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### SNAP SHOTS.

Now, in a meeting at Kenly, large congregations, but little interest.

An elder not long ago attending my meetings, prayed, "Oh Lord, we thank thee for food and 'remnants.' He was opposed to education, and I'll just do it myself."

Praying is of little good, unless we labor for, and look for the accomplishments of the prayer.

An old slave negro shortly after the war prayed earnestly for certain blessings finally he said in his prayer, "Lawd, I'se done axed yer three times, now if yer aint er going ter do it, I'll jest do it myself."

Were church members to treat their bodies as they do their souls, they would have all perished of starvation long ago.

We get down on our knees and ask God to bless our government, and on election days vote for bad men.

There are two kinds of prohibitionists, one kind wishes to prohibit the sale of license the other kind always prohibits license from going any further, by drinking it up.

Last winter, while waiting for a train, I met a member of one of our churches. He was glad to see me. I asked him for a contribution for the "Orphan's Home." Yes, sir, I always have something for the orphans. Drawing out a well filled purse, he gave me a nickel, "There, Dr. take that," and he walked away whistling, "Oh how I love Jesus."

Pretty soon I went into the express office, there was my generous friend asking for a box. Seeing me looking on he said to the agent, "I'll get it after awhile." But the agent replied, "No, take it now." So he placed a box containing four full quarts on the counter. I asked, "How much did your license cost?" "Four dollars, he replied, holding his head down. "Five cents for the Orphan's Home, and four dollars for license, what a balance column in the judgment you must meet. See it will read, in the judgment, Bro. B. \$4.00 for license, balanced by 5 cts. for the fatherless and motherless children, that damnable stuff made."

The man said nothing, I left him to his thoughts. In a few minutes he came up to me and said, "Come here." I followed him to the side of the track. He broke each bottle on the iron rail. Then looking at me said, "I've lots of balance lines like that you showed me a while ago, but by God's grace, there will be no more." Drawing out his purse he gave me \$5.00 for the "Home" instead of a nickel. There is hope of such a man as that.

Kenly meeting is over, only four joined the church. Good congregations and much interest, meeting closed too soon.

Eld. P. T. Lucas spent Sunday with me in my meeting at Kenly. I am now at Eld. Pittman's.

Any one can easily tell why Eld. Pittman is such a good model young man, he has a good mother. All great and good men, had a great and good woman for a mother.

"Lord, give the preacher souls for his lire." I wonder how many it would take to give a lean, gaunt Elder, a dinner? Well, the Kenly brethren, don't pray that way. They want souls saved, they want the Lord to have the souls, and they give the preachers some of their cash.

Do you belong to the "Foot wash" Baptist? asked an elderly man in Augusta. "Yes," I replied. "Do you think the church is the proper place to wash feet?" "Yes," I replied, "on certain occasions." "Why do you wash feet?" "I wash my feet at home, sir, because they frequently need it, and I wash feet at the church after the communion or supper, for only one reason." "And what is that reason?" "Because Jesus did it, and said we ought to do it. That is enough, that's reason sufficient, and I will do it."

ADOLESCENCE. BY G. P. HOLDEN, M. D.

Parents should know that the period of boy-life between the ages of ten and fifteen years, is one fraught with the gravest possibilities for future blessing or bitterness. It is the spring time of life; the boy is approaching the age of puberty, "where the brook and the river meet." His masculine nature is becoming fully defined, he has an inherent sense of the fact, and coincident with the acquirement of man's distinctive physical traits and functions, goes hand in hand more or less gradual accumulations of knowledge—or error, rather, under existing conditions—pertaining thereto.

This is a period of greatly heightened activity both of the body and the imagination when the influence of his reading and playmates should be doubly guarded against, when both body and mind should partake of systematic, wholesome, healthful exercise in generous measure. But in stead of such a desirable state of things, the usual course for the lad to be left to shift for himself, imbibing such ideas as he may from vicious companionship of the street or contact with vulgar, if not lewd, servants within the very household, and this supplemented by perusal of such depraving literature as may chance to fall in his way and captivate his fancy.

Meanwhile, to quote President Hall, gender has been ascerting "its mastery in held after field, and works its havoc in the form of secret vice, debauch, disease, and enfeebled heredity, cadences the soul to both its normal and abnormal rhythms, and sends many thousands youths a year to quacks, because neither parents, teachers, preachers, nor physicians know how to deal with its problems. Thus the foundations of domestic, social and religious life are often undermined."

### WHAT THINK YE OF CHRIST, WHOSE SON IS HE?

This question must be settled by each one of us. It is a question of no little moment and must be answered.

If we should ask you concerning the president you would be ready to give your opinion of him. Every school boy has formed some idea of the president. Some of us believe him to be true courageous and well equipped for every emergency to rightly manage the affairs of state, while others believe him to be a coward ready to surrender at any moment, yet it has already been declared that he has raised the white flag, that he has been weak where he should have been strong, flickering where he should have been unwavering.

We have our views and we read every item concerning this man to get fresh new thoughts to use in our behalf of our fixed notions concerning him.

If we ask you about any of our state or county officers you are ever ready to give your firm opinion of them, let it be good or bad, but what think ye of Christ, whose son is he?

Is he an imposter? Was such a person ever born of the Virgin Mary, rocked to sleep in the manger and the many things which he did and taught is all a myth do you say?

Let us hear your conclusion after all that you have heard for or against the man what say you of Him.

Do you say that He is the Christ the Son of the living God? If so do you as the lays come and go search the history of His life and acts for new thoughts on Him and about Him. Let the Christians of all denominations to day begin to break down the wall of denominational pride, and turn our hearts to that bright celestial city whose builder and maker is God.

Let us try to magnify our likes and leave our differences to take care of themselves and all strive with one accord to get all men every where to take this man Jesus as the man of their counsel. Let us strive with all of our power to get men to form a correct opinion of the Christ and christianity.

Let us nestle the child like simplicity to his very life making ours like His sublime pure and simple giving out that sweet never fading influence that lifts man to higher ideals and honors our great Captain who has gone in front and given us the blessed assurance that He will prepare us a mansion, which shall be ours through all eternity and promising us an abundant entrance into that city if we are but faithful and best of all if He be true, there shall be no sorrow sickness or separation but each shall have a crown and it shall be studded with diamonds and there all shall confess that this is the man Christ and that He is indeed the King of the world, and that He has set up His kingdom and that we are heirs and joint heirs with him in the ownership of this beautiful kingdom.

Let us try to influence men to follow Him and at last to be the happy possessor of a share in this heavenly home. Yours for the Master. W. A. POOLE, Jackson Tenn.

WORSHIP IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH. DEAR EDITOR—As it has been a long time since I wrote to the BAPTIST, I want to write a few words on Psalms 95:6 "Come let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker." We must worship God in spirit and in truth, for he seeketh such to worship him. We must be sincere in our worship to God, and when we worship in a right and acceptable way, he blesses us and causeth us to rejoice in him. I don't believe in two much formal religion, for Paul says, "They have a form of godliness, but deny the power thereof." The forms and fashions of this world shall come to naught, but the word of the Lord endureth forever. There is but one way we can worship God, and that is to have our hearts fixed upon him, then our service is acceptable in his sight.

David was a man that prayed unto God, and he says "Let us kneel before the Lord our God." I see men sometimes who stand up to pray in opening or closing service in the house of God. I know we can pray in any position, but when it comes to praying in the church, I think it shows humiliation to kneel before our Maker. The Pharisees stood up to pray and Christ says, "Let your righteousness exceed theirs."

Yours in hope, JOB T. BUNDY. Stand By Your Town.

The place that gives a man his living is entitled to his best efforts to advance everything calculated to benefit the place and the community. No man has a right to live in a live town who seeks to enrich himself and not actively identify himself with its interest. To be classed a drone, or a chronic kicker and opposed to every measure believed to be for the good of the citizens is a stigma and should not attach to any man in the corporation. The improvements necessary to be made and the manner of making them a monument to the enterprise and intelligence of the citizens is the duty each persons owes to the place in which he lives. No man has a right to oppose progress in his town simply because he is not personally benefitted by the proposed improvements or perchance may have to pay a little toward it, for in the end it will no doubt have proven a wise proceeding. Let all join in any improvement calculated to better the town and community in which you live.—Albermarle Enterprise.

### FAITH, HOPF, AND CHARITY. THE GREATEST OF THESE IS CHARITY.

Some body is going to hell, is it you? Stop, and see if it is you. Brother, it is not for what you have done, but for what you have not done. Have you given of your substance to help the cause, "as God has prospered your see H have ) You say the F. W. Baptist have the doctrine. I say we have, and I give of my substance to support the cause as God has prospered me. Stop and see if you have done it. Are you doing all you can to help? If you are God will pay you, back four fold. What will a man give in exchange for his soul? Are you giving as God has prospered you? If so you are doing what God wants you to. If you have risen with Christ, seek the things above, for the love of money is the root of all evil. Where your treasures are there is your heart also. God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that we might have life. If God so loved you, can't you love him and give to his cause? Why will a man rob God? you owe your lives to God, you say we have the doctrine, if so, why are we not in the front? This is why. "Our members will not sacrifice, to build church houses in the towns and Cities." Christ sent his disciple in Cities, and towns to preach the gospel. Why do you want to get back in the sticks? The F. W. Baptist are only raising members for other churches. Bro. come to the front, go into towns and build churches. Do this, and God will bless you. We have nine churches in our town, and we have the model church of all, also a fine Sunday School. Christ told Peter to launch out into the deep, let down this net, and be brought in a multitude of fish. If you love God you will obey. "Why call ye me Lord, Lord, and do not the things I say? Some of our preachers will get up and say, "I don't want your money, I preach for souls." At the same time he is bare for clothes, and food. Such preachers are not worth much to the cause of Christ. The laborer is worthy of his hire." May God keep us, and open our eyes to this fact. Put on the whole armor of God, be shod with the gospel, and then you will help the minister, and your preacher will not want for food and raiment, and you will not be ashamed of them. You give and see if God will not give you four fold back.

We are doing all we can here. We have a few good preachers, and want more. This is a country where you can grow any thing you want. Health is fine, and I have two or three good houses and lots I will sell. I have been in Hartshorne 20 years, and not been down a day. We have a fine healthy country, fish and game of all kind, the only "poor man's country."

J. C. MATTHEWS. Hartshorne, Okla.

### REPORT OF MISSION WORK.

Bro. Editor: Please allow me space in your columns to make my report for missions, collection for the 2nd Quarter. White Plain \$1.41 Live Oak \$1.75 Kestler \$6.05

Sickness prevented me from taking mission collection at New Light, and Betble and will expect a large collection next time.

I am glad to say all my churches are getting along very well spiritually. Our conferences are all smooth and lovely. Our people are still on the upward move. Will say to the people of Midway Association, we invite you and any one else that will to come to Live Oak and see their new church. I am not ashamed to ask you all to walk in. It is indeed a beautiful building, and cost about \$1,000.00. Bro. N. H. Sanders has between four and five hundred dollars in it. Many of the brethren, too numerous to mention, have paid into it liberally. The church is painted inside and out, and our people delight in gathering there to worship.

They also have a fine Sunday School, Bro. Hugh Barnett, one of our young men's Supt. May the older ones help this young brother in his effort. One other encouraging thought, they have a "Home mission Society organized, and it is progressing nicely. The good women of Live Oak mean to do something, for they have officers that have the cause of Christ at heart.

We are glad to hear that Dr. St. Claire is doing so much good work in North Carolina. The Dr. enjoys preaching, and he enjoys eating too, for I believe he can eat a glass of "Mayham Jelly" one time, and fried chicken according. Will say to the good sisters of North Carolina that he can eat as much chicken as any little preacher I ever saw, but it dont keep him from preaching.

May the blessings of God rest on the Editor and the people who read the Baptist. W. T. WILBY, Hilton, Ga.

Free Will Baptist in the Hills. DEAR EDITOR: I thought I would write a few lines from Citie West Virginia to the readers, to let them know that there are a few F. W. Baptist back in the hills of West Virginia. We had a good meeting on the eighth and ninth. Our pastor Rev. N. E. Mericle was with us and preached Saturday night—text Matt. 25:40. "And these shall go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into life eternal." Sunday the text was, St. John 13:17 "If ye know these things happy are ye if ye do them." After the Lord's supper, the children washed each others feet, and Methodist and Holiness both partook with us, in washing feet with us.

May the Lord bless these brethren. Pray for us at Citie. J. F. CANTERBERRY.