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An Appeal from India.

HERE are as many people in India who speak the English language as comprise the whole population of Australia. Is not this an evidence that God is opening the door for the entrance of His Word in this land? And can we not see Him going out before us, and hear in the wide diffusion of English education in India the voice of God saying, Now, just now, is the time to take hold in earnest in the East?

Come along, then brethren and sisters in the home land, you who have heard the call to India ringing in your ears. Delay no longer. Twenty people die every minute in this land. As the second hand moves around, every third second some one dies who never learned to love our Lord. Every year more than eight million die not knowing that "God so loved the world, that he gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Think not of home and country while issues so great are at stake, and souls are dying whom you might help to save. There are trials and perplexities to be met, but there are victories to be gained, and men and women to be saved. Some people get suddenly frightened when India is mentioned. They think of the bubonic plague, the excessive heat, the cholera, and the snakes, but if such things as these hold us from doing our duty, what shall we do in the swellings of Jordan? There are three thousand foreign missionaries in India, and some have lived here fifty years. Any one who is young and of reasonable health should be able to work in India. We say to you, "Come;" If God bids you, "come, come on".

There are the unentered fields of Africa and China, with their cry of human woe ascending to God. What

shall we do? What can we give? These are questions this denomination must answer soon. Our faith demands a consideration not less than all. "Whosoever he be of you that forsake not all that he hath, he can not be My disciple."

J. L. SHAW.

Calcutta, India.

The Coming School for Teachers.

WE hope all our teachers are planning to attend the school for teachers to be held early in the autumn. You will there have advantages which you cannot afford to miss. Two of our teachers are in an attendance at the summer school held in College View, under the auspices of the Central Union Conference, and another is studying at Berrien Springs, still others have been in attendance at the General Educational Council. All of these will have good things to present. But besides that, arrangements are being made for a general educational worker to be present. This is a privilege that you have not enjoyed, and we hope many will avail themselves of the opportunity. Come teachers, come members of boards, come those who expect to be teachers, come one, come all who are interested in the cause of Christian education.

There will be regular studies pursued, conducted by different instructors; but besides there will be papers on vital subjects. Let our teachers be thinking and reading, getting ready to help one another. We have made a beginning, but only a beginning! It is for us to be wide awake, and in the strength of the Lord push this work forward. Each one has his part to act. On what subject have you a burden to prepare a paper? Let us have a general response to these questions. Send your answers to this question to the secretary of the conference, A. M. Woodall, Keene,

Texas; also any questions you may wish to ask concerning this school will be cheerfully answered by Brother Woodall either at the camp meeting or through correspondance.

FLORA H. WILLIAMS.

467 Hamblin Ave. Battle Creek, Michigan.

Missionary Notes.

IN response to an appeal from Brother E. Pilquist for a printing-press for the mission in Honan, China, Dr. H. W. Miller, who is under appointment to that field, has secured a Washington hand-press from a firm in Chicago. These friends not only donate the press, but will pack it ready for shipment, so that it can be sent with the company that sails in October. Dr. Miller writes that this is wholly in answer to prayer. More gifts and more prayers are needed for the work in China, and the many other unentered fields.

For lack of funds, workers under appointment, and for whom there are the most urgent needs in the mission fields, must be delayed in the home land. If our hearts are made sad because of this condition, how must it appear to Him who has committed the last message of mercy to this people? If all will take hold heartily of the ten-cent-a-week plan, this situation will be soon relieved. The Mission Board will not only be able to carry on the work now in hand, but will have at least \$100,000 to invest in aggressive work in the most needy fields. By our gifts each week we are saying whether these workers shall be longer delayed or whether they shall go soon to the field. How will you respond?

THE good news that Jesus is coming in this generation must be told to the world. Does your next-door neighbor know about it?

Arkansas Department.

Lost Opportunities.

BY THE TIME this paper reaches its readers the camp meeting and institute will not only be in session, but nearly over; and to those who have failed to be there, it will be a lost opportunity, only to be estimated by those in attendance. Many fall into the habit of from year to year deferring attending these annual gatherings. They think they would like to attend; but each year as the time approaches, they permit some excuse to keep them away. Why has the habit become such?—Because the importance of these meetings is not realized. It is so easy to fall into a habit. If we would break the spell, and come to one of these important gatherings, we would easily form the habit of constant attendance. In fact our plans for the year would be to that end as it would be much easier for us to go than to stay away.

We read in 2 Corinthians 6: 2, "Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation." Also in Ecclesiastes 3: 1, "To everything there is a season and a time." Now is the season of the meeting together of a people who are looking for the near coming of the Lord; yes, the near coming of the Lord as the signs of the times indicate; and still we let these golden opportunities pass by till it is too late, forgetting that "procastination is the thief of time." To all who have neglected this—one more opportunity of meeting with God's people, and seeking to gain a deeper and richer experience in the things of God, and thus better fit themselves for usefulness in His vineyard—it has become a lost opportunity,—one for which the Lord will hold us responsible. We read in Hosea 4: 6, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge." Whose people? Those interested in worldly affairs? That is not what the Lord says. He says His people will be destroyed for lack of knowlege. So will not the Lord hold us responsible for these lost opportunities? Let us ponder on these things before it is too late; and let all those who have missed the feast of good things this year begin now to make their plans to meet with God's people in the next annual gathering that it

may not be recorded against us, opportunities lost.

"It is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed." Oh, dear readers, let us heed these words, and awake from our sleepy indifference as if we believed them. Of course we believe them; but let us see. The Lord says "Faith without works is dead," and "By their fruits ye shall know them." Then let us show our faith by our works that our brethren and sisters and our neighbors may see by our fruits that we truly believe what we profess.

Soon, very soon, the Saviour will come; and then our lost time, lost opportunities, buried talents, and lack of knowledge will all be portrayed very vividly before us; and where will we stand? Oh, let us awake, and improve our God-given opportunities just where the Lord's providence has placed us before it is everlastingly too late.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

BROTHER C. W. Hardesty, of College View, Nebraska, and district agent of the Central Union Conference is favoring the Springdale church with a short visit. He has many friends here, who are glad to see him. He is on his way to conduct the canvassers, institute at Van Buren.

BROTHER Curtis, of College View, Nebraska, a school teacher, and one who is especially interested in school-work, is coming to attend the camp meeting and institute. On his way he will stop in Springdale to look over the field in the interests of the school. The project is to make this an industrial school. Brother Curtis, accompanied by Elder Sommerville, will also take a survey of the field in behalf of the school-work throught the state so that during the conference, or at its close there will be special meetings to plan for the up-building of that branch of the work.

HELPFUL hints for the International Sunday School lessons from July to December are found in "Patriarchs and Prophets." This book treats upon the themes of history—themes not in themselves new, but so presented here as to give them a new significance. Beginning with the rebellion in heaven the author shows

why sin was permitted, why Satan was not destroyed, and why man was tested. It gives a thrilling description of man's temptation and fall, and rehearses the plan of redemption devised for his salvation. The volume shows God's wonderful love for mankind in His dealing with the "holy men of old." Now is the time to push this book among Sunday School workers and pupils for all are eager to get help on the lessons.

Missionary Thoughts.

DAVID says, "I will declare what the Lord has done for my soul." Is not that a lesson for us to encourage one another with our own experiences? This is the reason that a reporting system of missionary work has been adopted. To a large extent the reports are not forthcoming in this state. A few are sent in, but not enough to make a full report. Either we are not doing missionary work, or have forgotten this system, and are not making any effort to carry it out. This ought not to be, especially in view of the fact of the growing interest that is being manifested in missionary lines. May we not expect that each member will report his or her work promptly to their librarian, and the librarians in turn return reports promptly to the state secretary. These reports should give the number of letters written and received, number of Bible readings held, number of subscriptions obtained for periodicals, number of periodicals distributed. Beginning with this quarter it is hoped that we may have a full report just as far as possible, enabling the secretary to report to the RECORD; and these quarterly issues will be of much interest to all. These reports may be handed in to the librarian on ordinary slips of paper or on regular blanks provided at fifteen cents per hundred. The librarians are furnished with a blank for reporting to the state secretary.

Forty young men representing Yale, Harvard, Princeton, Cornell, Columbia and Lafayette universities have gone into Kansas to help farmers harvest. They say it is for athletic exercise. It is a worthy and sensible thing to do, but it will require more nerve than foot-ball or rowing contests.

✧ Texas Department. ✧

THE FIELD.

HUTCHINS.—For some time there has been a sentiment on the part of the Hutchins brethren, that they could do more effective work by having a church organization there, than they could possibly do with the members of the company affiliated with churches in different parts of the state.

At Elder McCutchen's request I investigated the matter, and after counseling with the brethren who live in Hutchins, also with the members of the Dallas church who were familiar with the situation, I was fully convinced that it would be a step in the right direction. Accordingly we went to Hutchins July 9. Our first meeting was held at 5 o'clock, P. M.

After setting before them the duties and responsibilities as well as the privileges of church membership, we proceeded with the work of organization. Perfect union and harmony prevailed throughout the entire meeting, and when we reached the point where the Elder and Deacon were set apart by laying on of hands and prayer, the Spirit of God was manifested in a marked manner, hearts were melted, and tears flowed freely. Fourteen members united in the organization. Through a misunderstanding Brother McCutchen did not arrive until the organization had been effected, but was with us in the second meeting and his counsel, in some matters which came up for consideration was much appreciated.

W. D. MAC LAY.

Direction for Reaching Camp Ground at Waco.

NOTICE will be found in another column that the reduced rates to our camp meeting apply from the 26th. This will enable those coming to help on the camp ground to get the benefits of the rate, and I would like to request that a full force of helpers come on that day so we can be ready to go to work Monday morning, the 27th. We will need a good strong force to get the grounds ready in the four days we will have. We wish to have every thing in readiness, all auditing out of the way etc. by the time of the first meeting, Thursday night, the 30th. I hope none of the Auditing Committee, who have been re-

quested to be on hand by the 28th, will fail to come. The Conference will feed all helpers and auditors and teams furnished, while doing the preparatory work.

The camp ground is in the Southwest part of the city on the M. K. & T. Railroad about three-fourths of a mile west of its depot, in Glenwood Grove at Webster and South 22nd streets. We shall try to have our labeled men at all trains with hacks on the 26th, 29th, and 30th. If any should miss them, observe the following directions for reaching the grounds: Those arriving by the M. K. & T. either walk directly west on the track to the grounds or take Padgitt's Park car at depot, going South, and go to end of line, which will still require a walk of over a quarter of a mile directly west on same street. Passengers arriving by the Cotton Belt, Arkansas Pass, or I. & G. N. take the nearest cars (one to two blocks away) going north to transfer station where transfer is made, without extra fare, to Padgitt's Park car, and go as directed above. Those reaching the city by either the Texas Central or H. & T. C. will be landed in East Waco where are no street cars. If such miss our men, by walking across the bridge to the West side cars will be reached which will transfer them to the Padgitt's Park car. Bring all baggage checks to the camp ground and your baggage will be brought out by our own men. W. A. M.

Rate to Camp Meeting.

We have a rate of one and one-third fare, certificate plan, to our camp meeting this year, good to go any day from July 26th up to and including August 9, the return limit August 11. This is the greatest number of selling dates, and the longest time during which tickets can be bought, that we have ever had, enabling those coming to help on the grounds to get the benefit of the reduction. Let all bear in mind the arrangement is on the certificate plan. Each purchaser of a ticket will pay full fare going, taking a receipt for your ticket at time of purchase, which when signed by the Conference Secretary on the camp ground, will entitle the holder to return at one-third fare. But be sure you get a receipt of the agent when ticket is purchased, otherwise you will

not get the reduction returning. Ticket agents of the railroads may seem not to know anything about this rate and hence may hesitate about giving the receipt with the ticket purchased, thinking it is no use since they know nothing of the arrangement; but you insist on having your receipt for fare paid to Waco, and the return part will be attended to there. It is the duty of any agent to give receipt for ticket purchased at any time when asked for, whether they understand anything about a rate or not.

NOTICE.

ALL who wish to engage tents for the camp meeting will please notify the Conference Secretary, A. M. Woodall at Keene. Usual charge, \$2.25 and \$2.50, 50 cents for flies. Tents for all.

Notice.

To all who will go to camp meeting by teams we can say that good pasturage, with plenty of water, has been secured at moderate rate.

Report of Tithe from April 30 to June 30, 1903.

Alvord	church	\$ 6 15
Ad Hall	"	12 35
Avinger	"	2 76
Clifton	"	29 40
Cedar Grove	"	35
Coleman	"	15 00
Edgegood	"	8 50
Fort Worth	"	43 75
Goolsboro	"	126 00
Houston	"	8 40
Jewett	"	3 25
Keene	"	470 39
Levi	"	10 00
New Hope	"	32 27
Peoria	"	30 90
Roby	"	13 50
Scattered	"	53 90
Total		\$ 866 87

T. T. STEVENSON,
Treasurer.

Modern harvesting machines are now in use by farmers of 29 different nations of the earth. They are mostly American types or embody American patents. They are estimated to represent in their ability to harvest crops the labor of 20,000,000 men; and yet the papers are full of the difficulty the farmers have in obtaining hands.

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"We Shall be Like Him, for We Shall See Him as He Is."

BY W. R. PATTERSON.

WHEN the mist which blinds our vision,
And bedims our lonely way
Shall have vanished at the dawning
Of that long-expected day;
When the conflict here is ended, —
Sweet will be the calm —
When we're washed from ev'ry earth-stain,
And receive the victors palm;
When the weary years of sorrow —
Too heavy to be borne —
Shall have fled as a dream of night,
And shall dawn the blissful morn;
When on the heights of Zion's mount
Crowned conquerors we stand,
And survey with enraptured joy
Our glorious Bulah Land;
Then shall we at last be like Him,
And shall see Him face to face,
And in our anthems loud we'll sing
The glories of His grace.
Keene, Texas.

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Camp Meeting Sabbath School.

I WISH to call the attention of all, who are interested in the Sabbath School work, to our camp meeting Sabbath Schools which are to be held this year at Waco, August 1 and 8.

Our camp meeting Sabbath Schools

are of so much importance that the Lord through one whom He has chosen to instruct us, calls attention to them in the following language, addressed to those who assemble at our camp meetings: "This is one of the important branches of the work, and should not be left to chance or to haphazard management. If these schools are conducted as they should be, the efforts made in the pupils to present the truth in a manner to win souls, may be deepened; and if the labor bestowed is followed up by interested workers in the Sabbath School, much good will be accomplished." "It is important that exercises in our camp meeting Sabbath Schools be conducted with order, promptness, and efficiency. Do not allow business and other interests to crowd out the Sabbath School interest so that it shall be considered a matter of no special consequence."

The above language is conclusive evidence that the Lord attaches no small degree of importance to our camp meeting Sabbath Schools. Then shall not we, each one of us feel that it is both a privilege and a duty to do all in our power to make the coming Sabbath Schools at the Waco camp meeting such as will meet the approval of God? Let all do their utmost and work to this end. Begin now to think and plan for the two Sabbaths that are to be spent upon the camp ground talk to the children about it and arouse an interest in them to study the lessons for these two Sabbaths. For the children, the first lesson will be, "The last words and death of Joshua," Josh. 23, 24. The second, "The call of Gideon," Judges 6. Let us begin to study these lessons early and get a thorough knowledge of the facts presented, and not only of the facts presented, but also, and above all, a thorough knowledge of the spiritual truths which these facts are designed to teach.

Be sure to bring your *Little Friends, Instructors, and Lesson Quar-terlies* with you.

MRS. KITTIE M. STEVENSON.

At Camp Meeting.

WE have the promise of one hour each day for educational work. The instruction will be for parents, teachers, and school boards—general information concerning church schools,

how they ought to be conducted, and the relation of the parents and teachers to the school. The support will also be considered. The late Educational Convention, held at Lincoln, Nebraska, recommended that the support of church schools be as follows: Tuition, donation, conference fund, and second tithe. We may choose from either or all four combined. Thus you, who are interested in this matter, should be thinking and praying for a systematic support. Come parents and teachers to study and learn more thoroughly how to train the little ones for service in the Master's vineyard.

A. M. WOODALL.

Examinations for Teachers.

In consultation with the conference President, it was decided that our teachers holding credentials, and having on their last examination an average standing of 90 per cent or above, need not take a further examination on the last year's studies. All teachers will be expected to pass an examination in Bible, History, and Theory and Practice of Teaching.

FLORA H. WILLIAMS.

Superintendent of Texas Church Schools.

THE Sabbath School in Matabeleland, South Africa, numbers seventy-two members, besides from thirty-five to fifty visitors each Sabbath. These visitors are the children from the kraals that do not come regularly enough to be enrolled as members. They begin coming at eight o'clock, and keep coming until ten. Very few are ever late, although they must travel from five to fifteen miles each Sabbath. Six young men from the mission station are now teaching in the kraals. They hold Sabbath meetings, and from thirty to fifty attend their meetings each week.

THE big Christian Endeavor tent at Denver, with 8000 people under it, was collapsed by wind last Sunday and injured a few people. It created a panic, and for the time weakened the faith of many in divine fostering care.

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Oklahoma & Department.

FIELD REPORTS.

MUSCOGEE.—June 11-25, I met with the committee at Oklahoma City. June 26-30, I visited the Norman company, where I found a few trying to keep up a little Sabbath School. There did not seem to be very much courage or hope manifested, and I was sorry to find some so careless and unconcerned. Oh when will the slumbering ones awake! "Why are they slumbering so near their blest home!" It was such a busy time, we felt we could not hold meetings with profit. I am visiting some, and have found a number feeling alarmed on account of their condition. They find their inclination to be Christians almost gone. These will find the text in Hebrews 10: 38 quite fitting: "If any man draw back, My soul shall have no pleasure in him." Now is the time to repent and return to the Lord. July 1, I met with the few at McLoud. There are only a few of our people at this place, but they are still trying to keep the light of truth burning. At present I am at Muscogee. There is opportunity of doing a good work here.

M. H. GREGORY.

NOTICE.

WHEN the conference committee met to arrange for the camp meeting, a resolution was passed to appoint the auditing committee, which is requested to meet with the conference committee August 11, to audit all the conference accounts. We have been instructed in the Testimonies that business matters should be attended to by those especially appointed for the work; and as far as possible they should be brought before the people at some other time than camp meeting. See Testimonies, Volume VI, page 44. These instructions with others justified the committee in appointing the auditing committee in order to be through with that work before camp meeting, so the committee will have more time to help during the meeting. The following persons were appointed: Fred Riffel, Lahoma; R. H. Thompson, Enid; Henry Wall, West Cooper; D. L. Perry; French Griffin, Ardmore; Claremore. We

hope these brethren will be on hand August 11. If there are any who cannot come, we ask them to notify us at once; but we hope none will try to excuse themselves from coming.

G. F. H.

TENT FLIES.

IF ANYONE wants a tent fly at the camp meeting, please send in your order to the tract society at once. We will only have about thirty-five on hand, but can get them from Oklahoma City in a day or two. As these flies cost half as much as a tent, we concluded to charge half as much for the rent, which will be about one dollar. It will be impossible to supply every family with one, but we hope to supply those who cannot stand the heat well.

G. F. H.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

ELDER Gregory has gone to Muscogee to hold meetings with the company at that place, and more fully organize them.

BROTHER Maxwell has sent in an encouraging report from Lema, Indian Territory. The whole community seems to be aroused. Elder Field is going over to help him. It is hoped that a strong church will be organized here in the near future.

SISTER Manful, the clerk of the Addington church, sent in an encouraging report of that newly organized church. They had a good quarterly meeting. Sister Syp spoke to them, and the Lord came very near. Five new members were added to the church, thus bringing the membership up to seventeen. There is a good interest in their neighborhood, and the prospects are good for some more to join their number. May the Lord continue to bless them.

The Camp Meeting.

ELDER Sorenson and Brother Hickman will pitch a tent at El Reno, the place of our camp meeting, and hold meetings about two or three weeks before it begins. Sister Parker will also connect with the tent there, and do some Bible work. Dear brethren, let us all unite in this effort for El Reno, and pray to God that He may give success in the work at that place. Then when

you come to camp meeting, don't forget to work for someone. Oh that we may see the conversion of souls at our camp meeting! Shall we not have the best camp meeting we have ever had in Oklahoma? I believe we can have it if we all do what the Lord wishes us to do.

We hope to notify you through the RECORD next week about the rates to camp meeting. We applied for one fare for the round trip; and we expect to get it; but if we should not get that, we will get one and one-third fare. We have asked to have the tickets for sale on the following dates: 10th, 12th, 13th, 14th, and 20th; and good to return until the 26th. As soon as we here from the railroad companies, we will let you know.

G. F. H.

The Canvassing Work.

THE object of the canvassing work is a noble one. Let us notice a few of objective points sought:

First,—The placing of reading matter treating on the different features of present truth in the hands of millions of people, and thereby warning them of what is coming.

Second,—Carrying the message to places where the living preacher cannot go, and bringing it to people who would not listen the minister.

Third,—Employing men and women of limited ability, who could not succeed in callings of a more public character, as successful instruments in the hands of God to do this work.

A few extracts from the Testimonies will show what the Lord has said about the object of the canvassing work. "If there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the people, and thus leading them to search the scriptures." Testimonies, No. 29, page 390. "The proper circulation and distribution of our publications is one of the most important branches of our present work." Testimonies, No. 14, page 687. This was published in 1868, nearly twenty-six years ago; and if our publications have not been circulated since then as extensively as they should have been, then it remains a fact that their circulation should be pushed forward with all diligence, and by every proper means.

JAS. BUTKA.

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KEENE ITEMS.

Willie Field is improving slowly. He is now at the Sanitarium.

W. A. McCutchen left Friday morning for the camp meeting at Van Buren, Arkansas.

T. T. Stevenson made a business trip to Fort Worth last week. Karl Kreiter and J. C. Mosley were also there with fruit and vegetables.

W. R. Ranson and daughter, Myrtle, came home from West Texas a week ago last Friday. They expect to return west again soon.

It is rumored that there will be a change in the time card of the M. K. & T. Ry. on August 1st, which will quite materially affect our line. The exact schedule has not been announced yet.

The new calendar for the Keene Academy has been completed as far as it can be until the faculty is made up. This matter is being pushed, and it is hoped and expected that completed copies will be at the Texas camp meeting.

Miss Ella Burgess, who was the music teacher in the Academy for one year, died at the home of her sister in Prove City, Utah, June 29th. She left her position here on account of failing health, but it was hoped that a change of climate might effect a cure. She was very much esteemed here.

Brother W. J. Culberhouse of this place died at his home about three miles north of Keene yesterday morning, after a lingering illness of several months, during which he suffered greatly. The funeral was conducted late yesterday afternoon, and he was laid to rest near his home.

A SPECIAL OFFER.

We are offering you a special inducement to try our foods. Will ship you the following goods, which retail at \$3 65, for \$2.45 cash with order:

- 5 lbs Fruit Crackers.
- 5 lbs Graham Crackers.
- 5 lbs Oaten Wafers.
- 5 lbs Sanitarium Cereal.
- 5 lbs Grain-nut.

These are strictly wholesale prices, and are only good for immediate acceptance.

If you are going to camp meeting, you should order a shipment to be used on the road.

LONE STAR PURE FOOD COMPANY.
Keene, Texas.

WANTED.

SPANISH Peanuts in the hull; will buy them in any quantity, highest market prices paid. Address,

LONE STAR PURE FOOD COMPANY,
Keene, Texas.

FOR SALE

Will sell or trade a good new set of double medium weight buggy harness. July 13, 2t. P. F. HASKELL.

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.

SPECIAL OFFER If you are not taking the **SOUTHWESTERN UNION RECORD** you should be. It will be helpful to you in keeping up with our work. For \$1.25 cash in advance, we will mail you the **SOUTHWESTERN UNION RECORD** and **The Galveston or Dallas Semi-weekly News** for twelve months. Both papers stop when your time is out.

CHEAP EXCURSION TO GALVESTON.

THE Santa Fe will run a special excursion train to Galveston, Saturday, July 25, good returning, leaving Galveston Monday, July 27, at the very low rate of \$4 50 from Cleburne, arriving Galveston 9:05 A. M., Sunday, July 26.

FOR SALE.

A house with four rooms, hall, pantry, closet and bath-room on first floor; and three rooms on second floor. Well of good water, large underground cistern; cellar walled with brick. One-half acre land with a good asparagus bed, and nice fruit such as apples, peaches, and plums. Convenient to school and sanitarium.

Also a nice 25 acre tract of land with wood enough on land to pay for it by cutting and selling in Cleburne. Will sell all in one tract or cut to suit purchaser.

Also a nice five-acre lot at the foot of Sanitarium Ave. Write A. P. Wesley, Keene, Texas.

Missouri, Kansas, & Texas Railroad.

Time of trains at Keene, Texas.

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 July 11, 1903.

Name.	Address.	Book.	Hours.	Exp.	Orl's	Value.	Helps.	Del'd.	Value
Texas.									
I. T. Reynolds	Tyler	B R	42	113	34	\$ 80 28	\$ 8 00	\$	
J. T. Harper	Bonham	P P	30	30	2	5 25			
A. J. Jensen	Clifton	C K	40	34	18	24 50		4 75	
R. L. Fowler	Hclston	C K	16	48	7	7 00			
Isora Watts	Tyler	C K	21		24	24 00			
A. Prewett	Turrent Co	B R	38	24	13	27 00	3 25		
Total:		Agents, 6	137	249	98	168			