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## EDITORIAL COMMENT.

**A Contrast, Snow and Salt.** History records that when one of the proud and mighty kings of France brought to the royal palace a queen, centuries ago, he asked his fair bride if there was ought she desired to make the scenery about the palace more beautiful and her own happiness more complete. "Nothing," replied the fair one, "only I wish it were winter and these drives and grounds were covered with snow that we might take our bridal party sleighing. It must be lovely here in winter." Imagine the queen's delight and surprise the next morning when looking from her boudoir window the grounds were thickly covered in white as far as the eye could see. For during the night the king had sent forth decree that the royal drives, grounds and gardens should all be covered with snow-white salt before the break of day, and it was done. The queen had her sleigh-ride on salt next morning.

If the king of France had lived in our West he need not have used salt for his grounds. Snow even in hot summer would have been more convenient and less expensive. For the Denver, Colorado, people brought a train load of it from a near-by mountain and packed their streets with it th eother day, July 7, when the aNtional Democratic Convention met there. The bridal feat and triumph of the king of France has been recorded and transmitted as a wonder through the centuries. What the Denver people did was of small effort and little consequence. Nature had lavishly supplied them with what royal decree, and herculean effort, would vainly imitate. It comes to this: The mightiest deeds of man, even of kings, are as nothing compared with the smallest word and work of the Almighty One.

**"Morganization."** According to a writer in July Cosmopolitan, J. Pierpont Morgan is a different millionaire from others. His method of making money is different. He makes, not by breaking

others down, but by boosting others (and himself) up. He never tears an opposing corporation to pieces; he invites it in to a larger corporation and reorganizes ("Morganizes") it. The only charge to be laid at his door is his fondness for water. "A Morganized corporation is a body of stock completely surrounded by water." But a Morganized corporation goes in for business, and does things. His policy is constructive, and always makes good for better service and greater efficiency. His is the plan to hurt nobody, but help many, himself among the number.

His spending is different. Other money kings make in order to have and to hold money. Mr. Morgan makes in order to spend—and spends. His riding and carriage horses cost him \$4,500 each. He buys \$60,000 of dogs for his kennels. His cigars cost \$1.25 each. He has \$500,000 in private yachts. He owns four homes, a New York palace and a splendidly kept country residence, a London house and a costly English country home. He has, in all probability, the finest private art collection of any man in the world. His collection of ancient books and manuscripts are the most precious and costly known. He paid \$25,000 for a Mayarin Bible; \$30,000 for a bronze Hercules; \$500,000 for a Raphael. He has enriched many art galleries and museums with his liberal patronage and princely gifts and will likely one day have the most magnificent and costly art gallery in the world. Mr. Morgan is a strict member of the church, is liberal to the poor and passes around a collection plate at St. George's—to which church he has given millions for various enterprises. Mr. Morgan does not concentrate his gifts as Mr. Carnegie does in libraries, or Mr. Rockefeller in a college, but is an all-round athlete in matters of philanthropy and charity.

**William Jennings Bryan.** The expected happened at Denver and Mr. Bryan was named on the first ballot as Democratic candidate for president. Mr. Bryan has been conspicuous in three campaigns before this, in two of which he was the chosen standard bearer of his party. Though twice defeated his ad-

herents and admirers are undaunted, and at the mention of his name in the convention the other day hundreds and thousands of men went wild with enthusiasm and shouted themselves hoarse for an hour and twenty-six minutes. It was a strange and unexpected spectacle. Repeated defeat seems to have no effect on the faith of his followers.

Mr. Bryan is a man of high moral character, wonderful personal magnetism, and an orator without a peer. None doubt his sincerity or question his honesty and integrity. Those who differ widely with him in policy and politics admire his versatility, his ready wit, and his persuasive eloquence. Not the man now, but the principles that he preaches, are to be weighed in the balances and decided upon by the suffrage of the people next November. And that is another matter.

## THE GOOD INTENT.

Charles M. Alexander, the evangelist, whose association with Doctor Torrey has made him known throughout the United States and the British Empire, is a man of humor and has, of course, frequently had opportunity to observe those pitfalls of diction into which the excitement of exhortation frequently plunges an enthusiast.

"In New York last winter," he says, "I happened to be on the platform when a very earnest and zealous pastor was trying his best to awaken some enthusiasm in his habitually torpid congregation. He told his hearers how lethargic they were; how their religious sense was dying out, and how, if they would save their souls, they must not let it die. At last, insisting upon this almost to the point of hysteria, he fairly shouted:

"Brethren, if you have one single spark of grace remaining, water it—water it!"—Saturday Evening Post.

The Southern Railway has placed auditors on all its passenger trains. The auditor looks after the passengers and collects tickets. The conductor looks after the train and the carrying out of orders. Maybe in this wise travel will be safer.

**LETTER FROM OXFORD, ENGLAND.**

This is the principal week of what we call commencement at American colleges, called Commemoration at Oxford. It is called Commemoration because its chief event is a memorial day in honor of the chief benefactors of the University since its beginning, more than a thousand years ago. Several of the monarchs of the British Empire are numbered among these benefactors, and a multitude of the nobility. This ancient town is a gay place now and will so remain until July 11, when Commemoration and examinations will be over and the last term of the year, Trinity, ended.

I should as lief try to weather a storm at sea in a life-boat as to write an adequate account of an Oxford Commemoration. High social and learned life join in great formal functions that it would take a Scott or a Shakespeare to portray, for the nobility is here in great numbers and distinguished persons from many countries, for tomorrow, the great Commemoration day, Oxford through Lord Curzon will confer honorary degrees upon several noted men. Just a year ago Samuel L. Clemens (Mark Twain), the popular American author, along with Sidney Lee and Sidney Calvin, two noted English writers, was in the line of honorable worthies who received the degree of D. Litt. Some Oxford gentlemen told me a day or two ago that "Mark Twain" made no little stir in this old University because of the wide reputation he had won as a humorous writer. But tomorrow no American is in the list, yet a week hence, July 1, when the honorary degree of D. D. is to be conferred upon twelve eminent divines, America comes in with two representatives: the Right Rev. Dr. F. R. Graves, Bishop of the Episcopal Church of America, in Shanghai; and the Right Rev. J. McKim, Bishop of the same church, in Tokyo.

The government of the University is, to my surprise, stricter than that of many of our colleges. For instance, at five minutes past nine o'clock each evening the big fifteen-thousand-bell away up in the tower of Christ Church College peals out one hundred and one strokes. Five minutes later the heavy iron gates to every college entrance in Oxford are closed, and every student shut out has to pay a fine to get in up to midnight. At that hour the porter, who lives in a lodge over the main gateway, retires. There is no getting in over the high stone walls that enclose the college quadrangles, nor through the first floor windows of buildings that face the streets or form other outside boundary of any college property, for all such windows

are screened with heavy iron bars like a jail. If a student is out without permission (and permission is not so easy to get) as much as twice until after midnight he is "sent down" (expelled). Every student must wear the Oxford cap and gown. The first year undergraduates wear a sleeveless, high-cut gown, the bottom striking them about the waist line. A Rhodes scholar from America, in discussing the academic dress, said, "What do you think of these 'things?'" referring to the so-called gowns. "They remind me of some amphibious creature," was the reply, "the lizard, perhaps, who, though he has ceased to be an aquatic, still retains his gills as a relic of other days."

Since my last letter, I have met several Americans here, among them, Dr. George T. Winston, president A. & M. College, Raleigh, and Dr. E. A. Alderman, president University of Virginia.

W. P. Lawrence.

Oxford, June 23, 1908.

**FRANKLIN NOTES.**

It has been some time since I have reported from my field, but the work has been making some progress. Like many others, we have felt the pressure of the financial panic, yet our people have stood by the work commendably. The trouble with most of us is, we are afraid to trust the Promises. There is a story told of a man who crossed the Mississippi on ice, and, fearing it was too thin, began to crawl on his hands and knees in great terror; but when he gained the opposite shore, all worn out, another man drove past him gaily, sitting upon a sled loaded with pig-iron. Most of us Christian tremble at every step lest the promises break under our feet, but we should remember that God never fails His promises.

On the second Sunday in June we had Children's services at Union, with an appropriate address in the afternoon by Capt. R. E. L. Watkins, of Franklin, Va. The address was very much appreciated by the large audience who heard it. The children's services were highly gratifying to all, and those who trained the children deserve great praise for their work. The collection amounted to \$31.62.

The fourth Sunday in June, we had mission services at Bethany with an address by Bro. James A. Vaughan, a recent graduate of Elon, which was well prepared and much enjoyed. There is nothing that helps a church so much as educating along the line of missions. We need to know the demands, and then we will be more ready to contribute. The collection at Bethany amounted to \$65.

Recently four have been received into

the Franklin Church by letter, and two other letters have been asked for, which will make 14 received recently. The young people of this church have organized a C. E. Society and much interest is manifest in it, and we look for much development in Christian character through its training. The young will be occupied in something, and if they are not looked after and helped in the right they will very easily drift into the wrong way.

Bro. Harrell, of Portsmouth, was present at our prayer meeting on the evening of July 1, having come up to bury Bro. J. W. Magee, of whose death he will write. In his talk, he made us feel that we have great things in easy reach in this life, and greater in the life to come.

C. H. Rowland.

**TO THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF THE EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.**

The annual Convention of the Eastern North Carolina Conference will meet with the church at Youngsville, July 21-23. Every effort will be made to make this one of the best conventions we have ever held and it is earnestly desired that every Sunday-school in the conference shall be represented. Governor-elect W. W. Kitchin has been invited and will probably be with us. In order that the convention may be a success two things are especially necessary:

1st. Every minister in the conference should be present.

2d. Every superintendent in the Conference should be present and the other delegates should be selected from the officers and teachers in the Sunday school.

Please do not elect just anybody that will go. See that if your superintendent and teachers attend and if necessary pay their expenses. The convention can amount to very little if most of the main workers in the Sunday school are not there. The various churches are requested not to arrange for revival services during the week of the convention as this prevents the pastor as well as the members of that particular school from attending and getting the benefit of the convention. This is the only Sunday school meeting we have during the year and in view of this fact every Sunday school worker in the conference (the pastors most especially) should be present and help to make the convention a success. The discussions this year will be as practical and as interesting as it is possible to make them. The program is being prepared and will be published next week. Delegates should be elected at once.

S. M. Smith,

Pres. E. N. C. S. S. Convention.

**CHURCH LOAN ASSOCIATION.**

We wish to acknowledge through The Sun receipt of the following amounts:

From Elon College—

J. M. Saunders .....	\$ 2.00
Rev. J. F. Foster .....	5.00
Prof. P. J. Kernodle .....	2.00
Prof. W. A. Harper .....	1.00
Rev. W. C. Wicker .....	2.00
Rev. J. W. Wellons .....	2.00
Elon Sunday School .....	10.00
Rev. J. O. Atkinson .....	2.00
Greensboro Sunday School .....	5.00
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	\$ 31.00
Previously reported .....	416.05
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In hand of Treasurer or loaned to  
 Henderson Church .....\$447.05  
 Have you paid your dues, brother? If not, please do so.

R. S. Petty, Secy.  
 Greensboro, N. C.

**HOLLAND ITEMS.**

Yesterday, July 5th, was a bright, beautiful day, and church services were well attended. Our Sabbath school was of usual interest. Officers and teachers were, as usual, prompt in attendance, and the exercises, including the song service, were interesting, and we believe spiritually profitable.

I would here say, in our recent church conference we decided to hold a protracted meeting this year. And I believe it has almost become necessary now to have protracted meetings every year to keep up the revival spirit and the necessary interest in our church work. The pastor here usually has help in protracted meeting efforts, as it is rather too laborious for one minister to do all the work necessary in protracted meeting efforts.

Rev. I. W. Johnson, former pastor here, has assisted the pastor and church here in protracted meeting efforts and with blessed results. He, I am sure, would be pleased to have him again, could he so arrange it. He has many strong friends here, to whom his presence and labors would be a benediction.

The school boys and others here had quite a jolly and somewhat noisy time Saturday, 4th of July. I did not object, because I was once a boy and liked to have a jolly time. There were only two companies of baseball players. They were nearly equal in the contest, and there was not any boast or brag at the close of the game. I like to see the young people cheerful and lively in an innocent way.

Summer weather, hot and sultry, has come at last. And whilst I cannot enjoy

the extreme cold, the extreme heat is also rather oppressive to weak old age.

R. H. Holland.

**FIELD NOTES.**

**Mt. Pleasant.**

The work in this church seems to be moving along fairly well. I baptized three at my last appointment. Our congregations have improved very much, and our Sunday school is in a working condition.

**Keyser.**

This church is said to be in a better condition than it has been since the time when Bro. John A. Mills lived in this town. Our congregations are large for this place, and the Sunday school is in good condition, under the leadership of young Brother Glenn. H. Keith, with his willing workers.

**Ingram, Va.**

This is a model church. Everything seems to be in harmony, with increasing congregations, and a first-class Sunday school, and we are working and praying for a great spiritual feast this year.

**Pleasant Ridge.**

This is one of our old churches in a very thinly settled community. Here we have some of the pure elements of Christianity, but our forces numerically are weak. The Sunday school is small. We want to begin our revival meeting here the first Sunday in August.

I preach at Spring school house, Vass, and when convenient in Aberdeen.

S. B. Klapp, Pastor.

Greensboro, N. C.

**WOMEN AND COLLEGE EDUCATION**

The main object of the higher education of women has not been kept sufficiently in view. Of course, there are other objects, plenty of them—training for the professions; training for all the varieties of work that women are now engaged in; training for all that enjoyment and usefulness that comes with knowledge of the fine arts, and with appreciation of the artistic spirit, and of what the artistic spirit can do for the activities of a nation. It is woman to whom falls in greater part the training of the population in the sense of beauty and in appreciation of the worth of beauty. Who keeps the flowers blooming in the average house lot? Who fills the one southern window with plants in tin cans and broken pieces of crockery? Who engages the florist to keep the rich house filled with flowers through all the seasons? For whom are the beautiful objects in the rich home procured and set forth? Always by and for the women. Who teaches the little children to enjoy the beauties of nature and of art?

Always, or almost always, the woman.

I look forward, therefore, to the future of the higher education for women as a great influence in the perfecting of family life, of civic life, of household joy and good.—President Eliot, of Harvard.

**MR. BRYAN NEVER SMOKES, NOR DOES HE CHEW OR DRINK.**

It is interesting to note how much of an insight one can get into a man's real character through the unconscious testimony of his associates. And with no one is this more clearly illustrated than with William Jennings Bryan. The Bryans belong to what they call the "Farmers' Club," in which the social life centers, says a writer in the July Delineator. Through the winter they hold monthly meetings at the homes of the members. They come in the morning some fifty strong and stay till dark. Each family brings a great basket and there is spread the finest dinner you ever ate; chickens, roasted and broiled and fricasseed, pies—minee and custard and pumpkin, and all the cakes the diligent housewives can find in the cookbook. The women folks, when they are done in the kitchen, gather round the parlor stove with their sewing. Mrs. Bryan brings perhaps the nightshirts she is making for her husband, perhaps the stockings from the family darning-basket. The men get out to the barn and smoke and talk of the value of alfalfa and the destruction of gophers. Only there is one among them who doesn't require that soothing mental proud commendation of the leading light of the community, "W. J.'s that much the better'n the rest of us that he never smokes nor chews." Incidentally, it is also true that he never takes a drink, every political banquet finding his glass turned down.—The Delineator.

**Long's Chapel.**

This church held its Children's Day service at last appointment and rendered a fine program. Miss Carrie Anderson and Miss Cornelia Allen had charge of training the children and it was well done. Others assisted these young ladies and made it possible for them to render an excellent entertainment and instructive program.

At this service a call was made for Conference collections and a goodly sum was paid and subscribed for this purpose. This church will entertain Conference this fall. Dr. Newman, their old pastor, will preach here next Sunday as the pastor will be in Eastern Virginia.  
 W. C. Wicker.

### NOTES AND PERSONALS.

Rev. A. T. Iseley is recovering from recent accident of broken limb.

Last Sunday our Henderson brethren expected to hold Sunday school in the new church.

Rev. C. E. Newman assisted Rev. J. W. Patton in a meeting at Youngsville first week in July.

Dr. Fleming, of Burlington, has recovered from late illness sufficiently to occupy his pulpit again.

A dozen new subscribers last week, and that not an extra week either, is not bad for "the good old summer time."

Rev. P. H. Fleming, D.D., Burlington, N. C., has been in impaired health for some days, but is better now and about his work, though feeble yet.

Rev. W. C. Wicker preached at Franklin, Va., and Bethany for Pastor Rowland first Sunday, and Rev. J. L. Foster filled his appointment at Lebanon.

The many friends of Prof. and Mrs. Robt. Ramey will learn with deep sorrow and sympathy of the death of their sweet little daughter, Virginia.

The editor is still at the bedside of his two daughters in Virginia ill with a severe and stubborn case of typhoid fever. Many a prayer will be offered for their recovery.

Pastor Barbee and our Durham people worshipped in their new church first Sunday. Rev. Dr. W. S. Long preached the dedicatory sermon. The church is located on West Main Street.

Rev. Dr. D. A. Long has just returned from an extended visit south. He goes to Conshohocken, Pa., to deliver a lecture on his travels in the Orient. He is receiving many calls for lectures.

Executive Committee of Elon College was in session past week. Mrs. Pretlow, of Norfolk, becomes matron, Miss Allen teacher of Elocution and Violin, and Prof. N. F. Brannock succeeds Prof. Lincoln.

Rev. L. E. Smith, after a month's vacation among his home churches in Georgia, enters again upon his pastoral work in North Carolina in connection with his school duties in Elon College. He is a popular and successful pastor and a young man of much promise.

Rev. L. F. Johnson, we learn from Herald of Gospel Liberty, has decided to retire from the pastorate of the First Greensboro Christian Church. Following the successful work of Pastor L. I. Cox, he has been very successful in building up the Greensboro work.

That is an active leave of absence, and a very busy rest, Rev. L. E. Smith, La Grange, Ga., is taking during his vacation. But Bro. Smith is a worker, in school and out of school, in season and out of season. His letter to The Sun this week of his vacation Visit to Home Churches, is full of news and items of interest.

From the Virginian-Pilot of July 10 we gather that Rev. P. S. Sailer, former pastor of Memorial Christian Temple, Norfolk, and now employed by the American Christian Convention in the interest of church extension, and who is located for the present at Boston, Mass., paid a short visit to Rev. M. L. Bryant, pastor of the Main St. Christian Church, Berkeley, July 9.

The township Sunday school convention in Graham Sunday was well attended. Every school represented and every speaker prepared with something fresh, interesting and practical. The county convention meets August 29, 30, at Belmont. The program and speakers promise one of unusual interest. The North Carolina and Virginia Sunday School Convention is in session at Bethlehem this week.

We are grateful for the many favors and good assistance the brethren and friends are showing our traveling agent, Mr. S. M. Atkinson. He plans to be with Pastor N. G. Newman at Holy Neck next Sunday (June 23) and at the Eastern Virginia Sunday School Convention week following. Renewals and new subscriptions to The Sun were never more in order than now. Thanks, friends, for your help in that just now.

Heartiest good wishes to our Durham congregation and to Pastor A. P. Barbee on their removal first Sunday in July from the Court House to their own comfortable and commodious house of worship on Main Street. Pastor Barbee talks of the happy event in a letter printed elsewhere. Our congregation in Durham has kept together under difficulty the past two years and now we trust a brighter and better day has dawned for them—and for our good cause in Durham.

### NOTICE!

The Committee on Education of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference will hold its regular semiannual meeting at Antioch Church, during the Sunday School Convention, on Thursday, July 23d. Persons having business with the committee may meet with us on that day.

W. W. Staley, Ch'n.

Suffolk, Va., July 11, 1908.

### A VISIT TO HOME CHURCHES.

Dear Bro. Editor:

Leaving Elon about one month ago, after a night of continued travel, Willie Elder and myself reached Atlanta. Spending the greater part of the day there was a great opportunity, there being so many things of interest to be seen in a city like this. Late in the afternoon we both took leave; he for Columbus and I for La Grange. Upon my arrival here, which is now my home, I found a meeting in full sway, under the direction of the pastor, Rev. B. F. Young, and as one would walk into the services he would be made to feel that the pastor was under the direction of the Spirit. I tried to fall in line and be one of those who were willing to sacrifice for the interest of the meeting and for the salvation of souls. There being many of a like determination, as a natural result, a great victory was won for the church and for God.

I was with Rev. H. W. Elder at Oak Grove the third Sunday, where I met a large, enthusiastic and attentive congregation, which, by the way, greets the pastor every third Sunday about the whole year round. Monday night was with Rev. E. M. Carter at Columbus and Tuesday night with Rev. J. W. Elder at Girard. In time past I have been in touch with the work at each of these places and naturally I should note their prosperity and progress with much pleasure, and, too, should the churches feel proud of having been able to have secured such worthy and efficient laborers. Let's watch for good results.

On the fourth Sunday in June I met the people at Langdale, Ala., together with their pastor, Rev. B. F. Young. As we came together in the first service the impress of the Spirit seemed to have been stamped upon every heart present. The interest and success of the meeting increased from service to service until finally the Spirit seemed to have taken control of the workers and lead them into channels of enthusiasm and real excitement; indeed it is exciting when one gets near enough to service, near enough to God to realize fully the intrinsic worth of immortal souls. After continuing more than a week the meeting closed with the church revived and her forces considerably strengthened.

I trust that the people of Langdale will accept my hearty appreciation and very grateful thanks for a liberal contribution made me, amounting to thirty-two dollars. This shows that the pastor has a faithful band of workers here and, too, that they are willing to support their church. Good results will always follow a people with such determination.

Bro. Young is doing some telling work.

During the month of June there were sixty-four applicants for church membership under his administration and he has held but two of his meetings yet. Let's pray that God may give him such a victory in the remainder of his work.

Fraternally,

L. E. Smith.

La Grange, Ga., 295 Whitesville St.

## ELON COLLEGE ANNOUNCEMENTS.

### 1. The Canvass.

I have received reports from most of the professors of their first week's canvass—and they are exceedingly gratifying. Practically all of the old students who have been seen so far will return, and the number of new ones reported is the largest that has been sent in as a result of the first week's canvass since I have been connected with the college. If similar results can be obtained during the next five weeks the attendance will be the largest in the history of the institution. The pastors, old students, and other friends in the various sections are entering heartily into the work of getting students with the professors, and hence the encouraging reports. One of the canvassers reports eleven new students promised, with the probability of four or five others, as the result of his first eight days' work.

### 2. New Instructor.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee last Saturday Mr. N. F. Brannock, M.A., was elected as one of the instructors in the Preparatory Department. Mr. Brannock graduated from Elon College, June, 1899, with the A.B. degree, and most of the time since has been engaged in high school work, having been in charge of some of the best high schools in the State. He has proven himself to be a most efficient and successful teacher, and is a valuable accession to Elon's Preparatory Department. After a very acceptable year's work he took his M.A. degree at Elon last June. We commend him to the friends of Elon, and trust that his coming may prove to be mutually beneficial. He began his canvass for students last Monday.

### 3. Elocution and Physical Culture.

Miss Helen Jeannette Allen, of Elmira, N. Y., succeeds Miss Helfenstein as teacher of Elocution and Physical Culture. Miss Allen studied Elocution for a number of terms in Elmira College, and afterwards went to the Greely School of Oratory and Dramatic Art, Boston, where she completed her course, graduating with distinction in both Elocution and Physical Culture. She has had two years experience in teaching, and comes to us with the best of recommendations as reader and teacher. In addition to her special work in Express-

sion, she has had the best of literary training also, being an A.B. graduate of Elmira College.

In answer to a personal enquiry, Miss Greely, the Principal of the Boston School, among other things says: "It is with great pleasure that I write you in regard to Miss Allen's ability. She has a fine education as foundation for her special work. She thoroughly understands her subject, will be earnest with her pupils, will lead them to enjoy their work and to become proficient in their understanding and interpretation.

"She is a pleasing reader, and has been well liked when she has gone from the school to fill an engagement outside. As a teacher I think she will be exceptionally good.

"She has an attractive and pleasing stage appearance, will be agreeable with her students, and will build up the department in your school."

From a number of favorable press comments, I clip the following from the Elmira Evening Star: "Miss Helen Jeannette Allen, of Kinyon St., appeared for the first time before the Elmira public last evening in a recital of 'The Little Minister.' Her audience was large and expectant awaiting the appearance of the young artist, of whom they had already heard so many favorable comments from vicinity towns. She was enthusiastically greeted on her first appearance, and held her audience throughout the evening. In the character impersonations, Miss Allen's voice inflections and facial expressions were admirable, and she moved the audience, at will, to many changing emotions. The dramatic climaxes of the story were excellently worked out, and the Scotch dialect received an added charm as it fell from the lips of the fair young artist. The characters of 'Gavin,' 'Bobbie,' and 'Nanny' were interpreted with rare skill and were delineated with strength and perfect naturalness. Miss Allen's charming stage presence won the hearts of her hearers and aided not a little in the success of her recital."

The fact that Miss Allen is also a violinist will add interest to her coming. She has had experience in teaching violin, and will be able to teach a class in stringed instruments, which should result in the organization of an Orchestra during the year.

### 4. Matron.

We are fortunate in having secured the services of Mrs. Maria L. Pretlow, of Norfolk, Va., as Matron of the young ladies' dormitory for the coming year. Mrs. Pretlow comes from one of the best families of Virginia, and has had experience in the care and direction of young ladies, having been in charge of

the dormitory department of the Young Women's Christian Association in Norfolk for the past two years. She has given entire satisfaction in her present position, and hence comes to us with a practical and successful experience in a similar work. Mrs. Pretlow is an aunt of Mr. J. A. Vaughan, who graduated from Elon last June. She is a lady of refinement and of splendid Christian character, and will exert a good influence over the young ladies who come in contact with her.

### 5. Boarding Arrangements.

The boarding department at West Dormitory will be under the management of Prof. and Mrs. Harper, as last year, the rates and terms being as indicated in the Catalogue—\$120.00 a year for board and room, or \$90.00 a year for table board. Young men who room at East Dormitory, or elsewhere, will be allowed to take their meals at the West Dormitory Dining Hall with the young ladies, as before.

The Executive Committee has arranged with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Jones, who have been living at Elon for the past year, to run a boarding department at East Dormitory. The charge there will be \$100.00 a year for board and room, or \$70.00 a year for table board. Those desiring to board here may get rooms in East Dormitory at the prices named in Catalogue.

The committee has also authorized the President and Dr. Watson (a member of the committee) to arrange a location for the young men's Club. These arrangements are almost completed, and will be announced in a week or two. A very desirable location is being provided, where the young men will have neat, comfortable quarters, and will be enabled to keep their expenses down to a minimum.

Those desiring to board and room in private homes in the village can do so at a cost of from \$100.00 to \$110.00 a year.

Students who wish the President to arrange board for them, should communicate with him as early as possible, indicating where they wish to room and take their meals. All will be provided for, but, of course, those applying first will have a chance to secure the most desirable rooms of those that have not already been taken.

I shall appreciate it if your friends will send me the names of young men and young women who may be expecting to go away to school anywhere this fall.

E. L. Moffitt, President.

Elon College, N. C.

Sunday school conventions this week and next.

### THE LAW OF SERVICE.

When our Lord said, in explanation of his death, "Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die it abideth alone, but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit," He expressed the law of all service. All things give out life by giving up life. The leaves of this year's tree fertilize next year's yield. Where vegetation is rankest decay and death are thickest. The plant dies in feeding bird and beast, and they die in feeding man. We cannot live a day without something dying to be food for us. Sheep have to shiver that we may be warm. It is the shroud of the silkworm which we wear. The furs that protect us mean the death of the first animals that wore them. The law of cost is universal. Action and reaction are equal. Out of nothing nothing comes. The sun is a stove which has to be constantly fed with fuel. Sunshine is tremendously expensive. Life in its last analysis is oxygen—combustion. We are all the while being cremated. Death is the condition of life. We die daily—are constantly dying as to atoms, forever passing away as to molecules, like a stream of water as to drops. "Ever dying, yet behold, we live." We always have to sacrifice a lower good to gain a higher one. The world is a bazaar and every article is ticketed with a price. "Either—or" is the sharp alternative. The pleasure-loving man can never be a fine scholar. We have to put the knife to the throat of many things if we could achieve success in any pursuit or profession. The Temples of Fame and Fortune keep stern sentinels at the door. Only those enter the Pantheon who are carried in on their shields. Every step of progress is a sacrifice. "Without the shedding of blood there is no remission"—no anything, no mighty result, no splendid achievement. Every great reform in this world is brought about by somebody's getting squeezed under the burden. "Men learn in suffering what they teach in song." Wherever a great movement upward takes place there is Gethsemane and the bloody sweat; wherever any great truth gets discovered and promulgated there is Golgotha and the place of a skull. Nobody can ever bless this world by simply having a good time in it. If we would bless we must bleed. The alabaster box must be broken before the precious ointment can flow out. All thrones that mean the sovereignty of right over wrong, like Dahomey's, rest on human skulls. It is they who sow in tears that reap in joy. Human history began in martyrdom. There was murder in the human family when the race numbered only a quartet. The blood of righteous

Abel inaugurated the stern economy. The Baptist was decapitated, Stephen stoned, Peter crucified head downward, and hardly an apostle died a natural death. "The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church," and the best martyrs are not those who are burned up, but burned out—consumed with the zeal of God's house. The road to the New Jerusalem, which is to be on the earth, like that of old, lies through the Valley of Baca with its wells of tears.

Here is the secret of any failure in our efforts to do good. No corn comes up because no corn has really gone in. We have sown nothing—to the death. We have given our superfluous wealth, our leisure time, our jaded powers. We have offered our prayers listlessly; we have done our work mechanically. We have not resisted unto blood, striving against sin; have not gone without the camp, bearing his reproach; have not presented ourselves a living sacrifice. We have tried to bulge the needle's eye and make it bigger; we have slunk from the plow and yoke, to say nothing of the cross. But we shall find that Christ is incarnated in men and society only as we travail in birth; that bearing others' burdens is the "law of Christ" which we must fulfill; that the great sacrifice must be exemplified by sacrificial saints, and the broken heart of Calvary proclaimed by the bleeding heart of human sympathy.—Examiner.

### LABORING FOR RESULTS.

The worker in the Kingdom of Christ who works with a view to results, or fired with the glory of success, whether the worker is an unofficial or official member in the church, whether he works in public or in private, will do so with earnestness, get attention more closely, and be clothed with the greater power for effective service. The unbeliever is under condemnation and may die at any time and be forever lost. This fact furnishes the natural occasion for a show of deep concern for immediate action on his part. There is no place for slowness and coldness. There is need at this time for more direct and pointed efforts for the salvation of the dying. They are everywhere and in large numbers. Whatever other duties may demand, all church members, preachers, and people, should never lose sight of the one great object of Christian endeavor, the conversion of souls.

Some one has sent us the following clipping from an old paper which is worthy of prayerful consideration:

"There is too much indefiniteness in Christians' lives. They perform the duties of their calling with more or less

zeal; they go to church, teach Sunday school classes, visit the unconverted, and many other things; but, in the midst of it all, is often but a vague conception of the object of these things. They are not ends, but means. The end is the conversion of souls. Every Christian ought to have this idea always present with him; whether his work is in the pulpit or the store; the study or the nursery; the school-room or the chapel. Let the minister prepare next Sunday's sermons with the view to bringing men to repentance and to Christ. Let him solemnly enter the pulpit with this momentous task upon his soul. Let this be the living principle of his walk and conversation among men all the week. Let the Sunday school teacher conduct his class for the simple object of leading them to the cross. Let him study for this; let him pray for it; let him teach for it. Let parents manage their families for this glorious consummation—to have their sons and daughters saved. How easy of solution this will make some of the questions which puzzle them about the pleasures or business of their growing children.

"If we all worked to the point, and this point—the salvation of souls—what life there would be in our work. It would glow with heavenly warmth, and beam with spiritual light. Our sermons and Sunday school lessons would no longer be dull and meaningless. Let us not play with life's duties; let us realize their grand significance; and because Christ died for men; because they must be eternally lost if they do not accept his mercy,—let us work to the point."—Presbyterian Standard.

### ARE WE GETTING OUR EYES OPEN?

The Western Recorder has a word that rings clearly for the Bible as follows:

Prof. Batten, of New York City, defines Higher Criticism as "a search for truth by scientific method, which does not destroy the Bible, but destroys false theories about it." The scientific method proceeds, of course, along scientific lines and is knowledge obtained and verified by exact observation and correct thinking. This, however, happens to be the very method ignored by the critics. Up to the present hour their method has been notorious for its calm misrepresentation of facts. Prof. Winckler regarded Joseph as an astral myth, "for in the forty-third chapter of Genesis, verse twenty-five, does he not come at noon?" "Joseph dreamed that the sun, moon and eleven stars bowed down to him, and who should they bow to save the sun?"

Joshua is another astral myth. He, like Joseph, is the sun, "for he is the son of Nun, and does not Nun, being interpreted, mean fish? And does not the sun at the spring equinox issue from the constellation of Pisces?" Caleb is also accounted for on this wise, "Caleb is Kaleb, and Kaleb is Kelb, and Kelb is dog. So, of course, Caleb is clearly put for the dogstar Sirius."

Dr. W. L. Baxter says, "The Higher Criticism may not be 'the greatest of modern crimes,' but it is certainly the biggest and most pretentious windbag that was ever filled with vacuity," and Prof. Schaff designated the efforts of the critics as "intellectual ballooning." "We have learned many things of late years from archaeology," so writes A. H. Sayce, "but its chiefest lesson has been that the age of Moses, and even that of Abraham, was almost as literary an age as our own." "Moses not only could have written the Pentateuch, but it would have been little short of a miracle had he not been a scribe." And yet this school of critics deny all this, and that, too, with an assurance that is amusing. Truly the end is in sight and the world will be none the poorer when Higher Criticism has ceased to be.—Herald of Gospel Liberty.

### THE PREACHER A SPECIALIST.

A Gospel preacher is an ambassador sent from God for the cure and care of souls. No angel nor archangel has ever been entrusted with this supremely important mission.

In this mission he is not to try remedies of human invention, but God's supernatural remedy. He is not to get stung with the gadfly of an all-round reformer and espouse every good thing under the sun, but to use the Christ cure and the Gospel rescue. Man cannot excel in many things at once. He is a co-worker for God in his greatest work, and for man in His greatest concern. He proclaims a grand redemption founded on a tragedy of divine blood.

It is high treason to God Almighty for such an ambassador to turn aside and discourse on civic, scientific and secular concerns, having no direct relation to the Gospel of salvation. He is not to exploit the glories of a secular and materialistic civilization, but to point all eyes forward to the coming glory under the reign of our rightful King. All his ransomed powers should be consecrated to winning souls and preparing them for glory.

When Paul went to the cultured city of Corinth, he said: "I determined not to know anything among you but Christ and Him crucified." Wesley said to his preachers: "You have nothing to do

but to preach the Gospel." They were specialists. His work is not simply reformation, but regeneration, and this in order to reformation and eternal salvation. He is to get men heaven-born and heaven-bound.

The church also is a specialistic society, out of the world by the Holy Ghost into brotherhood, sonship and heirship, for this same blessed work. Its organization is simple and its methods direct. It is not a patent right moral machine, to be run by man-power and human wisdom, but an organism of the Holy Ghost. Its economy is the maximum of power and the minimum of machinery. It is incorporated under a special franchise, and its mission is its commission, which includes no civic or political ends. It is not to govern nations in the absence of our rightful King.

The church was not organized as a confederacy of worldly clubs and trumpety societies, but as a consolidated body moving on like a Macedonian phalanx. Disintegration always weakens her. Clannishness is not Christian. She is not designed by the Master to be a house of merchandise, a bureau of amusements or a social club. When she broadens out into these things her power and glory depart and she occupies the Broad Way. She is not to conform nor compromise, not even becoming a little worldly to win worldlings. She is to present a contrast. She is to be radical but amiable, with good sanctified common sense. A popular Christianity is a corrupted Christianity, and a popular church is an apostate church. The world must be reconciled to God and not God to the world.

God has lodged in the church the promise and potency of nearly all possible moral and spiritual good. When the church is unbelieving, backslidden and unfaithful, all moral forces fall back in spite of all human organizations and devices. It devolves on the leaders especially to make the church what it ought to be. We have a hurry order to fulfill the Great Commission, and we are marching on to victory when this great work is done. Let us adopt the motto, "Separation, Consecration and Concentration," as heralds, heroes and pioneers of the coming age.—Rev. E. P. Marvin, in Presbyterian Standard.

### COLLEGE WITHOUT MONEY MEANS WORK.

It is an every-day matter for a girl without money to get a college education, but she must be prepared to do a lot of hard work to make up for the lack of capital, says Laura A. Smith, in the July Delineator. One girl relates the following experience: I have been given

charge of the advertising for the magazines and newspapers. I write publishers concerning rates, write and keep track of the advertisements of the college and receive about \$100 a year. I had a little business training before I came to college which helps me now."

"I receive from seventy-five cents to one dollar an hour tutoring three freshmen in mathematics. I am an upper-class girl. The faculty selects tutors among us as we have been through the work so recently. No girl is allowed to tutor in several departments as it would weaken her own work in her studies."

"I do private coaching in domestic science and receive \$2 a lesson. There sewing on braids and fixing skirts."

"I have charge of the Book Exchange. The girls who have books to sell let me know. I receive five cents on each book sold and give one-half of this to the college Christian Association. I make \$8 or \$10 doing this. Last year I earned \$65 doing clerical work in the faculty office and cleared \$10 making Tree Day costumes. I earn money in vacation by sewing, receiving twenty cents an hour making oversleeves and doing similar work, and from fifty cents to one dollar sewing on braids and fitting skirts."

"I have the agency for fountain pens, banners, pillows and similar things. I make considerable in this way and keep down expenses by living in one of the dormitories where I help with the work."

The saying, "Corporations have no souls," has a little less vogue now than formerly. Corporations have souls provided the people that compose them have souls. A corporation cannot sin without entailing iniquity upon every one of its members. Why should a man who happens to be president of a bank think himself privileged to be meaner as a banker than as an individual? It is true that the bank cannot drop a penny into a beggar's hat; but it has its obligations, nevertheless, and its officials are justly held to a very high standard of financial morality. The case of a paper is not unlike that of a bank. It is about as bad to issue bogus news or dishonest editorial opinion or advice as it is to issue counterfeit money. Improper advertisements are only a little less reprehensible in a paper than obscene pictures in a parlor. The people look to their papers for reliable news and sound, honest, and well-studied opinions on all sorts of questions. They ask for bread; it is not right to feed them on stones. In a word, the man who fills a place of trust must still be a man.—Nashville Advocate.

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### THE REAL TEACHER.

All teaching to be effective must be modeled after that of the great Teacher. Mary's Son was, and is, the world's model and master Teacher. If we learn how to teach, we shall have to discover and pursue His methods. Preachers, Sunday school teachers, day school teachers, college and university teachers all must know, and follow, His methods, if they would know the best, and do the most effectual teaching. In so far as they approach the Man of Galilee they do well.

There are many plans of His, and various methods: but this one in particular now let us think about. To wit, the real Teacher brought His pupils to the light of the lesson, by patient and painstaking revelation.

You cannot teach any one anything until that one understands that he does not understand. As long as one thinks he understands, there is no hope, and no teaching. The pupil must know that he does not know. Then there is hope of teaching. A revelation of one's ignorance is the first step in teaching. You cannot teach one what one knows, or what one thinks he knows. His own ignorance must first be revealed to him.

The supreme and most striking importance of this, is given in our Savior's dealing with the woman of Samaria. Step by step He led that ignorant woman to see the folly of her own conduct, the evil of her own deeds, the sins of her own life. This He did, not by denunciation and impatient abuse, but by painstaking and studied revelation. He revealed that woman to herself, and let her understand that she did not heretofore understand.

The shallowest teaching, and the

cheapest preaching on earth, is abuse and denunciation. Anybody outside of an asylum, and some in it, can do that. One does not have to study, or to think, in order to abuse and denounce.

But to reveal, to turn on light, to bring one to understand that he does not understand, that is another, and a more difficult matter.

A child even can cut thorns from a tree, but it takes a deal more than child's strength to pull up the thorn tree, and much more than a child's skill and ingenuity to so cultivate the soil that thorn trees shall not come up. The teacher's and the preacher's function is to tend the ground and see that briars and thorn trees are not planted and shall not grow.

Men seldom commit wrongs which they themselves consider to be wrongs. They first persuade themselves that the wrongs they commit are right. The man who desecrates the Sabbath first decides that in his particular case, and under his particular circumstances, what he does is not Sabbath desecration. The man who cheats, the man who swindles, the man who steals, believes that such in general is bad practice, but under his circumstances, and under present conditions with him, it is not so bad. As a rule, before men commit a sin they decide that, owing to the circumstances, it is no sin. A man persuades himself that a wrong is right before he advances upon it. A man even justifies murder in his own mind before he commits it. That is why he tries so hard to justify it before a court of justice after he commits it.

To give the world of men and women a conscience, and to keep that conscience keen and clear, that is the high function of teacher and preacher. In that task, God help us.

### IS BRAVERY DECLINING?

Time was when if a man had aught against his fellow he sent him a challenge, and the two fought it out, with even chances, face to face. That was duelling, and was very wicked and cruel. The days of that are done. It was too barbarous to survive.

Having learned to despise barbarity, and the curse of duelling, have we learned equally to despise dishonor, and the curse of cowardice? It is doubtful if we have. Men whose honor is at stake no longer settle their difficulties on a retired field with assistants and seconds to see that each shall have fair play. Now one loads his gun and shoots his enemy to death on the crowded street, possibly in the back, sometimes in the dark.

Almost every day the paper brings

you the story of gentlemen (?) duelling (?) in the heart of the town, in the crowded street, in broad open day light, in full gaze of the passing throng.

All of which is a sign of the meanest and basest cowardice. Men who had not the courage to meet a foe face to face, must boost and bully themselves with public gaze in order to their dastardly deeds.

In this regard we have fallen upon an evil day. Genuine courage is at a premium. We have done away with the deadly duel. We have substituted for it the cowardly method of murder in high places.

The man who duels with his fellow in a crowded place ought first to be indicted and tried for his cowardice, then tried and condemned for his sneaking crime.

The many murders in high and thick places mean only that we are not cultivating sufficiently the Christian grace of manly courage and gentlemanly bearing. There is always room enough, in county and in town, for any two brave and courageous Christian gentlemen.

### THE PERFECT MAN.

The poet, Walt Whitman, sang,  
"In this broad earth of ours,  
Amid the measureless grossness and the  
slag,  
Enclosed and safe within its central  
heart,  
Nestles the seed Perfection."

The perfect man then is he who is doing his best, by God's help, to cultivate, and bring to fullest fruition, that seed of Perfection that nestles within his central heart. Not that he has already attained, but desires and struggles daily to apprehend that for which he is apprehended of the Father. For, to quote the words of Browning which he makes a part of Bishop Blougram's Apology,  
"My business is not to make myself,

But make the absolute best of what  
God made."

### THE DEPTHS OF INFAMY.

Some one wanted to know of this scribe not long since, what was an anarchist anyhow? Since abstract definitions would not do we seize a passing opportunity to point out.

Last Sunday was a week ago—of course it was on Sunday—the whole party of them, they call themselves the Socialist Labor Party—met in New York to nominate a candidate for the presidency of the United States. The nominee of the party, unanimously agreed upon, was Martin R. Preston, of Nevada. And the only distinction Preston has, is that he is now serving a

twenty-five years' term in the penitentiary for murder. A murderer the nominee of a party for the presidency—that is an Anarchist. This Preston shot and killed, in cold blood, a man who was employing "scab waitresses" in a boycotted restaurant. And so his fellow anarchists would honor(?) their comrade for his dastardly deed of infamy.

It is difficult to conceive of lower depths than this, to which souls of infamy may sink themselves. An anarchist hates law and puts a premium on crime. We do not believe they should be left at large among a free people who love law and maintain government.

#### SUFFOLK LETTER.

A very pretty home marriage was celebrated on Thursday afternoon, July 9th, at the residence of the bride's father, George L. Borum, on Grace Street, Suffolk, Va., when his daughter Sarah George Borum became the bride of John Calvin Little, Jr., of Baltimore. Mr. Borum is a successful contractor and was, at one time, Nausemond County's representative in the Virginia legislature. His daughter has been one of the favorites among the young people from a child. The groom is a civil engineer with the Geological Survey, with headquarters at Anapolis, Md.

The floors of the residence were laid with white sheetings, the rooms were tastily decorated with festoons of ivy and flowers, and electric lights gleamed through all, subdued by modest shades.

Miss Mildred Nurney sang De Hardelet's "Because" just before the ceremony. Prof. A. M. Wilber rendered Lohengrin's bridal chorus as the bridal party entered through the parlors and crossed each other in the door between and formed a semicircle with this door as the center. These were, John Howard Taylor and Charles Palmer Cramer, ushers; Lewis Brothers and Miss Katharine Brothers, Arthur Hutchins and Miss Rosa Bruce, groomsmen and bridesmaids; Miss Helen, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and little Borum Barbee, nephew of the bride, was ring-bearer. The bride was met at the altar by the groom and his best man, Charles M. Settle, and was given away by her uncle, Julius W. Borum, of Norfolk.

A goodly company of friends witnessed the marriage, many beautiful and useful presents graced the tables in the back hall, sweet music enlivened the occasion, and congratulations from warm hearts made the going away very touching indeed. The bride is a member of the Suffolk Christian Church and the ceremony was performed by the pastor. They will reside in Anapolis, Md.

The editor of The Sun is at the bed-

side of his sick daughters, Jennie Willis and Mary D., at Mr. W. J. Lee's in Lower Parish, with no change in their condition for several days. Both have typhoid fever and many readers of The Sun will offer a prayer as they read that our editor, who has said so many words of cheer to us all, is now in trouble himself; and his wife, who is behind all the good words that drop from his facile pen, will share in every motion of sympathy, every prayer, and every tear. And among all that multitude of friends I desire to be counted as one.

Little Lucy Mayo Rawles, daughter of C. C. Rawles and wife, North Street, Suffolk, Va., died July 2d and was buried the next day. She was eight months and seven days of age. She had been sickly most of her life and this required service that bound parents more closely to her. As the last weeks and days went by their hearts felt that the end was coming by slow but certain steps. In all those weary nights her father aided mother, though he had toiled during the day. When she died her father was in the grip of rheumatism, superinduced by anxiety and loss of sleep. There is no limit to the service of love. It will do its own work, deny itself rest and sleep, render any service required, and never complain. It masters all difficulties and praises God in the midst of grief. It puts its last flower on the grave of the dead and there cultivates more for the living. None but parents know the heartaches of losing a child; but home is richer, even when the child is taken, than if it had never been; and the sweetest songs are written by hands moved by breaking hearts. If David had never known trouble we might not have had the sweet psalms.

The Suffolk Christian Sunday School will run its annual excursion to Ocean View on Thursday, July 16th, leaving Suffolk on two large steamers, the Luray and Hampton Roads, at 8:00 a. m. Fare for round trip: adults, 60c.; children under 12, 30c. Ample accommodations and personal attention by committees will make the day one of pleasure to all.

W. W. Staley.

#### TEACHER-TRAINING AND THE TEACHERS.

Every man who undertakes a business hopes to attain success in it. All of us like to succeed—very few, if any of us, would embark in an enterprise in which we expected to fail. It is a natural presumption, then, that Sunday school teachers want to succeed in their noble work. They realize the importance of their office and no doubt give thoughtful concern to the means and ways by which they may better the service they are ren-

dering their Lord and Master. Their constant aim, their ever-present ambition is, with rare exception, to become better teachers; for they are conscious that they must either improve as teachers or become less efficient. To this end, that they may become the best teachers they can be, they study their lessons and meditate on the plans and suggestions for improvement that come their way. They will, if actuated by the growing, progressing spirit, welcome every opportunity looking to improvement and larger results for their holy function.

It is to the Sunday school teachers, therefore, that the committee and their assistants who are now engaged in preparing a course on Teacher-Training for the Southern Christian Convention look for largest support and most unadulterated and thoroughly united encouragement. It is primarily for teachers that the course is being prepared—the purpose is to place before them such material and in such form that they can by mastering it become better, more useful, more serviceable, more practical teachers. The course when completed will furnish an ambitious Sunday school teacher with information that will be to him what the water in the standpipe is to the water that is distributed here and there throughout the city—it will cause his teaching to body itself forth with more tremendous force. It will give our teachers authority—and authority was the secret of the teaching power of Christ.

Every teacher should purchase the first volume as soon as it is from the press and should master it, not simply read it, but master it, and take the examination thereon to be given by Prof. S. M. Smith, chairman of the Convention Sunday school committee. They should do likewise with the second volume. These two volumes thus disposed of and mastered should be to them a thing of beauty and a joy forever. Let every Sunday school teacher among us, as well as those who are expecting some day to become teachers, rally to the Teacher-Training Course of the Southern Christian Convention, that it may be the most efficient, as it promises to be the most thorough and complete, Teacher-Training Course before the public. W. A. Harper, Chairman Committee on Teacher-Training Course.

From not infrequent reports one would readily gather that we have no more consecrated and faithful worker among our Georgia and Alabama brethren than Rev. B. F. Young. Rev. L. E. Smith in this week's Sun tells something of labors and results in Bro. Young's field of labor.

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Henderson, N. C., June 29, 1908.

Dear Uncle Jim:

This month has slipped away so rapidly. I shall try to be more nearly on time next month. I have a kitty. I love it dearly. Its name is Tomsie. The little Thomas children gave it to me.

I send a dime and love to the orphans.

Your little boy,

Charles E. Newman, Jr.

Don't love Kitty hard enough to make him "meow," Charles, for most little ones like you hug too hard around the neck.

Elon College, N. C., July 9, 1908.

My Dear Children and Friends:

We have a fine report. Just see the children, schools and friends, how they help us! Our boys and girls had 4th of July dinner and enjoyed "guinea-fowl" and "sliced potato pie." Our guinea-fowls which Hollis Atkinson gave us last winter had become so wild, and occasionally one would be missing, that we thought best to save the five remaining—hence the big dinner. They all celebrated heartily, except Tyler Bolling, who was spending the 4th with his sisters in Greensboro.

Well, we have had our first "wheat-threshing;" and made 59 bushels of wheat, and 19 bushels of oats. We kept some oats for Nellie and Bill.

We spent last Sunday in Ramseur, N. C., and the friends made us a liberal

offering and will continue to make monthly Sunday school offerings. They have a large house and good congregations.

We preached at Graham 4th Sunday in June at 11 a. m., which was our first service in that community for 18 years; the trip was enjoyed. They have a neat house of worship and some faithful members. They were the first to make a "monthly Sunday school offering, and they keep it up.

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Uncle Jim.

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- Bettie Franks,
- Dwight Franks,
- Noma Franks,
- Numa Franks.

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Sanford, N. C., July 2, 1908.

Dear Uncle Jim:

Please find our dues for July. Uncle Jim, our sister Alma was married last Sunday. It is so lonely this week. Hope the children are having a nice time. Three of our little cousins are going to visit us soon. We know we shall have a nice time.

With much love to the Band, we close.

Your niece and nephews,

Ollie, Claudie and Pearl Way.

You will have a nice time with your cousins I know, children, and son forget the loneliness.

**CHRISTIAN SERVICE.**

Doubtless some have declared themselves on the side of the Christian religion thinking most of all of what they were to receive. And there is much in it for all those who live by its teachings, but it is learned by experience as it is taught by precept that its deepest joy is felt by those who exercise the spirit of giving. In meeting this test some have "gone back and have walked no more with him." When it was said that "faith without works is dead" and that "it is more blessed to give than to receive" they went away and hence the many backsliders and unhappy people in the world. They have allowed themselves to listen to another proposition: "Fall down and worship me and all shall be thine." It seemed to be the easier path to get possession of things right away. They walk by sight. They have failed to get into the secret of the Christian life and to understand that its real blessedness consists not so much in getting as in giving and that it is the nature of the Christian religion to give, to serve and to suffer. Those unhappy people who count on getting so much and of doing and of giving so little come into the church and fail to receive the recognition that they expected and being called upon to contribute for the enterprises of the church and to help bear its burdens and carry on its mission they go away disappointed. We are to come and "buy wine and milk without money and without price," but these people failed to come with the right spirit. The Lord saves us to serve. "Go ye into my vineyard and work and whatsoever is right that shall ye receive." And there are many ways of working and many enterprises of the church to be cared for. We are not to work to be saved but rather to work because we have salvation and to give evidence that we have it. "Faith without works is dead." "Work out your salvation with fear and trembling." Work out what God works in. God is not unmindful as to what we are to have but He also keeps in mind as to what we do and what we give. "For God is not unmindful to forget your work and labor of love which ye have showed toward his name in that ye have ministered to the saints and do minister." Heb. 6.10. "Be ye therefore steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." Then "whatsoever thy hand findeth to do do it with all thy might," for "God is able to make all grace abound towards you, that ye always, having all sufficiency in all

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things, may abound to every good work." And so this seems to be the teaching of the Book that the true Christian life consists for the most part in giving, which is outgrowth of faith in Christ. "He went about doing good." "The poor ye have with you always and whensoever ye will ye may do them good." "If ye know these things happy are ye if ye do them." "Why call ye me Lord! Lord! and do not the things that I say?" A good inquiry for man is: Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And thus waiting upon Him the path to real blessedness and usefulness will open up. How changed would be our lives and how much happier if the motive of our living should be changed from that of getting for ourselves to that of giving for others? when this is done out of love for Christ. "He came not to be ministered unto but to minister." "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus."

W. D. Harward.

Norfolk, Va., June 11, 1908.

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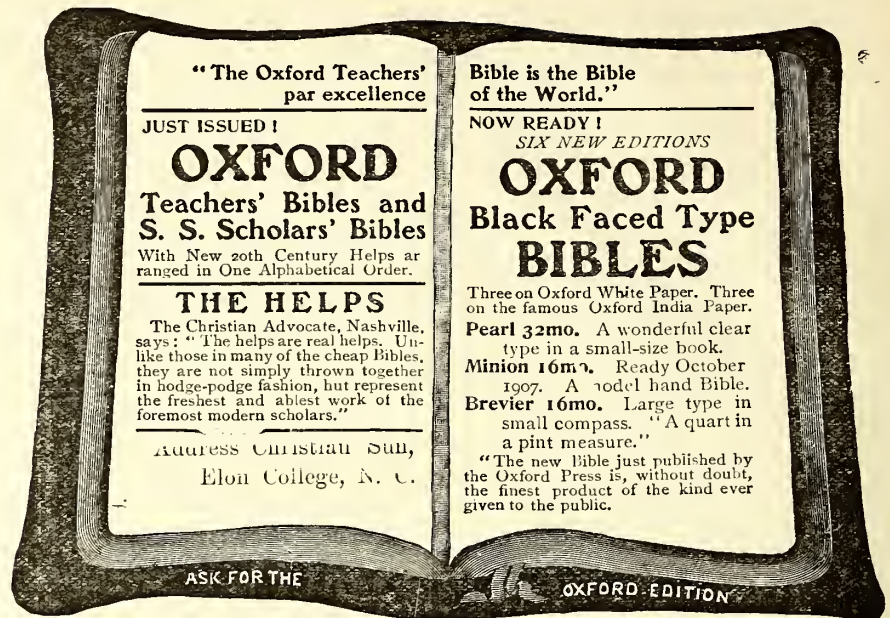
His mercy has called us from darkness into light, convinced us of sin, blessed us with pardon and regeneration, raised us to heirship with Jesus.

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### DURHAM LETTER.

We enjoyed most glorious services the first Sunday in July when we moved into our new church house on Main Street, formerly occupied by the Methodist congregation. The brethren of the Durham Christian Church purchased this property eighteen months ago at \$6,500 and rented it to the Main Street M. E. people until they could prepare their elaborate church building on Chapel Street for services. Our people have been loyal and faithful for three years, worshipping in the Court House. There was great rejoicing among our people and also among our many friends, brethren and sisters of all denominations. A strong proof of their joy was demonstrated by the offering made, amounting to \$90.00, which was very gratefully received by the members of Main Street Christian Church. You will see the name of the church is changed from its former name

to the above by at vote of the church in regular session. We entered our place with a Sabbath school numbering one hundred and twenty-five pupils and officers. Dev. W. S. Long, D.D., from Graham, N. C., was with us and preached a fine sermon to the great delight of a large and attentive congregation. Rev. J. W. Wellons was present and made the opening prayer. He also made a nice opening address, after which the program was carried out. Professor Wilson, of the Second Baptist Church, rendered fine music with the choir trained from our Sunday school, assisted by Brother Sidney Barbee and Brother Salmon. Sister Maud Rodgers rendered efficient service at the organ. We are very grateful to our friends for their effectual services.

Our work is in fine shape at this writing. We are looking forward to a glorious revival in the near future. We

solicit an interest in the prayers of all The Sun's readers for the work in Durham.  
A. P. Barbee, Pastor.

### VIRGINIA VALLEY CENTRAL CONFERENCE.

The Virginia Valley Central Christian Conference will meet at Bethlehem Church August 13th at 10 a. m., and will continue three days with an all-day service Sunday to follow. All delegates and visitors will please write E. P. Myers, telling how and when they expect to arrive. Those coming by rail will be met at New Market on the afternoon of the 12th. Those from the north will arrive at 2:01 and those from the south at 3:52. No other trains will be met except by special arrangement.

Be sure to write E. P. Myers, Timberville, Va., R. F. D. 1, and be sure to be at the opening session.

W. T. Walters, Pres.

### A LETTER FROM REV. J. W. WELLONS.

I left home on June 18th for a visit to old friends. I stopped at Durham one night and greeted many old friends, and from there to Henderson where I spent a couple of hours. I visited the new Christian church and found it a neat and roomy building, almost ready for services, yet they will hold on for awhile, to raise more money for its completion. Rev. C. E. Newman is getting along nicely with his work.

The afternoon of the 19th found me at Franklinton, where I met many old friends, among them my brother-in-law, Henry May. The next day I spent at Pope's Chapel, one of my old pastoral charges, at which place I preached for twenty years. The church building I had had built looked so natural without any visible changes. Here I met so many dear old friends of former years. Sunday afternoon I was at the church at Good hope, with the popular pastor, Rev. J. W. Patton. This church I had had built and preached there for twenty years out of thirty. I had not been there in sixteen years. The same church building we built there over fifty years since, with very little changes and improvements made, still stands. So many of old friends, brethren and sisters, have passed away since I was there. In 1847 the first union meeting of the Southern Christian Conferences assembled here. Rev. Jesse K. Cole was pastor at that time. Rev. Mills Barrett and wife and W. B. Wellons were there from the Eastern Virginia Conferences, Rev. H. B. Hayes from the North Carolina, and E. W. Kerr, T. J. Fowler, Alfred Isley and others were from their Conferences. Nearly all the old people have passed

away since I was there, but what a pleasure to shake the hands and look in the faces of the many young members and friends. The people all looked pleasant and cheerful and had fine crops growing. Here I made many visits and would like to give some of the names but lack of space forbids. From Youngsville I returned, by way of Henderson, and spent a short while with my dear old friend, Brother C. E. Aysene, whom I found on his bed with paralysis, the only living charter member of the Liberty church.

I was at Durham at the opening of the church they had purchased from the Methodist brethren over a year since, but had only recently got into possession of the property. Here we had a large congregation and Dr. Long gave us a fine sermon at eleven o'clock. Rev. A. P. Barbee preached a very good sermon at night. The music was fine and the congregation was very large. The members were so gratified to get out of the Court House and get into their own house of worship.

I returned home about exhausted with the fatigue of the trip, but I can look back with great pleasure upon the meetings of so many old friends. I found nearly all the professors out canvassing and but few in the place. We are hoping for a fine opening in September.

The Equitable Life Assurance Society is to erect in New York the highest office building in the world. It will be sixty-two stories high, reaching 909 feet above the curb, this being 209 feet higher than the Metropolitan which has 46 stories. It will cost \$10,000,000. There will be 38 passenger, and several freight, elevators, in the building. The famous Eifel tower is only 984 feet high.

Japan is to have the next World's Fair. Count on it: it will be great. Ground is to be broken and work begun in earnest next year. The exposition will open in 1912. Our Congress at its last session decided to appropriate one and a half million dollars to the enterprise. Tokio is getting ready. A six-million-dollar hotel is to be built near the grounds, and the Japanese government will lavish funds to make the Fair go.

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After the marriage they drove to Elon College, and there took the train for a trip South. The bride and groom are both very popular in Burlington and we are pleased to know that they will make their home in this city. We bespeak for them a long and happy life.

P. H. Fleming.

**DIED.****Blanchard.**

Departed this life June 26, 1908, at his home near Big Falls, Alamance Co., N. C., Mr. Java Cornelius Blanchard, in his 28th year. He leaves a wife and two children. His sickness was of short duration, about two weeks. When nearing the end of life he requested the prayers of those about him and expressed the hope of a blessed immortality. The funeral services were conducted at his home, and his body was laid to rest in the cemetery at Union Ridge, N. C. A large company of relatives and friends attended the services. The writer conducted the services. May the God of consolation and comfort bless and sustain the bereaved.

P. H. Fleming.

**Beale.**

At the home of his son, Mr. J. W. Beale, Franklin, Va., Sunday evening, June 28, 1908, at 7:30 o'clock, Bro. William Beale, aged 85 years, passed to his reward. Uncle Billy had been feeble for some time, but was thought to be as well as usual, and had been talking with friends just a few minutes before the end came. He walked into the house and lay down on the couch and in a few minutes, without a struggle, he was called from time to eternity.

A wife, two sons, and one daughter preceded him to the spirit world, and four sons and two daughters and a number of grandchildren survive him. He had many noble traits of character. He was a loving father, good neighbor, and a faithful friend.

The funeral services were conducted at Bethany Church, of which he was a member for many years, and his remains were laid to rest in the church cemetery by the side of his wife. The prayers and sympathy of the pastor are extended to the bereaved ones.

C. H. Rowland.

**Van Dansen.**

Bro. C. H. Van Dansen was born in England about 58 years ago, and died at the home of Bro. Wm. Keith, in Keyser, N. C., June 10, 1908. After coming to this county he settled in Cleveland, O., where he spent a portion of his life, till he contracted pulmonary trouble and upon the advice of his physician came South and for several years seemed to improve, till last winter, when he began to decline some, but kept up till about one week before his death. He died in the pleasant home of Bro. Wm. Keith, where he received every attention that his skilled physician and kind friends could give. Bro. Van Dansen was a deacon in the Keyser Christian Church and was a faithful, consecrated Christian gentleman. He was a delegate to the last Annual Conference, and a member of the committee on Sunday schools in the Western North Carolina Conference. He leaves no relatives in this country, but one son in Ohio.

S. B. Klapp, Pastor.

**Mrs. M. A. Smith.**

Mrs. M. A. Smith, mother of Prof. S. H. Smith, at her home in the city of Raleigh June 29, 1908. Sister Smith was one of the best Christian ladies I ever knew. Funeral services by W. G. Clements, assisted by N. B. Broughton. The Raleigh Times had this to say of her:

Mrs. M. A. Smith, mother of Prof. S. M. Smith, died this morning at 10 o'clock, after a lingering sickness of six months or more.

Mrs. Smith was in the 64th year of her age. She was born and reared in this county and until two years ago lived at the old home in the country. She was a devout Christian woman, beloved by all who knew her. She was a member of Auburn Christian Church and so long as she was able took an active part in all its work.

Prof. Smith is the only surviving member of this family, there having been six deaths in the family the past 18 months.

**Deacon Magee.**

Deacon John Walter Magee was born December 4, 1847, and died June 30, 1908, in his sixty-first year, at Portsmouth, Va. He was married to Miss Sallie Davidson September 14, 1870. To this union were born six children, four of whom survive him, W. A. and J. P. Magee, of Portsmouth, Va., and Mrs. J. Peter Holland and Miss Ida Magee, of Franklin, Va. He was married the second time to Miss Eugenia Howell, of Franklin, Va., Feb. 23, 1888, and to this union was born one child that died in

infancy. His second wife survives him.

He was a Confederate veteran and as a soldier he was brave, heroic and faithful.

He was an active Christian worker in the Christian Church for about 35 or 40 years. He was a charter member in both the Bethany and Franklin Christian Churches and at the time of his death held his membership with the Portsmouth Church. He served as deacon in all three churches. He was a faithful member, one that could be counted upon to stand by all the interests of the church. There was in him no tendency to shirk his duty. We feel that he has passed from labor to reward.

The place where our brother did possibly his greatest work was in the Sunday-school. This work was a peculiar delight to him. He was a teacher in the Sunday school for about 25 years. It gave him great pleasure to meet his class on Sunday morning.

The funeral services were conducted by the writer from the home of his son-in-law, Mr. J. Peter Holland, Franklin, Va. The interment was made in the Franklin cemetery. The Lord bless and comfort the bereaved ones.

J. W. Harrell.

**FROM MORRISVILLE AND  
ROANOKE ISLAND:  
NOTES BY THE  
WAY.**

Last Sabbath I filled my regular appointment at Morrisville. Had a very pleasant service. There are some most excellent people, Christian people, in this congregation. It is a pleasure to serve them. I endeavored to hold up the idea, Fruitage Essential to Salvation. Matt. 3:8-10, "Bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance: and think not to say within yourself, We have Abraham to our father: for I say unto you, that God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham. And now also the ax is laid unto the root of the trees: therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down and cast into the fire." I laid down and discussed these propositions:

1. Repentance verily a small part of man's work in the plan of salvation. "Bring forth therefore fruits," etc.

2. We are, individually, responsible to God. "Think not to say," etc.

3. Fruitage essential to salvation. "And now also the ax is laid unto the root of the trees," etc.

I should be most terribly afraid to go to the judgment, feeling that I had brought no one to Jesus. I should expect Him to say, Depart. Love, joy, peace, etc., are fruits of the spirit, auxiliaries

to our bringing fruits meet for repentance.

I am now on the historic island of Roanoke, representing the grandest and most ancient moral institution this world has ever known. It unites men of every country, sect, and opinion, and conciliates true friendship among those, who otherwise might have remained at a perpetual distance.

On my way here I touched at Nag's Head, where six votes, in the last election, were cast for liquor, five of which were Swedish. Three miles from here, we landed at Manteo, on this island containing some twenty-five hundred inhabitants and among whom there was not one who voted for liquor. In fact it is reported that there were only seven votes cast against prohibition in the entire county of Dare. Roanoke Island is only a part of this county. It is some six miles long from north to south and averaging about two and one-half miles in width. These people feel very proud of these thirty square miles of territory, the most extreme eastern portion of North Carolina. It is here where Sir Walter landed, where the first colony of North Carolina settled, and where Virginia Dare, the first white child in America, was born.

It is here, now, that God is loved and revered, for houses of worship, to Him, are dedicated and the people meet to praise His name, inspire each other to higher thoughts, nobler deeds and grander achievements. May God's banner of love and peace and prosperity continue to be unfurled and wave over this spot of earth. And as its shores are kissed by the waters of the mighty Atlantic, and of the sounds and estuaries by which it is surrounded, so may the great ocean of God's love surround and bless and keep and protect its people.

J. W. Patton.

Wanehese, Roanoke Island, N. C.,

June 25, 1908.

**LEBANON CHURCH.**

At last appointment at this church the Children's Day exercises were held and an excellent program was rendered. Mrs. Euroda Pierce, Miss Maude Taylor, Miss Mabel Yarbrough and an efficient committee had charge of the training of the children and it was well done, much to the credit of the committee and those who assisted them.

At the close of the program cash and subscriptions to the amount of about \$100 were raised to meet our Conference assessments and other incidental church expenses. This only expresses the loyal, liberal-hearted spirit of the membership of this church. I have served this church for five years and I have never

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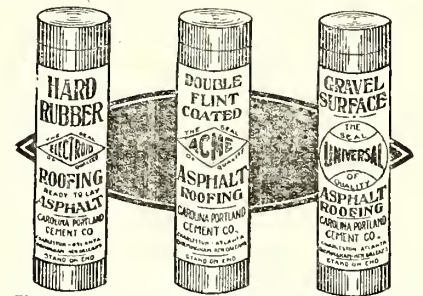
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