

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

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SONGS IN THE NIGHT

Songs in the night He giveth, Songs in the darkness deep, Songs when the stars are hidden, Songs of a power to keep — The power of Jesus' name.

Songs when the pain is hardest, Songs when the tear-drops start, Songs when the life is ebbing, Songs from a throbbing heart,— Jesus forever the same.

Songs when the pride is wounded, Songs when the heart is sore, Songs when by friends forsaken, Songs with "the wolf at the door." Jesus, our Helper, our King.

Songs at the grave's dark portal, Songs when oppressed with grief, Songs of a golden morning, Songs of a sure relief, Jesus, our Song! Let us sing! -Mrs. Eliza H. Morton in "Star Flowers"

THE NEED OF CONSECRATED WORKERS

"AND Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took either of them his censer, and put fire therein, and put incense thereon, and offered strange fire before the Lord, which he commanded them not. And there went out fire from the Lord, and devoured them, and they died before the Lord. Then Moses said unto Aaron, This is it that the Lord spake, saying, I will be sanctified in them that come nigh me, and before all the people I will be glorified." And the special charge was given to Aaron: "Do not drink wine nor strong drink, thou, nor thy sons with thee, when ye go into the tabernacle of the congregation, lest ye die: it shall be a statute for ever throughout your generations: and that ye may put difference between holy and unholy, and between unclean and clean."

The Lord gave special directions to Moses in regard to everything connected with his work; for he was jealous for his honor. He said, "I will be sanctified in them that come nigh me, and before all the people I will be glorified." Today his work is as sacred as in the time of the children of Israel. The proclamation of his truth, that is to shine amid the moral darkness of the world, is a work over which God and the heavenly angels have supervision; and none should be engaged in this work but those who are sanctified by a living connection with God. Converted men are needed — men who will love and honor God, fearing to move in their own wisdom, and realizing that their efforts can prove successful only as recognized by him without whose blessing there is no prosperity. Every moment divine power must be combined with human effort, else strange fire will be offered instead of the sacred.

Many fail to recognize the sacredness of the work in which they are engaged. But in order to work successfully, they should keep its exalted character ever before them. Let all read the directions given by Christ to Moses, requiring every man to be in his place, and do that part of the work to which he was appointed and set apart. If, in putting up or taking down the tabernacle, any man was found out of place, or ventured upon any officious action, that man was put to death.

To handle sacred things as we would common matters is an offense to God; for that which God has set apart to do his service in giving light to this world is holy. Those who have any connection with the work of God are not to walk in the vanity of their own wisdom, but in the wisdom of God, or they will be in danger of placing sacred and common things on the same level, and thus separate themselves from God. And just in proportion to man's consecration to God in this life, will be his advancement in the future life. It is impossible for men to refuse to walk in the light God has given them and have a living connection with him. They may lay plans which are looked upon as wise, but without God for their counselor, these plans will prove to be a snare. The enemy will work through such ones to carry out his own devices; for they reject the means by which God would teach and direct them.

To-day there is a Watchman taking cognizance of the children of men, and in a special sense of those who are to represent God by receiving his sacred truth into the heart and revealing it to the world. That Watcher is guarding the interests of all. Every individual is before him. There is not a thought of the heart that is unnoted. Nothing can be hidden from him. His ear hears the secret whisperings, and every secret thing is to be brought into judgment. All need to learn that the heavenly Watcher is acquainted with the children of men. If men forget this, there is danger of a spirit of selfishness and self-exaltation entering their work. These principles practised are not only detrimental to all within the sphere of their action, but will lead to a development of character so objectionable that its possessor can not find a place among the redeemed. He that sitteth in the heavens requires that a different spirit shall control his workers.

Whatever the position we are called to fill, our only safety is in walking humbly with God. The man who glories in his supposed capabilities, in his position of power, in his wisdom, in his property, or, in anything else than Christ, will be taken in the net of the enemy. He who fails to walk humbly before God will find a spirit rising up within him, prompting the desire to rule others connected with him, and causing him to oppress others who are human and erring like himself. He appropriates to himself jurisdiction and control over other men—an honor which belongs alone to God.

Under the rebuke of God the proud heart of Nebuchadnezzar was humbled. He acknowledged Jehovah as the living God. "At the end of the days," the record reads, "I Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes unto heaven, and mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed the Most High, and I praised and honored him that liveth forever, whose dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom is from generation to generation: . . . he doeth according to his will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou? . . . I Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honor the King of heaven, all whose works are truth, and his ways judgment: and those that walk in pride he is able to abase." Thus the king of Babylon became a witness for God. He presented himself as a living epistle, giving his testimony, warm and eloquent, from a grateful heart that was partaking of the mercy and grace and righteousness and peace of the divine nature.

O that all who have had great light shining round them in rich abundance might become humble and faithful agents for God, and, like the king of Babylon, raise their voices in recognition of God! Then they might be made, in truth, guardians of sacred trusts. "For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch. But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings."—Mrs. E. G. White.

Our Publishing House

HOME OFFICE NEWS

SALES report for week ending May 25. Total number of bound volumes, 3,507; Watchman, 8,907.

COLPORTEURS' LETTERS - ALABAMA

Your kind letter is very thankfully received. Your words of good cheer have a place in my mind and fill **a** space that nothing else can.

My work this week has been to walk over long swamps and dry hot fields to find the people. They are all out at work and very, very busy. In some places where the white boss is standing over them, they dare not notice me. It is truly a miracle to get any orders at all, but this place is not as bad as some I have been in. All this makes me see the need of earnest prayer and hard work. What will it be after a while? I feel more determined to work on. I wish for you a flow of God's grace and spirit, unity and love. M. L. IVORY.

I AM glad to write once more. This leaves me well and of good courage in the third angel's message. I am canvassing among a very wicked class of people, but the Lord will open a way for them to have a chance to get the truth. I went onto a place last week where the people didn't have time to stop very long to see my book. I was thinking of going by, but a gentleman invited me in and gave me my dinner and I got his order. That encouraged me to try to work the place, and when I started to take orders I found the boss had gone to town and I got all their orders for my book before he got back. So the Lord helped me to get through this place. Pray for me as I need your prayers.

I. W. PEEVY.

TENNESSEE RIVER

ONE day after I had worked hard almost all day, I stopped at a house but found the man off at work in the field. So I went on and worked about an hour, when I had to go back that way. I felt as though I must go and see this man and so stopped there again, and when I canvassed him he saw the subject "Baptism" and asked what the book said about it. I read all there was on the subject in the prospectus. He seemed interested and said the book was all right, gave me his order for it, and then asked me to come back and stay over night. I did so, and had a good talk with him about the Sabbath. The next morning I asked what my bill was. He said all he charged me was for me to remember him in my prayers, write him a letter and give him some good scripture. I thanked him and told him I certainly would do that much. JESSE ALLEN.

WE have been getting along real well in our work. I have been working in the wealthiest part of the city and have been having some good experiences. I took an order for "Past, Present, and Future" from a Catholic woman yesterday. She knew I was an Adventist, and that the book was written by Adventist people. Pray for us. VERA DORTCH.

WE are having good success in our work here at Jackson. This is my first experience and I mean to press forward and try to do God's will at all times. I feel sad when any one says, "That kind of work doesn't interest me at all," but I pray as Jesus did when nailed to the cross, "Father forgive them, for they know not what they do."

The Lord surely is blessing us each day. We have had a great number of good experiences in this noble work of the Lord. Pray for me. CLARA BRIGHAM.

I FIND many people who, after they listen to the canvass, say, "The Bible is certainly being fulfilled." They are looking for something but they know not what it is.

One man, sick in bed with malaria, said, "Well, according to that it seems as if the prophecies are about all fulfilled." I was glad to say, "Brother they are. We will see wonderful and awful things during the next few years, but they will not terrify or take us unawares, if we study God's Word and obey its teaching." The man was interested and gave his order for a copy of "Bible Footlights." S. L. CLARK.

THE North Texas News Sheet gives the following interesting experience related by Bro. C. E. Davis:--

"I went into a house to canvass a lady and found after I got in that a man had just died with meningitis. I was a little afraid at first, as I thought of how many had died of that dreadful disease. So just across the road there was a fine house and when I went up to the door and knocked the lady came out and asked if I had been over to the other house. I told her I had and she said, 'You can't come in my house.' I asked her if she would be so kind as to let me stand on the steps and her on the inside of the screen and show her my book. She asked me if I was not afraid of the disease. I told her if I only had faith I did not think I would take it, and if the Lord could shut the lions' mouths and keep the three Hebrew children in the fiery furnace, he could kill any disease if we had faith in him. She threw open the screen and said 'Come in' and I did and got an order for the \$5 binding. When we separated, the tears were flowing from both our eyes. That heart to heart talk did me good."

CARRIE Sims: "I am still ill, and have not been able to work. Two of my customers called for their books."

Rebecca Moore: "I like it here real well. I did well tak-

ing orders. Pray for us. I am of good courage and enjoying my work so much."

Eugene Sykes: "I did quite well considering the time of year and the conditions. One minister tried to misrepresent the book, but it hurt him more than it did me."

C. H. Chenault: "Hard times and the condition of the weather does not stop me, for I am trusting in the Captain of our salvation who knows no defeat. I know I am in the path of duty, and that the wisest course I can take when the battle goes hard, is to press the harder and lean more heavily on the Lord."

Another cheery letter from A. F. Harrison.

"We are certainly glad to have Brother Eastman with us. He has spoken twice to all the students and canvassers. We have a fine class of between twenty-five and thirty young men and women who expect to go out and canvass for our large books, not counting four or five young girls who expect to go out and canvass for our magazine. I want to tell you something else. We are gaining every day in our work, and we expect to reach the \$20,000 mark for May. Then with all our canvassers in the field, we expect to make a good strong pull in June. We hardly think we will pass our June mark of last year. You see this year we only have four weeks, while last year in the month of June we had five weeks; so if we pass June of last year, it will mean a wonderful gain. If I remember rightly Brother Eastman made a record of \$22,000 last year in June and if we go beyond that we will be good for our \$90,000 slogan."

BRO. Harlan Harrison, of Graysville, is a new addition to the office force, being connected with the Superintendent's office as cost accountant.

BRO. Curtis Varney, who has held the position as cost accountant for some two years, has been transferred to the accounting department as assistant bookkeeper.

BRO. Harry Simshauser, of the bindery force, has been transferred to the accounting-room.

THE writer has just returned from Washington, D. C., where he has been in attendance at the Auditors' Convention. I was glad to meet a number of former employees of the Southern Publishing Association who are doing efficient work at denominational headquarters. Their names and present positions are as follows:--

Eld. S. B. Horton, Assistant Secretary of the Religious Liberty Department.

Bro. F. E. Hull, Superintendent of the Printing Department, Foreign Mission Seminary.

Miss Nellie Macmillan, stenographer for the Secretary of the Publishing Department.

Miss Lois Barrett, member of the bindery force at the Review and Herald.

Miss Edna Bollman, proof-reader, Editorial Department of the Review and Herald.

Bro. I. A. Ford, the former manager of this Association, is also connected with the Review and Herald as Manager of their Book Department.

BRO. L. D. Randall, Manager of our Atlanta Branch, was in attendance at the Auditors' Convention held at Takoma Park last week.

MISS Mae Hollingsworth, music teacher at the Oakwood Manual Training School, and Miss Elsie Hollingsworth, were office visitors May 23rd.

OUR Sales Report to May 1 has just come to my desk and I find that our total sales for 1911 were \$39,894.66 while the sales for the same period 1912 are \$43,177.51, or over \$3,000 gain over the same period last year. This gain has been made in the face of difficulties. Quite a large section of the Southern Union Conference has been flooded and thousands of people are left homeless; yet the Lord is blessing the faithful canvasser and the work is making steady advance.

The harvest truly is great but the laborers are few. There is still plenty of room for more canvassers. Who will say, "Here am I, send me"?

> Southern Publishing Association. R. Hook, Jr., Gen'l Mgr.

Louisiana Conference

CONFERENCE AND CAMP-MEETING

THE annual conference and camp-meeting of the Louisiana Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, will be held July 18-28, at Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The first meeting of the conference will be held at 9 o'clock A. M., July 19. Delegates should be elected to this conference in the ratio of one for each church, and one for each fifteen members. Notice of the election of delegates should be sent at once to Mrs. C. A. Saxby, Woodlawn, La.

E. L. MAXWELL, President, La. Conf.

NOTICE

THE regular annual meeting of the Louisiana Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, will be held in connection with the annual conference and camp-meeting at Baton Rouge, La., July 18-28. The first meeting of the Association will be held at nine o'clock A. M., Monday, July 22, 1912, for the transaction of such business as may come before its members. All the delegates to the Louisiana Conference of Seventh-day Adventists (unincorporated) are members of the above mentioned Association.

E. L. MAXWELL, President of the Board.

Mississippi Conference

ONE more week's work is done and our records have passed into eternity, whether perfect or imperfect. Which has it been?

Our faithful colporteurs have toiled beneath the burning sun, and by the help of the Lord won many victories. One young man writes, "I took over \$80 worth of orders for 'Bible Footlights' and Bibles last week." The county where this young man has been working has been considered difficult territory, but when God says, "Go," it is for us to obey the command and see him perform miracles in our behalf.

Bro. Virgil Smith, of Enid, writes: "You will notice my report looks a little better than it has heretofore. But say! those orders are certainly in harmony with Jer. 16: 16, last part. In all my canvassing I don't believe I ever traveled over rougher ground since I left the mountains, and in the most out-of-the-way places too. I sure did have to hunt for them." Brother Smith is certainly as good a hand to hunt for them as we could send out. He is an honest, consecrated worker that we appreciate very much. Later in the same letter he says: "I had some good experiences with the people. Two persons were sick, and I stopped long enough with them to give them some treatments and went on my way to hunt others."

Sister Medea Peterson has been having good success with the May Watchman in Laurel. She says: "I sold over a hundred and I feel encouraged over this, so will ask you to order fifty June Life and Health." One sister in the flooded district of the Mississippi writes: "Last Friday was a hot day. I walked eight miles and became overheated, rested a while at noon, and went on again. I canvassed about twenty or more people, and only got one order. People here are almost destitute of necessities."

We have many other workers who have good experiences in meeting the people. We are glad that our workers stick to their post regardless of floods or boll weevil.

PARIZETTA SMITH.

SABBATH-SCHOOL AND MISSIONARY WORK

WE have now entered upon the last month of this quarter. I trust all have become better acquainted with the dear Lord and his Word by the study of the Sabbath-school lessons from week to week, and that all have been regular in attendance. Soon these privileges will be in the past.

Will all the secretaries and isolated members please send in their orders for Sabbath-school pamphlets? Some orders came in late last quarter. Send your order and money to the Mississippi Tract Society as early as possible. Let not one order come in *late*.

Sister Ingham, of Biloxi, writes: "We are very much interested in our Sabbath-school lessons. They are just the thing for our time. The greatest desire of my heart is to profit by every means of grace that comes to me.

"The last act in this earthly drama is soon to be worked out, and we must be found without fault when Jesus comes. We must submit all we are and have into his hand."

Lucy Allen, of Ellisville writes: "School will soon close and I am ready for any good work I can do. I am appointed secretary of our little missionary society, and I want to get all the instruction I can about how to properly conduct a meeting, and we want to carry ours out just like the larger societies."

Sister Ethel Clark, of Meridian, sends the following report of their young people's meeting held May 25:--

Brother Clark opened the meeting with the song, "Why Stand with Rusty Blade." We knelt with Brother Friberg in a word of prayer, asking our Father for a special blessing.

Sister Clark read the interesting article by Bro. A. G. Daniels, entitled, "The Co-operation called for in Our Young People's Work." As in "The Call of the Hour," let glad co-operation be our theme in the young people's work. They need help to prepare them for their work.

A few of the testimonials in the symposium were read by Susie Terry. One verse of "Who Follows?" No. 693 in "Christ in Song" was then sung.

A letter of encouragement from the Conference Missionary Volunteer Secretary, was read by Sister Friberg.

Bertha and Mary Wolfe, Gladys Clark, Lacy and Hollis Terry, each read short pieces from the symposium.

"For Such a Time as This," by M. E. Kern, was read by Sister Dean from the Youth's Instructor.

From the same paper, Brother Terry asked the missionary questions and each one responded with his verse as his or her turn came. In this way every one took part — we are all young people here anyway.

"The Call of the Hour" was recited by Ethel Clark. This piece of poetry was a good sermon in itself.

We feel that we received the blessing asked for, and feel the great importance of the young people's work more than ever.

Brother Terry closed the meeting with a word of thanks to our Heavenly Father. MRS. MOLLIE MILLER.

PALMER SCHOOL

MYSELF and family attended the colored school concert at Palmer, and I must say that it was good to be there. Sister Owens certainly deserves credit for teaching and drilling her students to sing and speak so well. They kept good order for so large a crowd, and every song and recitation was full of the message. While the concert was going on they had three or four little children giving out *Signs* and other papers. It did me good to see the good work going on among the colored people. W. E. COOPER.

Tennessee River Conference

BURNS AND BON AQUA

For something like three years there has been between Burns and Bon Aqua Tenn., several families of Seventh-day Adventists. One of these is the family of Eld. C. N. Martin, well-known to all our people throughout the Conference. This community of Sabbath-keepers had never been visited by any representative of the Conference excepting Elder Martin himself until last Friday, when the writer, stopping off at Burns and riding five or six miles over the hills in a southeasterly direction, reached, a little before the beginning of the Sabbath, the home of Brother and Sister Artress.

This good brother and sister live about midway between Burns and the center of the Adventist settlement, or at least the place where the Sabbath-school and other meetings are held, namely, the home of Bro. C. N. Martin.

Sister Artress is the daughter of Dr. G. H. Heald, Editor of *Life and Health*, and inasmuch as the writer was years ago a patient at the St. Helena, (Calif.) Sanitarium when the doctor was bookkeeper at the institution and his wife was matron, meeting their daughter out in the hills of Middle Tennessee seemed almost like meeting an old acquaintance, even though said daughter was not born for a year or more after the time referred to.

Dr. Heald has visited his daughter, and a little less than a year ago Eld. K. C. Russell stopped off, as he was passing from one camp-meeting to another, to see his daughter who was spending a few weeks at the Artress home. So while the community, until a few days ago, was an unknown land to local conference officers, it had been explored to some extent by representatives of the general cause.

I found the brethren and sisters of good courage and in good spiritual condition. They had a good live Sabbathschool, and Sabbath afternoon it was our privilege to organize a church of sixteen substantial people, including seven men who are heads of families, and two grown young men. The sixteen mentioned are all people who have moved in from other places, but there are several others ready to come into the organization who are natives of the country, but who live a few miles distant and who could not be at the meeting.

Elder Martin was of course present at the meeting, and participated in the work of organizing the church. He is in more robust health than for a number of years, and feels able for any amount of hard work, either mental or physical. He has not looked so well since coming to Tennessee. His entire family are with him in the truth and rejoice with him in the power of God to which he attributes the perfect soundness of body and of mind which he enjoys to-day.

I thoroughly enjoyed my visit to this neighborhood, and feel sure that a strong church will be built up there. An excellent beginning has been made, and with continued faithfulness on the part of the believers, there is certain to be a healthful growth. Elder Martin will spend some time this summer working in other parts of Dickson County where there is already some interest. I feel very hopeful for the future of the work in that county. C. P. BOLLMAN.

"SHE HATH DONE WHAT SHE COULD"

Sister Mamie Moore sends in her report for last week. She delivered \$116.25 worth of books besides taking \$27 worth of orders for "Daniel and the Revelation." This makes \$421.50 worth of books she has placed in the homes of the people of Memphis this year, besides attending the bookmen's convention and the Southern Union Conference at Nashville, in January, and the colporteurs' institute at Springville in March. She stands a good chance of selling her \$1,000 worth of books and thus having her way paid to the next General Conference.

She writes: "I found most of the folks glad to get their books. I am glad you were praying for us. I feel that the Lord did the work. We fasted and prayed Sabbath.

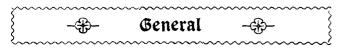
"The work here is very encouraging. Some are coming into the truth amid much persecution. A lady I sold a book to is keeping the Sabbath, and was at church yesterday for the first time. Another lady presented her name for membership that I had sold "Daniel and the Revelation" to last summer. Her husband is very much interested also." C. F. DART.

AN OPPORTUNITY

THE Tennessee River Conference will pay the traveling expenses to the next General Conference, of every colporteur in its territory who will sell \$1,000 worth of our denominational literature, and pay for the same during the year 1912, provided the conference is held in the South, or \$25 toward their expense if it is held elsewhere.

How many are striving to avail themselves of this opportunity to attend the General Conference? Twenty-nine weeks of the year still remain, and it is not too late yet for energetic workers to begin now and win out.

Sister Mamie Moore at present heads the list. Bro. Wm. J. Keele, a magazine colporteur, has sold \$222 worth. Let us see how many we can have represented at the conference. C. F. DART.



ANVIL STROKES

- THE pessimist foresees a storm in every weather sign.

Who hungers for praise never gets his fill.

The contribution box never sags with the gifts of the lazy. Misery loves company, but the sentiment is not reciprocated. Who spends his sympathy upon himself deserves great pity.

You come to a knowledge of God, not by investigating, but by loving him.

No labor is lost which results in strengthening the character of the toiler.

If plans made one rich, then loafers could ride in their own automobiles.

The devil is content as long as he can engage you in an argument with himself.

No matter how much one may be able to get in this world, he can never obtain a monopoly of happiness—*Christian Herald*.

WHAT GOD HATH WROUGHT. No. 2

THE PUBLISHING WORK. .

APRIL 6, 1846, the first literature ever published by Seventhday Adventists appeared. It was a small leaflet by Miss Ellen G. Harmon, now Mrs. Ellen G. White. It contained her hrst vision.

In July, 1849, the first periodical was printed in behalf of this cause, at Middleton, Conn. This was a paper entitled *Present Truth.* This name was changed in 1850 to Second Advent Review and Sabbath Herald, which with a slight change of name, is continued at the present time as the denominational church organ.

With this small beginning the publishing work has grown from year to year as the following will show.

In 1852 we had one small printing outfit worth \$652.93, five employees, and two periodicals printed in one language.

In 1870 this one publishing house was worth \$64,471.16 with thirty employees, three periodicals, and sold that year \$7,000.00 worth of books.

In 1880 there were four publishing houses worth \$338,565.93, employing 128 laborers. They printed ten different periodicals in seven different languages, and sold \$40,009.00 worth of books.

In 1890 there were seven publishing houses worth \$959,-260.95, with 412 employees, twenty-four periodicals in twelve languages, and book sales amounting to \$734,397.00.

In 1907 we had twenty-three publishing houses, 466 employees, ninety-six periodicals in fifty-four languages and book sales amounting to \$1,035,565.62.

In 1910 there were twenty-eight publishing houses worth \$1,175,092.39, with 610 employees, one hundred and twentysix periodicals in sixty-seven languages and \$1,560,510.58 worth of book sales.

What a change! To-day our denomination publishes three hundred sixty-three books, three hundred fifteen pamphlets, twelve hundred tracts and one hundred twenty-six periodicals in sixty-seven languages.

In 1854 samples of all our tracts and pamphlets could be obtained for \$.35. To-day it would cost \$525.00 to get one each of all the pamphlets, tracts, periodicals, and of the books in the cheapest binding.— Eld. A. J. Haysmer, in the Gospel Herald.

TRUTHFULNESS IN ADVERTISING

UNDER the above caption the Nashville Banner of May 21, published an Associated Press report of a convention of advertisers in session at Dallas, Tex., from which we quote the following:—

"The necessity for absolute truthfulness in advertising was the key-note of to-day's discussions before the eighth annual convention of the Associated Advertising Clubs of America."

No one, except the advertisers themselves, will question the "necessity" or the desirability of "absolute truthfulness in advertising." Such a proposition reduced to actual practise, would revolutionize the business of the world and be of incalculable benefit to all the people — except the advertisers and their heirs. But that a practise involving so great a departure from the custom of the ages, and such vital and stupendous changes in business methods will ever be generally adopted, few will be credulous enough to believe. We can hardly believe that it is even seriously contemplated.

Why, such an innovation would actually require business men and manufacturies of all classes — even the patent medicine men and the trusts — to be honest and tell the exact truth! But the "absolute truth" would prove more disastrous to a large percentage of our business enterprises than would an earthquake to a modern sky-scraper. Honesty would require merchants and manufacturers to acknowledge that their competitors wares and products were just as good as their own, and, in many instances, even better! Think of it. And storekeepers would sometimes have to tell a customer that he could get a better quality at the store around the corner! Before such an era dawns all selfishness and covetousness will have to let go their hold on the hearts of men, and the love of money will have to die out. But as yet we see no signs of such a moral change in the financial world, and no symptoms of the decadence of greed.

Therefore while not denying that there are a few honest advertisers, we will still regard advertisements in general as exaggerations of the truth, at least, and when we are assured by some newspaper, magazine, or bill-board that a single bottle of "Somebody's Nothing Like It" will positively and permanently cure any and every human ill while the sufferer continues to eat and drink everything his palate calls for and to engage in any form of dissipation that affords pleasure to his depraved nature and appetite, we shall treat the proposition as a lie, without even giving the wonder-working remedy a trial. The same lack of confidence in our fellowmen and their absolute truthfulness has also many times led us to reject the most generous and unparalleled offers of land at a few dollars per acre in the "garden spots" of different states, that was sure to be worth several times as much within a year, or as soon as the projected A. B. railroad was builded, or the Q. Y. irrigation canal was opened. For the same reasons we have also ungratefully turned our back upon the most golden-hued opportunities to invest a few hundred dollars in enterprises that were certain to make us independently rich in a few short years. But we have never been sorry because of the fortunes and experiences we have lost in this way. We are willing to let the more credulous and trusting profit by these extraordinary offers and opportunities, while we invest the "little money" we have in the cause of God. We believe it is the safest enterprise in the world, and that in a little while it will pay a dividend of eternal life, with a patch of land in Eden itself and a palace in the new Jerusalem.

TEN REASONS

A CONTRAST

It is interesting to note in connection with the seventh day of creation week, the Sabbath of God, and the Bible, that there are at least five inspired reasons which show beyond the shadow of a doubt, that this particular seventh day of creation week is the Lord's Sabbath day. They are the following:--

I. "On the seventh day God ended [ceased] his work which he had made."

2. "And he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made."

3. "And God blessed the seventh day."

4. "And sanctified it."

5. "And hallowed it." He thus made it "honorable," "because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made." See Gen. 2:2, 3; Ex. 20:8-11; Isa. 58:13, 14.

It is also of interest to note that there have been assigned and tabulated by one first-day advocate, just five man-made reasons for the observance of the initial day of the week, or Sunday, as the Sabbath. And it is to be assumed that those who have invented them have at least complied with one text of Scripture, viz., "Produce your cause, saith the Lord; bring forth your strong reasons, saith the King of Jacob." Isa. 41:21. The reasons offered read as follows :---

THE FIVE MAN-MADE REASONS

I. "Christ rose from the dead on this day [the first day of the week]."

2. "He appeared to men twice in succession on this day after his resurrection."

3. "He gave special evidence of his resurrection on this day."

4. "He gave the earnest of the Spirit on this day."

5. "He sent the full effusion of the Holy Ghost to his church [on this day]."—Rev. Prof. Henry Lummis, in "Sabbath Essays," p. 148, Boston, 1879.

This contrast reminds one of a certain text of scripture which reads: "The prophet that hath a dream, let him tell a dream; and he that hath my word, let him speak my word faithfully. What is the chaff to the wheat? saith the Lord." Jer. 23:28. ARTHUR L. MANOUS.

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A SINNER AND A CHILD OF GOD

A SINNER, if he could have his way, would like to have some nice little snug sins all to himself, and never be called to account for them; he would choose forever to have no God and no law. How delightful that would be to him! And then; if he let his evil heart have full sway, he would desire to have his glass, and his merriment, and his debauchery, free from any restraint. His liberty would soon run into license. That would be the highest pleasure to the child of the flesh.

But the child of God hates sin as sin. He loves holiness as holiness; and if he could go to heaven and sin, it would be no heaven to him; and if God could reward him for sin though such a thing is impossible, and the very thought of it is almost blasphemy—yet would he hate sin and flee from it. Even when it most condemns him, he would have the law of God no different than it is. Not even for his salvation would he have God abate one jot or tittle of his justice. He is jealous for holiness and seeks not to be saved *in* sin, but to be saved *from* it.

As far as his renewed heart is concerned he can not sin, because he is born of God. His new nature cleaves and clings to holiness; and the new nature is perfect, made perfect in the image of Christ, and it will never rest until it has stamped out the last spark of sin in the members. Thus a perfect obedience is rendered in the heart. The child of God says, "I will walk within my house with a perfect heart. I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate the work of them that turn aside; it shall not cleave to me."—Spurgeon.

This is the experience of every converted person. He hates and avoids sin for its own sake, not simply to escape its final punishment, and he loves righteousness for its own sake, not simply for the reward attaching to it. This change is effected in the sinner's mind and heart by the new birth through which he inherits the divine nature. For "That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit," or spiritual.

> "Among so many, can he care? Can special love be everywhere? A myriad homes,— a myriad ways,— And God's eye over every place?

"I asked; my soul bethought of this,— In just that very place of his Where he hath put and keepeth you, God hath no other thing to do!"

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"The end is near, stealing upon us stealthily, imperceptibly, like the noiseless approach of a thief in the night. May the Lord grant that we shall no longer sleep as do others, but that we shall watch and be sober. The truth is soon to triumph gloriously, and all who now choose to be laborers together with God, will triumph with it." Page 135.

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The location and other information concerning each meeting will be published later.

NASHVILLE SANITARIUM NOTES

THE Sanitarium family has considerably increased in numbers within the past two weeks. In response to the manager's call for several young people to join the nurses' training school, the following named persons are now with us and have already entered upon their duties :--

Miss Ruth Greentree, Alabama. Miss Neva L. Reeder, Louisiana. Miss Jewel Rosbury, Louisiana. Miss Celia M. Bushart, Louisiana. Mr. Percy Carr, Tennessee. Miss Beulah Callicott, until recently secretary and treasurer of the Mississippi Tract Society, has also united with the Sanitarium family, as stated in the WORKER two weeks ago by Elder Lowry.

May 27, Sister Iva Kitchens accompanied an elderly Christian lady, who has made her home at the Sanitarium the last three winters, to her summer home at Mount Eagle. Sister Kitchens returned home the following day.

Sister Rozell, who has been home on a vacation for three weeks, returned a few days ago to the Sanitarium.

Sister Verna Watt who has been nursing for Dr. Mason in Kentucky, returned on a visit May 31.

During the past two weeks twelve new patients have come to the institution. One of these came on the recommendation of another patient from the same town who had returned home a few days before.

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Christian Education, % D. W. REAVIS.

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