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LESSON JULY 14, 1879.
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THE SECURITY OF BELIEVERS.
Rom. 8: 28-30.

28. And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.
29. For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might redeem the possession of his son to himself, and to cleanse unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

30. What shall we say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us? He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things? Who shall separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord? Who shall separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord? Who shall separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord?

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For the Recorder.
THEN AND NOW.
"Manhood" called out the conductor, "Manhood!" I awoke with a start, looked around, in the dazed way, peculiar to sleep-travelers, but as I recalled my scattered faculties, I remembered, that not far from this point, was or once was the village of Don't Care.

My peculiar pleasure to greet at his own temporary home, Bro. Jesse Witt, late of Virginia, then the missionary of the Domestic Board of the Southern Baptist Convention in this town. I had listened to the silver-tongued words of this Bro. I was in the 23rd Baptist church in Richmond when the Board of Domestic Missions made their first public call for Missionaries to go to Texas. Rev. J. W. D. Creath, arose with fearful cheer, and tremulous voice, and said, "Here I am; send me!" Then the meek, the sainted Bro. Jesse Witt, arose and said, "By the grace of God, I will go and help plant the cross of Christ on the prairies of Texas. It was a joy and a treat, to sit down by the bedside of this godly man, and his saintly family, and talk of Virginia and Texas; of the past, the present, and the future. It was touching and to listen to the details of their long and toilsome journey from Virginia to Memphis, in a wagon; thence some distance down the Mississippi river, and the River of Shiloh, on the prairies of Texas. It was a joy and a treat, to sit down by the bedside of this godly man, and his saintly family, and talk of Virginia and Texas; of the past, the present, and the future. It was touching and to listen to the details of their long and toilsome journey from Virginia to Memphis, in a wagon; thence some distance down the Mississippi river, and the River of Shiloh, on the prairies of Texas.

1. God has an elect, yet all are commanded "to strive to enter in at the straight gate." The doctrine of election, though mysterious, need not discourage a sinner who wishes to be saved.
2. God has ordained the end and the means. His predestination is no excuse for idleness. We should trust God, knowing that all depends upon Him, and work as if it all depended upon us.
3. Christians are safe. Let us then make sure that we are Christians, trusting only on God's promise.

COMMUNICATIONS.
"The Lamp of Love is Ever Gleaming."
I have strayed far away, in the darkness, from the light of the lamp of love. I have wandered in the wilderness, and I have sought for the lamp of love in vain. I have sought for the lamp of love in vain. I have sought for the lamp of love in vain.

TEXAS REMINISCENCES.
During the early settlement of the northern part of Texas, the border between the States was a line of contention. The settlers on either side were constantly at odds, and the line was constantly shifting. The settlers on either side were constantly at odds, and the line was constantly shifting.

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whose countenance indicated that she was softened somewhat by the time and place. I next observed a lady whose appearance indicated her a member of the church, for she was dressed in the style of the community and she wore a rich contralto voice, which she used in the joyful singing chorus. I mentally exclaimed, "No other than sister Go A Head!" and was recalled to the solemn tones of the hour by the earnest tones of the young speaker. He was succeeded by others and I gradually began to note the changes time had made in the faces of the young men.

I followed him into a room, where I saw a young man, who was dressed in the style of the community and he wore a rich contralto voice, which she used in the joyful singing chorus. I mentally exclaimed, "No other than sister Go A Head!" and was recalled to the solemn tones of the hour by the earnest tones of the young speaker. He was succeeded by others and I gradually began to note the changes time had made in the faces of the young men.

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occasion with high enjoyment. The one just passed, was no exception, and one of the largest crowds ever seen on such an occasion turned out to witness the closing exercises of the past session. On Wednesday evening, the 13th, the large chapel was thronged with the young and intelligent of this section to witness the graduating exercises, and listen to the address of the Rev. Dr. Eaton, of Petersburg, all of which surpassed the expectations of the most sanguine. After an appropriate prayer by the pastor, the Rev. Dr. Eaton, of Petersburg, all of which surpassed the expectations of the most sanguine.

Mr. Eaton arose, and after indulging in a few complimentary and well-timed allusions to the graduates, he read an address on the subject of the education of the young ladies. He said that there never was a more mistaken notion than that talent rendered its possessor unfit for the ordinary occupation of life. That an intelligent plowman, boot black or newsboy would soon learn to do his work with one hand, the trouble it would cost his dull companion to perform the same.

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talented men, have had talented mothers. Bacon, Hume, Rankin and Hawthorne are striking illustrations of the truth of this statement. The immortal fame of Thermopylae is no longer a matter of wonder when we consider the parting injunction of the noble Spartan mother, to her son when going into battle, "Come back with your shield or upon it."

On Thursday night the annual concert came off, and Mrs. Brewer, the accomplished wife of the principal, and Miss Botcher, who have felt proud of the success which crowned their efforts, and added new laurels to their well-earned fame as musical instructors. In consequence of the illness of Miss Olander, just before the concert, much of the responsibility of preparation devolved upon Mrs. Brewer, and the gratifying result showed that the thorough training received at the hands of Prof. Hahn has fitted her admirably for the trying task. We pronounce it a most decided success.

BRO. COBB'S FACTS AND FIGURES.
Bro. Cobb, in RECORDER of June 4th, has given the facts and figures from 21 of the 40 Baptist Associations in the State. Thanks for them. By these, as reported in their minutes of last year, there was given \$101,701.54, and exclusive of pastors' salaries there was reported in the minutes \$44,637.75.

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