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The Two Covenants.

As the Bible presents two laws, one changeless and eternal, the other provisional and temporary, so there are two covenants. The covenant of grace was first made with man in Eden, when after the fall, there was given a divine promise that the seed of the woman should bruise the serpent's head. To all men this covenant offered pardon, and the assisting grace of God for future obedience through faith in Christ. It also promised them eternal life on condition of fidelity to God's law. Thus the patriarchs received the hope of salvation.

This same covenant was renewed to Abraham in the promise, "In thy seed shall all nations of the earth be blessed." This promise pointed to Christ. So Abraham understood it, and he trusted in Christ for the forgiveness of sins. It was this faith that was accounted unto him for righteousness. The covenant with Abraham also maintained the authority of God's law. The Lord appeared unto Abraham and said, "I am the the Almighty God; walk before me and be thou perfect." The testimony of God Concerning His faithful servant was, 'Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes and my laws." And the Lord declared to him, "I will establish my covenant between me and thee, and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee and to thy seed after thee." Gen. 26:5; 17:7.

Though this covenant was made with Adam and renewed to Abraham, it could not be ratified until the death of Christ. It had existed by the promise of God since the first intimation of redemption had been given; it had been accepted by faith; yet when ratified by Christ, it is called a new covenant. The law of God was the basis of this covenant, which was simply an arrangement for bringing men again into harmony with the divine will, placing them where they could obey God's law.

Another compact-called in Scripture "The old covenant"-was formed between God and Israel at Sinai, and was then ratified by the blood of a sacrifice. The Abrahamic covenant was ratified by the blood of Christ, and it is called the 'second,'' or ''new'' covenant, because the blood by which it was sealed was shed after the blood of the first covenant. That the new covenant was valid in the days of Abraham, is evident from the fact that it was then confirmed both by the promise and by the oath of God, the "two immutable things in which it was impossible for God to lie." Heb. 6:18.-MRS. E. G. WHITE.

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"From India's Coral Strand."

NDIA, like every mission field, has its peculiar difficulties that must be met and overcome. Our worst local condition is the caste system. This thing rules India as no sovereign could. To break caste with a native of India means moral degeneracy. The idea of moral guilt or sin attaches to it. He has defiled himself, offended the gods, and must perform certain ceremonies of cleansing and prayer in order to be restored to the favor of his fellow men and his deity. With the European to break his social custom is only to make a drain on his personal pride and no other harm attached.

In South India, Christianity has been professed for over 150 years but it is a sad fact that the great mass of the people, including the majority of those who make a profession, have been little benefitted by it. The pioneers of mission work were pious, earnest men who made solid converts, but the next generation were sons of the church by sprinkling when they were babies; and thus became Christians in name and form without experiencing true regeneration of heart.

By the various sects teaching in this country a babel of conflicting ideas has been inculcated which produce ridiculous results. The Hindu sees nothing consistent in the life of his misled brother and charges him with hypocrisy and mercenary motives in going over to Christianity. This lack of power to rightly impress the heathen is painfully visible to the missionaries of this country and there is now a movement on foot to do away with the different bodies. unite under one head and teach one creed. The logical outcome of this whole movement will be the dominance of the Roman Church which already has a powerful influence in this country. Here, as in every other country, we must work hard and fast before our opportunities are gone forever.

The message apparently goes slow in this country and it requires faith and steadfastness to stay by it year after year. But God has agencies in preparation with which we are not yet in touch, that will be called into service before the work closes for ever. It cheers our hearts to see the loyal self-denial of our people in the homeland in their efforts to supply these fields with the proper men and means. I only wish our people could get a real vision of our needs just as they confront us every day. I am sure they would feel that they were doing none too much.

Our work in South India continues to move forward in spite of prejudice and opposition. Workers are being trained to carry the truth in their own tongue to other districts. We now have two main stations in operation—the one in Tinnevelly and the other just opened in Trichinopoly about 200 miles further north under the charge of Elder Lowry. An outstation under the charge of our native workers has been opened up, eight

miles east of our headquarters. Just as fast as we can train men we expect to open up other stations. But we must have means to carry forward these stations for there is very little hope of making them self-supporting. Our medical work is carried on in connection with our evangelical efforts, thus teaching the people that God is able to heal the body as well as the soul. Just as fast as we can train school teachers and establish schools, we do so. Teaching school is one of the most effectual ways of impressing the minds and hearts of the students and influencing the parents. We have a school of eighty-five students in Tinnevelly.

J. S. JAMES.

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The Harvest Ingathering Campaign

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THIS should be the banner year for the Harvet Ingathering fund. During the last three years about \$100,000 has been gathered in from the world to aid our mission work. This has been a great help in extending the message, but this is not all that has been accomplished.

Each year hundreds of thousands of copies of our church paper, filled with choice information concerning the message for this time, has been placed in the homes of the people.

This campaign has been a great help to our own people as it has created a more active missionary spirit, and this has brought new light into many churches.

This year THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES will be used. Those who have seen the special number, say that it is fine. We ought to place over a million copies in the homes of the people this year, and gather in a hundred thousand dollars for missions.

The needs, at the present time, are greater than ever before. The openings are more than can be filled. Why should we not take hold of this with renewed energy?

I trust that all of our colored workers will see that every colored Seventh Day Adventist is encouraged to enter upon this campaign. Order your papers at once. While November and December are set apart as the special time to push the work, we can begin at once.

194,000 copies had been sent out as early as Oct. 6. A sister in San Francisco, Cal. took out five samples and received \$17.40 for missions.

May the Lord help us all to do our duty.

A. J. HAYSMER.

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The Mississippi Campmeeting

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THE Mississippi camp-meeting for colored believers was held at Meridian, August 24 to September 3, and proved to be a most enjoyable season of spiritual refreshing for those who were privileged to be present. Throughout the meeting a spirit of freedom, harmony and brotherly love prevailed. Every one seemed to have come expecting a blessing and none seemed to have felt disappointed in coming. About forty were in attendance from the states of Kentucky, Alabama, Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana. The evangelical work, directed by Elders Chatman and King, assisted by Elders Lawrence, Jordan and Clark, served to draw large crowds every night, who listened attentively to the messages presented. Fifteen earnest souls took their stand for the truth during the meetings and a good interest still continues.

Sister Lowe, our Missionary Volunteer and Sabbath school secretary for the Union was present in the interest of those branches of the work. The young people's meeting she conducted daily seemed to be full of interest to the youth who attended. Most of these were from families in the neighborhood and were not of our faith.

Brother H. G. Miller represented the canvassing work and gave some interesting studies. Quite a little sum was raised in cash and pledges for an institute fund for Mississippi canvassers. The writer, who was present during the last six days of the meeting in the interest of the medical department, gave daily talks on, health and medical subjects, with a very good interest both on the part of our people and visitors as well. About \$65.00 in pledges was raised for the Rock City Sanitarium.

We held a precious farewell meeting on Monday morning, and left feeling that it was indeed good to be there.

L. C. BLAKE

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Billy.

A^T one of the great packing houses of the West they had trouble unloading the cars of sheep that came in daily. Knowing that the sheep would follow a leader, the man in charge struck upon the following plan: He selected and trained a large ram so that when a plank was run from the plank to the floor of the car he would rush in, mingle with its inmates, then at a call from his master, he would gaily trot down the plank to the ground. The others would quickly follow, and soon all would be safely in a fold from which there was no escape until they were led to the slaughter pen.

His owner did not butcher Billy. O no! He was too valuable to be made into mere mutton and sold for a few cents a pound. On the contrary, they took good care of him, and he was well fed and protected. Have you ever noticed how the devil takes some men (church members of position and prominence preferred), whom he trains, feeds and fattens in order that he may use them to lead other men astray? It is a low calling for a Christian, that of being the devil's decoy to lead other men to destruction.

Alabama Christian Advocate.

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A Desirable Ailment

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A POOR sailor, almost ruined by drink, was induced to sign pledge for a year. When the year was out, he went and renewed it for life. He had just received his wages, and had the money in a bag in his inside pocket, when he met the tavern keeper at whose house he used to drink.

"Well, old fellow," said the tavern keeper, "how do you do?"

"Pretty well, only I've a lump here on my side."

"O!" said the other, "it's cold water does that; if you'd drink some good liquor it would soon take the lump away."

"But," said the sailor; "I have just renewed the pledge for life and I can't do it."

"Then mind what I say," said the innkeeper, "that lump will go on increasing, and very likely before another year you'll be burdened with it."

"I hope so," said the sailor, taking out his money bag and shaking it, "it's cold cash."

Forsyth News.

>>> SOUTHEASTERN UNION MISSION €€€

Newbern, N. C.

CAME to North Carolina conference by recommendation of the Union Conference Committee meeting held in Knoxville, Tenn., in March. The North Carolina committee decided that Newbern should have the first tent effort. We began June 4, and continued up to October 1. A small tent was provided but it soon grew too small. To meet the emergency, the North Carolina conference ordered a larger one. This is one of the finest field tents ever purchased for the colored work in the south. The effort has proven successful. Our attendance ranged from 450 to 700, and on Sunday nights, the average attendance was 900. The average attendance during the week was 439. The amount of donations taken up was \$235.00. The average donation per night was \$3.50; the smallest collection was \$1.25 and the largest \$11.11. Seventy are keeping the Sabbath. The Sabbath school has been increased to one hundred. The last night of the meeting, the public pledged \$250.00 on a church building. Brother Shepard has been successful in his ministerial work, and is now laboring in Merritt, N. C., with interested ones in that vicinity. Fifteen have accepted the truth there under his labors.

The president of the North Carolina conference will arrive the 13th to look over the work and to give counsel concerning future labor. There are fifty to be baptized.

Our tent effort has paid all running expenses, and turned into the North carolina Mission in the way of fixtures and cash \$102.00.

SYDNEY SCOTT.

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South Carolina

Our annual camp-meeting which closed Aug. 27 was indeed a blessing to us all, although the inclement weather interfered much with its progress. Notwithstanding this the Spirit of the Lord was deeply felt throughout the meeting. Elder J. W. Manns of Jacksonville, Fla. spent ten days with the camp and gave good instruction concerning church order and discipline.

Elder Chas. Thompson, lately from Europe, spoke to us of the wonderful providence of God in leading out this movement, and the certainty of its final triumph in the near future. Elder W. H. Branson, our president, delivered timely discourses of complete victories through faith in Christ Jesus. Brother R. M. Carter had charge of the canvassing class.

There were representatives from Greenville, Spartanburg, Sumter, Florence, Lincolnville, Johnston, Darlington, Aiken, Batesburg, Orangeburg beside the Columbia church.

We are thankful to the Lord for the onward march of the work in this state. A few accepted the truth during the meeting. At its close fifteen were baptised. A deep impression has been made upon the minds of those who witnessed the baptism.

We came to the city of Winnsboro, and began meeting at once. At the end of four weeks thirty eight took their stand on the Sabbath.

Since our return from the campmeeting we have found the way well nigh blocked. During the little stay at the camp-meeting the colored ministers made a fierce attack against us, and did the blockading. They hired Sanballats and Tobiahs, and they in return hurled all kinds of missiles against the truth We were two weeks trying to get a lot on which to pitch our tent. In fact we came very near losing out on account of our enemies going before us all the time. We were misrepresented every step of the way. But we believe that the Lord has a few souls here to be saved. Therefore he has put it into the heart of a man to let us have a lot, when we were rejected on every side. Truth has its friends and its enemies. Doubtless no one is able to stop the sun from rising. Doubtless no one is able to stop the onward march of the third angel's message.

J. F. CRICHLOW.

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THE church at Danville is of good courage. The delegates have returned from conference full of faith, courage, and plans; in fact no one hungering after righteousness could attend our recent camp-meeting and return unbenefited.

There is a pressing together in the work never seen before. The soul-stirring lessons and reports will long live in our hearts and minds.

The future is filled with promise for the colored churches. "Thousands of colored people may now be uplifted, and become human agents to help their own race, if they can receive the help God is calling upon us to give them." Testimonies, Vol. 9, page 226. The recent camp-meeting proves that the brethren believe the foregoing statement. No one in attendance could find just ground for complaint. Their patience with our failures, the outspoken interest in our developement, and their well-laid plans for aggressive work for our race must send a thrill of earnest endeavor through every heart, and arouse in us a wholesome longing for a deeper consecration to the truth.

In this state the past five years show a slow but steady growth in the seven or. ganized churches. During that period two churches have been organized, an encouraging number of accessions are recorded, three church edifices have been erected, hundreds of books, periodicals, and tracts have been distributed; and, too, there is an increasing confidence in the organized work, and a growing faith in the Testimonies. The membership is showing improvement in dress and health reform. The various offerings have also received attention; and a growing faithfulness in tithing tells of a higher spiritual life.

We are also learning that we cannot make loyal Seventh-day Adventists in the worldly institutions. The Newport News school, under Sister Jordan's direction, has continued two years, supported by the sale of literature—and that largely by the teacher. The Danville church has sustained a school for two years by voluntary contributions.

The treatment rooms in Danville, under Sister Warnick's management, have been blessed. This enterprise meets keen opposition fron the ministers, and some of the physicians. Our printing department has helped to bear some of the financial burdens. The largest part of our income from all sources has been cheerfully turned into the work. Since March 1, when the treatment room was first opened, five boarding and four local patients have been treated, and three have been treated in their homes, making twelve in all. The effort seems to have produced a good impression in the city and won friends to the cause. It also serves as a miniature school where our own people can get a practical idea of the "right arm of the message."

Brethren, the Lord means to lift us out of the mire, and polish the gems for his kingdom. Let us work on, trusting in the Lord, and seeking to keep step with the body. We can assure those unacquainted with Elder Stone, our new conference president, that he will show no less interest in the negro department than those who have occupied the presidency before him.

Courage brethren! May this year prove to be a banner year in the finishing of the work and hastening the return of our blessed Lord.

> FRANKLIN G. WARNICK. In Columbia Union Visitor

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Detroit, Mich.

WE commenced work here July 1910, with the 'Family Bible Teacher.' This worked well in many cases. While some would read the tracts with interest, others would lay them aside for some future time and eventually forget them altogether.

We soon saw that another method was needed. We tried several. At last we circulated an assortment of tracts, containing such subjects as, "Who changed the Sabbath?" "The Nature of man;" "The Origin, Work, and Character of Satan;" and several others.

On each leaflet, our name and address was placed. This worked well. Pretty soon calls began to come in for Biblereadings, and then the fight was on.

These tracts reached the leading colored ministers of the city, and several promised to meet me to set me right, but when the time came, something occurred which caused them to postpone the engagement.

Our house to house work, and distribution of literature kept the untempered mortar-makers busy filling up holes made by the bullets of truth. Thank God for the truth which enables us to stand like the brave with our faces to the foe.

Some have recently taken their stand for the truth. We have several companies in different parts of the city where Bible-readings are held, almost every night in the week. Surely the harvest in Detroit is fully ripe, but how few the laborers!

The field is too extensive, and the demands are too numerous to be met by one man. We rest in hope that God may move upon the heart of some one to join us in the fight.

Dear readers, we need your prayers, we need your means, and we need your men, that the neglected souls for whom Christ died may hear the truth.

J. W. OWENS.

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Ellisville, Miss.

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A FTER a very successful summer's work with the tent company at Meridian, Miss., and attending the campmeeting, we returned to Ellisville to take up the school work for another year. The Lord blessed us and our hearts were made glad to see those with whom we labored and prayed, renounce the world and promise by the grace of God to walk in all the commandments. We have a greater determination to do more for those who know not the truth.

Some of our pupils like to come to Sabbath school. They enjoy reading the Little Friend that we receive from time to time from our friends. We also receive Signs of the Times and other papers. These we distribute among the people.

Last week I was called to nurse a surgical case in the neighborhood. I was anxious to say something about the truth, but did not have opportunity until a day before I left when a visitor came, and telling me about his religion, gave me a chance to give the message to all that were present. They were all favorably impressed and could not deny the truth.

Remember us in your prayers.

Mrs. J. C. MILLER.

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New Churches.

N a letter from Eld. Lawrence from Louisville, Ky., we learn that the tent effort this summer has gathered in over' forty new believers. They are about four miles from the church building secured last year. This makes it quite difficult for them to attend services, so they have decided to buy a property in that locality. They have found a brick building that was built for a white church, that they can get for \$800.00.

. Elder Lawrence writes that if we can help them with \$250.00 the new company will raise the remainder in monthly payments. I feel that we should do this.

On my way from the West, I stopped at Memphis, Tenn., and found the brethren laying plans to erect a place of worship. The building they are now occupying is anything but a proper place in which to meet.

We have a good company of believers there. There are about 90,000 colored people in the county, and the prospects are good for building up a good, strong work.

While they are doing all they can to raise funds, it will be very difficult for them to lift the whole burden alone, in fact I do not see how they can do it. If we could raise two or three hundred dollars to assist them, it would be a great blessing to the work there.

I shall be glad to hear from any one who will help on either of these churches.

A. J. HAYSMER

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Philadelphia, Pa.

THE interest in Bible work continues to grow. Calls for instruction in the word of God are constantly coming in. Many marvel as the word of God is opened to them. "I never knew," they say, "that these things were in the Bible."

On Sabbath, September 9, I baptized one sister. Her husband, with others who are observing the Sabbath, will soon follow her in this ordinance. Formerly he was studying for the ministry under the Episcopalians. Surely the Lord has gone before us. Pray for the work here.

T. H. BRANCH.

WORLDLY enjoyments are but like hot waters, which, as some affirm, are soonest congealed in frosty weather. The greatest happiness of the creature, is not to have the creature for his happiness. It is far better not to have the world at all, than to have our all in the world.

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State Agent's Report for five weeks ending Sept. 2, 1911, for colored canvassers in Alabama.

Agent	Place	Book	Hours	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del
Wright Battle, Union Springs		B. F.	147	38	\$42.00	\$7.75	\$ 49.75	\$ 4.50
Geo. W. Brown, Brierfield		B. F.	64	10	13.00	2.75	15.75	84.50
J. T. Burke, Pensacola P		P.P&.F.	9	8	13.00		13.00	
Isadore Evans, Union Springs		B. F.	209	56	79.00	13 00	92.00	41.75
Chas. Griffith, Union Springs		B. F.	67	53	79.20	6.50	86.00	
S. S. Guilford, Letohatchee		B. F.	56	36	45.50	1.00	46.50	
M. L. Ivory, Alberta		B. F.	175	14	21.00	16.60	37.60	127.05
E. N. Lewis, Union Springs		B. F.	50					25.00
I. V. Peevy, Benton		B. F.	150	41	61.50	8 50	70.00	34.00
Alex. Osterman, B'gham		B. F.		4	5.00		5.00	5.00
			927	260	359.50	56.10	415.60	321.80

M.L. Ivorv has worked 1666 hours and has taken \$1120.65 worth of orders. This makes him the first in this state and I think in this union to reach the requirements necessary to have his traveling expenses paid to the Bookmen's meeting to be held in Nashville next year.

The following letter from brother Cook will be of interst.

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Mobile, Ala.

A fter finishing the tent work at Dothan,

pany there, we came to this place as the

Spirit directed us and pitched our tent

Aug. 2 on a beautiful, quiet place among

a large collection of colored people who

not to warn the people of the soon com-

ing Saviour and the preparation to

As it was said of Jesus, "The common

people heard him gladly", so it could be

said of us; the common people did hear

us gladly and among them who heard

us, six took a stand for all the com-

Brother S. D. Miller and wife from

Greenville, Miss. are in charge of the

work in this place and we believe they

The Rock City Sanitarium

The Sanitarium has enjoyed not a

large, but a steady patronage during

THOS. MURPHY,

G. E. PETERS,

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W. A. S. HENRY.

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From Aug. 2 to Sept. 10 we ceased

manifested interest in the meetings.

Ala., and leaving a good strong com-

I have been much encouraged with the delivery that I made this week. All took their book except one or two, and they seemed to be much pleased with them.

Robert Cook

R. I. Keate, State Agent.

Lately some improvements have been made on the interior of the building whice serve to make things much more attractive and inviting.

Among our latest additions to our equipment is a high frequency electrical outfit, which is giving fine results in the treatment of nervous and other disorders.

Elder Blake, our manager, has recently returned from an extended trip to Columbus, Ohio, where aside from doing some evangelistic work he had the opportunity of adding to his stock of medical knowledge.

He gained a fine surgical experience by attendance at operations at a large private hospital of three hundred rooms, where many operations are done each day. Under the direction of some of best electrotherapists of the city, he was given exceptional advantages in the line of electrotherapy, the treatment of disease by electricity.

We have been pleased to greet many of our laborers who have paid us brief visits on their way to and from their fields of labor this summer.

Among those who have thus favored us we mention Brother Frank Hall, of Jamaica, who has recently gone to Columbus, Ohio to labor; sisters L. J.

Easterling and Emily Warnick; Brother J. H. Lawrence, Brother Ragland, late of Berrien Springs, who is to labor this coming year in Birmingham, and others.

Sister Myrtle Toles and her cousin, Sister Estella Tolliver, both nurses at the sanitarium were called to Columbus, Ohio, Sept. 15 on account of the death of Sister Toles' mother. The news came as a surprise and shock to us all as she had seemed to be in the best of health just a few days before. His death was due to heart trouble of long standing.

Sister Myrtle and the rest of the family have our heartfelt sympathy in this hour of sorrow.

We trust that any of the Herald readers in our vicinity will not fail to do what they can from time to time to encourage those of their friends and neighbors who are ill to visit the Sanitarium.

We need your assistance along this aline. We have a very well equipped institution and facilities for helping the sick, but we need you to help us find the people who need the treatment. We aim to make rates within the reach of all. Write us.

> L. C. BLAKE, M. D. đ

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Mississippi Campmeeting

THIS campmeeting, held Aug. 24 to Sept. 3 was located in a beautiful grove within one block of the street car line. The attendance of our people was beyond our expectation. The weather was favorable, and the presence of the visiting friends was a proof of their appreciation. Our tent was crowded nearly every night.

The presence of Elders C. F. McVagh, C. P. Bollman, F. R. Rogers, W. S. Lowery, S. A. Jordan, J. H. Lawrence, and others was highly appreciated. Pledges were taken to the amount of \$82. As a result of our tent effort here during the summer, many souls took a stand for the truth. A number of them have been baptized and there are more to follow. This is the first effort made here for the colored work. We are praying for centinued success.

A. C. CHATMAN,

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J. W: OWENS' address is now 347 Alexanderine St., Detroit, Mich.

Society for Minding Other People's Business.

AVE you ever been acquainted with a member of this lodge? It is a very popular order. Its grand lodge is located at Tattletown at No 1. Gossip Street. Subordinate lodges are found in almost every community. , The password is "They say." On entering the lodge, the novitiate must give evidence of two conditions.-

1. He must not have much business of his own.

2. He must know how to find fault with what others do.

Not much skill to do better is required. Just to see the other man's mistakes is the principal thing, together with a willingness to talk about them.

Each member is required to carry constantly with him a double acting observation glass.

The glass is so constructed that when looking at faults, they are greatly magnified, but when observing virtue and goodness, these are much reduced.

One of the peculiarities of the by-laws is that it only requires two members in good standing to constitute a quorum to do business. There are no regular lodge rooms, but wherever there happens to be a quorum present, the work of the order is carried on.

Subordinate lodges are constantly being organized and if you are a member in good standing, you may gain admittance to the business sessions by advancing to the outer door and giving three distinct knocks against some one. The outside sentinel will then advance and you will give the password in a whisper, at the same time glancing mysteriously over your left shoulder. This will admit you to all the privileges of the lodge.

The writer hastens to add that he is not a member of the lodge, and if anyone should inquire how he happens to know so much about it, will say that he has been acquainted from time to time with people who are members.

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Clothing

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OUR Mission schools have opened again and there is a call for clothing. The friends of the colored work have done well in the past and have aided many children to attend school, who could not have done so, otherwise.

We are sure that there are many who the eyes of the Lord. could collect some clothes fron their neighbors, either for grown people or children, and could in this way help this work very much.

Those who have anything to send may write me and I will tell them where to ship it.

If our teachers who need clothing will write to me, stating the address where the freight must be sent, we will try to supply them so far as possible.

A. J. HAYSMER,

536 Fifth Ave. S., Nashville, Tenn. do

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Talks To My Students

Opportunity At Oakwood. You are gathered at Oakwood to re-

ceive an education that will fit you for the work God would have you do. Satan will leave no plan untried to divert yon from your purpose. These advantages here offered, if slighted or neglected will only be an added grief to you at that day when each one is judged. I beg of you not to regard lightly your privileges, nor be betrayed into letting a spirit of murmuring take possession of your mind.

Rats

I am wondering how I shall speak this time so you will not be offended, and yet not think me joking. I do not refer to the little gray furred rodents that infest our corn cribs and gnaw holes into our bins of grain. The rats I speak of are not the kind that would make our girls scream and jump up on chairs, but that useless and altogether more obnoxious kind that is worn in the hair of some of the world's women, and-must I say it?-are sometimes found on the heads of our own girls.

Why are they worn? This is one of the mysteries that has never been solved. They are not pretty. They are not comfortable. They are not dece - no I better not say that. Why will any girl who wishes to be thought sensible or pretty, place on her head that which proclaims her vain and shallow and which certainly adds nothing to her personal charms?

Girls, take the advice of one who would not willingly direct you astray, and leave these useless attempts at ornamentation to the vain and frivolous woman of the world who know nothing of the ornament of a meek and quiet

The Two Kingdoms.

The Bible describes two kingdoms. The failure to recognize this evident fact, causes much confusion of thought. Both are called the Kingdom of heaven. One is now present. The other is to come. The present is the Kingdom of Grace. The future is the Kingdom of Glory.

The subjoined diagram exhibits the peculiarities and similarities of each, placed in parallel columns.

The Kingdom of	The Kingdom of				
Grace.	Glory.				
Time now	Time future				
Luke 17:20:21.	Matt. 25:31.				
Throne now	Throne future				
Heb. 14:16.	Matt. 25:31.				
Heathen now	Heathen then				
Acts 2:21.	Ps. 2:9.				
Jesus' work now	Jesus work then				
Matt. 1:21	2 Thes. 2:8.				
How inaugurated	How inaugurated				
Matt. 13.	Isa. 28:21.				
Unseen now	Seen then				
Luke 7:20.	Rev. 1:7.				

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To a Newly Wedded Pair

 \mathbf{V} ou are now standing at the threshold of either very great happiness, or extreme sadness and disappointment. Which it shall be depends upon yourselves.

You have just spoken in the presence of these witnesses the vows that unite your lives and all your interests. In your hearts, you have felt the need of that close personal sympathy that can only be found in the wedded state. God placed this instinct in the heart. It is right that these needs should be supplied.

You have probably been advised. People have looked wise and have told you not to be "spoony" or act silly during the first few months of wedded life.

In your anxiety not to appear silly, do not make the mistake of repressing every expression of affection. As the months go by let the words of loverly kindness be increased rather than diminished. If some one calls you "soft," do not be overmuch grieved, for that is not the worst adjective that could be applied.

After some few years of observation, I spirit which is of such priceless value in have noticed that the man and woman

who continue to be lovers, are *not* the ones who figure in the divorce courts.

Do not grow commonplace. Do not adopt the low aimed motto that your market is now made. If you wish to be happy you must supply the conditions.

No, your "market" is not made so secure that you are now at liberty to ignore all the little amenities that you have practised hitherto.

It does no harm for the husband to tell the wife how dear she is to him, and how much he appreciates her good qualities. And if the wife will be as careful to wear a becoming gown and have her hair nicely brushed as she was in those days when she saw her lover only once a week, great dividends in the satisfaction market will be realized.

Love is a plant of tender growth. It must be watered with showers of kindly words and be fertilized with unselfish deeds. The sunshine of patience and good cheer must be abundant, and the blight of moroseness and boorishness carefully guarded against. The soil should be frequently stirred by gentleness and loving-kindness.

Expensive? Yes, but the crop abundantly pays for the outlay. Try it, my dear friends, try it.

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The Nonsuch Professor

A NOTHER singular principle by which a Christian should walk, is this; that duties can never have too much attention paid to them, nor too little confidence placed in them.

The Christian owes nothing to his corruptions, but their crucifiction. "Therefore, brethren, we are debtors; not to the flesh, to live after the flesh." Where God becomes a donor, man becomes a debtor. The debt of sin is mercifully discharged for him, that the debt of service might be willingly discharged by him.

Every created thing has its bounds, but grace has none. In true godliness there is no excess. Those wells which are of God's digging, can never be too full of water. He delights to see the trees of righteousness, laden with the fruits of righteousness.

Though faith alone justifies the soul, yet that faith which justifies the soul is not alone. Whatsoever trees are without their fruits, that also is faith without good works. In proof of sanctification, good works cannot be sufficiently magnified: but in point of justification, good works cannot be sufficiently nullified. The lamp of duty can only shine clearly, as it is trimmed with the oil of mercy.

The most famous Roman Pilots, when they have approached the shore, have quitted the bottom of merit, to sail in the bark of mercy, crying out, "Our greatest safety is to rest only in mercy of God." The law of God is such a master as to require the whole duty without mitigation; and the mercy of God is so good a benefactor, as to be capable of pardoning every transgression without limitation. He who ignorantly trusts in the former, will feel his angry sword: and he who, as lost and helpless, trusts in the latter, shall be enabled to touch the golden sceptre.

Most that perish, it is not their disease which kills them but their physician. They think to cure themselves, and this leaves them incurable. Good works are so indigent, that no man can be saved by them; and yet so excellent, that no man can go to heaven without them.

It would be well for God's members if it were with them as it is with skillful mariners, who have their eyes on the stars; and their hands at the stern. The self-righteous man is too prone to wrap himself in his religious duties: but this is making bad worse, for he who vainly thinks to wipe off old scores by his merit, does but increase his enormous debt.

"Now we know that what things so ever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law, that every mouth may be stopped." How shall any mouth be opened to plead guiltless, when God has stopped every mouth with its own guilt? It is in vain to stand up and plead innocence before him who is all eye, to see the blackest flesh under the whitest feathers; and the foulest heart under the fairest act.

Reader, though good works may be our Jacob's staff to walk with on earth, yet they cannot be our Jacob's ladder to climb to heaven with. To lay the salve of our services upon the wounds of our sins, is as if a man who is stung by a wasp should wipe his face with a nettle; or if a person should busy himself in supporting a tottering fabric with a burning fire-brand. It is the greatest folly to expect profit from that which is unprofitable. could we have done all that was commanded us, yet without the mercy of God, all that we could have done would certainly undo us.

When the river fails us in its supplies of water, we then look up to the clouds for moisture. If Christ breathe not into our religious services, it is impossible to grow under them. That which is true in philosophy is not always true in divinity. One says, "That the purest elements have the least nourishment." But by the doctrines of the other the reverse is true.

It was not the tempered clay that cured the blind man, but Christ's anointing his eyes therewith. That was more likely, without him, to make a seeing man blind, than a blind man see. Thus, though we may receive our spiritual sight in the ordinances, yet it is not the ordinances which give us sight.

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wish to thank all the brothers and sisters for their prayers and encouraging letters sent to me during my severe illness from August to October. The Lord blessed me during that time with many friends who were so kind and attentive. I've learned many precious lessons, especially Rom. 8:28 Job 36:22. With renewed strength I've taken up the work again by faith, both to "Will and to do'' with my might what my hands find to do. The workers in our church are up and doing, full of courage and faith. The shirkers are down and discouraged, void of faith.

Sister B. Whitehead, on St. Simons Island, has been quite sick for three months; let us all remember her in our prayers.

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READER, did you never hear a rich man complain of the want of riches? Tho he has enough to support, he has not enough to content him. If there be not enough in the world to satisfy the senses of men, how should there be enough to satisfy the souls of men? The earth is not a satisfying substance but a fleeting shadow.



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Oakwood Items.

OUR campus is now lighted on dark nights by two 600 candle-power gasoline mantle lamps. These lamps are the donation of the Best Light Co. of Canton Ohio.

Since our last report thru the columns of Gospel Herald, new students have arrived from Jamaica, Louisiana, Alabaina, Mississippi, South Carolina, North Carolina, Texas, Tennessee, Georgia, Florida, Kentucky and Virginia.

Atlanta to perform surgical work.

The new bakery is now in successful operation and turns out excellent bread.

Our carpenter boys, with Dr. Martinson to direct, are now building a coal shed just north of the bakery and west of the dining room.

Because of the sudden fall in temperature some of our boys were called upon to work in the night to cover bulbs. Of course this was cheerfully done and no loss was sustained. As rapidly as possible all our perishable crops are being gathered. Soon the work of finishing our cisterns will be taken up. Brother Harris, our farm superintendent plans also for the building of about five miles of fence during the winter. So if there are any who are looking for a place where there is no work, they would better not come to Oakwood.

THE GOSPEL HERALD

The Oakwood school board met at Oakwood Sept. 20-21, for the transaction of business pertaining to the work of our school. Much business was despatched in the short time the board were together. There were present Elders C. F. McVagh, Charles Thompson, A. J. Haysmer, C. P. Bollman, F. R. Rogers, Prof. C. J. Boyd and Brother W. H. Williams. Among the new accomodations decided upon we mention the new steam drill. This is a much and long needed appliance that will enable us to utilize our excellent rock quarry in making graded roads.

The general policy is only to undertake such industries as can be utilized in giving work to our students by which they may earn their way.

Saturday night, Nov. 4, Dr. M. M. Martinson gave an interesting talk on tuberculosis. The lecture was illustrated by stereopticon views.

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The Orphanage.

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W^E are glad to be able to announce that the orphanage for colored children at Huntsville, Ala. is about finished, and we trust that we shall soon be ready to receive the orphans that have been waiting to come.

At the council just held in Washington, a definite action was taken, which if carried out by all the conferences, will provide the funds to maintain this work.

The conferences comprising the Southwestern, Southern, and Southeastern unions were asked to give one half, and all other conferences in this country one fourth of the collection taken on the first Sabbath in April, for the support of this work.

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North Alabama.

O^N July 10th myself and tent company left Decatur where we had been working for the past six weeks, for Birmingham. Through the advice of the field Secretary, Bro. Alexander Osterman was left to look after the interest in the former place. I have received very encouraging reports from this brother, since we have been here which shows the Lord is blessing his labors. I am planning to visit him in a few days hence. July 24th we held our first meeting in the tent in Birmingham; by this time my company was cut in two—from six to three, the opposite of what it should be for such an important city.

The attendance from the start was good especially on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday nights, and a good interest has been shown in the truths presented.

The earnest co-operation of the church members in the tent work is deserving of special notice; their regular attendance, earnest prayers, and deep interest for the success of the work, revealed a church, consecrated and deeply interested in the salvation of their countrymen. Said a sister to me, "Never has the church been in such a spiritual condition as at the present time."

In the midst of my meetings I became so hoarse that I could not preach. Bro. W. C. Wales of the white church came to my relief and spoke for me two consecutive Sunday nights.

We are about to close our tent effort for this season.

As soon as I return from my quarterly, visits I expect to go to Anniston city where I may work this fall. Pray for us.

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East Palatka, Fla.

O^{UR school opened Sept. 4.} There were six pupils the first week. By the 18th the number had increased to eleven. More are coming when the public school is closed in December. It is encouraging to see the interest that the pupils are manifesting in their, studies. My desire is that the truth be carried into the homes of these children, and thus more souls be added in the Kingdom. East Palatka is much in need of a worker. Not having a shepherd, some of the sheep are gone astray. But, never the less the interest is kept up Sabbathschool is progressing nicely. We are very soon to begin our "Young People Volunteer Society."



A believer is like the mariners compass; which is governed by the constant heavens, and not the variable winds.