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TENT MEETINGS AT SAVANNAH AND TY TY Ga.

On September the 17th brother Shadel and the writer began tent meetings in Savannah Ga. with a large attendance which has kept up nearly four weeks. Last Sabbath we were glad to have with us fifteen new Sabbath keepers. There are many more very hopeful ones who are earnestly investigating the truth.

Elder Shadel conducted a meeting near our present location last spring awakening quite an interest. He followed up his work with the Family Bible Teacher during the summer thus preparing for the present effort which has been so fruitful with but a short meeting. Nearly all who attended the former effort, but had not fully decided, have taken their stand now. The success of this effort is due largely to the faithful labors of Brother and Sister Shadel. We expect to follow up the work and pitch again as soon as we can.

TY TY, Georgia

D. G. Stephenson began a tent meeting at the above place three weeks ago. He reports six new Sabbath keepers with a good interest. The truth had been introduced in that place by Sister Haralson who has been located there for some time, and as all good Adventists should do, distributed our papers and tracts thus creating an interest. The people hauled our tents twelve miles in order to have the services. It is hoped that we can soon build a church there.

Good reports come from all of the workers and we hope for brighter days in this great state. Pray for us.

C. B. STEPHENSON.

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NORTH CAROLINA

We are very busy over here. Our anxiety is to see those enlist who should be associated with the Lord in his work in the earth. We are praying the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into the field.

From those already utilizing their time and talent in the spread of the printed page, come

words of cheer, weekly. That medium, literature, which is the Lord's chief factor in closing the last great message to this world, is yet to find its way into many homes. If some one were to ask you about the length of time, you would say, "it is short." And with reference to the work yet to be done, you would say "it is great

My Brother, my sister, half of us who ought to be in the field, are not there. Why? We have had our feelings hurt, and they are sore and do not heal at all. Now let me give you a remedy. I know what I am talking about for I have tried it. And whether the fracture was made by accident, or purposely, I never could see but what one healed just as quickly as the other.

Go to work. Of course if you have done any thing wrong, confess the whole thing, and the Master of the field will forgive you. And even though the fellow who bruised your feelings never comes near you, if you will go to work, it will surprise you to see how quickly they will heal. Simple, isn't it? Try it. And if you want a place to work, address me at Hickory, N. C. Rout No. 4. After October 15.

H. B. TIDDEN,
Field Agent.

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NORTH CAROLINA

The work at Walnut Cove in the tent has closed. There is still quite an interest to hear and plans are being laid to have meetings there in a hall. Several families are deeply interested and it is expected that they will obey

Arrangements have been made for Brother W. L. Killen to locate in High Point this fall and begin house to house work with the Family Bible Teacher, and our papers.

The work in Cleveland and vicinity, is still encouraging. The tent has been moved again into the country and larger numbers are attending, Elder Wells, has been assisting this tent company for some time. Eighteen adults have commenced to obey, and others are in the valley of decision.

On account of the unimproved health of Sister H. B. Tilden, and the recommendation of the

physician that she move to the western part of the state. Brother Tilden has located at Hilderbran.

It is expected that the high altitude, and in the bracing atmosphere of this section, she will speedily regain her health.

The school at Hilderbran will open early in November. Any who plan to attend, would do well to write Brother J. W. Beach, regarding it. It is expected that there will be an excellent school conducted this year.

Elder G. W. Wells has located his family here, for school privileges and others are planning to come.

Let all of our brethren and sisters redouble their efforts, and take hold of the Missions number of the Review, with great earnestness and enter into the Campaign during the month of November with cheerful hearts, and faith that God will bless you in gathering in funds for missions.

This gospel call comes to every child of God, advance steps must be taken, the needs are great, the appeals for help are touching, let all respond and help.

G. W. WELLS.

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ARCHDALE NORTH CAROLINA

Sabbath October the 16th was a pleasant day for the Archdale church. Elder T. H. Jeys and family worshiped with us. Elder Jeys spoke at eleven o'clock from John 2:17, after this practical discussion, many arose to their feet and bore cheering testimonies in behalf of the message we so much love.

After the Sabbath we all convened at the spacious home of brother T. J. Woodall to pay our respects to brother Jeys and family on their departure for South Carolina, their future field of labor.

Two minute impromptu speeches were listened to, our brethren expressing their appreciation of the faithful labors of Brother Jeys for the past five years among us. As a further token of our love and esteem for Brother Jeys and his ardent labors, the Elder of the church was requested to present to him a set of silver knives and forks.

Refreshments were then served.

Soon we all repaired to our homes, with mingled feelings of joy and sadness.

While we regret to part with brother Jeys, we realize that what is loss to us is gain to others.

These occasions are little oases in the desert of life and are to make our path-way more sweet.

Brethren let us love one another.

W. L. KILLEN.

FROM GEORGIA

Dear Brethren and Sisters, I feel sure that you are anxious about the canvassing work, and that all parts of the vineyard be equally worked; so, as we lift up our eyes and see the vast amount of territory as yet untouched, we can do nothing more timely than to give the Macedonian invitation, come and help in this great work. Georgia, the empire state of the South, with her one hundred forty six counties, is an ideal portion of the great harvest field. Only a very few few of her counties have as yet been touched in giving meat that is due now,— the Third Angels Message.

The Lord has something for each of his children to do, and says that he has already furnished the ability (Matt. 25:15) but with the ability goes responsibility. Now all who have the work at heart, but have not as yet put the Lord's money to use, (Matt. 25:16) let them stand idle no longer but hire to the Lord of the harvest now, for whatever is right you will receive (Matt. 20:7.) May I hear of a goodly number asking for territory.

W. S. FULBRIGHT.
Field Agent.

Florida Items

Since the opening of the Fort Ogden School, for this year ten have been added to the roll and others write they are coming.

We are very glad to welcome to our conference Brother and Sister Button who have just arrived from California, where they have been engaged in tent work. They come to us as self supporting workers.

Brother John Russell Mitchell is spending a few days at our Sanitarium at Orlando and rendering assistance by doing some dental work. Shortly he returns to school in Atlanta.

The tent meeting which preceded the camp-meeting in Orlando was blessed with good audiences. Some of the songs and sermons were illustrated by an electric stereopticon. Among the illustrated lectures was one on Tuberculosis and another giving pictures of all, or nearly all of our sanitariums.

We trust that all our churches are laying plans for active service during the Missionary Campaign the first week of November. If there are isolated ones who were not at the camp-meeting let them send in an order to the office in Bartow, for a supply of the papers. Let us all rally to the Master's service at this time and step forward into active service. Orders for these papers should be sent in at once.

As this goes to the press, our hearts are made sad by the news of the death of Sister Mossie Powell, secretary of the Lakeland Sabbath School. She was sick but a few days. We await further particulars.

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Livingston, Florida

The tent has been taken down at Livingston and moved to the camp-ground at Orlando

The little company there is still rejoicing in that light of present truth which has reached them. The enemy is working hard but the truth prevails.

They have a Sabbath-School and have started a Wednesday night prayer meeting which is well attended.

The district school house was offered them in which to hold their meetings, this was much appreciated as it serves nicely as a church.

Baptism has been deferred so far, but two or three are to be baptized next week.

Let us pray that this new company may be faithful.

W. H. BANSON.

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“What is The Matter With The Churches”

In the October number of the Delineator, this question of intense importance to Christendom is interestingly discussed from the viewpoint of prominent clergymen of different denominations, including Protestants, Catholics, and Jews. Most, if not all, of these clergymen agree that there is something the matter with the churches, and some of them state what it is, and offer recommendations to cure the conditions

The November number of the WATCHMAN will take up this question from the view-point of Holy Scriptures, and consider the matter in the light of what God has placed upon record. The WATCHMAN articles will suggest the remedy which God has placed within the reach of all who are enquiring for truth and knowledge. Do not fail to secure a large number of this magazine for distribution among your friends and neighbors. It will certainly be a number affording great assistance to the agent who devotes his time to the selling of periodicals, for with such a subject made prominent in the magazine it will advertise the paper at once.

This is a reading age, it stands our people in hand to work mightily with the periodicals containing present truth. There is still opportunity to do a great work, and the WATCHMAN will keep abreast of the important movements which bear relation to God's prophetic word.

Send in your orders at once. Special rates to agents and clubs. Address THE WATCHMAN.

Nashville, Tennessee.

Cumberland Canvassers

You will all, no doubt, notice a marked drop off in the canvassing report for the past two weeks.

This is, largely, on account of the schools having begun. There have six entered the schools. One has been taken to Georgia as State Agent, and several others are getting their fall work fixed up at home so they can leave things in good shape for the home folks during the winter and then enter the field for a good winter campaign.

You will notice too that we have added some new names, which we trust will do good work for the Master.

S. F. REEDER.

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Notice

The November number of Life and Health is not only attractive in appearance, but especially desirable in contents. It is filled from cover to cover with information of the most practical nature,—information adapted to the needs of the Fall season. We ought to have 5000 people in our churches who will take at least 25 copies every month and sell them about their homes. Nothing would develop in more good. Twenty-five to four hundred copies, one order, 4 cents per copy. Make all orders through the State Tract Societies.

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The Canvassing Work In Raleigh North Carolina

Perhaps it will be of interest to some to know how the work is progressing in this part of the Lord's vineyard. I came here from our camp-meeting at Cleveland North Carolina and owing to the fact that our furniture was not shipped until after we arrived here, we lost some time getting located. But for the past five weeks the Lord has been demonstrating through my efforts that he is still with the canvassers, and if one make an honest effort to sell our books people will buy them even though crops are short. He says “the silver is mine and the gold is mine and the cattle upon the thousand hills.”

Notwithstanding the fact that crops are quite short in this country, for the past five weeks I have averaged \$60.00 worth of orders per week, and have not been able to put in full time (canvassing) but one week. And during that time I have been charged but \$1.50 for meals and lodging, and not one cent of that had to be paid in money. That is a new experience for me. It is true. I never did have to pay so VERY

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MUCH, but never, before were the people so kind to me; Surely God holds the purse strings of the world, and the hearts of the people are in his hands.

Brethren the signs of the times show us that the end is *very very* near. We can almost hear the angels singing our welcome home. May God help us to be faithful is my prayer.

W. E. LANIER.

Work among the Colored in Florida

Our meeting in Plant City closed last Sunday night September 26. We are glad to report a good meeting.

At this meeting four were added to the church, three baptized, and in addition six adults took their stand for the Sabbath. Fifteen were added to the Sabbath-school last Sabbath Brethren, pray for the work in Plant City.

At this writing I am in Orlando on my way to Winter Park where we will hold our annual-camp-meeting. I trust that all are planning to attend. All who wish tents please address me at Winter Park. In purchasing your ticket with which to come to the meeting, let each one request the agent to give him a receipt for the money paid, as the reduction rate may not come on the regular certificate plan.

Let us all come with consecrated hearts, leaving all differences at home and buried so they will not arise when you return. Be prepared to receive showers of blessings.

We are promised good help this year. We are planning to run a dinning tent again this year and will serve meals on the European plan. We hope some one will come prepared to take charge of the cooking. Let some of our brethren that will sacrifice the time come early before the camp-meeting to assist in pitching the tents.

Remember the time of the meeting is November 4-14.

J. W. MANNS,

Winter Park, Fla.

Report of The Canvassing Work in The South Eastern Union Conference During September 1909

CON'	AGTS	HRS	ORD	VAL	HPS	TOTAL	DEL'	
Ca.	10	1361	392	\$915.45	\$140.60	\$1046.05	\$588.70	
N. C.	11	1044	520	839.25	68.70	907.95	258.90	
Cumb.	11	885	198	234.20	110.55	344.75	634.25	
Fla.	5	315	204	241.75	32.65	274.40	50.60	
S. C.	5	290	131	135.00	1.25	136.25	125.25	
Total		42	3895	1445	2365.65	343.75	2709.40	1657.70

We are glad to see some advancement made over the previous month, yet I am sure that all of us have a burning desire to see greater things along this line.

You will notice that the different conferences are placed in numerical order with reference to the value of orders taken.

Georgia seems to head the list; North Carolina, is close behind. Cumberland, in deliveries, ranks first; Florida, for a time, behind; in orders now stands ahead of Cumberland.

CANVASSING REPORT

Southeastern Union Conference.
For two weeks ending Oct. 16.

Name, Book, Hrs., Ords., Value, Total, Del.

CUMBERLAND

Fanie Fine	CK	12	7	7.00	8.50	
R. A. Judy	BFL	72	16	16.00	41.50	16.00
A. D. Day	BFL	35	12	12.00	16.75	
C. N. Cowdrey	CK	42				55.14
J. W. Purvis	CK	42				71.15
Albert Carlson	GC	8	1	2.75	4.50	
J. B. Rhyne	CK	20	9	10.00	10.50	
Mrs. S. E. Ragon	GC	12	4	16.50	20.75	
C. A. York	DR	61	5	13.25	15.65	

GEORGIA

J. H. Highsmith	DR	30	6	18.50	19.50	25.50
C. N. Bivens	DR	9	3	6.25	7.50	
R. M. Carter	DR	39	5	12.50	14.85	129.50
I. Tait	DR	72	9	19.75	29.25	87.00
J. A. Sudduth	DR	56	26	74.50	80.10	116.20
A. U. Cochran	DR	56	40	46.85	53.40	123.65
G. D. Raff	DR	40	40			225.00
R. O. Terry	DR	57	21	45.30		2.75
W. F. Boles	DR	100	4	11.00		160.00
S. T. Walker	Misc	21	6	14.00		
J. A. Kimmel	Misc	110	19	53.75	67.45	78.10
Papers						25.75

NORTH CAROLINA

W. H. George	GC	77	62	176.25	181.30	5.05
W. E. Lanier	DR	89	61	111.75	117.25	9.50
J. W. Moore	DR	88	33	40.75	65.00	4.25
T. T. Stepp	DR	50	13	35.75	39.05	3.30
M. L. Branch	DR	52	5	8.75	13.75	5.00
G. L. Kerley	DR	43	20	54.00	57.00	3.00
G. W. Wells	BFL	3	8	4.75	4.75	4.75
H. D. Harkins	CK	24	30	30.00	30.00	
H. B. Hahn	CK	5			.75	2.75
J. P. Allran	CK	41			5.25	41.25
Mrs. J. W. Moore	LH	40		5.70	5.70	5.70
Mrs. C. Miller	LH	90		32.50	41.75	41.75

SOUTH CAROLINA

G. B. Case	DR	81				130.50
I. R. Harden	BFL	20	1	2.75	2.75	11.00
J. B. Rise	DR	81	16	26.50	28.50	4.50
H. B. Gallion	DR	52	6	12.50	15.50	65.50
Rose Lull	BFL	46	12	13.00	26.00	9.50

Summary

South Carolina	Total	280	35	54.75	72.75	221.00
North Carolina	Total	600	232	520.20	561.55	126.30
Cumberland	Total	304	54	77.50	128.15	142.79
Georgia	Total	590	179	332.40	272.05	967.70

SUPPLEMENT

Florida Items

Elder Stephenson, on his way from visiting the several churches in South Florida, made a pleasant call at the office, on his way to his new field of labor, where he has been called to officiate as president of the Georgia Conference. We feel a loss in giving up Elder Stephenson who has served his Conference as a faithful laborer for several years, but our loss is others gain. The earth is one great field and when the great work is finished the faithful laborers will be gathered home where the pleasant associations formed will not be broken by partings.

The Sabbath-school Department made its largest offering to missions, this last quarter, it yet has made, \$265.14. The steady growth of offerings in this department is commendable, but if we have all listened to the calls made at the General Conference through the columns of the Bulletin, we certainly must realize as never before the need of consecrating ourselves and all to the furtherance of the Third Angel's Message. Let every Sabbath-School set its goal higher and by persevering efforts attain unto it.

Brethren, are you helping any with the fund to equip the school at Fort Ogden? It is only two months now until the school year is to begin, and we must have the means with which to put the school in proper shape for the year. If you cannot give much, give a little. Send your contribution to Sister Stringer.

Brother Whitford writes encouragingly of the work at Daytona. The new Sabbath keepers are growing, and the new church is rejoicing. One has taken a firm stand for the truth recently.

Brother W. H. Branson, assisted by Brother Carroll, who is canvassing in the neighborhood, has begun a tentmeeting at Livingston.

Elder E. W. Webster and wife have been forced to give up their work in Tampa on account of Sister Webster's ill health. They have come to the sanitarium, where Sister Webster will remain for a time under treatment, and Elder Webster will join the tent company at Livingston for the time being.

We are rejoiced to be able to report that Elder L. T. Crisler has so far recovered as to be able to engage again in the work. He and his wife take up the work in Tampa for the present following up the interest left by Elder Webster.

Elder and Mrs. George I. Butler were recent visitors to the sanitarium. They were much pleased with the institution. Their visit was much appreciated by the Sanitarium family, who were all sorry that it terminated so soon.

There are now eight patients at the sanitarium. It was thought that the patronage would run very low during the summer months, but in this we are agreeably disappointed. Present prospects indicate that the institution will enjoy a good patronage all summer. Dr. M. M. Martinson, formerly Medical Superintendent of the Graysville sanitarium, has arrived to take the place made vacant by the removal of Dr. Sickler. The doctor has already perform-

ed one very serious operation, and the patient is recovering rapidly.

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FLORIDA CONVENTIONS

Sabbath School and Young People's

Let all our Sabbath-Schools and Young People's Societies rally to the conventions soon to be held. Especially would we be pleased to see our isolated members present. All those planning to attend will please send in their names, so that arrangements may be made for the entertainment of all.

The dates for these meetings are as follows: Bartow, July 17-18; Tampa, July 24-25; Gainesville, July 31-August 1.

There will be a service of welcome to proceed these dates, Sabbath evening at 7:30.

Let us pray much for these gatherings as well as plan for a good representation from each school.

Mrs. R. G. STRINGER.

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The Colored Camp-meeting in Florida

The colored people of the Florida Conference will hold their camp-meeting at Winter Park, five miles north of Orlando, Fla. Let all plan to attend this meeting, as we hope it will be the best meeting we ever had in Florida. The date of this meeting is November 4-14.

J. W. MANNS.

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Work with the Colored People in Florida

Since my return from the General Conference my time has been given to visiting our churches and companies, and I am glad to report progress.

After spending a few days with our little company of believers in Fernandina, where I held my last tent meeting, I was thankful to leave them all of good courage.

Here at Jacksonville, I held meetings for eight nights and many were interested. Two men took their stand to keep the commandments of God. I am glad to see our Jacksonville church growing, and trust to see with their own meeting house soon.

At Hawthorn there are some who are interested and desirous to know the truth. We hope to do something for these people soon.

Oakland; Here are two families of believers. While they are keeping the Sabbath, yet they have no Sabbath-school, but I hope to organize a school here before our next camp-meeting.

Orlando; This is the oldest of our churches in the Conference, and all seem to be of good courage. Because of the heavy rains we did not have the planned for meetings, but I believe much good was done.

The Ordinance of Humility was celebrated with each of the organized churches visited. We enjoyed much of the Spirit of the Lord in all these meetings. I ask the readers of this paper to pray for the colored work in Florida. In my next I hope to tell of progress made by other churches.

J. W. MANNS