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

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PERFECT WORK

"And if I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and if I give my body to be burned, but have not love, it profiteth me nothing."
1 Cor. 13:3. R. V.

A SCULPTOR once in olden time
Wrought with such love and care,
Lest any shadow of himself
Should mar his work so fair—
Upon his forehead placed a flame;
And its soft beams alone
Kept ever clear and pure the light
Upon his work of stone.
Devotion, skill, and patient thought
His memory enthrone.

Our foreheads bear the sign of Him
Who is the world's great Light;
And he who keeps alive God's flame
Of love, will work aright.
Oh, may no shadows from ourselves
E'er prove our efforts naught,
But may the light of His great love
Show singleness of thought,
And work which "profiteth," because
With love 't is wrought.

—Anon.

OFF FOR THE BIENNIAL COUNCIL

By the time this reaches the readers of the WORKER, a number of representatives from America, with the writer, will be on their way to the biennial council in Europe. At the time the change was made from biennial to quadrennial sessions of the General Conference, grave fears were expressed that four years was too long a time between conference sessions, but on account of the rapid extension of the work to all the world, it had become a great burden, and seemed a waste of both means and time to call a large number of laborers in from all over the world every two years. It was therefore decided that the General Conference should meet once in four years, and that biennially there should be a full meeting of the committee representing the different divisions of the general work, making one full council midway between regular conference sessions. The delegation from Europe to the last General Conference in Washington, D. C., 1909, was large, and cost the European division much money, so when the brethren there urged that the biennial council in 1911 be held in Europe, promising to gather a large number of believers to such a meeting, the request was favorably considered, and the meeting was appointed at Friedensau, Germany, July 4-16. The sending of a good delegation of the American members of the committee to Europe will practically give the European division the privilege of a General

Conference, and will tend to lessen the delegation from there to the next General Conference in America.

Elder Conradi assures us that from 2,000 to 3,000 people will be in attendance at the Friedensau meeting. Is it not wonderful to think that such a body of Sabbath-keepers can be assembled in Europe? In this way the greatest good will come to the cause as a whole at the minimum expense for travel. Members of the committee from Asia, Africa, Australia, and South America, will be present, as well as from Europe and North America, and problems relating to the world wide work will be considered. It will be a most important meeting, and I feel like asking my brethren and sisters to pray earnestly that God will hedge about his servants in their travel, and guide them by his Holy Spirit in all their study together, that right plans may be laid that will greatly speed the work till it reaches every nook and corner of the earth, and God himself shall cut it short in righteousness.

C. F. McVACH.

THE DRESS OF THE CHRISTIAN

In most cases submission to the gospel requirements will demand a decided change in the dress. True conversion of the heart will work wonderful changes in the outward appearance.

There should be no carelessness in dress. Teach the young converts that dress is a talent. For Christ's sake, whose property we are, we should seek to make the best of our appearance. In the tabernacle service, God specified every detail concerning the garments of those who ministered before him. Thus we are taught that the Lord has a preference in regard to the dress of those who serve him. So the dress of Christ's followers should be symbolical. In all things we are to be representatives of him. Good taste should be exercised in the selection of appropriate colors. Our dress should be tidy and well fitting. The hair should be carefully arranged; our appearance in every respect should be characterized by neatness, modesty, and purity. But the Word of God gives us no sanction in making changes in our apparel merely for the sake of fashion—that we may appear like the world. When the desire for display in dress absorbs the mind, vanity is manifested. All this must be put away.

The words of Scripture in regard to dress should be carefully considered. The Holy Spirit through the apostle Paul says: "In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array, but (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works." Read the instruction given through the apostle Peter in 1 Peter 3:3, 4.

Christians are not to decorate the person with costly array or expensive ornaments. All this display imparts no value to the character. The Lord desires every converted person.

to put away the idea that dressing as worldlings dress will give value to his influence. The ornamentation of a person with jewels and luxurious things is a species of idolatry. This needless display reveals a love for those things which are supposed to place a value upon the person. It gives evidence to the world of a heart destitute of the inward adornment. An over-dressed outwardly adorned person bears the sign of inward poverty. A lack of spirituality is revealed. Extravagance in dress requires the expenditure of money that is needed to advance the work of the Lord. Extra ribbons and bows mean dollars and cents spent needlessly.

The trimming of ladies' hats with high-standing bows is a needless expense, and is unbecoming to a Christian. In the house of God the over-trimmed hats are a positive annoyance. The congregation desire to see the face of the speaker as well as hear his voice; but the ladies' hats with their high-standing ribbons and bows, obscure the view. Many in the congregation may be seen peering this way and that to get a glimpse of the speaker; but often their efforts are in vain. Their enjoyment of the service is marred, and the minister who observes all this is disturbed.

Satan has a snare laid to captivate unwary souls by leading them to give more attention to their outward adornment than to the inward graces which a love of the truth and righteousness displays, as the fruit borne on the Christian tree. Many indulge a passion for dress. They spend their money for that which is not bread, and are foolish as was Esau, who sold his birthright for a mess of pottage. Many bar their own souls from entering the strait gate because they cannot indulge their love for display and yet believe in Christ and walk in his footsteps.

"If any man will come after me," said Christ, "let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me." Self-denial and self-sacrifice will mark the Christian's life. Evidence that the taste is really converted will be seen in the dress of all who walk the narrow path of holiness, the path cast up for the ransomed to walk in.

Mrs. E. G. WHITE.

PORTLAND, MAINE

In the *Review* of May 18, 1911, appeared an earnest appeal from the pen of Mrs. E. G. White in behalf of Portland, Me. The work of the message began in New England, and as the pioneers sacrificed all to plant the truth in other parts of the country, the assurance was given that before it closed, the work would return with power to the East.

Lately Sister White has had a burden for the Eastern cities making frequent mention of Portland, Me. If the above mentioned appeal in the *Review* is heeded, the White Memorial church building, in Portland, will be speedily relieved of debt without burden to any one. The call is to all who feel it a privilege to help. The work in the South has been helped, and it would be a graceful act on the part of our churches in the Southern Union to help as God has prospered us. Do not neglect the appeal for Portland, Me. Send donations properly labeled through your conference treasurer.

C. F. McVAGH.

HOW TO SUCCEED

"I must be doing something for the weary and the sad,
I must be giving forth the love that makes my heart so glad;
For God so fills my spirit with a joy that passeth show,
I fain would do his bidding in the only way I know,
And pray to God that every day I may some good impart,
Do some act of kindness, speak some word of cheer,
To make some drooping heart rejoice, or stay some falling
tear."

Our Publishing House

HOME OFFICE NEWS

SALES report for week ending June 3, 1911: Bound volumes, 1,921; *Watchman*, 3,922; *Gospel Sentinel*, 2,000.

BRO. DAN BROWN, one of our canvassers in the Tennessee River Conference, writes as follows:—

"I received your good letter of May 19, and am glad to learn that the work at that end of the line is going on well. I am now working in and near Paducah, Ky., and am having real good success. I believe this is the place the Lord would have me, and this is where I want to be. I believe every Seventh-day Adventist that can, and has nothing more important to do, should be canvassing; and at this time, it is a very important work. This is something we should all realize."

There is a sound of "a going around the Publishing House" these days which testifies that the workers in the field are up and doing, and while the thermometer registers high, and the human tendency is to sit in the shade and take it easy, yet these faithful workers are out on the firing-line, going from door to door, carrying the printed page.

"Cursed be he that doeth the work of the Lord negligently." It is very evident that our canvassers with books and periodicals are doing a work that is pleasing in the sight of God, for instead of cursing, he is abundantly blessing. This is evidenced by the fact that our Publishing House force is kept busy on full time. In fact we have been running some over time. The Lord is ready to work for his people, but it is still true that the harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few. The few that are in the field are receiving rich blessings from God. Are there not many more of our people who are inactive, but would like to witness for the Master by distributing our literature? We shall be glad to hear from such, and all inquiries will be given prompt and courteous attention.

During the month of March, 1910, we sold books to the value of \$12,373.28; March, 1911, our sales amounted to \$13,235.04; April, 1910, \$7,539.06; April, 1911, \$12,304.30. You will note that there was a small increase for March, but in April there was a very substantial gain. Figures for May have not yet been received, but from all reports we believe they will go far ahead of April.

Some are receiving a great blessing from distributing these good books. Are you among the number? If not, why not?

"It is a lack of decision that loses big battles and ruins many businesses." We know there are a number of our brethren and sisters who are in the valley of decision regarding the canvassing work. If the Lord has impressed you that you should go to work in his vineyard, it pays to be obedient to the promptings of his Spirit.

"Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: for every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened."

RECENTLY we read the following pointed article in a trade paper. It is called a Motto for Canadian Business Men:—

"I believe in the work I am handing out, in the firm I am working for, and in my ability to get results. I believe that honest work can be passed out to honest men by honest methods. I believe in working, not weeping; in boosting, not knocking; and in the pleasure of my job. I believe that a man gets what he goes after, that one deed done to-day is worth two deeds to-morrow, and that no man is down and

out until he has lost faith in himself. I believe in to-day, and the work I am doing, in to-morrow and the work I hope to do, and in the sure reward which the future holds. I believe in courtesy, in kindness, in generosity, in good cheer, in friendship, and in honest competition. I believe there is something doing somewhere for every man ready to do it. I am ready right now—are you?"

DR. STELLA MARTINSON, from the Oakwood School, made the office a pleasant call last Tuesday.

"T is not for reward we labor,
'T is not for success we toil,
Nor for joy, renown, or pleasure,
Nor to win the victor's spoil.

'T is the love of Christ constrains us;
This the motive leads us on;
Love for him alone sustains us;
Let us labor and be strong."

Kentucky Conference

AMONG THE CHURCHES

AFTER getting my family located, and arranging the office, I left Louisville to visit the churches and scattered brethren in the southern part of the State. I spent one week with the church at Bowling Green, and as we presented the message, the Lord witnessed to it, and all seemed to decide that by the help of God they would live nearer to the Master. Sabbath, May 27, was a good day, and we all sought the Lord for more of his Holy Spirit so that we could be more efficient workers. I was pleased to meet with this church, and to see the earnestness manifested on the part of so many. Dr. Ford, who is the elder, has the hearty co-operation of the members who meet once a week to hold cottage and prayer meetings. Some are giving Bible readings each week to those who are interested.

I am sure that our churches throughout the State would be blessed if they would take time to hold prayer meetings and give Bible readings to those who desire them. It will be necessary for each church-member to do something to advance the truth; so let us allow the light to shine out from us.

June 1 I came to Sand Hill where I have been made welcome by the people. We are holding meetings each night with increasing attendance and interest. The Lord is blessing us in this meeting, and hearts are being cheered as they study over the truths we love so much. There are a number of young people here for whom we are praying that God will connect them with this message. We need your prayers as we go from place to place.

B. W. BROWN.

FIELD NOTES

ON account of her health, Sister Anna Benton has gone to the Nashville Sanitarium. We regret very much to lose her from the canvassing work.

Bro. Curtis Mount and his sister Bessie have just arrived at our home. He will canvass Scott county for "Coming King," and Sister Bessie will sell the *Watchman* in Lexington.

The canvassing company at Frankfort have just finished a successful delivery of books in Franklin county. They have placed 244 copies of "Bible Footlights," and a large number of helps in this county, and have some more to be

delivered in June. They are now nicely located at Shelbyville, and have begun work in Shelby county. Their courage is good.

Brother White's health has not been good of late which has hindered him in the canvassing work. We ask your prayers that he may have health to go on with the work.

Bro. W. P. Ethington is rejoicing in the privilege of seeing some of the fruits of his labor. An entire family is keeping the Sabbath, in Henry county, as the result of his selling them a copy of "Bible Footlights" last winter.

This makes two families in this county brought into the truth through the efforts of the canvassing work. What a glorious work this is. And how the canvasser should rejoice for the privilege he has of being a *canvasser*. Are there not others that would like this privilege? C. F. DART.

425 E. 6th St., Lexington, Ky.

NEW SABBATH-KEEPERS

I HAVE a good experience to relate. A man, his wife, son, and daughter, are all keeping the Sabbath through reading "Bible Footlights" that I sold him last winter.

I have known this man from a child. He has a good education, is well versed on the Sunday question, and I think will make a good worker.

It does me good to know that I have been instrumental in bringing this family into the truth. I give the Lord all the praise. May the Lord bless this family is my prayer.

W. P. ETHINGTON.

MAGAZINE AGENTS' REPORT

For Week Ending May 27, 1911

LEXINGTON

Archie Dart	W	1	4	\$	40
Rena Walbert	W	2	2		20
Bessie Mount	W	7	15	I	50
Marie Wirth	W	3	15	I	50
Charlsey Allran	W	3	16	I	60

Totals 16 52 \$5 20

For Week Ending June 2, 1911

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D. B. ROBERTS, Sec'y.

'GROVE CHURCH DEDICATION AND CONVENTION

It has been decided to dedicate the Grove church June 24 and 25, and in connection with this will be held a Sabbath-school and Young People's Missionary Volunteer convention. The program has been arranged and the papers are now being written. Every thing is being done by those who have the work in charge, to make it a success and blessing to those who attend. All our people living near enough are invited to be present at the convention. If you will write to the church elder, Bro. E. C. Shoemaker, Waynesburg, Ky., he will make arrangements to care for all. I will be pleased to meet all our scattered brethren near this church at this important gathering.

B. W. BROWN.

WITH nearly 5,000 accredited delegates and thousands of visitors, the Thirteenth Triennial Convention of the International Sunday-school Association at San Francisco in June, promises to be the most notable religious gathering in America during the present year.

Mississippi Conference

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MAY, 1911

TITHES

Vicksburg	\$ 1.17
Meridian	25.00
Pine-Grove	3.82
Hatley	14.12
Ingomar	2.50
Individual	115.48
Jackson	1.05
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Conference Church	28.46
Total	\$191.90

OFFERINGS

\$300,000 Fund	\$ 16.00
White Memorial Church Fund.....	1.00
Annual Offerings	1.00
Second Sabbath Offerings.....	8.14
First-Day Offerings	2.20
Total	\$ 28.34

BEULAH M. CALLICOTT, *Treas.*

NOTICE

At the meeting of the conference committee, November 27 and 28, it was decided to raise a fund to pay for some office furniture that we find our office very much in need of, such as desks, a typewriter, etc. All who would like to help raise this fund will please send their donations to Miss Beulah Callicott, and your name, with the amount given, will be published. If you cannot give a large sum, do not be ashamed to give a small amount.

W. S. LOWRY.

ONE-HUNDRED-DOLLAR SABBATH-SCHOOL FUND

Previously reported	\$ 9.00
Nobia Morgan	2.00
C. D. Bayly	1.00
Horace Miller	2.50
Floy Morgan	1.00
Otto Waite	1.00
Sarah Ingham	1.00
Joel Rogers	1.00
Grace Holt	1.00
Mollie Miller	2.50
Total	\$22.00

Who will be the next?

MOLLIE MILLER.

Our Schools

A TRAINING FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS

TWENTY years ago Seventh-day Adventists had no missions to the heathen. To-day not only from America, but from Europe and Australia, missionaries are being sent out into all parts of the heathen world, and a beginning has been made in Mohammedan lands. The whole world is opening to the proclamation of the advent message, and the great need to-day is that we dedicate ourselves, our children, and our means to the finishing of this work. Marvelously God has led us thus far, more marvelously will he lead us until the work is done, if we follow.

It is said that Japan defeated Russia not because she had more men, but because she had more and better qualified men in the right places. So in the gospel warfare, it is quality rather than quantity that counts.

The experience of our Foreign Mission Board demands that greater care must hereafter be exercised in the selection and training of missionaries. The needs of the field are so varied that not only must a thorough preparation be made, but candidates must be studied and sent to the fields for which they are best fitted. For these reasons our Foreign Mission Seminary has been established, not as a competitor with our colleges, but to take those who have finished these schools, as well as volunteers from the home work, and give them a special preparation for some particular mission field. Four years of experience as a Foreign Mission Seminary, and one year's experience in training those who have been especially selected before entering the school, have demonstrated the wisdom of these plans.

For the coming year, the work is being strengthened along medical lines. A way is provided whereby properly qualified graduate nurses can be quickly prepared to take up medical missionary work at home or abroad. Provision is also made to give some elementary training in the treatment of disease to all students who desire it.

Let our young people especially, ponder well this statement from one of the pioneer missionaries to Islam:—

"While vast continents are shrouded in almost utter darkness, and hundreds of millions suffer the horrors of heathenism or of Islam, the burden of proof lies upon you to show that the circumstances in which God has placed you were meant by him to keep you out of the foreign field."

For further information about the Foreign Mission Seminary, application blanks, etc., address M. E. Kern, Takoma Park Station, Washington, D. C.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES OF THE SOUTHERN TRAINING SCHOOL

THE fifteenth annual commencement exercises of the Southern Training School were held May 20-23. As usual these exercises began with the baccalaureate sermon which was delivered by Dr. O. C. Godsmark, of Chattanooga, Sabbath morning at the Seventh-day Adventist church. The theme of the discourse was a comparison of ancient and modern miracles. The doctor's long connection with the educational and evangelical work of Seventh-day Adventists, made it possible for him to bring in a number of personal experiences as he traced the development of the educational work. Great stress was laid upon the breadth of the motto which had been chosen by the class, "He Conquers Who Endures." The church was well filled, and all seemed to enjoy the discourse very much.

Monday night at 7:30 the Class Program was rendered in the Training School chapel. The heavy rain that came early in the evening, kept some people away, but the chapel was filled to its comfortable seating capacity. The Class Program consisted of music, addresses, essays, together with the class poem, history, and prophecy, closing with the class song. The following night, May 23, was given to the formal Commencement Program. Unlike the custom in the past there was no commencement address by a speaker from abroad, but the program was given by students who had won class honors; namely, The Salutatory, Miss Lynne Rainwater; the President's address, D. W. Dillon; and the Valedictory, John Wright. A number of appropriate selections of music were rendered during the evening, at the close of which was the usual presentation of diplomas by the principal.

One little note of sadness sounded in all the commencement exercises, in the death of Professor Miller's child, a baby of about nine months. Its death occurred Monday morning, May 22. Professor Miller received many expressions of sympathy from the school and from his brethren and friends in this hour of trouble.

The graduating class consists of twelve persons, as follows: D. W. Dillon, who finished the Ministerial course; John F. Wright, Elizabeth Van Voorhis, and Mabel Mitchell, finishing the Literary course; Lynne Rainwater, the Advanced Normal and Stenographic; Grace Craw, Scientific; Nannie May Smith, Elementary Normal; Harlan Harrison and Augustus Foster, Commercial; Harold Buegnet and Vallah Dillon the Stenographic; and Mary Vreeland, the Music course. Five of the class have made plans for entering some branch of the work, and two of them expect to continue in school somewhat longer, to take up advanced work. One of the class is making preparations to take up the medical work. It is the hope of the faculty that this entire class shall be valuable workers in the cause of God. The school buildings are rather lonesome after the departure of the students, but already preparations are being made for the opening of school, Sept. 13, 1911.

Young people everywhere, what are you going to do about school next year? The Southern Training School needs you, and you need the training it can give. It is the desire of the faculty that an army of workers shall go forth from these school walls to become factors in the carrying of this message.

A number of visitors were in attendance during Commencement Exercises, among them were Prof. H. M. Hiatt, educational secretary of the Southeastern Union; Eld. P. G. Stanley, president of the Cumberland Conference, and Eld. Chas. Thompson, president of the Southeastern Union.

M. B. VAN KIRK.

Missionary Volunteers

WORDS AND THEIR POWER

MANY a tragedy has its origin in a hasty word. If people would only repress the word of irony, the shaft of sarcasm, or the thrust of reproach, and wait until they are calm and self-restrained before speaking in anger or reproof, hearts would escape needless wounds. It is so easy to misunderstand our nearest and dearest. Why, we do not always understand ourselves. Our very motives are so very mixed, our impulses are so surprising, our acts are so unforeseen that we baffle our own explanation, and if this is so, surely we should not sit in judgment on our neighbors. At least, we should be reluctant to pronounce sentence too soon. In the intimacy of the household, where we are off guard, it is especially a very needful thing to guide well our daily course, and to refrain from speech that can hurt another, a child or an aged one under the roof.—*Mrs. M. E. Sangster.*

THY WILL BE DONE

"At first I felt in uttermost despair,
And said, 'O Lord, this cross I cannot bear.'
But I have borne it, and I bear it now,
Only, oh only, do not ask me how."

"A TRUE missionary never knows defeat."

LET PROTESTANT GIRLS BEWARE

WE take the following from a strong, uncompromising Roman Catholic paper, the *Western Watchman*, of May 4:—

"Some Catholic young men now deliberately get married before a Protestant minister because they would be in a position to avail themselves of a possible divorce in the future. They know that by such a ceremony they are not married in the eyes of the church, and a divorce decree would enable them to marry a Catholic wife at some future time. A man who had gone through the, to a Catholic, mock ceremony told us some time ago that such was his deliberate purpose; and it was only when a child was born and another natural tie bound him to its mother that he asked for a Catholic ceremony. Poor Protestant girls should be made aware of this cruel deception. They think the rupture with the church is a tribute to love, and they prize it; little do they know the villainy of these renegades."

But what a basely low standard of morals these "Catholic young men" must have! It is good of the editor to warn the Protestant girls.—*Signs of the Times.*

COLLEGE OF MEDICAL EVANGELISTS

WE have just received the 1911-12 Calendar, and prospectus of the Loma Linda College of Medical Evangelists, the only medical school among us whose curriculum is such as to qualify students for medical practice, and which is authorized to give diplomas to its graduates.

In addition to a thorough course of medical study, the study of the Bible and the Testimonies will be a prominent feature. It is designed that each graduate shall be qualified for some line of evangelical work.

The nurses' training department will be of the highest excellence.

Any one interested will be furnished with a prospectus on presenting their request to Dr. W. A. Ruble, Loma Linda, Calif.

General

A NEW MOVEMENT AGAINST TOBACCO

WHAT is called "The Order of the Orange Blossom," has just been started in Whittier. It is composed of young women, we learn from the *Pacific Prohibitionist*, who take the following pledge:—

"I pledge posterity and our Maker to accept as intimate companion no young man who uses tobacco in any form, or alcoholic beverages, or unmanly language. And I pledge my example and influence against such degrading habits—securing signatures to this pledge from young women and young men personally and by mail."

The Whittier W. C. T. U. have endorsed it in the following resolution:—

"Resolved, That we, as a W. C. T. U., most cordially endorse the 'Whittier Memorial Pledge,' believing it to be a blow not merely at the foul tobacco habit, but at many evils allied with it. And we urge young women everywhere to sign and circulate this pledge as a means of standing together to demand true nobility and purity, health of body and mind in the future fathers of our nation."

It is hoped that this will become a national or world movement. Twenty-five of these pledges may be had for ten cents in silver from "The Order of the Orange Blossom," Claremont, Calif. We hope American girls will push it along. It is too bad that a "mere man" (Prof. G. W. Sa-

vory) had to originate it, or is at least the visible object in so doing; but he has done a savory thing for society. At a meeting in Whittier, 1,000 pledges were taken; and we hope the girls will stick to it, and pass it on.—*Signs of the Times.*

IMPORTANT CHANGES AT THE NASHVILLE SANITARIUM

SOME weeks ago Dr. W. A. George, who has for more than three years been medical superintendent of the Nashville Sanitarium, accepted a call to the chair of Anatomy and Surgery at Loma Linda, Calif. He will leave in a couple of weeks to take some post graduate work before entering upon his new duties. The work at Nashville has made good progress under his direction, the last annual report showing an increase of about 80 per cent. in patronage during the last two years with an increase in operating expense of only about 66 per cent. While here the doctor and his wife, Dr. Lyra George, have made many friends whose prayers and best wishes will follow them as they go to new and wider fields of usefulness. At a meeting of the board held at the conference office, 511 Cole Bldg., last week, Dr. George's resignation was accepted, and Dr. R. M. Clarke was elected medical superintendent and C. H. Moyers, of Graysville, Tenn., business manager. During his stay with us Dr. Clarke has won the confidence and regard of both helpers and patients, and this, coupled with the known business ability of Brother Moyers, makes the outlook very hopeful. The patronage is good, but these brethren will have many problems to solve and difficulties to meet, and will need our prayers and Christian co-operation. Through the blessing of God only can prosperity come and continue with the institution.

C. F. McVAGH.

IS SATURDAY OR SUNDAY THE SABBATH?

"If a man's religion causes him to recognize Saturday as his Sabbath, and he fittingly observes the day, has he a right to keep his place of business open on Sunday?"

"This question must be decided by Attorney-General John S. Dawson of Kansas, who has started a crusade to close all places of business in this State on Sunday. The argument is advanced by a Seventh-day Adventist, who operates a picture show in Leavenworth, Kan.

"The man closes his place of business Saturday, but desires to keep his show open on Sunday. The laws of Kansas say all places of amusement must be closed Sunday, but also says that no man's religion may be interfered with.

"It is declared that the picture show will be closed Saturday, but will be open Sunday, and a test case may result."

SOME time since Prof. George A. Reisner arrived in New York from Alexandria, after an absence of six years spent in exploring the ruins of former civilizations in Egypt and Palestine.

Prof. Reisner is assistant professor of Semitic Archæology at Harvard, and also holder of the chair of Egyptology. Here is a brief resume of his work, which is of great interest:—

"Among his most important excavations were those in Palestine on the site of the ancient city of Samaria. To uncover this the diggers went down from thirteen to twenty-three feet, digging through the periods of Roman and Greek occupation. They uncovered pieces of pottery on which were inscribed in lampblack in Hebraic characters, records of tithes received from other provinces. These potsherds indicated that the people of the period of King Ahab, whose wife was

Jezebel, knew how to write with ink, or its ancient equivalent. Professor Reisner said that doubtless other pottery uncovered in the past had contained similar writing, but that the explorers had taken too much care in cleaning the pottery and had rubbed off the inky writing.

"Ahab, in whose palace the inky records were found, lived about 870 B. C., so the professor believes that his people were about the earliest to practice the art of writing with ink. Some of the finest of the professor's discoveries were in the burying grounds of Samaria. The king's palace was a massive building covering twelve thousand square yards, with walls from one to two yards thick.

"The greater part of the work the professor did in Egypt was on the lands that were to be covered by water backed up by the Assouan Dam. The Nubian Archæological Survey, under the Egyptian government, notified the professor that the territory was to be excavated, and asked him to superintend the work. The territory extended along a river basin for one hundred and fifty miles. Some of the finest pieces of statuary of the Ptolemaic period were discovered, including that of King Mycerinus, builder of the pyramid southwest of Gizeh, and one of his queen and his son. The bodies found were not mummified, but were buried in mats and skins. The excavators practically reconstructed the history of Nubia from their finds.

"The Boston, Harvard, and Cairo museums have been the beneficiaries of the discoveries. The professor's six years of delving has more than doubled the number of Egyptian works of art."

EUROPEAN capitalists are contemplating building a new railway system to be known as the "Ibero-Afro-American Railway." This, when completed will make possible a journey from Europe to South America in five days.

It is intended that the railway will cross Spain, and at Gibraltar huge ferry-boats will transport trains to the African coast in half an hour. From Tangier, the railroad will follow the coast to Bathurst, a distance requiring a journey of two days, and from there, fast steamers will carry passengers and freight in three days to the city of Pernambuco.

It is said that France and England will derive the greatest benefit from this road, as they will be enabled to reach their colonies much quicker, while Spain will receive the benefit of an immense international traffic. Germany and Italy, too, would come in closer contact with their countrymen in South America. Morocco, however, would derive the greatest immediate advantage, as a railroad through its vast territory would open its doors to European civilization. In its legal aspects the road would be an international line.

BRO. O. E. REINKE, one of our laborers in Switzerland, writes: "Our young men are going through a hard test in their military experiences. Last year two brethren were imprisoned, one for ten days the other for six weeks. This year one brother was imprisoned six weeks, and another four months. In each case an account of their conversion and of the principles of present truth was set forth by them before the court, and was printed in the different newspapers in Switzerland. We realize that true freedom is only in Christ, but nevertheless our work is going forward. We are all of good courage in the Lord, and our prayers unite with yours for the speedy finishing of the work of Jehovah on this sinful earth. May the Lord soon grant it."—*Selected.*

"THERE are at present nearly twenty thousand missionaries and helpers in India."

CANVASSING REPORT FOR THE SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE

For Week Ending May 27, 1911

ALABAMA CONFERENCE							
NAME	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Delivered
Ben Griffith	...BFL	51	74	\$106 00	\$	\$106 00	\$ 2 50
J R Hines	....MISC			78 00		78 00	111 25
Delia Russell	..D&R						43 30
Jessie Whatley	.BFL	16	6	6 00		6 00	
N E Allen	....BFL	78	25	27 50	3 50	31 00	49 00
J M McLaughlin	BFL	15	18	20 50		20 50	
I W Peevy	....BFL	30	30	43 00	3 00	46 00	
R T Jacks	....BFL	26	12	13 00	9 00	22 00	
Maude Ivory	..BFL	13	8	9 00		9 00	
F D Hunt	....BFL	24			6 00	6 00	58 00
W B Parkins	.D&R	27	5	13 00	3 00	16 00	11 50
M L Ivory	....BFL	54	21	31 50	8 00	39 50	5 15
Geo W Brown	2WBFL	75	11	15 50	14 50	30 00	75

A LITTLE WHILE

A LITTLE while for patient vigil keeping,
To face the storm, to wrestle with the strong;
A little while to sow the seed with weeping,
Then bind the sheaves, and sing the harvest song.

A little while to keep the oil from failing,
A little while faith's flickering lamp to trim;
And then, the Bridegroom's coming footsteps hailing,
We'll haste to meet Him with the bridal hymn.

— Selected.

"BOOKER T. WASHINGTON, the acknowledged head of the colored race, was somewhat unfortunate on his last visit to New York. In seeking the city address of one of his Tuskegee officials on a West Side street, he was attacked by a white man who presumably took the negro educator for a burglar or some one with a more sinister motive. The bruises Dr. Washington received confined him to his hotel for a few days. Many letters of sympathy came to him from all parts of the country, among them one from President Taft in which was expressed the high estimation in which the latter holds the man who has done so much for the elevation of his people, through whose labors they have become an integrally important element in our civilization and progress."

"ONE of our canvassers in India had a very interesting experience the other day. He went into a town in a little independent native state to deliver some books previously ordered. On arriving at the railway station, he was met by a beautiful carriage belonging to the state and was driven to his customers in grand style. He had a footman, a driver, and everything which goes to make up style in that Oriental country. Arrangements had also been made for his entertainment at state expense."

"ONE of the oddest towns in the world will be Forest Hill Gardens, Long Island, which is being built by the Russell Sage Foundation Company. The village has been planned with the idea of getting away from the stereotyped rectangular city blocks, the streets being delightfully crooked and irregular. In addition to playgrounds, open to every one, there will be spaces varying in shape and size in the central portions of each of the blocks for the use of children of families occupying the surrounding houses."

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

H E Beck	....BFL	51	14	15 50	9 35	24 85	2 75
C R Millar	....BFL	44	10	13 50	2 00	15 50	1 50
D C Ray	....BFL	59	13	13 50	2 05	15 55	
V F Todd	....BFL	23	8	9 00	2 50	11 50	50
Anna Benton	..BFL	16					42 25
C F Dart	....CK	12	10	15 00	1 50	16 50	50

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

J S Fry	....D&R	46	19	41 00	3 25	44 25	3 25
C H McColley	.BFL	30	26	26 00	1 25	27 25	5 25
W H Haddon	.BFL	43	38	94 00	12 25	106 25	4 00
Virgil Smith	...BFL	52	46	49 00	4 75	53 75	9 70
E M Blunt	...BFL	24	22	24 00	1 25	25 25	75
Alice Fry	....BFL	13	4	7 00	2 00	9 00	7 50
Parizetta Smith	BFL	15	7	9 00	50	9 50	1 00
Mary R Parkins	BFL	13	14	18 00	75	18 75	
W E Cooper	...BFL	42	35	40 50	1 25	41 75	1 25
Lamar Cooper	..BFL	48	57	65 00	2 25	67 25	1 00
Coley Parkins	..BFL	46	47	51 50	2 50	54 00	1 75
Mary E Mundy	.BFL	23	10	10 00	1 00	11 00	75
Lucy Allen	...BFL	17	10	10 50	1 25	11 75	1 00
Ella Johnson	..BFL	29	65	72 50	4 00	76 50	
J P Campbell	..BFL	27					7 00
E P Campbell	..PG	9			2 25	2 25	6 50
Louise Jackson	BFL	20	7	7 00	50	7 50	9 00
John Wood	...BFL	42					48 00
S D Miller	....BFL	20	16	16 00		16 00	
Mary J Moore	..BFL	15	16	16 50	1 00	17 50	2 25
Emily Billups*	.BFL	70	100	150 00	12 50	162 50	
M A Murphy	..BFL	16	9	9 00	4 75	13 75	

*Two weeks.

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

Mrs Mary Allen	.BFL	22	8	8 00	4 00	12 00	1 00
Mamie Moore	..D&R	38	17	14 50	1 50	16 00	11 25
Mrs E R Jones	.BFL	3	1	1 50	50	2 00	3 00
E V White	....BFL	16	23	25 00	1 50	26 50	4 00
C H Chenault	.D&R	49	26	54 00	5 50	59 50	7 00
C D Wolff	....BFL	36	14	17 00	3 50	20 50	36 50
Dan Brown	....BFL	26	7	7 50	8 25	15 75	30
A C Wolff	....BFL	18	6	6 00	18 50	24 50	1 50
Pearl E Wolff	.BFL	8	16	8 00	1 40	9 40	
C E Mophew	DR BFL	46	24	34 00	12 90	46 90	50
J S Moore	...so/P	21	5	7 75	1 35	9 10	3 60
R H Hazelton	.BFL	40	4	4 00	6 30	10 30	84 90

SUMMARY

Alabama Conf	....	409	210	363 00	47 00	410 00	271 45
Kentucky Conf	....	205	55	66 50	17 40	83 90	47 55
Louisiana Conf	No report						
Mississippi Conf	...	660	548	716 50	59 25	775 75	110 95
Tenn River Conf	..	323	181	199 75	52 70	252 45	153 55

Totals 1597 984 1345 75 176 35 1522 10 583 50

"Now that reciprocity with Canada is assured, it is believed that before long the South American countries and the United States will also enter into a similar arrangement. There is no doubt that lower tariffs on the mineral products coming into this country from South America, and on manufactured goods going out, would be mutually beneficial to both."

A FEW more smiles of silent sympathy, a few more tender words, a little more restraint in temper, may make all the difference between happiness and half-happiness to those I live with.—*Stopford Brooke.*

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All matter intended for publication should be sent to the editor, SOUTHERN UNION WORKER, at the above address.

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Kentucky August 17-27
Mississippi August 31 to September 10
Tennessee River September 7-17

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Address all correspondence to Dr. Julia A. White, Superintendent of Nurses' Training Course, Loma Linda, Calif.

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M. E. KERN.

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