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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 alway. 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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### STATE MISSIONS.

This means the mission work of Kentucky Baptists in Kentucky. There is no body under the sun to do this work according to Baptist ideas except Kentucky Baptists. The Methodists and Presbyterians and others will do work in Kentucky along the lines of their peculiar doctrines. Baptists in all the other states will help us, in home and foreign mission work, but nobody will help us do mission work in Kentucky (except a small appropriation from the Home Board.)

There is at this time a great and crying need for a united effort and a marked advancement in our state mission work.

There are our State evangelists and our State Sunday-school and Young Peoples' Secretary to be supported.

The city of Paducah is to-day one of the greatest mission fields in the State. The new railroad from Paducah to Cairo opens up several new towns which it will be suicidal to neglect.

Eddyville, the county seat of Lyon county, with a small, weak membership and no house.

The conditions at Dawson Springs demand prompt and vigorous action and the expenditure of money and labor.

Nortonville and Earlington are rapidly increasing in importance and merit our careful and prompt attention. Other mining towns along the Illinois Central railroad if longer neglected will be at our loss.

Passing to the eastern part of the State and the needs are so great it is

hard to specify. A line drawn from Maysville through Mt. Sterling, Richmond. Stanford, Columbia, Glasgow and Franklin leaves a vast mission field east of this. 'In this territory is included 16,215 square miles, two-fifths of the territory of the state and nearly one-third of the population, 609,226 people. Yet all of this may be called mission ground except Ashland, Somerset and Williamsburg. And on the west side of this line is a great deal of destitu tion. Parts of Ballard, McCracken, Livingston, Crittenden and Union counties along the Ohio river and then a broad stripe through Lyon, Caldwell, South part of Hopkins, North parts of Trigg, Christian and Todd counties. Then on through Muhlenburg, Butler, Grayson, Hart and Green counties. There are eleven county seats east of this imaginary line without a missionary Baptist church, namely, Owingsville in Bath, Vanceburg in Lewis, Greenup in Greenup, Grayson in Carter, Sandy Hook in Elliott, West Liberty in Morgan, Salversville in Magosfin, Stanton in Powell, Inez in Martin, Prestonsburg in Floyd, and Booneville in Owsley. As to Whitesburg in Letcher county and McKee in Jackson, and Irvine in Estill it is a real question of a living Baptist church.

With the State Evangelists we have and those the Lord is going to give us we hope soon to be able to cover the needs of the state more fully than ever before. We are in sore need of funds to carry out the enlarged plans before us and we are trusting the Lord and Kentucky

Baptists for the supply of this need.

Remember there are now less than four months of the Convention year remaining.

Remember that the books close on State Mission work at the same time they close for Home and Foreign Missions.

Remember "Missions are missions," and that to discriminate against State Mission is to cut off the base of supplies, and such a course must inevitably be detrimental to Home and Foreign Missions.

Remember we have asked and greatly need at least \$35,000.00 for Foreign Missions, \$25,000.00 for State Missions and \$25,000.00 for Home Missions. Remember this is our work, God-given and eternal in its effects, and there is nobody to do this but God's redeemed people, and God requires every one of his children to be faithful to duty. What have you done? What has your association done? Let us hear from all the brotherhood. Pray for and give to the great work of State Missions.

### SECRETARIES' MEETING.

The annual meeting of the secretaries, according to the previous arrangement, was held in Coliseum Place church, New Orleans, La., beginning December 15th. Dr. W. B. Crumpton was re-elected president and J. G. Bow secretary. Topics of interest and special profit to the secretaries were discussed: State Evangelists; Best methods of Colportage Work; How to reach inactive churches and enlist them; The Secretary and his Bible; The Secretary and Sermonizing; The Distribution of Literature, Religious and Mission Journals, &c, &c.

Drs. W. B. Crumpton, S. Y. Jameson and J. G. Bow were made an executive committee.

Headquarters were at the Dene-

chaud Hotel.

Rev. H. M. Crain, pastor of Grace Baptist church, gave the secretaries a delightful treat in a trolley excursion around the city. He secured the special and elegantly furnished car of the president of the street railway and took them over the city to points of interest, acting as our interpreter and guide. After a tour of more than fifty miles we stopped at the home of Bro. Crain and the ladies of Grace church served a delicious lunch and entertained us handsomely.

A vote of special thanks was given to Bro. Crain and also to the ladies of Grace Baptist church.

We were indebted to Pastors C. V. Edwards, M. R. Merrill and H. M. Crain for special attention and courtesies.

The next meeting of the secretaries was set for December 12, 1906, at Montgomery, Ala.

On Sunday morning Dr. W. B. Crumpton preached at St. Charles Ave.; Dr. L. D. Geiger at Grace church; J. G. Bow at First church.

Afternoon, Dr. Crumpton addressed the Y. M. C. A. and Breth. Geiger and Bow made addresses at a mass meeting held at Valence street church, where Bro. W. Y. Quisenberry, State Evangelist, was engaged in a meeting with fine promise. Sunday night Dr. Crumpton preached at the First church and J. G. Bow at Grace church. At the First church three were received by letter in the morning. At Grace church three professed faith in Christ at night.

### SMITH'S GROVE, KY.

Dr. J. G. Bow:

Dear Bro: Our society sent a box to Rev. M. Patrick, Inez, Ky., value, money and box, \$26.70.

Mrs. G. C. Garman. Sec. W. M. S.

### PIKEVILLE, KY.

Dear Dr. Bow:

Very good news for this month; one Campbellite lady for baptism in Pikeville. She awaits baptism. She is a fine spirit; one Methodist baptized at John's Creek mission. A Methodist preacher about 65 years old also joined, and people say he is certainly a fine man. He is well educated. He would never allow them to ordain him; said he could not afford to sprinkle babies. He will be baptized of course and wants something to do. He is able in prayer and preaches better than the average Methodist preacher. John's Creek will build a church. Land, timber and money already offered. I am having fine crowds in Pikeville. We have closed a deal for church in Pikeville if parties don't back out, I will photograph lot and have you to draw plans to suit as soon as its sure and I am satisfied its all right.

I go in morning sixteen miles over hills and down creeks to preach funeral and must return for mission here to morrow night.

R. L. BAKER.

### BURNSIDE, KY.

Dear Bro. Bow:

I have just resigned the pastorate of the Burnside church, and got them to call Bro. McFarland, who will spend one week per month on the field and also give two sermons per month for the new church I assisted in organizing at Mill Springs last week. We are in much the best condition there we have ever been, and have received 22 new members during the last month. Bro. McFarland's time will begin Jan. 1st.

The brethren in Wayne and Pulaski counties are soliciting me to take the district mission work in the two associations. It am confident

that by visiting all of the churches, holding special meetings, Bible Institutes, and organizing our Mission Work we can secure several times as much for Missions during the coming year as we did last year. only hindrance that appears to me now is the lack of funds to enable me to properly prosecute the work. If I begin it I shall procure a convevance and driver and carry with me Bibles and Testaments and denominational works, and arrange to hold one Bible Institute per month. I suppose this kind of work seems to you too difficult for a blind man to undertake, but if the Boards of the Wavne and Pulaski Associations arrange for it I shall undertake it. If I have been correctly informed there are 56 Baptist churches in the territory yet to be brought into line, besides the 45 churches already belonging to the two Associations which need to be thoroughly stirred on our Mission Work.

Trusting the Lord to give direction to this important matter, and sincerely thanking you for your hearty co-operation with me on the Burnside field, I am,

Fraternally yours, GEO. E. BAKER.

Dear Bro. Bow:

The work still moves on encouragingly. One young man, a student of Berea College, has been baptized upon a profession of his faith in Christ within the past month. There are several others with whom I have had conversation and hope that they will soon come out on the Lord's side. Our congregations are encouragingly large. We hope we shall have the prayers of all God's people for this important field.

Yours fraternally, Amos Stout. Berea, Kv., Dec. 30, 1905. REPORT OF CITY MISSION WORK DONE IN CONNEC-TION WITH HOPE RES-CUE MISSION, YEAR 1905.

Visits.—Jail, 26; hospital, 198; workhouse, 48; poor families, 726; houses of ill fame, 92; girls rescued from houses of ill fame, 49; girls taken to the Home of the Friendless, 31; girls sent home to relations, 61; work secured for girls in the city, 56; Testaments and Bibles given away, 119; literature distributed, Bibles, Recorder, Argus, Magazines, prayer services held in homes, 158; religious services conducted, 48; Bible readings held, 39; persons talked with, very many; letters written, 143; children brought into Sundayschool, 34; garments given away, 1,833; medicine and food furnished, prescriptions, 65; appeals for help, 372; funerals, 33; professed conversions, 53; religious services attend-187. Remarks.—I don't feel that this is any estimate of the work because figures mean so little compared to one's sympathy, love and līfe. Respectfully.

EMMA LEACHMAN.

### GULNARE, KY.

Bro. R. L. Baker visited our place third Sunday in November, preached more than 20 sermons. Had a wonderfully interesting meeting. Had an average attendance of more than 80 each day and night. Had quite a number of confessions, two joined the church, one by baptism, and he established a mission point here. Will preach each month on Sat. before the third Sunday. He is the second preacher of our denomination that ever preached at this place. He has gained and made many friends while here, things seems to be very favorable for the building of a church at this

place. We have but few members, but as it now appears to us, we will grow in numbers as the Lord is able to convert souls to Christ. We have many good people living in our immediate neighborhood, and so many have expressed themselves that Baptists are right. Will write you again later. Yours in Christ,

M. E. McCombs.

### GOLD CITY, KY.

Dear Mrs. Bow:

The Woman's Missionary Society of Shady Grove, have started a box to Mr. E. M. Eaton, hoping he will receive it by Xmas. The box is valued at \$10.00. We trust he will find it of some use, though it is quite a small gift, yet our society is also very small. Respectfull yours, Mamie Harris, Sec.

### PIKSVILLE, KY.

The Pikeville mission field though difficult, is developing slowly. The writer has three regular points of active service. Crowds are splendid with occasional conversions and additions. The John's Creek Mission is quite favorable for soon organizing a strong church. This is sixteen miles from town. The mission in a suburb of Pikeville is growing and occasionally additions come from this point. Our great need is more men on the field and church houses to worship in. May the Lord put it into the minds and hearts of Kentucky Baptists to raise a sufficient fund to supply the crying needs of these great destitutions.

R. L. Baker.

Prayer and faith make the most potent force thinkable. It brings omnipotence into play Hence the necessity for the exercise of great faith and pray without ceasing.

### STATE EVANGELISTS.

The brotherhood is well aware of the efficient services rendered for about one and a half years by our State Evangelist, Rev. G. W. Argabrite. He is still in the field and ready for constant work. His address is Georgetown, Ky.

The State Board has also secured Rev. E. W. Coakley as State Evangelist. He is to begin work Jan. 1st, at Hawesville, thence perhaps will go to Eddyville. His address is

Beaver Dam, Ky.

Dr. W. D. Powell is the latest addition to our evangelistic force. His family will remain at present at Milan, Tenn. He prefers to work during the winter in Western Kentucky so as to be near his family.

Pastors, churches and mission stations wanting the services of these brethren in evangelistic work should address the Corresponding Secretary, J. G. Bow, Louisville, Ky. It is the purpose of the Secretary to keep in close and constant touch with the evangelists and to aid the pastors and churches in making dates with them. Now, don't wait until time to hold your meeting and then blame some one else because you fail to secure their aid. Write in time.

### OUR SUNDAY-SCHOOL AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SECRE-TARY.

The State Board has secured the services of Rev. Joseph T. Watts, the assistant pastor Broadway Baptist Church, of Louisville, to look after the Sunday-school and Young Peoples' work in Kentucky.

We hope he may be able to make appointments in each association at the most central point and there rally the Sunday-school and Young Peoples' workers and hold meetings covering perhaps five days and nights in the week. In these meet-

ings he should have the hearty sympathy and co-operation of the pastors and brethren. Write him at once and allow him to make a date and arrange a program for your town, or write to the Secretary.

### BAPTIST BUILDING BAND.

The band is still growing. There are now 69 names enrolled. Each agrees to pay \$1.00 per month to the cause of Church Building in the State. Let us have your help in this important matter. The following names have been added to the list since last report: Geo. Hays, Baraca class in Walnut St. S. S., Monticello Ladies Guild, Murray S. S., and Mrs. J. T. Moore's S. S. class at Clinton.

Pastor F. P. Gates at Mt. Olivet had a most enjoyable entertainment for his Sunday-school at Christmas time. The effort of the entertainment was to inform the people in regard to missions and the work of our people.

If the Mt. Olivet Baptists would only wake up to the possibilities within their reach, build them a house in town and follow the pastor they would indeed become as a city

on a hill.

Fulton church agrees to pay Bro. Gates' salary for three months, giving \$50 for that purpose.. Bardwell church also agrees to pay Bro. Gates' salary for three months, and Wickliffe for one month. Columbus gives \$50 to state missions to pay E. W. Barnett, of Corbin for two months. Arlington church pays the salary of C. T. Brookshire for two months—\$50. These amounts were secured by Dr. Powell. This and good pledges for as much more in one week's time.

"A good man shall obtain favor of the Lord, but a man of wicked devices will he condemn."—Bible.

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### THE STATE BOARD OF MISSIONS Meets at Norton Hall, Tuesday, Feb. 6th, at 2 p. m.

J. M. WEAVER,.....President
B. A. DAWES,....Recording Secretary
J. G. Bow,.....Corresponding Secretary

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If you receive a sample copy of the Monthly that means an invitation to subscribe. Twenty-five cents per year. The Kentucky Mission Monthly, Our Home Field, and the Foreign Mission Journal one year for 50 cts. Send stamps if more convenient.

One church in Louisville proposes to guarantee the salary of a State Evangelist. That church is McFerran.

Bro. J. W. Beagle, missionary pastor at Latonia writes, Jan. 1st. "We had seven additions yesterday Bro. Argabrite comes to us next Sunday. Oh may the Lord awaken his people here in Latonia. Pray for us, and toward the close of our meeting I hope you will come to us. Oh, I expect great things from God in this meeting. My prayer to God is that this New Year may be the greatest year in all the history of State missions and all work."

Clifton church proposes to support a state missionary.

Pastor T. H. Plemmons writes from Cynthiana: "We have sent a box to Rev. J. M. Osborne valued at \$75.00. A good many valuable things were sent.

Boxes of clothing and magazines sent to Miss Emma Leachman for the city poor could be used to good advantage. Write us and we will give direction.

Rev. E. H. Brookshire, so well and favorably known throughout Kentucky, is at the Norton Infirmary. He has had two very serious but successful operations and seems to be on the road to speedy recovery.

Dr. W. D. Powell is a live-wire. He had no engagement for a special meeting during the first week of January, but he has sent in \$169.51 for State Missions and has good subscription for nearly as much more.

The following Minutes of District Associations have not yet been received. Please send me a copy at once: Baptist, Barren River, Bays Booneville, Breckenridge. Fork. Central, Clover Bottom Crittenden, Cumberland River, East Lynn, East Union, Edmonson, Enterprise, Franklin, Goose Creek, Graves County, Green River, Greenup, Irvine, Liberty, Logan County, Lonn Camp, Mount Zion, North Concord, Ohio River, Rockcastle. Russell's Creek, Salem, Severns Vallev, South Concord, South Cumberland River, South District, Union, Stocktons Valley, Sulphur Fork, Upper Cumberland, West Union, and Whites Run.

### TRIP TRAMPS.

The first Sunday in December the Secretary spent in Louisville. State Board of Missions met on Tuesday, 5th. At this time a number of new mission points and building enterprises were considered.

'An appropriaton was made to London church, to aid in the support of W. H. Robinson the new

pastor.

'An increase was made in the salary of Thos. Murrell in Clay county. His salary of \$5 per month has hitherto been provided by the W. M. Society of First church, Lexington, and now a like amount is to be paid also by the board.

A conditional appropriation was made to Bays Fork Association for the support of Rev. K. B. Garrison their chosen missionary.

December the 9th in company with Pastor John A. Davis, started to visit his churches at Brooksville and Powersville. We were entertained at the elegant home of Brother and Sister A. R. Langley. The latter was converted in a meeting in which the secretary aided Pastor S. G. Mullins at old Willow Creek twenty years ago. Preached in Powersville Sunday morning and night and in Brooksville Sunday afternoon. These churches both have splendid buildings, but the latter is weak in numbers, and is aided by both the State and District board. Returned to Louisville on Monday, Dec. 11. On 13th started for New Orleans to attend the Annual Meeting of the Secretaries. Returned, raving N. O. on Monday, 18th, reached Louisville on 19th. Thursay 21st, went to Bellevue to see our missionary pastor, Bro. T. H. Anlanson in regard to our work inere. Spent Sunday, 24th ristmas day in Louisville. Thursmorning in company with Dr.

W. P. Harvey took the I. C. train for Rockport, thence to Rochester by boat to attend a missionary meeting of Gasper River Association. Spoke on missions on Thursday night. Dr. Harvey preached Friday morning; Friday afternoon spoke "On what grounds have Baptists a right to exist as a separate denomi-Dr. Harvey preached a nation?" historical sermon at night. We spent one night with Bishop W. H. Smith at the new parsonage and one with Deacon A. J. Wilson. The membership of Rochester church under the efficient leadership of Bro. Smith, whose efforts are always seconded by Bro. Wilson, has given the past year an average of nearly \$15 per member for all purposes and but little less than \$3.00 per member for missions. Less than two years ago this church was one of our mission points.

On Saturday at 6:30 a. m. took the mail wagon for Belton, where after some hours of weary waiting we took the train for Russellville, and at night went on to Bowling Green where we spent the last day of the year. Had a delightful service on Sunday morning, Dec. 31st at the dedication of the Second Church, Bowling Green. Our missionary pastor, Elen G. Vick, has wrought well on this field. The last dollar of indebtedness was paid and the mortgage was destroyed by the pastor in the presence of the congregation. The Secretary preached the sermon, his subject, "What a Baptist Church Stands For." At night preached on missions at First Church, while Dr. J. S. Dill, the pastor of the First Churach, preached at the Second Church. New Years day returned to Louisville. Tuesday, Jan. 2, Monthly meeting of State Board of Missions. For a time the question of a quorum was uppermost. But after a time Dr. Weaver came in from a funeral. Dr. Eaton from a wedding, and others from late dinners, till we had a good attendance.

The appointment of Dr. W. D. Powell as State Evangelist was heartily approved. Also of Joseph T. Watts as Secretary for the Sunday-school and Young People's work.

A conditional appropriation was made at North Concord Association to aid in the support of Bro. J. T. Stamper, their missionary.

The appropriation at Burnside was reduced from \$100 to \$50.

Dr. J. G. Bow:

Dear Brother.—"Ladies Missionary Society" of Baptist Church of Hodgenville sent the 13th of December a box to Rev. J. W. Edwards. Parksville, Ky., valued at \$34.85, for which you will please place to our credit. May the Lord bless you in your work. Your sister,

Mrs. G. L. Hamilton. Hodgenville, Ky. Sec.

### REPORTS.

It is hard to get the missionaries to make full and accurate reports. We want all the items indicated in the report answered. If the missionary has spent a whole month and has not traveled one mile put a nought as answer to the question. So on through the list. Please do not write anything on the report except the month and name, and let all the items be answered in figures.

No man ever did the things he thought he could not do. Hence the necessity for great faith if we want to do anything.

"The liberal soul shall be made fat, and he that watereth shall be watered also himself."—Bible.

Someone has divided Christians into four groups. First, freight cars off the track—those who cannot be moved and cannot move themselves; Second, freight cars on the track—those who can be moved, but cannot move themselves; Third, locomotives uncoupl. ed to anything—those who move themselves but are not moving anyone else; Fourth, locomotives hitched to trains of cars—those who move themselves and others To which of these groups do you belong?

Frequently we hear it said that real, living, earnest Christianity is waning. Is it true? Is it evaporating from your life? We must confess that many thousands of Christians are drifting into indifference to spiritual things, neglecting themselves and others. The man who is freezing to death must bestir himself as a means of self-preservation. So with the cold iceberg Christianhe must be active in service for his fellows.

strange! Some people How can't see their own glaring faults and mistakes. But they starve their own poor souls to feeding upon the faults of others. I'd quit it. "Before censuring your fellowman because of his faults and shortcomings, remind yourself that he is only a poor human being, frail and inclined to err. You are the only perfect creature God has made; all the rest are full of faults."

"Whoso despiseth the Word bringeth destruction on himself. but he that feareth the command ment shall be rewarded."—Bible.

### DECEMBER RECEIPTS.

W. Miss. Soc. Walnut St. Church, per Mrs. Lou Tinsley for church building, fund, \$5; Long Run Association, Hazelwood church, per C. B. Althoff, \$9.03; East Concord Association, Middlesboro church, per C. M. Reid, \$12.75; South District Ass'n. per J. A. Chestnut, \$45; Mt. Zion Ass'n. Corbin church, per G. W. Nicholson for church building \$1: Long Run Ass'n, German church, per A. Janzen, \$27.05; Long Run Ass'n. East Meade church, per J. W. Greathouse, \$2.60; 26th and Market, per Chas. M. Haddaway, \$14; Clifton church, per N. C. Shouse, \$42.15; Beechland church, per Mrs. Belle Moreman, \$2.16; McFerran church, per I. T. Woodson. 96.46; 22d and Walnut St., \$12.32; East church, per S. P. Loughridge, \$15; Broadway church per T. J. Humphreys \$60; North Bend Ass'n. Burlington church, per G. W. Argabrite, \$50; Bracken As n. Mt. Olivet church, per W. T. Kenton \$5.21; Campbell County Ass'n. Newport church, per Leslie R. Clark, \$114; Warren Ass'n. First church, Bowling Green, per B. P. Eubank, \$144.50; Tates Creek Assin. Richmond church, per G. W. Shepherd \$25; Warren Ass'n. Secand church, Bowling Green, per G. I. Clark, \$26.25; Baptist Building Bund, per R. W. Taylor, \$1; W. M. Society, Bethlehem church, \$1; per Mrs. B. V. Vandyke 22nd and Walnut St. \$15; Mr. and Mrs. Offutt, See: Parkland W. M. Society, per Mrs. C. F. Thomas, \$1; Mrs. C. E. llice. Livingston \$1; Monticello La-Guild, per Mrs. J. H. Shearer, 812: Ludlow church, per A. Logan Vickers \$4; Mrs. J. T. More's S. S. Clinton, \$1; Eugene Mitchell, 1: Mrs. J. G. Bow, \$1; J. G. Bow, 1: Elkhorn Ass'n per Malcom Thompson, \$275.39, as follows:

Hillsboro church, \$5.56; Glens Creek, \$60.50; Cane Run, \$18.05; David's Fork, \$61.75; First church, Lexington, \$121.23; Fifth St., Lexington, \$8.30; Severns Valley Ass'n. Gilead church, per J. B. Hunt, \$13.35; West Union Ass'n. First church, Paducah per L. T. Gholson, \$41.67; Bethel Ass'n. per J. F. Garnett \$170.12, as follows: Pembroke church, \$135; Walnut Grove, \$20; apportioned by board, \$15.12; Crittenden Ass'n. Crittenden church per S. M. Adams, \$9; South Cumberland River Ass'n. per J. A. Mc-Farland, \$6; Gasper River Ass'n. per G. W. Milan, \$12.90; Book sales per E. L. Craig, \$25; per F. P. Gates \$15; per Mrs. Wiley Brooks, \$1.65; per J. W. Bodine, \$5.54. Total receipts \$1,378.10.

Little River Association has asked for the services of our State Evangelist, Dr. Powell, for two months. Others are calling for his services.

State Evangelist, E. W. Coakley is engaged in a meeting at Hawesville.

G. W. Argabrite, State Evangelist is aiding Pastor J. W. Beagle in a meeting at Latonia.

"Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works."—Bible.

Mrs. J. N. Hall takes up the pen laid down by her gifted and lamented husband, and becomes editor of the American Baptist Flag. She has our best wishes in her great undertaking.

Infinite love, joined to infinite skill, shall pilot the way through every strait and temptation. Jan. 2, 1906.

Dear Recorder.

Our church, which is assisted by the State Board, has been struggling to pay the debt which was contracted for its house of worship and last Saturday we paid the debt in full and Sunday, the last day of 1905, we dedicated it.

The First Church has geatly helped us by its sympathy and good will which have been shown by its liberal contributions to our work. Dr. J. S. Dill, pastor of the First Church, is justly popular, not only with his own congregation, but with us all. His unselfish devotion to the Cause of our Master makes us feel that he is a brother indeed.

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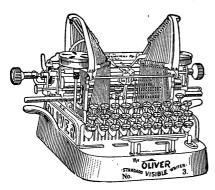
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