THE BAPTIST CONVENTION.

THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

NEXT SESSION TO BE HELD IN NORFOLK, VIRGINIA. THIRD DAY-MORNING SESSION.

There were very few present at 9 a. m., when Judge Haralson called the Southern Baptist convention to order, many came in later.

After prayer by Dr. George T. Bagby the minutes were read and apporved as

Rev. N. W. P. Bacon, of Mississippi, offered a resolution that the interests of the Southern Baptist Theological seminary would be best conserved by being more directly controlled by the Southern Baptist Convention and the trustees were requested to have its charter amended so that the trustees would be elected directly by the convention."

Judge Haralson: The brother when informed will not offer that resolution The matter has been investigated, and to amend the charter would forfeit the endowment.

Rev. N. W. P. Bacon: Then I withdraw it.

Rev.B. F. Riley asked that Dr. Lemuel Moss, president oft the American 'aptist Historical society be heard. Dr. Moss was happily introduced by Judge Haralson and said: "I do not feel a stranger here. I was born in Kentucky. The Ameriman Baptist Historical society has for its province the Baptists of all the world, two of your members, Dr. B. F. Riley and Dr. C. H. Ryland, are directors in our society. The fire of 1896 destroyed our valuable collection. We will have fire proof quarters in the new building. Our equipment will cost \$25,000. We ask your cooperation-a gift of \$10 will make a life member and \$1 will make an annual member.

Dr. Riley offered a resolution commending the American Baptist Historical society to the churches and membership."

This was adopted. Dr. T. P. Bell, from committee on letter from North Pacific coast convention reported that though contributing that convention was not a member of this body, and that the request be respectfully declined, but extend them Christian sympathy.

By consent the convention heard Rev. Dr. Sherman of the Pacific slope | 48; contribution \$48. explain the request for meditation by the Southern Baptist convention. The report of Dr. Bell was then

By request of Dr. Hatcher the vote on nomination of trustees of the seminary was reconsidered and the name of L. Scott Carswell was stricken out and Rev. Junius Millard inserted.

On motion of Dr. W. W. Landrum Rev. L. Burrows was made statistical secretary and the Sunday school board directed to cooperate in gathering sta-

Rev. Dr. M. B. Wharton, from committee on time and place of next coution reported time Friday before the second Sunday in May 1898, at Norfolk, Va. Rev. Dr. B. L. Whitman, president of Columbi Iniversity, Washington City, to preach the sermon. Rev. J. J. Taylor, Mobile, Ala.,

He followed with a glowing account of the beauties of Norfolk. He said that Tampa, Fla., and Bristol, Tenn., had invited the convention. Rev. Dr. M. E. Broadus gave a genial statement of Bristol's advantages, the committee voted two and two, but Dr. Wharton, of Norfolk, was chairman and his vote warried the choice to Norfolk.

Rev. Dr. M. B. Wharton closed his address, urging the attractions of Norfolk, Va., for the convention with his original poetry, as follows:

I love to sing thy praises, Thou city by the sea, And think upon the greatness The future holds for thee Within her radiant hand, When our peerless ocean monarch Shall rule the sea and land.

Thy turrets gleam in splendor, Thy streets are ever gay, Thy nights are filled with music, While traffic rules the day. With rich returns of wealth, And Hygeia's rosy fingers Atting the cheek of health.

Thy maidens are the fairest That ever man adored; Thy soldiers were the bravest That ever buckled sword, Or wore a patriot's shield, As they followed gallant Pickett On Gettysburg's dread field.

The shops of every nation Over Hampton's waters glide, With ocean's bluest crystals Bright sparkling at their side, 'Neath pennants fair unfurled, Which bespeak for Norfolk's har-

The commerce of the world. Rev. Dr. Josephus Shackelford, of Alabama, moved to strike out Norfolk and insert Bristol, after remarks by Rev. J. J. Hall, of Norfolk, Va., the vote was taken and Norfolk was

Rev. J. O. Rust, of Kentucky, reported on Woman's work that "the Women's Missionary Union has its substantial vindication in solid facts." In nine years they have given \$410,-

They gave the first year \$30,763; last year they gave \$29,563 to foreign missions and \$23,476 to home missions. Their Christmas offerings have amounted to \$35,677; the value of misiionary boxes were valued at \$83,937. The union is more than a mere collecting agency, it is a great misionary literature bureau. The work was hear-

tily commended. Mr. Rust said: "If anything can get along without a speech Womens Mis- charcters, a literature older than sion work can. Continuing he paid a Moses. It is absolute folly to send high tribute to the successful work of second-class men to the foreign field. these consecrated women and prayed Dr. Bryan and I talked in China about God's blesing on them.

Dr. M. B. Wharton: "If there is any subject on which a speech should be made it is women's work." He told of religious. Confucianism knows no suthe blessed work done by the women's missionary work in his church at Norfolk. They help all our boards and do an immense work among our colored people. Organize, organize women's in China. I visited our mission fields societies throughout your churches."

Dr. J. M. Frost, Tennessee: "I want to emphasize the work these women have done among colored people. First because of its effective ness and importance; second, because they feel a hesitancy about the work; third, because I believe in their methods, they help the colored people to help themselves." He gave a characteristic account of the greatness of Dr. Boyd and Dr. Vann,

colored Baptist preachers. Dr. C. H. Vann, of Tennessee, was called forward and he said: "I am try to be English-speaking business

Marching under that old banner one Lord, one Faith, one baptism. I am in the condition of the negro preacher who was preaching a set sermon, we preach set sermons, sermons for the press. This brother was like brother Lofton, he was demonstrative, as he turned from the pulpit in his gesticulation a part of his sermon was blown away; he came back saying hence, hence, hence," all the time looking for his manuscript, just then an old sister seeing his embarrasment, said, "law bless you honey, hence done flew out the window long ago"—I had some ex-temporaneous remarks but they have flown hence. I am not a colored man, I didn't color myself, I am a negro pure and simple." He closed with an eloquent peroration on the good work among the negroes done by the convention. He was raptuously applauded throughout and at he close of his magnificent address. "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" was sung and the report was adopted.

The secretary read a cablegram from the Baptist church at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, as follows: Southern Baptist convention greeting. Read Matthew The scriptures are "But when He saw the multitude He was moved with com-

passion on them, because they fainted and were scattered abroad as sheep without a shepher. Then said He unto His desciples. The harvest truly is plentious but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest."

Rev. J. H. Gambrell, of Georgia, reported on finances of the foreign mission board. "A careful examination showed a marked financial improvement." The report urged weekly giving as the divine plan. Contributions to pay off the debt are to be added to the regular apportionments and not subtracted from them.

At the suggestion of Dr. R. J. Wil ingham no action was taken on this report till all the reports on foreign missions were presented.

Rev. J. K. Pace, of Mississippi, reported on missions in Pagan fields. Dr. Graves academy at Cantoon, China, was commended. Central China has a good theological class taught by R. T. Bryan, who went from North Carolina. In North China the native Christians have established schools. The statistics show churches 20; stations 37; missionaries 39; baptims 167; total membership 1,364; contributions \$1,793

Japan-churches 1; stations 5; missionaries 6; baptisms

Africa-Churches 6; stations 2; missionaries 7; helpers 7; baptisms 29; membership 284; contributions \$393. We suggest the return of Rev. Thomas McCloy and wife with other rein-

forcements. Rev. Joseph L. Gross, of Georgia, reported on missions in Papal fields. Italy with churches 21; members 490 who gave \$800.

Brazil-Churches 18; baptisms 251 members 1,022; contributions \$3,010. Mexico-Churches 29; baptisms 112; members 1,116; contributions \$614. Self support is growing, the debt of

the board aided in advancing this movement. Rev. J. H. Gambrill by unanimous consent had stricken out the paragraph relating to the contributions for the debt being added to, instead of subtracted

from the annual contributions. Dr. R. J. Willingham said that this was done to prevent interminable confusion. Rev. J. K. Pace spoke briefly on the foreign mission report:

"I'come from Mississippi which raised more than it was asked for, I am God's gift of Jesus Christ to us. What The martyr spirit has been in Italy and proud of my state. The time has come for a forward movement. In our churches speak of our missionaries by name so frequently that they will become household names. I love to think of Brother | His loved one appealed to Cromwell homes about the missionaries and the fore with her bleeding hands and told years. Pray for the pastors there: as the best young people' literature. Our young people use it to great advan-

Rev. Dr. Allen Tupper who has recently made a tour of the world spoke

"Foreign mission work is much nearer and dearer than when I last attended the Southern Baptist convention. I have seen their work and it impressed me. I am asked to speak of Japan and China. After eighteen days on the water our ship dropped anchor in Yokohoma, Japan. In 1854 when Commander Perry was there it was a small fishing village, now it has 200,000 population. The government of Japan is the oldest on earth, the present Mikado is the 120th direct descendant of a dynasty. The people want the western civilization. They have two great religions-Shintooism and Buddhism. Shintooism denounces idolitry; Buddhism is the great power; it is atheistic and idolatrous. They are fading away.

I only saw one new temple. Twenty years ago Japan had no daily paper. They have 17 dailies in Tokio, 35,000 schools with 4,000,000 students The first church organized with 11 members, now they have 40,000 members who gave last year \$100,000 to spread the gospel through Japan. The board of this convention was late in entering that field, but no workers in that land are more consecrated than McCullom, Maynard Walne and their wives. Japan is beckoning us as is no other | South Carolina; M. J. Breaker, Miscountry. We should have 100 consecra- souri; R. Van Deventer, North Caro- churches and calling into immediate ted men there. As to China, I was lina; J. H. Snow, Tennessee; J. M. Car- operations all their potent forces." greeted at Shanghai, the Chicago, of China, with greatest warmth by many Christians. This nation founded before Saul was king in Israel, its population is one-third of the earth, thirty-three thousand die daily, it has 3,000 miles of sea coast, rivers larger than the Mississippi, a language with 40,000 asking this convention to send two professors from the theological seminary. They have in China three great preme being, Taoism is a deification of Materialism. Buddhism was imported son, W. L. Wright, H. A. Bagby, I. M from India, and I have told of its teaching. Dr. Graves is our greatest scholar with feelings of sadness and gladness. One mission was locked and barred at one of our favorite mission stations, the board in debt could not man it. Our work is paralyzed because our churches

will not give. But there is a brighter side. I saw the theological school and the churches in Shanghai. I attended a great service in Dr. Yates' stable at 5 a. m. Shanghai has 150,000 people in the boats and 250,000 on the shore. They speechless this morning. Dr. Frost has men. I saw one shop Woo Lung goods taken it away. In Tennessee we regard at retail and wholetail. My laundry-Dr. Frost truthful, but when he speaks | man's card said: "Wong See-I guaranwe make due allowance for his elo- tee to purify all clothing." In concluquence. I come as representative of sion, Dr. Tupper said: "Ah,(brethren! the 1,700,000 colored Baptists of Amer- | the Gospel is the hope of the heathen,

"The Gospel light is breaking"

President C. H. Winston, of the foreign mission board, introduced Rev. E. F. Tatum, who went from North Carolina to Shanghai, China.

Missionary Tatum said: "I only came to stand up for China a minute. I remember, in Shanghai, a man said, 'Where did you come from?" I replied, 'Southern Taptist convention.' That is a South American sert,' he answered. 'Not exactly,' I explained. I feel, after getting here, like lifting up my vefeand giving a shout. I want to say for China we are coming nearer to you. It used to take six months to go to China; . . I came back in ten days. We

are coming nearer to you in civilization. We are coming nearer through intercommunication, exchanging visits. I should like to have more of you to come to see us. We have no Southern Baptist convencion, but we have an association. We want you to appont a eve nger to our assertation

Rev. Dr. Willingham spoke feelingly of foreign mission work, and told of his little boy, at whose birth he had prayed God to make him a missionary. The little one in reciting verses always said: Go ye into the world and preach the Gospel to every preacher." The preachers need it, added Dr. Willingham.

Rev. Dr. L. G. Broughton, of North Carolina, asked for a line of prayer, and ex-oGvernor Northen prayed fervently, though briefly.

Dr. Broughton then spoke on "Motive in Missions." "I want you to lay on the heart of my brethren something of the greatness of this subject. I believe in putting missions on a high plane. So the first motion is that of the Master's command. This is the Master's last command. Last words are often most im-

portant.' He gave several impressive illustrations, and said:

"When there is a selfish motive it may be called selfish. Missions are the life and strength of the church. Wherever a church is dying it is disappointing the command and purpose pleasure in reporting no debt, and net feelings of apprehension. I congratuof God. God has a plan for every assets have increased \$3,650, More late you my brethren that good sense church. Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all creased their receipts." these things shall be added, declared ; Jesus. Lift up your eyes; behold the Italy, spoke on the Foreign Mission world, and it is white unto the harvest. | report. comes to us today is that of a brother. pleasure of standing before the conven- so that we can come together at Nor-The heart receives and transmits every drop of blood, but does not retain one drop-it is returned by another process -the aorta. The church of Jesus Christ is the great pump God put here to send the Gospel to the uttermost part of the earth. Some men won't give because of the methods. You are not giving to a method, but in order to live. In my church, three and a half years ago, my little church was giving \$25 to missions. We were worshipping in what Dr. Hatcher called a ten-pin alley. We then gave nothing to missions and all our work stopped. The Holy Spirit came, and we gave \$600 to foreign mishouse was built and our membership grew from 250 to 750. Ah, brother, go America, they have taken away the home and take God's plan-be guided by the Holy Spirft. The last motive is God's gift to us. The highest motive is have 40,000 schools and 250 colleges. would you take for your hope in Christ? We talk of leaderships. You remember the story of the condemned soldier under Cromwell-to die when curfew rung. returned missionary that I ever heard. he rung the bell. When she met Crom- pray for our dear Dr. Taylor, who has We ought to talk to our children in our | well on the street, angry, she fell bework. I heartily commend Kind Words | what she had done. He was melted, and said: 'Curfew shall not ring tonight.' Oh, how her husband loved her as in after years he saw those hands.

Could she ever ask anything that he could not do? "Go with me, climb Calvary, and see those hands made bloody to save us from death. Oh, pastors, remember that no church will go faster than the pastor. No church will be missionary unless the pastor is missionary. Place your feet on the rock and your eyes on They will follow. God give us pastors

who have been to China in heart." that we now have Dr. Eaton lead us in prayer that God will inspire the conven-

Rev. W. J. E. Cox, of Maryland, reported on reports of vice presidents, and it was adopted without reading. On motion of Dr. Eaton, a special committee of three, on death of Dr. ed. The chair appointed Dr. T. T. back to Africa. Eaton, Dr. George Cooper and Dr. Charles L. Cocke.

Rev. A. M. Sims, from committee on nominations reported as follows:

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD.

Richmond, Va. President-C. H. Winston, Virginia. Vice Presidents-Joshua Levering, Maryland; C. W. Tomkies, Louisiana; A. E. Owen, Virginia; E. E. Bomar, the home board co-operating with state roll. Texas: J. L. Gross, Georgia; S. M. Provence, Florida; W. C. Taylor, Kentucky; J. K. Pace, Mississippi; C. A. Starkley, District of Columbia; L. O. Dawson, Alabama; E. B. Miller, Ar- nickel for missions. Three hundred

Correspondin Secretary-R. J. Wi lingham. Assistant Secretary-A. J. Barton. Treasurer-J. C. Williams.

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Mercer. HOME MISSION BOARD. Atlanta, Ga.

President-Henry McDonald, Georgia Vice Presidents-R. W. Sanders. South Carolina; D. I. Purser, Louisiana; J. H. Foster, Alabama; R. T. Vann. North Carolina; A. G. Mc-Manaway, Arkansas; F. C. McConnell, Virginia; T. J. Bailey, Mississippi; W. P. Harvey, Kentucky; B. H. Carroll, Texas; M. D. Jeffries, Tennessee; S. M. Yeatman, District of Columbia: C. H. Nash, Florida; G. W. Hyde, Missouri; C. L. Laws, Maryland; J. L. White, Georgia. Corresponding Secretary-I. L. Tiche-

Treasurer-Walker Dunson. Recording Secretary-A. C. Briscoe. Auditor-B. F. Abbott. Other Managers-George Hillyer,

ica. They are Baptists through and and missions the hope of the churches. G. Roy, John M. Green, E. L. Connally, pare and append an appropriate notice S. Y. Jameson, Robert King, W. W. of Dr. F. Wilson. Lanahan, Porter King, J. J. Maddox, A. J. Cobb, E. H. Thornton, T. P. Bell. SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

> Nashville, Tenn. President-E. E. Folk, Tennessee. Vice Presidents-E. J. Forester, South Carolina; J. N. Prestridge, Kentucky; L. D. Geiger, Florida; W. C. Grace, Tennessee; J. T. Barrett, Louisiana: G. A. Truex, Texas; W. H. Young, Georgia; J. T. Buck, Mississippi; H. W. Battle, Virginia; S. C. Clopton, Maryland; N. B. Broughton, North Carolina; P. V. Bomar, Alabama; W. R. L. Smith, Missouri; John D. Jordan, Arkansas; E. H. Swem, District of Columbia. Corresponding Secretary and Treas-

urer-J. M. Frost. Recording Secretary-A. B. Hill. Auditor-R. Eastman.

Other Managers-G. C. Savage, J. E. Bailey, M. B. Pilcher, G. A. Lofton, A. J. Harris, W. M. Woodcock, W. C. Golden, C. T. Cheek, John D. Anderson, A. B. Hill, J. O. Rust, A. J. Barton, J. B. Hawthorne, A. L. Purinton, A. J. Ram-

Rev. W. C. Bledsoe submitted the report of the enrollment committee and it was adopted without reading. Adjourned with prayer by Rev. Dr. J. J. Hall.

AFTERNOON SESSION. The brethren came in slowly, but premptly, at 3:30 p. m. President Haralson called the convention to order, and after prayer by Rev. Dr. Manly J. Breaker, "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" was sung, and, on motion of Rev. Dr. J. J. Hall, speeches were limited to ten minutes.

Rev. Dr. George F. Bagby, of Virginia, reconsidered the vote on the North Pacific convention matter. This was carried, and the matter was referred to a special committee to report | Rev. N. R. Pitman withdrew the resnext year.

A resolution of Dr. D. W. Gwin, recommending the founding of a mission in Jerusalem, was adopted. Rev. N. W. Bacon, of Mississippi, reported on treasurer reprot of Home part with sadness and gladness. All

staes have increased than have de-

A lost world! The cry of distress that "This is the third time I have had the with new hope, new joy, let us labor My friends, another principle of the tion. I wanted to speak when the folk with greater joy. This is the b Master is the reward for giving. The Home Mission report was discussed. Master's plan is give, and it shall be Only recently. Italians have began given unto you. This is the best way to coming to the south. They have gone pay off a church debt. This is God's north, today the most thickly with a plan. Give out and He gives in. This square mile on earth is in New York is the centrifugal power. If we fail to city. Recently I aided in organizing give out we will be ground to nothing. | an Italian Baptist church in America, the first ever organized here. We had sixty-five members. Later I returned and ordained an Italian Baptist

preacher. We have started a similar work in Baltimore. Don't judge all Italians by those who come to America, Italy has a wonderful past and a wonderful people. It is a little but a land country. If America was as thickly settled we would have nine hundred million population. As a rule Italians are generally poor, and, an illerate, in north Italy 40 per cent., in central Italy 64 per cent., Christ of Italy is not the Christ of Lard, and we are trying to restore him. We are advancing in education, we is there today. There is still a conflict between church and state. The daggers' point. If Italy dared to do it One of our pastors is a young priest who came out from Rome.

President Haralson appointed the speeial committee on the North Pacific convention request Rev. Drs. J. G. Gibson, I. T. Tichenor and Henry Mc-

Rev. Dr. T. T. Eaton, of Kentucky, told of the visit the Baptist Pilgrims made to the missions in Italy. "Its a pathectic thing," said he, this hopelessness of the Romanists in Italy."

Rev. L. D. Jordan of the colored Christ. Lead your churches forward. Baptist convention board, spoke of the mission work in Africa. "I am glad to speak of Africa. If the christian world Dr. W. E. Hatcher: "I want to ask is to evangelize Africa it is to done best aby Africans. As I came home from Africa a united brethren gave me a tion to send reinforcements to all the book which told of a shipload of slaves run down by a British man-of-war, and returned all back to Africa save one boy who was taken to England, educated and tewnty-five years later as bishop of the Niger, that was Samuel Crowder. Brethren, there are other Harris and Dr. Pritchard, was appoint- such boys to be educated and sent

> We ask your prayers and sympathies. I read in the Bible, unless they, brethren come with thee than cannot see my face. Think of it. Help us all you can. We beg your prayers." The several reports of the Foreign Board were adopted.

Rev. Dr. J. G. Gibson, of Georgia, reported on suggestions of the home board future work, recommending that boards undertake the unifying all our Dr. Gibson spoke of the need of advanced efforts and gave figures of work in Georgia. "There are 32,000 Baptists in Georgia who didn't pay a

churches did not send up a nikel for missions. We want all these gold mines developed. Let us go back and dig down deep and come up with the great gifts God has given us. How can we get at the hearts, the brains, and the money of these people, it must come right from the pulpit. I was a pastor twenty-six years and

never preached without saying something on missions. Pastors insist on every member having the privilege of giving to send Christ's gospel to all the world. We must increase the number of contributions, second increase the frequnecy of contributions; that's my hobby, get on it and ride it." Rev. Dr. A. J. S. Thomas, of South

Carolina, said: "We miss a brother who was hindered providentially from being present. We grieve that he is at home ill. I hope before we part this afternoon that Brother Henry McDonald will lead us in prayer for his recovery." The report was then adopted.

Rev. Dr. T. T. Eaton read the report

of the memorial committee on the death

of Dr. H. H. Harris, and it was ordered printed in the minutes. Remarks were made by Rev. W. J E. Cox and O. F. Gregory on the death of Dr. Franklin Wilson. At the suggestion of Dr. W. E. Hatcher, the secretary, was directed to pre-

On motion of Rev. Dr. J. J. Hall, the secretaries were directed to print 10,000 copies of the proceedings and receive

the usual compensation. Rev. Dr. F. C. McConnel offered a resolution that we mention with feelings of grateful appreciation the favors shown the delegates to this convention by the churches and citizens of Wilmington, by the press for full and fair reports to the railroads, and hotels, for reduced rates and to all who have contributed to the welfare of this convention.

Rev. N. R. Pitman, of Mexico, Mo., offered a resolution that the officers of the boards be requested not to select special speakers or print the pro-

Dr. Willingham said: "Our board asked four to speak and only two made speeches."

Dr. J. M. Frost, Tenn., I asked some to speak and they didn't get a chance." Colonel T. H. Ellet moved to lay the resolution on the table, it was lost. Rev. L. Burrows: "I was asked to speak but I didn't. I hope you wont pass that resolution. Some not here will misinterpret this, they will say the secretaries got a slap at last. Please withdraw the resolution."

Mr. L. O. Dawson, of Alabama, offered a resolution that hereafter the speeches be cut but not dried." (Laugh-

Rev. Dr. George Cooper, of Virginia, "I sympathize with the resolution. But the secretaries have to select some one to speak; they must have som esupervision of the meeting. I hope the resolution will be withdrawn."

Dr. T. T. Eaton, of Kentucky: "I am glad this resolution has been offered. I have felt that the secretaries had no control of the convention. Let no man feel that he is ruled out."

olution amid laughter. The secretary read the minutes and they were approved.

Judge Haralson said: "The hour has arrived for adjournment. We shall Mission board. We have profound of us turned our faces hitherward with and the religion of our people prevailed. I shall go home happier than usual Rev. John H. Eager, of Florence, Many things might have been done differently but happily all is peace and all for the best. We enter the new year convention we have ever had. I shall be glad to hear speeches of one minute each."

Dr. George Cooper, of Virginia: "I want the convention to hear one who was present at the organization of the convention, Brother Hickman."

Mr. H. H. Hickman, of Augusta, responded: "It is true I was present at the first session and have attended all I could get to since. I am dead in love with the Southern Baptist convention. It is the best looking body of men I ever saw. There is more talent here than in congress. I am not so old. I used to have a Timothy for a pastor. Dr. Landrum. I now have a pastor whom I think is like St. Peter. If he can't get you to do what he wants. in love, he will be stronger, he will rub and in southern Italy 80 per cent. Hence at in. Dr. Burrows is a good preacher, they must have the spoken word, from he has a big heart, and it is always full sions, and more money came in, our calporters and missionaries. The of kindness, but you don't always see it. I thank you very much for having me stand before you.'

Dr. Whitsitt was called for by many. He said: "I have one of the best pastors; he can talk better than I can; I will ask Brother Jones to speak."

Dr. Carter Helm Jones (Dr. Whitsitt's pastor): "I have caught the arochurch hates, the state, they are at | ma of a heavenly sweetness in this convention. I like to sit at the feet of when the present pope dies, there would | my brothers and learn of them. I like Prewitt whom I know so well, I love and others all in vain; then she climbed not be another Pope in Rome. I may to catch the rhyms of the heart beats. to think of Dr. Graves, and Dr. Sim- to the belfry and swung on the clapper add that theoretically we have liberty. I like to hold my brothers by the hand. mons who made the first speech as a so the deaf sexton heard no sound as Brethren I want you to pray for Italy I like to get the gathered wisdom that is quartered here. Let us go back and care and anxieties in Italy for thirty | strike sweet music so that in many a church we shall make a diapasm that angels will delight to hear."

Dr. Manly J. Breaker, of Missouri: "I began to attend the convention in 1872 in Raleigh, N. C. I have attended no session in which everything that has been done so that I could ask God to bless that. This is the best convention of them all. All were good."

Dr. W. E. Hatcher, of Virginia: "The first time I went to our general association in Virginia, I heard a white bearded preacher speak whose sermons affected my life. He is now pastor of four churches he has worked for fifty years, going up and down the land doing good. I ask you to hear Brother

Mr. Wm. Fisher, of Virginia: Dr. Hatcher missed it ten years. I have preached sixty years. It will be sixty the 10th of March. I am nearly 80 years old. I have been attending all your conventions ever since the Graves and Howell fuss at Nashville. I love all these boys. They have come up. since then. I like to look at them." Rev. F. C. CcConnell: "The first time I attended the Southern Baptist convention was in 1879 at Atlanta. At that to me I had never seen any man who was a member of the convention. I remember the very hour I walked down the aisle, the convention was in

Dr. Jeter, Dr. Manly and Dr. Boyce were on the platform. Dr. Jeter was speaking. Governor Brown made a talk. I had had some difficulty in becoming a Baptist. How my heart thrilled as that meeting went on. I used to go out on the corner and say thank God. I am a Baptist. My sisters had gone in a different direction. I love to go to the Southern Baptist convention. I know you all, all the way through. This is ten to one the best meeting I ever attended. And vet I am going back home with a sad heart, sad for the joy of going out. I was so sorry old Voirginia didn't do more for that debt. How will I get those Baptists who didn't come here, double their offerings. I am going to the Lord with it. Let us leave this with that in our hearts' Professor Charles L. Cocke, of Vir-

ginia: "I have been a quiet member of this body from the beginning of the organization and before it began. I was a member of the domestic board in and before 1845. The people now have little idea of the state of things at that time. Political and religious excitement was great; denunciations were bitter. In 1845 Dr. Spencer H. Cone, of New York, was chairman of the domestic board. A newspaper at New York stated that the board would no longer employ a slave holder. Our board was called. Robert Ryland, Jamés B. Taylor, J. B. Jeter, Archibald Thomas, Eli Ball, Richard Reins, and I attended as secretaries of the board. A good man was selected, but Dr. Cone would not employ him because he owned a small slave girl. The board was called again and Dr. Jeter and Dr. Taylor were appointed to send a circular to churches of the south. When this motion was made, there was great quiet. I was young and seconded the motion. And thus the work begun." Dr. T. S. Dunaway, of Virginia: "I see new light in that sentence. How

beautiful to see brethren dwell together in unity. Let us, like Paul, trust God and take courage. Let us be one. God bless you, everyone."

Rev. A. M. Sims: "\$ think this is the best session and the next year ought to open unto the greatest work we ever have done. We have more young men than ever before."

Rev. J. J. Hall, of Virginia: "As a pastor at Norfolk, I express the hope that we may have as glorious a meeting there. Much prayer preceded this convention. The face of the dear Master has been seen here almost as in the transfiguration scene. When the cloud passed away the desciples saw his face. Prayer for the meeting of

Mr. W. J. Upshaw of Georgia: "If you had called on the happiest man I should have spoken first. I shall never forget that four years ago when I first attended this convention, at Atlanta." Rev. J. D. Ray, of Kentucky: "I speak as a student from the seminary. We shall be happy. We shall work

better with greater joy." Rev. W. B. Oliver, of Wilmington was called for by Judge Haralson. He said: "I challenge Brother Upshaw's statement. I am the happiest man. I was asked this morning to get the convention to come again. I thank you for coming to Wilmington. You have

been a blessing to our city and state." "There is a land that is fairer than day" was sung, during which hands were shaken. Then Dr. Henry Mc-Donald, with tender tone, offered the farewell prayer, asking God's blessing on all the absent ones, on all the members and their loved ones, on all the churches and people of Wilmington, on the work of the convention, and on all good work throughout the world. President Haralson pronounced the convention adjourned sine die.

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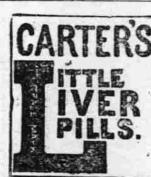
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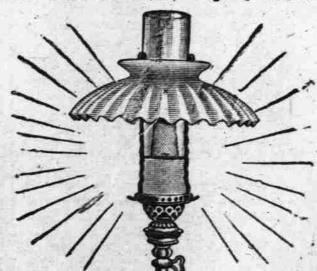
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