the "Jubilate" report made by Mrs. Van Ness—"Never from heart to heart you'll speak inspiringly, save your own be eloquent." Any pastor in need of a fine missionary sermon apply to Mrs. Van Ness.

Standing, the Convention heard Mrs. Ralston give the Roll-call of those just gone before.

The afternoon session was given over chiefly to business reports. Mrs. Sterling Fort reporting 129 delegates, number of visitors not given.

Mrs. Moody read report on Resolutions. A standing vote of adoption.

Mrs. Wheeler called to chair while the report of nominating committee was read by Mrs. Morelock. Report accepted and officers introduced.

Mrs. Avery Carter re-elected President, Mrs. Moody, Vice-President for East Tennessee; Mrs. Farrow for West Tennessee; Mrs. Burnley for Middle Tennessee. The Convention honored herself in re-electing Miss Buchanan, Mrs. Carmack, Mrs. Altman. East Tennessee regretted that Miss Laura Powers refused longer to

ast as her Vice-President, the regret echoed by Tennessee. The Superintendents were introduced as the doers of the work, and each replied in a happy manner. A rising vote of thanks given Mrs. Carter for the able and impartial manner in which the sessions of the Convention was conducted. The mountain top experience reached in the consecration service led by Mrs. Burnley, the closing hymn "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

Among the visitors present were Drs. Folk, Gillon, Stewart, Boone, Burnett, Mesdames Burnett and McClure, Misses Hibbs, Metcalfe, Avery, Folk and Ida Clark representing the Missionary Bureau.

The old year's opportunity has passed, the new year's privilege bearing its task is before us. Women of Tennessee give yourselves today. "See the Christ-stands." MARY NOEL MOODY.

IMPRESSIONS OF W. M. U. CONVENTION.

The Convention at Clarksville was inspirational, and most harmonious throughout. Many eloquent and soul stirring addresses made and much important business transacted.

Mrs. S. FORT.

The finest meeting we have ever had, especially from a spiritual standpoint.

MRS. FARRAR.

Perhaps the most noteworthy thing was the splendid spirit both of consecration to the work, and fellowship one with another. The welcome from Clarksville folks was all that could be asked. The attendance was gratifying, but above all the spirit of the meeting, mountain top. MRS. A. P. EDWARDS.

The readiness of the President to meet every emergency most impressed me.

MRS. EPPERSON.

The speakers as a whole were among the prettiest women I ever saw.

The greatest joy of the Convention has been to see the people from over the State. The Y. W. A. work has received a wonderful impetus.

MARY NORTHINGTON.

The Wednesday evening service presided over by Miss Laura Powers impressed me more than anything in any Convention I ever attended, not excepting the Southern Baptist Convention. The crowning service, the seeing of our young women ready to place their lives

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at the Master's service, and to know to what a height they may attain with Mrs. McClure as a model.

PROF. BURNETT.

The demonstration of the Sunbeams was a lesson of what a consecrated leader can do for God's little ones. All honor to Miss Sallie Fox.

MRS. GEO. PEACOCK.

Our President makes such an efficient presiding officer.

KENTUCKY WOMAN.

A great spiritual uplift.

MRS. C. H. ROLSTON.

A fine body. It was a pleasure to entertain it. We appreciate the privilege.

DR. RYLAND KNIGHT.

The pleasure has all been ours.

MR. SMITH.

Impression! A lot of women all asking when is the train to leave.

MERE MAN.

The new Vice-President for East Tennessee speaks, it is always as refreshing as a fresh breeze.

MIDDLE TENNESSEAN.

A prayer that I may carry with me through the year the spiritual uplift of the meetings.

MRS. COLEMAN.

Any one should be a good President after such a meeting, and must be a better President. I wish all of my ten members could have been present.

MISS HAYS.

The lasting memory of Mrs. Burnley's consecration service, the spirit expressed in every line of her beautiful face.

The State Convention might easily profit by the prompt dispatch of business shown by the W. M. U.

DR. BURNETT.

For Mrs. McClure and her girls, there will surely be a crown of service, "Crown of service set with diamonds of purity, pearls of womanly dignity, Sapphires of strength and rubies of sacrifice." May we not all pray for such a service and such a crown. MRS. ANDERSON.

The number of girls in the meeting, "They know which is the better, never fear God is in His Heaven."

MRS. MOODY.

A sigh for absent faces, Mrs. Helen Bond of Brownsville, Miss Mary Tipton of Greeneville, Miss, Josephine Winn of Clarksville, Mrs. Shippe and others.

ALL WELL THAT ENDS WELL.

By Mrs. Avery Carter.

Well, the agony is over, and the Annual meeting of our W. M. U. has been entered upon the pages of history.

The people of Clarksville are big-hearted and hospitable and every attention was shown the visiting sister-hood. A thousand blessings on place and people.

Mrs. Phillips has asked me to give my impression of the meeting, and I'm ashamed to say it, but the fact is I was too scared to really enjoy it, as I would have done under other circumstances. Then, when one has to keep one eye on the clock to see that the sisters and brethren (mostly brethren) don't consume more time in speaking than allotted them, and the other eye attending the numerous other duties, while beneath it all nestles an unfirm foundation of parliamentary law, one care these are disadvantages, even, about being a presiding officer. It seemed, however, that the spirit of the meeting was fine, and sympathetic. True, there were no Sinaitic thunderings and lightnings, for that not our way of doing things, but the brethren and sisters (mostly sisters) when they spoke, spoke to the point, and peace and good-will reigned.

As everybody knows this was the third meeting our women had held apart from the men, and when Dr. E. E. Folk brought cordial messages of greeting from the State Convention, and invited the women to return to them, assuring us they would welcome us with "open Arms," it proved to be too tempting to fifty-eight of the sisters, and when the vote was taken, only fifteen protested. But they were soon over-persuaded and it was unanimously decided that we would go back. So next year we will all fire together at Springfield, and everybody will be happy ever after. Amen!

I was impressed with the devotional spirit of our women. How quickly the higher nature of our sisters responds to the call to come apart and spend a little while at the feet of our Lord. It was sweet when special call was made for this purpose to look into the up-turned faces and see the earnest, tender expressions, and the prayerful spirit brooding, like a dove upon their features.

The W. M. U. is a great body of high souled, consecrated women, busy in city, town and country-side about their Master's business. To win lives for Christ and train them for service is their twofold aim. The Clarksville meeting was a fine one and we trust that each messenger carried back to her home, stronger desires to be more useful in her "little corner."

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STATEMENTS.

We sent out statements last week to those of our subscribers who are in arrears, of whom, we are sorry to say, there is an unusually large number on our list at present. We hope that those who receive the statement will respond promptly. Owing to the drouth in the spring and summer and the panic growing out of the European war in the fall, our receipts have decreased and we are in great need of the amounts due us to meet obligations which have accrued and are continually accruing. The amount which each one is due the paper is comparatively small, but in the aggregate these amounts become large to us. We have tried to be faithful to the interests of our Baptist cause. We have earnestly advocated our Baptist principles and have done all we could to promote our denominational work. Is it too much to ask that our Baptist friends will stand by us in our time of need?

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By a large majority the recent Oklahoma Baptist Convention, meeting at Shawnee, decided to align itself with the Southern Baptist Convention.

VIRGINIA GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

This body corresponds to the Tennessee Baptist Convention. It met in Bristol, Va., Nov. 19-24. Bristol, Va., sounds rather far away. As a matter of fact, the church where the General Association met is located only about thirty feet from Tennessee.

Inasmuch as the General Association came so near to us, and being appointed a fraternal messenger to it from the Tennessee Baptist Convention, we thought we would run up and mingle with our Virginia brethren for a day or two and carry to them the greetings of Tennessee Baptists. We had made our plans to leave home on Thursday night, November 19, expecting to reach Bristol about noon on Friday and remain until Saturday afternoon. We had written to our friend, Dr. Jno. R. Dickey, that we were coming and had received a letter from him extending us a cordial welcome. We had engaged a berth on the sleeping car Thursday night. We left home that night about an hour before the train was due to leave. It was the night of the blizzard. We waited on the street corner quite a while for a car until our ears nearly froze, got a transfer for the Tennessee Central Depot; waited on another corner for that car; got to the depot ten minutes before train time—only to find that the train had been gone half an hour. They had changed the schedule of the train a short while before and had failed to notify us of the change.

Being disappointed in our first plans, we then determined to go another route the next day. It was a hard trip, as it would require our getting up about 3 o'clock in the morning, but it would put us in Bristol at 9:15 in the morning, which would give us about all day Saturday there. So we left home Friday afternoon on the "Old Reliable," No. 5, the accommodation train between Nashville and Chattanooga. During the twenty-five years we have been editor of the Baptist and Reflector, we have traveled on that train probably a thousand times, or more. Never in all these years have we known it to be late before. But this time it was an hour late. We had about an hour between trains in Chattanooga, so we jumped off the train near the Central Depot, ran over to the depot—to find that the train had just gone.

We spent the night at a hotel in Chattanooga, caught the Memphis Special early next morning, reached Bristol at 12:25 Saturday, hurried up to the church—to find that the General Association had adjourned, not only for dinner, but for the afternoon. We met a few brethren who were lingering at the church, learned that the greetings of the Tennessee Baptist Convention had been presented to the General Association by Dr. J. Pike Powers, which meant, of course, that they had been well presented. We learned also that they were having a good meeting of the General Association, that there were about three hundred messengers present, and the Association was said to be quite an interesting one.

And this is about all we know about the Virginia General Association.

ERWIN.

If we could not attend the Virginia General Association we could at least go somewhere in Tennessee. So, by previous engagement, we ran over to Erwin Saturday night from Bristol, getting there on time. Pastor J. K. Haynes met us at the depot. We found a warm welcome. We had a good audience Sunday morning and a large one Sunday night, which about filled the house; enjoyed preaching, had marked attention, and received a good list of subscribers to the Baptist and Reflector.

The first time we went to Erwin, about eight years ago, it had a population of less than 500. Now its population is about 2,500. This large growth is due especially to the removal there of the shops of the Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Railway. But while rapid, the growth of Erwin is of a substantial character. Nice new homes are going up in various directions. Eight years ago the Baptist Church had a membership of something over a hundred. Now it has a membership of about four hundred. Rev. J. K. Haynes is the beloved pastor. He is an eloquent preacher, is deeply spiritual, and is especially gifted along evangelistic lines. Under his ministry the church has grown largely in every way—in numbers, in spirituality and in liberality. A handsome new house of worship is in course of construction which will cost about twelve or fourteen thousand dol-

lars. Altogether the church is in a remarkably prosperous condition.

We enjoyed very much our visit to Erwin. We are indebted to Brethren J. K. Haynes and A. R. Brown for their cordial hospitality.

"THE ALCOHOLIC MILLSTONE."

This is the title of a signed editorial by Hon. W. J. Bryan in the Commoner for November, which reads as follows:

"THE ALCOHOLIC MILLSTONE.

The Democrats of the nation have an issue to face and they may as well prepare for it. The liquor interests are at bay; they are on the defensive. They realize that they have but a few more years in which to fatten upon the woes of their victims, but they are fighting desperately and are willing to hold any party between them and the fire. The Democratic party cannot afford to shield the brewery, the distillery and the saloon from the rising wrath of a determined people. Democracy is the nation's hope on political and economic questions—let it not, by taking sides with the liquor interests, repel those who put moral issues first. The young men of the country are Democratic by nature, but they will not submit their claims to political preferment to those who conspire against the home and everything good—neither will they find pot house politicians congenial party associates. The President has set a high standard in intelligence and morals, and the party cannot afford to lower the colors to gain a temporary advantage. Those whose support depends upon subservience to the liquor interests disgrace the party while they are with it, and then leave it if it refuses to obey them. They are a millstone about the party's neck. The Democratic party is the party of the future—it has a chance to enter the Promised Land—why allow the liquor interests to lead it away into the wilderness? Get ready for the fight.

"W. J. BRYAN."

Coming from Mr. Bryan, three times candidate of the Democratic party for President of the United States, one who has the largest personal following of any man in the country, now Secretary of State in the Cabinet of President Wilson and as such it may fairly be assumed reflecting the sentiments of the administration, this utterance is one of tremendous significance. It sounds the death knell of the liquor traffic in this country. It marks the beginning of the end.

In a personal letter to Governor-elect Thomas C. Rye, just published, Mr. Bryan says:

"The taking of the liquor side defeated us in Colorado and Ohio. A whiskey Democrat defeated our candidate for Governor in Kansas, because we did not take the wet side. The liquor element must be driven out of our party. It disgraces us when it is with us and betrays us whenever it can serve its ends by doing so."

Thank God that men like Mr. Bryan are seeing the light.

LEXINGTON.

Returning from the Fifth Sunday meeting of the Beech River Association, we preached in Lexington Sunday night to a good audience, despite the inclement weather.

Lexington is the county seat of Henderson County, and has a population of about 2,000. Brother Fleetwood Ball, the corresponding editor of the Baptist and Reflector, has been pastor of the Baptist church for twelve years. When he took charge it had a membership of only about 35, with preaching twice a month, and was worshipping in an old building. Now the church has a membership of 240, and is worshipping in a handsome new \$12,000 brick building, having a prominent location on a corner of the square. Not only has the church grown in numbers, but it has grown in spirituality and liberality and in every way. It is really a remarkable work which Brother Ball is doing at Lexington.

In addition to preaching at Lexington twice every Sunday, he preaches in the afternoon, once a month each, to four churches within five or six miles of Lexington. He is moderator of his Association, secretary of the West Tennessee Sunday School Convention, Secretary of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, and of the Tennessee Baptist Pastors' Conference; associate editor of a Lexington paper, local correspondent for a daily paper in Nashville and one in Memphis. It is marvelous how he can do so many things and do them all so well.

That he does them well, the readers of his "Among the Brethren" notes in the Baptist and Reflector will bear witness. We are indebted to him for numerous courtesies and for cordial hospitality while in Lexington.

BATTLE OF FRANKLIN.

On last Monday, Nov. 30, the 50th anniversary of the Battle of Franklin, Tenn., was celebrated by a reunion of the Blue and the Gray at Franklin.

The Battle of Franklin was one of the bloodiest, if not the bloodiest, of the Civil War, in proportion to the number of men engaged. Five Confederate generals were killed in the battle, and the next day they were all laid out on the same porch at the same time.

About two years ago we had the great privilege of going over the battlefield in company with Mr. Sumner A. Cunningham, who was a gallant soldier on the Confederate side, and who fought in front of the Carter House, side by side with General Strahl, until the latter was killed; and also with a Federal soldier who was a member of the famous Opdyke Regiment, whose bravery, according to all accounts, saved the battle for the Federals. It was of course quite interesting to go over the battlefield with those two old soldiers and hear their explanations and comments on the battle. While there Mr. Cunningham found the stump of the cherry tree under which he stood and fought during the battle. The owner of the property on which the tree was located kindly sawed off the stump for Mr. Cunningham and he proudly brought it home with him as a souvenir of the battle. Mr. Cunningham passed to the great beyond only a year ago. It seems a pity that he could not live to attend the reunion of the Blue and Gray on the battlefield on the 50th anniversary of the battle.

Is it not quite remarkable, by the way, that former foes should meet on the battlefield and shake hands across the cannon which formerly dealt destruction to one side or the other?

DR. G. A. LOFTON.

It will be a matter of deep regret to his hosts of friends in Tennessee and throughout the South to learn that on the night of November 27 Dr. Geo. A. Lofton suffered a stroke of paralysis, which, though not fatal, was of quite a serious character. We are glad to know that he is now resting easier.

For 26 years Dr. Lofton has been the able and beloved pastor of the Central Baptist church, this city. Dr. Lofton is a profound theologian, an eloquent preacher of the old gospel, a sympathetic and helpful pastor, a genial companion and a noble Christian gentleman. He is held in the highest esteem by all who know him. Before coming to Nashville he was pastor in Dalton, Ga., the First Baptist church, Memphis, the Third Baptist church, St. Louis, and Talladega, Ala. Dr. Lofton is also one of the finest writers in the South, being the author of a number of popular books, principal among which is "Character Sketches," of which some 300,000 copies have been sold. He has just published a poem in blank verse entitled "The Wreck Restored," which is pronounced by capable critics one of the finest poems ever published in the Southland.

For about 25 years Dr. Lofton has been president of the State Mission Board.

Dr. Lofton is now 75 years of age. On March 21, 1914, he and Mrs. Lofton celebrated the 50th anniversary of their marriage. Many a heart will go out with ours in prayer to heaven that his useful life may be spared other years.

THE WHIRLWIND CAMPAIGN.

We called attention last week to the whirlwind campaign which has been inaugurated in behalf of Tennessee College and which was endorsed by the Tennessee Baptist Convention. The College now has an indebtedness of \$29,000 upon it. Three brethren, C. H. Byrn, R. W. and W. T. Hale, have agreed to give \$9,000 of this amount, provided the rest of the Baptists in the State will raise \$20,000 by March 1st. President Geo. J. Burnett and other representatives of the College are working for the campaign and they propose to push it vigorously from now until the first of March. Nashville Baptists have been asked to give \$10,000 of the \$20,000, and it is thought that they will do so. We trust that the whole amount may be raised by the first of March.

Dr. H. H. Hibbs, who has for three years been the financial agent of the College, has practical

assurances from rich Baptists in the North that if the Baptists of Tennessee will provide for the indebtedness upon the school, they will then be willing to help it. Dr. Hibbs strongly believes that this will be the case. Not only will it be true then that every time a Baptist in Tennessee gives two dollars to the college, one dollar will be given by Brethren Byrn and Hale, but it will probably mean several dollars from Baptists in the North.

THE MORMON MENACE.

The Christian Intelligencer says: "The Mormon octopus has reached out its tentacles into eleven States and exercises a controlling power in all things which in any way affect Mormon interests. For this purpose it holds the balance of power in the Senate of the United States. Joseph F. Smith, the Mormon prophet, now controls more than a million votes. He has to gain but two more States in order to make it forever impossible to effect an amendment to the Constitution of the United States forbidding polygamy. As director in nineteen great corporations, and president of a majority of them, he controls vast interests which affect the entire nation."

We tried to say something of this kind in our book the "Mormon Monster." The people of this country generally have never yet realized the menace that Mormonism is to the country. And the menace is growing greater every year. We hope that a campaign will be inaugurated soon to add an amendment to the Constitution of the United States forever prohibiting the practice of polygamy anywhere in this country. If it is done, it must be done soon, and the sooner the better.

RECENT EVENTS.

The First Baptist Church of Chester, S. C., called Dr. H. A. Bagby of Liberty, Mo. Dr. Bagby has accepted the call and will enter upon his new work the first Sunday in December.

Rev. J. D. McAllister, D.D., of Richmond, Va., who for nearly eight years has been Secretary of the Anti-Saloon League of Virginia, has been elected Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Tennessee. Dr. McAllister comes highly recommended.

On Sunday evening, December 6th, a banquet will be given in Kansas City, Mo., under the auspices of the Sidney C. Tapp Biblical Society in commemoration of the second anniversary of the writings of Sidney C. Tapp on the Bible. Mr. Tapp is a Baptist. His writings have attracted wide attention.

Rev. John Hazlewood requests us to change the address of his paper from Dayton to Englewood. His correspondents will please note the change of his address. He continues in evangelistic work. He is now in Anthony, Fla., assisting Rev. R. J. Gorbet in a meeting which began Nov. 30. He will be glad to make engagements for meetings in Tennessee.

Dr. Albert R. Bond has resigned the pastorate of the church at Aberdeen, Miss. Since the death of Mrs. Bond in the summer, he has found the atmosphere of the home and the place increasingly lonely. Dr. Bond is a scholarly man, an able preacher and an efficient pastor. We hope that some vacant church in Tennessee will call him to its pastorate. He is a Nashville boy and will be at his home here for a while, where he may be addressed.

Baptist Standard: "We have now more than sixty years of German theology and higher criticism, long enough to try it and prove it. What are the results? Here are some of them. They have settled nothing. They are divided hopelessly into schools formed around men. One set succeeds another in favor in university circles. They have never gripped the common-sensed masses. They have sterilized the preaching of all who have been inoculated by their spirit, so that it is barren. Dry rot is the mark of it everywhere. People are not saved, churches decline. The higher critics are in the air and adrift. There is not enough in it to call out sacrifice. Their paper in Germany never could root itself in the public confidence. Today, if these men had to build churches and schools of their own, they would be heard of no more."

Dr. Lee R. Scarborough has been elected acting president of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth, Texas, until the successor to Dr. Carroll is elected.

Rev. L. W. Langston, who was recently called to the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Columbia, has tendered his resignation, having been appointed a missionary in Brazil, and being called upon by the Foreign Mission Board to go earlier than expected.

A little girl answering the question as to what it was to walk with God, said: "Why, they must be going the same way, of course, and they must like to be together, must be friends and—and—they ought to like the same things—and trust each other." Can you add anything more? Enoch was going the same way as God, he liked to be with Him, and he and God were friends, he liked the things God liked, he trusted God.—Tarbell.

The Northern Baptist Theological Seminary, located in Chicago, has just issued a handsome prospectus, telling about a large number of "Correspondence-Study Courses," which it has arranged for absentee students. Such courses of study, as managed in these times by various institutions of learning, seem to be very popular, and doubtless much good has been accomplished by them. Send for a copy of the Prospectus, and thus learn more fully about these new courses. Address Dr. David Heagle, Northern Baptist Theological Seminary, Cor. Jackson Boulevard and Lincoln Street, Chicago, Illinois.

The Baptist Standard thus summarizes the recent Texas Baptist Convention which met in Abilene: Dr. S. P. Brooks was elected President. Buckner Orphan's Home was presented to the Convention. The Board of Directors and the Education Boards are superseded by one board, the Executive Board, which will have charge of all interests of the Convention.

The Convention will meet next year in Austin. Rev. M. E. Weaver will preach the Convention sermon, with Rev. W. A. Hewitt as alternate. \$102,458.06 was received for State Missions, with a deficit for the year of \$36,631.36, or a total deficit of \$44,402.77. Number of missionaries, 482; churches organized, 117; baptized for mission churches, 7,396; total additions, 16,298; Sunday Schools organized, 449. The Education Board received on the General Fund, about \$18,000. The total receipts during the year from all sources amounted to \$160,000.00.

—As stated by Brother Fleetwood Ball in his "Among the Brethren" notes last week, Dr. J. J. Taylor, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Knoxville, has accepted a call to the First Baptist Church, Savannah, Ga. Dr. Taylor has been in Knoxville for about seven years. His pastorates previous to that were the Upper St. Church, Lexington, Ky.; St. Francis St. Church, Mobile, Ala., and the Freemason Street Church, Norfolk, Virginia. Dr. Taylor is recognized as one of the ablest preachers in the Southern Baptist pulpit. He is also one of our strongest writers. He is the author of a number of books, chief among which is his commentary on Mark. The church at Savannah offers a large field of usefulness. Personally, Dr. Taylor and the editor of the Baptist and Reflector have been friends ever since we were together in the Seminary. We pray God's richest blessings upon him in his new home.

We always feel embarrassed at Fifth Sunday meeting time. There are so many meetings at the same time, and we want to go to all of them, that we hardly know which to attend. We hesitated this time between several meetings. But for special reasons, and at the cordial invitation of Bro. Ball, we decided to attend the Beech River meeting. We left home Friday afternoon, spent the night in Lexington, and reached Piney church, where the meeting was in session about 11 o'clock Saturday. The day was rainy and dreary, and the attendance was small. But the discussions were quite interesting. Brother F. Ball was chairman and Brother S. K. Hurst secretary. Excellent speeches were made by Brethren Ball, Hurst, A. U. Nunnery and others. Sunday the day was better. Brother Nunnery preached the missionary sermon in the morning, and the editor preached in the afternoon to good audiences. Altogether despite the rain the meeting was a very pleasant and we hope a profitable one. We enjoyed being in the hospitable home of Bro. M. C. Petty.

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MISS BUCHANAN'S NOTES.

OUR CHRISTMAS OFFERING.

The envelopes for the Christmas Offering were mailed out to the Presidents of Societies before December first. If any fail to reach their destination or if a sufficient number were not sent, please kindly send us a card and they will be sent. Some Societies desire enough for the entire number of women in their churches, if so we will be glad to supply them, we have a reserve supply for such requests. Where the enrollment is known we send that number, otherwise an average number.

I would call attention to the message to Presidents on the first page of the Week of Prayer Programs, from our Corresponding Secretary, Miss Mallory. These programs will also be sent to Presidents first week in December. If any go astray in the mails please notify us that duplicates may be sent. You will note in the Cycle of Week's Program, due recognition is given our auxiliaries. Dear sisters see to it that our young women, boys and girls, have a part in this Week of Prayer for World-Wide Missions.

MARGARET BUCHANAN.

APPORTIONMENT CARDS.

The Associational apportionments will be sent to our Superintendents just as early as possible. These good workers will please make out the individual Society apportionments and see that the local Society leaders have them at the earliest date possible. We are attempting great things for God, this year, as local Societies let each have a part and seek to do our best.

APPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE.

TREASURER'S RECORD BOOK.

The new record book for Society Treasurer's is now in the hands of the printer. They will be sent out before the 15th of December, just as quickly as we can get them from the printer. Will the Treasurers please keep their November accounts ready to be transferred to the new book. It was necessary to have a complete list of our official family elected at annual meeting and to have our financial aim, hence the delay.

MARGARET BUCHANAN.

Miss Buchanan's report at our Clarks-ville meeting was an unusually fine one. The Baptist women of Tennessee appreciate their wise, faithful and capable Corresponding Secretary and consider themselves fortunate in having Miss Buchanan in this capacity.

At one point during the meeting a rising vote of thanks was given Miss Buchanan for her splendid work.

We are giving our readers this week, messages from our Secretaries and State Survey Chairman. Dr. Folk has kindly given us space for this purpose. These messages follow.—Editor.

GREETING TO THE Y. W. A.'s.

In accepting the office of Y. W. A. Leader of the State, I want to assure each Society that my heart as well as my thought and time will be in the work.

I appreciate all the efforts which have been made to organize and develop young women, and I trust that each Society will respond heartily to the plans which I will soon propose. These plans will seek not only the development of the present Societies, but also the enlisting of the present Societies in the work of organizing others.

May I express the wish that we will remember the most important thing in all our work is the development of our

own hearts in Christian Service, and that our next important duty is to influence the development of others in a like service. What can make us happier now and more useful in the future than this Y. W. A. training in Christian Service.

May I greet you with this motto: Win the Young Woman. Most sincerely,
MRS. S. P. DeVAULT.
Nashville, Tenn., 906 Monroe St.

MISSION STUDY CLASS.

Every Women's Missionary Society and Young Woman's Auxiliary in the State is ambitious to be an A-1 Society.

Many Societies lack only one point in reaching the Standard of Excellence, that of having a Mission Study Class.

In talking to the women from different parts of the State at the Clarks-ville meeting, a number told me that it was impossible to have a Mission Study Class apart from the regular meetings of the Society.

In my own Society, we had this same problem, and we solved it by meeting one-half hour earlier and have the Study Class in connection with the regular meeting.

This, however, is not the ideal plan. Conditions often make it necessary for us to do things very far below the ideal, but no matter what the plan, we must have the Mission Study Class!

Experience has demonstrated that the Mission Study Class is the most effective agency for the study of Missions. The ideal class consists of eight or ten members, who meet once a week for a class discussion of a lesson in a Mission Study Text Book. Every member should have a text book, and come prepared to discuss the chapter assigned the previous lesson. The same leader conducts all the class sessions.

To those W. M. U. Societies who have never had a class, I suggest the study of "Brazilian Sketches," by Dr. T. B. Ray.

For Y. W. A.'s I suggest "Ann of Ava," or "The Child in the Midst." All Mission Study Books can be bought from the Educational Department of the Foreign Mission Board. This message is intended, largely for Presidents of Societies and Associational Superintendents.

As organizer of Mission Study Classes, my work will have to be done by correspondence. Will you not co-operate with me in this splendid work? My ambition is to have a Mission Study Class in every W. M. U. and Y. W. A. in Tennessee. Will you help? Please write to me, making us any suggestions that will help realize this ambition.

MRS. M. M. GINN.

Nashville, Tennessee, 711 Monroe St.

THE ORPHANAGE.

God has permitted us to round up another twelve months' of service and we give thanks that His bounteous hand has been open to our Orphans. But winter is here, and the needs of 85 children are great. We must provide for them, for they are ours. Brother Stewart may not be able to talk over things with each of us, but don't wait for him to do so send what you can for it will all be needed. Do you not get a great comfort out of the thought that you have helped in the care of these dependent little people who have no place in the world as bread winners? Opportunity is being given them in the Tennessee Baptist Orphans' Home, whereby they can fill positions in the world when they are more mature. Every day application is made to place one or more children in the home but great care has to be taken by the Board to help the most worthy dependent children. Now, if the special child you are interested in has not been accepted, don't feel hurt, its lack of funds to take more at present.

These little folks feel very secure in the thought that they are the charge of Tennessee Baptists. Don't let them be disappointed. They are very appreciative of all that is done for them, and you will not be disappointed in the returns for your money and prayers. You will see useful, self-respecting and respected men and women take their place in life who come from this institution. The environment is desirable.

This is the special season we are asked to give of our stores. Anything and everything you can. But be sure to direct it right. Send all money to Brother W. J. Stewart, Secretary and Treasurer, Baptist Orphans' Home, Nashville, Tennessee, and boxes to Baptist Orphans' Home, Callendar Station, Tennessee (charges prepaid).

Anything you wish to ask about the Home we will be so glad to answer, for it is your right to know.

Our women responded beautifully last year to this call, and I sincerely hope you will be able to do as much this year, for our needs are very urgent.

MRS. ROGER EASTMAN.

PERSONAL SERVICE.

I took up the "Personal Service" work at the beginning of the year with frankly confessed ignorance of it, and consequent hazy and rather skeptical ideas concerning it. My first efforts were necessarily directed toward my own enlightenment, and so great has been the vision opened to my view, so vast the possibilities discovered that I yearn mightily for the education of all our women and young people along this line. I feel constrained to say that the year's work has been a source of great joy and personal benefit to your chairman.

I find that "personal service" has many avenues of appeal. Would we be great? The Master Himself has based greatness in the spiritual world upon service and humility. Surely we may rightly aspire to this greatness. But service along any line, to be effective, must be more or less concentrated, and, if I understand rightly, it is this needed concentration that our organized personal service seeks to bring about.

In almost every community there must be some line of uplift work that can be done in a way that will glorify the Master's name. We are "saved to serve," and much of our service should consist in winning souls to Christ. Personal Service, as I see it, is a great means to this end.

Some one has said, "If there is anything that needs to be said, say it; if there is anything that needs to be done, do it." This might be a good motto for our "Personal Service" workers, only we must be sure that it is what He would have us say and do.

I was much impressed by the remark of the President of a Missionary Society, that she was "learning to look for the little things." Surely the "little things properly done will make possible the "big things."

I have read somewhere this statement: "There is a sort of virtuous selfishness in benevolence; for the more we live for others, the more we really benefit ourselves." I doubt not that the workers who have been bringing great things to pass "in His name" would unhesitatingly verify this statement.

I am glad to state that the prejudice against reporting this phase of our work is gradually growing less. Our women are coming to see that we want them to let their "light shine, that others may see their good works and be constrained to glorify our Father." Surely we can have no wish to glorify ourselves in His cause.

It seems that as yet this work has not been sufficiently impressed upon our

RHEUMATISM CURED TO STAY CURED.

By One Who Had It.

My dear reader: 1911.
I am an old lady nearly 90 years old. My life's work among the sick is nearing its end. At the age of 50 I was terribly afflicted with rheumatism; I suffered untold agony for nearly five years. I have been a herbist, nurse and student of roots for nearly 70 years. I diagnosed and formulated a cure that cured me, and it never returned. I have treated nearly 7,500 rheumatic sufferers, some of the most pitiful cases imaginable; I effected cures in practically every case. I want you to read my treatise on the "cause and cure" of rheumatism. "Don't suffer;" it is easy to get well. My treatise is FREE; send for it today; you will then know what to do and how to do it.

Sincerely yours,
LYDIA E. SMALL.

AA-24 Fenway Station, Boston, Mass.

younger auxiliaries. We are advised that our young people are doing much in the way of Personal Service, but the reports sent in were so meager that we deemed it best to omit them from the yearly report as likely to prove a source of discouragement rather than encouragement. Sisters, young people, let us take up the work with renewed energy and do let us have reports.

As a final word of encouragement let me give another quotation.

"Be what thou seemest; live thy creed; Hold up to earth the torch divine; Be what thou prayest to be made; Let the great Master's steps be thine. "Fill up each hour with what will last; Buy up the moments as they go; The life above, when this is past, Is the ripe fruit of life below."

MRS. HARVEY EAGAN.

SUNBEAM WORK.

To the Sunbeam leaders, and their Sunbeams, greeting.

Those of you who were at Clarks-ville, and those of you who were not, are alike interested in the reports of the work for 1914, and in the prospects and plans for the work of 1915.

Miss Fentress, the leader of the work last year, decided it would be impossible to continue it. She is so pretty and so gracious, that I am sure if the Sunbeams of Tennessee could only have seen her, they would have snuggled so close, and written her so many letters, that it would have been impossible for her to give up the work.

For a while I am to fill in the place left vacant by Mrs. Fentress, and I am hoping it will give me an acquaintance with the bright young people of Tennessee that will be a delightful and cheering memory, when I reach the age to set by the open fire with only my crocheting and thoughts for company.

I appeal to you leaders, and each Sunbeam to write me a postal card for Christmas, telling a wee bit of where you are and what your hand is doing. Now, don't disappoint me. Be my Santa Claus. I have told you of your loss. Now, I must tell you what I think is to be your gain.

The Young South page in the Baptist and Reflector will after this be open to letters from the Sunbeam bands, as well as from the scattered Sunbeams who have made up what has been called the Young South. The object that is held before the Sunbeam bands will also be the object for which all the scattered Sunbeams will be asked to work. This will unite all the young people in Ten-

nessee in one grand aim; you will all be thinking about the same Foreign or Home work. You will all be working for the same missionary, or kindergarten band in Foreign lands. Each Sunbeam Band by subscribing for the Baptist and Reflector will have a page of letters from their own work, with the program they are to use and a pretty story, they can tell when at the meetings of the Band.

The Young South readers can think of themselves as scattered Sunbeams with many bright brothers and sisters all over the State working for the same thing they are working for, giving their money to the same thing they are giving. They too, can continue to write letters for the page, and in this way we hope each will know of the other, each will be encouraged by the other, and all together making a great band of brightness, trying to scatter the shadows of darkness and sin. That is what Sunbeams are, you know rays of pure light to go into dark corners, making the world bright, healthy and wholesome. Our living Sunbeams all over Tennessee have the same mission. They are to carry and to send the message of love and faith that will make the big people of the world ashamed not to shine too. You Sunbeam leaders can feel you are the atmosphere which enables the Sunbeams to shine, as you make it easy for their love to find expression, so you are a clear or cloudy atmosphere. I beg of you to realize your splendid mission, that of mediums for God's light. Go to work with your band with renewed energy, get enthused yourself, and you can easily enthuse the loving children. Help to bring out all the love and unselfishness God has put into their hearts, and your reward will be a hundred fold. Could you have seen and heard the model program as presented by the Sunbeams of Clarksville, under the training of Miss Sallie Fox, and felt the encouragement they were to the older workers, you would not rest until your band was just as efficient.

Watch next week's issue of the Baptist and Reflector, which will give the Sunbeam Program for December, also the object for which their gifts will go, and a plan for raising those gifts. Encourage me by an early letter. Yours for the work. FRANCES F. VAN NESS.

CLUB PREVENTS WASTE

You will not find many men who would deliberately throw away one hundred dollars, and yet there are many who unintentionally waste that amount every year in one way or another. Careless buying is one of the most common ways of wasting money. The founders of the Club had that fact in mind when they adopted the principle of cutting down the cost of pianos by cutting out the waste in marketing them. The Club claims to save its members forty per cent, and asks you to give it an opportunity to prove this fact to your entire satisfaction by thoroughly testing the piano in your own home before obligating yourself to pay for it. It will cost you only a post card to investigate and if the testimony of Club members who have already received their instruments is to be relied upon you will undoubtedly be delighted with the saving in price, the convenient terms and the superior quality of the instruments. By uniting our orders in a Club of one hundred members each secures the benefit of the lowest possible factory price and yet is responsible only for his own order.

Write for your copy of the catalogue and full particulars today. Address The Associated Piano Clubs, Baptist and Reflector Dept., Nashville, Tenn.

Many a man who is always looking for a snap, lacks ginger.

A PLEASANT HERB SMOKE FOR CATARRH



Catarrh is a disease of the mucous membrane. It is characterized by a discharge through the nostrils or into the throat. It usually begins with a cold in the head. Beginning in the nostrils it spreads to all the mucous membranes of the body, even getting into the stomach and lungs. The nasty discharge being swallowed, it upsets the stomach, and from the stomach it is taken into the blood, and poisons and deranges the whole body.

The disease is all the time inclined to work its way from the nose back into the head—down into the throat—into the bronchial tubes and lungs. Herein is its greatest danger.

Contains No Tobacco

While engaged in the general practice of medicine Dr. Blosser had many patients suffering from Catarrh whom he was unable to cure, although he prescribed for them by the rules taught in medical books and colleges. He saw that the methods of treatment were wrong, and reasoned that as catarrh is produced by breathing cold and damp air, so it should be cured by breathing a warm medicated vapor.

After nine years of investigation he discovered a combination of healing herbs, leaves and flowers (containing no tobacco or habit-forming drugs) which, when placed in an ordinary clean pipe—made into medicated cigarettes or burned on a plate and by drawing the medicated smoke into the mouth and inhaling into the lungs, or by sending it out through the nostrils in a perfectly natural way, would speedily relieve all catarrhal diseases. As shown in the accompanying illustration the warm, healing vapor is carried directly to the very parts affected. This remedy fights and kills Catarrh where liquids, sprays, douches, salves and medicated creams cannot possibly go. It is a most reliable treatment, and is so simple and convenient that it can be used at home by man, woman or child.



Free Sample by Mail

Write a postal card, or cut out and fill in the coupon below, and he will send you by mail a liberal trial package entirely free, containing a small pipe, a few cigarettes, and also an illustrated booklet explaining Catarrh. If you suffer from Catarrh, Bronchitis, Asthma, Catarrhal Deafness or any other catarrhal trouble, you cannot afford to neglect the use of this remedy.

When you try the free sample and see how the warm, pleasant medicated vapor goes to every spot and gives immediate relief, you will be convinced. The regular package, (100 cigarettes or 30 days supply for pipe), sent by mail, postpaid for \$1. Send for the free sample or regular package today.



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DR. J. W. BLOSSER, 524 Walton St., Atlanta, Ga. FREE Coupon

Dear Doctor:—I have read your generous offer and you may send me by mail, free of all charges, a trial treatment and outfit and facts about catarrh.

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POST OFFICE _____

R. F. D. No. _____ Box _____ STATE _____

P. O. Box _____ Street _____

Spell out name with pencil, very, very plainly.

LETTERS FROM RHEUMATICS.

Possibly you have imagined that you could never get your own consent to write a testimonial letter, but if you have ever experienced the excruciating pains of Rheumatism you can at least appreciate the feelings of those who have been relieved of this terrible disease by drinking the Mineral Water from the justly celebrated Shivar Spring at Shelton, S. C. This water overcomes many diseases, including Indigestion, Gout, Uric Acid Poisoning and Liver and Kidney diseases, but no patrons of the Spring are more enthusiastic in their praise of the water than those who have been relieved of their Rheumatism. Hundreds of letters like the following have been received by the Management:

Dr. Crosby, a South Carolina physician, writes:—"I have tested your Spring Water in several cases of Rheumatism, Chronic Indigestion, Kidney and Bladder troubles and in Nervous and Sick Headaches and find that it has acted nicely in each case, and I believe that if used continuously for a reasonable time will produce a permanent cure. It will purify the blood, relieve debility, stimulate the action of the Liver, Kidney and Bladder, aiding them in throwing off all poisonous matter."

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rented into which to move. Still it was the seventh month, in their calendar. After being urged to move, when she could give no other excuse she said if she moved in the seventh month the spirits would "cause her to go dead." Not believing in the power of the spirits to kill her, nor believing in the habit or spirits killing all who moved during the seventh month, I insisted that she move. She did so and has not died yet.

But when she got out there was still another little house on the front edge of the lot which was rented to another family. The house was about twelve feet wide and twenty feet long, all in one room, without door except the one opening onto the street. In this room lived the father, mother, all the family of children, with one daughter-in-law and grand-children, besides the donkey which pulled the mill located in the center of the room, and some very valuable hogs.

We wanted this room, too, and were

urging them to move. They had no house into which to move and begged that they be borne with for two or three days. They were told that five days would be the very longest they would be allowed to stay. Before the five days were out one of those much-prized hogs lay down in the corner of their parlor and gave birth to fifteen little ones. When the family was ready to go to bed they found that the hogs were in their bedroom. When they were cooking the hogs were in the kitchen. When they ate the hogs were in their dining room. When friends came the hogs were in the sitting room—for they had only the one room and the hogs were ever present with them.

Then when I began to urge the vacation of the house, I found that they had no thought of moving, for now that those little pigs were numbered among the occupants they were of no small consideration and they expected me to see it that way, too. They seemed rather surprised that I did not

know that if they moved before the pigs were a month old the pigs would all die. But not having full confidence in that belief, I continued my urging that the house be vacated at once. They pleaded that the pigs and mother be allowed to stay in their original nest till the month-end. Having a heart of pity for them that request was granted.

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THE FINANCIAL SIDE OF TITHING.

By Thomas Kane.

Say the critics: "Advocacy of tithing because it brings financial gain to the tither is appealing to a low, a sordid motive." Is it? Do they propose to give lessons in motive to the Almighty? Is it not God who says: "Honor the Lord with thy substance, so shall thy barns be filled with plenty." Does he not also say in Malachi 3:10, "Bring ye all the tithes into the store house and prove me now herewith if I will not pour you out a blessing until there shall not be room enough to receive it?" In the next two verses he tells them what kind of blessings they will receive for tithing: "And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground, neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field. . . . And all nations shall call you blessed for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the Lord of hosts." Are these not temporal blessings? If not, what are they? Does not God here promise good crops and no blight on the fruit, in short, financial prosperity as a reward for tithing? If not, what do these promises mean? Are they not equivalent of what we would say in modern English, "tithing pays the tither; try it and see?"

The words "tithe," "tithes," and "tithing" occur in the Bible thirty-six times. The "tenth" occurs 67 times. In 36 of these it has reference to the proportion in "offerings." In every instance where rewards are mentioned they are temporal, financial. The record does not show that the Jewish nation was ever prosperous when the people failed to tithe. It does show that when the people paid their tithes the nation was prosperous.

Of course there were other causes both for prosperity and adversity. Tithing is not everything, but I submit that the Bible plainly teaches that there is a very close, I might almost say, a cause and effect relation between tithing and temporal prosperity.

The question is often asked: "If tithing is so important why did not Jesus say more about it?" Is the Sabbath important? Can you find in His teaching any stronger endorsement of the law of the Sabbath than of the law of the tithe? Can you find any as strong? Is the church important? Christ never mentioned church but once and then in a passage of very difficult and, as every scholar knows, of very doubtful interpretation. Christ's teaching in all of the four gospels is saturated with the "Kingdom." The words "Kingdom of Heaven" and "Kingdom of God" were ever upon His lips. Keeping the Sabbath, paying tithes, worshipping in church, observing the sacraments, all are important, but all are means to an end. The end is the building up of the Kingdom of Heaven first in our own hearts and then helping to build it up in the hearts of others.

The Jews were tithers and are yet. Are they not financially prosperous? Do you ever hear of them begging for money to support their churches and charities as we Christians do?

A few years ago a supply of pamphlets on tithing was sent to a converted Jewish Rabbi in New York who was preaching to a congregation of converted Jews. In his let-

ter of thanks to the sender he stated that he had given the package to a neighboring pastor, as his people did not need teaching in tithing. He said they had been tithers as Jews and they continued to tithe as Christians.

In a recent letter from a Methodist pastor in a small city in Pennsylvania, he says: "I preached on tithing last Sunday morning to about 400 people. A Jew who heard my sermon said to me: 'Mr. ———, there are only 13 Jewish families in this city, yet we keep the expenses of our church clear and pay our minister \$80.00 per month. We simply tithe.'"

The numbers and power of Mormonism is due to tithing more than to all other causes combined. Does tithing make the members of the Mormon Church poor? Are they not financially prosperous? The success of Dowleism is due to the same cause. The immense industries at Zion City were all built up by tithes. It is safe to say that but for tithing neither Mormonism nor Dowleism would have lasted ten years after the death of their founders.

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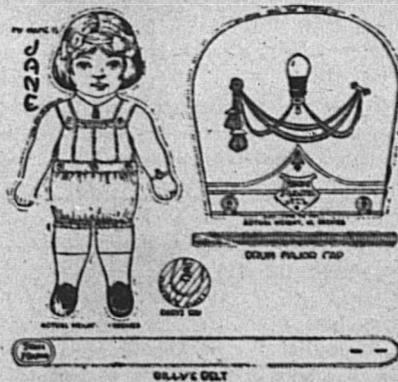
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Rev. C. E. Azbill of Lexington, Tennessee, has been called to the care of Pleasant Grove Church, near Safford, Tennessee, which gives him full time appointments. He has been preaching a little over a year, but is rapidly improving.

We are in error in stating that Rev. W. Q. Young of Darden, Tennessee, had been called to the care of the Bear Creek Baptist Church, near Parsons, Tennessee. It was Rev. L. T. Carrington of Parsons, who had been chosen to that pastorate. Bear Creek is the home church of Dr. Granville S. Williams.

Evangelist Sid Williams of San Antonio, Texas, writes: "I just want to thank you for the nice things you have always had to say about our work. This will make the 410th meeting I have held. Up to date there have been 24,675 additions to churches I have labored with. Am now at Winchester, Kentucky."

Prof. Harry Clark of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, writes: "Congratulations on the honor, our Tennessee Baptist Convention did you in electing you Secretary. I trust you can wake the people up to the needs of our Baptist Schools."

A third Baptist church has been organized in Blytheville, Arkansas, to be known as the Lily Baptist Church. It was organized with five charter members and one joined by baptism. They will meet in the homes of the members until a house of worship can be built.

Dr. C. F. J. Tate of Hot Springs, Ark., has re-entered evangelistic work and will devote his entire time to it. He formerly did the work of an evangelist with marked success.

Two Baptist preachers in Arkansas wanted to be chaplain of the Arkansas House of Representatives. However, F. P. Turner withdraws from the race for the position in 1915 in favor of F. M. Carter, but serves notice that he will be in the race for the position in 1917. Was it the lamented Dr. J. B. Hawthorne who contended that no Baptist preacher should accept pay from the State for spiritual ministrations?

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Several papers state that Prof. B. H. Dement of the chair of Sunday School Pedagogy in the Seminary at Louisville, accepts the care of the First Church, Greenwood, S. C.

Dr. H. A. Bagby, who goes to the First Church, Chester, S. C., as pastor, recently read a paper before the Ministers' Conference of Kansas City, Mo., on "On This Rock I Will Build My Church." The Word and Way says, "Brother Bagby is not a secessionist and is of the opinion that no real intelligent Baptist is." Any Baptist who has intelligence enough to read and believe the other clause in that verse, "And the gates of Hell shall not prevail against it," is a secessionist. Bagby ought to be, or else be ashamed.

The Fifth Sunday meeting of Beech River Association was inspiring and helpful despite the incessant rains. Piney Creek Church cared for the meeting. Dr. E. E. Folk greatly enlivened the meetings by his presence, addresses and sermons. The next meeting will be held at Lexington and will be a combined Fifth Sunday meeting and Bible Institute.

Rev. G. M. Workman has resigned the care of the church at Wewoka, Okla., after serving two years. His plans are not known.

Rev. W. C. Taylor, student in the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, brother of Rev. H. Boyce Taylor of Murray, Ky., is to go as a missionary to Brazil. His wife accompanies him joyously.

Dr. J. W. Gillon of Nashville and Rev. J. H. Oakley of Whiteville, were guests of Rev. S. B. Ogle of Huntingdon, Tennessee, last week and the trio hunted birds several days. If they shot like they preach, they hit the spot. (But suppose they should preach like they shot.—Ed.)

Dr. L. L. Givaltney of Greenville, Ala., has been elected associate editor of the Alabama Baptist, Birmingham, Ala., aiding editor Frank W. Barnett. Dr. Gwaltney will not give up his pastorate.

Dr. W. B. Oliver of Mount Olive, N. C., accepts the care of the Second Church, Florence, S. C., and takes charge January 1st.

Evangelist W. D. Nowlin of Atlanta, Ga., has been in a gracious meeting with the First Baptist Church, Jellico, Tennessee, of which Rev. J. E. Martin is pastor.

Rev. James B. Leavell and Singer, W. B. Scolfield of Oxford, Miss., are assisting Rev. W. A. Brown in a revival at the First Church, Jackson, Miss.

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Rev. M. M. Bledsoe of Spokane, Washington, well known in Tennessee, having resigned some weeks ago the care of Euclid Avenue Church, Spokane, has entered upon his duties as State Evangelist.

The Executive Board of Beech River Association has been instructed to look out one or more worthy young ministers in the Association who want an education, put them in school and call on the churches to support them.

Dr. J. L. White of Vineville Church, Macon, Ga., lately joined the Home Board Evangelists in the simultaneous campaign in Richmond, Va., in which at

last account there had been 1,250 additions to the churches. At Tabernacle church, where Dr. White preached there were 90 additions, 67 by baptism.

The manner in which the Georgia Baptists went after the locker fashionable liquor clubs in their recent State Convention at Carrollton, means death to that iniquity. And Dr. Chas. W. Daniel of the First Church, Atlanta, was a leader in the fight. What he said was an eloquent sufficiency.

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