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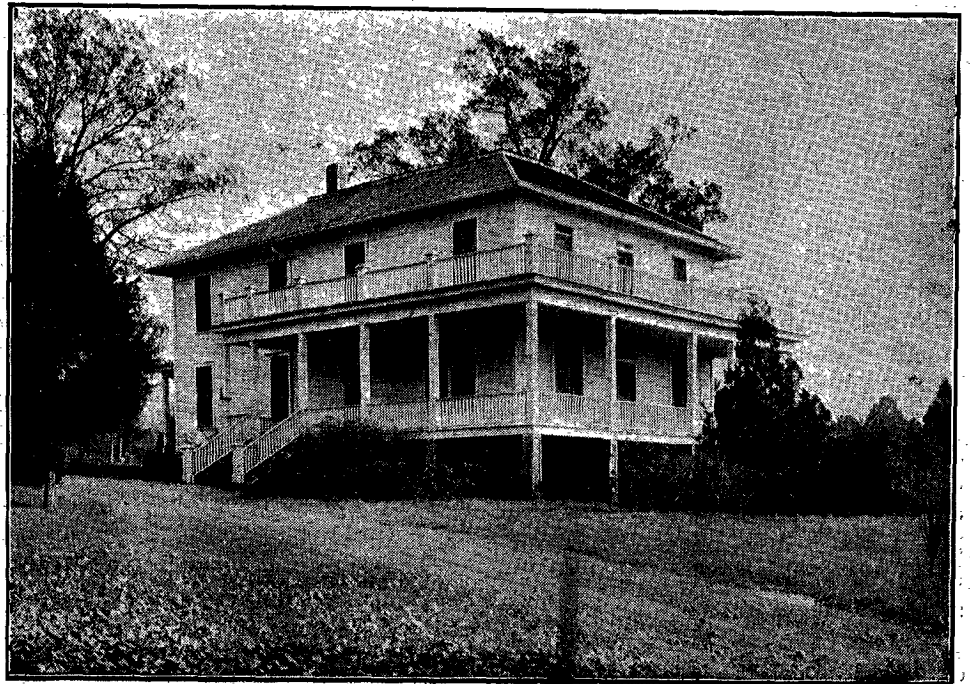
We are told that the Medical work is the right arm of the message. As the right arm of the body is under the direction of the mind, one of the greatest aids in performing physical work, so the Medical work, the Gospel of Health, guided by the Spirit of God, will aid in the proclamation of the Third Angel's Message to the world.

Christ, recognized the importance of caring for the body as well as the soul, and in His work it went hand in hand with the giving of the Gospel. "Our Lord Jesus Christ came to this world as the unwearied servant of men's necessity. He took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses; that He might minister to every need of humanity. The burden of disease and wretchedness and sin He came to remove. It was His mission to bring to men complete restoration; He came to give them health and peace and perfection of character.

"Varied were the circumstances and needs of those who besought His aid, and none who came to Him went away unhelped. From Him flowed a stream of healing power, and in body and mind and soul men were made whole." *Ministry of Healing* p. 17.

Christ was the "Great Physician," the greatest Medical Missionary the world has ever known. His ability to heal the body was the most convincing proof of His power to forgive sin. "But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins," He said to the palsy, "Arise, take up thy bed, and go into thine house." Matt. 9:5.

Oftentimes it is difficult, on account of prejudice, to find an opening for the reception of the message. In such a case a working knowledge of the simple methods of treatment and prevention



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of disease will be the worker's most valuable aid. It will break down prejudice and serve as an entering wedge for the more important truths of the Gospel.

Not only physicians and nurses, but ministers, teachers, and Bible Workers, all who have a part in giving this message should be educated in ways of caring for the sick. They should also be able to teach the people the simple principles of healthful, hygienic living.

From a Special Testimony concerning the work of the Oakwood School we quote the following;—

"The students of the Huntsville school are to be given a training in many lines of service.

"In no place is there a greater need of genuine gospel Medical Missionary work than among the colored people in

the South. Had such a work been done for them immediately after the proclamation of freedom their condition today would have been very different. Medical Missionary work must be carried forward for the colored people. This will open doors for entrance of Bible truth.

"Years ago we should have been training colored men and women to care for the sick. Plans should now be made to do a quick work. Let promising colored youth— young men and young women of good character be given a thorough training for this line of service. Let them be imbued with the thought that in all their work they are to proclaim the Third Angel's Message. Strong, intelligent, consecrated colored nurses will find a wide field of usefulness opening before them.

"The Lord Jesus Christ is our example. He came to the world as the servant of mankind. He went from city to city, from village to village, teaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing the sick. Christ spent more time in healing than in teaching.

"As our example, Christ linked closely together the work of healing and teaching, and in this our day they should not be separated. In our schools and sanitariums, nurses should be trained to go out as Medical Missionary evangelists. They should unite the teaching of the gospel of Christ with the work of healing.

"The Lord has instructed us that with our training-schools there should be conducted small sanitariums, that the students may have opportunity to gain a knowledge of Medical Missionary work. This line of work is to be brot into our schools as a part of the regular instruction. Huntsville has been especially pointed out as a school in connection with which should be facilities for thoroughly training consecrated colored youth who desire to become complete nurses and hygienic cooks. Let us rejoice that the managers of our Huntsville school are now planning to carry out this instruction without further delay. Let us help them make Huntsville a strong training center for Medical Missionary workers.

The Oakwood Sanitarium has been established in response to this urgent need of facilities for the training of workers in this important line of service. Located, as it is, in connection with our training school at Huntsville it offers opportunity, not only for those who choose to take the nurses course, but also to others who are preparing to work as ministers, teachers, or Bible Workers, to receive instruction along Medical Missionary lines. It is very important that all workers should be familiar with methods of treating the more simple, common maladies, how to give assistance in case of accident or emergency, and what is even more important, to prevent disease by living in accordance with laws of health; laws which God has established and upon which His divine seal is placed as truly as upon the moral law.

We are now offering to those who wish to become nurses, a strong two year's course. In this course our aim

is, not so much to train workers to labor along professional and commercial lines; (altho this is not lost sight of,) but to give them a practical training that will enable them to do efficient, aggressive work for God among our colored people of the South. We are endeavoring to make the theoretical training as thorough as possible and the practical work, is gained in caring for illnesses which are continually occurring in the school and the immediate neighborhood.

While we are grateful for the interest our people are now taking in this work we feel to urge upon both our students and the workers already in the field that greater interest and enthusiasm be shown in this very important branch of the Lord's work. **ETTA L. REEDER.**

### The Last Generation in Type

**J**OHN the Baptist was a type of those who will live at the time when the Lord shall appear. Matt. 11:11-15. In preparing the way for the first Advent of Christ he was a representative of those who are preparing a people for our Lord's second coming.

The voice of John which sounded in the fact that God's Messiah was about to be revealed, continued until John cried, "Behold the Lamb of God!" The word was verified in that generation.

The message announcing the second coming of Christ, and calling upon men to prepare to meet God will continue until it will cry out in the Divine exaltation at the revelation of Jesus in the clouds of heaven, "This is our God he will save us," Isa. 25:9." John's generation had three opportunities. All three of which it rejected: 1st. John's message which stirred the nations; 2nd, Christ's message and its mighty works; 3rd, Pentecost when the spirit was poured. A spirit filled church again caused the nations to be aroused and this church in less than forty years carried the Gospel to every creature Col. 1:23.

To the last generation a three fold opportunity will be given, which, when rejected will bring the day of wrath Rev. 14: Those who heard John's message saw it fulfilled and lived until Jerusalem was destroyed and the nation dispersed.

One generation covered this experience and work. The generation which hears the voice proclaiming Christ's second advent will continue until the message is fulfilled, and to those who look for him Christ will appear the second time without sin unto salvation. Heb. 9:28.

**J. M. GILLAM.**

### Littig, Texas

**I**HAVE just closed a meeting at Littig, which is a colored settlement. From the beginning of the meeting there was much interest manifested on the part of the people. But, as usual, when the testing points were reached, the crowd grew smaller. This being a farming community, hundreds were kept from attending as they might have done under more favorable conditions, as many were too busy with their crops to attend.

At the close of the meeting three showed their faith by standing for the commandments of God.

On the last Sunday of the meeting I held a temperance rally. This was well attended in spite of a threatening storm. A nice program was rendered by local talent. Judge Webb, a white lawyer from Elgin, gladly responded to my invitation and made the main speech of the day. His remarks were well framed and convincing. At the end of the program I received eleven signers to the temperance pledge.

Altho I was compelled to work all alone, as far as human aid was concerned, the Lord was with me and I received many helpful experiences and blessings.

I am now in San Antonio, where one more has taken a stand for the truth. It was here that I recently had the privilege of baptizing two souls. The work here is onward.

On my last visit to Houston, two took their stand for the truth and united with the church at that place.

At Chapel Hill there are two who have recently accepted the truth, and these are anxious that I bring the tent to follow up a good interest that is reported there.

From here I go to Weimar to open a meeting soon. Pray the Lord of the harvest that He may send forth laborers into this needy field. I am the only worker for these thousand of perishing souls. Although I am compelled to work alone, I know that God is with His work and workers and I praise Him for what He has done here.

**R. L. BRADFORD, Jr.**

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### Notice

The present address of Elder G. E. Peters is 702 West Main St., Chattanooga, Tenn.

**Within the Reach of All**

"THE Lord gave the word: great was the company of them that published it." Ps, 68:11.

"The silent messengers of truth should be scattered like the leaves of autumn." *Testimonies for the Church.* Vol. IV, p. 802.

These statements give us a picture of what should be seen in these last days. There should be a great army of people scattering broadcast over the land the pages which contain the closing message. In a measure this is being fulfilled, but the army is not yet large enough, nor the number of publications great enough, to meet the mind of the Lord, or the needs of the world.

What can we do to increase the work? There is one simple, and workable plan, which is within the reach of all. At the beginning of 1917 the papers we have known as the *Review Extras* are to be made into a regular periodical, issued bi-monthly, and known as the *Present Truth*. The publishers plan to start a special list, in which will be included all names sent in by January 1, 1917, to which the *Present Truth* will be sent for one year for the small sum of twenty-five cents. This means that every two weeks these people will receive a paper containing one phase of the third angel's message, and in the year all the leading features of this truth will be covered. The articles are written by our most experienced men, and the papers are well illustrated and attractive in appearance.

A list of this sort began with October 1, 1916. It was worked up hastily, and not as widely advertised as it might have been with advantage, but it resulted in over 30,000 names being sent in. This means that 720,000 papers will find their way into the homes of the people through this one effort.

What shall we make the second list? Instead of 30,000, why not 100,000? Send in the names and addresses of your friends and relatives living in the United States and Canada, who are not in the truth, to your tract society, with 25c to pay for the subscription. Send in names and addresses of people living in your city or town that you find are hard to reach in other ways, wealthy people upon whom you cannot call, exclusive people, who hold themselves aloof from

efforts to give them light. The mail can reach people who are accessible in no other way and we should look out for people of this kind.

Another class of people we may reach by this plan are those who live in the sparsely settled districts. There are places where there are no churches, and where a minister is seldom seen. Efforts should be made to get the names and addresses of people living in such places as these, and send them in to be supplied with *Present Truth*. Many honest souls would doubtless be found if this were done.

"Behold, I will send for many fishers saith the Lord, and they shall fish them; and after will I send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain, and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks." Jer. 16:16.

The time has come when we should hunt out these people and see that they are given an opportunity to prepare to meet the Lord. Let us seek for ways and means of obtaining the names and addresses of those who live in the hills and mountains, and send them in for the *Present Truth*.

What do you say? Shall the next list reach 100,000? Send in all the names and addresses you can, from one upwards, and build up a big list of messengers going out each month to carry light and truth into many homes.

EDITH M. GRAHAM.

**The Colored Work in North Texas**

It has been about three months since we reported our work from this field. We closed our camp meeting at Ennis, Texas, with a few taking their stand for the truth. Five were ready for baptism, but because of the lack of water in the places usually used for this purpose we were compelled to postpone this important ordinance. The candidates all promised to be faithful and to stand ready for the ordinance at the earliest occasion.

About September 15 we had our tent meetings going nicely in Fort Worth, although we found it very hard to hold the people to a regular attendance, as there were a number of other revivals in town, among which was the Ham-Ramsey meeting. We were compelled to close our tent effort because of sickness and cool nights. Elder Murphy

and his wife have returned to their work in Waco. The writer, with his family, is staying by the interest created as the result of the tent effort. We have about four families who are just waiting to see what kind of a place we can find for our worship.

There are no Adventists in Fort Worth but my self and family, so in this great city of 99,000 inhabitants we need the prayers of God's people that we may keep well to work for our colored people here. My wife is not very well, consequently cannot take an active part in the Harvest Ingathering work, but I have ordered fifty copies for myself. The Corsicana church made a big order last Sabbath, October 7.

While we have not seen as large a number accept the Message as we have hoped for, yet we are not discouraged. Pray for the honest in heart here that we may be able to reach them and lead them in the light of present truth.

E. M. GATES

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A WEALTHY and influential Hindu gentleman, who is a high government official in India, was presented with a copy of "Desire of Ages." He wrote some months later saying that the book had had a wonderful influence over his life. In fact, he was almost persuaded to become a *Christian*. He added, "I read it one half hour every night before I retire; and it calms my heart and I have excellent rest." Upon seeing the advertisement of "Great Controversy" and Patriarchs and Prophets," he immediately ordered them in the best binding. He has offered us a splendid property in Bombay for one year, rent free, if we would open treatment rooms in that city.—*Australian Record*

My father, Elder R. C. Horton, met with a serious accident Friday November 3 by a large auto crashing into his rig throwing him from the buggy on to the hard brick pavement.

An electric storm was raging at the same time and as he saw the lightning and heard the thunder he thought he was struck and knew nothing more until he found himself at the Brunson Hospital, with his arms and limbs paralyzed. He most earnestly requests the prayers of all the brethren for his speedy recovery.

MRS. HATTIE BENTON

### The Election of Officers

**A**s the time of the year approaches when our churches choose their officers for the different departments of the church work, it behooves those who lead out and have the oversight of churches as well as the churches themselves, to pray earnestly, and seek God for divine light and guidance in the matter of selecting these officers. Only such should be chosen as really give evidence of consecration and capability to do the work demanded at this time.

We are living in solemn times. The work of God in every place needs workers who have an "understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do." I Chron. 12:32. Therefore, no one should be selected for any post thru favoritism, for such an one will surely serve as a mere figure-head!

#### SELF-SUFFICIENCY

There are always those who feel self-sufficient, and who, like Absalom, became dissatisfied over others' disposition and work, exclaiming, "Oh, that I were made judge" (elder, deacon, or S. S. Supt.) "then would I make things go!" See II Samuel 15:4. Self-sufficiency leads to rebellion even against God's anointed. See also Numbers 16. This spirit is of Satan. Isa. 14:13,14; Dan. 7:25. Should such people's clamor be satisfied by appointment to offices, they must surely make a failure of God's work.

Special heed should be given to the qualifications called for in God's word. See I Tim. 3:1-1:3; Tit. 1:5-11; I Pet. 5:1-3; Acts 6:1-7.

In some cases changes must be made for various reasons, chiefly because all have talents to be developed, and because all of us do not have the same gifts; but thru it all, let all things be done "decently and in order", "each esteeming others better than themselves" I Cor. 14:40; Phil. 2:3.

There should be no monopoly in God's work, where others are available to cooperate. Especially should care be taken where there are several in one family in the church. By a study of pages 53-56 Volume III of the *Testimonies*, it will be seen that it is not right for several members of a family to hold offices, where there are others capable of bearing responsibilities.

#### HUMILITY NEEDED

While it is not right to shirk, yet it is true that God can better use the one, who thru humbleness of mind and spirit, feels insufficient for responsible places. He "resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble". "Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up". Jas. 4:6,10.

The truly converted, while feeling his littleness and unworthiness, will, nevertheless be at God's disposal, willing to accept even the position of a "doorkeeper" in the house of the Lord and work devotedly for God with a fervent spirit, not as "men-pleasers" but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart; with good will doing service as to the Lord, and not to men; knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether he be bond or free." Eph. 6:6-8.

A. N. DURRANT.

### The Ingathering at Oakwood

**A**LTHO some individual work had been previously done, it was not until Monday, Nov. 13, that the students and teachers of the Oakwood School made any concerted effort to do their share in the raising of our annual Harvest Ingathering offerings for Missions. In the next few days we visited most of our friends and acquaintances in the surrounding country and in the city of Huntsville, laying before them the needs of our mission fields and offering them the opportunity to help us bear the financial burden of their support.

The teachers went out the first day, Monday, and from the reports that were rendered in the evening chapel service, it was evident that they had thoroughly enjoyed the day's experience and had also gathered a nice sum for missions. The next day, altho the weather was the coldest of the season, about twenty of our boys and girls got into the automobiles and carriages that were provided, or went on foot into the surrounding country loaded with Ingathering Signs and filled with an energy and enthusiasm that was good to see and feel.

That evening as we gathered for the experience meeting in which the students related the happenings of the day, it was with shining eyes and eager voices that they came forward one after another and related "how great

things God hath done for us." All had been successful in a greater or less degree in getting donations, many had found opportunity to point sin-sick ones to Jesus, some had found suffering ones whom they had helped, and all had learned lessons of the need of the great harvest field, and many expressed their determination to re-double their efforts to get a preparation and quickly go out with the message of love and mercy.

Our Ingathering campaign was a success, from other than a financial stand point altho over \$100.00 was raised for missions. Our greatest blessings came in the experiences we ourselves gained and we were made to realize more than ever before that truly this Ingathering work is a plan of Jehovah's own devising.

### The Founder of Millennial Dawnism Dead

**EN ROUTE** from Los Angeles, California, to New York on October 31, Pastor C. T. Russell died of heart disease at the age of sixty-four years.

In his death Millennial Dawnism loses its greatest champion. He certainly has shown great skill and energy in the propagation of one of the greatest soul-destroying errors of modern times.

It could not be reasonably hoped that with his death, like Dowieism, it would come to an end, for Mr. Russell has planted his baneful belief in every country in the world thru his literature that has been so thoroughly scattered an thru the public press, while Dowieism was largely confined to Zion City in Illinois.

Seventh-day Adventists would do well in displaying the energy that Millennial Dawnists do in the distribution of their literature.

K. C. RUSSELL.

### Help the Naked Colored Children

**A**MID the busy oil surroundings of Muskogee there are those who are very very poor in this world's goods. Many children of the colored people wear clothes you would be ashamed to look at. Some of these as the case always is, have found their way into our Sabbath School. We must not turn them away; they are diamonds in the rough. This truth will polish them up. Send us a few boxes and barrels of old clothes and shoes for boys and girls big and little. Address all stuff to Elder M. G. Nunes, Muskogee, Okla.

### Remarkable Deliverance of English Brethren in the Allies' Army

**T**HEAR Brethren: No doubt during the past few days you have realized that in all probability it would not be smooth sailing for us. We, too, fully realized this fact more than you could have done, yet fully confident of the future and persuaded that we are standing for the right, we keep on smiling. Since we have been in France we have been brought before the captain four times in regard to the Sabbath. It was not in his power to grant us exemption from duty on the Sabbath, as he was subordinate to other officers. We feel sure, however, that he did his level best for us. After he had spoken to us we could not help admiring him for his courtesy and consideration to us. Altho we could not see with him that the work we were doing during the week was a necessity on Sabbath, yet we could understand how that from his standpoint as a military officer he could not look at things otherwise than he did.

"On Friday night we were all together in the hut, and had such a happy time. We considered the matter as the captain had requested, but our sacred trust and duty to God was ever before us. The greatest difficulty then seemed to be not the almost certain punishment for refusing to obey orders, but to have to disappoint our captain, for he had the esteem of us all.

The next morning was Sabbath, and at 9:30 o'clock a. m. we were ordered as usual to the docks to work, and we of course refused. Then follow a scuffle with one of the sergeants, who tried to force us down. Brother—— was handled rather roughly. We were advised, however, to go down to the docks and there refuse to work. This we did, and the difficulty which might not otherwise have been avoided was passed over. When we reached the docks our names were taken, and for an hour and a half we were placed in full view of the laboring men. We were the gazing-stock of the men and officers alike, and the reason why we were there went round like wild fire. You would imagine that we had heaps of ridicule, but there was none. On the other hand, many came up to us, and we were able to show them that the seventh day is the Sabbath of God, and how he requires each one to observe it.

"At the end of an hour and a half a sergeant marched us home again (that

is, you know, the camp). Here each one of us was brought before the captain, and the sentence of fourteen days No. 1 field punishment was passed upon us. This punishment consists of hard labor during the day followed by two hours of 'crucifixion,' which means that the prisoners are strapped two by two, back to back, and the arms tied up to a tree or a gun carriage. From this time we were prisoners under military escort, waiting to be transferred to the detention barracks. At 2.00 p. m. we were marched off with full knut into Boulogne, and arrived at a somewhat despicable building, where our clothes were fumigated. This process took a long time. While our clothes were being steamed, etc, we, three at a time, bathed in disinfectant, two in a bath and one in a tub. This ceremony completed, we dressed. But it was too late for us to be accepted in the detention barracks, so we were taken to be examined to see if we were physically fit for the punishment (crucifixion torture) to which we had been condemned. We were taken to different places, but at each place the doctor was not there. There was only one thing for them to do with us that day, and that was to put us in the guard-room for the night. When we arrived there it was full, so we were taken to our old hut and made prisoners in one end. After supper we sat together on our blankets in one corner and read our papers, reviewed the day's experience, and closed the day as the sun set with some good old hymns and prayer. We were all happy and joyous without a single look or note of discouragement. Thus ended an eventful Sabbath in an inspiring evening.

"Now, as you have listened to our experiences, have any of these questions arisen in your minds? Why were we too late to be accepted in the detention barracks? Why were the doctors out in every case? Why was the guard-room full? Why were we back in our hut again? These questions kept going thru our minds, and all we could see was that God had a purpose in detaining us in this way. The corporals could not understand it, for such a series of coincidences was quite unprecedented in their experience. We all went to bed that night and rejoiced in the hope of 'standing still' and seeing the salvation of the Lord.

"Next morning we were up and ready

to be medically examined preparatory to going to prison. We were all pronounced 'fit,' but to our surprise we were marched back to the hut and left there for another hour. It all seemed so strange. At the command, 'Attention!' three officers entered, and the camp commandant spoke. His first words seemed firm enough as he said: 'You present here! I understand you have refused to obey orders by not working yesterday. Let me tell you, there is no bargaining in the army. When any order is given, it must be obeyed, or else certain severe punishment follows. Let me repeat, there is no bargaining in the army.' He rapped out the word 'bargaining,' and changing his tone somewhat, went on: 'Now you boys are an intelligent set, and the reports of your work are excellent. You are the best set at the dock. It seems too bad that there should be such an unfortunate hitch in your work. I with other officers, have considered your cases and have decided to offer you your Sabbaths off on the condition that you make up the time during the week. I command that all non-commissioned officers and commissioned officers leave the hut and give you five minutes to accept the offer. If you accept, your sentence of fourteen days will be expunged.'

"Our hearts thumped with joy and tears of gratitude came into our eyes. I felt like shouting, 'We don't need five minutes, sir!' When the officers re-entered, Brother—— stepped forward and, saluting the officer, said; 'Sir, we are only too glad to accept your kind offer. We cannot express our feelings of gratitude to you. But we thank you, and trust that we shall be able to express our appreciation by faithful work in the future.' In the reply the commandant, evidently moved, said: 'Now boys, let this be the last of the trouble, and let us work together as one family.' Then we were dismissed, feeling like birds let out of a cage.

"So you see dear brethren and sisters, the prayers of us all were wonderfully answered. We simply took our stand for what we believed God's truth, and hoped while we waited for His deliverance.

"Your brother in Christ."

—From *Pacific Union Recorder*.

Let GOSPEL HERALD print it.



**"Busy Here and There"**

**T**HE above words are found in I Kings 20:40. A trust has been left to a man in the person of a prisoner of war. He would be held strictly accountable for the life of the prisoner but he became very busy with other things and let the man get away. His life was required instead. As ambassadors of Christ, we have been solemnly entrusted with a life-saving message for lost men and women. They are given into our care to save. If we become too busy with other things, here and there, and let every opportunity pass, and the man gets away from us, lost, we shall be guilty before God of the sin of omission. O how many lost opportunities we can count as we take a backward view of life! Should we not confess our sins and renew our consecration for better service? God has given to many of us children to train for his kingdom. They are with us a long time covering the most opportune time for training, but we are so prone to let our time be taken up with other cares and permit the years to swiftly pass by, and the dear boys and girls are gone, never to return the same way unto us. The years of our immediate influence over them have gone forever. We should not be too busy to give proper attention to them. What better service can we do our children than to put them under the influence of our good schools and churches?

A certain missionary returned to his station and learned that a seeker for truth had come a long way to enquire of him the way of life, but he could not wait his return and turned his face with sad disappointment toward his heathen home. *He has come and gone, perhaps forever, a lost man,* struck the man of God very forcefully. The thought drove him to his knees in prayer to God to make him equal to every open door to souls.

Dear reader, how many lost men are crossing our path every day, coming and going for the last time? Are we too busy to point them to Christ?

"Busy here and there, he was gone."

C. B. STEPHENSON.

In the economy of God, no effort, however small, put forth for the right cause, fails of its effect.

**Lecture on the World War**

**D**ESPITE the fact that last evening was one of the warmest of the season, a large audience heard A. G. Daniels, Washington, D. C., pastor, give his version of the world war. Mr. Daniels illustrated his talk with pictures, taken in various of the warring countries before and after the war started. He held the attention of his audience for more than two hours.

**BIGGEST STRUGGLE IN HISTORY**

"The most gigantic, the most devastating war recorded in the annals of history broke upon the world in the summer of 1914," said Mr. Daniels. "Ten hundred million men and women—two thirds of the human family—have been drawn into this struggle. The few nations that have so far kept out of the conflict have done so only by the most careful diplomacy, based upon a settled determination to have no part in this welter of blood.

"The world is staggering under the terrific blows already received from this war, and the end is not yet in sight. Millions of men have been slain on the blood-drenched battlefields. Other millions have been maimed for life. The great majority were in their prime. This frightful ruin has filled the world with more sorrowing relatives, fatherless children and broken-hearted widows than has any other war of its length since the world began, and all the while the armies continue to increase in numbers until now there are thirty million men under arms.

**TWISTS EUROPE IN ITS GRASP**

"The conviction is deepening in the minds of those giving this world struggle careful study that it is far more serious than at first realized. The editor of *Life* (Australia) calls it the war of all the countries," and says that it 'will not only give the world a new political map; it will give to civilized history a new date and perhaps a new form.'

**CAUSE OF INSANE DESTRUCTION**

"As the months roll by, and the horrors of this terrible tragedy multiply and spread, the question comes back with increasing emphasis: What is back of this insane destruction? What does it all signify? There must be something back of these differences, which the nations consider important and vital

to their intertests. What is it?

"As members of cabinets, diplomats and statesmen have taken the world more freely and fully into their confidence, and as students of history, editors and experienced correspondents have studied this problem, the general conviction has been formed that the real cause of the world struggle is that old, never-ending, ever-present, *Eastern Question*. It is believed that this war is one more added to the many that have been waged by the European powers for more than half a century over that long-standing dispute."

The speaker then gave an outline of the long-standing struggle of the European nations for the control of the Balkan peninsula, Asia Minor, and the city of Constantinople, and the waterway from the Black Sea to the Mediterranean.

**PRELUDE TO ARMAGEDDON**

While many writers are speaking of the present war as Armageddon, Mr. Daniels stated that the Bible does not so designate it. It does, however, point an early-coming universal struggle as an outcome of the situation now on. "Armageddon is not far off," he said.

"Looking at the serious complications already existing, and the worse tangle that is certain to follow this war, and judging the future by the experiences of the past, how can we look for anything short of colossal trouble when these nations attempt a settlement of accounts," he continued. "Divergent views, exorbitant demands, and conflicting claims are sure to prove insurmountable obstacles to the maintenance of peace."

Mr. Daniels left late last night for Duluth, from where he will go direct to New York City. While here he was the guest at the Frank E. Corson home.

—*Fargo (N. D.) Forum*.

**Richmond, Va.**

Elder W. H. Sabastian reports a forward move at Richmond, Va. The Lord has blessed the work in that place. The church has grown and has now undertaken the advance work of establishing a memorial in that important center.

A large lot in a favorable location has been secured at a bargain.

This place is one of the important locations on the Atlantic coast of Virginia. All will rejoice to see the cause advancing in the East.

### Our Colporteurs Gospel Workers

OUR colporteur work has become so well established among us, that no right-minded Seventh-day Adventist questions its utility as a divine agency for reaching the millions of earth's inhabitants with the message.

Much instruction has come to us thru the servant of the Lord concerning this work,—who should engage in it, and how it should be conducted “it is missionary work of the highest order,” and also “it is ordained of God as a means of reaching many that otherwise would never be impressed with the truth.” It is therefore to be conducted “from a missionary standpoint,” and never as a commercial enterprise. It is an evangelizing agency, and none should have a part in it whose hearts are not right with God, but only those who have a deep love for souls, and are willing to engage in a self-sacrificing work in order to reach them.

To such as enter the work with the right motive heavenly angels, though unseen by mortal eye, become their helpers and companions. The work is of heavenly origin, and consequently the heavenly intelligencies are intensely interested in its success.

We cannot explain the marvellous growth and prosperity of this department of our work on any other bases than that it is God's work. Many are the souls rejoicing in the light of present truth thru the effort of the godly colporteur, and though he may not have the joy of meeting them personally and seeing the fruit of his labor in this life, he will, if faithful, ultimately enter into the fullness of that joy in the kingdom of God.

In the *Review* of November 5, 1914, Sister White<sup>®</sup> penned these significant words, “The success attending the efforts of ministers in the field is due in a great degree to the influence of the reading matter which has enlightened the minds of the people and removed prejudice.” This is in harmony with the words of the Savior in John 4:36-38. “And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together. And herein is that saying true, one soweth and another reapeth. I sent you to reap that whereon ye bestowed no labour: another man laboured, and ye are

entered into their labours.”

Thus the minister and the colporteur are co-partners in the work with God, who after all must give the increase, and when the work is finished they will rejoice together. W. W. EASTMAN.

### San Andros Island, Columbia

ABOUT sixteen years ago the seed of truth was planted in this island, by Elder and Mrs Hutchins who made several visits here on the schooner “Herald.”

Prof. S. P. Smith and his wife were sent down by the Foreign Mission Board in 1901. Because of failure in health they returned to the states in 1903; and in 1904 the work laid down by them was taken up by Elder and Mrs. J. B. Styvesant. About this time the company was visited, occasionally, by Elder Knight of Bocas Del Toro. Brother Styvesant and his family moved to Costa Rica in 1906, and in 1907 Brother and Sister Smith returned from the States to this field where they labored for two years more. From this time there has been no regular stationed worker, until 1914 when a man was sent here by the West Caribbean Conference.

He immediately interested himself in the needs and development of the field. Among the first things to receive attention was a much needed place of worship. On January 13, 1915, a definite plan was laid for a building 20x30, 12 feet wall. In April 1916, we marked off the lot and buried the pillars. Some weeks later we got fired up, and altho we found ourselves cooled off several times waiting for the slow-coming cash, yet at this writing the building is completed, and free of debt. The entire cost including lot is \$647.82. This does not include free labor. Have also secured cedar timbers for pickets to enclose the lot, and have purchased, frame roof and floor for an addition to be made on to the front gable. The treasurer also reports a balance of cash on hand which will go a long way toward buying an organ for the church.

Eight souls have found themselves in harmony with the truths of the Third Angel's Message bringing with them eight younger ones from about two to four teen years of age: beside a company of five who are preparing themselves for full fellowship with the church. This in

brief, is the result of the work from December 31, 1914 to November 6, 1916. Our present church membership is 32.

The work moves slowly in this island, but evidences of a greater harvest are seen on every hand.

Few days later, the writer moves to Old Providence Island leaving the care of the work to Brother Johnson. I shall always be interested in the work and the people of San Andros Island. I wish for them God's continued blessings.

R. T. NEWBALL.

### Take Notice

FOR fear that some may not receive the GOSPEL HERALD for Jan. before leaving for the coming institute it is thought best to give some general information in this issue. First we wish to say that every thing is being done, that can be done to make the coming institute a success and our visitors comfortable and at ease. Every department is pushing its work to the utmost to have all necessary work out of the way and complete every arrangement for the meeting so that visitors and students can enjoy every service.

It will be necessary for our brethren who come to attend the meetings to bring sufficient bedding as our supply here at Oakwood is very limited. Beds will be arranged for but we cannot furnish the bedding. We will make arrangement for the transportation of trunks so all can supply themselves with abundance of bedding and any other little articles of toilet they may want to bring.

School conveyances will meet the trains and carry all safely to the campus. If no conveyance is at hand when chance to arrive at Huntsville find a telephone and call “Oakwood” you will receive prompt attention.

We hope to make January 3rd to 11 a profitable occasion to all.

C. J. BOYD.

Brother Lewis and a squad of Oakwood boys are installing electric wiring in all our buildings. It is planned to have Oakwood electrically lighted ere the new year shall be far advanced.

The farm boys are busy shredding the corn crop. Our farm manager says it will take about three weeks to finish.

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## Department News

THE readers of the GOSPEL HERALD will be pleased to know that at the recent Fall Council at Washington the work for the colored people was given considerable study. A deep interest was shown by the Council in the work for the colored race. We felt much encouraged to know that the message is being received by so many. Reports show that efforts put forth the past summer have been fruitful in a large salvation of souls. In some instances from five hundred to one thousand have attended tent meetings, which gives evidence that the Lord is beginning to pour out His Spirit in a large measure upon the people, which encourages us to believe that the time has come to put forth every possible effort to extend the truth to the ten million colored people in the United States. In order to do this it is necessary to make more liberal appropriations to the southern work than have been made in the past.

Our request for next year was granted in full, which will enable the conference to carry forward the work in a stronger way. Plans have been made to provide mission schools for most all of our large churches.

It was recommended that an institute be held at the Oakwood School for the benefit of our ministers, January 3 to 11. It is desired that all our colored ministers in the North American Division Conference shall attend. Write to your conference president to make the necessary arrangements. Salaries will be continued, the traveling expenses paid by the conferences, the school will furnish the rooms, the delegates the board.

Elders I. H. Evans and G. B. Thompson will have charge of the instruction.

This will afford a rare opportunity

for our ministers to receive help that will greatly strengthen their efficiency in soul winning.

Be sure to be present in the chapel at nine o'clock the morning of the 3rd of January.

C. B. STEPHENSON

## A Pleasant Day at Oakwood

ON my return from Washington, I spent Thursday October 26, at Oakwood. The day was only too short to to permit me to visit at length the various departments. I found everybody busy. After the usual class periods the students divided into working bands. Some went to the potato patch, others to the cotton field, while others went to the blacksmith shop. Everyone seemed to know his place, and was quickly in position for duty.

Brother Swafford, our farmer, is the right man in the right place. He thoroughly understands his business, and is highly appreciated by everyone. My visit to the sweet potato house revealed a small mountain of Yellow Yams. I was told that there were seven hundred bushels in the pile, all housed for the winter. These potatoes were harvested from a little over three acres of land.

My next visit was to the cotton fields. Here the fleecy staple greeted the eye on every side. I found a large company of students busy gathering the twenty-first bale of the season. I could not refrain from picking a few bales myself, which carried me back to my boyhood days in the Southern cotton fields.

My next stop was at the blacksmith shop where several boys were shoeing a mule. Altho the mule was a bit unruly, the boys were holding him down alright. Mr. Mule was compelled to wear his shoes.

I then visited Editor Bird of the GOSPEL HERALD, and his associate, Prof. George Jeys, and a number of the students. They were busy printing reports from the field on the news sheet GOSPEL HERALD, letters from our faithful workers. I found students setting type and running off the paper. Elder Bird seemed to be quite comfortable and at home in the Editor's chair. Prof. George Jeys is working up a large amount of job work from Huntsville. We are prepared to do first class printing now at the Oakwood news.

The Mission School accommodates about forty children, who come from the country round about to the school. Sister Bartholomew with her assistants seemed to be enjoying their work.

I must not fail to mention the pleasure of meeting the youngest member of the Oakwood family, the daughter of Prof. and Mrs. Jeys, who arrived at the school the previous Sabbath. Dr. Stella Martinson and Sister Reeder were busy making the little new comer welcome and comfortable.

The most interesting hour of the day was the chapel exercise. The students marched in to appropriate music, and filled nearly every seat. Prof. Corkham leads the music very efficiently. He knows how to get music out of his class. Over a hundred voices joined in a song of praise which was altogether too short for the writer. No doubt the Professor will have his class in splendid condition for the Ministerial Institute. I enjoyed speaking to this large company of boys and girls, whose earnest faces indicated that they intended to make the best of this opportunity to prepare themselves for a useful life.

Prof. Boyd informed me that a hundred and four had matriculated up to date, and that they expected many more to come. The new dormitory is already about full. Sister Williams, the preceptress, said she was enjoying her large family of girls.

Prof. Halladay one of our pioneer workers who was associated with Elder J. E. White on the steamship Morning Star, was busy here and there looking after the mechanical department. Bro. Halladay is one of the tried and faithful in the service of the colored people.

The outlook for a prosperous year at Oakwood is encouraging. It will soon be necessary to provide more room for students. Plans are being made to provide additional equipment. We hope soon to instal an electrical light plant, which is much needed. May the Lord continue to bless this institution to the training of workers to carry the last message of God's love to the millions of colored people in this and other lands.

C. B. STEPHENSON.

Over 800 bushels of fine large sweet potatoes are now stored in our potato house. These were grown on the school farm, about three acres of land being devoted to them.