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The field is the world.

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

And He said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

If ye love me, keep my commandments.

He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me:

If a man love me he will keep my words: and my Father will love him.

And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?

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SOUTH KENTUCKY.

We began work in this territory the 14th of July. Our first meeting was at Strunk, with Bro. Short. We had a gracious meeting, with good results. The United Baptists claim this territory, from about Burnsid's going to the Tennessee line, then a little west of Jellico and south of Williamsburg. The only difference between them and us is the mission question, but we found many ready to adopt our system of work.

The Strunk church, under the leadership of Bro. Short, is a missionary church and if we could locate a man in this territory it would mean much for our cause. We have the folks and the land and should possess it.

My next work was in Wayne County Association. This Association was organized about six years ago, with Bro. J. H. Shearer, of Monticello, as leader. He is a layman, but knows no defeat; has been moderator since the organization and knows how to lead. Rev. R. C. Kimble, our pastor at Monticello, and also assistant pastor to every church in the Association, is an untiring worker; a strong man, a sound Baptist, mighty in the Scriptures, and knows how to reach the people.

We held seven meetings in the Association and found the people ready to hear, willing to do and ripe for instruction. Figures are not necessary, eternity alone will reveal the good that was done. Souls were saved, God's people revived and the work better organized.

We have but few preachers in the county, and how we do need to locate a man as pastor and missionary for all his time to assist Bro. Kimble, who will be a true yokefellow in every good work and deed.

With love in my heart and tears in my eyes, I pray God's richest blessings upon our people in Wayne county.

My next work was in the Freedom Association, which covers Clinton and Cumberland counties. Our cause in these two counties have suffered much by our neglect. The Baptists are few compared to what they ought to be, but we are on gaining ground. Bro. Blankenship, who recently came to Albany as pastor, will do a great work in Clinton county. He is proving to be the right man in the right place and will soon be an assistant pastor to all the churches of Clinton county.

Our Baptists in Clinton county are pressing out and up toward victory. Dr. Powell dedicated a new church building at Cave Spring November 29th. His trip through this territory will mean much to our Baptist cause. He was taken quite sick at Burkesville, and had to go home without filling his appointments at Marrowbone, Summer Shade and Edmonton.

At Burkesville we have a good church, but small in membership. Bro. Hunt and his wife are doing a good work in Burkesville, and Cumberland county. But we need another man to assist them. Our cause is weak in Cumberland, and we ought not to neglect the field any longer.

Bro. T. F. Grider is pastor at Summer Shade, and has lead the church in a fine building. He did most of the carpenter work himself. Bro. Grider is a faithful worker and will bring things to pass in this country.

At Edmonton, county seat of Metcalf, we have had to meet a great many difficulties, but daybreak is coming and soon we will have a house of worship completed and then our cause will prosper in Edmonton. Bro. Glaise is here as a

preacher and a carpenter, doing a fine work.

Now is the time for the Baptists of Kentucky to arise and possess this vast region by putting workers in the field for all their time. This is a great country and a great people. The whole territory abounds in coal, oil, gas, ore, timber, mineral water, building stone, road stone, gravel, farming and grazing lands, live stock, poultry, grain, vegetables, fruits, berries, wild mast, nuts, rattlesnakes, copperheads and a mild climate, with the woods full of young men and women and children.

Mr. Smith, of St. Louis, representing a syndicate of Eastern capitalists, is now going through this vast territory interesting the people in the projected railroad from Horse Cave, by way of Edmonton, Burkesville, Albany, Monticello, Burnside, through to Corbin, connecting there with the L. & N. railroad and at Horse Cave.

It is only a question of a little more time till there will be a trunk line through this country, opening up the country to the world. It will be the direct line from Atlanta, Ga., through to Nashville, Memphis and St. Louis, and all points west, and then connect for all points out of Cincinnati. Now is the time for our Baptists to strengthen our forces and get on the grounds. It will take money to do it.

S. M. McCARTER,
State Evangelist.

Dear Mission Monthly:

Surrounded by a Catholic people stands a weak Baptist church of sixty-one members, most of them loyal and devoted, but poor in this world's goods. Very few of them own their homes. Besides the Catholics are the Episcopalians, who are next in strength. There are also three other denominations. The Methodists have a pastor on the field for one Sunday; the Presbyterians have no pastor; the Disciples have a preacher for one Sunday in

the month. They also have a strong Sunday School. When we came on the field in August there were quite a number of Baptist boys and girls in the Disciple Sunday School. Many of these have been brought home. There are still others who should come. We need to be on the field all the time, as a tacher and pastor. Our best work is in the homes of our people. We have many who are Baptists coming in and moving out each month. Many of these have been won to Catholicism and Episcopacy and Campbellism through the sisters and nuns, and by the untiring efforts of some fifteen or twenty Episcopal students who are here under the rector in an Episcopal school. The Disciples' Sunday School teachers, with their vehicles, haul in to their Sunday School children from one end of the town to the other, regardless of religious belief. Many are the discouragements, yet there is a brightness about the Baptist situation here. While the Catholics worship in a \$40,000 house and the Episcopalians in a lovely house, the Baptists have truths to proclaim and we are assured that truth will prevail. There has been four-truth will prevail. There have been four-months. We have kept out of debt and have grown in attendance at all services.

Will try another time to show the needs of the field more fully.

E. H. GARROTT,
Missionary Pastor.

Uniontown, Ky.

Dear Mission Monthly:

Your esteemed favor of the 2nd inst., with my check came duly to hand. Now that the elections are over, etc., we hope and believe that means great things to us in Harlan county. We succeeded in electing a man to the position of circuit judge that will execute the law, which has not been done by the one retiring from the position. Then, perhaps, the coming of the railroad to Wallin's Creek will do more than the above towards help-

ing our work.

The survey has been made and the contract let for the road to our place. The supposition of our leading citizens is that the railroad will be here in less time than twelve months. The fact is, it is now within less than nine miles of Wallin's Creek, and building as rapidly as the rocks can be blasted or removed, and the track laid. Pray that we may be ready for the opening of these new avenues to our success. Yes, come and see the field if possible.

The work is taking on new life in some respects. The interest in the Sunday School is looking up. Then, during this month I have striven to enlist the local preachers in the work. There will be no very decided advance in the work until we can get our preachers to take part. This has been done to some extent this month. We have held two District Sunday School Conventions, embracing this month. One at Tracy's Branch, the other at Poorfork. These meetings evidently did good.

W. M. ALFRED.

Wallin's Creek, Ky.

Dear Mission Monthly:

I am enclosing report for November. I came here with Bro. W. T. Martin Saturday, and began preaching Sunday morning. So far our congregations have been small. This is a cold field; only a few Baptists here; lots of Catholics and Lutherans; open saloons and worldliness, with religion at a low ebb. I am praying and working for a revival.

You can write me here, as I will stay some time, unless they freeze me out. Pray for us.

Fraternally, your brother in Christ,

R. A. BARNES.

Alexandria, Ky.

DEDICATION AT CAVE SPRINGS,
CLINTON COUNTY.

We took the stage at Burnside and the

first night we stopped with Bro. J. H. Shearer, that prince of Baptists at Monticello, Ky. We preached at night for Pastor Kimble, to a large congregation. We spoke again next morning at 10:30. Bro. Kimble very wisely makes his influence felt over the whole county. At Burnside and Frazer the people were in high glee over the prospects of securing as pastor D. H. Howerton, of Bowling Green, Ky. It is certainly an inviting field and we shall expect large things from our brother's efforts from among these noble people.

At high noon we took the stage for Albany, Clinton county, where Missionary Blankenship and Bro. Catron awaited us with a house full to overflowing. They were such delightful listeners that it was a joy to speak to them. I left early next morning for Cave Springs, where the beautiful and commodious house of worship erected by Missionary Grider and our beloved J. I. Warriner, of Seventy Six, Ky., was dedicated. We had two great congregations. After persistent effort we raised the balance due on the cost of erection, and dedicated the building to the service of our Lord.

A good man was called to the pastorate and accepted and arrangements were made for the organization of a Sunday School.

The next morning, as we were about to mount a buckboard to be carried to Burkesville, a half-day's distant over one of the roughest roads in the State, what we endured can be best imagined than described. We stopped with Pastor Hunt, who was very kind to us, and as a large audience was expecting us to speak that night at the Baptist church, we arose and were carried down to the house of worship, and really enjoyed speaking to the people.

The next morning at 4 o'clock found us a stage coach, bound for Glasgow and home.

En-route we fell in with one of our State Evangelists, who had been labor-

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ing through all the region we had just gone through, and who has not heard the whistle of a steam car since the first of last June.

We are now convalescing, and through all our suffering we have realized that a strong arm was supporting us, and that a glorious presence was with us. We have been overcome with the messages of love and sympathy that have come to cheer us from every part of our field. The Lord is amply, by his dealings with us, preparing us to do a greater and better work during the incoming year than we have with the one just drawing to a close.

Brethren, quit ye like men! Wishing a joyous Christmas and a happy New Year to all.

Missionary P. N. Taylor has been aiding in a meeting at Trooper, Ky. The church has been on the decline ever since the town became a mining community. He very wisely suggested that new methods must be adopted to meet these new conditions.

Missionary Davisson is holding a week's meeting at Coly Creek, and hopes to

organize a mission there soon. A number are interested in their soul's salvation.

Evangelist S. M. McCarter spent a few days at Summer Shade and Ed-
monton, and is now in a meeting at Gray-
son Springs with Bro. R. A. Cave.

Evangelist Sparks is in a gracious meeting at Hindman. His hands are overflowing with work. He will no doubt visit Whitesburg during this month.

Bro. Adcock has closed a fine meeting with Pastor Plemmons. Ten were added to the church. Many were converted but there was strong opposition from various lines throughout the meeting. He is now with Pastor Amerson at Prestonsburg. A field that promises much, but will require hard work.

The Board has urgent appeals from many sources to aid in many mission undertakings, but we will be unable to take care of these until offerings for State Missions are largely increased. Brethren, for the love of our Master, who sends us to give the whole gospel to the whole world, bring on your alabaster boxes.

Bethel church, at Diggs, Ky., has been

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completed with some aid from our church building fund. The church was organized in February and joined the East Lynn Association in September. We have every reason to believe we will complete seventy-five meeting houses during this year.

Concord church, S. R. Sutton, pastor, has just finished a comfortable house of worship. They were encouraged to aid with the promise of some help from our State Board.

Dear Mission Monthly:

Enclosed you will find report of work done during the months of November. I held a meeting here preaching at night only, for two weeks. The results are very gratifying. We received four good members and our Sunday School has been on the up grade ever since the meeting started. We have new students added to our school every Sunday since the meeting.

Since Bro. Laviers was hurt I have had to act as superintendent. We have no one else who can act as superintendent except Bro. Thomas. He is now having the work of two men to do and has no time to give to the study of the Sunday School lesson.

We are gaining ground right along now. When I first came here a number of our Baptist children are attending the Methodist Sunday Schools. They had been won by the offer of prizes. We were not able to win them back until our meeting began. We have won them all. Not one of our children now is in any other Sunday School. We have picked up several boys from the streets and have them in Sunday School. We had to buy hats for some and clothes for others to fit them out for the Sunday School.

I want a meeting held here that will shake up this town from center to circumference. If we can hold such a meeting in the near future, we will have the best

church and Sunday School by far in the city.

I am making a thorough canvass of the city, holding services wherever I find an opportunity. It is panning out nicely. I have written to Dr. J. W. Porter to hold a meeting here, but I have not heard from him.

Let me hear from you at your convenience.

Z. J. AMERSON.

Paintsville, Ky.

Rev. Wm. J. Mahoney, our Sunday School Secretary, has resigned, and becomes pastor at Greenville, Ky., a position for which he is so eminently qualified. We expect large results from his labors in this enterprising inland town. He will find many gracious spirits who will cordially co-operate with him in pressing forward the coming of our Lord's kingdom. Our brother is a vigorous thinker and an untiring worker. He has organized many Sunday School unions over the State and gathered in Elizabethtown a notable assembly of our leading Baptist workers in the Sunday School Convention. This meeting in every sense was a great success, and did much to promote and foster the best interests of our Sunday School cause. But he now returns to the pastorate for which his studies and graces qualify him.

Our new Sunday School Secretary, Rev. J. D. Adcock, one of our State Evangelists, was unanimously elected Sunday School Secretary. Our brother has had large experience in this work in the State of Louisiana and was eminently successful in the work he undertook. We are sure that he will be fresh, vigorous, up-to-date Sunday School man. He will diligently seek to enlist those churches which have no schools and to improve the methods and deficiency of existing Sunday Schools by raising the ideals of what it takes to constitute a well qualified teacher and Sunday School worker. We

bespeak for our brother the cordial reception on the part of Kentucky Baptists wherever his lot may be cast. We are sure he will neglect no part of the State and no feature of the work, but will prove himself a capable and trustworthy man along all lines.

We hope that at no distant day to have in Louisville, Ky., as the property of our General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, an abiding home for our State Board in all the departments of its great work.

We are editing the paper this month from the sick room. We have never felt more assured than at present how we are sustained by the prayers and sympathies of Kentucky Baptists. Our brotherhood is united and we have one common aim. But it will be several weeks before the Secretary can return to former activities and we depend solely upon pastors, churches, Sunday Schools and missionary workers to rally to our support through the winter months. Small stipend for each mission worker must go to him unflinchingly at the end of the month or his children will be cold and hungry. The Master says: "Inasmuch as ye did it unto these you did it unto me," They are God's men and are doing His work and we are commanded to sustain them. I feel sure that our constituency will be more careful to strive for funds for State Missions for this and succeeding months of any months during this year. Some individuals could and should send us a remittance of \$100, \$200, \$500 or \$1,000. While our churches must enlarge their annual gifts to our growing work. The work we have undertaken is stupendous, but with God's blessing and heroic giving on the part of the brethren every lawful demand on us will be met.

We can hear the wintry blasts, howling through the open spaces in the cabin of our mountain missionary, while mother

and children wonder how long before father will return, and if he will bring with him the much needed check from the Baptist State Board. Let every one be up and doing.

We must call attention to a letter before us which illustrates what too frequently occurs for the best interests of our work. A pastor, well beloved, full of fire and zeal for mission work, and an intelligent leader along all lines, writes and sends us a goodly remittance, which, he says, was raised in April, and fully intended sending us in June, but below and behold, it reaches us in December. Yes, it is good now, but it would have been so much appreciated some time ago. Let us urge upon brethren who handle mission funds not to be so hasty about sending them to this office.

This is a good time to send the three mission journals—State, Home, and Foreign—as a Christmas present to your friend or child. They cost you only 60c. a year. If you will send us a good club of subscribers we will send you a nice book, which you can give as a Christmas or New Year's present, to some one.

During these winter months our missionary enterprise should frequently be mentioned at a throne of grace at our weekly prayer meetings.

Pastor, how often do you preach to your church on their duty to the perishing millions of this earth? If you will do your duty faithfully along this line God will bless you more abundantly and your people will love you more affectionately.

Brother minister, remember that you had your temptations and one of these is not to be interested in anything except that which will bring to you or your church or churches. The Christian reli-

gion teaches us to be absolutely unselfish, and if some move would bring good success to Christ's cause in another part of the State, you have no right to treat it with indifference, because the good results will not be seen right at your door. Your church or churches may need no assistance from our church edifice in the erection of suitable meeting houses, but are already amply provided for. Then, brother beloved, inform your people of those less fortunate, who with a little help from your little band would be encouraged to arise and build. We are overwhelmed at this moment from churches who ought to be aided. To whom shall we look for aid but to God and our brethren. Men of Israel, help!

It was our rare good fortune to have our pastor, Dr. Henry Alford Porter, of Walnut Street church, to accompany us on a trip through Breathitt, Perry, Leslie, Clay and Laurel counties. Many of the experiences were new to him. He took all the degrees necessary to make him a boni fide mountain missionary. He preached once or twice each day to congregations who listened with keenest delight. He was the same grand man under all conditions. We visited our schools at Hazard and Oneida, and dedicated the new house of worship in Hyden. Our trip on horseback brought us close to the heart of nature. The scenery was picturesque and delightful, and we met a cordial reception from the noble people on every hand.

Lewis Lytle is now supplying at Hazard. He reports a new church organized by him as doing well.

W. W. Williams reports some progress in the difficult task of erecting the Eaton Memorial church in Owensboro.

The church at Comer, Ky., proposes to furnish their house with new pews.

We have made some promises to certain churches applying for aid from our building fund to visit them within sixty days. The time is nearly up, but here we are confined in bed and the brethren will have to bear with us until we have health sufficient to comply with the requests. We propose to aid every needy Baptist church in Kentucky in the erection of a suitable house of worship.

Dear Mission Monthly:

Our meeting is proving helpful to the church, and three have joined so far.

We will be apt to close Thursday. Bro. Hunt wants me to go to Marrowbone. We have no church there but ten or fifteen Baptists, and Bro. Hunt thinks we can organize. I think I can tell about it in a few days, when I get on the field. But I hope we can organize. Now, Bro. Hunt wants me to assist him at Riverside after we close at Marrowbone. But says the Association won't pay anything, and can't tell what I'll get on the field.

If you have any place wanting a meeting, especially along the L. & N. railroad, east of Louisville, I think I can get away by the last Sunday in this month. I don't think it will pay as to results to go to Riverside if we organize at Marrowbone. I have been tugging away my best in this region since the first of August, hardly missed a day preaching two sermons since I came to Wayne county, and Cummoerland county. Oh, if we but had faithful pastors with our churches; but to go as I have gone and then leave the work as I have had to leave it, it looks like its almost a loss of time and yet I'm sure eternity will only reveal the good that may have been done. Physically, I have kept up fine, but I'm kinder wanting to hear a train whistle. Write me what you want me to do, or where you would rather I would go. Pray for me.

S. M. McCARTER.

Burkesville, Ky.

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WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF KENTUCKY.

Christmas is coming! This thought is in the heart of every one of us but are we remembering to make our first gifts to the Christ, whose birth we celebrate? Our Christmas Offering in the years that have passed have been abundantly blessed in the spread of the Gospel in China; let us be encouraged to make the advance of 50 per cent. for which our Foreign Board asks. The plan is to distribute envelopes among all the women of each church, asking those who do not belong to any society to give 25 cents to this special offering, and those who always give are asked for 25 cents extra. The Young Women's Societies will send their money to Japan, and the Sunbeams and Royal Ambassadors to Africa. Return the envelope at church, to your Society treasurers, or at the next regular meeting.

The week of prayer for Missions begins this year on Jan. 2nd. The topics on the program for meetings on the successive days are Mexico, Brazil, Argentina, Italy, The Homeland, China, Japan, Africa. Many fresh suggestions are made, for these programs, and leaflets are referred to which you can buy for 2 cents each by sending to Baltimore for them, direct to the Mission Literature Committee, 15 N. Franklin st., Baltimore, Md. Let us make this week a season of earnest prayer for our missionaries, as we learn more about their work.

The calendar of Prayer for Missions reminds us every day of those for whom we should pray. It has many other advantages over ordinary calendars. The leaves are not torn off, but turned over, so that one may refer back for a forgotten date. Beautiful pictures of Miss Heck and Miss Crane, grace the first page, and on the next are the attractive faces of the children now in the Margaret Home. Send 15 cents to Mrs. T. M. Sherman, 1141 Sixth St., Louisville, and you will receive the calendar postpaid.

The church and school at Hazard, Ky. have had our interest and sympathy from their founding some years ago. How much we grieve that the church building was burned down recently and that the school is much embarrassed for money. The heroic pastor and principal, Rev. A. S. Petrey, needs all the help that friends can give, and he is worthy of our support and confidence. Money sent to Miss Lamb for this object will be counted in our State report, but not on what we give to the Home Mission Board. They expect us to give \$6,000 to their Board this year, and we have the larger part of this still to make up.

How to enlist more women and young people in our work is the ever present question. Several States have a field Secretary or Organizer, whose business it is to go about visiting the churches and helping to start societies. We have depended on our Associational Vice President for this service, and some of them have done nobly. But they cannot all spend the necessary time in traveling, and not all have the special ability required. It is greatly desired that next Spring we may find the right woman who will work for a modest salary, and give her time to this task of enlisting new societies. Of course, her traveling expenses must also be paid, but we believe her entertainment would be gladly provided by the communities she visited.

The co-operation of the Vice-President would be indispensable, but much of her work would be in new territory. Other States are far ahead of us in number of societies, and therefore in contributions. Even the Training School, formerly the recipient of liberal gifts in Kentucky, is now receiving more from some other States than from Kentucky. Awake, arise, put on thy strength, oh daughters of Zion, for thy King cometh.

"I bring, I bring rich gifts to thee"
What hast thou given to me?"

SUNBEAM NOTES.

A new Sunbeam Society has been organized at Clinton, Ky. Mrs. Heaslet, the leader writes: "We have won 45 members and a good average attendance. We have made the little red stockings and given them out for their Africa offering for Christmas.

Miss Minna Snyder organized another at Hanson. They began with 27 members.

Miss Lucy Mahan planned a delightful Christmas program for her Sunbeams at Williamsburg. This is a Band in which members love to go to the meetings. They have been one of Ky's. strongest Societies since their organization.

Another Society that used the little red stockings and had an unusually good Christmas program was Miss Marie Mahoney's band at Stanford, Ky.

The Fifth St., Lexington Sunbeams have over 100 members enrolled and are still growing! Their interested leader, Mrs. Kelly is putting her best efforts into this successful Society.

Missionary F. R. Walters is in a stirring campaign at Corbin, and his church is standing nobly by him. We wish them a glorious victory.

You will be interested in knowing one way some of the children in the Mt. Vernon band raised money. Last spring the leader, Miss Bertha Mitchell gave each of ten children 5c with which to buy some kind of seed for a Sunbeam garden. One little girl raised corn, one tomatoes, another beans and one raised a chicken—a good suggestion for country bands.

Mrs. Ellis A. Cottrell has succeeded Miss Grace Applegate as leader of the Falmouth Sunbeams.

Mr. O. P. Bush has organized a new band at Lancaster, Ky.

The Sunbeam notes would hardly seem complete without at least mentioning the Banner band in Highland Church, Louisville. Three of their Sunbeams have recently been converted. This is the best news I have to tell you—a steady down pour of rain on the day their little Christmas stockings were to be brought in—failed to dampen their ardor. Sixty-five Sunbeams were present and, their Christmas offering for Africa was \$25.

If you are willing to begin the new year by organizing a Sunbeam band in your church, the State leader will be glad to send you the necessary literature. Write to Miss Edna Wilson, 1514 Third Street, Louisville, Ky.

Here is a letter from a noble young man who has been attending Prestonsburg school, until he passed the eighth grade. He now wants to attend the Seminary, but we think that some Christian friend should help him finish his course at Prestonsburg. Thorough preparation is what our men need today.

Dear Mission Monthly:

We were very sorry that you were forced to make your stay so short with us. Our people enjoyed your visit and are asking, "When is Dr. Powell coming

back?" I want my people to know something of the outside world, and what is being done for the advancement of the Kingdom of God on earth.

We hope to begin on our Sunday School rooms soon. When we have them in order we will be in better shape to do business for the Lord.

I have asked Mrs. Bercie Stephenson to take subscriptions for the State Mission Monthly, Our Home Field and the Foreign Mission Journal. Will you kindly send her some samples of each, and write her a nice little note about the good she can do by placing the papers in the hands of the membership. I want to develop the membership along lines of activity. She is going to make a great worker.

I think your visit put us on higher ground. May the Lord bless you in your great work.

M. L. BLANKENSHIP.

Albany, Ky.

GREATLY ENCOURAGED.

The recent visit to our town of Dr. H. A. Porter, pastor of Walnut Street Baptist church, Louisville, and Dr. W. J. Powell, Corresponding Secretary of Kentucky Baptists, was a great treat to us all. Dr. Powell wrote us that they would reach here in time to speak Wednesday night. Accordingly a large audience gathered and waited till 9 o'clock, when these brethren burst in upon us just like they had come five miles instead of forty-five. Both Dr. Powell and Dr. Porter spoke, and so pleased the audience that the next morning circuit court adjourned in a body and repaired to the college, where all were again much delighted and edified. Their aptly spoken words are still ringing in our ears. How they encouraged us! We believed that they were interested in our work, but now we know it. It does those who are struggling under a heavy load so much good to hear a word of sympathy, and of commendation. It was at a great sacrifice that these brethren came and we thank them and God, and take courage.

Our work is better. Our spirits are lighter and our visions brighter because of their coming. Do come again, brethren.

We'll do all we can to make your visit enjoyable.

A. S. PETREY.

Hazard, Ky.

THE HOME MISSION BOARD.

Of the many agencies which are engaged in fostering and forwarding our missionary interests, no one of them is more important, fundamental and far-reaching than that of the Home Mission Board.

Its purpose is imperial, its work is imperative; while the character and scope of its labors have been such as to commend it to the confidence and co-operation of the brethren. If the value of this board is to be determined by what it has already accomplished, if its past is to be a prophecy of coming achievement, then it would be difficult to overestimate the worth of its work.

As the years grow apace the wisdom of the board becomes more and more apparent. There is scarcely a city in the South in which the board has not planted and assisted in sustaining Baptist churches. Indeed, a large number of our strongest churches have been beneficiaries of this board.

It seems to us that the Board could not have selected a better man for our State Vice President than Brother M. E. Dodd. He has given to this work freely of his time and talents and richly deserves our hearty co-operation. In a recent communication, published in these columns, our Vice President shows that our State is in arrears with this work. This should not be. Let all of our pastors and churches bestir themselves to the end, that our apportionment may be fully and promptly met.

HE CHOSE THE PATH FOR THEE.

He chose this path for thee,
 No feeble chance, nor hard relentless
 fate,
 But love, His love, hath placed thy foot-
 steps here.
 He knew the way was rough and desolate,
 Knew thy heart would often sink with
 fear,
 Yet tenderly he whispered, "Child, I see
 This path is best for thee."

He chose this path for thee;
 What needst thou more, this sweeter
 truth to know,
 That all along these strange, bewildering
 ways,
 O'er rocky steeps and where dark rivers
 flow.
 His loving arms will bear thee all thy
 days,
 A few more steps, and thou thyself shalt
 see
 'This path is best for thee.'

DEDICATION IN THE MOUNTAINS.

Sunday, November 28th was a great day for Cave Spring church, Clinton, Ky., The new house which was begun the first of September, being completed and being blessed with one of the most beautiful and pleasant days, and the presence of our beloved and untiring Secretary, W. D. Powell, the large congregation seemed to be delighted and rejoicing upon every hand. The indebtedness of \$172.55 was promptly raised by Secretary Powell and then came that inspiring dedicational sermon by the Secretary, and the congregation joined the writer in the prayer.

Cave Spring church is weak numerically and financially just now, but the prospects for their future are promising.

I made my first visit as missionary to this people the third Sunday in July, and by the help of the Lord was able to arouse them to remove the old log house and start the work on the new house just

dedicated.

From that point we accompanied Dr. Powell over to Burkesville, where we left him with Pastor Hunt and came on Summer Shade to arrange for him to preach Tuesday noon, and then to drive him over to Edmonton, but to our disappointment he was taken sick and was advised by the physician to go directly home, but to our joy he left Bro. S. M. McCarter, State Evangelist, with us and he delivered three interesting sermons for our people.

Will the readers of the Mission Monthly pray for me as I try to establish the work of our blessed Master and the Baptist cause in this part of the State.

T. F. GRIDER, Missionary.

(This missionary builds two or three good meeting houses each year at weak and needy points.—Editor.)

We have sent in 234 subscribers to the Foreign Mission Board in the last few months.

One of our noble, self-sacrificing missionaries, whose health is not the best, says: "I hate to run up the flag of truce, but I cannot stay on at the expense of the cause. I may be doing more than some men would do, but that does not satisfy me." Those are the breathings of a noble spirit. It is sad to note the missionaries will sometimes continue long after their influence and usefulness have waned.

Missionary Adkins is succeeding well in Carter county. He is now at Rock Springs, having a splendid meeting. A new church will be organized, and they will begin right away a suitable house of worship. He is laboring in a very hard territory.

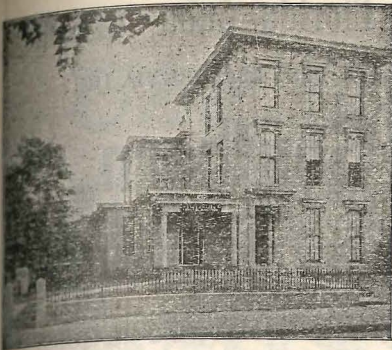
Missionary G. B. Bush is moving things at Salyersville, and we hope to see a nice house completed there in the near future.

RECEIPTS FOR NOVEMBER.

Long Run Ass'n, from the following churches: West Broadway, per Wm. E. Peak, \$12; Immanuel, per Dr. R. G. Fallis, \$40.71; Highland Park, per W. E. Mason, \$8.55; Walnut St., per P. T. Hale, \$5; Twenty-second and Walnut St., per L. M. Render, \$148.72; Fourth Ave., per L. M. Render, \$14.58; Calvary, per W. H. Johnson, \$16.35; Oakdale, per E. L. Averitt, \$19.13; Lyndale, per W. H. Rowland, \$1.26; Lyndale Sunday School, per W. H. Rowland, \$1.40; Walnut St., per H. A. Porter, \$10; Clifton, per J. T. Betts, \$5; Salem, per Luella Pendleton, \$9; Crescent Hill, per W. D. Powell, \$50. Clifton, per J. D. Haynes, \$60.05; Crescent Hill, per N. C. Shouse, \$50; Walnut St., per George Hays, \$77.50; Walnut St., per W. D. Major, \$409.13; Walnut St., per Miss Fannie Moses, \$21.25. East, per J. C. Strouse, \$11; Broadway, per T. J. Humphreys, \$165; West Broadway, per George Gearing, \$12; Beechland, per Mrs. Belle Moorman, \$3. Campbell Co. Ass'n, Newport ch., per R. E. Kuhnheim, \$80.23; Mentor ch., per W. D. Powell, \$31.46; Menter ch., per E. M. Jolly, \$1. North Bend Ass'n, South Side ch., per W. H. Sjelge, \$115; Big Bone ch., per J. P. Jenkins, \$102.75; per F. P. Gates, \$10; per W. C. C. Connelly, \$2.29. Elkhorn Ass'n, Mt. Vernon ch., per J. P. Jenkins, \$12; per Malcom Thompson, \$414.50. South Kentucky Ass'n, Liberty ch., per Chas. Martin, \$12; Eubanks ch., per R. A. Barnes, \$36.25. Enterprise Ass'n, per F. Hardin, \$13.50; per W. D. Powell, \$18.75; Paintsville, per Z. J. Amerson, \$27. Ohio River Ass'n, Good Hope ch., per N. F. Jones, \$133.75. per J. S. Henry, Distreas., \$178.50. Blood River Ass'n, per H. B. Taylor, \$50.60. Russell's Creek Ass'n, Elkhorn ch., per R. A. Barnes, \$40.55. Lynn Ass'n, per B. F. Hutcherson, \$13.10. Graves Co. Ass'n, per W. M. Wilson, \$467.31. Ohio Vaalley Ass'n, Corydon ch., per Miss Jennie Martin, \$60.30; per W. E. Hammer, \$658.72. Wayne Co. Ass'n, Stubensville ch.. per

S. M. McCarter, \$35.26. Three Forks Ass'n, Hazard ch., per A. S. Petrey, \$5; Hyden ch., per S. J. Sparks, \$21.22. Bethel Ass'n, Locust Groce ch., per W. P. Wilkes, \$67.50; per H. H. Abernathy, Dis. Treas., \$160.61. Salem Ass'n, per H. C. Hayes, Treas., \$203.48; Forks of Otter Creek ch., per Geo. E. Hays, \$11.25. West Union Ass'n, First ch., Paducah, \$50. First ch., Paducah, per J. R. P. year, \$30; First ch., Paducah, per W. E. Covington, \$40; per Ed. Ransom, Treas., \$7.74. Ten Mile Ass'n, Concord ch., per C. T. Brookshire, \$8.20; Ten Mile ch., per C. T. Brookshire, \$5.07. Bracken Ass'n, Mt. Olivet ch., per S. M. Clark, \$1.80. Boone's Creek Ass'n, Clay City ch., per H. G. Garrott, \$25. Daviess Co. Ass'n, Curdsville ch., per N. F. Jones, \$57.36. Severn's Valley Ass'n, per J. F. Rogers, \$116. Crittenden Ass'n, Gum Lick ch., per Z. W. Pigg, \$18. Greenup Ass'n, Geigerville ch., per F. E. May, \$5. Shelby Co. Ass'n, per J. F. Middleton, \$80.43. Freedom Ass'n, Burkesville ch., per S. M. McCarter, \$70. Liberty Ass'n, per J. M. Bruce, \$75. North Concord Ass'n, Artemus ch., per W. R. Massee, \$2.7. Central Committee, per Miss Willie Lamb, \$255.76. W. M. U. Societies, as follows: Newport ch., per Mrs. W. A. Evans, \$2; First ch., Lexington, per Miss Sallie E. Adams, \$10; Smith's Grove ch., per Mrs. W. C. Garman, \$2; of Louisville, \$20. Willing Workers of Bracken Ass'n, per C. V. Waugh, \$10. B. B. Bands, as follows: Miss Maggie Kuhnheim's Sunday School Class, per Miss Leora Wood, \$1. Individuals, per W. D. Powell, \$1,375; per John Hill, 40c. Journals, as follows. Per H. B. Taylor, 60c; per R. A. Barnes, \$2.90; per E. H. Garrott, 60c; per J. T. McGlothlin, \$1.20; per W. E. Mitchell, \$13.75; per Miss Elizabeth Garrott, 60c; per Edna Hurt, \$1.80; per Terry Martin, 25c; per R. C. Kimble, \$4.80; per Mrs. C. B. Hammond, \$3.70. per L. T. Wright, \$1.20. Home Board, per Walker Dunson, \$193.32. Foreign Board, per R. J. Willingham, \$50. Total, \$7,411.51.

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Rev. W. H. Brummel and his church at Williamsburg, which I suppose will be called Second church, asks the Board for aid.

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