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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 Bon, 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

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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ARE WE DOING OUR BEST?

Kentucky Baptist women are far behind in contributions to both the Foreign and Home Mission Boards, and also to the current expenses of the Training School. This month is our only opportunity for retrieving ourselves. Shall we not rise to the emergency? Give all you can and ask your friends to help. The cause of missions is suffering, and if each one will do her very best, many small gifts will make a mighty whole, and the Boards be enabled to keep their promises to the missionaries.

E. S. BROADUS.

OUR BOARDS MUST HAVE HELP.

Our Foreign Mission Board must receive \$328,910 in the next seven weeks. Kentucky stands fifth in the list of States in amounts contributed to date to foreign missions. We have given to date \$19,336, leaving \$20,664 that we are honor bound to raise before April 30th. WE CAN DO IT. Last year we raised \$11,000 in April, possibly \$2,500 went directly to the Board. This year we can raise \$15,000 in April. Now, servants of the living God, send us Five Thousand Dollars for Foreign Missions during the remainder of March. We must have it. We will not be able to raise any more than \$40,000. I am willing to strain our people, but not to overstrain them.

We have the numbers, unity and demands upon us. It is simply a questioin of reaching as near as possible every member of every Baptist church for a worthy offering.

Many of our Baptists in Kentucky could easily support a worker on the

home or foreign field. Many can give \$1,000, \$500 or \$100.

This is no time for cowards or discouraged weaklings. Ien of faith, men of courage are needed today.

Of course every missionary of this Board will give liberally to the Home and Foreign Boards and take collections for these objects in all of their churches, meetings and Sunday Schools.

"United we stand-divided we fall."

The Home Board must receive \$230,-321 during March and April. Of this amount Kentucky must contribute \$15,-518. We call on churches, pastors, missionaries and workers to rally to the support of this important work. See that every member of the church contributes liberally. Hold prayer services for missions.

We are in arrears for State Missions. We should receive \$5,000 for this worthy object during March. What have you given?

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AN EARNEST PERSONAL APPEAL.

Dear Brother Baptists: As the Convention is to meet within our bounds this year, there is special reason why we should not be found wanting when the balance is struck May 1st. This is true of every part of our work and most momentously true of our work in the regions beyond—as in that the Great Commission is last and least obeyed. You are aware that at home the average pastor's flock numbers only about five hundred, while in the foreign field the missionary must try to reach over one hundred and seventy-five thousand souls. Not to mention the vast host of helpers in the homeland, the awful disproportion is thus much more than three hundred to one. is why the Macedonian call is sounding such a signal of distress.

Particularly, let us note these extremely important facts: At our Convention last May, our Foreign Board was ordered to increase its outlay by more than ten per cent. This meant expending \$500,000 for this Convention year. Of this sum, the share of Kentucky Baptists is \$40,-000 at least. This is the apportionment which we, as Southern and Kentucky Baptists, approved through our representatives. Yet at this late date, over three-fifths of the half million dollars and over one-half of the forty thousand dollars remains to be secured. In short, to meet our obligations towards supporting our foreign work, Kentucky Baptists must raise \$20,000 in the next two months.

May I not say "Kentucky Baptists will raise it"—for "we can do it, if we will." We can do it in spite of the losses sustained among us this year, by to-bacco troubles, drought, etc., for at the most it asks for an average contribution of only nineteen cents from each Baptist in this State. And although thousands of our name may fail to see aright their responsibility, the tens of

thousands more are able and we believe willing to follow in His steps to the extent of bearing their share of our work. We have now weathered the financial storm and stress of the two years just past, and as we were able to raise \$35,000 last yer, we can and we will, with conditions in aall ways improved, raise the \$40,000 this year.

But we cannot and we will not do it unless we have especially for these t_{π_0} months the "long and strong pull alto. gether." Every man, and particularly every pastor and associational vice-president, must do his duty. In that strange story of Kipling's "She Found Her. self," the rivet talks to its fellows in some such words as these: "I can do so little, I will not be missed, so I'm going to let go." But its neighbors and fellows exclaim: "How dare you! Do you not know that to lose your help means to break the rivets next you, and with those the boiler and ship will be lost and maybe the cause, too! '' How about the neighbor next you, brother layman! How about your church, pastor and the churches not far from you? Will you not pray and plan and speak and work and give your part of our share of Christ's work? The fields are whiteawaiting, and harvest-time almost gone. L. W. DOOL

Many of our churches excuse them selves from giving to Home and Foreign Missions because their churches are small and obscure. They will always be small and obscure if they do not give to the world's evangelization.

A certain pastor could not get his church to give more than \$80 a year to missions. He subscribed \$75, on a salary of \$750, and the church gave that yer \$800 to missions. In my last pastor ate I found the church giving some \$200 to missions and benevolence. I gave a tenth of my income and the church gave

\$750. A giving pastor makes a giving church. Failure on his part to do his duty will make it impossible for him to lead it on the performance of full duty. The consecration of the money power to God is the need of the hour.

Debt to a mission Board spells retrenchment.

All of our Sunday Schools are expected to make a special offering for Home Missions on Marca 28th. That is the one Sunday of the year for Home Missions. Do not overlook it. Remit promptly to this office.

Missionary Howerton reports a great meeting in which there weree some seventy conversions and accessions. Bro. Howerton is now in a meeting at Webbville.

Every pastor, Missionary Society, Sunday School and loyal Baptist must give Home and Foreign Missions right of way for March and April, and give as you have never done before. We must pay every cent we have promised.

We will have the most glorious report of our work this year in our history. Help to enlarge it.

Begin to make your preparations to attend the Southern Baptist Convention which convenes in Louisville in May and our General Association, which will meet in Ashland in June.

We need money for our church building work.

Friends will please push subscriptions to the three mission Journals at 60 cents a year. Every intelligent Baptist needs them.

The world of today is not going to be convinced by the mere assertions you

make, what you say must be a part of your very self.

We have been in a fine Bible Institute at Arlington. Great enthusiasm prevailed.

Dear Mission Monthly:

Since coming to Lewis county I've been making a house to house, on foot, campaign in the interest of our Master's cause and Kingdom. In the main the weather, mud, bad roads and lack of interest among people have been against me. The number of miles walked, visits made, sermons preached, prayer services, would count many in number. Eternity alone will reveal in to to the results. That the Lord has been with and blessed my efforts I am sure. To learn real conditions, to study the field, discover its needs, study, pray for and devise plans by which to judiciously and properly develop and put in motion influences that would aid in taking the county for Jesus, has in truth been my aim. Hence, my silence up to this present date.

Some of the things I have learned that are strange and startling surprises:

- 1. In Vanceburg could I find a single Baptist.
- 2. From information gathered in my three or four days' hunt among the Pedoes, there is no room for Baptists in the town.
- 3. That the old-time Gospel, heartfelt, experimental religion is a rare, very scarce commodity even among lots of church members.
- 4. That prohibition and local option, with every voter in favor, are cordially hated and denounced by most of the business men, whether professed Christians or not.
- 5. With pulpit utterances of Methodist pastor fresh in mind, religiously speaking, Vanceburg is almost a veritable Sodon and Gommorab, in tough and reckless wickedness.

- 6. That of all towns it has been my fortune (mis or good) to visit, it needs and is just the exact place that nothing short of a Baptist revival and Baptist preaching can and will be under God a "savor of life unto life."
- 7. In the country Methodists, Campbellites, Holiness Cranks, Zionists, Freewill and Ironjacket Baptists (?) fight with anything but love the doctrines, ordinances, organization, gospel, preaching and teaching of New Testament Baptists.
- 8. Logically and rightfully, Lewis county belongs to Jesus, but strange to write it, He and His claims are seemingly a small sprinkling minority; neither recognized or reckoned with.

Conclusions.

- 1. Lewis county is a rich and ripe harvest for Jesus.
- 2. It can and must be gathered for Him and this can be done only by His people, the Bapt'sts.
- 3. It's a gloriously inviting battle ground for a Baptist warrior and this preacher is glad and praises God because of opportunity to be here and ready for the fray, even to a finish.
- 4. Vanceburg is and should be the first and central point of attack, prayerful, del berate, painstaking, earnest, persistent, common-sense, seasoned with love for souls. Resolved, Bible in hand, gospel from heart and lip, to win and take it for Jesus, despite opposition of devil, hell and world. If we will secure suitable house in Vanceburg, arrange for organ and singer, strike and circulate posters announcing meeting, and preach Jesus to the very best of my ability, will you approve, stand by, encourage and aid me by your prayers, sympathy, love and, if needs be, some financial backing?

If the meeting develops in interest and power, will you visit in person and tell, as our "young man eloquent," in words that breathe and burn redemption's sweet and precious story to perishing souls? The Lord will give us sheaves, we'll organize a church and glorious indeed will be the comsummation

Pray for and encourage me in love and kindness. Your friend and brother,

D. E. BENTLEY.

Dear Mission Monthly:

I send you a report for the month of February, and I hope it will be the last report the church at Catlettsburg will ever have to send to the State Board, for the church has decided for the first time since its organization to try to walk alone. Next Sunday will be my first an. niversary as pastor. During that time there have been about 110 additions to the church, and they have increased their subscriptions to the church over \$500. and the end is not yet, for I am having additions almost every Sunday. I baptized three in the Ohio river last Sun. day. The church wishes to thank the State Board for their help, and you will please express our thanks to them. If it had not been for the help of the Board there would not have been any Baptist church in Catlettsburg today. We hope the Board will never have reason to regret having spent their money at Catlettsburg. The church will always remember with profound gratitude the kindness of Board, and always pray God's blessings upon the board in its great work.

Please tell the Board how much we love them. I want to have a 'Missionary Conference,' beginning April 11th and closing April 18th. Would like for you to spend the last Sunday, the 18th, with me, and speak Saturday night, Sunday morning and Sunday night. Please let me know if you can do it. You would have a warm welcome, and a large hearing. The clerk will probably write some facts for the paper about the work here.

T. H. PLEMMONS.

Catlettsburg, Ky.

The King's business requires haste, for:
"The work that centuries might have

done,

Must crowd the hour of setting sun."
Reader, make your one life tell for the Kingdom of God.

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Evangelist Sledge has just closed a fine meeting with Missionary Riggan, at Louisa. There were twenty accessions. He begins a meeting this week at Prestonsburg and desires the prayers of all God's people.

Evangel'st Jenkins is in a good meeting at Cloverport.

Evangelist Cooper is aiding Missionary Reed at Middlesboro in a gracious meeting.

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Rev. R. T. Bruner, our honored missionary at Hawesville has been called to hs reward. He was faithful, true and ready. We offer our condolence to the bereaved family.

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That is glorious news that Catletts-burg becomes self-suporting. We often fear that many others who would be healthier if they would walk alone have so long used crutches that they simply fear to take the first steps. Brother Missionary, take them by the hand and help them. Sometimes those who furnish the sinews of war tire helping those who show so little willingness to help themselves. Do it.

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We are hoping that some one will give a good horse and saddle to the State Board for the use of the Secretary. He wants to finish his trip from the Virginia line to the Mississippi river. Then he wants to visit many sections where there are no railroads and when he has no use for the horse many of our faith-

ful, but underpaid, workers could use him. Who will furnish the horse?

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Get us a club of subscribers for the Kentucky Mission Monthly. For a list of forty subscribers at 25 cen's each we will send a thirty-piece dinner set in the Park Violet decoration. Now let us hear from you. For a club of forty we will send the same number of pieces, Colonial shape and Minton decoration.

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Investigation is a privilege and a duty: "The secret things belong unto the Lord our God, but the things that are revealed belong unto us and our children." "Search the Scriptures."

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We were with Rev. T. S. Hubert in a meeting in Douglas, Ga., for two weeks. Fifty-eight were added to the church. The meeting continues and ninety-eight have been added. Let us pray for the meeting, that 150 may be reached.

"Pray ye the Lord of the harvest that He send forth laborers into His harvest." Prayer is one of the most urgent needs of the church today. Prayer has paved the way for every victory we have won, it is the link that binds together the human and the divine.

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Read the communication from Missionary Bentley, who is working in Lewis county. Who will support him? Hodgenville and Arlington give the money to rent a house in Vanceburg and meet other expenses of a meeting, as requested by Brother Bentley.

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In 1845, when the Home Board was organized, there was one Baptist in the South among every twenty-four persons; today there is one to every six. Southern Baptists have grown four times as fast as the population. The Home Board has been a potent factor in producing these remarkable results.

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SOLICITUDE FOR SINNERS.

This is an essential and satisfactory indication of regeneration. The heart in which the love of God has been shed abroad carries the life that gave us Calvary. It will be moved with pity for the lost, weep over the erring and grieve when men resist the Holy Spirit. God means to make this principle available for the evangelization of the world. "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

Bishop Taylor showed this spirit when he wrote to some friends: "I can't give up this mission, and I won't come back. I had rather spend the next ten years of my life here in Africa, telling these poor negroes the story of Jesus and his love, than to stand with a harp and a crown before the King in Glory."

A Southern minister, with a heart brimming with this unselfish love, said: "For myself, I would rather know that some poor negro would cast a flower on my grave when I am gone, in grateful memory of my agency in leading him to Jesus, than to have any honor this world could bestow on me."

We are saved to save; we are blessed to bless, we are lighted to light. Unfortunately some men's religion is just the size of their coffin, exactly large enough for themselves and no larger. There are two words of action in the Bible, "Come" and "Go." So soon as Andrew was saved he went and found his brother, Simon Peter, and "brought him to Jesus."

We rejoice at the coming of Dr. W. W. Landrum to Louisville and Broadway. This is possibly the wealthiest church in the South. Dr. Landrum is a wise leader, with a heart for all the Master's work and workers.

Three States, Georgia, Missouri and Alabama, have given more to Home Missions than Kentucky.

Our State missionaries and evangelists are wonderfully owned of God. They are having most gratifying success.

Pray for them.

If the "Church Building Fund," pledged at the District Associations last summer, is promptly paid it wil revolutionize the State Mission work. These pledges should be redeemed at the earliest possible moment.

There has been marked progress in the Sunday School enterprise, especially in foundation work. Secretary Mahoney, either in person or by special representative, presented a plan of organization for Baptist Sunday Schools at each District Association and the responses were prophetic of a new and better day in that work. Already several Associations, in keeping with his suggestion, have organized and held important conferences. He is doing pioneer work for the denomination and is meeting with merited encouragement.

We need qualified men to enter the whitened fields in our beloved State. We also need the funds to sustain them. Reader, will you help?

THE BEREA PROBLEM.

Dear Mission Monthly:

Begging your pardon for addressing you on a matter that is not in my special line of work, but in which every Kentucky Baptist ought to have an interest, I beg to call your special attention, hoping you will give it your prayerful consideration, to what may well be called "The Berea Problem." On a recent visit to Berea, and having a little time. l got the following facts. All of them are interesting, and some of them are, or ought, to the Baptists of Kentucky, to be really alarming. I aim not to be an "glarmist," but the situation at Berea cannot justly be described with any other word. The facts as gathered from reliable sources are as follows:

- 1. There are now more than one thousand students in actual attendance at Berea College. And the treasurer says they are expecting the number to reach twelve hundred by February. These students represent the very best talent of the mountains. This fact needs to be kept constantly in mind.
- 2. The faculty is composed of the president and sixty professors and teachers, who draw regul salaries, besides other help.
- 3. "The religion of the titution is difficult to define or describe. It is of that peculiar kind that admits many changes and variations. It is of that kind that 'catches both going and coming." For instance, they have in conacction with the college what they call the "Parish House" or "Church of Christ Union." If you claim to be a Baptist, they will tell you that they are just as good Baptists as you are. If they meet a Methodist, they are Methodists also. In other words, they admit, ■ I am positively assured, "weakkneed Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians, Campbellites, Congregationa'ists, Unitarians, Catholics—in fact, almost evey phase of belief under the sun." Yet

it is very doubtful if they would consider for one moment, any kind of a preacher for their pastor except a Congregationalist. It is not inaptly called "the Congregational process of hook-winking."

Few will doubt that a m jority of our mountain boys and girls who attend this college are either out of Baptist homes or of Baptist "descent." And scores of them are being caught every year in this Congregationalist hood-winking "conglomeratioin," or "Union" trap. I am assured that they have quite a number of "preachers," and they "preach" on any convenient occasion. In fact they will send out most any of their factulty to preach, or the will just "play preacher" on any short notice, "whether they have one speck of religion or not." Many or them, in their attempts to break down denomination lines, are unscrupulous. And yet they are just as zealous in circulating their tenets of doctrine, if t y have any, as Baptists ought to be. T. r two principal services on Sunday, Sunday School at morning, and Sunday night "chapel," are compulsory, that is, all students must attend these. They are specially zealous in their opposition to Baptist doc-The writer thinks it possible that the Baptists there have the past not been as bold in the defense of their beliefs as they ought, and have in consequence become the weaker thereby. They are now asserting themselves and are no longer simply on the defensive. are poor in this world's goods and are sadly in need of more help. Their Sunday School has outgrown its quarters. The pastor is making great sacrifices for the sake of the Baptist cause there. If any one will give the facts above set forth careful consideration, I believe he will conclude that the situation at Berea is truly "the Berea Problem."

I am, yours in the faith,

J. D. MADDOX.

WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT

EDITORS—MARY E. TYLER - - - MARY KNIGHT SHELEY

If any little word of mine
May make a life the brighter,
If any little song of mine
May make a heart the lighter,
God help me speak the little word
And take my bit of singing,
And drop it in some lonely vale
To set the echoes ringing.

-Selected.

"And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring me an offering; of every man that giveth it willingly with his heart ye shall take my offering."

"Honor the Lord with thy substance and with the first fruits of all thine increase."—Prov. 3:9.

In this age and time when it is quite the thing to bargain and sen to raise money to carry out religious purposes it is well to turn to our guide book, the Bible, and see God's directions for such things. The time had come that He desired a visible habitation among men, where he would dwell in His Shekinah Glory. So He called unto Moses out of the midst of the cloud on Mount Sinai and when Moses had gone into the cloud God gave him definite and distinct directions about every detail f the Tabernacle where He would dwell. He first tells him "To speak unto the children of Israel that they bring me an offering of every man that giveth it willingly with h's heart ye shall take my offering."

Note it must be a gift and a willing gift and only willing gifts must be taken. Then He specifies the kinds of gifts, gold, silver and brass, etc. Every detail is arranged even to the curtains and their hangings and the furniture and the positions for its arrangement. Every-

thing had a spiritual meaning even to the pomegranates and bells on the bottom of the High Priest's robe, which meant fruit and testimony. Further on we read that Moses did all as God had command. ed him. Then we read God filled men with the Holy Spirit to work in gold and brass and to make the vestments of the priests and the curtains, etc., for this work. What a lesson. Free will offer. ings and trained spirit-filled workers for God's service. God does not want uncon. secrated money or workers for His se-"Because that for His name's sake they went forth, taking nothing of the Gentiles."-John 3:7.

Oh, what a craze it has become among so many church people to serve luncheons and have ice cream suppers and Japan. ese teas, and a long list of other things. for pay to raise the needful money to take care of the poor and pay church expenses, etc. The word says, "He that giveth to the poor, lendeth to the Lord." It does not say he that bargains and sells, thus giving so much for so much in return, lendeth to the Lord. The word giveth is very plain. When He wants anything done we have the definite promise that "God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work."-II. Cor.

The idea that we must have some kind of a festival or lecture in order to raise money to start a mission or sustain a missionary on the field, is erreneous and unscriptural. God said to Elijah the prophet, "Behold, I have commanded a widow woman to sustain thee." He had miraculously been feeding His prophet by having the ravens bring him bread

and meat daily, but now He gives this office to a woman. Nothing is too hard for our God. He is the same yesterday, today and forever, and the day of miracles is not past. He could cause this work to go on without us, but it has pleased Him to make us His instruments and He is commanding some of us to start missions and sustain missionaries, but the trouble is we are not doing it just as He commanded Moses, so did Moses. The whole Bible is one plan of giving and receiving. "For every beast of the forest is mine and the cattle upon a thousand hills."

"If I were hungry I would not tell thee; for the world is mine, and the fullness thereof."—Ps. 50:10-12.

"Neither is he served by men's hands as though he needed anything, seeing He himself giveth to all life, and breath, and all things."—Acts 17:25, R. V.

Our God is not a beggar that we should get up benefits for Him and call in the world to hear our concerts and lectures to help Him out. When we give we are only giving back what He has given us, "For all things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee."—I. Chron. 29:14.

He has said, "The gold and silver are mine," and "My God shall supply all your need." He has promised to give us the necessities of life, but when we go into extravagance we are taking things too far. Time is hastening towards the end and who is ready to hear the "Well done, good and faithful servnt."

"Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Then there is a blessing promised for giving.

"The liberal soul shall be made fat, and he that watereth shall be watered also himself."—Prov. 11:25.

"Give and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over."—Luke 6:38.

We Baptist women are asked to each give forty cents more than we expected to finish out our apportionment for missionary purposes. This is not hard. A plume left off the spring hat. Not quite such a costly dress. A trip to the city given up. Think of it, all for Jesus. Self-denial guided by the Holy Spirit for Jesus' sake and in obedience to His com-"Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations," will give joy beyond measure and eternal reward. God's works are His battles and we need to be much in prayer for His bringing things to pass. We have a warning when we use other methods than the Word directs. Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help, and stay on horses and chariots because they are many."--Isa. 31:1.

Going out and getting the world to give its help and money for God's service. We do not need worldly methods and means for spiritual victories. Our Heavenly Fataher "is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we as a or think."-Eph. 3:20. He will provide a way for us to give if we pray about it. We read after Moses had made known to the people God's wishes that, "The children of Israel brought a willing offering unto the Lord, every man and woman whose heart made them willing." The consequence was that so many gifts were brought that Moses had to tell them to stop, for it reads, "So the people were restrained from bringing.' Over in Malachi is another way commanded for supplying the needs of God's work: "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine 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."-Mal. 3:10.

Thus we see tithing was commanded with promised blessings for obedience. In the New Testament, I.Cor. 16:2, we find: "Upon the first day of the week

let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him."

In the whole Bible we find only gifts commanded or desired. It must be a gift and a willing gift for "The Lord loveth a cheerful giver," and "Of every man that giveth it willingly with his heart, ye shall take my offering."—Ex. 25:2.

DELEGATES TO W. M. U.

Each State is this year entitled to twenty-one delegates, which aree appointed by the State Central Committees. As names are sent in to us of those expecting to attend, we try to select from the various Associations those that will be most representative, having reference, of course, to varying the list from year to year. A delegate is expected to attend all the sessions of thee Union, to serve on committes if appointed, and to carry home all the information possible for

the benefit of her society and Associatio'n. Sometimes names are sent in too late, and some we should have gladly placed on the list must be omitted. Be sure to inform the president of the Central Committee if you are coming.

E. S. BROADUS.

1227 Third St., Louisville, Ky.

Dr. Chalmers tells us of a man in Glasgow he visited twenty-one times before he would receive him, and the next time the dying infidel invited him in because he wanted to see the man that had grit enough to stand twenty-one refusals Therefore, brethren, "Be not weary in well-doing, for in due season ye shall reap, if ye faint not."—Sel.

Every one who has been reedemed by the Christ, should form the habit of contributing something in spreading His truth over the earth. The earlier in life th's habit is fixed the better.

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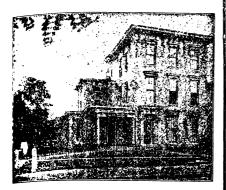
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