

# FIELD SIGNINGS

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## Missionary Volunteer Day

May 1 should be the day when the Southeastern Union should give a good account of herself. It is the day when every church elder and every one who has any interest in our young people should bestir themselves. Preparations should now be made to make May 1 the most rousing and the best Missionary Volunteer Day that has ever been held. Remember that it requires a more determined effort now to accomplish what we desire than it did in the past. The enemy of our souls and of the souls of our children is more and more determined to see that our young people shall not enlist in the cause of the Master. The attractions of the world are stronger than ever, and if we secure our youth to the cause, we must invest something. Our means, our time and our best energies must all be put into the work of planning for our young people. Is it not worth while? Why should we allow the enemy to present anything that could possibly be construed to be of greater value or of more real pleasure than it would for our young people to be connected with the Third Angel's Message?

Don't think for a moment that because they are in Seventh-day Adventist families or attend a S. D. A. Sabbath-school that that insures their eternal salvation! It sometimes is necessary to "sweep the house" until we "have found the lost coin." Why not make May 1 the day when every effort will be made to make it a most profitable occasion? Give the young people something to do.

The program and reading for this day will appear in the *Review* of April

22. See what Prof. Kern has said on this matter in the May number of this *Gazette*.

Will not all who have charge of meetings on May 1 see that due arrangements are made for this important program? In many instances it will be a great blessing to all if our ministering brethren would give a good account of their stewardship in throwing the weight of their influence in securing the cooperation of all on this very important matter. These young people are the ones on whose shoulders the burden of carrying this message must be placed when we lay it down. Let us demonstrate that we are real recruiting officers now.

The parts of the program for this day will be:

Reading—"The Responsibility of the Church for the Youth"—G. B. Thompson.

Reading—"The Purpose of the Missionary Volunteer Movement"—C. L. Benson.

Talk—"The Missionary Volunteer Goal for 1915," based on an article by M. E. Kern.

"A Call to Our Youth"—Miss Erickson.

We bespeak a most hearty cooperation for the success of this Volunteer rally.

L. A. HOOPES,  
Y. P. Sec'y S. E. Union.

A man can no more take in a supply of grace for the future than he can eat enough today to last him for the next six months, or take sufficient air into his lungs to sustain life for a week to come. We must draw upon God's supply of grace from day to day as we need it.—D. L. Moody.

## Home of the "Signs"

It was a great pleasure to the writer to step into the Signs Publishing Association headquarters and behold such a pleasing sight as was witnessed on March 8th at the banquet given to some three hundred of the constituency.

Long tables were spread with vines such as only California can supply, and while the orchestra discoursed sweet music, the keen appetites of all were abundantly satisfied. Appropriate speeches were made by the leading brethren, and from all sides came expressions of thankfulness and gratitude.

The past year has been one of great activity at this center, from which light is radiating to all parts of the world. The *Signs* weekly contributed something to the large profits for the year's operations. I am sure all our people will be rejoiced to read the annual report of the Signs Publishing Association, and to learn that the large bulk of the earnings are being used to further this great cause in both the home and the foreign lands.

It was voted to make the *Signs* weekly a great factor in our Home Missionary campaign, and to encourage our people to subscribe for and handle at least two copies a member at the same prices as last year: \$1.20 for two copies for six months, \$2.40 for one year. The *Signs* is a soul-winning agency and now is the time to use it with telling effect. Let everybody rally to the call for service and use the *Signs* weekly as a powerful agency in the winning of at least one soul each for Christ. The *Signs* is appreciated wherever it goes. Do not fail to handle at least two copies.

F. W. PAAP.

"The true Christian works for God, not from impulse, but from principle; not for a day or a month, but during the entire period of life."

## AN IMPRESSIVE MEETING

In addressing the students of South Lancaster Academy recently, Elder E. R. Palmer said:

"In our conferences and everywhere around us something is happening. It may be it will pass by and some know nothing about it. But every one of us, as we go from place to place and observe, find that something is taking place among God's people and in his organized work which means the forward march of this message toward its completion. I see letters from every part of the world which have something in them that gives the impression that something is happening out in the field.

"You have heard about the extra war issue that we published soon after the war broke out. We have been talking for years of the time coming when we would distribute periodicals up to a million copies in one issue. We had never reached an issue of 50,000 in this country. But there came a time when things began to happen in a way that just took us off our feet. I will give you a little glimpse

of what has happened. We ordered paper for 100,000 copies of the War Extra, which meant a ton and a half. Within one week we had received orders for 350,000 copies. In one day we received orders for 80,000. Within thirty days the circulation of the War Extra reached 1,300,000 copies and required over twenty tons of paper. The extra on the Eastern Question had an issue of 1,250,000 copies from our office and 300,000 in the Southern Publishing office—over one and a half million in both offices.

"It will be interesting to you to learn how we came to publish 'World's Crisis.' A young woman out in the colporteur field wrote a letter to the Review and Herald office, saying, 'We wish the extra put up in a little book, illustrated the same as the extras, to sell for twenty-five cents. If you can do this right away you may send me 1,000 copies.' Within sixty minutes from the time we received that letter we had four editors preparing manuscript for the book. Within thirty days books were being shipped. In

the first two months we sold 100,000 copies in the United States. And this book was the result of a suggestion by a young woman colporteur, and was never thought of by the leaders."

Elder Palmer related an interesting circumstance connected with the Publishing of the book. They ordered paper for the first edition of 25,000 copies. This went so fast that they saw they would require another edition, and ordered paper for 40,000. In some way the mill made a mistake and duplicated the order, sending paper for 80,000 instead of 40,000. They were perplexed to know what to do with all this stock, but, to their surprise, before they had finished the 40,000 they saw that they would require another 40,000, so used the whole amount. If it had not been for this seeming mistake they would have been greatly hindered, as it required thirty days before orders could be filled and reach the Review office. Was not this one of God's providences?"

### NOT UNDERSTOOD

Not understood: We move along  
asunder; our paths grow wider as  
the seasons creep along the years.  
We marvel and we wonder why life  
is life, and then we fall asleep,  
Not Understood.

Not understood: How trifles often  
change us: The thoughtless sen-  
tence and the fancied slight destroys  
long years of friendship and es-  
trange us, and on our souls there  
falls a freezing blight,  
Not Understood.

Not understood: How many hearts are  
aching for lack of sympathy! Ah,  
day by day, how many cheerless,  
lonely hearts are breaking! How  
many noble spirits pass away,  
Not Understood!

O, God, that men would see a little  
clearer, or judge less harshly when  
they cannot see! O, God, that  
men would draw a little nearer to  
one another! They'd be nearer  
thee,  
And Understood.

### HE UNDERSTANDS

Think of your Lord in the garden,  
Think of the nails in his hand,  
Think of his mercy and pardon—  
He loves you, and he understands.

Helping and cheering and guiding,  
Leading you over life's sands;  
In his protection confiding—  
He loves you, and he understands.

Yield not to trouble or sorrow,  
Life is heroic and grand.  
Christ will take care of tomorrow—  
He loves you, and he understands.

Down to the grave's gloomy prison,  
Jesus is holding your hand.  
He that once died has arisen—  
He loves you, and he understands.

And when in the first resurrection,  
With all the redeemed you shall stand,  
Jesus has been your protection—  
He loves you, and he understands.

There is no shadow of sadness,  
Entering heaven's fair land;  
You'll sing with unspeakable gladness,  
"He loves me, and he understands."

There is no greater work in this world than that of saving souls. There is no work that will bring greater joy to the heart than that of winning souls for the Master. There is no work that will mean more for

eternity than that of bringing others to the Lamb of God. Our business should therefore be to win souls. For this we should pray, for this we should work, and all other matters should be given a secondary place in our lives.

"The Lord withdraws His blessing where selfish interests are indulged in any phase of the work; but He will put His people in possession of good throughout the whole world if they will use it for the uplifting of humanity."

## Florida

### Conference Directory

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### Florida Items

The several tent efforts held in Florida during the past winter months have brought forth pleasing results. Thirty-eight have united with the Tampa church. Besides these, several who accepted the truth have gone to their homes in the North and will unite with churches in other conferences.

Next week Elder Carlyle B. Haynes and wife leave for the South Carolina Conference. Elder Heald and wife remain to follow up the work in Tampa.

Brother Dart made a pleasant call at the office last Thursday. He has been spending a few weeks along the West Coast in the interest of the canvassing work.

March 27th the St. Petersburg church held their quarterly meeting service. In the morning Elder Heckman spoke, after which the ordinances were held.

Many good letters come from our isolated brethren and sisters. One sister, after sacrificing to make a liberal payment on her campmeeting pledge to missions, writes: "My heart is wrapped up in the work of God." Truly where our treasure is there will our heart be also.

One brother in making full payment on a large pledge made at campmeeting for missions, writes: "I am glad to be able to meet this obligation at this time. The Lord has blessed me in raising the whole amount so soon. However, in order to get this money, I sold my place at a sacrifice, but expect to receive a reward from above in making a covenant with the Lord through sacrifice."

Splendid reports come from Elder Martin concerning the meetings being held in Miami.

Elder John Green is still at work in Ft. Lauderdale.

The Sanitarium is still enjoying a large patronage. No sooner does a number of patients leave for their homes, when the vacant rooms are immediately filled by new ones coming.

Last Sunday night Elder Heckman spoke to a well-filled house in Tampa.

Sister Smith, who has been canvassing in Orlando this winter, has just returned from a few days' visit in Miami.

Report has just come to the office that 16 were baptized at Miami last Sabbath by Elder Martin. It is encouraging to know that a number of the church-school children were among these.

Sister Elizabeth Hickok is doing splendid work in the church-school at Miami. We are also having an excellent school at Formosa, being taught by Brother A. G. Foster.

Last week we were again caused to sympathize with Brother and Sister Paulson of St. Petersburg in the death of their daughter Lillian, aged 18 years. Only a few weeks since the sister of Lillian, aged 11 years, was laid to rest. Truly death, the great enemy, is abroad in the land. Elder Heckman officiated at the funeral service. The obituary will appear later.

### A Good Report

Palmetto, Fla., Mar. 29, 1915.

Dear Fellow-Workers:

Since I came to Florida the first of the year I can say that the Lord has blessed me.

I have delivered over \$200.00 worth of "Bible Readings" and have over \$600.00 worth yet to deliver.

The Methodists on Terra Ceia Island had a revival recently which raised some prejudice, and one man burned his book, after I had delivered it to him. But in spite of that, some of their members are interested. Subject matter for two prayermeetings in succession was taken from "Bible Readings" by different ones of that church. I still continue to sell books on the Island.

One young man ordered a half leather book from me and after I had delivered it he offered it to a man here for half price. I saw him later and he had become so much interested in the book that he ordered one in the full leather binding for a later delivery to be sent to his folks. So you see the Lord is going before in this work.

EUGENE SYKES.

### If We Only Knew

When the cares of life hang heavy,  
 And the heart is weary and sore,  
 If we'd think of the Saviour before us  
 Who for us these sorrows bore,

We would not sit around repining,  
 That hard luck has come our way;  
 But with face still set straight forward,  
 We would greet the coming day.

If we knew the cloud before us,  
 Which bleak and drear was seen,  
 On the other side was golden,  
 We would not have felt so mean.

If we knew the trials we'er meeting,  
 Which seem so hard to bear,  
 Were giving us a fitting,  
 With Him a crown to wear,

We would not be still complaining,  
 But with face set like a flint,  
 We would meet these little trials  
 That we knew were heaven-sent.

—Eugene Sykes.

### The Man Behind You

When the late Edwin H. Wilbur was a nurse in the Iowa Sanitarium, at Des Moines, it was his custom, during hours when he was off duty, to go out in the city to canvass. He felt as if every hour must be improved. On one of these occasions, as he was riding in a crowded car to a street he had selected for his work that day, a voice seemed to say to him, "Canvass the man in the seat behind you." The thought came instantly, O, no, a crowded car is no place to canvass! I'll wait till I get to my street, then I'll canvass. But the voice came more insistently, "Canvass the man in the seat behind you." Other excuses simply made the voice more insistent, "Canvass the man in the seat behind you." Brother Wilbur canvassed him, sold him a book, and returned to his busy activities at the Sanitarium with a joyful experience. And God was teaching his servant that in order to be a missionary in China tomorrow, he must today be a missionary to the man in the seat behind him.—Bert Rhoads in *The Youth's Instructor*.

### Turks Massacre Christians

The following news dispatch from Tabriz, Persia, of recent date says:

"Preceding the reoccupation by the Russians of Salmac Plains, in Azerbaijan province, northwest of Urumiah, hundreds of native Christians were rounded up by the Turks in the village Halftedewan and massacred. Many of these were searched out from the homes of friendly Mohammedans, who tried to hide them. The Russians, on entering the village, found 720 bodies, mostly naked and mutilated. Recovery of bodies from wells, pools and ditches and their burial kept 300 men busy for three days.

"The wailing of women intensified the horror of the scene. Widows able to identify the bodies of their husbands insisted on digging graves and burying them. Some of the victims had been shot, others had been bound to ladders and their heads, protruding through, hacked off. Eyes were gouged out and limbs were pulled off.

Monday night the students of the S. T. S. and others of Graysville were treated to a splendid display of pictures, showing all the works of the *Watchman* office at Nashville, besides giving a great many outside views. The Publishing House people sent Brother McConaughy up to make the talk and handle the machine and slides, and tell us of the good work that the *Watchman* is doing, also to tell what is in store for the boys who expect to canvass this summer if they will only take a supply of the *Watchman* along with "United States In Prophecy." All were well pleased with the entertainment. Bro. McConaughy spent Tuesday with the students of S. T. S. in talking over the book work.

# Colporteurs' Report for

## The Sealing Work of the Angel

Sermon preached at the Greater New York Conference, March 1, 1915.

"And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree. And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea, saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads. And I heard the number of them that were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel." Rev. 7: 1-4.

We are living right down in the time when the very work mentioned in this chapter is taking place. You notice there are four angels standing in the four directions of the earth,—east, west, north, south,—holding the four winds. Winds represent strife among the nations. The angels of God have charge of the affairs of governments, and hold them in check until the sealing work of God's people has been accomplished.

In this vision John saw those who were sealed. Dear friends, our hope is to be found in that company with the seal of God upon our foreheads, is it not? That is the thing toward which we are eagerly looking forward. That is the hope that buoys our hearts through trials and temptations and discouragements.

In the fourteenth chapter of Revelation, John also speaks about this same sealed company: "These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth." They sing a new song—the song of Moses and the Lamb. It is a song that has never been sung before. It is a song of experience and of a mighty deliverance. Only the hundred and forty-four thousand can sing that song. All the other righteous men and women of all ages are privileged to stand on the sea of glass and praise God, but they cannot sing that song of the one hundred and forty-four thousand; they can only listen to it.

From Sabbath to Sabbath the hosts of the redeemed and the unfallen beings of God's universe will come up to worship before the Lord. The one hundred and forty-four thousand will

be there. Jesus will preach to all the created beings of God, and he will tell them the wonderful story of redemption, and pointing to the one hundred and forty-four thousand, he will show the wondering universe what his grace could accomplish in lifting human beings out of a world of sin, in an age when the race was the most degenerate and weak.

"And they follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth." They will visit worlds upon worlds in company with the Redeemer,—countless constellations throughout the immensity of space,—and everywhere they go Christ will point to them as trophies of his grace. They stand next to Christ, and occupy the most exalted place of God's created beings.

We all wish to be among that glorious congregation that will stand on Mount Zion and sing the song of Moses and the Lamb every Sabbath. But it is going to take more than a mere form of Sabbath-keeping to get us there. Let us look at the other side of this sealing work this morning. In Ephesians 1:13 we read: "In whom ye also trusted....after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise." The Holy Spirit is the instrument that puts the seal of God upon us, but the third person of the Godhead will never put his seal upon sin.

The people of Ephesus understood the meaning of this verse very well. In those days when a man purchased timber, a mark, or seal, of ownership was placed upon the wood, so that all men might know to whom it belonged. This is the meaning of the words used by Paul in this verse. The believer was "sealed;" he belonged soul, body and spirit, to the Lord. Brethren, I wonder how many of us have made this kind of a surrender that we can absolutely say we belong with all we have to God?

In 1 Timothy 2: 19 we have another expression of this sealing work. "Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal that the Lord knoweth them that are his. And let every one that nameth the name of the Lord depart from iniquity."

"The Lord knoweth them that are his." That is ownership. Mere profession of being a child of God does not seal us for his kingdom. Until we depart from iniquity we are not sealed, and never can be. So long as anything is in the life which the Holy Ghost condemns and which we refuse to surrender, we are not sealed.

Another phase of this sealing work brought to view in the ninth chapter

Name	Book	HO
N B Ingram	CK	2
N E Loveland	BR	1
J P Allran	CK	4
J H Wheeler	DR	4
J P Burton	PPF	2
A Q Rogers	BR	4
G S Vreeland	Misc.	1
J F Craig	PPF	3
G H Allran	CK	3
A M Allran	CK	4
Kaspar Oertley	GC	2
O L Page	BF	2
Mrs M A Bump	Misc.	1
Mrs E A Wing	Misc.	2
Totals		41

S N Brown	BFL	3
Fred Meister	BFL	4
Beuna V. Matthews	CK	2
Clyde H Parker	BR	1
Mrs E Y Smith	BR	3
A L Underwood	CK	1
Totals		15

H Pannkake	BR	2
H Tonjes	BR	2
W E Adams	BR	2
J A Sudduth	BR	2
B F Brown	BR	3
Mrs A F Croal	BF	1
Owen C Barrett	CK	1
W C Cheek	CK	1
Totals		20

Jas Singleton	BF	1
M B Scruggs	CK	1
W M Fee	BR	1
Jas A Civil	BF	1
G B Case	CK	1
Totals		5
Mrs J D Finley	100 Tem	1

J D Lawrence	BR	1
L D Hewett, 2 wk	DR	1
Wm H Hunt	MH	1
James Henderson	BR	1
S I Lamson	WC	1
James Van Alstine	BF	1
F E Washburn	DR	1
Lola Hambright	BR	1
Mrs Geo M Powell	BR	1
Irregular	Mag	1
Totals		12

Grand Totals 12

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of Ezekiel, which tells us who really are to be sealed just before the Lord comes. Beginning with the second verse: "And, behold, six men came from the way of the higher gate, which lieth toward the north, and every man a slaughter weapon in his hand; and one man among them was clothed with linen, with a writer's inkhorn by his side: and they went in, and stood beside the brazen altar. And the glory of the Lord of Israel was gone up from the cherub, whereupon he was, to the threshold of the house. And he called to the man clothed with linen, which had the writer's inkhorn by his side; and the Lord said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, . . . . and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof."

Who are sealed? Those that sigh and cry for sin. For the sins of others? No, for their own sins. But how often do we see persons going around pointing out the sins of others? Such cannot be sealed with the Holy Spirit. Are we doing that this morning?

"Go through the midst of the city and slay utterly old and young; but come not near any man upon whom is the mark; and begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the ancient men which were before the house." The people of God are to be judged first. We know this work is going on even now. How solemn this should make us feel. Suppose that sealing angel were to walk down this aisle this morning, of what would we be thinking?

Suppose the sealing angel were to stop in front of this sister, and say, "I would like to seal you, sister, but I cannot. You've been a gossip and a backbiter. The Holy Spirit has pleaded with you again and again to get the victory over that thing, but you would not. I am sorry, but I cannot seal you for the kingdom."

Suppose the angel should stop in front of this brother, and say, I would like to seal you, brother, but I cannot. You have not been paying your tithe. I am sorry, but God cannot have robbers in his kingdom."

I tell you, brethren, we would each one of us feel very solemn if the angel came up to us this morning. We would not be thinking about criticising our brethren and their mistakes. We would not be thinking about what kind of a dress we ought to wear tomorrow, or the vain ornaments with which we could adorn our bodies. I think there would be some very serious praying done just then.

The angel comes to this parent, and says, "I would like to seal you, but I cannot. You have spoken cross words. Many a time the Holy Spirit has warned you to get control of your temper, but you would not. God cannot take persons into the kingdom who say unkind things to their children."

"I would like to seal you, sister, but I cannot. You spent all your time reading novels, when you should have been reading your Bible."

"Brother, I am sorry I cannot seal you. You have neglected secret prayer. There is no room in the kingdom for prayerless persons."

I wish to call your attention to what Paul says on this point in 1 Corinthians 9:27: "I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection; lest after I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway." Our English rendering of the word "cast-away" is an unfortunate translation. The word in original Greek is *adokomos*, meaning light-weight—cast out.

Paul was not afraid that he would apostatize from the truth. He feared that he would have the name of a Christian, and in the end find out something was in his life that would prevent his getting into the kingdom.

The gospel of salvation which he preached to others would be of no benefit to his own soul unless it sanctified his life and gave him the victory over his sins. And, brethren, unless the truth we profess has sanctified our own lives, we shall be castaway at the judgment. We shall be weighed and found wanting. We shall be *adokomos*.

Brethren, would you go home to glory and enjoy all that God has prepared for those that love him? Would you be among the one hundred and forty-four thousand, and sing the song of Moses and the Lamb throughout the endless ages of eternity? Would you have heaven and the company of sinless beings? Then let the Holy Spirit clean your heart of all iniquity.—G. B. Thompson.

"God has a work for every one to do. Does it not stir those who know this precious truth to think of the thousands who are dying all about us with no knowledge of it? Can we escape the solemn responsibility of service to God? The Master says, 'Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will pay thee.' What better guaranty could we expect? It is as reliable as God's word, and that word has never failed."

Someone has said that, "To be able to read well is a blessed privilege, but the greater gift is to be able to read between the lines."

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### An Encouraging Incident

A few years ago a certain family moved from Spartanburg, S. C., to the State of Colorado. While they were out there, one of our tent meetings in that conference was held near their home and their attention was called to the present truth. They attended a few of the meetings, and the minister in charge held some readings in their home. They became interested in the message. A canvasser came along and placed in their home a copy of "Bible Readings for the Home Circle." They studied this book and became convinced of their duty to keep the Sabbath.

In the meantime they moved back to Spartanburg, the man taking a position as superintendent of a large dairy at \$100.00 a month. The Holy Spirit so impressed him with his duty in regard to the Sabbath that he gave up his position and commenced keeping God's holy day.

Two weeks later he found his way to our church in Spartanburg, and announced to them that he was keeping his second Sabbath. Elder Davis and writer visited them later and found that the whole family were keeping the Sabbath. Elder Davis is now giving them further instruction and will soon baptize them.

This is an encouraging incident to us. It shows us that the Lord is working upon the people's hearts. 2 Chron., 16:9, says: "The eyes of the Lord run to and fro through all the earth to show himself strong in behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him." How cheering to the hearts of God's workers to know that every sincere, honest soul, wherever they may be, will accept the message. Jesus says: "Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice." "My sheep hear my voice, and they follow me."

We hope and pray that ere long many honest souls will take hold of the message in our State.

J. L. SHULER.

### South Carolina Notes

Elder Shuler left the office Wednesday last for a trip. He expects to visit Allendale, Augusta, Aiken and Johnston before his return.

Brother Finley is in Charleston, but expects to go to Florence in the near

future to seek out some new recruits. Brother Finley is always on the lookout for recruits for the canvassing work, and if you are out of a job, just let Brother Finley know. There are many places in South Carolina where the people are anxious for our good books, and we need consecrated men and women to send to these places.

Brother Scruggs was not able to put in full time last week on account of sickness of his wife, but he is of good courage and will be back at work just as soon as his wife is able for him to be away.

I want to thank all our Sabbath-school secretaries for their promptness in sending in their reports for the past quarter. Today is the first of April and I already have reports from every Sabbath-school in the conference except one, and I have the promise of it by tomorrow. That is the kind of work we all like to see and I am sure that the Sabbath-school work in South Carolina will grow under the labors of such a faithful company of workers.

We have only a few Sabbath-school Quarterlies left, and if you have not yet ordered yours, you had better do so right away, or we may be out and have to order from Atlanta. No one can afford to be without these good Sabbath-school lessons.

Sister Finley passed through Columbia this week on her way to Knoxville, where she has been called on account of the serious sickness of her mother. Sister Finley was very sorry to have to give up her work in Charleston, and we hope that her mother will soon recover and that Sister Finley may be able to continue her work with our magazines.

The Review and Herald Publishing Association is getting out a new book, "The Shadow of the Bottle." This book will deal with the temperance question, and the price will be the same as the "World's Crisis." This book will be ready about the first of May, and we will be glad to receive orders now. The temperance question is a live issue, so let us do what we can to help the good cause along. The "Temperance Instructor" is a good seller and we hope to see many sold in this State this summer. Send all orders to the tract society.

Some of the church clerks have not yet sent in their report for the first

quarter. I hope to receive from every church this quarter, so don't disappoint me. The Sabbath-school secretaries have set a good example, so let the church clerks follow their example and send in their reports without further delay.

Columbia, S. C., April 1.

### The Right Book

"A certain sister who was just getting hold of the truth, became very much interested in her Bible, and was eagerly grasping every opportunity of knowing more of the truth which seemed so precious to her; but, as is often the case, her husband did not take so readily to the new doctrine. In fact, he seemed to be trying his best to discourage her," says a writer in the *Atlantic Union Gleaner*.

"She needed all the help she could get in the way of good literature, but the husband tried to keep her supplied with reading matter which, he hoped, would destroy what he considered her new fanatical ideas. As he visited the book stores for this purpose, he finally discovered a book with the very attractive title, 'Bible Readings for the Home Circle.' 'There,' thought the husband, 'I have found the right book at last.' He purchased it and presented it to his wife; but what was his surprise to learn that it was published by a Seventh-day Adventist publishing house. He had indeed found the right book, and his good wife testified that she knew the Lord sent it, as it was just what she needed. 'We can do nothing against the truth, but for the truth.'"

### What to Read

Are you in sorrow? Read John 14.  
Do you worry? Read Matt. 6: 19-34.  
Are you discouraged? Read Isaiah 40  
Have you the blues? Read Psalm 27.  
When you have sinned, read Psalm 51.  
When you are lonely or fearful, read Psalm 23.  
If you want to be fruitful, read John 15.  
If you want Christian assurance, read Romans 8.  
If your faith needs stirring, read Hebrews 11.  
If you want rest and peace, read Matt. 11: 25-30.  
When you leave home for labor or travel, read Psalm 121.  
When you forget your blessings, read Psalm 103.  
When you want courage for your task, read Joshua 1.  
When you grow bitter or critical, read 1 Corinthians 13.  
When your prayers grow narrow or selfish, read Psalm 67.  
For Jesus' idea of a Christian, read Matt. 5.  
For Jesus' idea of prayer, read Luke 11: 1-13 and Matt. 6: 5-15.

—Dr. H. Frank Rall.

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### Good Tidings From Georgia

We are glad to say that Sister M. C. Kenyon, of Savannah, is again able to be at her work, after a long illness. The office has received a very encouraging letter from her recently. She was able to dispose of fifty magazines and take orders for fifteen "New Testament Primers," besides tracts given away, during one day's work. She states that she is having many good experiences in talking with the people. Sister Kenyon has just sent us an order for 300 magazines for April.

The Atlanta Y. P. M. V. Society has ordered 500 copies of the "Temperance Instructor" and intend to get rid of these soon.

Sister B. O. Terry, of Atlanta, last month disposed of 200 magazines and has ordered 200 for the coming month. Sister Terry is doing a good work in Atlanta.

Sister Hazel Slocumb, of Macon, still sends in subscriptions to our good papers. She has just sent us an order for a year's subscription to the *Signs*. We are very thankful for this good work accomplished by those who are devoted to it and we wonder if there are not others who would like to engage in this work. This kind of work, during these last days, gives us a blessing. Let us all try to do all the good we can before it is too late.

We are indeed glad to welcome Sister Curtis back to Atlanta, after a long visit to her home in Indiana. Sister Curtis seems to be enjoying good health now.

The Washington office in sending out reports on the "Instructor Temperance Annual" for February, 1915, as compared with the records for the same month of last year, for Georgia, thank us most heartily for our February order for 1,015, as against 1,000 for February of last year. There is only a difference of 15 copies, but that 15 copies is in favor of this year. This is the way it ought to be. Our present wants should be a little better than our past. We hope to con-

tinue to keep ahead of the last year's record as the months pass by this year. The total number ordered during February last year, by all conferences, was 98,125. The number sent out during February this year was 101,450. We are very thankful for this gain, even though it is small. Readers of FIELD TIDINGS will be pleased to know that the work at Fitzgerald is onward and the brethren and sisters there are all of good courage. The work of remodeling the recently purchased church building is progressing. The sisters have organized an auxiliary band known as the "Pastor's Helpers," and the new society is getting in some telling work in the way of soliciting funds and material for the building. They are determined to cover this section with "Temperance Instructors" and "World's Crisis," the profits all going to the building fund. They also meet at regular intervals to do needle work. Three quilts are now under way, and the society only eight days old.

Dr. C. F. Curtis is in charge of the periodical department of the Atlanta church and is doing splendid work in getting much literature before the people of Atlanta. The church is now taking a club of 100 weekly *Signs*, besides accomplishing much other good in this line of work.

Brother A. S. Poole, a member of the Atlanta church, puts in a large order for tracts on Wednesday of each week, and is circulating these in Atlanta systematically. This would be splendid missionary work for many of our people who have opportunity to visit their friends and neighbors in this way.

Elder N. V. Willess leaves Atlanta on the 6th for a month's trip throughout the State, visiting the churches and isolated members.

We are glad to report that Elder Montgomery's little daughter Martha and Bro. W. H. Williams' little daughter Marjoria are both recovering rapidly from recent operation.

Sister Lena Slocum and her family have moved from Macon to Arlington. The Macon church will surely miss their prompt and regular attendance.

#### TYPHUS IN SERBIA.

In speaking of the situation, a writer says:

"One can hardly imagine the terrible ravages of typhus in Serbia. It is far worse than thypoid fever, and even worse than the black plague. The lives of 192 doctors have been sacrificed in hospital work."

### The Voice of the Soul

The tenderest, sweetest emotions of the soul are expressed in music as they can be expressed in no other way. Preeminently are love and joy expressed by and through music. Courage and hope speak through its strong, swift, rhythmic major chords, while the pathos and sad, sweet tenderness of sorrow, of farewell to loved ones, weeps like wailing autumn winds through its mystic supernatural minor harmonics. In danger martial strains of music nerve men to dare to die. And at the funeral of our loved ones, music that sympathetically, softly steals into every darkened chamber of the soul, brings tenderest healing and balm.

Oh, music! Wondrous, sweetest, tenderest of the divine gifts! Without thee the world would be a weary, barren, cheerless waste. It is true that music is used at times to express folly, lust, hate, madness and despair; but this is Satan's perversion of God's gift, which was to be His voice of love to us, and the medium of our praise and joy and trust in Him; which was intended to bring to us healing and hope and joy and light and life.

The man in whose soul there is no music lacks the tenderest, gentlest, most Godlike qualities, and certainly needs a new creation, a new soul. We do not mean to say that a man who cannot play an instrument, who has no ear for music, and cannot carry a tune, is all wrong. Oh, no; for many who have apparently but little if any musical gift, love music and are moved and touched by it. When such people become true Christians their love for music is increased and often the ability to sing or play comes with patient, earnest practice. A very near friend of mine loved music; but seemed to have no ability even to carry a tune. But when she was truly and wonderfully converted, by patient perseverance she learned to play and to lead the singing. When the soul is awakened, love for music awakens. It is the soul much more than the voice that sings.

A poor voice and a great soul is a much better combination than a fine voice and a small soul. Mr. Sankey, the famous evangelistic singer, did not have a remarkable voice. I have heard many finer voices. But he sang from his great tender heart, from his very inmost soul, and his singing reached the souls of many and saved them.

Music that is mechanical, lifeless, expressionless, soulless, is absolutely worthless, no matter how skilfully rendered, nor how fine the musical gift or how perfect the voice. Music that is affected or performed for exhibition of self is worse than useless. It is wearisome, disgusting. Let God give you a true, a noble soul, then your music will win and save.

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## Property For Sale

One storehouse 30x80 feet, Graysville, Tenn., one-half block from post-office, and across the street from the Graysville Bank. Has good tables and shelving inside; is located on one acre of land. One of the best business buildings in the town. Beside store building, there is good barn, coal and wood shed, shop, chicken house, good well, large scale, etc. Price \$2,500.

Also eight-and-three-fourths acres three blocks from Graysville post-office, one block from the depot, two acres and an apple orchard, good land, lays level; good well, barn 24x36 feet, no dwelling. A splendid home-place for some one desiring to locate in Graysville. Price for this piece of property and the above store-building, together, \$4,000.00.

A portion of the price of these properties has been pledged to missionary work. W. H. BRANSON.

## Encouraging

March 26 we made a pleasant trip over to College church, in Sequatchie Valley, holding a three-days' meeting with them, which all seemed to enjoy.

There had been a singing school in operation at the College for several days previous, and Sunday was a big day for the community, as they had an "all-day singing," with dinner on the grounds. It was a splendid opportunity to get the truth before the people, and we had the privilege of speaking three times during the day

to a congregation of two hundred or two hundred and fifty people.

The brethren there are of good courage and are doing a good work in the school. Brethren Arkebauer and Judkins are thinking strongly of entering the canvassing work for the summer vacation.

On our return trip we stopped over at Whitwell, where are a few persons who are asking for baptism. We are planning soon to go back and attend to this matter. C. R. MAGOON.

## Knoxville, Tenn.

Our hall meetings which closed Sunday night have been blessed wonderfully. From the first night there was a good attendance. When the commandments and the Sabbath truth were presented, there were not enough seats to accommodate the people, and

many had to stand. God gave the victory when "Jesus and the world were tried for the change of his Sabbath." This night many expressed their willingness to keep the commandments of God and keep the Sabbath. Thirteen names were voluntarily given, among whom four were white. We trust these will stand loyal to their vows. The meetings were not enjoyed by our visitors only, but have been a real blessing to the church, whose determination is to work as never before for the salvation of souls. The success of the meeting is due to the blessing of God, the hearty cooperation of the church in attending regularly, and the faithful work of our Bible worker, Sister McGlocklin. We had the pleasure of having with us last Sabbath Elder Stephenson, who spoke to us. At the close of his sermon, seven made application to be connected with the church. H. N. GEMON.

## Sales Report, Atlanta Branch, March, 1915

### MARCH SALES BY CLASSES

	Sub. Books	Bibles	Home Work	Misc.	Tracts	Totals
Cumberland	\$905 35	\$35 35	\$8 50	\$ 69 71	\$ 24 43	\$1,043 34
Florida	862 15	55 95	7 20	100 95	113 67	1,139 92
Georgia	313 30	9 60	1 75	27 41	27 86	379 92
North Carolina	456 70	8 35	60	23 25	28 11	517 01
South Carolina	113 70	5 50	1 50	10 90	18 53	150 13
Totals	2,651 20	114 75	19 55	232 22	212 60	3,230 32

### LAST YEAR AND THIS YEAR COMPARED

	Month of March 1914	Month of March 1915	Total First 3 mo. 1914	Total to Date 1915	Gains in 1915	Losses in 1915
Cumberland	724 80	1,043 34	1,885 88	1,829 99	....	55 89
Florida	1,506 13	1,139 92	4,022 73	3,112 39	....	910 34
Georgia	331 03	379 92	1,126 97	939 24	....	187 73
North Carolina	1,153 72	517 01	3,515 43	1,343 79	....	2,171 64
South Carolina	354 36	150 13	1,560 63	374 94	....	1,185 69
Totals	4,070 04	3,230 32	12,111 64	7,600 35		4,511 29
Net loss this year compared with first three months last year						\$4,511 29

### COMPARISON OF THREE-MONTH TOTALS FOR SIX YEARS

	Total first 3 mo. 1910	Total first 3 mo. 1911	Total first 3 mo. 1912	Total first 3 mo. 1913	Total first 3 mo. 1914	Total to date 1915
Cumberland	664 65	1,064 47	1,863 07	2,661 60	1,885 88	1,829 99
Florida	4,704 84	2,560 17	2,593 40	2,319 19	4,022 73	3,112 39
Georgia	1,185 35	1,425 24	479 82	1,975 44	1,126 97	939 24
N. Carolina	784 14	1,780 31	1,513 06	2,241 06	3,515 43	1,343 79
S. Carolina	661 40	752 93	948 43	105 55	1,560 63	374 94
Totals	8,000 38	7,583 12	7,397 78	9,302 84	12,111 64	7,600 35

The report is encouraging. Although this year shows some falling off as compared with last year, our total sales for the first three months are ahead of the same period in 1912—a year of large totals.

"In a special sense Seventh-day Adventists have been set in the world as light-bearers.... The most solemn truths ever entrusted to mortals have been given us to proclaim to the world. The proclamation of these truths is to be our work.... Everything in the universe calls upon those who know the truth to consecrate themselves unreservedly to the proclamation of the truth as it has been made known to them in the third angel's message.... If there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the people, thus leading them to search the Scriptures." Vol. 9 pp. 19, 25; *Canvassers' Manuel*, p. 15.

There are more than one hundred persons in the Southeastern Union Conference, not now definitely giving themselves to this service, who ought to enter the colporteur work in earnest within the next two months. It will not be easier "by and by;" now is the opportune time. L. D. RANDALL.