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## REDEMPTION SONG.

H. B. FRENCH.

Awake! awake! put on thy strength,  
O, Zion, city fair;  
Seek the power of thy God,  
That His joys you may share.

O, shake thyself free from the dust,  
The Lord thy God hath said;  
O, captive daughter of Zion,  
The ransomed price is paid.

Ye sold yourselves for naught,  
Ye are weakened by the fall;  
Therefore my people all shall know,  
That I am all in all.

How beautiful upon the mountains,  
Are the feet of him who brings  
Glad tidings of the Saviour,  
Of whom the angels sing.

O, watchman lift thy voice,  
And never cease to cry  
That Jesus says to every one,  
The carnal man must die.

When the Lord shall bring forth Zion,  
By His holy arm made bare,  
The nations of the earth shall see  
And His salvation share.

Then sing forth barren that beareth not:  
Break forth and sing aloud,  
For soon the Saviour will be seen  
Descending in the cloud.

He is coming for His people,  
Who have waited for Him so long;  
Then they'll cry, Holy, Holy is the Lord,  
For this will be their song.

Up, up, ye Christian soldiers,  
We have no time to lose,  
The time has fully come,  
Whose kingdom we must close.

This world has many attractions  
To offer every son  
Who has a mind to serve her  
Instead of the Holy One.

If loaves and fishes are the things  
That we are seeking for,  
The Lord will give us all of these,  
Also enough to spare.

These only suffice for this life,  
We can eat, and drink, and die;  
But those who deny themselves of these  
Will have mansions in the sky.

## An Important Matter for Our Churches.

THE following extracts from "Special Testimonies On Education" set forth very clearly a prevailing error in regard to the education of our young people:—"The church is asleep, and does not realize the magnitude of this matter of educating the children and youth. 'Why,' one says, 'what is the need of being so particular thoroughly to educate our youth? It seems to me that if you take a few who have decided to follow some literary calling, or some other calling that requires a certain discipline, and give due attention to them, that is all that is necessary. It is not required that the whole mass of our youth should be so well trained. Will not this answer every essential requirement?—No, I answer, most decidedly not. What selection would we be able to make out of the numbers of our youth? How could we tell who would be the most promising, who would render the best service to God? In our human judgment we might do as did Samuel when he was sent to find the anointed of the Lord, and look upon the outward appearance. Who can determine which one of a family will prove to be efficient in the work of God? There should be general education of all its members, and all our youth should be permitted to have the blessings and privileges of an education at our schools, that they may be inspired to become laborers together with God. They all need an education that they may be fitted for usefulness in this life, qualified for places of responsibility both in *private* and *public* life. There is a great necessity of making plans that there may be a large number of competent workers, and many should fit themselves up as teachers, that others may be trained and disciplined for the great work of the future. The church should take in the situation,

to bring about the much desired end. Let a fund be created by generous contributions."

Many overlook the fact stated above that our young people need to attend our schools to prepare for places of responsibility in private as well as public life. What a blessing it would be if there could be found in each of our churches some persons who had received a thorough training in one of our schools! They could, if consecrated, intelligently fill the "places of responsibility" in the church. And, indeed there are places of great responsibility in the church. For if the church falters, it hinders the progress of the State conference, which impedes the onward march of the Union Conference, and when the Union Conferences are weak, the General Conference cannot be strong. This makes it evident that it is just as important to thoroughly prepare our young people for private as well as for public life.

How the work of God languishes today because of our lack in this respect! Hundreds of our young people have drifted into the world because the idea has prevailed that only those should attend our schools who are going to preach, or fill some other public position. Shall it any longer be said that the church is asleep and does not realize the magnitude of this matter? Shall we not by our "influence and means" seek to change this condition? The reader may know some young person who is unconsciously separating from the church of God because no one has ever influenced him to see that God has given to every man his work, for which he must be trained. Or, perhaps, you know some young person who realizes this, but lacks means to obtain an education. What a splendid chance for an investment! C. B. HUGHES.

Keene Academy opens on the 28th of October—only two weeks from now.

The October number of *Good Health* is filled with good things.

## Arkansas Department.

## A Letter.

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ONE of our first considerations was the circulation of our literature. So many, many are brought into a saving knowledge of the truth through reading the printed page, many who will never have an opportunity of hearing a preacher. We have up-to-date books to meet every phase of the message, but they are certainly not going to benefit the people if they are allowed to lie on the shelves in the publishing houses and tract societies, and surely the Lord will hold us responsible for the light He has given us if we don't make an effort to scatter it. Many of us who cannot devote all our time to the canvassing work have some spare time, which they can utilize with profit, in the way of loaning out tracts. We have a series with envelopes especially adapted for that purpose. Many can sell the smaller books. The new book, "Our Paradise Home," contains the truth in a nut shell, and many of our church members who have never sold books before are selling from fifty to seventy-five a week. It sells for twenty-five and fifty cents in board and cloth.

At our state camp meeting a dozen honest hearted souls said they were going to start right out in the work, putting in full time in the canvassing field. Nothing has been heard from them yet. Where are they? Possibly they are waiting for our State Missionary to come and push them out. We expected he would be at the front to make things go, but he was obliged to return home on account of illness. The latest report was that he will not be out this fall. Through the kindness of the Pacific Press, and several state conferences, we will soon have some one to take his place; but, friends, don't wait to be pushed out in the Master's work. Willing service is by far the more satisfactory. Then see what you are losing. The cotton crop is better in this State than it has been for years, bringing a much better price, and now is the time to go right out in the cotton fields with the books. If you wait as you are evidently doing till it is too late, you will deeply regret that you did not start earlier. Lost opportuni-

ties can never be recalled. This State is simply languishing for a revival of the canvassing work. May the Lord burden the hearts of many to the needs of the hour is my prayer.

Our second consideration was our first-day offerings. Just think, for our entire State last year our first-day offerings were only \$38.74 and the miscellaneous offerings \$26.56, making a total of \$65.30 for our conference of 346 members. Now, we are all familiar with the ten-cent-a-week plan that has been adopted in many states; in fact, all of them, and this plan has enabled the Mission Board to send out laborers more intelligently to distant fields. Still there is a sad deficiency for lack of means. Surely we ought to be able to save our nickels and dimes to the amount of ten cents a week to help carry the gospel to our brethren and sisters across the sea. Let us prayerfully consider these things and come to the front with our offerings.

We next considered the tithe, which has fallen off considerably during the past year. What is the tithe?—It is one-tenth of our income. Is it ours? We are told that it is "holy unto the Lord," and when we use it or withhold it, we are "robbing God." The Word teaches us that the tithe is for the support of the gospel ministry. We are sadly in need of more workers in this State. Many appeals are coming to us for preachers to preach the truth to those who have never heard it, and are anxious to hear. But we even lack funds with which to support the workers already in the field, and they only receive living wages. What does a lack in the conference treasury mean? Such would not be the case if all were faithful in paying their tithe, or in other words giving back to Him what rightfully belongs to Him. Is it not stealing when we use the tithe? It is surely taking what does not belong to us, and also retarding the progress of the message. Will the Lord not hold us responsible? What account will we have to render in the day of judgment if we pass these things lightly by? Will the prophecy of Ezekiel 3 be fulfilled in our lives? God forbid. Let us prayerfully consider these truths and profit thereby ere it is too late.

We learned at our recent state conference that this conference is no larger to-day than it was eight or ten

years ago when it was organized. What does this signify? To me it has a deep meaning, especially as I can view the situation from vantage ground. It means that we, as a people who are looking for the near coming of our Saviour, are not living up to our light and privileges. If we were, there would not be a dearth of means for the support of the work, a lack of laborers to carry on the much needed work, and a lack of colporteurs and canvassers in the field to scatter the printed pages of truth.

May we not only pray for the upbuilding of the work in this field, but may we seek to live up to our prayers. The Lord has told us that "Faith without works is dead." F. E. H.

## Experiences Since Leaving Arkansas.

THE work here in Chicago is onward. I came here one year ago last May and have spent the time since in the Workingmens' Home with the exception of about five months.

The slums of Chicago are certainly a needy field. When I first came here, I worked in the laundry, where men come and wash their cloths and put them in a gas drier, and in a short time they are dry. Connected with this are two shower baths, where if one choses he can have a hot, warm, or cold bath as he prefers while his cloths are drying. Before a transient can have a bed he must take one of these baths, and if he choses, he can have his cloths fumigated and caried up stairs ready for him in the morning. Last night there were about ninty who took advantage of this chance to be rid of vermin and disease. Many a man staggers in so drunk he can hardly stand, but comes from the bath a sober man.

From this department I went to the dining room where penny lunches are served. A bowl of soup or oat meal is served for a penny, three slices of bread for a penny etc. A person can get a good meal for from five to fifteen cents.

I have also worked as night watchman on the upper floors and as night clerk. You, who sit in your quiet homes, have no idea of the things we have to meet here. Men, drunk, cursing, and reeking with filth, are a commen, every-day affair. Many of them were as highly respected as any

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## Texas Department.

## THE FIELD.

**BUFFALO GAP.**—Since the close of the camp meeting at this place we have been greatly hindered in our work by wet weather. Three times our congregations have been nearly broken up, but we have not failed to hold services under the tent except two nights. Whenever we had less than a dozen hearers we would drop the regular line of study, and take up some practical subject, and some of our hearers have said that those were our best meetings.

Some of the people have never attended our services at all. Whenever the weather has been good some had to leave town to pick cotton. We have had some opposition too, both open and secret. Now that a few honest souls have taken their stand to obey God and keep His holy Sabbath the opposition is getting more violent.

Next Sunday night a Baptist preacher is going to undertake to show that the first day of the week is the Christian Sabbath. We offered him the use of our tent, but he declined, and said that he had been invited to use the Methodist church and that he preferred speaking in a house.

The Methodist Pastor, in referring to our teaching concerning the nature and destiny of man, said that he regarded it as black as h—l. And when questioned on the Third Angel's message, said that whenever any man brought up that text, and attempted to apply it to some church that he set it down as ignorance, gross ignorance—the densest kind of ignorance—old stinking ignorance—stinking in the nostrils of all intelligent people. He was in no good humor.

We are of good courage, and expect to continue giving the trumpet a certain sound until others have taken their stand for the truth. Of those who have taken their stand, one is an old man, and said to be the wealthiest man in the Gap, and another is a bright young man said to be about the poorest man in the place. Brethren pray for us.

N. J. ETHEREDGE.  
W. M. CUBLEY.

**DOUGLASS, TEXAS.**—The work is still onward here. Last Sabbath a good Sabbath school was organized with about forty members. Have ordered their supplies and will soon be in working order. There are several others about ready to step out of Babylon. The whole country is stirred, and I have several calls elsewhere. Many are inquiring for the right way. Surely the Lord is preparing the hearts of the people for the truth. While this is true, Satan is also working. Already he has sent two of his servants to oppose the truth, but their efforts amount to but little. How bright the doctrine shines when error is placed beside it.

I am at the Primrose church in Cherokee county. We had a most excellent quarterly meeting; all seemed to enjoy it so much. Two were added to the church. I return today to the interest in Nacogdoches county, and will finish the work there. Brother Brandon leaves me next Monday. His assistance is greatly appreciated by all. I labor on trusting in Him who said, "I am with you alway, even unto the end."

J. N. SOMMERVILLE.

## The Western District.

AGAIN I appeal to our people in this district,

1st. To be honest with God, and pay your tithes and make a liberal free-will offering to the cause of missions.

2nd. Live right at home.

3rd. Make visits, distribute our literature, write letters, and in every way possible make an effort to lead men and women to Christ.

4th. Take the RECORD and one or more other of our good papers.

5th. Write me a good letter—write occasionally—let me know what you want; what you are doing, and what the interest is, (if any) in your neighborhood. Brethren, the Lord has given us a work to do. Let us all arise and get at it. Let every one do something. Let every one do all he can.

Myself and fellow workers are earnestly and faithfully at work in this place. We expect to remain quite awhile. There is some interest but no developments yet. Pray for us.

N. J. ETHEREDGE.  
Buffalo Gap, Sept. 23rd.

## LOCAL ITEMS.

MRS. J. M. HUMPHRIES has returned from a visit to Louisiana.

It is gratifying to hear that the Sanitarium is receiving all the patronage they can take care of with their present facilities.

ELDER H. B. FRENCH was in Keene over the Sabbath and Sunday, and reports the work moving well in his district. He will return to his work tomorrow.

THE Teachers' Institute closes this week, and the teachers will scatter out for another year's work, to put in practice what they have learned.

PROSPECTS seem good for the Academy when it opens on the 28th. Several old students have written that they are coming again, and many new ones are looked for.

PROFESSOR H. T. CURTIS and family arrived in Keene last Thursday to connect with Keene Academy during the next year.

NEWS is received of the death this morning of the youngest child of Brother A. J. JENSEN, one of our Texas canvassers, at Clifton, Texas. The parents will have the sympathy of their brethren throughout this conference.

REPAIRS are being made on the Home, so that it will be in good shape for the opening day.

BROTHER Reuben WRIGHT will winter in Texas this year. He is now stopping a few days at the Sanitarium, while on his way to Houston.

OUR stores are enlarging their stock for winter trade. Both of them have fine stocks of goods.

## Home Canvassing.

AT THE camp meeting in Waco it was urged that each member present try to sell some books near their own home. It seems that it should be easy for each one to do this just now, as people here are already beginning to order their Christmas books through me. I have sold one hundred dollars' worth of "Best Stories" and "Gospel Primers" this summer. I have taken several orders this week for gift books. The two above mentioned almost sell themselves, and if the publishing house has any thing else as attractive as these for say \$1.00 or \$1.50, it would

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Notes.

THE New England Conference has been recently divided, the northern part taking the name of the Central New England Conference, and the remainder, comprising the states of Rhode Island and Connecticut, is now known as the Southern New England Conference.

At the recent meeting of the Carolina Conference the sentiment seemed to prevail that because of the natural situation of the two states, both North and South Carolina should be organized into Conferences, which will likely be done at the next meeting of the Southern Union Conference.

THE *Central Advance* says:—"We are informed that Brother B. R. Nordyke, of the Pacific Press Branch, at Kansas City, Missouri, has been called to connect with the publishing work at Oakland, California, and that Brother James Cochran, of Kansas City, who for many years has been secretary of the Missouri Tract Society, and treasurer of the conference, will take the place made vacant by the removal of Brother Nordyke.

The Review & Herald Publishing Co. have just issued a new edition of "Daniel and Revelation," and can also supply the separate volumes of "Daniel" and "Revelation" in paper binding at 25 cents each.

Our Travels with the "Signs."

WE FIRST went to Fort Worth, and from there to Dallas, and from thence to Galveston, Houston, San Antonio, and to Austin, where this writing finds us. We have sold many *Signs* in each of the above places. We had some sea baths, and enjoyed many trips on the cars, and also on an electric yacht, but especially have we all enjoyed visiting the state house, but all of these are not to be compared with the joy of the work of selling the papers. We have now sold several thousand *Signs*, and we hope to see someone in the kingdom through the reading of them.

Little boys and girls ought to be out every vacation selling them by the thousands. We orphans are learning how to do the Lord's work and other business of usefulness. Papas and mammas ought to urge their children to become canvassers and thus work for the Lord. LAURA COREY.

SEPTEMBER 22, I had the privilege of selling the *Signs* to the ex-Governor Hogg, and also Governor Lanham. I shook hands with the latter gentleman, and found him very pleasant. Yesterday the Lord permitted me to sell nearly fifty copies of the *Signs* to the employees in the Capitol. We hope you will pray the Lord to lead some of those intelligent men to embrace the truth through the reading of our much beloved pioneer paper. I also sold 113 copies in Corpus Christi in about three and one-half hours, and I sold in Waco 126 papers in about four hours. To the Lord we give all the praise.

MINERVA HARPER.

FROM MEXICO.

It has afforded us untold pleasure to read the reports of the good camp meeting held in Texas this year. If our brethren and sisters in Texas could see the eagerness with which we scan every line that is from our home State, they would perhaps have something of an idea of the interest

we have in the progress of the work there.

I look forward to see the work in Texas take on a new impetus. With such an able and experienced man as Brother Nelson as president of the Conference; then with Professor Hughes at the head of the educational work, and with such an enterprising and capable physician as Dr. Haskell at the head of our medical work; also Brother Eastman at the head of the canvassing work, and with your State divided as it is, and under the direction of such able leaders as Elders Hopkins, French, Field and Etheredge; with such a strong and well-qualified corp of leaders, working in perfect harmony, under the direction of the Spirit of God, I do not see how their labors can help being crowned with success. I truly believe that when camp meeting time comes next year it will be seen that many souls have been garnered in as the result of earnest labor put forth.

With such an encouraging outlook as this I feel sure that it will inspire our brethren and sisters to be more faithful in the payment of tithes and offerings than they have ever been, so the work may not be hindered for lack of means. If we will all work willingly, and harmoniously, with a zeal according to knowledge, I am sure the work would soon close, and we hear the "well done good and faithful servant; enter into the joy of thy Lord." Oh! how we long and pray that the time may soon come. While many miles separate us from our brethren and sisters, still when we come before the throne of grace, we feel that we there meet with you, for there we remember you, and the work in that great state; and we feel sure that you remember us in your prayer. Oh! let us be faithful in whatever the Lord gives us to do.

A. G. BODWELL.

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certainly sell at present. So far I have not found anything, but think perhaps the "Marvel of Nations" might sell to some. Books must be especially attractively gotten up for Christmas books. There may or may not be good doctrine in them, but attractive they must be for the masses. Some may be able to sell the larger books for this purpose, but I have not tried those. MRS. I. T. REYNOLDS.  
Marshall, Texas.

**Oklahoma Department.****FIELD REPORTS.**

**PERRY.**—We closed our tent meeting here Sunday night, September 27. We will follow up the interest a few days and hold meetings in our church building. Although there have been many hinderances, we feel that the tent effort at this place has accomplished much good. Last Sabbath was a glorious Sabbath for the Perry church. Four dear souls who have known the truth for some time expressed their desire to unite with God's remnant people. They were received into the church with much rejoicing. One lady kept last Sabbath, and we look for others to begin to keep all the commandments next Sabbath.

The brethren here are of good courage. They have decided to have a church school, to begin soon. Remember the work here when you pray.

J. R. BAGBY.

F. H. CONWAY.

**The Glorious Soon Coming Kingdom.**

MATTIE A. PRICE.

[Concluded.]

THE saints of God shall soon see the King in whose law they delight. The kingdom of God is at hand. "They shall speak of the glory of thy kingdom, and shall talk of thy power, to make known to the sons of men His mighty acts, and the glorious majesty of His kingdom. Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and Thy dominion endureth throughout all generations." Psalm 145:11-13. All earthly kingdoms are ready to crumble to dust, and shall be blown away like the chaff of the summer's thrashing floor, and their place shall be found no more, but in stead will be the glorious kingdom of God.

**ITEMS OF INTEREST.**

**PROFESSOR Hughes** is now visiting the churches in Oklahoma in behalf of education.

**ELDER Field** was with the church at Oklahoma City last Sabbath and Sunday. A good meeting was enjoyed Sabbath. On Sunday one soul was buried with Christ in baptism.

**ELDER Haffner** is expected at the office next week. He has been spending a few days in the western part of the territory. Next Sabbath he will be with the Gage church.

**NOTICE.**

WE have just received a new shipment of Bibles, so have a good number of Bagster's No. 8701 with and without thumb index, also No. 8301, 8649, and No. 194. We have now also two numbers of Cambridge's Bibles, viz. No. 191, which is a small pocket Bible and sells for \$1.15; and 8635, which is a very neat Bible weighing about 11 oz., size 7x5x3/4 inches, and sells for \$1.65.

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**NOTICE.**

ALL tithes and donations of every nature should be sent to and made payable to the Tract Society, and not the Sabbath School Secretary.

All orders for Sabbath School supplies should be sent to the State Tract Society, and not to the Sabbath School Secretary as she is not connected with the office and cannot fill your orders.

When sending in tithes and donations of any nature, please state to what church it should be credited and avoid mistakes.

By heeding the above suggestions you will greatly oblige the Oklahoma Tract Society.

T. J. EAGLE,

Secretary.

**From the Canvassers.**

**ROY STOOPS.**—"I am still canvassing in Indian Territory and having good success. The Lord is blessing me greatly. I have taken thirty-three dollars' worth of orders this week although it has been very rainy, but the Lord will bless us if we let Him. One hundred canvassers are needed here in Indian Territory to carry the gospel to this people. Some of the people seem very anxious to get the book. Oh, may the Lord bless His people and stir them up that they may see the necessity of working for Him. May the Lord bless the work everywhere, and may these blessed books arouse the people that they may see that there is a reality in religion, and go to work in this cause,

and hasten the Lord's coming." **NEWBORN SCOTT.**—"I will write to let you know how the Lord is blessing me. His presence is with me all the time, and I have had good success in the work. I have only taken \$8.50 worth of orders for 'Great Controversy,' but it has been a bad, rainy week, and I had to walk so I could not get around much, but I think it was the Lord's will. I hope to do better next week. I am of good courage, and enjoy the canvassing work better than I though I would for it is a good experience for me. Pray that I may have success in this work."

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of us, some highly educated, yet drink and its kindred evils have done their awful work. When I stop to think, my soul feels to groan this prayer, "Come Lord Jesus, come quickly."

The Home has sleeping places for about 225, where a man can lodge for ten and fifteen cents per night. The Dispensary is soon to be opened again, where free treatment and needed advice can be had by those unable to pay for it. There is only this one workingmens' home in this city, and many more might be made self-supporting even in this city. Is it any wonder that God tells us that the work must be done in the cities at once.

During the five months that I was away from the Home I passed through Oklahoma City, where I subscribed for the RECORD, and let me say here that its weekly visits are eagerly looked forward to, and its contents read with pleasure. The Arkansas Department is first looked for as I long to see the work come up in that more needy field. Much has been done there, yet some way Satan seems determined not to let loose, but praise God the truth is gaining ground there.

From Oklahoma City I went to Indian Territory, then to Black Rock, Arkansas. At Black Rock is a small church, but it is financially weak. The members were planning to build a church house, but where, they did not know, when an outsider came forward, and deeded four acres of land to the Arkansas Seventh-day Adventist conference on conditions that a

church be erected, and a school held there. "Testimonies," Volume VI, page 100 says, "Where a company of believers is raised up, a house of worship should be built. \* \* \* 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 of worship. In these cases let brethren in other churches help them." This certainly applies to the Black Rock church. The workers at the Home donated what they felt they could to this enterprise, but I would ask any others who may feel called of God to do so to send according as God has prospered them, no matter how small an amount it may be. Donations should be sent the elder of the church, E. L. Pickney, Black Rock, Arkansas, and I am sure God will bless you accordingly.

Now we ask your prayers for the work here. M. D. SMITH.  
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E. F. Seat	Wood Co	G C							22 50
I. T. Reynolds	Harrison Co	BR	41	65	29	67 50	4 50		
W. F. Mayers	Angelina	G C	40	103	17	40 50	8 75		
J. A. McClain	Wood Co	G C	32	45	7	23 75	4 00		
A. S. McCully	Upshur Co	DR	27				3 90		26 50
Vertie Mayers	Lufkin	CK	5	11	5	5 00	1 00		
J. P. Spears	Cherokee	BR	10	18	9	21 50			
D. W. Dailey	Johnson Co	K C	24	44	13	14 50	65		
Total: Agents, 8			179	287	80	172 75	22 50		118 75