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Little Things.

A little bit of patience often makes the sunshine come,
And a little bit of love makes a very happy home,
A little bit of hope makes a rainy day look gay,
And a little bit of charity makes glad a weary way.

—Selected.

The Year Book for 1904.

WE are now prepared to fill or for the Year Book for 1904. Owing to the discontinuance of the *General Conference Bulletin*, the directory of our denomination is now issued in the form of a Year Book, the chief feature of which may be stated as follows: a complete directory of the General Conference and all its officers, committees, departments, and laborers; complete directories of all Union and State Conferences and Union and local mission fields throughout the world, with the territory, population, membership, and churches thereof specified, as well as the names and addresses of all officers, committees, departments, and laborers given, and church schools in operation therein; full directories of all colleges, academies, and intermediate schools, with boards, faculties, and branches taught; directories of all publishing houses, with boards, officers, and departments connected therewith; a complete list of all periodicals published under the auspices of the denomination, with specifications as to frequency of publication, price, size, and editors thereof; a directory of Sanitariums, with boards and faculties; treatment-rooms, restaurants, cafes, and benevolent institutions. The work also contains an exhaustive summary of officers, with their addresses, a complete directory of ordained and licensed ministers, and of physicians, together with statistical reports, and the Constitution of the General Conference.

This work will be found very helpful to our people in giving them a correct understanding of our organized work in various parts of the world, and will, we believe, lead to a greater interest in extending the message to parts yet unentered. The book contains a number of features not contained in any previous directory, is issued in the most convenient form, at very low rate, and should be in the hands of all our people.

Price 25 cents. Order of your Tract Society.

Unkind Words.

VERY few women deliberately say unkind things, but what an army of them say them unconsciously, or with the best intentions in the world undirected by a little thoughtful tact. The woman who would never say, "How homely you look," or "What an ugly gown," will often be guilty of "How tired you look, my dear," and "You have changed so I hardly knew you," or "Are you wearing that again?"

It is hardly less kind to say to a growing boy or girl, already too conscious of lengthening legs and arms, "How you do grow." And the well meant, "You'll soon be a man," is but little appreciated by the tall boy who already has manly ambitions and longings.

The thoughtless women who make these comments are hardly less feared by their friends than are the brutally frank persons who insist upon expressing their opinions whether favorable or unfavorable, without the slightest provocation.

"I felt as if I ought to tell you" usually prefaces some disagreeable bit of gossip, more dreaded by a sensitive person than the outspoken maliciousness which has made the excuse for the well-meant tale-bearing. It may seem that a friend should be warned of unkind gossip or trickery, but the

words of warning, no matter how kindly expressed, are in themselves unkind, and it were better to use every effort to stop the mischief, or let them die out, rather than wound a friend by the unkind recital.

Thoughtless persons are more to be dreaded than malicious ones. Constant watchfulness is the price of friendship.—*Exchange.*

Intelligence of the Ant.

AN interesting demonstration of the intelligence of the ant was made by a student in the biological department of the University of Pennsylvania last week.

The young man constructed a railway, two feet in length, of metal, and divided this into two parallel paths, separated by a high partition. One of the paths he painted red and the other blue, and at the end, in plain view, he put a morsel of rich cake. Then he set an ant at the beginning of the roadway.

The ant at once made for the cake over the red path, whereupon the student turned on a lamp under his mechanism, and heated the path to an uncomfortable degree. The ant kept on, and finally secured the cake, but on its return it must have told itself that it had a mighty uncomfortable journey.

Several hours later the student brought it out again, another morsel of cake being set at the end of the roadway. The ant thought a moment and started for the cake over the blue path. It remembered that the red one had been hot.

To prove still more conclusively that it remembered, the student next blocked up the blue path whereupon the ant did without the cake rather than venture after it by the red one.—*Selected.*

Have you ordered a copy of the new Year Book yet?

Arkansas Department.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

ELDER J. A. Sommerville is in Lockesburg where he contemplates holding a series of meetings, if the prospects are favorable, as a call has been made there for meetings.

ELDER H. Clay Griffin is at Piney, Arkansas, holding meetings with good interest, though much prejudice.

BROTHER V. B. Watts is at home holding meetings in a school house near Siloam Springs.

BROTHER J. A. Oppy has been holding meetings some three or four miles from Gentry with marked results. Some eight or ten have declared their intention of keeping the Sabbath, and he has sent in for a lot of Sabbath School supplies.

BROTHER D. S. James, elder of the Gentry church, reports that they are of good courage, and contemplate the building of their church house soon. They are poor in this world's goods, and if any feel like contributing their mite to the good cause, it will be greatly appreciated.

BROTHER Gregory is holding meetings at Alpena Pass, Arkansas, with a good interest. Sister Lela Gregory has organized a Sabbath school that is well attended, and they feel that the Lord is blessing the work there to the salvation of souls.

WE hope to give a full report of the annual offerings of the State in the next issue.

A FEW have promptly sent in their Sabbath school and church reports, which is greatly appreciated, and we trust many more will follow their example.

Notice.

THE Tract Society in sending out their statements for last quarter, has made a special appeal that the delinquents make a special effort to pay something on their account, if they cannot settle it in full. Some think their Tract Society debt is the last one on earth to be paid, but that is a sad mistake; it should be the first, for it is sacred money—money invested in the truths of the Third Angel's message. Is the Lord pleased when we run in debt in this line of the work?

Most assuredly not, for He says, "Owe no man anything." That text covers Tract Societies as well as individuals. The Tract Societies are mediums of the publishing houses, and when the canvassers run in debt to the Tract Society, they, in turn, have to run in debt to the publishing house, and they are the actual losers. Now, it costs money to print these books; so we see that when the canvasser fails to meet the responsibility resting upon him to pay as he goes, he is hindering the work at the very fountain head, for in time the publishing houses will have to stop work for lack of means. But the saddest part of all is, how does the Lord look upon it? He surely will hold each canvasser responsible, not only for his half-hearted work and unemployed time, but for his indebtedness on books the Tract Society lets him have in good faith. Let us consider these important points before it is too late.

F. E. H.

Obituary.

DIED.—Sister Sarah Ann Byrd, wife of Stephen H. Byrd, November 23rd, 1903, aged 31 years. She has been a believer for five years and died in full belief of the truth. Funeral services were conducted by Elder Daniel Richardson, of Lake Village, Ark.

S. S. Ryles.

J. K. LEE was born in Indiana on May 30, 1839, and died August 13, 1903. I became acquainted with Brother Lee in the summer of 1900, and went to the camp meeting at New Hope, Pike County, Arkansas, with him in 1901, and entered the canvassing work with him. I found him to be a faithful and successful worker for his Master.

He came home on Friday and took his bed on Sabbath. Was unconscious most of the time; did no talking only about the management of his affairs. Brother Lee lived the life of a faithful Adventist. He lived a life persecuted and forsaken. I feel that our loss is his eternal gain.

Asleep in Jesus, blessed sleep,
From which none ever wake to weep.
Calm and undisturbed repose,
Unbroken by the last of foes.

Asleep in Jesus, soon to rise,
When the last trumpet shall rend the skies.
Then burst the fetters of the tomb,
And wake in full immortal bloom.

J. M. BAKER.

Wilburton, I. T. Church School.

I CAME here in the latter part of August, at the urgent solicitation of some of the brethren here, for the purpose of teaching a church school. I found there were not enough members who had children to send living near enough, who could support a teacher at anything like reasonable tuition rates. So I was induced to get up a select school, mostly outsiders. I have had a good attendance, and finished a four-month term before Christmas. I began today a winter and spring term of perhaps six months. Free school was also opened today in town. This will cut off somewhat from my school for a time, but I think by and by a number will quit the free school on account of their crowded condition. We open by singing and prayer. Nobody objects and most of the pupils take part. We hope a good influence may go out, as our school has the name of being the best in every way in the place. The Baptist minister sends to my school in preference to sending to the free school. Pray for me and my young people. I could use *Little Friend* and *Instructors* to distribute among them.

J. SCOTT MOORE.

The Please Dont Forgets.

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6. Last but not least; don't forget the importance of scattering the printed pages of truth. All cannot give their whole time in the canvassing field, but all can do more or less tract work. We have tracts on every subject of the message. The series of five tracts which were issued a year ago are especially adapted to this line of work. They were used quite freely for a time, but now they are gathering dust on our shelves. Who will the Lord hold responsible for this? All who have accepted the truth should have a part in this work. Let us return to our first love, and let us remember to carry out this resolution—to live up to all the light that the Lord has given us. In so doing many souls will be warned, and the Third Angel's Message will bring light to many darkened homes. Let us work while it is day; for the night cometh when no man can work.

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Lexington Department.

Report of Tithe

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Ad Hall,.....	\$ 9.95
Angleton,.....	20.00
Austin,.....	83.31
Avinger,.....	39.60
Alvord,.....	12.15
Brenham,.....	65.23
Cusseta,.....	20.00
Corsicana,.....	37.20
Coleman,.....	31.00
Crafton,.....	4.00
Clifton,.....	126.14
Cedar Grove,.....	60.65
Dallas,.....	159.25
Denison,.....	64.80
Edgewood,.....	50.48
Fort Worth,.....	82.70
Hutto,.....	10.00
Houston,.....	216.99
Hutchins,.....	83.76
Hughes Springs,.....	42.25
Jewett,.....	1.35
Keene,.....	1,745.77
Levi,.....	224.49
Liverpool,.....	30.00
New Hope,.....	424.72
Plano,.....	21.75
Peoria,.....	155.35
Poetry,.....	89.70
Primrose,.....	52.25
Roby,.....	136.90
Santo,.....	53.70
San Antonio,.....	30.00
Scattered,.....	470.96
Trinity Mills,.....	7.40
Valley View,.....	463.52
Total,.....	\$5,153.06

T. T. STEVENSON,
Treas Texas Conference.

THE FIELD.

AUSTIN, WATTERS, LEXINGTON, AND AD HALL.—The week of prayer I spent with the Austin church, holding one meeting each day except on the Sabbath when we had two meetings. All seemed to enjoy it and to be greatly benefitted by the readings. Love and union prevailed, and I did not hear one discouraging word. On Wednesday, December 23, I had the privilege in two discourses to give our reasons for keeping the Sabbath to a few friends of the Millennial Dawn people, one of their ministers being present, who tried to show the wrong in it. December 24 and 25, I was at Watters, ten miles north of Austin, where Brother R. B. Dunks, the elder of the Austin church lives; and December 26 and 27, we held a pleasant quarterly meeting with the Austin church. At this meeting we had to withdraw fellowship from a sister for

putting away her husband and being married to another. See Mark 10:12. December 28 I spent in visiting Sister Jenson at Lexington, who with her two daughters, is holding up the light of present truth there. One of her daughters has lately withdrawn from the Baptists and joined our church at Austin. December 29 I came to Ad-Hall to meet Elder Field, and to hold quarterly meeting with that little church. But on the 30th lagrippe had such a hold on me that I was forced to come home. I am at this writing (January 7) better, and hope soon to be out in the good work. I am of good courage and my aim is onward until the work is done and the last victory won.

A. W. JENSON.

IN THE EAST.—Leaving Keene on December 8, I started for the East, intending to visit, as far as possible, all the churches and scattered Sabbath-keepers in this part of the State.

My first stop was at Edgewood, where I remained from the 11th to the 16th. Meetings were held every day and part of the time at night. The Spirit of God led out in the work from the first, and it was evident that the work of grace grew deeper each day as long as the meeting continued. The brethren decided to hold their quarterly meeting before I left, so on Wednesday they brought their dinners and the meeting continued from morning until evening. As we sought God with penitent hearts, and the Spirit took possession of all, it was but a short work to elect officers for the coming year. Such business of the church as was needed to be looked after was attended to. The last thing before separating we celebrated the ordinances of the Lord's house, with deep humility and joy of sins forgiven. We could but say, "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

My next stop was with Brother King's family at Cedar Grove. They alone remain of a large church; nearly all have moved to Keene. My next place was Poetry, where I remained from Friday until Monday. Meetings were held both in the day and at night. The regular quarterly meeting was held on Sunday. Hearts were made tender and hopes revived as we studied together the great, and

solemn work now being done in Heaven and in earth. It was evident to all that God's sealing message would soon be finished, and the faithful taken home. Six united with the church, four by vote they being satisfied with their previous baptism by the Baptist church. At the close of the meeting on Sunday nearly all retired to a quiet place near the church where two precious souls were buried with their Lord in baptism. The family were largely the fruit of labor put forth by brethren Hale and Drummond years ago. By meeting with this family we were forceably impressed with the word, "Sow thy seed in the morning and withhold not thine hand in the evening." "Cast thy bread upon the waters and thou shalt receive it again after many days." The brethren who labored to sow the seed have never known the results, but the seed sown, though apparently lying dormant for years, has sprung forth into life. Eternity alone will reveal the results of our sowing.

After leaving Poetry I came through Hunt, Hopkins, and Titus counties, visiting scattered Sabbath keepers.

I came to Marietta the evening of the 25th of December, where I remained till the 29th. A good school is in progress there taught by Brother and Sister Adams. The Lord is blessing the school and it is doing a good work. It was my privilege to conduct the regular quarterly meeting services with the church. The spirit of the Lord came near, both in giving instruction and receiving it.

Judging from the expressions of thankfulness from our brethren and sisters it is evident that the work done was appreciated.

I next came to Cusseta, a place about seven miles distant from Marietta church, where a few of our brethren have stepped in to a remarkable opening to obtain good homes cheap.

Some have lately embraced the truth under the labors of Elder Hopkins. These brethren need help to get the work started on a good solid basis. They were disappointed in not getting their church school this year. But are planning for it another year. On account of my previous appointment at Avenger, I could only remain with them one night and part of the day. Most of the time was

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Faithful Labor Tells The Story.

BY J. P. LORENZ.

If the stormy winds should rustle
As you journey on your way,
Onward as a soldier, bravely
Fight with courage day by day.
If you wish to gain the vict'ry,
Work WELL DONE will prove the test;
Faithful labor tells the story
Who at last has fought the best.

When the storm is raging 'bout you,
And the darkest clouds draw near,
Press with courage through the darkness,
Till you see the light appear.
Never mind, no matter whether
There is sunshine, storm or blast,
Learn in every kind of weather
To fight bravely to the last.

Rest comes after toil and labor,
Vict'ry after storm and fight,
Triumph after gloom and sighing,
After darkness comes the light,
After sowing comes the reaping,
After sorrow joy and peace;
And when weary life is over,
Then comes Heaven's bliss and ease.
Keene, Texas.

WE have been encouraged this week by receiving quite a large number of subscriptions to the RECORD. A good share of them have been sent in by two of our Texas ministers. This

shows that if our workers generally would try to secure more subscriptions and then make it their medium for reaching the people, it could easily be done. But what are all the other workers doing to help it along? Let us hear from.

"well done." It is good to know that our brethren are waking up all along the line, and that something will surely be done. May God bless His faithful people.

W. W. EASTMAN.

Keene Local Items.

ELDERS N. P. Nelson and T. W. Field went to Plano to spend last Sabbath and Sunday with that church. They report some excellent meetings.

THE Academy now has an enrollment of over one hundred and the church school over one hundred and twenty. The Lord is greatly blessing them both.

BROTHER W. W. Stoner has purchased land and is building a house about half a mile south of town, on the road to Keene station on the Santa Fe Railroad.

ON ACCOUNT of the sickness of our pressman we have been delayed with the RECORD this week.

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spent in giving instruction to hungry souls, that seemed to appreciate it very much.

I have now been with the Avenger church one week holding meetings each night with good interest. A church school is being taught here by Sister Myrtle Kirk, and is also prospering under God. This is a good healthy locality in the pine woods. But there are enough of our people here and at Marietta to make a good church and have a church school, if more come it will be colonizing and the Lord has said, "True christians will not colonize."

As I have been to different places where once was a good live church with no one left to hold up the banner of truth, simply because the spirit of colonizing has come into our ranks, I am strongly impressed that God has not had his way in the matter and that unless we retrace our steps some one will have to give an account of it in the Judgment. What we want, brethren, is churches dotted everywhere over the country with church schools. Let a few of our brethren get together in the country and obtain little homes, and live the truth until Jesus comes, and if they are loyal to God's cause it will be said unto them,

BUFFALO GAP—On my return from the visit mentioned in my last report I found Brother Cubley arrayed in blue jumper and overalls and with saw in hand and had at work cutting the material which he had previously hauled out from Abilene. He does not believe in hiring somebody else to do what he can do himself.

On last Friday with the help of Brothers Reddell and Sachse, he raised the walls of the house.

Sisters Cubley and Reddell are selling the Signs and the Pacific Health Journal to raise some money to put in this house—little Strausie is helping too. They have a "mind to work."

Two of our brethren here, poor renters, have borrowed \$25.00 each to help pay for the material. God bless those self-sacrificing brethren.

We have paid \$200.00 and we need at least \$150.00 more to finish this building. By the time it is painted and seated it will probably cost, all told, \$400.00.

Dear reader don't you want to put something into this building? If so, send your contributions to Brother Cubley at Buffalo Gap, Taylor County, Texas.

On Sabbath we met in Brother Reddell's house and I had the pleasure of preaching to the little company.

In the afternoon Brother Cubley conducted a Bible study, at the close of which we organized a little Sabbath school.

This morning I left the Gap and am now at Merkel. Will work this town tomorrow and then go home.

After spending a few days with my family, I propose going out again to sell the Signs and to collect money for the house of the Lord at Buffalo Gap.

Brethren if you want to help us, send your prayers by the wireless route and your cash to me or Brother Cubley. N. J. ETHEREDGE.

January 10th 1904. Address for ten days, Nives, Fisher County, Texas.

The Union Conference is only a little way off. Are you preparing to attend it?

Oklahoma Department.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

WE have received some interesting reports from our workers. Elder Conway reports that he baptized thirteen last Sabbath at Perry. They all joined that church, and about five or six more are ready to join besides these. That is quite an addition to that church.

SOME of the churches are reporting good meetings during the week of prayer. Brother Fittso reports from the Mt. Zion church that they have come on higher ground. The Spirit of God was present in their meeting. This can be said of quite a good many of our churches. The time has certainly come when we must all rise on higher ground. The Lord is soon coming, brethren, so let us all arise and do the work that the Lord wants us to do.

ELDER Field is going to Lexington to hold a series of meetings. They have sent in an urgent call. May the Lord give him success.

BROTHER Maxwell will hold a meeting near McLoud.

ELDER Bagby is engaged in a meeting at Farry. He reports good prospects.

ELDER Gregory has moved to Arkansas. His address is Alpena Pass, Arkansas. He expects to be back in his field of labor in the near future.

ELDER Larson has agreed to have a debate with a M. E. minister near Independence, Oklahoma, beginning January 20. They will discuss four questions. We hope the truth will triumph.

ELDER Haffner will visit the Wilberton church next Sabbath, January 9.

WE have received an urgent call from Bartlesville, Indian Territory, and Elder Haffner expects to meet with the brethren there Sabbath, January 16, and if possible organize a church.

THE conference committee were together and considered several questions of interest.

Canvassers' Institute.

THE conference committee has decided to hold the institute in

Oklahoma City this year, commencing March 10, and lasting about three weeks. The board will be very cheap; you will only pay for the material. The Oklahoma church has agreed to furnish the light and fuel, and we expect that some other churches will help, so that the expense will be very light. Now let all those that expect to enter the canvassing work attend this institute. We expect Brother Eastman, of Texas, to be present to give instruction. We hope to have the best institute ever held in Oklahoma, and why should we not?

The time to work is getting shorter every year and is growing more solemn each day. Let us make this year, 1904, the best in the canvassing work that we have ever had in Oklahoma. Our canvassers have done real well for the time they have been out, but we expect they can do still better if they get a better fitting up and become more consecrated to the work. Let us all pray for the success of this institute. G. F. HAFFNER.

THE FIELD.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.—Since my last report, I have been to Shawnee, where we had a nice church, but they have moved away until there are only a few left; so they have no regular meetings. I sold a few of the special *Signs*. I next visited the McLoud company, staying with them over the Sabbath and Sunday, having a good, profitable time. I sold a number of papers at this place. After spending a few days at Oklahoma City, I next visited Pauls Valley. I only had the opportunity of speaking to them once, but I found a good, interesting congregation. I was somewhat disappointed when I reached Ardmore; I expected to find a good church, but the church at this place has gone down. Some have moved away, while other are in the country. I visited all the members and held a few meetings at Springer. Next I returned to Oklahoma City, where I remained the remainder of the week of prayer. The blessing of the Lord was with us on this occasion.

I next visited Doxey, where Brother Braley has been holding a series of meetings in a new place, and God has blessed him in his work, and as a result he has a nice company. I

buried nine precious souls with their Lord in baptism, and there will soon be others. The most of these were converted from the world.

Sabbath and Sunday, December 26 and 27, I held the quarterly meeting with the Dickson church. I came home sick and was not able to attend the quarterly meeting last Sabbath. I am now improving, and I hope soon to be able to resume the work. May God bless and prosper the work the coming year. A. E. FIELD.

HARPER, OKLAHOMA.—After the good camp meeting at El Reno, we repaired our tent; and Elders Sorenson, Maxwell, and myself, with Sister Parker as Bible worker, remained until October 5. A small company took their stand for the truth. I then came to Harper and found some of the brethren discouraged because of the drouth. We held a few meetings with good result, and then went to the Bridgeford school house near Watonga, where we held a four weeks' meeting. Then we moved to town, and held a two weeks' meeting in the courthouse. As the Holiday excitement was on, we closed the meeting and held quarterly meeting at the Bridgeford school house. Four precious souls united with the Watonga church—two by letter, one by baptism, and one reclaimed. Others are keeping the Sabbath but are not clear on all points of faith. December 22 we came to Harper. As the new school house was not finished, we met at a private house and held quarterly meeting Sabbath, January 2. Three good people united with the Harper church—one by letter, two by vote. All are of good courage in the Lord. Pray for the work here.

T. J. HICKMAN.

Harper, Oklahoma, Jan. 6, 1904.

A Vindication.

KNOWING that many of the brethren have seen the charge preferred against Brother C. E. Bentley, viz.; The cruel treatment of Mamie Pierce, a little girl who was making her home with him, and knowing that he has been maligned and slandered by unprincipled men, whose chief object in life is to serve their own selfish motives, and who sought to injure the progress of the truth by attacking Elder Bentley, therefore I want to make a statement through

the columns of the RECORD to vindicate Brother Bentley and to exonerate him from these false charges. I have been acquainted with him over two years, and have been intimately associated with him for over one year, and know him to be an upright, Christian gentleman. I have had many opportunities to know that Mamie has had good treatment during the time she lived with him, that Brother and Sister Bently were good and kind to her and chastised her only when it was necessary to good discipline. Mamie is now a student of mine, and she says the stories circulating in the papers are false and unfounded. I make these statements that the church may know that the reports are false, and that this persecution is in harmony with the teaching of the Bible,—“And the dragon was wroth with the woman and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.” JAS. R. BRITT.

Gip, Oklahoma.

Sabbath School Work.

WE have now entered upon the new year, the year 1904. Have we an object before us, to which we hope to attain? We have a splendid organization for which to do good work for God. The Sabbath School should be the missionary society, it should put forth efforts in personal missionary work. The class should plan for and do missionary work, their teacher being their leader. Through the spirit of prophecy we have been told that “the Sabbath School should be one of the greatest instrumentalities, and the most effectual in bringing souls to Christ.” The object of the Sabbath School work is here clearly stated.

Will not our schools begin a life of active missionary work? This cannot be done merely by organization; we must begin this in our daily lives, by living for Jesus every day. We are to be His representatives on earth, carrying the great message of love and salvation to the perishing. “Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ’s stead, be ye reconciled unto God.” 2 Cor. 5:20.

I am glad for the good reports I

have received, which shows that this spirit is working in the schools. One brother sends for twenty-five envelopes for the Home Department work. A sister writes for some to continue the work from last quarter. She says: “The plan worked well in our school. Everyone to whom we presented the Home Department plan has been present every Sabbath except one, and that day was very cold, but we have some new Sabbath-keepers, who lived quite a distance in the country, and we want to solicit them for our Home Department.”

Quite a number of schools have taken up this work. At Oklahoma City our school is provided with a secretary for this special work. We want the Home Department work permanently established in all our schools, that the influence of the Sabbath School may reach every home. We also have received encouragement from isolated members. I am truly glad that the Sabbath School brings comfort and blessing each week to all our homes.

The workers in our schools express themselves of being desirous of doing good work and being faithful in working for the Lord. Now as never before may we realize the work the Lord is calling us to do, and may we all feel the reviving influence of the Spirit of God, that is attending this great work. We are truly glad for the good words of encouragement, and may the Lord’s blessing rest upon the work done.

MRS. A. E. FIELD,
S. S. Secretary.

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