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HORRORS OF WAR AT PORT ARTHUR

Bishop Galloway Declares Japs Have Lost Over 40,000 Men.

RUSSIANS BLOW UP CHE FOOD DESTROYER

Boat Carried Message From Stocssel—St. Petersburg Denies That It Was Request for Instructions to Surrender—Quiet at Mukden.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) JACKSON, MISS., November 16.— Bishop Charles B. Galloway, of the Southern Methodist Church, who has returned from a trip of several months through the far East, near the scenes of the Japanese-Russian war, and who spent several weeks in China and Japan, presiding over the mission conferences of his Church in that part of the world, states that the public has been given no idea of the horrible slaughter and the terrible losses sustained by both sides in the operations around Port Arthur.

"I will venture the assertion," says Bishop Galloway, "that the Japanese alone have lost more than forty thousand men in their effort to capture Port Arthur. The full extent of the losses have never been made known, for the Japanese cremate the bodies of her soldiers slain in battle. When I left Japan, all the military hospitals were filled to overflowing, and there are from forty to fifty thousand soldiers under treatment for wounds received in battle. The loss of life has been nothing short of appalling.

"As to the outcome of the struggle in the far East, the Japanese can reach but one conclusion. They feel victory in their bones, and the populace at home is in constant readiness for the celebration of victory. The war spirit is sustained by the intense patriotism of the people, but I vaguely fear that if the struggle is prolonged, Japan will be the heavier sufferer, for her resources are being sapped.

"The Japanese are capable of putting one million soldiers in the field, but the financial burden will be enormous, and the business interests of the island are suffering keenly on account of the conflict, and the strategic element of the war will be far-reaching.

"There will be new international alignments, indeed, a reconstruction of the political map of the far East, if not of the world. The country most involved, of course, is China. Korea has little hope from either side, until there is a change of dynasty or despot.

"But all eyes are upon the Celestial Empire. Some of her political leaders expect great things from the success of Japan, while others feel that China would have nothing to gain from the war. The assured independence of Korea is already giving Japan real trouble, and what this means really means, we will not be able to tell, until peace is declared, and the war is ended.

"The longer the war is, the worse it will be for Japan, and the class of her citizenry who think for themselves are beginning to realize this fact. The people have already made immense sacrifices, and stand in readiness to make more, but gravely fear that their resources are growing limited and the burden will soon become too great for them to bear."

Bishop Galloway pays a high tribute to the war correspondents, who are now with the two armies in the far East, especially the American writers. He says that when one thinks of the restraints which have some right to complain, it is really marvelous what they have done, and their reports are invariably confirmed by later official statements.

DESTROYER BLOWN UP. Russians Sacrifice Vessel Which Brought Dispatches From Beleaguered Port Arthur.

(By Associated Press.) CHEFOO, November 16.—The Russians have blown up the torpedo boat destroyer Rastoropy, which was sent to Port Arthur after the afternoon. This man lit fuses and blew up the vessel.

There were three oil explosions, which were scarcely discernible one hundred yards from the place where they occurred. Almost simultaneously the Rastoropy sank and settled on the bottom. A single spark marks her grave.

Prior to the destruction of the destroyer, the Tao Tai had officially notified the Japanese consul that her disarmament had been completed, the breech blocks and ammunition having been removed, and her machinery disabled.

Husted Officer Away. The correspondent of the Associated Press, learned authoritatively to-night that the Rastoropy carried sealed orders providing that, unless there came a highly favorable opportunity to escape, the vessel should be blown up. Sufficient powder for this purpose was secured before the destroyer left Port Arthur. Small charges of ordinary powder, placed in each of the five water-tight compartments, were exploded.

Customers Officer Keenly was on board the destroyer, and the Russians had considerable difficulty in getting him off without arousing his suspicions. The destroyer's cutter, manned by two men, was lying near, and the official was persuaded to take a ride around the Rastoropy in order that he might see the injuries she was alleged to have received.

Afterward the Russian officer stepped into the cutter than a petty officer drew his watch and urged the rowers to make all speed away. When the destroyer had gone down the official was taken on shore.

Cause for Destruction.

Two torpedo boat destroyers were seen at the mouth of the harbor to-night, and

LIKELY TO TAKE IN FAIRMOUNT

Committee Makes a Tour of Territory in Eastern Section.

PROGRESS OF TOWN IMPRESSES MEMBERS

Mr. Garber Anxious to Annex Fulton Hill—Committee Meets To-morrow Night to Take the Matter Up—The First Lines to be Tentative.

The Committee on Charter, Ordinances and Reform, accompanied by City Engineer W. E. Cushman, visited the territory east of Seventeenth Street yesterday afternoon, which is under advisement for annexation to the city, and made a close inspection of all the problems involved in the complex question.

The body traveled in a bus, and those in the party were: Colonel W. E. Cushman, Mr. Frank T. Bates, assistant engineer; Aldermen Minor, Blair and Dabney, and Councilmen Lynch, Cannon, Dickerson, Umhau and Glenn. The absentees were Messrs. Bottom (chairman), Seay and Beck.

"The party left the City Hall at 2:30 o'clock, and it was after nightfall before the bus rolled back into the city. The first stop was on the strip of territory between Chimborazo Park and Fulton, and some time was spent in looking over the ground. The members alighted, and seemed greatly interested in the taking in of this outlying strip. The party then proceeded to Fulton, where they were joined by Councilman Garber, who is an earnest advocate of taking in Fulton Hill.

On to Fairmount.

A full investigation of the situation of this territory was made, and then the bus was driven to the town of Fairmount, which is clamoring for annexation, and the observation of which made a most favorable impression upon the members of the committee.

"This is the best proposition we have struck yet," several of the members were heard to say, as they saw streets being dug up for the laying of water mains and sewers and churches, school houses and comfortable residences appearing on every hand.

Mayor Gallagher, who is known to his subjects as "Mr. Gallego," met the committee at the town hall, and he and his city engineer, Mr. Redd, exhibited various maps, showing where their corporate lines stopped.

Must Go Slow.

The committee really took no definite action, nor was this anticipated. The trip was purely one of observation, and there will be no results, until the body meets in the City Hall to-morrow night.

CAPTAIN AND CREW GO DOWN WITH SCHOONER

(By Associated Press.) RALEIGH, N. C., November 16.—A special from Washington, N. C., says: Captain Charles Williams and three others left here Saturday on the schooner Missouri for their home in Hyde county. Stormbound at Indian Head, they anchored off the shore, but after dinner Sunday the wind blew them from this anchorage, and the boat was capsized and all on board drowned.

The names of the crew cannot be obtained at this time. None of the bodies have been recovered.

THREE LOST LIVES IN SUNDAY STORM

(By Associated Press.) MACHIAS, MAINE, November 16.—That three residents of Rogue Bluffs lost their lives in the storm Sunday night seemed certain to-day when the auxiliary fishing schooner Uncas was found sunk in six fathoms of water near Spruce Island, five miles from Rogue Bluffs. The crew consisted of the owner, Captain John Wallace, Walter Davis and an unknown man.

GEORGE GOULD SHOTS ONE OF HIS ATTENDANTS

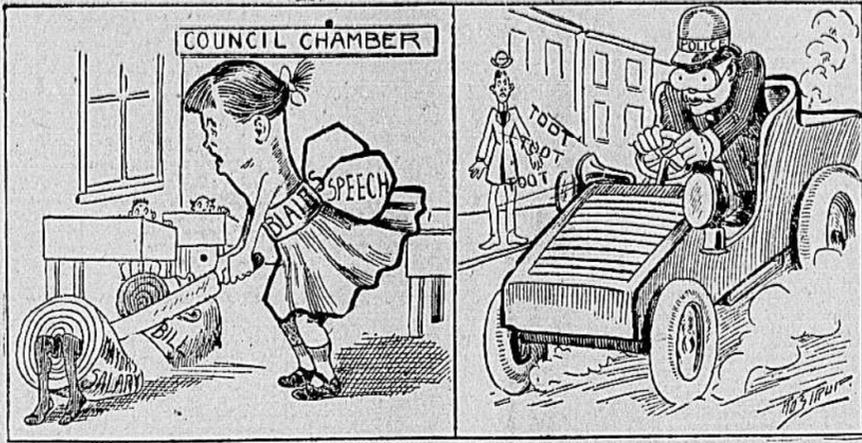
Shot Enters His Eye—Special Train for Medical Assistance.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) GREENSBORO, N. C., Nov. 16.—Near High Point this morning, George Gould, of New York, while shooting at birds on his preserves, accidentally shot an attendant, Edward Burns, of High Point. The shot struck Burns's face, several entering the eye. Mr. Gould's special car was attached to an engine and the wounded man, accompanied by Mrs. Gould, was brought to Greensboro, where an eye specialist, after examination, stated that the other wounds, while painful, are not perilous, but there is small chance of saving the eye.

Determined to do all possible, Mr. Gould had Burns sent to New York to-night, where most eminent specialists will spare nothing that skill and science can do to save the eye.

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ECHOES FROM THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.



BLAIR'S CUTTING KNIFE. AFTER TURPIN'S SUGGESTION.

DISCUSS ACTION OF THE MARQUISE

Directors of Catholic University Surprised at Her Renunciation.

WHAT A MEMBER SAYS

Waggaman Case Considered, But No Statement Given to the Public.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., November 16.—The semi-annual meeting of the board of directors of the Catholic University of America convened at the University to-day and considered matters of importance connected with the future of the institution.

Chief of these were the renunciation of the Catholic creed by the Marquise Des Monstiers, formerly Miss Mary Gwendolyn Caldwell, whose generosity founded the University, and the bankruptcy case of Thomas E. Waggaman, treasurer of the University, whose failure may seriously embarrass the board in providing finances for immediate use.

At to-day's session the Waggaman case was the principal matter considered, but it was not decided to give a statement to the public at this time. The statement issued giving an interview with the Marquise Des Monstiers was taken up, but not as a part of the business of the board.

To an Associated Press representative one of the members said that the board is loath to give consideration to the case now, and is particularly opposed to having any member quoted in regard to the case.

"It is understood by us," he said, "and until a formal communication comes we should not like to talk about it. The case now came as a surprise, and especially to those of us who were familiar with the Marquise's physical condition. But please do not misunderstand me in that regard—we do not mean to imply that she was in any way incapacitated to think and act for herself. She is her own mistress. Knowing nothing of what prompted her to take the course she did, we must wait until it is made clear."

PARKER OPENS LAW OFFICE IN NEW YORK CITY

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, November 16.—Judge Alton B. Parker, recent Democratic candidate for President, opened a law office in the building at No. 52 Liberty Street, in this city, to-day. At the same time he announced that he had become a resident of this city; that Mrs. Parker would join him to-day, and that they would at once secure a home in this city.

While Judge Parker announced that he would not form any law partnership, his new office is in the suite occupied by V. F. Sheehan, of the firm of Sheehan and Collins.

WAS STRICKEN WHILE SEATED AT HIS DESK

Colonel W. C. P. Breckinridge, Orator and Lawyer, in Serious Condition.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) LOUISVILLE, KY., November 16.—Colonel W. C. P. Breckinridge suffered two strokes of apoplexy to-day while sitting at his desk in his office in the McClelland building in Lexington, and as a result, he is paralyzed in his right side, his leg being especially affected. He has not lost consciousness, but his condition is regarded as serious.

Colonel Breckinridge was alone in his office, when he was stricken, but realizing that danger was impending, he telephoned to his son, Desha Breckinridge, and to his physicians, all of whom arrived shortly after he had been stricken. After the first stroke the physicians worked with him for some time before he was finally relieved, and he had hardly recovered in a measure, when he was seized for a second time. This was not so severe as the first, however, and the doctors in a short time had him in such a condition that he could be removed to his home, accompanied by his wife and other members of his family, who had been summoned as soon as the physicians arrived at the office.

ALL OF GOTHAM AT HORSE SHOW

Jordan's Stallion, Gentleman John, Wins Challenge Cup Again.

THE SOUTHERN ENTRIES

Garnet Ripple Gets Orange Ribbon—Elevator's Fine Performance.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, November 16.—The crowd at the Horse Show in Madison Square Garden to-day was the largest of the present meeting. In the afternoon nearly all the boxes were filled with fashionably dressed women, and 10,000 persons witnessed the exhibition.

The evening attendance was the largest and most brilliant so far this week. The attraction was the Waldorf-Astoria cup for gig horses, and to see this event society arrived early. The boxes were well filled and the gowns of the women proved one of the leading attractions to the thousands who thronged the balconies.

The most important prize awarded this week, the Challenge cup, went to Mr. Jordan's black hackney stallion, Gentleman John. As this horse won the cup last year, to-day's victory gives Mr. Jordan permanent possession of the trophy. Lord Brilliant, Mrs. John Gerkin's chestnut gelding, one of last year's blue ribbon winners, won first honors in the class for horses attached to runabouts, over Mrs. J. B. M. Grosvenor's horse, Elevator and Alfred G. Vanderbilt's Lady Katherine, out of a field of twenty competitors.

An interesting event was the four-hand contest between Mrs. Grosvenor and Miss Ella S. Ross of England, which was won by the former. The Corinthian class of Jumpers was won by Mrs. Thomas Hitchcock, Jr., with Kingsman. Eben D. Jordan has won the greatest number of prizes this week. His horses have taken ten blue ribbons, three seconds and one third.

Southern Entries.

The Southern entries were quite prominent, especially among the hunters and Jumpers, in which class Lucy Sutherland, entered by Courtland H. Smith, of Alexandria; Elevator, entered by John Stewart Bryan, of Richmond, and Garnet Ripple, entered by Mrs. Courtland H. Smith, were among those qualifying for the finals. The contests were finally narrowed down to eight horses, and the Orange ribbon, the third prize, went to Mrs. Smith's Courtland Ripple. "The performance of John Stewart Bryan's Elevator in the preliminary was especially notable, and elicited great applause as the gray gelding cleared the six successive five-foot barriers like a bird on the wing. Many prominent members of the Southern colony were again to be seen in the crowd to-day, among them being George Gordon Battle, Nathan Strauss, F. Burton Harrison, Augustus Van Wyck, John C. Calhoun, John P. East, J. T. Gwynne, W. P. Tallaferra, Robert Gertrude Monroe and Mr. and Mrs. James Brown Potter, who arrived this morning on the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse.

ABOUT 75 MINES TIED UP IN WEST VIRGINIA

(By Associated Press.) CHARLESTON, W. VA., November 16. Several thousand miners are now on strike in the Kanawha coal fields and about seventy-five mines are tied up. The miners will hold a meeting here to-morrow to decide how they shall meet the situation. The operators are employing non-union men to fill the places of striking miners.

GOVERNOR-ELECT DOUGLAS ON WAY TO VIRGINIA

(By Associated Press.) BROCTON, MASS., Nov. 16.—Governor-elect and Mrs. William L. Douglas left to-day for a three or four weeks' visit at Hot Springs, Va.

16 WANT HELP TO-DAY.

The 16 advertisements for help published in to-day's Times Dispatch on page 10 are as follows: 4 Agents, 3 Salesmen, 2 Domestic, 6 Miscellaneous. This not only interests those out of work, but those desiring to improve their positions as well.

MISS LUCY LEE HILL IS A BRIDE

Weds General James Macgill Amid Military Surroundings.

CONFEDERATE DECORATIONS

St. Paul Episcopal Church Presented a Brilliant Scene During Beautiful Ceremony.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) LYNCHBURG, VA., Nov. 16.—Miss Lucy Lee Hill, daughter of the famous Confederate leader, General A. P. Hill, was married to General James Macgill of Pulaski, Va., at St. Paul's Episcopal Church this afternoon at half-past 5 o'clock.

The wedding, long heralded as the social event of the year, was in every particular a most beautiful affair, and was witnessed by a brilliant assembly of Confederate veterans and invited guests. Large delegations from R. E. Lee and Pickett Camps of Richmond marched to the church with A. P. Hill Camp of this city, preceded by an enlivening drum corps.

The scene within the building was one of unusual inspiring character. The auditorium draped in Confederate flags and banners of the A. P. Hill Camp, the Southern colors blending beautifully with the darker tints of the church, under the soft glow of many small lights presented a scene of beauty long to be remembered. Daughters of the Confederacy and many fair members of other Southern societies, beautifully gowned, many dresses glittering with handsome jewels, presented a charming vanguard to the gray uniforms of Confederate veterans massed in the rear pews.

The long galleries were thronged with invited spectators, who looked down upon a scene beautifully and thrillingly suggestive of the palmy days of the old South, an immense altar cloth, "Bonnie Blue Flag" draped across the rear gallery forming a most appropriate background to the picture.

The great stained glass window above the high recess chancel was faintly irradiated with the dying afterglow when the vested choir, robed in spotless white, entered the church singing the old wedding choral, "The Voice that Breathed O'er Eden." With perfect harmony the long line of chorists marched up the aisle, and reading their parts through the bank of evergreens before the chancel took their places amidst the palms and ferns.

For a moment an expectant quiet reigned, when softly the swelling strains of the wedding march from Lohengrin heard, and the bridal party entered. The ushers, six veterans in Confederate gray, and six Sons of Confederate veterans in arched up the aisle with military bearing and formed before the chancel. Mrs. Wm. L. McGill, daughter of General Wm. Mahone, was matron of honor, and was exceedingly handsome in a Parisian gown of white lace over silk, with diamonds and pearls. Mrs. McGill wore a white picture hat and carried a splendid

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PRICELESS JEWELS HAVE BEEN STOLEN

The Famous Alexander Colonial Gems Mysteriously Missing.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, Nov. 16.—The startling announcement was made to-day that the famous Alexander colonial jewels have been stolen. These rare and priceless gems, many of them inherited in a direct line from George Washington, were in the custody of Mrs. Caroline B. Alexander, of Castle Point, Hoboken, and who stole them or how the robbers went about it is a deep mystery, which the families cannot explain. The loss of the jewels was discovered to-day and reported to the Hoboken police. The jewels belonged to Mrs. Caroline B. Alexander, in accordance with the custom of the Alexander family, to present them to each new bride taking the Alexander name. Under that custom they were shortly to be presented to Miss Helen Barney, who is engaged to marry Archibald S. Alexander. Mrs. Caroline Alexander is the daughter of the late Commodore Edward A. Stevens, of the New York Yacht Club, while Miss Barney, who was to receive the gems after their marriage to young Archibald Stevens Alexander, is a niece of the late William C. Whitney. At her coming out, Mr. Whitney gave a magnificent ball at his home on Fifth Avenue. She was also a heroine of a fire at her uncle's estate on Long Island some time ago.

THE METHODIST CONFERENCE

Opens With Large Gathering in Centenary Church, Lynchburg.

BISHOP ALPHEUS W. WILSON PRESIDING

No Controversies Are Expected at This Session and Nothing Sensational Is Likely to Occur—Dr. H. E. Johnson May Not Return.

(Special from a Staff Correspondent.) LYNCHBURG, VA., November 15.—Sunny skies and a delightfully crisp temperature marked the annual assemblage of the Virginia Conference, the greatest gathering of Southern Methodists. Bishop Wilson, who is presiding, is dispatching business with promptness and without friction. More business has been disposed of than usual at an opening day session.

Bishop A. Coke Smith, of Norfolk, is also present, and is very popular here, where he had his last pastorate. Many of the preachers and lay delegates are late in arriving owing to various delays, but they are nearly all here. Rev. J. Powell Garland, D. D., is among the absentees, being unavoidably detained.

So far as now appears there will be nothing of a sensational character before the body and no controversies will be injected. To-day's service was as placid as the daily life of the average minister. Centenary Church, the seat of the conference, is the mother church of Lynchburg, and is in a prosperous condition. The conference has been admirably provided for, and the preachers are comfortably quartered at hotels and private residences.

Bishop Wilson was promptly in his place this morning and punctually called the conference to order. The administration of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper and the usual devotional service were held. The xxvi. Matthew was read, and the conference sang, "Jesus, the Name That Charms Our Fears." Bishop Wilson offered the opening prayer, a fervent invocation of divine guidance.

The Bishop was assisted in the administration of the sacrament by Rev. Paul Whitehead, D. D., Rev. W. E. Judkins, D. D., Rev. George H. Ray, D. D., Rev. Oscar Littleton and Rev. Jesse T. Whitely, D. D.

Rev. Paul Whitehead, D. D., for nearly half a century secretary of the conference, called the roll of members, announcing the death of several ministers as the call progressed. The roll call showed sparse attendance of ministers at the opening session, many not having reached the city and others not having entered the church. Many came in later, however, and before the session closed the attendance of both members and visitors was fully up to the average.

The Committees.

The following committees were announced: Publishing Interests—W. B. Beauchamp, R. Nelson, Escamoy Dey, J. H. Chappell, John C. Moss, C. B. Newbill, C. W. Leffew, C. A. Hiden, J. W. Shankford, O. C. Rucker, John S. Robins, Frank Talbot, S. C. Hatcher, Joseph C. Davis, V. W. Burgamin, W. D. Fok, G. H. McFadden, J. W. Backus, C. E. Watts, J. C. Boggs, L. T. Williams and L. A. Hardy.

To Examine District Conference Records—J. W. Shilston, Jr., C. H. Galloway, J. S. Wallace, W. A. Conrad, D. H. Thompson, A. A. Whitmore, P. M. Bell, R. H. Marks, D. T. Merritt, E. E. Harrell, J. D. Hosler.

REBELS CAPTURE FIVE BIG CHINESE TOWNS

Imperial Troops Repulsed in Battle at Liue Chow Enu.

(By Associated Press.) SHANGHAI, November 16.—The rebels have repulsed the imperial troops at Liue Chow Enu, in the province of Kwang, Southern China. They have captured five of the principal towns in the province. The merchants and bankers fled from the towns.

Chou Fu, former Governor of the province of Shantung, who was recently appointed viceroy at Nanking, has been ordered to proceed immediately to his post, and to take measures to check the rebels in the Yangtze Valley.

THE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Second Day's Proceedings of This Religious Body in Petersburg.

EDUCATION HAS THE RIGHT OF WAY

The Three Sessions of Yesterday Were Filled With Interest—Woman's Work for Missions Received the Earnest Attention of the Association.

(Special from a Staff Correspondent.) PETERSBURG, VA., November 15.—The second day of the eighty-first annual session of the Baptist General Association of Virginia opened brightly, and the Baptist hosts now in full possession of the Coclake City were astir early. The morning trains brought in many delegates from all parts of the State to enlarge the deep water branch of the Master's grand army, now assembled here.

The association got to work early. Devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. W. B. Duling, and beginning at 9 o'clock, lasted until an hour after noon. Dr. John B. Turpin, one of the vice-presidents, called the body to business.

Financial Exhibit.

Mr. B. A. Jacob, of Richmond, the treasurer of the association, submitted an elaborate report of the financial operations of the denomination for the year ending October 31st.

The report shows that the churches have raised for the various enterprises of the denomination, including a balance on hand of \$8,802.10, the sum of \$123,129.35, as follows: For State Mission Board, \$22,392.30; For the Sunday School and Bible Board, 6,787.15; For the Education Board, 9,141.50; For the Foreign Mission Board, 33,163.60; For the Home Mission Board, 17,531.21; For the Ministers' Relief Fund, 4,885.55; For the Baptist Orphanage, 15,878.19.

This is an increase over the contributions of the previous year of a little over \$12,000, the sum of \$4,600 of which came by bequests.

Rendering Praises.

"At the conclusion of the reading of this report the association joined in singing 'Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow,' and was then led in a prayer of thanksgiving by Rev. Dr. Clifton.

On motion of Dr. Hatcher, the report of the treasurer was adopted, and the thanks of the association were formally tendered to the treasurer.

On motion of W. H. Fairless, of Portsmouth, the secretary was instructed to send the fraternal greetings of this body to the Virginia Methodist Conference, now in session in Lynchburg.

Co-operation.

Rev. Dr. I. M. Mercer read the report of the Committee on Co-operation, which says:

It is with great gratification that this committee presents to the association its summary of the fellowship of the churches in the grace of giving during the year just closed. The year has been one of material prosperity, and the substance with increasing liberality. To Him who has put it into the hearts of His people both to devise and to do liberal things be all the honor and praise. The committee reports the organization of a new district association in the State of Virginia, composed of twenty-one churches, nineteen of which were formerly in the lower section of the Dover, and two in the Accomac Association. This makes twenty-seven district associations in the State.

Growth All Along the Line. The report shows an increase of thirty-one churches during the year, making a total of 1,211 in this General Association 1904.

Quoting the figures from the treasurer's report which shows \$12,709.35 increased contributions, the Co-operation Committee says: This is by far the largest amount ever collected in Virginia through the boards of the General Association ever given, in one year, and surely it is sufficient ground for heartfelt gratitude and rejoicing.

The report notes that the favor with which the claims of the various boards have been received show that the enterprises of the denomination are growing in the esteem and affection of the churches. This is shown both in the fact that the number of the churches giving to the different boards has increased, and in the fact that the amounts received by the boards have grown very materially. The report further shows that within the past five years ninety-five new churches have been added to the Virginia Baptist ranks and that the collections for the various boards have been growing rapidly year by year in like proportion, and, yet, says the report, there is room for greater improvement and there is yet much work to be done to bring all the churches up to the full measure of usefulness.

Conclusion. "In conclusion your committee begs to state that they have sought to carry out the methods. In addition members of the committee have visited a number of the district associations and by public and private speech endeavored to further the general interests of the association."

The report and the work it deals with were discussed by Rev. F. R. Beale, Dr. C. H. Ryland and Rev. Dr. T. Eaton. Sunday School and Bible Board. Dr. J. M. Pilcher read the lengthy report of the Sunday School and Bible Board, which is located in Petersburg. The secretary opens with the statement: "We have closed the most prosperous year in the history of the board." The year is summed up briefly: