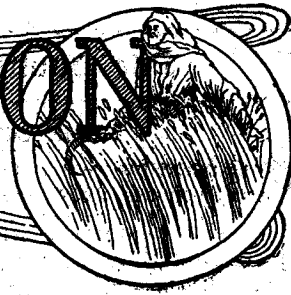


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"The Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." *Joshua 1:9*

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JESUS KNOWS

Nobody knows but Jesus,
The trials one must bear,
Nobody knows but Jesus,
But he will surely care
For all his little children,
As well as birds and flowers.
Nobody knows but Jesus,
My sad and lonely hours.

But how does Jesus know them?
Ah! he's borne them all for me.
He bore them all in human flesh,
And died upon the tree,
That all the thieves upon the cross
Might rely upon his word.
He bore our guilt and shame for us,
My Jesus, Saviour, Lord.

He left his home in glory
And became as weak as I,
A little helpless baby,
In a manger, low, to lie.
Then to know my every need,
He must poor and homeless be.
Oh, remember in the garden,
Those great drops of agony!

Then say he does not know me?
He knows me, yes, much more
Than either earthly parent.
He knows me o'er and o'er.
And he has promised to succor me,
When tempted, weak, and tried,
If I will only trust him
And in his word abide.

Enid, Miss.

MRS. CORA SMITH.

TRUE FAITH

No other virtue is more highly exalted in Scripture than that of true faith, and to no other is greater importance attached.

Although very simple in itself, its exercise very prominent in Holy Writ, and illustrated by many examples, it is still a mystery to very many, and the manner of its exercise is understood by few. And yet it may be comprehended by a child.

True faith, in its last analysis, is nothing more or less than believing God; just taking him at his word. While the active exercise of true faith consists in simply and implicitly obeying God's word to the letter, unmindful and irrespective of the consequences, whatever may be involved; in

unhesitatingly and cheerfully obeying God under any and all circumstances, leaving the responsibility of results wholly with him.

The entire eleventh chapter of Hebrews supports this idea of faith and its manifestation, or exercise. We read there: "By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith."

Rain had never before fallen. In the light of experience and science, the possibility of a flood that would drown the earth was altogether improbable. The building of the ark would cost a fortune and the labor of a hundred and forty years. Notwithstanding, Noah began the work and persevered until it was finished. That was true faith.

Again we read: "By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went."

Abraham was wealthy. He had flocks and herds in abundance, and was strongly attached to his father's house, or family. But he hesitated not. He trusted God with the results of the move, severed the ties that bound him to his kin, and *went out*. That was also true faith.

Afterward, when commanded to offer up Isaac, with whose life the very plan of salvation and the integrity of God was bound up, he faltered not, but moved forward in the path of obedience until the One who gave the command to slay his son, stayed his uplifted hand. That was another manifestation of true faith.

When Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego were commanded, on pain of death in the furnace of fire, to fall down and worship the golden image which Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up, they said, when offered a second chance to save their lives by complying with the king's command, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we are not careful to answer thee in this matter. If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up." For their refusal to obey the king they were cast into the furnace. They were willing to die, if need be, but they would not disobey God. Their course was another example of true faith in exercise.

The Bible and history are full of such illustrations of true faith, but we need not cite more. Those mentioned are sufficient to make plain its nature, and the manner of its exercise. Let us grasp the thought, and ever put in practise the principle by unswerving loyalty and obedience to every word of God, let the consequences be what they will.

He who seeks repentance for the past should woo the angel virtue for the future.—*Buher-Lytton*.

Our Publishing House

HOME OFFICE NEWS

SALES report for week ending April 27, 1912. Total number of bound volumes, 2,065; *Watchman*, 12,562.

CANVASSERS' LETTERS — KENTUCKY

I AM enjoying my work immensely since I came from the institute, not only because of the refreshing which I received while there, but also because I now canvass for a new book which is so much company to me. Brother Ray and I are canvassing this town with our book, "Past, Present, and Future," and I have worked my half already, and have secured \$63.75 worth of orders in 39 hours. God helps me to secure orders which I would never have thought of securing only that through him I am working. I am enjoying this work more and more. Pray for me that I may ever be a faithful worker.

C. R. MILLAR.

The greatest spiritual feast I ever enjoyed in my life was while attending the institute at Grove. When I went there I had my heart set on canvassing for "Bible Footlights" in Lexington. During the meeting each one of us consecrated our lives to God, and said we would be willing to go anywhere we were sent. It was thought best that I should come to Owensboro to help work the city. I arrived here Monday, April 3rd, and went to work the following Wednesday, which was the first day I ever canvassed. The Lord has blessed my efforts, and I am happy in the work. I have met several who are deeply interested in God's work, and I have promised to go to see them on Sunday afternoons. During the three days since I came here I have taken \$31.50 worth of orders, and have had many blessed experiences. This work certainly brings us into a close fellowship with God. I am of good courage and expect to remain in the work of giving this message to the world.

EDNA R. SCOTT.

My heart is full of praise to God for the blessings we have received since we came to Owensboro. I have been working in a community where most of the people are Catholics, and have taken quite a number of orders from them. I meet quite a number of persons who are really anxious to learn more of the truth. I ask the prayers of all that I may keep self hid in Christ, that I may take this precious message to those in the darkness and confusion of this world. I have so many good experiences that I shall not attempt to tell them all this time.

CURTIS POUND.

LOUISIANA

THE canvassing report for week ending March 30 looks good — twenty-five faithful workers. I see they put in 680 hours, took 362 orders, value \$552.20 (a little over 81 cents per hour), \$103.45 delivered. I see A. L. Saxon stands at the head of the list — 42 hours, 39 orders, \$116 value, helps \$7.75, total value \$123.75, delivered \$14.45. The book he was selling, "Bible Readings," averaged not quite \$3.00. How did you do it Brother Saxon? Let us hear from you. I know it will help us all to know just how you did such a grand work. The Lord was with you, I know. Praise his name!

I wish to tell you why my name is not in that report. I commenced work in DeSoto parish, North La., Nov. 13, 1911, and left there for my new territory March 24 — the day I was sixty-seven years old. I sold "Bible Footlights" and took orders amounting to \$328 during the time. I had to confine myself to the fifteen little towns in the parish. The roads were so bad that I could not work in the country. My railroad fare amounted to \$18.54. I delivered \$278.20

worth of books, about 85 per cent. So you see I was at work in that territory from November 13 to March 24. I spent ten days of this time attending an institute near Shreveport. During my four months' work my sales averaged \$69.80 per month, with a profit of \$34.90 per month. How I did enjoy it! I met so many of my old friends. I had been president of a Methodist Female College in Mansfield, my headquarters for eleven years. I resigned in 1907. Quite a coming down as the world would say.

On my way down here I visited my sister in Athens, and stopped in four other towns, reaching this old city and commencing work April 1. Have taken orders in two weeks amounting to \$101.25. Wish I could spend to-day with you all. Wouldn't we have a good time talking over our blessed experiences? Hope to meet some of you at our General Conference next year. I expect to sell \$1,000 worth of books in 1912, and have already delivered over \$150.

T. S. SLIGH.

TENNESSEE RIVER

AS I have never written anything for the WORKER before, I will write a few lines now. Of course, I could not write anything discouraging because we should never be discouraged.

I haven't as many orders to report as some, but I always ask the Lord to help, and keep on just the same. I have been among a good class of people this week and have done well considering the time actually spent in canvassing. I find some anxious to know more about the Bible. I found a colored man this week, that I had taken an order from, working for a white man in a garden. The colored man told his boss to pay me one dollar for him for a book he had bought from me. He didn't say he would, but began to inquire, and I carried away two dollars instead of one. So we see the Lord just works in many ways. I was across a creek from this man and had almost decided not to go to him, as I had no way to cross the creek. But a boy came along riding a mule and I crossed and delivered two "Bible Footlights" for two dollars.

I am enjoying the work and I want to be able to stick closer to it than I have in the past. I haven't put in as much time as I should. I ask the prayers of all that I may be faithful and wear a "crown of glory that fadeth not away."

C. E. MAURY.

I THOUGHT perhaps that all would like to know what I am doing since our good institute at Springville. Since coming home I have only canvassed part of two weeks. Have had fairly good success in taking orders for "Past, Present, and Future." This is a very hard place to canvass at present, as almost every one is out of employment. All the public works were shut down during the winter, but they are now beginning to open up and I am hoping to have better success. I stopped one day to talk with a lady to whom I sold "Bible Footlights" last fall. She likes her book very much and after I showed her "Past, Present, and Future," she said, "Yes, you may bring me one as I am going to Chicago and will want the book to read while there."

I am thankful that I am permitted to have a part in this work, and desire an interest in your prayers that the Lord will use me to his glory.

MRS. C. E. MORPHEW.

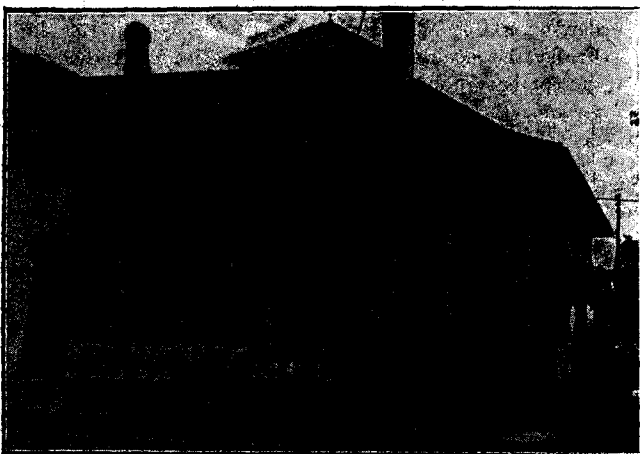
THE writer has just returned from a visit to some of the schools and tract societies in the Lake Union Conference. The trip was made in behalf of the *Watchman* and we are glad to know that our good magazine is held in high esteem by our people in the North. We look for quite a number of students to go out with the *Watchman* during vacation season, and we hope a number will earn scholarships through

the sale of our good paper which is surely a Present Truth Evangelizer.

I was accorded a most cordial reception from the faculty and student body at each of the schools visited. At Berrien Springs a canvassers' institute was in progress, and there was a magazine class of about seventeen. A number of these had already had experience in our paper work and were paying their way through school by selling them.

From the Fox River Academy, Sheridan, Ill., a class of about fifteen will enter the canvassing field during the summer. A spirit of service seems to be taking hold of our young people that will mean much in the speedy advancement of this message.

It was my privilege to visit the Southern Illinois Tract Society located at Springfield, Ill. The accompanying cut illustrates their office building, which is arranged to accommodate all their conference offices. Miss Nellie Eaton is the secretary of this up-to-date tract society, and I was very much pleased with the arrangement of the office and its splendid window display. There was an evidence that they were surely carrying out the spirit of Romans 12:11 and Eccl. 9:



Headquarters and Workers, Southern Illinois Conference and Tract Society, Springfield, Ill.

10. I was glad for the opportunity of visiting this office, and I trust that the time is not far distant when we shall have many such depositories in our own great Southland. I believe that there are great possibilities before our tract society offices when they are properly located and systematically managed.

Surely we are living in a grand but awful time. On my return trip it seemed as if we were racing with a cyclone. At eleven o'clock Sunday morning we passed through Dwight, Ill., which a little later in the day was partially wrecked by one. I left Springfield, Ill., at 4:30, and I understand that it, too, felt the effects of the same storm. On the trip home from St. Louis the train just ahead of us was wrecked by the spreading of the rails. In a few short moments our train would have gone over the same track. Surely "the angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them." Seventh-day Adventists are great travelers; yet I do not recall a single instance of any of our people being injured on sea or land while traveling in the line of duty and for the purpose of advancing the cause of God. Brethren, let us work while it is yet day, for "the night cometh when no man can work." Many more workers are needed to circulate our publications, both books and periodicals. There is a blessing in store for all such and we shall be glad to correspond with those who are interested.

The work in the Home Office is onward. We have faith

to believe that the Lord is going to greatly bless our colporteurs this season, and so we are putting in a large stock to be ready for an emergency. Our brethren may rest assured that there will be a good stock of ammunition on hand to supply the men on the firing line. Heavy rains have again fallen and the work on our new building has been further delayed. It is about ready for the roof, and we trust will be completed before the end of this week.

Bro. B. N. Brown, in a letter from South Lancaster, states that he is having good meetings with the students in the East and that he expects many of them will work with the *Watchman*.

Elder Eastman visited Hazel Academy last week in the interest of the *Watchman*. He expects to start to-morrow for Graysville, Tenn., to attend the institute to be held at that place.

Prof. M. B. Van Kirk, principal of the Southern Training School, and Mr. B. L. Jacobs of Graysville, were office visitors last week.

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION.
R. Hook, Jr., Gen'l Mgr.

A WEEK AT THE PUBLISHING HOUSE

THINKING that our fellow workers in the field might enjoy a glimpse at the week's round in the Publishing House where the books are being manufactured that they are selling, I am attempting to give them that which has especially attracted my attention since coming here. Of course it will be only a few items that I can mention.

Sunday the Publishing House is closed down, no work being done that day except on special occasions when the work is pressing so hard that it seems necessary. So that is "off day." All hands are at liberty to work at home, or spend the day in missionary work, which some do, with good results, in harmony with instructions in the Testimonies.

Monday morning promptly at 6:30, every one employed by the institution is expected to answer to the roll-call which is given in numbers, the highest number at present being 56. So, promptly at that hour, the chapel was packed to its limit. It was interesting to note that right on the moment the last whistle sounded every one was in their seats, almost without exception. Then came the roll-call, each one present giving their number in order, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, etc., the manager calling the number of absent ones.

Then all joined with spirit in singing "Christ, our mighty Captain, leads against the foe," after which prayer was offered for the Lord's blessing. Then the manager arose and announced that he wished to read them a story. The story, as related by a passenger on a large boat on the Ohio River, ran as follows: "A fleet of coal boats had been tied up for several months because of low water; but a general rain had been falling for some days, and a good stage was expected within a few hours. Consequently, boats were rushing hither and thither, each captain making an effort to get his tow together as quickly as possible, that he might take his boat out ahead of all competitors.

"While our boat was making fast to her carefully arranged tow, the pilot called out, 'See the Silas Marnar over there? She's just starting out with ten barges. I hope everything will be all right with her this trip, but I'm afraid for her. Often she is in such a hurry to get off that the work of preparation is not well done, and something happens. I have learned that it is best to spend a little more time in preparation, and not to start until everything is in good shape.' "I had occasion to remember the pilot's words a few hours after our own journey had been commenced. A few miles from the city, at a spot where navigation was extremely dif-

scult, a black mass showed itself. The pilot watched a moment, then said, 'I was afraid of that. It is one of the Marner's barges. Evidently it broke loose when she was rounding the bend, and drifted on a rock. Now hundreds of tons of coal lie there in the river bed wasted, and worse—a menace to navigation—all because of undue haste.'

'Some distance further on we sighted the railroad bridge at Parkersburg. 'What is that against the channel pier?' I asked the pilot.

'I am afraid it is more of the Marner's coal. Yes, there she is herself! The current must have caught her tow and thrown it against the pier. The barges were not well lashed, and several broke loose. Poor Captain Jones! I'm sorry for him! The profits of this trip, yes, and of several other trips, too, are all gone, just because of a little carelessness. Now he'll have to hang around here several days, and finally be forced to bring up the rear of the procession, even following after the vessels which are always delayed because their captains leave all preparation till the last minute.

'They are a warning, too, those captains who come down to their boats in hot haste when their owners send them word there is a rise on the way. They loaf around the pilots' club-house during low water, putting off the making of needed repairs on their boats from day to day, and when the water comes they have a hundred things to do. The boilers must be overhauled, or there are washers to be replaced, or the machinery is to be fixed. They finally start off a day or two too late, and each day's delay means several hundred dollars lost for their owners.'

The point of the story was the necessity of *thorough* preparation. Make thorough preparation, and then *make good*.

Following the story the manager made profitable remarks based upon the Scriptures, calling attention to the blessing promised for obedience and the curses pronounced upon unfaithfulness. Then there was a short social meeting in which quite a number took an active part. One brother, in his testimony, related an experience which he had the day before (Sunday) in one of the prisons of the city. He told how one of the prisoners had accepted the Sabbath and had gotten permission to observe the day while still in prison. This prisoner was converted, and began to keep the Sabbath, through the efforts of our Publishing House workers. Altogether the service lasted about an hour, after which the workers went each to his post of duty, and the day was a busy one.

Tuesday morning all the factory hands met promptly at 6:30. The first few minutes were devoted to reading a portion of Scripture, after which earnest prayer was offered to God for his help. An hour later the office force met in the little upper room devoted to the circulation of the *Watchman*, where, after the reading of a portion of Scripture, all knelt together and a number of earnest prayers ascended to God for wisdom and grace for the day. The workers throughout the field are always remembered, especially our colporteurs who go from door to door. This is the program for every day the factory runs, except Monday, when all meet together in the chapel as above described.

Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock, the foremen and heads of departments meet in the manager's office for prayer-meeting. At one of these the manager read some testimonies containing special instruction, and made a few appropriate remarks. After *this* a long season of prayer was engaged in, and the blessing and guidance of Heaven in the work was implored.

Wednesday the usual busy routine continued, every-

thing seemed to work as smoothly as the machinery in the factory which keeps up a busy hum.

Thursday while everybody was intent on his task, a bell was heard. My stenographer said "Fire!" and my ears instantly caught the sound of feet running from every direction. I hurried out. Workers were pouring from the doors and windows of the manufacturing department, shipping room, offices and every other place. Every one seemed to know just where they were going and just what to do. Even the lady stenographers jumped to their task of gathering valuable record books and documents and placing them in the great iron safe and closing the door. I hurried to the back of the manufacturing plant, and there were men with fire-extinguishers, with hose, axes, etc. In almost less time than it takes to tell it, some were on top of the building with their hose, axes, etc., and then to our glad surprise we were told that it was only a fire-drill and not a real fire at all.

My mind was impressed with the fact that these workers had been in training, and that it was an important thing that every man knew what to do when his service was needed. Only three or four minutes and everybody was back to their post again, the machinery and everything running in regular order.

Friday, as usual, orders came pouring in, and the office boy was kept busy going from the manager's office to the counting-room, the book department, and the factory, carrying orders, bills, and other information which seems necessary to be in this way hurried from one point to another. The book department is blocked to-day, and is unable to attend to all of the orders received. A glance into the factory finds many hands busy, and on inquiring we learn that orders are already in hand for two months in advance. Very different from what it was a short time ago, when things just at this time of year were almost at a standstill. Several things have contributed to this. One of these is the reporting system now in use, whereby the colporteur's weekly report reaches the Publishing House through the regular channels each week, and furnishes a basis for calculating the number of books required to be manufactured, thus enabling the publishers to make the books and store them in boxes ready for shipping orders that are expected later. In this way it is expected to have on hand books for all orders.

W. W. EASTMAN.

(To be continued)

Alabama Conference

I HAVE just recently returned home from a six weeks' trip, in the southern part of the conference, visiting churches and isolated Sabbath-keepers. All are of good courage, and the message is onward. We find people in every section who are anxious to study the truth, and find some who have grace and courage to walk in the light as it is revealed to them.

We spent ten days at Citronelle, and found those who accepted the message there last fall rejoicing in the truth. Brother Bailes has been doing good work there this winter. We were glad to receive one good substantial brother into the church, and there are three other new Sabbath-keepers that were not ready to unite with the church yet but we hope they will do so soon.

We were glad to find the company at Mobile of good courage. Here is a needy field that ought to receive an aggressive effort in the immediate future, and of which we would surely see excellent results.

We found an excellent interest across the bay at Barnwell, as the result of the faithful labor of Bro. C. Hornung who has been selling our literature and holding Bible readings with the people. He has also conducted public meetings every other Sunday in a schoolhouse with a good attendance. I spoke to a well filled house on the Sunday I was there on the "Law of God" and at the close a number asked questions concerning the Sabbath and we had an after meeting on that subject. One family had just accepted the message then, and two others have since commenced to keep the Sabbath.

At Red Level, we found Brother and Sister Leitzmann conducting a school, and they have a number of their neighbors deeply interested in the truth. We held several meetings there with good attendance and interest. They are in great need of some one to assist them in their school work as they have more than they can do.

We found Brother and Sister Prieger continuing the work at Ashford. Several there have accepted the message as the result of their labors and they are erecting a neat church building. The people in the community have donated liberally, and we hope soon to see the building completed free from indebtedness, but money is still needed for seats and an organ. We are in hopes of organizing a church and dedicating the building at the same time, and that in the near future.

Three were also added to the Marlow church on this trip, two by letter and one on profession of faith, having recently accepted the truth.

Our canvassers are doing good work, and the prospects are that we will have more in the field this season than last year and with increased sales, thus getting more of our good literature in the homes of the people. Remember the work and workers in your prayers daily before the throne of grace.

E. G. HAYES.

CANVASSING NOTES

As Eld. W. R. Elliott was busy with a canvassing class in Pensacola the writer attended the close of the institute held at the Oakwood school to look after those coming to Alabama. Twenty-five or twenty-six students have taken the drill and are ready to take up the canvassing work as soon as school closes; which will be about the last of May. The classes were about equally divided, as regards their fields of labor, between the Southern Union and the Southeastern Union Conferences. Alabama will probably get about eight of those remaining in this Union.

There is another brother from Clinton, Missouri, who expects to canvass in Alabama after the close of the German Seminary, in May. We also expect to get a couple of the students from Graysville, and the last mail brought word from a brother in the southern part of the state expressing his desire to take up this line of work.

The outlook is bright. The work is going forward with ever increasing success, as the Lord said it would, and yet comparatively few of our members are giving their entire time to the spread of this message. Brethren and sisters, pray earnestly for more laborers and for the Lord's blessing upon those who are at work.

Fort Payne.

R. I. KEATE.

Louisiana Conference

A MEETING AT JENA AND LENA

ON the 21st of March I started for Jena to visit the believers in present truth who live at that place. A vacant store building that for sometime had been used for dances was secured for the meetings, it being about the best place

obtainable. One of the members generously purchased lumber out of which seats were made, and meetings were begun March 22.

Last summer meetings were held in Jena for about three months. Nevertheless the people there seemed quite glad to listen to the truth again. The weather was unfavorable some of the time, but the attendance was fair until the close, April 3.

During my stay I preached twenty-four times on various phases of our message, and when I left all of our people seemed to be of good courage and to have a firm determination to press on in the fight of faith. The last Sabbath we spent with them we held quarterly meeting service, and three persons who accepted the truth last summer joined the church. I hope and pray that many more of those already convinced of the truth may soon be walking in the light.

On the fifth of April I started for Lena to hold a meeting there. We began services in that place April 6 and continued until April 21. There we had members of three families who were meeting together from Sabbath to Sabbath for Sabbath-school. They must have been getting real help out of their coming together, for their love for the truth was strong, and their desire for some Adventist preaching for themselves and their neighbors was very ardent.

Very little prejudice exists in Lena against the Adventist faith. The only church people there are the Missionary Baptists, and they showed their good-will by inviting our people to hold their Sabbath-school and Sabbath meetings in their church, and by assuring them that they would be greatly pleased to have a Seventh-day Adventist minister come and hold a series of meetings in it.

While in Lena I was hospitably entertained by Bro. Jno. Hand. I preached twenty times and tried to cover as much of the truth as possible. I was repeatedly told that Lena had never before taken so much interest in any meeting in all its history as it did in this one. This makes me very happy, for now I have another token assuring me that God is in this message preparing a people to meet him in the near future and to meet him in peace. I am very glad indeed to be able to report that quite a number have accepted the truth and are walking in the light. Near the close of the meetings I drew up the following Seventh-day Adventist Company Covenant: "We, the undersigned, believing that the Bible, consisting of the Old and New Testaments, is our only rule of faith and practise, hereby associate ourselves together into a company taking the name Seventh-day Adventists, and covenanting to keep the commandments of God, by his assisting grace, and the faith of Jesus Christ."

Twenty-six signed the covenant and others seem about ready to do so. Brother Hand was selected as leader, and Sr. Sarah C. Reed secretary and treasurer. Several want to be baptized soon, and they want me or some other Seventh-day Adventist preacher to visit them often. The next few weeks and months will be times of great trial for these people whom the Lord most dearly loves. Let us all, brethren and sisters, most earnestly pray that their faith and steadfastness fail not.

At the last meeting I simply gave opportunity for those to give who would like to help defray the expenses of the meetings, and I was happily surprised to see them respond with \$10.85. Brethren I wish you could be as happy over this good meeting as I am. Let us praise the Lord.

O. F. FRANK.

FOLLY often goes beyond her bounds; but impudence knows none.—Ben Johnson.

NEW ORLEANS

DEAR Brethren and Sisters: It has been a long time since I have talked with you through the columns of our union paper. But in the meantime God has been at work, and hearts are being impressed even in this city.

But while God works, so does the enemy of souls. While soliciting Bible readers one day I became engaged in conversation with a lady who had just recovered from an illness. She was a Lutheran; her physician a Catholic. He said that her recovery was hopeless unless she became a Catholic, and she was thereupon christened. Consequently she could not take readings from me, because she was being instructed by her priest. She said she might have taken readings if I had come sooner, but she did not care to take both. This incident shows that Rome is at her old work, and that the unwary are falling into her traps. How busy we also need to be, lest we be held accountable for souls who might have responded to the truth had we been first at their side.

Another lady told me to come back after the carnival. I did, but she had been dead and buried a week when I went to visit her. How sad. This must have been her last opportunity to let the Saviour in, but she would not.

"Behold, I will send for many fishers, saith the Lord, and they shall fish them; and after will I send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them." I am so happy because I have a part in this kind of fishing and hunting.

Our church is well organized for this kind of work, although our resources are limited. This being a cosmopolitan city, we need workers who can speak the different languages in order to reach the different nationalities.

The Pacific Press sent me 350 back numbers of the monthly and weekly Signs, and I have secured the privilege of keeping the tables of a large boarding house and a hotel supplied with these magazines as long as they last. Some traveling man may be reached this way who would not be reached in any other. I have also placed some copies on the reading table in my dentist's reception room. Pray, brethren, that in this way some seed may be sown on good ground.

FRANCES P. GOODWYN.

MISSIONARY ITEMS

We are glad to report advancement along the lines of missionary work in the Louisiana Conference. We have adopted for our motto, "Do all we can, and report all we do;" and while all are not abiding by the principles of our motto, yet we have a much better report this quarter than we have had since the writer has been in the office.

I take this opportunity to ask all of our missionary secretaries to report promptly. We have not heard from all of our missionary societies yet, but will ask the WORKER to publish the following, hoping that it will be a stimulus to those who have not formed the habit of reporting.

Letters Written	69
Letters Received	34
Missionary Visits	272
Bible Readings	46
Subscriptions for Periodicals	18
Papers Given Away	3546
Books Loaned	17
Pages of Reading Matter Loaned or Given Away	6250
Hours Christian Help Work	103
Articles of Clothing Given Away	85
Meals Provided	17
Sick Assisted	25
Number of Treatments Given	17

L. B. SPEAR, Secy. La. Tract Soc.

MISSIONARY REPORT OF THE NEW ORLEANS CHURCH

For Quarter Ending March 31, 1912

	Home Miss. Socy.	Y. P. M. V. S.	Total
Missionary Visits	178	78	256
Hours Christian Help Work ..	103	192	295
Sick Persons Helped	10		10
Treatments Given	17		17
Meals Given Away	17	53	70
Articles of Clothing Given Away	80	34	114
Pages of Tracts Given Away ..	2034	2525	4559
Papers Mailed or Given Away ..	2488	591	3079
Papers Put in Racks	1560		1560
Letters Written	38	108	146
Letters Received	10	30	40
Subscriptions Taken	14	3	17
Bible Readings Given	40	5	45
Books Loaned	13	20	33

—From the Monthly Missionary Bulletin of the New Orleans Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Mississippi Conference

HOME DEPARTMENT SABBATH-SCHOOLS

BRO. Otto Waite, of Quitman, writes: "Your good letter received. Let us know when you are coming and we will meet you at the station." Although few in number they are of good courage. Donations, \$2.60.

Sister Smith, of Enid, writes: "The days and weeks come and go very rapidly. We have all enjoyed the lesson studies very much. We count it a privilege to store our minds with the precious Word of God that we may be prepared against that day. I do believe indeed, that we are much nearer the end than we realize. Oh that we as individuals might have a closer walk with God." Donations, \$3.82.

Sister Morgan, of Hillsdale, writes: "We have enjoyed studying the lessons so much during the quarter.

The children sold their missionary chickens and wish their price to be given to the cities of India. \$3.00 for missions.

Dear Brother and Sister Rhodes who have walked in the "way of God's commandments" these many years, write that they are of good courage in the Lord, and that they believe his coming is near. Although feeble in body they desire to do what they can to help finish the work of God in the earth. Donations, \$1.00.

Bro. T. M. McMullan, writes: "I was looking for your quarterly letter. My mite, though small, you may give to India. Amount, 50c.

Brother Scales sends in \$1.80 for missions. He writes that his sister has been very sick and that as soon as able he expects to take her to one of our sanitariums.

Sister Watson, of Doloroso, sends in her donation of \$2.00. During the quarter her mother-in-law fell asleep in Jesus.

Sister Tinsley sends \$1.00 for missions. She writes: "The Lord is so good to us." Her son had just returned from the Graysville school and was much changed. He has given himself to the Lord.

Sr. Rose Stegall writes: "I received your cheering letter. My little boy appreciates the papers you sent him. My courage and faith in my Saviour were never brighter. As I see and read of the suffering, wickedness, and crimes of this world, I say in my heart,—"Hasten on, Glad Day" Donation for missions, 95c.

Brother and Sister Richards, of Gulfport, send in \$2.00 for missions.

Of the little school of three at Hattiesburg Sister Cooper writes: "We are few and our donations are small, but we are glad to have a part in God's work. Donations for missions, 50c.

Sr. Jennie Mundy sends in her donation of 25c. Sister Mundy has been sick for a month.

From the little school of three, Brother and Sister Fry and Sister Kenyon, at West Point, comes \$1.50 for missions.

Also Sister Cain, of Holmesville, sends in the home school's donation of \$1.20.

My heart has been greatly cheered by the encouraging letters and donations received. In all they amount to \$101.50, and all for missions. The 13th Sabbath donations for India amounted to \$25.00. Let us watch, pray, work, and give, more this quarter than ever before. \$111.00 is the amount we wish to raise. MRS. MOLLIE MILLER.

Tennessee River Conference

HAZEL ACADEMY

EVERY one is busy reviewing for, or taking final examinations. Brother Dart is with us giving instruction to those who expect to canvass during vacation. We are enjoying his studies on Old Testament characters.

Bro. W. W. Eastman, manager of the circulation department of the Southern Publishing Association, made us a short call April 25. His inspiring talk on the importance of the publishing work was appreciated by all. We, as young people, should appreciate the value of our literature as a means of spreading the gospel, and also as a means of helping us to secure an education through selling it.

While it has been too wet to farm we have been grading a driveway from the campus to the public road, and have put in two new culverts. This will be a decided improvement when completed. The roof of the barn and outbuildings have all been treated to a new coat of paint.

The prospect for strawberries is excellent at this writing. On account of the wet weather we have been unable to do any farming other than to plant a small patch of potatoes.

The closing exercises of the school will be held in the church Tuesday evening, April 30, and will consist of four essays on Matthew 24:14 with appropriate music, and an address to the graduating class by Elder Bollman, chairman of the board, who will also present the diplomas.

The class motto is, "The Gospel to All the World in This Generation." A. N. ATTEBERRY.

CANVASSING REPORT FOR THE SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE

For Week Ending April 20, 1912

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

NAME	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Delivered
Lillian Farney ..BF	6	8		\$11 00	\$ 25	\$11 25	\$
D C RayPPF	43	18		28 00	3 35	31 35	
Lewis Davis ...D&R	12	9		27 00		27 00	
J V LucasBF	28	19		28 00		28 00	
Verna PoundBF	18	10		15 00		15 00	
Edna ScottBF	18	13		18 50	1 25	19 75	
Curtis Pound ...BF	34	11		14 00		14 00	
C R MillarPPF	9	10		16 50	50	17 00	4 50

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

G JorgensonPPF	120	26		45 50	23 00	68 50	33 25
G S RogersPPF	65	60		94 00	7 10	101 10	150 00

Tassie Coston ...BF	12	20		20 00	2 00	22 00	
Theo RoachBF	8	10		11 00	75	11 75	
T S SlighBF	43	14		15 00	14 50	29 50	17 00
C BurchardBF	18						4 00
Neva Reeder ...BF	18						4 00

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

Virgil Smith ..BR&BF	44	29		61 00	4 50	65 50	4 50
C H McColey ..BF	43	54		54 00	3 75	57 75	3 75
C R CanadaBF	45	32		35 00	6 00	41 00	6 00
H C Balsbaugh ..CC	30	8		26 00	2 10	28 10	11 00
W H Haddon GC&BF	18	10		16 50	9 60	26 10	3 00
Mrs W A Timmons BF	16	18		18 00	50	18 50	4 00
A L SaxonBR	1	1		6 00	50	6 50	6 50
J S FryBF	18				1 50		14 50
L A FryCK	7				25		
Emily Billups ...BF	40	29		43 50	3 75	47 25	3 75
Anna WattsBF	40	29		43 50	1 00	44 50	1 00
Lettie Linyear ..BF	29	30		31 00	50	31 50	50
Loletta Parks ..BF	29	29		31 00		31 00	
M A Murphy ...BF	17	17		21 00	1 50	22 50	1 50
Luella HillBF	17	6		9 00		9 00	
Louise Jackson .CK	14	11		16 50		16 50	

SUMMARY

Alabama Conf	No Report						
Kentucky Conf....	168 98	158 00	5 35	163 35	4 50		
Louisiana Conf...	284 130	185 50	47 35	232 85	208 25		
Mississippi Conf..	408 303	412 00	35 45	445 70	60 00		
Tenn River Conf.	No Report						

Totals 860 531 \$755 50 \$88 15 \$841 90 \$272 75

MAGAZINE AGENTS' REPORT

For Week Ending April 20, 1912

Agent	MISSISSIPPI	No.	Value
Mrs W A Timmons		83	\$8 30

LIFE AND HEALTH SELLS WELL AND IS APPRECIATED

LAST week Mrs. Daisy Swartout sold 100 magazines in this city from 1 to 5.30 P. M. Her daily average has been 100 copies. She left to-day for Baltimore to sell 800 there.

Miss Annie L. McCutchen, of Texas, writes: "Monday I sold 118; Tuesday bad weather; Wednesday, 125; Thursday, 109. Then came the spinal meningitis quarantine.

A parent in Jacksonville, Fla., says: "Ethel sells 150 magazines each month—from 25 to 30 in an evening. Saturday night she sold 39 in two and a half hours. She is 11 years old."

This, from the Public Health Marine-Hospital Service, Washington, D. C.: "Your magazine meets a long-felt want in this country. No single publication that I know of takes up the questions of public health in the way you have done."

Mr. Chas. McIntyre, secretary, American Academy of Medicine, Easton, Pa., says: "We enjoy the visits of your excellent journal very much, and admire the level-headedness with which it is conducted."

Wm. C. Woodward, M. D., health officer of the District of Columbia, writes: "I congratulate you on your enterprise and public spirit." Could quote scores of others.

Fifteen hundred thousand people died in the United States last year! You can help to reduce this death roll during 1912 by circulating *Life and Health*. May number now ready.

Send your orders, through your tract society.

A. J. S. BOURDEAU, Circulation Manager.

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WE hope that each of our subscribers will watch the address label on his paper from week to week, and if the date thereon indicates that his subscription is about to expire, we solicit a renewal before his name is dropped from our list.

The WORKER is properly the Southern Union Conference newspaper, and should from week to week acquaint the brethren with what is going on in their home conference and all over the Southern Union field. As such it is worth more than 50c to any one who is interested in the progress of the Lord's work in this part of the vineyard. If it contains no news from your conference, or if the news reported is too meager, uninteresting, or too infrequent, write to your conference officers and other workers and ask them to send in more frequent and full reports. We will do the best we can on our part to make the paper worth all it costs and more too.

WHEN sending papers to friends or other persons, be sure to write their address plainly and in full. A copy of the WORKER of April 18, was returned to our office last week for "better address." On the wrapper was written, "Mrs. A. C. Pound, Boston." As there are thirteen Bostons in the United States the postal authorities did not know which one was intended.

ONE day last week a countryman was driving to Nashville with a load of cedar logs secured to a pair of trucks with a chain and binding pole. When he reached a point in his journey about a mile, or a little more, from the Nashville Sanitarium, the pole worked loose and swinging forward with great force struck the driver below his ear and instantly broke his neck. Death was almost instantaneous, and overtook the unfortunate man without warning. His life's record was closed without further opportunity for revision. How it stands we do not know. But the occurrence of such accidents should admonish those who still live to get ready and be always prepared to render an account to God for the deeds done in the body.

PROFESSOR Van Kirk of Graysville Academy, Graysville, Tenn., visited Nashville April 24. If not already gone, he will soon sever his connection with the work in the South and go to the Pacific Coast to resume his labors.

A COPY of *The Monthly Missionary Bulletin of the New Orleans Seventh-day Adventist Church* came to our desk a few days ago, and from the good reports, the excellent testimonies, and the earnest exhortations contained therein, we conclude that both its leaders and lay members really believe the message of a soon coming Saviour, and that they are working with a zeal and energy corresponding to their faith and to the importance which they attach to that awful and

glorious event which involves the doom of the world and the culmination of the Christian's hope.

The brethren there are earnestly seeking the Lord, and are searching the Bible and the testimonies in order to learn the best methods of doing missionary work, and the Lord is evidently blessing them in return. We wish that the same spirit of earnestness and consecration might take hold of all God's remnant people. The latter rain would then soon fall, and the work would soon be finished.

HOW WILL YOU OBSERVE IT?

DAY APPOINTED

SABBATH, May 25, has been appointed by the General Conference Committee as Young People's Day. All our churches and companies in the United States and Canada are asked to devote that day to the study of the organized work for the youth. This work for our young people is becoming more and more interesting. Already the organization has grown until its influence encircles the earth, gripping thousands of young people, drawing them into the church, and quickening their footsteps in service.

WHAT IT DOES

Recently a worker wrote: "Our conference is only six years old, but from churches where Young Peoples' Societies have been organized several workers have gone forth. One young man has served as tent master, another is principal in an intermediate school, another is lecturing in connection with his medical course, still another is assistant secretary of a tract society, and many others are canvassers. Some of our young ladies are church school-teachers, nurses, Bible-workers, and one is a matron in an intermediate school." This is one of the many evidences we have that with the blessing of God the organized work for the youth is helping to prepare messengers to carry speedily the last message of hope to a dying world.

DO NOT FORGET

Friends, the salvation of our youth will depend largely upon their own efforts for others. What are we doing to co-operate with God in helping our young people prepare to do the work for which he has chosen them? Upon every church the divine hand lays the responsibility of doing her utmost to enlist and train her young men and women for Christian service; so I trust that nothing will hinder any church, large or small, from observing May 25 as Young People's Day. An excellent program appears in the *Review* of May 9. Study the work for our youth. Pray for its success. It merits our support. God has marvelously blessed this work in the past, and we can not doubt its future success; but he is counting on your church to co-operate with him in utilizing to the best advantage the organization which he has called into existence to help save our youth from the world and train them for service in the Macedonian fields at home and abroad. Do not forget May 25. It is a special opportunity to study the Missionary Volunteer Work. Make the most of it.

MATILDA ERICKSON.

Cor. Sec. of General Conference Missionary Vol. Dept.

WANTED

AT the Nashville Sanitarium-Food Factory, two young ladies to work in Packing Department. Any desiring employment should write us at once. Address, Nashville Sanitarium-Food Factory, Madison, Tenn.

"PRAYER brings us to the very gates of heaven."