

SUPPLEMENT TO REVIEW and HERALD

Matt. 9:37, 38: "Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest."

BATTLE CREEK, MICH., TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, 1899.

"THE busy world shoves angrily aside
The man who stands with arms akimbo set,
Until occasion tells him what to do;
And he who waits to have his task marked out,
Shall die and leave his errand unfulfilled.
Our time is one which calls for earnest deeds."

—J. R. Lowell.

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LET us be content to work,
To do the thing we can, and not presume
To fret because it's little. 'T will employ
Seven men, they say, to make a perfect pin.
Who makes the head consents to leave the point;
Who makes the point agrees to miss the head
And if a man should cry, "I want a pin,
And I must make it straightway head and point,"
His wisdom is not worth the pin he wants.

—Mrs. Browning.

THE SECRET OF SUCCESS.

ONE very successful business man when asked for the secret of his success in life answered briefly, "*Hard work.*"

No man or woman ever attained real success in any business without learning this secret, and no one ever will. We regard the life of Jesus as the perfect pattern, and we know that he worked, for he said: "My Father worketh hitherto, and I work." John 5:17. He worked hard, for he was weary (John 4:6), and from early youth he was about his Father's business (Luke 2:49), so we have his example for *persevering hard work*. He attained to true success, and no matter to what work one is called by Jesus, true success will be gained only by working as he worked, for he says: "It is enough for the disciple that he be as his Master, and the servant as his Lord." Matt. 10:25.

This applies most emphatically to the canvassing work. The crying need of this branch of God's work

is for men who will consecrate themselves to him, and *work hard*, studying every detail so that they may become efficient workmen.

The canvassing work has been *tried* by many, but *mastered* by few. We do not need to search long for the reason. The larger proportion of those engaging in this work have done so temporarily, making it but the gateway to easier or more lucrative employment. Many have tried it to *see* if they could canvass, and invariably found out that they could not, so stopped. All who have entered the work knowing that God had called them to it, and persevered, enduring hardship as good soldiers of Christ, have succeeded.

There is still room at the top, and the Lord is inviting us to "lift up the standard; and let the self-denying and self-sacrificing, the lovers of God and of humanity, join the army of workers. Let them come, not expecting ease, but to be brave and of good courage under rebuffs and hardships." Blessed invitation! May the Lord of the harvest put it into the hearts of many to accept.

Having consecrated himself to God and entered the field, the Christian canvasser should, like the minister, study to show himself approved unto God. He should daily seek the wisdom that is from above, so that by the blessing of God each day's experience will fit him for the next. By so doing, he will grow in grace and in the knowledge of the truth. "Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord," should be his motto.

"Not slothful in business" means that every detail is studied till it is mastered.

The results will be a fair number of orders to report at the end of the week; a report correctly and legibly filled out and promptly sent in; a good-sized order accurately made and sent in so as to give ample time for the books to be received and delivered on time;

and last, but not least, his remittances will pay for all books and more, so that his account with the tract society will show a balance on the credit side.

“Seest thou a man diligent in his business? he shall stand before kings; he shall not stand before obscure men.” Prov. 22:29, margin. Does any one think God would have his servant—his ambassador—stand before kings or any one else in dirty, ragged clothes?—No. How should he be dressed?—“Their dress should be neat but not foppish.” (“Gospel Workers,” p. 342).

Let all remember spiritual and intellectual superiority raises one above the artificial distinctions of society. This is illustrated by the patriarch Jacob blessing Pharaoh the king of Egypt.

The secret of success, then, is earnest, persevering application to the work under the direction of the Holy Spirit, keeping constantly in mind that the object of the work is rightly to represent Jesus, and be laborers together with him in saving souls. May God grant that many shall strive for and win true success in this important branch of the work.

GEO. M. BROWN.

WHY STAND IDLE?

THERE has never been a time in the history of the world since the fall of man that God has not had a people on the earth, representing his kingdom, and carrying forward a special work in every age. And we, the people of God, living in this most important of all times, have had committed to us a most important work,—that of warning the world of the second appearing of our Saviour. In his infinite wisdom, God has chosen various means by which to accomplish this, and “has given to every man his work.”

We are told by the Spirit of Prophecy that “the words of Christ apply to the church: ‘Why stand ye here all the day idle?’ Why are you not at work in some capacity in his vineyard? Again and again he has bidden you, ‘Go ye also into my vineyard, and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive;’ but this gracious call from heaven has been disregarded by a large majority. Is it not high time for you to obey the commands of God? There is a work for every individual who names the name of Christ. A voice from heaven is solemnly calling you to duty. A great work of saving souls remains yet to be done. Every angel in glory is engaged in this work, while the demon of darkness is opposing it.”

These stirring words should awaken an interest in

the heart of every individual who has a knowledge of the third angel’s message to cry aloud and spare not. The Spirit of God is working on the hearts and minds of the people, and many are inquiring, What meaneth these great events that are transpiring in the world? Who can tell? And they are asking, What shall I do to be saved? Brother, sister, are you acting your part in this great work of heralding the glad news of the coming Saviour? If not, why not?

With increased light on the solemn truths contained in God’s Word for this time, comes increased responsibility. The Saviour says of those who know the truth, “Ye are the light of the world.” If so, then we must let our light shine, or the world will be filled with darkness.

In what condition do we find the world to-day? Which are most apparent, the works of righteousness, or the works of the evil one? This question requires no answer; all are familiar with the warfare that the wicked one has been and is still waging against the work of God. As watchmen on the walls of Zion, are we giving the trumpet a certain sound, warning the people of the scenes that are about to transpire; or are we acting the part of the unfaithful watchmen, and is the stain of their blood to be found on our garments? If so, our condition, O, how sad!

In that wonderful sermon by the apostle Peter, on the day of Pentecost, he stated, “It will come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh.” First, notice who it is that is to pour out his Spirit; second, when he is to pour out his Spirit; and third, upon whom it is to be poured.—“On all flesh.”

This work is now going on. The Spirit is being poured out upon his people, to fit and qualify them to do the work entrusted to them: and upon those who as yet know him not, to prepare their hearts for the message that he has for them. The only way by which the world can know that the servants of God have received the outpouring of the Spirit is by their works.

The apostles immediately, upon the reception of the Holy Spirit, commenced working for others; and so it is to-day. If we have received the Spirit, we, too, like them, will work for others. If we do not have this burden for souls resting upon us, we should most earnestly seek the Lord for a real missionary spirit, and he will open the way for us to commence working for souls at once.

Time is short; we are living on the verge of the eternal world, and if we are ever to have a part in

sounding the last message to a dying world, we must begin now. The fields are white for the harvest, but where are the reapers? Do I hear some one saying, "What can I do to assist in advancing the message?" The answer to this inquiry is, First give your heart to the Lord, and then dedicate your services to him, saying, "Here am I, Lord; send me into thy vineyard."

The shelves of our publishing houses are laden with books containing important truths for this time that should be placed in the hands of the people. Missionary canvassers are wanted everywhere. Who will at once prepare for this important work?

E. P. BOGGS.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

BY the time this reaches the readers of the SUPPLEMENT, another year in the canvassing work will be in the past. The record of each one's work is not only on our books, but also in the books of heaven. While none are satisfied with what has been done the past year, we are all thankful to have had the privilege of helping to place the truth in the homes of the people.

We have had many difficulties to contend with in this district. Too much rain in the early part of the season almost ruined the crops in Missouri, eastern Kansas, and parts of Oklahoma and Indian Territory. This of course was damaging to the canvassing work, not only during the time of the wet weather, but for the entire season. Drought and overflows in other parts; and during the autumn the hot weather caused much sickness in the cotton district, the State of Arkansas suffering greatly. Many of the workers were attacked with malaria, and on this account much time was lost. Some were driven from the field, and one very promising young man, who had just entered the work, died. Yet the Lord has blessed our efforts.

Upwards of \$50,000 worth of books have been sold during the past year, and we feel confident that much more can be accomplished during the coming season.

We are planning to hold an institute of from three to five weeks' duration in each State in this district this winter and spring. This will be a great help to the canvassing work. We expect to make quite a pull on large books the coming year. I am in favor of handling our large publications as far as possible. I have watched this point closely for years, and have noticed that the canvassers who handle the larger books, as a rule stick to the work bet-

ter, and in the long run have the best success. I expect to see thousands of copies of "The Desire of Ages" sold this season.

What we need is more faith, sacrifice, and courage; more faith in the work, and courage to do our part. Indolence will not succeed in the Lord's work any better than it will in other kinds of business.

Wonderful things have taken place in the political world the past year. Omens of the end are all round us, and it behooves us to make haste with the message of salvation. The turn the persecutions have taken, and the fact that this government has promised means to support the Catholic Church in Cuba, means much to us. We should bestir ourselves as never before. The message is also making rapid strides. The issuing of a million copies of the quarto-centennial number of the *Signs* is a grand move. Many of our people thought it too large an undertaking; but I believe every copy will be sold, for I am sure the Lord is in the move.

Much must be done this coming year. I trust that all who have been engaged in the work will attend the different institutes, and be encouraged to go forward. There should be hundreds more entering the work. Why delay any longer? But you say, "I don't know whether I can make a success or not." You must remember that the Lord never calls an individual to his work, and then leaves him alone. He is with us always, and he can take a very humble instrument and accomplish a great work. Throw your whole soul and energy into the work, and the Lord will bless you.

We find people who are hungry for the truth, and willing to buy our books. While canvassing I have met with a number of persons who were so pleased with my book that they have said they believed the Lord must have sent me to them, for they had been wanting something of the kind.

I tell you, my brethren and sisters, it will do your soul good to get out among the people and try to help them. I earnestly hope and pray that a large number will enter this important branch of the work at once, and place the truth in thousands of homes that know it not. S. C. OSBORNE.

ANOTHER new book has recently been launched upon the market. It is written by Mrs. S. M. I. Henry, and is entitled "The Abiding Spirit." You should secure a copy. Prices, 40 cents and 75 cents. Address your tract society.

THE CLOSING WORK OF THE MESSAGE.

WE look upon Noah, Abraham, Moses, the apostles, and others as greatly favored of God because they were called to so great a work; but to no man or people in all the past has there ever been given a greater work or a more solemn message than have the people of God in this generation. The sleeping millions must be aroused, and their duties and dangers set before them. This work God has called us to do; and, if faithfully done, it will accomplish the great purpose of God in the closing struggle, and bring all those who engage in it as near to him as were his co-workers of the past. It is a blessed thought that every one can have a part in this closing work.

Thousands are in darkness on every hand, and the earnest inquiry of every burdened heart should be, "O, how can we give these perishing souls the truth of God,—the saving message for this time?" There is one way that God in his providence has devised to give this message to those who will not, or can not, listen to the living preacher, and this is through the labors of the faithful canvasser. Jesus says, "Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest. And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal." John 4:35, 36. This scripture may now be applied with great force; and as never before, the great field of labor is here presented to the canvasser, with the precious promise of receiving wages and gathering fruit unto eternal life. This is a blessed work for all to engage in, but the spirit of Christ must characterize our labors if we would be successful.

I copy from "Special Testimony No. 7," page 51: "The canvassing work is an important field for labor, and the intelligent, God-fearing, truth-loving canvasser occupies a position equal to that of the gospel minister." And again, speaking of the same line of work, the Lord says that the most precious ministry can be done by canvassing. Certainly, then, the work of the God-fearing, truth-loving canvasser is second to none in the great harvest-field. Again I quote from "Special Testimony No. 7," page 50: "I can not see why the canvassing work is not as good and successful a work as can be done for the Lord. Canvassers can become acquainted with the people; they can pray with them, and can understand their true necessities. From the light which

God has given me, there is much responsibility resting upon the canvassers. They should go to their work prepared to explain the Scriptures, and nothing should be said or done to bind their hands. If they put their trust in the Lord as they travel from place to place, the angels of God will be round about them, giving them words to speak which will bring light and hope and courage to many souls. Were it not for the work of the canvasser, many would never hear the truth." So the canvasser is as truly bearing the last solemn message of truth to the world to-day as were Noah, Abraham, Moses, or any of those holy men of old doing the work of God in their time.

The canvasser should not be discouraged at reproaches or abuse. In conversing with a canvasser a few days ago, he said: "I have some precious experiences in my work. A short time ago I called at a house, and the gentleman was not in; but while showing my book to the lady, he came, and at once said to me in a very rough way, 'We do not want any of your books, sir, and you had better get out.' I saw that I could do nothing with him in his present condition, so I soon took my leave, bidding them a kind good-morning. But only a short time after this on an exceedingly hot day, as I was walking along the road, I saw a man sitting under a tree by the roadside, who had several heavy bundles to carry. I said to him, 'Stranger, this is a hot day.' He replied, 'It is.' 'Are you going my way?' I asked. 'I am,' was the reply. 'Well, you have a heavier load than I; let me share your burden with you, my friend.' 'Very well, I shall appreciate the kindness,' was the reply. Well, it turned out that this was the man who, a few days before, had turned me out of his house, and this act of kindness won his heart. He told me to bring his wife the book that I was showing her that day. Then I sold him 'Steps to Christ,' 'Great Controversy,' and several other books, and then he took the *Signs of the Times* for six months."

The canvasser then said to me, "I have many such precious experiences." I thought, Truly this is "the most precious ministry." Do not all desire to have a part in so grand a work?

The intelligent, God-fearing, truth-loving canvasser will be a power in the closing work, and all should seek a preparation for this work as soon as possible. Our great Leader says to you, "Go work to-day in my vineyard," and who will answer, "Here am I, send me." The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few. In every conference, and in every land,

there are fields awaiting the God-fearing canvasser, and souls that will never hear the last call of mercy, unless it is carried to them on the printed page.

Encouraging reports are coming in from various parts of the field. Who else will join the ranks of this "most precious ministry"? S. M. COBB.

FROM TENNESSEE.

MEMPHIS, TENN.

Review and Herald.

DEAR BRETHREN: I embraced the third angel's message about two and one-half years ago; and one year ago last March, I was very forcibly impressed by the Spirit of God that I should canvass for the book "Prophecies of Jesus," although I had never seen a copy of it up to that time. For some time after receiving the impression to canvass, I reasoned with myself that surely it must be a mistake about the Lord's calling me to canvass, for I did not think that I had any of the qualities necessary to make a successful canvasser, and I knew that I was lacking in the ability properly to arrange words to express my thoughts; and as nearly all my friends were of the same opinion, I did not get very much encouragement.

I sought the Lord earnestly in regard to the matter, and still the impression was "go and canvass;" so I gave up my position of night jailor of this county, and entered the canvassing work in March, 1897. I made Memphis the field of my labor, and for the past fourteen months I have delivered 540 "Prophecies of Jesus," and \$96.75 worth of helps, making a total value of books delivered \$1,158.

I write this, dear Christian friends, thinking that perhaps there may be others who have heard that small, gentle voice of our Saviour saying, "Son, go work to-day in my vineyard," and who, while looking at their own strength and capabilities, would shrink from the duty, forgetting that the same God who told Moses that he would make provisions for his being slow of speech, is leading his people and directing in his work to-day.

And now, dear reader, if our Saviour has called you to any branch of his work, "quench not the Spirit." He may want to uncover a talent that you have long ago buried (for such I know was my case). Then, again, the more you feel your incompetency and unworthiness, the better opportunity you will give the Lord to work.

There is but one thing for the canvasser to settle, and that is, Does the Lord want you to canvass? If

you are thoroughly convinced of this, and are willing to meet the conditions, you can leave the rest with him, for he will make your work a success.

And while the canvasser meets with many disappointments and discouragements, the grace of God is always sufficient to lift him up. Only those who have had experience in this line of work know in how many ways the Lord blesses the earnest and conscientious canvasser who has gone into the work for the salvation of souls.

In conclusion, I will say that Memphis is a needy field, and our church here is very small, and my prayer is that the Lord may see fit to send more workers, who are thoroughly consecrated to this part of his vineyard.

Your fellow worker,

7 Shaw Avenue.

V. O. COLE.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

OAKLAND, CAL., Dec. 14, 1898.

Review and Herald.

DEAR BRETHREN: It has been some time since anything has been said about the canvassing work in District No. 6. More has been done during the past year than for some time previously. Those who have stuck to the work have made a success of it. When the hard times struck us, it was thought by some that the canvassing work was done, and many left the field, and engaged in other lines of work; but a few continued to canvass, and those who did, have not only been successful financially, but have placed many of our publications in the homes of the people, where they will do the work for which they were designed.

Such books as "Thoughts on Daniel and the Revelation," "Great Controversy," and others, were laid aside for smaller works; but during the past year the larger publications have been used more, until it is seen that there is just as much of a demand for them among the people as ever before, and the interest is deepening for the larger publications.

Much of the work in the district will be done by the canvassers, and we don't see any reason why they should leave their work more than the minister should leave his. It is just as important, being a part of the work of God, but it may be they have not received the encouragement from their brethren they ought to have; but from the light given, many will never hear the truth only as it is carried to them by the faithful canvasser.

Then why is it not important?—It is, and should have the hearty co-operation of every one who believes

the third angel's message. The canvassing work will be an important factor in the closing work of the message. "Great Controversy," page 430, old edition, says: "The message will be carried, as was the midnight cry of 1844, not so much by argument as by the deep conviction of the Spirit of God. . . . The publications distributed by missionary workers have exerted their influence. . . . Now the rays of light penetrate everywhere,—the truth is seen in its clearness. . . . A large number take their stand upon the Lord's side." Many of them will first have learned the truth from publications scattered by canvassers; then why should not every one, who can, have a part in the work? May the Lord help us to find our place in the work, and stick to it.

A. J. BREED.

MINISTERS FORMERLY SOLD BOOKS.

YEARS ago, before we had canvassing agents in the field, almost all our ministers engaged in the work of selling books. They usually carried with them an extra valise or trunk, and in it would be found a good assortment of our publications. These were placed before the people wherever a course of lectures was being given, and also at most of our general gatherings. In new fields, when people became interested, the one in charge of the meetings would visit throughout the neighborhood, and make sales wherever he could. In this way, the people were made acquainted with the value of these good publications by the one who was teaching them the truth.

When his subject was presented, the publications treating upon that subject were introduced to the congregation; and many who were influenced by the sermon would purchase a book, and continue the study of the subject; and many were converted because of the books which they bought.

It often came to pass that a person who was just embracing the truth would, under these influences, supply himself with a great many of our most important publications. The writer calls to mind two persons who purchased a copy of every book which was then published by our people; they also supplied themselves with Bibles, and subscribed for our periodicals. He sold in this way fifty dollars' worth of books to each one of these brethren. These were so anxious to have a full supply of our publications that they took a full set of tracts; and in one case, these tracts were bound in three large volumes, to be preserved for study and reference.

There were many advantages in this method that

have not been realized since the ministers have been limited in the matter of selling books.

I believe that it is a proper thing to prepare our publications for our canvassers to handle; but I have never been fully convinced that it was wise to discourage ministers from handling them also. Discouraging them from handling these publications, and for a time securing clergy permits for our State agents, almost stopped our ministers from selling our books, and has caused the railroads to restrict the ministers in their book sales, since they traveled on half fare; so that now they are doing but very little in this line.

For one, I would be glad to see the old-time interest in the book business revived among our ministers.

I would like to hear from others on this subject.

WM. COVERT.

A GOOD PLAN.

IN a letter received from one of our enterprising brethren in Tallahassee, Fla., he ordered a club of one hundred and twenty-five copies of the *Youth's Instructor*, to be used in house-to-house delivery. This brother has a regular route worked up, and delivers his papers (*Signs of the Times* and the *Youth's Instructor*) regularly each week to a steadily increasing list of clients. He next proposes to move to a larger city, and take up the same line of work there. His plan, in brief, is to make two trips; the first time giving away sample copies of the periodicals, and the next time collecting all the orders he can. He says in this way he has good success, and finds but few who are not willing to pay when the papers are delivered.

Can not some good brother or sister in every town and village take up a line of work similar to the one this brother is carrying on? By working up a regular route and delivering periodicals in this way, many poor families might, through the liberal commission offered, earn sufficient remuneration for self-support.

Those desiring free sample copies of the *Signs of the Times* should address the Pacific Press Publishing Co., Oakland, Cal.

Those desiring to work for the *Youth's Instructor* will receive free sample copies, canvassing outfit, and full particulars in regard to rates, etc., by addressing the *Youth's Instructor*, Battle Creek, Mich.

ANY canvasser who has not already received a copy of the premium number of the *Instructor*, will be supplied, free of charge, upon application.

CANVASSING REPORT FOR MONTH ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1898.

	STATE.	No. Canvass'rs	No. Report ing.	Days.	Hours.	Orders Taken.	Value.	Miscel. Sales.	Total Value.	BOOKS DELIVERED.		
										No. of Books.	Value.	
Dist. 1.	Atlantic.....											
	Maine.....	13	13		534		\$441 78	65 30	\$507 08			
	Maritime Prov.											
	New England..	12	5	57	150	246	195 10	53 60	248 70	91	201 04	
	New York.....	19	19	46	215	148	259 45	77 45	336 90		78 35	
	Pennsylvania..	42	42		1,082	1,309	948 00	462 43	1,410 43	680	882 78	
	Quebec.....											
No. 2.	Virginia.....											
	Vermont.....											
	†West Virginia.	20	20		745	389	313 30	331 96	445 26	95	182 20	
	Alabama.....	12	9	79	433	264	198 50	20 75	219 25	159	151 45	
	Cumb'land Mis.	7	3		201	2	4 00	73 10	77 10	53	58 00	
	Florida.....	4	3	125	266	158	158 00	87 50	245 50	102	121 50	
	Georgia.....	6	3	19	137	36	20 50	3 40	23 90	42	39 00	
No. 3.	Louisiana.....	7	4		160	11	11 00	1 85	12 85	119	130 00	
	Mississippi...	6	2	30	195	73	110 75	18 30	129 05	16	22 55	
	*North Carolina	4	1	6	42	17	18 50	14 50	33 00	20	24 75	
	*South Carolina	3	1	9	46	29	16 00	40	16 40		6 15	
	Tennessee River				329	138	237 50	7 75		51		
	Indiana.....	15	15	65	458	240	185 30	47 75	233 05	12	47 25	
	Illinois.....	35	14		706	391	470 40	96 80	567 20			
No. 4.	Michigan.....	11	11	47	307	120	168 00	65 55	233 55	47	26 75	
	*Ohio.....	26	22	98	375	342	716 65	58 80	775 45			
	Ontario.....											
	Wisconsin.....	9	8	50	360	94	150 75	34 70	185 45	50	74 50	
	Dakotas.....											
	Iowa.....	24	24		295	236	224 20	255 14	479 34	895	924 45	
	Manitoba.....	4	4			15	11 10	31 50	42 60	79	146 70	
No. 5.	Minnesota.....					667	419 65		419 65			
	Nebraska.....	28	16		1,590	625	858 05	496 90	1,354 95	731	1,091 50	
	Arkansas.....	9	9		1,110	349	461 00	258 20	119 20	434	883 25	
	Oklahoma and Indian Ter. }				662	304	540 25	80 45	620 70	155	308 75	
	Kansas.....	14	14			1,361	968 60		968 60	1,834	1,437 25	
	†Missouri.....	16	16		1,172	377	489 85	126 25	616 10	146	176 35	
	Texas.....	25	25									
No. 6.	Colorado.....	16	16		838	442	744 50	226 20	970 70	203	343 95	
	California.....	25	25		781	390	490 25	24 75	515 00	716	701 55	
	North Pacific..	14	14	46	220	165	168 95	60 20	229 15			
	Upper Col'bia.											
	†Montana.....	7	6	39	197	141	136 50	4 55	141 05			
	Australia.....											
	New Zealand..											
No. 8.	Great Britain..											
	†Denmark.....	18	18	185	1,248				387 22			
	Germany.....	55	55	853	4,996	130	134 77	1,546 91	1,681 68	363	450 29	
	Summary.	Miscel. South America.										
		Jamaica.....										
		Bahama.....										
		Brazil.....										
Dist. 1.....		106	99	103	2,726	2,092	2,157 63	790 74	2,948 37	866	1,344 37	
Dist. 2.....		56	26	268	1,809	728	774 75	227 55	757 05	567	553 40	
Dist. 3.....		96	70	260	1,806	1,187	1,691 10	303 60	1,994 70	109	148 50	
Totals.....	Dist. 4.....	56	44		1,835	1,543	1,513 00	783 54	2,296 54	1,705	2,164 65	
	Dist. 5.....	80	80		2,782	2,833	3,204 20	691 10	3,895 30	2,772	3,150 05	
	Dist. 6.....	46	45	85	1,198	706	795 70	89 50	885 20	716	701 55	
	Dist. 8.....	55	73	1,038	6,244	130	134 77	1,546 91	2,068 90	363	450 29	
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	Totals.....	513	437	1,755	18,450	9,219	10,271 15	4,432 94	14,846 06	7,098	8,512 81	

* 2 weeks.

† 3 weeks.

‡ 2 months.

FROM LOUISIANA.

WE quote the following from a letter received from Brother H. Rose, of Delhi, La. :—

It is with a thankful heart that I acknowledge having received the dear *Review and Herald* regularly the past year. It is the greatest enjoyment that an isolated Sabbath-keeper can have.

Sixteen of my neighbors have recently accepted the truth through reading "Bible Readings" and other of our books and tracts which I have placed in their hands since commencing my work as a canvasser in this locality. I am now loaning them my *Review and Herald* which all greatly appreciate. Many have subscribed for it, and it will now make its weekly visits to their homes.

We are glad to receive these encouraging reports from our faithful workers in the field. Why can not many more of our brethren and sisters go out and engage in the work as this brother has, by becoming resident canvassers and selling the people our good books, lending them papers, tracts, etc.? By so doing the canvasser will be a living witness to the people every time he comes in contact with them; and their minds would be called to consider the seeds of truth which he had sown on his former visit, giving the canvasser an opportunity to make inquiry as to whether they had read and studied the books which they had purchased of him. Time is short, and all who are to have a part in spreading the third angel's message must hasten. "Who then is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the Lord?"

CANVASSING CLASS IN BATTLE CREEK COLLEGE.

It was recently my privilege to visit the canvassers' class in Battle Creek College, and a brief account of the work being done there may be of interest to the readers of the SUPPLEMENT. About fifty at present are studying some of our good books, and it is expected that a number of others will soon enter to obtain a preparation for this important branch of the Lord's work. Besides a careful study of the book to be canvassed for, and Bible study, the students are taking such other studies as will be of the most help to them in the work. There is an interest manifested, and a desire to learn, which is truly commendable. All whom I met seemed to have a burden for souls, and they expect to enter the field as *missionary* canvassers.

Some who attended the class last year, and who were successful in placing our books in the homes of the people during the summer, are here again

this winter for a still better preparation. The instruction now being given will be of practical benefit to our workers as they go out in the field to labor. The Testimonies have told us that canvassers should receive a suitable degree of mental training. Are there not many more who will improve the opportunity of spending a few weeks in College this winter, with a view to entering the canvassing field while there is yet time in which to work? There are plenty of good openings for faithful workers.

M. C. GUILD.

"MAKING HOME HAPPY" IN CALIFORNIA.

DURING the past few weeks we have received many encouraging words for the little book "Making Home Happy," and are just in receipt of the following from California :—

Review and Herald.

DEAR BRETHREN: I received with much pleasure my copy of the book "Making Home Happy." I have read it carefully, and can say that it is indeed instructive to both old and young, and is certainly worthy of a place in every home.

Yours respectfully,

BELLE BUTCHER.

WE are in receipt of a letter from Brother A. J. Olsen, dated Jan. 1, 1899, from Petoskey, Mich., in which he states that he has been visiting a number of churches in that vicinity, in the interests of missionary canvassing work. He is now endeavoring to secure a large force of workers to go to Ontario to take up the work this coming season.

We learn that Ontario is a prosperous wheat-growing and cattle-raising district.

We trust that all who are interested in advancing the third angel's message by spreading the printed page of truth in this northern field, will correspond with Brother A. J. Olsen. His address for the next sixty days will be *Review and Herald Publishing Co.*, Battle Creek, Mich.

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