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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON.

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THREE MIRACLES.

Matt. 9: 18-31.

GOLDEN TEXT.

According to your faith be it unto you.—Matthew ix, 29.

INTRODUCTION.—In the verses immediately preceding this lesson, we are told that Matthew, the writer of the First Gospel, made a feast for Jesus. It was while he was at this feast that Jairus came to him, to beseech him to come and heal his dying daughter. Our lesson for this week shows how Jesus responded to Jairus' request, what happened on the way, the wonderful occurrence at Jairus' house, and how, on his return, Jesus still further displayed his power to heal and help men. No portion of the Scripture is perhaps better adapted to bring out the loving might and mighty love of our Lord.

THE LESSON.

18. While he spake these things unto them, behold, there came a certain ruler, and worshipped him, saying, My daughter is even now dead: but come and lay thy hand upon her, and she shall live.

19. And Jesus arose, and followed him, and *so did* his disciples.

20. And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind *him*, and touched the hem of his garment:

21. For she said within herself, If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole.

22. But Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, he said, Daughter, be of good comfort; thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour.

23. And when Jesus came into the ruler's house, and saw the minstrels and the people making a noise,

24. He said unto them, Give place: for the maid is not dead, but sleepeth. And they laughed him to scorn.

25. But when the people were put forth, he went in, and took her by the hand, and the maid arose.

26. And the fame hereof went abroad into all that land.

27. And when Jesus departed thence, two blind men followed him, crying, and saying, *Thou* son of David, have mercy on us.

28. And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him; and Jesus saith unto them, Believe ye that I am able to do this? They said unto him, Yea, Lord.

29. Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it unto you.

30. And their eyes were opened; and Jesus straitly charged them, saying, See *that* no man know *it*.

31. But they, when they were departed, spread abroad his fame in all that country.

18. *These things.* The things recorded in the previous verses. *A certain ruler.* Mark tells us that he was a ruler of the synagogue, and Luke that his name was Jairus. *Worshipped him.* Bowed down at his feet with the greatest reverence. *Even now dead.* See Luke viii, 49. *She shall live.* Note the great faith of Jairus. He believes that Jesus can restore his child, though dead.

19. *Arose and followed him.* No matter what the circumstances, Jesus never spurns the cry of need and faith.

20. *Came behind him.* From timidity or shame, or because she felt herself to be ceremonially unclean. See Lev. xv, 25. *The hem of his garment.* The outer robe worn by the Jews was adorned at the corners, or edge, with a fringe or tassel. The poor woman may have had a little superstition mixed with her faith, in her desire to touch this fringe or hem. Still, as will be seen from the next verse, her faith was real and strong.

22. *But Jesus turned him about.* For more detailed accounts of his discovery of the woman, see parallel passages in Mark and Luke. *Thy faith hath made thee whole.* As we learn from Mark and Luke, the cure had already been effected. Jesus speaks to instruct, and re-assure her.

23. *When Jesus came into the ruler's house.* He had been informed of the death of the child, but this does not deter him. *The minstrels.* Flute-players, who had come to join in the expressions of lamentation. The fact that they were so quickly present, shows that Jairus must have been a person of wealth and consideration. *The people making a noise.* It was the custom to begin loud wailings immediately upon death, and to continue this, with the help of hired mourners, for days.

24. *Not dead, but sleepeth.* "The maid is not to be regarded as permanently dead, but only as sleeping, and certain to come to life again."—*Meyer.*

25. *When the people were put forth.* The parents of the child, with Peter, James, and John, were allowed to remain. *The maid arose.* See, for additional particulars, Mark and Luke.

27. *Son of David.* The common Messianic title of our Lord.

28. *Into the house.* Probably Matthew's house. *The blind men came to him.* Apparently to try their faith; up to this time he did not heed their cries. He proceeds [illegible] the

29. *According to your faith be it unto you.* "Not, receive a cure proportioned to your faith, but as granted to your faith."

30. *See that no man know it.* The original here expresses the fact that Jesus would be greatly displeased if these men would spread abroad the news of their cure. And yet we are informed in the next verse that this is just what they did. The prohibition was doubtless made to prevent a fanatical uprising of the people.

THEMES FOR FURTHER THOUGHT AND STUDY.

Jairus' tender affection and great faith. The willingness of Jesus to respond to the cry of distress. The earnestness and faith of the afflicted woman. The healing virtue of Christ's person. Christ's characterization of death. The persistence of the blind men. The relation of faith to Christ's power.

PRACTICAL LESSONS.

1. In times of trouble, Jesus is our best refuge. 2. No matter how we come to Jesus, if we come in faith we are sure of a blessing. 3. Faith may be somewhat mixed with superstition, and yet be real. 4. For every trembling soul Jesus has words of richest comfort and assurance. 5. When Jesus speaks, even death must obey. 6. The coming of Jesus into the home always means joy. 7. Persistent seeking of Jesus always wins its reward. 8. Those who have been blessed of Jesus must speak their gratitude to him.

LESSONS IN MORALS.

Lesson No. 28.—Part 2d--Duty.

BY REV. WM. ROYALL, D. D.

We have in preceding lessons considered the great subject of human CHARACTER.

It has been viewed as consisting mainly in five leading VIRTUES and eight corresponding GRACES, as follows:

Virtues—Purity, Righteousness, Benevolence, Method and Courage.

Graces—Simplicity, Frankness, Cordiality, Gentleness, Geniality, Generosity, Dignity and Politeness.

***If one is in possession of these, he is in a *condition to perform duty*, i. e., to fulfil the great end of living. And his performance of duty is marred and made defective and uncertain if he lacks or is not in the full possession of any one of them.

1. In passing on to the consideration of the second branch of Morals—Duty, it may be proper to restate briefly one or two points which have already been presented.

In Lessons 1 and 2, it was explained that the question of Right and Wrong arises only when a *choice* is to be made between two courses of conduct, either of which *may* be, or might have been pursued. The right course is that which we elect as being considered the higher and more worthy. This election or choice turns upon our knowledge of the relative worth and dignity of our impulses, and of the *objects* towards which they are directed. Thus we have the desire or impulse to eat. And, in so simple a matter as this, there may arise the question of right and wrong. For eating is an act which affects *mind* as well as *body*. And if mind is worthier than body, then eating must be done in such a way and to such an extent that mind may not suffer, however much body may be gratified in the act of eating. It is wrong so to eat that the higher attributes of our nature shall be sacrificed for the sake of the lower.

2. Now, as respect for the Divine Being is the worthiest and most exalted attributes of our nature, God being the *highest and best object* with whom we have to do, it is proper that in treating of Duty we should begin with those forms of duty which have reference to HIM.

3. We have arranged the following Lessons so that the several duties shall be studied in the order of the relative worthiness of the attributes of man and of the objects with which they are respectively concerned. And the reader is requested to review that portion of the preceding lessons in which the meaning of the word "duty" is given.

4. It is highly proper in this preliminary lesson to present some considerations tending to justify the position which we have taken above in reference to the necessity laid upon us to begin Part 2d with a discussion of "Duty to God." They are as follows:

Our relation to God as Creator, Father, and Moral Governor lies at the foundation of every relation which it is possible for us, as his creatures, to sustain to any other beings. Take the following as an illustration, which rises almost to the height of a *proof* of this statement.

The Sun is the centre of the Solar System. The Earth and all the primary Planets are bound immediately to the Sun, and are kept in their orbits, partly by the great law of Gravitation, i. e., their common tendency towards the Sun. By virtue of this tendency they are kept from flying off into space, and never returning to their original places; and by virtue of motion imparted to them at first, restrained by Gravitation, they revolve in fixed and definite orbits around their great centre, the Sun. Now the relations which these planets bear to one another in space, are determined by the relation which each in its course bears to the great central light. If the sun were removed from the system, then the relations which the orbits of the planets now have to one another would be at an end. Indeed, there would be no defined relation between them whatever if the sun were blotted out. They would fly off into space in lines which no one can now anticipate and trace out, and be farther and farther apart from one another every moment. The Solar System would fall to pieces.

In the same way, somewhat, every creature of God is related to every other creature as they all in common stand related to the Supreme Father, and God over all. If it were possible for him to cease to exist, then the relations which his offspring bear to one another would melt away and perish; or, if at any time it is conceived by his creatures that he is a mythical being and has no real existence, then we may look for men to act as if the bond which connected them to one another was severed; and the wildest antagonisms springing up between man and man would tear and rend society, launching havoc and ruin into all its interests. Then would the very name of Duty perish from the universe, the conditions of its existence being swept away in [illegible] Atheism.

[illegible] has a practical bearing. It makes Duty to God first always and everywhere. It leads us to view every duty to others as being also in a very important sense a duty to God, the latter comprehending and enfolding in itself all duty that we can possibly owe to others. What special duties beyond those which are common as between man and man, could exist as between brothers and brothers or sisters, if there were no actual common Father of the family? The duties of the Family would cease to be, so far forth as they are such, if there existed no family bond—a common parentage. The parent wanting, the *family bond* would be equally wanting. But by common parentage, there is established a tie, special and peculiar, which unites the children and commits them to the recognition and discharge of duties special and peculiar. And all these duties are comprehended and enfolded in duty to Parents. Now the family to which we *all* belong is God's, and what is true of Duty in the smaller, is true of it in the greater, and all comprehending family.

So complex is man's nature, and so delicate and multifarious are the mutual relations which now exist, it would be impossible to foretell what new relations, if any at all, would exist between men, if there were no common Father. But we venture the assertion, that instead of men being influenced by the great law of Love, which attracts and binds together the parts of the moral creation, there would either be no law, or that of mutual repulsion would prevail. Men would cease to trust and depend on one another, and selfishness reign supreme. This has been the tendency of things, whenever in the history of the world Atheism has gained a footing among men and communities, as witness the prelude to the "Reign of Terror" in France. When universal selfishness exists, when each acts without reference to the interest of others, then, if society continues to exist at all, the law of Force must prevail. Where the Moral Law ceases to influence human conduct, men must be *coerced* into the observance of a practical recognition of the rights of others. If men will not love one another, then the only hope for the continued existence of society lies in the forcible prevention of crime, in forcing men to allow others to live and enjoy the fruit of their labors. When this state of things exists, there is no use for treatises on Moral Science, for then no appeal can be made to man's sense of Right, but only to his Interest or Fear.

INFERENCE.

If it be true that Duty to God is the great Central Duty, then it follows that the foundation of Character itself and of all right living is laid in the hearty acceptance of God as our Supreme Ruler, and of his Law as our true standard of conduct; and that any other foundation is inadequate and short of what is required for the superstructure which is to stand the tests of Time and Eternity. "The Fear of the Lord is the beginning of Wisdom."

This will more fully appear as we proceed in the discussion of Duty to God under the three heads of Faith, Reverence and Worship.

The University of Virginia.

In a recent issue of the BIBLICAL RECORDER, we find the following paragraph:

New York Graphic: Princeton College is no longer. [That does not mean that Princeton College is dead. It is still one of our greatest and wealthiest institutions. But it has put on a new suit of clothes. It has become a university. We do not believe what the *Graphic* further says about it, that the new curriculum will consist largely of foot-ball. If Dr. McCosh would, he could show Americans (what they do not yet know—except at Johns Hopkins) what is a real university.—BIBLICAL RECORDER.]

Once or twice before, the same paper has expressed substantially the same opinion as to the existence of real universities in this country, or at least in the South.

Disclaiming any intention or desire to depreciate Johns Hopkins, I still feel that it is hardly just to deny the name of "a real university" to the noble institution which stands at the head of this article; and, in defence of my opinion, I beg leave to present some facts and views that seem to me to be worthy of consideration.

For some sixty-two years the University of Virginia has been one of the important educational centres of the South. It began its work in 1825. Thos. Jefferson was the father of the institution; and not a few of its most distinctive features are due to his moulding influence. What is called the elective system has prevailed here from the first. Each "school," or department of study, is separate and distinct; and a student can enter such schools as he may elect.

The number of the Alumni of the University whose names have become famous in the pulpit, in politics, in literature and in various other departments of human effort, is quite noticeable. One of the first graduates in Greek was R. M. T. Hunter, who, for many years, so ably represented Virginia in the Senate of the United States. Edgar A. Poe was a student here for one session (1826), and was *not* expelled, but distinguished himself in his studies. Hon. John S. Barbour, who has, of late years, become so distinguished as a party leader in Virginia; Dr. James L. Cabell, the famous sanitary reformer; Hon. James L. Orr, once Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States; Shelton F. Leake, who for many years was perhaps the ablest stump speaker in Virginia; Wm J. Robertson, the learned Judge of the Supreme Court of Virginia; James Barbour, of Culpeper, and Johnson Barbour, of Orange, were all students here.

Prof. John A. Broadus took the Master's degree, and was afterwards Chaplain and assistant Professor in the University. Professors Wm. Thomas, H. H. Harris and Smithall of Richmond College, are also Masters of Arts, as is Professor Toy, of Harvard. Drs. Tiberius Jones, John William Jones, A. B. Brown and Professor John Hart are all Alumni of this institution—the last named being a Master of Arts. A very large proportion of the professors in the various colleges in the Southern States were educated at the University of Virginia, and the ideas of education which prevail among the more cultivated classes in Southern society are, to a large extent, ideas for which this institution is responsible. President Taylor, of Wake Forest, and Prof. Thos. Hume, of Chapel Hill, were both educated largely at this school; and I am satisfied that they would both say that it deserves, and has earned, its name.

During the last seventeen or eighteen years the [illegible] has received gifts amounting to some $447,000. The Brooks Museum of Natural History and Geology, with its collection of specimens, cost over $86,000.

The religious influence in the University is largely that of the students themselves. The Chaplain, chosen for two years, and from the four leading denominations (Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians and Episcopalians) alternately, preachers regularly in the chapel, and students attend or not, as suits their pleasure. There is no such thing as the "regulation" religious service, that is, no student is required to attend any religious service. And yet the congregations at the chapel are good, and the attention is admirable.

A Young Men's Christian Association—the oldest college association of the kind in America—has been a prominent feature in the religious life and work here for twenty-odd years. A few sessions ago they devised a scheme for having an uncommonly full discussion of the subject of Missions, and to this end secured the services of leading representation of missionary work in the several denominations most largely represented in the University. Upon this "foundation" Rev. A. G. Haygood, D. D., of Georgia (Methodist) spoke on "China and Japan"; and our own Dr. H. A. Tupper on "India, Burmah, Siam, Ceylon and Persia." These addresses were among the very ablest that this scribe has ever heard on Missions. Professor Mallett is the famous Chemist of the University; and it may well be doubted whether his superior can be found in this country. Noah K. Davis holds the chair of Moral Philosophy; and I do not know his equal as a metaphysician, now that A. B. Brown and A. T. Bledsoe are dead.

The subject of University education has for many years received a great deal of attention from some of the ablest and most conspicuous thinkers in the State, as is shown by the list of the Rectors of the University. Thomas Jefferson, the first Rector, served till 1826. James Madison succeeded him, serving till 1834. Thomas J. Randolph, Chapman Johnson, Joseph C. Cabell, Judge Alexander Rivers, Andrew Stevenson, Thomas L. Preston and Johnson Barbour have all held the office of Rector; and James Monroe and Henry A. Wise and William C. Rives have served as members of the Board of Visitors, who are appointed by the Governor of the State, and hold office for four years. To this body are committed the election of Professors in the various schools, and the general management of the institution.

Before the late war, the number of students had reached 630. Of late years the number has been smaller. This falling off has been largely due to improvements in the courses of instruction in the various colleges and universities in different parts of the South; and these improvements have been due in no small measure to the influence of the University itself. Another cause has been the diminished resources of the Southern people, and especially the people of Virginia.

The last records to which I have had access showed 289 students, representing eighteen States, one Territory and the District of Columbia. There were students from New York, Nevada, Montana, Ohio and Indiana. There were 37 in the Medical School; 95 in the School of Law, and 157 in the Academic Schools. There were 120 of the Episcopal persuasion, 50 of the Methodist, 30 of the Baptist, 6 Catholics, 5 Campbellites, 4 Lutherans, 1 Dunkard and 1 Jew. Only 9 were reported as being of "no religious preference."

For many years most of the Professors have been pronounced Christians, and infidelity is not believed to be countenanced by any one of the Faculty. The University is remarkably free from sectarianism in Religion, and from partisan politics. Not unfrequently it has been the case that the political opinions of many of the Professors have been opposed to those of a majority of the Visitors, and of the dominant party in the State; and this has never put such Professors under any sort of disabilities, nor has it ever been any bar to their preferment in any way. No partisan politics are inculcated in the lectures; and it is the general opinion of cultivated Virginians that "the University ought to be kept out of politics."

The present writer has been well acquainted with the general state of this University for many years back, and he is fully persuaded that it has never had an abler Faculty than the one now on duty.

The name of Schele de Vere is a household word among cultivated Americans; and I do not know an abler teacher of Modern Languages. Nor would I know where to find a greater teacher of Law than Jno. B. Minor, or a more brilliant lecturer on Physics than Frank Smith, or a grander man every way than Jas. L. Cabell. If such teachers as these can not make a "university," I despair of seeing one.

J. C. HIDEN.

New Bedford, Mass.

The Church at La Grange.

Bro. G. W. Sanderlin, writes us in a private note from Beston, N. C., September 28th, 1887:

"We are spending about $800 in remodeling and thoroughly renovating our church building, and when the improvements now being made are completed, we shall have one among the best meeting-houses in the State. La Grange now numbers about 1,000 inhabitants. It has become, to a wonderful degree, a town of schools and churches. It has located within its limits the Davis Military School with about 200 young men enrolled from various States. It has the Kinsey School for Young Ladies numbering about 80, and the Collegiate Institute numbering 100 of both sexes. Besides this it has a public school numbering about 70 pupils. I question if there be a town of the same size in the whole South with such an educational record as this. As to churches, the Methodist Episcopal congregation has recently expended nearly $800 in improving their house of worship. The Methodist Protestants break ground this week for the building of a new church. The Disciples have put up a new building costing (with furnishings) nearly $1,500. And the Kehukee Baptists have also built a large and comfortable house of worship. Subscriptions have also been in circulation for the erection of a Presbyterian church, and the Episcopalians have been endeavoring to secure a lot to build on. It became necessary that we, the Missionary Baptists, should respond to this spirit of improvement evinced by other denominations, and we have done so with what, when completed, will be the largest and finest church in La Grange."

Elder J. H. Booth.

Resolutions of New Bethany Church.

WHEREAS, Elder J. H. Booth has publicly avowed himself as holding views not in keeping with those held by Baptists, and, moreover, has voluntarily withdrawn from the church; therefore,

Resolved, That we have withdrawn from him the hand of church fellowship, and declare our selvesas no longer responsible for his conduct or teachings.

Resolved, That a copy of the above preamble and resolution be sent to the BIBLICAL RECORDER and to the *Western Carolina Baptist* for publication.

Adopted by New Bethany Baptist church, Iredell county, Sept. 24, 1887.

ROBT. INGRAM, *Church Clerk.*

Cost of War and of Conversion.

It would be wisdom in our government to encourage and protect missionaries and school teachers among the Indians as the cheapest way of managing them. It is stated that our modern campaigns against the Indians cost us $5,000,000. After counting the slain, it is found that it takes $5,000 to kill an Indian, when $500 is all that it costs to convert and civilize one.—*Western Recorder.*

The eye is the index of the soul; where it points, thither will the soul's affections tend; the longer its reach of vision toward the sky, the shorter our outlook of desire and inspiration toward the world.—*A. J. Gordon.*

Pulpit and Platform.

The Chief Physician and the Centurion's Servant.

BY REV. C. H. SPURGEON.

"Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him."—Matthew 8: 7.

"And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee."—Matthew 8: 13.

The first thing I invite you to consider is *the perfect readiness of our Lord Jesus for works of mercy.* The centurion was concerned about his servant, just as you and I are, I hope, to day concerned about certain poor souls which lie paralyzed by sin. We mourn over them, and if we could heal them we would gladly suffer any self-denial or suffering. If we could bring our neighbors to Christ, it would be the utmost joy to us; their perishing souls are to some of us as a burdensome stone, a load heavy to bear.

His willingness is seen in the fact of his so cheerfully *granting the first prayer in the form in which it was put.* They besought him that he would "come and heal" his servant. Now that was not the best form in which to put it, certainly it was not that which commended itself to the maturer thoughts of the centurion. Why should Jesus go? He could heal the patient without moving from the spot. Was there not a considerable measure of unbelief about the elders' prayer? Yet our blessed Master took the prayer as it was, and he seemed to say, "I see the measure of your faith, and I will give you the blessing as you are able to receive it."

The Savior's willingness to bless this centurion's servant was very manifest from the fact that *he did not impute an ill motive to the centurion* when he bade him refrain from visiting the house. There was no mistrust about our Lord. He knew too much both of man's evil and of the sincerity of those in whom his grace was placed to suspect and to interpret harshly. Ignorance and selfishness are mistrustful; but love thinketh no evil. If there are two ways of understanding a sentence, my brothers, and one is better than the other, always read it in the kindest way, if you can. Never put hard constructions upon words and actions. You and I might have said in the case before us, "You see he does not want me in his fine house. He is a centurion and thinks much of himself, and I am wearing a poor garment, and therefore he does not want me in his villa to disgrace his halls. He is a captain, a man in authority, having soldiers under him, his pride forbids my approach, and therefore I will have nothing to do with him." But no, it was not in the Master's heart to think thus bitterly; but as at the first he had said, "I will come and heal him," so now, when genuine humility requests him not to come, he [illegible] and works the miracle all the same. Brothers and sisters, our condescending Saviour must be very willing to bless men, since he takes the true meaning of their prayers, where others would write a harsh interpretation. Be not afraid to approach him, however unworthy you are, for he will put the best construction upon your *broken petitions, and interpret them* always to your gain. His disciples may severely criticise one another and may criticise *you*; but they have learned no hard words in his company.

Nor did he demur at all to the comparison which the centurion made. "I also," said the centurion, "am a man under authority." If you were to read that expression with dark spectacles, you might make a great deal of mischief out of it. A caviller might say, "How dare he even for a moment compare himself to the Son of God? How can he draw a parallel of which he is one side and the blessed Lord the other? What impertinence!" Brethren, our Lord was no critic. No, among the brotherhood of fault-finders you never see the Christ of God. When he has to deal with sincere people, he picks no holes, imputes no motives and dwells on no mistakes. The centurion did not wish to make his metaphor go on all fours, and our Lord did not treat him as if he did. Many a time have some of us had to suffer from this mode of attack; but never from our Master, nor from those who imitate him. He took the meaning of the centurion's illustration, and he admired it, for indeed it was a grand and beautiful idea, to set forth our Lord Jesus as the great Emperor of the universe, to whom all things are under rule, and to whose faintest word each form of force, whether good or evil, is sure to render obedience. He showed that he had rightly estimated Christ, and enthroned him as he should be enthroned in the place of unlimited sovereignty and power. The Master did not, therefore, for a moment demur to anything he said. No, but the prayer had been offered that the servant might be healed, and the prayer was granted: the faith had been exercised which believed that Christ could heal, and that faith was honored. Our Lord did exactly as the prayer requested him. He came when he was asked to come; he stayed when he was asked to stay. He spoke the word when he was requested to speak the word; he healed when he was asked to heal. In all things he yielded himself entirely to the centurion's wish, to show his cheerful alacrity in benefiting the suffering boy and in answering the master's prayer. Come, then, dear friends, we may be quite sure of our Lord's sympathy, though we are not praying about a sick boy, but pleading for our sinful neighbors. He loves sinners better than we do, for they have cost him more than they have ever cost us, even if we have spent nights in watching and prayer on their behalf. To him it is committed of the Father to save the lost, and his zeal to accomplish the work never flags; and, therefore, we may be sure that our pleadings and efforts will touch a kindred cord in his heart.

II. Secondly, an equally interesting topic is before us in *the conscious ability of our Lord.*

It shows, dear friends, our Lord's conscious ability to deal with all manner of evil, since *he was not at all puzzled by this intricate case.* Almost any other physician would have felt some measure of perplexity. The case is described as that of a man sick of the palsy and yet "grievously tormented." How could that be? Paralysis can hardly be connected with acute pain. It brings numbness and so ends sensation, at least such is my impression. Some interpreters think the disease must have been a form of tetanus; but there is no mention of tetanus in either account. It was a palsy, and yet he was "grievously tormented." I know nothing about it; but I have read that there is a period in which paralysis may turn into apoplexy, and the patient may suffer extreme agony. If so, this may explain the mystery. However, though the case perplexed many, it did not perplex the Lord Jesus, for he said, "I will come and heal him." Now, my brother ministers, have not you and I a great many cases coming in our way which tax our experience and make us feel at a loss? I have had, during this week, to deal with several tempted ones whose difficulties have put me to a non plus, or would have done so if I had not borrowed from my Lord. Some experiences are a tangled skein; we cannot follow the thread, and so far as we do follow it knots and snarls are our chief reward. See how Jesus sweeps away all debates with "I will come and heal him." All the complicated phenomena of human disease he comprehends, and along the dark labyrinth of human experience his mighty word makes a way for itself, undisturbed, and even undelayed, the eternal energy enters the soul, for Jesus says, "I will come and heal him."

Neither did the extremity of the case at all dishearten him, for this poor man was ready to die, so Luke tells us, just on the verge of expiring, yet Jesus says, "I will come and heal him." It does not matter to Jesus what the stage of the disease may be. A common physician would shake his head and say, "Ah, you should have sent for me before. I might have done something at an earlier date; but the sufferer is now beyond all human help." Poor souls are never beyond the reach of the Divine Healer, and so he says without a word of doubt, "I will come and heal him." Ay, had he been dead, Jesus could have said and could have done the same. "I will come and heal him" is a word for all emergencies. Beloved, let us never hesitate to hope in prayer because the persons for whom we plead are such great and horrible sinners, and so very far gone in crime. So long as they are not actually in hell, let us firmly believe that Christ can save them; and, verily, if we can believe in our great Saviour with mighty faith, we shall yet hear him say of many a reprobate and outcast, "I will come and heal him."

I again remark that *our Lord speaks of his healing as quite a matter of course,* for his language is after the manner of speech which men use when they know that they are *au fait* at their work, and can do it as soon as they have it before them. A person asks a workman to repair a lock or a window, and he answers, "Yes, I will come and attend to it." He means that he can do it, it is quite in his line, and it is as easy to him to do it as to come. So can our blessed Master save a sinner as easily as his Spirit can come to that sinner, and we all know that his Spirit is a free Spirit, and like the wind, bloweth where he listeth. Jesus could come to the centurion's house, and he could as easily heal as he could come. "I will come and heal him;" the work is simple enough to the Divine Redeemer, to whom nothing is impossible. No disease of sin can baffle the Saviour or even cost him special effort to eject it. Look to him, ye ends of the earth, and prove for yourselves that none are beyond his mercy's reach. Oh, that all who hear me this day would make a like trial of *his healing might.*

Jesus was so conscious of his power that *you never find him uttering an expression of wonder, or manifesting the slightest surprise when his will is done, and a notable miracle is wrought.* No, but he did wonder at the centurion's faith, and on another occasion he marvelled at the people's unbelief. It is no wonder to Christ that he saves sinners, he is so in the habit of doing it, and he is so able to do it. You and I will wonder, and throughout eternity we will declare that wonder, singing with rapture and surprise the loving-kindness and pardoning power of Christ Jesus; but *he* does not wonder. Virtue goes out of him almost unconsciously, for he is so full of power that he can bless on all sides and scarcely know it. Even as the sun shines north, south, east and west, and never wonders at its own shining; or as a fountain sendeth forth its sparkling drops, and never stops to admire itself, or to marvel at its own flashing flow, so doth Jesus readily, easily, out of his very nature, scatter pardon and salvation on all sides. He marvels at our faith, he marvels oftener at our unbelief, but to him his own power is not a thing of wonder at all. Beloved, I want you to get fast hold of this thought if you can, and I beg you to hide it away in your hearts, that Jesus Christ is beyond measure able to save. We do not half believe it; we think we do; but we do not even a tithe believe it; for when we meet with a rather hard case we are ready to give it up in despair. Despairing persons we too soon leave in their gloom; and even melancholy men and women we are shy of; we wish we had never seen them, instead of believing up to their point, and believingly interceding until we see them happy in Christ. If we meet with a horrible blasphemer, or a foul liver, or a bloated drinker, we feel quite out of our latitude and in the land of monsters; whereas, it is with such cases that our Lord is much at home, and we ought to pray most about such persons, and to be most confident that the gospel was meant to meet their grievous ills. Is there not a great Saviour for great sinners?

III. We shall close by a third equally interesting point, of great practical value. I have spoken of our Lord's willingness and power; now we will note *the abiding method of our Lord Jesus.*

The power of the word in answer to the prayer of faith is now our Lord's way of blessing, and this method exactly suits the wish of true *humility.* Humility says, "I am not worthy that God should do anything for me which would attract attention to me or make me seem honored above others. The lowly soul hears of one who was saved through a dream or a vision, and he feels that he is not worthy to be thus favored. No, my friend, and you need not wish for it; the word of the Lord is enough, and that word is nigh you at this moment, in your mouth and in your heart; you have but to hear, and your soul shall live. If I were pleading for the conversion of a sinner, I should feel hampered by my own unworthiness if I believed that salvation necessitated a bodily manifestation of my Lord or some extraordinary display of power before men's eyes; but if my Lord will save by his word only, then do I venture to ask with confidence. Here is no parade of power, but quite divine energy, and this the meek of the earth delight in.

I am sure that it pleases *faith* better than any other way. Oh, that the power of the word might be displayed at this time. Oh, my Lord, how I desire of thee that thou wouldst save thousands, and I would be glad if it were done without me, without any of thy servants, if thou wouldst only say in a word and by thy Holy Spirit cause a nation to be born in a day! Certain professors eagerly pine for a great stir: they will not believe that the kingdom of God prospers unless thousands crowd into our assemblies; and unless great excitement reigns, and all the papers are ringing with the names of famous preachers. They like it all the better if they hear of persons being thrown into fits during the meetings, or read of men and women falling down, or screaming under excitement, and I know not what besides. They can believe in Christ's power if there are signs and wonders, but not else. That is going back to "come and heal him." But we are content to abide by the second mode. Can you not believe that by each one of us making the gospel of God to have free course, our Lord can effectually save men by his word? Quietly, without observation, without sign or wonder, Jesus will bless believing testimonies and answer believing prayers. Strong faith is well-content with the Lord's settled and usual mode of action, and rejoices to see him save men by his word in answer to the prayer of faith.

Let me add once more: if you who are converted long to see others saved, you will be wise to keep to the established method. Pray, believe, and then expect the Lord to work by his own word in answer to your prayer. The centurion rose to this method; he began lower by desiring a personal visit, but he grew up to this plain, simple, yet glorious way. Can you not do the same? Seek no marvels, but test the power of the gospel upon your friend. Do not ask the Lord to go out of his way, but beseech him to apply his word with power to those whose eternal welfare lies near your heart. Bring your loved ones under the sound of the gospel and entreat the healing Lord to put forth his power thereby, and your desire shall be accomplished. Alas, if the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth? If he were to come now, and ask us all to put into the collecting-box what faith we have, when he opened it, would it come to the eighth part of a farthing? Yet every man among us that is a believer ought to have an inexhaustible treasure of golden faith. Lord, we believe; help thou our unbelief! Lord, increase our faith. Amen.

The Love of Christ.

* * * Paul tells us distinctly that it was the *love of Christ which constrained him,* and, indeed, the tenor of his whole life, every sermon he preached, every letter he wrote and every sacrifice he endured showed that he spoke from his heart when he exclaimed, "God forbid that I should glory save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ." And this is the principle that we should make the guiding motive of our life on the ground of *duty, honor and happiness.* Are we under less sacred obligations to be devoted to Christ than was Paul? I know that the talents of this man of God were great, that his endowments of nature and grace were remarkable. I know, too, that his conversion was extraordinary, and that his *opportunities* for knowing Christ were unusual, but Paul does not base his obligations to love Christ upon any of these accidental circumstances. He states distinctly that he was bound to love Christ and live for Christ, because Christ died for him. And does not Christ love us? Has He not died for us as well as Paul? Were we not bought with His blood, and ought we not therefore to glorify Him in our bodies and spirits which are His? We have not the splendid abilities which distinguished the Apostle Paul; we may not attain to the eminent success which attended his labors as a Christian pioneer; we have not the ten talents with which he was intrusted, but, so far as the principle is concerned, whatever may be our talents and opportunities, the obligation to lay ourselves as whole burnt offerings upon the altar of sacrifice to God is as imperatively binding upon us as it was upon Paul.

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A life prompted by the love of Christ is the *happiest* you can pursue. I know the life of the consecrated Christian is one of self-denial; I know that his trials are neither few nor light, but love for Christ will make it a delight to toil and suffer for Him. Does the fond mother think it a hardship to labor for her child, to sacrifice for its interests, even to deprive herself of the necessaries of life that it may not suffer? Can any one suppose for a moment that Paul was not the happiest man on earth when he was giving his life for Christ? Oh, it was worth a thousand years of suffering to have felt as he did when Felix trembled beneath the power of his eloquence, or when he lifted up his voice in prison and praised God that he was counted worthy to suffer for his Master. Oh, if we but felt the constraining power of the love of Christ, our lives would be blessed and happy though full of trial and suffering, for love sweetens all trials, love lightens all burdens, love consecrates all possessions, love sanctifies all afflictions. Oh, is not the life of such a Saviour worth the life and service of such poor sinners as we are? * * * *Dr. T. H. Pritchard in Boston Watchman.*

Good Literature Cheap.

Good literature was never so cheap, and cheap literature so good as at present. He must be a bold publisher who would issue new books at the selling price of former years. Well-known authors can *always claim their premium* and insist on rates that will pay all parties, and the copyright laws will aid them in securing high prices; but new writers can no longer expect to reap a fortune out of their early ventures. Long novels are now sold at the price of a single part of the old-time editions, and less than the cost of the average monthly periodical. A good collection of fifty volumes can be purchased for the price of membership in a circulating library. Books that formerly sold for two or three dollars are now republished in paper covers, but with all the original embellishment of text, at the charge of twenty or twenty five cents. And all the firms have joined in this popularizing of what is best in literature.—*Jewish Messenger.*

What you want is religion in the present tense. The fervors you felt in the past, and the great things you vaguely hope for in the future, do not meet the necessities of your case.—*Nashville Advocate.*

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Report of the Woman's Central Committee of Missions.

For the Quarter ending Sept. 30, 1887.

Much faithful service for the Master is represented in the report given below, and we congratulate the Societies on the amount contributed.

The next report of the Central Committee will be to the Convention in November, and we earnestly request those Societies who have not sent up their contributions, to do so at once, in order to be included in that report. We are confident that they are as much interested as we, that not one Society shall be missing in the report to the Convention.

The following are the contributions from the bounds of the Associations named:

Anson—Wadesboro, $6.27.

Atlantic—Morehead, $10.14; Newbern, 7.80.

Beulah—Greensboro, $5.00; Yanceyville, 10.00.

Caldwell—Cedar Valley, $1.25.

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Central—First Church, Raleigh, $78.42; Bay Leaf, 2.00; Youngsville, 2.35; Rolesville, 5.50; Perry's Chapel, 4.29; Mission Band, First church, Raleigh, 5.22.

Eastern—Shiloh, $5.76; Warsaw, 5.69; First church, Wilmington, 30.43; New Hope, 5.00.

Flat River—Henderson, $3.50; Sunbeams, Oxford, 8.84.

Green River—Rutherfordton, $6.00; Marion, 2.10.

King's Mountain—New Bethel, $6.10; Boiling Springs, 2.00.

Liberty—Thomasville, $3.40; Kernersville, 2.80; Rich Fork, 1.03.

Mecklenburg and Cabarrus—Charlotte, $30.10.

Mt. Zion—Yates, $3.09.

Pilot Mountain—Leaksville, $5.40.

Raleigh—Cary, $8.00; Shady Grove, 7.62; Whitestone, 6.30; Cary, 35.80; Inwood, 3.00; Apex, 4.20; Fayetteville Street church, Raleigh, 2.28; Holly Springs, 1.91; Holly Springs Mission Band, 1.10; Collin's Grove, 2.52.

Robeson—Ashpole, $3.60; Lumberton, 13.30.

South Fork—Hickory, $11.58; Kid's Chapel, 1.20.

Sandy Creek—Manly, $10.80.

South Yadkin—Statesville, $1.50; New Hope, 6.20; Eaton's, 9.00; Salisbury, 1.00.

Tar River—Sharon, $3.14.

West Chowan—C. B. F. Institute, $12.81.

Yadkin—Bethel, $1.70.

Western Convention—Beaver Dam, $16.70.

Total, $137.27.

Contributed as follows: To Foreign Missions, $246.13; to Home Missions, 87.23; to State Missions, 72.48; to Ministerial Education, 22.00, and to the Orphanage, 9.43.

Letters written during the quarter, 115. Distributed: Reports, 500; blank forms, 312; leaflets on Mexico, 93; on China, 8; on Africa, 54; leaflet, A Few of the Open Doors, 200; copies of the *Missionary Talk,* 3,700.

Societies have been organized in Ahoskie, Beaufort, Salisbury, Burningtown, Franklin, Lewiston, Selma and Damascus.

Will not each Society, remembering the blessings God has so abundantly given us, and the two hundred and fifty millions of women dependent for the Gospel on the Protestant churches of America resolve the coming quarter to give more self-denyingly, serve more lovingly, and pray more earnestly. "Surely such giving, such service, such prayer, is possible to every woman. It is not the greatness of it, but the spirit of it, that tells, O ye women, whether of affluence or poverty, whether of high place or low place, whether old or young, go at the call of Christianity, and do your woman's work. There are treasuries of the Lord that wait your mites; there are alabaster boxes you may break for Jesus, if not upon him. There are daughters, O how many, this wide world over, in christendom and heathendom, with evil possessions, whom you, by faith, may bring to Christ for healing." —(Christianity challenge.)

With the desire for more love to Christ, and more faithful service for his honor and glory, this report is

Respectfully submitted,

MISS FANNIE E. HECK, *P. C. C.*
MRS. W. N. JONES, *Cor. Sec.*
Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 4, 1887.

Resolutions of Mt. Zion Union.

Let the Money given for the Bryan House be used as intended.

Dear Recorder:—The following preamble and resolution was adopted by the Mount Zion Union Meeting, and ordered to be sent to the RECORDER for publication:

WHEREAS, M. T. Yates, D. D., of Shanghai, China, asks the Baptists of North Carolina to contribute a sufficient sum of money to build a house for R. T. Bryan at Chinkiang, China; and whereas, the brethren and sisters of our great Baptist host responded nobly to the call; and whereas, owing to the fact that Bro. Hunnex did not return to Chinkiang as was expected, Bro. Bryan is not in need of a house just now. For which reason there has been several suggestions in reference to the disposal of the money that was raised; and there seems to be a difference of opinion in reference to what should be done with it:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this the Mount Zion Union Meeting, that every dollar should be appropriated to the original purpose for which it was intended, and that the whole matter be left to the judgment of Dr. Yates.

The above would have been sent earlier, but it got misplaced, and I could not put my hands on it until a few days ago. J. C. WILSON.

Oct. 3, 1887.

None but the watchful, the pure, and the pains-taking, can profit greatly by prayer. Prayer has no efficacy to atone for the obliquities of a perverse life, nor can it find pardon for sins into which we have contentedly fallen to-day, and which we have no purpose to shun to-morrow. Devotion will be profitable according only as the department has been blameless and the motives pure.—*Rev. Dr. Stephen Olin.*

One of our human frailties is the appetite with which we devour the revival. It is a kind of lust for the contemptible, and quite as debiliating to the higher and spiritual man as the sensual is to the grosser and physical man.—*Signor Max.*

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1887.

The vicinity of Wells' Chapel, near Harrell's Store, in Sampson county, is one of the best neighborhoods in the State. The cotton king rules it. He discovers much congeniality to himself in this light soil. In these primitive sand-banks (probably at one time the ocean beach—how many thousands of years ago!) he finds just enough of those elements which make him raise his white head from three to eight feet, and pile the fields full of snow-banks. Here the pine moans, bending to the knife that draws its blood for the market; the cypress raises its head high above the swamp, in saucy invitation to the shingle and paper manufacturer; the oak murmurs welcome as it spreads its blanket of shade for the traveller. Deer, squirrel, fox and quail are here for the sportsman. The "Sampson blues" (huckleberries,) that grow wild in the woods and swamps, burst with sweetness and often manifest themselves in the way of pastries and in large saucers alongside of pitchers of yellow cream. The scuppernongs (skipperlangs) are transparent globes of sugar and wine. No mistake was made when they were created. They grow to perfection here. He who has lived out half his days and has never devoured a peck or two of Sampson county scuppernongs, does not know what spasms of pleasure his palate and tongue are capable of giving him. The writer is not alone in this opinion. He saw a distinguished doctor of divinity and the President of one of our leading female colleges attack an ancient vine with avidity, and after they had exhausted it, they bowed them down and filled themselves and their hats from the leaves. What wonder, therefore, that good old "father Wells" thought this a fine place for a Baptist church! The scuppernong question may not have moved him, but the people did. These clever people had clever ancestors, as a matter of course, if there be anything in heredity. And, if a certain school of physicians are correct, and there be nothing in heredity, then must we take the word of history which tells of the excellence of the Baptist pioneers throughout this favored section. Did their spirits hover about the recent great meeting at Wells' Chapel, they were pleased. Here they saw men in every respect worthy of them. That clear-headed and able preacher, J. L. Stewart, occupied the chair as Moderator. From his decisions there is no appeal. The accommodating J. L. Britt was clerk, while Col. A. M. Faison held the bag as treasurer. The personnel of the body was fine. The reader may imagine the good humor of the average newspaper man when seated among them. He can not turn his head without meeting the kindly glances of the Wells', the Carrolls, the Blands, the Colwells, the Kennedys, the Middletons, the Highsmiths, the Sandlings, the Harrells, the Carltons, the Popes, the Herrings, the Aldermans, the Bryans, the Crooms, the Vanns, the Lanes, the Fennells, and others of the same sort. Most of the speaking was good. The crowd was inspiring. Eighteen hundred people were there. They hung with delight upon the clear-cut words and ideas of the Moderator in his annual sermon. It was a masterly effort. A rifle-cannon argument, piercing the thickest mail. It gave to christian baptism its true dignity. Corresponding Secretary Durham was also at his strongest. His sermons were pearls. His addresses were strong, convincing and eloquent. As an evidence of their power, what he asked the brethren to do, they did gladly. They also came to the support of brother Vann, who plead for his ministerial students. How fresh he is! We have heard him many times on this same theme, but have never tired. Whatever is placed upon the anvil responds to his licks with scintillation and sparkle. L. R. Carroll spoke masterfully on Foreign Missions. He wields the spear of Achilles. His heart always warms to the cry of the heathen. Rev. G. M. Tolson plead the cause of the orphan in a capital speech, followed by the Moderator in one just as good. But quite as good a thing as we heard was the missionary sermon by Dr. Pritchard. He is now fifty-one or two. But there is no *dead line* for him. He is in his prime. That splendid voice has all the melody it had when the writer, years ago, first understood the salvation message from him. And did a man ever *fit* a pulpit better! With him are the three graces of thought, voice and gesture mutually responsive. The Greeks would not have desired a better model in the matter of action than the Wilmington pastor.

The meeting was greatly saddened by the news that came to us of the death of those two venerable brethren, Rev. G. W. Hufham and Rev. E. A. Best. They rest from their labors, and their works do follow them. From behind the purple clouds come the rays of the fair land of Light, whither they have betaken themselves. Soon shall these curtains of glory be rent asunder, disclosing to us the same city of God. May we leave to those coming after us, as these aged servants have left to us, a rich legacy of faithfulness!

Altogether, considering the hard year, the brethren have done well. We have no complaint to make. We thoroughly appreciate the remark of Secretary Durham, that he has faith in the Baptists of North Carolina. The generations that have gone by did not furnish us with the same advantages, which some other denominations had handed to them upon a government platter; but now we are doing fairly well. Many of our pastors, though never having had the advantages of the schools, are, as a rule, progressive men. On the floor of the Associations they press the claims of our Boards, and in their pulpits they preach with a force and eloquence and purity unsurpassed. We rejoice in them and many of our happiest moments are spent among them. They are the men upon whose shoulders, to a great extent, rests our work, and we have confidence in them that they will not permit any backward movement.

Next year the Eastern will meet at Warsaw.

THE SANDY CREEK ASSOCIATION.

This Association held its 129th annual session with the church at Gum Spring, Chatham county, on 29th and 30th of September. Nearly all the churches were represented on the first day of the session, and a large delegation reported present. After the reading of the letters by Dr. Seawell and Rev. O. T. Edwards, the body organized by electing Rev. W. H. H. Lawhon, of Carthage, Moderator, W. N. Straughan, Clerk, and Brother Dorsett, Treasurer.

The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. J. L. Smith. He took for his text Ezekiel's vision of the valley of dry bones, and dealt the mortgage and lien systems and time merchants some severe blows. He preached quite a good sermon, but brought into it many things Ezekiel never thought of. He is a zealous, earnest preacher, and a man of excellent spirit and good intentions. Had he enjoyed the advantages of early training and a collegiate education, he would have made one of the strongest and most useful preachers ever reared in North Carolina. He is plain, practical and earnest in his manner, and preaches to instruct his hearers, not simply to fill an appointment.

The Association is a strong body, and has not only a most honorable history, as the source of all the other Associations south and west of its present bounds, but possesses many of the elements of real strength and a bright future. For a year or two a feeling of depression has spread over the body and done much harm to the cause. Little, if any progress has been made, and some of the churches have become much weakened. All this has grown out of the dissatisfaction of one or two of the ministers who have been misled and discouraged by some of their brethren. The laymen are in advance of their pastors in interest and affection for the great objects of the Convention, and would, if they were properly trained and given the opportunity, do much more for missions and education than they are now doing. The cause has suffered much from a want of union and co-operation among the pastors of the churches and from a spirit of rivalry and even jealousy on the part of some of them. Some of them are too anxious to be called to pastorates—too willing to fill the twelve Sunday appointments, so much so that some of them are willing to do this for any amount, however small the churches may name. We believe in preaching the gospel freely to the people, and we heartily approve of preaching to exceedingly poor churches and mission stations for nothing, but to preach to regularly organized churches, abundantly able to support a pastor, for nothing, or for a small pittance, is sure death, both to pastor and church. Nothing will dry up the liberality of a people and destroy a church of Jesus Christ so soon and so surely as this cheap preaching. Brethren sometimes do this, thinking it a charitable and a religious act. And churches sometimes call a cheap pastor as a matter of economy. Both are mistaken, and both commit a fatal error. Even a poor struggling church had better double its pastor's salary than to reduce it, if they wish to prosper. And the preacher who underbids his brethren for a pastorate, and in this way panders to the penuriousness and covetousness of his hearers, is doing them harm and utterly destroying his own influence and usefulness.

The causes of missions, Foreign and State, had been much neglected by the pastors and churches during the year. Yet, through the earnest efforts of Bro. W. H. Pace, President of the Board of Missions, and Prof. Robinson, of Liberty, handsome subscriptions and collections were made to these objects. It is to be hoped that all the pastors and all the churches will do better next year.

The subject of education was ably discussed by Rev. J. N. Stallings, of Thomasville, Rev. R. T. Vann, of Wake Forest, and other brethren.

Able and instructive sermons were preached, during our two days' stay, by Rev. W. F. Watson, Rev. A. D. Hunter, Rev. W. H. H. Lawhon and Rev. R. T. Vann.

We never saw the Association more liberally or more gladly entertained. The brethren and sisters of Gum Spring church, and all the citizens of the community, kept open house and extended a hearty welcome to the hundreds who were present. Chatham county is noted for its hospitality. A better people cannot be found in the State. We love and honor them for their piety, zeal and open hearted, brotherly hospitality.

It had been some years since we met with them in their homes and at their Association. Some changes had taken place, some that we regretted; but to look over the large congregation and into the faces of the hundreds of young men who attended as delegates, filled our heart with hope for the future of the churches. If the laymen, such as Prof. Johnson of Mt. Vernon Springs, and Prof. Robinson of Liberty, Petty of Manly, Dr. Lassiter of Haywood, Dr. Seawell of Villanow, the Dorsett brothers, and a hundred others we met, will come to the front and lead their brethren in the churches and the Association, all the obstacles that now hinder the progress of the work will speedily be removed, and the seeming poverty and gloom will disappear. The great wants of the Association are more activity on the part of the splendid laymen of the churches within its bounds and less rivalry among the pastors.

The Association was a success, and the officers efficiently performed the duties assigned them.

During our stay we enjoyed the hospitality of the Misses Bridgers, near the church, and spent a night each in the hospitable homes of brother and sister Womble of Moncure, and brother and sister Barringer of Lockville.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION.

The Tar River Association met with the church at Samaria, Nash county, on Tuesday of last week, and held one of the most pleasant and profitable sessions in the history of that progressive and earnest body of Baptist churches. Rev. G. J. Dowell, of Hamilton, preached the introductory sermon to a large and interested congregation. He has wonderfully developed, both as a man and as a preacher, since leaving Wake county, and is now one of the ablest ministers in the State.

Bro. W. E. Bowers was elected Moderator, Rev. A. G. Willcox, Clerk, and Noah Biggs, Treasurer. The letters from the churches brought tidings of gracious revivals, large additions and generous contributions.

The union and harmony of the brethren in the great work they have undertaken for God and North Carolina was beautiful and inspiring. They all work together. There is no rivalry, no jealousy. The fullest brotherly co-operation in every good work is manifested in everything that is undertaken.

The churches sent in the $1,500 for Associational Missions promised at the former session, and promised $1,500 for the same work next year. Liberal contributions were made to Foreign, Home and State Missions, the Education Board and the Baptist Orphanage. Bro. J. T. Taylor, of Warrenton, raised seventy-five pairs of shoes for the orphans at Thomasville in ten minutes. One good brother, when the Treasurer reported that the pledges of two sisters of $10.00 each had not been paid, promptly handed the Treasurer $20.00, and quietly asked him to mark the pledges paid.

The Association is specially fortunate in its pastors. There is not a drone or a grumbler among them. Many of them are able, consecrated men—some of them would do credit to any pulpit in the Baptist world. They love Christ, are willing to labor and suffer for Him and preach the gospel with apostolic power and zeal. And to them, and the strong band of laymen who second them in every word and work, is due the progress and power of the Tar River Association.

The church at Samaria deserves special mention for the splendid entertainment of the brethren. The upper section of Nash county is one of the fairest portions of the State. The lands are fertile, the people are moral, industrious and happy. When the brethren and sisters of Samaria learned that the Association had decided to meet with them, they repaired their house of worship and made it one of the most beautiful and comfortable houses in the State; and as the time for the meeting approached, they prepared a royal feast and reception for all who came. Every house was open and no one could secure as many delegates and visitors as he wished. Forty and fifty found a home in some of the generous families. Bro. B. T. Strickland of Wake, and —— Gill and Thos. Westray of Nash kept open house and pleasantly entertained all who came. We have seen many Associations, but we never saw a more hearty welcome extended to one and all than that given by the brethren and sisters of Samaria. The pastor of the church, Rev. J. L. Cottingham, deserves the thanks of all his brethren for the happy arrangements he and his brethren made for the Association.

This was our first trip to Nash county. We had heard much of the county and its citizens, but we were unprepared for the joyous, hearty welcome extended the many hundreds of strangers who attended this meeting.

The next session will be held with the church at Maple Spring, six miles east of Louisburg, on Thursday after the first Sunday in October, 1882. Rev. J. W. Wildman, of Greenville, and Rev. Baylus Cade, of Louisburg, were appointed preachers of the stated sermons.

But one thing marred the joy of the session, that, the absence of Bro. John Watson, of Warrenton, who was too feeble to attend, and the serious illness of Bro. J. T. Webb, who for years held the moderator's chair. These two aged servants of God are dearly loved by the thousands of their brethren who make up the Association. And they were sadly missed. Able and instructive sermons were preached during the session by brethren Broughton, of Raleigh, G. M. Duke, of Hilliardston, B. Cade, of Louisburg, J. A. Leslie, of Tarboro, and R. E. Peele, of Crowells.

Four new churches were added to the list. Several of the mission stations have grown into self-sustaining churches and are now liberally contributing to help send the gospel to the destitute. The Association has doubled in churches and in number of members within the past nine years, and have increased their contributions to benevolence by more than five fold in the same time.

Our editorial columns keep full of accounts of associations. People who do not like to read such matter will have to bear with us. This is the time of the marshalling of our Baptist forces and the accounts of these meetings is news from the front.

It is with sadness that we announce the death of the venerable G. W. Hufham. He died at his home Oct. 3. An account of his life and labors will appear at an early day in this paper.

When the Eastern Association met at Wells' Chapel, some years ago, brother Abner Colwell, a prosperous farmer, entertained eighty delegates. On Wednesday evening of last week, another large crowd was at his home, and were greatly saddened to see him confined to his couch. Beneath the afflicting hand, however, he is patient and bright. Greatly afflicted, he at the same time never complains, esteeming it a privilege to suffer with the Lord. The writer, in company with Dr. T. H. Pritchard and President F. P. Hobgood, considered it a great privilege to visit our brother and catch his spirit.

PERSONAL & OTHER ITEMS

....Read Sister Herring's letter.

....Rev. R. T. Vann was highly enjoyed at the Eastern.

....The Baptist people are having the roof of their church painted.—*Lexington Dispatch.*

....Rev. E. F. Tatum writes that there are 120 students in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

....Will some one please send us the post-office address of Mrs. E. Driver and Mr. E. L. Gavin.

....Dr. Pritchard's church in Wilmington gave last year over $4,000 for benevolent purposes. That is good.

....Rev. James Chester Rockwell, of Fair Bluff, was ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry in the Whiteville Baptist church on Sept. 29th.

....Rev. J. W. Wildman, of Greenville, is in Alma, holding a series of meetings. He loves his brethren of that section, and they return the compliment.

....Rev. J. W. Lynch, of Wake Forest, filled the pulpit of the First church on Sunday last. He leaves this week to aid Rev. J. H. Lamberth in a series of meetings with the church at Roxboro.

....Rev. Dr. J. B. Taylor, of Lexington, Va., invites us to the dedication, on 17th inst., of the splendid new house of worship he and his church have completed.

....Dr. Yates has sent us a review of the situation in China, and his honest convictions as to the present needs of the work. We hope to lay the matter before our readers next week.

....While on our way to the Tar River Association, we had the privilege of spending an evening at Wakefield. We found brethren Stringfield and Terrell with a full school and hard at work. These energetic brethren deserve success.

....Rev. Thos. Carrick is assisting Rev. Henry Sheets in a protracted meeting at Friendship church in the upper end of the county. Rev. Wm. Turner is pastor of the church.—*Lexington Dispatch.*

...."Bear and forbear" are two Bible bears, with which the Christian must daily and hourly combat. There is no time when we are not called on in some way to bear and forbear something for Christ. The true Christian does both.—*Statesville Advocate.*

....Rev. G. M. Tolson, pastor of the Brooklyn Mission at Wilmington, has many good traits that would make him a good pastor, but the trait incidentally mentioned by Dr. Pritchard in a speech stands among the first requisites.

....Rev. S. H. Thompson, of High Point, reports the work progressing smoothly in his field. He preaches twice a month to good congregations, the church has a good Sunday school, and High Point Classical Institute has 80 students.

....Rev. H. W. Battle returned from a visit to Dr. Pritchard Saturday morning. He had a delightful visit. It could hardly have been otherwise in so hospitable a house, and among such entertaining people.—*Wadesboro Messenger, Oct. 5th.*

....Rev. C. L. Dowell, after a pleasant vacation spent in Durham and Raleigh, has returned to his work in Williamston. He preached in the First church, Raleigh, on Thursday evening, Sep. 29th, to the edification of those present.

....Dr. Pritchard delivered his lecture on The Tongue to an appreciative audience at Harrell's Store on Wednesday evening last. If any man in the State can afford to talk about the tongue, Dr. Pritchard more. He is not only gifted with one of the most eloquent tongues the old State has ever had within her borders, but one of the most amiable that has robbed his neighbor of less reputation than any other man we have ever known. Everybody should hear that lecture.

....Rev. W. L. Wright, of Reidsville, spent last week aiding Rev. C. C. Newton in a series of meetings with the church in Hillsboro. A most gracious revival resulted. Thirty professed faith in Christ. Seventeen have been baptized, five others await the ordinance, and seven were received by letter.

....Rev. J. L. Stewart and Rev. W. B. Pope made strong speeches at the Eastern Association on the Warsaw High School. They desired that it should continue as an Associational school, and that improvements in the way of buying additional land be made. The school has hitherto done much good.

....Rev. W. R. Gwaltney, of Greensboro, preached every night last week to large and serious congregations in the unfinished chapel in East Greensboro. He will move the meetings this week to the new church, and expects Rev. R. T. Vann, of Wake Forest, to be with him on the 18th. Bro. Gwaltney and his people are being wonderfully blest. His letter reached us too late for this issue.

....W. E. Daniel, Esq., of Weldon, was in Raleigh last week, attending to business in the Supreme Court. He is dearly loved by a large number of Baptist ministers and brethren who have in recent years had to spend an hour or two in Weldon, N. C. The man who is not glad to see Bro. Daniel is a heathen.

....Rev. R. T. Bryan, of Chinkiang, China, writes us a most interesting letter, showing the importance of that house Dr. Yates asked the Baptists of North Carolina to build. The house must be erected, as it will soon be needed, and we again open our columns to subscriptions for the purpose. About $1,200 of the $2,200 needed have been given. Send on the other $1,000, brethren, and make Dr. Yates happy.

....Rev. Dr. T. T. Eaton, in behalf of the committee appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention at its session in Louisville, Ky., to "thoroughly consider the present methods of the Southern Baptist Convention for conducting its missionary enterprises, and to consider its needs of the field of its operation, and to report to the next Convention," publishes in the papers of the South an address "*To the more Intelligent and to the Wealthier Baptists of the South.*" He rings the changes on the words "more intelligent and wealthier" till the average brother is forced to the conclusion that he is not the man the learned committee is looking for or speaking to.

....In a private letter to Rev. R. T. Bryan, Dr. Yates, then in Chefoo, says: "I shall remain where I am until the first of October and then return to Shanghai. Then, if my health will admit of it, I shall review and put to press from the first of 1st Corinthians to Revelation, thus finishing my translation in the Shanghai colloquial to Revelation. This done and the house built in Chinkiang, I will consider whether the glory of God and the best interest of Christ's kingdom in China will be promoted by my taking a furlough for one or two years, and act accordingly. Pray for me that I may have strength to do and suffer God's will. * * * I have asked the Board to send at once a man from home for Chinkiang. * * The house is a necessity even if Hunnex does not return."

....Secretary Durham is a born Secretary.

....Rev. H. B. Folk, of Tennessee, preached in Goldsboro Sunday.

....Rev. H. W. Battle, of Wadesboro, has baptized six persons recently.

....Rev. Jacob Utley, of Thomasville, N. C., requests his correspondents to note the change in his address.

....Rev. C. E. Gower has tendered his resignation as pastor of Mocksville and Jerusalem churches.

....Rev. Dr. G. W. Manly, of Wake Forest, was in Raleigh on Saturday and Sunday last. On Saturday he addressed the Teachers' Association in this city.

....L. R. Carroll greatly interests himself and others in Foreign Missions. At the Eastern Association he made a capital speech on this question.

....Rev. J. L. White, who has been on a visit to friends in Shelby and Winston, reports Rev. H. A. Brown well and doing good work in Winston, just as all who know him expected.

....The first vote on the Orphanage was had at the Liberty Association. After speeches *pro* and *con*, only one man voted against it, and he was the first man to bring a donation of a bag of apples.

....Bro. N. B. Broughton, of Raleigh, represented the Mission Board in the Tar River Association. His address on Missions was heard by a large audience, and made a favorable impression.

....The owners of Rock Rest school, in Union county, have indicated their purpose to donate the school property at that place to the Association, provided they will support a good school at that point.

....The meeting at Oxford Baptist church is still in progress. Congregations large. Rev. C. A. Jenkens is doing the preaching this week, and doing it well. Seven professions last night.—*J. A. Stradley.*

....Gracious revivals were in progress last week at Mocksville and also at the Fairfield mission near Fork church. The people of Mocksville were greatly moved and many of the people have professed faith in Christ. The whole church was revived and great good accomplished.

....Prof. W. W. Holding is doing good work at Harrell's Store. He has a fine school, and the prospects are bright. We were not at all surprised at his great popularity down there in that country, for the inhabitants are a sensible people.

....Among the promising young Baptist lawyers in Eastern North Carolina is J. T. Bland, of Burgaw. He is not, however, like many others, entirely taken up with the care of worldly things; but he is an earnest worker in his church, and when he speaks in the Association the brethren listen attentively.

....Bro. Mills informs us that the actual amount of cash received for the Orphanage from the King's Mountain Association was $188.21. When the Western Convention met in Asheville, year before last, the collection in actual cash was $215.00. So, our Western friends are ahead of us on the cash for the Orphanage.

....One of the busiest, perhaps the busiest man at the Eastern Association, was Brother L. R. Highsmith. Wells' Chapel has in him a *treasure.* Visiting brethren found in him a friend ready to meet every wish. The meeting was one of the smoothest we ever attended, and it was largely due Deacon Highsmith's efforts.

....Rev. J. B. Harrell, of Mount Olive, temporarily occupied the chair, while the Moderator was making a strong speech for Warsaw school. Bro. Harrell has all the capillary appearance of being a married man, but has not yet been numbered among those fortunates. He looks well in the chair of an Association, and therefore would look well in some other chair.

....Great sadness came over the Eastern Association last week when the news was borne thither of the death of those two honored servants of God—Rev. G. W. Hufham, and Rev. E. A. Best. Long had been their pilgrimage on the earth and they were greatly beloved for their character and great work for the Master.

....Rev. W. B. Pope is fortunate in being pastor of one of the best churches in the State. Indeed, he is willing to challenge any church in the State for a better showing in the way of liberality. They are a zealous band. We rejoice in the light they hold up for the cause of Christ. And let us modestly suggest, that every male member in the Burgaw church is a subscriber to the BIBLICAL RECORDER.

Green River Association.

Dear Recorder:—Our Association, the Green River, has just closed a very pleasant and, I trust, profitable session. Two newly constituted churches were received into the body, and one by letter from a sister Association. Others would have been received, but the swollen streams kept their delegates away. The missionaries of the Board of State Missions and the Sunday School Board have been doing good work. As a result of their labors, three new churches have been organized, and three that were almost dead have been resuscitated.

At no time within my knowledge has the future of the denomination in this Association been brighter or more hopeful than at present. Most of our ministers are hard at work, and the churches gradually coming into sympathy with all the great religious movements of the day.

We were glad to have with us Dr. Hufham and Bro. Durham, the former representing the RECORDER and the Orphanage, and the latter the State Mission Board. Both made telling speeches on State Missions and the Orphanage.

By request of the body I made a talk on Foreign Missions, and was ably seconded by Elders A. L. Stough and J. E. King.

Our prospects for building a denominational school of high grade, to be controlled by the Association, are bright.

The amounts that the pastors obligated themselves to try to raise, during the year, for Foreign Missions aggregated something over $200.00.

I feel that we are all the better by having attended this session of the Green River Association.

In Christ, C. B. JUSTICE.
Rutherfordton, Oct. 4, 1887.

Old Fort Baptist Church.

Dear Recorder:—Our beloved pastor, Bro. C. M. Murchison, after serving our church three years faithfully, has tendered his resignation. Bro. Murchison will preach his farewell sermon on the 4th Sunday in October when our flock will be without a shepherd. Bro. Murchison will take with him, not only the best wishes of the Baptists, but of our entire people—of all denominations. None know him but to love. None name him but to praise.

Fraternally,
W. B. TERRELL.
Old Fort, Sept. 26, 1887.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES.

Powell's Point--Pledges called for.

Last Sunday I closed a very interesting meeting (Sept. 24) at Powell's Point, adding twenty to the church. I have been preaching at this church three years, and with the help of the Lord and the brethren have added 65; yet this was the best meeting of all. I was assisted this year by Rev. O. C. Horton, who did the preaching from Tuesday until Friday, and did it well, endearing himself to the people, church members and those not church members: indeed any one that will be with him a very short time will learn to love him.

We are trying to seat our house of worship at Poplar Branch, and any who have pledged to this church would confer a very great favor on us, if they would redeem their pledges. Such can send their money to Rev. O. C. Horton, E. City, N. C., or to the writer,

P. S. C. DAVIS.
Currituck C. H., N. C.

Manly--Carthage.

Dear Recorder:—Our meeting at Manly, which closed the fourth Sunday in last month, was very gratifying. The meeting continued seven days. Nine professed faith in Christ and nine received the ordinance of baptism. Our cause in Moore county is looking up. New life is being infused into the churches, and as a result the Lord is adding continually to the churches such as shall be saved.

Our church at Carthage has just been thoroughly repaired, and is now one of the best church buildings in Moore county. We hope soon to hold a meeting with this church. Pray for us.

Fraternally, W. F. WATSON.
Jonesboro, Oct. 4, 1887.

Lexington.

Dear Recorder:—It is with gratitude that I report that we have had a good meeting here. Bro. Stallings, of Thomasville, preached for us one night, the rest of the labor was performed by the pastor and church. The church was much revived, a number of professions, and nine were baptized. We expect others to follow soon.

We are now house keeping, and have recently been the recipients of many kind favors in the way of such supplies as are so necessary to those just beginning to keep house.

The work here is making progress and the people are kind and generous. Shall expect to see this among the strong churches at no distant day.

Fraternally, THOS. CARRICK.
Lexington, Oct. 1, 1887.

Union Meeting at Wake Cross Roads Church.

Programme—Introductory sermon by R. T. Vann.

First subject to be discussed: Are we, as Baptists, doing our duty in contributing of our means to the support of the gospel to the Foreign Missions? Speakers: J. A. Coppedge, C. G. O'Neal, R. T. Vann and J. H. Hutchinson.

Second. What are the duties of pastor to the church and church to its pastor? Speakers: W. B. Royal, L. W. Ranes, T. C. Buchanan and B. B. Buffalo.

Third. Can members of a church visit bar-rooms for the purpose of passing away the time in a worldly conversation without encouraging the owner in his evil traffic? Speakers: W. B. Royal, J. S. Purefoy, P. W. Johnson and A. Carter.

Fourth. Is it conducive to a growth in grace, either to the church or individual, for a member to visit from church to church each Lord's day to hear the gospel? Speakers: Dr. Wm. Royal, J. A. Honeycutt, L. R. Mills and W. H. Pace.

T. L. HONEYCUTT,
E. S. DUNN,
N. G. SANDERFORD,
Committee.

State Missions.

There is now only twenty-eight days till the report of the Board of Missions to the next session of the Baptist State Convention must close. In these *twenty-eight* days we have to secure for State Missions $5,693.22, or report a debt. What shall be done? Fifteen Associations are to meet during these twenty-eight days. I can reach only about half of them. Those that I have attended have done well. They have either paid their pledges in full, or made arrangements for them to be paid during this month. This $5,693.22 can be secured, if all will help, and help now. Please do your best, brethren, at once for this work. The report must close on the 9th of November. Let every missionary send a full annual report of all of his work to me at once, and let every dollar collected for this work be sent to F. H. Briggs, Treasurer of the Convention, Raleigh, N. C., in time to reach him before or on the 9th of November.

C. DURHAM, *Cor. Sec.*

The Chapel Hill Church--the New Pastor, etc.

Dear Recorder:—Our pastor, Rev. Geo. Braxton Taylor, was received last Sunday morning by a large congregation, representing not only the Baptists but the good people generally of the community. A few words of welcome to him and exhortation to the church were given by Prof. Thomas Hume, of the University, followed by a fit response from the pastor. The hymns and other portions of the service were especially appropriate to such an occasion, and the first sermon of Bro. Taylor on "Christ our Hope" was full of just such inspiration as the church, as we all, need. A united brotherhood and a hospitable community have already made him feel at home, and all anticipate for one so well endowed and so earnest in his Master's service the signs of God's favor on his ministry here.

The Sunday School Missionary Union of the church has resumed work. The last topic was State Missions. Addresses were delivered by Revs. G. B. Taylor and Thos. Hume, and the class-societies made their offerings in envelopes endorsed with their respective names (Bryan Class, Herring Society, Yates Class, Orphans' Friends, &c.)

The Sunday School, superintended by Prof. Gore, with its Infant Class and its Student's Bible Class, will be an efficient ally of the young pastor. T. H.

Chapel Hill, Sep. 22, 1887.

The Work of Four Little Girls.

Even a child is known by its doings.—Prov. xx. 11.

May the following statement of work done by four little girls, pupils of the Lincolnton Baptist Sunday school, formed into a society for missionary work, be blessed to the encouragement of others to go and do likewise! Misses Carrie McLean, Lillie Cauble, Mary Emma Faulkner and Katie Wilkie agreed with their teacher to give one day per week to work for Foreign Missions.

The result is $10.15, herewith transmitted to the Treasurer of the Baptist State Convention, F. H. Briggs, and some unfinished quilts for the Baptist Orphanage besides. Of these children, the first mentioned has not missed a day nor failed in a contribution for twelve months. The second mentioned, like Mary, did what she could.

TEACHER.

Letter from Sister M. N. Herring.

Dear Dr. Bailey:—Not seeing anything in the RECORDER these last few weeks from our mission, I venture to send you a word about our vacation. We have just spent three weeks with our friends, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan, at Chinkiang. We *feel refreshed*, and mean to begin our work again with great earnestness. Our second summer, which is considered the test, finds us pretty strong, for which we are very thankful. We see our fellow missionaries failing on every hand, and we pray more earnestly for strength. We felt the need of a little change after a year and a half of study and hope we are really benefitted.

We found our friends well and busy, but regular work was suspended in honor of our visit, and we abandoned ourselves to rest and recreation. They are delighted with their surroundings, and well they may be, for they have a most desirable place. Chinkiang is 170 miles from Shanghai on the Yang Taz river—one of the largest rivers in the world—the longest except perhaps the Mississippi, and the broadest except the Amazon. Large steamers leave Shanghai every day for Hankow, a large city 600 miles up this river, and the most inland open port, stopping *en route* at Chinkiang and other ports. Though many of these steamers are owned by Chinese, the officers are all foreigners, not because the Chinese have not the ability, but because they are not trustworthy. They need something to make them honest. Chinkiang, though farther from the sea, and deprived of sea-breezes, is surrounded by hills and is but little warmer than Shanghai. The mission home stands on a hill side with a lovely view of the river, and the chapel in the adjoining lot is happily situated at the junction of four important streets of the native city. For this large city and hundreds of miles of the surrounding country, there is but one Baptist missionary, and what is one man in such a field?—but we are very hopeful of other men for that place, and for Soochow soon.

We found plenty to do in the way of recreation, the hills affording fresh delights for every day. Our excursions into the country was most amusing. Our last trip was to a bungalow a little foreign built cottage among the bamboo trees, seuen miles away on the hills. For our conveyance to that place, we had to choose between a pony, sedan chair, donkey and wheel-barrow. Two ponies being available the two gentlemen took them, and I took a chair with three men to carry me. They were good walkers and kept up with the ponies. We set off early. The valleys were green with rice, and every plot of rice laid off into squares with banks between trodden into foot-paths. These were out roads; so that, instead of cutting straight across to the point in view, we had all these right angles to make: the sun was growing hot when we reached the bungalow.

All along through the country are old temples. Don't imagine that they take the place of our pretty country churches, or that the people *gather* there to worship at stated periods. They are desolate looking places, usually at a distance from other houses and approached by a foot path overlapped by weeds, presenting in every way an unkept and forlorn appearance. Priests stay in them and try, by mumbling strange words and beating on a piece of hollow wood, to become perfect, and the people go, perhaps once a year, or whenever they feel inclined, to burn incense to the gods. Poor, deluded wretches that they are! How they do need salvation from these superstitions and wickedness! If the people at home could only see and know, how they would pity and try to save! May God bless the work here and at home.

We hear that Dr. Yates is improving some and that Mrs. Yates keeps pretty well. The church here is in a good condition spiritually, and we are all cheerful and happy in our work.

Yours faithfully,
M. N. HERRING.
Shanghai, China, Aug. 5, 1887.

Our Mission Work.

We are all sorry that our State Mission work is $6,000 behind. I hope we may pay this debt and go up to our State Convention out of debt. We must help pay that debt of $1,300 now due the Board of Education also. In doing these things we must not forget the great work of Home and Foreign Missions. I believe in a vigorous prosecution of our State work, but at the same time Dr. Yates is more than half right when he thinks we are putting our great stress on State Missions. Bro. Ray did a good work in North Carolina, and other brethren representing the Board of Missions are doing the same thing, but in most of their *earnest* speeches there is nothing, or nearly so, said in behalf of the great masses now in heathen darkness. I candidly believe if we give $10,000 for State Missions, we ought to give at least $20,000 or $30,000 to Foreign Missions. Brethren cry down, in some instances, the idea of saying any one object is our great work. I know all these things are the Lord's work—State Missions, Home Missions, Education, Foreign Missions, &c., but relatively we know that Foreign Missions *is our great work.* The collector for Foreign Missions represents at least 70 per cent. of the inhabitants of this world. We are *enlarged* in our Home work as we *enlarge* our Foreign Mission work. The history of Missions shows this to be true from the time of William Cary until now.

A great many Baptists in North Carolina do not believe the Bible in its plain teachings that the heathen are lost without the gospel. *How do I know this?* I know it by their actions, which speak louder than words. If I am saved myself, does this not beget in me a desire to do what I can for the salvation of others? We are told that thirty millions of heathen die each year. *Remember this.* Who is responsible for their not having the bread of life? Why every one who can give it to them and does not.

We are not even playing at Missions yet. That pastor who fails to do his duty in this great mission work, for fear he will be unpopular, is guilty of a double sin.

Then, too, it does seem to me it would be a nice thing and a right thing for brethren who have been educated by the Baptists of North Carolina as preachers, when they get large salaries in North Carolina or elsewhere, and can spend a part of the summer at the seaside and famous watering places, to remember the pit from whence they have been hewn, and do a liberal work in helping our Board of Education at W. F. College. If they would do so, we might perhaps do the work we are trying to do in aiding the twenty four young preachers now receiving help, and perhaps aid also some of the twenty five Bro. Vann tells us are now asking for a similar aid to better fit them to do the same work.

A. D. HUNTER.

Associational Minutes Wanted.

I shall take it as a great favor if the Clerk of each Association in the State will forward me a copy of his minutes as soon as received. I need them in the interest of Home Missions.

A. G. MCMANAWAY.
Charlotte, N. C.

Swift Creek Union.

The next meeting of this Union will be held with the church at Free Chapel, commencing Friday before the fifth Sunday in October.

PROGRAMME.

Rev. M. J. Willoughby to preach the introductory sermon at 12 o'clock.

Query 1. Under what circumstances are church members excusable for not attending their church meetings, and how should they be dealt with for non-attendance when not excusable? To open, Rev. J. G. Barkley.

Query 2. To what extent does the Bible teach predestination and election? To open, Rev. G. M. Duke.

Query 3. Is feet-washing as taught in the Bible a church ordinance? If not, what is the meaning of John 13: 14? To open, Rev. J. A. Pitchford.

Query 4. Is sprinkling or pouring, as mentioned in the Bible, a church ordinance? If not, when and why was it introduced as such? To open, Rev. M. J. Willoughby.

D. W. GARDNER,
J. B. BATTS,
R. D. HARPER,
Committee of Arrangements.

Sandy Creek Association.

To the Executive Board.—Dear Brethren:—You are aware that, the Association at its late session adopted a resolution to resume the missionary and colportage work, which it abandoned some three years since. It did this in order to supply certain destitution within its bounds which had not been reached by the State Board.

As there is likely to be a misapprehension as to the action of the Association, I make the suggestion that the Executive Board of the Association point out the field and choose the man to fill it, and then ask the State Board to make the appointment and appropriation as formerly. Then let the churches furnish the means in the same manner as heretofore.

By this method all seeming conflict may be avoided, and the needed work accomplished. I offer this to the Executive Board as a *simple suggestion.* Let there be no conflict, real or supposed, between the two Boards. State Missions is one of the most important departments of our church work, and one of the grandest enterprises of the age. Let it have our hearty sympathy and support.

Fraternally, M. BALDWIN.

Letter from Fort Monroe.

Dear Recorder:—I rejoice with the great Baptist host of the grand Old North State, in the ingathering of precious souls that is now going on. May God continue to bless you all in your labor till the whole State shall be taken for Him and the Baptists.

Seems to me the RECORDER gets better all the time, but I tell you, brother, I heard one of the good sisters complaining against you some time ago, because you do not publish a sermon in every issue. 'Tis worth more than the subscription price to read the news from the churches—to know that all over the State souls are being gathered into the fold of Christ.

I was sorry to lose Bro. Ray, but State Missions will not suffer in the hands of such a man as Bro. Durham.

To God be all the glory for the progress of His work.

Yours sincerely,
W. L. BRITT.
Fort Monroe, Va., Oct. 4, 1887.

Anson Association.

Bro. Editor:—Please say through the RECORDER that any one wishing to attend the Anson Association will be met at Wadesboro, if they will notify me and state what day they will be there. The Association meets at Brown Creek on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in this month. Hope you will be on hand. P. H. PERNELL.
Wadesboro, Oct. 3, 1887.

State Mission Pledges in Central Association.

All who made pledges at Central Association will please send the amount pledged to Bro. F. H. Briggs, Treasurer, as soon as practicable. We are constantly getting distressing appeals from some of our missionaries, and the sad fact is we have no money to pay them. We owe some of the missionaries their salary from last November. Brethren, please do what you can, and that quickly.

W. H. PACE.

Acknowledgments.

State Missions.—Mrs. D. S. Vann, $5.00; Elkin Asso., 12.07; W. M. S. Hickory Grove ch., South Fork Asso., 4.00; W. M. S. Union ch., Caldwell Asso., 1.85; Union ch., Caldwell Asso., 1.25; Rev. J. A. Hoyle, 2.75; Tar River Asso., 57.09; Buckhorn ch., West Chowan Asso., 10.00; Globe ch., Caldwell Asso., 7.66; Robert's Chapel ch., West Chowan Asso., 2.25; C. C. Durham, 10.00; Green River ch., Green River Asso., 62c; Mt. Zion ch., Green River Asso., 2.00; Silver Creek ch., Green River Asso., 2.75; W. M. S. Mt. Gilead ch., Eastern Asso., 2.67; Green River Asso., 69.69; C. G. Harris, Hurdle's Mills, 3.00; Union Asso., 77.45; Eastern Asso., 22.35; Great Marsh ch., Ceder Creek Asso., 2.00; Moravian Falls ch., 5.50. Total 301.95.

Foreign Missions.—W. M. S. Olive's Chapel ch., Mt. Zion Asso., 1.25; North Catawba ch., Catawba River Asso., 8.51; Rocky Spring ch., Caldwell Asso., 8.00; W. M. S. Palmersville ch., Pee Dee Asso., 3.90; Rev. J. A. Hoyle, 2.80; Tar River Asso., 36.20; Tar River Asso., (Bryan House), 1.00; Globe ch., Caldwell Asso., 1.54; Robert's Chapel ch., West Chowan Asso., 5.55; C. C. Durham, 1.00; Mt. Zion Asso., 3.00; W. M. S. Mt. Gilead ch., Eastern Asso., 2.67; Nancy Varner, 50c; John Watson, 5.00; Green River Asso. 106.28; C. G. Harris, Hurdle's Mills, 2.00. Total, 189.20.

Education.—Mt. Vernon ch., Central Asso., 6.09; Warrenton ch., Tar River Asso., 30.00; Tar River Asso., 99.19; Buckhorn ch., West Chowan Asso., 5.00; C. G. Harris, Hurdle's Mills, 2.00; Browns ch., Tar River Asso., 2.00; C. C. Durham, 3.00; Sandy Creek Asso., 51.82; Scotland Neck ch., Tar River Asso., 26.50; Mrs. G. W. Moseley, Mt. Gilead ch., Eastern Asso., 5.00; Rev. A. T. Hord, South Yadkin Asso., 5.00. Total, 235.60.

Sunday Schools.—Hickory S. S., 47c.

Home Missions, S. B. C.—Monroe ch., Union Asso., 5.00; Faulks ch., Union Asso., 1.50; Bogue Chapel ch., 2.50; Tar River Asso., 20.60; C. C. Durham, 1.00; W. M. S. Mt. Gilead ch., Eastern Asso., 2.66; Whitestone ch., Raleigh Asso., 2.64; 1st Baptist ch., Raleigh, Central Asso., 94.27; Green River Asso., 13.70. Total, 144.34.

Baptist Orphanage.—Canetuck Chapel, Eastern Asso., 1.75; Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Carstarphin, 2.00; Tar River Asso., 61.95; C. G. Harris, Hurdle's Mills, 3.00; Green River Asso., 1.00; Abbott's Creek ch., 2.36; C. C. Durham (Old Preachers), 5.00; Shady Grove ch., Raleigh Asso., 2.50; T. W. Richardson, 1.00; Robert's Chapel, West Chowan Asso., 10.92. Total, 91.43.

Greenville Church.—Tar River Association, 26.00.

F. H. BRIGGS,
Treas. Bap. State Con.
Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 8, 1887.

Yellow Fever is reported in Tampa, Florida.

One hundred and fifty thousand dollars worth of ardent spirits were consumed in New York City on the 6th. Building burned was valued at $25,000.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

STATE ITEMS.

The Norfolk *Virginian* says it is stated that a gold mine in Rowan county is 770 feet deep, and has a record of over $3,000,000 since 1824.

News-Observer: A railroad from Wilmington to New Berne through the rich lands of Onslow, Pender and Jones seems to be a consummation in the near future. May the prospect speedily become a reality.

Lexington *Dispatch:* It may afford some gratification to many of our citizens to know that President Cleveland will pass through Lexington on his way home from his trip through the South and West. He has accepted an invitation to visit Asheville, and will go home via the R. & D. lines of railroad.

Sanford *Express:* The C. F. & Y. V. R. R. Co., is putting in two lines of side track and is building a cotton platform. This road receives an immense amount of freight at this place, and its business is growing rapidly. ——In traveling about, we regret to see the cotton crop has fallen so far short of what was expected.

The Seaboard & Roanoke Railroad declines to re-establish car load freight rates (which the Road recently withdrew) over its line, at the request of the Cotton and Grocers Exchange of Raleigh. As a consequence the merchants here are shipping and rec iving over the Richmond & Danville road.

That was a fine meeting—a representative meeting—held at the City Hall last night. And the unanimity with which a subscription of $150,000 to the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad was recomended is exceedingly gratifying to the *Star*, which has always favored it, and advocated the connection with Fayetteville to the extent of its ability. —*Wilmington Star of the 6th.*

The *Wilson Mirror* states that Maggie Sims, a seventeen-year-old colored girl, and deaf and dumb from birth, has just had the gifts of hearing and speech conferred on her. She had been educated to read and write, and declares that her newly given powers were in answer to prayer, she having prayed constantly for said gifts since she learned of the efficacy of prayer.

Charlotte *Chronicle:* Mr. Cramer, of the Genesee gold mine, yesterday brought $35,000 worth of gold to the assay office here. ——Madden, the waiter who assaulted Mr. E. R. Harty, in the Eutaw House, has been captured at Harrisburg, Pa. He will be brought back to Baltimore for trial. ——The water works question was taken up and the aldermen settled the matter by cancelling the city's contract with the Water Works company and inviting correspondence upon the subject of building new water works, to be owned and operated by the city. ——There was a large gathering of railroad conductors in this city last Sunday, the object being to organize a division of the Order of Railway Conductors. Representatives were here from North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Georgia and Tennessee. It was a fine gathering, numbering altogether 100 men, though all these were not present at the same time, some coming in on the noon train, while others went out on the same train. The division established in Charlotte, as the result of the meeting Sunday, is to be known as "Charlotte Division."

GENERAL NEWS.

The work of eviction continues in Ireland.

The U. S. Supreme Court convened on yesterday the 11th.

Savannah is protesting against the site selected for the new public building which the government is about to erect.

A riot occurred on the 5th in a cotton mill in Moscow in which a large number of persons were killed.

The wife of Justice Strong, of U. S. Supreme Court, died Tuesday night of consumption.

An ex-member of the Board of Public Works of Cincinnati has been sentenced to the penitentiary for misapplication of public funds.

The President is out on his western trip. He has been the guest of St Louis and Chicago and went from the latter place to Madison, Wisconsin. Great demonstrations of respect have been shown him on the route, and in the cities in which he has stopped.

Judge Bond, on Friday last, during the term of the United States Court in Richmond, Va., sentenced Attorney-General Ayers, of Virginia, Commonwealth's Attorney John Scott, of Fauquier county; Mr. McCabe, Commonwealth's Attorney for Loudoun county, to prosecuting persons in that State for paying taxes in coupons, in obedience to the law passed by the State Legislature. These high officers of Virginia are now in jail. Judge Bond is on the side of the English bond-holders and refuses to recognize the laws of Virginia. The Virginian who would vote for the readjuster-Mahone-republican combination in the coming election under present circumstances is unworthy of citizenship. There is nothing now left to Virginia but the absolute repudiation of her entire debt.

KALKAUZAMAZOS, MEXICO, Oct. 4.—This city was aroused this morning, by one of the most terrific earthquakes ever known in this country. A large extent of country adjacent to this city was sunk and a considerable part of the city submerged. Thousands of people are buried beneath the ruins of the buildings and falling objects. The exact loss of life is not yet known. A courier from Klaukasmas, about fifteen miles from this city, reports a strange phenomena of nature. He states that there is an open fissure running north and south across Monkaloma mountain and fire and smoke in great and dense volumes are emerging therefrom. The people in the surrounding country are perfectly panic-stricken, expecting every moment to be swallowed up. The shocks continue at intervals of about ten minutes but with less violence, and it is hoped will cease.

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—The trustees of the Peabody Education Fund held their twenty-sixth annual meeting at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. President R. C. Winthrop, of Boston, was in the chair and Dr. S. A. Green of the same place, was Secretary. Thirteen of the trustees were present. President Winthrop paid a glowing tribute to the late Hon. A. M. Aiken, whom Senator Evarts succeeds as trustee. Resolutions of regret for the late trustee were adopted. Prof. W. H. Paine, of the University of Michigan, was appointed President of the Normal College at Nashville, Tenn., to succeed Dr. D. Stern, who died last April. According to Secretary Green's report, the fund amounts to $2,000,000, and the interest therefrom to $70,000. The income is distributed as follows: Scholarships, $22,000; normal schools, $13,000; institutes $11,700; public schools, $3,000; Normal College at Nashville, $9,500. The secretary reports good work done by the various superintendents. The States now receiving money from the fund are Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia. Reports show very favorable results. Scholarships are allotted as follows: Alabama 13; Arkansas 10; Georgia 14; Louisiana 8; North Carolina 14; South Carolina 10; Tennessee 14; Texas 9; Virginia 14; West Virginia 8. The scholarships are $200 each. The meeting continues to-morrow.

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Oct. 5—1 yr.

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The authorities of the city of Raleigh have accepted the Water Works, which have just been completed.

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MARRIED.

KING—KEITH—On the 18th of September, at the residence of the bridegroom, Mr. S. M. King, late of Lancaster, Pa., to Miss Mollie E. Keith, of Bladen county, N. C., Rev. J. B. Downing officiating.

LEIGH—GREEN—On Sept. 8th, 1887, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. W. W. Leigh to Miss Sallie Green, Rev. S. H. Thompson officiating.

HARRI —TRAYNHAM—On Sept. 28th, 1887, Mr. James A. Harris to Miss Sallie T. Traynham, Rev. S. H. Thompson officiating.

NEWTON—DANIEL—On October 2d, 1887, Mr. W. J. Newton, of Granville county, N. C., and Miss Carrie Daniel, of Mecklenburg county, Va., Elder J. A. Stradley officiating.

DIED.

O'NEAL—On the night of the 24th of Sept., 1887, at False Cape, L. S. Station, Miss ary S. O'Neal, the daughter of Capt. W. H. and Sarah E. O'Neal, in her 13th year, passed over the river to join the heavenly host. It was my pleasure to know her for two years. Last year while preaching at the Beach, she was struck under conviction, and since the meeting closed she found the Saviour precious to her soul. She said she had no fears of death. Her funeral was preached by the writer in the M. E. church to a large concourse of friends. May the Lord's blessings rest on the bereft ones.

P. S. C. DAVIS.

STOVALL—This excellent brother was born June 2, 1813, and died at his home in Granville county, N. C., Sept. 23d, 1887, aged 74 years. About 45 years ago he professed faith in Christ, and joined the Olive Branch Baptist church, Person county, N. C. Fourteen years ago he moved his membership to Amis' Chapel church, Granville county, N. C. In both of these churches he was an honored Deacon.

Humanity attains to perfection only in Heaven, but Bro. Stovall's character would compare favorably with the best on earth. A truer man to principle never lived. Any important matter he believed to be right, he would have defended it, if need be, to the last drop of blood in his veins. He scorned the fear of men, and despised flattery. Though a man of small means, yet he always provided well for his family. He dreaded debt, and rarely ever owed any one a cent. But if at any time he was forced to ask for credit, his promise to pay was as satisfactory to his creditor as would have been a first class mortgage bond. He was an uncompromising opponent of the liquor traffic. He died in the full belief that God, and multitudes of good people were at work and would soon remove this curse from the land. He was a man of sound common sense. He carefully investigated all matters on which it was his duty to act, and he was rarely ever found on the wrong side of a question. He loved the BIBLICAL RECORDER, and perhaps no subscriber read it more carefully. He loved his church, and during the 14 years of his connection with Amis' Chapel church, I do not remember that he ever missed a single meeting. He never pulled back or found fault, but helped forward every good work in which his church engaged. He was to the pastor a wise counselor, and a faithful, loving friend. His last days were full of bodily sufferings, but bright with the sunlight of heaven. During the last meeting of his church he was able to attend, and that beautiful song was sung, "O, think of the home over there," &c., and when they reached the last lines, "I'll soon be at home over there," &c., Bro. Stovall exclaimed aloud, "I'll soon be at home over there." So conscious was he that Jesus was with him in his last hours, that on one occasion he called to one of his sons, who was in an adjoining room, to his bedside. The son went and asked, "Pa, what do you want?" "I wanted you to come here and be with Jesus." Soon after this he passed quietly away from the toils and sufferings of earth, to the rest and bliss of heaven.

"Servant of God, well done;
Rest from thy loved employ;
The battle fought, the victory won,
Enter thy Master's joy."

J. A. STRADLEY.

MAGET—At his home in the village of Potecasi, N. C., on the night of the 20th of September, 1887, at 12.30 A. M., Mr. Rufus Maget, at the age of 37 years and a few months. His health had been declining for many months, and during the spring and summer, he visited several health resorts trying to regain his health, but sad to say, without any beneficial results. He arrived at his home from Red Sulphur Springs, on Monday evening the 19th, in a very feeble condition, though still hopeful, and his friends here entertained the hope that he would get better after resting from the worry of travel, but the fatal disease had too nearly completed its deadly work, and their hope was not realized; he lived only a part of two nights and days after reaching home. He was a young man of much promise, a perfect gentleman, and his early death is deeply regretted by those who knew him, especially those of his village and immediate vicinity, who feel that they have sustained a great loss. He leaves a broken-hearted widow (whose outbursts of long pent-up grief was enough to stir the sympathies of a heart of stone,) one child, a little boy of two years, a mother, two sisters and a brother, besides many other relatives and friends to mourn his sad death; yet they mourn not as others who have no hope. Bro. Maget was a consistent member of Potecasi church, and held fast to his profession of faith in Christ without wavering, and hence we believe he fell asleep in the arms of Jesus. His remains were interred in the family burying ground at the old homestead, Rev. J. N. Hoggard conducting the burial services in the presence of weeping relatives and sorrowing friends, who had assembled to pay their last respects to a worthy son, brother, husband, friend and citizen. Beautiful wreaths of pure white flowers, formed by loving hands, were tenderly laid upon the cold clay piled above the decaying body, fit emblem of the pure white robe that body will wear when called up from its last resting place.

"Asleep in Jesus! blessed sleep!"

New Advertisements.

The attention of our readers is called to the following new advertisements in this issue:

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Oliver Ditson & Co.; new and popular music—"Choir Leaders."

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Such of our readers as intend embarking in the mercantile life, will do well to read the advertisement of Mr. S. Wittkowsky, of Charlotte, N. C.

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On the 5th inst., in the court room at Chattanooga, Tenn., just as the jury returned a verdict of guilty of grand larceny, and the sentence of five years in the penitentiary was pronounced by the foreman, Sam Branch, colored, the man thus disposed of, said, "God knows I'm innocent," and pulling a large knife from his pocket, he thrust it into his throat. The blood spurted over the jury box and the judge's desk, and the negro was dead in thirty minutes.

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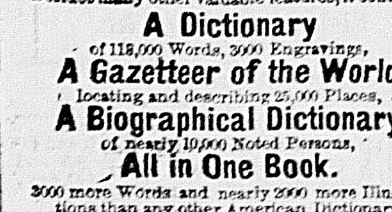

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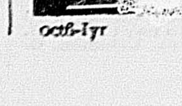

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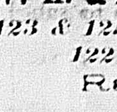

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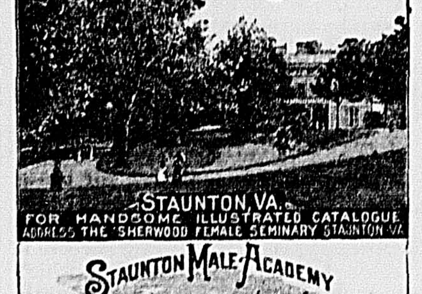

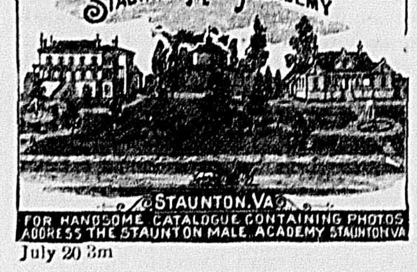

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Leave Lynchburg..	5 50 p m	5 20 a m
Leave Richmond...	3 10 p m	2 30 a m
Leave Burkeville...	5 17 p m	4 23 a m
Leave Keysville....	5 57 p m	5 05 a m
Leave Drake's Br'ch	6 12 p m	5 21 a m
Leave Danville......	8 50 p m	8 05 a m
Leave Greensboro..	10 44 p m	9 48 a m
Leave Goldsboro...	3 30 p m	8 10 p m
Leave Raleigh......	5 50 p m	†1 00 a m
Leave Durham.....	6 52 p m	2 37 a m
Arrive Chapel Hill,.	†8 15 p m	....
Arrive Hillsboro....	7 25 p m	3 32 a m
Arrive Salem.......	†7 20 p m	6 30 a m
Arrive High Point..	11 16 p m	10 16 a m
Arrive Salisbury....	12 37 a m	11 23 a m
Arrive Statesville...	....	12 31 p m
Arrive Asheville....	....	5 38 p m
Arrive Hot Springs.	....	7 35 p m
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Leave Charlotte....	2 25 a m	1 00 p m
Leave Spartanburg.	5 28 a m	3 34 p m
Leave Greenville...	6 43 a m	4 48 p m
Arrive at Atlanta...	1 20 p m	10 40 p m

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Sept. 4th, 1887.	No. 51, Daily.	No. 53, Daily.
Leave Atlanta......	7 00 p m	8 40 a m
Arrive Greenville....	1 01 a m	2 34 p m
Arrive Spartanburg.	2 13 a m	3 46 p m
Arrive Charlotte....	5 05 a m	6 25 p m
Arrive Concord	6 00 a m	7 25 p m
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Arrive High Point.	7 57 a m	9 11 p m
Arrive Greensboro..	8 28 a m	9 40 p m
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Arrive Hillsboro....	12 06 p m	†2 44 a m
Arrive Durham.....	12 45 p m	†4 05 a m
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Arrive Raleigh.....	2 10 p m	†6 35 a m
Arrive Goldsboro....	4 53 p m	†11 45 a m
Arrive Danville.....	10 10 a m	11 29 p m
Arrive Drake's Br'ch	12 44 p m	2 44 a m
Arrive Keysville...	1 00 p m	3 03 a m
Arrive Burkeville...	1 40 p m	3 55 a m
Arrive Richmond....	3 45 p m	6 15 a m
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"I was going straight down to hell, sir,
And all through the curse of the drink;
How I treated poor Mary, my wife, sir,
God knows I can't bear to think.

"I didn't know as I loved her
Till the wild dark night she died,
When I found her lying so cold and still,
And that new-born child by her side.

"The little lass, she has grown, sir—
Last June she was eight years old;
And what she has been to me, sir,
Can never on earth be told.

"When a kid, there was no one to mind her
But a woman as lived next door;
And she being given to drink, too,
Let her fall one day on the floor.

"And ever since, the poor creatur'
Has been lame with a crooked knee;
So I'd often lift her up in my arms
To take her about with me.

"For I really loved the poor mite, sir,
And her sweet little eyes of blue
Was as blue and as bright as her mother's wor,
And they looked me through and through.

"One night I was off to the 'public'—
I'd been drinking already—'twas late,
And I took little Mary to carry her,
But I couldn't walk quite straight.

"'Oh, daddy, don't go!' she whispered,
But I quickened my drunken pace,
And I said, 'Not another word, young un,
Or I'll give you a slap in the face.'

"I was brutal, sir—I know it;
But the devil was in me then,
And when he gets hold of us with the drink
We are only brutes—not men.

"And the little lass, she wor quiet,
But I felt a hot tear fall;
And it seemed to burn right into my hand,
Though she wiped it off with her shawl.

"Straight into my soul it entered—
It melted my hardened heart;
So I said, 'I'll go home, lassie.'
That night I made a new start.

"Now, every morning and evening,
I kneel, and with heart sincere
I bless my God for saving a soul
By the touch of a little one's tear."
—*T. Teignmouth Shore, in The Quiver for September.*

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BOWED HEADS DURING PRAYER.

President Mark Hopkins used to teach his students that those who neglected the natural attitudes of prayer would soon lose also the spirit of prayer. In not a few of our Sunday schools and congregations a large minority do not take any devotional attitude during prayer. But they cannot enter into the prayer and make it their own while their heads are held upright and their eyes wander about the room. They reverse the Legend of Prague, and not the beleaguering army of demons, but the blessed angels of prayer,

"Fold their tents like the Arabs,
And as silently steal away."

How can the heart be praying while the eyes, like the fool's thoughts, are wandering over the earth? It is not a question of forms and no forms; for we cannot worship except in some attitude and through some form; but it is a question of the best forms. Ordinarily the best attitude for children during prayer is to close the eyes and bow the head. I have never been present in but three or four Sunday-schools where all took the position of devotion. Usually the school gives little appearance, as a whole, of taking part in the praying.

The cure lies almost entirely with the superintendent and teachers. If they set the example and press the matter upon their scholars' attention, patiently, continuously, there will be no difficulty in accomplishing this reform. I have often asked children in the Sunday school why it was not as easy to bow their heads on Sunday as in the morning prayers at the day-school. There every pupil is reverent at least in form. Why should the Sunday school act more irreverently than the day-school? —*Golden Rule.*

CHARACTER IN HANDWRITING.

There are people who claim to read men's characters from their writing. As the writing of every nation is distinguished by certain strong national peculiarities, it is easy for an expert to decide to what nation a writer belongs. Having settled that, certain large characteristics which are common to all men, but in different degrees, can be seen in every handwriting. A certain number of men are calm, even-lived, sensible and practical. Men of that class are almost certain to write plain, round hands, in which every letter is distinctly legible; neither very much slanted forward nor tilted backward; no letter very much bigger than its neighbor, nor with heads much above or tails much below the letters not so distinguished; the letters all having about the same general uprightness, and the lines true to edges of the paper, neither tending upward nor downward. Exact, business-like people will have an exact handwriting. Fantastic minds revel in quirks and streamers, particularly for the capital letters, and this quality is not infrequent in certain business hands, as if the writers found a relief from the prosaic nature of their work in giving flourishes to certain letters. Firm, decided, downright men are apt to bear on the pen while writing, and to make their strokes hard and thick. On the contrary, people who are not sure of themselves, and are lacking in self-control, press unevenly, and with anxious-looking, scratchy hands. Ambitious people are apt to be over-worked; they are always in haste, and either forget to cross their t's or dot their i's. They are also apt to run the last few letters of every word into an illegible scrawl. Flurried, troubled, and conscience-twinged persons have a crabbed and uneven handwriting.—*Henry Eckford, in St. Nicholas.*

FAMOUS CLOCKS.

Perhaps, the most world-famous is the one at Strasburg, twenty feet high; it succeeds a very wonderful one of much older date. The cock that crows and spreads its wings when the chimes announced the hour, alone remains of the original one. The present clock dates from 1574, and its maker finished it after he had been struck blind. It shows the signs of the Zodiac, the motions of the heavenly bodies, as well as a series of pictures; and the events which happen at the striking are too wonderful to detail. A similar one at Ratisbon marks the hour by the appearance of the three kings, who pay their adoration to the Virgin.

At Lubeck, in the old church, there is a wonderful clock, which at twelve, shows automaton figures of the Electors of Germany, who inaugurate the Emperor, Christ giving the benediction as a choir of angels send forth a flourish of trumpets. Germany boasts of many other famous clocks, given by well known envoys from foreign countries.

England has her share of curiosities in horology. Horace Walpole had one at Strawberry Hill, given by Henry VIII. to Anne Boleyn in 1532, which was subsequently bought by Queen Victoria, and is now at Windsor Castle. On the weights are the initials of Henry and his second wife, united by a true lovers' knot, on one, the royal motto on the other, and the words, "The most happy."

Lord Leicester placed a striking clock in Cæsar's Tower at Kenilworth. It had two faces—one South, one East—but from some unexplained reason, when the Queen paid her celebrated visit, nothing could induce it to go.

It was good Queen Bess who maintained in her service not only a clock-keeper, but a clock-maker, and possessed at Whitehall a wonderful clock, with an Ethiopian riding a rhinoceros, accompanied by four attendants, who made obeisance when the hours struck.—*Cassel's Family Magazine.*

HOW ANTS LIVE.

In spite of the multifarious duties and tasks that are imposed on these tiny burghers, they still find time to clean and adorn their worthy little persons. No spot, no atom of dust or anything else uncleanly, will they tolerate on their bodies. They get rid of the dirt with the brushy tufts on their feet or with their tongues. They act, for all the world, like domestic cats whenever they clean and lick themselves, and they assist one another at the toilet precisely like monkeys. Their sense of cleanliness goes so far that the naturalist often finds, to his unpleasant surprise, the colored marks that he had applied with so much care on his "trial ants" removed by their dirt-hating friends. They keep their dwellings just as cleanly.

But the conveying away of their deceased brethren, whose bodies they appear to regard with the greatest antipathy, gives them more trouble than anything else. When some members of an ant community, which Mr. Cook kept in prison, died, and could not be removed, those remaining seemed affected with the greatest horror. For days the insects ran about seeking a way out, and ceased only when completely exhausted. The ants belonging to the camponorous species seized the dead and threw them into the water pail, which they converted into a sepulchre. Ordinarily, though, the ants are said to treat their dead with more reverence. They even possess their own graveyards, which lie in the vicinity of their nests. They convey their deceased companions thither, where they lay them down in orderly little heaps or rows.

It is only the corpses of their fellows, however, that they treat in this manner. Dead strangers they throw out like something unclean, or tear the body in pieces. Even between the master and slaves of the same community, Miss Trent says she has observed a dissimilar mode of burial. While the masters find their last repose in a special graveyard, side by side, the slaves lie like heaped-up refuse near the nest, despised equally in death as in life. The ant cemeteries are often thickly populated, for their life is short. The males live only through the summer, the females live somewhat longer, and the workers die of old age in the eight or tenth year.—*Cosmopolitan.*

THINGS MONEY CANNOT DO.

Some boys and girls have an idea that money can do almost anything, but this is a mistake. Money, it is true, can do a great deal, but it cannot do everything. I could name you a thousand things it cannot buy. It was meant for good, and it is a good thing to have, but all this depends on how it is used. If used wrongly, it is an injury rather than a benefit. Beyond all doubt, however, there are many things better than it is, and which it cannot purchase, no matter how much we may have of it.

If a man has not a good education, all his money will never buy it for him. He can scarcely ever make up for his early waste of opportunities.

Neither will wealth itself give a man or a woman good manners. Nothing, next to good morals and good health, is of more importance than easy, graceful, self-possessed manners. But they cannot be had for mere money.

Money cannot purchase a good conscience. If a poor man or a boy or a girl, any one, has a clear conscience that gives off a tone like a sound bell when touched by the hammer, then be sure he or she is vastly richer than the millionaire who does not possess such a conscience. Good principles are better than gold.—*Southern Presbyterian.*

Helps to Housekeepers.

Stains on the windows can be removed by using diluted spirits of salts.

A brush-broom is just the thing to clean horse-radish graters and silver.

Keep hard soap in a dry place several weeks before using, and it will last much longer.

Cleanliness and order are among the first and best methods of happiness in every household.

To keep an oiled table as "nice as new," wipe it over thoroughly with a flannel cloth well wet in good kerosene oil.

Ingrain carpets need to be shaken oftener than Brussels, as from their more open weave the dust percolates through them.

To scour knives easily, mix a small quantity of baking soda with your brick-dust, and see if your knives do not polish better.

Much of the ordinary bother of washing lamp chimneys on the inside can be saved by using a stick with a sponge tied to the end.

On the 21st inst., President Cleveland will be received with becoming respect by the authorities of the town of Asheville, N. C. A great crowd is expected to be present. Fifteen minutes is the time specified for the President to stop at this point, but efforts will be made to prolong his stay to half an hour.

The Art of Making Money.

The Boston *Herald* has been trying to cater to the tastes of its Sunday readers by consulting a number of rich men as to the easiest way of getting rich, and printing their answers. Barnum said it was quite simple; all you have to do is to spend less than you earn, and to "shun rum and tobacco." Gen. Butler's advice was to buy improved real estate, partly for cash and partly for small notes, this being the way he became rich himself. Mr. Faxon, the temperance advocate, advised the practice of "sobriety, industry, economy and faithfulness." Mr. Erastus Wiman warned young men against speculation, and maintained that "legitimate trade, the honest, plodding routine of life, was the true basis for good fortune," and that if a young man does not obtain riches through these, he will at least deserve them. Mr. Asa Potter advised a young man to "select a business that is congenial to him," and, while carrying it on, to be "industrious, temperate and patient." Mr. Miller Pillsbury, "the flour king" of Minneapolis, recommended exceedingly hard work and a just estimate of one's own abilities. Mr. Russell Sage, for his part, advised the young man to commit to memory, as he did, the advice of *Polonius* to *Laertes*, and to try to live up to it. Any one who does this he says, is as certain to become wealthy "as the night is to follow the day."

It will be easily seen that none of these eminent men had a word to say to people eager to get rich, beyond the commonplaces of worldly philosophy—except, perhaps, Gen. Butler, who did descend into details. But, of course, nobody who values the General's advice on any subject supposes that he owes his "competent fortune," as he once called it, to investing small savings in improved real estate. The fact is, that, barring the men who make a fortune by a single "big strike" in some sort of speculation, there is probably no millionaire who can tell how he became rich—that is, what the qualities or practices were which most aided him in acquiring wealth. All millionaires probably think they know, but they really do not. If the best means of acquiring wealth could be communicated to others by successful practitioners, the art of making money could and would be taught in schools and colleges. There would be professors of money-making as there are of "journalism," but they would have to be rich men, because a poor man teaching people how to escape poverty would be a somewhat ludicrous object. The fact that there are no such schools or colleges is, in truth, the best possible proof that the art of money-making is unteachable, because there is no art in which the demand for instruction is so widespread and so fierce.

The reason why the causes of success in getting rich cannot be communicated is probably the same which prevents the cause of success in any calling from being communicated. To say that a man succeeds through industry and integrity is a mere platitude. These qualities may help a man a good deal, but they are evidently not essential, for a great many men succeed without them, and tens of thousands who have them do not succeed. In fact, we cannot put our finger on a single quality or gift which is necessary to make a man a millionaire, nor can we say what the exact combination of qualities or gifts is which makes a man succeed in anything. It appears to be just as hard, if we may judge from the number of failures, to succeed at the bar or in medicine or divinity or soldiering, as in money making. The men who succeed all know of something which was of great use to them in rising, but not one knows of anything or any two or three things in the absence of which he would certainly have failed.

If anybody had asked Napoleon, or Wellington, or Grant to explain to him how he won battles, he would have got no better answers than the Boston *Herald* got from the millionaires about money-making. The great general to whom such a foolish question was put would have answered that he could not tell; that training was, of course, very valuable, but that in the last resort what did the business was good judgment at critical moments, and that this judgment had its source, partly in character and partly in experience. A man with the money-making talent knows "a good thing," that is, a desirable investment or venture, when he sees it. How he knows it he cannot explain. In fact there is no talent which is so deeply hidden away in the recesses of a man's mental and moral constitution; there are no trustworthy outward signs of it; neither temperament nor education indicates it or produces it. This, as we have said, is in some degree true of talent in all callings, but in a much smaller degree in all others than in what is called "business." In every calling success is a personal attribute, something which comes out of a man's brain and character, and which he can neither share nor transmit nor explain. All he can say is that he somehow knew how to do things well, and when to do them and when to let them alone.—*N. Y. Nation.*

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Times and Places for Meetings of Associations.

Cedar Creek.—Cumberland Union, Oct. 13.
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Cape Fear.—Mt. Pisgah, Brunswick County, Oct. 18.
South River.—Canaan, Oct. 19.
Anson.—Brown Creek, Oct. 20.
Caldwell.—Piny Grove, 5 miles east of Patterson, Oct. 20.
Atlantic.—Goldsboro, Oct. 25.
Raleigh.—Morrisville, Nov. 2.
Robeson.—Pleasant Grove, Nov. 2.
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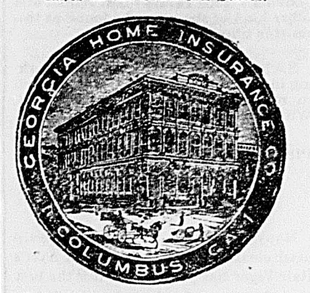

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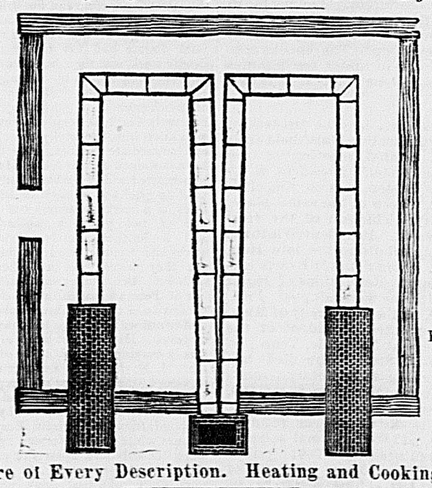

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