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EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Jew and Gentile. The Second Presbyterian Church, Louisville, Ky., lost its house of worship by fire recently. Before the flame had finished its destructive work "Methodists, Baptists, Episcopal, and Jews, all, with one burst of sympathy, opened their doors to the homeless congregation." The home-less congregation have accepted the offer of the Jewish Rabbi to use his church until they can rebuild. In offering his synagogue as a place for Presbyterian worship Rabbi Moulter wrote "We do not make this offer as a matter of form, we wish you to accept it. Our temple was once a Presbyterian church, and, at any rate, we are all the children of one Father." Surely misfortune makes brothers of us all, and the Christian world is not as widely divided into sects and schisms as some would have us believe.

Objections to Prohibition. It simply comes to this: Do we wish the few open saloons and dispensaries in North Carolina to continue their nefarious business, or do we wish them to shut up shop? That is the length, breadth and height of the matter.

Of course there are objections to the present, proposed prohibition law. There never was a human document submitted to the suffrage of a sovereign people that did not have its vulnerable and objectionable features. You can easily find fault with, and objections to every printed and published document under heaven. It is not then a question as to the perfection of the present measure. You and I and the rest vote on May 26, next "For Liquor and the Open Saloon in North Carolina" or "Against Liquor and the Open saloon." Just that. That is the issue, square, plain, and simple.

All this talk about needing whiskey for medical purposes, having some "spirits" in the home when needed, sending money out of the State to the impoverishment of our own commonwealth, is mere rot and cant.

The question before us is not this, or any one of these. And we need not call these up with which to becloud the main issue. This issue involved is too momentous to be shoved aside by any petty or trivial objections. If we wish liquor sold from the degrading grog shop and rum mills yet doing business in the State, say so by your ballot. If you wish these grog alleys and low dives closed up and put out of commission, say so with your ballot. There is no need of faltering or dodging about the issue.

Subaqueous Travel. New enterprises introduce new terms. Automobile dashed into our lexicons not very long ago. Aeroplane has arrived and is finding place. Wireless telegraph will find itself one word after awhile, maybe "Mareoni," from its inventor. Now "subaqueous," (traveling by dry land under water) is introduced and is already of healthful proportions. On January 9th a tunnel under East River, connecting New York and Brooklyn was opened for travel. On Feb. 25th the tunnel under the Hudson, connecting New York and New Jersey was opened, the governors of the two states being passengers on the first cars passing under and clasping each other by the hand at the midway point where the two states come together. This tunnel has cost \$60,000,000 and is one of the most gigantic achievements of our day. The Hudson Company, also the Pennsylvania Railway Company, are digging tunnels under the North and East Rivers. Subaqueous takes its place with "elevated," "subway" and the rest. There are ever new and multiplying interests to invite man's intelligence, energy and effort. Only the dullard, indolent and ignoramus sees no field or fancy calling him to daily trial of strength and achievement. There never was a grander age and more to live for than this of ours.

TAKE YOUR LETTER.

Take your certificate of transfer with you when you leave the bounds of your church and go to another. If you are to stay only a year carry your letter. Join the church in the bounds of which you are to sojourn. There are many good reasons for this. You want to be

doing something for the cause of Christ. In the ranks is the place to do the most effective service. You will be more comfortable. The hearts of the members of the church will naturally go out to you with greater warmth and sympathy. The exquisite feelings that inhere in the consciousness of home will supervene. This is great advantage to you in many ways. You feel happier. A sense of ownership is awakened. As a result you feel a quickened interest in the peace and progress of the church. The idea is really an inspiration. There is a lamentable disregard of this duty. Very many move elsewhere not only to abide for a time, but more permanently and do not carry their letters. The natural result is they become cold and indifferent about church work and suffer the loss of sympathetic touch with the church. It is rare that they help by their means to support the church in which they hold their membership. The home church has their names on the roll and they are counted whenever apportionments are to be made on a per capita basis. The reports go up to the Presbytery annually showing a membership which is not a working membership. The churches from which members move should insist upon a transfer of membership. This should be done promptly. The thing can be effected often by writing a letter to the pastor of the church in the bounds of which the migrating members have taken up their residence. If the parties for any reason not tenable should be disposed to defer the transfer, it would be well in many cases to forward their letters any way to the Session. It is more than likely that many members drift off to other churches or suffer a painful relapse to worldliness by a neglect of transfer of church relations at a proper time. We are persuaded that we are discussing an evil of administration that is wide spread and needs remedy.—Presbyterian Standard.

The legislature of Miss. fixed Jan. 1, next as the date for all saloons and distilleries in that State to shut up and get out.

General Stoessel, being tried by a Russian court for surrendering Port Arthur to the Japanese, has been condemned to death.

FAMILY PRAYER.

By James H. Dall.

Family prayer is the key that unlocks heaven's door, and lets God in to the hearts of the whole family. It is God's children communing with the Father. There is no hour so precious, so sweet, so sublime, as the hour of family prayer. The very idea of the family altar lifts the soul heavenward; and if there is the least trouble lurking around the family, prayer drives it all away. The approaching of our Father, whom we meet at the hour of family prayer, is so consoling. No child dreads to approach him, but rejoices in the hour set apart by the family for the consecration of the whole family to God the Father, in sweet fellowship and communion together.

In family prayer God gets the whole family to be of one mind and one will. We approach the hour as we approach no other. Our all is surrendered to God and to his will. And he so sweetly dwells within that all troubles are banished, and joy takes their place.

There is no home so happy, no family so lovely, as the one that observes the hour of family prayer. Oh! how sweet is the thought of coming together with our blessed Lord and Master! We can carry all our sorrows and joys to him; and he rejoices with us in our joys, and he bears our sorrows for us. Oh! who can be happy without the family altar? There is no home, no family, no love without it. We find it a source of all enjoyment and happiness. Why is it, that every family cannot establish the great source of enjoyment and happiness, the family altar?

Prayer is the only thing that carries from earth to heaven on the spirit line, or line of communication. Without family prayer heaven and earth would be two separate places, without connection. With family prayer the two are one; for the Savior comes, the connecting link of heaven and earth.

How beautiful is the hour of prayer; especially family prayer! The morning hour is connected with the evening hour, and we have continuous bond of prayer, from day to day, from week to week, from month to month, from year to year; a continuous link of prayer from conversion to the grave. And then, when we pass to the beyond, our Lord will change our prayers to praise; and that will last through all eternity.

Oh! how much one misses, who does not enjoy God's love, and misses family prayer. It is the Christian's first thought in the evening; and upon that he can commune with heaven. Should death come, he passes into eternity on the line

of prayer, and dwells with God in the heaven of rest. From there he can look back to earth, and see the source of enjoyment and the cause of happiness. Then we can say, O family prayer, thou art the gem of gems to me; thou hast done it all.

Family prayer! the sweetest thought
My mind can dwell upon!

And when the hour has passed and fled
My joy has just begun.

And yet I linger all through life
With prayer upon my lips,
And pass away when life is done
To one eternal bliss.

Such is the joy of one who lives
With prayer his daily thought.

His labors find their just reward
And gain the pearl he sought.

Lincoln, Kansas.

(Offered in competition for the \$50.00 prize and kindly sent to us by Rev. J. J. Summerbell, D. D.)

FROM THE FIELD.

There is nothing startling, or very interesting from my field. Since the 2nd day of Feb, ground hog influence or something else has kept "grip" so much in demand, that church services have not been as interesting as an old time August revival.

Amelia. This church is located in Johnson county almost three miles from Clayton, and was organized by Rev. W. T. Herndon soon after he entered the ministry. It has had a trying history, but is fast pulling to the front, located in one of the best farming communities in the county, surrounded by an industrious, intelligent citizenship, and a membership kind and loyal to the church. I am looking for much from it.

Mt. Hermon. This church was organized by W. G. Clements about twenty-eight years ago. For some years under the pastoral charge of Rev. J. A. Jones and others, she flourished like a green bay tree. But finally some of the older members died, and many of the young ones moved away, which left her in a declining condition. But a new community of young men and ladies has come on in the neighborhood. They are taking hold of the church work with a determined effort, and being encouraged by the older brethren and sisters, a new day seems to be dawning.

Wake Chapel. This Church was organized, I think, by Rev. Little John Utley. It is located in Wake county near Fuquay Springs. It is one of the strongest churches in the Eastern N. C. Conference. The membership is large and influential. I do not know of a better people.

Christian Light. This church is loca-

ted in Harnett Co. and was organized by Rev. G. R. Underwood. Like Mt. Hermon, for a while it flourished, but after some years, the work of the death angel and Texas fever thinned the ranks, giving the brethren and sisters remaining a hard time to exist. But they have held on faithfully, and now they see a brighter day dawning.

Ebenezer. This church is located in Wake county, and was organized by Rev. D. F. Jones. Like many other churches this one has had its ups and downs. The influence, however, for good has been great. The contrast in morals when the church was organized and now is wonderful. The congregation of young people is very encouraging indeed.

Six Forks. This church is in Wake county almost ten miles north of Raleigh. The congregations are very large indeed. The membership is loyal, and the people in the community sing. This church is only in its infancy, but bids fair to make a very strong one.

Haw River. This my tenth year as pastor of this church, and can say that I have never had a more pleasant pastorate in my life. The people are full of kind words which they are willing to use about the pastor. No preacher ought to desire a more pleasant field of labor than I have. I feel that I am not worthy of such a field of labor as I have.

May the Lord bless every church of my charge.

W. G. Clements.

Morrisville, N. C.

PORTSMOUTH LETTER.

The Sunday-school at Berea (Norfolk, Co.) held its usual Christmas exercises during the holidays. The program executed by the children was very fine and highly appreciated by the large audience which was present. The church was filled to overflowing. The children were remembered in the usual way and the pastor also was remembered with a useful gift. The exercises were a decided success and greatly enjoyed. The Sunday-school is doing good work under the Superintendence of Bro. G. L. Hanbury, who is interested himself in the work and earnestly seeking to interest others. Let the entire membership of the Church rally to the support of the Sunday-school and the success of the Church is assured.

At Portsmouth the Christmas exercises for the Sunday-school were of the usual high order. An excellent program was rendered and all the children performed their part well. The attendance was large. The children were remembered in the usual way and every body seemed to enjoy themselves. The pastor and wife were the recipients of useful

gifts. The exercises throughout were a credit to the committee who had the training of the children in charge. Those who train the children for service in the kingdom of God perform a great service for the cause of Christ. It's the child thus trained that makes the best worker in the vinyard of the Lord.

Building Fund.

Cash,

Previously reported	\$2251.66
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Previously Reported	1361.59
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Previously reported	194.00
Portsmouth Church	469.38
The total in fund cash and sub.	\$3620.25

You see from the above that 1908 has come and we have not the \$5000.00 which we were working for as a guarantee fund for the beginning of the new Church. We are \$1379.75 short. What shall we do? We cannot go ahead without the \$5000.00. Do not think it would be wise to begin with a smaller amount in hand. It is not our purpose to burden the church with an unreasonable debt. Therefore, we are compelled to delay our plans, unless the brethren throughout the Conference will come to our rescue and make up the deficiency in our building fund. In the meantime the fact remains that we must have our new Church in the near future if we are going to do aggressive work. We want to see the work grow, but how can we expect such when we have poorer equipments than any other church in the City and besides in our efforts to better ourselves we are constantly delayed? When such conditions prevail what is there to attract others? You can only hope to hold your own and if that is done you may congratulate yourself. You must remember we have been on the ground here over six years and have had nothing but temporary house of worship and in the heart of the City with modern and well equipped churches all about us. We would like to have a fair show at least. We need our permanent building and must have it. We mean to keep at it until we get it. Now, the question is how soon and how much will you help us? Do let us hear from you at an early date, so we can go forward with our plans.

J. W. Harrell.

Jan. 30, 1908.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT.

An event of unusual interest, and much beauty, was the entertainment given by the "Philorhetorica Club" in honor of

the Sunday-school of the First Christian Church at this place at the home of Rev. J. W. Elder, Wednesday evening, Jan. 22nd, from 6 to 9 o'clock.

The elegant Elder home was never more lovely than on this occasion, when the whole house was like fairy land with its decorations of palms, cut flowers, flags, and southern smilax.

As the guests arrived they were received in the hall by little Miss Ida Belle Reynolds and Master Bunyan Elder; in the reception room by little Miss Burnace Duncan and Master Hurlie Elder.

After indulging in various games the guests were ushered into the dining room where they were served to light and dainty refreshments, confectioneries, cake and cream, in a most charming manner by Misses Jennie Mae Reynolds and Hattie Elder, both of whom were dressed as fairies.

The long tabel was profusely decorated in beauty roses, silver tinted, and golden bells, suspended by ribbon from the ceiling and caught in the center of the table and at each corner by silver stars, and flickering here and there in a bed of roses shone the soft light of hundreds of tiny pink candles.

The following program was very successfully carried out by the members of the Club, and was thoroughly enjoyed by the little ones, as this feature of the entertainment was a surprise to them.

Welcome Address by Rev. J. W. Elder. Reading, "Parson Lamb's Donation," by Miss Rotha McClung. Tenor Solo, by Mr. Fred McDaniel; Recitation, "Rock of Ages" by Miss Jennie Mae Reynolds; Piano Solo by Miss Hattie Elder; Reading, "Wanted A Minister's Wife" by Rev. E. L. Cook; Vocal Solo, by Mrs. J. P. Brown; Recitation, "Beckoning Hands" by Miss Rosa Cook; Duet, by Mr. Luther McClung and Mrs. J. P. Brown; Reading, "Experience with a Refractory Cow" by Miss Jennie Mae Reynolds; Vocal Solo, Miss Hattie Elder.

It was a most delightful occasion to all A Guest.

Box Springs., Ga.
(We regret that this article was somewhere delayed—Ed. Sun.)

DURHAM LETTER.

Dear Brother Editor: Allow me to give an account of our meeting which has continued with renewed interest through eleven days, closing Wednesday night. The church is thoroughly revived and now rejoicing in a Savior's love and is now beginning a more glorious new year's work in the Sabbath school, and church work. The Lord was with us in power and demonstration.

Under this good influence great numbers were reclaimed from a cold indifferent Christian life to that of an active energetic life, being refilled with grace and glory, praising God in psalms and hymns and making melody in their hearts. I was never in a more glorious meeting than this. Our brethren and sisters of other denominations were present with us aiding in song, prayer and work. We could indeed sing "Blest be the Tie that Binds." We feel that great good has come to us through this meeting from various ways. We have received four new members and quite a number will come in later. There are a good many of our brethren and sisters whose membership is in country churches. They are asking for their letters to unite with us at Durham. I am looking to the future of our church with joy.

Yours in Christ.

A. P. Barbee.

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A DESTRUCTIVE CRITIC OF 2908..

(To the Reader of 1907.

Dear Brother: Although interested in the able writings of the higher critics of 1907, especially in their assumption of having discovered something valuable, as if the "historical method" were new in studying the Bible, I confess I became somewhat drowsy under their monotonous efforts to make the sacred writings seem to abound in misstatements. But I gradually absorbed their genius and spirit, and seemed to become a destructive critic, though calling myself a higher critic.

While in this state of mind, sleepy though I was, I seemed to live rapidly through the centuries, century after century, until I found myself moving among scholars who dated their letters with the numerals, 2, 9, 0, 7.

On seeming to be roused from a semi-consciousness, and supposing that a thousand years had passed from the time I fell asleep under the dreary chanting about the mistakes of the Bible, I seemed to be walking among the fancied alcoves of my library, now increased by the additions of a thousand years, and coming across the following correspondence I give you the letters, believing that it may be interesting to the reader to observe how the reasoning of the future destructive critic (writing in 2907 of our times in the spirit in which the destructive critic of 1907 writes of Bible times) will make the conditions of our generation to appear.

If we of the year 1907 know something of the conclusions of the learned gentleman of 2907 to be false, whose letters I now reveal, or if his modes of reasoning are absurd, or if he lays stress on insufficient data in his logic, or, especially, if he is ludicrously given to denying the statements of eye-witnesses to the facts which we of our time know to be true, these faults must not be attributed to me: for I copy the letters and publish them exactly as I found them a thousand years before they were written.

J. J. Summerbell.)

Dayton, Ohio.

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TWENTIETH LETTER.

Kinkade, New Zealand, 30, 4, 2908.
My Dear Grandson:

In my last letter I proved that the worship of the Roman and Greek gods and goddesses still lingered in America in 1907 among the higher critics, although their historians stated that Christianity was then the prevailing religion. In this letter I will show you that this condition of religious development may have been caused by their not possessing all the Scriptures now at hand. In the next letter I will show that the higher critics of that age taught a system of morals that we all now know better than to advocate. For this purpose I will quote the words of the same distinguished scholar of that time, Dr. Wm. Hayes Ward, whom I quoted in my last letter.

I choose him, because nothing can be said against his learning, character, or church standing, as a representative either of the churches of that age or the higher critics. Hence, to quote him will not be invidious. If you are shocked by the revelation, do not blame Mr. Ward, or consider him exceptional. Remember the age in which he lived. I assure you he represented the most "advanced" and "progressive" thought of his generation, and no man on the continent had higher personal standing.

Dr. Ward, in his paper, the "Independent" of Sept. 19th, 1907, uses the following language:—

"The student of Deuteronomy is made to face one of the most interesting and important problems in the Higher Criticism of the Old Testament, and one in which technical and philological knowledge is not requisite to a decision. On the face of the book it was composed by Moses immediately before his death and on the eve of the conquest of Canaan, say 1150 B. C. But students are quite generally agreed that it did not originate until 400 years later." * * *

"That Deuteronomy did not exist much before Josiah is shown by the fact that Gideon and Samuel, David and Saul, Elijah and Elisha—in fact, all the best men of the nation—habitually conducted themselves in violation of the plainest precepts of Deuteronomy, with no thought of disobeying the commandments of God, but rather in sincerest effort to do His will. Deuteronomy commands a central sanctuary, and condemns all other places of worship as belonging to heathen cults. That this was a new requirement in Israel, unheard of in the greatest days of the nation, anyone who reads the books of Samuel and Kings with his eyes open to the question cannot fail to perceive."

Dr. Ward's argument that the people after Moses' day did things which they would not have done, if they had possessed the book of Deuteronomy, reminds me of the mistake I myself made, and alluded to in one of my former letters to you, before I found this collection of Dr. Ward's writings in the ruins of Boston; to the effect that the people of 1907 did not have any of the books of the Pentateuch, or they would not have eaten the flesh of swine. But here we have the words of Dr. Ward concerning the book of Deuteronomy, proving that he had it; and the rest of his editorial shows that he revered it. But yet we read this language in Deuteronomy 14:8: "And the swine, because he parteth the hoof but cheweth not the cud, he is unclean unto you: of their flesh ye shall not eat, and their carcases ye

shall not touch.'" **** Since the people of 1907 ate pork I thought that possibly they did not have Deuteronomy. But from Dr. Ward's editorial I know that they did have the book. Hence it is clearly proven that many good men who had the books of the Bible in 1907 did not always obey. Therefore Dr. Ward's argument about Gideon, Samuel, Saul, David, Elijah, and Elisha only indicates that a higher critic of 1907 might make a mistake, as well as myself. But I make fewer mistakes than Dr. Ward; for he did not have the advantages of 2907 and 2908.

Many passages in the latter part of the book of Deuteronomy clearly indicate that the book was written in the time of Moses. But Dr. Ward teaches that the book was written in the time "students are agreed that it did not originate" till 400 years after Moses; and the dates he combines would put the origin of the book as late as 750 before Christ.

Possibly Dr. Ward, notwithstanding the usual infallibility of higher critics, may have been in error about this "agreement" of students of his time. But, if he is right, it shows that students of his time did not have at their command the book of Amos.

For Amos flourished from 810 to 784 years before Christ; probably making his predictions more than 50 years before the date assigned by Dr. Ward for the composition of Deuteronomy.

But the following passages in Amos and Deuteronomy, if used and studied in the spirit and manner of the true higher critic, show that Amos was acquainted with Deuteronomy:—

Dent. 5:6. "I am Jehovah, thy God, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage."

Dent. 29:5. "And I have led you forty years in the wilderness: your clothes are not waxed old upon you, and thy shoe is not waxed old upon thy foot."

Amos 5:25. "Did ye bring me sacrifices and offerings in the wilderness forty years, O house of Israel? Yea, ye have borne the tabernacles of your king and the shrine of your images, the star of your god, which ye made to yourselves."

Dent. 1:20. "And I said unto you, Ye are come unto the hill-country of the Amorites, which Jehovah our God giveth unto us."

Dent. 1:26—28. Yet ye would not go up, but rebelled against the commandment of Jehovah your God: and ye murmured in your tents, and said, Because Jehovah hated us, he hath brought us forth out of the land of Egypt, to deliver us into the hands of the Amorites, to destroy us. Whither are we going up? our brethren have made our hearts to melt, saying, The people are greater and taller than we; the cities are great and fortified up to heaven; and moreover we have seen the sons of the Anakim there."

Amos 2:9—10. "Yet destroyed I the Amorite before them, whose height was like the height of the cedars, and he was strong as the oaks; yet I destroyed his fruit from above, and his roots from beneath. Also I brought you in the wilderness, to possess the land of the Amorite."

Deut. 25:13—15. "Thou shalt not have in thy bag diverse weights, a great and a small. Thou shalt not have in thy house diverse measure, a great and a small. A perfect and just weight shalt thou have."

Amos 8:4-5. "Hear this, O ye that would swallow up the needy, and cause the poor of the land to fail, saying, When will the new moon be gone, that we may sell grain, and the sabbath, that we may set forth wheat, making the ephah small, and the shekel great, and dealing falsely with balances of deceit?"

A thoughtful examination (in our style) of the foregoing passages of Amos and Deuteronomy shows very persuasively that Amos was familiar with the book of Deuteronomy. Hence, Deuteronomy must have been written before Amos wrote. But as Amos wrote before the time assigned by the higher critics of 1907 for the writing of Deuteronomy, it is evident that the book of Amos was unknown to them. The higher critics of 1907 and 1908 had Deuteronomy, but did not have Amos. That will explain their mistake about the date of Deuteronomy.

It is astonishing how we can learn the truth as to past ages by the methods of the higher critics. We only need to deny the statements of the witnesses and of the historians, and then reason from our own knowledge, prejudice and experience. Now the ignorant would naturally suppose that the higher critics of 1907 and 1908 had the book of Amos, because some Bibles of 1907 have been preserved to our time in which Amos is bound in the same volume with Deuteronomy. But that kind of proof is not "historical," like that I used in this letter, by which we know that the higher critics did not have Amos, although the common people did. Possibly this may be explained by the fact that the higher critics of that time were not engaged or enthusiastic, like the masses of Christians, in circulation or preaching the Bible, but in criticising it; and hence missed the book of Amos, if they ever saw it.

The facts that the higher critics of 1907 were not acquainted with all the books of the Bible may also explain the low grade of morality taught by them. When I found this out I was shocked: for the higher critics, you must remember, were the most "advanced," and "progressive," and "modern" men of that age.—But I must reserve these facts to my next letter.

Your affectionate grandfather,
Higher Critic.

LETTER FROM ABROAD.

Dear Dr. Atkinson: We are now sailing from Madeira, North East, for Cadiz, Spain. It was freezing cold when we left New York. It snowed for some time after we left the city. Before we reached the Gulf Stream we had rain and cloudy weather for a time. When it did clear off the bright sunshine was greatly enjoyed by all on board the Arabic. This is a special ship. Every man or woman employed on it from the Captain down is a white British subject, no negroes are permitted on board either as passenger or servant. There are about one thousand souls on board and it requires about one hundred people to be wide awake, night and day, to manage all the departments of her service, consumes about 200 tons of coal per day. Those on the bridge are relieved every two hours. Those below every four. Every one must be so thoroughly trained and be wide awake, as to instantly know what to do, and do it instantly on the word of command, or the touch of a button, or on the receipt of a Mareconigram, from the owners. The accommodations are so thoroughly and elegantly arranged that the ship is a floating palace.

Our first stop was at the island of Madeira. It is of volcanic origin. Before it was discovered by Zargo, the dark shadowy mass was ignorantly believed to be the mouth of hell. The mountains rise to the height of 6100 feet and are covered with snow, while tropical fruit and flowers abound in abundance on the coast. The brilliant verdure gives a rare coloring, not unlike that of the Grand Canon of the American Yellowstone, and the scenery is wild and grand in the extreme. Captain Myrri atsays "I do not know a spot on the globe which so astonishes and delights on first arrival, as the island of Madeira." It belongs to Portugal, was mentioned by Pliny, Napoleon was taken to this island on his way to St. Helena, Columbus was married here. The people are, for the most part in a state of ignorance and superstition. There is one ordained school with eight professors and about 250 students. The M. E. Church has a splendid mission. The wages of the skillful female lace makers vary from three to fifteen cents per day. The stores all supposed to be well supplied with wine. streets are full of beggars of all ages, sexes, colors. They rival Monte Carlo in gambling, although I did not attend the Maderian dance" but was told that it is made up of picturesquely dressed young women, who go through a weird spectacular performance which reminds the Americans of what the histories say

about some of the Indian war dances.

Frenchal is the principal city and has about 50,000 people, some of whom are wealthy merchants from other countries. About 3,000,000 gallons of wine are produced annually. Half clad men and boys come out in small boats to beg and dive for money in a few moments after our ship anchored. It was amusing to see how quick they could overtake a small piece thrown into the Sea, seldom failing to get the money.

We expect to reach Codiz Spain tomorrow at 7 a. m.

The moon is full and the night is glorious.

Daniel Albright Long.

On board the Arabic Feb. 16, 1908.

HENDERSON LETTER AND APPOINTMENTS.

Since Feb. 5th the following has been received. J. L. Foster \$10.00; Z. J. Hawkins \$5.00; J. D. Edwards \$5.00; Mrs. W. W. Staley \$5.00; R. R. Holmes \$2.00; J. W. House \$1.00; J. W. Suit \$1.00. Total amount received on building \$1343. 72. Pledges uncollected \$590.00.

I shall visit following places in March in interest of work here: Fourth Sunday New Hope 11 a. m. and Youngsville 7:30 p. m. Fifth Sunday Catawba Springs 11. a. m. Wentworth 3 p. m. Work will be started again on building about March the 15th.

C. E. Newman.

Feb. 29, 1908.

*DOES GOD NOT SPEAK TODAY? Carlyle Summerbell.

Are all the prophets dead?
Elijah with his heart of fire,
Isaiah with his silver tongue,
And Jeremiah weeping ever for his country that was doomed?
Are all these dead and gone?
The mighty monarchs of the heart,
Whose death meant doubling their true part, and portion of the kingdom?
Where are the men of heart and soul?
Where is the Christ who makes us whole?
Where is the God who gave us souls?
And where is his dominion?
Does He no longer letters write,
By Psalmists' pens, and deeds of light?
Are these all dead; and passed away?
Does God not speak today?
We are starving for his bread,
His words are precious, doubly so.
His Spirit's life.
Where shall we go?
Is God not here and living?

* Suggested and partly paraphrased from Harriet F. Blodgett's poem, "From Height to Height."

500 Pine St. Fall River, Mass.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

First Quarter, Lesson X., March 8, 1908.
Jesus the Bread of Life. John 6:22-51.

Golden Text: Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life, John 6:35.

The multitude spoken of in last lesson had scattered, the disciples started by boat for Bethsaida, and Jesus ascended a mountain to pray. As night fell, a great storm apparently issuing from the valley westward, burst over the lake, and the disciples, toiling in rowing made no progress. Jesus approached, walking upon the water. They were afraid; but his voice reassured them, and Peter made his brave but disastrous attempt to meet him on the water. Jesus entered the boat and they were soon at land. The people who had been fed in the desert found him in the morning near Capernaum. Then, hearing that his mission was not to furnish the bread which perishes, but the bread of life, many, disappointed, left him. The twelve whom he had chosen gave unto him, Peter uttering for them all his splendid confession.

Happy would it have been for thousands who were favored with Christ's ministry had they known and improved the day of his visitation. Instead of this many followed out of mere curiosity, while others were only anxious to eat of that temporal food which he miraculously provided.

Jesus had just been reminded of this and exhorts them not to "labor for the meat which perisheth."

By meat we understand all temporal good things. That variety and fulness of blessings which God provides for us in this life. These things are perishable. Everything around us is of this description. All things perish in the using of them. Never meet the demands of the soul. Have no reference to the eternal world. To labor not for these cannot mean we are to be indifferent to them or absolutely careless about them. We are enjoined to work, 2 Thess. 3:10. Indolence is a sin against a benign Providence. All good men were diligently and industriously employed. The meaning is made plain in these words: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God."

Why is Christ the bread of life?

1. No amount of participants can diminish much less exhaust this bread. The whole world may eat and be satisfied.

2. Its benefits are permanent and abiding. Whoso eateth and drinketh, hunger and thirst no more.

3. Eternal in its results. Forms and nourishes spiritual life in the soul here, and matures it in the world to come. Eternal riches—eternal blessing. And joys forever more.

This lesson may be profitably employed to teach.

1. The utter fallacy of all earthly pursuits. If earthly goods can be obtained, they will not and cannot endure. Our souls will be poor and wrecked through eternity. The world itself will be burned up with fire.

2. The pre-eminence of Gospel benefits; present—satisfying and eternal.

3. The necessity of laboring for their possession. Thinking, conversing, and desiring are vain without laboring.

4. Such invaluable blessings are worthy of our entire and devoted pursuits.

5. All who labor sincerely and evangelically shall possess this bread of life.
G. W. T.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

Whereas it hath pleased Almighty God to remove from our Sunday-school one of its most promising members; and whereas in the death of Emmette L. Sanford this Sunday-school has sustained a great loss, therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we bow in humble submission to the will of our Heavenly Father who doeth all things well.

2. That we extend to the bereaved family our heart-felt sympathy in this sad hour of bereavement, and commend to them the sustaining grace of our Lord Jesus Christ who promises to be with His children always, even to the end of the world.

3. That these resolutions be inscribed upon our minutes, a copy be sent to the bereaved family, and also to The Christian Sun for publication.

Signed in behalf of the South Norfolk Christian Sunday-school January 26, 1908.

J. O. Cox,

L. A. Wright, Committee.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas an all-wise and loving Heavenly Father has been pleased to remove from us our beloved brother, Henry A. Rawles, who departed this life Jan. 6, 1908, in the 91st year of his age, and whereas Bro. Rawles has been a member of this church for more than 72 years and lived blameless before the church and the world, be it resolved:

1. That the church has lost not only a highly honored, but one of its most loyal and valuable members

2. That we commend his love and faithfulness to his church as an example to his brethren, and trust that his memory may ever be a source of inspiration.

3. That we place upon record our high appreciation of all his virtues as a citizen

and friend, as husband and father, and as member of the church and Christian, and that we express our profound gratitude to God for the long years he was spared to us and for the many blessings that attended him.

4. That we believe his removal from us was according to the divine will and purpose, coming to his "grave in a full old age like as a shock of corn cometh in his season," and therefore bow our hearts in humble submission.

Done by order of Holy Neck Church in conference.

J. E. Vincent,
E. S. Norfleet,
N. G. Newman,
Committee.

Langston.

Mrs. Mary Virginia Langston departed this life at her home, Holland, Va., Feb. 18, 1908, after a brief illness of pneumonia, aged 58 years. The funeral services were conducted at Holy Neck Christian Church by the writer, assisted by her former pastor, Rev. C. H. Rowland, and the remains placed in the family cemetery at her old home near by. The deceased leaves a husband, Z. T. Langston, a sister, Mrs. H. K. Rawles, a son, John D. Langston, all of Holland, Va. She was the daughter of the late Dempsey and Mary Elizabeth Jones and a granddaughter of Deacon John Oberry, who was so prominent in Holy Neck Church and community 50 years ago. Mrs. Langston had been a member of Holy Neck Church from her childhood, and for many years a teacher in the Sunday-school. She was highly respected and beloved for her many virtues. She was an humble and devout Christian, a kind and generous friend and neighbor, and a loving and self-sacrificing wife and mother. We extend our Christian sympathy to her dear ones and pray that the Heavenly Father may guide them through the dark hour.
N. G. Newman.

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THE COUNTRY CHURCH.

By Bishop John H. Vincent, D. D.

It is a pretty ehureh, white, plain, but well proportioned even to the tip of the spire. It is the country church, but in a thickly populated region. I wonder what it represents in the popular thought! What do these country people think when they chance to see it? It must suggest some idea to everybody who happens to cast a glance at it and, of course, the eyes that look see in it very much after the thought that lies in the brain baek of them. The reader and admirer of the defunct Ingersoll will look with an Ingersollian contempt upon it, and upon everything else that stands for a revealed religion and a personal God. Representatives of the various denominations will ask themselves one after another, "I wonder if that is one of our ehurehes?" The lovers of quiet rural scenery will view the building, and especially "that snow-white and graceful spire" as they create a pieture to recall and enjoy—a pieture of simple, comfortable and reverent country life. The school girl from the city looking for a topic for her next "composition" will call it "perfectly lovely and her brother Tom will exclaim: "How awfully dull it must be to live in such a place!" The busy town pastor will wish he could spend a part of every year in a neighborhood like that and involuntarily wonder "how much salary a church like that pays."

To the mind of the writer of these lines an entirely different class of suggestions finds place at the sight of the country church. He finds himself dreaming and idealizing. He thinks of twenty or thirty families within five miles of that beautiful snow white structure; the make-up of those families—the old folks and the middle aged and the youngsters from twenty years down to two. He thinks of the family life and of the power for untold good the pastor of such a church may be as he keeps at work the year round in the interest of these country homes; keeping God and religious obligation in their thoughts; putting best books and religious newspapers on their tables; securing the regular attendance of everybody—hired men and all—at public service; giving boys and girls educational ideals, and recommending this college or that and showing them what advantages over town folks they really have if they care for mental discipline and self-enrichment by the best literature. It is through the influence of this country pastor that so many beautiful engravings and strong books and best newspapers find place in

these farm houses. And when the trolley comes with its increase of peril to young life he warns and counsels, and by sundry devices protects his farmhouse flock. He turns both country church and country schoolhouse into local opportunity and fills his own neighborhood with attractions that educate as well as entertain—pianola, phonograph, magic lantern, lecture courses and concerts. His country people grow in knowledge and taste and keep a good conscience and a reverent faith. He guards them against going away to find the world's attractions. He brings the world's best attractions to them.

The country furnishes leisure. He enriches it. The country promotes health. He directs its activities and by the study of the modern theories of exercise and diet and wise recreation and the place of play in education he builds up a rational, joyful social life that saves people from excess and extravagance and abnormal cravings. His farm houses become homes and schools and libraries and centers of a glad life. And the center of it all is that beautiful church with its green lawn, its comfortable carriage sheds, its new hall for library and lectures. And just beyond it is the cemetery where lie tired and worn-out bodies no longer needed by souls redeemed and at home in the heavenly places.

How sorry one is for city pastors as he thinks of the noble opportunities for work and growth and success in the country churches. But men must make sacrifices in the service of the Master and of His church. Some of them must go into the town and the city. We are sorry for them as we think of the freshness and vastness and beauty and opportunity of the country where are to be trained the future men and women of the city, where may be laid the foundations of character by which city and country are to be won for the Master.

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ORIGIN OF THE NAME CHRISTIAN.

There is absolutely no use for any secular history, or mental speculation, as to the origin of the name Christian. The writer of Acts, one of the most graphic and vivid historians of all the ages, makes the matter clear enough for the most indifferent to see and understand. Follow the account of the Acts just briefly and you shall see.

If you will turn to Acts chap. 6, ver. 7, you will read that the church was confined to Jerusalem. "The number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem." Now turn to chap. 8, ver. 1, (just after the death of Stephen), "And there arose a great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were scattered abroad throughout Judea and Samaria, except the apostles." The apostles were not scattered. They remained in Jerusalem, and preached there. Now turn to chap. 2:19, 20, 21, "They therefore that were scattered abroad upon tribulation (persecution) that arose about Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to none save only the Jews. But some of them—men of Cyprus and Cyrene who when they were come to Antioch, spoke unto the Greeks also, preaching the Lord Jesus."

Now at Antioch, not at Jerusalem, you find a company of Jews and Gentiles increasing to such an extent that they soon want a pastor. When they finally decided upon a pastor and leader for that flock, they did not send off to Jerusalem for Peter, who up to this time had been chief spokesman and leader, but instead they sent down to Tarsus to fetch Paul. Now read ver. 26, chap. 2, "For a whole year they were gathered together" (Not gathered now as Jews,

but gathered together, Jews and Gentiles) "with the church; and the disciples were called first Christians at Antioch." Here was a new collection of people—believing Jews and Gentiles—Here was a new leader, Paul. And here is established a new religious center, Antioch, and such a new organization must have a new name. There was nothing else like it under high heaven and never had been. And they were called Christians. What else could they choose as a name for their new order and organization? They could not be called Gentiles, for there were Jews. They could not be called Jews, for there were Gentiles. My conviction is that by divine direction they wilfully chose this new name for themselves,—Christian. Their name is a consequence of the teaching of Paul and Barnabas, the teaching about Christ. There is absolutely no proof anywhere that it was given as a stigma. It was the most natural name in the world. Paul taught them, both Jews and Gentiles, at Antioch, about Christ. They learned of Him, accepted Him as their Savior and Redeemer. Why, then should they not be called Christians, and Christians only from the name of their Master and Leader.

And, by the way, it was from this same center, Antioch, and not from Jerusalem that Paul, the great missionary, went out on his three famous missionary journeys. Our Savior and the eleven began at Jerusalem and went out from there. As soon as the Gentiles are admitted, the center of religious influence shifts from Jerusalem to Antioch, and from there Paul went out to preach the Gospel inviting all men to accept Christ and become Christians.

TAKING THOUGHT OF OTHERS.

The most miserable and unhappy person on earth is he or she who is forever thinking of himself or herself. If you wish to take the straight road and short cut to daily misery and perpetual unhappiness, travel by the way of thinking about yourself—of what others ought to do for you, of what other people should say and think of you. At a two-minute gait you will certainly arrive. When any living mortal decides that men and women should of right and justice be good and kind and generous to him or her, then that poor mortal's daily record is written out in terms of disappointment, misery and unhappiness. One sure and safe road to perpetual and unending misery is the road of self-centered thought.

The great Charles Kingsley never went truer to the mark than when he wrote: "Think about yourself. about

what you want, what you like, what respect people ought to pay you, and then to you nothing will be pure. You will spoil everything you touch: you will make sin and misery for yourself out of everything which God sends you; you will be as wretched as you choose on earth or in heaven either."

Stop, dear soul, and give yourself in thought somewhat to others. It will make you more cheerful and happy. Think some of how to make others nappy—what can I do to make other selves than my own feel cheerful, glad and joyous? May I not by some daily deed lighten the burden of another, remove the load from others' shoulders, take the bitter from some other's cup and put the sweet there?

The good God ordained not in theory but in eternal fact that "It is more blessed to give than to receive." That decree is as sure as heaven, and as unalterable as eternity. Find you a mortal who thinks little of self, who is grateful for what comes his way, of favors, honors and blessings, then you shall have found one who is getting joy in life and happiness all along the way. The less we think of self and the more we think of others, the greater happiness and joy and gladness we are sure to have in this world. It was none other than the Master who said: "Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin: and yet Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these." Make others happy, dear heart, and then you will find the glow of joy ever warm in your own heart.

DEMOCRACY OF RELIGION.

We have received with the compliments of our beloved brother, the author, Rev. T. M. McWhinney, D. D. LL. D., a copy of his book, but now from the press, entitled "Democracy of Religion," being college lectures delivered before the students and faculty of Defiance College, Defiance, Ohio, and published by The Christian Publishing Association, Dayton, Ohio. This is of two hundred and twenty-one pages and carries as a frontispiece a picture of our Lord Christ over the significant words, "Our Hope." There is also a fine portrait of the venerable and distinguished author. The dedication is to the author's brother, Frank McWhinney. The book is, as its preface states, "A plea for union and fellowship based on love." The predominant note of the book is love. Its pages are vital with deep emotions and intense sentiment. One would know that its author was a most lovable man and that the volume itself sprang

from a veritable fountain of love. Look at some of the first and foremost topics treated: "Love," "Love Paramount," "Love Central," "Love Fundamental." The claim of the book is that there is in America more political tolerance than there is religious tolerance. "The Republic of America from its founding until now has exhibited vastly more of the spirit of the genuine democracy than has been shown by the church." With zeal and enthusiasm the author sets himself to the task of demonstrating this thesis.

What the church needs, to become more tolerant, is to have more Love. "To think is to differ, but to love is to unite." However much men may differ in thought they may be one in loving fellowship.

There are in the book some very fine phrases and sentiments, worthy of the noble heart that brought it forth and the broad mind that conceived it. Take these, at random: "We have no business, therefore, in God's beautiful world but to learn to love supreme Excellence and to so love mankind as to pray a blessing upon all." "This conscious perception of loving kinship to God is a truth, precious beyond price, especially to us who are soon to exchange worlds." "Since God is love and love never faileth we solemnly aver that nothing but this conscious, loving relationship to God inspires the soul with a satisfying faith in a life beyond death." "When education is made to mean God's ideal manhood and womanhood, then and not until then, will it answer the aim and need of its appointment." We might fill a page with these flights into the high realm of holy and sacred truth.

The weakness of the book, and every human document has its weakness, lies in its lack of coherency in thought and conception and the failure anywhere to reach a climax. The book not seem to drive to any particular point or place. It is bewildering. You wonder whither you are being led and what the author is driving at in practice. There is splendid theory and dazzling heights; but there is no sustaining quality. The book would read just as well, we are inclined to think a little better, starting at the back and coming forward—last first and first last. That is to say the book seems to lack, what the Germans call, motif. This leaves the sublime facts scattered, and the splendid theories stranded on high imminences. The book has its strong features but the reader becomes bewildered in finding them.

"God's lightning will strike the saloon when there is a conducting wire through the ballot-box."

ELON COLLEGE NOTES.

During the past week lagrippe has visited our village and several students and citizens have had to remain in doors, but none of them are seriously sick. With the March wind and fair weather we predict that all will soon be restored to health and work.

Dr. Moffitt addressed the students and villagers Sunday at 11 o'clock A. M. on "The College Student and His Religion." His address was highly commended by those who heard it.

Miss Mable Yarboro, led the Young Woman's Christian Association and the meeting was enthusiastic and well attended.

Mr. J. A. Vaughan, led the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor in its consecration meeting Sunday evening and many members took part reconsecrating themselves to the service of Christ and church.

The Psychelien Literary Society will give its annual Entertainment in the College Chapel next Saturday evening, and we anticipate an excellent exercise. The young ladies never disappoint us when they appear before the public representing their society. The public is cordially invited to this Entertainment.

We are glad to note the honor and distinction that Messrs. DeRoy R. Fonville and J. Adolph Long, graduates from Elon College, have won for themselves and their Alma Mater. These young men have done their literary work entirely here. Mr. Fonville began the study of law at the University of Virginia last fall and has been chosen by that institution as a representative to debate with representatives from John Hopkins University. Two of the strongest Universities in South in competition with each other and an Elon graduate to represent the one against the other is no small distinction and yet it is one that Mr. Fonville and Elon College deserve, and the University of Virginia and her splendid president recognize this fact.

Mr. Long began the study of law at the University of North Carolina last fall and was distinguished and distinguished his Alma Mater by being elected as vice President of the Law Class of which he is a member. The University of North Carolina has already recognized the scholarship of Elon graduates, and this is simply a repetition of that deserved distinction.

Mr. Charley Hines of Greensboro, N. C., entered the law department of the University last fall and received his license to practice law in the courts of this state.

W. C. Wicker.

NOTES AND PERSONALS.

Rev. Carlyle Summerbell D. D., goes from Swansea, to Fall River, to become pastor of our church there. Bro. Summerbell's new address is 500 Pine St. Fall River, Mass.

Observe the postage stamp, said Chamberlain. Its usefulness depends upon its ability to stick to one thing till it gets there. From which observation many of us fickle mortals may learn a truth or so.

Rev. I. W. Johnson, Suffolk, has been held by "grippe" for some days, but is improved now and promises to begin his letters to The Sun again on different features of our Home Mission work at early date.

Are you getting ready for The Convention at Greensboro April 28th. President Staley is working faithfully for a strong program and is laboring diligently to make this the best of all our Conventions to date.

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Pleasant Grove Church, Halifax Co., Va., takes its place with the great number of our other Christian churches now making for progress by building better houses and making more attractive their places of worship. It was decided there last Saturday to build a better and a neater house of worship, a message which the many friends of that church will hail with pleasure, because there is no better community, nor better people in all our Southern Convention than that of Pleasant Grove, Virginia. The question with us in this world is not what we can get along with in our service of the Master, but what can we do to glorify His name and honor His cause while here below. Our Father is worthy of the best we can bring, and the noblest efforts we shall make. There is no better omen in our midst to-day than this movement now evident in so many communities to improve or rebuild our places of worship.

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The Band of Cousins.

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Total Reported Last Week \$172.03.
Monthly Dues.

- Maud Lee Howell \$1.00
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Elon College, N. C., Feb. 25, 1908.
 My Dear Children and Friends:

The weather keeps cold, but the hearts and hands of our friends seem to grow warmer and it is very gratifying to make such a nice report this week.

We feel to thank Bro. Stephenson very much for his thoughtfulness—away from home and church and kindly remembers the Orphans—Say Bro. S. were you not a member of the Band of Cousins a few years ago? May you lay up treasures on earth as you have begun to do in heaven. Bethlehem and Liberty churches kindly lend a helping armful this week. Our faithful Sunday-school workers at Henderson N. C. now has a worthy rival in good deeds by the Greensboro Sunday-school. But that is all right,

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The following donations have been received since last report:

Mrs. J. H. Myatt, Raleigh, N. C., clothing for boys; J. I. Branch, Auburn, N. C., 500 strawberry plants; Mrs. M. A. Reitzel, Elon College, N. C., clothing for girls and 1 pr. shoes.

From Bethlehem Christian Church, Alamance Co., N. C. I. N. W. Garrison 1 bushel wheat; J. H. Gillians, 1 bushel wheat; John Cantrell, 1 bushel wheat; James Kernodle, 1 bushel wheat; E. K. Isely 1 bushel wheat; J. W. Somers 2 bushels wheat; A. T. Gilliam, 1 bushel corn; W. A. Jones, 1 bushel corn; Mrs. R. A. Thompson, 2 chickens; Thomas Jones, 1 chicken; William Jones, 1 chicken; Daniel W. Kernodle, 6 cans snap beans and 6 cans black berries; Mrs. Daniel W. Kernodle, 1 can syrup; Mrs. J. W. Somers, 2 chickens; J. D. Simpson, Home-male molasses; Mrs. J. D. Simpson, 1 quilt. (Also cash collection \$5. 12).

From Liberty Christian Church, Randolph, Co. N. C., Samuel Boggs, 3 hens; O. T. Hatch, 2 hens; Mrs. H. K. Trogdon, 2 hens; Mrs. Griffin, 2 hens; J. O. Overman, 1 hen; Walter Fogleman, 1 hen.

Other nice things to follow. The dear friends are helping us liberally. So many are expressing their willingness to help. We feel that some are holding back their gifts because they cannot give large amounts—you give what you feel that you can give and of whatsoever kind. If not too far away notify the Supt. and he will call for it; if too far send by freight (a number of neighbors send together so as to make freight light.)

We thank each friend for his personal donation—the many little make a nice load. With very best wishes to all, and much gratitude for the help, I am yours for service.
Uncle Jim.

Our Dear Father, "Uncle Jim."

We want to write the Corner this month and send our dues. We wish all the cousins could see our chickens, pigs, cows, and ducks and guineas. We have a dog too, named Snap, and a cat named "Kitty Gray Molly Whitefoot." She does not grow very fast. I guess it's because she has to bear such a long name. Snap does not like her much but we love her very dearly and nurse her so much till she says "Meow" because some times her tail will get pulled and she does

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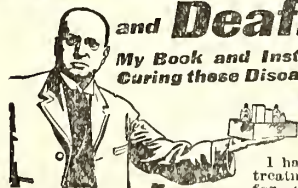
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not like it, 'tho' we do not mean to treat her badly. But cats will be cats and children will be children you know.

Cousins you must come to see our dog and kitty.

Your Babies,
Mary, Lee and James.

My little ones must always be kind to animals and never pull their tails too hard.

Ivor, Va., Feb. 18, 1908.

Dear Uncle Jim:

I will write my letter for this month. I have been sick but am better now. I can't walk only around the chairs. I can sing bye bye. Enclosed find ten cents.

Love to you and all the cousins.

Your niece.

Stella Presson.

How old are you Stella? Uncle Jim would like to hear you sing.

Heikory, Va., Feb. 17, 1908.

Dear Uncle Jim:

I will write and send my dues for December, January and February.

We are expecting to change our school from the old school to the new Gradel school.

With love to all the cousins.

From your niece,
Lola Nichols.

I know you will be glad of that Lola. You will be proud of your new school. 304 Joy St., Berkley Warl, Feb 18, 1908.

Dear Uncle Jim:

Here we come with our dues for Feb. Enclosed please find 25 cts.

From your friends,

Pierce, Ruth, Louis Jackson and
May Harris.

Quite a little family of workers. You are a band within yourselves.

Hollanl, Va., Feb. 24, 1908.

Dear Uncle Jim:

I am a little late this month. But it is never too late to do good. I am glad all the little Cousins had a merry Christmas. Please find enclosed 10 cts. for the Orphanage, which Grand Mama gave me.

I will close with much love to all the little Cousins.

Your loving little niece,
Maud Lee Howell.

Welcome little Maud. Guess you have to stay pretty close these cold days, do you not?


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One season's wages on local race tracks of New York amounted to \$210,720,000. This is the "race track infamy" that Gov. Hughes is fighting and which the gamblers assert does good "because it improves the breed of horses."

With that bad showing all good men will agree with the governor that the breed of men should also be improved in New York.

Frank A. Munsey, owner and publisher of The Boston Journal, Washington, D. C. Times, The Scrap Book, Munsey's and several other magazines has published The Baltimore News. The day of large holdings you know.

The Secretary of the New York Merchants' Association estimates that 8,000 out-of-town merchants or their representatives, will visit N. Y. this spring to buy goods at an average of \$10,000 each, a total of \$80,000,000. You see thus why N. Y. is a money center—and is very rich.

Rev. Alexander McLoughlin, a missionary, was recently killed, cooked and eaten by cannibals on Saint George Island. The New Zealand government now has the bones of the ill-fated, but zealous missionary. A gunboat was sent to bombard the chief village of the offending tribe. The natives sent the bones of the missionary to the captain of the ship, together with fifty tons of pearls worth \$1,000 a ton.

The Legislature of Kentucky elected former Governor Bradley, Republican, as United States Senator Feb. 28, his term of six years to begin March 4, 1909, after balloting daily since Jan. 15. Governor Beckham, Democrat, had been nominated by a primary of the State, but four Democrats in the Assembly refused to vote for him, finally breaking the deadlock by electing Bradley.

The two valuable farms for sale near Elon College, of which our advertising columns speak this week, belong to the estate of the late Brother Peter Michael which estate is being settled for division. A good opportunity for a purchase to a family wishing to farm and reside near the College.

HOLLAND ITEMS.

Since writing of my health, some time ago, my condition seems to have materially improved. Some weeks ago I had frequent shocks bearing on paralysis or something imitating that trouble, and expected that it would soon prove fatal. But I am glad to report my health much improved. Yet I am quite old, in my 89th year and cannot promise myself continued good health, or many more days of earthly pilgrimage, yet my appetite, though not as good as one in youthful vigor, is good enough for one of my age. And though I cannot sleep as much, awake several times during the night for a minute or so, my sleep is pleasant and refreshing.

Yesterday, 23rd inst. was a pleasant day after a slight snow, early in the morning. Our Sabbath school, though not so largely attended, was good and all the exercises instructive and pleasant.


The sermon by our pastor was "first class" It was of the highest order of intelligence, yet, delivered in such simple

comprehensive language, it could reach all minds and be richly enjoyed by the most learned scholar or critic. Bro. Newman was not with us at our night's service. He was unexpectedly called to attend the funeral of his friend and former parishioner, Mr. E. J. Driver at Suffolk, and had to leave us early in the evening.

The congregation at our night service was good. Our pastor being absent, Deacon R. H. Reidel led the night service in a very good, enjoyable and edifying talk. And I was pleased to note and admire his delivery. Though a German by birth and education he speaks good English and his talk was no doubt enjoyed by all sincere worshipers. After Bro. Riedel Deacon I. A. Luke followed in a very intelligent, correct talk on the chapter Bro. Riedel read. The services were commenced and ended by most inspiring song service. And I must here say our choir has recently given much attraction to that part of our worship, and will no doubt compare favorably with many city choirs.

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At the home of the minister, in Windsor, Va., Dec. 22, 1907, Mr. Wm. H. Braswell and Miss Nora A. Bracy.

Bradshaw-Johnson.

At Whitley, Va, Jan. 15, 1908, in Isle of Wight Co. Mr. Wm. Thomas Bradshaw and Miss Beatrice Augustine Johnson.

Lawrence-Bradshaw.

At Windsor, Va., Jan. 22, 1908, Mr. John Sullivan Lawrence of Newport News, Va., and Miss Effie Bradshaw of Isle of Wight county Va. J. T. K.

Smith-Atkinson.

Mr. Frank R. Smith, McCullers, N. C., was united in marriage to Miss Ethel M. Atkinson, of Wake Co., at the bride's mother's on Sunday P. M. Feb. 9, 1908. The attendants were Mr. A. M. Smith, brother of the groom, and Miss Vivian Atkinson, sister of the bride. It was a quiet home marriage witnessed by a few friends and relatives. We wish for them all joy and happiness. The ceremony was performed by the writer.

J. O. Atkinson.

DIED.

Gibbs.

John Wesley Gibbs was born at Colebrook River, Conn., April 2, 1842, and died at Coleman Place, Norfolk, Va., Feb. 9, 1908, aged 65 years, 10 months and 7 days. He was married March 13, 1864 to Miss Mary S. Land, of Norfolk, who survives him. He is also survived by three brothers, M. S. and G. S. Gibbs, of Hartford, Conn., and H. M. Gibbs, of Kentucky. Mr. and Mrs. Huffington with whom Bro. Gibbs was residing at the time of his death were reared from childhood by him and also Mrs. Myrtie Brothers, of Portsmouth, Va. He did the part of a father by these, caring for them as if they had been his own children.

He moved to Norfolk County about 43 years ago and has resided in Portsmouth, Va., the larger part of the time. Was for many years engaged in a large furniture business here, from which he retired a few years ago.

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In the midst of business cares he often spokè to men about their soul and sought to win them for Christ. In his last sickness he was planning to give his time more fully to such work.

The funeral services were conducted by the writer from the home, assisted by Rev. J. W. Barree of Norfolk and the interment was made in Oak Grove Cemetery, Portsmouth, Va.

J. W. Harrell,

Foster.

Mrs. A. Foster, wife of Mr. James Foster of Reidsville, N. C., died at her home in Reidsville, Feb. 2nd 1908. Aged 36 years and 25 days.

Sister Foster was a daughter of Bro. and sister J. M. Hurdle. She was married to Bro. Foster more than nine years ago. She leaves a husband, four children, a mother, four brothers, three sisters, many friends and relatives to mourn their loss. Sister Foster professed faith in Christ in early life and united with the Christian church at Union N. C. She lived a true and faithful member to her death. She was willing to die and died trusting in Jesus. She was laid to rest in Union cemetery Feb. 4, 1908.

In the absence of the pastor the writer conducted the funeral and burial.

May God bless and comfort the sorrowing ones.

Thos. W. Strowd,

Heffington.

Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Heffington, wife of Bro. B. Heffington, Driver, Va., departed this life, Sunday, Jan. 26, 1908, aged 58 years, and 4 days. She leaves a devoted husband, one sister, Mrs. Fannie Creecy, and three brothers, John, Joshiah and George Alex. Sister Heffington was not very strong, and typhoid fever soon terminated her life on earth. A little niece, Gracie Creecy lived with

Bro. and sister Heffington, and the devotion of the family was beautiful. But the family is broken up now. Sister Heffington was a devoted faithful and consistent member of Berea Nansmond, church. Those who knew her appreciated her simple trust in Jesus, and regarded her as a splendid Christian woman. A good woman has gone home, and we deeply deplore her final departure. Her funeral was conducted at

Berea by the pastor, and her body was tenderly buried at Churchland.

May the Lord bless and comfort the bereaved family.

I. W. Johnson.

Driver.

Mr. Elliott J. Driver, of Driver, Va., died of pneumonia at Carthage, N. C., Feb. 20, 1908, aged 68 years. The body was brought to Suffolk and the funeral

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services conducted from the Christian church on the 23rd. inst by the writer assisted by Dr. W. W. Staley and Rev. I. W. Johnson. The remains were interred in Cedar Hill cemetery, wither they were escorted by the Tom Smith Camp of Confederate Veterans, and the last rites paid by Harmony Lodge, 149, A. F. and A. M., of which the deceased was a member, and Suffolk Lodge, 30. The deceased leaves a widow, who was Miss Mary Ann Williams, one son, Dr. Wilson E. Driver, Norfolk, Va., and two daughters, Mrs. Legare Hargroves, Deans Va., and Miss Mary Driver, Driver, Va.

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N. G. Newman.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

Whereas it has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from our midst Mrs. Sarah E. Heffington, and whereas in the death of this sister and Christian woman who was ever ready and willing to do her duty, we the members of the Ladies' Social Union of Berea Christian Church lose a useful and consistent member, therefore be it resolved:

1. That while we deeply deplore the departure of our sister, we recognize in this as in all things the hand of Him who doeth all things well, and bow with submission to His holy will.

2. That we extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved husband and family, praying that the grace of God may ever sustain them in their loss.

3. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy sent to the Christian Sun for publication, and a copy be recorded upon the Minutes of our Society.

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