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JOTTINGS ON HOME MISSIONS.

M. E. Dodd, Vice-Pres.

Immigrating For the South.

A conference of Southern Governors and prominent railroad officials has been held in Baltimore in the interest of immigration to the South.

Provisions were made for the creation of a committee composed of representatives from the various States, Kentucky included, to be appointed by the Governors. Presidents of the various transportation companies are to be ex-officio members of this committee, which is charged with the duty of formulating and arranging for the execution of a plan by which all of the agencies working for increased immigration into the South may be able to co-operate and so to correlate their respective efforts as to secure the best results.

Effective co-operation in this way can accomplish much toward inducing a desirable class of immigration to the Southern States. It is most important, of course, that the railroads should take an interest in such a movement. It is certain that better results can be secured with all the states working in harmony toward the desired ends. It does not follow that any State should relax any individual effort that it may be making to attract immigration, but if every State and its transportation lines are working in harmony with every other State and its transportation lines, it is patent that something will be achieved for the benefit of all.—*Courier-Journal* editorial, Jan. 11.

With ever increasing efforts and facilities for inducing immigration to the South there should be corresponding endeavor upon the part of our religious forces to take care of the oncoming tide.

Your boy and your neighbor's boy yonder in the West call loudly through our Home

Board to you for help to establish the Kingdom there.

"The Home Field" is one of the handsomest and best magazines published. Its charming mechanical makeup would grace any reading room, office or library. Its matter will appeal to any intellect. Oh! you should see it. It's a thing of beauty and joy forever.

In 100 years the Catholic population of the U. S. has increased from 40,000 to 22,500,000, numbering now one fourth of the entire population. They already have a strong hold upon the government at Washington as indicated by Mr. Taft's friendliness toward them, as indicated in the appointment of Chief Justice White, and many other ways. They also have a strong grasp on many state governments as in Ky., where the Lieutenant Governor is a rank Jesuit. They are succeeding in most of the states in putting the Bible out of the public schools. And nearly every legislature adds some new Catholic holiday to the Annual Calendar. All this while we Baptists sit supinely by and say nothing.

Even and anon some great delaimer declares his faith in some new or old organization as the hope of the nation. But Anti-Saloon Leagues and W. C. T. U.'s and Laymen's Movements and Men Forward Movements and unions and organizations and combines of all sorts and every sort whatever will avail nothing if Christ Jesus be not in the individual life, the hope of glory. Read Collosians on your knees every morning for a month and learn Paul's great dotrines of the All-Sufficiency of Christ proudly and profoundly proclaimed to those who were seeking help in the vain philosophies of men. The hope of this nation of our Southland, of every nation as of every man is Christ.

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... EDITORIAL ...

The State Secretaries will hold a very important annual meeting in Asheville, N. C., next month. As chairman of the Program Committee, the editor during his vacation has prepared and sent out the program, which we publish in this issue.

Our plans in missionary endeavor must be rational, Scriptural and practical. Many godly, well-meaning men utterly fail because their methods are obsolete and petrified, fit only for some museum of antiquities. The doctrines of God are fixed and eternal. Our methods of work are left to our intelligence and skill under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Paul used one method in Ephesus, another in Athens and yet another in Crete, of presenting the same gospel. It is not vital if I teach that the first seven seals of Revelation do or do not refer to the decline and fall of the Roman Empire, but there must be no doubt "that the blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanseth from all sin." Missionaries and evangelists use sane, approved methods, changing them when conditions so demand, as you teach the unchanging truth that our Saviour is God, that His "blood cleanseth from all sin," that His righteousness is our only covering, His sacrifice our only trust, His cross the only foundation of our safety, and His crown our happy and undying hope. "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed to him against that day." Our plans may vary and even be wrong, but our preaching of the gospel we know to be true.

Pastors, bear in mind that we pay the employees of the State Board on the first day of each month. We continually need money for State Missions. Pray for us. Preach about the work and the duty of supporting it and keep streams of money flowing into our treasury. Do not send us to the banks to secure the Lord's funds, which the churches are to furnish. The raven's did not keep Elijah living on a credit, but twice daily they carried him meat food. Pastors, be as mindful of the Lord's ser-

vants as the fowls of the air were of the ancient prophet.

WHY A VACATION?

The State Board kindly granted the Secretary a month's vacation. He took it at a time when the least could be accomplished on the field. Of course, there is always something important demanding his thought and attention, and some one may ask, "Why a vacation?"

Why a margin to a book? Why a vacation for schools? Why an eight-hour law for working people? are questions you might as well ask. The Lord God created the heavens and the earth in six days and rested on the seventh. Jesus often withdrew from the multitude and his arduous labors for a season of rest and meditation.

Paul, the greatest of all missionary workers, after his conversion and ere he began his marvellous work of overcoming difficulties and enduring hardness in planting churches among the Gentiles, withdrew from the great centers to the solitude of Arabia for a period of preparation and infilling.

A secretary who properly appreciates the magnitude of his responsibilities before God and his brethren finds a consuming tax on his body, mind and soul seven days in the week. On Sunday sermons must be preached, lectures given and possibly collections taken. Monday morning finds him in his office dispatching mail, which has accumulated in his absence, bearing and sharing the burdens and perplexing difficulties which arise in each part of the field. The state of the treasury is watched, plans and measures must be devised to convey the needed information to the pastors and churches regarding the work, the need of funds and the open doors before us, and the Father's smiles upon us.

The missionaries must be visited, weak places strengthened, churches dedicated and new fields opened up. Every phase of the work in every part of the field must be duly studied. His mind carries a map showing every inch of territory in seventy-six Associations, embracing the 119 counties of Kentucky. Here we are making en-

couraging progress and there, with a sad heart, he notes that we are losing ground. Remedies must be devised and victories must be followed up. The Associations must be attended. For three months there are no fixed hours for sleep or meals. The nervous powers are over-taxed, digestion is impaired and he labors under great disadvantages to think properly, plan wisely and execute with efficiency. The brow must be unbent. Tired nature finds a restorer in a little hotel located on the Gulf Coast in the piney woods of Southern Alabama. My diversion is catching trout and red fish. What a tonic when the cork disappears and the active trout goes chasing away with the minnow! Then the tug of war and the final surrender, when he has been safely landed. The electrical effect is more wonderful and invigorating than all the electric baths and electrical appliances of Battle Creek Sanitarium. How beautiful, yea, and how toothsome are these speckled trout and spotted red-fish! How I love the seaside! The salt breeze relieves all catarrhal affections. It is aided, no doubt, by the aroma from the great forests of pines to the north of the building. The sport of fishing can more completely banish every cumbering care from the mind than the most exciting game of baseball, the fascinations of a good book or the witchery of the eloquence of some great orator.

The shimmering lights of the bay, in full view to the South delight me by day, and the roar of the gulf lulls me to sleep at night. I often sleep eight and nine hours. I have with me some of the best books to be had on each aspect of church and mission work. Problems of the country church, of mining districts and city missions must be solved in the light of twentieth century conditions and in conformity to New Testament teaching. My spiritual strength is renewed by my communion with nature.

It is a glorious reality that through the forms and movements of material nature the spirit of man may hold communion with the Father of spirits, in whose image he was made.

The sights and sounds of my environment have a healing, soothing medicating influence over me. The silence of the

dense forests, in which I delight to roam; the shimmering, varying lights that play over the bay, have a marvelous power to steal me from myself and breathe into my own soul some of their calmness and rest, lift the burden of care and responsibility and bring to me thoughts of righteousness, peace and love amidst the ceaseless changes of all earthly things.

It is the time of year when unmolested I can hold converse with great authors, outline sermons and addresses, place all of our denominational interests in proper relation to each other, learn lessons from the mistakes and failures of the past, and make them surest pioneers of success in the future, and plan for a forward move in Kentucky commensurate with the abilities of our Baptist hosts and the crying need of the perishing millions for whom Christ died.

The time is not misspent, and its value, I trust, will be revealed in the ability to do more and better work, under God's guidance, during 1912, than ever before, ever remembering that "The chief end of man is to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever."

"Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea roar and the fullness thereof. Let the field be joyful, and all that is therein; then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord; for he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth; he shall judge the world with righteousness and the people with his truth."

The ancient seer here finds something more in nature than dead material power and blind material laws and forces. Our Lord found moral lessons in the lilies of the field. The meanest and lowest of weeds bedecked with such royal colors as no painter's brush has ever been able to spread on canvas, teach us lessons of God's care and benignity for the least of his creatures. Beloved missionary, and colporter, in your isolation and loneliness, doing the task the Master has assigned you, the world and even your brethren may forget you, but your Father's eye is upon you and His ear hears your cry. "Consider the lilies of the field." They bring you a message from God.

PROGRAM FOR MEETING OF STATE
SECRETARIES.

February 8, 9, 10, 1912—First Baptist Church
Asheville, N. C.

Wednesday Night, February 7—Mass Meeting.

To be addressed by the State Secretaries,
Pastor C. B. Waller, presiding.

"Home Missions as Related to Foreign Missions."

"Let there be no strife, I pray thee, between me and thee, for we are brethren."—Gen. 13:8.

"For now Jehovah hath made room for us, and we shall be faithful in the land."—Gen. 26:23.

1. As to territory.—A. V. Rowe.
2. As to constituency.—B. D. Gray.
3. As to funds.—R. J. Willingham.
4. As to people to be reached.—J. J. Bennett.

"God's Plan for Financing His Kingdom."

"Education as Related to Missions."—W. J. M. Gillon.

"The Primacy of State Missions."—Acts 1:8.

I.—Breaker of Fallow Ground. Hosea 10:12.

1. Reaching the Unreached.—F. C. McConnell.
2. Organizing New Churches.—E. H. Hatcher.
3. Entering New Fields.—E. O. Ware.

II.—Seed Sower. Ps. 126:6.

1. Sunday School.—S. B. Rogers.
2. Colportage.—S. B. Rogers.
3. Evangelism.—H. E. Truex.

III.—Cultivator Matt. 28:20.

1. W. M. U.—W. T. Derieux.
2. B. Y. P. U.—W. T. Derieux.
3. Laymen's Movement.—Wm. Ellison.
4. Sunday Schools.—Wm. Ellison.

IV.—Harvesters. Gal. 6:9.

1. In the State.—J. T. Christian.
2. In the Home Land.—J. C. Stalcup.
3. In the Uttermost Parts of the Earth.—Livingston Johnson.

"Creating State Mission Literature."—W. D. Powell.

Papers are expected to be about twenty minutes in length. It is very important

that there shall be an attendance of every State Secretary in the South.

A FRIENDLY WORD.

I wish that every missionary of our State Board may possess during the present year a strong body, a vigorous mind, high vitality great endurance, powerful nerve force, deep spirituality and a correct appreciation of our responsibility as fishers of men. One thing is certain, we must keep going and growing, if we are to be builders, and not settlers.

Study Bible characters, read the biographies of useful and eminent missionaries and ministers who brought things to pass. Think and analyze until you dig out the real secret of their success. Their problems may be your problems and their solutions may suggest to you the initiative or creative idea you need in your field.

Read the sermons and writings of present day preachers who are eminently useful. You may find little that is original, less that is brilliant but much that will prove profitable to you.

You will realize that each man who succeeded in the task assigned him had a plan; a definite idea shaping and inspiring his life work.

Read the Bible daily and read good books. Buy some new books, if it necessitates wearing your old coat to the next General Association in Madisonville. I saw a minister, wearing last year's coat, capture the Southern Baptist Convention as few men have done. He was a missionary too, but he is the man who will have books.

Read carefully the reports in the Minutes of the General Association and of the Southern Baptist Convention. You need the information and stimulus they will give. Be much concerned for the spiritual deadness and want of vitality in our Baptist churches and the barrenness of your own ministry, and the funds needed to sustain our work will flow unfailling into our treasury. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

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... SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPT ...

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Monthly Teacher Training Statement by Associations—January 1, 1912.

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Simpson	5
Union	4
Enterprise	4
Blood River	2
Baptist	2
Bay's Fork	2
Warren	1
Russell's Creek	1
Laurel River	1
Three Forks	1
Gaspar River	1
North Concord	1
Freedom	1
Mt. Zion	1
Salem	1
Owen County	1

We only had one hundred and forty-enrollments during December. We must do better than this. Send names of any that

you can possibly enroll with the number of book they will take up, to this office, which will be forwarded to the Nashville office after record has been made here.

The largest class for the month of December is the one at Madisonville, Ky. Forty-four were enrolled and it is the aim of Pastor Mahoney and Superintendent Sory to make it seventy-five. We enjoyed a week's work with Brother Mahoney and his good people. The work at Madisonville is making great strides under his leadership and the Madisonville people think they have the best preacher in the State. Indeed Brother Mahoney stands very high with his people.

Pastor L. W. Doolan, of Bowling Green, has a fine class taking the Convention Normal Manual. We have been hearing some very complimentary things about Dr. Doolan's work. The Sunday School has been wonderfully enlarged and many other sign of progress noted.

We reported sometime ago that Dr. A. C. Davidson, of the First Church, Covington, had three Teacher Training classes in the Church there. Since that time we have received the enrollment for four classes; one class taking book No. 8, two No. 1 and one No. 3.

Rev D. H. Howerton, of Columbia, reports two fine classes taking the Convention Normal Manual.

One of the latest classes enrolled is in the DeMossville Church, organized by Rev. J. T. Dougherty. Brother Dougherty is one of our best Sunday School pastors and renders us valuable assistance in projecting Teacher Training work.

Rev. Elmo Royalty reports three classes taking the Convention Normal Manual; one in his church, at Gardnersville, one at Fellowship Church and the other at the Sadieville Church, near Georgetown. Brother Royalty is leading his classes in the work himself. We call attention to the fact that these are country Churches and that this man of God is leading a class in every Church of which he is a pastor. This is great work indeed.

Rev. A. C. Hutson, of Barbourville, has a fine class that has nearly completed the

Normal Manual.

We have received some more enrollments from Monticello. These workers are taking books No. 3, No. 5, No. 6 which will indicate that those who have completed the Convention Normal Manual are striving to become full fledged graduates of the Teacher Training Course

The large class that graduated at the Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville, sometime ago are well on their way in book No. 6, "The Doctrines of Our Faith." Pastor J. F. Griffith is doing the teaching.

There is no more enthusiastic worker than a young layman down in West Kentucky whose post-office is Blandville, eleven miles in the country. We refer to Ed. Ransom. He sent us a long list of Teacher Training students. He is continually doing things like this. Brother Ransom has built up, with the co-operation of Pastor Rice and his faithful workers, the only A 1 country Sunday School we know anything about in the Southern Baptist Convention, and this shows it can be done. Brother Ransom is the Teacher Training Superintendent of the West Kentucky Sunday School Convention, an organization comprising six or seven Associations in the Western end of the State. Dr. W. E. Hunter, of Princeton, is the President of this organization. You may expect to hear fine reports of the Sunday School work in Western Kentucky.

Mr. Frank L. Smith, Superintendent of the Sunday School of the Fifth St. Church, Lexington, reports a large class taking the Convention Normal Manual. Under the leadership of their pastor, Rev. W. L. Brock, a number have already finished. It is their purpose to go into a splendid, new Sunday School building February 4th, at which time this class will have their graduating exercises. This is a great achievement and we congratulate Pastor Brock and Superintendent Smith and that company of noble workers of the Fifth St. Church, in that the Lord has led them and blessed them so wonderfully.

One of the classes reported by Brother Ransom is in the Baptist church at LaCenter. The leader of this class is Brother C. W. Anderson.

A very fine class is reported by Rev. O.

O. Green from the Versailles Baptist church. This pastor believes also in the thorough equipment of the teachers and workers in his church.

Rev. J. T. Bowden, pastor of the Mt. Vernon church, near Versailles, reports a fine class in the Manual. Brother Bowden is bringing things to pass at a rapid pace. He believes in the training of his young people as well as the Sunday School workers.

There are a number of other classes who are doing the Teacher Training work but in order that we might not repeat ourselves in the papers we will only report in this way those who enroll in our office. We call attention to the fact that we are trying to keep an accurate record of our Teacher Training work in our office here at 205 E. Chestnut Street, Louisville, Ky. Nearly all of the literature published in connection with the Teacher Training work asks that those taking up the work will enroll with the Nashville office, but we insist that those enrollments be made through our office here in Louisville.

It is necessary that every one doing the Teacher Training work send us their names with the number of the books they are taking. If you have enrolled for the Manual and have completed that, as soon as you take up Book No. 2 enroll with us. When you finish Book No. 2 and take up No. 3, or which ever it may be, enroll with us. We forward a copy of all enrollments to the Teacher Training Secretary at Nashville, Tenn., and keep a copy for our own use here in the Louisville office.

We mailed out last week from our office nearly five hundred letters with a self-addressed postal card enclosed, to the clerks of nearly five hundred Baptist churches, who report no Sunday Schools. We feel sure that there are a number of these churches that have Sunday Schools.

There are a list of questions on these postal cards to be answered that will give us the information desired for record in this office. We trust that we shall be favored with immediate replies to these letters.

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JANUARY HISTORIC DAYS.



The above is a cut of Sister Taylor, the mother of our much beloved preachers, H. Boyce Taylor of Murray and W. C., formerly of Arlington, now in the Seminary at Ft. Worth. She recently finished the entire Teacher Training course completing the eight volumes. When a woman like Sister Taylor at her age in life strains to make such preparation to do better work, it should call for the heroic in the S. S. workers of today. This should certainly stimulate younger men and women to prepare themselves for a more efficient service. We are using this little picture without her knowledge and trust she will forgive us. She has been a great blessing to this generation and does not feel her work is yet completed.

RECEIPTS FOR DECEMBER.

Book Sales—S. J. S., \$20; J. A. C., \$4.55; B. P., \$5.65; E. O. C., 50c; B. F. S., 85c; H. B. T., \$3.12; J. H. T., 40c; F. L. S., 15c; M. R. M., \$5; L. E., \$31.60; W. E. H., \$3.36; R. M. T., \$10; W. D. P., \$1.20; Miss C. K., \$1.60; Miss L., \$1.86; G. P. B., \$8.40; Miss N. L. D., \$2.74.

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Baptist Ass'n—J. B. S., Tr., \$70.62.

Breckinridge Ass'n—Cloverport ch., J. P. J., \$25.

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The celebration of Founders' Day at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, January 11th, with addresses by Drs. Carter Helm Jones and Henry W. Battle, calls attention to other notable Baptist days in January. Among these are the following:

January 1, 1891—Twenty-second and Walnut Street church was organized.

January 1, 1902—Venerable Trustee A. D. Miles, of Broadway, died.

January 3, 1875—Dr. J. H. Eager was ordained.

January 4, 1865—Mrs. L. E. Barker, missionary to Brazil, was born.

January 5, 1865—Missionary W. H. Sears was born.

January 6, 1912—Dr. W. H. Felix died.

January 7, 1903—Dr. Arthur Peter died.

January 8, 1819—Missionary M. T. Yates was born.

January 9, 1724—Isaac Bachus, Baptist Historian, was born.

January 10, 1849—Missionary J. M. Joiner was born.

January 11, 1827—Dr. James P. Boyce was born.

January 12, 1884—Miss Mattie Roberts landed in Shanghai, China.

January 13, 1857—Missionary P. A. Eubanks was born.

January 14, 1853—Missionary N. W. Holcomb was born.

January 15, 1902—Mrs. A. E. Owen died.

January 16, 186—Miss Emma Morton Ginsburg was born.

January 17, 1822—Dr. J. B. Jeter preached his third sermon.

January 18, 1901—Mrs. Lucy G. Tucker died.

January 19, 1855—Hon. and Rev. Baptist W. Noel died.

January 20, 1893—Dr. J. P. Boyce was buried from Broadway church.

January 21, 1911—Dr. W. H. Whitsitt died in Richmond, Va.

January 23, 1893—Fourth Avenue Baptist church organized.

January 24, 1827—Dr. John A. Broadus was born.

What precious memories these names and dates recall!

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"Christ's cup comes back to earth, when
two or three,
Clasping the world's great sorrow to her
hearts,

Agree to bear it! When desire to help
Rises to passion, and the woeful crowd
Of earth's distracted wanderers are seen
To be our angel-brothers before God,
Then down the heavenly stair the Grail
descends,

Borne by the blessed hands the nails once
pierced.

'Brothers!' he saith, 'let us redeem the
world,

Lighten its heavy load, its bitter cross,
By taking all the burden on ourselves!
Henceforth no soul in earth or hell shall
say

That no man cares for it, for we will
care!"

A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Hearty thanks to all who have sent Christmas and New Year's Greetings, and to them and all our W. M. Unions of Kentucky we wish health and happiness in the months to come. What different ideas of happiness we find among our friends! But in our union we will doubtless agree the ideal is to have ability, time and strength to carry on the Lord's work, and these we have every reason to expect in answer to prayer. Remember Paul's promise, "My God shall supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory, in Christ Jesus."

What progress shall we make in the year, in our missionary efforts? There is great room for improvement in our numbers and in our giving. The Jubilee has not brought the increase of givers and the en-

largement of gifts that was hoped for. All around us in other States we hear of enthusiastic gatherings and widespread interest. It is not too late for determined effort to diffuse the information and inspiration we thought we had gained last winter. Our Jubilee Offerings consisted largely of splendid gifts from a very few; and now it is high time for our regular contributions to feel the impulse thus imparted. The Foreign Mission Board is still cruelly hampered by the debt of last year. One lady has been moved to make a twenty dollar contribution to this debt as a Christmas gift, well nigh doubling her usual contribution to missions. Will her example find followers?

A MESSAGE FROM MISS CRANE.

For those who are shut out of the world of activity and can not serve as they wish, we commend these words from Miss Crane, received as a Christmas greeting:

Rest.

To step out of self-life into Christ-life; to lie still and let Him lift you out of it; to fold your hands close and hide your face upon the hem of His robe; to let Him lay His cooling, soothing, healing hands upon your soul, and draw all the hurry and fever from its veins; to realize that you are not a mighty messenger, an important worker of His, full of care and responsibility, but only a little child, with a Father's gentle bidding to heed and fulfill; to lay your busy plans and ambitions confidently in His hands, as the child brings its broken toys at its mother's call; to serve Him by waiting; to praise Him by saying, "Holy, holy, holy," a single note of praise, as do the seraphim of the heavens, if that be His will; to cease to hurry so that you lose sight of His face; to learn to follow Him and not run ahead of orders; to cease to live in self and for self, and to live in Him and for Him; to love His honor more than your own; to be a clear and facile medium for His life-tide to shine and glow through—this is consecration, and this is rest.—A Joyful Christmas to You, from Edith Campbell Crane.

OUR TRAINING SCHOOL.

Do you realize that from all the goodly company of young women that fill our churches, teach in our Sabbath Schools and make up the personnel of our Y. W. A., in Kentucky, that only two are in our W. M. U. Training School in Louisville? From far away Georgia have come six students.

What does this mean? Is it that we are not aroused to the need of trained workers as are our sister States?

Are not we older women somewhat responsible for not leading our girls into a life of service, or is it that there are many girls in our churches ready and willing to go if the means were provided? Sisters think and pray over this matter.

MRS. MAUD REYNOLDS McLURE.

FROM THE LETTERS FROM SOME VICE PRESIDENTS.

A letter from Mrs. Boswell Pearce, the new Vice President of Sulphur Fork Association, says: "I had talked to several ladies and they all seemed to think that as most of our churches without societies are in the country it would be impossible to organize in the winter. I had thought that I would wait till spring before attempting any work, but suggestions have been made that show me that I should be trying to do something now." Then follow enthusiastic plans for reaching the uninterested by letter, phone and the missionary society of some nearby church.

Miss Emma W. Bailey, Vice President of Long Run Association, who has done such efficient work, speaking of her regret at not being able to attend the State Convention, says: "Know I miss so much that would enable me to do work more effectively. There are always present some Vice Presidents more experienced in the work who have good plans to unfold."

"I send in my report with this. Hope to do more in the next quarter. I just wish that I could get a society in each church and I hope to do it in time," says Miss Margaret Anderson, Vice President of North Bend Association, and we are sure that she will, too, as she is already at work

on her program for the meeting of the Association the first week in June.

Some one is working in Simpson Association. Several new societies have been organized and frequent requests for literature show that the societies are trying to have interesting programs.

THE NEED OF MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

God knows what kind of a Christian you are. Do you know? Satan knows what kind of a Christian you are. Do you know? The world knows what kind of a Christian you are. Do you know? Allow me to ask, "What kind of a Christian are you?" Have you given your neighbor opportunity to think you awake to the world, but asleep to Jesus? Awake, awake and let us do great things for our Master.

How sad it is to know that only about $\frac{1}{8}$ of the women our Baptist churches are identified with the noble work of our Missionary Societies. Glorious things are being done by these but who can imagine what might be done if the more than one million Southern Baptist Women were engaged in the great work. Let us not only say words, let us pour out our very souls in prayer to God asking Him to arouse the interest of the ladies of every church in Kentucky, that they may realize there is so much that they can do if they will but lift their gaze from their own little circle of interest and see the world-need.

"Oh, for a passionate passion for souls,
Oh, for a pity that yearns."

A church is more than a field to be cultivated, or a flock to be protected; it is a great force to be wielded in the campaign of the King. God's word stands for world-wide knowledge of Christ and for his complete dominion everywhere. The fact that you have been called into his kingdom is less an honor and of less significance than that you are called to be a co-worker with Him. I believe if we would read our Bibles carefully we would not sit back satisfied to throw a mite into the mission collection and here stop, but would fall into line with our King's forces—and thank God, with Him there is no retreat, no standing still—it is always "Onward!"—and within a short pe-

riod in every Kentucky church there would be a band of women meeting for prayer and definite study of "His Word" and "His Field."

Oh! my dear sister, do you not realize the need of Missionary Societies? Knowledge is the mother of interest some one has said. No wonder then that some of us unblushingly say that we are not interested in missions. With God's help we can do all things. Will you not help your Vice President to organize a Missionary Society in every church in your Association? This will be an easy task if we cast aside the "can not's" and, with His help, say: "I will give of my time, I will give of my energy, I will give myself, my means, my prayers." If you have a Missionary Society in your church and are an active member then you are ready to "Go and help" organize elsewhere.

If you have no society in your church I ask you to read the gospels. Matthew, Mark, Luke and John contain the missionary charter and program. Do you believe the Bible? It is the missionary book. The sublimest passages of the prophets were inspired by the missionary vision; the book of Acts is an account of missionary operation; the book of Revelation tells of the glorious missionary consummation. Study then pray; pray so earnestly that God will fill your heart with love for the millions who are dying without Christ, with a love so compelling that you will rise from your knees saying, "Even though I can not go, I can help." And do you realize that when you have regular study and definite seasons of prayer you have a missionary society and that all there is left to do is to organize it. Will you not do this? Lift up your eyes upon the field that your vision may become world broad; behold the multitudes as Christ sees them—"sheep not having a

shepherd" and then you will surely have compassion upon them for your heart must grow larger and larger until as His it is world large. Then you will be not a nominal Christian, but a co-worker with Him, and it may be truthfully said of you, "asleep to the world! awake to Christ."

MISS MAYME NORTHCUTT,
Secretary North Bend Association.

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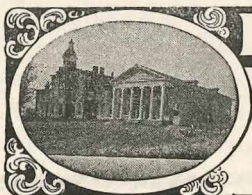
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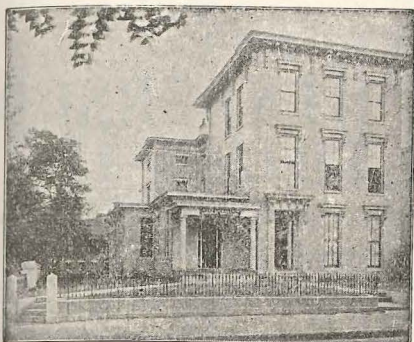


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