



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

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Our Words

Prov. 26:17-22; Matt. 12:36, 37.

OUR words! our words! what queer, strange things they are!
How quick they come!
On thoughtless tongue
So much of God's dear light from us they bar.

Our ready words! how much alloy they hold!
The tinsel word
More felt than heard;
So oft, unchallenged, we pass it on for gold.

The merry jests that cross our lips in sport,
How oft they bear
Such bitter fare
As we would shrink to meet in that last Court.

How oft, in thoughtless mood, when bent on fun,
We force the sup
From hemlock cup
To anguished lips ere life's brief course is run.

Our words! such cheer, such joy as they could bring
To sickened heart
In life's fierce mart,
And raise the song, "O Death, where is thy sting!"

Then give close heed; guard well these words of ours,
For life or death
Are in their breath.

Pass but the good; they're Eden's fair, sweet flowers.

NELLIE M. HIGLEY.

HARVEST INGATHERING

THE time is here for another Harvest Ingathering. This plan is no longer an experiment. During the last three years the net annual income to the mission board has exceeded \$30,000, or about \$100,000 during the three years. This of itself would surely justify another effort this year. But the money, which comes mostly from friends not of our faith, is only a part of the blessing. The organized campaign encourages all of our people, even the most timid, to do some missionary work for their neighbors, and much latent talent for personal work is developed. Also many openings for Christian help, Bible readings, etc., are found, and, best of all, souls are brought to the knowledge of the truth through the papers distributed.

For three years our church paper, the *Review and Herald*, has printed a special missions number for use in the ingathering, and over half a million copies were distributed each year. This year the *Signs of the Times* is to be used. A splendid number has been prepared bearing date Oct. 30, 1911, and preparations have been made to fill orders promptly. It is expected that fully as many, if not more, papers will be needed than were used last year. If these expectations are not met, loss and disappointment will result. The use of the *Signs* should give a new impetus to the effort. Every conference should thoroughly organize for systematic work. Nothing great is ever accomplished without definite effort. Every dollar raised through the ingathering counts to the credit of the conference on the fifteen-cents-a-week fund. The orders should all have been in long ere this; but if for any reason the matter has not yet been taken up, let there be delay no longer. There is inspiration and power in united effort. Let us move together.

C. F. McVAGH.

OUR DUTY TO THE MISSIONARY WORK

If God has entrusted you with money, show yourselves faithful to your trust; unwrap your napkin, and send your talents to the exchangers, that when Christ shall come, he may receive his own with interest. In the last extremity, before this work shall close, thousands will be cheerfully laid upon the altar. Men and women will feel it a blessed privilege to share in the work of preparing souls to stand in the great day of God, and they will give hundreds as readily as dollars are given now. If the love of Christ were burning in the hearts of his people, we should see this spirit manifested to-day. Did they but realize how near is the end of all work for the salvation of souls, they would sacrifice their possessions as freely as did the members of the early church. They would work for the advancement of God's cause as earnestly as worldly men labor to acquire riches. Tact and skill would be exercised, and earnest and unselfish labor put forth, to acquire means, not to hoard, but to pour into the treasury of the Lord.

The Lord has made provision that all may be reached by the message of truth, but the means placed in the hands of his stewards for this purpose has been selfishly devoted to their own gratification. If all the means which has been wasted by our people in self-gratification had been devoted to the cause of God, there would be no empty treasuries, and missions could be established in all parts of the world.

Let the members of the church put away their pride and lay off their ornaments. Each should keep a missionary box at hand, and drop into it every penny he is tempted to waste in self-indulgence. But something more must be done than merely to dispense with superfluities. Self-denial must be practised. Some of our comfortable and desirable things

must be sacrificed. Let love, piety, and faith be cherished in the heart, and the precious fruits will appear in the life.

We shall be brought into strait places in our work. Trials will come. God will test the strength of our faith; he will prove us to see if we will trust him under difficulties. The silver and gold are the Lord's, and when his stewards have done their duty fully, and can do no more, they are not to sit down at their ease, let things take their course, and let the missionary work come to a standstill. It is then that they should cry to God for help. Let those who have faith, seek the Lord earnestly, remembering that the "kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent taketh it by force."

There are some in the church who have with open hand come forward to the work hitherto, and they will not be behind now. We have confidence in their integrity. But the offerings of the church have been in many instances more numerous than her prayers. The missionary movement is far in advance of the missionary spirit. Earnest prayers have not like sharp sickles, followed the workers into the harvest fields. It is true that there is an interest to see success attend the efforts to unfurl the banner of truth in foreign lands, but there has been a lack of heartfelt sympathy with the laborers, the real burden of soul that the means invested may do its work.—*Mrs. E. G. White.*

Our Publishing House

HOME OFFICE NEWS

SALES report for week ending Oct. 6, 1911: Total number of bound volumes, 8,318; *Watchman*, 3,757.

The work is onward. *Busy* is still the watchword with us, and all hands are working nights. The foreman of our bindery has just handed me his book order report for the week ending October 6. We find that we have 37,095 books in process of binding. These will probably be shipped out just as soon as they are completed. We are so busy that it is utterly impossible to get any stock ahead.

The two new presses recently installed were put in in the nick of time, and we have thus been enabled to rush work on these books that otherwise might have been seriously delayed. Our canvassers are having so much success with gilt books this year that our gilding department is simply snowed under with work, and we shall probably find it necessary to add another gilding press to our equipment. We are glad that we can give such an encouraging report. We do pray that the Lord will continue to bless our faithful workers in the field, and that their health will be precious in his sight.

Brother Randall recently sent us a banner order which when made up filled fifteen large packing cases, and the total weight was over one and one-half tons. The Lord is blessing our workers all over the territory.

The Southern Union canvassers are just beginning their deliveries, and we are surely being swamped with orders for "Bible Footlights." The work is onward, brethren. Just a little while and Christ will come. Let us all put our shoulders to the wheel determined that we will do the work which the Lord has said is missionary work of the highest order.

THE following is taken from the Southwestern Union Record:—

"ONE WEEK'S SHIPMENTS

"For week ending September 23, the Fort Worth branch of the Southern Publishing Association shipped over six and one-half tons, and then lacked filling several quite good-sized

orders received on Friday. Thus far this month we have averaged a little more than a ton for each shipping day, and there seems no question but that September, 1911, will show the largest sales of any month in the history of this office.

"The way the orders have been pouring in, especially for 'Bible Readings,' is marvelous. Before ordering our last car-load shipment, we invited Elder Eastman in, and together we went over the 'reports' very carefully, and at that time ordered all the books which we thought would be needed, not only for the September and October deliveries, but for the balance of the year. However, we have already received more orders for 'Bible Readings' than we have had reports for, and have found it necessary to order by wire over 3,300 additional copies. This shows the importance of care being exercised in sending in reports each week.

"Fearing that quite a few orders were being taken for 'Practical Guide' which were not being reported, we doubled our order for the cloth binding, and now they are all gone, and we have had to send for more. A recent letter from Brother Hook contains the following: 'We are placing the rush stamp on all your orders, and they will be pushed through the bindery as quickly as possible. We wish to thank you sincerely for these good orders. Keep them coming this way, and if necessary we will run all night to keep you supplied with ammunition. You will never make us feel bad by crowding us with orders, for we have a loyal force of workers, and they will take pleasure in buckling down to hard work in order to supply the canvassers with ammunition to carry on the battle.'

"Good reports of deliveries are being received, and in some cases deliveries of 100 per cent are reported. God is indeed blessing the circulation of the printed page, and may the marvelous success that is attending the work at his time lead others to say, 'Here am I, O Lord, send me.'—*R. L. Pierce, Mgr. Fort Worth Branch.*"

BRO. R. I. KEATE, Field Agent of Alabama, writes:—

"Souls are being brought into the truth by our literature. I have to-day made some real interesting extracts from letters, especially Brother Nance's where he tells of a family accepting the truth in Carbon Hill, and he encloses \$13 tithe from the man, too, as a result of reading 'Coming King.'"

SINCE my last letter to you I have been laid up a great part of my time physically. Then I met with one of those unavoidable accidents on the 12th of this month. I was in the hall at my home assorting my books when my house was struck by lightning, knocking the telephone all to pieces while I was no more than three feet away from the phone. It tore out about a yard square both in the hall and parlor walls directly in front of me. Then the window directly over the stairway upstairs was torn completely out, and two studding and window casings were all gone. But by the mercy of God I am spared, for which I feel so thankful to him. I was badly shocked, but am getting all right.

I had poor success in my first delivery owing to the saw-mill closing down the last two weeks before my delivery. The mill starts up the 1st of October permanently, and I have the books in the hands of the post-master at Millview, subject to orders. I talked with the proprietor of the mill, and he said it would start on or before the first, and he thinks all the parties will take their books excepting one or two. I shall try for more orders this coming week.

I pray that God's love and protection may be with all the workers in his vineyard. SAMUEL FENTERS.

Pensacola, Fla.

"'JOHN, show this gentleman the door,' said the lady of the house, coldly. 'Thanks, John,' said the book agent cor-

dially, 'I noticed the door as I came in; a beautiful piece of work it is. You need not trouble yourself. Now this great book, madam, is one which,' etc., etc."

THE strike on the Illinois Central is causing considerable unrest to our workers in Mississippi as a large number of our canvassers have ordered books shipped to points on that road. We trust that our brethren everywhere will pray earnestly that the Spirit of God will prevail, that the strike will soon be settled so that these message-filled books may reach their destinations, and find souls who may be saved in the kingdom as the result of reading these good books.

MISS KATE WATTS, a former employee of our Association, is now doing temporary work in the superintendent's office.

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION,

R. HOOK JR., *Gen. Mgr.*

BRO. R. L. PIERCE sends us the following report of sales for August and September, 1910 and 1911, for the Fort Worth Branch:—

	1910	1911	Increase
August	\$ 4,730.28	\$ 7,464.54	\$ 2,734.26
September	12,569.26	14,212.82	1,643.56
Totals	\$17,299.54	\$21,677.36	\$4,377.82

NOTE:—

August-September are our two best months, which this year show an increase over those of last year of \$4,377.82 at wholesale prices.

WESTERN BRANCH SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION.

Fort Worth, Texas.

Periodical Department

THE WATCHMAN—THE PRESENT TRUTH EVANGELIZER

THE October *Watchman* struck a vital chord for again we exhausted our edition. It is certainly phenomenal the way the Lord is blessing in the circulation of this excellent magazine.

In November we think we have surpassed all previous efforts, and our cover design is the finest design we have ever yet secured. It is printed in four colors, and is certainly a beauty. It is a most striking picture of the hand of Providence in the history of the United States. We want every one to read our leading editorial, "Was Our Nation Established by Divine Providence?" Is it not strange that nearly 5,500 years elapsed since the commencement of time before the Western Hemisphere was discovered, during which time four powerful universal monarchies rose and fell? While the Old World was exhausted by almost ceaseless conflict, God prepared virgin soil for the growth and development of heaven-born principles long trampled in the dust by the legions of Europe. From it the United States sprang forth, and took her place among the nations as an example of what God-given freedom and equality can accomplish when nourished in soil wet with the dew of Heaven's blessing. Read how the United States, the most favored of governments, must have been established by Providence for a definite purpose.

Another editorial, "The Hand of God in History," is an excellent review of evidences indicating divine direction in the affairs of men. Have the wheels of time, grinding out the centuries, turned in vain? When universal empire held sway, defended by the imperial army of Rome, Christendom dreamed of nothing but despotism. How different to-day! World dominion, after a supreme struggle, has given way,

and several kingdoms now occupy the throne of the Cæsars, maintaining universal peace by their jealous fear of each other. Truly the hand of God is visible in history, and the hand-writing on the wall is plainly legible when viewed from a Bible standpoint. This article is interesting and instructive because it views history and its Maker in the light of the prophetic Word.

Those interested in the causes of the unrest prevailing to-day should read Clarence Santee's striking article entitled, "A Prophecy of the Last Days." Every one knows that more wealth is being amassed to-day than in the palmiest days of Babylon's splendor. Labor conditions are strained and perplexing. The unsettled world presents a picture to-day, a counterpart of which can not be found in all history. This article shows that remarkable prophecies are being fulfilled right before us, and that present day labor troubles are one of the many signs that the end hastens on apace. An article of real value.

"The Home of the Saved," by W. M. Crothers, is an excellent review of a perplexing question. Plain, simple Bible statements that make this article an intelligent exposition of the theme selected.

These are four of our leading articles, and do not represent the magazine fully. Secure a copy and read many other interesting things prepared for our readers.

Rates in quantities: Up to forty copies, five cents; over that number, four cents. Order to-day through your tract society.

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION.

Alabama Conference

CANVASSERS' LETTERS

IN passing through a part of the territory I had canvassed, I stopped to see a man about the whereabouts of another, and incidentally asked him how he liked "Past, Present, and Future." He replied, "It is the best book I ever read in my life, and I am certainly glad you brought the books through this country." I had sold it to several ministers in his neighborhood, and he said they had the same to say about it that he had. He intends to order "Daniel and Revelation." I pray that some of these dear souls may be among the saved. By the way, this man noticed the Sabbath question as brought out in the subject of the millennium. He said that the people had been kept in the dark long enough.

A. L. KIEHNHOFF.

Brother Walker and his wife accepted the truth from reading the "Coming King" and have stepped out boldly for the Lord. He meets with us every Sabbath for Sabbath-school. He gave up his position at the mines where he was a contractor, earning good wages, but he has given it all up for the Lord. Pray for him. I am satisfied that if we could have a tent effort here, good would result. The Methodist preacher here is going to show the people next Sunday why they do not have to obey the old law. He says the Adventists are tearing the town all to pieces. The Baptist minister is also getting real busy visiting among his flock, for most of them have "Coming King," and are reading it. He has lost three of his members, and is afraid of losing more.

W. F. NANCE.

It is better to be ashamed of never having done anything to be proud of than to be proud of never having done anything to be ashamed of.

Kentucky Conference

HARVEST INGATHERING SIGNS

THE time is drawing near when all Seventh-day Adventists should have so planned their work that they can spend a week or more visiting their neighbors and the surrounding country, and soliciting money for the mission work. Our missionaries must be supported, and God has given us this means to draw money from the Gentiles to help forward the last message to the ends of the earth. Now let none of our people in Kentucky say that they can not take the papers and go out, for I feel sure that those who refuse to go will lose a great blessing. Let us all take hold of the work of raising funds for missions, and make the ingathering larger this year than it has ever been. "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord;" then let us all go with a prayer on our lips, depending upon God to open up hearts, and he will not disappoint us. B. W. BROWN.

Louisiana Conference

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER, 1911

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Individuals	\$ 4.50
Jennings	15.40
Mansfield	2.00
New Orleans	34.00
Hobart	2.00
Welsh	47.80
Total	\$105.70

OFFERINGS

Mid Summer	\$2.00
Foreign Missions	2.60
Children's Home Missions.....	5.91
Sabbath-School	10.38
Harvest Ingathering .....	.50
Orphans' Fund .....	.30
Total	\$21.69

L. B. SPEAR, *Treas.*

Mississippi Conference

NEWS NOTES

THE tent-meetings have been continued all the time since camp-meeting. We have moved the tent to another part of the city. The attendance is increasing all the time. There are several new Sabbath-keepers in Jackson, and we hope to see more soon.

Elder Morrow was out to Brownsville a few days ago to visit the new Sabbath-keepers there, and he found them of good courage.

Bro. Dan Stevenson has gone to McDonald to answer a call for meetings. Pray that success may attend him.

Our tract society secretary is very busy filling orders for books. Our canvassers are doing well since camp-meeting.

We are going to have a book-stand and reading-room on the Mississippi State fair ground. The fair will continue ten days, and we expect to sell some of our books, tracts, and papers during this time.

Do not forget that we passed a resolution at our last conference to raise the balance of our part of the \$300,000 fund, by Dec. 31, 1911. Let the money begin to come in as soon as possible.

The Idylwild Industrial School at Ridgeland opened last week, and is now ready to receive students. Write for a calendar. E. L. Marley is the principal, and he is an experienced teacher. This is a good place for our boys and girls living in the southern part of the State to attend school.

W. S. LOWRY.

NOTICE

ANY of our canvassers wishing to talk to us by telephone in regard to books needed or other business can find us by calling telephone number 1950, Jackson, Miss.

MISSISSIPPI TRACT SOCIETY.

932 Union St.

YEARLY REPORT OF BOOKS DELIVERED FROM 1906-11

I SEND you the following figures which may be of interest to the readers of the WORKER:—

Books delivered in fiscal year 1906.....	\$ 355.47
Books delivered in fiscal year 1907.....	542.00
Books delivered in fiscal year 1908.....	2,267.27
Books delivered in fiscal year 1909.....	4,037.84
Books delivered in fiscal year 1910.....	7,733.91
Books delivered in conference year 1909.....	\$3,108.02
Books delivered in conference year 1910.....	5,125.19
Books delivered in conference year 1911.....	9,704.05

Our conference year is from July 31 to July 31. June has been our best month for the last three years.

	Val. Ord.	Del.	Total
Record for June, 1909.....	\$1,038.30	\$ 425.00	\$1,463.30
Record for June, 1910.....	2,206.15	571.90	2,778.05
Record for June, 1911.....	3,175.50	1,198.00	4,373.50

Our best weekly report was for week ending Sept. 22, 1911, value of orders being \$1,014.85.

H. G. MILLER.

NOTICE

TO ALL our brethren and sisters in Mississippi:—

Please send all orders for books, tracts, Sabbath-school supplies, etc., and all money for the same, to the Mississippi Tract Society, 932 Union St., Jackson, Miss. Please do not send them to me. It will take a few extra stamps during the year, but it is absolutely necessary to avoid confusion and disappointment. So again I say, please send all orders for books and supplies, and all money to our tract society, 932 Union St., Jackson, Miss.

H. G. MILLER, *State Agent.*

OUR lips were made for victors' songs, our brows to wear the crown;

Why stand ye then, O sons of God, with heavy hearts bowed down?

However fierce the tempest be, your hopes may yet be warm, The lengthening flash of God's great power can pierce the darkest storm.

—E. W. Shurtleff.

Missionary Volunteers

READ SLOWLY AND THINK

In a recent young people's service, the leader, in her remarks, read the following questions. I do not know the author of them, but they impressed me as being very practical.

"Does my life please God?"

"Am I studying the Bible daily?"

"Am I enjoying my Christian life?"

"Is there any one I can not forgive?"

"Have I ever won a soul to Christ?"

"How much time do I spend in prayer?"

"Am I trying to bring my friends to Christ?"

"Have I ever had a direct answer to prayer?"

"Is there anything I can not give up for Christ?"

"Just where am I making my greatest mistake?"

"How does my life look to others who are not Christians?"

"How many things do I put before my religious duties?"

"Have I ever tried giving one tenth of my income to the Lord?"

"Am I doing anything I would condemn in others?"

I believe this would be a good list to cut out and place in our Bibles for frequent reference, especially for young people.
—*Selected.*

UNITY

"BEHOLD, how good . . . it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." When the people gathered together to build the house of the Lord at Jerusalem the Bible says that they came together as one man for one purpose. That thousands of men should come thus united, is only an example to us of what this people must do if they expect the message to close in this generation. There must be unity on every hand. As Christ and the Father are one, so must we be one, in act, word, and deed.

"In loving sympathy and confidence, God's workers are to unite with one another. He who says or does anything that tends to separate the members of Christ's church, is counter-working the Lord's purpose. Wrangling and dissension in the church, the encouragement of suspicion and unbelief, are dishonoring to Christ. God desires his servants to cultivate Christian affection for one another. True religion unites hearts, not only with Christ, but with one another, in a most tender union. When we know what it means to be thus united with Christ and with our brethren, a fragrant influence will attend our work wherever we go."—*Testimonies, Vol. 9, p. 145.*

In unity there is strength, in separation there is weakness. A house divided against itself must fall; a cause that is divided against itself must fail. "Press together, press together, press together," are the words of the divine leader. But how often we find that these words are not heeded. One brother pulls against another; one member against another. Criticism tends to separation, and God is often dishonored, and if the time spent in criticism and faultfinding was spent in trying to get right with God, what a united band we might be.

As Aaron and Hur held up the hands of Moses, so should the lay members hold up the hands of those who are bearing responsibility. If this was always done, there would be less discouragement in the field, progress would be more rapid, and God's name would be glorified, and all the world would see that there is a God in Israel.

Do you believe that this gospel of the kingdom is going

to all the world as a witness to all nations? Can you prove it? Do you believe that Christ is soon coming? Do you realize what it means to be a united band, pressing forward to the completing of this work? My brother, my sister, what is your influence, your example, and your work doing to advance this cause, and what are you doing toward the uniting of every branch, every person, and every church?

Too often we find that our lives do not correspond with our profession. The church lives one thing and the minister preaches another. This ought not to be. The body, soul, and spirit of every member must be in this cause; we must live it, and we must teach it; and see that there is harmony in every member of the body of Christ. In this time of trial which brings us face to face with the Almighty, we must consecrate our all to his service, lay all upon the altar, and follow the meek and lowly Jesus, co-operating with our fellow-workers, holding up their hands, and praying without ceasing, which is the secret of the whole Christian unity.

OLIVER A. EATON.

General

THE ARMY TRACT FUND

THE Lord is blessing in this work. As stated in my last announcement, two thousand "Soldier's Appeal" are being sent out all over the country for the purpose of obtaining more funds. We are glad to announce that the plan is practical in both its main features, and we are sending out to-day twelve message-filled books (six "Great Controversy" and six "Daniel and Revelation") to the First United States Infantry. After much thought, I believe that two of our standard books to a Company will be more effective and permanent than tracts given out individually. These books will remain in the Company library for years to come, and will go with each Company wherever they go. Eventually they will warn more than the tract method.

The twelve books sent out represent the literature intended for an entire regiment of soldiers. Under a recent act, increasing most of the regiments to war strength, this means 1,800 men will have an opportunity to read two of our standard books. Their special attention will be called to these books by a special letter. Do you not desire to have a part in this unique work which I believe with all my heart the Lord is directing for a definite end? Send in small contributions to the treasurer of the Southern Publishing Association, 2123 24th Ave. N., Nashville, Tenn. B. N. BROWN.

Formerly in U. S. Army.

FADS AND FASHIONS

THE following taken from the weekly *Signs*, July 4, 1911, shows how even busy men of the world look upon the extremes and fads of the goddess Fashion:—

"Two young girls, one fourteen and the other fifteen, were recently brought before Judge John A. Caldwell of the juvenile court in Cincinnati, charged with being saucy to officers when they had reprimanded them for their conduct. In addressing these girls the judge said:—

"'Young girls like you must not wear rats and bangs and Grecian bands around the hair. I propose to do all in my power to break up this kind of costuming by young girls—the kind of dressing that attracts the undue attention of the men. It is one of the greatest causes of juvenile delinquency, and I do not see what any mother is thinking about to allow her daughter to get herself up in any such fashion.

"I believe in modest attire for young girls. It hurts me every time I go along the street and see a young girl in short dresses wearing fancy open-work slippers, and thin, fancy stockings, with a slip of a dress, and a rat or a Grecian band in her hair, or with her hair bobbed down over her forehead."

"Judge Caldwell has very old-fashioned ideas on this subject, but it is a noticeable fact that it is the mothers who adhere to these old-fashioned ideas who are the most successful in training their daughters to become desirable and useful women."

EPIDEMIC OF CRIME

A HEADING in a San Francisco paper of September 4 reads: "Police aghast at Epidemic of Crime. Murderous Thugs Shoot Victim Who Resists Attempt to Hold Him Up in a Hotel. Pedestrians Are Victims. Out of Ten Crimes Reported to the Police, Three Arrests Only Appear on Records." And then the article declares that there is an unusual number of hold-ups and robberies occurring in San Francisco. And such is about the news that comes from all parts of the country.

In *Leslie's Illustrated Weekly* of August 24 is the following striking editorial, the perusal of which we commend to our readers as a fulfilment of what is stated over and over in God's Word,—that evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse:—

"WHAT IS THE MATTER?"

"The world seems to be upset. Agitation, unrest, and distrust prevail. Kingdoms are being uprooted, monarchies undermined, while rankest socialism seeks its day.

"Great labor disturbances with loss of life are chronicled on both sides of the ocean. Bombs and dynamite do their fearful work.

"Lynchings, north and south, of innocent and guilty, are reported. Mobs gather at slightest provocation and defy the authorities. Rioters, young and old, desecrate the Sabbath. Peaceful excursionists are insulted in our cities by young toughs and rowdies of both sexes.

"The divorce courts are working overtime, and young women parade the streets in costumes that the chorus girls of the stage have made notorious, ridiculous, and indecent. Chorus girls are on every street in flimsy, clinging garments, and the white-slave traffic increases by leaps and bounds.

"Legislative bodies are debauched by demagogues, and rank-est municipal corruption is wide-spread. The prosperity of the country is overlooked, while upstart 'uplifters' clamor to be heard, and climb for every office in sight.

"The blazing sun consumes the crops, and the water supplies of cities great and small are threatened. Rain refuses to fall, and vegetation is parched.

"The theaters are crowded, while the pews of the churches are empty, and religion is at the lowest ebb.

"Under what sign of the zodiac are we living?"

"But God reigns, and the world will still survive."

God does reign, and God will make the wrath of men to praise him. But this old world will not, nor can not, survive under present conditions. It will survive only when created anew by the power of God.

YESTERDAY now is a part of forever:

Bound up in a sheaf which God holds tight,
With glad days and sad days and bad days which never
Shall visit us more with their bloom and their blight,
Their fulness of sunshine or sorrowful night.

—Coolidge.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF NORTH NASHVILLE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

For Quarter Ending Sept. 30, 1911

CASH RECEIPTS

Received on —

Weekly Payments	\$ 9.48
Liberty Magazine	1.05
Review and Herald	2.25
Life and Health .....	.25
Books for Members	2.80
Envelopes for Distribution .....	.40
Missionary Sabbath Donation .....	.56
Donation from Absent Member .....	.25
Cash on Hand July 1, 1911 .....	.77

Total Cash Receipts

CASH EXPENDITURE

Cash paid to —

Southern Publishing Association	\$ 1.34
Review and Herald (Thos. Pavey)	2.25
Liberty	7.00
Protestant Magazine	3.00
Life and Health .....	.25
Books for Members	2.80
Stamps .....	.10
Cash on Hand Sept. 30, 1911 .....	.07

Total

ASSETS

Approximate Amount of —

Literature Envelopes	\$2.50
Tracts	4.50
Cash on Hand .....	.07

Total Assets

M. H. CROTHERS, *Miss'y Sec.*

OUR WORK

THE work that God has committed to his remnant church is the most important work ever committed to any people. There are many reasons why this is true. It is the greatest, because it is the last of all God's messages of mercy to fallen man; because of the vast territory it covers, and of the teeming multitudes who inhabit that territory. The greatest need of to-day is love for the truth in giving this last message,—the same love that was in the great heart of God when he committed the work to his remnant church. Paul tells us of a class of people who perish because they receive not "the love of the truth, that they might be saved." Is this message that is committed to the remnant church the truth? All who can say, Yea, Lord, to this question, should love the message in keeping with its greatness.—*Geo. F. Watson.*

RESTFUL PEOPLE

"VERY pleasant, but slow!" How often we hear these simple-minded people called this.

And we frequently smile at these quiet, steady-going people. But while we agree that they are pleasant, are they not also restful — restful to others who are bustling about, so occupied as to seem to have no time for repose.

There is something refreshing about their manner, their tranquil talk. They know something of what is going on, of course, but there are so many things into which they have entered only slightly.

And when you talk of those things of which they know so

little, their remarks cause you to think and to ask yourself whether there is so much hurly-burly as you imagined. Is it worth while? You must go through it, perhaps, but you go away with a feeling that you would like to pass an hour or two with them more frequently. That afternoon visit with refreshment has been very restful, and has given you fresh energy, and helped you to take a more rational view of life.

They enjoy life, those simple, "slow," out-of-date people.

They have their troubles, which they bear bravely. They have a mission, if we can only see it. To come in contact with them is like the pouring of oil on troubled waters.

THE GOD-FEARING BOOK CANVASSER

"I ALWAYS feel like tipping my hat to the book agent."—*Talmage*.

"The greatest public benefactor is the man who sells good books."—*Gladstone*.

"There is no calling, no occupation, more honorable or beneficial."—*Spurgeon*.

"The intelligent, God-fearing, truth-loving canvasser should be respected, for he occupies a position equal to that of the gospel minister."—*Mrs. E. G. White*.

The High Estimate of Good Books

"Show me the man that reads good books and I will show you the man that moves the world."—*Napoleon*.

"When I was a boy my mother was very poor, but she was never too poor to buy her boy a good book, and to this more than anything else I owe my success in life."—*Clay*.

"A dollar in the head is worth five in the pocket, and you might say fifty on the back, because that in the pocket will get out, that on the back will wear out, but that in the head grows sharper by constant use."—*Franklin*.

The Mission of a Good Book

"It will go anywhere, sea or land,
Gets into cabin or palace,
Reaches those otherwise unreachable,
Waits its time to be heard,
Is never tired of speaking;

"Travels further and cheaper than any other;
Is unaffected by climate, untouched by fever;

"Once started off, calls for no salary,
Costs nothing to feed or clothe."

"Never changes its voice, and lasts
Forever—until the fire comes!"

—*Selected*.

Compiled by ARTHUR L. MANOUS.

No OTHER fame can be compared with that of Jesus. He has a place in the human heart, that no one who ever lived has in any measure rivaled. No name is pronounced with a tone of such love and veneration. All other laurels wither before his. His are ever kept fresh with tears of gratitude. —*W. E. Channing*.

THE pupils of a certain school were asked to write original compositions on "kings." The prize was carried off by the youth who handed in the following: "The most powerful king on earth is Wor-king; the laziest, Shir-king; one of the worst kings, Smo-king; the wittiest, Jo-king; the quietest, Thin-king; the thirstiest, Drin-king; the slickest, Win-king; the noisiest, Tal-king."—*The King's Own*.

CANVASSING REPORT FOR THE SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE

For Week Ending Sept. 30, 1911

ALABAMA CONFERENCE

NAME	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Delivered
John Finch	....BF	46		\$ 10 00	\$ 90	10 90	\$133 00
Miss Delia Russell	BF		8	10 00		10 90	10 90
M L Ivory	....BF	41	1	1 50	50	2 00	56 65
G V Vincent	....BF	40	38	69 50		69 50	1 50
W A Nelson	....PPF	43	38	77 00	3 75	80 75	
W B Parkins	....PPF	40	31	72 00	6 00	78 00	
A L Kiehnhoff	....PPF	48	38	79 00	6 75	85 75	
W F Nance	....CK	35	21	31 50	1 50	33 00	62 50
B Griffiths	....BF	30	19	28 50	3 00	31 50	3 00
I W Peevy	....BF	34	15	19 50		19 50	1 50
W L Battle	....BF	89	19	32 50	5 25	37 75	3 00
Chas Griffith	....BF	15	13	19 50	1 00	20 50	
J J Bailes	....BF		35	39 00	50	39 50	7 00
Isadore Evans	....BF	55					11 25

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

C F Dart	....BF	9	7	8 00	1 25	9 25	75
C L Yates	....BF	30	21	24 50	1 75	26 25	1 25
Wm Martin	....CK	42	20	30 00	5 75	35 75	
C R Millar	....BF	49	18	20 50	4 50	25 00	1 00
H E Beck	....BF	30	18	20 00	5 50	25 50	2 00
D C Ray	....BF	50	26	31 50	1 50	33 00	1 50

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

W H Haddon	....BF	48	24	23 50	16 50	40 00	2 00
C H McColrie	....BF	54	54	54 00	3 75	57 75	3 75
J S Fry	....D&R	3	2	4 00	2 80	6 80	6 80
Virgil Smith	....BF	47	46	51 50	10 15	61 65	10 20
Coley Parkins	....BF	44	3	3 00		3 00	83 50
Lamar Cooper	....BF	4					6 75
J P Campbell	....BF	52	78	115 50	1 25	116 75	3 25
John Woods	....BF	39	16	24 00	3 00	27 00	3 00
Ella Johnson	....BF	20	39	58 00	4 00	62 00	3 00
Lula Hill	....BF	42	37	55 50	5 50	61 00	12 00
M J Moore	....BF	15	11	11 50	1 25	12 75	3 25
M A Murphy	....BF	25	1	1 00		1 00	16 25
Annie Watts	....BF	45	62	93 00	1 75	94 75	1 75
Millie Conner	....BF	45	48	72 00	1 25	73 25	1 25
Alice C Green	....CK	10	30	45 00		45 00	
E P Campbell	....PG	29	16	65 00	17 75	82 75	
Willie Cobbs	....BF	4	3	4 50	75	5 25	25
Emily Billups	....BF	40	43	64 50	4 00	68 50	

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

Mamie Moore	....D&R	29	29	36 50	2 25	38 75	2 35
Mrs C L Sims	....BF	18	7	8 50	5 00	13 50	
R H Hazelton	....BF	36	5	5 00	20 00	25 00	2 25
C E Morphew	....BF	73	37	37 50	11 75	49 25	11 25
J S Moore	....sofp	50	17	25 50	5 00	30 50	3 50

SUMMARY

Alabama Conf	....	516	274	479 50	29 15	508 65	290 30
Kentucky Conf	....	210	110	134 50	20 25	154 75	6 50
Louisiana Conf	No report						
Mississippi Conf	..	566	513	745 50	73 70	819 20	157 00
Tenn River Conf	..	206	95	113 00	44 00	157 00	19 35

Totals1498 992 1472 50 167 10 1639 60 473 15

PASS smoothly over the perverseness of those you have to do with, and go straightforward. It is abundantly sufficient that you have the testimony of a good conscience toward God. —*John Wesley*.

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FROM Sister White's appeal in behalf of our Medical College, published last week in the WORKER, we quote: "*I ask you, my brethren and sisters, to do what you can to help, and do it now.* Let your means be invested in this work that is so far reaching. This is the work of God." What more needs to be said? Please send your name and the amount you will pay before Dec. 31, 1911, to swell the list in the WORKER. Send all money through your conference treasurer.

HOW THE WAR SPREADS THE MESSAGE

SINCE the breaking out of war between Turkey and Italy, anything on the Eastern Question is read with eager interest. The *Nashville Banner* (Thursday, October 5) published an extract from a discourse by Eld. K. C. Russell, of Washington, D. C., on the driving of the Turk out of Europe as a sign of the end. The Associated Press despatch indicated that the Adventists were predicting that this war would involve all Europe, and bring on the end. As a result the *Tennessean* called Elder McVagh up, and sent a reporter out to his home to interview him on what Adventists really believe on the subject. A fair and concise statement with prominent head lines appeared on the front page of the paper the next morning, and thousands read it along with the war news. All our people might supply themselves with tracts and books on the subjects of prophecy to put into the hands of inquiring neighbors.

THE Teachers' Reading Course begins in the September-October issue of *Christian Education*, No. 1, Vol. 3. According to the present plan this course will constitute a permanent feature of the journal for five years. All teachers will be especially interested in this course, as we understand its perusal will constitute one condition for the renewal of their certificates. It will be of value also to all who are interested in our educational work, whether they are teachers or not.

THE home being the ideal place for the beginning of child education, the purpose of *Christian Education* in creating a home department, is to qualify the parents for effective teachers. The September-October issue contains some suggestions under the heading "The Kindergarten in the Home" that will be very helpful to mothers, and also beneficial to the little restless "tots," who come repeatedly with the question, "What shall I do now, mamma?"

OUR BOOK DEPARTMENT

"THE Christian Sabbath," by H. M. Cottrell, just off the press, treats of the Sabbath question from a scriptural, historical, and prophetic standpoint. A splendid tract to hand to your friend, and a good medium to use in missionary labor. Price, thirty cents a hundred. For orders less than ten cents, add two cents postage.

"A Critical Harmony of The Gospels," by James P. Cadman, or "The Life of Our Lord," is a splendid book for all lovers of the gospels. It lays the words of each gospel side by side, showing the grand harmony which exists in the spirit and verbage of the texts. We have a few that are slightly shop-worn, and we shall be glad to dispose of them at \$1, post-paid.

Year Books. Get one if you are not thoroughly acquainted with our organization. The amount of information given will surprise you. Everything pertaining to schools, missions, workers, and much other data too numerous to mention. Price, twenty-five cents, post-paid.

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION.

WHEN SHALL WE HOLD QUARTERLY MEETINGS?

FOR many years it has been the practise of our churches to hold their quarterly meetings the first Sabbath in the quarter, but at the spring council of the General Conference Committee, in 1911, a resolution was adopted recommending all our churches hereafter to hold their quarterly meetings the last Sabbath of the quarter instead of the first that all reports and funds from the churches may reach the State conference office as early in the month as possible.

There should be unity of action in this matter, and we hope all our churches may adopt the plan recommended by the General Conference.

FIVE hundred thousand copies of the Harvest Ingathering number of the *Signs of the Times* are in process of printing and packing and will be ready before many days for the orders expected from the churches and conferences. Last year the Ingathering campaign brought \$30,000 into the treasury of the mission board above the expense of the production and mailing of the paper. This year the campaign should be a record-breaking one. Orders from churches and individuals should be placed with tract societies without delay.

At the recent General Conference Council, held at Friedensau, Germany, in July last, it was decided that the week of prayer should be held December 9-16; that the week of prayer readings should be printed as separate documents, and be sent out to all churches, companies, and isolated members in ample time to be used for the services of the week.

A BUSINESS man in Louisville, Ky., has become so much interested in the *Protestant Magazine* that he has sent in \$5 to pay for his own subscription, and for 119 copies of the current issue to distribute among his friends. The article entitled "A Remarkable Document" has attracted much attention, and is being widely read.

"SAYS the *Western Watchman* (Roman Catholic), 'New Mexico is a State at last—the first thoroughly Catholic State in the Union. It will give a good account of itself.' It will be worth while to watch it."