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—A wife said to her husband: "I want you saved." The husband said: "Saved from what? You go to dances; so do I. You play cards; so do I. You drink wine; so do I. You go to the theater; so do I. Saved from what?"

—A colored preacher in the South is quoted as saying: "My brethren, I tell you our salvation is imported, imparted and imputed; Imported because it came down from heaven to earth; Imparted because it is a work of the Holy Ghost in us; and Imputed because God sets the full value of Christ's work over to our account." Can any one put the gospel in a terser way?

—It is said that at birth a girl baby's expectation of life is 53.2 years; a boy's, 49.9. At ten she can still expect to live 52.6 years, whereas the boy of ten can look forward to only 50.2 years. Why the difference? Are girls healthier than boys? Or do they take better care of themselves? Are they more prudent? Are they more moral?

—The papers are reporting the fact that after a lapse of sixty-four years the Government has paid the sum of \$205.92 due John Howard Payne, the author of "Home, Sweet Home," for services as United States consul at Tunis. He died there in April, 1852, and the account has only just now been settled. Just think of it! It is said that he died in poverty. How much this \$205.92 would have meant to him then. How true it is that

"As if by some strange imperfection of fate
The good gift, when it comes, comes a moment too late."

—Take time to be holy. John Bacon, an English sculptor, who lived from 1740 to 1799, in his will directed that a plain tablet should be placed over his grave at Tottenham, Court Road Chapel, with his name, date, and the following inscription:

What I Was as an Artist,
Seemed to Me of Some Importance
While I Lived;
What I Really Was as a Believer
in Christ Jesus
Is the Only Thing of Importance
To Me Now.

As! yes, as we approach the grave the things of this world fade more and more into insignificance, while the things of eternity are the ones that seem important.

—It is said that the large dry vote in Missouri, which would have wiped the saloon out of the State except for the liquor vote in St. Louis, has rudely shocked the city. Kansas City's dry vote is giving St. Louis especial concern. The business men are wondering what effect the fact that St. Louis prevented Missouri voting dry by its liquor vote, while Kansas City stood with the country sections of the State, will have on the business of the two cities. And it may well give them concern. Less and less business men want to have anything to do with people who drink or who deal in intoxicating liquors. More and more they are turning to cities and towns and business houses and men that have freed themselves from all connection and all responsibility for the accursed traffic which ruins lives, blights characters and damns souls.

THE GLAD NEW YEAR.

The glad new year! What secrets lie
Within its folded, untried days!
We long to know them, you and I
We long to try the untrod ways;
And yet the leaves of memory turn
To many a page we linger o'er;
And still our ghostly lights we burn
Above the hopes dead evermore.

"Behold, I make you all things new,"
New grace and strength for each day's need;
New promises, we know them true;
New wants before the throne to plead;
New hopes and joys; new trust and love;
New trials of our faith; ah, yes,
Temptations new our hearts to prove—
To be our bane or happiness.

"Behold, I make you all things new"—
New flowers to spring to fragrant life;
New sun and shower and drought and dew;
New days of peace and days of strife;
New souls to draw their first strange breath;
New loves to make our weak hearts strong;
Fresh struggles with the victor death;
New hosts to sing heaven's glad new song.

"Old things are past." "Old things," ah, me!
A touch upon our heart-strings wakes
Some vibrant chord of memory
That trembling through our being makes,
And still o'er "might have beens" we grieve;
And still our hearts with pain are sore;
Still unatoned-for sins we leave
Within the silence evermore.

O gracious God! this prayer we make—
We shrink from voicing out our fear—
Yes, lest our burdened hearts should break,
Grant us our need this coming year:
Take—take—we yield up all to thee,
But give—thyself with what is best;
And may our every moment be
Within thine arms—eternal rest!

—Helen F. Boyden.

—The following story by Mr. S. D. Gordon carries its own moral. The wealthy owner of a large business concern in Sweden had been a poor boy in a country district tending cattle. One day he wanted to be away, and asked his sister to tend the cattle for the day, promising to let her hold for the day a small coin, current there, worth less than two annas, to be returned at night. She consented. The very sight of money was a great rarity to her. So she spent a long, hard day tending his cattle, and holding the bright coin, and returned it again at night, quite

content with the day's pay. Long years afterward, the brother was telling the story. He had grown very wealthy. He had allowed the love of money to crowd out the Christ passion, to which he was not a stranger. He told the story to my friend with great glee, laughing at his sister's childish simplicity. My friend said, quietly, "That is all you get; you hold your wealth to the end of your life, then you give it up and have as little as before, and the whole of your life is gone!" And the man's startled face showed that he quite understood.

—The following sentence, according to the Congregationalist, is taken from the composition of a schoolboy: "Vesuvius was a city of two thousand inhabitants who were all destroyed by an eruption of saliva from the Vatican."

—A Neo Platonist of ancient times is quoted as saying: "Such is the life of good men here on earth that it is marked by a detachment from the things that are Here, and an attachment to the things that are There; and in a fleeing of the lonely one to the Only one." Fine sentiment.

—It has been decided that there will be another campaign in Ohio next year for State-wide prohibition. There was a campaign in 1914 and again in 1915. The prohibition forces lost both times, but the second time they cut the liquor majority by about 30,000 votes. It is believed that this majority can be wiped out next year.

—In a letter addressed to President Wilson, Mr. Hermans Russell, the noted British pacifist lecturer and philosopher, says: "There is a very real danger that, if nothing is done to check the fury of national passion, European civilization as we have known it will perish completely as it perished when Rome fell before barbarians." God forbid!

—The Watchman-Examiner notes that two thousand husbands in Chicago have gone out and found jobs since the recent law went into effect that husbands were subject to criminal prosecution for non-support of their wives. Evidently the law was needed. Probably the wives in some other States will see if their legislatures cannot be induced to pass a similar law to that in Illinois. One recalls also that the women vote in Illinois. Husbands had best sit up and take notice.

—A prominent Boston Christian is quoted as having said to a city missionary: "Looking over my expense account I found the following item: Pug terrier, \$10; and the next line, City Missionary Society, \$5. I have not felt quite easy about the matter ever since, and I want to give you another \$5." Now, we wish that some of our subscribers would look over their expense account and see how much they have charged to tobacco and how much to their subscription to the Baptist and Reflector. If the latter account is not equal to the former, we shall be glad to have them send us the difference.

—The following quotation from George Ade is very beautiful and at the same time very practical: "Teach me that sixty minutes make an hour; sixteen ounces make a pound, one hundred cents, one dollar. Help me to live so that I can lie down at night with a clear conscience, un haunted by the faces of those to whom I have brought pain. Grant that I may earn my meal ticket on the square; deafen me to the jingle of tainted money, and the rustle of unholy skirts. Blind me to the faults of others, but reveal to me my own, and then when the deepening shadows gather in that Great Silence, let the ceremony be brief, the epitaph simple, 'Here lies a man.'"

OUTLINE STUDIES IN JOHN'S GOSPEL.

By Wm. J. Mahoney.

Last week we studied the Foreword to John's Gospel, in which we considered the facts of the Deity, the Dignity and the Incarnation of our Lord. We now come to the first main portion of the Gospel.

A. THE PRESENTATION OF JESUS TO MEN, 1:19-4:54.

I. By the testimony of John the Baptist, 1:19-40.

1. To the deputation from Jerusalem, 1:19-28.

(a) Sent to learn his identity, 1:19, 24.

The deputation consisted of Priests and Levites, who were sent by the Pharisees to discover whether John was the Messiah, or the forerunner. "Who art thou?"

(b) John's emphatic denial, 1:20. "I am not the Christ."

Two things are worthy of note:

(1) John denies that he is the Christ.

(2) He confesses that he knows who is the Christ.

(c) Only a "voice," 1:21-23.

John might have claimed much for himself and for his office as the forerunner of the Christ. It was a splendid opportunity for self-exploitation, and a well-timed occasion to magnify himself as a "PREACHER." But he disclaimed anything for himself; he was not "Elias"—that is, he did not claim, in himself, the fulfillment of the prophecy concerning Elijah; he was not "that prophet"—of whom Moses spoke; he was just a "voice crying in the wilderness." He in no way asserted his personality, for he would direct attention entirely from himself to the Christ who was coming.

(d) He directs their attention to the coming Christ, 1:24-28.

After he had denied all claims and honors for himself, the deputation demanded explanation of his practice of baptizing in order that they might make some report to those who sent them. John in his answer draws a contrast between his own baptism and that of Jesus, and then announces that there is standing among them the great Messiah, who is both superior and prior to himself. He is standing in your midst, and although He came after me, He is "before me" in position, in office, in honor, in power, and in work.

2. To the people on the banks of the Jordan, 1:29-34.

a. As to the sacrificial office and work of Jesus, 1:29-31.

(1) "The Lamb of God."

Jesus is so called, because,

(a) He is of God's own providing (Gen. 22:8; John 3:16).

(b) He was given for sacrifice;

Substitutionary (Isa. 53:6); For sin (Isa. 53:10); For every man—who will take Him (Ex. 12:3); To be slain (Ex. 12:6); Blood to be applied (Ex. 12:7); Avails where applied (Ex. 12:13).

(c) In Him was to be fulfilled all that was typified in the Old Testament sacrifices, as He offered Himself the great sacrifice for sin to make atonement by His own death on the cross.

(2) To take away sin—by taking it upon Himself and bearing it away to sacrifice (2 Cor. 5:21; Isa. 53:6; 1 Pet. 2:24).

Jesus meets and settles forever the whole question of sin between God, the righteous Judge, and the believing sinner. In this work in our behalf, He fulfills the gracious prediction of Isa. 53:7, 12, the typical promise in the Paschal lamb, and the prophecy of the smitten one in Zech. 12:7.

Sin is debt—Jesus pays it.

Sin is guilt—Jesus bears it.

Sin is penalty—Jesus meets it.

Sin is death—Jesus dies in our stead.

Sin separates—Jesus reconciles.

(3) Now peculiarly manifested to the world.

John's purpose in baptizing was that in this way, Jesus might be identified by him, and made known to the world.

b. As to His Sonship, 1:32-34.

(1) Indicated by the descending and abiding presence of the Spirit.

(2) Testified to by the voice accompanying the descend of the Spirit.

(3) Thus confirmed, I now declare to you—"I bare record that this IS THE SON OF GOD" (32).

3. To his own disciples, 1:35-40.

a. Who they were, 1:40. "Two of his disciples"—John and Andrew.

b. The import of his testimony, 1:35-37. "Behold, the Lamb of God." The shortest sermon on record, yet it was effective. Andrew and John, convinced by it, leave the Baptist and follow Jesus.

c. The effect of his testimony, 1:38-39.

Leaving him, they followed Jesus. Without complaint he gives them up, for they are turning from the service of the servant to serve Him, who is the Lord and Master.

II. BY THE LORD'S OWN TESTIMONY TO HIMSELF, 1:40-2:11.

1. To the two who followed Him—at John's word of witness, 1:40-41.

Cp. verse 39, "They abode with Him." Can you imagine what they must have learned during the period of abiding and communing with Him? Andrew, having learned, sought, found, witnessed, and brought his brother Simon to Jesus.

2. To Simon—upon whom He bestows the name, Peter (1:42).

THESE FIRST DISCIPLES

a. Heard of Jesus,

(1) The proclamation of His coming.

(2) The presentation to the people.

(3) Direct, personal witness.

b. Followed Jesus.

c. Followed Jesus.

d. Abode with Jesus.

e. Sought others for Jesus.

f. Witnessed to Jesus.

g. Brought others to Jesus.

Is not this a lesson in "efficient," normal discipleship?

3. To Philip, 1:43-46.

a. Whom Jesus found and commanded to follow Him, 43-44.

b. Who, in turn, found and brought Nathanael to Jesus, 45-46.

4. To Nathanael, 1:47-51.

a. Who is made to confess His sonship.

b. To whom is promised more glorious proofs of His Messiahship.

5. In the miracle at Cana, 2:1-11.

a. Occasion—"A marriage," which He sanctioned by His presence and participation (Cp. Mt. 11:19).

b. Need—wine failed.

c. Reality—water was turned into wine.

d. Purpose—to manifest forth His glory.

e. Result—"His disciples believed on Him." Their faith was strengthened; they saw fresh evidences of His Divine nature and power; and believed as they had never done before.

IN THIS MIRACLE JESUS DISPLAYED

1. His perfect human sympathy.

2. His matchless power—over physical creation.

3. His unlimited resources.

4. His marvelous love.

MODERN BEATITUDES.

ALBERT R. BOND, D. D.

Certain modern attitudes toward life may be translated into beatitudes. These differ materially from those of Jesus. It is worth while to observe these later types of ideals, since they form the working creed of such a large class of people.

1. Blessed is the man who is always right, for he shall be filled with self-complacency. In his own opinion this man always does the right thing at the right time. He is not troubled with doubts and misgivings. He is right and all who differ with him must be wrong. He finds constant occasion for self-congratulation. His self-complacency

is never disturbed. It is entirely proper for one to desire to be right in thought and deed, but it is quite presumptuous for one to claim a patent-right on the truth. Humility is a stranger to such a man who acts this beatitude.

2. Blessed is the man who is satisfied with himself, for he shall find his joy in himself alone.—This beatitude usually follows the first. The satisfied man knows nothing of discontent, which is the prophet of better days, the discoverer of new worlds, the creator of new inventions. But this man contemplates with joy what he is and what he has. He finds no impulse toward larger and better things. He forgets that discontent with the lower should lead to the higher attainments. He does not care to be disturbed; his joy radiates from, and returns to, himself.

3. Blessed is the man who is strong, for he shall never need the helping hand.—This man enjoys good health; sickness has never put the scourge of pain on him. He does not know the spectres that come to the weak and nervous. He imagines that the weak and helpless are somehow to blame for their misfortunes, or he fails duly to sympathize with them. Power is his deity. He is strong, hence he can do things. But he forgets that heroism and greatness have often been the contribution of the weak. Physical endurance does not always mean moral and spiritual power. In contrast to such a man one likes to think of Fanny Crosby, out of her blindness enriching the world with numerous hymns; of Milton, whose inner vision could lead the way through "Paradise Lost" to "Paradise Regained"; of frail Elizabeth Barrett, from whose invalid room came the exquisite "Portuguese Sonnets" that won her an honored place in the world's poets' corner; of the numberless men and women who have overcome bodily ills and indebted the world to them for a noble life, a great book, or an immortal poem.

4. Blessed is the man who rules, for he shall have his own way.—The disposition of the tyrant is not limited to royalty. Louis XIV. of France, desirous of absolute power, may easily be duplicated in any community. It is laudable that a man should desire leadership, but this should not come through disregard for the rights of others. Some men must rule or ruin. They will not accept subordinate places. This man must be the chairman of the committee, directing its course, or he will not serve. He occupies every station in life. He is the political boss, the social autocrat, the religious dictator. He is always the demagogue.

5. Blessed is the man who is rich, for he shall be regarded as the favorite of heaven.—Few people would decline this beatitude. We sharply criticize the rich, but would often gladly exchange places with them. In "The American Claimant" Mark Twain tells the story of an English earl, who forsakes fame and fortune as his heritage in order that he might win both through his own efforts in this country. Having attended a labor meeting, the young earl tells of English rank and customs; he asks the advice of a workman, who had been loud in denunciation of rank and wealth. But when the personal question was put to him, the workman declared that he would return to claim the earldom, if he were entitled to it. Theory was good, but common sense was better in the individual case. One may not be willing to pay the price for wealth in the years of toil and saving, but the desire for a competency is well nigh universal. Ancient Israel considered the rich man under the special patronage of heaven, but Jesus put a new interpretation on human worth, when He taught that a man's life did not consist in property values. Modern life too often judges a man's value to society in terms of the dollar mark.

6. Blessed is the man who is popular, for he shall get what he wants.—Popularity should not be too quickly condemned. It will bring the coveted aims. But the voice of the crowd is extremely fickle. Hurrahs often pass into the insistent demand to crucify.

7. Blessed is the man who enjoys life, for he shall multiply his friends.—

The maxim of this man is the current proverb: "Laugh and the world laughs with you; weep, and you weep alone." He believes in having a good time; he pushes trouble far from him. Too often, however, he identifies enjoyment with pleasures rather than with abiding joys.

8. Blessed is the man who is successful, for he shall wear the crown of victory.—The world has no place for failures. The downs and outs have but small chance for favors and attention. All eyes are turned toward the man whose very appearance indicates prosperity; he may be easily picked from the crowd. But apparent success may in the end prove failure; later opinion may crown those who have struggled and failed in material benefits, but who have struggled to make the world better.

"Blessed," said Jesus, "is the man who thinks lowly of himself; who has passed through great trials; who gives in and endures; who longs for perfection; who carries a tender heart; who has a passion for holiness; who sweetens human life; who dares to be true to conscience. What a conception of character! Blessed are the humble, the penitents, the victims, the mystics, the philanthropists, the saints; the mediators, the confessors".

Franklin, Tenn.

A HAPPY PASTOR.

Can a preacher have too great hopes or aspirations? It was my prayer and hope this year to see more conversions than any other in my ministry. Wonder if prosperity is promotive of piety?

Last year there were 150 professions of faith in the summer campaign, and this year only 112, and where is the man that can be pleased with the retrograding condition of his work? Same Christ; same preacher; several of the same fields; same privileges; same Bible, and yet not the same results. Were it not that we know that "salvation is of the Lord," such conditions would make some of us sick.

Wonder if we need more waiting at Jerusalem? The hen sets on her eggs 21 days before she expects results, and you may rob her of her brood and set her over and she will set another 21 days. Can we learn a lesson on "abiding" from the hen? O, for the burning, flaming power to break men's hearts and to disturb them so that they shall find no rest apart from Christ!

Now, something very personal. The Yuletide brought with it many blessings to the pastor and family. The good, generous people Friday night brought a large quantity of provisions—about \$30 worth, and left them in our dining-room. We would be the last to expect such a bounty, for they have daily brought provisions to our door. And, besides, I'm running a Ford now by the good grace of one of my noble deacons, and I'm trying to use it and the other things for the glory of Christ.

Wishing all a Happy New Year.

Gibson, Tenn. E. F. ADAMS.

STATEMENT OF THE TENNESSEE BAPTIST EDUCATION BOARD.

I wish to announce that the Education Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention has made mutually satisfactory arrangements with Dr. Rufus W. Weaver, by which he is to undertake the work of Corresponding Secretary, this service to continue for a period of five years, this latter condition being made because of the terms of the campaign as laid down by the Convention at Morristown. Dr. Weaver is expected to begin his services with the Board on January 1, 1917. He has some engagements during 1917, for which he has already contracted, but beyond this he will give himself entirely to the services of the Board.

The Board completed its organization by electing I. J. Van Ness, president; O. C. Barton, vice-president; J. W. Gilton, treasurer, and Ryland Knight, secretary.

The meeting of the Board was one of the most successful which I have attended in many years. There was a fine spirit and the prospect seems to be unusually bright.

I. J. VAN NESS, President.

THE EVERY MEMBER CANVASS.

By J. W. Gillon, D.D.

It has been demonstrated that perhaps the most successful human expedient for taking care of the causes of the Master, as represented by the local church, and our mission and benevolent undertakings, is the every member canvass.

This being true, every church in Tennessee that has not already done so ought to put on an every member canvass within the next thirty days in order to secure adequate funds to support the local church and to do the duty of the church to our general causes.

Provision in this canvass ought to be made for a worthy support of the pastor. In most cases an effort ought to be made to raise the pastor's salary far above what it now is. Very few of our pastors are receiving the salaries they ought to have. Most of them are actually pinched financially. This ought not to be permitted by any church. Our country churches in particular ought to raise the salaries of their pastors. Our great country people have profited by the remarkable increase in prices of the commodities on which we must all live. The individual church member feels no pinch from this increase in price, for, for the most part, he has the commodity that has increased in price and he does not feel the extra price except as a beneficiary ought, and many of them are not as thoughtful about their pastors as they ought to be. So, in their every member canvass, one of the things aimed at should be an increase of the pastor's salary in order to enable him to meet the increased cost of living.

When a church does its duty to its pastor, it will likely also seek to do its duty to the whole world. We are undertaking in Tennessee, for this Convention year, to raise for the three mission causes alone \$104,610.00. This is exclusive of the Judson Fund. For all the causes, exclusive of the Judson Fund, we are seeking to raise \$172,610.00. In order to do this, it will be necessary to have an every member canvass in hundreds of our churches.

Certain Essentials to a Successful Every Member Canvass.

1. The pastor must lead in the canvass. If the pastor does not take the initiative, no one else is likely to do so. Every pastor ought to have a meeting with all of his church officials to inform them with reference to all the needs of the church's work. After this information is given, earnest prayer ought to be had seeking the guidance of the Spirit in determining what the local church ought to do toward raising the necessary funds for our work. The pastor and officials ought to go over in their conference the list of the membership and form some estimate as to what each individual member could reasonably be expected to do toward the interests of the kingdom. Following this, a definite sum ought to be set as the aim of the church for the year.

2. If the canvass is to be successful, the pastor will need to explain either in an address of a sermon the

meaning and purpose of the every member canvass and make known to the body of the church what has been determined on by the pastor and officials of the church.

3. Everything possible that can be done ought to be done to get every member of the church to see that God has a right to a definite expression of the gratitude of the individual Christian for the things which he has received as blessings from God.

4. A letter ought to be sent to every family in the church, stating on what day the every member canvass would be undertaken and asking that all of the membership be at home on that day ready to receive the canvassing committee and to confer with the committeemen with reference to the tasks in hand.

5. Every canvasser ought to be furnished with a statement of the amount the whole State is trying to secure for each of the causes fostered in the State. These amounts for this Convention year are as follows:

State Missions	\$46,610.00
Foreign Missions	33,000.00
Home Missions	25,000.00
Orphans' Home	25,000.00
Christian Education	25,000.00
Ministerial Education	3,000.00
Ministerial Relief	3,000.00
Colportage	2,000.00
Baptist Memorial Hospital	10,000.00

The canvassers ought to have these figures in order to be able to intelligently urge the brethren to observe the proper ratio between the causes in making their subscriptions.

6. Every canvasser, before he starts on the canvas, ought to be brought to see that it is necessary to treat the causes fairly according to the task of the State. If the canvassers are not themselves willing to work on the basis on which the State at large is working, it will be impossible for them to lead the individual members to so give. The membership of the church must be brought to see that, if we succeed, we must co-operate not merely in support of the causes but in the ratio in which the causes are to be supported.

7. When the homes are entered to make the canvass, the approach to the people must be of such nature as to help those from whom subscriptions are sought. There ought to be a frank, prayerful conference about the things we are trying to do. If anybody lacks information, it must be given in such way and spirit as to make the one instructed give joyously all that is given.

If these practical suggestions are observed, the canvass ought to be a success and will be a success in every church in which it is undertaken. Canvassers ought not to fail to have prayer in every home in which they enter. They ought also to carry a tract bearing a great message on stewardship. A copy of this tract ought to be left in every home visited. Tennessee Baptists can do all that is expected at their hands for this Convention year if they will give cheerfully and in the spirit of sacrifice at the task. Let us make up our minds to have victory.

SOME FLORIDA NOTES.

By A. J. Holt.

Rev. W. D. Turnley, an ex-Tennessean, pastor now at Fort Meade, Fla., resigns the care of this church. His beautiful home is in Fort Meade and he will no doubt remain there. He may take work in nearby churches. He has two orange groves, which give him a fair support, so far as finances go. He is an expert orange grower, besides being a good gospel preacher.

Dr. C. W. Duke of the First Church, Tampa, is engaged in a campaign of raising money to build a Sunday school department of a new church which will in time follow. The enterprise has been successful, and about \$40,000 is in sight.

Rev. George Hyman of Sanford, an expert Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. worker, has been assisting Dr. Duke.

Dr. W. C. Golden of the Palm Avenue Church is forging right along with his great church. His beautiful house is yet new and of splendid proportions.

The Florida Baptist Convention is to meet January 9 in Orlando. Will not Dr. Folk come down and "see how it feels" to be in Florida in the winter? Should he do so, he will be wanting to make Florida his permanent abode.

We are making the strongest pull possible at this time to bring our State Mission work to the Convention free from all embarrassment. Our splendid Secretary, Dr. S. B. Rogers, is working day and night to bring things out right. Our best pastors are co-operating most enthusiastically with our Secretary, and although the State Mission debt is alarmingly large, yet we are hoping that it may be wiped out by the meeting of the Convention.

The Baptist Orphanage, under the management of our Bro. J. E. Trice, another ex-Tennessean, is doing a splendid work. The outrageous attack on the life of our beloved Superintendent has not yet been avenged. There is great indignation against the criminal who attempted the perpetration of the fiendish deed.

I accept the statements of Brethren Grime and Key concerning the Welsh Neck historic matter. I alluded to it in my Memoirs in the Baptist World more as coincidental than otherwise. Their statement is correct, as my statement was made, not from the record, but from my memory, reaching back over forty years, of what a brother in the Welsh Neck told me at that time. He may have told me just as Brethren Grime and Key say it was, that the Welsh Neck Church came from a body which did come over from Wales. The principle remains the same. But it was somewhat remarkable that I should have organized a church thirty-two years ago, out of members from the first church ever organized in Texas, and that forty-two years later, I was called to assist in the dedication of the Baptist Church at Mulberry, Tenn., from which church the members came that constituted the first Texas church. Yet more coincidental that, whilst I was a student at Greenville, S. C., forty-two years ago, I should have been sent by Dr. Broadus to

preach one Sunday for the Welsh Neck Church, from which church the Mulberry Church of Tennessee came.

Arcadia, Fla.

(You make our mouth water, old friend, for the Florida climate. We are having nothing but snow and sleet and blizzards up here now—for the Florida oranges, and especially for the sight of the old Tennessee friends now in Florida, of whom we count A. J. Holt not the least. Will you guarantee that we will get enough subscribers to the Baptist and Reflector to pay our way?—Ed.)

MEETING AT PERRY, FLA.

The church at Perry is happy because of the very gracious meeting which has just closed in which Evangelist J. B. Phillips, of the Tabernacle church, Chattanooga, did the preaching, and singing Evangelist Jesse T. Williams, of College Park, Ga., led in Gospel song.

Five years ago Bro. Phillips held a very successful meeting at Perry and for some time the church has been endeavoring to secure his services for another meeting.

Before his coming, cottage prayer-meetings had been held, a number of trunk Baptists located, and many faithful hearts ready for the work.

After his arrival the wheels began to whirl in real earnest. A number of cottage prayer-meetings were held by ladies under leadership of Bro. Williams, in different parts of the town every morning while a men's meeting was being conducted by Bro. Phillips at the Court House in the County Judge's office. In the afternoon spiritual messages were delivered to the Christian people at the church, while at night body blows were dealt sin, both in and out of the church. Spare time was used by the evangelists, pastor and workers in personal visitation, and effort to line up the Baptists and to win the unsaved.

The messages to the Christians were deeply spiritual, scriptural and magnetic. The follies of a half-way Christian life were laid bare, and many like David by the grace of God were able to regain the lost joy and fellowship. Sin was hit hard and the dangerous condition of the sinner revealed, so much so that the church was greatly revived, and many found the Lord precious to their souls.

Phillips is a hard worker, a resourceful leader, throws his whole soul into his work; he brings wit and humor, story and illustration, common sense and wide experience, knowledge of scripture and, withal, a great love of souls to his work.

Brother Williams is a most spiritual, competent, and helpful leader of gospel song and personal worker. He is an author, a composer, and a publisher of a high grade song book, and will under God be a great blessing to any church and pastor that he may assist.

The church was very much enriched by this meeting, and forty-eight were welcomed into the fellowship of the body, and the good work goes on after the meeting closed with other additions.

JAS. A. CURTLEY.

TWO CHRISTMAS SERMONS.

On the 24th and 25th it was my privilege to hear two thrilling Christmas sermons, one by Dr. Joseph W. Kemp, pastor of Calvary Baptist church, New York, and the other by Dr. J. H. Jowett, pastor of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church.

The first announced the two-fold theme, "The Angels' Message and the Angels' Song," as suggested by some verses in the second chapter of Luke. The angel's message: "Fear not; for, behold, I bring you glad tidings of great joy," etc. The angels' song, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men." Dr. Kemp is informal, profound yet lucid, sound to the core, and reaches thrilling climaxes. He magnified Christ, and when he had finished our hearts were attuned to sing, "Crown Him Lord of all."

Dr. Jowett preached on Monday, Christmas Day, to a great audience on the theme, "The Second Bethlehem," as suggested by Paul in Gal. iv:19, "Christ, formed in you."

Christ was born in Bethlehem that he might be formed or born in you; the first Bethlehem means little to him that knows not the second. Christ formed in each of us is our Christmas. This signifies the coming of Christ into our life—not merely a great idea, a lofty ideal, a noble impulse, but the entry of a real person that recreates us and thereby transforms our thoughts, our purposes, our impulses. He gives us a new heredity, the old Adam gives place to the New Adam. Jesus does not deal directly with skin complaints, but goes to the heart or seat of the trouble.

Dr. Jowett is simple, yet most fascinating and forceful; he preached "the Gospel with demonstration of the Spirit and with power." It was a vivid presentation of the transforming power of Christ in a man's life.

Conventions of Baptist Men.

It has been definitely decided that two such meetings shall be held next spring—the first in Shreveport, La., March 6, 7 and 8; the second in Atlanta, Ga., March 13, 14 and 15. These two conventions will be on the order of the great meeting held in Chattanooga the first of February, 1913.

A number of strong men attribute a new life of increased activity and enlarged giving to the inspiration of the Chattanooga Convention.

Will not preachers and laymen make a note of these dates and begin now to make their plans to attend? The program will be practical and framed with a special view to the needs of laymen. Eminent preachers will bring stirring messages, men that rank high in business, professional and public life will be heard, and opportunity will also be given for men, not accustomed to public speaking, to offer a brief word of testimony.

J. T. HENDERSON.
New York City.

CARSON-NEWMAN COLLEGE.

Your brief editorial note concerning the disaster at Carson-Newman mars the Christmas joy of every reader who knows what Carson-Newman is and loves it for what it has been for more than half a century to the cause of enlightenment in East Tennessee. You very truly say, "There is only one thing to do, that is to rebuild." Certainly nothing else is to be thought of for a moment. The school has won its high place by honest work. I know its history from the very beginning. My father was a close personal friend of Rev. William Rogers, who went up and down the East Tennessee valleys talking and preaching about the need of better means of education for Baptist boys and girls, and especially for young preachers. He opened the school in 1851, modestly calling it "Mossy Creek Academy." Perhaps it is not too much

to say that he gave it his life. His seemingly premature death left a solid sentiment among his friends in favor of the perpetuation of the school, and it continued to grow. I was first entered in 1856, when there was only one small building. Students boarded in private homes. I was re-entered in 1859, when there were two additional buildings and a far larger number of students, some from other States. The storm of war left the institution a wreck! It never had a more opportune time to—I had almost written die! But, surely, it never had a greater necessity to live than then. I shall not attempt to recount its pathetic struggles for life, how it seemed that in spite of everything it must die, and how at length Rev. Jesse Baker threw himself into the work, going all over that part of the State persuading those who had given pledges to the school to renew them and those who had not to do so now. I do not believe it to be invidious to claim that he kept it alive until the hour arrived for the two men whose names the college now bears to put it firmly on its feet.

In all essentials the story is one which might be told of every institution of learning in the Southern country. But this has a field all its own. Some other schools of the Baptists in East Tennessee did not survive the shock of the Civil War. Hence it became necessary for Carson-Newman to enlarge its scheme and become co-educational. What this has meant to the cause of generous culture among the people throughout that region cannot easily be told. Carson-Newman has set the pace for educational ideals, for a pervasive Christian atmosphere, for honesty in intellectual inquiry, and for loyalty to truth. It has been the making of hundreds of the finest young men and women, who have gone out into the larger world with its mark upon them to reflect credit upon their Alma Mater, and to do battle for the noblest things. Surely, in this day of her disaster, her friends will come to her help with a generosity that will show what they think of her.

The appeal is to the East Tennessee people, regardless of denominational alignments. For the benefits of such a school could by no means be confined to any denomination. The influence of an educated Christian man or woman in any community is a public benefaction. Wherever the graduates of Carson-Newman go they carry the enlarged conceptions of human life and duty and the exalted ideals of character which they there received. They become an incentive and an inspiration. May we not hope that some man or woman of large vision will come forward just now and build a lasting monument in the shape of a new building?

S. M. PROVENCE

Hallettsville, Texas.

TRENTON, TENN.

Trenton church has been, and is busy Tuesday night, December 4th, T. T. Martin, the greatest expounder of the gospel I have ever heard, came to us and preached until the following Monday night, preparing the way for his reaper, E. J. Isenhower, and his singer, Howard Martin, who remained until Sunday night. Circuit Court, the inevitable Christmas spirit, and inclement weather hindered somewhat. Still God gave us some forty professions, and twenty-six additions by baptism, in or as a result of the meeting. The visit of these men has been a benediction.

Last week (Sunday), Dr. J. F. Halley preached a splendid sermon, which marked the close of a fine Fifth Sunday meeting in our church.

The first three days of this week, our ladies are holding prayer services in the interest of foreign missions.

Next Thursday Mr. W. D. Hudgins and workers, Mr. Filson and Miss Tiller are to begin a three-days' school in the interest of Sunday-school work.

We covet the prayers of the saints.

O. W. TAYLOR, Pastor.

The Weekly Bulletin

Baptist Sunday School Board
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

The Sunday School Board has a twofold appeal: its claim as a denominational institution, and its appeal as a business.

Of the former we will speak in the reading columns of the Baptist and Reflector; of the latter we propose to speak through this weekly bulletin. We call it a bulletin, but it is really a plain, straight-out advertisement.

It will be our appeal as a business to you as a willing, and we hope friendly, customer.

We want to do business with you fairly and on a business basis. We have goods to sell; we want customers for our goods. We think you need to know more of what we can supply, and you ought to buy it from us.

Sometimes, however, we may advertise not our wares but our work.

We have the cheapest Duplex Envelopes on the market. They are arranged for every Sunday, twice a month or once a month. Made for our own people. Information gladly given.

Dr. A. T. Robertson has written a new book, "The Divinity of Christ in the Gospel of John." It is really an exposition of the whole Gospel, and of great value for the present Sunday school lessons. We send it by mail for \$1.00 postpaid.

BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

161 EIGHTH AVENUE, NORTH, NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

A GOOD MEETING.

God has again poured out a great blessing on Chinquepin Grove church and people. On the second Sunday in December we began a meeting and closed the fourth Sunday. Rev. E. L. Tittsworth of Seymour, Tenn., assisted us in the meeting. He is the most Godly man I ever met. He is a plain, practical Gospel preacher. He endeared himself to our people very much. The Holy Spirit was present to convict. Sinners came forward trembling and weeping and were happily converted and when they joined the church we let them talk about God's power to save, like the man recorded in John 9:25. We had sixteen additions. Eight were baptized; others are to be baptized later on. Some were converted that did not join. The pastor's and members' hearts are overflowing with joy on account of the great blessings God has given them. After this we expect to preach at Chinquepin Grove two Sundays in the month, instead of one, which we hope will be a help to both pastor and church.

W. H. HICKS.

Doeville, Tenn.

R. W. WEAVER THE RIGHT MAN.

It is with pleasure that I note the acceptance of Rev. R. W. Weaver as Secretary of Education in Tennessee. To my mind no man, in the State or out of it, is so well qualified to do this work as Rufus Weaver. He has had charge of this work for years and is more familiar with it and more interested in it than any other man.

There is a brighter day ahead for education in Tennessee. Every loyal Baptist should rally to the support of this work and this man.

Rufus Weaver and the writer were fellow students in the Theological Seminary at Louisville. I take great pleasure in recommending him most heartily to the brethren.

WM. D. NOWLIN.

Knoxville, Tenn.

Mt. View church—Bro. Fitzpatrick officiated at the marriage of Mr. A. L. Frazier of Lancaster, Tenn., and Miss Ethel Moore, December 25, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Alice Moore, Laverne, Tenn. Mr. Frazier is a prosperous young farmer, and Miss Moore an accomplished young lady.

THE MINUTES OF THE BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

The minutes of the last State Convention will be out in a few days. All pastors and church clerks, whose addresses appear in the minutes of the Associations for 1916, will receive copies of the minutes at once. All others desiring copies, please send in orders to me with six cents to pay postage.

Sincerely,

J. W. GILLON, Cor. Sec.,
161 8th Ave. N.,
Nashville, Tenn.

The old year is now expiring. Its joys and blessings with its sorrows and ills are things of the past. May all that hindered be left behind and the things helpful abide to aid in the New Year that greater progress may be made in all that pertains to life and Godliness. May the year 1917 surpass any of all the years of the Baptist and Reflector in proficiency and efficiency, in the things for which it has stood, and may Tennessee Baptists go forward in every enterprise and task undertaken as never before, in the wish and prayer of one wishing to serve.

F. P. DODSON.

Greenbrier, Tenn.

Union Grove church, Morgan county—Pastor J. F. Webb, by invitation, began meeting here Saturday night, December 23. Preached twice Sunday. Very good Sunday school. Quite a number manifesting interest. Meeting will continue indefinitely.

The Messenger of Oklahoma City, Okla., proposes Hon. J. C. Stalcup of that State, former Secretary of State Missions, as President of the Southern Baptist Convention. He would make a good one.

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PASTORS' CONFERENCE

It is earnestly requested that communications for this page be written as briefly as possible. Take time to write plainly and as nearly as possible conform to our adopted style. These notes come in at the last hour, when every moment counts much in getting the forms made up for press.

NASHVILLE.

Third Pastor Creasman spoke on "The Blessings of Bible Giving," and "The Greatest Possible Prayer for 1917." 212 in S. S. Splendid audiences. Work on building progressing nicely.

Grand View—Pastor J. F. Savell spoke on "The Habit of Forgetfulness," and "A Happy Remembrance."

Park Ave.—Pastor I. N. Strother spoke on "Going to Church," and "Confession."

Eastland—Pastor S. P. Poag spoke on "A Prosperous Church," and "How We are to Succeed in the Year 1917." Good S. S. and B. Y. P. U.

Lockeland—Pastor W. R. Hill spoke on "Facing the Future," and "A Helpful Confidence." Good congregations; fair S. S. and B. Y. P. U.

Edgefield—Pastor Lunsford spoke on "Grace for the New Year," and "Solving My Problems." Two additions.

North Edgefield—Pastor Duncan spoke on "A Test of True Discipleship," and "Lost Power." Two by letter. 206 in S. S. Most interesting B. Y. P. U.

Judson Memorial—Pastor C. F. Clark spoke on "Pressing On," and "The Christian Race." One addition for baptism.

Grace—Pastor W. Rufus Beckett spoke on "The Church Is the Body of Christ," and "A Christian Soldier." Preached at State Prison at 2 p. m. 199 in S. S.

South Side—Pastor C. W. Knight spoke on "John's Gospel," and "Repentance." Good day.

Shelby Ave.—Pastor J. N. Poe spoke on "The Friendship of God," and "The Still Small Voice."

Seventh—Pastor C. L. Skinner spoke on "Faith, Hope and Love," and "Loss Forecasts Gain." Good S. S. and B. Y. P. U. Fine congregations.

Calvary—Pastor C. H. Cosby spoke on "Hinderance to the Christian Life," and "Retrospection."

Franklin—Pastor Albert R. Bond spoke on "Retrospect and Prospect," and "The Investment of Influence."

Central—Pastor John R. Gunn spoke on "Jesus Christ the Same Yesterday, Today and Forever."

Martin—Morning service given to Bible reading on church finances. Pastor spoke at night on "Forgetting the Past, and Pressing Toward the Prize of God's High Calling."

KNOXVILLE.

First—Pastor Broughton spoke on "The Downs and Ups of the Spiritual Life," and "The Dying Year."

Broadway—E. W. Peacock, assistant pastor. W. B. Rutledge spoke on "A Pastoral Prayer for Power," and "Jesus Christ and the Chief of Sinners." 410 in S. S.

Deaderick Ave.—Pastor Wm. D. Nowlin spoke on "How to be a Fruitful Christian," and "How to be Saved." 517 in S. S.

Fountain City—Pastor Tyree C. Whitehurst spoke on "Opportunity, How Men Meet It," and "Watchword for the New Year." One by letter.

Island Home—Pastor J. L. Dance spoke on "God and His Senior Partner," and "If Jesus Had Not Come." 424 in S. S. Best year in history of church.

Central of Fountain City—Pastor A. F. Mahan spoke on "The Voyage of Life," and "The Silent Partner." 139 in S. S.

Corryton—F. M. Dowell, pastor. D. W. Lindsay spoke on "Obedience and its Blessings."

Beaumont Ave.—D. W. Lindsay, pastor. H. M. Grubb spoke in the morning on "I Must be About My Father's Business." Pastor spoke at night on "Seven Things About Salvation." Large congregations. Good B. Y. P. U.

Lonsdale—J. C. Shipe, pastor. Rev. J. Pike Powers spoke on "The Church." Rev. Humphreys spoke at night on "The Broad and Narrow Way." 312 in S. S. Fine fifth Sunday meeting in progress.

Oakwood—Pastor Wm. D. Hutton spoke on "The Glory of a Finished Work," and "The Alpha and Omega of Life." 234 in S. S. Five baptized. Three by letter.

Calvary—Pastor S. C. Grigsby spoke on "Confidence in God," and "Lot." 82 in S. S. Four for prayer at night.

Euclid Ave.—Pastor W. M. Griffith spoke on "Counting the Cost of Discipleship," and "Redeeming the Time." 176 in S. S.

Gillespie Ave.—Pastor W. H. Rutherford spoke on "Nehemiah Rebuilding the Wall," and "Gain Through Prayer." 176 in S. S.

MEMPHIS.

North Evergreen—Pastor D. Crawford spoke to good congregations. 40 in S. S. Labelle Place—Pastor Ellis spoke at both hours. Good S. S. Three additions. One by letter, and two by baptism.

Union Ave.—Pastor W. R. Farrow spoke on "Functions of Vital Spirituality," and "Set Thine House in Order." 173 in S. S. One addition on statement. Good congregations.

McLemore Ave.—Pastor Roswell Davis spoke on "God Is Love," and "Thus Saith the Lord." One addition by letter. 120 in S. S.

Binghamton—Pastor L. P. Royer spoke on "Saving Our Homes," and "Second Coming of Jesus." 80 in S. S. Good B. Y. P. U.

Highland Heights—H. P. Hurt spoke at both hours. Large congregations.

First—Pastor Boone spoke on "Some Lessons from 1916." Assistant Pastor Boone spoke in the evening on "Christianity and Social Justice." One by letter.

Bellevue—Pastor R. M. Inlow spoke in the morning, and Bro. Frank Crockett at night. Two by letter. Good S. S. and B. Y. P. U.

Rowan—Pastor J. E. Eoff spoke at both hours. 81 in S. S.

New South Memphis—Pastor T. E. Rice spoke in the morning, and Bro. Lee Wilson lectured at night. 100 in S. S.

Boulevard—Pastor T. N. Hale spoke on "Eternal Investment," and "Starting the New Year Right."

Temple—Pastor J. Carl McCoy spoke on "Exalting Christ," and "The Story of a Life." Three by letter. 205 in S. S. Church gave pastor pounding Wednesday night. S. S. and Pastors' Aid raised \$1,225 for our building fund during 1916.

Seventh Street—Pastor S. A. Wilkins spoke at both hours. 255 in S. S. Promotion day.

CHATTANOOGA.

Woodland Park—Pastor McClure spoke on "Planning God's Work," and "What I Have Written, I Have Written." 98 in S. S.

Avondale—Pastor W. R. Hamie spoke on "Grieving the Holy Spirit." Bro. Paul Hodge spoke in the evening on "Pleasing God." Excellent B. Y. P. U.'s. Good S. S.

Daisy—Pastor Chunn spoke on "God's Encouraging Message to a Weak Church." 80 in S. S.

First—Pastor W. F. Powell spoke on "The Enlistment of Time," and "Life's Irrevocables." One addition. One baptized.

Ridgedale—E. A. Jackson spoke on "Salvation to the Ends of the Earth," and "A New Creation."

Chamberlain Ave.—Pastor G. T. King spoke on "Truth a Liberator," and "Admonitions for the Concluding Year." Good S. S. and B. Y. P. U.

Central—Pastor E. L. Grace spoke on "The New Trail," and "The New Year's Program." S. S. gave \$40.66 to Orphanage. In addition an offering of \$25 was made for starving children in Europe.

Harriman—Pastor M. C. Atchley spoke at both hours. Pastor begins his third

year as pastor. 267 in S. S. Three additions.

Highland Park—Pastor Keese spoke on "New Year's Message," and "The Christian Growth." 278 in S. S. Good B. Y. P. U.

Rossville—Pastor J. Bernard Tallant spoke on "The Mystery of Life," and "The Rich Fool." Splendid Sr. B. Y. P. U. Organized Jr. B. Y. P. U. 258 in S. S.

Alton Park—J. W. Wood spoke on "Baptist Peculiarities," and "Faith." 140 in S. S. 40 in B. Y. P. U. Good congregations.

Erin—Pastor O. C. Peyton spoke on "God's Unspeakable Gift," and "The Master Has Come and Calleth for Thee." Five by letter since last report. Revived the observance of the Lord's Supper.

Columbia (Second)—Pastor O. A. Utley spoke on "I Have Finished the Work," and "The Three Stages of Life." One for baptism.

Jacksboro—Pastor D. A. Webb spoke on "Regeneration a Creation by the Word of God," and Gen. 2:3. 142 in S. S.

AMONG THE BRETHREN.

By Fleetwood Ball.

Dr. I. N. Penick of Martin, Tenn., writes: "I am to start to Tampa, Fla., tomorrow to help Dr. W. C. Golden in a meeting with Palm Avenue church. Pray for us. Christmas over and all order again, and facing the New Year with good hope. Ten thousand blessings on you, yours and your work."

Dr. Ben Cox of Memphis, Tenn., writes: "The third annual anniversary of the noon prayer meeting of Central church will be held January 14-21. Dr. W. J. Williamson and Mr. Edward Card (Old Glory Face) of St. Louis will take part in the services three times a day. The anniversary day proper is January 19. On this night Dr. Williamson will deliver his address on 'Robert E. Lee, the Man.' The anniversary of the present pastorate falls on that date also."

Rev. James F. Dew of Henning, Tenn., writes: "The good folks at this place very agreeably surprised us last Thursday night, when, in spite of the snow storm, they called and pounded us. This makes the second time they have been guilty of this thing since we came here in April. We enjoy our work here very much."

Rev. R. J. Williams of Martin, Tenn., writes: "Shout with us! We have just had a great time at Friendship, where I have just taken hold as pastor. I preached there last Sunday. We were \$1,735 in debt. Met there in prayer Tuesday night and after a season of prayer we raised in cash the full amount and this afternoon at 3 p. m. we met again, burned notes and sang and shouted together."

Mr. E. L. Bass of Memphis, Tenn., writes: "Bro. V. B. Filson states that he is arranging to give West Tennessee the first two or three months of the New Year, to be divided among the different Associations of the West Tennessee Convention, holding Training Schools, and organizing Sunday Schools wherever needed throughout the territory. Bro. W. D. Hudgins is requesting that we use his entire time up to the Convention at Ripley in April. Our Training School in Memphis will be held January 7 to 12."

A week of prayer is being observed in the Baptist Tabernacle, Chattanooga, Tenn., from January 1 to 7. Dr. J. B. Phillips is pastor. Dr. Austin Crouch of Murfreesboro, Tenn., is preaching each evening on the general theme of "The Plan of Salvation."

Dr. E. E. King of the First church, McKinney, Texas, who has served there as pastor nineteen years, has resigned. During that time 2,000 have been added to the church. He

Rheumatism

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by One Who Had It

In the spring of 1893 I was attacked by Muscular and Inflammatory Rheumatism. I suffered as only those who have it know, for over three years. I tried remedy after remedy, and doctor after doctor, but such relief as I received was only temporary. Finally, I found a remedy that cured me completely, and it has never returned. I have given it to a number who were terribly afflicted and even bedridden with Rheumatism, and it effected a cure in every case.

I want every sufferer from any form of rheumatic trouble to try this marvelous healing power. Don't send a cent; simply mail your name and address and I will send it free to try. After you have used it and it has proven itself to be that long-looked for means of curing your Rheumatism, you may send the price of it, one dollar, but, understand, I do not want your money unless you are perfectly satisfied to send it. Isn't that fair? Why suffer any longer when positive relief is thus offered you free? Don't delay. Write today.

Mark H. Jackson, No. 390C Gurney Building, Syracuse, N. Y.

Mr. Jackson is responsible. Above statement true.—Pub.

will not move from McKinney, but will devote his time to literary work and preaching in the regions round about.

From Dr. Henry Alford Porter of Atlanta, Ga., Dr. I. N. Penick of Martin, Tenn., Rev. J. E. Skinner of Jackson, Tenn., Evangelist D. P. Montgomery of Blue Mountain, Miss., Rev. J. B. Alexander of Tyler, Texas, Rev. Roy Chandler of Fayetteville, Tenn., Dr. E. L. Atwood of Brownsville, Tenn., Mr. J. H. Simpson of Nashville, Tenn., Dr. C. A. Owens of Humboldt, Tenn., came to this scribe appropriate holiday greetings, for which we are profoundly grateful. We reciprocate every good wish.

A Bible Institute is to be held at Murray, Ky., between the dates of February 11-16. Rev. H. Boyce Taylor, the pastor, has arranged a rich program, including such speakers as Prof. John L. Hill, Rev. L. B. Warren of Atlanta, Ga., Dr. B. W. Spillman of Kinston, N. C., and other notable speakers.

The presence and helpful addresses of Dr. E. E. Folk of Nashville, Tenn., at the Fifth Sunday meeting of Beech River Association, held with Union church, Chesterfield, Tenn., was a great inspiration to all present. His sermon Sunday morning at Lexington, Tenn., was much enjoyed by that congregation.

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It salivates! It makes you sick and you may lose a day's work.

You're bilious, sluggish, constipated and believe you need vile, dangerous calomel to start your liver and clean your bowels.

Here's my guarantee! Ask your druggist for a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone and take a spoonful tonight. If it doesn't start your liver and straighten you right up better than calomel and without griping or making you sick I want you to go back to the store and get your money.

Take calomel today and tomorrow you will feel weak and sick and nauseated. Don't lose a day's work. Take a spoonful of harmless vegetable Dodson's Liver Tone tonight and wake up feeling great. It's perfectly harmless, so give it to your children any time. It can't salivate, so let them eat anything afterwards.

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MISSIONS AND MISSION METHODS

No one knows the struggles of the country pastor who has to contend with all kinds of heresies on his field, but those who have had some experience in his work. And outside theories and heresies don't amount to so much as things that happen right in his bounds. He has to contend with the things of the day and handle some of them as if they were serpents. Among the things we have to contend with today is the contention on the mission question. Men are like Adam when he began to place the blame on the woman for their sin, he is always trying to find something to get out of his duty with, or to try to shield himself; and for this has been selected the cudgel of Mission Methods to fight the organized work with in order to give them a door through which to pass from their duty. There is a continual grumble and row over how we shall send our mission money and we keep on trying to decide, and finally when we come to ourselves we have let the opportunity pass and Christ's commission is not carried out. Brethren, I think the time has come when God's stewards, instead of dividing on the methods of how we do our work, should be doing with great zeal what Christ said do. "Go ye!" But instead preachers as well as members of their churches are stopping to decide which way they will go, through the Board plan, or through the gospel mission plan.

Now the organized work, of course, as any one can see, is the only way to do mission work. It stands paramount and needs no recommendation, for it recommends itself to the Baptist who wants to do something in the Master's cause. And those who don't are continually quibbling over the mission

plans and are doing nothing. Why in the name of the Lord don't they show something they have done or are doing? They have fought and fought until they have got out of anything to say and they begin to fight among themselves, and are making divisions of divisions. The ninth article of the Southern Baptist Convention is their motto text, and education is their climax spiel. Gospel missions are right, and all Baptists acknowledge it is so, when we spell the words with a small letter at the beginning, but when we use the capital "G" and "M" to spell, it's all wrong. If they aim to adopt gospel missions as a name they ought to have it *Gospel Methodist*, for they have divided from the Board plan which has been the practice of Baptists for years, not on *gospel missions*, but on *Methods*. Let those who want to do the Master's work join hand in hand as ever with peace and harmony, and through the dear old Board plan do what our Master commissioned us to do, "Go teach or disciple all nations." This He said without saying whether we should go by the way of ship, buggy, automobile, or walk; or to do it through the Board system or how. But He did say go! And we are going. Look for yourself and see. Are the Gospel Missioners going? If not, why? Quit quibbling, fall in line with the work which has had the approval of the Spirit, showing it by its merits and let's do the Master's bidding with haste.

C. C. RAMSEY,
Pastor Dixon Creek.

THE J. A. CHAMBLISS SOCIETY FOR BIBLICAL INQUIRY.

The ministerial students of Carson-Newman College have taken a forward step in their preparation for service by organizing a Society for Biblical Inquiry.

At the first meeting the following officers were elected: President, R. C. Smith; Vice-President, J. H. Ponder; Recording Secretary, H. P. Jett; Corresponding Secretary, J. B. Lee; Treasurer, T. M. Cain; Critic, Dr. J. W. Mahoney; Marshal, D. B. Clapp. Program Committee—Dr. J. M. Burnett, Frank Collins, H. S. Hill.

Under the supervision of Dr. W. J. Mahoney, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Jefferson City, Tenn., and Dr. J. M. Burnett, President of the College, this Society promises to be of great value and interest to the students. All students are invited to attend the meetings and are urged to take part in the discussions. The college has given the Society a special room for a meeting place. This room needs many repairs. Plans have been made for soliciting funds that we may make the room a pleasant place to meet and study. Former students and

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friends of the college are asked to help with this work. One of the first things the Society has undertaken is the establishment of a religious library. We very earnestly request anyone to send the Society any good books that you may to donate, for we are depending upon our friends for these books.

This Society is named in honor of Dr. J. A. Chambliss, whose Christ-like life was an inspiration during his short stay at Carson-Newman.

Any donations or books may be sent to J. B. Lee, Corresponding Secretary, Jefferson City, Tenn.

Thanking you in advance for any remembrance from you, I am,
J. B. LEE.

THE SMOOT-WHEELAN MEETINGS AT CHARLESTON.

Recently Dr. H. A. Smoot closed a successful meeting at the First Baptist church, of Charleston, Missouri. There were many difficulties to overcome, but they did not discourage the evangelist. The fact is that one of the outstanding characteristics of Bro. Smoot is courage.

The messages of Dr. Smoot were clear and were delivered as if the preacher himself believed what he was saying. A better hearing for this man was secured in the day services than has been given to any evangelist at this church for a long while. Many things hindered at the evening service, but the people gave the meetings delightful consideration. Our own folks for the most part were very loyal.

While Mr. Smoot does not need any commendation from me, it may not be out of place to say a word or two as to his manner of conducting revival meetings. First of all there were no sensational methods used. The preaching of this evangelist is strictly Biblical. His propositions he seeks to establish by scriptural proofs. A great word with him is, "Scriptural." There is in his preaching the heart appeal as well as the appeal of logic. Our people heard him gladly although he was not neglectful in telling us of our shortcomings and sins.

Mr. John B. Wheelan, of Hannibal, Missouri, was our laborious leader and gospel soloist. He is a singer of fine ability and his evident sincerity and pleasing manners get for him the hearts of the folks. His ready Irish wit helps to keep in excellent humor the whole congregation, while at the same time he does not allow that wit

to make him ridiculous. When you have smiled it has not been at something closely related to the sacrilegious. He has a carrying voice which enables him to be a real chorus and congregational leader and the flexibility of his voice together with its real musical quality makes him a pleasing soloist.

The writer has heard that Dr. Smoot is to settle as pastor at Fredericktown, Mo., and be our neighbor. We welcome him and expect progress in Baptist affairs in our neighboring city.

Mr. Wheelan continues his evangelistic singing. From our church he went to the First Baptist church of Hutchinson, Kansas, to help Pastor Horace W. Cole in a meeting in which the pastor did the preaching.

ROBERT L. LEMONS.

Charleston, Mo.

Enclosed find check for renewal. I couldn't get along without the weekly visits of the Baptist and Reflector. My heart thrilled with joy and thankfulness when I read of the great forward step at Morristown. I am proud of Tennessee. Nothing will so arouse the interest and zeal of the people for every kingdom enterprise as a State-wide campaign for the first installment of that million dollars. The effect of the campaign here in Texas has been marvelous. I heard of it before I came, of course, and saw statements in the papers about it, but the half was not told. Only seeing is believing, for to the eye only are the results revealed. Tennessee will come out of her swaddling clothes, yea, put on long dresses, and never be a child again, the day she puts over the first installment of that million dollars for her schools. The day of small things in missions, orphans' home, education, the Baptist and Reflector, everything, will be forever past after that event. May it speedily come.

Launched our campaign for \$50,000 for dormitories at a great business men's luncheon today. Over half the amount in sight. Pray for us.

H. E. WATERS.

Marshall, Texas.

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CURED HIS RUPTURE.

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WATCHWORD: "Steadfastly in Prayer and Ministry."—Acts 6:4.

Bible Study Topic: "Missionary Motives."
Missionary Topic: "Planning for 1917."

Our program editor gives some needs in the opening paragraph in Royal Service.

Power first—Prayer. As power comes through this channel. Knowledge, only as we know do we have a desire to do. Workers, enlisting all—Budget. Our aim must be concrete and progressive. An evidence of life is growth. We would call attention to the second and third paragraphs. The importance of the devotional part of the regular program, and the value of weeks of prayer, and preparation for these. Seemingly, only a few of our workers value these special seasons as we should, missing a great blessing by passing them by with the excuse "too busy; no time for a whole week of meetings;" "they will not come;" "our women are busy mothers and home-keepers," and so it goes.

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD APPEAL—CHRISTMAS OFFERING FOR 1916-17.

The cause and history of foreign missions are intricately involved with prayer. Our own foreign mission work has benefited by prayer during the present Convention year. We should not have paid the large debt on the Foreign Mission Board, immediately following the Southern Baptist and W. M. U. Conventions in Asheville last May, had the movement not started with and been attended by prayer. There was much prayer before the great hour in the W. M. U. Convention, when impulses and examples were inspired which made possible this greatest swift achievement in the history of Southern Baptist foreign missions. The effectualness of prayer was so demonstrated in this debt-raising campaign that I, for one, have been led to see more clearly the necessity and desirableness of it and to have a stronger craving for it on behalf of this great work. The women had large participation in this holy exercise and, consequently, took their full share of the giving and furnished a large measure of the inspiration to giving which spread so rapidly among our people.

Thousands of my sisters and members of the young people's missionary organizations will be praying for foreign missions, in particular, during this special week in January. My heart leaps with joy at the thought! There are such possibilities in this week of prayer! I know that this week will mean much for the work, for the immediate future of which we are so deeply concerned at this time. Suffer a few suggestions.

1. Seek preparation for this season of prayer. Endeavor to go into it with calmness of soul. Seek emancipation from engrossing and distracting things for this season of communion. Prepare to come into His presence and to abide there for awhile. Do not rush flurriedly into the sacred precinct and then hasten away.

2. Think on the present foreign mission situation. The imperative need, the challenging opportunities, the importunate and over-worked missionaries, the impatient volunteers. Pray for individuals and special objects. Some of

your sisters who represent you on the foreign field are tired and their strength is failing, but they cannot leave the work until reinforcements arrive. Ask God for the heathen for His inheritance and that your indifferent and half-hearted brothers and sisters may receive the Holy Ghost and put their hearts, their lives and their money into this holy enterprise.

3. Get your offering ready. Save out of your luxuries, your pleasures, your Christmas gifts and even your necessities. Fix the standard for your own gifts in conformity with your prayers and the vision of need and duty which prayer shall bring you. The needs of the work are very great. If I may freely open my heart to those who pray and would like their prayers to be effectual where the need and the burden are greatest, I will say to you that there is danger of another debt on the Foreign Mission Board. In prayer the old debt has been paid; in prayer the Board must be kept out of debt. Pray definitely that such wisdom may be given for the conduct of the work and such liberality practiced in the support of it that a debt shall be averted.

The goal which the women have set for themselves this year is a worthy one and if they reach it they will have done an heroic part to prevent a debt. Pray that victory may crown the efforts of the W. M. U. and associated organizations and that the entire \$188,400 fixed as the aim for the year may be secured.

J. F. LOVE,
Corresponding Secretary.
Richmond, Va.

WHAT-NOTS.

(By Mrs. Avery Carter.)

Yes, indeed, Mrs. Moody, "Madam President" is not only pleased, but delighted that you have started the quarterly meeting habit in Sweetwater Association. You have done the right thing, if you want to see W. M. U. work prosper and flourish "as a green bay tree." This makes the fifteenth Association walking in the plain path of duty. We congratulate Etowah on being the starting place of such a fine movement, and we congratulate Sweetwater Association on having an ambitious leader. We are sure there are other superintendents willing and anxious for their Associations to be progressive and upon them we would urge (oh, for a silvery tongue instead of a fountain pen!), with all earnestness, that they begin now to hold quarterly meetings. Remember, superintendents, that at our annual meeting a lovely pennant is awarded each Association holding the quarterly meetings.

Miss Sadie Tiller of Tennessee College and B. Y. P. U. fame, has been recuperating in Asheville, and expects to be back at her post the first of the year. Miss Tiller is an earnest, consecrated young woman, and we trust she may live many years, and continue to render valiant service to the King.

Holston Association is planning to hold a month's campaign, beginning Dec. 31, and the cry comes for W. M. U. helpers. Miss Luetta Hess will accom-

pany the campaigners. Good luck and blessings!

How about that Christmas offering, friends? Did you lay it aside before you did your Christmas shopping, or are you going to have a perfect panic now, trying to scrape up fifty cents or so to put in that little yellow envelope as your love-offering for Christ and China? And if you do get the "fifty cents or so," will your conscience let you feel perfectly easy? Here's hoping not!

Do you ever get the blues? Spiritual blues, I mean. Your inner life (I love the thought of the hidden life. Col. 3:37 seems below par, and you look within, and wonder what's the matter. A wonderful Christian wrote something that has been helpful: "I have not that constant sense of the Saviour's presence which I had for a long time, neither do I feel that I love Him as I thought I did, but it is not always best to judge ourselves by our feelings, but by the general principle and guiding desire of the mind." And this, "God purposely sickens us of self that we may learn to look long at Jesus." The suffering Israelites were bidden to look, only look, at the uplifted brazen serpent for relief, and we are told to "look unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith."

Our Training School Trustee, Mrs. Burroughs, is hoping that at least half of the \$6,500 asked of Tennessee for the enlargement fund, may be given by April 25. This means sacrificial giving for somebody—will that "somebody" be you? We trust that at every quarterly meeting the Training School and its interests will be presented. Every Baptist women and girl in Tennessee should know all there is to know about this—our own great Training School.

A Happy New Year to everybody.

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Get a 25 cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any drug store. You surely can have beautiful hair and lots of it if you will just try a little Danderine. Save your hair! Try it!

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Editorial

1917.

Have you got used to writing it? It looks strange, does it not? It has slipped on us so swiftly and so noiselessly that we have hardly been aware of its presence. What it has in store for us is known only to God.

"The Future's dark veil our breath fitfully flaps,
And behind it broods ever the mighty Perhaps."

It may be joy, it may be sorrow; it may be sweet, it may be bitter; it may be prosperity, it may be adversity; it may be success, it may be failure. We will do our best and leave the rest with God.

Oh, these years! how rapidly they are slipping by with silent tread. Soon they will all be gone. How are we spending them as they pass? That is the important question for us all. Ah! God give us grace that we may spend them aright!

"So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom."

MEDICAL ADVERTISING.

The following telegram will explain itself:

"Nashville, Tenn., January 1, 1917.

"Jacobs & Co.,
Clinton, S. C.

"We will accept no more medical or Coca-Cola advertisements. Letter follows."

"BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR."

We have announced a number of times, both in the Baptist and Reflector and in letters to pastors, that if we could secure 4,000 new subscribers to the Baptist and Reflector by January 1 we would discontinue all medical advertisements in the paper. Well, the Baptists of Tennessee have not done their part. But we will do our part, anyhow. We have not received the 4,000 new subscribers. But we have received so many of them, and we have the promise and the expectation of so many more, that we have determined to discontinue all medical and Coca-Cola advertisements, as indicated by the above telegram. These cannot all be discontinued at once. We must finish out contracts for their publication previously made in good faith by our advertising agents. But they will be discontinued just as fast as those contracts expire. On the whole subject of medical advertisements, let us say: Our attitude with regard to such advertisements has been that, while some might be fraudulent, others were good. We saw no objection to publishing good ones and tried to exercise all diligence to eliminate those which might be fraudulent. We have found it, however, difficult to discriminate between them, and so we have come to the conclusion that it would be best to eliminate them all together. We have wanted to do this for some time, but have hesitated on account of the serious and perhaps fatal effect it might have upon the financial condition of the paper. The elimination of the medical advertisements would involve a loss to us of from \$900 to \$1,800 a year. This, added to the increased cost of paper, would mean a shrinkage in our net income of from \$2,000 to \$3,000 a year. Running on a narrow margin, as the paper does, it would be impossible for it to stand such a shrinkage unless it would be made up in some way.

We know that it is a risky thing to do, to voluntarily cut off so much of our revenue, especially in these times of high prices of paper and of everything else. But we hope to make up the loss thus sustained by securing a good deal more denominational advertising, which we have not been getting, and also by securing a large number of new subscribers. We throw ourselves upon the mercy of the Baptists of Tennessee especially. The paper is yours. It is for you to say whether it shall live or die. Which shall it be? What answer will you give? We are going to trust our brethren to stand by us and help us in this emergency. Will they fail us? We believe not.

BEECH RIVER ASSOCIATION.

It was a pleasure to attend the Fifth Sunday meeting of the Beech River Association. It was held at Union church, near Chesterfield, on the Perryville branch of the N., C. & St. L. Ry. from Lexington. The church is beautifully situated on a wooded hill. It has a membership of about 170 or 175, composed of a fine class of people. Bro. W. F. Boren is pastor and has been for a dozen years or more. He is an excellent preacher and a most lovable man. He was Chairman of the meeting. The introductory sermon was preached by Bro. W. L. King, one of the Associational missionaries—Bro. C. E. Azbill is the other. Besides those named, we noted as present Brethren F. Ball, C. P. Gilliam, J. A. Moore, A. U. Nunnery. On Saturday various subjects of a doctrinal and practical nature were discussed by the brethren in a very interesting and profitable manner. At night the question box was opened and the questions answered by different ones. If the answer was not satisfactory a lively discussion was likely

to follow. In fact, the Fifth Sunday meetings of the Beech River Association are a kind of theological debating society, with enough practical and missionary topics thrown in to make them missionary as well as Baptist. They are worth a good deal to the young preachers, a number of whom are always present. And they are worth a good deal also to the older preachers, as we can testify from personal experience. On Sunday Bro. L. L. Walker conducted a Sunday School mass-meeting, and Bro. A. U. Nunnery preached the missionary sermon. We enjoyed being in the home of Bro. R. L. Dennison.

From Chesterfield we returned Sunday morning to Lexington and had the privilege of preaching for Pastor Fleetwood Ball. Bro. Ball is entering upon his fifteenth year as pastor at Lexington. When he took charge the church had a membership of about 30 or 40, had half-time preaching, and was worshipping in a one-room building on a side street. Now it has a membership of 300, has all-time preaching, and is worshipping in a nice modern building which cost about \$12,000 and is finely located on a corner of the Square.

Besides preaching at Lexington every Sunday morning and Sunday night, Bro. Ball preaches to four country churches nearby, one each Sunday afternoon. In addition, he is the popular corresponding editor of the Baptist and Reflector, is the local editor of a Lexington paper, and is correspondent for several daily papers. He is also Secretary of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, the Tennessee Baptist Ministers' Conference, the West Tennessee Sunday School Convention, and is Moderator of the Beech River Association. How he manages to do so many things and do them all well is a mystery. We enjoyed preaching to his people and enjoyed being in his home.

WHAT OTHERS SAY.

Baptists are not alone in protesting against the arbitrary and un-American conduct of Gen. Frederick Funston in refusing to allow Dr. J. B. Gambrell and other Baptist preachers to preach to the soldiers, except on condition that they should not preach that men are lost, and that they should not hold a revival. Others besides Baptists believe in religious liberty. In fact, it is guaranteed by the first amendment to the Constitution of the United States, put there by Baptists, but now endorsed by all denominations, except, of course, the Roman Catholics, and endorsed by the people of the country generally without respect to denomination. Here are a few expressions with regard to the matter from others besides Baptists:

The Waco Times-Herald, Waco, Texas, sets the matter out as follows:

"The friends of freedom—the lovers of liberty in all lands—must stand together. Thomas Jefferson aimed at religious liberty as a great good in itself and a step to that which he made his life's work—the political liberty and political sovereignty of the one man—the unit of societies who in the world's past, had been the victim of oppression from theocracies, monarchies, oligarchies, aristocracies, and the ruder classic democracies, ruled by unrestricted majorities. It is manifestly not the purpose of the Baptists of Texas to humiliate Fred Funston, who has rendered conspicuous service to his country. But they cannot in good conscience have him pass on their theology, and to this aspect of the controversy he should seriously address himself, and, doing so, he is pretty apt to confess his error, and that will end the matter."

Bishop Warren A. Candler of the M. E. Church, South, says:

"Could anything be more ridiculous or reprehensible than this performance of the little general from Kansas? By military orders he proposes to determine that preaching to the soldiers concerning their lost condition is not proper. He also puts a mark of discredit upon revivals of religion. What kind of authority has the commander for issuing orders of this kind?"

The Churchman, New York, says: "The Baptists can be sure of the co-operation of the Episcopalians."

PEACE PROSPECTS.

They are not very bright at present. Germany replied to the note of President Wilson proposing "an immediate exchange of views," and to that end "an immediate meeting of delegates of the belligerent States at a neutral place." But the Allies unanimously and emphatically reject the peace proposals. They insist that Germany must state in advance the conditions on which she will be willing to make peace, and that these terms must include restitution, reparation and satisfactory guarantees against war in the future.

REMEMBER

We are still selling "The Black Prophet," price \$1.35; "When a Man's a Man," price \$1.35; Fanny Crosby's Story of 94 Years, price \$1.00; "Baptist Principles," price 50c. Also, if you will send us ONE NEW SUBSCRIBER and your own renewal we will send you free of charge any one of the above books.

QUESTION BOX.

The question arose in our Sunday school as to whether John was ever released from the Isle of Patmos? If he was not, how did the Book of Revelation get to the people? Were there no people at all on this isle? Please answer these questions for the benefit of our Sunday schools in general.

T. N. EBLEN.

Tyner, Tenn.

Answer—Patmos is a small island in the Aegean Sea, off the coast of Asia Minor, not very far from Ephesus. For the most part it is bare and rocky, but it is said to have had good mines in the time of John. If these were worked, as it is presumed they were, then there were, of course, inhabitants on the island. And being so near the mainland, communication was not difficult. We have no record as to whether John did or did not return from Patmos, though it is quite probable that he did.

RECENT EVENTS.

Rev. D. F. Lillard requests us to change the address of his paper from Benton to Wetmore. His correspondents will please note the change of address.

We are indebted to our friend, Rev. W. D. Turnley of Fort Mead, Fla., for a nice box of Florida fruit, including oranges, lemons and pineapples. It was greatly appreciated and much enjoyed.

The Christian Index states that Mercer University suffered loss from a fire in the third story of the main building to the extent of about \$10,000, but reports that the loss was covered by insurance.

Norvell B. Knight, brother of Dr. Ryland Knight of Clarksville, Tenn., died in Trenton, N. J., Friday, December 29, aged 39 years. He was buried in Shelbyville, Ky., Monday, January 1. We extend sympathy.

Dr. I. N. Penick of Martin passed through Nashville last Monday on his way to Tampa to assist Dr. W. C. Golden in a meeting at the Palm Avenue church. We shall expect to hear of gracious results.

The minutes of the Tennessee Baptist Convention are out. They are well printed. They make pages full of important reading matter. If you 200 pages full of important reading matter. If you postage is six cents.

Rev. C. E. Wauford, the eloquent pastor at Covington, has been spending the holidays with his mother in DeKalb county and his brother, Rev. W. E. Wauford, of Watertown. He passed through Nashville on his way home Monday.

Dr. Allen Fort, pastor of the First church, this city, was called to Spartanburg, S. C., last Wednesday to attend the funeral of the father of Mrs. Fort, Mr. Hicks. He had been ill for several weeks, and Mrs. Fort had been by his bedside. He was a Christian gentleman of the highest character. We extend sympathy to the bereaved family.

The death of Mr. C. C. Slaughter on last Sunday was very sad. He was an honored member of the First Baptist church, this city. For some years he had been one of the most active and useful members of the Sunday School Board and was the attorney for the Board. He was a genial, lovable man and numbered his friends by the hundreds. The funeral was held at the home of his friend, Mr. Kirk Rankin, on Tuesday morning, and the burial was at Hopkinsville by the side of his mother, to whose memory he was deeply devoted.

J. W. Beagle, while engaged in a meeting at Middleburg, Ky., ran across a bit of interesting history. In the record of the old Green River (now Middleburg) church he found the following: "About the year 1814, Elder Jacob Warner baptized on profession of faith in Jesus Christ, Charles Vandever, at the age of 115 years old, and was perhaps the oldest man ever baptized and received into any church in America." So far as our information extends, he was the oldest man baptized into any church in America or any other country.—Western Recorder.

Pastor William D. Nowlin of Knoxville has at last accepted the call extended him last fall by the Twenty-second and Walnut Street church, Louisville, Ky., and will begin there February 15. The Deaderick Avenue church has made great progress during Dr. Nowlin's pastorate, having reached her highest period of Sunday school attendance and number of additions. The minutes of the last Tennessee Association show that this church had last year 128 baptisms, more than doubling the average of baptisms for the other large churches of Knoxville.

Editorial Notes

When an elderly Quaker woman was asked the kind of cosmetic she used, she is said to have offered this prescription: "I use for my lips, truth; for my voice, prayer; for the eyes, pity; for the hands, charity; for the figure, uprightness; for the heart, love." What better cosmetic than that?

The Tennessee Legislature met in its sixtieth session at the capitol on Monday of this week. Senator W. R. Crabtree was elected Speaker of the Senate, and Mr. Clyde Shropshire Speaker of the House. Among the earliest bills to be considered are the temperance measures. Inasmuch as both parties have declared against the liquor traffic, it is expected that these bills will pass unanimously.

The doctors have a phrase they use a good deal now—auto-intoxication, meaning self-intoxicating or self-poisoning. But is there not a good deal of auto-intoxication in another sense—automobile intoxication. Has not the mania for automobiles become a kind of intoxication or craze, when once a man gets it—or, rather, when it gets him—he seldom gets over it? And this is especially true if the man is a woman.

Among the members of the Legislature is Bro. M. A. Webb, a prominent Baptist of Whiteville. We are glad to have such men in the Legislature. We have asked Bro. Webb to obtain for us as early as practicable a list of all the Baptists in this Legislature. We wanted to publish a list of the Baptists in the last Legislature, but never could get the list of those in the Senate, though there were a number of them there. We may only say now that these Baptists generally stood true on all moral issues, as it is expected that Baptists will.

Mrs. Helen Barrett Montgomery, speaking of a visit to Miss Robinson, principal of the Isabella Thoburn College, in India, says she showed her a big packet of letters and said: "There is a new world in India. Eight thousand young men are graduating from college every year. These men don't want a mere child, a toy for a wife, they wish companionship. All these are letters of inquiry of a matrimonial nature. We could arrange for more marriages than we have graduates, and those marriages into the most desirable families. Sometimes it seems as if I were conducting a matrimonial bureau to supply wives for future college professors, judges, deputy collectors and all sorts of influential men."

"Christmas in Christmas Lands" was the subject of a very interesting article in the Nashville Banner by the "Religious Rambler," known to be Mr. Wm. T. Ellis. Among other things he says that troops are garrisoned at Jerusalem, that "on Bethlehem's hills there are neither sheep nor shepherds this Christmas," that there is no bread in Bethlehem, the "House of Bread," but actual starvation, that 100,000 persons have died of starvation, that there is no business. "Oil and sugar have gone beyond everybody's reach." This is certainly very sad. We were surprised at one thing in the article of Mr. Ellis. He speaks of Syria as "the country in which Jesus was born, and lived and died." Jesus was born and lived and died in Palestine, not Syria. They are two different countries. Both have belonged to the Turkish empire for some centuries, but they are separate and distinct provinces, though before the present war both were under the rule of one governor, who was located at Damascus, the capital of Syria. Syria in Bible times sometimes conquered Palestine, but did not annex it.

Germany, Austria - Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey replied to the note of President Wilson, in which he asked that the belligerent nations state the aims for which they were fighting, proposing that a conference of the delegates of all the belligerents be held immediately in a neutral city. The task of preventing future wars, the official statement says, can be begun only after the end of the present struggle. The entente allies, on the other hand, desire more light on the message.

We received so many Christmas cards and New Year's greetings from our friends in Tennessee and other States that it is impossible to respond to them all in a personal way. And so we must take this means of acknowledging their receipt. We want also to express our deep appreciation of their kind remembrance. To each one of those who remembered us and to every reader of the Baptist and Reflector we extend our most earnest wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

Complete official returns on the presidential election show that Mr. Wilson received 9,116,296 votes and Mr. Hughes 8,547,474, a plurality of 568,822 for Mr. Wilson. In 1912 Wilson (Democrat) received 6,297,099, Taft (Republican), 3,846,399, and Roosevelt (Progressive), 4,124,953. The vote for Mr. Benson (Socialist) was 750,000, with eight missing States estimated, against 901,873 for Debs (Socialist) in 1912, and for Mr. Hanly (Prohibitionist) was 225,101, against 207,928 for Chaffin (Prohibition) in 1912. The total popular vote for the four candidates was 18,638,877, as against 15,045,322 in 1912. This is an increase of 3,593,549, accounted for by the increased population and the women vote in the new suffrage States.

Mrs. Sun Yat Sen, wife of the well known Chinese reformer and public leader, was baptized recently in the sea not far from the spot where a century ago Robert Morrison baptized the first Protestant convert in China. Mrs. Sun was received into the membership of the Baptist church at Macao. It will be remembered that Sun Yat Sen was the inaugurator of the movement which culminated in the Chinese Republic and was the Provisional President of the Republic. He really, as it seemed to us then and seems still more so now, ought to have continued as President. He very gracefully, however, gave way to Yuan Shi Kai, who at his death was succeeded by the present President. It is not impossible, and in fact we think is quite probable that Sun Yat Sen will be elected as President of the Republic. He himself is a Christian, though not a Baptist. We hope, however, he will follow the example of his good wife and become a Baptist. Think of it! A Baptist President of China!

It is said an artist was once asked to paint a picture representing a decaying church. To the astonishment of many, instead of putting on the canvas an old tottering ruin, the artist painted a stately edifice of modern grandeur. Through the open portals could be seen the richly carved pulpit, the magnificent organ and the beautiful stained-glass windows. Just within the grand entrance, guarded on either side by a "pillar of the church," in spotless apparel and glittering jewelry, was an offering plate of goodly workmanship for the "offerings" of fashionable worshippers. But—and here the artist's conception of a decaying church was made known—right above the offering plate, suspended from a nail in the wall, there hung a square box, very simply painted, and bearing the legend, "Collection for Foreign Missions," but right over the slot, through which certain contributions ought to have gone, he had painted a huge cobweb.

Government reports show that the Indians, instead of being a vanishing race, are steadily increasing in number. This is due to improved sanitary conditions, increased knowledge and better medical attendance. It is due, also, in large measure to the enactment and enforcement of prohibition in Oklahoma and surrounding States.

We are told on reliable authority that the great European War is now costing in money alone the sum of \$36,500,000,000 a year, or more than \$100,000,000 daily. The daily cost to the Allies is \$67,500,000, while that to the Central Powers is put at \$35,500,000. Up to March 1 of this year, the Allies required \$20,520,000,000 to finance the war, while the Central Powers required \$10,400,000,000, or a grand total to that date of \$30,920,000,000. The Missionary Review calls attention to the fact that the total cost of foreign missionary work is about one-thousandth part of this amount, or \$30,000,000 a year; and that all Christian work at home and abroad for one year would not exceed the cost of this war for ten days.

Mr. Spurgeon puts into the mouth of "John Ploughman" the following: "I never knew a good horse that had not some odd habit or other, and I never saw a minister worth his salt who had not some crotchet or oddity. Now these are bits of cheese that cavers smell out and nibble at, the first is too flowery and the second is too dull. Dear me, if all God's creatures were judged in this way we should wring the dove's neck for being too tame, shoot the robins for eating spiders, kill the cows for swinging their tails, and the hen for not giving us milk. When a man wants to beat a dog he can soon find a stick, and at this rate any fool may have something to say against the best minister."

Russia, after fourteen months of prohibition, reports: Crime (all kinds) has decreased 62 per cent; absenteeism in factories has fallen 60 per cent; suicide rate has dropped enormously; hospitals formerly overcrowded are not filled; efficiency in factories increased 10 to 15 per cent; practically every inhabitant is at work; savings deposits have increased 8 per cent; fire damage has fallen off 38 per cent; wages in some districts raised 500 per cent (this applies to peasants working as day laborers) people are eating better and costlier food; better clothing is worn by the poorer classes; agricultural implement sales 60 per cent larger; imprisonment decreased 72 per cent. Does prohibition pay? Read the answer in the above figures.

Since January 1, 1916, Colorado has been under a State prohibition law. A group of responsible business men in Denver have issued a statement as follows: "We are firmly convinced that prohibition is a great step forward for the moral and commercial betterment of our citizens, our government and our business interests. We have come in contact with many business men who were formerly opposed to prohibition, but who are its staunchest supporters at this time, because business is better, bills are collected more promptly, and the benefits of prohibition are everywhere evident. Denver has never been so much alive. The banks show tremendous increases in deposits and earnings, and this year has been the largest touring season in our history, proving convincingly that tourists are not influenced by the amount of booze they can get." In commenting upon this statement, the Kansas City Star declares: "Everybody knows that money spent for booze is the greatest waste in American life. If it isn't spent for booze it will be spent for something useful or saved."

A sad and vivid picture of the heathen world was thus sketched by Bishop Foster: "Paint a starless sky; hang your picture with night; drape the mountains with long, far-reaching vistas of darkness; hang the curtains deep along every shore and landscape; darken all the past; let the future be draped in deeper and yet deeper night; fill the awful gloom with hungry, sad-faced men and sorrow-driven women and children! It is the heathen world—the people seen in the vision of the prophet—who sit in the region and shadow of death; to whom no light has come; sitting there still through the long, long night, waiting and watching for the morning.

It is stated that on account of the high price of printing paper, 800 secular papers in the United States have suspended publication. We have not heard of any religious papers having suspended publication. A number of them, though, have increased their price to prevent suspension. Others will probably have to increase their price or die. What in the world the paper manufacturers mean by forcing so many of their constituents out of business we cannot understand. They are "killing the goose that lays the golden egg"—or at least they are killing some of the geese. And they seem to be literally geese for allowing themselves to be killed. But how can they help it, is the question.

Following closely upon the heels of the great increase in the price of paper comes another trouble for religious papers in the shape of a proposal, approved by the Congressional Committee on Postoffices, that second-class postage (now one cent a pound) be increased on a zone plan so that it will cost from two to six cents a pound for distances over 300 miles. This plan for increasing postal income practically exempts daily papers, whose chief income is from commercial advertising, and puts the whole burden on weekly and monthly periodicals. The proposal is aimed especially at some magazines, but at best it is a blunderbus and scatters its shot very widely. It will fall pretty heavily on religious papers, all of which have to a greater or less extent subscribers over a wide territory. We have not yet made a calculation—in fact, it is difficult to do so—but the proposal, if carried into effect, would add considerably to the expense of the Baptist and Reflector, among other papers. Where is this thing going to end? Are they determined to drive religious papers out of business? Or do they simply not take religious papers into consideration?

Since Dr. Henry Morgenthau returned from his ambassadorship in Turkey he has spoken to all kinds of audiences concerning his remarkable experiences in Turkey. The other day some one in the audience, possibly of a caviling turn of mind, interrupted him with the question, "What about the missionaries in Turkey?" The former ambassador waited a moment; he seemed to be powerfully moved. Then came his quiet but firm response: "When the roll of saints and heroes in this war shall be made up—and it will be a long one, for many valorous deeds have been performed—the names of the American missionaries in Turkey will be at the head of the list." The man who said that is a Hebrew actively identified with a prominent synagogue in New York City, and loyal to the faith of his fathers. All the more significant and eloquent therefore is this spontaneous tribute to the men and women of whose self-sacrificing deeds and pure lives Mr. Morgenthau was a constant observer during his days in Turkey. Do not forget this incident when any one challenges the value of foreign missionary work or depreciates the caliber of the workers.—The Congregationalist.

The Home Page

A Short Story and Items of Interest in the Home.

SUNSHINE SERMON FOR 1917.

If you have a friend worth loving,
Love him. Yes, let him know
That you love him, ere life's evening
Tinge his brow with sunset glow.
Why should good words ne'er be said
Of a friend—till he is dead?

If you hear a song that thrills you,
Sung by any child of song,
Praise it. Do not let the singer
Wait deserved praises long,
Why should one who thrills your heart
Lack the joy you may impart?

If you hear a prayer that moves you,
By its humble, pleading tone,
Join it. Do not let the seeker
Bow before his God alone.
Why should not your brother share
The strength of "two or three" in prayer?

If you see the hot tears falling
From a brother's weeping eyes,
Share them. And by kindly sharing,
Own your kinship with the skies,
Why should any one be glad
When a brother's heart is sad?

If a silvery laugh goes rippling
Through the sunshine on his face,
Share it. 'Tis the wise man's saying—
For both grief and joy a place,
There's health and goodness in the mirth
In which an honest laugh has birth.

If your work is made more easy
By a friendly, helping hand,
Say so. Speak out brave and truly,
Ere the darkness veil the land.
Should a brother workman dear
Falter for a word of cheer?

Scatter thus your seeds of kindness,
All enriching as you go
Leave them. Trust the Harvest giver;
He will make each seed to grow.
So, until its happy end,
Your life shall never lack a friend.
Exchange.

JEROME'S HONESTY.

(Written for the Biblical Recorder.)

Our hero is a boy, whose name is Jerome Matthews, and whose home is in Kinston, North Carolina. He is just a boy, with all the rough-and-tumble qualities which boys usually have; who occasionally breaks his arm, unless it happens to be the other boy's; and when such a thing happens, it does merely "happen," for he would deliberately break his own arm as quickly as that of the other boy.

Jerome's possessions consist of a pony and twenty cents! His pony is his pride. His cash is reserved for emergencies. What boy, who is fortunate enough to have a pony, does not cling to his pet with all the lavish affections of his boyish nature! He rides by day, and dreams of riding at night. To him she is the fastest thing on the pike, and the prettiest and best. In the saddle, he easily imagines himself a cavalry officer astride a gayly dressed steed; his short blanket becomes a flowing robe that stretches in graceful folds to the hips of his mount; and he himself, sitting erect and stiff, is shoulder-strapped and epauletted as befits a captain's dignity and position. He used to ride

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a stick,—whereon his imagination took its first flights. But how much better is a real pony than a crooked stick! By so much does his imagination now enjoy larger liberty and play than it used to have.

The other day, Jerome went down town when the streets were slippery from a late fallen rain. No, he did not fall and hurt himself. But the streets were in first rate condition for skidding stones. What country-reared boy has not stood by the creek bank and thrown the small, flat rocks out on the water with such force and in such a manner as to send them skipping on the surface of the creek until their force was spent and they sank quietly below the water line! What city-bred boy has not hurled stones down the slick pavement, just to see them skid! He has no creek on which he may cause the rocks to skip; and why shouldn't he use the streets? Every boy knows that if he is going to skid rocks, he must have something to skid them on!

But the mistake which they sometimes make, and which Jerome made on this occasion, is that the pavement is the only thing to be seen and the skipping of the rock the only thing to be thought of. That is to say, the mind is so concentrated on the play that there is little room for concern about the circumstances which surround it. Time after time, Jerome hurls the stone ahead of him, chasing it down the street as it glides on the smooth, slick surface until its speed slackens, and it is again in hand for a moment and again hurled forward. On and on it goes, skipping and skidding, gliding and sliding, touching the pavement now here, now there; until it comes upon an evil spot,—a rugged, uneven place in the pavement. The rock is veered from its course, and seems to rise abruptly to deal a sharp, quick blow to the plate glass window in the First National Bank Building. Jerome stands aghast. That result was not in the program at all. It is entirely unexpected. The boy is seized with an inexpressible horror.

Did he yield to an impulse to mix in with the folk on the street and thus try to conceal the fact of his responsibility? Not Jerome. Did he dodge behind the nearest house and skulk through the alley to another street and run home by another way? Not he. Was he disposed to pass it by with a chuckle of mischievous glee, as a great big joke? No, no, not Jerome. Pale as ashes, he goes at once into the bank and faces the cashier with a straight-forward acknowledgement and begs him to take his money as compensation for the broken window. He not only offers to surrender, but entreats the official to accept, his pet as payment for the damage done.

But a sincere, honest, brokenhearted boy is worth more than an empire of glass, however rare and costly it may be. And the cashier replied with becoming kindness, "No, Jerome, I cannot take your pony." With a sad, sore heart—all the more sorrowful for being denied the relief of making reparation, Jerome returns home and relates the incident to his mother. The pony cannot be turned into the account, and

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GREETINGS TO THE NEW YEAR.

By Florence Josephine Boyce.

Come in, New Year, and sit beside our grate,
We would not know the secrets that you bring—
Some cloud to fall, some bitter turn of fate,
Or all the changes you are fostering;
But rather in the future promise live,
And count upon the blessings you will give.

We know that you will whisper to the hills,
And bring the robin to the budding bough,
And lift the grass, and wake the little rills,
And all the earth with eager life endow,
And send the herds to pastures green again,
And plant new hope within the hearts of men.

We know that you will bring the harvest days,
When fruit is ripe and pods are opening,
And all the hills are purple with the haze,
And in the stubblefields the crickets sing;
When yellow pumpkins gleam amid the corn,
And plenty falls from Amalthaea's horn.

We know that you will usher in the fete
Of glad Thanksgiving with its hearty glee;
Will fasten little stockings round the grate,
And trim the branches of the Christmas tree.
And then you will depart—a hoary wraith,
And leave us girded with our fathers' faith.

—Youth's Companion.

A Happy New Year to every one of you! I'm sure all those resolutions you so heartily made are being kept faithfully—so far. Because New Year resolutions usually last through January; they may even struggle through the next month, but, oh, how easy it is to fall back into the old routine of life and forget that we pledged ourselves to do better. But let's try, very, very hard to sustain our promise to support the Young South. I'm going to do my very best, and I know you will.

Now, listen to this letter from one whom we could consider an example for loyalty and faithfulness. Forty-nine out of seventy-five he has taken the paper, and read our Young South, and so now we have the Baby room to furnish, and he sends us two dollars for it. Thank you, Mr. Prewitt, and through you, Mr. Brown, who is so nice to us, too. Your interest and support means a great deal to us.

"Miss Annie White: I am so well pleased with your letter telling us about the Baby Building, that I am going to send you a check for \$4, \$2 for the renewal of the Baptist and Reflector. This makes 49 years that I have taken it, and I hope to be able to take it as long as I live. I will soon be 75 years young. \$2 is for the Baby Building, one for self

and one for L. A. Brown. Wishing you and Brother Folk a Happy Christmas and New Year, Yours respectfully, G. W. Prewitt."

"Collierville, Tenn.—Dear Miss Annie White: Enclosed you will find a post-office order for \$5 from Mrs. W. H. Nolley, \$2 for renewal of the Baptist and Reflector, \$2 for the Orphans' Home, and \$1 for the Baby Building. Hope you will get it before Christmas. Yours truly, Mrs. W. H. Nolley."

And here's another dollar for the Baby room. Very soon now I think we will be buying that little white furniture. There are two dollars for the Home, too, from Mrs. Nolley, and a renewal to the Baptist and Reflector. We did get it before Christmas, Mrs. Nolley, but too late to be answered in last week's paper.

The Sunbeam Band of the Second church, Jackson, sends through their leader, Mrs. J. L. McAliley, \$3 for the Orphans' Home, and \$2 for Ministerial Relief. They promise that we shall hear from them again soon.

From Little Hope Sunbeam Band: "Clarksville, Tenn.—Miss Annie White Folk: Enclosed find \$1.70 from Little Hope Sunbeam Band for the Orphans' Home. We are a very small band, but are gradually increasing our contributions. Hope to do better in the future. Emily Welch, Secretary; Mrs. Arthur Whitfield, Leader.

We appreciate this contribution so much, and the promise of further help in the future.

"Toone, Tenn., Dec. 20, 1916.—Miss Annie White: Find enclosed a check for \$1.55, the Christmas offering of the Toone Baptist Sunbeam Band. This is to be used any way you think best and most needed. This is our first offering to be sent for missions, as our band has just been lately organized. Hoping to send you more help I close as Your Friend, Bessie Hammons, Leader."

We will let Dr. Gillon decide where to use this, as it is for missions. That is a nice beginning. We hope to hear from this band very soon.

"Lenoir City, Tenn.—Dear Miss Folk: Enclosed please find money order for \$2.50, to be used for the Baby Building. I would be glad to have it used to help furnish the 'Young South Room.' I am very much interested in the Young South work, and want to help some more as soon as I can. A Friend of the Young South."

I cannot tell you how grateful I am for your interest in the Young South, or for the generous contribution to our special object, the room in the Baby Building. I hope that by the time the building is completed we will have enough money to furnish our room. Will let you know about the crochet work when we find out just what is needed.

"Gates, Tenn.—Dear Miss Folk: I am sending you \$5, given by the Woodville Baptist Sunday school as a Christmas offering to be used on the Baby Building. You can use it in the Young South Room if you like. We hope the dear little orphans will soon be in the nice, new home. Mrs. E. N. Cooke."

Another \$5 for our Young South Room. The fund is growing nicely. Please express our thanks to the Sunday School, Mrs. Cooke, for this liberal contribution.

A friend, who desires that her name shall not be published, sends \$10 for the Orphans' Home. God knows and will reward.

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last thing that robins do. When they have done their daily work, when they have flown their last flight, and picked up their last morsel of food and cleaned their bills on a napkin of a bough, then on a top twig they sing one song of praise. I know they sleep sweeter for it. Oh, that we might sing evening and morning, and let song touch song all the way through! Oh, that we could put songs under our burden! Oh, that we could extract the sense of sorrow by song! Their sad things would not poison so much. Sing in the house, teach your children to sing. When troubles come, go at them with song. When griefs arise, sing them

down. Lift the voice of praise against cares. Praise God by singing; that will lift you above the trials of every sort. Attempt it. They sing in heaven, and among God's people on earth song is the appropriate language of Christian feeling.—Henry Ward Beecher.

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To keep these poisons and toxins well flushed from the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels, drink before breakfast each day, a glass of hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it. This will cleanse, purify and freshen the entire alimentary tract, before putting more food into the stomach.

Get a quarter pound of limestone phosphate from your pharmacist. It is inexpensive and almost tasteless, except a sourish twinge which is not unpleasant. Drink phosphated hot water every morning to rid your system of these vile poisons and toxins; also to prevent their formation.

To feel like young folks feel; like you felt before your blood, nerves and muscles became saturated with an accumulation of body poisons, begin this treatment and above all, keep it up! As soap and hot water act on the skin, cleansing, sweetening and purifying, so limestone phosphate and hot water before breakfast, act on the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels.

The next Founders' Day in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, January 11, 1917, will be celebrated in the chapel in Norton Hall at 10 o'clock, a. m. The speakers of the occasion will be Rev. S. M. Provence, D.D., of Texas, and Rev. C. C. Brown, D.D., of South Carolina. Both of these distinguished gentlemen will bring messages of great inspiration and profit. All friends of the Seminary are cordially invited to be present and share with the Seminary constituency in the inspiration of the occasion.

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Seven years ago I closed a four and a half years' very fruitful pastorate here and I am now entering upon my second pastorate with this church. Greetings and very best wishes to my many Tennessee friends.

H. A. SMOOT,
Fredericktown, Mo.

THE MECHANICS OF A BAD COLD.

The disease of the membranes of the organs of breathing known as a cold, consists of an inflammation of the membranes caused by germs.

Any safe antiseptic or germicide will cure a cold by killing the germs if they can be reached.

In an advanced cold the mucus thrown out by the membranes hardens in the air passages protecting the germs from the application of the germicide.

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The chorus singing of "Keep Sweet," "Love Lifted Me," "There's Room at the Cross for You," "Get Right With God," and many others, effectively worked in leading men to decide for God.

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BRO. H. G. MOODY.

Bro. H. G. Moody departed this life, September 24, 1916. He professed faith in Christ in his youth, and joined the Baptist church and remained a consistent member therein until God called him to Himself. He was 66 years of age on his last birthday, and was a deacon in Blackwell Baptist church when he died, and had been for a number of years. His afflictions lasted but a few days and he bore them without a murmur, always exercising great faith in God that His will might be done.

He attended his meetings regularly and his doors were always open to his pastor and all good people. It was his delight to extend them his hospitality.

In his death Sister Moody has lost a faithful, kind and loving companion, his children a father who was their dearest and best friend, the church one of its strongest and faithful members, the poor one whose hand and heart were always open to their wants. But how little do we appreciate the faithfulness of the companion, the fondness of the father, the strength of the Christian, and the friend, of the poor, until



they have been removed from us. It is then we begin to realize what we have lost, for how few there are that love us for ourselves, how few there are who will befriend us in misfortune and distress; it is then our hearts turn back in sadness to the companion, father, Christian character and friend whom we have lost. To his family, relatives and friends, the cloud seems dark and draped in mourning on this side, but let us remember that on the other side there is a silver lining.

The only drop of sweetness in the bitter cup is that with him all is rest and peace and love. He has gone out from us, but his memory will continue to live in the minds of all those who knew and loved him. May the Lord enable us to say, "Thy will be done."

Let us bow our hearts humbly to the will of Him that doeth all things well, for our good and His own glory, realizing that our loss is his eternal gain.

Be it resolved, That we recognize in the death of Bro. Moody a distinct loss to the home, the church and community.

Be it resolved; That we tender to his wife and children our sincerest sympathy and commend them to the Great Father, who hath promised to care for the distressed, for consolation which the world cannot give.

Be it further resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon our minutes and that a copy of the same be furnished the family of Bro. Moody.

Respectfully submitted,
G. M. JONES,
J. F. BRIDGEWATER,
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Committee.

The Religious Herald knows of one church in Virginia with a membership of 203, and a copy of The Herald going into every family. Rev. A. D. Davidson is the pastor. Is there a church in Tennessee into every home of which the Baptist and Reflector goes? There used to be several. But we are not sure whether there is any now. But there ought to be. In fact, it ought to go into every home in every church. Just suppose it did!

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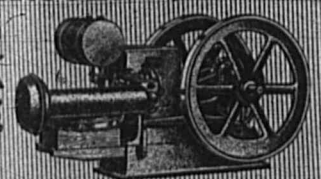
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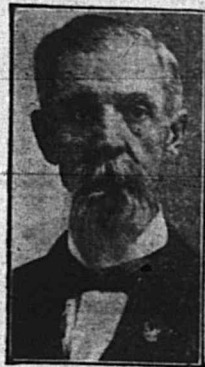
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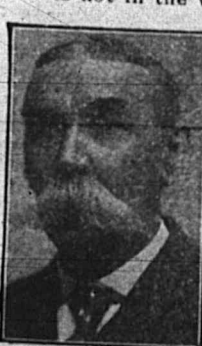
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4. Unlike the ordinary so-called pads, used in other trusses, it is not cumbersome or ungainly.
5. It is small, soft and pliable, and positively cannot be detected through the clothing.
6. The soft, pliable bands holding the Appliance do not give one the unpleasant sensation of wearing a harness.
7. There is nothing about it to get foul, and when it becomes soiled it can be washed without injuring it in the least.
8. There are no metal springs in the Appliance to torture one by cutting and bruising the flesh.
9. All of the materials of which the Appliance are made is of the very best that money can buy, making it a durable and safe Appliance to wear.
10. My reputation for honesty and fair dealing is so thoroughly established by an experience of over thirty years of dealing with the public, and my prices are so reasonable, my terms so fair, that there certainly should be no hesitancy in sending free coupon today.

PENNSYLVANIA MAN THANKFUL

Mr. C. E. Brooks, Marshall, Mich.

Dear Sir: Perhaps it will interest you to know that I have been ruptured six years and have always had trouble with it till I got your Appliance. It is very easy to wear, fits neat and snug, and is not in the way at any time, day or night. In fact, at times I did not know I had it on; it just adapted itself to the shape of the body and seemed to be a part of the body, as it clung to the spot, no matter what position I was in.



It would be a veritable God-send to the unfortunate who suffer from rupture if all could procure the Brooks Rupture Appliance and wear it. They would certainly never regret it.

My rupture is now all healed up and nothing ever did it but your Appliance. Whenever the opportunity presents itself I will say a good word for your Appliance, and also the honorable way in which you deal with ruptured people. It is a pleasure to recommend a good thing among your friends or strangers. I am,

Yours very sincerely,
JAMES A. BRITTON.

80 Spring St., Bethlehem, Pa.

DOCTOR PRONOUNCES HIM CURED

119 Torle Ave.,
Mishawaka, Ind.

Mr. C. E. Brooks,
Marshall, Mich.

Dear Mr. Brooks:

Answering your letter, will say we need no more Appliances, as our son has been completely cured by wearing your Appliance.

We recently had him examined, and the doctor said the opening was entirely closed and that it wasn't necessary to wear it longer.

Thanking you for your kindness, I am,

Yours very truly,
MRS. H. TOLLMAN.

REMEMBER

I send my Appliance on trial to prove what I say is true. You are to be the judge. Fill out free coupon below and mail today.

CURED IN THREE MONTHS

Salem, Ohio.

430 Cleveland Av.

Mr. C. E. Brooks,

Marshall, Mich.

Dear Mr. Brooks:

I am sending you a small picture of my son, who is now five years old.

We ordered your Appliance for him when he was only two months old, and yet want to say in about three months all signs of rupture were gone, and he is some boy today.

I shall be very glad to say a good word for you whenever the opportunity presents itself.

Yours very truly,
T. A. McLAIN.



VETERAN CURED

Commerce, Ga., R. F. D. No. 11.

Mr. C. E. Brooks,

Dear Sir—I am glad to tell you that



I am now sound and well and can plow or do any heavy work. I can say your Appliance has effected a permanent cure. Before getting your Appliance I was in a terrible condition and had given up all hope of ever being any better. If it hadn't been for your Appliance I would never have been cured. I am sixty-eight years old and served three years in Eckle's Artillery, Oglethorpe Co. I hope God will reward you for the good you are doing for suffering humanity.

Yours sincerely,
H. D. BANKS.

Free Information Coupon

MR. C. E. BROOKS,

443 State St., Marshall, Michigan

Please send me by mail in plain wrapper your illustrated book and full information about your Appliance for the cure of rupture.

Name

Address

R. F. D. City State

OBITUARIES

"For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away." (James 4:14.)

We publish 200 words of obituary notices free. Above the 200 words we charge one cent a word. Count the words and you will know just how much to send with the obituary.

CRESWELL—Mrs. Mattie Widner Creswell, wife of Robert E. Creswell, was born November 16, 1894. She made her home with her uncle, Joseph Widner and wife, coming to them when quite young. Her parents died when she was but a child. Mattie was a good girl and when but young she gave her life to her Saviour and joined the Boyd's Creek Church, living a consistent Christian life to the end. To know her was to love her. She numbered her friends by her acquaintance.

On November 16, 1915, she was married to Robert E. Creswell, the writer performing the ceremony. They lived happily together until December 2, 1916, at which time her spirit took its flight to that fairer and happier land where there are pleasures forevermore.

The funeral service was conducted from the Boyd's Creek Church by the writer. Her remains were laid to rest in the nearby cemetery.

She leaves a husband, one sister, a number of relatives and many friends to mourn her loss. But our loss is, we believe, her eternal gain. May we so live that when death comes to us it will be our gain.

J. R. DYKES.

Seymour, Tenn.

TURNER—Sunday, November 12, 1916, at 3 o'clock in the morning, God, in His infinite wisdom, saw fit to remove from our midst our brother in Christ, Thomas Turner.

He was born April 19, 1889, being 27 years, 6 months and 23 days old. He professed faith in Christ in September, 1908, and united with the Yellow Creek Baptist Church, and was ordained deacon in the church August, 1915.

On January 7, 1912, he was married to Miss Bertha McClure, and to their union one daughter was born.

We will miss Bro. Turner, but we are glad of the evidence he left that he is gone to dwell in a better place, where there is no more suffering.

He was a great singer and did so much enjoy singing the hymns of praise to our Saviour.

We pray that the Lord will be the source of great comfort to the broken-hearted wife and their little daughter and other loved ones, and that His grace may be sufficient for them.

Be it resolved, first, That in the death of Bro. Turner our church has lost one of its most useful members.

Second, That this committee tender its kindest respects and love to his memory.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the wife, Mrs. Bertha Turner, and a copy be sent to the Baptist and Reflector.

(Signed) COMMITTEE.

City Physicians Explain Why They Prescribe Nuxated Iron

To Make Beautiful, Healthy Women and Strong Vigorous Men

NOW BEING USED BY OVER THREE MILLION PEOPLE ANNUALLY

Quickly transforms the flabby flesh, toneless tissues, and pallid cheeks of weak, anaemic men and women into a perfect glow of health and beauty—Often increases the strength of delicate, nervous, run-down folks 200 per cent. in two weeks' time.

New York, N. Y.—It is conservatively estimated that over three million people annually in this country alone are taking Nuxated Iron. Such astonishing results have been reported from its use both by doctors and laymen, that a number of physicians in various parts of the country have been asked to explain why they prescribe it so extensively, and why it apparently produces so much better results than were obtained from the old forms of inorganic iron.

Extracts from some of the letters received are given below:

Dr. King, a New York physician and author says, "There can be no vigorous iron men without iron."

Pallor means anaemia.

Anaemia means deficiency. The skin of anaemic men and women is pale. The flesh is flabby. The muscles lack tone, the brain fags and the memory fails and they often become weak, nervous, irritable, despondent and melancholy. When the iron goes from the blood of women, the roses go from their cheeks."

In the most common foods of America, the starches, sugars, table syrups, candies, polished rice, white bread, soda crackers, biscuits, macaroni, spaghetti, tapioca, sago, farina, degenerated corn-meal, no longer is iron to be found. Refining processes have removed the iron of Mother Earth from these impoverished foods, and silly methods of home cookery, by throwing down the waste-pipe the water in which our vegetables are cooked is responsible for another grave iron loss.

Therefore, if you wish to preserve your youthful vim and vigor to a ripe age, you must supply the iron deficiency in your food by using some form of organic iron just as you would use salt when your food has not enough salt.

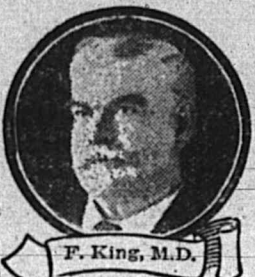
Dr. V. Von Unruh, Medical Director in Chief of the New York City Clinics said, "I have given Nuxated Iron a fair and prolonged trial. I have been more than pleased with the results and will continue its use."

Dr. Sauer, a Boston physician who has studied both in this country and in great European Medical Schools says: "As I have said a hundred times, organic iron is the great est of all strength builders. If people would only throw away patent medicines and nauseous concoctions and take simple Nuxated Iron, I am convinced that the lives of thousands of persons might be saved who now die every year from pneumonia, grippe, consumption, kidney, liver and heart troubles, etc. The real and true cause which started their diseases was nothing more nor less than lack of iron in the blood."

Not long ago a man came to me who was nearly half a century old and asked me to give him a preliminary examination for life insurance. I was astonished to find him with a blood pressure of a boy of 20 and as full of vigor, vim and vitality as a young man; in fact a young man he really was notwithstanding his age. The secret, he said, was taking iron—Nuxated Iron had filled him with renewed life. At 30 he was in bad health; at 46 he was careworn and nearly all in—now at 50, after taking Nuxated Iron a miracle of vitality and his face beaming with the buoyancy of youth.

Iron is absolutely necessary to enable your blood to change food into living tissue. Without it, no matter how much or what you eat, your food merely passes through you without doing you any good. You don't get the strength out of it, and as a consequence you become weak, pale and sickly-looking, just like a plant trying to grow in a soil deficient in iron.

If you are not strong or well you owe it to yourself to make the following test: See how long you can work or how far you can walk without becoming tired. Next take two five-grain tablets of ordinary Nuxated Iron three times per day after meals for two weeks. Then test your strength again and see how much you have gained. I have seen dozens of nervous, run-down people who were ailing all the while double their strength and endurance and entirely rid themselves of all symptoms of dyspepsia, liver and other troubles in from ten to fourteen days' time simply by taking iron in the proper form. And this after they had in some cases been doctoring for months without obtaining any benefit. But don't take the old forms of reduced iron, iron acetate or tincture of iron simply to save a few cents. The iron demanded by Mother Nature for the red coloring matter in the blood of her children is, alas! not that kind of iron. You must take iron in a form that can be easily absorbed and assimilated to do you any good, otherwise it may prove worse



F. King, M.D.



V. Von Unruh, M.D.



F. Sauer, M.D.



S.C. Jaques, M.D.

than useless. Many an athlete and prize-fighter has won the day simply because he knew the secret of great strength and endurance and filled his blood with iron before he went into the fray; while many another has gone down in inglorious defeat simply for the lack of iron."

Dr. Schuyler C. Jaques, Visiting Surgeon of St. Elizabeth's Hospital, New York City, said:

"I have never before given out any medical information or advice for publication, as I ordinarily do not believe in it. But in the case of Nuxated Iron I feel I would be remiss in my duty not to mention it. I have taken it myself and given it to my patients with most surprising and satisfactory results. And those who wish quickly to increase their strength, power and endurance will find it a most remarkable and wonderfully effective remedy."

Dr. James, late of the United States Public Health Service, says, "Patients in an enervated state of health—those, for instance, convalescing from protracted fevers, those suffering from a long-standing case of anaemia, all such people in my opinion, need iron. Of late, there has been brought to my attention Nuxated Iron. In practice I have found this an ideal restorative and up-building agent in these cases above mentioned."



H. James, M.D.

NOTE—Nuxated Iron which is prescribed and recommended above by physicians in such a great variety of cases is not a patent medicine nor secret remedy, but one which is well known to druggists and whose iron constituents are widely prescribed by eminent physicians everywhere. Unlike the older inorganic iron products, it is easily assimilated, does not injure the teeth, make them black nor upset the stomach; on the contrary, it is the most potent remedy, in nearly all forms of indigestion, as well as for nervous run-down conditions. The manufacturers have such great confidence in Nuxated Iron that they offer to forfeit \$100.00 to any charitable institution if they cannot take any man or woman under 60 who lacks iron and increase their strength 200 per cent. or over in four weeks' time provided they have no serious organic trouble. They also offer to refund your money if it does not at least double your strength and endurance in ten days' time. It is dispensed by all good druggists.

ed religion at an early age and joined the Missionary Baptist church, living a consistent life. In 1895 he was married to Miss Minnie Shelton, of which union one daughter, Miss Lavara Thompson, survives him. He was one of the best known business men in this section, having been engaged in the mercantile business in Selmer for eighteen years. He represented that high type of Christian citizenship which always characterizes his life and has been a deacon in the Selmer Baptist church for many years. He was a devoted member of Woodmen of the World. After an impressive funeral service in which Rev. John W. Carnell and Rev. J. H. Curry officiated, interment was in Oak Hill cemetery in the presence of a large crowd of sorrowing relatives and friends. The floral tributes were as elaborately beautiful as ever seen here. Surviving the deceased are one brother, C. J. Thompson, and one sister, Mrs. T. J. Huggins, both of Gainesville, Texas.

LOUIS ADAMS.

Selmer, Tenn.

Resolved, we as a church and Sunday School, extend sympathy to the bereaved family, and bid them weep no more. Think not of the silent, cold and dismal tomb. But by faith turn your eyes heavenward, and there behold your darling, smiling and happy in the radiant light of glory, singing with the angels around the beautiful throne of God, with little hands uplifted beckoning you to follow on to that celestial city.

ATTA REID.

THOMPSON—The town of Selmer and the entire community were never before so severely shocked as when the sudden death of W. H. Thompson was heralded on the morning of Wednesday, February 16. He was stricken with heart failure and died on the street. He was born in Kossuth, Miss., in 1861, profess-

To the Baptist Pastors of Tennessee

January Is the Month

You Have Chosen In Which To Take an Offering For

Christian Education

The name of every pastor with the church he serves who takes an offering for Christian Education and forwards the money to Dr. J. W. Gillon, Treasurer, will be published on this page under the heading,

"FORWARD-LOOKING PASTORS OF TRULY PROGRESSIVE BAPTIST CHURCHES,"

The institutions of higher education which have had the endorsement and the support of Tennessee Baptists since their foundation are

CARSON AND NEWMAN COLLEGE, UNION UNIVERSITY, TENNESSEE COLLEGE, AND HALL-MOODY INSTITUTE.

The total assets of these schools amount to nearly One Million Dollars. The Boards of Trustees are self-perpetuating and, leaving out Tennessee College, the Tennessee Baptist Convention cannot legally control the policy of any one of them. This situation in the judgment of the Education Board ought not to longer exist.

Twenty Thousand Dollars Given Now By the Baptist Churches of Tennessee Will Give Us Legal Control Over All Our Schools.

Each of the Boards of Trustees of these institutions have agreed to enter into a contract with the Education Board to give to the Tennessee Baptist Convention the right to nominate the trustees, who shall be elected hereafter, and that the contract becomes binding when the Education Board, acting for the denomination, has paid into the treasury of the said school the sum of \$5,000.00.

EVERY DOLLAR NOW GIVEN MEANS TWENTY-FOUR DOLLARS FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION UNDER BAPTIST CONTROL.

The First Five Thousand Dollars paid into the Treasury of the Education Board will be Given to Carson and Newman College.

The Disastrous Fire

Which destroyed their beautiful Administration Building a few weeks ago makes it imperative that a large sum be raised immediately for a "GREATER CARSON AND NEWMAN." The proper channel for all gifts to this institution is the Education Board. Now is the time for generous giving. Every dollar given through this Board binds the more securely the College to the denomination.

The money needed to meet the current expenses of the Education Board has been subscribed. The churches and the individuals making these subscriptions are requested to send the amounts subscribed to our Treasurer, Dr. J. W. GILLON, 161 8th Ave., N., Nashville, Tenn., at their earliest convenience.

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