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The field is the world.

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

And He said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

If ye love me, keep my commandments.

He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me.

If a man love me he will keep my words: and my Father will love him.

And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?

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DAWSON SPRINGS.

Dear Bro. Bow:

We have been using the Presbyterian church at Dawson, having no house of our own—in fact five denominations worship in this little house which will scarcely seat 200. The Presbyterians invited the Baptists to cooperate with them in a meeting. Having no house of our own, I thought it the best thing to do, so by agreement I went to Dawson, November 7th. When I arrived I found that the Presbyterian preacher's wife was sick and he had left word for me to take charge of the meeting, and go ahead with it. Thinking he would be in in a day or so, I did so, but owing to sickness the Presbyterian preacher was with us but one day. I continued the meeting till the 19th, which resulted in six additions to the Baptist church, four additions to the Presbyterian and three to the Methodist. The Methodist pastor rendered valuable assistance. The meeting closed Sunday night, which was a very disagreeable night on account of rain. House not more than half full. I said to them, that we wanted to build a Baptist meeting house at Dawson, one that would be the pride of the town, and if they would give me one thousand dollars I would ask the Baptists of the State and other interests for four thousand more, and we would build a house that no Baptist visiting Dawson need be ashamed of. When we take into

consideration the fact that fifty thousand people visited Dawson Springs last summer and many of them were Baptists, it is a shame that the Baptists have no house of worship. In spite of the small crowd we raised \$705. We stayed over the next morning to push the work. We run the subscription up to \$1,204.75. Now I think this subscription will equal \$1,000 cash.

Now I ask not only the Board, but every pastor in the State to help me make good my promise to the faithful people of Dawson. Let the editors of our various papers take the matter up. I met a Baptist sister from Tennessee, who said in one of their associations, while the mission question was being discussed, a lawyer got up and said, “While he was not a preacher he claimed to be a Christian and believed in missions, and said if they would do some mission work for God's sake go over to Dawson Springs and build a Baptist church.”

Now let the work begin at once. Any money sent to me will be properly acknowledged and receipted for.

Yours for Dawson Springs,
T. M. MORTON.

Livermore, Ky.

Bro. Morton is missionary of the State Board and the work at Dawson is fully endorsed by the Board. Funds may be sent to the Cor. Sec. and designated for Dawson.—J. G. Bow.

GROWTH OF BAPTISTS.

In an address before the Baptist Ministers' Conference of New York recently Dr. R. S. MacArthur called attention to the marked growth of Baptists in this country. He showed that when General Washington was inaugurated President the thirteen States comprising the Union had a population of about 3,750,000, and there were then in the States about 50,000 Baptists, most of them being then, as now, in the Southern States. In 1784 there was one Baptist to every ninety-four of population; in 1812 there was one to every forty-two; in 1840 one to every thirty; in 1880 one to every twenty-three; in 1890 one to every twenty-one; in 1900 one to every nineteen; and in 1905 one to every seventeen.

This growth in numbers and proportion has been most rapid, according to Dr. MacArthur, since 1870. In that year the population of the United States was approximately 38,000,000 and Baptists numbered 1,500,000. Population figures have now reached 80,000,000 and Baptist membership has grown to 4,600,000, not including several bodies of Christians that are Baptists, but are not in full fellowship with the body of that name. These figures show a Baptist increase of over 3,000,000 in the thirty-five years. Fully 1,000,000 of that increase was made in the last ten years. In the thirty-five years the population of the country has a little more than doubled, whereas, Baptist membership has increased more than threefold. * * *

Then, too, Baptist principles, as well as numbers, are growing at a tremendous rate. Take our prin-

ciple of religious liberty. That is a distinctive Baptist principle. Bancroft, the great historian, said: "Religious liberty—the freedom of conscience and of worship—was from the first a trophy of the Baptists." That principle was put in the Constitution of the United States through the influence of Baptists. The world is now coming to adopt it. * * *

So, with our kindred principle of separation of church and state, France has just adopted that and other countries are preparing to do so. It will be only a matter of a few years before it will be adopted in England, and not many years before it will have universal acceptance.

Take our principle of regeneration before church membership—a converted church membership. That is a distinguishing Baptist characteristic. That is the bed rock of our faith, the foundation stone on which we as a denomination are built, next to Jesus Christ. * * *

With the growth to individualism there is a corresponding growth of our kindred doctrine of congregationalism.

As to our doctrine of immersion, that is now settled in our favor by the scholarship of the world. And immersion as the only true form of baptism being admitted, there follows logically our other doctrine of restricted communion, for all denominations hold that baptism comes before the Supper.

And thus, all of our distinctive Baptist principles are coming to have general acceptance. The leaven of Baptist doctrines is leavening the whole Christian lump. It is a great thing to be a Baptist nowadays. The time

was when Baptists were despised and persecuted and hunted and put to death. But now to be a Baptist is greater than to be a king.

Lift up your head, O ye Baptists, and be not ashamed to be called Baptists. The day of your redemption has come. The hour of your opportunity is at hand. Let your concern now be to make use, good use, full use of that opportunity.—Baptist and Reflector.

Dear Bro. Bow:

I have attended this fall five Associations, Booneville, Irvine, Goose Creek, Laurel River, and Clay Co. and Boonville Baptist Sunday School Association. In all of these I have noted marks of progress. This is especially true of the interest in Sunday school work and pastoral support. Many brethren seem to be awakening to the necessities here as never before. The Sunday School Association has just been organized. It is to meet next fall at Antepast church, near Oneida.

We are now building our new house of worship at Pleasant Grove, near Bengé. The building is being erected on "McWorter Hill", and will be ready for use in a few weeks. For two years prior to my acquaintance with these good brethren, they had been without a pastor, and were seemingly discouraged. Whiskey had closed their doors. However, in the good providence of God these Christians hoped for better things. They are now building and growing and their future is full of promise. Rejoice with us!

My wife and our two younger sons, George Manly and Boyce,

are now in our native State—Georgia—visiting relatives and friends. They looked forward to this visit with a great deal of interest, and we are all delighted that the Lord provided the way for them to go. We expect their return in about one month.

I am ever impressed with your untiring and earnest work. I greatly doubt whether any one else could do it. May you long live to give to the Cause your untiring energy, your conviction and your zeal.

Very truly,
H. R. McLENDON.

LUDLOW.

Dear Bro. Bow:

I write you glorious news from Ludlow. Have been in the midst of a gracious revival during the past three weeks and our meeting has not closed yet. Bro. E. L. Andrews of the Immanuel church, Covington, has been assisting me. The Lord has given us a great blessing. So far the visible results are twenty-six (26) for baptism and seven (7) by letter. Surely God is faithful and good to us. After all these years of struggle, I cannot tell you how full of joy we are. Our hearts and lips are filled with thanksgiving to God. The clouds are all breaking away too, that have hung over our church property, and I can all but see the end of our debt now.

To God be all the glory.

Yours in the work,

A. LOGAN VICKERS.

November 25th.

See our Ad for Baptismal Pants.

HEIDELBERG, KY.

There is situated a little village between Irvine and Beattyville, Ky., called Heidelberg. It is not noted for its rare flowers as the beautiful town in Germany, for which it was named, but it is a place of considerable interest.

Its location is fine, and it is said to be one of the greatest shipping points in Eastern Kentucky. The coal fields are to be opened in the near future and a short line railroad run from Heidelberg to Booneville, Ky. Thus making thee citizens of our little town rejoice, because of its outlook.

There are a number of new buildings going up, and I am glad to announce that our little church which was organized there last week hopes to begin their new building soon.

Bro. Setzer, from Jackson, aided me in a twelve days meeting there recently and all was strengthened by his earnest preaching.

Every one seems anxious to see the church building go up because they feel it will be a blessing to the community and will be an inducement for good people to move to town.

One good brother gave us a nice lot. Another gave us all the rough lumber to put in the building, and many more seem just as much interested, but they haven't the means. Every Baptist knows what it means to build a house of worship; while a few are very enthusiastic, others are indifferent.

Now dear brethren, we hope you will come to our assistance and help put our cause to the

front in Eastern Kentucky. Pray, give and be blessed.

Yours in the Master's service,
CHARLES T. BROOKSHIRE
Beattyville, Ky.

CORBIN.

God's blessings are resting up in our work at this place. Frequent baptisms are the order of the day. Have received nine by experience and baptism this month. One by letter and two under watchcare. Bro. C. E. Stuart aided us in a meeting the first of the month. As a result six were baptized. Our church is taking on a new life. Had 109 in the main Sunday school Sunday, and forty-nine in our mission school. Our mission school is in the west end of town, where there are a great many children, but most too far away to come to the church. This school has only been running a month. In this same section of the town we have started some cottage prayer-meetings. Had more present than we could seat at the first meeting.

After the pastor has pretty thoroughly visited the houses in the town he finds many more Baptists living here who are not members of our church than there are who are members. These have moved here from the four corners of the earth and many seem to be trying to hide away. If any who read this are Baptists and move to our town, bring your letters with you, and hunt us up and do not have to be hunted and persuaded to do your duty. Pray for Corbin.

EDGAR W. BARNETT.

BEREA.

Dear Bro. Bow:

I began my work here October 1st. and am greatly impressed as to both the importance and difficulty of the field.

There are gathered here each year over 800 student of Berea College. We have not free access to these students and yet we do have the opportunity of preaching to many of them and hope to reach many of hem with the Gospel.

We closed last night a meeting in which the preaching was done by Dr. W. H. Felix— of course it was well done.

There were seven taken under the watchcare of the church till they could secure letters from their churches and two stand approved for baptism.

This makes eighteen that I have received into the fellowship of the church since my pastorate began.

Should the time ever come when we have free access to the students here this church will under God have the best opportunity of any church in the State to evangelize the mountains by sending back to their homes educated young men and women who have received the Gospel here.

Pray for us, brethren, that we may have an open door to students who come here.

Fraternally,

AMOS STOUT.

Berea, Ky., Nov. 11.

Do you want your people posted in Baptist doctrine. If you do send \$2.50 to J. G. Bow, Louisville, Ky., and get fifty copies of "What Baptist Believe and Why They Believe It," and circulate them among your people.

The Baptist Building Band is still growing. Not as rapidly as we could wish. Recently the following names have been added: Barber McElrath, W. M. Soc. Murray church, Andrew Offutt, Mrs. Andrew Offutt, Dr. R. W. Taylor, H. G. Garrett, Mrs. C. E. Rice, Auburn Sunday school, Mrs. J. H. Shearer, Ladies Missionary Society Bethlehem church, Ladies' Aid Society Parkland church, Mrs. Mary G. Hatcher, Rev. J. S. Gatton.

Let every individual, Sunday school class, or Sunday school, Missionary society or Young People's society, who is willing, for a definite time to contribute *one dollar* per month, send the name at once to J. G. Bow, Louisville, Ky.

Our long time friend, tried and true, Rev. J. A. Bennett, of Utica, Corresponding Secretary of the Baptist Minister's Aid Society of Kentucky Baptists, has had a series of afflictions, hindrances, obstacles, and discouragements, since he entered upon the duties of his office, and yet is now on the field doing efficient work for the Society, though he goes on crutches at present. Let all the brethren rally to his aid, forward his work, and cheer his heart. We hope the churches and pastors will render such assistance as will greatly facilitate his work.

The figures given by our State Statistical Secretary, last year, places our Kentucky associations at seventy-five, churches 1703, membership 199,888. The Statistical Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention puts it at 202,950 members.

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If all the societies who have sent boxes to state missionaries will notify us and give the value of each box we will be greatly obliged.

D. Luke P. V. Williams who has been our missionary pastor at Farmers for many years has resigned to take effect at once.

We are seriously considering a change in the time of the publication of the MONTHLY. Instead of publishing at the beginning of each month, possibly about the middle of the month. So if the January number does not reach you before the 15th of the month, do not think we have suspended.

Mrs. H. R. McLendon writes concerning the box sent by the W. M. Society of Franklin, Ky. "I feel that I can never thank God sufficiently and love our friends enough for such kind remembrance."

I wish every Baptist in the State could visit and see the appalling destitution in Kentucky. Surely the money would pour into the treasury to send these lost men and women the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The church at Jackson has now 157 members and they are paying half of the pastor's salary, yet there are only three members, except the pastor who came out of a missionary Baptist church. The Baptist church is by far the most influential in the town. As soon as they can get the balance of their church debt paid they will, we think, make rapid advancement in every department of work.

Pastor W. H. Setzer writes—"I have received six for baptism this month. Five of that number have passed their twenty-fifth birthday. Three men and two women."

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TRIP TRAMPS.

The *trips* this month have not been so numerous, nor the *tramps* so long as usual.

We had the Board meeting on the 31st of October, as the first Tuesday in November was election day. On Wednesday, November 1st, started for Mount Olivet, county seat of Robertson county, to aid our missionary pastor, Rev. F. P. Gates, in a meeting. Began the meeting on Thursday night, November 2nd, preached every day and night up to Sunday night, November 19th, just thirty-five sermons. The meeting closed with twenty-nine additions to the church, twenty-four for baptism, two restored and three under watch care to get letters.

Two days only given to special work in the office, then the 23rd, attended the Annual State Meeting of the B. Y. P. U., at Elizabethtown. The meeting was largely attended, full of enthusiasm, greatly enjoyed and we hope very profitable.

From Elizabethtown we went to Murray to supply for H. Boyce Taylor on 26th. Bro. Taylor is aiding Bro. G. D. Turnley in a meeting at Arcadia, Fla.

Bro. Taylor's work in Murray is marvelous. His people think there is not such another pastor in Kentucky (and I suspect they are right). His people love and trust him with and intensity equaled only by the hatred that errorist and evil doers bear toward him.

His church last year gave \$1,448.23 to missions; they promise to go beyond that this year. This church numbers 239 members. After two services (delightful to the visitor) on Sunday and

a very pleasant stay at the hospitable home of Bro. Barber McElrath, took the N. C. & St. L. train at 9 a. m. Monday morning for Nashville.

Had a pleasant visit and business talk with Dr. Frost, Corresponding Secretary of the S. S. Board. Left Nashville on night train, arriving in Louisville Tuesday morning 28th.

A BROTHER WRITES.

"I see my time is out for the *Kentucky Mission Monthly* and you have the blue pencil mark under my name. You know it hurts people's feelings to dun them this way. I am so mad about it that I just concluded to take revenge by enclosing 50 cents worth of stamps to you for the *Kentucky Mission Monthly*, the *Foreign Mission Journal* and the *Home Field*. So there now, I guess next time you'll be afraid to "dun" me and just let me have the *Monthly gratis*"

We would be glad if many would take revenge in the same way.

Another brother writes. "I appreciate the *Mission Monthly* for it keeps me posted on missions."

A sister writes: "Please change the address of my *Kentucky Mission Monthly* to ————. I enjoy the bright newsy paper and don't want to miss a single copy."

If you want a typewriter of any make, new or second-hand, write to J. G. Bow about it. Tell him what you want. We have just sold a new Oliver to the Bank at Albany, Ky.

EVANGELISTS.

The State Board endorses the effort of the Corresponding Secretary to put several efficient men in the field as State Evangelists. They, of course, must be men endorsed by the State Board and hence men according to the judgment of this Board qualified for their work, men who can do the work of an evangelist; which work in their estimation will mean more than simply preaching, praying and singing, that included, but "Do the work of an evangelist," must mean to lead men and women to Christ, but it also means to teach the disciples, "All things whatsoever, the Saviour has commanded.

We have not the funds in the treasury, not likely to secure them yet in our regular contributions to State Missions. One firm, one association, two other associations combined and one individual agrees to stand for the salary of a state evangelist. There are some churches, we believe, will guarantee the salary of a man for this work. We solicit correspondence with all who are interested in this special work.

Mt. Zion and East Union Associations agree to support a state evangelist, the man to confine his labors to these Associations. I think they have their man selected.

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One individual with his wife agrees to stand for the salary of an evangelist.

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Yours with best wishes,
_____,"

Let us have the prayers of all our contributors, that we may soon have one thousand names on our Building Band list.

LOVE LEADS TO SERVICE.

A loving heart and an obedient life are inseparable. The one cannot exist without the other. As soon as a man loves God, he has the spirit of consecration, the spirit of obedience, the spirit of service; and while love continues to dominate the heart, that spirit of service manifests itself in the life. It is true that "love is the fulfilling of the law." Heart religion is the only kind of religion worth having. It is the pure in heart who shall see God.—Methodist Recorder.

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tism if you want to know. The trouble is a great many people do not want to know, but say, what use is your Bible if you are not going to live by it? Why pretend to have any baptism at all if you do not have that which Christ received and which He commands you to observe? Send for "The Whole Truth on Baptism;" only costs a nickel, or \$2.50 per 100, postpaid. It contains all the Scriptures say about baptism, and these Scriptures are all arranged and classified so they are readily understood.

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AUDUBON.

Dear Bro: I have entered on my work at Audubon for full time. The church responded cordially to full work. Yes, we are glad to say it. Seems that the night it past; the morning has dawned, and the sunlight of hope is rising over us. May the God of providence use us, his servant, to a greater awakening of this field. Yours for the Master,
C. L. R.

WANTED.—Minutes of the Associations. Will all the clerks who have not done so please send me two copies of the minutes of the association for 1905. By doing this you will greatly oblige
Your brother,
J. G. Bow.

RECEIPTS FOR NOVEMBER.

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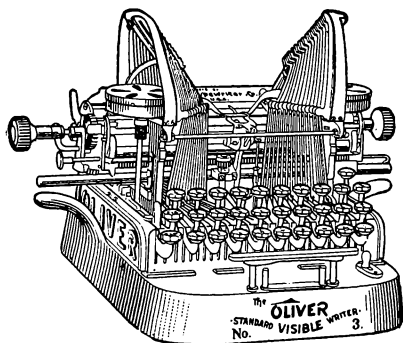
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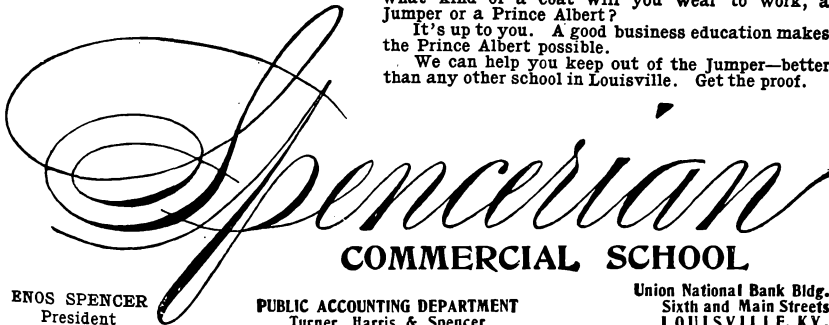
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