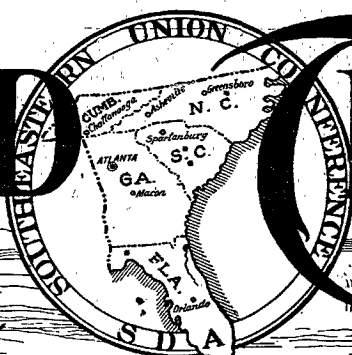


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The Sheaf of Richest Grain

He saw the ripe wheat waiting,
All glorious in the sun,
And strong and stalwart reapers
Went by him, one by one.
"O, could I reap in harvest!"
His heart made bitter cry;
"I can do nothing, nothing,
So weak alas! am I."

At eve a fainting traveler
Sank down beside his door—
A cup of cool, sweet water
To quench his thirst he bore;
And when, refreshed and strength-
ened,
The traveler went his way,
Upon the poor man's threshold
A golden wheat sheaf lay.

When came the Lord of harvest,
He cried, "O Master kind!
One sheaf I have to offer,
And that I did not bind.
I gave a cup of water
To one athirst, and he
Left at my door in going
The sheaf I offer thee."

Then said the Lord of harvest:

"Well pleased with this am I;
One of my angels left it

With thee as he passed by.
Thou mayest not join the reapers

Upon the harvest plain,
But whoso helps a brother,
Binds sheaves of richest grain."

—Selected

Love

ONLY four letters are required to
spell the greatest thing in the world;
yes, the greatest thing in all the uni-
verse of God, embracing unnumbered
worlds. Paul says, the greatest of
all the lovely attributes of God is
love. "These three, but the greatest
of these is charity",—love.

The greatest act of the greatest
Being in the universe was manifested
in the gift of His Son to die for sin-
ners on the tree. Does God really
love a sinner, one asks? The answer
comes back from calvary, "Father
forgive them for they know not what
they do." He died for sinful men.

There is nothing that can separate
one from God but sin. This terri-
ble thing, sin, has fixed its clutches
upon every soul, and if not rescued
by a power far beyond that in man,
will drag all down to eternal
death. The helpless condition of
man, who was created in the image
of his Maker, appealed to the God of
love for deliverance. The great
heart of Infinite compassion was
moved toward His lost sons and
daughters, and a plan was devised
whereby they might return to the
father's house. "For God so loved
the world that He gave His only be-
gotten son that whosoever believeth
in Him should not perish, but have

everlasting life." John 3:16. The be-
loved disciple says again, "Behold
what manner of love the Father hath
bestowed upon us that we should be
called the sons of God."

Love characterizes every thot,
word, and action of God; for God is
love. His love for us is not easily
disturbed, for "He loved them unto
the end." Our love and devotion to
His service should be of the same
nature,—not easily disturbed. As
Christ *finished* the work given Him
to do, so must we not fail along the
way, but *finish* the work committed
to us. "Love never faileth."

C. B. STEPHENSON.

Wanted

In response to urgent calls from
China, India, Argentina, Brazil,
Central America, and the West In-
dies, the General Conference Com-
mittee recently took the following
action:—

"Voted; that the Publishing De-
partment of the General Conference
be authorized to secure ten experi-
enced bookmen, and arrange with
them to come to the Foreign Mis-
sion Seminary next autumn to take a
course of special training prepara-
tory to going to foreign fields."

The circulation of the printed page
is coming to be more and more one
of the strongest factors in opening
up our work in mission fields and es-
tablishing it on a sure foundation.
In many of the foreign fields there
is already a constituency from which
native workers may be drawn, but
they need leaders to develop and di-
rect them, and it is to the home field
they look for such leaders.

During the past three years men

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have been sent from the home field to take charge of the colporteur work in South Africa, Argentina, Chile, Peru, India, Mexico, Spain and Cuba. Some of these men, especially those who went to the Spanish-speaking countries, have been leading the world in the sale of our literature.

In Mexico, John L. Brown, in twenty-nine hours, took 113 orders, amounting to \$264.00. A little later a young man, in Argentina, in twenty-eight hours, took 122 orders, value \$322. And now a report comes from Cuba, where the work is just being started, that Brother George Sandborn, in one week, took orders amounting to \$289.00. During the first two years that Brother G. H. Clark was in South Africa, he and his colporteurs sold \$50,000.00 worth of literature in that field.

These experiences show that we have already passed the experimental stage in the colporteur work in the mission fields. The following experience from Brother Harold Robinson, in Cuba, indicates how the Lord is blessing these young men in reaching a responsible class of people. He says:—

"I must tell you of my experience in a bank here. I asked for the manager as I entered, and soon had his name for a half morocco book. I thanked him, and then told him I was sure some of his men would like to see the book also. He replied that they would not buy because they were too poor. But I urged him to let me see at least one of them, so he called the accountant. He was soon intensely interested, and ordered a morocco binding. He in turn took me to three others, telling them what a good book it was, and they—those poor fellows—also ordered morocco bindings without even hearing the canvass. So there were six orders (value \$29.00) in this bank. Yesterday I secured the mayor's name for a morocco binding. Monday closed with twenty-four orders on my book (value \$91.00). Brother Sandborn took \$77.00 worth the same day."

The figures given in these reports represents North American currency. Best of all, hundreds are accepting the truth thru reading this literature. We are already beginning to see the fulfillment of the testimony which says that "in a large degree, thru our publishing houses is

to be accomplished the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power, and who lightens the earth with his glory."

We feel sure that this call will appeal strongly to many who read it. We invite correspondence with any who are willing to respond, "Here am I, Lord, send me."

N. Z. Town, *Secretary General Conference Publishing Department.*

Georgia News-items

Most encouraging reports are coming in from all our tent companies in Columbus and Savannah. The tents are hardly large enough to accommodate the crowds.

The meetings in Atlanta will be continued until June 2, after which a regular Sunday night service will be conducted. Great interest has been manifested in the subject, "Will Rome Rule America?", given in four lectures by Elder Haynes.

Pastor LeRoy Crisler recently visited Cordele, Valdosta, Albany, and Columbus. He found the believers all of good courage. Sabbath and Sunday, May 19, 20, were spent with the Alpharetta Church.

Our canvassers are having phenomenal success in taking orders for our books. It looks as if this would be our banner year in the book work.

Brother Rees Callicott and wife, from Graysville, Tenn., will have charge of the conference intermediate school at Alpharetta this year. Brother Callicott comes to us with the highest recommendations, having taught at Hazel, Ky., at Graysville, Tenn., and elsewhere. The school will open the first week in October. Accommodations will be made for any outside students who desire to attend this most excellent school.

June 2, a series of meetings began in the church building recently purchased in Savannah. Pastor LeRoy Crisler, assisted by his wife and V. J. Spaulding, has the services in charge.

Remember the place and date of our next campmeeting: Barnesville, July 25 to August 4. Let us make a supreme effort to attend.

If you think your neighbor or that passing stranger needs the truth you are enjoying, just send to the conference tract society for a supply of tracts.

Summer School

A SUMMER school for teachers was opened promptly on time, May 28, with an attendance the first day, of twenty-three, from the Southeastern Union. The enrollment is as follows: Misses Elsie Hollingsworth, Esther Mikkelson, Gradye Lea, Ruby Lea, Nellie Travis, Jessie Foote, Pattie Roberts, Minnie Hildebrand, Ilone Gallimore, Ada and Ida Acker, Bethel Skinner, Hattie West, Mr. and Mrs. Rees Callicott, Mrs. Lulu Gregory, Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Mettie S. Lenker, Professors R. V. Cory, H. S. Miller, and the writer. Elder T. H. Jeys, who is to be one of the instructors, could not be present until the 31st. Every teacher is taking hold of the work of better preparation with interest, and we feel sure will receive much benefit from the work done.

H. M. HIATT.

The following was written on the blackboard in the Training School chapel as attributes of an ideal Teacher. We reproduce it for the benefit of our readers.

TRUTHFUL
EARNEST
AFFECTIONATE
CHEERFUL
HOME-LIKE
EARLY
REGULAR
SPIRITUAL
NEATNESS
EDUCATION
EXACTNESS
DEVOTION
SIMPLICITY

South Carolina

It is our sad duty to record bereavement in the family of one of our conference workers. Little Rachel, the eighteen months old daughter of Elder and Mrs. Branson, died at Chester, S. C., May 22, after an illness of a little more than a week. All that a skilled physician and kind

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friends could do proved of no avail. Brother Clark, of Atlanta, spoke words of comfort at the tent where the services were held, and the little form was laid to rest in Evergreen Cemetery, in that city.

On Sunday night, May 26, the Spartanburg church-school, had a very interesting program for the close of school, which consisted of songs, recitations, and dialogues.

The Cherokee church-school gave its closing program on the night of May 23.

Robert Case spent Sabbath and Sunday with his parents in Spartanburg, and attended the school program Sunday night. He returned to Chester Monday.

Mrs. R. M. Carter and Miss Grace Putnam expect to sell 350 *Watchman* on their trip this week. They will spend Tuesday night at the tent in Chester. We heartily wish that others might be induced to take up this work. Write for particulars to the South Carolina Tract Society, Spartanburg, S. C.

Brother R. M. Carter is putting in some time canvassing in Chester, for "Past Present and Future", and assisting in the meetings at night.

Mrs. M. C. Kenyon and Mrs. Grace Ravan have been doing good work with our magazines in Charleston.

Miss Ada Acker started for Graysville, Monday, May 27, to attend the the summer school for teachers.

Miss Eliza Warner spent Sabbath with the Woodruff company. The Sabbath-school was reorganized on this occasion, and Brother S. H. Swingle was elected as superintendent. They are preparing to build a church in the near future.

Brother and Sister Rice, of the New York Conference, are visiting Elder and Mrs. C. F. Webster, in Charleston.

Mrs. J. A. Cleveland has returned to Spartanburg after a pleasant visit with Mrs. C. A. Webster, in Augusta, Georgia.

The memory verse cards for the third quarter are now ready and should be ordered in time. The price is seven cents a set.

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Canvassing Report

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(week ending May 18.)

Name,	Book,	Hrs.,	Ords.,	Value,	Helps,	Total,	Del.
SOUTH CAROLINA							
W. M. Fee	DR	45	18	66.00	.75	66.75	
W. T. Weaks	CK	20					75.00
J. N. R. Moore	BF	41	34	51.70		51.00	
E. N. Lewis	BF	39	24	36.00	15.00	51.00	
J. A. Bookhart	BF	49	36	51.00		51.00	
Robert Thomas	PPF	23	18	44.00	.60	44.60	
J. A. Brown	CK	39	22	33.00	4.12	37.12	
G. B. Case	CK	38	24	36.00	1.00	37.00	4.50
F. J. Hall	CK	44	19	31.85		31.85	
R. W. Case	PPF	17	11	18.50	7.60	26.10	7.00
J. S. Reynolds	BF	16	13	19.00		19.00	7.50
A. W. Cornwell	PPF	14	7	15.00	.75	15.75	
Henry Rickling	BF	12					15.00
J. B. Rise	GC	100	11	32.00	7.75	39.75	6.50
Mrs. A. W. Cornwell	PPF	14	1	2.00	1.50	3.50	4.25
Icie Arther	PPF	9	1	1.00		1.00	
Ina Carter	W,	14		16.00		16.00	16.00
Mable Mason	W,	4		10.30		10.30	10.30
Florence Putnam	W,	12		8.70		8.70	8.70

GEORGIA

J. A. Sudduth	BF	47	28	37.50	2.00	39.50	2.00
Kate Howard	BF	40	74	74.00	3.00	77.00	18.00
Dora Morris	BF	37	21	30.00		30.00	36.00
Cornelia Scroggins	BF	19					57.50
S. A. Shivers	BF	23		10.50			10.50
W. C. Cheek	CK	36	28	35.00	2.20	37.20	2.20
B. F. Brown	CK	25	10	15.00	.50	15.50	.50
N. A. Reiber	HH	14	5	16.00		16.00	8.00
L. D. Wright	GC	86	20	63.19	8.50	71.50	8.50
E. E. Kurtz	GC	29	5	19.00	1.00	20.00	1.00
S. H. Lilly	GC	40	14	43.00	1.50	44.50	1.50
M. J. Weber	PPF	65	74	117.00		117.00	32.50
Mrs. M. J. Weber	PPF	23	6	11.00		11.00	28.00
W. A. Smith	PPF	8					2.50
"	W,	4	30	3.00		3.00	3.00
Dora Morris	W,		36	3.60		3.60	3.60
Vera Lynch	L,	6	16	1.60		1.60	1.60

CUMBERLAND

R. A. Judy	PPF	43	18	28.00		28.00	
Mrs. J. D. Finley	PPF	11	13	21.00		21.00	
J. D. Finley	PPF	53	32	66.50		66.50	
W. B. Parkins	PPF	55	29	53.50	2.25	55.75	
R. E. Hicks	CK	40	18	31.00	7.45	38.45	1.00
H. N. Moore	CK	43	32	51.00	.75	51.75	.25
E. D. Haskel	PPF	44	17	28.00	15.91	43.91	2.50
Mrs. H. E. Williams	L&H, W	30		7.90		7.90	7.90
Mrs. J. D. Finley				7.00		7.00	7.00

Summary

South Carolina	Total	457	239	472.05	39.07	510.12	154.75
Georgia	Total	502	367	468.70	18.70	487.40	216.90
Cumberland	Total	319	159	293.90	26.36	320.26	18.65
Grand Total		1278	765	1234.65	84.13	1317.78	390.30

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South Carolina

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THE Charleston tent company reports a small attendance but a good interest.

Brother Manns presented the Sabbath question in Spartanburg last week.

There is quite an interest in the meetings at Chester, and it is hoped that a good company can be organized.

Mrs. C. F. Thompson and Mrs. L. D. Putnam of Spartanburg, have gone to the Takoma Park Sanitarium for treatment.

Florida Items

ELDER W. L. Bird has closed his tent meetings at Cocoa, and we hope for a report from him for FIELD TIDINGS before long.

The Conference Committee, with Elder Stephenson present, convened Monday, May 27. Some matters of importance to the work are receiving careful consideration.

By the time this issue reaches its readers the canvassers' institute will be in session.

One sister writes, "I am in receipt of your card stating that my subscription is out. I like it so much: now I will renew it." Have you renewed yet?

Elder C. B. Stephenson, our Union Conference president, spent Sabbath, May 25, with the Jacksonville church. His visit was much enjoyed by the brethren.

Letters coming to the office from various parts of the state announce plans to attend the campmeeting, which will be held in Ocala. We are glad our brethren are thinking of this occasion, and hope to see the largest and best meeting ever held in the Florida Conference. We expect to announce the date soon.

Our brethren and sisters will be glad to know that Sister Stringer has so far recovered from her surgical operation as to be able to begin assuming the responsibilities of her office again. She is still confined to her room, but her love for the Lord's work has led her to request the privilege of doing such part of the office work as may be done in her room. The operation, tho' a serious one, proved a success, and we hope that many more years of usefulness will be allotted our faithful Sister.

Commencement

IN some respects the commencement exercises at the Southern Training School were exceptional this year.

They began Sabbath, May 18, with a forceful baccalaureate sermon by Elder Stephenson, president of the Southeastern Union Conference. His text was: "Lord, what is man, that thou takest knowledge of him, or the son of man that thou makest account of him?" Ps. 144: 3. In an interesting way he showed that man has a responsibility to God and his fellow-men which he cannot shift without imperiling his hope of eternal life; every one has a work, his work, and in love to his own soul God calls after him till he either does that work or loses the eternal reward.

The sermon was very fitting for the occasion, and made a deep impression on the congregation.

Sunday night, a program was rendered by the Southern Training School Alumni Association, which we pronounce the best ever rendered by the association. Appropriate music, vocal and instrumental, was enjoyed; but what impressed us most deeply was two stirring and able

addresses by Dr. John Mitchell, and Mr. Howell Brooke. We felt both proud and grateful for the loyalty and tender memories they expressed for their Alma Mater, and we congratulate them on the success they achieved since leaving the school. They were but representatives of the many other loyal members, many of whom were present.

The Alumni History, written by Misses Philmon and VanKirk, was regarded by all as a rare treat, especially so by the members and the faculty. We enjoyed learning what measure of success was crowning the lives of our students, not the least of which belongs to our historians, for their papers will be read in four continents.

It would be unfair to close this brief account of the evening without making prominent mention of a beautiful poem by Mabel Mitchell.

A pleasant social function, by the Alumni Association and some friends, filled Monday evening. We believe this event was an occasion of lasting good.

The graduating exercises were held in the school chapel on Tuesday evening. The class consisted of four members, two graduating from the literary and two from the scientific course. Each member of the class contributed some valuable and much appreciated part to the program of the evening. We feel duly proud of their work, not alone on this occasion but during the entire student life with us.

Elder Jeys, of the Oakwood School, delivered the commencement address. Much valuable instruction was given by our brother on "The Essentials of Education". We were made to feel that the work of educating our young people is a very important and responsible one.

Not the least interesting of the closing exercises of the year, was the farewell of teachers and students on Tuesday morning. The expressions, earnest and inspiring as they were, of love to God and devotion to the third angel's message, and of loving fellowship to each other, were a source of genuine delight. We earnestly pray that the sentiments of loyalty and devotion to all that present truth stands for, will but deepen and broaden with all.