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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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## God's Promises

O THE precious words of promise,  
How they shine!  
And I now, though all unworthy,  
Claim them mine!  
O the wonders of salvation,  
Now I see!  
That both grace and love abounding  
Are for me!  
Here the soul finds wondrous healing  
In his blood!  
Sins though dark are overwhelmed  
In the flood!  
By his word we're made partakers  
Of his grace.  
And in heaven we, if faithful,  
See his face!  
In that word is life eternal—  
Make it thine!  
Here are gems of truth most precious—  
Work the mine!  
Dig, O dig, and never weary—  
Gold is there!  
It may be, too late tomorrow—  
Have a care!

C. P. B.

## Our Publishing House

### Home Office News

SALES report for week ending January 25, 1913: Total number bound volumes, 1,771; *Watchman*, 5,600.

The roof over the concrete walk between the factory and the shipping-room is now practically completed, and was much needed.

The Association is now issuing quite a number of our standard tracts under the general title of "The Watchman Series." Some new ones are also being added.

Some have felt to criticize the holding of the annual meeting of the Publishing Association at Keene on account of the extra expense. But all should remember that it costs no more to go from Nashville to Keene and return, than it does to come to Nashville from Keene and return. Our brethren from the Southwest have been coming to Nashville every year to attend the annual meeting, and it seems only right that this year they should have the meeting. The Publishing House belongs as much to that part of the field as to this.

Bro. H. B. Meeker was in from the hills one day last week and reports the work in his neighborhood as being in a prosperous condition. They have an excellent school and

are maintaining Sunday night meetings with good attendance.

The cut on this page is a view of the main editorial room. To the reader's right is the Editor of the *Watchman*, Bro. L. A. Smith. The lady in the background is Mrs. E. M.



EDITORIAL ROOM

Boyce, our proof-reader, to her right is C. P. Bollman, editor of the *WORKER* and Associate Editor of the *Watchman*. There are two editorial rooms, but only one shows in the picture. These rooms are each fifteen feet square. The one shown in the picture is a corner room and has three windows, none of which shows however as the blinds were closely drawn while the picture was taken by flash-light. Just across the hall from the editorial rooms is the Directors' room, used for board and committee meetings, and for the departmental worship of the office force four mornings each week. This room is about 15x24 feet and has four windows. It is located in the northwest corner of the building.

In his chapel talk Monday morning January 27 Brother Eastman related some very interesting experiences told by colporteurs working in the mountains of East Tennessee and North Carolina. These faithful men need our sympathy and our prayers, for they have difficulties to overcome and dangers to meet about which many of us know little or nothing.

Sin may be very sweet at the start, and it may induce great wretchedness afterwards. The cup of sin is sparkling at the top, but there is death at the bottom.—*Talmage*.

## Alabama Conference

### Conference Directory

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### News Notes

SUNDAY, January 18, Elder Bellinger baptized a brother and two sisters at Jasper. Elder Miller had been with the company for a few days and assisted in the baptismal service.

Brother Wilson is still among the workers. He has visited Brother Jacks at Bridgeport and Brother Waters at Elkmont the past week. Brother Wilson also made a visit to the Long Island church. He reports that the work is onward and that the prospects are good for a profitable institute at Borden Springs.

Brother and Sister Smith are doing faithful work at Troy. Brother Smith is canvassing for "Coming King" and Sister Smith is selling the *Watchman*. These are new workers and we should all remember them in our prayers.

Bro. C. D. Sloan has begun canvassing here in Birmingham for "Past, Present, and Future." Brother Sloan gave up a good paying position that he might devote his whole time to the canvassing work. He is from Kentucky and is here visiting his daughter, but feels he can not be idle when the need is so great. We certainly welcome Brother Sloan and our prayers are with him in the great work.

The brethren and sisters at Jasper and Carbon Hill have been organized into a company and Bro. O. P. Ivie has been chosen leader. May the Lord bless every member of this new company, and may they all remain steadfast in times of trial and temptation.

The medical branch of our work is the "right arm of the message." We could hardly afford to be without our right arm. Our medical institutions are doing a great work in ministering to both soul and body. At a recent meeting of the Committee of the Southern Union Conference, it was voted to do our part toward the Loma Linda School. At a late meeting of the Alabama Conference Committee, it was voted that Alabama would do her part and stand by the Union. Our portion is \$299.29. Then we have our Nashville Sanitarium for which we want to raise a goodly sum this year. The first Sabbath in March has been set apart for this special work. Do not forget the time and make your offering large. Begin now to plan that you may have a large offering for this needy work.

### Obituary

HAWKINS.—We were all made sad by the sudden death of one of our sisters, Elizabeth Terry Hawkins, a member of the Birmingham church. Her sickness was very short, only a little over a day, her death being caused by meningitis, January 22nd. She was born in Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 27, 1862. Her first Christian experience was in connection with the Presbyterian Church. Seven years ago the light of present truth came to her which she gladly accepted, and remained faithful unto the end. The soon coming of the Saviour was a sweet message to her. A glad day it will be when the reign of sin is over, and the kingdom of glory ushered in.

The pastor of the Presbyterian Church assisted the writer in the services conducted at the home. Text Job 14:14.

A. L. MILLER.

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 OFFICE ADDRESS, Nicholasville, Ky.

### Notes

BROTHER AND SISTER DOW are still working hard in Magoffin County and God is blessing their efforts. The last report tells of eleven who are now keeping the Sabbath, with several more interested.

Bro. W. H. White spent a few days with the Grove church last week in the interest of the young people's work.

Elder Brown spent Sabbath, the 18th, with a family who have recently begun to keep the Sabbath at Wilmore. This is another proof that God does bless our faithful canvassers, as our books were the ministers to this family.

We are greatly encouraged over the outlook of our book work. Several canvassers are now in the field and others are getting ready to enter the work soon. Brother Winkler heads the list of our workers for last week. He took \$50 worth of orders in three days.

Remember we are expecting to hold our institute in March, and the place will be Grove. We expect a large class, but still there is room for you, so get ready and be present the first day of the meeting. I am sure many more of our brethren should enter this line of the work. Pray that God may help you to make the right decision.

### Conference Office Located at Nicholasville

At the camp-meeting held at Elizabethtown last August, it was voted by the conference committee that we secure a place suitable for the conference office outside of Louisville. This action was taken because of a desire on the part of the writer to locate his family out of the city, and because it seemed, on account of so few workers in our conference, that there should be aggressive work done in new centers. At the same time Elder Lindsay and Sister Hornung can push the work forward in the city of Louisville. We have secured in Nicholasville a building on the main street near the post-office that will give our work many advantages over a private house office. The Lord blessed us in securing this building at a very reasonable rent. All mail for the conference or tract society, as well as for the writer, should be addressed to Nicholasville, Ky. When ordering books and papers address and make all remittances to the Kentucky Tract Society. When sending money for tithes and offerings address and make remittances to Seventh-day Adventist Kentucky Conference.

We need your prayers for the work, as we enter this new field.

B. W. BROWN.

### In the Field

DURING the bad weather our reports were not so large, but since the beginning of the New Year several have started to work again.

We were glad to greet Brn. Jas. Rice and Will Chamberlin, from Cedar Lake, Mich., with a hearty welcome into our field. They will work with "Great Controversy" and the *Watchman*. While visiting them Monday and Tuesday, they told me of some of their experiences, and said that they felt amply repaid for

their trip south. Brother Chamberlin told of a colored woman he met who was keeping the Sabbath. She had heard of the Sabbath some time before, and had accepted it. She bought a "Bible Footlights" and a Bible, and subscribed for the *Watchman* for one year. These brethren are at work in Cynthiana, Harrison County.

I received a letter from another worker, written the 6th of January. He said, "I am ready to start out canvassing, and the rain is pouring down, but I shall go anyway, as I am well protected from the rain.

Bro. Curtis Pound and I are beginning work here at Mt. Sterling in Montgomery County. Brother Hardy Shoemaker has been working with good success in Casey County, and reports some interesting experiences there; others will be in the field later. Let all pray for the coming institute. It will be held at Grove, Casey County, Ky., beginning about the 28th of February, this time subject to change, so let's watch the *WORKER*. Pray and plan to be there, and make preparation to enter the work. Let us remember that the Lord of the harvest is with us; and the God of Jacob is our refuge.

H. E. BECK.

### An Encouraging Report

THE blessings of God are attending the efforts put forth in Louisville. As the committee felt best for me to take up work in this city, I accordingly planned to conduct tent-meetings, which I began the 21st of June and continued for four weeks, the Lord blessing us richly.

After our camp-meeting another tent effort was conducted in Louisville, Bro. Curtis Pound acting as tent-master. Both tent efforts were crowned with success, there being a good attendance, and many souls accepting the message.

Our faithful Bible worker, Miss Annie Hornung has been kept busy giving Bible readings, and God has crowned her work with success and souls have been brought into the fold as a result of her labors. Since the close of our tent-meetings, we have been holding meeting on Sunday night in the church besides our Sabbath services and our Wednesday night prayer meeting. We have also conducted some special services.

He who reproves, or convinces men and women of their sins—the Holy Spirit, has been striving with those to whom light has been given and as a result we have had the joy of seeing men and women converted to God.

We are glad to report that since our first tent effort in June till the present time twenty-two dear souls have been added to the Louisville church and two received by letter. One very encouraging feature is that among this number we have four entire families. Surely it causes our hearts to rejoice to see father, mother, and children, embrace this last message and prepare to enter the glorious kingdom of God together.

We believe the Lord is preparing to gather in others, for we feel that it is through his providence that we have succeeded in selling our church property and purchasing another church and parsonage much better adapted to our needs. We have now moved from Seventh and Chestnut Sts. to Seventeenth and Jefferson, our new location. This church was formerly occupied by the Methodists. The parsonage is a seven-room brick building; the church building is also brick.

This change gives us a splendid location and we can work to greater advantage than formerly.

Pray for us, that God will help us to reach the hearts of the people with this great message, that our hope, our joy, our crown of rejoicing may be to see souls saved in the kingdom of God.

R. S. LINDSAY.

## Louisiana Conference

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### News Items

SISTER ELLA GRANTHAM related, in the office, the following interesting experience which we wish all to enjoy with us. "I must tell you of a visit I made to one of our Catholic neighbors. This lady lives a few doors from the mission, and before Christmas bought several of our books. At her request I returned later taking along a sample of our books for the children, with the result that she purchased \$3.75 worth.

"There were three of us in the company, Miss Josie Jenevein, my daughter, and myself. The old lady of the home, the grandmother, soon discovered that Miss Jenevein and several members of her family had some time before left the Catholic Church. This was more than she could stand and for a while she poured out a perfect torrent of abuse and condemnation, saying that it was a disgrace and an outrage for anyone to forsake the 'true church and make a religion of your own.' She knew that it all came from reading that Bible, and she was sure that she would go crazy if she were to even look inside of it. She added that the only place to hear of the true God was from the priest and he preached such a beautiful sermon that very Sunday morning.

"I told her that the very words she had just quoted from the priest's sermon were taken from the Bible, and that this religion was not a religion which this young lady had made up herself, also that I had been reading the Bible all of my life and was not crazy either.

"Miss Jenevein was formerly a member of the same church with these people and I could not help contrasting the different spirit which she used in answering the old lady's abuse with that used by her.

"Immediately after our talk the grandmother called the children and took them out to a moving picture show, Sunday evening."

Bro. C. J. Reed has lately entered the work and is having good success in Lena Station. He writes, "Brother Reeder was here last week in the interest of the canvassing work, and we took orders in most of the houses. At one place we took orders for 'Bible Footlights', 'The Man that Rum Made', and three 'New Testament Primers'. The man of the house then asked us what one dozen of these primers would cost? I told him, and he said he would take them to use as presents for his Sunday-school class.

"Another man who had given us his order stopped us on the street and requested that we increase his order. Two other persons heard of the book and were interested enough to stop us and place their order. Another party came to my house and ordered the same book, 'The Man that Rum Made.' To God be all the praise."

This book that Brother Reed is having such good success with is the new temperance book. It is full of interesting matter, instructive to both old and young. How is it with your neighborhood? Could you not sell a

few of this splendid book too? Of course you could. We will be glad to help you.

Special offer for a short time only: Large family Bibles, well bound, family record, clear type, post-paid to you for \$1.50, just half price. In ordering mention our special offer number 290. Send cash with order.

### Missionary Volunteer News Letter—January

We have turned over a new page as it were in our lives at this time and what are we writing on that clean page? Don't you remember how nice the new page used to look in your copy book at school? Didn't you always resolve that the new page should not have any carelessly made letters and that there should be no blots on that page? Have you resolved that this new page in your life shall have no blots on it? Have you felt the enemy of your soul trying to blot it already? Have you been able to drive him away with some of those precious promises in the Morning Watch? How about the promise in Isa. 40:11? Did it ever occur to you that just a little while in the future we shall need these promises as we have never needed them before? Let us not allow this golden opportunity of storing our minds with them slip by unimproved.

This letter is a little late this month because we have waited for some promised contributions and now we are forced to send it to the publishers without them. We are very sorry to have to do this. Come now, dear young people, do you think this is just the way to do our work? Do you think Jesus can say, "Well done" when we are unfaithful in our own work? This is your letter and you promised to support it. Are you going to fail? Remember the old proverb, "Procrastination is the thief of time."

Word comes from the New Orleans Society that they have elected new officers, and that now Bro. Charles Burroughs is leader, and Miss Emi Lou Stuart is secretary. Ringgold has not yet reported, so we are unable to tell you who their new officers are. Good word comes from both of these societies that they are almost ready for the review on "Uplift of China."

A young lady, formerly of Louisiana but now a student in the Fox River Academy, writes that she has just received her Gift Book and that it is worth working for if there were no other benefits to be derived from the Reading Course. She took the whole Reading Course during vacation and says she wants to join the Louisiana roll this year when her heavy school work is over.

Before this letter goes to press, the Young People's Convention here in Lake Charles will be in the past. How we should like to have a convention where all of our young people might be present! Shall we have one at our next camp-meeting?

Have you seen that pamphlet *Recreation*, compiled from Sister White's writings? Here are two paragraphs from it:—

"The desire for excitement and pleasing entertainment is a temptation and a snare to God's people, and especially to the young. Satan is constantly preparing inducements to attract minds from the solemn work of preparation for the scenes just in the future. Through the agency of worldlings he keeps up a continual excitement to induce the unwary to join in worldly pleasures. There are shows, lectures, and an endless variety of entertainments that are calculated to lead to a love of the world; and through this union with the world faith is weakened.

"Satan is a persevering workman, an artful, deadly foe. Whenever an incautious word is spoken, whether in flattery

or to cause the youth to look upon some sin with less abhorrence, he takes advantage of it, and nourishes the evil seed, that it may take root and yield a bountiful harvest. He is in every sense of the word a deceiver, a skilful charmer. He has many finely woven nets, which appear innocent, but which are skilfully prepared to entangle the young and unwary. The natural mind leans toward pleasure and self-gratification. It is Satan's policy to manufacture an abundance of this. He seeks to fill the mind with a desire for worldly amusement, that there may be no time for the question, How is it with my soul?"

## Mississippi Conference

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### Vale

*To the Brethren and Sisters of Mississippi:—*

As I lay down the responsibilities of field missionary agent I wish to express a few thoughts. God has blessed our united efforts, and we have been privileged to see the work grow until more than 13,000 books have gone into the homes of the people in Mississippi in a single year; for this we thank God and give him the praise.

I wish to express to each one personally, my thanks for your prayers, your hearty co-operation and your kind hospitality to me as I have visited you in your homes.

And now dear fellow canvassers, one and all, I would say that it is just like breaking family ties to sever our associations. For almost five years we have toiled together and united our prayers that God would keep us faithful and raise up others to engage in this noble work. I know you unite with me to thank God for answered prayer. Your good and encouraging letters have cheered me many times. Your faithfulness in reporting and earnestness in service I have surely appreciated. I trust all this shall be extended to the one who has taken the work.

I would not forget to express my thanks for the hearty co-operation of the conference officers, both local and union, during these years, and for the many encouraging letters received from the Southern Publishing Association.

As I have said I have been here five years and asked to be released, yet I was perfectly willing to do what my brethren thought best. The Lord willing I hope to do colporteur work for I do enjoy going among the people with this precious truth.

I have a serious throat trouble of long standing. Last week I canvassed, but with much difficulty. This week I am obliged to stay indoors and am giving my throat steady treatment with the hope of soon being well, that I may go right on in the work. Let us work, watch and pray, being faithful day by day.

H. G. MILLER.

"God has not passed his people by, and chosen one solitary man here and another there as the only ones worthy to be intrusted with his truth. He does not give one man new light contrary to the established faith of the body. In every reform men have arisen making this claim."—*"Testimonies,"* Vol. 5, page 291.

## Tennessee River Conference

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### News Items

REMEMBER the colporteurs' institute to be held in Nashville February 21 to March 2. All those who are contemplating entering the canvassing work should make a special effort to attend this institute.

Bro. L. F. Littell of the Madison school is working in Nashville with "The Man That Rum Made" until after the institute and then he expects to take up "Ministry of Healing." Bro. C. G. Bishop recently connected with the Y. M. C. A. here in Nashville is canvassing for the same book, but after the institute he will use one of our larger books. We should pray for these young men that the Lord might help them in this work. We are expecting them to place a good many books in the homes of the people during the year.

Sister Rebecca Moore is now attending school at Hazel. She did valuable work in Memphis last year selling books. We trust she will take up the canvassing work during vacation.

Brother Dart spoke at the Cedar Grove church Sabbath, January 18.

### Camden

The 3rd of last July, I joined Eld. H. B. French at this place for the purpose of holding a tent effort. We pitched our tent at once, advertised our meetings, and got everything ready, but the rain came and for a week we were unable to do anything. At last the rain ceased, the weather cleared up, and we commenced our meetings. It was hard to get the people out. Occasionally the tent would be full, but often not more than twenty-five or thirty would be present, and at times not so many. But while the attendance was not large, some became interested, and we felt encouraged to continue the effort until we began preparations for the camp-meeting. About the close of the camp-meeting, Elder French returned to his home in Texas, and the committee requested Bro. C. F. Lowry to unite with me in the work at Camden. He did so, and we secured a very desirable location just to the north of the court-house square, where we pitched our tent. We advertised our meetings thoroughly, but from the first only a few attended. We continued the meetings for several nights, but never had more than six or seven out, and at times not more than two until the last night no one came, and we were obliged to close the meetings.

Still I felt that some in the town were interested, and I did not like to give them up just because we could not get them out to the tent. So despite all the discouragements, we took our Bibles and went to their homes and asked for the privilege of studying with them there.

After a time Brother Lowry left me and went to Jackson, Tennessee, to take up work at that place. I remained at Camden, doing Bible work from house to house. While the results have not been large, five are keeping the Sabbath, and

others are studying the truth and seem just on the point of accepting it.

At times I have been greatly discouraged, it seemed so hard to get the people interested in the great and important truths for this time, but I felt that the work was the Lord's. I have felt sure all along that the Lord had some people here, otherwise he would not have called us to this place, and for that reason I have been loathe to leave. While the effort has not been as fruitful as we had hoped, yet I thank God for what has been accomplished, and believe that more fruit will yet be seen. Pray for the work at Camden, and for the writer.

W. R. ELLIOTT.

### Cheering Words

SISTER MAMIE MOORE writes: "My courage is good. Many to whom I have sold books are very much interested, and are taking readings."

Brother Bracy, writing from Fayette County, says: "My courage is good in the Lord, and I believe he is leading. I think this is a good territory to work. Pray for us that the Lord may bless the efforts at this place."

Concerning his work in Haywood County, he says: "Many of those who have bought books are well pleased and say they would not take double the money paid for them."

Sister Bessie Swartzbaugh is enjoying her work with the *Watchman* very much. She says she often receives encouraging words from the people. A man said, "You are in a good work. Keep on in it." One woman said, "I can not take your paper, but I will pray for your success." Another lady said, "Here comes my girl with the *Watchman*. It is a nice Christian paper. I will read it. Come back again."

At a residence where the lady had refused to buy the *Watchman*, Sister Bessie remarked, as she was leaving, that the article entitled "The Fear and Dread of Europe" was worth reading, and passed on out of the yard. But this remark had set the woman to thinking, and she called her and gave her twenty-five cents for a copy.

C. F. DART.

### "Who Was Melchisedec?"

FROM time immemorial this question has been asked, and likely will be to the end of this world's history. It may be all right to know who he *was*, but frequently the mind is taken from an important question and centered upon, "Who was Melchisedec?"

To me the vital question is not who *was* somebody, but who *is*, and who *will be* the colporteurs for this conference this year. Will you be one? If not why not? This world's history is fast closing. Why not engage in a work in which you can be an active missionary every day? This a vital question we should study. The colporteur work is a noble work.

We will hold an institute for the training of colporteurs in the Southern Publishing Association chapel February 28 to March 9. Write for particulars to C. F. Dart, 2309 Lacey St. Nashville, Tenn.

C. F. DART.

### 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.

## Publishers' Department

### The Georgia and Cumberland Institutes

THE Georgia colporteurs' institute was held in the Seventh-day Adventist church in the city of Atlanta, December 30 to January 6, and had been in progress several days when the writer arrived. Bro. V. O. Cole, the general agent of the Southeastern Union, and W. S. Fulbright, the Georgia field missionary agent, with ten colporteurs present were enjoying a very interesting and profitable institute together. A most excellent spirit prevailed both in giving and receiving the instruction, which consisted of the study of the Bible and Testimonies relative to the colporteur work, as well as the details of the business. The colporteurs themselves took a live interest in the discussion of the various phases of the work, giving experiences from which valuable lessons were drawn for the conduct of the work in the future. A number of the old workers were not present which was a matter of regret. Still there were several new recruits of ability present who gave promise of success in the work.

Elder Stephenson, the president of the union, being called away on important business pertaining to the general work, and the illness of Elder Crisler, the president of the conference, prevented these brethren from attending and assisting in the institute as much as they desired. However, what assistance they were able to render was much appreciated by the colporteurs. Services were held in the evenings for the benefit of all who could attend. One evening the church conducted a Missionary Program which was very much appreciated by all.

On account of the illness of Elder Crisler, the writer was requested to conduct the Quarterly Meeting on the Sabbath day. The service was well attended, the church being packed to its utmost capacity, and the occasion was a rich spiritual feast to all the brethren and sisters. Surely the Lord is ready to bestow great blessings on his people if they will but draw near to him.

One interesting and important feature of the Georgia Institute was a practical demonstration in selling our magazines on Sunday in the resident portion of the city. Sister Kenyon, who is laboring in the interest of the magazines, enthusiastically presented this feature of the work, telling what was actually being done in other cities. Those who went out with the magazines, including the general agent, were very enthusiastic over the results. Almost every one sold all the copies they took with them. The advantages of going to the residents with our religious magazines on Sunday are many. The men are at home, and have the money, and the time to read. It is Sunday and the magazine is religious. It requires but little effort to place a copy in many homes.

The Cumberland institute was held at Knoxville, Tenn., January 9 to 19, and as Brother Cole was obliged to remain at Atlanta in attendance at a committee meeting, the writer by request went on to Knoxville and with Bro. D. W. Dillen, the field missionary agent, began the institute which was well under way when Brother Cole and Elder Branson, the president of the conference arrived. This institute was also characterized by much of the presence and blessing of the Holy Spirit. The colporteurs seemed to thoroughly enjoy studying together the fundamental principles underlying the colporteur work, also reviewing the principles of evangelical salesmanship by which our literature is to be sold.

About a dozen colporteurs were present at this institute, most of whom had been in the work the past year, and under the

leadership of Brother Dillen had sold and delivered \$10,047.18 worth of our literature, or a little more than double the amount sold the previous year. Five of their colporteurs sold over half of this amount, which demonstrates again that it does not necessarily require a large number of workers to do a large work. The call of the hour is a Gideon army. As at Atlanta, so at Knoxville services were conducted each evening, mostly by Elder Branson, the president of the conference. Sabbath Jan. 18 a call was made for those who desired to seek God for special victory. There was a general response, nearly every one in the house moving forward, which resulted in special blessings coming upon the church.

The institute closed the night after the Sabbath by an especially interesting meeting with the colporteurs, at the close of which they began to scatter for their several territories to enter at once upon the work of the year. All seemed to be of excellent courage and renewed faith in God for the success of the work in 1913.

The writer especially enjoyed the privilege of attending these two institutes and again studying with others the great and grand principles of our work as well as the providences of God in committing to our hand so important a task as is involved in an effort to place one or more of our books in every home in all the land before the fiat, "It is finished," goes forth.

We were especially pleased to note the general progress of the work in both these conferences. The Sanitarium at Atlanta under the direction of Dr. Andrews, was, as it has been for some time, filled to its utmost capacity with patients, and the Lord was giving them special help in ministering to those who came. At Knoxville Brother and Sister R. A. Lovell, who have been conducting treatment rooms in the city for a number of years, are still enjoying the patronage of the very best people of the city, and the Lord is helping them to place in their hands many of our good books which they are reading with interest. We were very favorably impressed with the work these consecrated workers are carrying forward. Altogether the outlook is very encouraging and the laborers in the various lines are pressing on with a determination to do their part in finishing the work in this generation.

W. W. EASTMAN.

### The "Watchman" for February

THE outlook for *The Watchman* for this year is very bright. The first edition (January) was not only quickly exhausted but went ahead, by 5,000 of the same month last year. The subscription list passed the highest previous point by five hundred. It now stands at high-water mark, seven thousand. Truly the Lord is doing great work through the agency of our good magazines.

The following are some of the excellent features of the February *Watchman*.—

A report of the Federal Council of Churches, by the editor. This is the second quadrennial session of an important organization which is quietly but steadily forging ahead in this country, looking toward the eradication of all denominational differences and the consolidation into one ecclesiastical empire of all the churches for the more effective working out of certain reforms. Now is the time to spread the true principles of religious liberty by the circulation of this issue.

Hon. Thomas R. Marshall, the Vice-President-elect of the United States, gave a very able address before the above mentioned council. This appears in its entirety in this issue under the caption "The Church and the Forces of Reform." Mr. Marshall has a very clear conception of the true functions of

church and state and his ideas should be heartily endorsed, and this article widely circulated.

Our readers will be glad to know that Prof. P. T. Magan continues his important series on the "Eastern Question," his contribution being entitled "The Fear and Dread of Europe."

"The Jews Misled from the Christian Religion," the second of Eld. F. C. Gilbert's splendid series will be a prominent feature.

Elder Clarence Santee gives a very clear account of "The Prince of this World." In these last days of increasing wickedness some may seriously question the existence of an evil one. To this class Elder Santee bears a special message.

If our new president selects as a member of his cabinet a postmaster-general actively opposed to the circulation of true Protestant literature, we shall know that our present unbounded privilege of circulating our good magazines may be restricted.

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### Temperance "Instructor"

We have just received a sample copy of the 1913 Temperance *Instructor*. It is by far the most attractive number ever published. Both front and back covers are appropriately illustrated, and printed in three-color effect.

The cartoon on back cover illustrating the finished product of the Gin Mill, will help many to more keenly realize the awfulness of the licensed liquor traffic. All of the illustrations are good, and the contents of the entire number the best we have ever had, most of it being prepared by our own people—those to whom the gospel of temperance is committed.

This fine temperance number of the *Instructor* brings our people new opportunities, and increased responsibilities. With a paper as popular as the Temperance number is, no one should feel the least timidity in soliciting for it. The temperance people in every locality will welcome our workers. Many of them will help us sell it. In fact, the general situation in all particulars is more favorable to pleasant and effective work along temperance lines than ever before. In fulfilling our obligations, therefore, we are required to go beyond our former records in working, not only to check the progress of the liquor traffic, but to win thousands through our temperance work to the cause of present truth.

### The Eastern Question

A NEW sixteen page tract, by L. A. Smith, recently 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.

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## Colporteurs' Report for the Southern Union Conference

Two Weeks Ending Jan. 18, 1913

ALABAMA CONFERENCE							
NAME	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Delivered
R T Jacks.....	BF	19	17	\$17 50	\$2 00	\$19 50	\$
A J Rice.....	BF	39	20	22 50		22 50	
H G Smith.....	CK	38	10	9 00	2 50	11 50	22 00
Mrs H G Smith....	CK	39	3	4 50		4 50	8 50
E F Waters.....	BF	57	21	21 00		21 00	
I W Peevy.....	BF	25	12	20 50	2 00	22 50	4 00
M L Ivory.....	BF	44	5	7 50	2 50	10 50	4 00
G W Brown.....	BF	85	12	12 00	6 00	18 00	22 50

Week Ending Jan. 18, 1913

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE							
John Harzman ....		24	19	36 00	1 50	37 50	
Josie Jenevein ....			5		1 25	1 25	
Effie Johnstone....		16	8		6 00	6 00	
Florence Grantham			18		4 50	4 50	
I J Reed.....		23	9	13 50	12 75	26 25	75
Mrs Ella Grantham...			6		5 75	5 75	
S F Reeder.....		12	6	6 00	1 00	7 00	2 00

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE							
H C Balsbaugh....	GC	40	9	29 00	2 20	31 20	19 20
H G Miller.....	CK	42	24	26 00	1 75	27 75	
W H Haddon..	MOFH	26	4	8 25		8 25	
C R Canada.....	BF	15	9	9 00	3 50	12 50	6 50
J S Fry.....	D&R	39	11	24 00	3 50	27 50	2 00
Mrs Ethel Warren..	BF	9	14	16 00		16 00	1 50
J P Campbell....	BF		24		75	75	14 75
Ella Johnson ..	PP&F	2	4	6 00		6 25	
Annie Watts....	BF		10		1 25	1 25	3 00
M A Murphy.....	BF	24	18	28 00	25	28 25	8 25

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE							
Mamie Moore ..	D&R	26	12	24 00	1 20	25 20	8 00
R H Hazelton....	GC	32	9	18 00	2 15	20 15	
D H Frazee....	MTRM	23	8	6 00	75	6 75	
U Bracy .....	BF		14				4 00

SUMMARY							
Alabama Conf .....		346	100	114 50	15 00	129 50	61 00
Kentucky Conf .....		No report					
Louisiana Conf ...		75	71	52 50	32 25	88 15	2 75
Mississippi Conf ..		231	83	146 25	13 45	159 65	55 20
Tenn River Conf .		95	29	48 00	4 10	52 10	12 00

Totals ..... 747 283 \$361 25 \$64 80 \$429 45 \$130 95

## Magazine Agents' Report

Week Ending Jan. 18, 1913

Agent	No.	Value
ALABAMA CONFERENCE		
Mrs. H G Smith.....	29	\$ 2 90
LOUISIANA CONFERENCE		
Josie Jenevein .....	125	12 50
Effie Johnstone .....	12	1 20
Florence Grantham .....	42	4 20
Mrs. M C Kenyon.....	158	15 80
Emi Lou Stuart .....	5	50
Mrs. Ella Grantham .....	20	2 00
MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE		
Mrs. Ethel Warren .....	11	1 10
M A Murphy .....	61	6 10
TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE		
Bessie Swartzbaugh .....	112	11 20
Totals .....	575	\$ 57 50

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THE College of Medical Evangelists at Loma Linda, California, has at present an enrolment of sixty-four medical students and fifty-two nurses. These are all earnest, consecrated workers. During the Week of Prayer the students visited the nearby towns with the Special Signs and secured \$350 for the Harvest Ingathering Fund. All are working hard.

THE purpose of the gospel is not primarily to free men from the penalty of sin; but to bring them into harmony with the divine law. "For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: that the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit." Rom. 8:3, 4.

#### To Church Officers

AN effort is being made to secure returns, at the earliest possible date, from all our conferences and missions throughout the world, for use in compiling the 1912 statistical report of the denomination. To accomplish this, however, the co-operation of the officers of our churches is enlisted. If each one who has any part to act in the matter of submitting returns for our churches and companies will act promptly, the secretary of the conference will be able to make his report without delay. Unless this is done, it will be impossible to prepare the report prior to the coming session of the General Conference, which it is greatly desired to do. Will not each one, therefore who has anything to do in the matter of reporting information for our various churches and companies, please forward his report without delay, and thus greatly assist in the prompt preparation of the report for 1912. Proper blanks for reporting have doubtless been furnished each church clerk for use in submitting returns, and these should be filled completely at the earliest possible date, and sent forward to the secretary of your conference.

H. E. ROGERS,

Statistical Secretary.

#### The European Situation

EVEN though a treaty may be made between the Balkan States and Turkey, that will not settle the Eastern Question, as is witnessed by the following, which appeared in the daily papers recently:—

"BERLIN, Jan. 19.—Though no special reason for anxiety may be pointed out, it is nevertheless a fact that statesmen here do not take a very favorable view of the general international situation. In all sections of the press statements occasionally appear which show that nobody believes European peace assured for any length of time, no matter how the details of the Balkan question may be arranged.

"As a matter of fact none of the countries involved or on the point of becoming involved is satisfied. Turkey, of course, is smarting under the repeated blows she has suffered these last fifteen months since Italy attacked her in Tripoli, and the country still feels strong enough to think of a war of revenge sooner or later. The people of Bulgaria, as well as those of the other states within the league, do not feel that the results achieved counterbalance their heavy losses, and the people of Servia certainly feel that they have been most unfairly treated.

"In Russia there is a general feeling that the government did not lend the Slavs in the Balkans sufficient moral support and that Austria humiliated Russia even more than when she annexed Bosnia and Herzegovina. In Montenegro, which started the Balkan war, a dangerous state of unrest exists, and in Austria the health of the old emperor, which in spite of all official denials is failing rapidly, is a source of the greatest anxiety.

"It is small wonder therefore that a prominent German paper aptly sums up the present situation in these words: 'The conviction is rooted among us more firmly than generally imagined that the German Empire will one day have to defend its position in the world.'

"The *Germania*, the Berlin organ of the center party, declares that so long as Russia has twelve, 'according to some accounts eighteen,' army corps mobilized there can be no question of peace on earth. Germany, it says, has taken no military measures whatever, and has kept her army on a peace footing notwithstanding the extensive Russian mobilization and the strengthening of the troops in Russian Poland. But it must not be imagined, it adds, that Germany is not strategically ready and also prepared to take the field 'not for the furtherance of the special interests of our ally,' but because any weakening of the Danube monarchy would reduce the importance of the alliance and constitute a direct menace to Germany."

Now is a most opportune time to circulate that excellent tract, "The Eastern Question," by L. A. Smith. The price of this tract, one cent a copy, should commend it for gratuitous distribution. Never before has this subject been so comprehensively treated in so small a compass. Fifty thousand copies have been printed and circulated, but this is only a drop in the bucket, as it were, to the number that ought to be circulated in the near future.

THE Southern Publishing Association has now on hand a supply of "A More Excellent Ministry," by E. E. Andross. Price, in paper covers, 25 cents; in cloth, 50 cents. Order of the Southern Publishing Association, or of your tract society.

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