

# SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS TO MEET

The Virginia State Society to Be Held in Staunton.

AN INTERESTING CONVENTION.

A Number of Eloquent Speakers Will Make Addresses During the Meeting Complete Programme as Arranged—Object of Society.

The eighth annual convention of the Virginia State Sunday-School Society will be held in the Methodist church at Staunton, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, April 28th, 29th and 30th. An interesting programme has been arranged for the occasion and some admirable speakers will make addresses. The publication is cordially invited to attend all sessions of the convention. A study of the programme will guarantee interest in the meeting as most of the speakers are among the best and best in the State. A number of Richmond Sunday-school workers will attend the convention.

Those who expect to attend the convention are requested to write not later than April 15th to either the secretaries or A. Lee Knowles for entertainment. All pastors of the State having charge of Sunday-school superintendents and all daily elect delegates from any Sunday-school in the State are entitled to vote in the convention. Every county organization in the State is entitled to five delegates and every Sunday-school in the State is entitled to one delegate in addition to the pastor and superintendent. When these officers cannot attend, the school may elect alternates.



W. F. FOX (Member of Executive Committee.)

meet the Reception Committee and be assigned for entertainment.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

The officers of the Society are: President, C. E. Vawter, D. of Miller School; Vice-President, Thomas Potts, Charles P. Rody, D. of Richmond; Rev. D. L. Rathbun, of Falls Church; Corresponding and Statistical Secretary, A. Lee Knowles, of Staunton; Recording Secretary, Alfred J. Gary, of Richmond; Treasurer, J. C. Matthews, of Charlottesville. Executive Committee—John P. Pettiglow, E. F. Sheffey, C. S. Hutton, H. E. McWane, of Lynchburg; Professor Ormond Stone, of the University of Virginia; James A. Crosby, of Lone Fountain; E. V. White, of Portsmouth; Henry S. Trout, of Roanoke; Rev. Robert P. Kerr, D. D., B. F. Johnson, W. F. Fox, James H. Gwynn, of Glade Springs; Blair Pegrum, of High Gate; G. W. Palmer, of Saltville; Rev. W. W. Sially, D. D., of Suffolk; Walter E. Lewis, of Norfolk; O. B. Morgan, of Petersburg; T. P. Campbell, of Blacksburg; A. Lee Knowles, International Committeeman.

THE PROGRAMME.

The following is the complete programme: Opening session, April 28th.—Wednesday Evening 7:30—Reception of delegates. Rev. P. J. Prettyman, presiding. Address of Welcome on behalf of the City by Hon. Alex. H. Fultz, Mayor. For the City Churches—Rev. R. C. Jett. For the City Sunday-Schools—Major Jed Hotchkiss. For the Augusta County Sunday-School Union—Rev. J. N. Van Deventer. 8:15—Response by President C. E. Vawter, LL. D. 8:30—Address: "The Sunday-School the Nation's School-House," Governor J. Hoge Tyler. Second session, Thursday, April 29th.—7:30—Devotional Service—Subject: The Holy Spirit as Teacher, Rev. A. M. Fraser, D. D. 9:30—How can the Bible Society and the Sunday-School help each other, Rev. W. S. Campbell. 10:00—Conference on County Work conducted by Rev. P. H. Gwin. 11:00—Brief Reports of County Conventions. 12:00—Benefit of County Organization. 1:00—Appointment of Committees and other Miscellaneous Business. 1:30—The Blackboard in the Sunday-School a help, How? W. D. Hoge. 2:30—President's Report, Secretary's Report, Treasurer's Report, International Committeeman's Report. 3:00—Working up a County, Rev. D. L. Rathbun. Third session, Thursday Afternoon—3:30—Devotional Service—Subject—Inspiration of the Holy Spirit, Rev. H. F. Schoele.



REV. DR. J. J. KERR (Member of Executive Committee.)

2:00—Address—The Store-House of Memory, Rev. Mercer P. Logan, D. D.

2:30—The Primary Teacher's Opportunity—Address by Mrs. W. F. Crafts, Superintendent International Primary Work.

4:00—Report of Executive Committee on the needs of State Work.

5:00—Special Concert at the Institution for the Deaf and Blind and the Blind, given in honor of the Sunday-School Workers, under the direction of Superintendent William A. Bowles.

Fourth Session, Thursday night—7:30 half hour song service, conducted by Professor C. L. Wilson, 8 address, Rev. A. Coke Smith, D. D.

Fifth Session, Friday, April 30th.—Devotional Service subject: "Work of the Holy Spirit in the Sunday Schools, Rev. A. E. Wine, 9:30, the Home Department

—1st, as an incentive to Bible study, Mr. Frank M. Hamlin, 9:45, 2d, as a means of engaging, Mr. R. Herndon Pitt, 10 address: "The Spiritual Forces of the Sunday School, Rev. T. B. Thames, D. D. 10:30, "Ways of Working in the Primary Class," Mrs. W. F. Crafts, 11 address: "The Sunday School as a Religious Force; Noah K. Davis, professor at University of Virginia, 11:30, Selection of the place for our next convention, 11:45, report of committee and election of officers for the next year.

Sixth Session, Friday afternoon—2:30, Devotional Service, subject: "The Sunday School Worker's Endowment of Power; Rev. M. L. Wood, 3, "County Organization," Rev. P. H. Gwin, 3:30, Next Sunday's Lesson, taught to a class of little children by Mrs. W. F. Crafts, 4, The Sunday School Lesson for April 24, 1898, taught by Rev. A. Coke Smith, D. D. Seventh Session, Friday Night—7:30, half hour service of song conducted by Professor C. L. Wilson, 8 address, 8:30, address: "An Alliance for Conquest," Professor C. W. Kent, M. A., Ph. D., University of Virginia.

ITS OBJECTS. The Virginia State Sunday-School Association is designed to unite all the Evangelical churches of Virginia, and in cooperation with the International-Interdenominational Sunday-School Association, all Sunday-school workers in learning and using better methods in Sunday-schools.

The object of the State Sunday-School Convention is to bring together the ministers, Sunday-School superintendents, teachers and other workers that they may be brought in closer touch and heart-to-heart, and impart fresh impetus to the work in Virginia.

An appeal is made to the Sunday-school workers generally to see to it that each school is represented, and that there be in Staunton a large, representative, and inspiring meeting.

## IN THE SANCTUARIES.

Services at the Y. M. C. A. and in the Churches To-Day.

At the Young Men's Christian Association this afternoon at 4 o'clock an address will be delivered by Mr. Byron W. King, president of King's School of Oratory, Pittsburg, Pa. Mr. King is not only famous on the lecture platform but is an intensely interesting speaker in a devotional meeting, and the men of Richmond are to have a rare opportunity Sunday afternoon. The Park Place Methodist church chorus will sing. Every man in Richmond is cordially invited to attend this meeting.

Mr. James P. Stubbs, assistant secretary, will talk to the boys in Association parlour at 3 o'clock. This will be Mr. Stubbs' last Sunday as assistant secretary, as he goes to Portsmouth the week following to become General Secretary of that Association. Every boy who has ever attended the boys' meeting should be present at this service and bring his friends with him, for the party will be crowded. Mr. Stubbs will take for his theme, "Masks."

The Fulton men's meeting will be held in the Denny Street Methodist church, at 2:45 o'clock, conducted by the young men of Fulton, and assisted by Assistant Secretary H. H. Gwynn.

The College Departments will meet in the respective Colleges at the usual hour, 3 o'clock. The annual meeting of St. Paul's Sunday school will be held in the church proper this afternoon at 4 o'clock, also the mission school will unite in the service. Rev. Dr. Carmichael will deliver the address, and the Sunday schools will make an offering to diocesan mission work through the mite boxes used by all Sunday schools of the Episcopal Church during Lent.

Mr. G. B. Mountcastle will accompany the music with his fine cornet as the schools march around the church. The monthly meeting of the Baptist Sunday School Association of Richmond and Manchester will be held at the Immanuel Baptist church, corner Leigh and Fifth streets, this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Interesting addresses and good music may be expected.

The revival services at the Union Gospel Mission, No. 2, corner of Twenty-first and Franklin streets, have been well attended every night during the past week and have been productive of much good. Rev. L. W. Guyer preached each night, except Wednesday night. These meetings will continue through this week. The song service commencing at 7:45 o'clock. Singers of any and all denominations are invited to assist in the meetings, and bring the Gospel Hymn Book Nos. 5 and 6.

Mr. J. W. Whitmore, Jr., will conduct the services at this place to-night. The services at the First Baptist church to-day will be of a specially interesting character. The music by the quartette choir will be new and appropriate to the day that bears everywhere its tidings of joy.

Dr. Cooper will preach at both services in the morning his subject will be "A New Life for a New World," and in the evening, "Christ's Plea for Our Confidence in What He Has Said About the Future Life."

There is a very interesting revival in progress at Union Station Mission church under the pastorate of Rev. W. P. Constable, and many persons have renewed their covenants and professed conversion. Rev. J. W. Stiff, of Petersburg, preached an excellent sermon Friday night and there were three conversions. The meetings will continue this week.

Services appropriate to Easter will be held in Laurel Street Methodist church to-day—morning and evening. At the 11 o'clock service Rev. E. Finley Gayle, the pastor, will preach a special sermon to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Special music has been arranged for these services.

Rev. Z. T. Sweeney will preach at 11 A. M. and 3 P. M. to-day at the Seventh Street Christian church. His subject in the morning will be "Life Out of Death" and at night, "If a Man Die Shall He Live Again?" The saints in this church are free and the public are always welcome. Dr. Witherspoon of Grace Street Presbyterian church, and Rev. C. R. Hyde, of Third Presbyterian church, will exchange pulpits to-night.

The new Covenant Christians will hold their regular second Sunday service at the Soldiers' Home to-day at 4 P. M. Elder Staples will preach on "Christ as the World's Ransom."

## BAPTIST CONVENTIONS.

NORFOLK, VA., 1898. Southern Baptist Convention, May 6th to 12th; Woman's Baptist Missionary Union, May 6th to 10th; American Baptist Educational Society and American Historical Society, May 14th. For the above occasions, the Norfolk and Western Railway, THE ONLY ALL-RAIL LINE with Solid Vestibled Trains, will sell round-trip tickets at one fare for the round trip. For full information apply to the Richmond Transfer Company, 903 east Main street; B. G. Carter, ticket agent, Union Depot; and at company's office, corner Ninth and Main streets.

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## ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

The New York & Florida special train will be discontinued Friday, April 8th. Last trip southbound will leave Richmond at 10 P. M. on that date. Last train from the South will arrive Richmond Tuesday, April 12th, 8:55 A. M.

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