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

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IF CHRIST SHOULD COME TO-NIGHT

If you could know that Jesus would appear
Before another morn should give its light,
O, would your heart be filled with joy or fear,
If you could know that he would come to-night?

The things you'd do, the words that you would say,
Perchance the letter you had thought to write,
How many plans would have to change to-day,
If you were sure that Christ would come to-night?

How many acts would then remain undone?
How many wrongs would have to be made right,
If you should meet him ere another sun,
And knew for sure that he would come to-night.

How many things would you find time for then,
Now crowded out or else forgotten quite,—
The kindly deed, the hour of prayer again?
Would aught be different, should he come to-night?

Some day that dawns will mark all time as past;
Then may we keep our lamps all trimmed and bright.
O, may we live each day as 'twere the last,
And ready be, if Christ should come to-night!

—*Pearl Waggoner, in Review & Herald.*

Editorial Notes

OUR people are waking up on the Eastern question. The way in which the December number of the *Watchman* is going indicates this. After the paper was nearly off the press the order had to be increased 5,000 copies to take care of all the orders.

PAPERS WANTED

MRS. R. T. NASH, secretary of the Greensboro, N. C., Missionary Society, writes saying:—

"Our missionary society wishes back numbers of the *Watchman* and other papers suitable for sending to people with whom missionary work is being done through the mails."

We trust this request will be remembered, and that generous response will be made to it. Periodical literature is carried at the rate of one cent for four ounces, or fraction thereof. Everything should be fully prepaid.

MASSACRES of Christians by Turks are reported from Palestine. This will certainly give great intensity to the feeling already existing against the Turks. No one can speak confidently of the future as to the time and manner of the fulfilment of prophecy; but, judging the future by the past, and taking into consideration the fact that the mutual jealousy of the Christian Powers will not operate to protect the Turk in Asia as it has so long done in Europe, we must conclude that it is only a question of a very short time when the Turkish power must become extinct, not only in Europe but also in Asia. With Christendom inflamed against the Turk by new outrages, and with the Turks inflamed against the Christians by what seems, to them at least, like great injustice, how long will the followers of Mohammed be permitted to occupy Jerusalem? Such a condition of affairs certainly can not last long. It must be that the end is very near indeed.

"TURKEY IN THE LIGHT OF PROPHECY"

EVERY Seventh-day Adventist ought to read Elder Daniel's article in the *Review* of November 14, printed under the above heading. It is a bugle call sounding in no uncertain tones a warning to all our people to prepare for the very last events of this world's history.

Various winds of doctrine have been blowing. Various theories of the prophecy of Daniel eleven and twelve have been propounded and defended. The result has been that some have become confused and well-nigh lost their bearings. We are thankful that our church paper has spoken in no uncertain tones upon this subject. Let everybody read and ponder well the article by Elder Daniels.

TIME TO WAKE UP!

WHILE some Seventh-day Adventists are saying, "Wait," and are suggesting various possibilities of delay, the secular press is full of evidence that we are in the very last days of probationary time. Some of the members of the popular religious press are far in advance of some of our own papers. In its issue of November 13, the *Christian Herald*, under the heading, "General Notes," says:—

"The subject of the 'Second Coming of Christ' is attracting much attention both in England and in this country, especially in view of the threatened dismemberment of Turkey in Europe. Recently a Sunday was set apart by the Ministerial Union at Denver (Colo.) when twelve ministers

preached upon the subject from a Scriptural point of view. The movement is attracting general interest, the churches were crowded and the next day the newspapers devoted whole pages to the subject. A similar concerted gathering took place in London, Eng., a short time ago."

Brethren, let us wake up!

Our Publishing House

HOME OFFICE NEWS

SALES report for week ending November 23, 1912: Total number of bound volumes, 6,077; *Watchman*, 7,528.

The foreman of our bindery reports 42,236 books going through that department at the present time.

In going over our book sales we find that during the first ten months of 1911 we sold books to the value of \$168,943.32; while for the first ten months of 1912, our sales total \$217,145.61; or a gain over last year, for ten months, of \$48,202.29.

THE SECULAR PRESS

ON the streets of Calcutta one evening recently, newsboys were conspicuously holding up their bills on which were the following words: "Armageddon," "Seventh-day Adventists," and "The Balkan Crisis."

Curious to know what this meant, I bought a copy of the paper and learned that it was the result of an interview with Elders Pettit and Comer by a newspaper reporter. Is not this another evidence that God will do a quick work in the earth? He is surely giving the people of this great city an opportunity to know "present truth." P. A. RICK.

In Eastern Tidings, published in Lucknow, India.

Surely we are living in a time when our people should utilize the press, and now that there is such a live interest in the Eastern question, advantage should be taken of the willingness on the part of the newspaper editors to give space to sermons and interviews with our people on this vital point. During this time when the eyes of the civilized world are turned to the situation in the Balkan states, would it not be a splendid opportunity for our people everywhere to go out with "Daniel and the Revelation"? This book treats of the Eastern question, and as the interest of the people has been aroused, our workers would have good success for they would have a talking point that would reach the hearts of thinking people. This plan has been tried in other conferences with good success. Write your field agent or tract society secretary for full information.

BRO. S. E. McNEILL, cashier of the General Conference Treasurer's office was an office visitor last week.

BRO. W. H. WILLIAMS, auditor and treasurer of the Southeastern Union Conference paid the office a visit last Sunday.

BROTHER ALL, of Savannah, Ga., called at the office Friday, on his way to Louisville, Ky.

"AFTERTHOUGHTS"

"Mark Twain once said that pious books generally sold the best. Alphonse Daudet received \$200,000 for 'Sapho,' Victor Hugo, \$100,000 for 'Les Miserables,' Robert Louis Stevenson, \$7.50 a column for 'Treasure Island,' and Dwight L. Moody, \$1,000,000 for a hymn book."

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION,
R. HOOK, JR., Gen'l Mgr.

IN four years the circulation of the Morning Watch Calendar increased from 6,000 to 25,000. This fact declares clearly and loudly the value of the calendar. Do not fail to get one for 1913. Price five cents, from tract societies.

Kentucky Conference

SAND HILL DEDICATION

At the time of last report I was at Sand Hill holding meetings in the new church. On the 17th we held the dedicatory service. People came many miles from all directions to be present. It was stormy looking in the morning, and we were fearful that our attendance would be small, but as the clouds and fog cleared away the people came flocking in from all directions, and at the opening of the service there were more people than could get into the house. There were present about 250 people, and while a great number remained outside at the windows, yet the best of attention was given, and many who had never heard a Seventh-day Adventist sermon were stirred by the message and desired to hear more of the truth.

After the morning service a basket dinner was served and all were fed who were present. All seemed to enjoy this part of the program. We then entered the church and held another meeting at the close of which we took a recess for two hours, then came together for the night service. The church was filled to overflowing while the writer presented the Sabbath question. Thus ended the day's services. Bro. H. E. Beck and the church elder, Bro. S. G. Grimes, assisted in the meetings.

We continued the meetings each night until the 21st, with good attendance and interest on the part of a few. As a result of the meetings three adults, heads of families, took a public stand for the truth, and a number who were careless and indifferent renewed their covenant with God.

We expect to see the work advance at Sand Hill, as there are others for whom we are praying that we hope to see accept the message.

I wish to say that the brethren have done well in putting up this house of worship. They have a neat building, nicely finished and seated. They have also painted the building, and the good part is they were able to dedicate it free from debt. May the Lord bless this people is my prayer.

B. W. BROWN.

NOTES

THE Kentucky Tract Society wishes to call the attention of the readers of this paper to some of the new books that are just off the press. These books are suitable for gifts for the holiday season.

"The Man that Rum Made," by J. E. White, is a splendid book for all interested in the temperance cause. Real heart interest stories from life, of homes wrecked by the demon drink. Protect your boy by early instilling in his mind a hatred of intemperance. Cloth, substantially bound, 14 colored pictures, special price, 75 cents, post-paid.

"The Conflict Between Capital and Labor" a book brimful of the most interesting information regarding the great problem facing our country at the present time. What has led to the present strained relationship between employer and employee? What is the remedy? This is all given in this interesting volume of 208 pages. Price, only 50 cents.

We would call the attention of all to the special clubbing offer for magazines as advertised in the week of prayer Review and those whose subscriptions expire at the end of the year can take advantage of these offers and thus renew their subscriptions.

"ONE can not resist temptation with mere stubbornness."

Louisiana Conference

GOD WILL NOT FORGET

I HAVE just returned from a trip to Shreveport and Marthaville. I was thankful to be able on this trip to help Brother Sibley out on forty dollars' worth of orders. I left him full of courage in the work. Brother Hubble of Shreveport expects by the first of next month to be able to take up work for *Protestant* and *Liberty* magazines in the city of Shreveport.

At Marthaville I found a young man who has just lately decided to live out the truth, and is planning to enter the canvassing work in the near future. I also found that Bro. F. H. Berry had gotten his farm work done up, and was again in the field selling books. Bro. J. J. Ballard will start canvassing again next week.

Bro. M. B. Wilson has stopped for a few months to attend school so that he may be able to do better work for the Master.

Bro. W. J. Hirst has gone to Lake Charles to canvass that place.

Bro. T. S. Sligh is teaching a church school at Shreveport. Bro. John Harzman and wife have sold out, and expect to go canvassing about December 1.

Brother Jorgenson who has worked so faithfully for several years has broken down in health, and I go to make a delivery for him this week, which I fear will be his last for some time. I know the prayers of all the WORKER readers will ascend in his behalf, for he has been a very earnest worker. He has twice earned a free trip to the Bookmen's Convention, at Nashville, by his faithfulness. If he is obliged to give up his work, we have the consolation of knowing that he was faithful. He told me less than a year ago, when the cold rain was pelting down on us, and we were going through the water ankle deep, that he would rather sell our good books, even in such weather as that, than to be president of the United States. We all know that God will not forget his labor of love.

S. F. REEDER.

LEESVILLE

OUR Leesville tent-meeting closed on the 10th. These meetings began on the 2nd of October and continued until the close without any break. There was preaching every night and every Sunday afternoon. Each Sabbath afternoon we had Sabbath-school. As usual we gave out many hundreds of pages of tracts bearing on the subjects presented, as well as upon many other subjects upon which the people were inquiring.

While visiting, Brother McLennan and I have often received orders for Bibles, our periodicals, and books. It is truly a joy when out on the battle-field in the Lord's army to find the people hospitably inclined, who, while we are sharing their temporal things, will eagerly ask us all kinds of questions about our faith. You may be assured that we give them the best that we have. And the thought that God will bless all of our seed-sowing, and that many souls will be saved in his kingdom as the result of our efforts here, brings cheer and courage to our hearts.

Many in Leesville have expressed themselves as believing our message but as yet we have only had the pleasure of seeing six come to the point where they have resolved to obey. Seven signed the covenant. One of these accepted the message in DeRidder as the result of our last meeting there, but did not get to sign the covenant at that time. This last is a widow of twenty-five years of age. She appears to be a very serious minded young woman, and has already made

up her mind to be a worker in spreading the knowledge of the present truth. She is now in Alexandria, selling the *Watchman*.

I have often heard it expressed by those who are not of our faith, and I am persuaded that some of us who are Seventh-day Adventists often have the same thought, that very little is being accomplished by us as a people, because after a long series of meetings so very few accept our faith and live in harmony therewith. But brethren, our work, as I understand it is not to convert the world but to warn the world. And for one, I am fully convinced that the work of getting many people deeply interested in Bible study and a few fully determined, by the assisting grace of God, to keep all of his commandments, is a more important work than to get many times the number converted to the idea of joining a large, fashionable, and pleasure-loving church, the members and preachers of which make little of Bible study, to join which little sacrifice is required, the teachings of which are "smooth things," to the effect that you can be saved and not keep all the commandments of God. To be almost saved means to be wholly lost. And any doctrine that teaches that one can be saved in spite of wilful and continued disobedience to God, is not, to my mind, the gospel of Jesus Christ.

May the Lord help us to be alive to the importance of our work, and never let any thing discourage us in the least.

Nov. 17, 1912.

O. F. FRANK.

Mississippi Conference

NEWS NOTES

WE now have fourteen regular canvassers.

Bro. Coley G. Parkins is now attending school at Graysville, but plans to return to Mississippi next season and resume his canvassing work. I hope he may bring another worker with him.

Recently a check came to the office from Bro. Virgil Smith for \$190. I believe this the largest check we have yet received.

In forty-three hours Bro. C. H. McColrey delivered \$125 worth of books. He delivers on horseback, and is well equipped for his work.

Last week Sister Emily Billups, our oldest canvasser, took \$103.50 worth of orders for "Bible Footlights." Sister Annie Watts followed close with \$90 worth.

There are prospects that four young men from the Hatley school will enter the canvassing work next season.

I am glad to say that the prospects were never better than now for success and growth in the work here.

Let us all pray for these dear workers who are in the field, and also that God may lay the burden upon others to enter this line of missionary work.

We hope to hold two institutes and perhaps three this coming season.

H. G. MILLER, *Missionary Agent*.

WATCH THE REPORTS

SINCE my last report to the WORKER I have visited the brethren at Meridian and Amory, and found all of good courage, and busy. A busy church means a live church, and I was glad to find so many interested in the "Ministry of Healing" campaign, and the Harvest Ingathering campaign. Such efforts betoken an unselfish interest in the cause at large.

Sister Sarah Ingham, a sister more than eighty years old, has already distributed twenty-five copies of the Harvest Ingathering *Signs*, and sent in a remittance for \$9.53 or an

average of thirty-four cents each. This record should certainly be an incentive to younger people to take hold of this work in earnest.

Ruth, the little daughter of Elder Wiest is quite sick just now. We hope she will soon recover.

Our prayer meetings are well attended, and every one seems to enjoy them so much. Last Wednesday night, a young woman who once kept the Sabbath came to the meeting. She expects to give up her work, and reconsecrate herself to God very soon. Pray for her that God may give her the needed strength.

Our colporteurs are doing excellent delivering now. Last week one brother delivered \$121 worth in forty-three hours. This is surely a good record. Bro. E. A. Taylor who has recently entered the canvassing work is a very promising young man. He needs your prayers. Others are doing excellent work. Watch the reports. PARIZETTA SMITH.

FROM THE FIELD

My last report closed at Brookville. From that place I went on to Hatley where I was to help Bro. Coley G. Parkins make a delivery of about \$600 worth of books. I had promised him this help in the spring as an encouragement to him to continue on in the work.

In passing through Pine Grove I learned of the sickness of Bro. W. H. Walters. I felt deeply impressed to return from Hatley, a distance of four miles, and visit him, which I did. I found him very ill and anxious for some one to take him to the Nashville Sanitarium. I was so anxious to get to my work and did not see how I could spare the time but I could not refuse his earnest plea. At about 11 A. M., after counsel with his doctor, we decided to go, and at about 4 P. M., we were on our way, he in a sleeper and I by his side. We arrived there safely about 2:30 P. M., the next day. Here under kind treatment and careful attention he spent the remaining few days of his life.

This trip took two days of my time and while it was a sacrifice yet it was a real pleasure to fulfil his request.

I assisted Brother Parkins in his delivery about three weeks, and delivered nearly \$250 worth of books. I surely enjoyed this work, not only because I was placing this precious truth in the homes of the people but also because I was aiding a worthy young man to attend the Graysville School.

From here I went to Madison County to make a small delivery for Brother Barnes. This took me three days. I then returned home after an absence of six weeks.

Recently it was my privilege to go out canvassing a couple of days with Bro. E. A. Taylor. Although it was his first experience he took more than \$40 worth of orders in four days. He gives promise of making a very successful worker.

I leave home on November 24 to be gone a week or ten days visiting and assisting other canvassers.

H. G. MILLER.

Do you wish to become more like your Saviour? Then spend more time in his presence. "To me," said the late J. R. Miller, "religion means just one thing: Jesus and I are friends." He who is a friend of Jesus is also a winner of men. Will you not strive to become a closer friend of Jesus during 1913? The Morning Watch Calendar will help you. It will remind you to meet him each morning in the chamber of secret prayer.

God's trials, nobly borne, in obedience to his righteous will, are the paths to victorious triumph.—S. A. Brooke.

General

AN APPEAL TO OUR PEOPLE

DEAR brethren and sisters, will you not visit your neighbors and give them an opportunity to provide their children with some of our good books as Holiday presents? You will be surprised to see how easy it will be to persuade them to purchase such books as "Tiger and Tom," "Kings Daughter," "Spring Blossoms," "Gospel Primer," and "The Man that Rum Made." These books contain stories of moral worth that will prove a delight to your neighbors and will remove prejudice and open the way for you to get into their hands some of our distinctly denominational literature which may lead some of them to accept the truth before probation shall close forever.

These stirring times should move us to earnest activity in behalf of our neighbors. We are not ready for probation to close till we have done all on our part we can do to save our fellow men. If as fathers and mothers you can not get the time to do this work, then encourage one or more of your children to canvass your neighborhood, whether you live in the town or in the country.

WHAT IS NEEDED TO START

All that is needed to make the start is to write to your tract society secretary or field agent and tell them what you want to do, and arrangements can be made with them for territory and sample books.

Besides the ones mentioned, there are other books such as "Glorious Appearing," "Our Paradise Home," "Little Folks Bible Nature," "Bible Child Life," "Steps to Christ," and quite a number of others we might mention, all of which can be obtained from your tract society.

When you have read this, do not delay, but write at once to the tract society for instructions, or better still enclose money order for \$5 to your tract society and have books sent to you at once, and lose no time in getting started. "What thou doest, do quickly."

"Heir of the kingdom, O why dost thou slumber?

Why art thou sleeping so near thy blest home?

Wake thee, arouse thee, and gird on thine armor,

Speed, for the moments are hurrying on.

"Earth's mighty nations, in strife and commotion,

Tremble with terror, and sink in dismay;

Listen, 'tis naught but the chariot's loud rumbling;

Heir of the kingdom, no longer delay."

W. W. EASTMAN.

THE EASTERN QUESTION

A NEW sixteen page tract, by L. A. Smith, just issued by the Southern Publishing Association, sets forth in a very clear and logical manner the meaning of the present situation in the Balkans, proving from prophecy and history that the standing up of Michael, or the close of probation follows the driving of the Turk from Europe and the planting of his seat of government at Jerusalem.

This question is now a live issue and this tract should be scattered everywhere.

Retail price one cent. Discount in quantities.

Order from your tract society.

"SADNESS sits lightly upon the heart of faith."

THE GRACE OF COURTESY

THOSE who work for Christ are to be pure, upright, and trustworthy, and they are also to be tender-hearted, compassionate, and courteous. Courtesy is one of the graces of the Spirit. It is an attribute of heaven. The angels never fly into a passion, never are envious or selfish. No harsh or unkind words escape their lips. If we are to be the companions of angels, we too must be refined and courteous.

The truth of God is designed to elevate the receiver, to refine his taste and sanctify his judgment. No man can be a Christian without having the Spirit of Christ, and if he has the Spirit of Christ, it will be manifested in a refined, courteous disposition. His character will be holy, his manners comely, his words without guile. He will cherish the love that is not easily provoked, that suffers long and is kind, that hopes all things and endures all things.

What Christ was in his earth life that every Christian is to be. He is our example, not only in his spotless purity, but in his patience, gentleness, and winsomeness of disposition. He was firm as a rock where truth and duty were concerned, but he was invariably kind and courteous. His life was a perfect illustration of true courtesy. He had ever a kind look and a word of comfort for the needy and oppressed.

His presence brought a purer atmosphere into the home, and his life was as leaven working among the elements of society. Harmless and undefiled, he walked among the thoughtless, the rude, the uncourteous; amid the unjust publicans, the unrighteous Samaritans, the heathen soldiers, the rough peasants, and the mixed multitude. He spoke a word of sympathy here, and a word there, as he saw men weary, and compelled to bear heavy burdens. He shared their burdens and told them of the love, the kindness, the goodness of God.

He sought to inspire with hope the most rough and unpromising, setting before them the assurance that they might become blameless and harmless, attaining such a character as would make them manifest as children of God.

Though he was a Jew, Christ mingled with the Samaritans, setting at naught the Pharisaic customs of his nation. In face of their prejudices he accepted the hospitality of this despised people. He slept under their roofs, ate with them at their tables,—partaking of the food prepared and served by their hands,—taught in their streets, and treated them with the utmost kindness and courtesy.

Jesus sat an honored guest at the table of the publicans, by his sympathy and social kindness showing that he recognized the dignity of humanity; and men longed to become worthy of his confidence. Upon their thirsty souls his words fell with blessed, life-giving power. New impulses were awakened, and the possibility of a new life opened to these outcasts of society.

The religion of Jesus softens whatever is hard and rough in the temper, and smooths off whatever is rugged and sharp in the manners. It is this religion that makes the words gentle and the demeanor winning. Let us learn from Christ how to combine a high sense of purity and integrity with sunniness of disposition. A kind, courteous Christian is the most powerful argument that can be produced in favor of the gospel.

The principle inculcated by the injunction, "Be ye kindly affectioned one to another," lies at the very foundation of domestic happiness. Christian courtesy should reign in every household. It has power to soften natures which without it would grow hard and rough. The wife and mother may bind her husband and children to her by strong cords if she is unvaryingly gentle and courteous in words and manner. Christian courtesy is the golden clasp that unites the mem-

bers of the family in bonds of love that every day become closer and stronger.

Those who profess to be followers of Christ, and are at the same time rough, unkind, and uncourteous in words and deportment, have not learned of Jesus. A blustering, overbearing, fault-finding man is not a Christian; for to be a Christian is to be Christlike. The conduct of some professing Christians is so lacking in kindness and courtesy that their good is evil spoken of. Their sincerity may not be doubted, their uprightness may not be questioned; but sincerity and uprightness will not atone for a lack of kindness and courtesy. The Christian is to be sympathetic as well as true, pitiful and courteous as well as upright and honest.

Kind words are as dew and gentle showers to the soul. The Scripture says of Christ that grace was poured into his lips, that he might "know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary." And the Lord bids us, "Let your speech be always with grace," "that it may minister grace unto the hearers."—Mrs. E. G. White.

ROME AND THE BIBLE

DR. MOSHEIM, the ecclesiastical historian, gives the following interesting paragraph regarding the attitude of the Roman Catholic Church toward the Bible and its interpretation:—

"To the correct interpretation and the knowledge of the Holy Scriptures, the Roman pontiff opposed all the obstacles in his power, from the time that he learned what very great damage and loss accrued to him from this source. In the first place, disputants are allowed the shocking license of treating the Scriptures with contumely, and of publicly declaring their authority to be inferior to that of the pontiff and tradition. Next, the old Latin version called the *Vulgate*, though it abounds with innumerable faults and in very many places is quite barbarous and obscure, was by a decision of the assembly at Trent, recommended as *authentic*, that is, as faithful, exact, and accurate, and therefore not liable to be impugned. How much this contributed to conceal from the people the true meaning of the Scriptures, must be manifest. In the same assembly, this hard law was imposed on interpreters, that *in matters of faith and morals* they must not venture to construe the Scriptures differently from the common opinion of the church and the consent of the ancient doctors; nay, it was asserted that the *church* alone, or its head and governor the sovereign pontiff, has the right of determining the true sense of the Scriptures. Finally, the Romish church has persevered in strenuously maintaining, sometimes more explicitly and sometimes more covertly, that the sacred Scriptures were written for none but the teachers; and in all places where it would bear, (48) it has ordered the people to be restrained from reading the Bible."—Murdoch's "Mosheim's Ecclesiastical History," Book 4, cent. XVI, sec. 3, part 1, chap. 1 par. 25. Robert Carter & Brothers, New York.

"(48) This could not be done in all countries. The French, and some other nations, read the Scriptures in their native language; notwithstanding the warm supporters of the Romish supremacy, are bitterly opposed to the practise."—Foot-note.

Mr. James Cardinal Gibbons, archbishop of Baltimore, and America's foremost Catholic Churchman, practically admits the correctness of Mosheim's paragraph in the following words:—

"If partial restrictions began to be placed on the circulation of the Bible in England in the fifteenth century, these restrictions were occasioned by the conduct of Wycliffe and his followers, who not only issued a new translation, on

which they ingrafted their novelties of doctrine, but also sought to explain the sacred text in a sense foreign to the received interpretation of tradition."—*The Faith of Our Fathers*, by James Cardinal Gibbons, p. 89, 74th edition.

ARTHUR L. MANOUS.

HOW SHALL WE LABOR FOR THE JEWISH PEOPLE?

THE question, How to work for the Jews, is one that is frequently asked of those who have charge of this Jewish work. It is true that it seems quite a problem to bring this message to the lost sheep of Israel; but we believe that every day and every week there are new evidences arising to show that the angels of God are at work, and opening the way before us to bring the gospel of God to these people.

The Jewish people are a reading people. They are a strong literary people. Perhaps there is a larger per cent of the Jews who are able to read than among any other foreign people. It is true that for many centuries the rabbis forbade the women to be taught to read. This was because the teachers had perverted the Word of God. But we understand that, at the present time, in all the European countries, where the Jews have strong influence in their own settlements, the rabbis and teachers are allowing the girls to be taught the language from books. This means much, because, as a general rule, the Jews like to read.

The more our people are known among the Jews, the more friendly the Hebrews become. There is a difference between approaching the Jewish people, on vital points of the message, and other people. The subjects of the Sabbath, the Law, and Diet, appeal to these sons of Abraham. They have known these principles all their lives, even though many of them at the present time do not carry out these truths. Therefore when the Jews find out that a person is a Seventh-day Adventist, they at once become interested in him, and are willing to talk with him.

It is therefore apparent that our literature will have a great weight with these people, if we can get this reading matter in their hands. We know from personal experience that this is true. We should therefore do all we can to have reading matter put into the hands of these people.

There are a number of tracts already prepared in Yiddish and in English, and we hope to have a better assortment before long.

Will you, not, therefore, send to your state tract society for a supply of literature for the Jews, and see that your friends and neighbors among these lost sheep of Israel have the chance of securing this precious truth.

We hope that all the readers will put forth a special effort to place the message of God in the hands of as many of their Jewish friends and neighbors as they can.

F. C. GILBERT.

EXPERIENCES IN THE FIELD

HENRY Jones writes in part: "Brother Beck went with me in my first week's canvassing. We started out Monday morning, September 2. The first day we took only one order. The second day we took orders to the amount of \$7, the next day \$5, and the next half day \$3. I asked the Lord to help me in my work and send his Spirit before to prepare the way.

The next week, I took only one order for "Bible Footlights," the first day I was out. The second day I got two orders. That night I took the matter to the Lord in prayer asking him to prepare the hearts of the people to receive the truth I had to give, and my prayer was answered."

WORK IN KANSAS CITY

A FEW weeks ago the Kansas City, Missouri, church enjoyed a good Sabbath morning sermon, and at the close organized a vigorous campaign along missionary lines, selecting as their material, a club of two hundred copies of our pioneer missionary paper—the *Signs*. They soon found that an insufficient supply, so increased the club to 311 copies each week. And the article that appeared in the November *Workers' Record* adds an interesting bit of history. It reads:—

"Our club of weekly *Signs*, which was started a few weeks ago, has been increased to 311. The first number came last week, and everyone was anxious to get them so as to begin work. We look forward to many openings for Bible study as the result of these papers.

"The attendance of the Sabbath services has been excellent. On the last two Sabbaths the church has been practically filled. The Spirit of the Lord has been present in a marked degree. Sabbath, October 5, after a discourse, revealing the sufferings of Christ and his people, several arose for prayers, and the congregation arose in a body for re-consecration.

"Last Sabbath at the close of the morning hour, an opportunity was given for souls to surrender to God. Five earnest souls responded. Among those was a young man and his sister who were reared in an Adventist home, but who had given up their hold upon God. Another sister was one with whom we have been holding readings the past summer. Two boys gave their hearts to God for the first time. We request your earnest prayers for the work in Kansas City."

It shows that a working church is a live church, and speaks loudly in appreciation of a real live co-worker—the *Signs*.

We say, with the editor of the *Record*:—

"This example should be followed by every church in the conference, and by isolated Sabbath-keepers. This splendid missionary paper has been the means of bringing many hundreds of people into the light of present truth."

THE BEST SABBATH-SCHOOL LESSON HELPS

BEGINNING with the first Sabbath in January 1913, the Sabbath-schools will study the interesting and important topics in Old Testament history for a period of two years. These lessons in Creation, the Sabbath, Story of Eden, the Fall, and the Promise of the Saviour, etc., are all of vital importance, especially at this time when higher criticism is being studied by the world, and when confidence in God's Word, especially that part of it with reference to creation, is being overthrown in the minds of such a large number of people. These lessons should be most thoroughly impressed upon the minds of the children and youth.

The Sabbath-school Department of the General Conference informs us that the very best lesson helps in the study of these lessons will be "Patriarchs and Prophets" and "Easy Steps in the Bible Story." Every Sabbath-school student should have a copy of these books. Each week in the *WORKER* will be given the pages from these books that will be the most help to the teachers of the children.

The regular price of these books in the cloth binding is \$3 each, but to enable all Sabbath-school teachers and students to procure them, the publishers are offering them at the special rate of \$1.80 each, post-paid, to all Sabbath-school workers and students. Order from your tract society.

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NAME	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Delivered
R I Keate	BF	25	37	\$39 00	\$ 4 50	\$43 50	\$
S S Gaillard	BF	36	28	41 00	1 25	42 25	1 50
M L Ivory	BF	126	31	46 50	10 50	57 00	25 00
A J Rice	BF	38			50	50	8 50
E F Waters	BF	30	13	13 50	4 50	18 00	10 00

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

Alonzo Minton	BF	39	31	32 00	2 00	34 00	2 00
Latitia Steele	BF	24	2	2 00	1 00	3 00	
P M Winkler	BF	17					45 00
O A Dow	MofH	45	8	12 00	2 00	14 00	
W H White	MofH	41	3	4 50		4 50	
S N Yates	PP&F	20					37 20
Reuben Staton	PP&F	29	10	15 00	3 00	18 00	3 00

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

W J Hirst	BF	25	20	25 00	50	25 50	1 50
S F Reeder	BF	47	34	41 00	4 50	45 50	22 00
P C Sibley	BF	35	28	32 00	3 50	35 50	

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

W H Haddon	PP&F	16	4	9 00	1 00	10 00	2 50
H C Balsbaugh	GC	38	10	25 00	8 60	33 60	19 60
Virgil Smith	BR	33			1 75	1 75	90 75
J S Fry	D&R	51	23	53 00	12 25	65 25	14 25
C H McColrey	BR	43	1	3 00	3 00	6 00	121 00
C R Canada	BF	44			10 25	10 25	65 25
A L Saxon	BR	48	19	56 00	7 00	63 00	7 00
M A Murphy	BF	3			50	50	2 50
H G Miller	BF	15	1	1 50	1 50	3 00	18 50
Ella Johnson	BF	44	30	41 50		41 50	50 00
E P Campbell	PG	41	13	19 75	9 00	28 75	
Emily Billups	BF&sofP	45	69	103 50		103 50	
Annie Watts	BF	45	60	90 00		90 00	
M T McMullen	BF	26	12	12 00		12 00	
E A Taylor	BR	35	21	37 00	1 75	38 75	1 75
Ethel Warren	BF	4	3	3 00		3 00	

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Mamie Moore	D&R	32	17	28 35		28 35	3 00
R H Hazelton	GC	35	7	14 00	5 35	19 35	
B Jackson	BF	32	5	7 00	1 25	8 25	4 00
Rebecca Moore	BF	34	6	6 50		6 50	
Thomas Goodman	BF	30	4	6 00	1 25	7 25	
Milton Young	BF	8	5	5 50		5 50	1 50
W L Cutchville	BF	47	2	3 00	3 50	6 50	23 00
U Bracy	BF	40			2 50	2 50	49 50
C F Dart	MofH	22			2 00	2 00	19 50

SUMMARY

Alabama Conf	255	109	140 00	21 25	161 25	45 00
Kentucky Conf	215	54	65 50	8 00	73 50	87 20
Louisiana Conf	107	82	98 00	8 50	106 50	23 50
Mississippi Conf	531	266	454 25	56 60	510 85	393 10
Tenn River Conf	280	46	70 35	15 85	86 20	100 50
Totals	1388	557	\$827 10	\$110 20	\$938 30	\$649 30

MAGAZINE AGENTS' REPORT

For Week Ending Nov. 16, 1912

Agent	No.	Value
KENTUCKY CONFERENCE		
Latitia Steele	45	\$ 4 50
Milton Jones	85	8 50
MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE		
Ethel Warren	44	4 40
TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE		
Mrs Laura Young	85	8 50
Milton Young	29	2 90
Totals	288	\$ 28 80

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IN response to a telegram announcing the death of their mother, Mrs. A. L. Manous and her sister, Miss Hattie Hughes, left Nashville Tuesday night, November 19, for Rockwood, Tenn.

It will be a happy day for the children of God, when Christ shall come and abolish death, and "destroy him that hath the power of death, that is, the devil." Heb. 2:14.

IN view of the plan of the *Signs of the Times* to give the message every six months, which makes it an effective agency in enlightening and winning souls, the New York Conference resolves "that we urge our people to use this paper in clubs for missionary work in churches, in sending to friends and acquaintances, and in opening new fields for protracted preaching efforts." A worthy example for every conference. The *Signs* does bring people into the truth, and efforts that aid in placing it in the homes of the people are well directed.

HAVE you read the excellent article upon "The Eastern Question and the Sixth trumpet of Revelation," by J. Vuilleumier in the *Review* of November 21? If not you ought to do so at once.

Nobody can afford to be without the *Review*. Not to read our church paper is to fall behind in the message. The subscription price of the *Review* has recently been raised to \$2, and it is well-worth the money. Indeed the worth of the paper can not be gauged by the subscription price; the price is fixed by what it costs to publish the paper and not by its value to the readers. If that were the standard of value probably few could afford to take it at all.

If you are not a regular reader of the *Review* better subscribe at once. You can send direct, or the paper may be ordered through your church librarian.

THE THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERING, DECEMBER 28

SABBATH, December 28, is the time for the next thirteenth Sabbath Offering to be taken in all of our Sabbath-schools. At the last council of the General Conference Committee, held in September the following action was taken:—

"Voted, That we request the Sabbath-schools to devote the offerings for the thirteenth Sabbath of the last quarter of 1912 to the needs of the training schools for missionary workers at Canarero, Argentina, and at Pua, Chile, aiming at \$10,000 for these enterprises on that day, the overflow above this amount to be devoted to the general missionary work of the South American Union among the Spanish and Indian missions."

A leaflet has been prepared and sent out to all our schools, setting forth the urgent needs of making better provision for

the training of workers for this great "neglected continent." Some special articles will also be found in the *Review* from Bro. J. W. Westphal, and others, in South America, concerning the dire straits in which they find themselves because of a lack of adequate facilities for their educational work. We hope these articles will be carefully read, also the leaflet, and that a most liberal offering will be made for our school work in that great and needy field.

South America is a continent of vast proportions, with a population of nearly fifty million. Here are found almost illimitable areas, where millions are fettered by the superstition and paganism of Roman Catholicism. Millions more are primitive pagans, or Indians, on whose ears the sound of the true gospel has not yet fallen. We have a message for all of these millions, to be given in the remnant of time which remains before the Lord comes. The territory is almost twice as large as that of the United States. Steam and electric railroads are not so far advanced as in this country. Vast regions are covered by the Andes range of mountains, and whole republics must be explored by the evangel of the gospel on horseback.

It is a task of tremendous proportions to carry the message to the millions here under such circumstances. The workers must be educated on the ground. It is for this purpose that the offering is to be given in our Sabbath-schools, December 28. Can not each one do a little better than in any previous offering? By doing so we will cheer the hearts of the faithful workers in that field, who are struggling against great obstacles, and give the work of God much needed help.

SABBATH-SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

OBITUARY

ELDER GARDINER KELLOGG OWEN, who for something like twelve years has been doing work in connection with the mission in India, died at Lucknow, Friday morning, the 18th of October, at the age of seventy-four years and one month, having been born in Monroe County, Michigan, U. S. A., on Sept. 19, 1838. For some weeks, while still in Mussoorie with his son-in-law and daughter, Elder and Mrs. Shaw, he had been suffering from dysentery, but this had apparently been stayed, and he, with his daughter, had made the journey to Lucknow. Unfortunately, the disease returned in an aggravated form, and although all was done that was possible, after four days he passed quietly away.

Elder Owen was one of the early workers in this message, entering the evangelical work in Tennessee, U. S. A., some thirty-five years ago. He started the work in New Orleans, which has since grown to considerable proportions. He also labored with success in California, Nevada, and Michigan before coming to India in 1901, and although in advanced life, did faithful work in Calcutta with Elder Shaw, and in Colombo with Elder Armstrong. In recent years he has helped in various ways in Mussoorie, Lucknow, and Calcutta, always presenting a cheerful, happy countenance, which was a faithful example to his younger brethren.

Elder Owen leaves three brothers, one sister, and his daughter and her husband to mourn his loss, all of whom are, as was he, looking forward to the soon coming of our Master. This blessed hope opens the portals of the tomb in glad expectation of the resurrection of the righteous, and softens the heartache which would otherwise be a heavy burden.

We laid Elder Owen to rest in the opening moments of the Sabbath, while our workers sang those sweet hymns of comfort which point us to the day of joyful meeting in the better land. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, assisted by Brother Weaks.—S. A. Wellman, in *Eastern Tidings*, Lucknow, India.