Besides his teaching in Central Female College, Mr. Crawford taught with eminent success, a flourishing Academy at Dailey's Cross Roads, Lowndes county, the site of the present town of Crawford, for several years in about the beginning of the fifties. He was present at the meeting of the Columbus Association in 1851, as a delegate from Prairie Grove (Crawford) church. The town of Crawford received its name from him. He was prominent and influential in the denominational gatherings in these early years. He was an associate and co-laborer of the late lamented Prof. A. J. Quinche, of the University, Oxford, Miss.

William Carey Crane, D. D., LL.D.

Crane, D. D., LL.D., was born in Richmond, Va., March 17, 1816; educated in the best schools of the city of Richmond; also in Richmond College, Va.; Mount Pleasant Classical Institution, Amherst, Mass.; Columbia College, D. C.; and Madison University, N. Y. His A. B. and A. M. are from Columbia College, D. C.; his D. D. from Howard College, Ala.; and his LL. D. from Baylor University, Texas. His opportunities have enabled him to become a profound scholar, and he now ranks among the most useful, laborious, and able Baptists in the Southern States. His early life was passed in Virginia. He was converted through the agency of a conversation with Robert Ryland, first president of Richmond College, and he was baptized by James B. Taylor, D. D., July 27, 1832. He is the oldest son of Rev. William Crane—sketched in another article—late of Baltimore, Md. He was licensed to preach by Second church, Richmond, Va., and ordained September 23, 1838, in Baltimore, Md., by request of Calvert Street church. When twenty-one years of age he was elected professor in the Baptist Seminary, now Richmond College, Va., but declined, and spent from November, 1837, to February, 1839, teaching and preaching in Georgia. From February, 1839, to January, 1851, he was pastor at Montgomery, Ala., Columbus, Vicksburg, and Yazoo City, Miss. He has been called to the presidency of five colleges for males, and six for females, which he declined. He has been president of Yazoo Classical Hall, Miss.; Mississippi Female College, Hernando, Miss.; Semple Broadus College, Centre Hill, Miss.; Mount Lebanon University, La. He was elected president of Baylor University, Independence, Texas, in July, 1863, and has held that position ever since, and J. W. D. Creath expresses the sentiment of Texas in saying that no one in or out of Texas could have done better than he has done in its administration, under all the surrounding difficulties during that time. He has sacrificed forty thousand dollars of salary, spent over five thousand dollars of his own means, and contributed nearly two thousand dollars from his own purse for various objects connected with its interests. He has been either a contributor to or an editor of news journals, periodicals, magazines, and reviews since his seventeenth year; he has preached in all sorts of places, from a stump in the forest to the elegantly-furnished audience-rooms in New York, Louisville, Richmond, and Baltimore; has published a large number of sermons and literary addresses; has addressed large convocations of Masons, Odd Fellows, and Friends of Temperance, and held the most honorable State offices in these orders; is a member or numerous National and State literary and scientific organizations; has by invitation of