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dressed to the Nev. J. J. James, or "Editor of the

Letters relating to the business of the office t be addressed to G. MEREDITH & Co., Raleigh

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nmunications, to secure attention, mus be postpaid-Agents who act gratuitously, and ers who pay in advance, only excepted All enters not attended to in a reasonable time bould be receased,-and all remittances not doly receipted should be inquired after—that errors and

Persons writing to us on business would confer a great favor by giving their Post Office adresse also that of each but videal for warm they

The following bre hien are requesed to ac as agents for the Biblical Recorder in their respective sections in procuring new subscrib rs, and it receiving monies and making remissances to us. A part of them have signified a willingness to act, and we take the liberty of pub ishing the tames of others, hoping they will consent also, in doing which they will very much onlige the Editor and the Proprietors of the Recorder.

Elders. F. Prevatt, Leesville, Robeson county George W. Hill, Whiteville, Columbus county. J. H. Cobb, Lumber Bridge, Robeson county. A. P. Repiton, Wilmington, Alva Smith, Fair Bluff, Columbus county. Isham Pittman, Leesville, Robeson county, James H. Rozier, Lumberton, Robeson co.

Rev. Peter Doub of the Methodist church writes us, desiring to know who "Temothy" is, and also to know if our columns will be open to him in reply to Timothy's strictures. We have no authority to give the names of Timothy or Tuns both of whom may by this time have become objects of interest to Mr. Doub. We will take the liberty of saying, however, that Timothy is quite a young writer, and commenced his articles, as he informed otherwise. Regarding Mr. Doub's pamphlet as quite defective, both as regards its argument and loctrine, be deeme! it a somewhat sui able subject on which to practice, leaving it with the editor as to whether his strictures should appear. We did not tegard it as very important any way, and gave the manuscript to the pub isher. We suppose, for we know nothing definitely about it, that Timothy would not desire a protracted controversy with so elderly a man as Mr. Doub. If, however, Mr. D. desires his late pamphlet on Communion examinel and tested by the standard of truth, he can be accommodated either by Timothy or Tit is, or James or John, or some one of the "Strict Communion Sect," whose views on other subjects, as well as Communion, have given Mr. D. and his ministerial

eration lingered, and saw what was never see raterativ trouble for quite a number.

The Britor, however, knowing Mr. D. to be prefty long winded in speaking, and learning that he is equally so in writing will say once for all that if he wishes to appear in the columns of the Recorder he must confine himself strictly to the points of debate. He must also send the editor one of his Con-

Central Railroad.

This road is now finished and in operation for some 65 miles, from Goldsborn, where it connect with the Wilmington Road, as far west as Durham's Depot some 13 miles below Hillsboro, A daily train now passes over it for the accommodation of travellers, which leaves Goldsboro every morning at half-past 3 o'c ock. reaches Raieigh at 6 A. M., and Durham's Depot at half-past 7 A. M., where it connects with a line of Stages to Hillshore, Greensbo-

Having passed over this road within a few days we find it well built firm and in excellent condition The Engin s are of fine size, and said by good judges to be of superior materials and workmanship The Car in which we took a seat was certainly superior in some respects to any that we have noticed The arrangement for ventilating it by letting in the air near the top of the car, instead of through the windows, is a great improvement both for comfort and safery. The officers we found prompt and accommodating, and every precaution is used to prevent accidents. In passing over that portion of the Road between Raleigh and Goldsboro, we could but contrast our present comfort and expedition with what it was when we traveled it by Sage-Then it required some 12 or 14 hours to make the ourney, it being too a most lonely and uninterest ing travel, now about 2 hours will carry one through at a cost of less than one-half of what was charged for staging, while the riding itself is a pleasant re-

This Road when completed will be in fact as well as in name, the North Carolina Railroad. Leading as it does through the heart of the State, it will af ford facilities for travel, and transportation of produce to more of the citizens of the State than any other road that has been, or can hereafter be built.

Minutes of the Union Association.

The editor received a letter a few days since, in uiring about the Minutes of the above body-wishng to know whether they were printed or not, and

giving him further directions in case they were not.

He must say to his esteemed brethren of that body, that their Minutes never came to his care at all. He understands that they were received by the Clerk of the Reunder and were handed over to the gentleman who is its publisher. Why they were not printed and forwarded some two mouths since the Editor cannot pretend to say. He understands that they were directed to him, but they did not such him or his office, and of course he could have o control in the mater. If they had came into his possession with instructions, he would have ta-ten pleasure in having them put up king hince, if it could have been done in Raleigh, and forwarded

y letter about the Tar River Association Min plaining of m for not attending to them.
Ith the Clark, ways he forwarded thom some feredith. The editor must my that he has not a Mr. Meredith left

pany, that purchased the Recorder, receives the mail and delivers it at the editor's office. The editor I as o do with any thing in the matter, but the editorial department of the Recorder, nor have any come to our care. The editor deeply rigres that there is so much disappointment in g tting job work done, he must repeat that he is no way responsible for the neglect or mi-haps of others

Peace Movements at the North-

Our readers will, perhaps, be both surprised and gratified to learn that movements have been set un foot in New England for the furtherance and promotion of Peace among mankind generally in all paris of the world. We have been favored lately with several epistles and addresses on this subject from one of the officers of a society there call d the American Peace Society. We are heartily in favor of peace everywhere and with all men; and consider its promotion a desidera um worthy of our best exertions. The name of peace is grateful and omineus of good, and the thing itself most lovely and

It may not, however, be amiss for those who aspire to so important a position as that of peace-makers among mankind, to cen ider that example often lends influence and gives effect to precent; and that if they would really promote the cause of peace among others, it is important that they cultivate and practice the things of peace among themselves. This being understood, we are certainly much pleased to learn that so great and harpy a change has of late taken place in New England. But a few months since it appeared from the most authentic accounts, that the sanctuaries of God in that portion of our country had been changed into temples of discord, that the ministers of religion felt that they were specially called on to decide according to their views the most difficult and ex iting political ques ions of the land, and religious jounalisis charged with the spe ist duty of publishing every thing which might tend to irritate and provoke to hoscility their neighbors in the South .-Nor were we aware that such efforts had been entirely suspended, even to the present time. But " time and chance," we are told. "happeneth to all;" and it it is true that the people of New England, in cluding her leading and most noted men, have decided no longer to obtrude heir peculiar notions upon others, or to intermeddle with the affairs of their neigh ors, but to study and practice, as well as recomment the things that make for peace, it is sarewe doubt not the South, which has ever been the lover and pation of peace, will deeply sympathise in so important and beneficial a change.

We have some fears, however, that so de-irable a result may not after all be realized, and that after "the cry of peace, peace, there will be no peace;" for we discover in the se Addresses about place something of the same spirit that pervades similar lectures upon slavery -a spirit of dictation to others to adopt and practice their own views, as the only right ones. They acknowledge that their views of peace may be peculiar, but still urge upon religious Editors of the South the duty of publishing them, and also of calling upon min ste s of the gospel generally to preach upon the subject.

Now it might be sufficient to say that the people of the South are happily now as they generally

When our pyramidical mount of he has had sufficient time to heat, and when it i have been, in a state of perce among themselves and as fir as possible with others; it is therefore not so needful that they should write and preach on the subject, nor are they so sanguine, as their friends at the North seem to b, that they could be successful in t aching the belig tent powers in other countries to lay down their arms and love as bre hren. It, however, the Peace Societies at the North can effect so desir ble an ent, we would cheer it em onward in the undertaking. Some little caution. however, might be the part of prudence in case they undertake to set le the d'fficulties between Nicholas and the All ed powers, lest they should be made to feel the force of an old saving, "physician heat thyself," and be told by the Potentates of the old world that charity, it is generally understood, should begin at home, and that when they have learned to live peace bly with each other, and with their own countrynen, it will then appear more appropriate for them to cross the seas in their efforts to teach others how to practice peace. We say some caution might be needful lest their er deavors should prove as futile for good, as they wil appear to some viliculous.

We may perhaps take the liberty of alding that as a brighter and more auspicious day has begun to dawn upon society at the North, and that hereafter we are to hear from them only the words of peace, it may be an appropriate time for the bener olent and religious Societies among them that have so long distur'el Israel with their un'appy differences to bury them and sign once more the plodge of p ace. Let them agree that " Ephrains shall not envy Jolah, nor Ja ah envy Ephraim," but that peace and brotherly concord shall prevail, where bitterness and strife have so long teen indulged .-And then should they a lopt a more pacific and charitable course towards their neighbors here at the South, it may inspite stronger confidence in their good intentions to mankend in general.

Who is at Fault?

We have received lately, an unusual number of scontinuances, and the cause as stated in most caes, is that the sub-cribers have failed for some time pust to get their paper with any regularity. We have also received numerous complain's from hose who are sill subscribers, of a similar irregularity, in the receipt of the Recorder. Now this is trying to the patiente of those who wish to read the paper, and of us whose duty it is to furnish it; and the question is, who is at fault? After con-iderable inquiry into the matter, we are of opinion that the fault is mainly with post-nasters, who by car lessness and neglect of duty in giving due attention when opening the mail, send the papers in wrong directions, or permit them to be in a post-office to which they were not directed. That such must be the case, we are almost certain, as we have examin ed in several cases that were reported, and fount the names and post office ad ress properly entered on the ma) books, and were assured by the publisher that the papers were mailed according to the directions on the books. It is true some errors may have been committed since the office of publication was changed, but—certainly not to the extent comlained of; and now as the publisher informs us hat everything has been strictly arranged in his flice to prevent the slightest mistake, and as we, the Clerk and Editor of the Recorder, intend givin he most serntinisting attention to the matter so far as it comes within our reach, we tope the subscri-bers who may have been been ofore disappointed and wood in act receiving duly the Recorder, will bers who may have been becoming disappointed and trouble to which he was put. We say it in harvafter when they rate for State officers to and receiving duly the Recorder, will sorrow, but we cannot refusin from expressing our school man of sufficient integrity to remain expressing our school man of sufficient integrity to remain expressing our school man of sufficient integrity to remain expressing our school man of sufficient integrity to remain expressing our school man of sufficient integrity to remain expressing our school man of sufficient integrity to remain expression at the participus during a low week's softened by large work batter. When they do not go at tended to the Professors—flure.

es regularly, we hope they will not us of the fact, and we will do all in our power t have the error corrected. We hope they will not discoutings for a few errors of this kind.

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Book Table.

WM. CARRY: A Biography by Jos. BELCHER.
D. D. Poi adelphia. American Bapalst Publica ion Society, 118 Arch Street,

William Carey is one of the names which no sec tion of the Christian Church will ever forget. He was emphatically the pioneer of modern missions ries, and his biography striking y illustrates the kind of agency which God usually employs, in ac. complishing his designs of mercy to our faller world. Although Carey has been dead nearly twenty years, and the story of his labors and sacrifices has long since been read and rereal by thou sands of christians in this country, as well as in England, still we are pleased to know that one so well qualified as Dr. Belcher has furnished anew his biography, with various improvements. Dr. B., is well known as a distinguished writer, and was personally acquainted with the leading persons connected with the English Baptist Missionary Society, that sent out Carey as their first Missionary to In-

We cannot forbear commending this volume to our readers as combining much that is truly val nable and deeply interesting to the pious heart, would prove specially useful to young men and women who may be revolving in their minds the question as to whether it is their duty to give themselves to Missionary labor. The volume is 12 mo. about 300 pages, with a beautiful engraving of Carey as

LIFE IN JUDEA, OR Glimpses of the First Christian influences. Aversion to a politic. I opponent is fre-

rican Baptist Publication Society. This volume is written in a siyle suited to sketches, and abounds in descriptions of events and circomstances which are intimated in the New Testament Scriptures. That the winer always confines herself strictly to historical data we think is somewhat questionable, though her sketches are well drawn in a flowing and bandsome style, and after rently new, one is supposed to recognize in it a circums ance familiar to all readers of the New Tes- dates for effice! It is the duty of every man to of them serve to illustrate Jewish cha acter, and to avowing them; indeed this also is incumbent upon show the extent of opposition which Christ had to him. But I do protest, in the name of religion and encounter from the Jews, owing to their pride and prejudices. The sacking of Jerusalem, is nariated and demagogue for the sake of promotion. Little with thrilling but mournful interest, as the author and mean beyond human conception must be the makes a Jew report to a kin-man at Rome.

The work will be found interesting in matter, and pleasing yea, even tascinating in diction and style, an we feel no besitation in commending it as It is nearly bound. Size 12 mo. pages 312, for s. 1by the Baptist Publication Society, Phila elphia.

COLTON'S ATLAS OF THE WORLD : Illustra improces sual and Pontical Geography, by get ban Pay-Conton ; accompanies cloth. Full George W. cal. Statistics Turkey My descriptions, Geographi-

By the politeness of Aron L. Bos wick E-q. who at present remaining in this city, we have received several specimen parts of the above named work, which when completed, will be one of the most magnificent of the kind extant. The maps are delineated with great precission and b au y, representing the late public improvements &c., &c. The mechanical execution, both as re-pects the type and paper, is of very superior order. The Geographi c. l. Statistical and Historical matter is of the most recent reliable and authentic character, and the work, which will shortly be completed and for sale. will be altogether one of the finest in our country and certainly a most valuable acquisition to any

In addition to the above, Mr. Bostwick has also modating terms, all of which may be found at Mr. Turners Book Store, head of Fayetteville street. fronting Capitol Square.

Story-the Seven Poor Travellers from Household of warm reception and free entertainment.

held last October at Winchester, Tenn,

Ebenezer church, Nov. 11th. 1854. This is a flourishing body, embracing 45 church.

CONGRESSIONAL DOCUMENT.—We are indebted to zines, and consequently, knowing nothing of the Hon. S. H. Rogers for a volume of Statistics of the fashions, they feel at liberty to ream at large in

al journey steadily and beautifully. Every one present must have been mortified at the very small number that felt disposed to excourage the Professor by going within the enclosure. The number proceeds to inquite, in the second place—'If your that weat in will not begin to pay for the expense senders ought not to be informed of it, in order that

For the Becomer

Ma. Epiron : I noticed in your last i-sue a Com

munication, in which the writer, who seems to have been a visiter to our place, complains of what he The correspondents of Rev. J. H. Caudle considers false friendship to the Baptists, on the will address him in future at Little Yadkin, Sokes per of certain poloical aspirants. Your no c. altucked to said document, rather infimates the editor's rejuctance to answer the questions propounded. If, therefore, I will not be trespassing upon your

rights, or acticipating your imentions, I will, by permission, furnish an answer myself. This I will do, without presuming to know an individual to whom your correspondent refers, and simply because I regard the opportunity as a good one, to give onb icity to some reflections which may not prove entirely useless.

I have been in the habit of attending the Baptist

Church in this city very regularly; and, as well as your correspondent, I have observed that some men who, AT HOME, profess to be Baptist in sentiment, seem to take particular pains to conceal their sentiments (!) or to have no senuments at all, while at the Capital of the State. The Baptist denominaion in North Carolina is numerically very strong and poli ical partizans sometimes find it to their advantage to speak freely of their religious perigree, or to make loud professions of attachment to the Baptist faith; not, however, for the same reason that Mr. Jefferson eulogized the polity of the Bapust Church, as having presented the mod-l of our Federal Government. Mr. Jefferson greatly admired and praised the Baptist system as the embodiment and exponent of Repub ican Principles, and the Doctrine of Equal Rights. But the admiration and attachment of some of our modern politicians arise form another and altogether different source-

the love of VOTES!

Political prejudices and pre-possessions are often either greatly increased or diminished by religious Age, by Masia T. Richards, Philadelphia Ame- quently softened by unity of sentiment in religion. And, as a man's religious and political opinions molify and give color to each other, we are the more willing to trust him in the exercise of the one if we are satisfied he is sound in the other. So far, indeed, is this principle carried, that many are goverard almost entirely, in exercising the elective franchise, by religious rather than political attachm nis. Some men understand this; and hence, perusing perhaps several pages of something appa. their praise of religious bodies and expression of tament. The family incid his which come in te hold honest sentiments on the subject of religion. view will be read with in crest, especially as most and there is certainly no objection to his honestly spirit that can trifle with the sacred subject of religion for no higher purpose than that of gaining place and distinction; and lost to all the nobler feel ings of our nature is that man who can offer his the view of getting his neighborousuge of the with

Pentaral" these general observations, without intending them to apply to any particular case, I proceed to give a more direct answer to " L. D's." queries. &

In the first place, he inquires-" Is there any thing pecaliar in the aimosphere of Raleigh that has a tendency to make men abjure the religion of

Ra eigh, I belive, is, goog aphically, about the centre of the State; and, occupying middle ground between the East and the West. I should think its dimate w uld not materially affect members from either exueme : it is neither too cold for the one nor too has for the other! But if "L. D." alludes to the religious atmosphere pervading the Uny of Oak-, I date say it possesses some peculiarities. have not time at present, to analyze it for the purpore of ascertaining the precise elements enturing into its constitution. On a single glance at it, in some of its most murky aspetts, I should say bow ever than it contained a great quantity of the foul quite a variety of Maps from the largest to the effluence arising from the sinks of l'RIDE; a large smallest size, which he will se I on the most accom- proportion of the volatile gas of SELF-IMPORTANCE, and no inconsiderable degree of the dampening vapors of Social Prescription! It may embrace other constituents, but these are sufficient when combine!, to metamorphose some men very thorough-THE NEW YORK CHRONICLE. This Journal edit- ly ant in a wonderfully brief period-notwithstanded and published by P. Church and J. S. Backus, ing the many stricting measures water our healthcomes to us enlarged and improved in typographic loving citizens are continually applying. We would rejoice if some new element could be infused PERIODICALS.—We have also received the fol- imo this dead y atmosphere-more tatal to some lowing periodicals for January not previously no- constitutions than contact with the Libled Upastice !. - Southern Literary Messenger, Jno, R. which would have the effect of neutralizing its des-Thompson, Editor. Richmon!: \$3 per annum in tractive tendency. But, alas! alas! we almost alvance. Peterson's Ludies' National Magazine, hope against hope. The effluvia of Prile, when Mrs. Ann S. Stephens and Charles J. Peterson, illumined by the phosphorus of Vanity, has great Elitors. Two dollars per annum in advance .- attraction for some men; and even the gas of self-Philad lphia, 102 Chesnut st. Household Words: importance is beautiful to their eyes, when passing a journal conducted by Charles Dickens New through the process of evaporation; while the cold York : published by J. A. Dix, No. 10 Park place vapors of social proscription, are so chilling, so Price \$3 per annum. Also, Dicken's Christmas withering, that they drive one at once to the arms

But your correspondent, though his question is PROCEEDINGS of the Thirteenth Annual Se sion of general one, seems to have a particular object in the Baptist General Association of Tennessee view. What the cause of the pleancy of his "frien is" is I am unable to say. They may be delicate men By the attention of a friend, we have been fa- of sensitive nerves, and hence inca, able of offending vote I with a copy of the Proceedings of this body, certain of their pious acquaintances. Perhaps, having been used to wire-working, they do not under-MINUTES of the Twenty third anniversary of the stand the signals in Ruleigh, and therefore choose Weish Neck Baptist Association, held with the themselves to become automatons, and move when some one else pulls the strings. Or they may be made of such stern stuff that they wish to show their inde-MINUTES of the Third Anniversary of the Bighy Association, held with the New Prospect church, Sumpter county, Ala. leigh are not couply mornified to find that some of This young Association already numbers 18 their friends are inconsistent. When they have churches, and appears to be in a prosperous condi- seen the wonders(!) they may act more circumspecity. There are men who do not take the Maga-United States; it being a Compendium of the Sev, search of the latest styles. Others still have no each Census, by J. B. DeBow Superintendent of the head for a seminon, (by whomsoever preached,) but United States Census, Washington, D. C. possess a fine ear for music; and, wisely admitted themselves to circumstances, they endeavor to ex-Pror. Elliorz .- This skillful germant made an ercise their peculiar endowments to the best advanascent from this city on yesterday in splendid style. age! But, after all, your correspondent's friends. There was scarcely a breath of air stirring, an! his may have only been out of the way on the occygraceful balloon, the Isabe'le, glid d off on her zerision r ferred to, and are then fore not so inconsis-

Answer to L. D's. Queries.

This interrogatory may be answered peremptorily in the affirmative. There may be men, who are strong Burists, in sentiment, when at home, that occasional y find their way to the Legislature, by bousting of their Baptis ic leanings and counexone, who forget their principles and their pedigree as soon their claims are advanced to ambition's mark. The Baptists being a plain, unpretending people, prizing the substance of things more than the shalow, and elevating the power of religion higher than the form, perhaps such petty aspirants ecome ashamed of them and their worship, while amid the parade and formalities of the Capital. But if politicians will seek promotion by calling in the aid of their religious professions and affinities, they should either remain consistent or hear the share of exposure. We do not ask for such pretences of friendship, but we desire to see hone-ty on the just of those who make them. For one, Mr. Editor, I agree with "L. D." that men whose principles are inked to their designs and never follow them away om home-who can forget and neglect, for selfish sonsi lerations, the boosted "religion of their fath." ers," should be heralded forth, that the friends whom they have deceived by false or insincere profess onse nay be guarded against deception hereutter. And if "L D." knows of any cases in point, and intends to turn Reporter, I hereby contribute my mite by proffering to act as his Private Secretary.

For the Recorder BIBLE ROOMS, Nashville T nn . 1 Dec. 29 h, 1854

DEAR BROTHER JAMES :- I beg you will do me the kinduess to pub ish the following stateme t of the moni s paid to me as Cor. Sec. of the Bible Beard uring my ree at visit to North Carolina. At Favettville of J. M. B.ewer, Treas of N. C. John Joiner, Kingston,

At Raleigh, paid to me on the subscription, And sent me by Bro. McDonel, Paul me at Wake Forest. And sent me by Bro Brewer, Of Eller Wm Hardee, I ail me on subscription at Warrencon. 20,30 Paid me on subscription, at Peasant Grove, (Bertie,) Eller J. R. Garlick, Murf eesboro'. Le con Lassiter. Perry Car er paid my fare to Bookin's Depot. Bible Society of Cape Fear Association, 48.50 Ot Alea Smi h Fair Bluff, Col ection at Smithesville. 1st Baptiet Church Wilmington. Raptist Church Newbern, On sub-cription at Greenville, On subscription at Goldsboro', 10.00 Orange Street Church at Wilmington. Total rec'd by me, \$608,15

There are yet due considerable sums in several of the places which I visited, on subscriptions made at th t time. Some of wlich may have been forwarded to me, but have not yet come to hand-if there is any error or omission in the above statean assistant to the letter understanding of the Gospel. soul a sacrifice on the altar of Deception, no their letter understanding of the Gospel. soul a sacrifice on the altar of Deception, no their letter understanding of the Gospel.

which may be done by writing to me .- I hope our frien's in N. Carolina will not grow weary in t work they have so nobly commenced, but that we shall har from them further.

Your sincere friend and Brother in Christ, A. C. DAYTON, Cor. Sec. We call attention to the following official

letter from our exteemed brother Tustin, Cor. Sec., of the Southern Bap, Pub. Society. The propriety of Southern Baptists concentrating more than they have heretofore done on this very important Society, a d also of giving it more of their patronage is too obvious to require remark. We trust our readers generally will feel a lively interest in sustaining an Institution so important to the welfare of our cause and be willing to adopt measures deemed best to give it efficiency and power.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 29th, 1854.

My DEAR BROTHER: - I send you by this unil a copy of the last Report of the South Bap. Pub. Society, in which there is an appendix marked, to which | am directed to call your special attention, and ask you to publish it in

an early number of your paper. The Board of managers are specially desirous hat this document should be read by all the Baptists in your State; -and by a late vote, they wished me to ask you to aid in setting the ease properly forth. This Pub. Society never was on the firm and prosperous footing which it has attained to, in this and the preceding year : and one or two more years of such pros perity will make the Society an engine of power for the demonination. Were it not for this arrangement with Parks & Co., as a busin ss agency, the Society never would have gain d much ground, in the way of capital and credit -and our funds, in the former way of doing business in a few years would have been seattered. Nor do we believe that any Baptist Publication Society whether g naval or local can carry on business independ n ly, and go into a system of advances and credits, for colporteurs and agents, unless there is an envimous capital, say from \$50,000 to \$100,000. which is more than any such society of ours could expect to gather up, for a generation, judging by past experience, and then it would require the constant attention of disinterested and practised basiness men who could keep an eye upon every feature of the

But as we are now situated, we are in a condition to do the publishing for the denomination as far as they may wish it and it now only remains, that our brethren of other Southern States who may have State or auxiliary publieation societies, should understand that we are ready to render them every assistance. If they have found, they can expend them, by publishing or purchasing through the parent Society here much cheaper than they can do these things for themselves. If they have colportage funds they can keep an open account with this society, and get books under terms as advantageous as any branch agencies can ever expect to get them from the parent society.

If you approve of these views, in their application to your own State, and are disposed to working with such excellent economy, this Society will be most glad to find that you are willing to give the aid of your paper, in setting forth the working of this Society, which is so emphatically the property, and the exponent of the Baptist denomination, in the Southern

States.
We have in view nothing short of the high purpose of providing and circulating a Baptist literature for the South, equal in all respects to the wants of the times, and of our wide spread and increasing denomination.

Yours truly,

J. P. TUSTIN, Cor. Soc.

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Alabama Convention.

This body met with the Silonm Baptist Church

Marian, Ala., on P. lay the 8th ult., and wason. ganized by the election of H. Tulkint, Presidents A. B. Gondhue, Principal, and J. M. Wan Asia and Recording S cretaries J. H. Devous, Comson ting Seen tury; and brother Tutt, Treasurer, This was the first session at which the Convention assembled on Friday, and through a misappreh nsion of the time, quite a number of the delegates did not reach the ground until Situalay. The altendance was about as large us nound. There were present from other States, boother Poind xer, of Virgi in As-s ant Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Boa d at Nashville, tro, James Davis, of G orgin, Ag at of the R vision Association, and brather Gra b r v of Mississippi. There was a slight is ling off in the contributions this year as compared with the last. Our missio ary B ands will so siby feel this but our hope is that more will be an up to an a journal mening, which is to be held in the Cuy of Montgomers, or Weinesday before the meeting of the South ru Bien ugl Convention. The Convention resolved to change the time of ho d ng is annua a s i na from winter until spring; and it was hong that the time would be too long between the present meeting and he or ng of 1856. We trust our bottern will bear this a mai. Our contributions this year, act inel digines made to the rebuilding of Howard

Co eg , will a latte short of \$5,000. On Satur ay even nr. at o riv can't light the annual ser not was it ach d by bro her Keene, of Motale, on the Duty of Pr yer. Such was the inpression it polaced upon the Convertion, that it r solved to pub ish it. The Missionar Semon was jer ach d'on Su d y by broth r Feig e, and the Bible Se mon on Sunday night by b o her Te he oner, to hof hese discourses we wall , little and convicting. It was remarked by several between that all the reinio s this year were more than ord nacily aid; and effective.

On Saidbath evening at 3 o'clo k, a mi sio a y me i g was h. ld. and quite a I heral offering to that cause was ma ely the congregation. An equally liferal ore was made to the Bab e chistat night. The President of the State Bille Society. brother Devotie, was himself on this acc si n -Many an empty pur e will commemorate the c nsummate skil with which he touched the "n cker

On Monday, he condition of Howard College ocenpired he a textion of the body. It was a cer tained that about twenty-five thousand dolla's hall been sai ed to e ect i ew bui dings. The Bond of Trustees have resolved to expend not less than thir y thousand dollars in these edifices. The Convention instructed them to prosecute the master at once. The Committee on Education recommended the appointment of a Figureial Serremy for the College, who should act as egent; and that after a sufficient sum should be rawed on the endowment fund to prevent a diminution of the amount aire dy ra se l. the first twenty thousand dollars should go to the e tablish nent of another profes or hip of The closy. The mist Iv ly in e.est was manifested throughout in the co lege. We may remark, by the way, that our young bother Figh, of Hom. gomery, pre ented to the Board of Trusters, his cabinet of cariosities collected in his recent trave's in the East, for which be received a cordial vote of thanks on the part of the Convention. And let it not be forgoiten, that the prompt and liberal offer ing of apwa ds twenty-five thousant dollars to rebuild Howard Co lege, has le n main'y owing to the in e stigable labors of brother Devotie. The "Julion" was never more prosperous than at prisent. Something over two hundre! pupils (about 214) are in at end once at this time.

On Morday sight a sermon was pleached by bro. Devo ie, by order of the Convention, in memory of the la e Rev. Thus, Ch Iton, who, for several years before he left A abama, was President of that Lody, The congregation was large, attentive and a rious; and my y a fall ing tear at es el the very bigh es ti nation in which he was feld by our britten throughout the State. The speaker's theme was, tre greatness of goodness. It was a well sostained eff r shrough ut -an tone which dil henor to the heat and heart of the preacte.

At er pr acting, the Convention held a short session, and adjourned to meet at he city of Montgomer, on Wednesday b fore the second Friday in May next two days b fore the me ting of the So B p ist Convention at the same place.

We must not forget to mention the attendance of brott er Manly, of Tuscal, os i, who it ac ied, what our of devines would call two of his most " meiuous sermons. We were glad to see that he had very much improved in health.

Or the whole, it was a ple sant aid or fiable meeting. Nothing occurred to mar the harm my of its p occe it gs in the stightest degree. We may ecu to t e meeting again-at present the primats are waiting, and we must close. - South Western

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