



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

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The Value of Industrial Training



The strong demand for industrial schools in this country, as well as in other lands, leads one to ask, Why this demand? What is the value of an industrial training compared with the traditional education given in our popular schools?

"To appreciate the meaning of nature and the activity of happenings of common men and common things; to possess the joy of learning what is really worth while in order to do it; to experience energizing of mind and the happiness which flows from having early been guided into one's natural place in the work and service of the world, with a clear road to a livelihood of freedom,"—this is what education ought to do for men and women who are trained in our schools.

But "men and women in the United States are waking up to the realization of the manner in which their career and training have been victimized by the curriculum of their education. They have been fed too much on the chaff and sawdust of a merely formal discipline."

These two quotations from a prominent educator, placed side by side, show, first, what education should do for students; and second, what the schools of today, as they are popularly conducted, are doing. It is evident that a change is called for.

The question then arises, What is the particular value of an industrial training to Seventh-day Adventists? In the first place, we are told that the all-round training will fit our people to carry on self-supporting missionary work in this and foreign countries. Then, it is the industrial training which will prepare our young people for the difficult times ahead, when Seventh-day Adventists will be driven from the cities, will be boycotted until they cannot get work, and will be unable to buy or sell either their products or their labor. Then men educated in the industries will be able to care for themselves and do gospel work.

Men in the professional world find that this all-round, industrial training makes thinkers, it makes doers, and not mere talkers. In these days what cannot be demonstrated is deemed scarcely worth considering, and those who carry the message with power must be able so show their faith by their works.

The world is calling for industrial training for its youth because it makes for self-support both for the individual and for the nation. Germany's strength today lies in her ability for self-maintenance. Germany is sufficient unto itself for food, ammunition, and to withstand the combined armies of the world.

Christians have these same problems to meet, only in another sphere. They need men capable of self-maintenance in the time that is just before us. In this time when men of practical ability are needed to do things in foreign fields, the all-round education, or, in other words, the industrial training, gives men standing

room; it puts them on vantage ground; it makes them "a spectacle to the world, to angels, and to men."

Paul speaks of men who are "ever learning, but never coming to a knowledge of the truth." We are familiar with students who have spent years in school, but who, when they are thrown on their own resources, are unable to cope with life's practical problems. In other words, they have developed no resources during the period of their education. To them, education is practically valueless. They are full so far as knowledge is concerned, but they are like the grist mill, full of grain, with no motor with which to grind the grist.

This complaint is made concerning much of the work done in the modern school. Some of the descriptive adjectives applied to the ordinary curriculum are, "impractical," "worn-out," "decayed," "stereotyped," "outgrown," "hampering," "slipshod," "chaotic," "mechanical." That is because it has been tested by several generations and in this practical age is found wanting.

The effect of this education is often met in the world. When our message is preached to a new congregation, men listen, the doctrine pleases, they accept the third angel's message in theory, but when it comes to carrying out such instruction as that in regard to health reform, moving from the city, cultivating the soil, medical missionary work for our neighbors, and scattering literature, then the motive power seems to be lacking. They may be good thinkers, but "faith without works is dead." Perhaps you have not been in the habit of attributing this inertia to the education these people received in their youth. But why not?

Business firms complain because young men out of high school are unable to fill positions. In this time of national trouble, the government complains of its lack of expert men. "The real power with Germany is not in the submarine nor in Prussian militarism, but in the fact that Germany before the war made good her boast that she would not have an untrained boy or girl in the empire." Other nations "now see how their system of education lacks both physical and vocational expertness."

Adventists make the same complaint. Our young people lack the ability to carry out the instruction they receive. It is the mission of our industrial schools to prepare our young people for home and foreign fields. Neither laws nor sermons will make them efficient, but education of the right sort will. Why should not our people be *primarily* interested in developing the rural industrial school?

E. A. SUTHERLAND.

Madison, Tenn.

"The talent of success is nothing more than doing what you can do well."

A Good Plan

"Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things, though ye know them, and be established in the present truth." 2 Pet. 1:12.

One of the West Indian conferences has developed a plan for the better training of its church officers through a reading course. One feature of this course is the study of the paper *Present Truth*, beginning with No. 1, taking a portion each week, until the officers have a good grasp of the truths it presents, then taking up No. 2 in the same way and so on all through the series. It can readily be seen that if this were done in a thorough manner, those officers would get a very full knowledge of the truths of this message and would be able to present them in a convincing manner. This is one excellent way of using this paper.

Its special purpose is, however, for circulation among the public that they may learn more of this truth. We give some practical illustrations of how this is being done that others may be encouraged to try the same plans and to think of others.

"A number in our church are working with *Present Truth*. Some work in the large office buildings among the business men, while others work in the residence section. It has been suggested that we distribute at least 10,000 of them in the city."

"On visiting a church recently one of our workers found them planning aggressive missionary work with the *Present Truth*. A quantity of these low-priced papers had been secured with the idea of putting a copy in every home in this city each week, beginning with No. 1, and completing the series. This work will be followed up with Bible readings and cottage meetings."

"The *Present Truth* papers are finding their way into the hearts and homes of many of the people of this city. Recently one of our sisters was distributing these papers, when she met a lady more than seventy-five years old who had been keeping the Sabbath for years, but did not know there were other Sabbath-keepers in the city. She was so pleased to meet this sister and began to study other points of our faith. Shortly after she was baptized and united with our church. House-to-house work will bring results."

"A sister sent *Present Truth* to her mother living in the country. The following is part of a letter she received from her, 'I am receiving a little paper. The one this week was on the coming of Christ. It is beautiful. There is a picture of Christ coming in the clouds with a sickle in one hand and a scepter in the other. It went right to my heart. I thought to myself, 'Oh how grand and real he looks.' It seemed to draw me right to him as he sat there. I am sending the paper to a relative.'"

"Three thousand *Present Truth* have been ordered and systematically distributed, with some encouraging results. Many have expressed their appreciation of them, saying that they had never understood their Bibles as they do now since reading the leaflets. One day a lady thought I had passed her by without having left a paper, and after I had gone a couple of blocks, I noticed her waving for one.

"With the profits received from the sale of Chinese tracts, 'Armageddon,' 'World's Crisis,' and a few other books, and small offerings from readers of *Present Truth*, we have a little more than paid for all the literature distributed here."

"A house-to-house worker in one of our cities informs us that he has 780 people reading *Present Truth*. Of this number 300 have read five issues of the paper. In order to conform to the law of the city, he solicits orders and delivers them at a later date. He has been working thus for five months. Many people gave him five cents for the paper, some more and some less. They express themselves as being much interested in the subjects presented, and he hopes there may be much fruit from this seed-sowing."

"The literature band in a church placed a copy of one number of *Present Truth* in practically every home in the city on one

Sunday. As a result a gentleman came to the office the following morning and purchased fifty copies to send to his friends."

"A brother who has been an invalid for twenty years, in faith ordered a supply of *Present Truth*, it being necessary for him to depend wholly on the help of the Lord to distribute them. He writes, 'I have distributed forty copies, an average of eight a day. God is faithful if we do our part. I did not do it, as I am tied up by affliction.'"

A very successful plan for the circulation of *Present Truth* is to give it away from door to door, telling the people there is no charge for it, but if they would like to give something it would be used to extend the work. In this way enough funds can be obtained to make the work self-supporting. It can also be used to good advantage in missionary correspondence, as each issue is on a definite subject. The entire series of twenty-four can be sent to any address in the United States for 25 cents. With all these good ways for distributing this paper our members should surely give it a large circulation. It may not be long before our use of the mails will be restricted. Let us make the best possible use of them now.

EDITH M. GRAHAM.

A Swarm of Children

Yes, we are a busy swarm. I wish you could all see our "hive." It is on the side hill sloping toward the south, and with such grand oak and maple trees surrounding it and shaping it that it looks small indeed for such a swarm, but we manage to pack in.

The "hive" is 16 x 24 feet, with nice oiled floor and rubberoid roof. The drop siding extends up about four feet from the floor, and a four-inch shelf at top of siding makes a neat finish. Then our canvas curtains roll from there up to the eaves. The roof extends out three feet, so no rain ever beats into our "hive."

We have a nice door in one end, upper half glass. In the other end we have a canvas curtain to roll up, making a window. We have two heating stoves, and when the cold storms came last winter, and the winds blew, we had our curtains snugly fastened down and our two stoves doing business, so we were as cozy and warm as real bees in a hive.

Parents at first were worried about their children for fear they would suffer with the cold, but when they came to see about it they would walk the length of the room and feel the uniformly warm air and would say, "I never would have thought it would be so warm," and pass out.

You may know how proud we were to go through the winter without one of our swarm of over forty having a severe cold.

If you would visit us you would say that we are mostly workers, but, sorry to say, you would find a few drones. If you were counting on size to determine the queen bee, you would no doubt pick on an eighteen-year old girl, who is so muscular that she could easily pick the teacher up and hold her out at arm's length with one hand. She follows the plow and chops wood for market. Seven girls make up this home swarm and the father oversees the farm work. She with her four sisters were good and did their best until spring work called them away, but after the crop is laid by in July we hope to welcome them all back to our hive again.

Like bees, we are storing for future use. Stories from the Bible and incidents from the lives of noble men and women are some of our treasured stories.

A great interest in birds and other wood folk has been created. Bird houses have been built, and a respect is felt for these "little friends" of the farmer that the boy with his handy sling-shot has never felt before.

The woods now ring with the willow whistles which can do no harm to any one. Some of the boys can imitate so closely the notes of the whippoorwill, bob-white, and mocking bird that it is hard sometimes to tell them apart.

We love this swarm of boys and girls. We know their various temptations and their efforts to be good. We do want to see these dear ones saved in the kingdom, so we labor on to keep our "hive" full and our "swarm" gathering the best of life.

MRS. W. W. BROWN.

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Visiting

June 19 and 20 we were with the company at Cardiff. Several years ago there was a small church at Cardiff, but owing to removals, apostasies, and the burning of the church in which they met for worship, the organization went down, until only two or three were left. Hearing of these few some time ago, we paid them a visit. Later it was arranged for my daughter, Mrs. M. L. Wilson, to visit them once a week and hold studies with them. As a result of these visits, new life and courage was brought to the few remaining, some of the apostatized returned, and the Sabbath school revived. Four of this company expect to unite with the church Sabbath.

We visited Brother Peppers at Phil Campbell and found him and his family of good courage. He is thinking of entering the colporteur work the first of August.

We spent the Sabbath with the Sheffield church and held quarterly meeting services. One was baptized and united with the church. The members of this church are widely scattered, so that many cannot attend the services regularly. The few who are regular in attendance are very faithful in offerings. They have paid almost fifteen cents a week for the entire church. They are able to do this by selling magazines, *The Watchman* and others. They certainly are to be commended for their courage and zeal. Those who cannot regularly attend services in this church or in any other church should do their part in offerings as well as tithes.

Remember the midsummer offering Sabbath, July 14, with a good offering.

A. L. MILLER.

News Item

Brother J. J. Pearson, elder of the Birmingham No. 2 church, reports eight baptized Sabbath, June 30.

Shall the Press Be Free?

There is great discussion and agitation at the present time concerning the movement to abridge the freedom of the press. *Liberty* for the third quarter, which is just printed, treats fully the principles which underlie free press, free speech, and freedom to worship God according to the dictates of one's conscience. This number of *Liberty* should be circulated widely. It will be mailed to a list of names, direct from the publishing house, for five cents each. The bulk rates are as follows:

50 or more copies, one address, 4 cents each

500 or more copies, one address, 3½ cents each

1,000 or more copies, one address, 3 cents each

Send all orders to the conference tract society.

"Believe in others and they will believe in you."

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News Items

Did you notice our colporteur's report in last week's WORKER? It was the largest so far this year. We are going to have another Big Week the second week in July. All who do not actively engage in this work can pray for those who do.

June 13 there were eight persons baptized in the Jackson church. We are glad to see these souls take their stand for the truth.

Word from Elder Burke states that he is having the tent filled every night. He is conducting a tent effort seven miles from Laurel. Let us remember this effort in our prayers.

Brother D. V. Barnes writes from Greenville that he has a good interest there, and that several have taken their stand for the truth.

Elder Buhalts spent Sabbath at Hattiesburg with the company there. He arrived home Sunday morning and left Sunday night for Mound Bayou, where he will locate the tent for the colored effort to be held this summer.

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News Items

Brother G. A. Davis is still in Michigan, where he was called recently on account of the serious illness of his wife.

The tent meetings in Louisville, with Elder W. E. Videto in charge and Brother F. E. Coffman as assistant, have opened with an encouraging attendance. At the first meeting fully three hundred were present.

Elder O. A. Dow, assisted by Brother John Thompson, have opened tent meetings at Pollyton. In this place there is but one Sabbath-keeper, but others are interested and there is a large population in easy access.

Elder Keate's family have arrived. They have secured a location and are getting settled.

Brother Wagner writes: "I have over one hundred families reading *Present Truth*. Many say, 'This is surely present truth.' I give the paper to a lady here and she mails it to her mother in another county. From there it is sent to her grandmother, and from there to her great aunt. This one paper is thus going to four counties."

Perhaps as you read the above item the words of the Saviour will come to you: "Go thou and do likewise." There is no cheaper way of giving this truth, and it is very effective in results.

Bookmen have long been interested in the "Bookman's Song Sheaf," published by a man who knows what bookmen need, Brother J. H. McEachern, field missionary secretary of the Central Union. But now that the book has been revised and

enlarged and contains the song, "The Challenge to Missionary Volunteers," it ought to be found in every Seventh-day Adventist home. Being a missionary people, the singing of missionary songs is a part of our daily program. The price of the enlarged book is twenty cents, or two for thirty-five cents.

Brother R. F. Hickman sends the following interesting item: "I made a delivery in a Methodist neighborhood where the Methodist preacher had followed me around and told every one that I had sold them an Adventist book and that it took up baptism and taught immersion for baptism. I sold 'Bible Readings' to Baptists, and he went to their homes and told them that I had sold them Adventist books. But the angels went before me, and I delivered one hundred per cent of 'Bible Readings,' but I did not deliver all of the 'helps,' although the preacher had told the people that they were all right. In my two last deliveries I have made a hundred per cent delivery of the large books. I praise the Lord for his blessing."

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News Items

Brother R. Roberts has arrived in New Orleans to connect with Elder Manns in holding a tent effort at Algiers, La., just across the river from New Orleans.

The last two colporteur reports received from Hugh Momaugh, Mansfield, are for \$311 and \$313.50 respectively. These are splendid reports and a great encouragement to those who fear to enter the work on account of "hard times."

M. B. Wilson writes, "Though the weather is dry and crops are somewhat threatened, the people seem to see the importance of the book ('Bible Readings for the Home Circle') and give their orders as if the times were good. Some feel it is too long to wait for their books until time for delivery."

Brother Cliff Field, who spent the winter in school at Graysville, Tenn., planned to enter the canvassing work again this summer, but word has just been received that he has made arrangements to go to Ooltewah and plans to work at the school during the summer months.

Brother T. S. Sligh has been in St. Louis, Mo., on a visit, but expects soon to be back home at his post again with prospectus in hand.

R. R. Coble's first colporteur report for the season appears in this issue, and with it was received at the office an order for a freight shipment of "Bible Readings" for an early July delivery.

A. R. Bell, who has been laboring in Hammond, has again returned to his field of work. His wife lived but a short time after entering the hospital in New Orleans. Brother Bell and the children have the hearty sympathy of all who know them.

"The Desire of Ages," written by Mrs. E. G. White, is one of the main helps to the study of the Sabbath school lessons for the coming season. All who do not have access to this valuable book should endeavor to secure one as soon as possible. A specially prepared thin edition without full-page illustrations will be sent postpaid from the tract society for \$1.50 for the cloth and \$2 for the full leather binding. For the large editions see prices in the regular catalog.

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Day of Consecration

The time appointed for the midsummer offering is Sabbath, July 14, and because of conditions in the world the day has been set apart for fasting and prayer. We have reached a crisis in the history of mankind and the work of God. All the great nations have been drawn into the maelstrom of war; and all that is noblest in their civilizations has been or is rapidly being mobilized for the shedding of blood. Wealth, too vast for human comprehension, is being poured out like water, and blood is being shed in torrents, to advance national ambitions or defend national rights. Anciently the people of God were frequently called to fasting and prayer; and especially was this true in times of great peril for the people or work of God. And a study of those times shows that God was very frequently entreated of his people and turned their calamities into a blessing.

Soon some of our people may be called to military service, and because of religious convictions they may be sorely tried. The educational work in our own Southland requires much time and thought, for there are some of its problems as yet unsolved. Important problems in connection with the work in foreign lands are constantly demanding solution, and money is greatly needed for the expanding work in these fields. All these things and many others require the most careful consideration. Because of all these things, let us remember July 14; and we hope none will fail to observe this day and make it a day of consecration, a day of heart-searching, a day of fasting and prayer. It will also be a splendid time to make up our deficit on the twenty-cent-a-week fund. Let us all plan to give at least a dollar, while those who are able may give more, every one as God has prospered him.

W. R. ELLIOTT.

News Items

Miss Murphy, stenographer in the conference office, left the city June 25 for a vacation with her parents in the North. She will be gone for a month. During her absence her position will be filled by Mrs. Humphries, of Nashville.

Mrs. G. W. Tripp, of Clarksville, Tenn., arrived in the city Sunday night, the twenty-fourth, and on the following day, in company with Misses Claire Davis and Jessie Elliott, started on a magazine tour, which will take them into Alabama, Mississippi, and Illinois. It will take several thousand copies of the July *Watchman* to supply their needs. These young ladies expect to spend a few days at the Southern Junior College, as they will be working in Chattanooga for a day or so and will make this visit while near by.

Mr. Roy Storey, of Sylvia, Tenn., was a recent visitor at the conference office. Brother Storey is ordering some of our small books for free distribution in his neighborhood.

Miss Eleanor Elliott, of Nashville, is assisting nine of the young ladies in Memphis in earning scholarships to our schools through the sale of the small books. She writes that they are having good success with their work and that several will probably make scholarships. Sister Elliott has ordered over fifteen hundred copies of the small books.

Sister Dewberry, the librarian of the Memphis church, has sent in a remittance of \$5 for a miscellaneous assortment of tracts for the use of the members. This is good work, and we are glad to see the brethren and sisters there so active in this work.

Dr. Will Mason, of Murray, Ky., was united in marriage on June 18 to Miss Ora Kress, of Washington, D. C. Mrs. Mason is the daughter of Dr. D. H. Kress, formerly editor of the *Life and Health* magazine. Many of their friends in the conference will be interested to learn of this, and will join in wishing for them much happiness and continued years of service in the cause. Mrs. Mason is a physician and has other attainments which will make her a valuable helpmeet for Dr. Mason.

Miss Bertha Laughlin, of Ashland City, Tenn., was a visitor in the conference office one day last week. She was on her way home, after visiting the brethren at Goodlettsville. She reports the work moving along nicely in her home church.

Elder Bellinger writes that they had a good attendance at the tent meeting in Paducah Sunday night, the seventeenth. The attendance on other nights has not been as good as was expected. The company there is working hard to stir up an interest, and we may rest assured that some good reports will soon be sent in of the work done there.

W. F. Nance, formerly a canvasser in Lauderdale County, has returned to Memphis.



The above cut shows two of our colporteurs in Memphis, Brother and Sister R. Y. Howard. They have been in the field now for almost six months, and their reports have demonstrated that the big book work is a success in the large cities. More than once have they sent in reports for more than one hundred dollars worth of orders for *one week*, and success has seemingly blessed their efforts.

By the use of their car they are enabled to get about the city quickly, both in taking orders and in making their deliveries. Every invention and device of this day and time is but an instrument for the pressing onward of the message and the furtherance of the gospel to the world. Friends throughout the conference will join in wishing Brother and Sister Howard bountiful success and a number won for the truth through their efforts.

Mr. Ellsworth Carpenter, of Los Angeles, Cal., reached Nashville the twenty-second and will at once take up the colporteur work in our conference.

A number of inquiries have reached the office of late regarding the coming camp-meeting. Some have already ordered tents and cots. Orders will be received and placed on file.

Mrs. J. G. Haggard, of Waynesboro, Tenn., has moved to Milford Center, Ohio.

A card has been received from Brother Wheeler stating that by Thursday noon he had obtained \$250 worth of orders, and having exhausted his supply of guarantee blanks, he decided to return home to spend Sabbath. He expected to go to the field again the following Monday and planned to have a \$300 report. Brother Wheeler has broken the record for one week's work in this conference.

Brother Keele writes that he had a good delivery and that

nearly all took the books. He accompanied his letter with a good report and a good sized check.

Roy Graves, of Lawrenceburg, Tenn., has gone to Hardeman County to canvass for "Bible Readings." He is the son of Brother T. A. Graves of Lawrenceburg. His first report appears in this issue.

Brother Wade spent the week ending the twenty-third with Brother Graves. From the county seat, Middleton, he went to Somerville to pay a short visit to Brethren Chastain and Allen, two of our student colporteurs.

Brother W. D. Ward, of Graysville, Tenn., has moved to Springville, his old home place. He will probably locate there again.

Brother M. Hixson has ordered a good shipment of books for his delivery and expects to place a large number of "Bible Readings" in the homes of the people in and around Humboldt, Tenn.

We have just received six new family tents which will be pitched on the camp grounds. These tents are equipped with flies and will make a nice addition to our regular tent equipment.

Acknowledgements have been received from most of our church clerks in response to recent letters sent out relative to the church membership cards. These cards will be issued annually and are to prevent the denomination from being imposed upon.

Elder Elliott, conference president, spoke at the Fatherland St. church, Sabbath, June 24, to a large congregation. He called our attention to the nearness of the end and the necessity of our ridding sin from our lives and preparing for the coming of Christ. His remarks appealed strongly to the audience.

Sabbath school officers were elected at the Memorial Sabbath School recently. The new officers are: R. C. Gray, superintendent; Miss M. M. Day, assistant superintendent; Miss Genevieve Robert, secretary; Miss Ethel Murphy, assistant secretary; Mrs. M. J. Riter, pianist. The Sabbath School has been doing good work in raising money for missions, the goal for this year being \$250 per quarter. It is expected that the thirteenth Sabbath offering will run close to \$100. Brother Gray has done good work as superintendent.

Annouement of Junior and Senior Reading Courses. Seasons 1917-18

PRIMARY COURSE (1 BOOK)

"Uncle Ben's Cloverfield." Fifty-four delightful nature stories are found in its pages, and nearly every page has a picture. The reading of this book will awaken the powers of observation in the child mind, and will intensify his love for nature and for nature's God. Contains 295 pages and is attractively printed and substantially bound in cloth. Price, \$1. Special Reading Course price, 75 cents. Camp-meeting rate, 60 cents.

JUNIOR READING COURSE (4 BOOKS)

"Martin of Mansfield." A new book for boys and girls. To celebrate the four hundredth anniversary of the Protestant Reformation, "Martin of Mansfield," telling in fascinating chapters which cannot fail to arouse in its readers a spirit of undaunted courage and adherence to principle, tells the story of the "hand that lifted the light high, and sent it kindling on its way — the hand, in God's good providence, of Martin Luther." Written in simple language that is easily understood by children. Special Reading Course price, 60 cents.

"Fifty Missionary Heroes." Should be in the library of every junior. A reference book on missions, suitable for Missionary Volunteer Society programs and studies in foreign missions. The lives of missionaries are always inspiring, and in this book brief sketches have been written in a way that will arouse the interest of younger readers. Reading Course price, \$1.

"Topsy-Turvy Land." Not a fairy tale, but a graphic description of actual conditions existing in a real country, written

by two missionaries who are earnestly at work helping spread the gospel in the stronghold of Mohammedanism. The reader is made familiar with the strange habits and customs of a strange people, of childhood joys and hardships in a heathen land. 124 pages, bound in cloth. Price, 65 cents.

"Elo the Eagle, and other Stories." A book comprising ten true life histories of "heroes" inhabiting native field and wood, and each story is introduced by a fine portrait of the hero. Well illustrated throughout. The author so vividly portrays the experiences of his boyhood pets as to fascinate both old and young. Cannot fail to awaken a genuine love and sympathy for our wild friends, and result in the kindness and protection they so richly deserve. 200 pages, bound in cloth. Postpaid, \$1.

Four books complete, when ordered at one time, price \$2.35. At camp-meeting, \$2.20. Get them *now*.

SENIOR AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER READING COURSE (4 BOOKS)

"Luther the Leader." A book dealing with the life and times and character of Martin Luther. Four centuries have passed since the struggle began, and the fight still goes on. "We need today to catch more of Luther's spirit," says a writer in the *Bible Magazine*. It seems but fitting that we should at this time study anew the reasons for our Protestant faith. A rare book for the student of the Reformation, full of incident and interest to all. 255 pages, attractively bound in dark green silk cloth, with stamped cover. Price, 50 cents.

"Good Form and Social Ethics." If you should like to know what to do and what not to do on all social occasions, consult "Good Form and Social Ethics," by Fannie Dickerson Chase. The subject matter is indicated by the chapter headings, some of which are: "The Gentleman"; "The Home Girl"; "The School Girl"; "The Business Girl"; "Visiting Cards"; "Conversation," etc. The instruction is given in a pleasant but concise and comprehensive way. There is a special chapter for children, though they will find much interest in the entire book. 317 pages. Price, 75 cents.

"Life Sketches of Ellen G. White." This book has been chosen as the third book of the senior Reading Course. The first part of the book is devoted to a personal recital of her early experiences in the advent faith. She tells of her conversion, her visions, and her labors. The remaining portion of the book gives a sketch of her later life, her travels, and her earnest work in the cause to which she had devoted her life, together with a pen picture of her closing days. 480 pages, limp leather, \$1.

"Ventures Among the Arabs." Its title speaks for itself. The world is full of shoddy books, "built to sell"; therefore it is a red-letter day when we find a book of travel, full of flavor of adventure, and permeated with the high purpose that always animates the true missionary pioneer. Such a book is "Ventures Among the Arabs," by Archibald Forder. 392 pages, well illustrated, with a good map inserted. Substantial and attractive. Price, \$1.

Four books complete, ordered at one time, \$2.75. Club price, if bought at camp-meeting, \$2.50.

Send all orders to the Tennessee River Tract Society, Room 322 Jackson Bldg., Nashville, Tenn.

Extract from a Colporteur's Letter

"Brother Bruce, it certainly pays to do your duty in this work. I will relate an experience that proves this. I stopped overnight with a man who had four tenants on his place. I secured an order of one of the tenants before going up to the landowner's home. By God's help I secured the owner's order before making arrangements to spend the night. I was called the next morning at four o'clock, had breakfast by five, and as soon as I came out from breakfast another one of his tenants was at the back porch wanting a Family Bible. Though I could not take his order for a 'Bible Readings,' I took his order for a \$5.50 Bible.

Before I had finished with this man, a third man on the place came up, and on seeing the plan of the book ordered a 'Bible Readings' in the cloth binding. This was all done before six o'clock. But I had not done my duty. One man was so rushed with his work that he had gone to the field before we had breakfast. For some unknown reason, and against my own conscience, I left the place without seeing him.

"I worked on that morning but did not have any success whatever. I got down to pray, but there was that man whom I had left standing before me. I then asked God to forgive me of my folly and promised to return to him. I did go back, though it cost me a walk of two miles, but as a result I took his order also. That made a sale in each home on that farm. So you see it pays to do your duty. The remainder of the day was full of success."

Set of Testimonies Wanted

The East Side Missionary Band of the Fatherland Street church desires to obtain a set of Testimonies at a very low rate. A second-hand set in either cloth or leather would be acceptable. Please communicate with Mrs. Eastman, 509 Fatherland St., Nashville, Tenn., stating the lowest price you can make. This will be quite a favor to the society. It is one of the strongest bands organized in the local church, and some one should respond to their desire to prepare themselves for a more diligent study of the Testimonies.

Farms for Sale

Located in Henry County, Tenn., is a farm of 112 acres; 85 acres in cultivation and pasture, the remainder in timber. Forty-five acres are level, the remaining seventy-seven gently rolling. Corn, cotton, wheat, oats, sorghum, and hay grow well. The buildings consist of one seven-room frame dwelling, one three-room tenant house, modern stock barn, tool houses, poultry house, and other outbuildings. There are two wells of soft water on the place, also two bearing orchards. There are about two miles of new fence on the farm. This farm is three miles from Springville and three miles from Big Sandy, on the Louisville and Nashville Railroad, one mile from a Seventh-day Adventist church and church school. When this place is sold a large portion of the selling price goes to the Southern Junior College and other worthy enterprises. Price \$3,500. Terms reasonable.

For further information correspond with W. D. Wade, 322 Jackson Bldg., Nashville, Tenn. S. E. WRIGHT.

A farm of 178 acres has recently been given to the Tennessee River Conference to be sold and the proceeds used in the improvement of the school at Hazel, Ky. About fifty acres are in cultivation, the remainder being woodland, consisting principally of oak, poplar, beech, and magnolia, with now and then a pecan tree. Nearly all the woodland is thickly covered with switch cane, which makes an excellent winter pasture. The land is quite fertile, is easily cultivated, and produces fine crops of clover, corn, and other grains. There are two tenant houses on the place. The farm is located on a splendid road, more than half of which is an oiled pike, only fourteen miles from a splendid city market where good prices can be had for milk, butter, poultry, eggs, and other farm produce. The farm is well adapted to the raising of stock, or to dairying. The location is healthful, and there is an excellent opportunity in the neighborhood to do missionary work.

The farm is for sale, and we are in a position to make you a price that will interest you, as the money is needed for the improvement of the Hazel School.

If you are interested and desire any further information regarding the farm, call at the office, or write the Tennessee River Conference, 322 Jackson Bldg., Nashville, Tenn.

Colporteurs' Report

For Week Ending June 23, 1917

ALABAMA CONFERENCE

Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
T R Battle			\$	\$	\$	\$60 00
U Bracy*	28	10	18 00	5 25	23 25	24 50
G W Brown	12	1	1 50	1 75	3 25	
A Clark	58	39	92 00	9 20	101 20	
R J Cook	25	21	56 15		56 15	
B D Crawford	8			2 50	2 50	
R L Etheredge	50	28	54 00	1 50	55 50	4 00
H L Edwards	45	23	79 50	75	80 25	
J E Foley	42	16	58 00		58 00	81 50
J C Holland	56	29	118 50	2 25	120 75	9 00
H W Jones	42	9	22 50	1 75	24 25	
G W Powers	28	38	123 50	2 45	125 95	
F M Reiber	53	20	77 00	70	77 70	
Q Tew	23					64 00
E F Waters*	43	14	28 00	35	28 35	
N H Waters	52	34	142 00	3 15	145 15	
T M Woodruff	28	14	51 00	2 45	53 45	
Miscellaneous			7 00	1 25	8 25	
Bibles			17 60		17 60	9 45

Totals (Agts. 17) 593 296 \$946 25 \$35 30 \$981 55 \$252 45

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

R F Hickman	80	2	\$70 00	\$	\$70 00	\$135 50
F L Harrison	40	31	116 50	1 50	118 00	3 50
Jesse E. Miller	30	10	42 00	6 00	48 00	6 75
R J Hyatt	12	23	50	4 10	27 60	4 75
Jeff Hickman	10					46 50
Arthur Owens	36	20	70 00	2 00	72 00	
Chas B Sherer	40	24	89 00	2 00	91 00	
B E Wagner	44	40	146 00	4 25	150 25	10 50
Lee Page	13	11	40 50		40 50	
Andy Schroader	43	20	71 00		71 00	
Elsie Tatman	35	15	57 50	2 00	59 50	2 25
John Brownlie	45	26	91 00	4 00	95 00	25
Geo Tatman	24	5	19 50	3 25	22 75	5 50
I E Bradley	30	16	30 00	7 00	37 00	
Bibles	3	11	00		11 00	3 93

Totals (Agts. 14) 470 235 \$877 50 \$36 10 \$913 60 \$219 43

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

F W Schmehl	46	26	\$105 00	\$	\$105 00	\$12 50
J B Hardy	30	15	53 00	1 75	54 75	
R R Coble*	58	40	141 00		141 00	
M B Wilson*	90	54	217 00		217 00	3 50
Hugh Moomaugh*	81	149	624 50		624 50	
J R Perkins*	66	47	172 50		172 50	
Bibles			12 50		12 50	1 30

Totals (Agts. 6) 371 331 \$1325 50 \$1 75 \$1327 25 \$17 30

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

Geo Anderson	32	21	\$44 00	\$ 2 00	\$46 00	
Susie Beasley	22	20	50 00		50 00	
Emily Billups	28	15	56 00	3 75	59 75	
Henry Balsbaugh	23	7	25 50		25 50	
Drue Bowen	40	26	101 00	9 55	110 55	
Perthia Hampton	31	31	107 50	6 25	113 75	
AA Johnson	47	43	139 50	6 25	145 75	
Lou J McElroy		14	53 50	4 00	57 50	
J L Waller	93	39	137 50	1 20	138 70	

Totals (Agts. 9) 344 216 \$714 50 \$33 00 \$747 50

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

J R Allen	48	40	\$160 00	\$11 50	\$171 50	\$8 50
C C Chastain	45	46	193 00	11 00	204 00	10 50
Roy Graves	43	24	88 00	1 75	89 75	
M Hixon	44	16	60 00	15 00	75 00	8 25
R Y Howard*	31	17	59 50		59 50	28 00
Mr & Mrs Howard	36	20	70 00		70 00	6 00
Mae Keele	19	2	3 00	19 00	22 00	7 75
Wm J Keele	38	12	46 00	16 50	62 50	7 50
H G Miller	44	10	15 50	4 75	20 25	25
Mrs Mollie Miller	8	2	2 75		2 75	2 75
Cleve Smith	48	12	49 00		49 00	
M Wheeler	40	51	251 50	65	252 15	3 50
R H Hazelton	41	13	48 00		48 00	35
Virginia Reed	17	7		2 75	2 75	4 50
Ellen Morgan	16			1 50	1 50	4 00
Martha Ascough	29			18 85	18 85	
Atherton Colbert	18	4		1 00	1 00	3 50
Suclark Nance	16			5 50	5 50	5 50
Grace Holt	22 1/2			13 25	13 25	4 00
Marguerite Strawhum				3 00	3 00	3 00
Gladys Lambert	14 1/2					
Bibles			28 75		28 75	

Totals (Agts. 21) 604 276 \$1075 00 \$126 00 \$1201 00 \$107 85

G'd Totals (A. 67) 2382 1354 \$4938 75 \$232 15 \$5170 90 \$597 03

Summary to Date

	Hours	Orders	Helps	Total
Alabama Conference ..	7032	\$8936 05	\$ 426 70	\$9362 75
Kentucky Conference ..	6993	11302 00	464 06	11766 06
Louisiana Conference ..	3346	7724 90	66 50	7791 40
Mississippi Conference ..	7024	18201 80	1100 07	\$9301 87
Tenn. River Conference ..	5266	6285 10	794 65	7079 75

Totals 29661 \$52449 85 \$2851 98 \$55301 83

A Reminder

Some brother or sister either gave away or sold a copy of the *Signs Magazine* to a man in Portland, Oreg., who under date of June 7 wrote to the publishers as follows:

"I had never known Christ until five weeks ago, when I accidentally ran across one of these papers, *Signs of the Times*, and after reading it I was converted and made up my mind I was going to know more of him. I at once subscribed for it,

and Oh what help I have received from the wonderful truths written therein."

Are your neighbors warned? If not, you would feel better if you faithfully circulated the *Signs Magazine* among them. Begin with the beautiful August number.

Mind conscious of integrity scorns to say more than it means to perform.—*Burns*.

"No man is called to a far-off service who is deaf to that which is near at hand."

* Two weeks.

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News Items

Word just received from Elder Martin states that forty have begun to keep the Sabbath as a result of the Mobile effort. These are all adults.

Elder S. E. Wight and Prof. Lynn H. Wood left Nashville Saturday night for Ooltewah, Tenn. They spent two days helping with the work of the Southern Junior College and returned to Nashville Tuesday morning.

Goal Dollar Day

The Missionary Volunteers of the North American Division have undertaken to raise \$35,000 for missions in 1917. That is our goal. Definite missionary enterprises have been assigned the various conferences. Our Missionary Volunteers are thus definitely supporting missions and missionaries in Africa, India, Malaysia, Philippines, China, Korea, Japan, and South America.

August 25 has been set apart for a special program in every Missionary Volunteer society on "Our 1917 Goal for Missions." Reports will be given on the definite missionary enterprises, and the duty and privilege of giving will be discussed. So this is to be our "Goal Day." A special offering is to be made, every Missionary Volunteer being encouraged to give a dollar. So it is our "Goal Dollar Day."

The issue of the SOUTHERN UNION WORKER of August 16 will be a "Missionary Volunteer Goal Dollar Day" special, containing information in regard to the missions supported by the young people of the Southern Union Conference and other material for the Missionary Volunteer program on that day.

Let all our Missionary Volunteer society officers begin to plan at once for this special program, and let all our Missionary Volunteers begin to plan to have a dollar ready for that day. Our missionaries have given themselves. They have left pleasant

homes for the inconveniences and hardships of mission life. The least we can do is to support them.

Let our daily cry be "Every Missionary Volunteer a Dollar for Goal Dollar Day."
M. E. KERN.

Southern Junior College

News Notes from Collegedale

Miss Panza Garrigan and Margaret Keate, of Birmingham, Ala., arrived at the Southern Junior College last Sunday.

W. E. Abernathy and J. A. Tucker, of the Southeastern Union Conference, spent the week at the Southern Junior College. Mr. Abernathy has been taking an inventory and auditing the books of the institution. Mr. Tucker has been getting hold of the educational work in the Southeastern Union Conference.

Prof. L. H. Wood and Elders S. E. Wight and W. H. Branson spent two days this week at Collegedale. They were here for an executive committee of the school board.

Mrs. F. T. Sevier is visiting her children at Collegedale the latter part of this week. Mrs. Sevier reports good success in the magazine work.

Mr. Richard Bumby, of Orlando, Fla., returned to the Southern Junior College Monday of this week. He was accompanied here by Richard Mosby and Willis Mack, of Bunnell, Fla. All three of the boys will spend the summer working on the farm and on the buildings.

Elder Field reports that the first crop of honey was taken from the bees last Wednesday. Twenty-seven gallons of fine honey were secured.

The garden department is delivering a large quantity of fine peas to the kitchen every day. The girls are kept busy picking the peas and getting them ready to put in cans for use next winter.

Ralph Clark, of Meridian, Miss., arrived at Collegedale last Monday. He was accompanied here by Mr. Terry, father of Claud Terry, of the same place.

The Red Cross work is being pushed vigorously. As yet the class has been hindered because the text-books have not come. As soon as they arrive it is expected that the work will go more rapidly. Dr. M. M. Martinson, of Chattanooga, comes out three times a week and gives instruction to the boys.

Percy Stewart left for Rome, Ga., Friday of last week. He expects to work for W. W. Brown in the rural school there for a week or two.

Professor Marshall reports that the dairy building is finished. It will be a great convenience for this department. It is situated near the spring and is arranged so that the milk, cream, butter and buttermilk can be kept cool by the running water from the spring. All the work connected with the care of the dairy products of the school is done in this building.

Wanting an Education? Read This

Once in the days of the Romans of old,
A knight, by his men at a castle was told:
"The walls were too strong, there is no way to take it,"
But he proudly replied, "There's a way, or I'll make it."

Have you found a castle in education,
Do the prospects of summer say it cannot be won?
I know a way, you don't have to make it.
If you've but the grit and the gumption to take it.

Now here is the way, and this is the plan:
It was thought out for you by the good *Watchman*.
Success you will have and here's how you make it:
Just sell *The Watchman* or get people to take it.

N. L. BEEBE.