

THE Southern Baptist Convention, which held its annual session last week at Asheville, was said to have been the largest attended of any ever yet held. Not only was the attendance so large but the business transacted was very important and its proceedings very interesting.

This convention represents one of the most numerous and influential bodies of Christians in the United States, its membership having now reached the grand total of 2,685,552, of which number 168,235 members have been added during the past year.

The trustees and patrons of Peace Institute are to be congratulated upon her acceptance of the presidency of that institution of learning by Miss Mary Graham, of Charlotte. Under her management we predict a more prosperous career in the future than the college has had in the past, although its past has been a source of pride to all friends of higher education.

Miss Graham was the first woman president of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly, and was one of its best, and is the assistant superintendent of the schools of Mecklenburg county.

CHARLOTTE celebrated in grand style last Saturday the 141st anniversary of the famous Mecklenburg Declaration, and her hotel proprietors, merchants and other enterprising citizens reaped a golden harvest from the large crowd of visitors who were attracted there by the presence of President Wilson.

It is said that the mayor of the city wore out the crowd by his long-winded speech of introduction, and it seems took advantage of the opportunity to try to exploit himself, as if the crowd had come there to see and hear him instead of the President.

The Charlotte Observer said editorially that notwithstanding so large a crowd there "was no drunkenness in evidence," which could not have happened if prohibition did not prevail.

THE holding of the next reunion at Washington will be a most notable event, and one that nobody would have dreamed as possible fifty years ago. It will certainly be an exhibition of a perfect reconciliation and of a thoroughly reunited country when old Confederate soldiers with their tattered flags parade to the tune of Dixie down Pennsylvania avenue as honored guests amid the cheering of many thousands.

On the 11th of July, 1864, the Confederate forces under Gen. Early were so near Washington that they could see the dome of the capitol, and, but for reinforcements hurriedly reaching Washington, they would have captured the city. Many of the soldiers in that expedition under Early will be among the other veterans attending this reunion at Washington, and their approach will not create such consternation as did their approach on that hot July day in 1864.

What changes does time bring about!

Grand Jury's Report.

Before court adjourned last week the grand jury made the following report:

"We the Grand Jury beg to render the following report to-wit: We have passed on all bills that have been presented to our body and have transacted all such business as has come before us:

We have in a body visited the offices of the Clerk of the Superior Court, the Sheriff and Register of Deeds and find the books, records and files neatly and accurately kept:

We have visited the jail and found the same in good condition and the prison cells secure and in a sanitary condition.

We in a body visited the County Home and found twenty inmates, white, two male and eleven females, colored two male and five female, all well fed and clothed and properly taken care of. We found four mules, nineteen head of cattle, most of which are Airshires; ten hogs and nine goats. All said cattle and stock were found to be in good condition and being well cared for. We found on hand the following supplies, viz: 125 bushels of corn, 10 bushels of peas and a sufficient supply of forage to last until crops are gathered: We also found sufficient farming implements and machinery to carry on the work of the farm; A new blacksmith shop has been erected and is well supplied and furnished with necessary tools: All the buildings are in good condition. We find that the Superintendent, Mr. J. W. Harmon, keeps an itemized statement of all business transactions.

We recommend that a hog lot be wired and the doors and windows of the houses for the inmates of the Home be screened. We also recommend that the stockade around the Jail be repaired, and that a good substantial picket fence 16 by 18 feet be placed around the Confederate monument on the Court House Square.

Having transacted all business that has come before our body, and with thanks to the Court and the officers of the same for kindness shown and aid given us in the performance of our duties, we beg to be discharged.

A. G. BRAY, Foreman.

H. A. TEAGUE, Secretary.

"Chamberlain's Tablets Have Done Wonders for Me." "I have been a sufferer from stomach trouble for a number of years, and although I have used a great number of remedies recommended for this complaint, Chamberlain's Tablets is the first medicine that has given me positive and lasting relief," writes Mrs. Anna Kadin, Spencerport, N. Y. "Chamberlain's Tablets have done wonders for me and I value them very highly." Obtainable everywhere. adv

Children's Day Exercises.

Children's Day was observed at Brown's Chapel Methodist Sunday school last Sunday morning and was very much enjoyed by all present.

Great interest was taken in the Sunday school, not only by the children but by the old people as well, which is something that cannot be said of all Sunday schools.

The exercises by the children, consisting mainly of songs and recitations, lasted for more than an hour. All the little children did their parts well, doing credit not only to themselves but also to those who had trained them. The singing was unusually good. The choir was large and well trained and contained old men and women as well as the young ones.

An hour and a quarter recess was given during which a sumptuous dinner was served in the grove. Many large baskets filled with rich food were brought out and emptied on tables and after everyone had eaten a plenty much was left.

After dinner the memorial exercises were observed in a most suitable way. Mr. A. F. Whitaker, one of the Sunday school teachers, gave an interesting talk on the old Confederate soldier. Then the graves of all buried there were decorated. Special decorations were placed on the graves of the old soldiers. The officers of the Sunday school went in a body to the grave of Mr. W. C. Mann, who died a short time ago and who was secretary of the Sunday school until his death, and decorated his grave.

This Sunday school is to be congratulated for its officers from the superintendent down. Every one present, from the youngest child to the oldest person, seems ready to do his or her duty.

A VISITOR.

Avoid Spring Colds.

Sudden changes, high winds, shifting seasons cause colds and grippe, and these spring colds are annoying and dangerous and are likely to turn into a chronic summer cough. In such cases take a treatment of Dr. King's New Discovery, a pleasant laxative, tar syrup. It soothes the cough, checks the cold and helps break up an attack of grippe. It's already prepared, no mixing or fussing. Just ask your druggist for a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery. Tested and tried for over 40 years. adv

Letter From China.

Our readers will be pleased to read another interesting letter written from China by Miss Pearl Johnson, who went there last October from this place as a missionary. It is dated April 8th, 1916, and written at Shanghai to her parents here and was not intended for publication. It is as follows:

"Another Express boat leaves in a few hours so I am writing you hoping this letter will go on it, a Japanese boat also leaves this afternoon for America, so this letter will certainly get off on one of them.

Some months ago the Sunday School Board sent to Dr. Bryan for a lot of false money, idols etc. A number of the idols were bought from one man who was an idol maker. He also was an opium smoker. Through the purchase of these things, one of the teachers in our school here learned about this man so he went to work to persuade him to go to the hospital to be cured of the opium habit. Finally he consented to go and last week came out a cured man and a man who believes in Jesus, according to his own testimony. This is just an example of the means God uses of reaching people here, and of his power and willingness to save even the most hardened, and greatest idol worshippers. I have marvelled ever since I came here to see how men and women will follow the leadership of one of our teachers Mrs. Zee. In this land where women are considered inferior and all such things, she is really a leader in the church, indispensable in the school; and among a large number of her acquaintances and friends, men will consult her as to what is best to be done in important matters, and women bring their cares and burdens to her sure of comfort and help. It seems strange that she could ever make herself become a leader because women here have so little initiative, and so very strange that the men will follow and respect her so much. I think it all goes to prove that christian men and women can even overcome the customs and prejudices of ages, and give honor where honor belongs, for everyone knows Mrs. Zee is a consecrated christian woman who thinks first of others. I think I never saw a more unselfish person anywhere. One thing which illustrates her lack of thought for herself and is also rather amusing is the fact that she declares she doesn't know how she looks for she hasn't looked in a looking glass for years.

Did I write you last week about the class of young men Miss Kelly is teaching? Five young men, very well educated, college graduates, who can speak English with ease came to Miss Kelly and asked her to teach them the Bible. Only one of the five is a christian and one other has heard a sermon. All the others say they have never been inside of a church or heard a sermon. Miss Kelly just teaches them as we would teach little children at home, they have to begin at the very beginning. Just five among the thousands of young men who are well educated but who know not God. Without him they will lead others into wrong ways, with him they will lead others into the right way. This is a great opportunity Miss Kelly has."

Colds Quickly Relieved.

Many people cough and croup, from the beginning of fall right through to spring. Others get cold after cold. Take Dr. King's New Discovery and you will get almost immediate relief. It checks your cold, stops the racking, rasping, tissue-tearing cough, heals the inflammation, soothes the raw tubes. Easy to take, antiseptic and healing. Get a 5c bottle of Dr. King's and keep it in the house. "It is certainly a great medicine and I keep a bottle of it continually on hand," writes W. C. Jesseman, Fraconia, N. H. Most people do not realize that it nearly always helps. adv

Hon. William G. McAdoo, secretary of the treasury, will deliver the annual commencement address at the University Wednesday, May 31.

A Symbol of Health.

The Pythagoreans of Ancient Greece ate simple food, practiced temperance and purity. As a badge they used the five pointed star which they regarded as a symbol of health. A red pointed star appears on each package of Chamberlain's Tablets, and still fulfills its ancient mission as a symbol of health. If you are troubled with indigestion, biliousness or constipation, get a package of these tablets from your druggist. You will be surprised at the quick relief which they afford. Obtainable everywhere. adv

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surface. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quick medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years and a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly upon the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists.

The Comptroller of the Currency in a recent address stated that the wealth of the South had more than doubled in the past 25 years.

For Your Child's Cough.

If your child has a cold, nose runs or coughs much get a small bottle of Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. It's a pleasant pine-tar-honey syrup, just what children like and just the medicine to soothe the cough and check the cold. After taking, children stop retching, sleep good and are soon entirely well. Insist on Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. 25c at your druggist. adv

Town Treasurer's Report.

I, W. L. Farrell, Clerk of the Board of Commissioners of the town of Pittsboro, N. C., beg to herewith file an annual statement of receipts and disbursements of the general town taxes and the special bond tax for street improvements from June 1st, 1915, to May 1st, 1916.

GENERAL TAXES.

RECEIPTS.

Table with columns for date, description, and amount. Includes items like 'By balance received from B. M. Poe, former town treasurer' and 'By balance received from B. M. Poe, former town treasurer'.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Table with columns for date, description, and amount. Includes items like 'May 31, R. E. Jones, cleaning out town well' and 'June 1, G. R. Pilkington, election dues, May 4, 15'.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Having qualified as executor of the last will and testament of the late Ramsey Welch, this to notify all creditors said estate to present their claims to the undersigned on or before the 17th day of April, 1917, or this notice will be filed in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please come forward and settle with the undersigned or their attorney. This April 17th, 1916. R. H. HAYES, Attorney.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE.

Having qualified as the administratrix with the will annexed of William A. Foushee, deceased, I hereby notify all persons having claims against said decedent to exhibit same to me or my attorney on or before the 26th of April, 1917. All persons indebted must settle promptly. This April 20th, 1916. ANNA FOUSHEE, R. H. Hayes, Attorney.

W. L. FARRELL, being duly sworn, deposes and says that the foregoing statement is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

W. L. FARRELL, JAS. L. GRIFFIN, C. S. C. May 13th, 1916.

Terrific Texas Tornado.

Denison, Tex., May 21.—Nine persons were killed and 38 injured at Kemp City, Okla., eight miles east of Denison, and the town was badly damaged by a tornado which last night swept a path three-quarters of a mile wide and five miles long in the vicinity of Kemp. Only three small dwellings remain intact at Kemp.

Twelve business houses, a two-story hotel and 60 residences were demolished in Kemp City. This is the second time in recent years that the little town of 300 inhabitants has been visited by a tornado. Merchants said that the town probably would not be rebuilt.

Eight were killed in the town while the other victim, a child, was killed in the collapse of its father's home just across the Red river in Texas. Of the 38 persons injured, 36 are residents of Kemp City. Most of those injured were caught in the collapse of buildings while trying to reach storm cellars shortly after the storm broke at 9:23 p. m. Saturday.

The bodies of the dead in several instances were found hundreds of yards from where their homes had stood. The two-year-old child of Dr. and Mrs. William Brinson, who were killed, was hurled 500 feet with flying debris when the Brinson residence was destroyed, but the child suffered only minor injuries.

There is reported a very great scarcity of food in the city of Mexico, and no prospect of any immediate relief.

Dangers of Draft.

Drafts feel best when we are hot and perspiring, just when they are most dangerous and the result is neuritis, stiff neck, sore muscles or sometimes an attack of rheumatism. In such cases apply Sloan's Liniment. It stimulates circulation to the sore and painful part. The blood flows freely and in a short time the stiffness and pain leaves. Those suffering from neuralgia or neuritic headache will find one or two applications of Sloan's Liniment will give grateful relief. The agonizing pain gives way to a tingling sensation of comfort and warmth and quiet rest and sleep is possible. Good for neuritis too. Price 25c at your druggist. adv

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

Banking Loan and Trust Co.

SANFORD, N. C.

At the close of Business May 1st, 1916.

Resources.

Table with columns for resource type and amount. Includes 'Loans and Discounts', 'Stocks and Bonds', 'Furniture and Fixtures', etc.

Liabilities.

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Advertisement for Hudson-Belk Company, featuring '350 New Beautiful Shirt Waists' and 'Georgette Crepe Waists'. Includes details about a sale and store location in Raleigh, N.C.

Advertisement for Gattis Tours, 'Attractive Summer Trips, 1916'. Lists various tour destinations like New York, Boston, White Mountains, etc., and includes contact information for Tourist Agents.

Advertisement for 'Mustang Liniment' and 'Do You Want a New Stomach?'. Includes a small illustration of a person and text describing the benefits of the liniment and a digestive product.