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The Australian Donation.

IT HAS BEEN decided to make a call to our people on the Fourth of July for the work in Australia. All the proceeds derived from this donation will be appropriated to the work in Australia.

It is desired that our people everywhere take an interest in this donation and endeavor to raise not less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for their work at this time. Misfortunes have come to that field from a variety of sources. Long protracted droughts in portions of the country have made it hard for many to live, to say nothing about being able to sustain the work. Enterprises have been started that must be pushed to completion, and the work must receive financial help in order to succeed.

We can readily recall the early days in the United States when we started many of our institutions, how that call after call was made in order for an enterprise to succeed.

The United States is at present enjoying a period of great financial prosperity. No other country on earth today presents a parallel to ours in this regard. Farm products are in good demand. Labor is commanding unprecedented wages; the manufacturing industries were never farther behind in filling their orders—in fact we are in the midst of a great financial boom, when to get money is not difficult, and where great opportunities are always open before us.

Why should not every Seventh-day Adventist during this time of prosperity set himself to getting out of debt, and to help lift the cause of God from debt? What others lack and cannot raise, are we not obligated to assist in raising? Australia appeals to America to assist her at this time.

We trust that the experiences of the past may be realized again in our donation of July 4, that is, that our people are always ready to give when a field is in need.

The future of God's cause never looked brighter than today. Success is crowning the preaching of the gospel in all lands. Europe will soon be able to carry all of its own work, and so will Australia. The mighty hand of God is leading His people on day by day. Behind us lie the wilderness wanderings, while before us are the inviting Beulah fields beckoning us homeward. Let us all do our best to make the hearts of our Australian brethren glad by sending them a liberal donation.

Do not forget the date—Sabbath July 4.

GENERAL CONFERENCE,
TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

From Hagerman, New Mexico.

ACCORDING to promises made to several of the brethren, I will send to them through the RECORD some of my observations while on my way here, as well as facts concerning Hagerman and vicinity. Leaving Fort Worth at 9:20 P. M. gave us a night run of half the distance to Pecos City, and of course I saw nothing of the country through which we passed. After daylight we sped along through what seemed to me to be a hard country. I wondered if anything good could be ahead. When I knew I must be nearing Pecos, I fairly strained my eyes to get a glimpse of the far-famed Pecos Valley. I supposed there would be a rapid grade down into the valley; but if there was, I cannot tell where it began or ended. At Barstow a small village a few miles east of Pecos City, I saw where some men were irrigating; and passing on a little way on I saw the river itself.

The city being reached, I alighted, and gazed around almost wondering why I was there. There are some right nice residences, and some fine shade trees, which have been set since the town was located. If there were any marks of thrift in the place,

I failed to see them. Being told by a resident carpenter that no work in his line was being done, or expected to be done soon, I passed on stopping a few minutes with the local editor. From here I went to the office of Thorp Brothers, the managers of the Dixie Irrigation Company. I saw only one of these gentlemen, a wide awake business man I took him to be. I was very anxious to see those waving fields of alfalfa, and blooming orchards so graphically portrayed in the Bulletin sent out by this company. So I hastened on up the Pecos Valley rail road to the seat of operations. Mr. Thorp kindly gave me a letter of introduction to Major Brown, the man in charge of the work, and also chief civil engineer of the company. I found him to be a most affable gentleman, with whom I stayed a night and a day. The land, as well as the canal and sub-canals, are all that can be desired; but as yet they have no water, their dam being yet unfinished. Should they succeed in getting plenty of water, their land will be very valuable. Leaving the Dixie land somewhat disappointed, but with a sincere desire for the success of the company, I came to Carlsbad. Here I found a beautiful modern town, whose streets are thickly set with cotton wood trees, and in many respects bear marks of thrift. These streets are irrigated from the same lake which waters the adjacent country. I am confident that Carlsbad has the best surface system of irrigation to be found in all this country. Her artificial lakes cover over miles and miles of land. The closer one is some four miles above town, and the lay of the land is such that it is necessary to make the river cross over itself. I did not suppose that I would ever live to see a river cross itself, but this I saw at Carlsbad. They told me that the viaduct through which the water crosses over the river cost

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Arkansas Department.

A Call for Help.

THE Seventh-day Adventist church at Fayetteville is very much in need of a church building to worship in, that the truth of God may be rightly represented in this place. After much prayerful thought together with a study of the testimonies on this subject, we have decided to make an effort in this direction, knowing that "the earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof." We read in Testimonies volume 7, page 101, in speaking of building churches, "There are some cases, however, in which a young church may not be able at once to bear the whole burden of erecting a house for worship, and in these cases let the brethren in other churches help them." Now, as all our brethren are poor in this world's goods yet all are willing to do their best in this matter, we have decided to ask those of our brethren who read these lines and have a desire to help us, and lend a helping hand in this greatly needed effort to send all donations to Mrs. G. E. Norwood, Fayetteville, Arkansas, where it will be gratefully received even though small.

G. E. NORWOOD,
J. M. KINZER,
J. H. SMITH.

Building Committee.

MRS. G. E. NORWOOD,
Sec. & Treas. of Building Com.

Fayetteville, Arkansas, the place from whence the above call comes, is a live, growing town. We have a small company of Sabbath-keepers there who are striving to hold up the banner of truth. They do a great deal of missionary work in the way of scattering tracts, etc. They have nearly disposed of their full quota of "Object Lessons" some time ago, and according to the size of the church, stand first in tithe in this state, and any help that can be given them will be used for the purpose sent, and will be greatly appreciated. For in a place the size of Fayetteville we should certainly have a church house to hold worship in, a place to rightly represent the cause and to give prestige to the work. F. E. H. State Sec.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

BROTHER D. Kaiser, of Afton, I. T.,

sends in his report and writes that he is a new canvasser in the field, and while his report is not a large one, he is not at all discouraged. He is farming, and is going to canvass every day that he can, and when his crop is gathered he will put in full time. We hope that many will follow his example.

ELDERS J. A. Sommerville and H. Clay Griffin, who are holding meetings in Sallisaw, I. T., report that the services are very well attended and that the interest is good. They are of good courage in the Lord.

BRETHREN V. B. Watts and U. Bender are holding tent meetings in Texarkana, Ark.

The New Tent.

OUR new tent has been ordered for the camp meeting, and will be completed by July 1. It will cost in the vicinity of \$185.00, including transportation. Now we lack about forty dollars of the required amount, and it is quite essential that we raise this sum between now and the first of July. All who attended the camp meeting last season will certainly remember the dire need of a new audience tent, and all who are anticipating attending this season will surely appreciate one; especially if they have a part in contributing toward it. If each one will send in a little the whole amount will soon be raised. Please send all donations for the tent fund to the state secretary, or to the Arkansas Tract Society, Springdale, Arkansas, where they will be gratefully received and duly acknowledged.

The Camp Meeting.

SURELY too much cannot be said about this important gathering just before us. It is hardly possible for us to estimate the importance of these yearly gatherings. Golden opportunities if availed of, lost ones if neglected. God has blessed us the past year, and spared our lives to the time of our annual gathering, and it seems to me that much will be missed by those who stay from this meeting. We realize from the signs all about us that we are living in the last days. "And knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed." Rom. 13: 11.

Some of our leading ministers from abroad will be present, and everything will be done to make the meeting instructive and profitable. But we must remember that there is a burden resting upon each one of us, or we would say burdens. First, the importance and duty resting upon us to be present, thus compelling us to lay all our plans to that end; secondly, the object of our going, not solely to gain a blessing, but to give one by our presence, our work, our prayers, and our testimonies. The Saviour says: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." I quote from page 38 of Testimonies volume 6 the following: "Some will say 'it is expensive to travel, and it would be much better for us to save the money, and give it for the advancement of the work, where it is so much needed.' Do not reason in this way; God calls upon you to take your place among the rank and file of His people. Strengthen the meeting all you can by being present with your families. Put forth extra exertions to attend the gathering of God's people. Brethren and sisters, it would be far better for you to let your business suffer than to neglect the opportunity of hearing the message God has for you. Make no excuse that will keep you from gaining every spiritual advantage possible. You need every ray of light; you cannot afford to lose one such privilege."

What is applicable to the camp meeting applies also to the canvassers' institute; they are both preparations for more aggressive work and cannot be separated. The Institute commences July 10, and continues through the camp meeting, July 17-27, at Van Buren, Arkansas; accessible by two lines of railroad, the Frisco and the Iron Mountain. Full particulars as to location of grounds, etc. will be given in the next issue.

Sweden's death rate for the last 10 years is 16.49 per thousand. This is the lowest death rate of any civilized nation.

Bruised cabbage leaves applied to the head of a fevered patient have been known to lower the temperature from 105 to normal in 16 hours.

In 1894 Congress made an experimental appropriation of only \$10,000 for rural delivery. There are now 11,650 routes in active operation.

THE RECORD only 50 cents a year.

✦ Texas Department. ✦

Collection for July 4.

SABBATH July 4 has been appointed by the General Conference as a day for taking up a collection for the work in Australia. This is a country where the work has struggled under great difficulties of droughts and other disasters of different kinds the past few years, affecting the financial situation; while at the same time enterprises of great importance to the work had been begun, which could not be abandoned in justice to the cause. These conditions have made quite a deficit of funds, and an urgent necessity of help being rendered this needy field. While in Texas we have been made to feel quite seriously the effects of crop shortages, yet we are not quite as bad off as Australia; and as it is always "more blessed to give than to receive," let us do our part in this collection, to be taken July 4. I hope there will be a liberal response to this important call for means for Australia.

W. A. M.

Quarterly Meetings.

THE TIME of our quarterly meetings is at hand. We have provided help for all our churches we could for this occasion; that is, for the most needy churches, and those that could not get along without help. We hope those churches not provided with ministerial help will not feel that we are unmindful of their interests. The ministers are now in the field holding meetings, and we felt it would not be right to call them from this to attend to the churches, and we feel assured that all will agree with this. And now brethren and sisters, I hope all will have a due sense of the importance of this time of heart-searching, and enter into the work of this occasion with real purpose of heart—a purpose to rid ourselves of everything contrary to God's will, and to draw near to God and to one another. I hope all will be faithful also in rendering to the Lord His own in tithes and offerings, and that we shall have a goodly sum come in from this quarter's tithes. We have had occasion to feel truly thankful that the funds have held out so well all this year

notwithstanding we have a larger force of workers than at any time since my return to the State, but now the treasury is getting low, and the summer campaign and camp meeting on hand, and we will need all that comes in. We have tried to use the funds to the best advantage we could, a full report of which will be given at camp meeting, and we hope for the same hearty response to this duty on the part of all as heretofore.

W. A. M.

THE FIELD.

STILL AMONG THE STICKS.—The good work is onward in Cherokee county. While I have much to contend with, yet the Lord is giving us souls. Four families have accepted the message since I reported last, and others are interested. We are holding an arbor meeting. Next week I will begin a series of meetings five miles below here. Will be there till about the 10th of July.

In spite of all Satan can do there will be quite a number of command-keepers in east Texas. What we need is more workers. What a vast territory, and so many people in this part. We have a nice Sabbath school and will organize another soon, and a church. I am of good courage in the Lord, and am trusting in Him day by day. I long to see every Seventh-day Adventist who loves God engage in this closing work in some way. Then the Blessed Master will soon come for His people. We will lay our burdens down and enter into the haven of eternal bliss. Brethren, pray for your weak brother, and the work in east Texas.

J. N. SOMMERVILLE.

Alto, Texas.

HUGHES SPRINGS.—I pitched my tent and commenced meetings Thursday night, May 21, with a very fair attendance. My congregations grew larger for four or five nights. Elder McCutchen was with me Sabbath and Sunday. The Baptists had a meeting at the beginning of our meeting, being their regular appointment. From that time there was a falling off in the congregation at the tent. So the next Sunday, or Friday night before, they began meetings again, and for two days discussed the doctrines we preach and appointed judges, and settled each question, of course, in their own fa-

vor, and since then baptists have been scarce around the tent, and we have had a hard pull of it ever since; but in spite of all the opposition we believe some seed has been sown that will bring forth fruit. We closed our meetings yesterday, (Sunday June 14) with seven additions to the church; four of them were baptized near town in a large tank, which belongs to the railroad company. Most of the people of the town were present. The other three will be baptized soon. While our adversaries have been crying "false prophets," and "false doctrines," we have had friends that have told them they had heard every sermon and heard nothing but truth.

Pray for the work in east Texas.

E. B. HOPKINS.

OBITUARY.

DIED of Tuberculosis of the bowels, at her home near Will's Point, Texas, Mrs I. N. Auten, aged 45 years, 4 months, and 19 days.

At the age of 16 years she joined the Methodist church, and lived a consistent member of the same until 1894 when she united with the Seventh-day Adventist church at Cedar Grove, Texas, and ever lived a faithful and worthy member until her death, which occurred June 11, 1903. Sister Auten leaves a husband and three children to mourn her loss. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. H. P. Davis.

J. H. KING.

A new process cereal company is now operating near Washington, D. C. It employs what is known as the "steel cut" method. Instead of grain being crushed and mashed as in all other processes of grinding, the berries or kernels are flaked or cut off with steel knives. This, it is claimed, gives the product a great advance over other processes. For instance, by the ordinary method of grinding corn, much of the meal is in the form of dust, which packs in between the larger particles and soon causes the meal to heat and spoil. For this reason corn is always kiln-dried, and this destroys much of its sweetness and lightness. The cornmeal made by the steel cut process is something on the order of a very fine granulated sugar; there is no powder or dust in it, and it aerates itself and therefore needs no kiln-dry.

Are you going to camp meeting?

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A Splendid Company of Canvassers.

WE HAVE been holding meetings at Mangum, and Brother Butka made us a visit. He has a company of canvassers canvassing Greer county; and they, seven in number, with Brother Butka spent Sabbath and Sunday here in Mangum. These are all young men, and they are working for the good they can do. We were very glad to have them with us. They are receiving an experience that will do them good all through life, to say nothing of the good they will do their fellow men. The hearty amens while they were with us cheered us as we were in a new field.

Now where we have some forty in Oklahoma, there should be many more selling the books containing the truth. However, we feel thankful that so many are in the work.

G. G. RUPERT.

A Worker Fallen.

ALL will receive with sadness the news of the death of our dear Brother La Rue, who has been laboring for about fifteen years in the

Chinese Empire. The greater part of this time he was the only representative of the third angel's message in that vast field. He was laid to rest in the Protestant Cemetery in Hong Kong.

Although eighty years of age, he was active in the work up until a few days before his death, selling since the first of January eighteen of our bound books, besides distributing tracts and papers.

We are glad that a few workers had joined Brother La Rue, so that these are in the field to take up the work that has fallen from his hands. But this vast empire, with its 426,000,000 of people, sends a mute appeal to us for more help. We can not be free until we have responded with a large force of laborers who will quickly give the light to its darkened millions.

"There is no section of the world," said Secretary Wilson of Agriculture, in speaking of his last tour of the South, "which offers such inducements for diversified farming as the southern section of the United States. I believe that the next few years will see a development greater than has ever taken place in any section of our country, and the key note of this will be diversified crops, the doing away with the single farm crop, and the feeding of crops of the farm."

The rice growing industry of Louisiana and Texas has reached, during the last three years, enormous proportions, due largely to the introduction by the Department of Agriculture of a new Japanese variety of rice and to the operation of extensive and improved irrigation plants.

Our Club Offer.

THE attention of our readers is called to our club offer found on the last page. As quite a number of subscriptions have already or are about to expire this will be a rare chance to get the RECORD and the best semi-weekly paper in the southwest at a reduction. The RECORD will endeavor to keep you informed of the progress of our denominational work, and through the *Semi-weekly News* you will be able to keep fully informed of the doings of the world. May we not look for a large number of renewals and new subscriptions through this liberal offer?

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\$50,000. The entire plant cost three million dollars. As well as I remember, they claim to have about ten thousand acres of land with guaranteed water right; much of it yet for sale at prices ranging from twenty-five dollars an acre, up, according to the improvements, locality, etc.

On my way from Carlsbad to Hagerman, I rode in the same car with the widely known John B. Gordon of Georgia. It had been arranged at a station on the way for him to deliver a speech, and standing on the rear platform he rolled out some of his eloquence until the train left the station.

Well I am at Hagerman; and while the town does not compare favorably with Carlsbad, the country far surpasses the country about that place. The surface supply here is not so great as at Carlsbad. The Hagerman plant being able, as I am told, to water about seven thousand acres; and there are about 5,000 being irrigated at present. But this is perhaps the best artesian locality in the Pecos Valley. Surface water out beyond the canal that is in the district can be found at the depth of thirty to fifty feet in such abundance that no wind-mill pump can exhaust it.

I cannot at present give the number of acres in orchard now bearing, but am told that 300 acres have been set to fruit this spring. The alfalfa fields are very beautiful, and the fruit trees are the embodiment of health and beauty. As to the grass on the desert, I suppose it would require about ten acres to support one cow the year around. I would judge from what I have heard and seen that the sand storms are little if any worse than in Keene.

Usually the rainy season sets in about the first of June. It has been very dry the past spring consequently the range is poor, and loss of cattle to the stock men has been great. As the unwelcomed "nesters" are taking up these lands, the cow man is pulling out for Canada.

Not much work is going on except what the farmers do in their own crops. Brother Greer is getting along nicely with both his house and crop. Joe. Vanorman is at present a citizen of these parts, having as he thinks secured an eighty acre tract under the ditch. FRANK GREEN.

Oklahoma Department.**The Tent Company in Cashion.**

LAST Thursday I visited the tent company in Cashion. I intended to stay only one day; but they insisted on me remaining over Sabbath and Sunday, and holding some German meetings with the German people, which I did. I found a good interest manifested to hear the truth. From two to three hundred are in attendance every night, and the people are paying close attention. The prospect for an excellent company to be raised up here is good. The brethren Sorenson and Conway, who are conducting the meeting, are of good courage; and say that they have been at no place where the prospects were better. The German brethren are providing for their wants pretty well. Everything works well. Brethren pray for our tent companies.

G. F. H.

FIELD REPORTS.

FAYIL, INDIAN TERRITORY.—At present I am at this place preaching to a congregation that seems very much interested. But harvest time is coming on now, and the people are very busy so will discontinue the meetings until it is over. Two more were baptized at Claremore. There are many openings for good meetings here in the Cherokee nation. There is plenty of room and abundant opportunity for all to do something in the vineyard of the Lord. "He gave to every man his work." I expect to be at Oklahoma City this week.

M. H. GREGORY.

June 14, 1903.

MANGUM, OKLAHOMA.—We have just closed a three weeks' meeting at this place. When we came, we had the promise of the Baptist church for our meetings; but this was reconsidered, and refused us; and we were compelled to go into the school house. Also, at the same time, revival meetings were started by the Methodist and Christian churches hence our attendance was very small, never having exceeded thirty. The average was about twelve or fifteen.

We leave two men, heads of families, well established in the Sabbath. The remaining part of our congregation were well interested,

of whom some are very hopeful.

Circumstances were such that we deemed it best to close the meetings for the present with a view of returning to the town later when a more favorable place for meetings can be secured. One, who was living here, and keeping the Sabbath when we came, was baptized. This is an entirely new field. None of those who attended the meetings had ever heard the truth before. G. G. RUPERT.

HARPER, OKLAHOMA.—After our trip west we returned home May 27, and found a Mormon minister, who had challenged us for a debate some months ago, there preaching against us. We held our Sabbath School after which Brother Mays preached with good effect. The Mormon claimed the evening after the Sabbath. On Sunday by the earnest request of friends we met him in three sessions of debate with good results.

We then went to Centralia school house, where Brother Mays had been laboring for about four weeks; and commenced a meeting June 2. There had been much prejudice against the truth at this place, but several had begun to keep the Sabbath, and we found a warm welcome. When we touched health reform, clouds seemed to gather; and we labored hard until the night after the Sabbath when the clouds rolled back, and the Lord came very near, and gave victory. Ten precious souls came forward and desired baptism. After counseling together we decided to take them in, in care of the Harper church until they could be organized there. On Sunday morning one more come out. We went to the river, and at four o'clock eleven persons were buried with their Saviour in baptism, and arose to walk in newness of life. We then went to the school house, and after preaching we had a social meeting, and the Lord was there to bless. Two more young ladies have also taken their stand for the truth. We have closed the meeting, and returned to Harper to hold some meetings here. Our courage in the Lord is good. T. J. HICKMAN.

June 9, 1903.

Encouraging.

I HAVE just gotten home, and can say that the canvassing work in Oklahoma is onward. The reports

received from the workers last week amounted to \$600. Brother Etchison took one hundred dollars' worth of orders in forty hours. If we take the large books, and go by faith, I know that God will be with us; and success will surely follow. Remember the canvassers in your prayers.

JAMES BUTKA.

NOTICES.

"CHRIST in Song," flexible binding cannot be procured now. The cloth binding can be bought for 50 cents, and the board at 40 cents each.

THREE of those special tracts which have had such a wide circulation are ready for printing in the German language. In order to sell them for the same price as the English, large orders must be sent in. We hope our German churches will at once talk up the matter, and plan to send in their orders soon.

WE hope all our Sabbath Schools and others that want Sabbath School quarterlies will send their orders to the Oklahoma Tract Society in plenty of time, and not wait till a day or two before they need them, and then expect them on time. If you wait, do not be surprised or disappointed if you do not get them at once.

FROM THE CANVASSERS.

J. S. HINDBOUGH.—"I am having better success than I had a few weeks ago. I now have a better territory in which to work. It has been quite dry, and the people have been badly discouraged, but we had a little rain this morning so I think they will feel better. Nearly all the farmers had to plant their cotton over twice, and some three times. We have about four weeks work in Greer county yet."

J. B. HAMPTON.—"I had a pretty liard time last week. I had a large pasture three miles wide and six miles long to canvass. There were about a dozen houses scattered here and there over it, several of which were vacant. When I got out of the pasture, I found that the crops had not had any rain for about two months so I could accomplish but little; but the Lord gave me a few orders for which I praise Him."

What are you doing for the RECORD? Are you helping to sustain it?

KEENE ITEMS.

MRS. G. A. SUTHERLAND is visiting her parents in Oklahoma.

Mr. J. T. MOORE went to Gainesville today to close a deal for a car load of cans for the canning factory.

THE last of the students have left for their homes, and the village has settled down to the summer routine.

ELDER W. A. McCUTCHEN spent last Sabbath with the Brenham church and reports a profitable time with them.

ELDER J. N. SOMMERVILLE returned last night from east Texas and will take a short rest with his family in this place.

A FINE rain last night came at an opportune time and nearly insures the making of the corn crop, as well as the vegetables to be used in the canning factory.

NEXT Sabbath is the regular time for the quarterly meetings in this conference. The Keene church is planning to hold theirs at this time.

WE hear some talk of incorporating our village for the purpose of having better roads and other improvements, which this would enable the town to have. What would you think of a public meeting to consider this?

PROFESSOR and Mrs. Kunze left last Wednesday with Elder Nelson and wife for College View, Nebraska, where they will attend the educational convention which closes this week. They will remain some time in the north before returning to this state.

WE are informed by Dr. P. F. Haskell that a new law will go into force the first day of July which makes it necessary for every birth and death to be reported to the county clerk by a registered physician. Failure to do this on the part of any physician, if he is called to attend the case, will subject him to a fine of not less than five nor more than fifty dollars. Of course, the physician does not have to report a case unless he is called to attend it, but in case no physician is called, the family in which the birth or death occurs is liable to the fine. It will be seen, therefore, that it is very necessary to have a physician, and a nurse or midwife will not answer the requirement; it must be a registered physician. These facts are given so that all may avoid trouble, as ignorance of the law excuses no one.

A well-filled measure of carefully selected fruit is always suitable. It is pleasure to the dealer and to the customer.

Wanted

Would like to correspond with some young boy who would like a home this summer and next school year. Also with some young man who would like to take the nurses' course.

HELPFUL READING Some newspapers print matter to fill up space. Much of this is really harmful reading. It is the aim of **THE SEMI-WEEKLY NEWS** to give helpful reading. Thousands will testify to its helpfulness to them. Ask your neighbor.

THE FARMERS' DEPARTMENT has helped many. It is not the theory of farming written by college professors and others up north on conditions that don't fit Texas. It is the actual experience of farmers here at home who have turned over the soil.

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North bound.	South bound
6:55 A. M.	8:50 A. M.
11:15 "	1:00 P. M.
8:20 P. M.	9:25 "



Canvassing Reports for One Week Ending June 13, 1903.

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Texas.										
I. T. Reynolds	Longview	B R	42	119	52	\$ 128 50				
J. T. Harper	Fannin	P P	52	46	10	23 25	3	25		
A. S. McCully	Upshur	D R	36	59	18	48 75	1	25		
G. A. Lagrone	Cherokee Co	D A	12	10	2	7 00	1	25		
P. H. Fisher	Charokee Co	D A	12	10	5	15 75		1 00		
A. Prewitt	Denton Co	B R	12	24	6	17 75				
Total:			Agents, 6	166	268	93	240.00	6	75	
Arkansas.										
Olen D. Kaiser		G C	13	19	2	5 25	2	50		

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