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NEARLY \$15,000 FOR THE SOUTH- EASTERN UNION

This amount of money may be had for the getting, for going after it, as it were. It is to be applied on the indebtedness of institutions in this Union, belonging to our people.

These institutions are in need of this money. Their work is hampered for the want of it. They are paying interest on debts on which this amount is to apply. Those in charge of the institutions are already working hard when they carry the regular institutional work. The added weight of financial cares, arising from original building debts or from unfortunate experiences, makes a load too much for them to carry. They should have help from their brethren and sisters.

The statistical report as given in the "Review and Herald" of Oct. 6, shows there are 2082 Sabbath-keepers in the Southeastern Union conference. These form the constituency of the union conference institutions. The Graysville and the Atlanta sanitariums are Union conference. The Florida sanitarium is now owned by the Florida conference.

Each of these sanitariums has had an indebtedness from its beginning. Provision has been made for meeting these debts. A God-given plan has been adopted whereby actual relief may be secured. The plan requires cooperation on the part of every Seventh-day Adventist in this Union, each of whom is interested in the welfare and success of these institutions. Just a little effort on the part of each one of the 2082 members will bring in about \$15,000. This money need not be a donation by our people but it may be secured from others and they receive full value in return.

In the gift of "Ministry of Healing" we have a resource of real financial help to our sanitarium. A dollar or more is realized on the sale of each book. The relief campaign, now on, provides for the sale of six copies of the book and fifteen copies of "Life and Health," by each member. For the Southeastern membership this would mean about \$15,000. We may make it as much more as we will. There are plenty more books and journals to be had and the territory is a large one, and the money is there.

If 12,492 copies of "Ministry of Healing" and 31,230 copies of "Life and Health" are placed in homes in this field it will surely result in a great increase of interest on the part of the public in our health work. As our people visit these homes and present the work of our sanitariums, as opportunity affords, it will undoubtedly develop a larger patronage for these institutions. Their work will thus be made permanently self-supporting.

At this time, when money is so much needed for the cause at home and abroad, it is to be appreciated that such a sum as this is available by the putting forth of a little effort. This substantial aid may be had with a little help on the part of each one.

This help may reasonably and consistently be expected from our people, because of their interests in these institutions. But besides helping the sanitariums it will be doing a missionary work of the highest order. We have long been called upon to do house to house work and probably no better means is afforded us than to visit the people with our good missionary book. The people need the truths it contains; our sanitariums need the money to be had in return for it; and our people need the missionary experience.

L. A. HANSEN.

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COWPENS BATTLE GROUND

Sunday, Oct. 9, I visited our brethren and sisters of the Cowpens Battle ground church. This is a place of historical note. "Here, Jan. 17, 1781, the Americans under General Morgan achieved a victory over the English troops commanded by Col. Tarleton."

But this is not the only victory that has been won near these historical grounds. A few years ago some of God's servants preached present truth in this vicinity and there were then other battles fought and victories won. These victories were won on the side of present truth. But there are more victories to be gained yet.

I was pleased to see such a goodly number interested in the things of God, and so willing to hear the same old, old story repeated. It is hoped that some of our ministers can give these dear ones some of their time ere long.

We found the canvassing spirit alive, and

some anxious to be out in the work, but the crops are not yet gathered, and for that reason it seems hard work to get started. We believe there will soon be a pulling loose from the farm and an entering upon the canvassing work at this place. We must get the victory over circumstances. Our time belongs to Jesus. He bought it when he bought us. Note these words from Test. Vol. 8, p. 16: "All upon whom God's blessings have been bestowed are to respond by actual service; every gift is to be employed for the advancement of His kingdom."

We are of good courage and are doing what we can to make the work go. May God help us all.

A. L. MANOUS, State Agent.

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SOUTH CAROLINA ITEMS

A "Harvest Ingathering Program" was recently held with four churches in the northern part of the state, the last being at the Battle Ground church. At each of these meetings, the necessity of prompt, persistent, patient effort in the ingathering work was urged. Our brethren seem to be fully aroused to the importance of this work, and I confidently expect to see tangible results from their united efforts. Meanwhile, let the men who do not believe in organized efforts, stand back and criticise. Since the close of the tent meetings at Union, I have visited Spartanburg, Cherokee, Battle Ground, Greenville and Anderson. At all these places are some who believe and practice the truth, though the number is not large at some of the points. One of the first lessons to be learned by the new believer is that he must not depend on mere numbers. If God is for us, no contingency of the faults, failings, frailties, or foibles of mere man can be against us. No failure of the multitude should daunt him whose heart is fixed on the prize before.

The brethren are of good courage all along the line, and are definitely planning aggressive work. On Oct. 23, at 8 P. M., I held a short dialogue with Brother Stephen Case and Sister May Foote, all of Spartanburg, at the home of the former. This dialogue was of such a nature that it had the singular effect of changing Sister Foote's name to Case. Brother and Sister Case will live at his home and Sister Case will continue to teach the church school. The room was filled to overflowing with guests, who expressed their hearty good wishes for the newly united pair.

Brother Arthur Manous, our hustling state agent, is at present at Columbia. He has been out helping some of our canvassers as they began their fall delivery,—the largest and most important of the year. He reports fairly good success by some. For this we are exceedingly glad. Why shall not many more give themselves to this good work and become missionaries, who shall come at last bringing their sheaves?

T. H. JEYS.

FLORIDA

The annual conference and camp-meeting held at Leesburg, Oct. 13-23, are now in the past. While the attendance was not as large as that of last year, yet the meeting was none the less interesting. The resolutions passed and steps taken for progressive work in our conference the ensuing year, made it one of the most important meetings in the history of our conference.

The first week of the meeting was favored with delightful weather, but in its midst the recent storm which visited Florida, called at our camp, doing no little damage to some tents. The fact that our tents have been in constant use for a long time and are badly worn was revealed by the effects of the wind upon them. The large tent pitched for the colored meeting at Sanford perhaps received the greatest injury. While several of the tents were blown down, no one was injured in the least and as soon as the storm was over the campers were made comfortable again and the meeting continued with the same interest to the very close.

The visiting brethren were Elders A. G. Daniells, Chas. Thompson, R. T. Dowsett, A. J. Haysmer, Prof. M. B. VanKirk and Brethren L. D. Randall and V. O. Cole. We appreciated the presence of all of these brethren and as Elder Daniells frequently called our attention to the progress of this work and how the faithful, untiring efforts of our laborers are being blessed by seeing the salvation of souls in nearly every country in the wide, wide world, our hearts were encouraged and strengthened and may our zeal and courage, as a conference, in helping to carry the Gospel to earth's remotest bounds, be manifested more and more as we near the end.

The treasurer's financial statement rendered at the conference showed a balance gain of \$4094.54. From the surplus tithe we voted \$1,000 to missions. This is already on its way and from a recent letter received from Elder Daniells we quote the following:—"If they could speak at this moment, my associates would ask me to express to you in behalf of the Florida conference their appreciation for the substantial appropriation you have made."

For the last three years, the tithe has increased about \$2,000 a year. Our offerings to Missions for

Year ending September 30, 1908 \$1242.74.

Year ending September 30, 1909 2268.87.

Year ending September 30, 1910 4864.71.

May not our light, as a conference continue to shine brighter and brighter unto the perfect day.

With reference to the \$300,000 fund: we were the first conference to make an offering to this fund and now stand first in attaining to our quota of it. A resolution was passed at our conference meeting that we raise our quota this year, if possible, for the \$300,000 fund. This

fund goes to provide homes for the laborers in foreign fields which become property of the General Conference. While many of us are nestled in our cozy homes, surrounded by the comforts of life and pleasant associations, let us, in a practical way, remember those we have sent to the regions beyond. While from our hearts we send up petitions in their behalf, can we not make a sacrifice by liberal offerings,

In our next, we will pass on some of the resolutions adopted at the conference.

MRS. R. G. STRINGER.

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GEORGIA ITEMS

We have just made a tour over a portion of the state spending just about one month. My first stop was at Griffin where our camp-meeting was held. Found Elder Shadel with his helpers, Brethren Reiber and Tarver busily engaged caring for the new converts and looking after others who are interested. My next stop was in our new conference office 310 St. Johns St., Macon, Georgia. Had the pleasure of visiting the tent in East Macon, where Brethren Clark and Maxwell were giving the light to those in darkness. Then we spent some pleasant hours at Cordele with one of our canvassers. From there we went to Fitzgerald where the boys were delivering their books and it was my privilege to join the them in the good work.

So we had two days experience with these brethren and must say that the experiences gained are a step onward and upward; and can be enjoyed by those, only, who are about the Master's business.

Our next visit was with another one of our faithful fighters, Brother I. T. Merchant, who is stationed at Barney. This Brother has something near \$1000, worth of books to deliver and he is getting along fine.

From there we went to Dixie and had the pleasure of attending some excellent meetings conducted by Elder C. B. Stephenson, a feast indeed. The institute being held in the Dixie, church begining Nov. 3rd. All who can come are invited to attend this school of instruction.

The brethren at Dixie have agreed to board all who attend the institute gratis. Surely this is expressive of their interest in the work. We are sure that it will be appreciated by the canvassers.

First meeting Nov. 2, 10:00 A. M. Come.
W. S. FULBRIGHT, State Agent,

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CANVASSERS', NOTICE!

During the recent storm which did so much damage along the coast, Brother V. O. Cole was exposed in such a manner that he became very sick, and was taken from the camp-ground at Leesburg to the Florida Sanitarium at Orlando.

He has been so sick that he could in no wise attend to his correspondence; but was improving according to latest reports. This will explain the cause of the delay in his correspondence. I trust that all who read these lines will remember Brother Cole in prayer, that his health may be quickly and fully restored, as his efforts in the canvassing work are very much needed.

At the Florida camp-meeting, Brother Allen Walker was chosen to act as state agent. Although young in experience, it seemed that no better selection could be made at the time. I trust that all our brethren, and especially the canvassers in Florida will give Brother Walker their confidence and co-operate with him in every way possible, for the furtherance of the canvassing work in Florida.

It was my privilege to attend a portion of the Leesburg meeting, which was in many respects a very profitable meeting. While there are not many canvassers in the field at present in Florida, our shipments of books into that state for the past nine months of his year, amounted to almost ten thousand dollars, or considerable more than one-third of the entire book sales in the Southeastern Union conference for that period. We are looking to our brethren in Florida to put forth most earnest efforts to keep up the volume of business during the coming year. The Lord is blessing the canvassing work much throughout our territory. Nearly every worker is reporting excellent deliveries.

Pray for the success of the canvassing work, even though it may result in a burden to enlist in the work yourself.

L. D. RANDALL.

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CUMBERLAND NEWS

At our Annual Union Conference and Camp-Meeting it was voted to place our conference paper, "Field Tidings," on a subscription basis, and ask our people to pay the subscription price-35¢ per year. Heretofore the paper has been sent out to nearly all our people, and occasionally a donation has been taken up in our churches, or from individuals to meet our indebtedness. This policy has been very unsatisfactory to the conference, and to the publishers as well.

In taking hold of the conference work in January, we were informed that the conference owed for the publication of "Field Tidings" for over a year. This indebtedness has partially been met by donations from our churches, and drafts from other funds; but we are still behind several months in our obligation.

In looking over the subscription list, as furnished us by the publishers, we note that during the last two years that three-fourths of our subscriptions expired. This accounts for our present shortage, and back indebtedness. It must be evident to all our people that it is a wise

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move to discountine the past policy, and with the beginning of January 1, 1911, place our paper on a subscription basis, and that our conference officers collect the subscription price the same as we do for all other publications.

The monthly expense for the publication of "Field Tidings" in our Conference is about \$10.00. To meet this indebtedness by subscriptions we should have 360 subscribers. This will necessitate the placing of the paper in the homes of every family in our conference professing Present Truth. This ought to be done for various reasons. First: it will place our paper on a safe financial basis; second: it is the organ of comuniation in the conference through which we can keep before our people the progress of the work in our field; third: all our people need the paper for their own spiritual good, and the news it contains of the progress of the work in our conference and Union; thus keeping in touch with the work, and each other.

It has been thought best to begin all our subscriptions as far as it is possible for us to do so, January 1, 1911. We, therefore, ask for the hearty cooperation of all our people and a subscription from every family professing Present Truth, in our conference. Our church officers and missionary secretaries, are asked to take up this matter at once with their entire membership, and send in to our office a subscription list of every family preffessing Present Truth in their respective churches. The subscription price is thirty-five cents a year, payable in advance. All subscriptions sent in during the next two months will begin January 1, 1911. Send in your subscriptions, brethren and sisters, and let us place our paper as voted at the conference, on a financial basis. P. G. STANLEY, President.

NOTICE

WANTED,—A young man to work for his board, opportunity to attend the Training School. Address, Prof. H. S. Miller, Graysville, Tenn.

OBITUARIES

The infant son of Brother and Sister Joe Wilson of Bartow, Florida, died October 11, 1910, after several weeks illness.

A large congregation assembled at the funeral services to express sympathy to the bereaved.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from 2 Samuel 2:14. Many other scriptures were cited showing the tender care and sympathy of our heavenly Father for those who are called to mourn.

Sister Wilson has been a consistant member of the

Bartow church for a number of years and has the prayers of all, that God may sustain her and her husband in this sad hour. We point them to the soon coming of the Life Giver when the little sleeper will be called forth clothed in immortality to meet loved ones in that blessed world where death never more shall be.

"But I would not have you ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope." 1 Thes. 4:13.

"If there is anything that will endure
The eye of God because it is pure,
It is the life of a little child,
Fresh from His hand and therefore undefiled."

C. B. STEPHENSON, Alpharetta, Ga.

DIED, October 2, 1910, at his home in Cleveland, Tennessee, Elder J. F. Pogue, of the dreaded disease, pellegra. Elder Pogue was, for three terms president of the Cumberland conference. He was elected the fourth time, but was unable to serve because of his health. His long experience as a laborer endeared him to all.

We laid him to rest in Cleveland to await the summons of the Life-giver. A complete obituary will appear in the "Review."

Funeral services were conducted by Elder J. B. Locken, assisted by P. G. Stanley, and M. B. VanKirk.

CANVASSING REPORT

Southeastern Union Conference for week
ending Oct. 22

Name,	Book,	Hours,	Value.	Del.
SOUTH CAROLINA				
W. C. Rahn	S of P	40		115.25
G. B. Case	GC	47	3.00	65.90
H. Park	GC	33		35.45
J. B. Rise	DR	28		22.00
G. Jeys	GC	25		38.50
Mrs. A. L. Manous	DR	17	14.50	.75
Mrs. F. D. Hunt	PPF	8	13.70	.50
F. D. Hunt	GC	11	11.65	4.65
Miss E. Hunt	Misc	1	1.00	1.00
GEORGIA				
D. A. Fisher	GC	40	5.00	21.25
S. T. Walker	GC	25		7.00
E. E. Kurtz	PGH	31	4.00	66.00
J. A. Kimmel	PGH	20	21.50	41.65
R. O. Terry	DR	26	8.45	12.00
W. H. Tarver	DR BFL	28	20.25	
Miss E. Zook	CK	26	19.10	
NORTH CAROLINA				
W. E. Lanier	GC	20	1.00	33.50
J. W. Silver	GC	27	38.50	5.00
W. H. George	GC	30	33.50	4.50
G. L. Kerley	DR	63	22.25	173.55
M. L. Branch	DR	26	10.00	2.00
Mead Graham	CK	40	11.00	71.00
J. P. Allran	CK	47	11.00	144.00
Bertha Ingram	CK	43	8.00	34.50
Emily Ingram	CK	38	10.00	39.00
T. J. Woodall	CK	61	7.75	147.75
CUMBERLAND				
G. S. Vreeland	D of A GC	30	40.50	21.30
S. F. Reeder	PPF	14	35.20	.50
Walter Kirkham	PPF	29	11.00	.50
Mrs. A. D. Day	BFL	24	8.75	
R. A. Judy	PPF	32	35.75	
E. D. Haskell	CK	40	17.75	31.50
L. D. Wright	PPF	45	49.25	1.75
H. B. Thompson	CK	22	31.50	
W. H. Page	PPF	22	20.65	.95
M. A. Beckett	BFL	20	12.00	
Summary				
South Carolina	Total	210	43.65	284.00
Georgia	Total	206	78.30	147.90
North Carolina	Total	395	153.00	654.50
Cumberland	Total	278	161.40	56.50
Grand Total		1089	436.35	1142.90