

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

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PRAYER FOR DELIVERANCE

[Thoughts suggested by contemplating recent developments in the Near East.]

LIFT from my soul this lethargy That binds me fast to earth. Help me to raise my thoughts above, Seek things of real worth.

- Thy Word is fast fulfilling, Lord, Earth's race is nearly run; And yet in me thy work of grace Seems scarcely half begun.
- I know that time is very short, My judgment tells me so; But, oh my feet so heavy seem, 'Tis hard for me to go.
- The heavens seem brass above my head; And iron the earth below:
- Thy Word says, "Flee, thy life to save!" But how I do not know.
- O God, is my probation past? My hour of grace gone by? Am I now left in this dark world A hopeless death to die?
- Arouse, arouse me, oh my God! Break off the chains of sin, And give me strength to battle on, And victory to win.
- O work in me, most gracious God, To will thy will to do; Create in me a heart like thine, My spirit all renew.
- I'm helpless, helpless, O my God! I cast myself on thee.
- O do not spurn me from thee, Lord, But bid me now go free.

Thou canst not turn me from thee, Lord, For thou hast bid me come; So now I cast my soul on thee,

C. P. B.

From thee no more to roam.

THE influence of the Holy Spirit, exquisitely called the Comforter, is a matter of actual experience, as solid a reality as that of electro-magnetism.—*Prof. William James*.

Editorial Motes

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ACCORDING to Bradstreet's the cost of living has advanced twenty-three per cent during the four years just passed. Owing to the unsettled condition of affairs in Europe there is little hope of any improvement.

THE Tennessean of this city in its issue of November 26, says editorially: "There has been a wave of crime spreading over the country which is deplorable, for there have been an unusual number of shocking and sensational crimes." A little less than a year ago the secular papers were saying that the record for 1911 had been so bad that we could scarcely suppose that it would be equalled by 1912. As a matter of fact it is now conceded that the record of this year will prove to be much worse in every way.

Ir you have "Great Controversy" in your house, read carefully chapter XVIII, entitled, "An American Reformer." Note particularly the statement made on page 334, subscription edition of 1891. In that place, after giving the facts relative to the falling of the stars in 1833, this statement is made: "In the year 1840, another remarkable fulfilment of prophecy excited wide-spread interest." Read the whole connection and see what that "remarkable fulfilment of propheey" was. Then get the new tract on the "Eastern Question," by L. A. Smith, and become thoroughly familiar with the whole situation up to date.

THE whole world is asking, What does the near future hold in store in respect to war? When will the long-lookedfor, much-dreaded, general European war break out? What is the meaning of the Balkan war?

These questions, or rather this one, many-sided question for in truth it is but one — can not be answered very definitely by any one, especially as to time. At present it seems that there is to be some further delay before the final driving out of the Turk from Europe, and the great clash of arms over the division of his estate and the possession of Constantinople, "the key to the East."

How long this delay will be nobody knows. The season

of the year favors peace. The great nations of Europe hesitate to engage in a general war just at the beginning of winter. It would mean greater hardship, more loss of life, greater expense, and a more prolonged struggle.

At this writing it looks as though the Turk will not be driven from Europe at this time. The bursting of the European volcano of war will not come just now. The four angels will hold the winds of strife a little longer — but for what purpose?—"Till we have sealed the servants of God in their foreheads."

The signal for the flight of the Christians from Jerusalem was the temporary raising of the seige of that city by the Romans. God is even now giving his people another, and shall we not believe, a final opportunity to finish the work committed to them.

Our Publishing house

HOME OFFICE NEWS

SALES report for week ending November 30, 1912: Total number of bound volumes, 2, 854; Watchman, 9,684.

As we have been so busy attending Union Conference Committee meetings the past few days, our column will necessarily have a rather vacant appearance this week.

The office was closed Thursday and Friday, that the young people might have opportunity of attending the Missionary Volunteer Convention conducted by Eld. Meade McGuire and Miss Matilda Erickson of the General Conference Missionary Volunteer Department. A number of secretaries were present from different parts of the field. The instruction given was very profitable and much appreciated by all who had the privilege of attending the meetings.

SENTENCE SERMONS

Life is not so short but that there is always room enough for courtesy.—*Emerson*.

There never was so much room for the best as there is to-day.—Thayer.

There is nothing impossible to him who will try.-Alexander.

The secret of success in life is for a man to be ready for his opportunity when it comes.—*Disraeli*.

The workless people are the worthless people.—Wm. C. Gannett.

Whatever is worth doing at all is worth doing well.—Lord Chesterfield.

He overcomes a stout enemy who overcomes his own anger. --Chilo.

Good company and good conversation are the sinews of virtue.—Stephen Allen.

Work is no disgrace but idleness is .- Hesiod.

It is labor alone, backed by a good conscience, that keeps us healthy, happy, and sane.—Godfrey Blount.

Honest toil is holy service; faithful work is praise and prayer.—Henry Van Dyke.

I don't think much of a man who is not wiser to-day than he was yest rday.—Abraham Lincoln.

No one is useless in the world who lightens the burden of it for any one else.—*Charles Dickens*.

Next to acquiring good friends, the best acquisition is that of good books.—*Colton*.

The habit of looking on the bright side of things is worth more than a thousand pounds a year.—Samuel Johnson.

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

Hasbville Sanitarium

WE are glad to report an increase in the patronage. The manager is at the present time in communication with a number of people who are almost assured as patients.

Dr. Hoare has just returned from Chicago, where he attended the annual meeting of the American Association for the Study of Spondylotherapy, and took some postgraduate work in eye specialty. The doctor has acquired a number of most valuable methods in the diagnosis and treatment of disease, particularly of the chronic type.

At the Union Conference Committee meeting just closed a number of plans were laid concerning the policy of the institution which are to be put into immediate operation which will do much to increase patronage and lift indebtedness.

The Sanitarium Board earnestly requests the prayers and co-operation of our loyal people throughout the Southern Union.

Alabama Conference

NOTES

Have you disposed of all your Harvest Ingathering papers? If not, "do it now" is a good motto for you.

Bro. C. D. Wolff called at the office one day last week as he was returning from the institute at Cool Springs. This was the first time Brother Wolff had been here since the office was located here and he was much pleased with our location.

Two new colporteurs are now in the field as a result of the Canvassers' Institute held at the Cool Springs church. We hope there will be others who will enter the work soon.

Elder Miller is in Nashville this week attending a meeting of the Southern Union Conference Committee. He expects to visit Sheffield as he returns home.

The Birmingham church has ordered two thousand of the Family Bible Teacher No. 12, "The Eastern Question in the Light of Prophecy." The war in the East is attracting the attention of the world and we should all be wide awake and let the people know what the Bible has to say in regard to the "Eastern Question." Very few people know what the driving of the Turk from Europe means to the people of God.

Brother Wilson is now at Troy assisting some new colporteurs to get started in the work. We should all pray for the colporteurs; it might help some of us to become colporteurs.

We now have a good supply of tracts and books at the tract society office, 1700 N. 7th Ave., Birmingham; send us your orders. T. E. Pavey.

DEATH OF BROTHER WOODMAN

OUR people will learn with sadness of the sudden death of Bro. Floyd A. Woodman. This brother came into the conference last January, and connected with the Wayside Bible Industrial School at Rockford, as farm manager.

At the time of the accident which caused his death, Brother Woodman was making some repairs about the school premises, and while at work removing the harness and tool house the building fell, catching him beneath it, breaking his left lower limb and dislocating his hip joint. Three physicians were called and they advised that he be removed to a hospital where he could receive more skilful treatment than was possible in the home.

Brother Woodman was taken to Montgomery by private conveyance, but his injuries proved to be so serious that he died just as he reached the gates of the hospital.

In the death of this brother, Alabama has lost the services of a valuable worker, and his wife a faithful and loving companion. May the dear Lord comfort the hearts of those who have been bereaved.

Brother Woodman's remains were sent to Ashley, Mich., where the interment took place on the Tuesday following his sad death which occurred on Friday. MARK WILSON.

THE COOL SPRINGS INSTITUTE

THE colporteurs' institute which was held with the Cool Springs church November 10-17, was well attended by the people of that community and a degree of enthusiasm was manifested by the canvassers throughout the meeting. We appreciate very much the hearty welcome given us by the church and feel sure the Lord will reward them for their kindness. It was indeed encouraging to see the love and interest shown by the church toward this great work. We hope that others will follow the example of the Cool Springs church and offer us a free home for our colporteurs at the institute the coming winter.

Since the close of the institute I have been visiting with the canvassers in the field. I first visited Brother Peevy, who has been laboring to get the message to his people in Lowndes County. I found Brother Peevy in the midst of his fall delivery. He is doing good work and has the goodwill of the people with whom he has been working. After leaving here I had a short visit with Bro. Geo. W. Brown, located at a little sawmill town, in the southern part of Autauga County. Brother Brown is also doing a good work. He has, on the account of sickness, been held out of the work for a few weeks, but he is now able to be on the firing line again.

On leaving Brother Brown, I came to Troy, to meet Brother and Sister Smith, of Ashford, who have just recently become members of the Gideon band. Brother and Sister Smith are new in the work, but they have the love of God burning in their hearts and a zeal to see the work go, and that is the essential thing for the success of the canvasser. This great fact was demonstrated in our work to-day. We left home at IO A. M., and returned at 4 P. M., and in that time God blessed our efforts with \$13.75 in orders and a good Thanksgiving dinner. The Lord has great things for the good faithful canvasser. To the Lord be all the praise.

I think dear people that this branch of our work should receive a more hearty and loyal support. The Lord has told us, "If there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the people." We know that the times in which we are living are important and portentous, and we should improve every opportunity to further this work. The colporteur who is out in the field has to meet many things that few of our people realize. He does not always have a home to welcome him when the shades of night come on. Many times he has to search until late in the night to find a place to rest. He is adrift, as it were, upon the world. To-day he is here and to-morrow he is gone. None but those who have had the experience can appreciate the position of the colporteur.

May God bless the dear faithful cohorteurs, and prosper this branch of his great work. MARK WILSON.

Kentucky Conference

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NEWS NOTES

ELD, B. W. BROWN was in Nashville last week attending the Union Conference Committee meeting, and the young peoples' convention.

Bro. Curtis Pound reports six keeping the Sabbath as a result of the meetings he has been conducting at Cadavo, Harrison County.

Bro. H. E. Beck, the field agent, has been out in the field canvassing for "Ministry of Healing" for a few days. At present he is at the conference office making preparations for a special meeting to be held at Boston this week. Watch for a report of the same.

Elder R. S. Lindsay spent a few days last week assisting Brother Pound in the meetings at Cadavo.

Bro. W. H. White has been spending some time canvassing for "Ministry of Healing." He reports having visited at the home of Brother and Sister Cable at Millerstown. While he was at Clarkson he spoke four times in the Methodist church. At present he is in attendance at the young people's convention in Nashville.

Brother Dow reports having visited the brethren at Powder Mills while in Hart County selling "Ministry of Healing." At the last report he was on his way to Green County.

Brother Hornung is at present in Bullitt County doing missionary work. He reports quite an interest among some of the people for whom he has labored in the past.

Sister Dow has been laboring at Rollingburg, holding three meetings a week developing the work that was done by the tent company there this fall.

Sister Anna Hornung reports the interest in her work the best in all of her experience. She is receiving more calls to hold Bible readings than she can fill.

Sister Anna Brown, the State Sabbath-school secretary, reports the work growing in the conference, and calls are coming in from different parts of the State for Sabbath-school supplies where people have just begun to keep the Sabbath. Bro. S. D. Bassing, elder of the Louisville church, says there never was a time when the interest was so great in the church as at the present time. Some new faces are present each Sabbath.

Eld. J. H. Lawrence visited the colored church in Lexington a few days ago. At present he is holding a series of meetings at the Shelby Street Church in Louisville.

Alexander Osterman and wife have arrived in Kentucky from South Carolina to assist in giving the message to the colored people. They will locate in Louisville.

Wm. Winston is at present holding a meeting for the colored people near Rollingburg where an interest was created from the tent meeting held there a short time ago.

Bro. R. W. Harris has recently moved from Nicholasville to Ford where he will have church privileges.

"HIDE a troubled heart with a smiling face, and its ache will not seem so great."

"CHRISTMAS is the time for warm hearts and open hands."

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Louisiana Conference

NEWS ITEMS

THE Louisiana Conference Committee will meet in New Orleans December 16, to consider matters of importance pertaining to the work.

Eld. W. S. Lowry has closed his tent meeting in Simsboro and is now visiting churches.

Elder Frank is holding a series of meetings at Lena Station. He reports a good interest.

A number of rooms in the mission have been treated to a new coat of calcimine and paint which greatly improves the appearance.

Dr. Parmele recently passed the State Board of Medical Examiners in New Orleans and has fitted up an office and treatment rooms in the mission.

Eld. R. W. Parmele went to Nashville on the 27th of November, to attend a meeting of the Southern Union Conference Committee, expecting to return December 4.

Bro. O. R. Godsmark recently made a personal business trip to Nashville, being absent from the office about one week.

Bro. W. P. McLennan and wife returned to New Orleans on the 22nd. They will remain in the city until after the Conference Committee meeting.

Bro. S. F. Reeder was called to Bogalusa to deliver Brother Jorgenson's books recently and spent a few days in New Orleans upon his return.

Bro. G. Jorgenson has gone to Arizona for his health, his case having been diagnosed tuberculosis. Will not all unite in prayer for Brother Jorgenson? It pains us that this faithful canvasser has been taken from the field.

Owing to a delay in the freight, Elder Parmele's household goods did not reach New Orleans until the 25th. This occasioned great delay in his getting settled. He has located in the mission building.

Nothing preventing, R. W. Parmele will spend the first part of the week of prayer with the Hope Villa church and the latter part with the church at Hammond. Elder Lowry will spend the first part with the Ringgold church and the latter part with the Jena church.

As many of our brethren know, our office has been moved into the large front room of the mission, and all hands enjoy very much the commodious quarters thus afforded. A good local trade in health foods is being created, and we believe that the same can be accomplished for our literature.

Just before the sailing of the Euclid for Havre, France, one of the stewards came to the mission to secure a supply of our reading matter. This was the result of the ship-work that has been carried on under the supervision of Brother Auger.

Brother Auger's two sons who are nurses aboard the battle-ship Delaware, were recently granted a ten days' furlough which they employed in visiting their parents in New Orleans, to their great pleasure as well as the pleasure of the New Orleans church. These young men are standing as stiffly for the truth as their service aboard the battle-ship allows and are longing for the time when their term of enlistment will expire and they may-actively engage in the work of God. They are deprived of the privilege of hearing the third angel's message and greatly enjoyed the blessing while with us. Let us pray that God may keep them steadfast to their purpose and carry them safely to the time of their release with the determination still before them to devote their lives to the service of the Master.

"BEAUTIFUL thoughts wear a halo about every face."

Mississippi Conference

A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

JUST four weeks ago my family and I set our feet upon the soil of Mississippi. Two weeks were spent in getting settled, and it may require yet another month to become fully adjusted to our home and duties.

Upon arriving in Jackson we were greeted by Brethren Morrow and Miller who, with their wives, welcomed us and made us feel at home.

The first two Sabbaths I spent with the churches in Jackson, and was gratified to find such a lively interest among our people. Elder Morrow has a good interest and some are taking their stand for the truth.

The third Sabbath I spent with the Meridian church, and way welcomed by a people earnest and active in the message.

The present week finds me at Nashville attending the Union conference Committee meeting and the young people's convention. Much valuable instruction is being given by those in charge which I hope to pass on as I visit you from time to time.

THE WEEK OF PRAYER

The week of prayer is right upon us. It will be to us exactly what we make it. We get out of it just the help we seek and really feel we must have. Let us take an inventory of our religious experience and responsibility that we may intelligently come before our heavenly Father and present our great need. I believe the time is truly come when we must have a greater abundance of the Holy Spirit. What is in the way to hinder this out-pouring upon us as individuals now?

While we are thinking of our own needs, let us likewise remember the needs of those in front of the battle. Remember the Lord and his cause in these days when the spirit of giving is so general. The needs of this cause are greater to-day than ever before. Let each ask himself, "How much can I give? How large shall my offering be?" May it not be the largest you have ever made for the support of the cause of God?

My prayer is that this may be so.

C. S. WIEST.

NEWS ITEMS

ANOTHER busy week is almost past, and how much have we really accomplished? What has been our record of service for the Master? I am glad to report that our colporteurs are still having splendid success in their fall deliveries. Bro. Virgil Smith reports \$93 worth of books in thirty-five hours. This is a pretty good record, and by glancing at the reports each week, we find there are others doing well too.

Sister Kate R. Mcleod has just sent in a nice offering for the Nashville Sanitarium, and one for the Jewish work, \$100 for each, also some other small offerings. We certainly appreciate large offerings like this, and we appreciate the small ones too. If we give as much as we are able the Lord will bless the offering in sending this message.

Eld. C. S. Wiest has gone to Nashville to attend the Southern Union Conference Committee meeting. We trust that he may have a pleasant and profitable visit.

Bro. Alex. Taylor was a pleasant caller at the office to-day. Bro. H. G. Miller is out visiting the colporteurs this week. Mrs. S. J. Smith, of Amory, is visiting the conference home

for a few days. She came as a pleasant Thanksgiving surprise.

Miss Nannie May Smith, assistant secretary of the Mis-

sissippi Tract Society leaves Sunday to teach in the home of Bro. G. T. Terry near Meridian.

Little Miss Ruth Wiest has completely recovered, and we are glad to hear her merry voice ringing through the halls again.

The interest in Jackson is continually growing, and we are glad to report that Elder Morrow is kept very busy doing Bible work, and visiting, and encouraging the new Sabbath keepers.

Last week we received from the Southern Publishing Association a letter from a man in Boliver County, Mississippi, who had bought a "Bible Footlights" from one of our colporteurs some time ago. He thought the book was so good that he let his neighbors know about it, and in a short time he had collected \$17 in advance to send for books. Since then he has sent \$24 for more books. He does not know this message, but he knows that our literature is the best to be had, and the Lord is using him to carry the message to his neighbors. Mississippi is certainly a good place for canvassing. PARIZETTA SMITH.

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SUBSCRIBE FOR THE WORKER

You ought to know how the work is going in your own conference as it is your field. Nor can you well get a good view of the great world-wide field if you do not know anything about the work that is going on in the conference in which you live. Now this paper, THE SOUTHERN UNION WORKER, is published to give the news of the work in all the States of the Southern Union Conference, and Tennessee River is one of them. So that whether an isolated member, or a member of one of the churches, you need to keep up to date in regard to the advancement of the work in the home field.

Now again, as once before mentioned in these columns it is no longer possible for us to furnish the paper to the members of the conference as has been done in the past, and so we are asking that you subscribe at the rate of fifty cents per year, and if you send the money now, your subscription will be entered to end one year from Jan. I, 1913. So please subscribe at once.

COMPLETE LIST OF NAMES WANTED

Will not every church elder and clerk see that we have a complete list of the members of the churches together with the post-office addresses of those not residing at the same place where the church is located? Only a few have sent in the names that were requested in a note published a few weeks ago.

PROGRESS ALL ALONG THE LINE

All the workers are reporting progress in the work, and the winter ought to see some good advances made. The magazine work is being pushed steadily ahead in Nashville. Good reports come from the schools over the conference. Elder Washburn says they will have to rent a hall in Mem-

phis, as there is a good interest to hear the truth since the close of the tent meetings as well as during those meetings.

HARVEST INGATHERING

The Harvest Ingathering work has been pushed by nearly all the churches this season, so that we are far in advance of last years' record in the number of papers used. Church treasurers are requested to make as early remittances to the conference treasurer as possible, so as to do as much as we can to raise our part of the fifteen-cents-a-week fund.

WEEK OF PRAYER

THE week of prayer is right upon us, and this ought to be a season of deep heart searching and consecration. The end of all things is at hand, as is seen in the rapid drying up of the Turkish empire, and in the gathering of the nations for the last great conflict. The booming of the Bulgarian guns at the gates of Constantinople, ought to awaken Seventh-day Adventists who know its meaning, and no time ought to be lost in telling the world around us of the nearness of the coming of our King. Let us pray in this week of prayer that there will be an awakening that will result in an ever-increasing movement to arise and finish the task that has been given us, of bearing the advent message to the world in this generation. E. L. MAXWELL.

SABBATH-SCHOOL REPORT Quarter Ending Sept. 30, 1912

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WHAT THEY ARE DOING

BRN, THOMAS GOODMAN and Beecher Jackson are now at " work in Tipton County. After a small delivery of \$45 worth in Madison County, Brother Goodman writes: "Truly the Lord went before us and prepared the people for their books."

Bro. J. S. Moore is visiting in Springville and Hazel for a few days. He has worked 775 hours in Madison County, and delivered \$258.35 worth of books, making sixteen and two-thirds cents profit per hour. This now makes \$707.40 worth of books sold in Madison County this year.

Bro. Ulysses Bracy has worked eighteen weeks in Haywood County; putting in \$322.45 worth of books; averaging \$18.47 per week. Sister Mamie Moore has now reached \$1,080.95 worth of books delivered this year. She writes: "I am still finding readers for our Bible workers. Several I have sold books to, have come into the truth recently."

A white girl, who was reared a Catholic, while planning on going to school this fall, had her attention called to the Southern Training School by a colporteur, a colored sister, with the result that she went to Graysville. And I learn that she has been baptized, and is now rejoicing in the truth.

Our colporteurs have wonderful opportunities of doing personal work for their fellow beings. Dear brother and sister join our colporteur ranks. There are wonderful opportunities before you. C. F. DART.



HOW TO BEGIN THE WORK WITH THE LOST SHEEP OF ISRAEL. No. 2

THERE is one thing which our readers should remember, the Jewish people as a rule know their Bibles. When we speak of the Jews knowing their Bibles we mean especially the Old Testament. Perhaps many are not aware of the fact that there live to-day numbers of Jews, in this country as well as in Europe, who could probably repeat the greater part of the Old Testament in the Hebrew from memory, if they could not repeat the whole of it. It is remarkable how these Jewish children of Abraham are trained to memorize the Scriptures as well as the words of the rabbis.

But while they have learned to repeat the words of the Sacred Oracles, they are strangers to the meaning of these truths of God. There are various reasons for this, and we will not take time to discuss them. The rabbis have taught that any verse in the Bible may be interpreted in a number of ways. For instance: One rabbi taught that you could interpret any text of Scripture in four ways. Another rabbi, the Great Hillel, who lived about the time of Christ, taught that you could interpret any verse of Scripture in seven ways, Rabbi Samuel taught that you may interpret any verse of the Bible in thirteen ways. This method is known as the "thirteen ways of interpretation." Then Rabbi Judah, known as "The Prince," claimed that you are allowed to take any verse of the Bible, and explain it in any one of thirty-two different ways. His method is known among the Jews as "The thirty-two rules of interpretation."

The reader will recognize that it is difficult to get the Jews to see that certain Scriptures mean one thing, and that ONE only. That is one reason why in talking with the Jews it is found so difficult to teach them that the Old Testament instructs us of Christ. But this difficulty in working among the Jews has in a measure been overcome, in the preparation of reading matter for them. The Bible says that to the Jews have been committed the oracles of God. Rom. 3:1, 2. There is a certain Jewish background to the Scripture that, if rightly represented, will appeal to the Jews. This we have tried to do, in preparing literature for that people.

The best way to begin work among the Jewish people is not to start in with an argument about the Old Testament prophecies; neither is it advisable to talk much with them about the prophecy of Daniel. While it is not generally known, the Jewish teachers do not allow their pupils to have anything to do with the book of Daniel. In fact, the rabbis have taken that book out from among the prophets, and have placed it among the sacred writings known as, "The Ke-thubim," the Scriptures. We should remember that the rabbis have given to the people the idea that there are three kinds of inspiration, as follows:---

First, The Law. This refers to the Pentateuch, the five books of Moses. To the believers in the Old Testament, the five books of Moses are really and truly the words of God. To them this is true in the absolute.

The second kind of inspiration is the Prophets. These writings are inspired, but not quite as much as the writings of Moses.

The third kind of inspiration is the Scriptures. These include the Psalms, Ezra, Nehemiah, Job, Proverbs, and so forth. But among these books they have slipped in the book of Daniel. We know they try to make an explanation why this was done, but to the close student of Talmudic teachings and New Testament writings, it is known that it is done to do away with the time prophecy of Daniel 9. Therefore the Jews are not as interested in the book of Daniel as they are in some other parts of the Old Testament.

We are adapting the literature to the people so that they will want to read what is presented to them. At the same time we are endeavoring to furnish this background of Scripture to appeal to them, concerning the Messiah, in a way that they will see that it is in harmony with the Word of God itself. Then the way to start is to give them something that will show them that Christ is the Messiah, and why he is the Messiah. The more this can be done from Moses and the stronger prophets, the more confidence the Jews will have in the teaching.

The Yiddish-English Tract, "Israel's Deliverer," has been written with this idea in view; and we are glad to say that more than one hundred thousand copies of this tract have already been circulated. Write to your State tract society and secure a supply of this tract. We believe that, with the blessing of the Lord, it will arouse an interest among your Jewish friends and neighbors.

In our next article we will call attention how to proceed with other literature. F. C. GILBERT.

THE SHEEP THAT WAS LOST

On the Aleutsch glacier I saw a strange and beautiful sight —the parable of the ''ninety and nine,'' repeated to the letter. One day we were making our way with ice ax and alpenstock down the glacier, when we observed a flock of sheep following their shepherd over the intricate windings between the crevasses, and so passing from the pastures on one side of the glacier to the pastures on the other. The flock had numbered two hundred all told.

But on the way one sheep got lost. One of the shepherds, in his German patois, asked us if we had seen it. Fortunately, one of the party had a field glass. With its aid we discovered the sheep up amid a tangle of brushwood on the rocky mountain side.

It was beautiful to see how the shepherd without a word, left his hundred and ninety-nine sheep out in the glacier waste, knowing they would stand there perfectly still and safe, and went clambering back after the lost sheep until he found it; and he actually put it on his shoulders and returned 'rejoicing.''

Here was the Lord's parable enacted before our eyes, though the shepherd was all unconscious of it. And it brought our Lord's teaching home to us with a vividness which none can realize but those who saw the incident. — Leaves of Light.

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