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I gave, I gave  
My life for thee  
What hast thou  
Given for me?

#### BAND CONSTITUTION.

God's only child  
was a missionary.  
Most of his promi-  
ses are to children.  
He honors child-  
ren as His helpers.  
Desiring to be  
such, we unite in  
a mission band as  
follows.

1. Our name,—Band,  
of—church. Meetings  
Monthly.

2. Members shall  
give five cents month-  
ly or as God may prosper.  
All money to be  
reported to the church  
and to the Central  
Committee.

3. Officers shall be:  
President, Vice-presi-  
dent, Secretary, Treas-  
urer and lady director  
with duties usually  
performed by such  
officer

Southern Bap-  
tist children, thus  
at work, would  
give one million  
dollars for mis-  
sionaries annually.

For to give  
Is to live.  
To deny  
Is to die

A man there was, they called him mad,  
The more he cast away, the more he had.

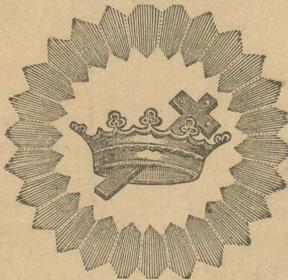


Ho ye that would be wise; O bring to Him His tithes.

#### W. M. S. February Program.

1. Sing "Pass Me Not" G. H. 169.
2. Matthew 25-31-43.
3. Read Indian Article.
4. Give account of meetings attended dur-  
ing the week of prayer. Pray for the Indians
5. Sing "Jesus Shall Reign" G. H. 243.
6. Report Christmas offering, call roll, col-  
lect dues.

"There shall be one fold."



Christ's command com's ringing down,  
"See that no man takes thy crown!"

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All that we have  
Is thine alone  
We give to thee  
But thine own.

#### W. M. S. CONSTITUTION.

Grateful to God  
for his goodness,  
and desiring to aid  
in advancing His  
cause everywhere,  
we, members of  
—Baptist church  
agree as follows:

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be Woman's Mission-  
ary Society of—  
church. Meetings  
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at work, would  
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sions annually.

For His gain  
And His reign,  
Every day  
Pay and pray.

The widow's mite was not despised;  
Christ said, "This offering small  
Is more than all the rich men's gifts,  
This is the widow's all."

HE GAVE HIMSELF  
For His Church.—Ephesians, 5:21  
For Many.—Mark, 10:15  
For Me.—Galatians, 2:20

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## EDITORIAL.

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Rev. A. B. Rudd has taken charge of Madero Institute.

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Rev. R. T. Bryan attended the Florida Convention.

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Rev. J. G. Chastain will spend a few weeks in Mississippi.

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Rev. Peyton Stephens and wife, have arrived safely in China.

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Rev. C. C. Newton, wife, and Miss Alberta have returned to Africa.

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Miss Lotta Moon and Mrs. E. T. Yates have returned home, to China.

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Rev. W. T. Lumbley, missionary in Africa, is still kept in England by his wife's illness.

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Five pupils have recently been baptized in Rev. E. Z. Simmons' school, Canton, China.

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The Baptist church at Shanghai gave through Rev. R. T. Bryan \$25 to the Students' Fund.

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The Foreign Mission Board Secretaries' Conference in New York will result in great good.

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Rev. H. R. Mosely resigned the principalship of Madero Institute and has become a general missionary with headquarters at Saltillo. He will still have charge of the church there.

Miss Ida Hayes, Saltillo, will be supported by J. Harvy Taylor, of Baltimore.

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## FROM THE STATES.

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### ALABAMA.

#### Charming Awakening.

*Dear Mrs. Osborne:* It seems a long time since I poured into the BASKET the items of news that it has been my pleasure and privilege often to bring to you; and I must say that it is as hard for some folks to keep from writing as it is for them to hold their tongues.

I had hoped to have you hear ere this of the Woman's Meeting, in connection with the State Convention, which was held in Greenville. It was with considerable trepidation that we went up with the hosts of Zion, to enter upon this new feature of our work, but the universal verdict was that the meeting was a good one, and that the workers were charmed by the personal intercourse and contact of heart and mind incident to the coming together. We were especially fortunate in having Mrs. M. J. Nelson, of Mississippi, with us; it is needless to record that she was invaluable in the meeting. Mrs. Chipley, of Florida, was also at the Convention.

Children's Day, and our Orphanage at Evergreen, both have claimed our attention of late, as well as the Christmas offering for Japan. The Foreign Mission Board granted to Alabama the privilege of appropriating her Christmas collections to the McCollum Memorial Chapel. The Alumnae Society of the Judson are bestirring themselves upon the score of Mrs. McCollum having been a Judson girl. I trust the offering may be a liberal one, but I fear the gifts of our people this year will be small, particularly as so many ob-

jects are claiming our sympathies; it causes long division with the special fund, already fifteen boxes are being packed for the frontier, and some of them valuable ones. In my own church there have been three prepared by the Societies and Sunday-school.

I must be allowed to boast a little bit about our Sunbeam meeting this afternoon. Our lecture room held a large number of our young folks, among them many of our young converts, who came into the work immediately upon coming into the church, and after the regular routine of business, conducted by the Sunbeams themselves, we had a part of the program provided for the Christmas meeting. One of our boys gave in a manly way, "The Open Door in Japan," and then we had, "The Wee Dog and the Green Umbrella," by two of our little tots, one illustrating the poem while the other recited it, and I must say that even the missionary dog, "Chum" was a credit to the band.

When the invitation to bring in the envelopes was given, the Sunbeams flocked to the table to deposit their offerings. What the amount will be, I do not know yet, but the spirit in which the pennies and nickels were given, was beautiful. A number of the children began the new year aright by joining the Band. Mrs. Nelson then gave us a delightful talk in her winning way, and I am sure drew many hearts to her own, and I hope they may be also won to the Saviour

We enter tomorrow upon the week of prayer, observing it in the churches of the city and vicinity. On Wednesday, we will meet in our own church to gather in the envelopes. Wishing you and yours, and all those who love the BASKET,

a happy New Year, I am, most truly,  
MRS. T. A. HAMILTON.  
Birmingham.

## ARKANSAS.

### The New Editor.

*Dear Mrs. Osborne:* I appreciate the honor you confer by placing my name on your list of talented State editors. I hope we, as Christian women, may work together in much love, and in lowliness of mind, seeking only to please Christ, and doing with our might what our hands find to do. The young people and children of our State are busy now filling their missionary boxes for the Sunday-school work. Our State work has opened up this new year very favorably, in that we have such strong men at the head of it. The State Mission Board has recently appointed Ex-Gov. James P. Eagle, as their financial Secretary. Our Sunday-school work is still flourishing, as it can but do under such wise administration. Mrs. Longley and our other prominent women workers are doing well and nobly their part in this grand work for the Master. The ladies of our own Society here, intend keeping in touch with the work this year by reading the BASKET and *Foreign Mission Journal*. They have, as you know, been taking the BASKET for a long while, and have recently sent off \$1.50 for the *Foreign Mission Journal*. The ladies of the First Church, Little Rock, gave a bazaar not long since, at which they realized about \$125. Our Band here gave all they had in their barrel, \$2.75, to the Helping Hand, for some much needed home work. They are hoping to do something for Foreign Missions soon. What a grand work the children can do for Christ! Let us encourage them by our help. The future holds great things in store for

us, if we only prove faithful, and work while tis day. May we, as Baptist women of the South, do our work so well that we can have it deservedly said of us, "Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all."

I am pleased to send you fifty cents in stamps for the BASKET, half to be sent to the Foreign Mission Board to be used where most needed.

Lovingly yours in His name,

ROSALIE F. JONES.

### FLORIDA.

#### Good Tidings.

*Dear Mrs. Osborne:* I have just returned from our State Convention which met at Plant City, a pretty little town, "way down" in twenty miles of Tampa, among the orange groves and flowers, where we were most cordially entertained by the good friends in all denominations; and though I know Miss Spalding will write you our official account of proceedings, I can not refrain from expressing to you my pleasure in attending this meeting, and regret that you could not be with us. What a "feast of fat things" we had, spiritually, mentally and socially, with Drs. Broadus, Bell, Bitting, Gambrel, McConnell and others, almost, if not quite, as delightful, addressing the Convention and talking with us socially, every day. It was a grand privilege to be with them; they inspire us. Our State reports are better than ever before; more money given, more delegates present at Convention, more women at our Woman's Meeting; progress all along the line, for which, we thank God and take courage. We, as you have doubtless heard, changed our plan of work, or of working, and have adopted, as other States, the Central Committee, electing as our president, Mrs.

Dr. Crawford, of Ocala, a gifted Christian woman, devoted to our cause; with four others of our devoted, cultured sisters: Mrs. Agnew, (who also has a home in your State, at Elizabethtown), Mrs. Hood, Mrs. Bruce, and Mrs. —, as an Advisory Board; with Miss Spalding, who has done us such efficient service since we lost our devoted leader Mrs. Telford, continuing as Secretary and Treasurer. Mr. Bryan, our returned missionary from China, was also with us, and thrilled our hearts as he so graphically told of our work in Chinkiang and Shanghai, and of the crying need of more workers, especially among the women, in that wide, wide field. Our Cuban School and Hospital was also discussed, and pledges to the support of each renewed. We all hope to do better this year than ever before, and I believe we will. With regards,

Sincerely,

B. B. CHIPLEY.

Pensacola.

#### PRECIOUS MEMORIAL.

A letter from Rev. Robert Telford at Nugent Home, Germantown, Pa., which we trust he will pardon us for using, says, "Judge of my surprise on receiving the following telegram: 'Watch sold for \$100. Watch to be returned to you. Answer at our expense, W. N. Chaudoin, Plant City, Florida.'"

This you will understand refers to the sale of my dear wife's watch and chain, given to help support the three Cuban girls under the care of the Woman's Baptist Missionary Society of Florida. The watch will be doubly precious to me after this history. Do you not think this dear one, in her home in Beulah land, knows all about what was passing at the Convention in Plant City on Friday night? Why not? We are told that we shall be as the angels of God

in heaven, and they take note of every sinner that repenteth.

I am always pleased to see the BASKET, and shall always watch with deep interest the progress of Woman's work in the Convention. With earnest prayer for God's richest blessings to rest on your work, I remain, yours in Christ's service."

R. TELFORD.

### GEORGIA.

#### Ever at Work.

*Dear Mrs. Osborne:* Your kind letter received; true, another year with its labors, joys and sorrows, has entered the eternal past. Our mistakes, unimproved opportunities, and failures to accomplish our wishes have been many, but let us forget the past, and press forward with keener purpose, and strive to do more for our Lord this year than ever before.

Our Society met on Saturday before the first Sabbath as usual, and our meeting was very interesting. Our President is an earnest worker, and a good example. She read, "The Need of Praying for Native Christians in China," and gave us a nice talk. We received in dues, \$4.35, which we send to China, (as we work by the Prayer Card plan). We received several donations for Japan; one from a dear sister in Atlanta, who visited this place not long since. She was once a member of our Society (being a resident of this place until her marriage), and is a missionary indeed, tithing all her income. Not long since, we sent a barrel of nice, useful things to a missionary in Arkansas. So many of our members are sick, the usual interest was not manifested, but the barrel was valued at \$28.45, and a small amount of money sent besides. I like to be at the box packing; I think the joy and satisfaction felt when

preparing a surprise for one of our substitutes is such as no other duty brings, but I was held at home by such an unrelenting "grip" that I could not be at this one.

Pray for us, that we may accomplish even greater things. I have not heard if Miss Wright has a calendar for this year, so I've taken mine and redated it, and find it quite pleasant to use again. We are opening the week of prayer. I would like to tell you of the Sunbeams, but my letter is already too long. Yours in the work, Sec. H. W. M. S. Hepzibah.

The Woman's Missionary Society at Hahira is doing good work.

A Sunday-school will be organized at Bethany.

The children of this State will support Rev. Eliseo Recio in Mexico.

### KENTUCKY.

#### Eastern Kentucky Educational Center.

*Dear Mrs. Osborne:* Enclosed find fifty cents for my subscription to the BASKET. Have been so busy have just neglected to send it and answer your letter. I send to you our report as I am sure you will see the Sec., before the report is made out. As we have been selfish enough to keep all of our money at home this time, I hardly know how to fill it out. The people have been so pressed with the work that I did not have the heart to press the Christmas offering on them.

Our "Johnson Hall," the boarding hall for young ladies, has been started, and running nicely under the competent management of Mrs. T. B. Webster. The school is as full as last year at this time. We hope to do more for Missions now his year. The church has con-

tributed \$25 to State Missions so far. I see from your letter I can keep half of subscription for the Society, so I send only twenty-five cents.

Sincerely,  
MRS. J. N. PRESTRIDGE.  
Williamsburg.

LOUISVILLE WEEK OF PRAYER.—WAL-  
NUT-STREET CHURCH.

The Central Committee arranged to hold its week of prayer-meetings with the different churches in Louisville. They held no meeting on Sunday, but on Monday the meeting was held with the Walnut-street church. Miss Lula Delph, the newly elected president of the Society, presided; the following programs were carried out in the various churches: After singing, Mrs. Dutton led in prayer, and Miss Delph read from Romans; Miss Sternberg and Mrs. Barr sang a beautiful duet; Mrs. M. D. Early led in special prayer. The ladies felt it a great privilege to have with them Miss Claggett, a Southerner under the employ of the Northern Board, at Tokio, Japan. She told of the Japanese praying last year for the "out pouring of the Holy Spirit." She gave a graphic account of the native Christians' desire for the salvation of their own nation; of the heathen worship of the temple god; of a god who was a fox; this fox had a temple dedicated to him. At one time this temple burned down, as it was very near Miss Claggett's school, she was very much rejoiced, but in two weeks it was rebuilt. After some hard work, two women and two young men were converted, and letters have been received telling of three others. In the small ward where Miss Claggett worked, there were ninety-seven temples. After singing, Miss Broadus spoke of China, and literature; Mrs. Gunter prayed; Miss Delph, Miss Steinberg,

Mrs. Sieber and Mrs. Barr sang, and the meeting was dismissed.

BROADWAY.

On Tuesday the meeting was held at Broadway Baptist Church; Mrs. Kerfoot was prevented by illness from conducting the meeting; Mrs. Osborne was chosen to preside. The meeting opened by singing three verses of "Labor On;" Miss Sue Allen read II Chron. 14:9-12; Mrs. Taylor lead in special prayer for our Frontier Missionaries, and Miss Lucy Boyce read John 15:6-16; Miss Bacon, from Forsythe, Ga., sang beautifully, a solo, Miss Julia Goodwin playing the accompaniment; Miss E. S. Broadus gave a short talk on the Home Board: "What It Is, and What It Is Not;" several subscribed for Our Home Field; Mrs. Goodwin read an excellent paper on "Increase of Faith;" Mrs. W. L. Pickard offered an earnest prayer for the Home Board, its Secretaries, other officers, and its Mission fields. Mrs. J. T. O'Neal read Matt. 17:14-21; after Miss Bacon sang, a collection was taken for Central Committee expenses, amounting to nearly \$3; Mrs. J. T. Haydon read an entertaining paper on "The Fields and Work of the Home Board." Announcements were made of succeeding meetings, and of the election of a Secretary for the Central Committee. Mrs. Hamet Cary succeeds Mrs. Mary Caldwell Johnson. One verse of "God Be With You" was sung, and the meeting adjourned.

CHESTNUT-STREET.

Wednesday at Chestnut-street, as the President was ready to take the chair, she was called home suddenly by the death of her niece; Mrs. J. M. Weaver took the chair. "Am I a Soldier of the Cross" was sung and Mrs. Hunt read Psalm 106; two verses of another hymn were sung,

and Mrs. Woody read "The Story of Blossom" in *Foreign Mission Journal*; Miss Claggett followed in a talk of her work in Japan; Miss Broadus spoke of Christmas offering and *Foreign Mission Journal*; the report, which was only partial, was made of the Christmas offering, some reporting from Sunday-schools, and some from Societies, and others from churches.

Thursday at McFerran Memorial, Mrs. Carter Helm Jones presided, Miss Claggett made the opening prayer, and she was followed by Mrs. Jones; after a hymn, Mrs. Jones gave a Bible reading from Ezekiel 3:13, from this she drew a lesson of the sin of not doing, from Matt. 25th, sin of the hands and hearts; from Acts 8th, she very plainly showed how we can consent to people being sinners, murders, etc.; she read a fine original poem on the verse: "And Saul consented to His death;" Miss Lillie Lyons accompanied Mrs. Yancey, who sang a solo; Mrs. Matack read an admirable paper on "The Indians;" after announcements, "All Hail the Power" was sung, and the meeting closed.

#### EAST CHURCH.

Friday the meeting was held with East Baptist Church: Miss Alice Tiller presided; after prayer by Mrs. Early, Mrs. Tiller read Romans 1st; singing followed, and then a tract on Italy was read by Miss Mary; Mrs. Duncan prayed and Mrs. Tiller called on Mrs. Early to speak, Mrs. Early spoke of Frontier Missionaries, and urged sending them boxes; Miss Troxell was not present, and Miss Thixton read for her a tract on, "Why send Missionaries to Brazil?" Miss Broadus spoke of receiving a letter from a lady who desired to know *how* to get people to attend; Miss Broadus said she had been thinking about it and had reached

the conclusion that personal influence was the only remedy; to ask people to go, and to call for them and take them with you; one verse of "God Be With You" was sung, and Mrs. Haycraft closed with prayer.

We are sorry not to have a report from Parkland.

#### OTHER GOOD NEWS.

A new Society has been formed at Green Wood, Warren Association. Smith's Grove sent a box valued at \$15; the Parkland Society has sent a barrel to Indian territory, and the girls of Parkland sent a Christmas box to a missionary's children valued at \$10; Mrs. Forbes, when telling of their box at Parkland, adds, "We hope by diligent endeavor in the future, to *deserve* to be enrolled among your banner societies. Mrs. Bell F. Moremen, Valley Station, an earnest, enthusiastic worker, has accepted the vice-presidency of Long Run Association; we gladly welcome her, and hope the Association will be benefited. Mrs. George Weller found after accepting the position of Secretary, that she could not retain it, and resigned; Mrs. Hammit Cary has been elected to fill the vacancy.

Mrs. Perryman writes from Newport: "Our special meeting for the Japan Mission was a gratifying success, and we felt gratified at the attendance as well as the offering, and feel that it will prove a blessing in more ways than one. Enclosed you will find a check for \$6.45, the Christmas offering from Newport church; wish it had been more, but know the Lord will bless that. Wishing you may rejoice in receiving many such checks, and have a happy New Year."

#### LOUISIANA.

#### News Notes.

G. W. Hartsfield, Arcadia, is go-

ing to have a Young People's Union in his church.

□ The Eastern Louisiana Association held a good Sunday-school Convention with our church.

Mrs. R. M. Boone, succeeds well in getting the "Dew Drops" to fill her columns in the *Chronicle*. She wishes each one to give a dime for Foreign Missions during the months of January and February. Her own little one, two years and a half old, heads the list.

### MARYLAND.

#### ANNUAL MEETING.

The Woman's Baptist Home Mission Society, of Maryland, held its quarterly meeting January 18th, at Grace Church. A basket lunch divided the two sessions. Miss Buhl-mair, the city Missionary, spoke in the afternoon.

### MISSISSIPPI.

#### A LOVED LEADER RECOVERING.

*Dear Friend:* The many months that have passed since I last addressed you, have been, for the most part, spent in the sick room at the side of my husband, who has been very ill since September, and is still in a critical condition.

My friends have been neglected, my business barely kept up with. My health is good, for which I am grateful, but I am greatly depressed, while I hope for the best I can but fear the worst.

Pray for me, that I may be spared this great affliction that seems impending.

I knew Miss Sproles had resigned. When the Central Committee meets we will select her successor. In the mean time I do not know how the

Mississippi report of work can be kept up.

Yours Sincerely,  
ADELIA M. HILLMAN.

Clinton.

[Our readers will sympathize with dear Mrs. Hillman and pray for the restoration of her beloved companion. Also for her work, which comes second only to her dear one.—EDITOR.]

### MISOURI.

#### Good News.

*Dear Mrs. Osborne:* Happy New Year! May '94 bring joy and gladness to every heart by an increased zeal in our Master's work. The air has been laden with the cry of "hard times," yet the reports from our State work has been truly gratifying to many of us. At the quarterly meeting of the Woman's Missionary Board in Kansas City, Nov. 21st, Mrs. G. B. Wheeler, Treasurer, reported a total of \$946.19, of this amount, \$216.75 for Home Missions; \$118.33 for State Missions, and \$230.22 for Foreign Missions; and our Secretary reported an additional \$200.

A missionary spirit of "the restorer of paths to dwell in," has been given in the example of a Society of nine members at Shott, Mo., where they have expended \$47.43 towards repairing their church; also a Sunbeam band at Birmingham have been able to give to their church a carpet, bell, and money to assist the brethren. They promise to help in Foreign Mission work. God bless their efforts! God bless the organized work among our Christian women and children. Lovingly,

MRS. EMMA VINEYARD.

Kansas City.

### NORTH CAROLINA.

#### Sickness.—Health.

*Dear Mrs. Osborne:* The year

1893 with its failures and successes, its pleasures and pains, has gradually glided into the past; 1894 has stepped forward and is now before us. It is for us to say how we will spend it. Let it not be in idleness. There is much to be done, and we cannot afford to be recreant to duty. With thankful hearts we are enabled to say that the work among the Woman's Missionary Societies is being greatly blessed. Our annual financial report sent you last month shows an increase of over a thousand dollars. Constantly are we being told of the spiritual benefit derived from the meetings of the individual Societies. I fear you have had no report from this annual meeting at Elizabeth City. Miss Heck, the president, on account of sickness was unable to attend. Mrs. Hartwell Edwards, of Fayetteville, vice-president, took charge of the meetings; Mrs. Edwards was elected president for the ensuing year; Mrs. Trueblood, vice-president; Mrs. Grace Brown, Secretary; Mrs. E. F. Syddell, Treasurer. The attendance was not as large as usual on account of the difficulty in getting to Elizabeth City. The meetings were interesting, and greatly enjoyed by those in attendance. We trust much good was accomplished. Wishing you a happy New Year, I remain, yours truly,

MRS. JAS. A. BRIGGS.

Raleigh.

### SOUTH CAROLINA.

#### Beginning the Year Well.

*Dear Mrs. Osborne:* The usual time for sending you some news of our State work has passed, but I write at my earliest opportunity after a severe attack of la grippe. Our Missionary work is progressing, locally, much good is being accomplished, and our State work is keep-

ing the hearts and hands of many busy.

The Week of Prayer was a bond of union, and brought into contact loving and sympathetic hearts. In our city (Greenville) there was a union meeting held. The ladies of the First Church invited those of Pendleton-street Church, and of Rutherford-street Church, the Willing Worker's Society, a young ladies' band, composed of young married ladies and young girls, the Mary Harley Society, a band of girls, and the Lula Whilden Society of the Female College, to join with us on Monday afternoon during the week of prayer. It was a sweet and joyful gathering; womanly hearts in great sympathy with their sisters in the work of praying for, and doing for Missions.

All our Mission Societies have started out with renewed efforts to enlist others in our work, and special attention will be given in our Associations to the children; endeavoring to enlist them in earnest church work, teaching them to do for the Master with their little, and we hope before another year shall pass that many a child will be enrolled as a Sunbeam, and that by the Sunbeams will much be accomplished.

The First Church starts out this year with a membership in their Mission Society of sixty-five. The Willing Workers of the First church with thirty members; the Lula Whilden Society with about twenty-five. Pendleton-street Church has a most excellent Society of some fifty or more members. They are largely interested in all missionary work, and under their leader, Mrs. A. B. Brown, they carry out the program as prepared for the Foreign Journal. Different papers on the study topics are written by members and read. The meeting lasts just one hour, but with promptness in coming, a good

deal is accomplished. A box has recently been sent out by this Society to a missionary in the Indian Territory. What the amount given by any of our Societies for the Christmas offering we have not yet learned. Regretting that some news from us has not reached you at an earlier date, I am sincerely yours,

M. E. HENDERSON.

Greenville.

### TENNESSEE.

#### Work Together for Good.

*Dear Mrs. Osborne:* It is with sadness that I report to the readers of the BASKET the removal of our beloved worker, Mrs. M. D. Early, to Texas. We are so thankful for the promise that "All things work together for good to them that love God."

Organization of twelve new Societies and bands was reported to Central Committee last month. Edgefield church of Nashville, sent a box valued at \$102.50, to a frontier missionary last month. Third church, Nashville, also sent a box valued at \$77.83, to Bro. Patterson, a frontier missionary. Central Committee received reports of eleven boxes sent last quarter; total value, \$618.54. Ten other boxes are in preparation. Our State donated \$63.40 to Bro. Diaz for Sanitarium; our vice-president received a letter from Bro. Diaz stating that great good was being accomplished in this institution. Our Orphanage was well remembered this Christmas with presents of food, clothing, toys and many useful articles. I heard one of the officers say yesterday that she wished the frontier missionaries might be as well remembered as the orphans. I hope I may be able to report a good year's work from Tennessee this coming year. •

Sincerely yours,

MRS. A. C. S. JACKSON.

### TEXAS.

#### Good Work.

The San Antonio First church sisters last month gave Pastor E. E. King a handsome donation visit.

The Young People's Union at Temple is rapidly growing in every way.

McKinney has dedicated an elegant \$7,000 house of worship.

Baylor University and Buckner's Orphans' Home are advancing and enlarging.

Every one mourns the death of good Dr. J. B. Link, at Austin, January 10.

### VIRGINIA.

#### Rejoicing.

*My Dear Mrs. Osborne:* You will rejoice with me that our valuable friend, Miss Tupper, has returned home after a lengthy visit to Denver, Colo. It is a satisfaction to know that she is once more among us, and also to feel that she is ever ready to lend her sympathy and counsel to our committee, although she is no longer our president.

Mrs. A. M. Gwathmey (Miss Tupper's successor) enters upon a work, which is on the upward grade, and which will go forward with greater success, because upon it, Miss Tupper has left her impress. The vacancy made in our local committee by choosing Mrs. Gwathmey as our leader, has been filled by Mrs. J. B. Hutson, wife of the honored pastor of Pine-street church. In addition to this change, three new vice-presidents have been inducted into office, viz: Mrs. J. P. Rowe, Fredericksburg; Miss Effie Schoolfield, Culpeper; and Miss Lila Laws, Millwood.

Our new annual, showing the work of the Virginia Central Committee for the past Associational year, has

just been published, and has been sent to the Central Committee of each of our sister States. We hope we shall secure in return, the annual reports of all of these Committees.

Miss Bennie Russell, one of our vice-presidents, now located in Warrenton, writes of the organization of a Woman's Missionary Society in the Warrenton church. The outlook, she thinks, is unusually bright.

Miss Lulu Cabaniss, of Saltillo, Mexico, is now spending a few weeks in Richmond, where she has many friends. A delightful visit to her on yesterday makes us feel a more lively interest in the work of the Madeira Institute, where Miss Cabaniss is a missionary teacher under the Board. Miss Cabaniss has just been in Danville visiting friends, and she gave us an account of a missionary tea she attended, given by the ladies of the Danville church. Mrs. W. E. Hatcher, president of the Woman's Missionary Society of Richmond, hopes to have Miss Cabaniss with the Society on next Thursday, (the 11th) in its regular quarterly meeting, and tell the ladies something of her work in Mexico.

It will doubtless be news to most of the readers of the BASKET to know that the old Clay-street Baptist church of Richmond is no more. Its members are now rejoicing in having a new house in a new location. They also have a new pastor, who was once a Kentucky boy, Rev. H. H. Bagby, and the church is to be known hereafter as Calvary. This church has been recognized ever since its organization, about seventeen years ago, as a real missionary body, and the point about to be mentioned, is in keeping with its reputation. Two noble women of the church, having been greatly touched by the account given in the December *Foreign Mission Journal* of the great burden of debt now upon the work

of the Board, came of their own accord to the writer, (neither knowing of the other's gift) and put into her hands one dollar each, for the liquidation of the debt. The first dollar came from one of the young ladies, a class which, too often apparently, feel little interest in the evangelization of the world; the second from a mother in Israel, who has passed her ninetieth year. It is pleasing to note, that although these Christian women represent extremes in age, their hearts were touched in a common cause, by a common Lord. Might there not be found in this Southland of ours, at least forty thousand women who could easily afford to make a similar sacrifice, and thus relieve our anxious Board of every dollar of its indebtedness?

Very sincerely yours,  
JULIET POLLARD.

Richmond.

### BRAZIL.

#### Baptist Basket Press Enlarging.

RIO DE JANEIRO.

We are bound to thank God always for His continued blessings on us. All well. About sixty baptisms in Bahia Mission this year. We are very busy getting ready to inaugurate our Industrial School in February. We expect soon a large press and type. Sandal, tin and shoe shops are preparing. A native brother undertakes to run and sustain these three last at his own expense and responsibility, taking twelve or fifteen boys. The church has employed an excellent young brother as teacher; the same brother will aid me as editor and advisor on the press. We brought on ourselves quite a responsibility in acquiring a large press, and our Board does not feel it a duty to help us out. We are planning to run the school and all on an independent basis, making each stu-

dent earn expenses; but in order to do this, it is necessary to have offices mounted and furnished. Oh! for a friend, or friends, who wished to raise a living monument in Brazil; one who would give five or ten thousand dollars, to mount various offices, and give Masters of Arts an opportunity to take those offices and four or five boys each as apprentices, allowing the apprentice to pay his expenses. School hours five in day time and two at night, the rest for work.

The girls' school closed the last of November, and I send you a photograph of the group, including Brethren Neighbour, Aden and myself. I am anxious to obtain means to educate two of those girls next year. One is a believer, and the other the daughter of a widowed sister. The first is named Junia Madeiros, and the second Edith Abea; this last was three years in a convent. She is much interested in her soul; \$100 would keep them both in school next year. They will make good teachers for the rising generation, as well as useful Christians. As soon as I get the schools under headway, I shall commence general evangelization; Bro. Neighbour will begin to take charge of the church here in January, and so free me.

The war goes on in the South, one thousand miles distant; the legal side seems now to be near victory. The revolvers have turned anarchists.

May you have a merry Christmas, and may His blessings fill your hearts and stores full of good things.

Yours for Brazil,  
Z. C. TAYLOR.

#### REVIVALS.

Last Sunday we had a grand day. In the morning we had the Lord's Supper; and the times are bad, and people are afraid to come into the city, about sixty believers united in

this sacred act. After that, nine persons came to give their professions of faith; six of these were received and baptized in the river before an audience of about 250 who watched attentively this solemn act. At night our hall was filled to overflowing; no room anywhere to sit down, or even stand. We are in great need of a hall that will hold three or four hundred persons.

Last night, at the monthly meeting of the church, two or more candidates were accepted, and four more having been accepted who were not yet baptized, we hope to baptize next Sunday six or more, that will make a little church of one hundred believers. Pray for us and for our chapel.

Yours,  
SOLOMON C. GINSBURG.

#### MEXICO.

##### Education and Evangelization.

A private letter from Mrs. Moseley contains the following interesting items:

"I have been away from home, and in my journeyings took in Patos, where I had the pleasure of 'helping out' in our school Commencement. It was pronounced a success, but I dare say it would have impressed you rather curious'y. The members of the orchestra were attired in calico shirts and brogans, or sandals. The priest in Patos lent the piano for the occasion. The little girls in our school had some very good recitations and compositions, a pretty chorus and calisthenics. The teacher, a Madeiro Institute graduate, had not only taught them the calisthenic figures used at the Institute, but had also sung our calisthenic music to her orchestra until they caught the tune and could play the piece nicely by ear. Some of the girls in the school are from Catholic families,

but Beatrice, the teacher, has succeeded in persuading them to attend our Sunday-school and church services. She took me to visit their mothers, who received us very cordially, and accepted our invitations to attend our meetings. These lasted a week and gave most encouraging results. Eight were received for baptism, and I feel sure others will follow. I wish you could have been present at one of the baptisms under the orange trees and oleanders.

Send me any kind of cards. Ernesto Baroccio, the young Mexican minister, whom Mr. Mosely had with him on his recent visit to the States, is begging me for some, also our native preacher in San Rafael. Do not send more than fifty at one time; they are much help to us in our work among the children.

Won't you mothers tell your children to gather advertising cards, pretty, not ludicrous ones, and send to Mrs. Moseley, who says she can use them by the thousand. Please prepay all postage, and do not seal, but tie them up.—Ed.

#### Christmas Thank-Offering for Japan.

The number of envelopes distributed to each State is given below. It is too early as yet (January 9th) to have returns, but we hope by the next issue of the BASKET to receive reports from the Foreign Board, from some, if not all of the States:

Alabama, 6,000; Arkansas, 1,500; Florida, 2,050; Georgia, 9,200; Kentucky, 3,075; Louisiana, 1,500; Maryland, 2,342; Mississippi, 2,000; Missouri, 4,665; North Carolina, 5,000; South Carolina, 7,035; Tennessee, 4,010; Texas, 6,000; Virginia, 10,000. Total, 64,477.

ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG,  
Secretary.

From the following W. M. U. Societies, boxes of supplies, valued as

below, have been reported as sent to home missionaries since Dec. 11th: "Lucy Munro Circle," Grace Church, Baltimore, Md., \$68; Pisgah Church, Va., (contribution) \$5; Rockville, Md., (additional) \$1; Zion Church, Va., \$33; Bruington, Va., \$35; Vienna, Md., (contribution) \$4; Seventh Baptist Church, Baltimore, Md., \$140; Eutaw Place Church, Baltimore, Md., \$23.45; Ripley, Tenn., \$30; Fort Worth, Texas, \$26.25; Hephzibah, Ga., \$28.45; Curtis Church, Augusta, Ga., \$50; Mexico, Mo., \$46; Salem, Va., \$35; Young's Chapel Society, Va., \$26.75; Danville, Va., \$40; Smith's Grove, Ky., \$15; Girls' Society, Parkland, Ky., \$10; Fairfield, Tenn., \$17.20; Beech Grove, Tenn., (contribution) \$15; Trenton, Tenn., \$56.10; Lexington, Tenn., \$33; Pendleton Street Church, Greenville, S. C., \$50; "Sunbeam Society," Albany, Ga., \$35; First Church, Birmingham, Ala., \$75; "Sunbeams," First Church, Birmingham, Ala., (contribution) \$30; Bessemer, Ala., (contribution) \$5; Brewton, Ala., \$11.31; East Lake, Ala., \$64.50; New Prospect, Ala., (contribution) \$4.10; Trussville, Ala., (contribution) \$17.67; De Land, Fla., \$6; Mission Band, Banana, Fla., \$8; Bluff Springs, Fla., \$23; Mission Band, Banana, Fla., \$40; Ocala, Fla., \$50; San Mateo, Fla., \$27; Jacksonville, Fla., (two boxes) \$75; East Nashville, Tenn., \$102.50; Sayers Church, Md., \$83.25; Germantown, Tenn., \$50; Woman's Mission Society of Cheerful Workers, Young People's Mission Band of Willing Hands and the Sunday-school of 41st Ave. Church, Meridian, Miss., \$40; Prescott, Ark., \$20; Bennettsville, S. C., \$50; Southside Church, Birmingham, Ala., \$39; "Pastor's Aid," Southside Church, Birmingham, Ala., \$35; Pratt City, Ala., \$24.50; Brantly Church, Baltimore, Md., (additional) \$50. Total for the month,

\$2,140.03; previously reported, \$4,335.28; total, \$6,475.31.

ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG,  
Cor. Sec. W. M. U.

The American Baptist Publication Society has started another periodical *The Colporter*; it will occupy the field it designates and is admirably adapted to deal with.

The Central Committee of Virginia, have gotten out an attractive report of their work for 1893. Send to Miss Juliet Pollard for a copy of "The Annual."

One of the best books for Sunday-school teachers and workers is the new work, "The Pentateuch," by Dr. A. J. Rowland. It is written in popular style, and has the latest information in a condensed form. It will be a favorite.

That peerless publication, the *Review of Reviews*, 13 Astor Place, New York, grows better as the years go by. No event in the whole world is missed, and large events are lavishly illustrated. It has made a field of its own, and has been singularly successful. Send for a sample copy.

The newest missionary book is "John Thomas, the First Missionary to Bengal," by Rev. A. C. Chute, Halifax, Nova Scotia. It is a well told story, in a handsome booklet of eighty-six pages, and deserves a place in every religious household. Price 35 cents, address the author or the American Baptist Publication Society.

The February number of the *Baptist Teacher* is very full and complete. Contributed articles on "Abraham," "Judgments Upon Wickedness," "Genealogies of Genesis" and "Hebrew Manuscripts" are furnished by

Presidents W. T. Stott, and W. T. Lowery; Rev. Wm. Hurlin, and Prof. W. Taylor Smith, in the order given. The editorials as usual, are bright and pointed, while the comments on the lessons, with suggestions for teachers, etc., will be found full of pointed information. It is issued by the American Baptist Publication Society, at 50 cents per annum in clubs of five and upwards.

#### "Beautiful Joe."

An Autobiography. By Marshall Saunders. 12mo, 304 pp., illustrated. Price 60 cents. Philadelphia: American Baptist Publication Society, 1420 Chestnut Street.

The story took one of the prizes recently offered by the American Humane Society for the Best treatment of the wrongs of animals,—Mr. Hezekiah Butterworth, Rev. Philip S. Moxom, D. D., and Dr. Edward Everette Hale being the committee of examiners. The prize itself was declined by the author, and the American Baptist Publication Society secured the work for publication.

China and Chinese form, the subjects of several interesting and able articles in the *Missionary Review of the World* for February. The origin, philosophy, and practises of their "Ancestral worship" is discussed by Rev. P. W. Pitcher, of Amoy, China. Dr. A. P. Hopper gives an account of the Worship of Heaven by the Chinese Emperor at the time of the winter solstice.

While the review is chiefly missionary in its material and aim, it nevertheless contains much matter of interest to all.

Published monthly by Funk & Wagnalls Company, 18 and 20 Astor Place, New York, at \$2 a year.

### Indians.

W. M. S. ARTIGEE.

The question is oft asked, who are the Indians? It is answered in several ways, they are said by some to be of the ten last tribes of Israel. All agree that they were the original owners of America. Columbus found them when he landed, and Roger Williams was a Missionary to the Indians. There are in the United States and Territories 263,008 according to the census of 1890. In 1626 Rev. Roger Williams was the first Baptist to begin Missions among the Indians. In the Indian Territory the Home Board of the S. B. C. has 21 missionaries laboring among the the Indians. Southern Baptists began this work in 1814. J. M. Peck and J. E. Welsh were appointed to preach at Saint Louis and to the Indians in that region. Isaac McCoy of Kentucky was appointed in 1818. Kentucky organized the Indian Mission Board and in 1842 with headquarters at Louisville. Missions were founded among Choctaws and Creeks. Revs. Sidney, Jos. S. Medley, Ramsey Potts and A. A. Hay and H. F. Buckner going as missionaries the last named given in 1848. The Indian Board consolidated in 1855 with the Home Board. Some of the Indians are frank and generous, others deceitful and cruel. Many believe in God or the Great Spirit, and a future life. Their women are treated as toilers and beasts of burden. While men hunt and fish, women plow and work at home. We have often heard of the Indian women's hard lot yet, Dr. Ellis says 100,000 Indians wear citizens costumes, 22,000 can read, and 17,000 live in dwelling houses. During the war the conventions work among the Indians was suspended. In 1866 the convention met at Russellville, Ky., and an agent was sent to visit the

Indian Mission and work soon begun. In 1881 Hon. Eugene Levering, of Baltimore founded the Levering Mission Manual Labor School near Nempka, in the Creek nation. This opened Sept. 5th with 120 students. Last year, 1892, this school passed into the possession and control of the Creeks. Five chiefs govern the five civilized tribes of Indians. These include 107,987 whites. These white men are called squaw-men; they have native wives. Some of these Indian women are almost white, well educated and good housekeepers. (At the S. B. B., which met at Ft. Worth, Texas in 1890 among the missionaries to whom the parting hand was given, was a full blood Choctaw, a Mrs. Robb, who was employed by the Northern Board, She was present at the organization by Mrs. Emily Lucas Blackall of the 1st Woman's Missionary society among the Indians.)

### W. M. S. March Program.

#### BRAZIL.

1. Sing "Christian, Walk Carefully." G. H. 133.
2. Read 2nd Thess 1. Chapter.
3. Read Brazil Article and letter, and tell how the war has affected our missionaries.
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