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I wonder if we'll help Him, you
and I;
Or shall we look across His work
with careless eye?
Shall we not offer some dear service
in His name?
Set burning in some heathen heart
God's flame?
Or better yet, our truest, best lives
give
That He who died on Calvary may
live
In some sad heart—perhaps not o'er
the sea—
That heart may wait next door to
you and me.

—Selected.

Notes of Travel

My last report closed with account of visit at Cove Creek. From there Brother George Crawford and I went with horse and buggy seventy-five miles through the mountains to Robbinsville. To any one suffering from tired nerves I heartily recommend an overland trip through the western part of North Carolina. A week or two spent in crossing mountain gaps, fording mountain streams, drinking from mountain springs, breathing mountain air, and partaking of the plain but bountiful fare of the hospitable mountaineers, will result in added energy and a keener relish for life. Our visit at the home of Brother R. H. Mathe was pleasant. This brother has lately come South from Wisconsin, to do self-supporting missionary work. He preaches, holds Bible readings, sings, and prays with the people, distributes literature, and makes himself a necessity to his mountaineer neighbors. Sister Mathe aids in the work by music, and by helping the women in their homes. Would that there might be one such missionary family in every county in this Conference.

On my way home I made a short call

at Asheville, visiting as many of the believers as my time would allow. At Hildebran I met with as many members of the Conference Committee as could be gotten together on short notice. Some questions of interest and importance were discussed. Among these is the matter of our "Christ's Object Lessons" work. This work has been dragging along for some time; and the Committee were unanimous in the opinion that it should not continue to drag, but should be closed up. We hope our brethren everywhere will agree with us in this, and that together with a united front we can close up this long drawn-out work. We feel that the Lord is not pleased to have us be negligent and careless in these things. While at Hildebran it was my privilege to have entertainment at the home of Prof. Beach. He is making arrangements to take a few more students into the school at the beginning of the next term. He is now in a situation to give work to some so that they may largely pay their way by labor. I hope that some of our dear boys and girls may choose to avail themselves of this opportunity. I can heartily recommend the school. Address Prof. J. W. Beach, Hildebran, N. C., for additional information.

May 5 I started on a trip eastward, and have touched at Greensboro, Hillsboro, and Stovall. At Greensboro the enemy has apparently gained some advantage. It seemed necessary to deal very plainly with some who were in trouble. If they will cast their cares all on God, and let the mind be in them which was also in Christ Jesus, they will "know that all things work together for good to those who love the Lord." I am now in the extreme northern part of Granville Co., at the home of Sister Markham. Though isolated this sister is firm in the truth, and keeps informed concerning the advance moves of the message, through our periodicals. The importance of thus keeping up with the

message cannot be too much emphasized. Especially should our isolated brethren and sisters avail themselves of this means of keeping abreast of the times.
T. H. J.

A Plea for Liberty

I desire that our new religious liberty magazine, *Liberty*, shall be given a wide circulation. There are many and urgent reasons why this should be done. We are nearing the great crisis when all will be called upon to take their stand for or against the truth. Many are ignorant of the principles involved in the great issue before us, and must be enlightened. Many have been led astray by National Reform principles, which have been widely disseminated, and have come to believe that the use of force in matters of religion is necessary and right; that it is even Christian. Not a few men in official positions are openly championing these false principles. Several governors of States have lately inaugurated Sunday enforcement campaigns in their States, and Sunday bills are continually being introduced into Congress and State legislatures.

Plans have been laid for supplying every legislator in the land with *Liberty*; and now we wish our brethren and sisters to see that various other classes are supplied with it, such as, mayors, judges, lawyers, ministers, school teachers, and business men. Let us take up this matter at once, and see that those who need this instruction are supplied with it. Send orders to North Carolina Conference, Hickory, N. C.
W. A. COLCORD.

Second Edition Earthquake Special

A second edition of the special Earthquake Number of the *Signs of the Times* has been issued, containing new and striking illustrations as well as new

matter. This is accompanied by a fine engraving showing the great fire in San Francisco which followed the earthquake. It is printed on heavy paper 9½ by 12 inches, suitable for framing. The editors of leading papers in different parts of the country have written the publishers complimenting them on this splendid issue, and asking permission to copy articles and use some of the illustrations. Never before have we had such a splendid opportunity to give to the world the truth for these last days, with the assurance that the people will read what is placed in their hands.

The price, including the engraving, remains the same. In lots of less than one thousand, 3 cents per copy.

PUBLISHERS.

Missionary Report

For Quarter Ending March 31, 1906.

No. of societies reporting	7
No. of reports returned	39
No. of letters written	90
No. of letters received	45
No. of Bible readings held	46
No. of missionary visits	207
No. of hours Christian help work	72
No. of garments collected	158
No. of garments distributed	339
No. of lunches donated	50
No. of persons helped	60
No. of periodicals distributed	491
No. of pages books and tracts distributed	10,789
No. subscriptions for periodicals	9

The above report is published not to show what has been done, but as the basis for an appeal to the one hundred seventy-five or more members who did not report their work. We know that the reports we are receiving from quarter to quarter do not by any means correctly represent the missionary work that is being done. We wish that all might look upon this as one of the little duties in the performance of which there is a blessing promised to those who are faithful. In reporting our missionary work we are glorifying God by declaring what he hath wrought through us. The Apostle Paul on returning to Antioch after his first missionary tour "rehearsed all that God has done with them." And on their

way to Jerusalem, Paul and Barnabas "caused great joy unto all the brethren" by the reports they made of their missionary experiences. Think of how much we enjoy the reports from the workers in different parts of the field! We look over the reports so faithfully made by our canvassers from month to month with great interest. Shall we refuse to honor God and encourage others, by withholding our reports? Much more might be said concerning the importance of faithfulness in reporting. We shall soon send out report blanks to all our librarians and isolated members. Will not all our members regard it not only as a duty but a privilege to assist in making the next quarterly summary of our missionary work such as shall be an honor to God and his cause?

J. V. B.

Help that Helps Most

In a recent communication from Brother E. R. Palmer, Secretary of the General Conference Publishing Department, after expressing appreciation of the liberal responses of our people in donating to the relief of the needy institutions on the Pacific Coast, he adds the following stirring appeal:

"While the judgments of God are in the land, is it not an opportune time for our people everywhere to inquire diligently as to how they may best spend the few remaining days of probationary time? Are there not hundreds who are now engaged in the common work and commerce of the world who should be using their talents more directly for God and his cause? Now that we have given of our means to help a local need, and consecrated a little time to the distribution of special literature, shall we not consider seriously whether there is not a greater help that we can render, and a greater consecration that we can make? If God's people all over this land would arouse and consecrate their time and means to the spreading of this message as published in the printed page, that would be a gift and a consecration that would bring mighty results. May the Lord grant that the day will soon come when such a consecration will be made."

To Our Sisters

For some time I have wanted to suggest a plan to you concerning the needs of our coming camp-meeting. I have consulted Elder Jeys and others, who favor this plan. A few months ago I received a quilt from friends in the North, to be used as I thought best. The thought came to me to donate it to our Conference. No doubt our sisters in the different churches will be glad to add supplies for use in emergencies at our camp-meetings. The sisters at Eufola and Hickory have promised to do their part. There should be no less than three straw ticks, eight quilts, six sheets, six towels, and some blankets. These are to be marked as Conference property, for the use of ministers from abroad and visiting brethren.

I will relate one instance to impress the great need of a preparation to meet emergencies at our camp-meetings. At our first camp-meeting at Salisbury I had to borrow bedding from a Methodist sister for two beds in Elder Butler's tent, and two of the brethren had to sleep under the fly of a tent. This is only a sample of later experiences.

Let some one in every company take a special interest in this matter, and see what can be done. Then please write to me, as I have further suggestions to make to you by letter. "Whosoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it an offering of the Lord."

MRS. MOLLIE R. MILLER,
Shelby, N. C.

Wilmington

The work here is quite encouraging at present. This field has been quite a hard one. There has been, and is yet, a great deal of prejudice against Seventh-day Adventists, on account of the inconsistent lives of some and the manner in which the truth has been taught. The people naturally supposed that Adventism was all the same. But through it all the Lord has let the light shine in darkness. Some precious souls, seeing the true light, gladly accepted the last message which is to go to the world before the door of mercy is forever closed.

There are at present some sixteen or twenty Sabbath-keepers in this city. Some are only beginners. They are located in different parts of the city, and it is somewhat difficult for all to attend the meetings; consequently their education in the truths of the message is slow. There are some six or eight others who are becoming very deeply interested, among them two local preachers and one class leader. Others have put their hands to the plow and looked back. One has fallen asleep since accepting. In it all we thank God and take courage.

In regard to the distribution of the printed page: Brother R. L. Underwood placed about three hundred copies "Coming King" in the homes of the people, besides a number of books I have been able to sell. Brother Lanier has already delivered about two hundred and fifty copies "Seer of Patmos." Are there not others to whom the Lord is saying, "Why stand ye here all the day idle? Go ye also into the vineyard; and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive"? From what experience I have had I consider this city to be as difficult to canvass as any other. In one week Brother Lanier took \$75.00 worth of orders. "Seer of Patmos" is an easy selling book, and contains so much of the message. The people speak well of it, and some say they would not take \$2.00 for it. Will not my say, "Here am I; send me"? Soon the time for seed sowing will be over. If we do not sow, we shall not reap. "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him."

W. H. ARMSTRONG.

Cove Creek

There are so few direct and noticeable results from our work that we do not feel like reporting often, although much is being done, with good results manifest. Brother Jeys' visit was greatly appreciated, and a good interest was awakened, which if followed up will result in several taking hold of the truth. The Sunday school continues with good interest, and there openings in other places for meetings. We are doing considerable visiting among the

people, and distributing reading matter. We hope to see a goodly company raised up here who keep the commandments of God. We believe that the truth is gaining ground in this section, and that when the turning point is reached there are several who will obey. Pray for us.

GEORGE CRAWFORD,
MRS. CLARA CRAWFORD.

From the Canvassers

Good reports are coming from our canvassers. Brother Lanier is doing faithful work at Wilmington, averaging over \$9.00 worth of orders a day. Brother Steed is doing well in Stanley Co. selling our good books. A Sabbath school has been developed there at Albermarle of fifteen members, and two have accepted the truth. Brother E. R. Allen is at work near Lilesville with "Great Controversy" and "Coming King." Good reports also come from Sister Allen and Bertha and Emily Ingram. Brother R. T. Underwood, of Waynesville, is preparing to enter the canvassing field. We are nicely located here at Shelby. Sister Carrie Hoke is with us, and doing faithful work, with a good degree of success. The Lord is prospering us all in his work, and we press forward with renewed courage.

There is another H. G. Miller here, so please address me as below.

HORACE MILLER.
Shelby, N. C.

Canvassing in Wilmington

Thinking that some of the fellow workers may be glad to know how the work is progressing here, I will try to say a few words about what the Lord is doing through my efforts. I find here, as in all large cities, many wealthy people who are hard to approach with a book. Yet I sometimes sell to them. I sold "Seer of Patmos" to one of the leaders of the Christian Science church, who is very wealthy. I mention her because of her position, but there are others of wealth and distinction to whom I have made sales. One other sale may be of interest, that

of the same book to a deaf and dumb lady. I showed her the book, pointing to the chapter headings and the illustrations. After going through the book, I wrote the price and date of delivery, and she gave me her order. I felt that in this case the Lord especially helped me. I do not mean to imply that he does not always help, for he does, but the more we realize his guiding hand the greater the blessing. What the results of my labor will be, cannot now be seen; but if the Lord continues to bless as he has, there will be a great number of Seventh-day Adventist books in Wilmington. I am of good courage, and thank my blessed Saviour for success in his name.

W. E. LANIER.

Canvassing Report

For April, 1906.

Names	Book	Hours	Val. Ord.	Val. Deliv
W. E. Lanier	sp	118	\$157.00	\$80.55
Oscar Steed	ck	140	34.00	11.75
Horace Miller	ck	189	66.00	70.25
			447	\$257.00 \$162.55

HORACE MILLER,
State Agent.

Religious Liberty Number of the "Watchman"

In order to more fully meet the present needs, a special Religious Liberty Number of the *Watchman* has been prepared. This question is presented by the different writers in such a plain, interesting, and attractive manner that it cannot fail to impress favorably those who will read. The following are some of the leading articles: Religious Liberty, Mrs. E. G. White; The Declaration of Independence, Percy T. Magan; The Limit of Civil Authority, L. A. Smith; Prayer for Rulers, S. N. Haskell; A Retrospective View of Some Sunday Laws, G. I. Butler; Who is Behind the Times? S. Jacobs (A Jewish rabbi); The Perfect Law of Liberty, K. C. Russell. Single copies, 5 cents; 10 or more to one address, 3 cents each; 10 to 24, 2 cents each. Order of North Carolina Conference, Hickory, N. C.

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 act of Congress of March 3, 1879.

News and Notes

The State Camp-meeting will be held at High Point, September 7 to 16.

We have a supply of lesson quarterlies for next quarter. Please send in your orders early.

A communication from Elder Jeys, dated June 1, states that he had arrived at Wilmington, and expected to remain about a week.

Sabbath, June 30, is the day appointed by the General Conference Committee to make our midsummer offerings to missions. Thus another opportunity is given us to help in sending the closing gospel message to the world. Send your offerings to North Carolina Conference, Hickory.

Miss Bessie Brensinger and brother Arthur went last month to Washington, D. C., where Sister Bessie will have a home in the family of Dr. G. A. Hare. Miss Mamie returned to her work in Chicago, after quite an extended visit with home friends in Hildebran.

We are sending this month's issue to a number whose subscriptions are past due. Please notice date on your wrapper. May we not hear from all such soon? If not convenient to send money now, drop us a postal card stating that you want the paper, and will remit later.

We understand that Brother and Sister J. S. Killen are planning to return from Washington, D. C., to North Carolina in time for our State camp-meeting. Their friends will be delighted to welcome them back, and also to make the acquaintance of the little son who has recently come to gladden their hearts.

Brother Wm. Saunders recently visited friends at Hickory, Hildebran, and Toluca, bringing with him his little boy and girl to leave in care of Sister Effie Gilliland.

Brother Roberts, recently from France, met with the Hickory church Sabbath, June 2. His "chalk talk" in the Sabbath school, and the discourse following were of such a nature, as to awaken thought, and inspire a more diligent study of the Word.

Mr. S. H. Smallwood and Miss J. C. Pereze were united in marriage at Toluca May 31. We are pleased to know that Brother and Sister Smallwood will remain to assist in the work in connection with the school and orphanage at Toluca. We wish them success and happiness.

We wish to call especial attention to the notice concerning the second edition of the Earthquake Special Number of the *Signs* given in another column. A thousand copies of these have been ordered for our Conference, and already we have orders for six hundred of these. "First come first served." Remember the price to agents, 3 cents per copy.

Success is attending the efforts of those who have undertaken the circulation of the Earthquake Special. Brother O. R. Steed sold seventy copies in one day. One lady went out one morning while her bread was rising and sold thirteen. Sister Mollie Miller sold fifty-two *Watchman* and thirty-four Earthquake Specials in a few hours one day. Brother and Sister Miller have sent in an order for five hundred more of the second edition, making eight hundred for them. Shall we not, one and all, young and old, have a part in improving this wonderful opportunity of helping to give the warning message?

Friends of Sister Ammy W. Welsh will be glad to hear from her. She is now at Bowling Green, Ky., and writes in the *Tennessee River Chronicle* as follows: "I have sent in a list of fourteen subscriptions for *Liberty*. We planned last Sabbath to send for twenty-five of the first number to use with our two clubs of the *Watchman*, the last number of which is a Religious Liberty Special, to supply our city offi-

cers, lawyers and ministers with one copy of each. The *Watchman* Religious Liberty Special is excellent, I think. These two periodicals and the *Signs* Earthquake Special give us plenty of timely literature. Shall we not all try to do something to hasten the message of our Saviour's soon return? Surely we will if we 'love his appearing.' I am of good courage in the Lord. The 'narrow way' seems hard at times because everything of self must be left behind; but it grows brighter as we advance toward the Source of its light. So we find Prov. 4:18 fulfilled."

Notes from Hildebran

Miss Libbie Baird is taking a short vacation at her home near Matney, after which she expects to spend the remainder of the summer and the coming winter with us at the Academy.

Sister Mattie E. Randall gave us the pleasure of a surprise one day the latter part of last month. Brother and Sister Randall are pleasantly located at Nashville, having built a home near the Publishing House. She expects to remain here for some weeks.

Brother Roberts, who for some years has been laboring in France, is spending some time visiting his sister here. He has returned to America on account of failing health, and expects to be employed with Brother J. E. White as artist. For many years he was connected with the Review and Herald Office in the same capacity.

J. W. BEACH.

Tithe Receipts for May, 1906.

Asheville - - - - -	\$12.72
Archdale - - - - -	49.08
Cove Creek - - - - -	1.35
Eufola - - - - -	11.28
Greensboro No. 1 - - - - -	3.00
Hickory - - - - -	9.78
Hildebran - - - - -	66.20
Norwood - - - - -	4.00
Salisbury - - - - -	3.95
Valle Cruces - - - - -	10.00
Waynesville - - - - -	14.00
Wilmington - - - - -	9.22
Individual* - - - - -	17.62
Total - - - - -	\$212.20

JESSIE V. BOSWORTH,
Treasurer.