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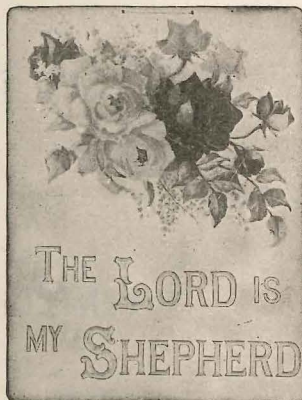


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## HAVE A DEFINITE PLAN.

We lose much in our church work where pastor and people have no definite aim in their work. Such an indefinite way would ruin any business enterprise.

A judicious committee of business men should go over the church roll and suggest some amount of benevolence for each member. Many will take this as a kindness to them. Aim to raise some definite amount for State, Home and Foreign Missions. Too many churches are satisfied to remain at a stand still. There can be no enthusiasm and inspiration where such is the case. A committee should be appointed who will see every member of the church in regard to giving to missions as well as to pastor's salary. Do not have more machinery than you have power.

The pastor should preach much on stewardship and systematic, proportionate giving.

Pledge cards passed through the church often have a beneficial effect. Where members pledge to pay weekly or monthly it should be promptly collected or they will become discouraged and give it up. Have some definite amount that you will try to raise in your Association. Then some definite aim as to what you will undertake in your church and from each individual member. This will introduce system and produce satisfactory results.

Each church should contribute to all of our denominational interests according to the amount to be given each one. Favoritism and partiality are often employed to the injury of the work.

We are receiving many new subscriptions in every mail for the Kentucky Mission Monthly. Will soon get the one thousand new subscribers if our friends continue to work as we knew they would.

## STATE MISSIONS.

Doubtless, for the means furnished, no more glorious work is being accomplished in any mission endeavor than that which is being done annually by our Kentucky State Board of Missions. Certainly it is worthy of our heartiest support.

1. Let us remember that in taking Kentucky for Christ and the Baptists we are doing what should have been done in a larger measure years ago. Kentucky is ours. It has been ours since it has had an existence, but if our people, after all these years, can not bring these mountain districts into God's kingdom, we should get out of the way and let other denominations do it. We boastfully assert that 65 per cent of the mountain folk are naturally inclined to the Baptist position, but our boast is our shame if we can not, or, rather, will not, take these sections for our Master.

2. We should occupy this territory because it needs us. Sunday School specialists claim that there are over 400,000 children and young people in the State who do not attend Sunday School. There are thousands upon thousands who have not come into the Kingdom of God. These conditions prevail not because of their indifference to religious matters, but because of our negligence in establishing Bible schools and preaching stations, and maintaining these points with the right men. We know from personal observations that the mountain people, as a rule, want Gospel privileges, and when presented they readily accept them.

3. We should concentrate our missionary endeavor in Kentucky because we need Kentucky. We need these mountain folk in maintaining our work at home. They are moving down into the Blue Grass towns, saved or lost, Baptists or something else. They are coming, and they are coming to stay. We need the mountains because they





New Converts at Toluca, Mexico, Dr. Powell's Home City.

are rich in men. For native and rugged ability, for moral fiber and missionary zeal for laymen, preachers, missionaries for the home and foreign fields, we must look toward the hills whence cometh our strength.

4. In saving Kentucky, we, as Baptists, are saving ourselves; so let him who thinks that our cause is not worth saving concentrate his missionary efforts elsewhere, but your committee firmly believes that if we are to capture the world for God and the Baptists, we must first capture the mountains. Other denominations understand this, why can't we?

We need now at least \$1,000,000, and thousands of good men and women to establish and maintain churches and Bible schools in the Kentucky mountains. We have both the money and the men, but we have not learned to give either ourselves or our means. Our call is largely for money, rather than for men. The nearer the lost souls are to us the greater is our responsibility for them.

5. If we are not careful, we shall find ourselves sitting still and quarreling over the divisions of China and Japan, and what part of our doctrine we can eliminate to suit the up-to-date notions of the modern Laymen's Movement—and, while we are receiving our portion in due season, the Russellites and Holy Holers will take Kentucky for themselves, if not for Christ.

Dr. Edward Judson, of New York, says in *Hom. Review*, August, 1909, there is presented the singular spectacle of Christen-

dom sending missionaries to the heathen beyond the seas, and contemplating with indifference the extensive and vigorous growth of heathenism of our best men and women of our country.

We pay the traveling expenses of our best men and women to preach the gospel to foreigners at the ends of the earth. When these same foreigners come to us of their own accord, paying their own traveling expenses, we turn away from them with antipathy and despair. Dr. Josiah Strong says that he does most to Christianize the world who does most to Christianize America.

"For thirty-eight years," says Dr. R. Weaver, in the *Baptist World*, "the Southern Baptist Convention has done missionary work in Rome, and, in the meantime, more Roman Catholics have come to Baltimore and New Orleans than there are people in Rome."

It is claimed that there are 40,000,000 foreign born and their children in our country, and seven-tenths of these live in our cities. Surely, then, America is a great mission field.

Dr. Robert S. McArthur, of New York, says, in the *Baptist World*, January 6, 1910: "One dollar in mission work in New York today will accomplish more for the conversion of these foreigners than \$100 will accomplish in the countries whence they have come."

These are observations not of Secretaries, but of men who are in position to see the



field as a whole. We should hear what they say and govern ourselves accordingly.

6. Who will supply these missionaries? We know of no people so willing to do this as our mountain folk. They believe the good old Bible from beginning to end, and when converted and trained they will become a mighty power in missionary endeavor. Let us take Kentucky for Christ and the Baptists. Then our motto shall be, "The Whole Wide World for Jesus."

GEO. W. CLARKE.

#### HOME MISSION BREVITIES.

Victor I Masters, Editorial Secretary.

The Home Board is doing this year the largest work in its history. It is expending \$40,000 more than it did last year. But up until the first of March the receipts were lagging behind those of the same time last year. This calls for some large giving and some energetic work among all of the churches.

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The Home Board could have expended a million dollars during the present fiscal year to advantage. It has had to turn down scores and scores of worthy applications for aid. It has had to forego numerous opportunities to enter in a larger way upon the work of making the South a Christian country.

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The intense secular and social life of today calls for a corresponding intensity and efficiency in Christian work and service. Home Mission problems are growing all around us. We will be wise if we will study them, and courageously grapple with them.

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Here are some Home Mission problems: Immigration, the Mountaineers, the Southwest, Church Building, the Negro, the City, the Country Church, Materialism. Every one of these represents a large need and obligation for service, that rest on the shoulders of Southern Baptists more than upon any denomination in the South. We will be wise if we will study them.

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Southern Baptists are the most success-

ful evangelizing agency in America, but Southern Baptists are very backward in cultivating in the Christian life those whom they have evangelized. Yet in the same sentence in which we are commanded to evangelize the lost, we are commanded to "teach them all things." This means sound theology, as we have received it. It also means the sound theology of service and trained powers for Christian work, which hundreds of thousands of our people have not received. The first kind of sound theology is now in danger partly because we have been such laggards in the second kind.

#### METHODS OF YESTERDAY.

The typewriter I used twenty years ago has gone to the scrap heap. New methods and new machinery are required in the work of today.

Missionary Wilks is in a meeting at Crab Orchard.

### Southern Baptist Convention Meeting at Jacksonville, Fla.

**MAY 17th to 23rd Inc. 1911**

On account of the above mentioned meeting, low round trip rates of fare have been authorized from all Coupon Stations on the Louisville & Nashville Railroad.

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**A PLAIN STATEMENT.**

As we go to press we are compelled to say to the brotherhood that our receipts for the present month up to this date do not equal those of last year, when in reality they should be far ahead. The amounts to be raised are much larger. Our pastors and workers must be vigilant and diligent or we will go down in defeat. This will never do.

We have been expecting larger amounts in each morning's mail, but were doomed to disappointment. We have a number of small items to deposit today, but no large sums. There must be a painstaking canvass of every section if we are to redeem our pledge. Individuals must give as well as congregations. When such pressing demands are upon us there ought to be liberal men and women who would rally to the support of the cause with gifts ranging from one to five thousand dollars each. This is often done by our brethren at the North, and in some of our Southern States they are beginning to push out into deeper waters and to give in a manner commensurate with our obligations and our abilities. Some I know contemplate remembering missions in their wills, but it is far more satisfactory and less expensive to give to the work while living. One of the unknown quantities, which no algebra so far has ever been able to solve is just what disposition

a judge and jury will make of amounts which have been sacredly set apart in wills for missionary and benevolent purposes. One may rest assured that the poor kin to the fifth generation will make strenuous efforts to divert the funds to their own selfish purposes. Greed with them is often far stronger than creed. Give your money while living. Place it just where you want it to be used and relieve it of all doubt as to its ultimate destination.

**HOME MISSIONS.**

Kentucky Baptists not only foster our Home Mission Board, but we have enjoyed their benevolent co-operation in our endeavor to evangelize the dark spots and weak points in our own great State, in cities and country. They have aided with a generous hand, and we believe in them and the work they are proposing to do, and it is in our hearts to give them this year at least \$32,000 for their great work, which has been laid out on a basis of an expenditure of \$400,000. The amounts received to date for this object are not what we had expected. We must not lag in our gifts to an object which means so much as a base of supplies for our evangelization of the whole world. Their laborers have met with marvelous success during the past year. Their evangelists are helping to solve the difficult problems of city evangelization, and their missionaries in the Southwest, on the frontier, in Cuba, Panama, among the red men, and among the negroes, and in the mountain schools have gone forward by leaps and bounds. God has placed upon their endeavors the signet of his unqualified approval. They stand out today as the most successful missionary force in the world. They deserve the \$400,000 to support their missionaries who have endured hardness as good soldiers and who come with such cheering news of mighty victories.

We trust that missions will be the theme of many a sermon for the next few weeks, and that the prayers of God's saints will be burdened with appeals to the Holy Spirit to incline our people to give as never before.

Dear reader, if we had words with which to make this burning appeal stronger we



would certainly use them and then we might enlist your prayers, your sympathies and your contributions.

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#### FOREIGN MISSIONS.

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Fields of Southern Baptist Convention Foreign Board: China, Africa, Italy, Brazil, Mexico, Japan, Argentina.

Some Southern Baptist Convention figures for the past year (110-1911). Foreign missionaries, 246; ordained native ministers, 114; unordained helpers, 353; baptisms on the field in twelve months, 3,541; membership of churches on fields, 19,239; receipts of Board, \$501,058.84.

#### A Decade of Changes.

A marvelous change has come in a number of our foreign fields in the last ten years. We have now some of the best mission compounds which can be found on any foreign field. We refer with joy to our plants at Canton, Yingtak, Shanghai, Yangchow, Pingtu, Laichowfu, Hwanghien, Chengchow, in China, and at Ogbomoso, Africa. These are not equipped even yet as we hope that they will be in the future, but they are excellent plants. We hope, however, that we can soon add to these a number of others which shall be well equipped for the work which is committed to us.

We praise God for His manifold blessings which have been bestowed during the past years upon the work which He has committed to us. The cause has strengthened and developed in the homeland and in the far distant foreign lands. New workers have joyfully gone out to the fields. Our missionaries have pressed forward in the work. Some sick and exhausted have had to return home, and others have laid down their lives.

We have never in our history reported so many baptisms (3,223) for one year, and never before have our people given such a large amount (\$501,058.84) to the work. We praise God and take courage. Though there have been manifold difficulties, yet in the strength of God we have gone forward. The very success of the work is an additional call to renewed effort and more sincere devotion. Our God is calling to us. We must go forward.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY—MARCH 26th.

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The children are the source of the churches growth, and from them must come its force of future workers. This is the one Sunday of the whole year when the children are given an opportunity to give to Home and Foreign Missions. Superintendents should see that we reap satisfactory financial returns. This one appeal should receive most generous and hearty response. Prepare, plan and pay and make it the greatest children's day your school has ever had.

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Missionary Toomer has made a visit recently to Salyersville and preacher for our church. We need a house and a pastor at that important point. We have had no one since the resignation of Rev. G. B. Bush. Gradually we are occupying our mission fields with capable men. We would move faster in this matter if the churches would only furnish us the money. We need men and money.

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#### IF I WERE RICH.

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"Yes, if I yet  
 Contrive to get  
 The wealth I want, by trade or sweat,  
 There never, then,  
 Will be again  
 A Baptist mission debt."

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#### THE MAN WHO WINS.

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"The man who wins is an average man,  
 Not built on any particular plan,  
 Not blessed with any particular luck;  
 Just steady and earnest and full of pluck.

But the man who wins is the man who works,  
 Who neither labor nor trouble shirks,  
 Who uses his hands, his head and his eyes;  
 The man who wins is the man who tries."

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"This world is all a fleeting show  
 For man's illusion given;  
 The songs die out, the flowers go,  
 There's nothing good but heaven."



**HOPE SERIOUS BAPTIST LEAKAGE.**

Our denomination faces a most serious problem from the tremendous leakage due to the continuous changing of residence on the part of church members. I have been present recently at several church meetings when long lists were dropped from the roll and will soon be lost to the denomination. I ask churches over the State to send me lists of absentees and their present residence and I will try to induce the pastor, or some State Secretary, where they have left the State, to look them up and try to save them to the cause. Will you help us?

Evangelist Jones has just held a fine Mission Institute at Carlisle. Pastor Swindler says that great good was done, and \$150 was raised for combined Missions.

Mr. W. W. White, a self-exiled Kentuckian, living in Seattle, sends us \$100 for Home and Foreign Missions.

Missionary A. C. Hutson reports fifty additions to Barbourville church since January 1st. The other Saturday he rode fourteen miles to secure the letters for some Baptists living in town. The man who works does something. An idler or a pessimist is always telling us what he is going to do. Candidly, brother, if you can not make the work go, step aside and let some one else try his hand. Barbourville is now in the midst of a great meeting.

Pastor Haymore will have a Mission Institute the first week in April in Maysville. We will speak on April 7th. These institutes impart information and help us to enlist the unenlisted.

Pikeville offers one of the most promising pastorates in Kentucky.

We hear fine reports of the work of Bro. N. F. Jones in Bracken Association.

Seven Springs church, Crittenden county, asks some aid of the State Board in completing her meeting house. It will cost about \$1,000. Who will send me twenty-five or fifty dollars for this worthy cause.

Evangelist Amerson has closed a good meeting at Morehead. Three were baptized and one was added by letter. The church paid \$32.79 for his services. This is fine.

Bro. Amerson goes to hold a meeting at Licking River, Magoffin county. There is so much lawlessness in the community that they can not hold services at night.

Missionary Hall, of Deer Park, expects to have 125 in Sunday School next Sunday.

There will be a great Training School for Sunday School teachers and workers in the First church, Covington, the first week in April. The faculty will be composed of Professors Sampey, Leavell, Flake, Entzinger and Miss Williams. Every Sunday School teacher in North Bend Association should attend.

The Daviess County District Board are working most industriously and enthusiastically to reach every church in their bounds and secure a worthy offering for State, Home and Foreign Missions. Let the Boards of other Associations emulate their example.



Yayui Indians Converted in Mexico.



**OUR GROWTH.**

Kentucky Baptists are increasing in numbers. We are increasing in our gifts to missions but not in proportion to our great increase in wealth. Our people have an abundance. There should be no trouble to raise our apportionment for Home and Foreign Missions.

Have you sent us your renewal for the Mission Monthly for the three journals? It is a small amount, but we are in great need of it. It does not take more than twelve months to make a year. Remit today.

The missionaries seem to be unusually active as a constructive force in Kentucky. We want results. One may plant, another may water, but God alone can give us the increase. But He will not work unless we are industrious and obedient. Do with your might what your hands find to do.

**PIKEVILLE.**

When the writer became Secretary, more than four years ago, he found that a lot had been purchased in Pikeville for a house of worship and one-half its purchase price had been paid.

The missionary lived in an adjoining county and could do but little for want of a suitable meeting place. He resigned and I walked the streets of Pikeville and collected most of the amount due. There were only twenty-six members, and none of them rich.

The State Board then proposed that if the church would raise so much cash the State Board would give so much. It was accepted, the Home Board co-operating.

Evangelist Barnes has built the house. It is a beauty. It is built of pressed brick, with art glass windows. It has Sunday School rooms, a pastor's study and up-to-date conveniences.

There have been valuable accessions to the church while the house was being built. Many of the best business men in the town are enthusiastic members of this young flock. They have a flourishing Sunday School and have raised seven hundred dollars toward the salary of a good man as

pastor. This shows constructive work and ought to inspire the people of the State to enthusiastically support our State work. We are doing things with God's help.

Pike county is the largest county in the State. It is rich in coal and mineral, and will soon be one of the richest counties in Kentucky. Reader, will you help us in our aggressive work?

Instead of two Baptist churches we should have fifty. With your co-operative help it can be accomplished.

**THE PRESENT OUTLOOK.**

The work in the State never presented so hopeful an aspect. Peace and harmony prevail. We are striving industriously to establish a line of communication between this office and each pastor and church in the State. We are sending forth missionary information, laboring unceasingly to induce the churches to adopt the systematic New Testament plan of weekly giving to all objects.

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**KENTUCKY CENTRAL COMMITTEE.**

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Box 396.

**FIELD WORK.**

Eighty-eight societies have been reported to the Central Committee since last May, the largest number of any one year. We are hoping for good reports from these new workers. A good many of them are the result of Miss Ellison's efforts last fall, when she visited Associations and churches in Western and Eastern Kentucky. We had not sufficient funds to employ her during the winter, and she is now helping a Memphis pastor. For the coming summer months we have secured the services of Miss Nora Lee Dover, of St. Louis, now in the W. M. U. Training School. Miss Dover is highly recommended by those who know her, including Mrs. McLure, principal of the Training School. We are confident her enthusiasm, and trained capacity will insure her success, but it is indispensable that she be aided by pastors, Vice Presidents of Associations and all who are interested in Woman's Missionary Societies.

The Central Committee beg that such persons will write to the Chairman, Miss Broadus, as to what sections it will be best for Miss Dover to visit. When the Association season begins Miss Dover will be our representative instead of some member of the Central Committee, and will plan to go out into the bounds of each Association she attends, working with the Vice President. In June and July some other plan must be pursued, and we are anxious to know which Associations have the most need of her services, together with promise of good results.

**THE GEORGETOWN ASSEMBLY.**

This meeting, July 3-8th, has been endorsed by the Central Committee of Kentucky W. M. U. and Mrs. J. N. Prestridge elected our representative on the Board of Directors. We will have conferences on the different phases of our work led by

Mrs. Creal, leader of Y. W. A., Miss Warren on Sunbeams, and Mrs. Schloss on Royal Ambassadors. Miss Dover is on the program for an afternoon of recitations, and she will be prepared to aid in bringing W. M. U. before the ladies who attend the Assembly. Look out for announcements in the papers as to the many interesting speakers and other attractions. One and a third rates will be given by the railroads, and board in Rucker Hall will be \$4 for the five days, or a dollar a day. The Assembly is under the auspices of the Kentucky Baptist Education Society, and Rev. Thomas J. Watts, Georgetown, Ky., is the secretary.

**COLLEGE Y. W. AUXILIARIES**

How many colleges for women in Kentucky have Mission Societies? Mrs. Creal reports one at Georgetown, one at Prestonsburg, and in Georgetown there is a young woman's auxiliary in the church. It is greatly desired that every college and school for girls should have such a society. If there are others already at work, please report to Mrs. J. P. Creal, 1445 Beech street, Louisville, Ky. Or if you know of any such places where there is no organization, send to Mrs. Creal the name of some young woman who would help to interest the others, and start a missionary society. There is much that should appeal to the girls in the lines of work supported by Y. W. A. Hospitals in foreign lands, mountain schools in this Southern country of ours, Miss Salter's missionary work in New Orleans, Miss Leachman in Louisville. Surely



Wedding Party, Yanchow.



our girls will help in some of these directions, if they are only told of the needs.

Four new Y. W. A.'s have been reported. Mayfield, Clifton, Russellville and West Point.

The following is from Mrs. Creal:

"Miss Martha Collins, of Russellville writes: 'We are organized and you don't know how proud I am of the organization. . . . We organized January 29th, with twenty-three members. . . . Our aim is to give at least \$40 this year . . . and have subscribed for all the Journals.'

"Another enthusiastic report of a new auxiliary comes from Miss Clara Keith at West Point. This Y. W. A. started in January with a thorough study of the 'Boards. Then Miss Keith attended the Jubilee and she writes now: 'The week after the Jubilee a campaign was begun in all the churches here which just closed this week (March 3rd). There have been so many meetings that our Y. W. A. has done nothing but receive new members, which is always in order, and get some subscriptions for our Mission Journals. . . . We are now in a splendid condition to study Home Missions extensively this month.'

"Let me urge all Y. W. A.'s to follow the example of these two auxiliaries and get their girls to subscribe for our journals. There is no better source of information.

Let me again urge the Philathea and girls intermediate Sunday School classes to organize for a systematic study of missions. You want to serve, so why not train for greater efficiency in His service. Two Junior Y. W. A.'s here in Louisville have recently organized for mission study. One at the Fourth Avenue church and Miss Eleanor White's class at the Parkland church. There are many more who would if they only had some one to tell them about it. You who happen to read this think if your girls in your church and send me their teachers' names, so that I may send her literature and help as far as I can.

To all our readers we would make an earnest plea for more prayer, daily, fervent prayers for God's blessing upon our missionary plans and efforts; prayer that God may turn the hearts of his children towards that cheerful, liberal giving that is so urgently needed now.

And remember that all reports must be sent to Miss Lamb by April 25th.

E. S. B.

#### THE KIND OF WOMAN GOD WANTS.

1. Grandmothers of faith. In Paul's second Epistle to Timothy 1:5 he writes: I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois.

The missionary cause perhaps more than any other requires women of faith. Our faith is indeed small, often not equaling a grain of mustard. "Lord, help thou our unbelief," should be the cry of every heart. Then, would the work at home and abroad be quickened and more zeal in the spread of the Gospel be manifested. Then, the W. M. S. motto, "A Woman's Missionary Society in every congregation and every woman a member," would not seem to us merely a high ideal, but a reality soon to be attained.

2. Matrons faithful as Anna, Luke 2:37— And she was a widow of about four score years, who departed not from the temple but served God with fastings and prayers night and day.

The reward is to be faithful. How prone we oftentimes are to grow weary of well doing! Sometimes forgetting that it is persevering missionary zeal that we need and not a spasmodic fever which may seize us during convention time, and leave us cold and chilly in missionary work the remaining months of the year. Let us have a fire in our hearts, glowing constantly for the work, as Anna, "who departed not from the temple."

3. Mothers who consecrate their children to God as Hannah did her son. I. Sam. 1: 28, "I have lent him to the Lord; as long as he liveth he shall be lent to the Lord.

We pray that God may call forth laborers into His vineyard, and perhaps all the while secretly hope that He will not lay His hand upon our loved ones. It is all right for another's son or daughter to leave all to follow Christ, but when it comes to those of our own home circle hazarding life in a heathen land, we ask the Lord to send some one else.

4. Wives with the liberality of Dorcas.



Luke 10:39, "And all the widows stood weeping and showing the coats and garments which Dorcas made while she was with them.

This is an instance of using the talent and fulfilling the Lord's "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least, ye have done it unto me." What a disappointment awaits us if we give from the motive of selfishness or duty! On the other hand, what a blessed surprise it will be to learn how much real good our gifts have done to our fellowmen, if our deeds are prompted by genuine love and compassion for souls!

5. Sisters affectionate like Mary. Mark 14:8, "She hath done what she could.

Matt. 26:13, "Verily, I say unto you, wheresoever this Gospel shall be preached in the whole world, there shall also this that this woman hath done be told for a memorial of her.

Oh, may we thus, like loving Mary,  
Ever our choicest offerings bring,  
No grudging of our toil, nor chary  
Of costly service to our King!

I bring my box of alabaster,  
Of earthly loves I break the shrine,  
I pour affections, purer, vaster,  
On that dear head, those feet of Thine.

6. Young women of devoutness as Deborah. Judges 5:3, "Hear, O ye kings; give ear, O ye princes. I, even I, will sing unto the Lord! I will sing praise to the Lord God of Israel.

The thankful heart is in a condition to receive more blessings. Ungratefulness is one of the most common sins against our Heavenly Father. If we were always rewarded according to the sincere gratitude of our hearts we would oftentimes fare very poorly. It is not our profession but our lives that show our thankfulness.

7. Maidens with Ruth's steadfastness. Ruth 1:16, "For whither thou goest I will



Missionaries attending the Brazilian Convention at Sao Paulo

go; and where thou lodgest I will lodge; thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God.

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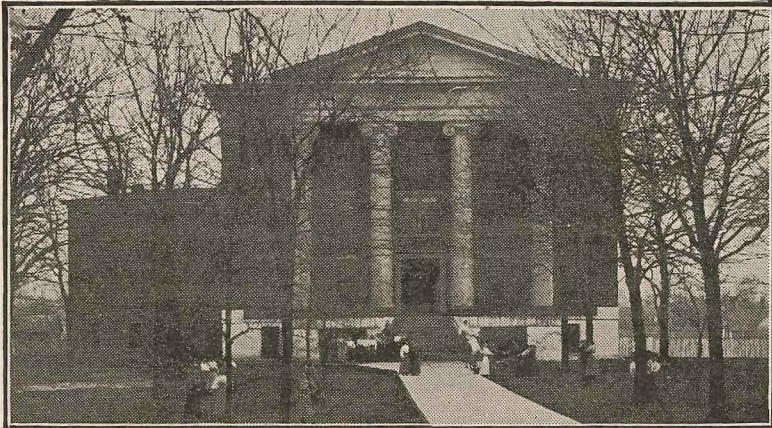
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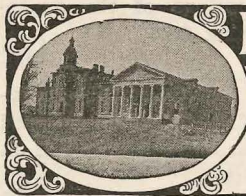
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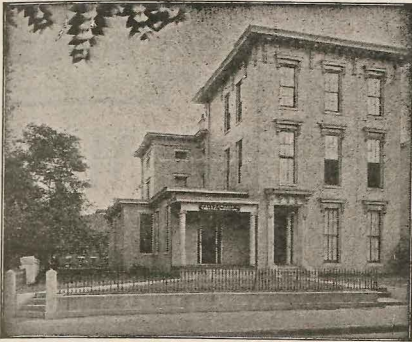
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