THE BAPTIST STATE CON-VENTION.

The Baptist State Convention of North Carolina meets to-day in its fifty first annual session, with the church in Winston. The year through which we have passed will long to remembered. The unprecedented drought at one time greatly depressed all departments of labor, and gave rise to serious apprehensions of want in a large section of the Sate. Notwithstanding these temporal and material hinderances to the general prosperity, the people have great reason for thanksgiving. There is enough and some to spare in the land. The spiritual and material history of the year is in striking contrast. While heaven withheld the rains from the parched fields of the husbandman, the richer showers of grace were freely bestowed upon the toilers in the spiritual vineyard. Wherever the gospel of Christ was preached, either by pastor or missionary, in crowded city or in the wilderness God honored the preacher, and blessed the word preached.

The year will long be remembered as one of gracious revivals and o large and liberal contributions.

The reports of the Boards will show that great things were attempted and even greater things accomplished. No move has been made in vain, and no laborer has toiled in vain. God has rewarded us above what we asked or thought.

The missionaries are all paid. The Boards are all out of debt. A larger number of new churches than ever before in any one year have been built and paid for. Nearly all of the churches have been revived and strengthened and over fifteen thousand persons have been baptized. Our schools and our colleges are filled with students. Peace and prosperity fill our borders.

We go up to the Convention with songs of thanksgiving and praise.

May every servant of JESUS be encouraged to even greater activity and zeal, and may GoD bless all the years of the Convention as he has the past. There is but one sad thought connected with the year's work-some

who toiled with us and rejoiced with us, will meet with us no more here. But they are with the larger number -the reapers who now rest beside the

OUR CARES-WHAT SHALL WE DO WITH THEM?

The life of every thoughtful Christian is crowded with anxious caresthe heart is constantly burdened, and the question arises, what shall we do with them? We cannot escape them, and yet their weight is too heavy for us to bear-it would crush us into the dust. The sources of care are numerous, and when we begin to hope for deliverance from one cause, they come from another, and fre-

quently from an unexpected source. The peace and welfare of his country must bring anxiety to the heart of every saint. His own heart-sins crowd upon him daily, and he is often moved to say with PAUL, "O wretched man that I am, who shall deliver me from the body of this death !" His family, his church, his friends, his children, the cause of Christ, all bring care to the pious heart. And then, the wickedness in the world and about him, must stir his soul. How often he feels as did DAVID: "Rivers | by the changes, anxieties and afflicof waters run down my cheeks because they keep not thy law."

It is not wonderful that we should ask, what are we to do when thus oppressed with cares and anxiety? The them that love God." Psalmist says: "Commit thy way GoD; and the peace of GoD which

Jesus we find a burden-bearer. PETER adds his testimony in these oath. We need not fear to rest our

memorable words: "Casting all your care on him; for he careth for you." (1 Peter 5: 7.) Sometimes we are urged to trust the Lord because of his unchangeableness, his omnipotent power, his faithfulness, his promises and his all-sufficiency, but PETER says | all these promises are made to us "in that we must cast all our care on him (CHRIST,) "for (because) he careth for us." It matters not how heavy the burden, how our own sins have brought it upon us, yet we must cast all on CHRIST, and his deep interest in us, his love and sympathy for us will cause him to receive it and bear it for us.

We think that PETER bore this tes-

timony to the love of JESUS for his people, not only by the movings of the Spirit, but also out of his own deep experience. JESUS had shown to Peter how he cared for him and PETER realized it, rejoiced in it and heralded it abroad. JESUS permitted PETER to witness the glory of his transfiguration on the mount, and he had also been admitted into the chamber of death to see the power of JESUS in raising the dead, when only | makes the promises more sure, for, a few were granted the privilege. When a fiery trial was coming on PETER and JESUS foresaw it all, he was deeply moved and was alone in prayer that Peter's "faith fail not." And when the hour of danger came and Peter acted so as to fill him with shame, and when he must have felt that he deserved to be forever driven from his master, yet JESUS came with the words, "Peace be unto you," and forgave it all. His only rebuke was such as to bind PETER and himself into stronger bonds of affection. And when the Spirit came, PETER was honored with the high prerogative of preaching the gospel, and was also blessed in his labors. A vision from heaven was vouchsafed to PETER that his ignorance, prejudice and narrowness might be removed, and he be prepared to introduce the gospel to the Gentiles. And when PETER was in prison, chained and guarded by Roman soldiers, and Herod was counting on pleasing the Jews by his execution on the morrow, the LORD sent an angel, who awoke PETER and led him away safely. When the morning came, he was beyoud the tyrant's grasp! How his heart must have leaped within him for joy, as he contemplated the faithfulness, the love of JESUS for him. And is it any wonder that he should say to his brethren in the midst of their trials, persecutions, cares and despondency, cast it all on JESUS. "for he careth for you?"

If he cared for PETER, does he not care for you also, dear reader? Was he partial to Peter? Nay, not specially, only so far as it may be said that JESUS is partial to all his disciplesthey are all favorites with him. He loves them with an everlasting love. And while we can east all our care on him because he eareth for us, yet we can also feel that he is all-wise, almighty and all-sufficient. He can bless our land, our family, our church, our children, our friends, and thank God, His blood can cleanse from all sin. Let us then daily, with trustful, prayerful hearts commit all to him and "roll our way upon him who careth for us."

All the Promises of God in Him are Yea, and in Him Amen."-2 Cor.

In this life, the saints possess a wonderful heritage, "for unto them are given exceeding great and precious promises." All that sinners can need, and all that the great GoD deems best for us, may be found in this rich. inexhaustible treasure-house of promises. And how the hearts of believers are comforted, strengthened and sustained by "these words of promise" of their God! Each individual saint may not remember every promise in the Book, but each can remember that these promises are many, and that his heart can desire while he lays hold on a few, and these are his stay in every trial. We have long felt that the word of Jesus, "I will never leave nor forsake thee," are worth ten thousand times more than mountains of gold. And while we are cast down and troubled on every side tions of this life, how the heart bears it calmly and heroically as we sit at the cross and hear JESUS say: "All things work together for good to

And these "precious promises" do unto the LORD; trust in him; and he | not rest upon mere contingency, or shall bring it to pass." Or as it reads | peradventure-God has made them in the margin, "Roll thy way upon | in good faith. "He cannot deny Himthe LORD," etc. And again: "Cast | self, nor can He lie." "He, is faithful thy burden upon the LORD, and he | who promises." JESUS gives assurshall sustain thee; he shall never suf- ance for every jot and title, "till all fer the righteous to be moved." And be fulfilled." God crowns every JESUS taught the same lesson in the promise with a "Yea and Amen." sermon on the Mount. Matt. 6: 25, He makes his word sure, "wherein 26. PAUL taught his Philippian God, willing were abundantly to show brethren the same: "Be careful for unto the heirs of promise the immunothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving by an oath, that by two immutable port, Time, Place and Preachers for let your requests be made known unto things, in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong ly discussion occurred when the passeth all understanding, shall keep | consolation, who have fled for refuge your hearts and minds through to lay hold upon the hope set before CHRIST JESUS." Thus we find the us." How firmly established is every source of our strength, and in CHRIST | promise. God endorses it with a "Yea and Amen" and confirms it with an

hearts on these words of Gop, they will never fail us. Friends may deceive us, the world has already mocked us with deception, but Gop's word stands fast forever.

And let us especially take note that

Him." Dear reader, alone from Jesus can a promise of mercy come, and "in Him" all the promises cluster. Forgiveness, salvation, redemption, heaven-all only "in Him." "In Him" the saints "live, move and have their being"; "in Him," they are "called to glory and virtue," "in Him" they have "justification through the belief of the truth and the sanctification of the Spirit"; "in Him" God makes "all things work together for good": "in Him they are the children of GoD and possess "all things, whether PAUL, or APOLLOS; or CEPHAS, or the world, or life, or death, or things present, or things to come; all are" theirs "in Him." And "in Him" they shall be glorified in the home of the blessed. And the fact that it is all "in Him" only "in Him." Gop will "freely give us all things." Let the saints of the LORD study his word, gather up these

promises and feed on them, and bind

them about their hearts, for, when we

build on these, we build on a rock-

"a tried corner-stone" that can never

As the stars of heaven shine and glitter in the firmament, as bright jewels and beautiful diadems, so then promises shine in the galaxy of divine truth. It is when the light of the sun has gone down in night, and the silvery beams of the moon have waned away, that the stars come forth in their beauty and brilliancy. It sometimes happens, that we lose sight of God's grace and sweet promises "in Him" when the sun of worldly prosperity shines upon us. And hence God sends the night of temptation and the darkness of affliction and deep adversity, that we may escape the blinding influence of earthly joys. and be made to turn our hearts to GoD for help and strength. And in seasons of darkness how precious are His promises, how we lean on them and appreciate them and bless God for them! Have we been passing brough deep and turbid waters : Have we been clothed in darkness as with a garment? Have our hearts grown faint, and have we been made to tremble "because of the way ?" Let us look up to Gop and hear his sweet words of promise that sparkle in his Word as do the stars of a cloudless night in the heavens. These will give light, and cheer our despondent hearts, and make us to realize how

good GoD is to us "in Him." And let us not forget that it is only "in Him" that we can find words of hope and salvation. Without CHRIST or with Him slighted, neglected, re jected, there is for us no promise, no pardon, no love, no mercy, no grace and no salvation. Let us be found "in Him," and then we can claim "all the promises of GoD" in his name, and for his sake, GoD will own the claim and bestow the blessings.

RALEIGH ASSOCIATION.

The 76th annual session of this body met on the 26th of October with Holly Springs church, Wake County with all but four or five churches represented. Wednesday Rev. W. R. GWALTNEY preached the introductory sermon, dwelling specially on the ordination of ministers of the gospel. D. B. Holland was re-elected moderator and J. M. BROUGHTON clerk and treasurer. The organization was not completed till Thursday morning. The report of the committee on Foreign Missions was discussed by Rev. G. J. Dowell, J. C. SCARBOROUGH, Rev. C. T. BAILEY. Rev. Johnson Olive and Rev. W R. GWALTNEY. The churches had been asked to state in their letters the amount they would agree to pay to this object for the next year. About two thirds responded pledging about \$350. The report on periodicals was discussed by Revs. J. M. WHITE, C T. BAILEY and Dr. T. E. SKINNER On Friday the report of the Executive Board was read, and remarks made by Revs. ALVIN BETTS, J. R. MAYNARD, J. K. HOWELL and AL-LEN BETTS who had been serving under the board. The missionary sermon was then preached by Rev. G. J. DOWELL; after which N. B. BROUGH-TON. chairman of the Executive Board, addressed the body on Associational Missions and raised in pledges \$525 and cash about \$20. In the was read and the body addressed by Rev. Dr. PRITCHARD and Prof. C. F. TAYLOR, and remarks made by Breth ren Dowell, WHITE, GWALTNEY, OLIVE and J. M. HOLLEMAN. Pledges were made to the Board of Education for support of ministers at Wake Forest College amounting to about \$125. Saturday was a busy day. Bro. John E. RAY addressed the body on Stat Missions and the collection after the sermon on Sunday, given to the same, amounted to \$21. The committee and Temperance reported. A livecommittee on Temperance reported. growing out of their failure to set

forth the evils of intemperance as

emperate in all things.

Sunday school mass meeting of an hour was held and at its close about | cerning the work and qualifications of the \$60 was raised to build an Infant class room to Holly Springs church. Prof. O. E. TAYLOR then preached in the Baptist church and Rev. O. L.

STRINGFIELD in the Methodist church. The Association will meet with Hepzibah church, this county, next year, and on Tuesday before the 5th Sunday in October.

The entertainment of the delegates and visitors was all that could be desired. No one would ever imagine that there had been a severe drought to look at the abundance of provisions. Water was the only scarce article and this only in a few instances.

The Association is reaching out in its efforts to occupy destitution in and around its borders, and the churches are coming up liberally to

DEATH OF REV. C. R. HEN-DRICKSON, D. D.

The death of this brother servant of the LORD took place at Jackson, Tennessee, Friday, October 21st. This is a sad message to the thousands who knew him and loved him. When called upon to chronicle the death of such a man, sorrow clothes the heart with mourning, for indeed a Prince. in Israel has fallen. With him there is no hell. Long since he gained the victory through CHRIST, and he now rests in His bosom. He was associate editor of the Baptist at the time of his death and his remains were carried to Memphis, on the Sunday following, where his funeral was held in the First church, of which he was thanks to the brethren who have so promptformerly pastor. Revs. A. R. VEN-ABLE and T. C. TEASDALE conducted

Dr. HENDRICKSON was well known in North Carolina, and was a life member of our State Convention.

PERSONAL & OTHER ITEMS.

... The Convention to-day, at Winsten. Brethren, go to the Convention, it will

.The Baptist State Convention of Ten Rev. W. R. GWALTNEY has been at

.... Rev. W. H. PARKS, pastor of the First Baptist church, Dallas, Texas, has re-

.... There are 355 Baptist preachers in Great Britain who were educated at Mr.

DALE and wife will celebrate their golden wedding at Knoxville, Tenn., on the 16th The public Winter Exercises of the

High School at Randleman's, Randolph Co. will take place on Saturday, Dec. 24, 1881. Maj. R. W. York delivers the literary ad-.. Thanks are hereby tendered Brother

JORDAN, pastor at Lumberton, for a club of

and D. R. Bird at Antioch church, York | tion which troubles him. county, S. C., Oct. 28. Rev. A. L. STOUGH We propose in our forthcoming Baptist Almanac to give the name and location

of all our Baptist Schools, and we respectfully ask an advertisement from each that we may the more correctly refer to them. Rev. Edward Judson has great reawork in New York city. On the third Sunday night of his preaching his congregation

... Three vacant Baptist pulpits in New York. The Weekly says to all candidates not to come until sent for. Good! Stay where you are, brethren, and if the Lord wants you to occupy either of these fields

he will call you.Dr. THOMAS, of Chicago, who was recently expelled from the Methodist denomination for heresy, after a long and tedious trial by some of the ablest ministers of that conference, has established an independent church. At sea! at sea!

.... We are pleased to learn that a college paper has been commenced at Wake Forest, We are in receipt of the first number, and it promises well to be a success. Bro. E. Y. Perry, a student, is editor, assisted by a committee from each of the societies. We

.... We regret to learn of the death of Mrs. I. W. DURHAM, of Winston, N. C., which took place at the residence of her husband, Oct. 30. Mrs. DURHAM was the daughter of the late Jas. M. Towles, Esq., of this city. We sympathize with Bro. DURHAM and the bereaved ones in their af

.... Rev. Dr. F. A. Douglass, Cor. Secretary of the American and Foreign Bible Society, is on a visit to North Carolina. He lectured in First and Second churches of afternoon the report on Education Raleigh on Sunday last, and will attend the Convention in Winston. He is engaged in good work, and the brethren will be glad

... I notice that doubts about the fundamentals of the gospel exists in certain churches, I am told to a large extent. My dear friends, where there is a warmhearted church you do not hear of them. They do not come near; it is too hot. I never saw fly alight on a red-hot plate. - Spurgeon.

.... Rev. J. E. Hurson writes us from Dawson's, N. C.: "Intend to write you a piece or two soon. Too busy now to give you the news. We had a glorious meeting next session, Finance, Church Letters, at Connoconary, and the prospects are good here at Dawson's. Much love to you

... A correspondent of the Examiner and Chronicle has this to say of Dr. . No. A. usual, and instead giving a short ex-position of Paul's injunction to be Street church, Toronto, Canada, some time since; "His address was a master-piece-On Sunday the multitude came. A not in studied precision, nor in claborate

Christian ministry. No man ever came pastor's salary by \$200.00 and given over from your country who has so completely won our affections and our profound admiration for his rare gifts of mind and heart as the venerable Dr. BROADUS."

... Mrs. ELIZABETH A. WAYLAND, wife of Rev H. L. WAYLAND, editor of the National Baptist, died on the 29th ult. at New Haven, Conn. While at dinner she was taken with effusion of the brain, and died next morning. She had been a professor of religion for thirty years, and was fifty-one

... We notice that most of our Associa tions neglect to print in their statistical to bles the amounts given by the different churches for the poor. The fault is with the churches, who fail to send up accounts of benevolence in this direction. We hope more attention will be given the matter.

... Rev. G. J. HOBDAY, of Waverly, Va. has recently visited Portsmouth, Va. He reports Bro. Owen very much improved, says Court Street church looks splendid since the recent improvement; and that Dr. W. E. HATCHER is expected soon to aid Bro. Owen in a meeting. Bro. Honday has accepted a call for another year to his pres

....Rev. C. W. PRUITT, a voung man rom Georgia, is now at the Seminary preparing himself to assist Bro. Graves 1 China. Bro. PRUTT is well known to us as a man of deep piety, and as one specially gifted in the languages. Well, brother with you. Bror EAGER did the right thing: go thou and do likewise.

... Bro. J. E. RAY, Cor. Secretary of th Boards of the Convention, reports the mis sion ries all paid and a balance in the treasury. He requests us to return his ly and generously responded to his appeals for help. He is now quite happy, and will thank the brethren who attend the Conven ion for their liberality and kindness.

...Mr. CLARK BRADEN, in a review of he life and character of R. G. INGERSOLL, says this to the admirers of his military ge nius: "As a military man he was not a suc ess, although he estentatiously wears the itle Colonel, and is estentatiously dubbed Colonel on all occasions, by his admirers. in his only military experience, he was chased into a hog yard, and surrendered to

Brother :- I found my daughter, Mrs Jourson, very sick with malarial fever, with no apparent change for four days, some symptoms favorable, at least not aggravated; but yet she is so feeble as to fill us with grave apprehensions as to the final result. She is in the hands of a wise and merciful God, who never errs. His will be done. Yours truly, JAMES S. PUREFOY.

one of his churches there are seventy hybrethren who, on occasion, gray and exhor in their assemblies for worship, so that h never needs ministerial help in his protractwho are seeking how to be saved.

....Bro, S. C. Page, of Kyle's Landing, writes us about a preacher who is dissatisfied concerning his call to preach, and bases his doubts on the field to which the Lord scems to have called him. He concludes by saving: "He finds it quite a task in many instances to decide as to his duty. and is led to the foot of the cross with the ... Rev. G. P. HAMRICK informs us of is a good place to go, and that he is in our opinion, in the right way to decide the ques-

.... Rev. Dr. Nelson is in Faveteville. Convention of Tennessee, which meets in ters of North Carolina are so good, pure and unseltish, that I have often said of late, I would like to live and die among them." His prayer for the Convention is, "May JEses, the Lord, be with you all at Winston. was fully six hundred, and there were six I do pray that nothing but harmony and love and wisdom may characterize the meet-

.... Rev. O. C. Pope, Cor. Secretary of the Texas Baptist Convention, makes the following correction of a note in the Rg-CORDER of a week or two ago: "As the agent of the Texas Baptist State Convention I arranged a plan of co-operation with the American Baptist Home Mission Society, whereby our Convention gets \$3,000 for its home mission work in this State, and the East Texas Convention gets \$1,000 for the same purpose. The money is to be spent under the supervision of our Boards The plan was unanimously adopted by the

... Mr. BRADEN, speaking of Col. INGERsoll as a lecturer, says: "There is no originality in his harangues, except in the low wit in them. He reads books and stuffs for his lectures. He is the greatest plagiarist. His 'Mistakes of Moses,' is taken, almost bodily, from Colenso's 'Pentateuch.' His 'Gods' is a medley. The best portions are taken from Hobbes. Much of the rest from Voltaire, Volney and Payne. His 'Ghosts' is borrowed almost without a change. * In an essay on intemperance. In it the reader will find the original of INGERSOLL's tem-

..... A correspondent from our State, writing to the Chicago Standard, speaks as follows regarding the progress of Baptists in North Carolina: "We are making onward strides in the matter of ministerial educafrom a lack of educated men. But six to hear and appreciate them."

.In reading the minutes of the different Associations we notice that several of the churches have been quite liberal, while others have not done what they could. Among the former we cannot refrain from calling the attention of the brethren to the church at Durham, under the pastoral care Street church, Toronto, Canada, some time of Rev. C. Durham. It contributes for every object called for by the Association, and contributes well. Notwithstanding the fact |

that they have recently built them a good house of worship, they have increa-ed their \$1,000 to different objects, outside of their jucidental expenses. This is not a very large and wealthy church, either. Bro. DURHAM is a working pastor, and his people take the RECORDER.

.....At the Mississippi Baptist S'are Convention, which met at Meridian recently, the question of moving the Baptist Record to New Orleans for publication was left to a committee who made the following report We, your committee on removal of the Baptist Record, recommend that this question be left to the discretion of our editor Bro. GAMBRELL, and that we sustain him in his conclusion, whatever it may be " Bro FAMBRELL stated that he was convinced that a majority of the Mississippi Baptists were opposed to the move, and after prayer he had concluded not to remove it from the The senior of the Religious Herald,

Rev A. E. DICKINSON, D. D., is up North on an agency for Richmond College. On 24th of October he addressed the New York Ministers' Conference. We reproduce sentence from his speech, that our readers may see how he talks to his Northern brethren for money. He said: "Let there be no Mason and Dixon's line running through our kingdom. Let no man be a Northern Bantist-let no man be a Southern Bantist Let us look beyond our respective sections and say with John Wesley, 'The world is my parish,' and then with him we may add. 'And the best of all, God is with us.' That pleased them, no doubt, and brough ... 'Persons are to be found, without

antern an I candle, who earn money by ainistering at the altars of Belial, and then offer a part of it to the Lord of hosts. Can they come from the place of reveiling to the chamber of communion? Will they bring the wages of sin to the altar of God ? He who makes money over the Devil's back is a hypocrite if he lays his cankered coin a the Apostles' feet. 'Thy money perish with hee .' How some men can rest in their pre ensions it is not for me to guess; but me thinks if their consciences were quickened would strike them as being a HORRIBLE THING IN THE LAND that they should be earing the Lord and serving other gods .-

.....The Religious Herald clips the followng from a Boston letter that appeared in the Examiner and Chronicle recently: "An lustration of the inevitable tendencies of ree thought, when faith in plenary inspiraon is lost, was given in the recent session f the Unitarian Ministers' Institute at Princeton, in this State. Prof. Toy, formerly of the Southern Baptist Seminary a Louisville, but now of Harvard, gave a dissertation on Ezekiel, in which he endorsed, without qualification, the most destructive criticism on the Old Testament by German cholars who deny all supernatural slements n revelation. He asserted dogmatically, as f the case no longer admitted of honest doubt, that Ezekiel originated the sacerdo al element in Judaism, and introduced into ts sacred books, from the Babylonian rec ords, the story of Eden and the Flood. The heology founded on the supposed Mosaic eachings of the creation and fall, and on which Paul builds so cogent an argument n his great epistle to the Romans, Prof. Toy declared to be "simply a beautiful se ies of legends borrowed from ancient Bablon." As a curious corollary to this the thology, and invent a sacord tal system and books, forging for them the name and auhority of Moses, the great law-giver of Is

Miscellanea.

On the 16th of October I had the privilege of preaching at the dedication of a new meeting house, which the colored people had erected to the honor of God at this place. I greatly prefer meeting house to church house -it is the place where the people meet, and also the place where God meets his people, and therefore, the special appropriateness of the term, but the word church is just as legitimate when applied to a building as when used to represent the body that worships in the building. This new church is an honor to those who built it, being large and handsome and well furnished. I presume it could not have cost less than \$1,000.

In this connection, I present an extract from an address of Dr. M. B. Anderson, President of Rochester University, N. Y., delivered before the Baptist Social Union, of Chicago recently and published in that excellent paper, the Standard, as containing much good sense. "For an illustration, let us look at the ne-

groes in the South. They are ready to re ceive the truths of the gospel, more so perand elevated morality. We must go among them and teach them until they shall be as strongly impressed with the moral duties of Christianity as they are with its emotional pel to their natures, as a source of motive. and in them form right habits and an elevated Christian character. We must teach them to be honest, to be saving, to be industrious. We must teach them bow to cook their food, to do a fair day's work for the wages they recei.e. We must teach We must teach them to feed them at regular that is involved in bringing up a Christian family. When I look at the number of men that we are educating for a ministry among young men at the Louisville Seminary, and the blacks, I feel a desire to have every one about thirty at Wake Forest College, study- of them taught some trade, or handicraft, ing for the ministry, is not a bad showing, so that they will teach their brethren something more than a system of theology. we think, for the Old North State. Our tell you, brethren, these ministers that go people are moving, though slowly; yet in out among the blacks ought to be able to the future we hope to have not only an educated laity teach their brethren how to build a house; ucated ministry, but also an educated laity children, how to save money, how to take care of themselves, and to use their proper ty, for the elevation of their race. This practical element must be brought to bear upon these blacks, and I could wish that these young men that go out from our Southern institutions should be not only good and respectable preachers of the gospel, but also able to teach them the practi-cal and social morality of the gospel, and its least one great lesson, and it is that manifold applications to the right conduct of human life. the liberality of the churches and hence of the individuals, is to a great

THE TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION. I shall never forget the late session | them. Mest men have no special

of the Tar River Association-it was fondness for giving, so that if their the most remarkable meeting of the leaders are merely passive friends of the State Convention held in Raleigh | than likely be very tame. The othjoy was in proportion to their beneficence. Indeed, their joy was the re-

so enterprising and generous-a few years ago it was one of the sleepiest Associations in the State. What now has created this wonderful revolution? It is a question of much interest. It is not that this body is wealthier than all others-there are at least four Associations in the State that are larger and wealthier than this. Nor is it because the exigencies of the Lord's kingdom are more urgent in the bounds of the Tar River Association than elsewhere. Nor is the rapid development

lavmen in it than others. I do not deny the fact that the efficiency of Brethren Cooke, Watson, Johnson, Webb, Biggs, Blount, Bowers, Salisbury, etc., but the existence of these men in the Association does not explain the matter, for they were nearv all of them there when the Asso ciation was comparatively inactive. Now life has been breathed into these men, and indeed into every part of the Association. I may be mistaken, but in my judgment the secret of this power is to be found in the ministers of this Association : in their ability and consecration to the work of the Master. The great want in every Association is wise and good and euterprising men to lead the people.

While pleading for our young minsters at Wake Forest at this Association. I was moved to tears by the act of a brother who became responsible for the annual support of one of these young men, and I told him that I had the very man for him-I ought to have said the Lord had provided the man for him. Now suppose this young man should prove as useful and honored, as a number of the fifty beneficiaries who are now laboring in this State? Suppose he should make such a man as Wm. Jones, R. B. Jones, John L. Prichard, Walters, Wingate, McDowell, McDaniel, Wait, Meredith-what a reward that brother will have! What a joy it will be to the church of which that brother is a member, and which I doubt not will aid him in the support of this

What investment of money will pay better than that which is put into the education of good young men for the gospel ministry? And this investment, I am glad to know, our people see the wisdom of, since a far larger amount has been given to the Board of Education than in any previous year. The banner church in this work, however, is that at Durham. which supports two and a half beneficiaries, and the Mt. Zion and Central lead all the Associations in this, as the Tar River excels in missionary work. One of the best recommendations the College can have with the people is in the good ministers who are sent out from it. Instead of thirty or forty, I wish we had a hundred here studying for the ministry. The time will never come when the right sort of ministers will not be needed -- and there never was a period in the world' history when wise, good and able men were more urgently needed to preach the gospel and train the

The times are hard, beyond question, but don't let anything cause you to neglect the education of your children. If your son or daughter does not go to school this or next year, he may never go. As you love your child don't put off this matter-make a sacrifice, a great sacrifice, rather than take your son from college or your daughter from school now. They are growing older all the while, and you may be less able to send them to school next year than this. And by all means send your children to Baptist schools.

If our schools were inferior ther there might be some show of reason in patronizing the schools of other denominations-but we have schools. male and female, equal to the very best in the land, and at these schools should our children be found. The ate Judge Kerr used to say "the Bucists have no friend but God." If we don't support our own institutions flearning, they will not be sustained Nay, more: if we do not sufficiently estrem our distinctive principles as to have our children educated where these principles are respected, we may not expect them to become Baptists With the most fervent charity towards all who love the Lord Jesus Christ, I still say with profoundest emphasis: WE CANNOT, AS BAPTISTS, ALLOW OTHER DENOMINATIONS TO EDUCATE OUR CHILDREN. T. H. PRITCHARD.

Letter From Bro. J. A. Speight.

have been talking College Endowment to the churches of the Bertie Union Meeting. I have some reasons to hope that the summer and fall have been profitably spent both for the college and for the cause of Christ directly. I have been with some of the pastors in protracted meetings and have really felt benefited, besides it helped me along in my workspecially was this true with Bro. Jo dan at Whiteville Grove, and with my brother, Rev. T. T. Speight, a Ballard's Bridge. This is the largest church in the Association and is sus ceptible of wonderful development The pastor with many of his mem bers, especially deacon Ed. Pierce, helped me grandly for the college, and while I did not secure as much as I desired, yet all things considered,

extent what the pastors are making

kind I ever attended except that of an enterprise, the followers will more in 1857. The liberality of the breth- er meeting which I attended was ren was above all praise, and their with Bro. Williams, at Republican. where much good seemed to be accomplished. It has been pleasant to salt of their liberality, for they had mingle with the brethren and find the bles-ed experience of knowing them such warm friends of the colwhat a luxury it is to make sacrifices | lege. The Endowment is moving on, and the day is not far distant when all the States will feel proud of Wake Forest. I have recently spent a few days in and around Jackson. There are only a few Baptists at this place, but they have been putting forth grand efforts to erect here a nice house of worship. The building is up and the pews are partly finished. but it needs to be plastered before the winter sets in. I don't know a people more deserving of, and more n need of outside help than these. May I not ask every reader of the dear old RECORDER to help the ladies h re to complete their house. Readthis Association mainly due to the er, I have no doubt but God has greatfact that it has a larger body of good | ly blessed you; now do open your heart and send to Miss Pattie Peel or to Mrs. Bettie Buxton, Jackson, N. C., this body, as well as of the South a contribution for this worthy object. Yadkin and Mt. Zion, is largely due In closing I am happy in saving that to the active zeal of such men as | while our farmers will not realize full crops, yet enough will be made to sustain life and some to spare. J. A. SPEIGHT

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES.

From Bro. C. Durham. I have just returned from Reidsville

there assisted the paster. Rev. P. H. Fontai e, in a meeting of ten days. It was good to be there. The Lord blessed the people, the church was strengthened, and all are, I think now, more hopeful for the future. It was a pleasure to be with Bro. Fontaine and to know his people and his

He preaches for about six hundred church members-- our churches. I think, however, that he Reidsville church will have him preach for them two Sabbaths in each month after this year, and I hope the time is near when he will preach for them every Sabbath. He is doing a blessed work for the Master's cause.

I called to see Ex. Gov. Reid and ound him quite feeble, but the same pleasant, interesting and hopeful gentleman that he has ever been. I was so frequently reminded of our distinguished and departed Brother. John Kerr, as I passed the house where he died. C. DURHAM.

From Hertford and Bertie.

In August last I held a meeting of days with the church at Pleasant Brother, T. G. Wood of Winton. At the close 28 obeyed Christ in baptism. Bro. Wood did nearly all the preaching, and God blessed the word preached to the reviving of the church and conversion of soul's

In September I neld a meeting with the church at R public in, Bertie county. I had for my assistance, Dr. J. Mitchel and Bre J. A. Speight, they doing most of the preaching. The meeting continued 8 days, baptized 25, restored 2. To God be all he praiso.

Yourse truly, B. B. WILLIAMS. Near Harrellsville, Oct. 23rd, 1881.

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seen \$161.03 instead of \$164.20. We have received several letters recently. from parties who have contributed occato the objects of the Convention, asking for Certificates of Life Membership for every thirty dollars so sent. We refer contribuwhere it will appear that the thirty dollars must be paid at one time, and not here a little and there a little.

N B .- Persons sending me funds, who do not receive receipts promptly and see the same duly acknowledged in this paper, will

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