

"The Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." Joshua 1:9

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Where the Bookmen's Convention Nashville Church School. Will Be Held. 13

## DON'T FORGET

THE bookmen's convention, and don't forget to bring your bedding and wraps; for the weather is likely to be cold and stormy. Lay your plans now, and send us your names at once, if you expect to attend and wish us to provide for your comfort. Compliance with this request will save the office expense, and yourself possible inconvenience and annoyance. Send us your name at once, and you will be assigned a place to which you may go immediately upon arrival.

We have found it necessary to arrange for more than one boarding place this time, but good hygienic meals will be served morning and noon at a uniform rate of five for \$1.00. Those desiring an evening meal will be able to arrange for what they want at a reasonable price. Again, we request, Send us your name at once if you expect to meet with us, R. HOOK, JR. and thus avoid disappointments.

### THE YEAR 1911

THE close of one year and the beginning of another should hot be a time of mirth but of serious self-examination and of high resolve. It is useless to spend time in vain regrets, but we may all profit by past experiences, and this we should do. We speak more particularly of spiritual attainment. What  $\mathbf{if}_{dany}$ , progress have we made during the past year? and with what degree of self-surrender do we enter the new year?

'Man's chief end in life is not the accumulation of property, but the formation of character, and the attainment of eternal ife: "What shall it profit if a man gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange or his soul?" These are questions of most serious import, id they should receive most earnest attention.

It is true there is nothing divine about the civil year as we have it. There is no one time any better than another to fully yield to God. But there are times when we are reminded of the flight of time, of the reality of divine things, and of the necessity of giving attention to our eternal interests. The new year is a mile post upon our short journey through this world, and by it we are reminded that time is fleeting, and that we are growing older. It is therefore a favorable time for us to be honest with our own souls and with God; this not because of the time, but because our attention is arrested, our thought turned toward this most important of all questions, "What shall I do to be saved?" or if already a Christian, How shall I so relate myself to God as to have more of his power in my life this year than I had last?

The writer is profoundly convicted that the measure of one's spiritual power is his consecration. Little consecration means little of the power of God in the life. We speak of receiving the Spirit and of having the power of God, but the real truth is that God's Spirit influences and uses us. God works through us, using us as instruments. It must be apparent to all that he can do this only to that degree that we are surrendered to him.

It follows that if we have but little of the power of God in our daily lives it is because we have not yielded our wills to his will. God wants to give us victory over our besetments. It is to his glory to do this. He has promised to do He even pleads with us, saying, "Why should ye be it. stricken any more?" "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be sed like crimson, they shall be as wool." Isa. 1: 5, 18.

"If any man will do his will [or "willeth to do his will," R. V.] he shall know of the doctrine." John 7: 17. "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." I John I: 9. "Behold, I stand at the door and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me." Rev. 3: 20.

Jesus partakes of our human weaknesses and frailties that he may in turn make us partakers of his divine strength. Whatever failures there have been, have not been due to any lack on his part. Our consecration has been half-hearted, our faith wavering, our surrender not complete. Shall not this present year of grace, 1911, be marked not by good resolutions merely at its beginning, but by a heartfelt consecration at its beginning and by growth in grace from its beginning to C. P. BOLLMAN. its close?

TIME is given us that we may care for eternity; and eternity will not be too long to regret the loss of our time if we have misspent it .- Fenelon.

# Our Publishing House

#### HOME OFFICE NEWS

PERIODICAL sales for week ending December 30, 1910; Watchman, 8,475; Gospel Sentinel, 1,850.

The office of the publishing house is a busy place these days. We have no regular hours, and we expect the lights will be burning in the office building for some time, as we are busy closing up the books and taking inventory in preparation for the annual statement to be presented at the legal meeting, January 23. At this time of year, the workers in the office department are under a heavy strain, but all are taking hold with a will, and there is a spirit of co-operation throughout the entire plant that is very encouraging.

A Letter from Alabama :---

"I thank God for his blessings this week, although Christmas has made a big difference in taking orders. Still I can rejoice. You will notice my report is not as large as formerly, because the people are not enthused with the books now as they would be at any other time, but I am glad I have come near the one thousand dollar mark although I have not quite made it. I could easily have made it if I had not had to leave here this summer. I thank God for his wonderful blessing toward me and hope this will find you in good health, enjoying the promises from above. Your brother in Christ, R. Roberts."

"The Lord is blessing me in delivery. I delivered four 'Bible Footlights,' gilt, in one house to one family, and one was to a blind man. This message is going with power. I will write more next time as I am in a hurry. Yours in the Master's service, Benjamin Griffiths."

In a recent letter from Brother Fulbright, state agent of Georgia, he says, "Surely this message is the largest and grandest thing under the sun to-day and we are happy because of having a humble part in its promulgation."

Bro. E. H. Wilcox, field missionary agent of West Texas, writes: "We are certainly glad that we can have a part in this closing work, and we can help the publishing house to get the books into the homes of the people. The Lord has certainly been good to us the past year, and we are trying to appreciate his goodness more than we ever have before. In one month this year, we delivered *more books*, *yes*, *three times as many books* as we'did in our banner month last year. We were a little afraid though for awhile that we were not going to deliver anything on account of the drouth. People had to haul water for their stock from six to ten miles. We are thankful that the Lord can put these books where it seems to us there is no way to sell them."

Our bookmen's convention convenes January 17 and continues until the 23rd. For the benefit of our brethren generally, we will give you a copy of the program herewith :---

## TOPICS FOR BOOKMEN'S CONVENTION

(Nashville, Tenn., January 17-23, 1911)

Organization of Convention.

Appointment of Committees.

- I. Short talks, by Elders C. F. McVagh, Chas. Thompson, G. F. Watson, and others.
- 2. Report from the Southwestern Union Conference-W. W. Eastman.
- 3. Report from the Southern Union Conference-A. F. Harrison.
- 4. Report from the Southeastern Union Conference-V. O. Cole.
- 5. The Importance of our Publications in the Spread of the Third Angel's Message—A F. Harrison.

Discussion-L. D. Randall.

6. The Need of State and Union Conference Agents-W. A. McCutcheon.

Discussion-Eld. C. F. Parmele.

7. Duties and Qualifications of a Field Agent-W. W. Eastman.

Discussion-Eld. David Voth.

- 8. The Privileges of the State Agent-V. O. Cole. Discussion-C. F. Dart.
- 9. Should the Conference President and Church Officers be Interested in the Canvassing Work?—Eld. P. G. Stanley. Discussion—Eld. E. L. Maxwell.
- Stereopticon Lecture—Progress of the Publishing Work— E. R. Palmer.
- 10. How Can our Conference Presidents and other State Officers Help the Canvassing Work?—Eld. J. W. Norwood.

Discussion-Eld. W. R. Burrow.

- 11. Book Study-"Daniel and the Revelation"-A. L. Manous.
- 12. How Can Agents be Given a Practical Training?-J. B. Blosser.

Discussion-Eld. T. H. Jeys.

- Best Methods of Handling Agents in the Field; the Reporting System—R. I. Keate. Discussion—W. S. Fulbright.
- 14. Overcoming Difficulties—R. L. Pierce. Discussion—H. G. Miller.
- 15. Resident Canvassers-S. F. Reeder.
- Discussion-G. C. Jenks.
- 16. Book Study—"Great Controversy"—N. H. Conway, J. B. Blosser.
- Work in the Cities; The Part our Literature will Have in that Work—I. T. Reynolds. Discussion—C. D. Wolff.
- 18. How May the Tract and Missionary Work be Revived among Laymembers?—A. J. S. Bourdeau.

- 19. How to Meet Excuses—Papers—E. H. Rees, D. K. Royer, C. F. Dart.
- 20. The Financial Side of our Work: Should it be Carefully Considered?—L. D. Randall. Discussion—Eld. R. W. Parmele.
- Thursday Night, January 19–Stereopticon Lecture–F. E.
- 21. Book Study—"Past, Present, and Future"—Eld. J. F.. White.
- Can Winter Canvassing be Made a Success?—J. B. Blosser. Discussion—V. O. Cole.
- 23. Relation of the Canvasser to the Publishing House-R. Hook Jr.

Discussion-E. H. Rees.

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- 24. Best Manner of Conducting Institutes-J. A. Tucker. Discussion-R. I. Keate.
- 25. How can we Interest the Youth in the Book Work? H. G. Miller.

Discussion-N. H. Conway.

- 26. Book Study-"Home and Health"-W. W. Eastman.
- Our Schools Training Centers for Canvassers and Missionary Workers—Prof. M. B. Van Kirk, Discussion—Prof. A. N. Atteberry.
- 28. Literature Most Needed in the Southern Field—Eld. C. P. Bollman.

Discussion-A. L. Manous.

- 29. Importance of our Periodical Work-D. K. Royer. Discussion-A. J. S. Bourdeau.
- 30. Best Methods of Handling our Ten-Cent Magazines-A. J. S. Bourdeau.

Discussion-Mrs. W. M. Crothers.

Discussion-C. F. Dart, D. K. Royer.

- 31. The "Watchman:" Its Aims and Field-L. A. Smith. General Discussion.
- 32. The "Sentinel:"Its Field and Work-Eld. C. P. Bollman. Discussion-A. F. Harrison.
- Stereapticon Lecture—Home Missionary Work—A. J. S. Bourdeau.
- 33. How to Secure Permanent Canvassers who will put in Full Time—C. F. Dart.
- Discussion-Eld. Geo. M. Brown.
- 34. Canvass: "Bible Footlights"-Eld. C. F. Parmele.
- 35. Field Agents' Work at Camp-meeting-G. C. Jenks. Discussion-J. W. Davis.
- 36. Duties of General and Field Agents Toward Other Branches of Conference Work—E. H. Rees.
- Discussion-Eld. C. B. Stephenson.
- 37. How to Avoid Failures in Canvassers—J. W. Davis. Discussion—A. F. Harrison, V. O. Cole.
- Who Should be Encouraged to Canvass?—Allen Walker. Discussion—Eld. A. O. Burrill.
- 39. Book Study-"Coming King"-C. D. Wolff.
- 40. Some Things We Should Do and Some Things We Should not do to Make this Work a Success—Eld. W. S. Lowry. Discussion—Elds. E. G. Hayes, and R. M. Kilgore.

During the convention Eld. W. W. Eastman will deliver several night lectures on the Progress of the Book Work from the time of the Waldenses.

Experience Meeting—Have you been benefited by this convention?

In a recent letter from the General Conference, We learn with regret that Bro. E. R. Palmer will be unable to be present, his health being such as to make it impossible. However, we expect Brother Bourdeau to meet with us as General Conference representative, and he will undoubtedly bring stereopticon slides with him so that he will be able to take up the subject assigned to Brother Palmer.

Visitors to the bookmen's convention may take any street car outside of the depot going to the transfer station. At the transfer station change cars, taking a 9th Ave. North and Beuna Vista car to the end of the line. Then take the pike road to the right to the school-house, turning to the left on this street which is Seifried St., to Twenty-third Ave., and the schoolhouse where the convention will be held is in plain view. Eld. W. M. Crothers will be there to assign quarters.

It has been suggested that we ask the visiting brethren to

## NOTICE

CONFERENCE PRESIDENTS, SECRETARIES, AND CHURCH OFFICERS: It is very important that the matter for the statistical report for 1910 be sent in at once. Much of the value of such a report is lost if it cannot be completed until half the following year has passed. I just had a letter from H. E. Rogers, Washington, D. C., earnestly requesting that our report from the Southern Union be sent in before the close of January, 1911. Now Brother Wilcox has sent the blanks to be filled out to each conference secretary, and he cannot send forward the union report until he hears from the conferences, and the conference secretary cannot make up his report until he hears from the churches. If church officers will attend to this promptly and the conference president and secretary will confer and take an interest in the accuracy of the reports the Southern Union will not be to blame if the denominational report is delayed. See that the items in the report are as complete as you can make them and that the membership is accurate and just as you want it published.

C. F. MCVAGH.

bring the book, "Hymns and Tunes" along with them. We think this suggestion is a good one, and trust you will bear it in mind and be governed accordingly.

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSN.,

R. Hook Jr., Manager.

## FAITH AND ACTION

COURAGE brother! do not stumble, Though thy path be dark as night; There's a star to guide the humble,— "Trust in God, and do the right."

Let the road be rough and dreary, And its end far out of sight; Foot it bravely: strong or weary, "Trust in God, and do the right."

Perish policy and cunning; Perish all that fears the light: Whether losing, whether winning, "Trust in God, and do the right."

Trust no party, sect, or faction; Trust no leaders in the fight; But in every word and action "Trust in God, and do the right."

Trust no lovely form or passion; Fiends may look like angels bright; Trust no custom, school, or fashion,— "Trust in God, and do the right."

Simple rule, for safest guiding, Giving peace, and inward might; Star upon our path abiding— "Trust in God, and do the right."

Some will hate thee, some will love thee, Some will flatter, some will slight; Cease from man, and look above thee,— "Trust in God, and do the right."

-Contributed.

# Alabama Conference

## OUR CANVASSERS

WE are sorry to learn that Sister Peevy is still seriously ill. Brother Peevy writes that she has not been up since October, though she is some improved now. He also requests our prayers for her recovery.

Brother Peevy is one of our faithful canvassers, whom we expected to have with us at Nashville. But owing to the loss of time due to his wife's illness, he will not quite make it. Three of our canvassers have put in the sixteen hundred hours or delivered the one thousand dollars' worth of books necessary to have their way paid to the bookmen's convention. They are: Ben Griffiths, R. Roberts, M. L. Ivory. I have not given their records as they are still at work, and the year—at this writing—is not quite finished. Bro. O. A. Prieger has returned home to prepare for another year's work. We also expected him with us at Nashville as he was not very far from the mark. R. I. KEATE.

## kentucky Conference

## LEXINGTON

At this place the week of prayer was a good occasion. The church sought the Lord for a new and higher life and in this they were not disappointed. Quite a liberal donation was made to the missionary *Review* and also at the week of prayer.

The quarterly meeting was held a little earlier on account of the presence of some who could not be here the first Sabbath in the year. Three were added to the church by letter, and two were candidates for baptism, which will be administered later. The regular officers were elected for the Sabbath-school and church.

This is the headquarters for the conference church. The tithe treasurer is Mrs. James Myers, 135 Walton Ave., Lexington, Ky. The church roll contains sixty-two names. The church here is always pleased to hear from the members who live away from Lexington. The church clerk is Mae Dart, 425 E. 6th St., Lexington, Ky. The work is getting a good start in the city. Pray for its success.

A. O. BURRILL.

## FROM SOME LETTERS

I WILL quote a few words from two of our Louisville Watchman agents.

"I am selling them right along. I think I can sell many more of the December number."

"I will try to sell two hundred of the January number."

"Of all the magazines, I find the *Watchman* sells the best." ---Milton Jones.

"I find the December Watchman sells real well, although it is so near Christmas."

"I went to a barber shop, where they take a *Watchman* each month. This barber is deeply interested. It seems he is lending it, or telling how good it is.

"A lady to whom we take the *Watchman* each month, is going to take Bible readings. She is very favorable toward the truth.

"We feel thankful to the Lord for these two souls especially, whom we found by selling the *Watchman*."—Irene Pressnall.

C. F. DART.

## MAGAZINE AGENTS' REPORT

## For Week Ending December 24, 1910

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## **EXPERIENCES WITH "THE WATCHMAN"**

"LAST week I called to sell a lady the December Watchman, as I had sold her the November number. She told me she did not want any more, stating that it had quoted something wrong in reference to her people. I told her I thought it correct, as we as a people try to be very careful in making statements, and requested her to write to you in regard to the matter and that I was satisfied you could clear it up to her satisfaction. She told me she was a Catholic. I talked with her about twenty minutes and insisted on her following up the line of reading, in the light of God's Word, and she finally agreed to this proposition. She said it is an up-to-date.journal."

"Yesterday I called in an office where they refine lard. I had sold a *Watchman* there in November. A young man was at the desk, and I told him I had sold one there, and asked if he had made the purchase. He replied he had. I then asked him how he liked it and would he take another. He said it was fine and took the December number, asking me who published it. He then remarked, 'My boss picked it up and remarked, "This is the only magazine I ever saw worth reading.""

#### LEXINGTON

SABBATH, December 24, we met at the home of C. F. Dart, 425 East Sixth St., to hold our quarterly meeting and the annual election of officers of the State conference church. It was held a week before the time in order to have Elder Burrill with us.

To the roll call a hearty response was given by the members present, and the following memorial was adopted :---

"We express our heartfelt sorrow for the loss our church has sustained by the death of Sister Mamie Baylis Jacobs. Her loss is keenly felt because she was faithful in attendance at the meetings, and faithful in her church duties. She was a devoted Christian, and always ready to speak a word for the cause of present truth."

Seven names were added to our membership, as follows: Bro. and Sr. James Myers, Sister Steele, Charlsey Allran, Marie Wirth, Juniata Brickey, and Runie Walbert.

The following officers were elected: elders, H. N. Jacobs, C. F. Dart; deacons, Thomas Biven, James Myers; deaconesses, Srs. L. J. Burrill, Augusta Biven, Mae Dart; clerk, Mae Dart; treasurer, Mrs. James Myers; librarian, C. F. Dart; organist, Rebecca Landon; leader of young people's society, Marie Wirth, assistant leader, June Brickey; secretary, June Brickey; Assistant secretary, Charlsey Allran.

MRS. MAE DART, Clerk.

## WHAT AN OUTSIDER DID

I AM told that a man in Louisville (not a member of our church, either), has become so interested in the *Protestant Magazine* that he has gone to work in earnest and taken over two hundred subscriptions for it within a few weeks' time.

This man shows his faith by his works. How do we show our faith? Now brethren and sisters, if an outsider is so interested in this message, and can do so well, what about us? C. F. DART.

# Mississippi Conference

## Jackson

I SPENT the first part of the week of prayer with the Jackson church. The meeting started off with a good interest. In this church there are a number of young people who are attending the school that Brother and Sister Rogers are conducting, and they are all anxious to receive a training for missionary work.

#### **Pine Grove**

When I arrived at this church I found the meeting well under way and being enjoyed by all. There is a small, but good school at this place being taught by C. F. Lowry and wife. By a rising vote the teachers and students all consecrated themselves to the Lord for service.

#### Hatley

From Pine Grove I went to the Hatley church and spent the remainder of the time. This is the oldest church in the Mississippi Conference. The meetings were very encouraging, being well attended by nearly all of the members who live near enough to do so. At this place we also have a good school conducted by Sister Smith and daughter. We are glad to see the interest that our young people are taking in their school work.

At all of these places the offerings were quite liberal considering that all of the members are poor in this world's goods; but they are liberal with what they have. The writer expects to meet with the Meridian church Sabbath, January 7, and from there will go to other points in the conference before attending the bookmen's convention and the Southern Union Conference committee meeting at Nashville.

W. S. Lowry.

# Tennessee River Conference

## MEMPHIS, TENN., Dec. 27, 1910.

Dear Brethren and Fellow-workers,

GREETINGS: By the time this letter reaches you, nineteen hundred and ten will be in the past. Many have been the blessings of God to us, both in basket and store; God has also blessed us spiritually, for which we feel both humble and thankful; but I trust that we are not satisfied with the past efforts or blessings, but are determined by the grace of God, to make the year nineteen hundred and eleven the most faithful of all years in the history of the Tennessee River Conference.

I thank you for the good tithe paid this year, and for the donations for our work in other lands. The Nashville church gave nearly three hundred dollars at the close of the Week of Prayer. Other churches did quite well, and no doubt we will swell our offering to the work quite a little; but I fear we will not quite reach the mark of ten cents a week per member. Oh, I wish we could. One thing that helps me is that we are improving every year; this makes me believe that we will one day in the future give the amount. Let us resolve as the new year comes in, that it shall be the most faithful of all our lives.

As I look over the field and see the good that is being done, and the many calls and openings that God is preparing for us to enter, it makes me feel like I would, if I could, fill many more calls than I do; but I can only work in one place at a time, and this is all that any of us can do; but we can pray God to send forth laborers into the vineyard. So let us ask and encourage others to join in some branch of the work. Many of our workers are having most excellent success in the canvassing work this season. I am sure this makes you feel as if you would like to help them.

Well, I must close by asking God to bless you, and that you will pray for the workers and the work.

Yours truly,

W. R. Burrow.

## A CALL TO WORK

"Hr that findeth his life shall lose it; and he that loseth is life for my sake shall find it." Matt. 10: 30.

There is much food in this text for serious thought on the part of the remnant people of God. Whither are my desires, impulses, and actions tending? How is it with you dear brother, dear sister? Is your watchword life, eternal life? or are you unconsciously saying, Soul take thine ease, eat, drink, and be unconcerned for thou art laying up much goods for thyself? Shall we not in the very beginning of this new year, wake up to the real situation that confronts us as a people, with the weighty responsibility committed to us, of giving the last warning from God that will ever be given to this world?

The Tennessee River Conference is our part of the world to warn at this time, and God says "Satan exults as he sees that he is successful in keeping minds from the consideration of the solemn, important matters that have to do with eternal life." "The people of God must now awake and do their neglected work. Into our planning for this work, we must put all the powers of the mind."

"Every capability that God has given us, we are to use in letting the light of truth shine forth." The time of the end is near. "Why do we keep ourselves so much shut away from unbelievers?" "Many places in many fields are destitute of workers." The Master Worker is calling many in the Tennessee River Conference to go to work in his vineyard. Will you go? "In the judgment, when every one will be rewarded according to his works, many of the lost will charge their neighbors with neglect, saying, 'You knew the truth regarding the requirements of the Bible, but you did not stop to think that close beside your own door there were souls who were in error and who needed to be given instruction.'"

Dear brethren and sisters, let us move forward at the call of God. There will be those who will tell us of the lions in the way; but let us say by our activity the Lord wants this work done and I will do my part faithfully.

Did you ever consider that one of the best and most practical means given us of God by which we can discharge our responsibility is the placing of our truth-laden books in the homes of the people? Where does our inactivity place us? On the side of Christ or against him? Remember he lost his life and found it. Are you willing to lose your life for his sake? If so, you will find it. Any who are interested in the book work please address me at 2014 24th Ave. N., Nashville, Tenn. C. D. WoLFF.

## IN THE VINEYARD

WHEN the workers left Dickson some months ago it was with a feeling of sincere regret that so little had been accomplished.

In answer to an urgent request from one whose faithfulness has been part of our inspiration to labor on, the writer visited the little company there December 15 to 20, and was made to praise God by finding a sustained courage and stronger faith than was apparent when we left.

One precious sister of more than sixty years of age, who had united with the church last camp-meeting, had done a good work with the Ingathering *Review*, and God had blessed her in obtaining three dollars, which she promptly sent in. This paper work was done after doing all her house work, laundry work, and baking. How many of our younger members have done as well?

One lady who has not united with us, but who believes the message, missed the literature so much, that upon solicitation she subscribed for the *Sentinel*. Several others expect to take one of the papers after January. One lady whose father, in a remote part of the county, had bought a copy of "Great Controversy" from a canvasser, expressed her desire to have some of our books as soon as she could counsel with her father, who also wants more. They want to buy different books and exchange them.

On December 17, an offering of \$5.20 was made after some of the out-of-town brethren had made their donation, not knowing of the meeting. God blessed in the visit to the refreshing of us all. The testimony meeting which followed the reading for the 17th, will long be remembered, for the courage, the deep conviction of duty, and the unfeigned praise which characterized it. That meeting could well be counted part of the laborer's hire. Here, too, three dear children brought their offerings, which we knew meant self-sacrifice. God bless the lambs of the fold! Surely, of the faithful preaching done in Dickson, not all is lost!

The writer feels blessed in being able to send from a small, poor town and prejudiced locality almost fifteen dollars for the .Ingathering. Three letters brought four dollars and fifty cents, and all in such good spirit that we can go to the donors again. One dear woman said, "Let me know your new address when you leave, so I can send you something more for your work."

God has enabled me to put \$17.85 worth of literature in a few homes here, besides the magazines, papers, and tracts given away, and two more "Ministry of Healing" have been ordered for January delivery. These books, "Ministry of Healing," "Christ's Object Lessons," and "Best Stories," have been sold under the hardest conditions the writer has ever experienced; but they *are sold* nevertheless. Friends, there is a compelling power in the message we bear. "Praise the Lord, O my soul!" A BIBLE WORKER.

## OBITUARY

THE father of Bro. W. J. Keele, at Leach, died December 17th. He had been paralyzed so as to be almost helpless for over two years. He was a great care to Brother Keele and family, yet he and they bore the long and severe trial without murmuring. By good example, sincere prayer, and loving exhortation in the home, father Keele was led to know God in his very last days. Of this he gave undoubted evidence by word and steadfast Christian deportment.

Father Keele was a little over eighty-five years of age. Bro. W. J. Keele is the only survivor of four sons and two daughters. The funeral service was held at Leach church, December 18th. The new Leach church building was well filled by its members and other friends. The service was conducted by Elders C. F. Parmele and H. C. Balsbaugh. Both endeavored to direct the minds of all to God as the one and only source of peace and comfort for this life, and the one sure hope of eternal life.

H. C. BALSBAUGH.

# Missionary Volunteers

### MISSION NOTES

ELDER C. L. BUTTERFIELD has had an attendance of about three hundred people at a series of meetings conducted in Seoul, Korea. Their little church building could only seat one hundred, the remainder being provided for on benches in the churchyard. As the colder weather comes on the overflow must be sent home. Later the largest building obtainable was rented, but this is far too small to hold the people who come. The preaching of the message draws. A deep interest to hear the truth is manifested in Korea.

Brother E. Kotz, in dense heathen East Africa, recently went on a preaching tour among neighboring villages. At one of them he found nearly all the people at a heathen feast, with many of the men and women drunk. The women danced and sang very bad songs, with faces distorted, much to the pleasure of the men standing about. The place was thick with imps: the scene and all seemed to say to our missionary, "Go home. No use for you here." "But in spite of all this," says Brother Kotz, "some attentive ears heard the imploring call, 'come along and help us.' He who knows the anxiety which pressed the hearts of all the heathen, like a terrible specter, the awful fear of their self-selected idols, sees in even a scene of this kind the cry of these poor souls to be delivered from the power of Satan. We feel so thankful that we can show them Jesus who can bring to them both deliverance and peace."

Far-off New Guinea has but recently been entered by our missionaries. A site has been granted by the government in unentered territory. Here has been erected a mission home, some land cleared and a school started. Of a recent trip farther inland, Brother S. W. Carr writes: "We have just returned from an interesting trip inland, reaching as far as one hundred miles from Port Horesby. It occupied three weeks; and to carry tent, fly, salt, and beads for purchasing food, print to present to chiefs, bedding, food, etc., we employed from seven to ten carriers. Sometimes these would take us but one day's journey to the neighboring tribe and then receive each 6d worth of beads, together with a box of matches, and two dessert spoons of salt. Food for ourselves and carriers was purchased with salt and matches. It was interesting to note the change in food in the various villages. In one we could get taro only; in another sweet potatoes; in another yams only; and corn and sweet potatoes in another. There was an abundance of food, so that we did not need to carry much."

J. C. Rogers, from Nyassaland, sends this word: "I must tell you of a surprising incident. For two years I had noticed a naked native, but of splendid physique, among our workmen in the brick-yards. When making inquiries about his village home, I was given to understand that it was at quite a distance and rather inaccessible. I had often suggested to our native evangelists, when going out to the villages on Sabbaths, that they visit the village of this man, Bwanamula. For some unknown reason it was never visited. On a recent Sabbath I told them that I would go there that day myself. 'But there is no road,' insisted the leading teacher. 'We must find one then,' was my reply. Great was my surprise, after a walk of an hour and a half only, to find a group of 'fine native huts inhabited by some thirty people, some of whom had never seen a white man nor heard the preaching of God's Word. Then we told them the simple story of the Christ for the first time. How many like places are yet in the world?"



### THE HARVEST

In a special sense the evangelistic canvasser is a seed-sower. We are bidden to sow beside all waters, and again we are told that though many of the books we sell may not be rea for some time, that they will later be read, and bear fruit to God's glory. The following case so fully illustrates this that we publish it, believing it will be an encouragement to the workers who may feel that sufficient results are not attending their efforts. Ours is to do the work faithfully, sowing good seed for the Master to care for. The following letter was addressed to Sister E. G. Write:—

"My Dear Mrs. White: Though I have never met you personally, we are one in Christ. I am reading your wonderful book, "The Desire of Ages," and I want you to know that in reading it I have found Him for whom my soul longed.

"I have been a Christian (a nominal one) for a long time,

## LET THE GOOD WORK GO ON

. Two more faithful workers have reached the mark and will be with us at our bookmen's convention; Bro. M. L. Ivory of Alabama, and M. D. Landon of Kentucky. Both of these workers made a late start, but they have worked hard. Neither of them entered the work until after the institutes that were held in their respective States. Brother Ivory has put in to date 1,706 hours' work, and has taken over one thousand dollars' worth of orders; and up to the time of this report, had delivered \$370.11 worth of books.

I am sorry that I cannot give the full report of Brother Landon's work, but he has passed the sixteen hundred hour mark and has always made good deliveries. He is a new worker, this being his first year to sell books; but he likes the work and was not afraid to leave his comfortable home and go out in the field and stick to business.

The time is drawing near when we hope to meet those faithful workers at Nashville, and all the others who will be there. A. F. HARRISON.

but seemed to have lost the joy of service and Christian living, until one Sunday, having nothing to do, and feeling lonely, I thought I would read your book. I bought it about ten years ago, but have never read it. I always thought that some time when I had the time I would read it, but until now it has remained unread.

"But as soon as I began to read it, I felt as never before how *real* it is. Where it seemed like ancient history before, it now seemed as if it was to-day that it all happened. Peace came to my troubled soul and my eyes were opened to God's mercies as never before. I see in him a living, personal Saviour, who is with me all the time. I have consecrated my life to his service. I thank God for his wonderful goodness to me in permitting me to read your book, and I hope and pray that other souls may be brought into the kingdom by it.

"May the Lord bless you richly is my prayer, \_\_\_\_\_." -"Our News-Letter," Atlanta, Ga.

#### **RESULT OF THE HARVEST INGATHERING**

THOSE who have worked so faithfully with the special *Review* will be interested to hear some report of the results of the campaign. Probably a little more will reach the union conference treasury yet. Just before I left Nashville December 28th I took the figures from the Southern Union Conference books of all that had been sent in up to that time in 1910, and as a matter of comparison I am placing them beside the figures for 1909:—

	1909	1910
Alabama Conference	\$124 66	\$ 113 75
Mississippi Conference	. 30 18	67 55
Louisiana Conference	. 168 20	206 41
Pennessee River Conference		467 78
Kentucky Conference		75 06
Southern Union Mission	87 92	101 5 <b>2</b>
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Total for Southern Union	\$865 41	\$1032 07

Let us thank the Lord for this splendid result and take hold of our part of the work in 1911 with renewed courage,

C. F. MCVAGH.

""Are you and I enrolled among that noble company who to their duty?"

## CANVASSING REPORT FOR THE SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE

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Every one interested in our College of Medical Missionary Evangelists, at Loma Linda, Cal., should write them for their little pamphlet, "A Brief History and Some Facts," which contains some very interesting reports in regard to their work there.

## AN OLD RHYME

THE world goes up, and the world goes down, And the sunshine follows the rain;

- And yesterday's sneer, and yesterday's frown
  - Can never come over again,-
  - No, never come over again.

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## ANNUAL MEETING, SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIA-TION

Notice is hereby given that the third annual meeting of the constituency of the Southern Publishing Association of Seventh-day Adventists will be held Monday, January 23, 1911, at 10 A. M., at the Seventh-day Adventist church, on Twenty-third Ave. N., and Seifried St., Nashville Tenn., for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

> C. F. McVAGH, President, L. A. SMITH, Secretary.

## NOTICE

THE fifth annual meeting of the Nashville Sanitarium Association, an incorporation under the laws of the State of Tennessee, will be held at Nashville, Davidson County, Tennessee, at the Seventh-day Adventist schoolhouse on 23rd Avenue North, Monday, Jan. 23, 1911, at 11 A. M. The purpose of this meeting will be to elect four members for the Board of Directors, and transact such other business as will be proper to come before the association at that time.

> C. F. McVAGH, President, B. W. SPIRE, Secretary.

#### ANOTHER REMINDER

In another column, Elder McVagh makes a strong appeal to the conference presidents and secretaries, and the local church officers, to prepare and forward to the Union Conference secretary the matter required for the annual denominational statistical report. For the same purpose, and the same urgent reasons, we again request the conference and local officers of the Young People's Missionary Volunteer societies and of the tract and missionary societies, to gather and forward to the undersigned just as soon as possible the required information about these lines of work, using for the purpose the blanks already sent to them by us. If each officer will do his part promptly, the reports should reach us before the middle of the present month. MRS. M. H. CROTHERS.

THE Sabbath School Worker for 1911 has just come to our office. It is four pages larger in size than formerly, and looks well in its new dress; but this is not the leading feature of the paper. Having more room, it will contain more matter.

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I would advise every one who does not take this paper to do so. Every teacher should have the *Worker*, and surely it is needed by every student in the Sabbath-school. The price is within the reach of every one; thirty-five cents single subscription, or thirty cents in clubs of two or more for one year.

LET us begin the new year by subscribing for the *Review* and *Herald*. We as a people are making history fast, and the year 1911 will mark a great advance in our work, both in the foreign fields and the home land. Every Seventh-day Adventist family will need the *Review* in order to keep pace with the message.

## "TESTIMONIES ON THE SABBATH-SCHOOL WORK"

IT may be of interest to the readers of the SOUTHERN UN-ION WORKER to learn that one of the Sabbath-schools in this conference has awakened a lively interest in their weekly meetings by having one of the members read every Sabbath a short extract from "Testimonies on the Sabbath-school Work." The reading is brief, and to the point. This is a good plan, and seems to be enjoyed by all members of the school. Great pains and care have been exercised in gathering these selections, and arranging them in their natural order for study. Other schools may profit by following a similar course of systematic reading. The book is in pocket size, obtainable in cloth at 25 cents, and limp leather at 35 cents. Order through your tract society, or of the Southern Pub-

lishing Association, Nashville, Tenn.

## "GOD CAN COUNT"

A MOTHER sent her little child with a basket of little cakes to a poor woman. The child opened the basket, and looked at the cakes, and desired one. She thought, the woman will not know how many mama put in, and she will not count them, anyhow. The little girl took a cake from the basket, and was about to put it to her mouth, when she laid it back, saying: "God can count, if mama does not. He knows how many there were, and he will know I took one." Her conscience led her to do right, while her desires would have led her to do wrong. Thrice happy the man, woman, or child whose mind, conscience, and heart are in perfect harmony with the right; who refuses to commit sin not only because conscience lashes and reason reproves, but because the heart loves righteousness.—Selected.

## SPEED INDICATOR FOR TRAINS

THE Flaman speed-indicator, used on many French locomotives, is an interesting instrument. By means of clockwork, moved by gearing connected with one of the locomotive wheels, the speed per hour and the time elapsed are shown on graduated dials, while upon a roll of paper are traced graphic records of the speed, the duration of the runs and that of the stops. The speed is shown by the movement of a hand over a semicircular dial graduated in kilometers per hour, and the time by a shorter index moving round a small circular dial, one circuit of which occupies ten minutes. The registering paper is moved by revolving drums connected with the clockwork of the dials.—*Selected*.

"LET the workers manifest that charity which furnishes a smile for every one, a tear for every fault, and a gracious pardon for every mistake."

SAVE the half-hours that are wasted in waiting. That is the secret of system. Keep going.—System.