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The Message Going

After our institute at Aiken S. C. our little band of earnest determined canvassers went back to their work with the purpose of working harder than ever to spread the message as contained in the printed page. I don't remember of ever getting such enthusiastic reports as have been coming to me lately. The letters of these dear workers tell of good, rich experiences of meeting interested parties who seem to be eagerly reaching out after light, and in some of these letters there is a "bubbling over" of joy and thankfulness that would inspire any heart, susceptible in the least to inspiration, to want to be engaged in active service in some way, for advancing this cause. I do believe God is stretching forth His mighty arm to help us this year to plant the banner of truth in more hearts and homes than has been done in any previous time. There is a real visible awakening among many in this state, not only with our own people, but among people who know not these things. There ought to be men right in the front ranks of this book work every day in the year.

There are those of our brethren of mature years, of business experience, capable of doing a good work in the sale of our books, who ought to be planning to enter this line of work at the earliest moment. We invite you, brethren, who have never tasted of the joys of canvassing, to come thou with us and we will do thee good."

The fight is on, and every one naming the name of Christ ought to be doing something in the work of distributing either tracts, papers, or books. *The weakest can do something.* Let me hear from you, brethren and sisters. Do you

wish to sell some papers? Write me about it. How about a few tracts each week? Write me. Perhaps it would suit you better to handle a book not too large or high priced,— I can give you the information you wish about it. The main point is, I want to see every one in our state doing something, and those who are doing something to do more. We have nothing but words of cheer from all along the line, but we want these words of cheer to develop into shouts of victory.

H. B. GALLION, *Field Agent, Anderson, S. C.*

Sunday Legislation in North Carolina

February 4, Representative Dowd, of Meclenburg county, introduced in the house at Raleigh N. C. a bill amending the present Sunday law of N. C. so as to make common labor on Sunday a misdemeanor, punishable by fine, imprisonment and chain-gang. As soon as possible we got out a petition blank, and inside of four days from the time the knowlege came to us, the petitions began to pour into the senate. Various ones of our brethren from different parts of the state, wrote personal letters to their senator asking him to oppose the measure if it came up. I went to Raleigh and sought and obtained a very pleasant interview with the senator from my own district. He assured me that he was opposed to the measure and that he should oppose it if it came before the senate. When I arrived at the capital, I was much pleased to learn that the bill had been reported adversely by the house committee and that there was no likelihood that it would be brought up during this session.

Thus the dear Lord has interposed to give us a little more time and has hindered this drastic legislation. I have been much pleased with the promptness with which our brethren sprang to the call to action. What an object lesson as to the necessity and efficiency of organization! How we should praise God for the privilege of being organized and armed for the conflict.

It may be said,— "The petition work was useless, for the measure never came to the senate." Let no such thought be for a moment entertained. An excellent opportunity was afforded for a campaign of education. The reflex effect of these petitions cannot fail to be benefi-

cial, and, brethren, *We were not ready for the issue.* O let us rouse ourselves and exhibit greater diligence. Let us not let another session of our legislature convene without our having given every man in both houses opportunity to become acquainted with the eternal principles of religious liberty.

T. H. JEYS, *President of N. C. Conference.*

NORTH CAROLINA

The canvassers institute for N. C. is to be held at Archdale March 18-28. We greatly desire that this meeting shall be the beginning of a great revival in the canvassing work. To be sure, our canvassers now in the field are making good progress, but we wish to see them having still greater success and their numbers increased until our field will be swept like a besom with the mighty tide of literature.

Brother N. Q. Smith has lately moved from Concord to Burlington. He will continue in the canvassing work at that place.

Brethren M. L. Branch and G. Kerley are now at Greensboro. They are working with "Daniel and the Revelation" and are having good success if we may judge from their reports. They are planning to attend the institute. Both are new converts to the faith. They felt that they must immediately help to swell the message. Each of them desire the prayers of God's people. Let us pray for them and pray that through their efforts, others also may be called.

February 20, in company with elder M. H. Brown I visited with the Greensboro No. 2 church. They have lately secured title to their little house of worship and some little aid from the Southern Missionary society and now have it free from debt. They have been passing thru some trials, but, if they remain faithful to principle, God will care for His own.

T. H. JEYS.

Men Wanted

Men who will volunteer to carry the truth to the world. Men of spiritual stamina are wanted, men who are able to find work close at hand because they are looking for it, men to give energy to the ranks, men for the times able to cope with its errors; men who will inspire with zeal the flagging efforts of the few laborers.

Men whose hearts are warm with Christian love, and whose hands are eager to go about their master's business. Men who will work **diligently while the day lasts; for "the night cometh when no man can work."**

For further information, call on, or write to the undersigned at Raleigh, N. C. 506 S. Salisbury St.

H. B. TILDEN.

"Go ye into all the world and preach (publish or advertise) the gospel." Mark 16:15.

The gospel is to go to the world. It is sent forth to advertise not only the sin-sick condition of man, but a remedy and its value.

What plan places us on vantage ground in carrying out the mind of Jesus as expressed in the above appeal?

One of our experienced workers recently expressed a fact in the following: "The best sermons preached to us are the articles written by our workers." Again, and I will not tell you whence cometh this statement, as you will recognize the voice, "The sheets that come from the groaning press to be prepared as tracts and bound up as books are to go forth to all parts of the earth ... Canvassers should be impressed with the importance of bringing before the world as fast as possible the books necessary for their spiritual education and enlightenment. This is the very work the Lord desires his people to do at this time ... we can not too highly estimate this work." Friends, would you not like to have a part in it?

H. P. TILDEN, *Field Missionary Agent.*

GEORGIA

There is Power in the Message

From one of our canvassers comes the following good experience:—

"I met a rough, but good hearted man at a saw-mill the other day, and in the presence of three of his men he met my canvass with a bluff saying, 'The folly of any man trying to say that we could know anything about the end of the world.'

I met his remark with the Scripture. Then he spoke out in a very insulting way. But his remark did not touch me, and I went on pleasantly with my canvass. However I noticed he ment it, but I did not let on. My next remark caught his attention, and in less than five minutes he gave me his order for both 'Daniel and the Revelation' and 'Marvel of Nations.' I shook hands cordially with him as I bid him good day on the best of terms. Truly there is power in the Message."

This indeed is a very interesting experience and we are profoundly thankful that we are connected with a message that has power in it to actually keep a man in such an experience. We shall be glad to hear of experiences of victory from others.

From one of our industrious young ladies comes the following encouraging report:—

"I am only a beginner, and I thank the Lord for the success he gave me. I worked 6½ hours

and sold 137 papers. They were no trouble to sell at all. Every one was so nice and kind, and willing to buy. I am working for a scholarship; I love the work, and with the Lord's help, believe I can sell many papers."

This is indeed encouraging. We believe much good could be done if only our people would take hold of the work. Let us hear from others.

A. L. MANOUS.

54 Beecher St; Atlanta, Ga.

News Notes

The Atlanta missionary society has ordered the Watchman monthly, Signs monthly, Life and Health, and Liberty sent to the public reading room of the Carnegie Library.

The Young People's society of the Atlanta church has ordered the Youth's Instructor sent to the juvenile reading room of the Carnegie Library of that city.

Elder Sydney Scott left for his home in Greenville S. C. on Monday, March 8. He has been holding a series of meetings in the new church, recently dedicated in Atlanta, and as a result four have definitely decided for the truth, and others are deeply interested.

We have received some orders for the General Conference Bulletin but not nearly as many as we had hoped for. Will not those who have not ordered yet, send in their order *at once*? You may inclose stamps in payment if this is more convenient. Remember the price is only fifty cents.

A new church has recently been organized in this conference which will be known as the Conference church. Of the twelve who have joined, eight are desirous of baptism. We have application for church membership from eleven more who wish to join just as soon as arrangements can be made. Elder Wells is now visiting some of these isolated ones to give them such help as is needed. The organization of this church gives the scattered brethren and sisters the privileges of church fellowship and will enable them to be in close touch with the conference officers.

HELEN D. DOWSETT.

Experiences of Isolated Members

One of the Missionary Secretaries in our Union writes concerning the work with the isolated ones thus, "Yes the dear isolated ones appreciate the attention we may give them. I have worked with them a good deal in the Sabbath-school department of the work, and I find they are always glad to be remembered. Now it seems that I can see plainer than before that there is so much more to do. They need to be interested in each department of the work. In fact it seems as if

we need to carry the church to them as well as the Sabbath-school, and I am making preparations to send out a letter each month to the isolated members and shall endeavor to encourage them in the good work." We trust that all our Missionary Secretaries will take this same deep interest in these lonely ones, and we know excellent results will follow.

Here are a few lines from one of our young lady isolated members. "Enclosed find money order for \$6.00. This is all I have on the Thanksgiving offering. Most of the time since I received my papers I have been unable to go out. This six dollars is what I have collected without doing outside work. I hope to use my papers to get donations soon." Let us take example from this, making the best of circumstances and also using every paper that not one of these good papers go to waste.

H. D. D.

FLORIDA

Orange Mills and Hastings

I visited the little company of believers at the above places Sabbath and Sunday Feb 20, -21, and found them still rejoicing in the truth. Two more promised to obey at the time of this visit and one who had already promised to keep Sabbath, but who had not made a full surrender, consecrated his life to the Lord.

Two of these requested baptism and Eld. Stephenson has now gone to baptize them.

Those of the company living at Orange Mills have raised \$47.50 toward a church building.

W. H. BRANSON.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Words of Cheer

H. B. Gallion sends words of cheer from South Carolina. Since their institute the workers are taking up the work with much energy.

He expresses his appreciation of Field Tidings and of the words of cheer it contains from other states.

W. P. Darnell writes from Aiken, S. C. of his encouraging experiences, reporting \$62 worth of orders in four days. Of this amount \$56.50 worth was for Bible Foot Lights and the remainder for helps.

J. A. Wooddall reports from Sumter, S. C. that in making his first delivery of books he has delivered 98% of orders taken from the white people and expects among the colored people it will be at least 80%.

Brother Wooddall speaks very highly of the Gospel Sentinel, of which paper he is using fifty copies per week. As we would expect to be the result of faithfully distributing our literature, and has developed at that place.

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South Carolina Appointments

I plan to spend Sabbath and Sunday, April 3—4 with the Battle Ground church, and April 10—11, with the Spartanburg church, and April 17—18, with the Cherokee church. All will please remember these appointments.

R. T. NASH, *President South Carolina Conf.*

Fourth Sabbath Collection

Do not forget the fourth Sabbath collection for the Emergency Fund. IT IS BADLY NEEDED.

R. W. PARMELE, *President, Florida Conf.*

CANVASSING REPORT

For two Weeks Ending March 6th 1909,
Southeastern Union Conference.

CUMBERLAND

Name,	Book,	Hrs.,	Ords.,	Value,	Total,	Del.
J. A. Calwell	BFL	112	17	17.50	21.25	50.75
F. B. Sedore	BFL	40				88.00
W. S. Fulbright	DR	98	23	44.05	67.30	.35
Walter Kirkham	BFL	93	21	27.50	33.35	85.75
E. A. Clark	DR	40	12	23.00	31.60	.35
G. A. Slade	DR	37				58.00
Ada Woolsey	BFL	9				29.75
H. B. Thompson	BFL	20	20	20.00	25.50	5.50
G. S. Vreeland	GC	56	9	22.50	48.00	11.50
Geo. M. Powell	CK	70	40	39.00	39.00	34.15

SOUTH CAROLINA

G. B. Case	DR	68	29	51.25	52.60	6.55
W. P. Darnell	BEL	56	115	119.50	122.10	2.60
C. E. Sutton	BFL	70	36	62.55	64.45	3.50
J. A. Wooddall	BFL	40	21	32.00	34.60	8.90
J. R. Harden	BFL	64	28	46.00	47.70	78.20

FLORIDA

Grace Hunter	BFL	21	7	9.50	9.50	5.50
Mrs. McColough	DR	6	2	5.00	5.00	5.00
Mrs. Roman	DR	126	18	35.50	36.75	7.95
Mary Mann	BFL	11	8	10.00	10.00	21.50
C. F. Yale	DR	65	59	105.00	109.75	2.50
C. V. Achenbach	BFL	38	31	38.50	43.00	4.50
Mrs. J. Mann	BFL	9	7	9.50	9.50	3.50

The following reports are for one week only

GEORGIA

Mrs. C. C. Hunt		19				23.25
Thos. Henderson		13				5.80
Myrtle Maxwell		4				12.40
Maude Rainwater		7				13.70
Mrs. Highsmith		4				2.50
Burton Wade	BR	20	10	10.00	20.70	30.45
W. P. Andrews	PL	29	13	13.00	13.50	21.50
M. S. Grim	SC	19				12.40
J. A. Kimmel	BFL	30	19	21.00	31.60	1.00
F. D. Andrews	GC	38	2	5.50	5.50	
A. L. Manous	DR	3	3	2.25	5.25	
Mrs. Manous	DR	12	7	16.25	19.85	1.00
Onie Henderson	DR	5	1	2.75	4.85	2.10
Mrs. R. O. Terry	DR	23	11	28.25	29.20	9.75
R. O. Terry	DR	20	9	17.75	19.25	

Albert Cochran	DR	39	8	24.00	26.00	1.00
J. A. Sudduth	DR	45	13	33.25	35.25	16.50
R. M. Carter	DR	15	5	14.75	16.75	
Mrs. Carter	HH	25	15	48.00	48.00	
Albert Benson	Misc	24	2	8.50	8.50	26.50

NORTH CAROLINA

J. P. Allran	CK	41	23	23.00	26.85	3.85
M. L. Branch	CK	35	15	15.00	15.70	.70
N. Q. Smith	CK	45	6	6.50	7.20	.70
G. L. Kerley	DR	30	12	26.80	27.40	3.60
R. L. Underwood	DR	36	1	1.50	26.50	73.00
Irregular	DR	18	3	7.25	7.25	8.25

SUMMARY FOR FEBRUARY

Conference,	Agts.,	Orders,	Value,	Total,	Del.
Cumberland	10	219	277.30	357.40	340.72
Georgia	10	487	1073.45	1232.15	83.40
North Carolina	8	265	355.50	473.25	572.10
South Carolina	7	371	403.50	418.40	216.90
Florida	7	132	213.00	233.40	49.75
Total	42	1671	2322.75	2704.60	1250.87

Glad to see that we are still beating our own record of last year. The value of orders for Feb. of last year was \$842.65 This year \$2704.60. About three and one half times more. Our delivery for Feb. last year was \$581.45 This year \$1252.87 Or more than double. To the Lord be all the praise.

V. O. C.

Change of Prices

Home and Health has been reduced to the price of the larger books such as Daniel and the Revelation, Patriarchs and Prophets, Great Controversy, and Bible Readings. The price of these books are now as follows: Morocco \$4.75, Library \$3.75, Cloth Marble \$2.75. The plain binding of Daniel and the Revelation has been changed from \$1.50 to \$1.75.

Cloth binding of Gospel Primer and New Testament Primer is now .50 cents. Board binding is .25 cents. Some have wondered why so many changes in the price of these books.

We trust that the situation in the price of material for making books will be such as not to call for any more changes soon. We believe, however, that the publishing houses are doing the very best they can for us.

V. O. C.

Important Notice

Notice is hereby given that the book "Gospel Primer" is temporarily out of print. It is being thoroughly revised and illustrated. We are unable to state at this writing just when we will be able to furnish the revised books.

We have a large stock of "New Testament Primer" and can fill all orders promptly. This is an excellent little book, well illustrated, and the retail prices are now only 25 cents in the board style of binding and 50 cents in the cloth binding. There ought to be many thousands of these little books sold this year. We are prepared to take care of all orders promptly.

Southern Publishing Association.

Obituary

Brother Pascal Callicut, of Salisbury, N. C. died Sabbath March 6th at the age of sixty-seven years. Brother Callicut began to keep the Sabbath during the summer of 1902 as the result of the first camp-meeting held in Salisbury. The writer was called by telegram to Salisbury; but did not reach the sufferer until half an hour after he had fallen asleep. He was buried Sunday, the funeral discourse being preached from Numbers 23:10. A lonely widow lives to mourn.

J. O. Johnston.