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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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## Union Conference Directory

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### Report of Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership	Quota for 1914	Amount Paid	Amount Due
2066	\$21486.40	\$7429.93	\$14056.47

## Pertaining to the Union

### Words of Cheer from the Colporteur Work

JUST received this good word from Brother Wilson, field agent of the Alabama Conference. He says, "You will be glad for this note of courage from the field. The boys are getting right after the thing and we are going to see something doing.

"The colporteurs whom I have been with this week are of the best of courage, and feel that they will make a seventy or eighty per cent delivery. The Lord is working for us and moving on the hearts of the people to take their books. The people want to know what these things mean, and we have just what they want. One colored man went to his 'boss-man' and said, 'I must have the money for my book, for it tells me what this great war means and I must have it.' He got the book. Many of those who fail would get the money if we did our duty."

This good word from the faithful colporteurs in Alabama makes me feel good. A few days ago I was talking to one of the colporteurs in the Tennessee River Conference and he told me of a delivery he had just made. Not one time did he miss delivering a book because of the war situation. The people are wondering what will be the outcome of this war, and their minds are ripe for the truth contained in our books. What a grand privilege the colporteur has in taking to them these truth-laden books! The results will not be fully seen until we are in the kingdom of God.

The colporteurs are just entering their large deliveries for the fall. In the union we have more than fifty thousand dollars' worth of books to deliver in the next few months. Some have suggested that we wait for a time to see what the war will result in, but I am very glad to see the field agents' are advising the colporteurs to get right into the delivery as soon as the time comes, and rush it through. I feel that this is good advice and do hope the colporteurs will not wait but will go at their delivery with the determination to do the best they can. There are times when you will have to postpone the delivery of a book, but these will be exceptions and not the rule. You will recall that in the institutes we advised to not postpone if it was at all

possible to do otherwise. However, this is a different experience to anything we have had before, and you may have to postpone more this year than you have in the past. Some are doing this where the people have not sold any cotton and can not borrow the money, and in this way they are delivering almost all their orders.

A few weeks ago there were thirty-six thousand dozen eggs shipped from this country to England. The United States received twenty-five cents per dozen for these eggs. There is an excellent crop and a good market and price for wheat, rice, corn, beef, etc. There is a great demand for labor, at a good wage. Horses are being bought for the war zone in Canada as far south as Saint Louis. They are bringing one hundred and seventy-five dollars each, on an average. All this, with the desire on the part of the people to know what these things mean, makes it seem to me that now is a most opportune time to deliver the orders we have. I believe we are going to make a good delivery, if we are faithful and do not become faint-hearted. "If God be for us who can be against us?"

While the conference of southern governors and congressmen, called to consider the predicament of cotton planters through the closing of European markets by war, ended its labor without having determined upon any specific plan of action, yet they did pass some resolutions that will help the situation a great deal. The buy-a-bale movement is helping some. The hope of the government loaning the cotton growers of the South \$500,000,000 at the rate of thirty-five dollars per bale is making times much better. This gives them a working capital. Montgomery Ward & Co. of Chicago wired their branch office at Fort Worth, Texas, to buy ten thousand bales in Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and neighboring States. Brethren, all these littles put together will greatly relieve the financial situation in this country and I feel that we ought to praise God and go forward.

From the appearance of things since the camp-meeting in Kentucky I feel that we are going to see something doing in that State in the colporteur line. It is certainly good to see the number of men Brother Hickman is training for the field of late. They expect to have two institutes before the regular annual institute this winter. This will help the regular corps of workers when they are in the field and reporting.

Brother Pound writes from the Tennessee River Conference that one of his men passed the one-hundred-dollar mark in orders taken last week. This truth is due, and the people are anxiously waiting for us to bring it to them.

Brother Smith writes from Mississippi that he and a new colporteur took more than twenty orders for "Bible Readings" last week. To this cheering report he adds, "We found the people were about as willing to buy books as they would have been if there was not a war. On our round we found

two persons who showed evidence that they really wanted to learn of the truth. It would have done your soul good to see these dear souls drink in what we had to say." He then relates a most interesting experience of a lady who followed them to the gate asking questions about the truth we have on these subjects. The brother he was helping to get started is a new Adventist, and he said this was the happiest week of his life.

In closing we solicit your prayers for the colporteurs during these trying hours. Satan is working with all the power he has to make our work a failure, but the Lord, who never lost a battle, says, "I am with you alway even unto the end of the world." We are of good courage and expect to press the battle to the enemy's gate.

J. W. DAVIS.

## Alabama Conference

### Conference Directory

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OFFICE ADDRESS, Room 316, Lyric Bldg., Birmingham, Ala.

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### Report of Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership	Quota for 1914	Amount Paid	Amount Due
400	\$4160.00	\$1467.83	\$2692.17

### Change of Secretary and Treasurer and Location of Office

At our late camp-meeting in Montgomery among other things a change was made in the office of the conference and tract society treasurer and conference secretary. Brother O. R. Godsmark of Louisiana, was elected to these offices for the coming year. Brother Godsmark and family arrived last week and he has entered upon his official duties. All business pertaining to these offices should now be addressed to him.

Brother Hartwell who has faithfully served in the above capacities will remain for a time in the conference, laboring in Birmingham as duties may call. The conference office has been transferred from Room 333, Hood Building to Room 316, Lyric Building. Please note this change and address your correspondence to O. R. Godsmark, Room 316, Lyric Building, Birmingham, Ala.

A. L. MILLER.

### News Notes

OUR office location is changed. We are no longer in Room 333, Hood Building, but are now located in Room 316, Lyric Building. We will be glad to meet you in our new location.

The Harvest Ingathering time is here, the time for gathering in the funds for missions. The times and the nearness of the end demand a quick work. We hope to hear from every church every week.

The gospel is to be carried to every nation and preached for a witness. By our faithfulness in the Harvest Ingathering campaign we will receive our portion of the reward.

Word from Elder Keate says they had twenty-four present last Sabbath at Sabbath-school at Gadsden. Elder Miller is expecting to be with them Sabbath, October 3, at the time of the church organization.

Recent word from Elder Bellinger says he has encountered

much opposition to the message at Luverne, where he has been laboring. But by perseverance and prayer the victory was won. Nine signed the covenant to keep the commandments of God, and a Sabbath-school of fifteen was organized.

At Patton, where Elder Miller has been for the past week, three have begun keeping the Sabbath and four others say they will obey ere long. All of these will meet with Brother O. P. Ivie, church elder, on Friday nights for special Bible study.

## Kentucky Conference

### Conference Directory

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### Report of Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership	Quota for 1914	Amount Paid	Amount Due
350	\$3640.00	\$ 962.04	\$2677.96

### News Items

ELDER BROWN spent a few days with the Grove Church the past week. He reports a good meeting. Two were baptized.

Brother C. L. Bainer and wife arrived in Nicholasville the twenty-second. He has now taken charge of the work at the office. Sister Bainer will take up her work the first of October.

Brother Beck writes from LaGrange, where he is selling the printed page, that he has found a sister who has been keeping the Sabbath for twelve years and never knew there was a Seventh-day Adventist church in Kentucky.

Brother Love left for Madison, Tenn., September 24, where he will join his wife who has been visiting at the home of her parents. Brother Love has done faithful work in the office and we wish him success in the work that he may engage in for the future.

Brother G. H. Curtis, the union auditor, spent several days at the office the past week, checking up the books and assisting Brother Bainer with his work.

Word received from Brother M. Jones, our magazine agent in Louisville, states that he is pushing his work and meeting with success.

Elder Lawrence reports three additions to the colored church, Sabbath, September 26.

The Grove Church has sent in a good order for Harvest Ingathering papers.

Brother Hickman spent a few days with the Grove Church the past week. He was looking for volunteers to join the army of colporteurs. He reports prospects for some recruits soon from that church.

Brother M. Wheeler canvassed forty hours last week for "Daniel and the Revelation" and secured seventy-three dollars' worth of orders.

Miss Mary Chapman writes from Louisa where she is visiting her father that she will be ready to sell the printed page by the tenth of October.

Brother Alexander Perry has just finished his delivery and reports the Lord's presence with him so that he made a

ninety-eight per cent delivery. We are very glad for his report.

Have you read the October *Watchman*? If not you are missing some good things. We have received several orders the past week for this good paper.

Sister Lewis has moved from Georgetown to Louisville. She expects to sell the printed page.

Several have sent in money for their mission pledges made at camp-meeting. We are glad for these remittances as our brethren in Europe are greatly in need of funds.

A number of our people did not attend the camp-meeting hence did not make a pledge to help missions. We will gladly take your pledge from home. Send in your name and the amount you will give by January 1, and we will gladly enter your name on our list.

Miss Edna Calender, who has entered the colporteur work, reports that she is of good courage after her first week's work.

Good reports are coming in from the Sabbath-schools and almost all have increased their thirteenth-Sabbath offering over what it was last quarter.

Brother Hallsted spent Sabbath with the Grove Church. He is canvassing Rockcastle County for "Daniel and the Revelation."

Many calls are coming in for meetings to be held in different parts of the conference. We hope to see them all filled as rapidly as possible.

Miss Hayden of Lawrence, Kan., arrived at Grove the past week. She is a sister of Mrs. R. O. Diehl and will assist with the teaching at the Grove school.

In company with Brother Hickman we went to Grove where we held four meetings. Our people were present on Friday night, with a good number of outsiders.

On Sabbath morning there were forty-five present for the Sabbath-school. A good interest was manifested. When the call was made for the thirteenth-Sabbath offering the people responded liberally. The result was the largest amount that has ever been raised there since the church was organized.

The after service was one long to be remembered by those present. The Lord came in by his Holy Spirit and convicted of sin. Many confessions were made and differences that had existed between brethren were put away. Several expressed themselves as never having been in a meeting like this one. The hearts of the parents were turned to the children and the children's hearts were turned to the parents. To those who were present it seemed that drops of the latter rain had come. At the close of the service two children were baptized. Brother Hickman presented the need of consecrated colporteurs and several responded. We believe that the Grove Church will grow as they press together.

I then went to Jessamine where a meeting had been arranged for, and spoke to a large congregation. More work should be done in this place soon. B. W. BROWN.

"I HAVE become so much impressed with the exceeding value of the *Protestant Magazine* that I have obtained a complete bound set from the beginning. It is so fair, so just, so courteous, so able, so eminently scholarly, and so thoroughly reliable, that it carries its own commendation to all who are fair-minded and want to know the truth. It affords also a splendid arsenal from which to draw ammunition in the present conflict with the encroachments of Papalism. It ought to be in the hands of every Protestant minister in the country, and in the hands of every Catholic cleric, too. The September number is simply immense, and then some."—*Rev. William H. Bates, Pastor Bethany Chapel, N. Y. Ave., Presbyterian Church, Washington, D. C.*

## Louisiana Conference

### Conference Directory

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### Report of Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership	Quota for 1914	Amount Paid	Amount Due
337	\$3504.80	\$1180.83	\$2323.97

### News Items

ELDER BUCKNER's daughter and Sister Ione Smith's sister left September 28 for Huntsville to attend the Oakwood school.

Sister Goodwyn closed up her work in Alexandria, and left for Oakdale, La. on the first of October, where she will labor for a few weeks, after which she will take up Bible work in Lake Charles for the winter.

Good word comes from the church school in Shreveport, where Brother Sligh is teaching.

A lively church school opened in the New Orleans Church No. 2 the twenty-eighth, with a good enrolment. Sister Ione Smith is the teacher.

In a recent letter, Brother Bodwell writes that in four hours he took fifty orders for "Best Stories."

Sister Susie Boden is selling two hundred and fifty magazines each week in New Orleans. She hopes to enter the Keene, Texas school at the beginning of the winter term.

### Obituary

JUNE.—Robert E. June was born at Hammond, La., October 3, 1895, and was killed September 18, 1914. He was the son of Brother and Sister E. E. June, and was their only own child living. He was a good boy, and highly respected by all who knew him. With an earnest desire to obtain a fitting for usefulness, he started for Graysville, Tenn. to attend our Southern Training School. When about two hundred miles on the way, his train ran into an open switch, and he and nine other passengers were killed, and twenty-six injured. It is a source of great comfort to his parents that he fell while in the path of duty, and they sorrow not as those who have no hope. A large concourse of friends assembled at the funeral, and words of comfort were spoken by the writer, from the text found in John 3:16, after which he was laid to rest in the cemetery at Hammond.

R. W. PARMELE.

### Obituary

JOHNSON.—Mrs. Amelia Johnson was born in southwestern Louisiana, May 6, 1855 and departed this life, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. D. Bush, in Sugartown, La., on the twenty-ninth of August 1914, aged 59 years, 3 months, and 23 days. She first heard the present truth in the summer of 1907. She eagerly accepted it and faithfully lived it to the time of her death. She was especially active in missionary work and was instrumental in bringing several to obey the Lord. Seven children are left and nearly all are staunch in the message. Those who knew her best are cheered with the thought that she rests from her afflictions which were many, that she is now sleeping in Jesus, and that they will meet her a little from this, in perfect and immortal health, in the first resurrection.

O. F. FRANK.

## Mississippi Conference

### Conference Directory

C. S. WIEST, President.  
 Wm. WOODRUFF, Secretary and Treasurer.  
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### Report of Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership	Quota for 1914	Amount Paid	Amount Due
256	\$2662.40	\$1329.21	\$1333.19

### The Harvest Ingathering Campaign

We have now come to the time of another Harvest Ingathering campaign. What shall the record of Mississippi be for the year 1914? The needs for this year are more urgent than any previous one. Never have the demands been so many and the calls upon the Mission Board so pressing.

In the campaign of 1913 the Mississippi Conference was one of the four conferences which had raised their portion in reaching the goal. What will this year bring forth? One dollar and fifty-four cents for each member is not a large amount that the General Conference asks of each member. But you will remember that this conference voted at its last session to raise the amount equal to five dollars per member. Why not put forth every effort to raise the five dollars? Some will be able to do this in one day, others may spend several days in doing it; but if we all take hold of this work with fervent prayer, the task will be accomplished.

We certainly do have an excellent paper with which to solicit. The outside cover is worth ten cents, and the inside is worth still more. We can not afford to let this campaign pass by without taking an active part. If there ever was a time when we all should come up to the help of the Lord and his people, it is in this fall campaign. Some of the members of the body are suffering on account of the great war now waging in Europe. The Mission Treasury, worse than empty, having a deficit of \$69,000,000, demands us to arise and help in this great crisis.

Let no one stay home. Think of your brother who is deprived of necessary comforts, and the world which is looking to us as a people for an explanation of present conditions in the earth. Let us raise our full quota in both white and colored churches.

C. S. WIEST.

### News Notes

ELDER AND Mrs. J. A. MORROW returned to Hattiesburg the first part of last week. They have spent a number of weeks in Jackson, and will now resume their work in Hattiesburg. Brother Morrow stopped off at Speed on his way down.

Elder and Mrs. C. S. Wiest returned from Meridian the first of last week. Elder Wiest has been assisting in the tent effort there and also looking after nearby interests and isolated believers. Mrs. Wiest spent a short vacation there.

Reports come of the continued interest in the meetings in Meridian, and we look for many additions as a result of the earnest effort that has been put forth there by Elder Burke and his colaborers since camp-meeting.

Brother Virgil Smith during last week and the first part of this week has been looking after some new recruits, also assisting Brethren Taylor and Chastain in getting started in their deliveries in and around Brookhaven.

Misses Grace and Ruby Holt have recently gone to Hazel to attend school, after having spent several successful weeks in the sale of our magazines in this field. They were much encouraged with their work and plan to enter the field again next year in the interest of our magazines.

Elder N. B. King, of the mission, has returned to Greenville to resume his work at that place. D. V. Barnes has been there since the colored camp-meeting, looking after the interest.

Elder A. C. Chatman, also of the mission, will be in Meridian several weeks, and then plans to make his home in Vicksburg.

On account of pressing matters in Nashville, Elder Sydney Scott could not return to Jackson after the camp-meeting here, and so the tent was taken down and stored. We plan for a good strong effort to be held here for the colored people next year when the tent season opens. We are sorry for the necessity of closing the effort at this time.

From the colporteur report, it will be seen that last week's work proves to be a little better, although many are preparing for their deliveries to begin the first of this month. It will be seen that our new recruit, Brother W. E. Thomas, is doing well for the time put in.

Let all remember that this week is Harvest Ingathering campaign week. The campaign just begins this week, and let us all push it vigorously from now on and be among the first to report our goal reached. Let it also be remembered that we are working for five dollars per member this year. It will take much faith and courage; let us do our part and the Lord will give the increase. We have known of a slogan which reads like this: "With the Lord's help we do."

We still have a supply of the *Review War Extra*, also of the *Armageddon tract*. It is still a good time to circulate these, and we shall be glad to have your orders. The *War Extra* is one-half cent each, and the tract is one cent each, post-paid.

Those who at the present time are engaged in the sale of the *Home Workers' books* are reporting splendid success. Let us not lose sight of the important resolution that was adopted at the camp-meeting with reference to this. It might do you good to look over your old *WORKERS* and read it again. The prospectus is fifty cents. Send at once for a prospectus and join the successful army of Home Workers.

"THE Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower."

### Important to Stenographers and Typewriters

THE Fireside Correspondence School desires to announce to its patrons and friends that it is prepared to furnish any non-visible writing machine, including the old reliable Remington No. 6, entirely remanufactured and as good as new, at the low price of \$15, or for less in combination with our courses of instruction in stenography and typewriting. The latest model of visible writers, any make, can be furnished for \$30. Send at once for full particulars of combination offers, or reserve a machine at once, since the time for accepting this offer is short. Send no money until requested.

C. C. LEWIS, *Principal, Takoma Park, D. C.*

## Tennessee River Conference

### Conference Directory

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### Report of Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership	Quota for 1914	Amount Paid	Amount Due
723	\$7519.20	\$2490.02	\$5029.18

### News Notes

ELDER ELLIOTT writes that he has been successful in raising in cash and pledges while at the Lane Church \$365 and the Lord came very near to the people while he was there. He reports that they are having some good meetings.

Brother Pound returned to the office Thursday, October 1, after a trip in the field. Brother Pound reports that the inability of the farmers to sell their cotton is hurting our book work quite a little. The men are all of good courage, however.

Brother B. E. Wagner, one of our faithful workers, has left the field to enter the school at Mount Vernon. We are very sorry to lose the services of Brother Wagner, but trust that he will be prepared for more efficient service in the work of the Lord through this preparation.

Orders for the Harvest Ingathering *Review* are coming in very nicely. Some of the churches have not yet ordered their papers, but should do so at once. Remember, the rallying cry is \$100,000 for missions, and it is hoped that this money will be in before the last of the year.

The church quarterly report blanks have been mailed to all the churches and it is hoped that they will be filled out and returned to the office as soon as possible. Be sure and report each item, so we can complete our records.

Brother J. M. Boyce has removed to Memphis, where he expects to actively engage in the colporteur work. Our prayers and best wishes go with him to his new field.

### Scriptural Evidences

THIS booklet by Pastor W. M. Crothers, is a work which every believer should carry in his pocket, or keep always within his reach.

True to its title and exhaustive in its nature, it presents the scriptural evidence in support of the principal doctrines as understood by Seventh-day Adventists, covering the ground of thirty or forty Bible readings or sermons as usually presented by our workers.

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## Miscellaneous

### Thy Will Be Done

WE see not, know not; all our way  
 Is night,—with Thee alone is day.  
 From out the torrent's troubled drift,  
 Above the storm our prayers we lift,  
 Thy will be done!

We take with solemn thankfulness  
 Our burden up nor ask it less,  
 And count it joy that even we  
 May suffer, serve, or wait for Thee,  
 Whose will be done!

Though dim as yet in tint and line,  
 We trace Thy picture's wise design,  
 And thank Thee that our age supplies  
 Its dark relief of sacrifice.  
 Thy will be done!

And if, in our unworthiness,  
 Thy sacrificial wine we press;  
 If from Thy ordeal's heated bars  
 Our feet are seamed with crimson scars,  
 Thy will be done!

If, for the age to come, this hour  
 Of trial hath vicarious power,  
 And, blest by Thee, our present pain,  
 Be liberty's eternal gain,  
 Thy will be done!

Strike, Thou the Master, we Thy keys,  
 The anthem of the destinies!  
 The minor of Thy loftiest strain,  
 Our hearts shall breathe the old refrain.  
 Thy will be done!

—Whittier.

### Not "Purgatory," But "Hath Never Forgiveness"

Matt. 12:32; Mark 3:29; Luke 12:10

CATHOLIC: "Now if there may be forgiveness of any sin whatsoever in the world to come, there must be a middle place or purgatory; for no sin can enter heaven to be forgiven there, and in hell there is no forgiveness."—"Catholic Christian Instructed," pp. 183, 184.

Protestant: "Whoever had spoken, or who should speak, blasphemous words against the 'Son of man,' might repent and be pardoned; but whoever should thus speak against the

Holy Spirit, could never be pardoned, either in this world or the next. It does not hence follow, that any sin which is not forgiven here, will hereafter be forgiven: the expression at most only shows, that some of the Jews had notions of this kind, as well as the papists and other professed Christians: but it seems to be more than a form of speech common among the Jews, when they asserted strongly that anything should never be done."—*Dr. Scott's Notes on Matt. 12: 32.*

## Interesting Letter from the President of Cuba

Havana, Cuba, September 3, 1914.

Mr. C. S. Longacre,

Editor of the *Liberty Magazine*,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your esteemed favor of the twenty-fourth ultimo, and in compliance with your request to express my views on civil and religious freedom, I wish to state the following:

Religious liberty is the true basis of civil and political liberty and the best guaranty of peace and prosperity of the nations. Where conscience is not free; where mankind can not freely worship the supreme Creator in accordance with the credence they profess, it is impossible to enjoy personal freedom, or freedom of the home or of patrimony. The *Liberty* magazine, devoted to the defense of these essential principles of civilization has my most heartfelt sympathies.

With the assurance of my most distinguished consideration, I remain, dear sir,

Yours very truly,

M. G. MENOCAI, *President of the Republic of Cuba.*

## Selling Our Books in the Present Earth's Turmoil

By the grace and sustaining power of our divine Lord and Master, I was enabled to close up a long canvass and delivery the latter part of July, in Nevada and northeastern California. On this trip I was blessed in delivering about \$1,000 worth of our good books, outside of helps. Besides all this there was one hundred and twelve copies of the priceless book of truth, "Ministry of Healing," relief edition for the college of Medical Evangelists at Loma Linda. This makes over \$165 in addition to the above.

Early in August I sailed for Eureka, Humboldt Co., Cal., to take a needed rest (and work too) on a ranch, to recover my lost energies, for I was all run down. But ere I realized it, I had dropped all farm work and was in the harness again, canvassing for our truth-laden large books. The Lord does greatly bless. All the honor, glory, and praise are his.

On a trip to a brother's ranch in the mountains we stopped a few minutes in front of a farm house. At a cabin nearby in almost no time a man ordered two books of me, for \$6.50—"Practical Guide to Health" and "Daniel and the Revelation." This was an indicator. In one week I was off to work. The first man I showed the book to, readily gave me his order for "Practical Guide," full leather, \$5.50. In three hour's work I was granted power to take \$14.50 worth of orders. On the thirteenth, at Dyerville, Humboldt Co., Cal., the dear Saviour granted me power to take \$48.85 worth of orders for our good books. It now looks as if this week: my orders will be thirty-nine or forty large ones—\$135 or \$140 worth of books and helps, if the Lord so wills it. I have nearly that already and a day to still work. All thanks, honors, and exaltation is the Lord's only. He grants it all. It is all from his great overflowing heart of

love, from his bountiful hand, for he is love. 1 John 4:8, 16.

Oh, pray that a host may be won for Christ's kingdom as a result of all these pages I am blessed in selling. Pray it may be even so, dear brethren and sisters all over the broad field. May the Lord bless you, one and all. If the evil one whispers to you that our books will not sell in these times of heart fear and war, believe it not. It is a falsehood from the devil. Now is the time to work, for soon it will be so we can't sell our books. Crowd in all you can now, before it is too late. How glad we will be then that we sold all the books of truth we did; and how sorry we did not push this good work more than we did! WALTER HARPER.

## What is the Keeping of the Commandments of God?

"CIRCUMCISION is nothing, and uncircumcision is nothing, but the keeping of the commandments of God [is what]." 1 Cor. 7: 19.

Of what "concern" or "consequence" is the keeping of the commandments of God? Is "obedience to God's commandments everything"? or the all "essential thing"? Commenting on this passage, John Wesley says:

"The one point is keeping the commandments of God; faith works by love."

In his remarks on this text, Dr. Thomas Scott says:

"But obedience to the commandments of God was the great concern. . . . For he who 'is a new creature' possesses 'faith which works by love,' and this love constrains him to 'keep the commandments of God.'"

On this interesting scripture, Mr. Bloomfield remarks in his English Notes on the Greek New Testament:

"Circumcision is of no moment, and uncircumcision is of no moment; but the keeping of the commandments of God is something of consequence, i. e., as being the test of genuine faith."

Others translate the latter part of the passage thus:

"But keeping the commandments of God is everything."—*Weekes' Translation.*

"Obedience to God's commandments is everything."—*Weymouth's Translation.*

"But to keep the commands of God is everything."—*The Twentieth Century New Testament.*

"But the keeping of the commandments of God is altogether."—*Tyndale's Translation, 1534.*

This reminds us of another New Testament text which says:

"For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all." James 2: 10.

And again:

"Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city." Rev. 22: 14.

From this it is seen that the all-important, the all-essential thing, is to keep the commandments of God "altogether," Sabbath and all.

A. L. MANOUS.

## Interesting Items

How to keep well, how to get well, how to treat simple ailments at home without drugs, how to sleep, cook, eat, and dress for health—these and many other questions are answered in *Life and Health*.

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### A Magazine for the Home

THE October number of our journal *Christian Education* is decidedly a magazine for the home. Following the frontispiece representing a lover and teacher of children, is a lively article by a noted educator telling how the Swiss children are loved and provided for in school by teachers and parents. Mrs. C. C. Lewis makes a plea for a home for the school teacher. The plan of giving school credit for the faithful doing of home duties by pupils, is explained and illustrated. Mrs. L. H. Wolfson tells her own experience in meeting and overcoming difficulties in the way of teaching children at home. The "Nature Month by Month" series in the Home Department is filled with interesting and useful suggestions for acquainting children with nature during the delightful month of October.

"SEEST thou a man diligent in his business? he shall stand before kings; he shall not stand before mean men."

### Colporteurs' Report for the Southern Union Conference, Week Ending Sept. 24, 1914

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Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total
J W Beckett	BF	17	14	\$14 00		\$14 00
R T Jacks	BR	24	10	33 00	60	33 60
J W Wade	BR	1	3	11 00	2 10	13 10

Totals (Agts. 3) 42 27 \$58 00 \$ 2 70 \$60 70 \$

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Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total
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Alexander Perry	BR	32				118 00
J E Miller	D&R	31	12	26 00	1 95	27 95
H E Beck	D&R	26	9	24 00	2 10	26 10
J B Reichenbach	BR	22	2	7 00		7 00
M Wheeler	D&R	52	23	73 00	2 45	75 45
A E Hallsted	D&R	21	5	15 00	75	15 75
James Hickman	D&R	35	2	5 00	12 30	17 30
H Ethington	D&R	36	8	23 50	2 35	25 85
Sie H Green	BF	24				15 00
J W Hicks*	PP&F	55	13	19 50	2 10	21 60
F F Swan**	D&R	54	18	45 50		45 50
P M Winkler	D&R	40	19	61 00		61 00

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C P Bodwell*	GC & PG	55	6	19 00	6 60	25 60

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L M Campbell	BR	37	7	21 00	95	21 95
C R Canada	D&R	32	16	33 00	4 15	37 15
W E Covington	BR	21				13 00
M C Ellis	D&R	40	20	49 00		49 00
J Seward Fry	D&R	47	11	22 00	2 40	24 40
Hence Nixon	D&R	41	17	53 00		53 00
E A Taylor	BR	25	18	55 00	4 80	59 80

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W E Thomas	BR	38	20	63 00	3 40	66 40
Bibles				7 60		7 60

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C F Dart	sofp	47		3 00	6 50	9 50
A L Ham	D&R	44	31	106 00	5 85	111 85
R H Hazelton	GC	35	11	28 00	50	28 50
Wm J Keele	BS	23	73	35 25		35 25
J S Moore	BF & D&R	35	15	30 00	60	30 60
R H Thorne	D&R	40	12	37 00	1 70	38 70
J N Womack	BF	30	17	19 00		19 00
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Alabama Conference	\$14645 65	\$ 447 38	\$ 1233 43
Kentucky Conference	12023 46	595 76	4882 47
Louisiana Conference	8156 45		3204 55
Mississippi Conference	29061 75	1110 15	3858 75
Tenn. River Conference	7414 90	304 70	2745 56

Totals \$71302 21 \$2457 99 \$15924 85

### Magazine Agents' Report Week Ending Sept. 24, 1914

Agent	No.	Value
LOUISIANA CONFERENCE		
Susie Boden	251	\$ 25 10
KENTUCKY CONFERENCE		
Mrs R O Diehl	50	5 00
MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE		
M A Murphy	230	23 00
Grace Holt	350	35 00
Ruby Holt	450	45 00
Mrs Ida Harrall	565	56 50
Irregulars	837	83 70
Totals	2733	\$273 30

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IN the *Literary Digest* of August 29, under the heading, "War and the Book Trade," is the following from the *Springfield Republican*:

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