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#### JACKSON AND CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

At present our people seem to have a mania for mountain schools and the so-called "Christian Education." The writer has been in ucation." The writer has been in sympathy with educational work in the mountains, three years of his life having been spent in that direction. It seems that most of our people who give to mountain work put their money into these educational channels and leave the more important matters

Six years' experience would give us the idea that some mis-takes in mountain work have been made:

1st. As to to the evangelist, we might as well burn the money it takes to pay him unless there is a good stray pastor who has the work thoroughly organised and will make it go after

evangelist is gone. In the second place, a great mistake has been made in sending incompetent men to the mountains. When a man can't preach well enough to get a job in the Blue Grass or cities, he wants to come to the mountains under the Board to prescribe an the server. Board to practice on the mountain people. This is a failure. Mountain people demand the best preaching, and will not go to hear any other kind.

send the best men. A few good men located here and there are worth an army of these inexperienced, inefficient preachers.

In the third place, another vital mistake is, the Board supposes that a man can live on a much less salary in the mountains than anywhere else, and thus our best men are starved out and must go elsewhere to get a comfortable living. Experience has given us the ground for saying living in is a good strong pastor who has more than in Louisville.

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You can't get competent men at a small salary and the Board can not pay any larger with the scanty funds put into their hands.
The question will be solved how to take the mountains for Christ and the Baptists when our people help build respectable church houses and locate good men who can preach and live with the people. Schools will never take the mountains for Christ or Baptists, either. If you believe it will, just come to Jackson and see the Presbyterian Institute, about 18 or 20 years old. This is one of the Presbyterian Institute, about 18-or 20 years old. This is one of the best equipped institutes in the State, especially we as Baptists have only one that excels it as to equipment in the mountains. Jackson is dominated by the Bap-tists. They have depended on ed-ucational institutions and have failed to preach the gospel. God

ordained the preaching of the Gospel to save men, and no other way will ever do it. Teaching is not preaching. Many are teachers who cannot preach.

A good suggestion would be to create a sum of money adequate to build and help good church houses, and then send good men to the field and the educational

question is solved.

The work at Jackson is a witess for what the church building and can do. Dr. Bow opened the mission at Jackson and kept pressing the work until now we have a good brick building worth \$5,000. First of last January we had 24 members. Since then the Lord has added 69 to our number, 55 by baptism. Funds have b raised and house about completed. House has not been dedicated because of \$540 debt, most of which was incurred before we came to this field. Sunday we made an effort to raise the debt; \$200 has been raised and we now have reached our extremity with \$340 hanging over us. Would it not be a splendid opportunity to emphasize the Church Building Fund so such struggling people could be enabled to dedicate their house? Will not our people awaken to their grand opportuni-ties and establish churches and raise funds to employ some strong men for strategic points? R. L. BAKER.

#### BELLEVUE.

Our church was organized Apr. 12th, with 34 members. Since that time we have received about 35 by letter and 10 by baptism, making 79 in all. We have bought a lot in the centre of the city at a cost of \$2,250 (57x150 ft.) on which we have paid about \$700 in cash, and have raised enough in cash and subscription to secure a goodly amount of the balance, and we are to have three years on

and we are to have three years on the last payment.

In accomplishing what has been mentioned above, our people have done nobly, even beyond what we felt we could do; and yet, we are going to do more.

We are now trying to raise money to complete the payments on the lot and build a stone chap-

on the lot and build a stone chapel which can serve us at present,
and serve in the future as our were five other denominations
Sunday School room and lecture
room when the main building is
put up. For this we need about
\$6,000, for we cannot afford to
put up a cheap building in a city
like Bellevue, where live some of
Cincinnati's best business men
and leaders in every way. We need the cought to have at least a \$12,000
Baptists who have to toll for church, for I believe this church
is destined to become one of the idea as an impossibility. Others

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Four churches dedicate
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We are meeting in a lodge room, which is upstairs in the rear of a store room, and is inadequate to our needs, and is also unhandy. We cannot grow much more until we have a church building, and for this we are strugging faithfully. Eight of our members bring in one-tenth of their salary every mouth to go into the building fund, and all

the rest are doing well in this.

This little city numbers about 8,000 and is growing rapidly. There are 60 or 70 new homes now in process of erection or completion. Ought not this field to appeal to every loyal Baptist? I trust the Lord may put it into the heart of every lover of His King-dom to assist in this very prom-

ising and worthy cause.

This city is represented by the Catholic, Lutheran, Methodist and Campbellite denominations, and Campbellite denominations, though a town of 8,000 people, there has never been a Baptist church here until this year. Ought this not make the Baptists of Kentucky blush for such need-

I will add that we have a prayer meeting and young peo-ple's meeting, both of which are well attended.

Your brother, T. H. JOHNSON.

#### OLIVE HILL.

Olive Hill is one of the strate gic points for Baptists in the mountains of Northeast Ken-tucky. Though a town of nearly tucky. Though a town of nearly three thousand inhabitants, it has two large fire-brick plants one of which is the finest and best equipped plant in the world. There being from 5 to 15 feet of fire clay in the hills, a sufficient amount can be obtained to supply the present companies 200 years. Mountain people are making the town, digging the clay, making the brick and wandering making the brick and wandering far from God. Hence Olive Hill is and shall continue to be a town of vital importance to the Bap-tist cause in this end of the State.

Why do Baptists usually wait until other denominations get a hold in the towns before they begin? When the Baptists came when the Baptists came to Olive Hill two years ago there were five other denominations had a footing. Nevertheless there seems to have been room for a Missionary Baptist church. I say "Missionary" because we are surrounded by anti-mission Baptists.

"When the Baptists build a hin Olive Hill I will jump over and stand on my head," etc. "the faithful few" continued agitate the question, exceptant, and "lean on the standard of the standard arm" for support and guide God has crowned our effort

were closed against us.

Day by day the sound of thammer has been telling the bestiful story. While I am writing the story is being concluded, of dreams realised, our prayers as swered. A beautiful little churcosting over \$2,000 is complete. The most handsome church is miles square. Confidence in the purposes of the future is one than vital forces of life. The work is the story of life. purposes of the future is of the vital forces of life. The tories of the past give us he the future, and in the hope bright future we find course perform the duties of the cost. If God he fee as when

be against us?

The first Sunday in November,
J. J. Taylor, M.A., DD., LL.D.,
President of Georgetown College
Georgetown, Ky., will deliver the
dedicatory sermon. There will be
a series of services in connection
with the dedication up to Nov. 14

J. R. REYNOLDS, Pastor

#### DEDICATIONS.

. The Corresponding dedicated the church Glasgow Junction, Oct. Pastor T. J. Ham was in Pastor T. J. Ham was in a g meeting at Drake's Creek could not be present. There no debt to be met and the che gaye a contribution to State sions as a thank offering.

Sunday, October 30, we Pastor T, H. Poney in the cation of their new house hip at Mt. Carmel in

We are to aid Pastor J. L. kins in the dedication of the church house at Hopewell Cumberland county, Nov. 6, a also at Russell Springs Nov. 1: Four churches dedicated in successive Sundays. Has

The new church at Olive Hill. B. Revnelds

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#### ASSOCIATIONAL MINUTES

All the Associations have held All the Associations have held their annual meetings, and now we want two copies of the minutes of each association. Several of the clerks have already sent copies. We earnestly ask all to do this at once. Each year we need these minutes. Some of themare hard to obtain. We send each clerk a copy of this paper hoping he will comply with this rergest. Just direct to J. G. Bow, Louisville, Ky.

Now that the associational campaign is over, I want to thank the brethren for the many, many kindnesses shown the Secretary. The pastors, the officers of the as-The pastors, the officers of the associations, the brethren and sisters, have, in a very large measure, made the onerous duties of your Secretary a joy and delight. At the thirty associations attended this year, the right of way has been cordially given, with ample time to discuss the great question of missions. The voluntary kindness of the brethren in farmer of the present of nishing me conveyance and enter-tainment, together with the many courtesies from the railroads, has made my expenses a mere trifle. Now, brethren, command me for

any service in my power which will aid you in the work before us.

Don't expect to call on me to-day for service to-morrow, but give me time. My engagements are frequently made for almost every day for a month or more

#### COMPARATIVE. STATEMENT

Kentucky's record in gifts to

Kentucky's record in gifts to missions stands as follows:
Foreign Missions — 1899, \$12,-128.45; 1900, \$15,825.15; 1901, \$15,560.18; 1902, \$21,921.91; 1903, \$23,241.77; 1904, \$22,179.81.

Home Missions—1899, \$8,125.-37; 1900, \$8,551.37; 1901, \$\$11,-989.90; 1902, \$11,837.41; 1903, \$10,591.24; 1904, \$13,192.38.

State Missions—1899, \$5,597,-95; 1900, \$5,869,48; 1901, \$7,205,-

day School and Colportage Fund, the amount given to District Mis-sions, or the Church Building

What will we make the figures \$5 for the year ending Apr. 30, 1905? old We are asked for \$30,000 for Forse eign Missions, \$20,000 for Home leg Missions, and \$20,000 for State the Missions. This amount would re-Ai Missions. This amount would require each white Baptist to give to these three objects about 70c.

Brother, sister, do you believe that Jesus died to make the Gos-

that Jesus died to make the Gospel possible, then commands his redeemed people to proclaim it to all of this lost world, and that you will be blameless and excused if you you do not do that much to send the Gospel to the lost of earth? How readest thou?

#### THE MURRAY CHURCH.

Pastor H. Boyce Taylor has, under God, been able to develop this church to a wonderful degree this church to a women'th agree of efficiency. With a membership of 270, none of them wealthy, they gave to missions the past year \$961.11, an average of \$3.56 per

If the white Baptists of Ken-

member.

If the white Baptists of Kentucky averaged that much for missions it would amount to \$712.
000.00. This would enable Kentucky Baptist to give \$200,000 to Foreign Missions, \$200,000 to Home Missions, \$2 a big lot of Baptists did much less than they ought to have done.

being true, what is the income of Kentucky Baptists? I suppose Kentucky Baptists: 1 suppose Kentuckians would hold a fair average with people of the entire land, and that Baptists would average up to the rest of Kentuckians, especially as Baptists do not count any of the babies in their membership. There are more than 200,000 white Baptists in the State, so the annual income of Baptists in Kentucky would be \$40,000,000. Now if we give one-tenth of our income to the Lord's cause, Kentucky Baptists would put into the Lord's treasury \$4.000,000 annually. Take one-half of this for all our church work at home, that would be \$2,000,000 to be distributed among about 1,700 churches; that would give to each church an average of \$1,176, which would easily enable every church to have a good par-Kentuckians would hold a fair average with people of the entire

95; 1902, \$12,571.37; 1903, \$8,378, sonage and a preacher for every 45; 1904, \$9,241.16. Sunday in the year. Of course, This does not include the Sun- a few churches would require a few churches would require more than that amount, but most of them could carry on full time work with far less than that amount. Then we could take amount. Then we could take \$500,000 for education and benev-olence each year, giving to our Seminary and four larger col-leges \$50,000 each every year, to the Orphans' Home, Ministers' Aid each \$10,000 annually and have \$10,000 to give to each of more than twenty other schools

more than twenty other schools and academies.

That would leave us \$500,000 for Foreign Missions, more than twice what the whole Southern Baptist Convention gave last year and more than sixteen times the amount asked this year for Foreign Missions from Kentucky.

Then \$500,000 for Home Missions, which is more than three and a half times what the entire Convention gave last year, and just twenty-five times as much as Kentucky is asked to give this year. Then \$500,000 for all phases of our State Mission work. Surely with this and the consecrated work, prayer and faith that would go with these gifts, we would soon take the world for Christ and the truth.

Brother, do you think such a thing desirable? Do you think the Baptists of Kentucky ought to do that? If so, you ought to do your duty, and I mine, whether the rest do or not. By the grace of God I will try. Will you?

Let us no longer rob God of the tithes. I will give one-tenth of my income. Will you?

that he hath not." "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God

WHAT KENTUCKY BAPTISTS has prospered him."

OUGHT TO GIVE. What kind of a harvest would you like to reap? Listen, God The statement is made that the says. "He which soweth sparingly average income of each American shall reap also sparingly; and is more than \$200 per year. That he which soweth bountifully shall being true, what is the income of reap also bountifully. Every

the which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver."

Are you not afraid to ignore God's requirements? He said to Israel: "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye arcursed with a curse; for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation." Now here is the divine remedy. "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in my house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

Brother, will you prove God?

Will you test God's promise? Will you try God's plan?

### CHURCH BUILDING.

A good deal is said about the Church Building Fund in this is sue. No investment promises larger returns than this. No criticisms can be given to excuse you from this part of the work. Eyery cent of money contributed to this fund is put into the building of church houses. You can designate if you wish to.

We have promised \$25 to Hopewell, \$25 more to Russell Springs, \$100 to Olive Hill (besides what Bracken Association promised).

Bracken Association promised), and \$50 to Hindman. Harlan and \$50 to Hindman. Harlan makes the very modest request for \$100; and yet we ought gladly to give it. Then we must aid our little struggling band at Bellevue. Oh the open doors! The golden opportunities! Will our brethren see and improve them?

Who will send me \$100 for Har-lan church? What pastor or church will take up this matter and provide for any of the above points.

#### EXPLANATION.

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Again and again we have explained the various phases of mission work, but yet some of our people do not understand. District MisMsions is the work carried on by each District Association; State Missions means the work done in the State under the direction of the State Board; Home Missions means the work inder the auspices of the Home Board at Atlanta, Ga., and the work is on the frontier, in Cuba and all over the Southern Baptist Convention in connection with the State Boards, especially in the mountain regions, and also among the negroes and the foreign population among us.

Of course, Foreign Missions is the special work of the Foreign Board at Richmond, Va. The Southern Baptist Convention has missions in Japan, China, Africa, Italy, South America and Mexico. The State Board of Missions located at Louisville looks after the collection and forwarding of funds from Kentucky Baptists to the Home and Foreign Boards only such funds as pass through the State treasury will be report-

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here is financially weak and we are trying to build a house which the welfare of our cause demands. The house will cost about \$2,000,

the welfare of our cause demands. The house will cost about \$2,000, counting nothing for furnishing. Of this amount we need something near \$600.

We have called on our State Board for \$100 with which to help complete it. Our plan has been to raise all we can at home before calling on any one else. In our own church and community we have raised twice as much as some of the leading men here predicted at the beginning. I be lieve, under God, that money given to our Building Fund will bring large returns in the future. It seems to be much easier for other denominations to get money with which to build. In some cases they only require the citizens of the community to furnish the site on which to build. We do not approve of helping people who will not help themselves, but you can see why it is that respectable buildings of other denominations are built in some communities while the Baptists still worship in the little log school house. A reasonable amount of money used wisely by our State Board would encourage our people and cause them to build. We have only four churches in Harlan county, and three of these are not yet completed.

I have the care of two country churches; one has a house almost completed, the other has part of the lumber on ground to begin building.

We have an abundance of coal

the lumber on ground to began-building.
We have an abundance of coal and timber in Harlan, but with no transportation this wealth amounts to but little more than a future ownership. But time will bring development and Har-lan will be one of the richest counties in Kentucky.

J. W. Mahan.

HOPEWELL AND RUSSELL SPRINGS.

Dear Bro. Bow:

I will send you an account of my work at Hopewell and Russell Springs.

When I began with Hopewell church the house was in such a condition we could not have night services without the wind blowing out the lamps. I began urging

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the brethren to build, but it was a slow go for some time, the saying alf the time they were it poor to build. I succeeded in getting them to begin, and the resu of it is we are to dedicate or house the first Sunday in November. We have a house that wimeet demands for many years.

Russell Springs is a little ton in Russell county with a poplation of nearly 500. They have had no church house save of that they use for everything from a monkey show to a band has We will have a nice house rearfor dedication the second Sundain November; and if those we have promised to help us would send in their money we would an have a dollar to raise on dediction day. We have nice furture given by the old Providen church near Danville, Ky. We would be glad to see any of the brethren down at the dedication. We have had a hard strugg having many oppositions. To anti-mission spirit is strong her say anything about money. Town in spirit is Baptist, an when they are cultivated to set the work as Christ wants the to, they will be a strong mission ary church. We have grow from 17 to 45 and have a brighture. We are hoping for greathings in our meeting the 1st November. Yours truly, J. Lesle Adkins.

Dr. Howard G. Bow, the De

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