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### Assistance Needed.

There is an experience that we all need. Nothing is of so much value to a man in his application for a position in any calling in life as the fact that he is an experienced workman. Experience will enable him to handle his work under difficult conditions.

Just so with the Lord's work. The time is not far distant when experience will be of priceless worth to us, in manipulating our work. The Lord sees our needs, and this is one form of assistance He offers.

Kind friend, you need this assistance, and the field calls loudly for yours.

The very fact that the gospel is being sent into all the dark corners of the earth, is a striking evidence that we are nearing that part of the closing up period of the gospel work, when Satan will make a desperate effort to hold his subjects in darkness.

Can we sit idle in a time when "Darkness covers the earth, and gross darkness the people" with out doing something to better the situation?

God will put an end to this evil world. And, to all who are ready for it, the end will bring great and lasting joy. Will you my brother, my sister join our ranks? The truth filled literature is plentiful. There is a vacant place for you. Come!

H. B. TILDEN

### Tampa and St. Petersburg.

For over two months after we came to Tampa Mrs. Webster was a great sufferer and at times we despaired of her life; but the Lord has spared

her to us and she is now recovering her health again. Her sickness retarded our work for a time but since she has improved enough for me to leave her alone and get out to my work again. I find interests springing up that betoken a busy time for us.

I was with the St. Petersburg church over Sabbath and Sunday, Jan., 16-17 and conducted eight meetings while there besides doing a good deal of visiting. This is more than I could do for the past two years, and I suffered no inconvenience from it. It seemed good to enter into the work with the old-time enthusiasm and spirit! I praise God for his blessings.

The company entered heartily into all the services and seemed to be much benefited. The ordinances were celebrated and officers elected for another year. New consecrations were made, and all expressed themselves as being greatly encouraged. Some neighbors and friends who attended most of the services were deeply moved, and asked for our prayers.

Through the efforts of our brethren and sisters here in Tampa to interest their neighbors in the truth I have been brought into touch with some interested parties and am now holding regular readings with four or five families, one of which has begun to keep the Sabbath. Other openings are presenting themselves and before long shall have more than we can do. We expect soon to begin Sunday night meetings, in answer to calls for them.

Something over \$20.00 was realized for the Mission Board from the distribution of the Thanksgiving Review, and some interest is springing up also as a result of that work.

The Young People's Society is doing a good work with the papers, and are taking an interest in missions as well.

The Medical Missionary work in the city is exerting a good influence in the church and outside and making openings for Bible work. Pray for us.

E. W. WEBSTER, 109 W., Palm Ave., Tampa, Fla.

"God will not accept one of us who is belittling his powers in lustful, earthly debasement, by thought, or word, or action."

—Mrs. E. G. White.

## FLORIDA

Tent Meeting with The Colored  
Jacksonville

On arriving in Jacksonville, November 18, for the purpose of conducting a series of tent meetings, I found it difficult to secure a location to pitch the tent.

As we realized the work much needed in this city we began meetings in a hall which we comfortably seated. We held meetings here every night for three weeks with fairly good attendance. On account of the holidays we found it best to close our meetings in the hall for a time and having some very interested Bible readers, we continued these Bible readings from house to house.

January first, the way opened and we secured a very desirable location for the tent, which we pitched. The interest and attendance at the meetings was very good. So far, from this effort, we are thankful to say we have four new Sabbath-keepers who are rejoicing in the blessed truth.

We are greatly encouraged and feel thankful to the Lord for the success and victory he has given. As the work is fast closing in the South with so many thousands still in darkness, hungering and thirsting for the precious truth, we realize the work must be done earnestly and rapidly.

Our little company here is much encouraged and greatly desires a house of worship. They are making an effort to erect a church building.

Souls are hungering for the bread of life. May the Lord help us to be aroused to the need of the work here. We are now moving to another part of the city and we hope to be able to increase the attendance. I believe with this special effort we shall be able to accomplish a good work and bring more to a knowledge of the blessed truth. We hope to see others added to our little company soon. We desire the prayers of the dear brethren and sisters for the success of our efforts here.

J. W. MANN'S.

## News Notes

The effort at Hastings and Orange Mills resulted in twelve new Sabbath-keepers. The company there desire to build a church, and it is hoped they may be organized into a church before our next camp meeting.

Dr. L. N. Sickler, our sanitarium surgeon, was called to Arkansas, Jan. 26, by telegram to perform critical operations. He will be absent about two weeks.

Sister Josephene Gotzian, of California, was a guest of the sanitarium recently. She will return for the Orlando Chatauqua the latter part of Feb.

Sister Bishop, of Sarasota, is a recent arrival at the sanitarium. She will remain for some time under treatment.

A union revival has begun in Daytona, and rigs are sent to the homes of those interested in the tent meetings, to induce them to go to the revival. But our work is going steadily forward. Seven have signified their intention to obey the truth.

Elder W. J. Stone, President of the Indiana Conference, spent one week at the sanitarium recently.

On account of the increasing patronage of the sanitarium, it has been necessary to erect a new cottage, and to pitch a tent. If you have not seen the new booklet, descriptive of the institution, you should send for one.

Eld. Webster writes that another family has begun the observance of the Sabbath as a result of his Bible work in Tampa.

Two new boats have just been completed for the sanitarium, and the patients can now enjoy rowing on Lake Estelle.

Elder Manns writes that four more have taken their stand for the truth in Jacksonville as a result of the tent meetings there.

Elders Stephenson and Clark report large congregations at their effort in the church at Port Orange, where they are engaged in a series of meetings.

The sanitarium is enjoying a splendid patronage, and the capacity is greatly taxed.

The last report was "Fourteen patients and more expected to-morrow. This begins to seem like the old B. C. Sanitarium rush of business."

The meetings at Daytona are progressing nicely with a good attendance. Among the new Sabbath-keepers are the widow of the ex-mayor and the wife of the city clerk.

## CUMBERLAND

## The Outlook

The reports from the field all express a determination to keep right after the enemy until victory is won.

The army is being re-inforced at every turn. Old experienced veterans are coming in. We feel especially thankful for this as they will surely be good examples to those younger in the work. One comes from far-off-lands to join us. Our constant prayer is, that each may receive much of God's help in his work, and inflict blow after blow upon the head of the enemy until Dan. 7:27 meets its fulfilment.

Bro. Fulbright and J. W. Slade report souls rejoicing in the truth as a result of their efforts. One who received the truth through brother Fulbright already awaits the fulfilment of Rev. 14:13. He passed away in perfect confidence of that hope.

S. F. REEDER, *Field Missionary Agent.*

#### Items Of Interest

Plans are now being laid to start a colored mission school at Knoxville. It will be conducted by sister Maynor, wife of brother W. H. Maynor, our colored laborer. This is the first colored school to be opened in our Conference, and it is a source of great encouragement to our colored brethren.

The Cleveland church has started with the paper, "Gospel Sentinel," with which they expect to do practical missionary work among their friends and neighbors. They hope to increase this club later to at least a hundred copies.

Our church school at the Mission Ridge Valley church, conducted by Sr. E. C. Spire, is doing excellent work. They have an enrolment of forty-one, and three of the pupils united with the church a short time ago.

### NORTH CAROLINA

#### Canvassers Attention.

Because of untoward circumstances over which we could have no control, it has been necessary to postpone our canvassers' institute. The date is now set for March 18—28. Let us now take advantage of the additional time to make it a greater success than ever. It will be held at Archdale. The brethren there throw open their homes and give the canvassers the liberty of the town. I feel sure this arrangement will result in a three-fold blessing,— to the canvassing work, to the canvassers, and to the brethren who thus extend hospitality. The canvassing work is onward. We must keep up with the advance. The immediate future must see still greater strides toward the finishing of the work. Let us be prepared to do our part. Bro. V. O. Cole, our general agent, will be with us to give instruction. Bro. Tilden and the writer will be present. I hope a goodly number of present and prospective canvassers will come and receive the instruction. Remember the date and place.

Archdale, N. C. March 18—28.

T. H. JEYS, *President of N. C. Conf.*

#### Conference News

Recently Elder MacLay organized a Sabbath school at Raleigh. Brother Robert Underwood is Supt.

Brother Guy L. Kerley is giving evidence of his interest in his new work by the "stick to it" process. An indication of good results from his efforts is seen in the following from a gentleman who bought a D. R. some months ago. "I would not take \$2500 for that book if I could not get another. The writer gives Bible evidence for his position".

Sister Bertha Graham of Toluca, joined me at Hickory on my return from the Book-mens Convention. She connects with our band of workers at the State Capital, Raleigh, and will handle "Life and Health" magazine. Her associate in the periodical work is sister Anna F. Drake of Wiston Salem, who will handle the "Watchman" magazine. Their address is 506 S. Salisbury St.

#### Canvassers Institute.

TAKE NOTICE! There will be a Canvassers Institute at Archdale, N. C. Mar. 18—28. The brethren have kindly opened their doors to all interested in pushing the book work.

Buy your ticket to High Point, N. C. Write Brother M. G. Creasy, Archdale, N. C. stating when you will arrive, and some one will meet you.

The books studied will be Great Controversy, Home and Health, Daniel and Revelation, and Coming King. Bring your sample book, or prospectus. For further information, address Eld. T. H. Jey's, Spero, N. C. or the undersigned at 506 S. Salisbury St. Raleigh, N. C.

H. B. TILDEN, *Field Missionary Agent.*

### SOUTH CAROLINA

#### Report of Canvassers Institute.

Our Canvassers Institute held in S. C. Jan. 25 to Feb. 6 is in the past.

This institute marked a new epoch in the work in South Carolina, and it was good to be there.

For the first time since the book work was started in this state, we have, as a body of canvassers, entered the lower counties.

Our beloved workers were of good courage as they went forth to scatter the printed pages of truth for another year. The harmony, devotion, and earnestness manifested in each meeting was most refreshing. Bro. V. O. Cole, the Union canvassing agent, spent the entire time with us and rendered valuable assistance. Elds. R. T. Nash and E. W. Carey conducted the Bible studies which were attended by several interested ones from the outside. The prophecies of Daniel and the Revelation and other timely questions were dwelt upon with most satisfactory results.

Bro. J. A. Woodall who has lately accepted the message and has just entered the canvassing work, was baptized on Sabbath, Jan. 30th. by

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Eld. Nash. Dr. M. D. Munson of Luray, S. C., was with us one day and gave a very practical lecture on health topics.

The outlook for aggressive work in the canvassing field this year is very encouraging and we feel to thank our Heavenly Father for His help and counsel and the assurance that He will bless our efforts for 1909. "For that the leaders took the lead in Israel, for that the people offered themselves willingly, praise ye Jehovah" — Judges, 5:2. (A. R. V.)

H. B. GALLION, *Field Missionary Agent.*

Up to this time the Thanksgiving Offering in this conference has reached \$187.96. If there is any of this fund in the hands of the church treasurers let it be sent in soon.

We have recently visited the schools at Greenville and find them making good progress in the way of Christian education.

The Campobello church is now completed and nearly free from debt. It is built with a basement that is used for the church school. They appreciate very much the means that has been given them to help in the building.

*Eliza Warner.*

Change in Price.

The plain style of binding of Daniel & Revelation has been raised to \$1.75, making it correspond with the other styles of binding. The prices now are as follows: Plain style, \$1.75; cloth binding, marbled edge, \$2.75; library style, \$3.75; full morocco, \$4.75. We hope that every canvasser will take notice of this announcement.

*Southern Publishing Association.*

GEORGIA

Words of Cheer

Our Georgia canvassers are hopeful and of good courage as will be seen by a few quotations from their letters.

One says, "I enjoyed my new experience. . . . My desire is that 'Daniel and the Revelation' will fall as thick as the autumn leaves in this county." Another, "The dear Lord is still graciously blessing us."

Another in the extreme southern part of the state says, "Oh the need of the truth could not be more in any foreign field am trying to put out all the truth I can."

Another writes; "I am glad that all are of good courage in

the Lord and my prayer is that the work may not be hindered by our lack of faith; because the Lord has all strength and wisdom."

Another says, "So many say this is the first time they ever saw any thing of this kind and they are so glad to get Daniel and the Revelation.' If our brethren in other fields could have a little experience in these needy counties it seems they would be anxious to have a part in the work here."

May the dear Lord continue to let his rich blessings rest upon us in my continual prayer.

A. L. MANOUS, *Field Missionary Agent.*

CANVASSING REPORT  
For Week Ending Jan. 30, 1909,  
Southeastern Union Conference

Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Total	Del
<b>CUMBERLAND</b>						
J. A. Caldwell	BFL	30	10	10.50	13.75	1.25
G. A. Slade	DR	39	3	4.50	9.95	2.90
W. S. Fulbright	DR	10	3	8.50	9.00	
Walter Kirkham	BFL	30	18	27.00	30.00	
W. A. Nowlen	GC	12	3	8.25	16.00	
Geo. M. Powell	CK	30	28	28.50	28.90	4.25
Fred Meister	BFL	38	16	11.00	13.45	65.25
F. B. Sedore	BFL	32				55.00
<b>GEORGIA</b>						
Thos. Henderson	—	17				12.10
E. Smith	—	5				4.10
Burton Wade 2 wks	BR	41	19	19.00	35.90	
J. A. Sudduth	BFL	28	20	21.00	29.00	2.00
Mrs. Rainwater	BFL	30	38	39.50	39.50	1.00
J. A. Kimmel	GC	38	9	22.75	30.15	1.80
M. S. Grimm	GC	41	13	36.75	46.55	7.00
Albert Benson	DR	20	10	13.75	21.75	1.50
Albert Cochran	DR	26	13	36.50	39.00	.50
Mrs. R. O. Terry	DR	25	22	51.00	54.75	
R. O. Terry	DR	26	26	62.25	65.25	
<b>FLORIDA</b>						
E. B. Roman	DR		13			42.50

SUMMARY FOR JANUARY

Conference,	Agts.	Orders,	Value,	Total,	Del.
Cumberland	11	370	\$ 496.25	\$ 588.15	\$ 193.45
Georgia	6	152	575.10	638.75	114.95
N. Carolina	10	337	766.75	838.10	289.95
S. Carolina	8	397	437.45	449.20	137.10
Florida	4	90	127.50	169.50	60.75
<b>Total</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>1346</b>	<b>2403.05</b>	<b>2683.30</b>	<b>796.20</b>

The value of orders for the corresponding month last year amounted to \$1404.05. The sale of helps during the month amounted to \$ 280.25. Value of deliveries \$ 604.50. Thus showing an increase in orders to the amount of \$ 1279.25 and an increase in deliveries of \$ 191.70. I am sure that all are glad to see this increase, and it is to be hoped that each month during the year may have the same story to tell.

Georgia and S. Carolina both had very interesting canvassers institutes in January. One is now in progress at Daylight, Tenn., and North Carolina will begin one at Archdale March 18th. Another will be held in connection with the Graysville School beginning between the 1st., and 10th., of April.

We are glad to see the work go forward, and earnestly ask an interest in your prayers for continual blessings in this department of the work.

V. O. C.