

the heading, "Doubtful from a Human Standpoint":—

"These predictions were made in 1848 concerning the rise and spread of the Sabbath truth. To look at the situation from a human standpoint at that time, reason would say, 'That prediction can never be fulfilled.' One man remarked to one of our laborers soon after the prediction was made, 'It will take you 144,009 years to do what you propose.' 'What!' they would say, 'three preachers—Elder White and wife, and Elder Bates—all penniless, with less than one hundred adherents all of whom are destitute of money, going forth with a few hundred copies of an eighty page tract on the Sabbath question, to give a warning message to all the world! Preposterous assumption!' While those thus reasoning said, 'Impossible,' faith in the message and the testimony of assured success said, 'In the name of Israel's God it will be done; and trusting in his strength it must be done.'

The world is still saying it is impossible for the remnant people to warn the world in this generation. But, brethren, have we not seen demonstrated before our eyes what wonders can be accomplished by a few consecrated individuals? Let us take courage; let us determine in our hearts to have more faith in God and his promises, and let us use our watch-word for the coming year. "In the name of Israel's God, it will be done, and trusting in his strength it must be done." Brethren, a mighty work has been assigned to us, and without the help of Israel's God it will be impossible to succeed; for what has been accomplished has been done by the help of God himself and without him we can do nothing.

Before taking my seat I wish to present a few recommendations which I believe are for the best interests of the publishing work in this field. I believe that we will make an advance move if we take time to consider some definite policies at this meeting, with a view to more thoroughly systematizing the work in the field, and by so doing greatly help the work in the office.

In the past we have been unable to plan our work sufficiently far ahead to have a good stock of books on hand in case of an emergency. In other words we have been living from hand to mouth, as it were. We rely al-

most entirely upon our canvassers' reports which are sent in at the end of each week. Oftentimes these reports give the date of delivery so near at hand that it would be impossible for the Publishing House to lay in a large enough stock of books to meet the demand without working overtime and greatly hurrying. You can readily see that this hurry and these long hours are very detrimental to the work as a whole. Now I have thought that it would be possible for us to carefully plan the year's work and agree here upon a definite policy with a view to selecting those books that will be used as leaders. For instance if we knew for a certainty that the workers in the Southern Union Conference were going to put their best efforts upon "Great Controversy," "Bible Footlights," "Daniel and the Revelation," "Coming King," "Bible Readings," and "Past Present and Future" we could act intelligently and begin manufacturing these books during the dull season, stocking them for later delivery; thus effecting a large saving in manufacturing cost and eliminating the possibility of a shortage of books at a critical time, and consequently, disappointment to the canvassers. There are usually four or five months in the year that we do not have sufficient work to keep our plant running on full time. The remainder of the year we are most always rushed to the limit, working 14 hours a day. This means a great physical strain upon our workers. It means oftentimes that green books have to be shipped out when the glue is hardly dry; thus bringing discredit on the home office and its workers; for our brethren in the field can not always see conditions as they are at the factory.

*Partial report of Manager.

—Southern Union Worker.

Georgia

ELSEWHERE in the columns of the TIDINGS will be found a report from the Sabbath-schools of Georgia. This report shows a shortage in donations of \$81.52 over the previous quarter, ending Sept. 30, 1911; and which included campmeeting donations amounting to \$57.25.

The per cent of attendance in every school except one, was smaller than in the previous quarter, and that one had an increase in donations.

Inclement weather during the past quarter has caused poor attendance and this accounts for poor donations, but should that be a good reason? Just here let me suggest that when we are unable to attend Sabbath-school let us still come before the Lord with thanks, giving our song, prayer and offering; and, on the next Sabbath carry this offering, which we have laid aside to the regular Sabbath-school treasury. This will make us happy, the angels rejoice and the message go. One young brother secretary of one of our largest schools said in a recent letter; "After all it is not only to reach a certain standard that we are striving for, but the closing up of the work that He has so graciously given us and called us to have a humble part in." It is this knowledge put into practice that is going to finish the work in this generation.

We truly thank the Lord for faithfulness on the part of a few of his people and for the evidences that we see of His leading on to a speedy completion of His work in the earth.

Enroute home from the 'S. E. U. Conference meetings at Graysville' encouraging visits were enjoyed with some of the isolated members who are rejoicing in the new found light and at one place a sister carried me to see a friend and the head of the house. A superior court judge met us at the door with "Great Controversy" in his hand. Reading it?—Yes. He had just finished "Daniel and Revelation", and said that he found no objection to its explanations and that it was a great book. In every town, interested persons ask for more of our literature.

DAISY TERRY.

The Farm

IN a few days, the farm implements will be taken from the sheds, and made ready for use. Plans are being made as to the kind of crops to be planted, and how many acres to be set apart for each crop.

There is no work which calls the attention of the one engaged in it, to the Bible as that of farming. The Saviour continually directed the attention of his listeners to the farm; and if we as farmers would see the beauties of nature, and the privileges we have of becoming acquainted with God thru our farms, there would be

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more enjoyment manifested in the work, and our children would delight in staying on the farm until God called them to some other field of labor.

As we lay our plans for the summer, let us ask God to become a partner with us. Give him the farm, and you act as a faithful steward; and while you pray for God's blessing upon your different crops, use the hoe vigorously, thus help to answer your prayers.

The Lord has promised to abundantly bless those who are faithful in paying the tithe; and who can preach so powerful a sermon on tithing as the farmer whom God has blessed because of his faithfulness in the matter of the tithe?

Is your land poor? Then remember that the blessing of the Lord maketh poor land to yield abundantly if proper care is exercised. It is our duty to help make this old earth to blossom as the rose.

Do you sigh for a wider field of usefulness? What more could you desire than the privilege of being God's steward over a farm whose produce is such as to cause the passers by to stop and ask the secret of your success? It is true that we need many more preachers, teachers and canvassers; we also need many consecrated farmers.

Try God's plan this summer, and see if you do not have more joy when reading your Bible, a clearer view of God's desire for you, and best of all, the privilege of being a bright and shining light in this dark world.

The Hope of Our City Work

For years our canvassers have regarded cities, and especially those sections where the more wealthy people live, as almost hopeless, so far as the canvasser reaching them with our literature. But we are glad that God, in his allwise providence, has changed the situation.

In the sale of our magazines we see a prospect of reaching the very class of people who have heretofore been the more difficult to reach. Not only do we see such prospects, but experience has demonstrated that the magazine agents have the best success among the wealthy, and aristocratic people.

No successful magazine worker

would think of confining their efforts to the poorer class of citizens. No, it has been demonstrated that magazines sell best among business men, and the wealthier people.

Since God has provided us this means of self-supporting missionary work let us take hold of it with all our might. There is a great field before us. And God is wonderfully blessing those who are taking up this line of work.

All who desire to enter the magazine work should correspond with the undersigned. According to the present organization all arrangements for territory should be made with the Field Agent before work is begun, also that all magazines sold should be reported to the Field Agent. We very much wish the cooperation of all.

W. E. LANIER,
Field Agent for North Carolina.

Canvassing Report

Southeastern Union Conference

(week ending Jan. 27)

Name,	Book,	Hrs.,	Ords.,	Value,	Helps,	Total,	Del.
NORTH CAROLINA							
A. L. Undewood	CK	39	25	39.50	4.75	44.25	7.75
W. E. Patterson	CK	34	27	40.50	3.00	43.50	4.50
R. P. Patterson	CK	40	25	33.50	5.75	39.25	8.75
John Allran	DR	12	8	24.00	.75	24.75	.75
Mrs. E. A. Wing	Misc.	20	28	20.00	1.25	21.25	6.50
N. D. Ingram	CK	18	10	16.00	2.25	18.25	2.25
R. L. Underwood	BFL	6	4	4.00	2.00	6.00	3.00
Irregular		26	6	12.00	45.50	57.50	57.50
GEORGIA							
J. R. Wilbur	BFL	41	25	26.50	2.50	29.00	
Mrs. O. Henderson	BFL	2	3	4.50	25.50	30.00	25.50
W. A. Smith	DR PPF	30	4	6.40	6.30	12.70	
J. D. Andrews	PPF	46	17	29.50		29.50	
J. M. Lewis	PPF	44	77	81.50	22.25	103.75	
FLORIDA							
E. W. Hampton	PPF	4	4	8.50		8.50	32.50
J. A. Jones	DR	36	19	25.00	1.00	26.00	.75
L. Crookshanks		17	27	34.00		34.00	
C. F. Woertz	BFL	22	37	41.50		41.50	
Anna Orr	GC	14	4	12.00	3.75	15.75	
F. M. Haegart	S of P	14	6	10.50	2.25	12.75	
Walter Walker	DR	82	38	145.00	77.05	222.05	
Geo. G. Taylor	PPF	32	11	19.00		19.00	
Joseph Currier	CK	6		23.00		23.00	31.50
Mrs. Robison	CK	11	2	3.50	1.75	5.25	1.75
W. A. Roison	CK	12	1	2.00	7.50	9.50	
C. Wilson		25			3.00	3.00	
Royal Hubbell Jr.		5	8	14.50		14.50	56.50
CUMBERLAND							
Jms Croker	BFL	21	25	26.00		26.00	
Fred Chapman	CK	46	41	64.50	1.50	66.00	
R. E. Hicks	CK	43	19	28.50	3.25	31.75	
Thos. Chapman	CK	17	25	42.50	.75	43.25	
John Wright	PPF	37	6	9.50	.25	9.75	
L. D. Wright	PPF	36	9	14.00	1.00	15.00	
Walter Kirkham	PPF	35	11	21.00	2.50	23.50	
Mrs. J. D. Finley	PPF	10	12	29.00		29.00	
Summary							
North Carolina	Total	195	133	189.50	65.25	254.75	91.00
Georgia	Total	163	126	148.40	56.65	205.95	25.50
Florida	Total	230	157	338.50	96.30	434.90	123.00
Cumberland	Total	246	148	235.00	9.25	244.25	
Grand Total		834	564	911.40	227.35	1138.75	239.50

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Wise Words to Parents

BE courteous to your children. A
kind manner and gentle tone usually
have the desired effect, however ob-
durate the case, and the children are
born imitators. As in water "face
answereth to face," so the reflection
of our own lives is in those of our
children. Make home the most at-
tractive place in the world for them;
give them space to play, even if car-
pets and furniture do suffer a little.
Certainly order and cleanliness should
be a law in every household, but take
heed lest your children fear a stain

upon clothes or carpet more than one
upon their conscience.

Keep near your children. Do not
let them grow away from you.
Keep them close in your confidence
and affection, so they will confide in,
and not be afraid of you. I know a
lad who takes pleasure in giving his
mother an account of his doings dur-
ing the day, whether they be pleas-
or otherwise. She laughs with him
if they are funny, and gently chides
where he is wrong, but in a way that
does not make him afraid of her.
He will not relate a single instance
to his father, because before the
story is half through, his father will
begin to scold him for doing so and
so. It is plainly seen which
can have the most influence with
him.

Give your commands in the form
of request whenever it is possible.
When a commanding tone seems
to be necessary, speak without be-
traying any excitement, in a low
voice, but decidedly, and use as few
words as possible.—*Selected.*

Graysville Current

PROF. Van Kirk attended an edu-
cational meeting of public-school
teachers at Dayton last week. His
talk on "Christian Education" was
well received.

Mr. Will Tinsley, a student, was
called home last week. We miss
him in our Home circle.

Brother Dillon is at home for a
few days.

Mrs. Mettie S. Lenker is visiting the
different churches and Sabbath-
schools thruout the Cumberland
Conference.

Prof. Miller is installing a wireless
telegraph outfit near his home. He
expects to get into communication
with surrounding cities which have a
like apparatus.

We are reminded that the closing
of school is hastening on. The grad-
uating class is organized, consisting
of the Mr. and Mrs. Rees Callicott,
Misses Maxwell and Dawson.

The Magazine With the Mes-
sage

THE cover design of the March
Monthly, in three colors, depicts a

mighty ship in flames. Two lifeboats
are putting out from the shore. The
entire design typifies the dangers of
the world today, and suggests a way
of escape.

"Saving Lives."—An article on
this subject by the veteran Editor of
the *Signs* weekly, illustrated by the
cover design and other graphic illus-
trations. The conclusions of this ar-
ticle are perfectly logical and more
than appealing. Worthy of careful
study.

"Intensity of War Training" by
A. O. Tait. Some forceful facts,
figures, and pictures present this
subject in a most telling manner.

"Sabbath Queries." Under this
heading, T. E. Bowen continues his
articles; considering questions and
answers on the all important subject
of the Sabbath.

"The Threatening Future in This
Country." Another almost startling
article on conditions that threaten
the peace and progress of the United
States.

"Glimpses of China." by F. E.
Stafford, continued in this issue. The
present world-wide interest in China
and Chinese affairs makes these notes
of thrilling import.

"Intensification." Our well known
writer, Mr. Frank S. Weston, writes
an illuminating article under the
above title. He shows how intensity
is taking hold of every movement in
the earth; that while evil and evil
workers become more intense, right-
eousness and adherents to righteous-
ness also become more intense; that
the picture of a reign of peace on
earth previous to Christ's coming is
a fallacious doctrine is shown by this
very fact; that the world will not
change except in intensity; that the
powers that have operated, will con-
tinue to operate only with increased
power. We hope the article will
have a wide reading.

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