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"My meat is to do the will of Him that sent me, and to finish His work."

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"He'll Come Again"

THE time 's been long, yea, very long,
Since angels sang that sweet, sweet song,
"Peace, peace on earth, goodwill to men!"
'Twas most two thousand years ago;
Yet days they come and days they go,
As time creeps on—but oh, how slow!
And will he ever come again?

Yea, come again he surely will!
His word abideth faithful still,
List to the angels once again;
Hear what they say to wistful men—
"He 'll come, He 'll come, He 'll come again:
"He 'll come, the same, the very same,
"As when before to earth he came."

Oh, wondrous joy! yea, joy supreme!
We'll hear again that blessed name,
As when from angel lips it fell,
When heavenly beings came to tell
The story of that wondrous birth,
And herald peace and joy to earth.
He comes again, earth to redeem,
From curse of sin, and death and pain!

Yea, praise his name, He 'll come again,
The same, the same, the very same,
As when before to earth he came—
And so we'll trust, nor ask Him when.

C. P. B.

Editorial Notes

WELCOME, 1913!

A HAPPY New Year to all our readers!

To BE happy we must be in harmony with God.

THE psalmist expresses this thought when he says: "Happy is that people, whose God is the Lord," Ps. 144: 15.

CHRIST'S way is the way of righteousness, of union with God, and as a result, perfect peace, for "Great peace have them which love the law: and nothing shall offend them."
The carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. But to be carnally minded is death, and to be subject to death is to be in bondage, as saith the apostle in Heb. 2: 15.

BUT the heart may be made new, the bondage broken, the longed-for rest supplied: "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." Matt. 11: 28-30.

THERE is, and in the very nature of the case there can be, no real happiness without God. General Sherman said, "War is hell." But carnal warfare brings no greater unhappiness to these engaged in it than does the warfare of carnality against righteousness. "The wicked are like the troubled sea, when it can not rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt. There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked."

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The Year Nineteen Thirteen

BEFORE speculating regarding the year nineteen thirteen, it will be well to glance over the past year's record. Supreme court decisions have placed the gigantic trusts on the throne and thus increased the cost of living and intensified the already strained relation between capital and labor. The well-defined plans of wealth to grind down the poor, and the schemes of the labor element to get even, stand out clear in the mind of every reader of current news as having no equal in the history of this or any other nation.

The Eastern Question, which has interested statesmen so many years, comes prominently before the world in the closing months of this year. Yes, the year closes and 1913 begins with this question not entirely settled, and the public looking on wondering if the "sick man of the East" is ready to leave Europe at this time.

The plans of the great deceiver have been intensified during the past year. Men's hearts are failing them for fear of what is coming on the earth. The calm trustful citizen of the past is giving place to the wondering, worried, and excited man who expects something he knows not what, and rushes on attempting to better conditions by his frenzied ideas which make matters worse.
It is true there are honest people trying to hold back the

onward march of evil; but their efforts are largely neutralized by the overwhelming tide of corruption.

The present year will be filled with momentous events being driven on by the great avalanch of the past. With this view we enter the year for the conflict with its hardships and its pleasures. There must be great activity on the part of the church. Our bookmen, Bible workers, ministers, and medical workers have the panacea. Our message satisfies the troubled mind, and brings relief and happiness. You who are at the plow, bench, and household duties, we invite you to come and join our ranks and become an active worker for God, and help to finish the work. When this year ends (1913), what will its history be? S. E. WIGHT.

Our Publishing House

Home Office News

SALES report for week ending Dec. 28, 1912: Total number of bound volumes, 1,900; *Watchman*, 2,734.

The picture accompanying this article gives you a splendid



view of our Book and Periodical Departments. The gentleman seated at the roll-top desk is Bro. B. N. Brown, assistant manager of the Periodical Department. Brother Brown before accepting present truth was a sergeant in the hospital corps of the United States Army. Before being transferred to the hospital corps he was attached to the 16th U. S. Infantry, and when he heard the truth was stationed on Corregidor Island, P. I.

Brother Brown's department looks after the circulation of the *Watchman*, and from a report furnished me a few days ago the *Watchman* has made a substantial advance during the year. In fact distinct progress has been made for which we feel to thank God.

The lady in the foreground is Sister Mary E. Shelden, stenographer and list clerk in the Periodical Department.

The man standing in the background is Bro. W. W. Eastman well known to most of the readers of this paper. Brother Eastman is manager of the Book and Periodical Departments, and before connecting with this office spent many years in the West Indies as a missionary, and later was general field missionary agent of the Southwestern Union Conference. Brother Eastman is an enthusiastic bookman, and in his department he has direct oversight of the book work in our territory. Here the orders are written up as received and passed on to the shipping-room for packing. All correspondence relating to

the circulation of our books is passed into this department for such attention as its importance demands.

The lady at the telephone is Mrs. Agnes Gray, Book Department stenographer.

The young man in the rear, seated at the desk, is Bro. J. W. Winn, shipping-clerk. Brother Winn before connecting with the office was a canvasser in Texas, so he is well able to sympathize with, and understand the needs of, the men in the field.

The Periodical Department adjoins the Counting-room. Passing along the hall outlined, by the railing we enter the Stock Room and Shipping Department, a photo of which will be shown in our next issue.

THE BOOK WORK IN NORTH CAROLINA

Good reports are being received from the field; for instance, Brother Randall sends these cheering words from Atlanta:—

By invitation of the North Carolina Conference Committee, the writer spent Thursday, December 26th, at Greensboro, N. C., in council with the Conference Committee, concerning the transfer of the subscription book work in North Carolina, from the Southern Publishing Association to the North Carolina Tract Society.

Careful consideration was given to numerous matters concerning the conduct of the work, and the accounts of all the North Carolina colporteurs known to be in good standing were accepted by the tract society. Some of the colporteurs had already settled in full, so that no transfer of their accounts was necessary. Others who probably have sufficient books on hand to cover their indebtedness, but who had failed to send an inventory of same with their remittance, were accepted subject to an approved inventory, with the understanding that if they do not have sufficient books on hand to cover their indebtedness, they must make up the shortage before being allowed to continue in this work.

The committee express a firm determination to conduct the work on the right basis, and require colporteurs to pay for each shipment before another is made, or else show that they have the unpaid-for books on hand, and have unfilled orders which require an additional shipment. Whenever a remittance is made on account, and the money sent is not sufficient to settle in full, the remittance should be accompanied by a complete itemized statement of all books on hand.

A spirit of harmony and good will prevailed, and the prospects for the book work in North Carolina are good. The brethren have set their mark for \$15,000 worth of sales in 1913. They also expect to send several of their faithful colporteurs, who have won out on the thousand-dollar proposition, to the next General Conference.

Thus the North Carolina Tract Society is the first Tract Society in our Union to assume full control of all lines of effort with our literature.

L. D. RANDALL, *Mgr. Atlanta, (Ga.) Branch.*

Before this issue of the *WORKER* comes out, 1912 will be in the past, and 1913 will be upon us with all its opportunities. The year 1912 has surely been a banner year in the history of the Southern Publishing Association. While our books have not yet been closed, yet we feel sure that the final summing up will show a gain on the right side of the ledger. This has been accomplished by the faithful workers in the field and in the office. Neither one can exist without the other; it is only by co-operation in its fullest sense that success can be attained, and in our work even co-operation is not alone sufficient, for as the work is of God, we must spend much time in prayer. Prayer is the key which unlocks the storehouse of heaven, and it is because much time has been spent in prayer by the faithful workers

engaged in the distribution of our literature that success has been attained. They have had many trials and perplexities, but they have learned that every cloud has a silver lining.

"The inner side of every cloud is bright and shining;
I therefore turn my clouds about,
And wear them inside out to show the lining."

In the little book, "The Printing Press and the Gospel," I read the following, entitled "A Colporteur's Reward":—

"The influence of wayside missionaries is indicated by the experience of a colporteur. Two years after he had labored in a certain township, another colporteur was sent over the same territory. In passing through a country district, he called upon a woman and her son, both of whom inquired if he had ever met the young man who passed through that section two years before selling a book entitled 'The Great Controversy between Christ and Satan.' It seemed the little boy had hurt his foot the day the first colporteur had visited them. The mother was unable to console the little fellow but the colporteur some way got on the sunny side of his confidence and was permitted to dress the hurt. They had often thought of the Christian kindness and courtesy of the young man and wished to be remembered to him. In the same district the Christian colporteur called on an aged woman who lived in a little cottage all alone. She made similar inquiries after the first colporteur, who had spoken words of encouragement and had prayed with her before leaving. She said 'I don't know his name and shall probably never see him again but if you ever meet him, tell him I have prayed for him every morning and every evening since that day.' What a reward for a little act of kindness and Christian thoughtfulness. May it not be that many a colporteur's feet are held from slipping by the prayers of those to whom he has ministered."

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

Our faithful colporteurs are assured of a reward in heaven. They may never know the good they have accomplished or the prayers that are being offered in their behalf until they get into the kingdom, but then everything will be made plain.

We wish to thank one and all for the part they have had in making 1912 the most successful year in the history of the Publishing House. The harvest truly is great but the laborers are few, and we are looking for volunteers.

ELD. J. S. WASHBURN, of Memphis, Tenn., was an office visitor Tuesday, as was also Prof. A. N. Atteberry, Principal of the Academy at Hazel, Ky.

Eld. W. R. Elliott, of Hazel, Ky., called at our office Tuesday morning.

PRESS ROOM ITEMS

ROSCOE GRAY and wife are spending the holidays visiting relatives in Bowling Green, Ky.

J. P. FOREE and wife, are visiting relatives in Louisville, Ky.

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Membership of Alabama Conference, 1913; proportion of fifteen-cents-a-week fund, \$1,521. Amount paid, \$1,097.64. Still to be raised, \$423.36.

Notes

THE past week has been a busy one for those at the office, but we are all of good courage in the Lord and we feel that the year 1913 will be the best year in the history of the Alabama Conference. Let us all resolve that, by the help of the Lord, we will do more for him this year than ever before.

We were glad to have the privilege, last week, of meeting Bro. O. P. Ivie, J. F. Dennis, and C. R. Waldron. These brethren were members of the Conference Auditing Committee which met here on the 26th of December. We are always glad to meet our brethren and become personally acquainted.

Brother Waldron reports that the work at his school at Rockford is moving along nicely and that the Lord is blessing their efforts. I feel sure that there are young people in our conference who should be receiving the training that is being offered at this school. Brother Waldron is doing faithful work and we should do all we can to help him in the work.

Bro. C. J. Boyd, of the Oakwood Manual Training School spent a few days in Birmingham last week attending the conference committee and looking after the interests of the school.

In a letter from Brother Bailes, he states that the officers for the Cool Springs church have been elected for the coming year and that the work is moving along nicely. I hope that all the churches have elected their officers and the clerks will not delay in sending their reports to the secretary of the conference.

We were glad to have Elder Wight, president of the Southern Union Conference, with us for a few days last week. Elder Wight preached for us Sabbath morning and all enjoyed the sermon very much.

Elder Bellinger was at the office December, the 26th, to attend the committee meetings. He reports the work moving along nicely at Sheffield and at other places where he has visited.

Several of our canvassers have been delivering and have made good deliveries. Brother Keate and Brother Waters both made good deliveries.

Brother Wilson has been at home for a few days trying to get his office work caught up, but the call from the field is so strong that he will soon be on the road again. Brother Wilson will be glad to hear from any one who is contemplating entering the canvassing field.

Sister Kenyon has now left Birmingham but we are sure the work that she has started there will continue. Some of the church members have proved conclusively that a good work can be done on Sunday. Some have sold pa-

pers, and others have been visiting and giving away papers and tracts. The world is to be warned and we must be at work for the Master.

Are you a subscriber to the WORKER? If not, why not? The subscription price is only fifty cents a year. Send your subscription to the conference office.

Brother Pavey's brother Irl, who is attending Medical School in Atlanta, is spending the holiday vacation with him.

Sheffield

THE WORKER family will be glad to hear from this part of the field again. The Week of Prayer at Sheffield was enjoyed by all who were able to attend. The weather was bad and a number were sick, so there was not much of an attendance.

All in the Sheffield church are of good courage. One day last week I went over to Florence on a little missionary trip and took with me eleven of the Harvest Ingathering *Signs* and in less than an hour's work I sold them for \$1.60. The laundryman who is a Catholic gave me fifty cents for one. I made it convenient to go by the priest's home, had a good visit with him, and sold him the *Signs* and Special Health number of the *Watchman*.

Wednesday morning, December 17, I left Sheffield for a visit among the churches and isolated members in the northern part of the State. While on the train between Decatur and Athens, Ala., I had a good visit with a traveling man, and sold him a *Signs*.

At Athens I expected Brother May to meet me, but he was not there. I did not waste any time waiting for him. As soon as it was light I took a few *Signs* and went to work. In about forty minutes I had sold \$1.30 worth, when I met Brother May on the street and we started across the country a distance of twelve miles. About noon we arrived at Brother May's nice home. We held two meetings here, but the roads were muddy and the weather was cold, so not many came out. I visited all the Sabbath-keepers in this neighborhood, sold one "Ministry of Healing," fifty-five cents worth of papers, took an order for a Bible, and for one year's subscription to the UNION WORKER.

I also received \$5 for the Sheffield church. We must have \$50 more to meet the next note due on our church. If you can help, send donations to James Bellinger, Sheffield, Ala., and God will bless you.

From Brother May's I went to the Elkwood church. We have had meetings every night with a good attendance. At this place the church was reorganized, and three precious souls were buried with their Lord in baptism. The brethren and sisters are of good cheer. They are talking quite strongly of building a church. Pray that this may be done; it will be a great help to the cause. From Elkwood I went to Oakwood School. It was very gratifying to me to find seventy-nine young people in the Oakwood School, preparing themselves to give the message to their own people. It was a pleasure to speak to them on the subject of improving the opportunities granted us now to finish the work so the Lord can come.

I had planned to visit Long Island, and Attalla, but word from Elder Miller calls the committee together in Birmingham, so I go there next.

Pray for the work and workers in Alabama.

JAMES BELLINGER.

"VERY much which seems saddest might look very different if we only knew the import."

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Membership of the Kentucky Conference, 183; quota of fifteen-cents-a-week fund, \$1,427.40. Amount paid, \$1,153.20. Still to be raised, \$274.20.

Notes

Bro. D. C. RAY, who has been canvassing in Johnson County, has been called to his home in Louisville because of sickness in the family.

Elder Skinner, of College View, Nebraska, has been spending some time in Louisville doing missionary work.

Brother Jones, our faithful magazine agent, reports a good week's work. The Lord blessed him with \$15 worth of sales in one day going from home to home. Who says resident magazine agents can't succeed? Why not one or more in each city take up this work?

Bro. Wm. Winston, one of our colored workers, reports some interest on the part of a few where he has been holding a meeting near Rollingburg.

Brother Beck and wife are spending a few days with the Sand Hill church. They are also visiting Brother Beck's parents.

Sister R. M. Ross has located in Louisville, and has taken up the sale of our good magazine, the *Signs of the Times*.

Bro. W. H. Shoemaker, who has entered the canvassing work, is enjoying it very much, and says it is just the work he desires to continue in. We feel sure others would have a similar experience if they would go out in the great harvest field.

Elder Lindsay reports that the auditor of the L. & N. Railroad and his wife have taken their stand for the Sabbath of the Lord.

Elder Brown's daughters are spending a few days at home, but will return to Hazel this week.

There are several brethren throughout the conference who have signified their desire to enter the canvassing work. Now is the time to get ready to attend the spring Institute.

We have received several nice offerings for missions the past week. We do appreciate the effort of the faithful people to help the work on in foreign lands, and feel sure all who give of their means in this way will receive a great blessing here and treasures laid up above. Let us keep the good work going.

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.

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Membership of the Louisiana Conference, 267; quota of the fifteen-cents-a-week fund, \$2,082.60. Amount paid, \$1,209.65. Still to be raised, \$827.95.

Various Matters of Interest

THE following actions of the Conference and Negro Mission Committees will be of interest to all our Louisiana people:—

It was voted that Eld. T. B. Buckner, and Sister Lucinda Jones make Hammond their field of labor for a time, and endeavor to establish a colored church there.

That we accept the resignation of Victor Wolterding from Mission employ and that M. G. Nunes of Alabama be invited to make Louisiana his field of labor until the General Conference session, locating for the time being in New Orleans.

Owing to the fact that most failures are caused in the canvassing work by failure to put in good time it was voted that credit for books be extended only to such canvassers as put in at least thirty hours a week, and that each canvasser be required to send in monthly to the tract society an inventory of books on hand unpaid for, and that no further credit be given to any one who does not pay within thirty days for all books delivered.

It was voted that a training course for Bible Workers be held in New Orleans during March and April, and that during this time a series of meetings be conducted by Elder Parmele in the new church building. A more extended notice of this will be given later.

On account of the shortness of our finances, Bro. W. P. McLennan, proposed that he be given an extended vacation without pay. The committee voted to accept this generous offer of Brother McLennan, such vacation to extend to March 1, 1913. Brethren, it seems to us that this condition ought not to exist. Do you believe it would exist if all were faithful in paying their tithes? Think of the tremendous responsibility one takes upon himself, when through his failure to return to the Lord his own in tithes, a laborer must cease active work.

It was voted that Elder Lowry visit the Hope Villa church, and if the way opens, hold a series of meetings there during the month of January and a portion of February, and after that spend his time in visiting churches and isolated Sabbath-keepers in the northern part of the State until the tent season.

That Elder Parmele visit the DeRidder and Lena Station companies, and, if deemed advisable, that he organize them into churches.

That Elder Frank spend his time with these two companies until the first of March, and then connect with the effort in New Orleans.

That a canvassers' institute be held at Ringgold, January

31 to February 9. For such as are recommended by the Union Conference and State agents, board be furnished free while attending the institute, that an additional discount of five per cent be allowed such canvassers on their sales until such time as their fare to the Institute and to their field from the Institute is reimbursed, and in special cases that this expense be advanced upon the recommendation of the State agent.

Brother Reeder stated to the committee that his physical condition was such that he felt that he could not do justice to the work of State agent, and recommended that another be chosen to take his place. The matter of choosing his successor was referred to the Union Conference Committee, which expects to hold a meeting in Keene, Texas, the latter part of January. We regret very much that it seems necessary for our dear Brother Reeder to retire from active field work, but we trust that the Lord will fulfil to him his promise, "They shall still bring forth fruit in old age." We believe the Lord yet has a work for Brother Reeder, and hope that his future work may be so shaped that it will be conducive to his best physical good.

A fund for the benefit of the Loma Linda College of Medical Evangelists having been called for by the General Conference, and the Southern Union Conference having been asked to raise \$250 for this purpose, it was voted that we ask our churches to raise their pro rata share of Louisiana's portion.

Opelousas was selected as first choice and Alexandria as second for the location of the camp-meeting this year, and July 24 to 31 as the date, subject to change to harmonize with the plans that may be suggested by the Union Conference Committee.

Voted that we harmonize with the action of the Union Conference Committee with reference to help for the Nashville Sanitarium. Detailed information on this matter will be given later.

Voted to purchase one new audience tent, and a tent suitable for book stand at camp-meeting. On this point may we suggest that our emergency fund is already overdrawn. This fund will be sacredly guarded for the purchase of tents, and other evangelical work for which it would not be appropriate to use the tithe. We voted at camp meeting last fall to take up a collection for this fund every third Sabbath in the month. We trust our brethren will remember this, and replenish this fund, thus enable us to secure these tents so much needed.

R. W. PARMELE.

News Items

THE conference committee had a most profitable meeting last week. A full report will appear in the next issue.

Brother and Sister Saxby have moved to Lake Charles. We are sure this rejoices the hearts of the members of the Lake Charles church.

Nothing preventing Eld. R. W. Parmele will spend the time from January 3 to 23 with the churches in the southwestern part of the State.

The Lake Charles missionary society is taking up correspondence with those newly come to the faith in our recent meetings, and with those who are "almost persuaded," in an effort to encourage them in the good way. Tell us what your missionary society is doing.

Four battle-ships of the United States recently visited the port of New Orleans. The New Orleans Young People's

Missionary Volunteer Society seized the opportunity to present the library of each ship with a copy of "Past, Present, and Future." A few days after they left, the following communication was received:—

"At Sea, Dec. 4, 1912.

"The Seventh-day Adventist Y. P. M. V. Society, 810 Jackson Ave.

Dear Sirs:—

"Please accept on behalf of the U. S. S. "Minnesota" my thanks for the book "Past, Present, and Future," you have so kindly presented to the ship.

"Very respectfully yours,

"E. SIMPSON,
"Captain U. S. N."

The young people of New Orleans, would appreciate a continuous supply of literature to use in their work. They are now planning a vigorous campaign in the distribution of the Family Bible Teacher in the city, and would appreciate any financial help that any might feel disposed to render. Such donations will be cared for, if addressed to the Louisiana Tract Society, 810 Jackson Ave., New Orleans, La.

Many times our lay members seem to think that it is impossible for them to get out among their neighbors and secure subscriptions for our publications, but notice this extract from a letter received from Sister Mattie Johnson of DeRidder: "I have received my papers (*Watchman*) and have had good success selling them. Will send in my order for more soon. I am thinking of ordering a few Bibles from the catalog which you sent me and I would like to know if you will allow me the agent's discount." Since writing this letter Sister Johnson has ordered a shipment of Bibles. Are there not others who will do likewise?

Another encouraging letter from Sister Effie Owens, of Hammond contains the following: "I received the papers (*SOUTHERN UNION WORKER*) and have given them out. Almost all of our members are subscribers for the *WORKER*, it is surely worth the small sum of fifty cents. I will also try to get some subscriptions for *Life and Health* and the *Protestant* magazines."

It takes but little effort to obtain yearly subscriptions for our magazines and we will be glad to hear from you regarding the part that you are willing to take in this work in your home town.

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Membership of the Mississippi Conference, 157; quota of the fifteen-cents-a-week fund, \$1,224.60. Amount paid, \$838.33. Still to be raised, \$386.27.

Review of the Year

IN reviewing the year that is just closing we see many tokens of God's care and prospering hand upon the canvassing work here in Mississippi. I might mention a few of these. Although we had awful floods in the spring to contend with, and the boll weevil all the year, yet not one of our canvassers, to

my knowledge has become discouraged. All were kept in their usual health during the year except one, and he was sick only for a few weeks.

With perhaps one or two exceptions, I received no discouraging letters from our canvassers.

Two of our colporteurs have passed the \$1,000 mark, one even going above \$1,200.

Brother Saxon reports two families keeping the Sabbath as a result of his work.

Although Brother Balsbaugh moved from Jackson to Meridian and attended camp-meeting, yet he has had a report for each week, save one, since Jan. 12, 1912—forty-eight in all, thus far. This is an example worthy of imitation.

Thousands of silent messengers have gone into the homes of the people and many thousands of visits made by our colporteurs. Surely we have much to call forth gratitude and praise to God who gives us a part in his service.

Now a new year is about to greet us and shall we not one and all firmly resolve by the help of God to do our very best? Would it be too much to put the standard at forty-eight weeks in the field for 1913?

The importance of our message and shortness of time surely demand our most earnest efforts.

I feel very anxious that we do not lose January and February as we practically did last year, but let us begin on January 1st, and press steadily forward in the work of the Lord.

Let us pray more and work harder. An ounce of doing is worth a pound of planning.
H. G. MILLER.

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Membership of the Tennessee River Conference, 538; quota of the fifteen-cents-a-week fund, \$4,196.40. Amount paid, \$1,965.70. Still to be raised, \$2,230.70.

Notes

THE work is advancing along all lines as we begin the New Year. Let us all pass the good word along to those who are beginning to become discouraged.

Bro. Chas. Lowry is now located at Jackson, Tenn. He will labor to create an interest in the work there so that by the time of the camp-meeting there will be if possible a good strong company ready to organize into a church. Elder Ellicott will join him later.

Splendid reports from the Week of Prayer continue to come in. We trust that the victories gained will enable all to do better work for the Master during the coming year.

The brethren at Lane are calling for a minister to come and preach the message to the people of that community. Let every church work up an interest so the minister will have plenty to do when he comes.

Bro. A. C. Woodson, of Dover, Tenn., reports a good interest in his neighborhood and asks for a worker. We must answer these calls, and to do so means that we must be faithful in our tithes and offerings as well as in giving ourselves to the work.

The conference committee was in session last week and some of the more important actions were as follows:—

"That we assume the collection of our share of the Loma Linda Medical College fund, amounting to \$100.37."

"That by the sale of "Ministry of Healing," and other books, and by donations and other means we undertake to raise \$1,196.58 for the relief of the Nashville Sanitarium."

"That we place the WORKER in every Sabbath-keeper's home in our conference, urging every one who will to subscribe at once."

"That we proceed to organize a Conference Association to hold the titles to the various churches of the conference, and of the schools and other conference real estate."

Sisters Adams and Roberson are having all they can do in the way of giving Bible readings in Nashville.

Each month hereafter there will be published a statement of the amount still due from our conference on the Fifteen-cents-a-week Fund, the Loma Linda Fund, and the Nashville Sanitarium Fund. Let us all put our shoulders to the wheel and cut these amounts down each month.

Some of Sister Young's Experiences with the "Watchman"

I WAS talking with Sister Young to-day, who has been selling the *Watchman* in Nashville for the past few weeks. She says she is enjoying her work very much. The people are kind and so hospitable. At one house she went in as they were eating dinner, and was invited to go right out to the table and eat with them. An extra place was already prepared. Sister Young said, "I will be taking some one else's place." "No," said the woman, "That is an extra place. I don't know why I fixed it." But the colporteur knows why. Deut. 6: 11, 12; Ps. 105: 44; Mark 14: 15.

At another place, where they had just finished dinner, she was urged to have dinner. They said, "We haven't any money to buy your magazine, but we can give you your dinner and you are perfectly welcome." Sister Young then gave them a copy of the *Watchman*.

At a saloon the clerk came out and bought a copy. As he was going back after the change a customer came out and bought one, handing her fifty cents. As she was getting the change the proprietor came out, and he bought a copy. He gave her twenty-five cents refusing the change. As she went to the next place, the same customer stepped up and asked to buy another *Watchman*, giving her fifteen cents. She said the price was only ten cents, but he said it was worth fifteen cents.

A woman in a tailor shop was very much interested in the Bible. She said, "A lady was in here once who told me there was no burning hell." Sister Young told her that was Bible doctrine. She also wanted to know something about Spiritualism. Her mother had taught her that the dead could not come back till the resurrection, so she thought that Spiritualism could not be right. She said she was poor and could not buy the *Watchman*. Sister Young said, "I want you to have a copy, so I will give you one." But the woman refused to accept and paid her for it.

In a clothing store, a customer said, "I want to ask a question. What does it mean to do unto others as you wish to be done by?" Sister Young replied, "Just as you would like others to treat you, you should treat them." Then she

began to talk about the *Watchman* again. She said, "Christmas is here, and supposed to be Christ's birthday. Only a few were expecting his first coming. This magazine tells of his second coming. It is just as plain, yet few will know it. You should study these things for yourselves." She then noticed there were some fifteen or twenty listening, and she soon sold several copies. One man kept looking at the *Watchman* with eager eyes, and finally said, "I would like to have it but have only enough money for my car fare home." "Are you sure?" said Sister Young. "I'll see," said he, and began to search his pockets. To his surprise and satisfaction he found an extra dime that he did not know he had. Of course he bought the *Watchman*.

C. F. DART.

* Magazine Sales

HAVING been requested to make a report of the work that I have been doing with our good magazines since coming to Nashville, I will say that I began selling the *Watchman* October 27, and have worked some during every week since that time. Up to December 26, the date of this writing, I have sold 944 copies of *Life and Health*, the *Signs*, and the *Watchman*. The best record for one day was one hundred copies sold. This was the day before Christmas. Six hours were put in selling this number.

Every day that I am selling I have the best of experiences. One lady said that she did not care for the paper for herself, but that she would buy it for a friend who is interested in the doctrines of our people. A gentleman bought a copy to send to a friend in Philadelphia: another to send to New York. So the seed is being sown beside all waters. Thus far I have had to do all my house work, sending the children to school, and doing my housekeeping as I have been unable to secure any one to do this for me. As soon as I can do this I will, and then I shall be able to put in much more time.

Why can not more of our sisters engage in this work? Surely when we know that the unwarned world is the only thing that stands between us and our eternal home we should be stirred to activity. If we want to see Jesus come we will work in such a way as to hasten his coming.

(MRS.) LENORA MAXWELL.

Notice

REPORT blanks for the young people's work have been sent to all the churches, and to isolated young people where the proper address could be obtained. Let all the local secretaries and isolated members be prompt in sending in these reports.

All young people who are not members of a local society are members of the State Society, and we want to hear from you. If you failed to get a report blank make out your report any way and send it in. Send all reports to

C. F. LOWRY, 218 Morgan St., Jackson, Tenn.

Capital and Labor

THIS book by Eld. E. T. Russell, needs no introduction to the readers of the WORKER, as it has been known for some time. However, it has now been revised and enlarged, and we are sure will be wanted by our people not only to study for themselves but to circulate among their neighbors. It is the only book among us that treats this subject in a specific way, and Elder Russell's long years of study of the question enable him to explain this problem in the light of Scripture in such a way as to open the eyes of many. Let us give it a wide circulation. 208 pages, board covers, 75 cents post-paid. Order through your tract societies.

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The Work in Nashville

We are now in the lull of the holidays and it is impossible to impress the people to any great extent with the message, yet we find some interested ones who seem very glad for our calls.

We regret very much to report Sister Baxter's illness which has lasted three or four weeks. She is missed by all her readers and we hope her absence will only make their hearts grow fonder of the message.

Sister Roberson has a splendid class of readers: we feel very hopeful of some of them.

Sister Adams is doing very nicely in the beginning of her Bible work, and you may look for results soon.

We are all of good cheer in the work. C. A. HANSEN.

Annual Meeting of the Southern Publishing Association

NOTICE is hereby given that the fifth annual meeting of the constituency of the Southern Publishing Association of Seventh-day Adventists will be held on Friday, Jan. 31, 1913, at 10 A. M., at the publishing house chapel, 2123, 24th Avenue North, Nashville, Tenn., for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

S. E. WIGHT, *President.*

L. A. SMITH, *Secretary.*

Keene Meeting Postponed

By request of the General Conference Committee, the Keene meeting, appointed for January 21, has been indefinitely postponed. The legal meeting, the notice of which appears in this paper, will be called at the time specified, for the purpose of complying with the law of the State. No business will be transacted however other than to adjourn to such time and place as shall in the meantime have been agreed upon by those interested in the meeting.

Colporteurs' Report for the Southern Union Conference

Week Ending Dec. 21, 1912

NAME	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Delivered
H G Smith	CK	32	31	\$31.50	\$6.00	\$37.50	
A J Rice	BF	38	21	21.00		21.00	7.50
Mrs H G Smith	CK	26	7	10.50	1.75	12.25	
E F Waters	BF	32			9.10		41.90
R L Keate	BF						68.25
KENTUCKY CONFERENCE							
Along Minton	BF	28	18	20.50	20.50	41.00	97.00
Mrs B W Brown	JUV	14	24	16.50	2.00	18.50	18.50

D C Ray	BF	23	4	4.50	1.00	5.50	
Latitia Steele	BF	15	2	2.00	1.00	3.00	
Milton Jones	JUV	20	4	2.00		2.00	2.00
Jas Hickman	MISC	45					175.00
A Schroader	BF	26					47.75
J R Staton	BF	16					30.00

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

John Harzman	PP&F	16	26	39.50	2.00	41.50	
W J Hirst	BF	15	3	4.50	2.50	7.00	2.50
F H Berry	PP&F	9	3	4.50	1.75	6.25	50

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

H C Balsbaugh	GC	36	1	3.00	30.30	33.30	48.30
E A Taylor	BR	27	6	18.00	7.00	25.00	27.00
Mrs H C Balsbaugh	BS	12			15.10	15.10	15.10
Annie Watts	BF	26	7	10.50		10.50	
J S Fry	D&R	37	1	2.00	7.00	9.00	50.00
Millie Conner	BF	26	6	9.00		9.00	
A L Saxon	BR	39			8.00	8.00	19.00
Virgil Smith	BR	41			5.50	5.50	92.50
M A Murphy	BF	20			2.75	2.75	18.75
M T McMullen	BF	32			1.25	1.25	30.25
Ella Johnson	BF	11			75	75	7.25

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

R H Hazelton	GC	30			17.40	17.40	24.00
Rebecca Moore	BF	13			13.35	13.35	7.50
Mattie Blunt	BF	6	6	5.00		5.00	2.50
U Bracy	BF	44			3.00	3.00	29.00
B Jackson	BF	26			50	50	5.00
Mamie Moore	D&R	25					66.80
W L Cutchville	BF	23					6.00

SUMMARY

Alabama Conf	128	59	63.00	16.85	79.85	116.75
Kentucky Conf	187	48	45.50	4.00	49.50	370.25
Louisiana Conf	40	32	48.50	6.25	54.75	3.00
Mississippi Conf	307	21	42.50	77.65	120.15	308.15
Tenn River Conf	167	6	5.00	34.25	39.25	140.80

Totals 829 186 \$204.50 \$139.00 \$343.50 \$938.95

Magazine Agents' Report.

Week Ending Dec. 21, 1912

Agent	No.	Value
ALABAMA CONFERENCE		
Lynne Rainwater	68	\$ 6.80
KENTUCKY CONFERENCE		
R M Ross	300	30.00
Milton Jones	158	15.80
LOUISIANA CONFERENCE		
*Miss Bessie Johnstone	185	18.50
*Miss Mattie Johnstone	14	1.40
MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE		
Willie Timmons	72	7.20
M A Murphy	50	5.00
Mrs H C Balsbaugh	12	1.20
TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE		
Miss Laura E Young	138	13.80
Mrs Lenora Maxwell	130	13.00
Totals	1127	\$112.70