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Love.

Justice is Love holding the balance.
 Mercy is Love being gracious.
 Eloquence is Love talking.
 Prophecy is Love foretelling.
 Faith is Love believing.
 Charity is Love acting.
 Sacrifice is Love offering itself.
 Patience is Love waiting.
 Fortitude is Love suffering.
 Endurance is Love abiding.
 Hope is Love expecting.
 Peace is Love resting.
 Prayer is Love communing.
 Sympathy is Love tenderly touching.
 Comfort is Love soothing.
 Soul-saving is Love rescuing.
 Soul-developing is Love helping.
 Enthusiasm is Love burning.
 Work is Love laboring.
 Sanctification is Love perfecting.

—Anon.

The Everlasting Covenant

BEFORE the foundations of the earth were laid, the Father and Son had united in a covenant to redeem man if he should be overcome by Satan. They had clasped their hands in a solemn pledge that Christ should become the surety for the human race. This pledge Christ has fulfilled. When upon the cross he cried out, "It is finished," he addressed the Father. The compact had been fully carried out. Now he declares, "Father, it is finished. I have completed the work of redemption. If thy justice is satisfied, I will that they also whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am."

The voice of God is heard proclaiming that justice is satisfied. Satan is vanquished. Christ's toiling, struggling ones on earth are "accepted in the Beloved." Before the heavenly angels and the representatives of unfallen worlds, they are declared justified. Where He is, there His church shall be. "Mercy and truth are met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other." The Father's arms encircle His

Son, and the word is given, "Let all the angels of God worship Him."

The terms of the "old covenant" were, Obey, and live: "If a man do them, he shall even live in them," Eze. 20: 11, but "Cursed be he that confirmeth not all the words of this law to do them." Deut. 27:26. The "new covenant" was established upon "better promises," - the promise of forgiveness of sins, and of the grace of God to renew the heart, and bring it into harmony with the principles of God's law. "This shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel: After those days, saith the Lord, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts. . . . I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more." Jer. 31: 33, 34.

The same law that was engraved upon the tables of stone is written by the Holy Spirit upon the tables of the heart. Instead of going about to establish our own righteousness, we accept the righteousness of Christ. His blood atones for our sins. His obedience is accepted for us. Then the heart renewed by the Holy Spirit will bring forth "the fruits of the Spirit." Through the grace of Christ we shall live in obedience to the law of God written upon our hearts. Having the Spirit of Christ we shall walk even as he walked. Through the prophet, He declared of himself, "I delight to do thy will, O my God, yea, thy law is within my heart." Psa. 40:8. And when among men He said, "The Father hath not left me alone; for I do always those things that please him." John 8.49.

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

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Who Made It?

THE Everlasting Covenant was made by and between everlasting individuals, even God the Father, and God the Son. It was made concerning man but not pri-

marily with him. Whenever a human being has shown himself willing to be taught, God has shown him his covenant; revealed it to him; made him to understand its provisions; made him a partaker of its benefits. The principal agreement of the Everlasting Covenant was; — 1. That God would give his only begotten Son. 2. That Christ would give himself for fallen humanity. This Covenant is spoken of by the Lord, as "My Covenant," "The Covenant," "The new Covenant," &c. Let no one become confused by the expression "new."

It is new in the sense that it reveals to man the new and living way. To man, weighted and burdened with sin, it is a new means of approach unto the Father of Lights. But in point of time it is everlasting. Primarily, the Father and the Son were the contracting parties. "The counsel of peace was between them both." Zech. 6:13. Various terms are used in describing it. John will speak of it as the Mystery of God, Paul will talk of the Promises to the Fathers; Jesus speaks of it as This Gospel of the Kingdom. The Revelator sees an angel with the Everlasting Gospel. Paul to the Corinthians tells of the Hidden Wisdom. Or to the Ephesians he mentions the Eternal Purpose.

Let us have a care that we do not frustrate the grace of God. That we do not by our own perversity, defeat the plan that our Father and Elder Brother have agreed to accomplish. • The Everlasting Covenant is all of God and nothing of man.

The Devil would have us suppose it is all of man and nothing of God. He is the inventor of every system of self-salvation, every heathen practice of self-torture, every scheme for looking to self for help. The only work for me is to yield. The only one who can defeat the Lord's plan for me, is myself. And that is what every self-work is.

T. H. J.

What Hath God Wrought? (No. 4.) The Health Principles

THE principles of health reform have been closely connected with this work from the beginning. While Elder and Mrs. White were attending a meeting in Otsego, Michigan, June 6, 1863, Mrs. White was given a vision which opened before her the subject of health reform. From that time articles on health subjects began to appear in the REVIEW.

October 25, 1864, Elder J. N. Andrews gave the following on this subject:—

"To leave off every injurious article of food, and to lead lives of temperance under the influence of good instruction and of conscience toward God, are among the things most essential to good health. Our bodies are the temples of the Holy Spirit. That we may truly glorify him in our bodies as in our spirits, how requisite that we possess in full vigor all the powers of our physical being. Thank God that this subject is now being especially set before our people. Health and strength are among the things most valuable to us, and of greatest consequence to those who shall witness the grand events of the time of trouble."

At the General Conference May 20, 1866, the following instruction was given through Mrs. White:—

"I was shown that we should provide a home for the afflicted, and those who wish to learn how to take care of their bodies that they may prevent sickness."

At this meeting it was decided to open up a health institute in or near Battle Creek, Michigan.

On the first of August there was begun the publication of a monthly health journal called the HEALTH REFORMER. This journal not only treated on health and temperance principles, but was also a means of advertising the health institution, which was opened for patients Sept., 5 of the same year.

This Sanitarium was the only institution of the kind among us for several years. But finally there began to be demands for other like Sanitariums in different parts of the United States and in foreign fields where our work was started.

The following will give the readers an idea of the growth of this line of work among us.

In 1886 we had one Sanitarium worth about \$24,800.00, two physicians and fourteen employees.

In 1880 we had two sanitariums worth

\$190,956.00 ten physicians, and 165 employees.

In 1900, seventy-four Sanitariums worth \$3,368,000.00, 116 physicians, 1,989 employees.

We find developed to-day a united organized body of over 104,000 believers, supporting 4,346 evangelistic laborers, and contributing annually for evangelistic work over \$2,000,000. Operating 188 colleges, publishing houses and Sanitariums, 594 primary schools with over 20,000 students and 3,918 institutional laborers, thousands of colporteurs selling annually over a million and a half dollars worth of denominational publications in seventy different languages, in the form of 1,878 different books, pamphlets and tracts, and 126 periodicals.

We feel sure that none can read this series of articles without feeling that the Lord has been, and still is, with the work, and will surely cause it to triumph gloriously.

A. J. H.



But Again

A LITTLE word and often out of its proper place: yet there are times when it beauty is wonderful. "What a tiresome fellow George is! He is the hero of all his yarns." "Yes *but* he is a good hearted man." "John has such poor lessons at school!" "Yes *but* he helps his mother a great deal at home."

"Mary has such a quick temper *but* she is trying to control it."

Such "butters" are a real joy to those who associate with them, so if you must use the little conjunction, use it to bring sunshine and not a shadow.

BESSIE J. KELSO



Talks to my Students

Lost Opportunity

YOU lose them by two causes. In either case they are absolutely lost, and can never be regained. You may have others that are similar, but the lost are gone never to return.

1. You slight and pass by those you see. Like Felix, you say "Go thy way for this time," and the chance goes for this time and all time. The ancients represented Time as bald behind. This was to admonish all to seize him by the forelock, because if once passed, can never be caught from behind.

2. You fail to see the opportunities as they pass. It is easy to quarrel with our surroundings instead of using them as stepping-stones to success.

Two men are farmers. One complains that the boll weevil has come to his neighborhood and spoils his crop. The other hunts around, finds an early variety of cotton to plant, harvests a good crop in spite of the annoyance, and receives a better price for his product because of the very conditions that his neighbor complains about.

Two canvassers go to a difficult field. One decides that there has been a drought. He leaves his field to find some other place where there has been no drought nor grasshoppers, nor any bad conditions.

He wants a place where the people are all rich and where they all want to buy his goods. It is needless to say, this canvasser will soon quit, go home, and decide that he isn't "cut out for canvassing." The other concludes that this drought will reduce the number of canvassers. There will not be so many agents, the people will not be so much solicited for their patronage, and his work will be better appreciated. He plunges in, improves this opportunity. — a real opportunity, observe, — and is successful.

Two students are in school at — let us say Oakwood. Each spends four years. One watches for the living, vital, throbbing chance. The other bemoans his necessities; his lack of funds, his misfortune, the unkindness of fate, the perversity of his fellow-students, the heartlessness of his teachers. Both leave, as they came, without money. But one has learned to take the common conditions of life, and make them his helpers. The other is still engaged in the thankless task of complaining against the hardness of his "fate." There are boundless opportunities on every hand. Seize them. Make the most of them. Improve them.

T. H. J.



The Watchman

THE following subjects are discussed in the March Watchman. "The Church with a Definite World Message," Hopes, The False and The True," by the editor. "The Awakening of Turkey," P. T. Magan. "Revising the Decalogue," J. S. Washburn. "The Power of Godliness," R. A. Underwood. "Our World in the Future," — Win. Covert. The Watchman should go to 50,000 homes monthly.

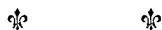
Reaching the Boston Jews

IT takes more patience, and more of the grace of God to work among this people, who first brought to our fathers the blessed Gospel light, than any other people on earth at the present time. The Hebrew is brought up from his infancy to hate the name of Jesus above all other names, and literally despises all religions, excepting his own, *especially that of Christ*. And yet the gospel is going even to them.

Elder F. C. Gilbert and I have had experiences enough to discourage any one who had not absolute faith in the promise of God: "My word shall not return unto me void." There has been distributed tons of yiddish tracts and testaments, and we certainly look for fruit at some time among the descendants of the patriarchs and prophets.

Not long ago I entered a store where there were assembled a number of Jewish business men, and as soon as they found out that I was a missionary, they began to ridicule; but I soon got their attention. When they found I was conversant with the Old Testament I asked them if they did not think it strange that since the death of Jesus, all their sacrifices had ceased *all at once*. "Do you know," I continued, "that this was foretold in Dan. 9?" "But," said one, "can he die? Can God die?" I referred him to Isa. 53; "He was wounded for our transgressions, etc." And again in Ps. 118:22. "The stone which the builders rejected the same is become the head of the corner." "But," said another, "our God is one God." "Yes," I responded quickly, "so is ours, but not one person," referring them to Prov. 30:4; and also in Gen. 1. Elokim is really plural. Some of this company were quite moved, but many of the Jews are fast becoming socialists and unbelieving. Yet I am happy to say that within the past year things have wonderfully changed. We can approach them now as never before. I have actually spoken in one of their synagogues, and many are thinking about Jesus and some have come out.

W. R. UCHTMANN

**Albany, Ga.**

BEHOLD how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity. Ps. 133: 1 This spirit of unity was in our Graysville meetings. Let brotherly love continue. Heb. 13: 1. Where there

is unity there is strength. The Lord our God is our strength and helper in time of need.

The Albany company is growing. We have two more new ones added to our rank. Last Sunday night, the tent was full. My subject was the Little Horn of Daniel 7, and the Leopard Beast of Rev. 13.

After the sermon I asked who was willing to stand for the Sabbath. One sister stood and said she would never work any more on the Sabbath. She had read a book that had the same beasts in it, that I had on the chart. She says she knows God sent me here that she might understand it.

My next field of labor will be in the state of South Carolina.

C. G. MANNS

**The Battle of Armageddon ;
The Last Great War**

Rev. 16 : 12-21, Joel 3: 9 14 ; Eze. 38 : 1-22 ; Jer. 25 : 15-33.

I. Where will it be ?

1. At the valley of Jehosaphat near Jerusalem. Joel 3 : 12.

2. At Armageddon—Mt. Megiddo. Rev. 16 : 12-16.

3. In the land of Israel—Palestine. Eze. 38 : 8-16.

II. When will it be ?

1. In the latter days Eze. 38 : 8-16

2. At the last harvest. Joel 3 : 15. Rev. 14 : 14-16.

3. In the day of God's wrath. Jer. 25 : 17, 27-29.

4. During the seven last plagues. Rev. 15 : 1 ; 16 : 12-17.

III. Who will take part in this war ?

1. The dragon, beast, and false prophets. Rev. 16 : 12, 13.

2. Gog, Tubel, Meshech, Gomer and Togarmah. Eze. 38 : 1-6.

3. Persia, Ethiopia, and Lybia Eze. 38 : 5.

4. All the kings of the North. Jer. 25 : 26 ; Eze. 38 ; 15.

5. The kings of the East. Rev. 16 : 12.

6. All the kings of the earth. Rev. 16 : 14 ; Jer. 25 : 26.

IV. Satan instigates the war. Rev. 16 ; 13, 14.

V. Cause of the War.—Drying up of the Euphrates. Rev. 6 : 12 ; Isa. 8 : 7.

VI. The Two Armies, —

Mohanmedans and Pagans against Christians. Rev. 16, 12-14.

VII. Preparation for this. War now going on. Joel 3 : 9-14.

VII. War Stayed Till After the Sealing. Rev 7 : 14 ; Jer. 49 : 36 37.

IX. Final Destruction of These Armies by fire and hail at the Second Advent of Christ. Rev. 16 : 12-21 ; Eze. 38 : 15-22 ; Jer. 25 : 30-33.

O. A. JOHNSON.

**Southern Virginia.**

ON Sabbath, January 6, I met with the church at News Ferry, a village one hundred and seventeen miles southwest of Richmond, on the Southern Railway. The people were glad to hear of the plans that would enable them to better understand the work that God would have them do at this time, and they gladly responded to the call. Five of the members subscribed for conference papers.

I was requested to go to the home of one of the sisters and hold a Bible reading with her daughter, who had strayed from the truth; this I did, and the result was that she and another young lady said that they would from that day renounce their former belief, and would begin keeping all of God's commandments. God is surely bringing his people out of Babylon.

At Danville the church met at Brother Warnick's home. We had a time of refreshing, and the spirit of God surely impressed all with the importance of the work before us.

The Spencer church, at the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains, was the next visited. The weather was stormy and quite cold, but the members and a number of friends came.

God grant that we may truly humble our hearts, and be ready to do the Master's bidding until the end.

J. B. MALLORY

**Dont Be Mulish**

SOME of us prize very highly a quality that we imagine is firmness, and are inclined to be boastful that when we take a stand, nobody can persuade us to give up our opinion.

Friends, nine-tenths of the ultra-firm people are simply shockingly and abominably mulish. They want their own way. Obstinacy and firmness have little in common. The first is a sign of weakness, the second, a mark of power.—*Anon.*

Hillcrest School Farm

Extracts from Report Rendered at the recent Southern Union Conference

WARRIED have been our experiences in the last two years.

In 1910 our crops were very good. Early last season, our prospect for crops was good, but a severe drought came unusually early, and our oats and other early crops were a failure. Rains came in time to save our corn and later crops. The drought greatly delayed the growth of stock in our nursery and everything appeared to be dying, but the rains came in time to save nearly all. We believe the cannery is going to prove of much help to us, as there is always an excellent local market for canned goods.

It is evident that we must have some industry that will furnish a large amount of profitable labor on a small area. As we studied and experimented, it seemed that a nursery would best fulfil these requirements. We issue a list of common perennial plants. We have a good trade from the better class of homes in Nashville, as well as our mail order business. Often we not only sell stock locally, but take our students and do the planting. This has gained us many friends.

Our poultry still proves profitable. We breed Buff Cochins, Buff Orpingtons, Blue Andalusians, White Leghorns, and White Chinese geese. In order to secure the better class of trade, we this year exhibited our stock at our state fair, at the Chattanooga, and at the Chicago poultry shows, and won nearly every premium in our line at each place.

Because of heavy payments on the last farm purchased, practically all building work has been suspended. A bakery and store house, two poultry houses, and a small separator house, have been built. We have done considerable work in repairing the buildings on the place purchased, and a large amount of clearing out old fence rows, cutting out thickets, etc. We have been badly crowded for school room and black board space. Accordingly we fitted up the largest room in the Webb Cottage for school purposes. Considerable patching and repair work, together with paper and paint, and the addition of plenty of blackboards, has made a transformation. All of this work has been done with student labor.

Nearly all of our students have been

obliged to either work their entire way, or nearly so, but few of them having anyone to whom they could look to help them with their school expenses. In fact it meant with most of them that they could not attend school unless they could work their entire way, including clothing and books. It may be of interest to note that the school has been able to provide the following number of hours of work in the various departments during the past two years:—

In the Apiary 62,

In the building department (and repairs) 1076,

On the farm 7191,

In the garden 2610,

In caring for our live stock, harnesses, buggies etc., 2230,

In the dairy 3366,

In our nursery 1025,

In the orchard 479,

In the kitchen and home work 14410,

In the cannery 653,

In the poultry department 1827,

In improvements, such as fencing, clearing fence rows, etc., 2826,

In cutting and hauling wood 2558,

In other miscellaneous work 762,

Or a total of 41085 hours of work provided for students who were working their way through school during the past two years.

Two years ago this month, our little company was organized into a church of eighteen members, and now has a membership of twenty-nine. However, seven of these united by letter the past October. During July, six of our students went forward in baptism. The following items from our church treasurer's report may be of interest.—For the year 1910, our tithes were \$97.72; Sabbath School offerings, \$26.57; other offerings amounted to \$46.34. For the past year our tithes have totaled \$164.88, and our Sabbath school donations were \$24.19 the past quarter, or a total of \$65.38 for the year; other offerings have amounted to \$170.63, and for the year \$258.11, or a total for the past two years of \$428.74.

F. BRALLIAR, Principal,

O. R. STAINES, Dean.



Land Agency

I HAVE accepted a land agency with the best company in existence. 2 Cor. 5:20. A new tract of land is soon to be

opened for settlement. Isa. 35:1. Just as soon as the requisite number of bona-fide settlers can be secured, the opportunity for securing a home here will close. Rev. 7:9. Everything has been investigated and this is beyond question the best offer that has ever been made. Title absolutely perfect. 1 Cor. 2:9. The present owner intends to reserve a portion for himself and live with those who come. Rev. 21:3.

Climate

No malaria. Isa. 33:24. Well watered. Rev. 22:1. Winters pleasant and balmy. Summers cool and delightful. No storms, tidal waves, or earthquakes. Climate absolutely perfect.

Society

Only the best of society. Excellent neighborhoods. Friendly neighbors. No jails needed. Good opportunity for those musically inclined. Musical instruments furnished free. Rev. 5:8. Musicales given, in which all participate. There is an aviation meet once every month. All then go up to the metropolis. Isa. 66:23. Board and room without cost to citizens who own land and have proved up on it. Rev. 22:2.

Stock Raising

Good country for all kinds of stock. Lions eat straw and fatten on it. Isa. 11:7. There are no wild or unruly animals.

Fruit Raising

Fresh fruit every month in the year. Rev. 22:2. No blight, mold, scale, rot, or scab. Rev. 22:3.

Buildings

Every settler has a house already provided, Jno. 14:1-3, which is better than any house he has ever previously occupied. However, for those who desire to build, material is furnished free. Isa. 64:21.

Educational Advantages

An excellent school will be conducted. Isa. 54:13. The best teacher will constantly impart instruction. No limit to the advancement that can be made. An examination is given on entering, in which the applicant must stand 100 per cent. Matt. 5:48. However, the list of questions, may be had for preparation. They are found in Exodus 20.

Excursions

From time to time, the citizens who desire may go on excursions conducted by the original owner. Rev. 14:4. Delightful scenery will be constantly in evidence. Many historic places on the route. These, like all other advantages

enjoyed by the citizens, are absolutely free.

Miscellaneous Information

Gold is plentiful. In fact the city pavements are of gold. Rev. 21:18. There is no expense for clothing, as all this is furnished. Isa. 55:17. No water, gas, or electric bills to settle. No taxes, no rent. The principal thoroughfare is well kept so that any one can travel it. Isa. 35:8. No danger from being run down by speeding automobiles or run-away horses.

A great banquet is to be held at the opening of the tract by the original owner. Rev. 19: 9. He has spent an incredible amount in getting it ready for settlers; and so, will spare no expense at the opening to provide richly all things. Rom. 8:32. He himself will serve the viands to those so fortunate as to be present. Luke 12:37. Annual moving is unknown, for when settlers are once established, they never need to move, nor wish to do so. Rev 3:12.

It is very important that all who desire to participate in this excellent opportunity make no delay. The number who can be accommodated may soon be made up. Rev. 14:1. There is no time to lose.

Race, position, or previous condition, absolutely no bar. Acts. 10:34. All who will, may take up a claim. Rev. 22:17. But it must be done before the tract is first opened. Rev 22:11.

An Appeal

Here in this land is rest for the weary, strength for the weak, riches for the poor, food for the hungry, health for the sick; youth and beauty for the aged and decrepit, joy and peace and comfort, for the sorrowing and distressed and troubled. Here is restoration for the robbed. Here is balm for the wounded. Here is life for the dead! O whosoever will, let him come!

T. H. J.



Receiving the Holy Ghost

THE Holy Spirit is God's own appointed agency for dealing with the human family. We hear much now-a-day, about receiving the Spirit. Not too much, perhaps, but possibly some things that are aside from the real point. And, too, there has been much said that apparently serves only to confuse the mind and darken counsel.

What is it to receive the Holy Ghost?

To clear the ground for our study, we may briefly notice some things that it is not.

1. It is not working one's mind up to an ecstasy of spiritual excitement.
2. It is neither great spiritual depression nor extreme religious exaltation.
3. It is not some phase of religious fervor that only a few may have, and that is attained by some kind of magic exercises.
4. It is not some experience that God has hidden from his children, and that can only be enjoyed after long, difficult search.

Each one, and all of these different suppositions have been entertained by people who have doubtless been earnest and honest in their efforts to comply with all of God's plans.

A very helpful suggestion is found in the account of Paul and Silas at Thessalonica. Acts 17: 5-7. Here we are told that Jason had "received" the apostles. What had he done that could have been so characterized? What do people do who receive friends?

1. He had opened his house and made them welcome.
2. He had provided for their necessities, supplying food, bed, chairs, and all necessities and comforts at his command.
3. He had listened carefully, attentively, prayerfully, to their message.
4. He had obeyed the instruction given.

Each one of these steps is to be observed in detail in receiving the Holy Spirit.

1. We open to him. Not to steeled hearts and defiant wills, does the heavenly visitor come; but to those who recognize his existence, and invite his abiding presence. Tho all-powerful, tho able to subdue all things, he will only abide where invited. His mighty power will never be used in forcing an entrance. Stephen charged the unbelieving Jews with resisting the Holy Ghost. Had they ever received the Holy Spirit? No, *resisting* must cease, before *receiving* can begin.

2. We are to provide conditions favorable to his sojourn with us. The soul temple is to be made a guest-chamber, fit for the most honored of all. He must find nothing to offend or grieve, or he quickly departs. No hidden sin or secret indulgence escapes his eye.

3. We must hearken to his words, bending near to hear the whispers of

the still small voice. We are to be, not indifferent, but eager for the hidden wisdom he has to impart. We shall linger long and lovingly to hear his counsel, even as did Mary of old, as she marked the melodious message of mercy from the Master.

4. Having heard, we are to promptly heed. No putting off to a more convenient season. No excuses, no complaining, no reticence. With whole hearted service we are to show that our profession has a foundation in fact. And this is to receive the Spirit.

I do not doubt that many a man who never knew much about theology has truly received the Holy Ghost; and many a man who talked or wrote glibly concerning the subject, has been destitute of the Abiding Presence. To receive is to cease to resist. To resist is to cease to receive.

T. H. J.



Roses or Thorns?

A GERMAN allegory tells of two little girls. They had been playing together in a strange garden, and soon one ran to her mother full of disappointment. "The garden's a sad place, mother," she said.

"Why, my child?" asked the mother.

"I've been all around, and every rose tree has cruel, long thorns on it!"

Then the second child came in breathless. "O mother, the garden's a beautiful place!" she said.

"How so my child?" asked the mother.

"Why I've been all around, and every thorn bush has roses growing on it!"

And the mother wondered at the difference in the two children. Which one are you like?



Teague, Texas

I BEGAN work at this place Dec. 22. I had quite a battle with Satan against the message. I was not allowed to hold service in the churches. So I held some open air meetings. The Lord was with me and at the end of January there are eight adults and four children who have begun keeping the Sabbath. One man who is quite wealthy has given us a church lot.

THOMAS DE. FREEZE.



SOUTHERN UNION MISSION


Title Summary: The Southern Union Mission, 1911.

Back tithe from Alabama	152.51
Birmingham	333.92
Brookhaven	48.76
Clarksdale	132.36
Columbus	99.86
Decatur	112.69
Deekard	4.50
Dothan	60.29
Edgefield	24.40
Ellisville	3.40
Gadsden	81.48
Greenville	169.20
Greenwood	15.55
Hattiesburg	79.86
Individual	314.93
Jackson	199.25
Lexington	325.99
Louisville	665.62
Memphis	443.04
Meridian	31.46
Mobile	113.96
Montgomery	383.83
Nashville	175.79
Natchez	85.64
Newelton	54.50
New Orleans	649.20
Oakwood	168.15
Palmer, Miss., company	6.23
Pensacola	456.07
Soso	20.45
Sylacauga	98.78
Vicksburg	187.16
Yazoo City	106.55
Total	5805.38

**General Trust Funds.
(Received During 1911.)**

Annual Offering	\$198.11
First Day Offering	49.17
Harvest Ingathering	109.76
Midsummer Offering	56.02
Miscellaneous	5.18
Missions	122.15
October Collections	41.86
Sabbath School Offering	647.43
Self Denial	7.91
Total on 10 cents a week	1237.59
Religious Liberty	1.33
Orphans and Aged	2.06
\$300,000.00 Fund	1.15
Total	1242.13


The Work in the Southern Union Mission.

As the year 1911 is now closed, and the reports have all been entered, we

look with pleasure at the advancement of the message in this field during the past year. It is often said that one of the best indexes to the true condition of the progress of the work is found in the receipts of tithes and offerings. We can all rejoice in what the Lord has wrought for us in this field as indicated in the following table, showing the amount of tithes and offerings received from the various churches. This list should be an incentive to every worker in the field to renew his efforts so that when the tables of 1912 shall be computed, the tithe will show an equal increase with that which has marked the growth this year.

In 1910 tithe from this field amounted to \$4234.89. The tithe in 1911, as indicated below, is \$5805.38, or an increase of over 37 per cent in one year. In 1910 the amount received on trust funds for missions, etc., was \$814.49, while in 1911 it was \$1242.13, an increase of over 50 per cent in offerings in one year. There are unmistakable evidences that God is in this work and that we have reached the time when we may reasonably expect to see this message rapidly given to every colored community in this field.

Stating our numbers at 550 active church members at the beginning of 1911, the tithe received amounts to \$10.55 per member, which compares favorably with other parts of the field. Considering that this is the colored constituency in this field, may we not raise our expectations and confidently look for this work, when properly developed, to become more and more nearly self-supporting?

P. E. PALMER.


Montgomery, Ala.

Tithes	\$398.45
First day or weekly offering	20.36
Sabbath School offering	46.01
Colored work	3.41
Orphan fund	1.58
Midsummer offering	1.62
Foreign Missions	8.47
Week of Prayer	10.00
Harvest Ingathering	12.00
Church fund	41.94
Home Missions	3.61
Total	547.45

R. A. WESLEY

Camden, Ala.

THE LORD's work, we are told, has been committed to our trust, some of us to do one kind of work and some another.

And indeed it is very true, for the Lord has given to every man his work.

Mine is the canvassing work, and I am highly delighted with it. It is missionary work of the highest order; there cannot ever be any promotion. Those of us who are engaged in this branch of the work may stay in it for life. The experiences of a God fearing canvasser are many and varied. Every Seventh Day Adventist should catch the missionary spirit, as it surely fits him for active service in the Master's vineyard.

The Lord has blessed me beyond my expectation in this work since I have left all for it.

I used to mix up some other things with it, on account of lack of faith in book sales, but I find the benefit of fully trusting the Lord in just what he says.

In 1911 I sold \$2.00 worth of books to every day in the year, besides giving away several pages of papers, holding some Bible readings with interested ones.

As a result of those readings four persons are in the truth, and others are deciding.

On my return from the Bookman's Convention in Nashville, I visited some of these dear ones. They were studying our books and the Bible, thus establishing themselves in God's word.

From the six different homes I have had during these two years, I get some good letters. I quote the following from a Baptist minister of Ellis, Ala:—

"I will say, in the minds of the people you have planted a seed that will never die. I remember you when I go before the King every Sunday. Hope to meet you again in life."

In his community the people were much stirred over the Sabbath question.

M. L. IVORY


The Hurrying Hours

How often the thought comes home to me, as the moments hurry away, of the many things I intended to do, somehow, sometime, someday. There are promises that have not been kept, though I always meant to be true; but time is too short for all the things that a body intends to do.—Arthur Lewis

Young People's Column

Some Geography Problems

For Young Heads To Solve

Please to explain, did Canton O.?
 And further; will St. Louis Mo.?
 Is Chicago Ill.? Is Atlanta Ga.?
 And who, pray tell, made Pittsburg Pa.?
 Is Portland Me.? Do Ioa.?
 Did Ida ho? Did Shreveport La.?
 Is Philadelphia in a Penn.?
 Is Nashville more or less than Tenn.?
 Can you solve this? Montreal, Can.
 Or, if that fails, Topeka Kan.



The Dark Valley Railway.

WE give herewith the time-table of the road to Perdition. We do not advise travel by this route, but urge all to avoid starting in the direction indicated.

Information For Passengers.

No stop-over privileges allowed. No return tickets. Officers on trains will use all their powers to keep passengers from leaving the trains until the final station is reached. Smoking cars with all trains. Drinking allowed. No free lunches except when drinks are bought. Tickets sold cheap by all saloons, tobacco dealers, and brothel keepers.

STATIONS ON THE MAIN LINE.

Arrive Cigaretteville	7.30 p. m.
Depart Cigaretteville	7.35 "
Arrive Mild Drink Station	7.45 "
" Moderation Falls	8.00 "
" Tipplersville	9.00 "
" Topersville	10.00 "
" Drunkard's Curve	11.00 "
" Rowdy's Wood	11.30 "
" Quarrelsburg	Noon
(REMAINS ONE HOUR TO BEAT WIFE AND CHILDREN.)	
Leave Quarrelsburg	1.00 p. m.
Arrive Lusty Gulch	1.15 "
" Bunners Roost	1.30 "
" Beggars Town	2.00 "
" Criminalville	3.00 "
" Deleriumville	4.00 "
" Rattlesnake Swamp	6.00 "
" Prisonburg	8.00 "
" Devils Gap	10.00 "
" Dark Valley	10.30 "

(PASSENGERS SHOULD NOT BE ALARMED AT THE SMELL OF SULPHUR. JUST STAY ON THE TRAIN A LITTLE LONGER.)

Arrive Demons Bend	11.30 p. m.
(DO NOT BE FRIGHTENED AT THE DYING GROANS YOU MAY HEAR.)	
Arrive Perdition	Midnight.



A Word to Doubters

IF all the "shalls" in Scripture meant "perhaps," and all the "haths" meant simply "hope to have," and all the "ares" depended on an "if," I well might doubt; but since our Saviour's God means what he says, and can not lie, I trust his faithful word.—Anon

Items

WE are sure that the friends of the work will be glad to read such reports as the one from Montgomery, Ala. It will encourage our friends in other parts of the country to help this work along when they see such earnestness on the part of the colored people to help themselves.

"THE GOSPEL HERALD is greatly improved. I seldom lay it down until I read all that is in it. May God bless the work and workers is my prayer."

At the recent Atlantic Union Conference, Elder J. K. Humphrey gave a brief outline of the colored work in that Union as follows:—

"Of the 213 colored Sabbath-keepers in this field, 173 belong to the Greater New York Conference, which demonstrates, without a doubt, that, where work is carried on for this people, results follow. The outlook is very bright for this work in the North; for the colored people have begun to seek the truth."

WE have in the United States 63,917 Sabbath keepers. If they were divided equally over the world according to the population, it would only leave us 2,779 Sabbath keepers in this country.

THERE are 2,252 gospel laborers in this message in the United States. If the whole population here was divided into that many congregations each laborer would have a congregation more than fifteen times as large, or 626,288.

WE have in the United States 2,252 gospel laborers, and outside the United States 2,094, a total of 4,346. If these were divided equally over the world according to the population, it would only leave us 288 workers.

DURING 1910 the Sabbath School donations amounted to \$138,037.72. Of this sum 96.67 per cent or \$134,830.48 was devoted to foreign missions. This is a gain of \$20,616.00 over 1909. Shall we give it all for 1912?

A. J. H.



Hattiesburg, Miss.

I CAME to Hattiesburg, Sept., 18, 1911, and opened school with ten pupils. The number has continued to increase, and now I have an enrollment of forty-five; my regular attendance is forty. I have from first to sixth grades.

The children seem very anxious to learn, and delight in their Bible class.

We have organized a Mission Volunteer Sunday School. Our attendance is twenty. We meet at 3.30 p.m. Great interest is being manifested by the people of Hattiesburg, tho Satan tried to discourage us on Dec. 15, by burning the building in which we were teaching. The new commandment chart was destroyed and the song books damaged.

I have also the Mission Volunteer Club in school. This club is to help the class of little girls and boys who are not able to help themselves and yet worthy of going to mission school. We have four of that class attending school.

Many children desire to be with us but are unable to get clothing to wear.

The little company of Sabbath-keepers are greatly encouraged. They are still holding on knowing that Christ is near, even at the door.

We had Brother Chatman with us in January. He celebrated the ordinances with us; each and every one was glad to have him here and wish he could have remained.

We need a laborer stationed here, some brother who will hold up Christ at all times.

I can say for myself, my whole heart is in the work and I hope always thus to remain.

LOU JENNIE MCELROY.



Sylacauga, Ala.

THE following is from a private letter written to Prof. Boyd.—Ed.

I spent the day yesterday with the church here. I find the little company in a thriving condition. Brother Gaskin and wife, of Mississippi, and formerly of Barbados, are teaching the school. They have about thirty students.

In addition to the school work, he is repairing the buildings and other things about the place. He is doing all he can, but needs help in getting material. They are economizing all they can so as to buy the material they need. It is a slow process, but if they had a little help for material, they would get the place in good shape, after a while. They are doing a good work, doing it nobly, and need help and encouragement.

W. R. ELLIOTT.

SOME are ever busy trying to find a good job. It is all right to provide a good job for a man, but it is better to provide a good man for the job.



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Oakwood Items

BROTHER HARRIS and his force of boys are busy putting in several miles of new woven wire fence. This will be a source of some comfort no doubt to all Oakwood, but of discomfort to sundry stray pigs and cows that have heretofore made Oakwood fields and pastures their own. The wire for this fencing was donated by The American Wire Co.

Principal Boyd has several more applications from persons desiring to enter our school. There is still room, and we hope there will be so many that our capacity shall be taxed.

MRS. HARRIS has been quite sick for several days, but is a little better at this writing. She came near having pneumonia.

BROTHER HALLADAY recently returned from his trip to Ottawa, Ill. He reports his mother as still very ill, but with some prospect of recovery.

OUR farmer boys are now beginning to plow, rake, harrow, and otherwise work the soil.

SOME new fields of strawberries and dewberries are to be set this spring and preparations are now being made for these.

THERE will go forth this season from Oakwood several workers into various branches of the cause. We are very anxious that these brethren and sisters succeed in their labors. We are doing our best to fit them for the work. A

spirit of earnestness and consecration is manifested by them that is commendable. Canvassers, nurses, teachers, Bible readers, and ministers,—all are working diligently to fit themselves for their several duties.

OUR ministerial band meets every Friday night, after the chapel hour for counsel and instruction. This is one of the most earnest classes, as of course it should be. Their teacher has been giving a series of studies on organization, which the band seem to appreciate very much. Here are a few of the prominent thoughts that have been presented:—

1. God's plan of organization provides that each shall be subject to his brethren. Satan's plan is that each shall subject his brethren.

2. It many times happens that the one who cries loudest against "oppression," is the one who would willingly be an oppressor if he could.

3. The child in the home, is many time taught the principles of disorganization by the disorganized habits of the parents. Teachers in school are derelict of duty if they permit their students to continue in slovenly, careless, inaccurate habits.

4. The student who is always orderly and obedient in his school work, will carry the same habits with him into his field work. He who is habitually respectful to his teacher, is not likely to have serious misunderstanding with the conference president. Conversely, he who is constantly dissatisfied with his teacher is most likely to think the conference committee "arbitrary," and the conference president a "pope."

Oakwood was recently favored with a visit from Brother W. R. Elliot. He spoke to the students at chapel during his stay. He was visiting different points in the interests of the canvassing work.

The Spirit of Prophecy has said there should be one hundred students at Oakwood. It would seem that our brethren throughout the field are determined that it shall be so. Brethren Buckner and Wolterding of New Orleans are busying themselves in this direction. Recently Elder Strachan writes of two who wish to come from his territory. Three from Washington are applying; three from Panama; two families from New Orleans. Thus Isaiah's prophecy seems to be in fair prospect for fulfilment,— "Thy sons shall come from far, and thy

daughters shall be nursed at thy side. Isa. 60:4. Our brethren in the field may be certain that their efforts are appreciated, by the students and also by the school.

T. H. J.

Decatur, Ala.

THE work is making progress here. Many, with whom I had been holding Bible readings, are attending the Sabbath meetings and intend in the near future to keep the Sabbath.

During the illness of sister Lockett, sister Cora Harris had been carrying on the school work; and up to the present is doing good work.

Her enrollment is about forty. I visited the school and spoke to the children. I was glad to see them manifest such a spirit of earnestness. Many homes of the children that could not be otherwise entered, are now opened for Bible readings through the mission school.

ALEXANDER OSTERMAN.

Obituary

AFTER some months' illness, Sister Julia Lockett, teacher of the Decatur mission school, fell asleep with a hope in the first resurrection at the return of the Life-Giver. The remains were taken to Huntsville, her native home. The funeral was largely attended by the friends of the bereaved family.

Her sixteen years of Christian service had been devoted to the salvation of others. She leaves a husband and three children to mourn her loss. Funeral discourse by the writer.

ALEXANDER OSTERMAN.

FOR SALE.--- The following choice bulbs at given prices: Gladioli (mixed), 25 cents a dozen; tuberoses (excelsior pearl), 25 cents a dozen; cannas, 75 cents a dozen; caladium (elephant's-ear), 10 cents each. If by mail, add 10 cents a dozen for postage on gladioli, tuberoses, and cannas; for caladiums, 5 cents a bulb. Be sure to try our bulbs. You will be pleased. Address Oakwood Manual Training School, Huntsville, Ala.

The Mississippi Institute for colored canvassers will be held at Vicksburg Mississippi, March 25 to April 3. Elder McVagh will be with us. Board and room free to those who go out to canvass at least six months during the year.

H. G. MILLER

Supplement

Progress in the Southern Union Mission.

God has greatly blessed the work for the colored people in the South. The work was started in Miss., by Elder J. E. White and associates. It has grown and spread until there are now hundreds of colored Sabbath keepers scattered throughout the whole Southland. From time to time changes have had to be made in the plans and methods to keep pace with the development and needs. Especially since the organization of the General Conference N. A. Negro Department is the necessity for a uniform plan of organization adapted to the conditions in all the southern states being recognized. For two years the work in the Southern Union has been carried on as one union mission with one headquarters at Nashville, Tenn. Under the blessing of God the membership has greatly increased and tithe of the colored Sabbath keepers in the union has increased from \$2,500 to \$5,000, annually. Doubtless our methods can still be improved and this splendid increase be more than maintained. After counsel with men in the field it has been decided to organize local missions and open head-quarters in connection with each local conference in the union. This plan will go into effect Apr. 1, 1912. There is to be a small advisory committee in each conference and this whole work will be in charge of the Union Field Secretary who will act under the direction of the Union Mission Committee.

We are planning to have at least three strong camp-meetings in the Union this summer. It is thought that if a ten day institute for teachers and ministers could be had in connection with each of these camp-meetings that the work would be greatly strengthened.

Some of those now teaching mission schools will probably be recommended to attend the training school at Oakwood during the summer. Some will connect with tent companies and others will take up canvassing for books and periodicals. Some of our colored canvassers are doing a grand and successful work for which we praise the Lord. Details of these plans as they mature will be given to the readers of the GOSPEL HERALD from time to time. The work is onward.

C. F. McVAGH.

Field Secy.

Mississippi, Notice!

OUR annual canvasser's institute for our colored workers will be held in Vicksburg, Mississippi from March 25 to April 3.

Interest in this line of work has been growing from year to year and we expect that this institute will be the largest that we have ever held in Mississippi and also the best.

We have the prospect of having Elder Mc Vagh to help us in this institute.

Your board and room will be free and we will also help you some on your car fare expenses.

Now I imagine I hear you ask yourself the question "Should, I go to the institute"? Let me tell you how you may know.

Do you practise the truth seven days in the week?

Have you a real burden for the canvassing work?

Do you believe that God is calling you to this line of work?

Will you pay promptly for every book delivered?

Will you by the help of the Lord remain faithful in this work at least six months?

If you can say yes to all these questions, then you are the one to come.

The institute will open promptly at 9 a. m. on March 23.

May God help you to surrender your all to him to be used in his service.

Come and get a preparation. For further particulars you may write me.

H. G. MILLER

Jackson Miss. 932 Union St.



Colporteur's Institute

THE Tennessee River Conference will hold an institute at Memphis, Tenn., April 4-14, in the interest of the canvassing work. Good help will be present. All those who are already engaged in the book and magazine work, and all those expecting to take up this work in this conference are expected to attend. The railroad expense of all who expect to continue in the work for at least twelve weeks will be allowed.

Lay your plans now to attend and don't forget the date.

For further information write me at 511 Cole Building, Nashville, Tenn.

C. F. DART.

**To My Father
A Morning Prayer**

O GIVE me a year of training;
I've gladly become a fool; 1 Cor. 3, 18
And I'll labor without complaining
In Brother Immanuel's school.

I'd be as the dough to the baker,
Who gets up the best of cake;
Only willing to serve my Maker, Rev. 22:17
Submitting for his dear sake.

Or e'en as the clay to the potter, Jer. 18: 6
A vessel among the least,
For holding—just common water, Jno. 2: 6-7
Or wine to enrich the feast. Jno. 2: 9

And though I do much or little,
I know he's my final rest, Matt. 11 : 28
I'd not alter a jot or tittle.

His program for me is best. Matt 5 : 17.

S. O. JAMES



Progress.

AS OUR readers will notice, this issue of the HERALD comes out promptly at the first of the month. This is the object toward which we have been looking for some time. We hope this can so continue. We see no reason why it may not be so.

But to do this, we must have the cooperation of our brethren in the field. Reports intended for publication in the current issue should reach us not later than the 20th of the month preceding date of publication.

Our friends who read the Herald give us many encouraging words. They say our little paper is improving. We want to deserve these words of commendation. We are trying very hard to be modest and not get puffed up. We think we are succeeding fairly well in this also.

Our supplement appears this month because of lack of room in our regular forms and also because some items of interest came after the issue was printed. We are glad to get these articles, even if a little late. Our readers too, will be glad for them. We thank our contributors for their help. We thank our readers for their interest, our friends for their commendation, our critics for their suggestions.

We wish also to thank all these for what they are *going to do*. We have a growing list and wish to see it still larger. Why not tell your neighbor what a good little paper the Herald is? He would thank you too. Thus the great wave of thanks will go on in ever widening circles.

T. H. J.