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DOING GOD'S WILL

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HOSE who submit to the solemn rite of baptism pledge themselves, before the heavenly universe, to come out for the world. They have taken their position under the blood-stained

banner of Prince Emmanuel, to be laborers together with God, and as such to make known his will to those who are perishing in sin. They are to search the scriptures diligently, feeling that it is of the highest importance for them to understand what saith the Lord. Having learned his will, they are to do it heartily, remembering that the truth is the seed they must sow in order to reap a harvest for God. But many of those who claim to believe the truth are not striving as they should for perfection of character.

Christ says, "Behold, I come quickly and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last. Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city."

In these words our work is plainly outlined. Those who represent Christ must obey God's commandments; for Christ obeyed them.

In order to keep God's commandments we must have an intelligent knowledge of the scriptures. We can not obey God until we know what his

commandments are. It was that we might understand his will that God gave us the bible. By a study of its teachings, we learn to deny self and to conform our lives to its requirements.

Dear friends, you are without excuse if you fail of obtaining a clear understanding of God's will. "The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul." God has kept back nothing that is necessary for the enlightenment of his children. No one can plead in excuse for transgression that he was left in ignorance, that the way to heaven was not clearly marked out. We have not been left to serve God in a vague, uncertain way.

How can you educate your children in the things of God unless you first know for yourselves what is right and what is wrong; unless you realize that obedience eternal death? Make it your obedience eternal life? Make it your life-work to gain an understanding of the will of God. Thus only can you train your children aright. Bring your every word and action into harmony with the Word of God, irrespective of the opinions and practices of those who refuse to obey him.

Had the inhabitants of the old world kept God's law, they would have continued to enjoy his favor. But they disobeyed, and their wickedness became unbearable to him. The words of Jude vividly portray the condition of the world at that time: "These are spots in your feasts of charity, . . . clouds they are without water, carried

about of winds; trees whose fruit withereth, twice dead, plucked up by the roots; raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever."

God determined to purify the world by a flood; but in mercy and love he gave the antediluvians a probation of one hundred and twenty years. During this time, while the ark was building, the voices of Noah, Methusaleh, and many others were heard in warning and entreaty, and every blow struck on the ark was a warning message.

Today the past is repeated. God is sending men plain warnings. The recent earthquakes show how quickly the ungodly will perish when the judgments of God fall upon the earth. Already, in flood and flame, his judgments are falling upon evil-doers. All who refuse to repent will perish.

Those parents who know the truth, but who do not fulfil the obligations resting upon them, must soon meet the result of their neglect. Those who do not perform the duties that God gives them because it is not convenient to be so particular, so different from the world, are training their children to become more and more like the world, and to perish in disobedience.

Parents be loyal to God. Represent him in the home life. Look upon the training of your children as a sacred work entrusted to you by the Most High.

THE KEENE INDUSTRIAL ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

After a period of inactivity of over four years, the Alumni Association of Keene Academy is again showing signs of life. We are convinced that it has only been sleeping, awaiting an infusion of new blood, and is not dead as many supposed. All who were present at a recent meeting can testify that it is now fully awake and active.

Not long since, all the alumni of the Academy now residing in Keene received the following letter:

Keene, Texas, March 20, 1912.

Dear Fellow-Alumnus:

Perhaps you have not forgotten that you have been graduated from Keene Academy. Doubtless you will also remember that an Alumni Association of this institution was once organized. Upon inquiry no one has been found who knows of any legal process which has dissolved the association. No one has given any valid reason why it should continue to exist as a "corporate" body and yet show no signs of organic life. If it lives, it lives; then let each member show evidence of life that the "body" may appear active and really living.

If on the other hand the Association has "departed this life" let us gather in humility and perform the last act of respect and courtesy. In either alternative the need of action is apparent. Yet in this situation we have no duly elected officers to take the matter in hand, hence at the request of several members I am issuing a call for a meeting of the Association.

This letter is to invite you to be present at a meeting of the Alumni Association of the Keene Academy to be held Saturday evening, March 23, 8:30 p. m., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Goss. The occasion will be an informal one, and it is hoped a time of social pleasure and good fellowship. A short business session will also be held for the discussion of matters pertaining to the Association.

Bundle up a little good cheer, tone up the muscles around your mouth for a smile, and bring some ideas.

And "Come! Come!! Come!!!"

J. W. FIELD.

Of course we have not forgotten! At the appointed time, twenty-four of our representatives were present. And they also brought some ideas; for were they not alumni? And how could such people come at all without bringing ideas? After the usual preliminaries, we listened to some remarks by the chairman, Prof. J. W. Field. He said among other things, that although we cannot compete with Yale and Harvard in building institutions and founding libraries for our Alma Mater, we can honor her in other ways. We can at least keep alive her memory and show her our respect by an occasional meeting together to recall the pleasant days spent in her walls. He emphasized the fact that the Alumni are the real children of the school. Until graduation, all are merely on probation. At that time, we receive our pa-

pers of adoption; we become the legally adopted children of the Alma Mater. Then where should an institution find more loyal supporters than in the alumni? Loyalty is the smallest return we can offer to the one who has nurtured our mental growth, who has made us what we are.

Since there has been no meeting of the Association for three years, the classes of 1909, 1910, and 1911 had not been received, so this was the next item of interest. Mr. J. W. Winn spoke in behalf of the class of 1909. In presenting the different names, he told us that each one is still faithful to their motto: "To know God and to make Him known." At the conclusion of Mr. Winn's remarks, the class of '09 was received into the Association by a unanimous vote. Miss Eastman next presented the class of 1910. She said that although the rocks have sometimes been "rugged," each one is still "climbing" toward the heights, and closed her remarks with a request for membership. This class was also cordially received. Then, in behalf of our "youngest" class, Mr. J. L. McConaughy made some well-chosen remarks, requesting admittance into the Association. When he had finished, the chairman called for a motion, saying that he was sure that we could not deny the request of our "baby member." Some one made a motion that he be given the "right hand of fellowship," which was carried—literally. This part of the evening's program was concluded by a charge given by the chairman, in which he exhorted the newly received members to be worthy sons and daughters of their Mater.

Interesting indeed was the next half hour, filled with recollections of school days. Whether school days are our happiest or not, the smiling faces of those who related incidents of their years in Keene Academy testified to the fact that they are happy ones. Beginning with Miss Artie Taylor of the class of '98, several drew from their memories recollections of youthful pranks and pleasures which were possible more closely guarded until years had made it safe to bring them into the light.

After several musical numbers by the stringed quartette, and a vocal solo by Mr. McConaughy, we were interested to learn that in those present were representatives from all the classes except those of 1899, 1902, and 1903. As there was no class in 1904, that year was also without a delegate. One member was present from the class of 1898, the first class graduated from Keene Academy. Two were present from the class of 1900, and two from the class of 1901. The class of 1905 was represented by two; 1906, by one; 1907, by four; 1908, by one; 1909, by five; 1910, by four; and 1911 by three members. It is needless to say that each enjoyed the privilege of meeting with other sons and daughters of Keene Academy. We were glad to call to memory those who have gone from us to work for God, both in home and foreign lands. Nearly all of the 121 alumni are still faithful to

the teachings of their Alma Mater, and only an eternity can tell just how much light has been reflected by her children.

But the Alumni Association would hardly be worthy of its existence if its purpose were purely a social one. Then, too, if such were the case, only those who happen to be in Keene could receive the benefit of it. That all might have a part in the plans of the Association, and that some good might result to the school which we represent, was the burden of the discussion of plans which followed the social hour. In the election of officers, Prof. J. W. Field was made president, J. W. Winn, corresponding secretary, and Mrs. Berta Taylor-Backus, recording secretary-treasurer. These persons are to hold office until the close of this school year, when another meeting will be held, and officers for the ensuing year elected.

Mr. Winn was instructed to write to all absent members and ask them to report before the next meeting. We anticipate an especially interesting session at that time; for we have members from Massachusetts to California, in India, Singapore, West Africa, and in various other parts of the world.

That the Association might be a help to others besides its own members, it was decided that each one should pay a fee of twenty-five cents upon entrance and yearly thereafter for five years, after which time he is to be exempt. Part of this fund is to be used for current expenses; but it is to be mainly a fund to assist students who otherwise would not be able to finish their course in the Academy. It is hoped that the Association may thus do something of substantial value. We are sure that all will be willing to give at least this amount to the school which has given us a preparation to meet life's battles.

That we each might be a true exponent of the principles for which Keene Academy stands, and might thus be an inspiration to other young men and women to seek within her walls an acquaintance with principles, and the heartfelt desire of all present at the second meeting of the K. I. A. Alumni, held on Sunday evening, March 24.

ANNIE LAURIE McCUTCHEM.

A NEW BOOK.

A new book that will surely interest and inspire all who read it—particularly our young people—is "The Advance Guard of Missions." This is made up of thrilling sketches touching upon the most important events in the lives and work of more than fifty pioneer missionaries. It is a highly entertaining work, written in a style that educates and arouses one to action. It has 547 pages, and comes in two styles of binding: Handsome red cloth, heavy paper \$1.50; plain cloth, \$1.00.

FIELD REPORTS.

FORT STOCKTON AND VALLEY VIEW—On account of the continued cool weather and high wind we concluded to defer the tent effort at Fort Stockton for a few weeks, and have begun a series of meetings at the Valley View school house about four miles northwest of town in a thickly settled neighborhood on the irrigated land. We began the meeting here Sunday evening, March 17, with a fair sized congregation, and the interest was good from the beginning, and the attendance has greatly increased till we have a well filled house at each meeting. The weather has been very disagreeable for the last week, cool and windy, still the people come out and seem anxious to hear the message.

There seems to be but little, if any, opposition to the doctrine, so far, yet there is more or less prejudice here same as other places; then, too, there are those who take no interest in Christianity. We are visiting the people at their homes and scattering literature and holding Bible readings with the interested ones and we are glad to say that there are several who are deeply interested and are reading the Bible and our literature. We would be pleased to have a lot of our good papers and tracts sent post-paid to us at Fort Stockton for free distribution. We can use any of our literature that is clean and nice, and especially tracts, books and papers in the Spanish language, as we have a good many Mexicans in this country, and they are nearly all ignorant Catholics, but some of them seem to want to know the Bible and we must take the message to them, so if you have any Spanish literature of any kind and feel disposed to send it we will be very thankful, and try to use it to the best advantage possible. Send books, tracts and papers prepaid.

We expect to be here at Valley View for three weeks or longer yet, but Fort Stockton will be our post office till further notice. When we get through here we plan on putting the tent up at Fort Stockton.

Brother Dailey is working in the Journal printing office and drives out in the evening to assist me in the meetings, and he is rendering valuable help, preaching and illustrating our lectures with stereopticon.

We are of good courage and are trusting the Lord for the victory, and

ask that you earnestly pray that we may have some precious souls for our hire.

H. CLAY GRIFFIN,
Fort Stockton, Texas.

HOUSTON—We thank the Lord that the work for the colored people here is still prospering. The writer's wife found four good women, while handing out "Signs of the Times," who were earnest readers of that paper and who were anxious to study the Bible. She gladly took up the study with them. They would all meet in one home twice a week to conduct the study, and by the tender leading of the Holy Spirit, the help of God and a little help from the writer, all four women and a small boy very earnestly gave their names as commandment-keepers. One is a retired teacher, one is a Methodist minister's wife and the other two are among the best colored people here, and all own their own homes.

Let us go forth with the "Signs of the Times" as a helper to get into the homes.

E. M. GATES.

TEACHERS SUMMER SCHOOL.

Our church school teachers will be disappointed to learn that the proposed summer school at College View will not be held. The plan adopted there is to take the money usually used in the conferences and Union in the summer schools and spend it with perhaps some additional, and assist several prospective teachers to take a year's work in the Normal department of their training school. They have suggested this plan to us.

I have written out to the different conferences for suggestions and we will be able, in a short time, to report what plans are laid for the teachers in this union. If, however, any of the teachers or others have suggestion regarding this I would be pleased to receive them. We want to make the very best arrangements possible for the success of the school work.

We need better equipped teachers. We need longer terms, as the teachers cannot afford to spend years in preparation, and the summer in attending summer schools, and then be employed only four or five months. Let us have hearty co-operation all around for the success of this work.

E. E. FARNSWORTH.

THE WORK IN MEXICO.

Thinking you would be interested in a report from this part of the great harvest field, will write a few words giving a description of how the work is going in this part.

I have been in Mexico nearly a year, working in the interest of four books and periodicals and have been able to leave a great number in the homes of the people and by the promises God has given us I know that these have not been distributed in vain.

Although when one comes to Mexico he at first doesn't receive the best impression on account of the lack of the beautiful cultivated land we find in all parts of the States, yet I was charmed by the delightful climate and the chatter of the people. Some people have the idea that because it is so far south it must be very hot, but I have found it to the contrary, at least in a large part of the Republic.

I left Texas July 2, 1912, when it was hottest there, and came to Saltillo, Coah. where I spent the summer, and really never before saw such nice weather. It is cool at nights and not very warm in the day time. I spent July and August there and didn't find it warm enough to sweat once. Of course near the coast on both sides there are warmer parts, including the place I am at now, but on the central highlands it is always cool.

Upon leaving Saltillo I had the privilege of visiting the City of Mexico, where I spent some months studying, Prof. Caviness being my teacher. It is a beautiful place but would be more so if only the "Pulquerias" (places where they sell pulque a native drink they use instead of whiskey—a quart costs 2c gold and is enough to make two or three drunk) could be removed. In the northern part of the republic they have already been removed, but further south there are plenty of them.

Since leaving Mexico City, I have been working with our Spanish periodicals, taking subscriptions, and have visited quite a number of cities. In Tampico we were able to leave about 1200 subscriptions for our different papers. It is a seaport of about 25,000 inhabitants but they are very liberal, there being only one Catholic church in the town. We are sure our people will again visit that part in a few months. We have since visited C. Victoria, Linares, Montemorelos and Matamoros, and are at present in Monterrey, and will be occupied for some

FOR THE SOLDIERS.

Read the following letter, and then make up a liberal donation in stamps, money, or better still, let me send you labels to place on clean copies of "Daniel and the Revelation" and "Great Controversy" to send off to the Philippines.

"Company 'H,' 5th U. S. Infantry, Feb. 8th, 1912.

"Dear friend and comrade:—

"I am in receipt of your kind letter and the book entitled "Thoughts on Daniel and the Revelation," and must say in addition to my abundant thanks that it is one of the most finished and interesting books on the interpretations of the Bible that has ever fallen into my hands. Words cannot express the great pleasure and the many good thoughts its pages have imparted and revealed to me.

"My wife and family share equally in my enthusiasm; likewise all the individual members of the Company, and all have expressed the wish that they could thank you in person; especially as the gift was tendered by a comrade and ex-soldier. If other good books on religious subjects and Bible thoughts could find their way into the soldiers' libraries, I feel sure that it would tend to elevate the rank and file more than the books that usually fill the shelves of the company reading room. Your gift has made me do some profound thinking, and I intend to make a thorough study of it. Again we all wish to tender our sincere thanks and

time. One of our workers is conducting meetings here and we have a membership of about 20 adults.

On account of the present revolution and the condition of the country for some time, things are beginning to grow dull, but nevertheless we are here to revive it and are doing what we can. We know that even the revolutions can't hinder but can only help this message along. The time has come when it must go and if we don't move with it, we will surely lose out.

I have had the privilege of visiting the governors of four states so far and have left literature with two of them. Our work is to bring this truth to rich and poor alike.

Pray for me, and that the Lord will send more laborers into this needy field.

HERSEL BUTKA.
Monterrey, N. L. Mex.

appreciation for the kind thoughts, desires, and motive you had in remembering your one-time comrades. Your gift will find a welcome and a conspicuous place in our library, and will always be prized as the company's chief possession. I wish also to extend my personal thanks as a soldier of twenty-five years' service, and you can rest assured that your address will remain fresh in my memory and that, in all probability, I will write you again after I have made a more thorough study of this splendid book.

"Trusting that the work you are following will bring forth more good results in and out of the line of the army, I beg to remain,

"Your sincere friend and comrade,

"(Signed) HENRY T. HYDE.

"First Sergeant, Company 'H,' 5th U. S. Infantry."

Who will be the next to send a fifty-cent book of stamps to the Southern Publishing Association, 2123 24th Ave. N., Nashville, Tenn., and make possible another letter like this?

Send four cents in stamps to B. N. Brown, 123 24th Ave., N. Nashville, Tenn., for a tract entitled "A Soldier's Appeal," presenting a practical plan to warn the entire military service of our message.

One lady sent a handkerchief, desiring to have some part in this work. It was sold and another book was on its way. Can you not too have some part? Nearly 200 books sent out to companies in the U. S. Army, since last October. Who'll be next?

SENTENCE SERMONS.

The first thing a kindness deserves is acceptance, the next transmission.—George MacDonald.

Have a heart that never hardens, a temper that never tires and a touch that never hurts.—Dickens.

Greatly begin, though thou have time
But for a line, be that sublime—
Not failure, but low aim, is crime!
—Lowell.

The beauty of holiness cannot be seen in a mirror.—Anon.

I say the degrees of vision that dwells in a man is a correct measure of the man.—Carlyle.

CANVASSERS' LETTER.

STEPHENSVILLE—When we left Keene for the purpose of connecting with the canvassing work in the West Texas Conference, several friends asked Brother Atchley and myself to write and tell them of our trip and the country here, and as our friends are readers of the Record we are taking this opportunity to inform them that we had a very pleasant trip and that the Lord greatly blessed on the way. The first night we stopped with a ranchman who gave us lodging and a nice breakfast refusing to receive pay.

The next evening as night was fast approaching we drove up to the gate of an apparently wealthy farmer and upon asking what would be the chance to get lodging the answer came quickly "no chance at all pal." While this gentleman was attempting to point to a place where we might get lodging we were quietly driving on, the Lord directing to another place where we were welcome received by a family that had formerly been acquainted with some of our brethren and who seemed to be diligently seeking for truth. We had a Bible reading with them on the coming of the Saviour. This seemed to be appreciated very much from the fact that several times we tried to bring our reading to a close, but by their earnest request we continued till quite a late hour in the night, followed by a season of prayer. After breakfast the next morning we attempted to pay for our lodging but we were informed that we owed them nothing but good will, and they gave us an invitation to stop with them whenever passing that way.

The next evening we reached our territory five miles north of Stephenville, a good house, plenty of pasture for our stock, plenty of wood and water, with five acres of tillable land, all for five dollars per month, with a thickly settled surrounding territory in which to do our work, a fine farming country and old settlers tell us that they have the best season in the ground that they have had for twenty years at this time of the year.

It seems that the Lord has already gone before us, but we want the dear brethren and sisters to pray that God may put his love upon us so that we may do a genuine colporteur's work in this part of his moral vineyard.

H. D. LEAVELLE.
E. ATCHLEY.

CAST OUT FOR THE CROSS OF CHRIST.

Those who have left the truth and are finally dropped from church fellowship always lift up the cry of "Cast out for the cross of Christ." They forget that, when they left the truth, they separated themselves from the love of Christ.

Paul in Rom. 8 asks the question, "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? * * * For I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depths nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

There is nothing that can separate us from the love of God but self. Jude says, "These be those that separate themselves," and Solomon says that when a man separates himself he intermeddeth in all manner of wisdom.

Paul tells us that which cannot separate us from the love of Christ and Jude and Solomon tell us what can and does separate a man from that love.

Lucifer left his place in the immediate presence of God before he was cast out of heaven. The angels left their estate before they were cast out. So, they who have left the truth separate themselves from Christ.

After Lucifer and his angels left their habitations, God cast them out, and caused a record of this act to be made for our learning that we might know what to do under like conditions.

As soon as Lucifer was cast out he began to accuse God of being unjust and the loyal angels of being to blame for his being cast out. Every one who leaves the truth and is cast out begin, at once to accuse the brethren of dealing unjustly with them. They do this in order to gain sympathizers. But remember Satan's sympathizers were also cast out and are now reserved in chains of darkness against the day of fire.

The church might disfellowship a member unjustly. In that case he would not be separated from the love of Christ. Neither would he spend the rest of his days bringing railing accusations against the church and its members, for in so doing he would prove that the church had made no

mistake in its disfellowshipment.

If a member is misunderstood by his brethren he should remember that the Father and Son do not misunderstand or misjudge him.

LESLIE LITTELL.

Forty thousand copies of the 1912 Temperance Instructor were ordered and mailed before the first of March. The date of publication of this issue was March 5. This speaks well for the general interest in the Temperance issue of the Instructor.

CLEBURNE CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

Due from Cleburne Church to new church building in Cleburne:

G. W. Prater, paid \$15.00.
 W. G. Prater, paid \$29.00.
 R. J. Prater, paid \$25.00.
 Mrs. M. L. Criner, paid \$17.50.
 Mrs. Logan, paid \$10.00.
 Mrs. Jolley, paid \$10.00.
 Mrs. W. T. Layland, paid \$20.00.
 S. R. Wentworth, paid 10.00.
 Mrs. S. R. Wentworth, paid \$5.00.
 Arnold, paid \$10.00.
 Mrs. Bushon, paid \$5.00.
 Mrs. Kreekbam, paid \$5.00.
 Mission fund \$7.50.
 Mrs. E. M. Taylor (paid \$5.00) \$10.
 W. T. Layland, paid \$10.00.
 Mrs. Metcalf (California) paid \$2.50.
 Miss Mildred Metcalf (Cal.) paid \$1.00.
 Dawson Layland, paid \$2.50.
 Mrs. Darden, not paid \$5.00.
 D. E. Carliles, not paid \$5.00.
 Keene dues to the new church building in Cleburne:
 W. A. McCutchen, paid \$50.00;
 W. M. Cubley, paid \$25.00.
 J. W. Kirkpatrick, paid \$5.00.
 C. C. Cooke, M. D., paid \$5.00.
 R. E. Wallen, paid \$5.00.
 A. M. Shulenburger, paid \$5.00.
 H. H. Luccock, paid \$5.00.
 C. E. Smith, paid \$5.00.
 L. J. Brown, paid \$5.00.
 C. B. Hughes, paid \$5.00.
 James Butka, paid \$7.75.
 T. B. Creager, paid \$5.00.
 Mrs. Rhodes, paid \$5.00.
 David Field, paid \$1.00.
 E. Layland, paid \$5.00.
 J. D. Casey, paid \$5.00.
 Jery Gwyn, paid \$5.00.
 W. Hahne, paid \$2.00.
 J. E. Warren, paid \$1.00.
 Chester Stoner, paid \$2.50.
 J. K. Woodall, paid \$2.50.
 Mrs. Jennie Wilson, paid \$1.00.

J. D. Mathews, paid \$1.00.

J. A. Langford, paid \$5.00.

Louis Bayless, paid \$3.00.

Mrs. W. A. McCutchen, paid \$5.00.

There is yet about \$80.00 more than the pledges cover to be paid.

A. W. JENSEN.

Keene, Texas, Mar. 21, 1912.

We have this day checked over the subscriptions, for the Cleburne church, of Eld. A. W. Jensen, and find that there has been \$1,148.25 paid in and \$40.50 pledges still unpaid.

We have also checked over the receipts and vouchers and find that he has paid \$1,148.25.

W. F. FIELD.

W. R. GOSS.

LIFE AND HEALTH.

The April number of the LIFE & HEALTH contains a splendid article on Cerebra-spinal Meningitis, telling how to prevent it. Every family should be in possession of this valuable information.

This number is ready for mailing now.

ORDER THROUGH YOUR TRACT SOCIETY.

A FEW WORDS TO NORTH TEXAS.

I am thinking that it might be well for me to state thro the Union Record how Miss Anna Laura McCutchen came to take up the educational and young people's work in the North Texas conference. It was this way: Knowing as we did that Eld. McCutchen was in need of help in his writing when in the field, Mrs. Watson and I talked the matter over and while it was a real struggle for her to give up these lines of work in the North Texas conference, yet we are here for the good of the cause, rather than the good of ourselves, so the change was made at our request, and not by the request, or even hint from any one else. We believe it will be to the good of the work in general. Miss McCutchen can travel with her father, they two can help each other in the work, where if Mrs. Watson had kept the work this could not have been done. The expense would be too great.

Yours for the works sake.

G. F. WATSON.

Have you seen he 1912 Temperance Instructor?

THE ONWARD MARCH.

Our February report was by far the best sent in by this office for that month since the work began. Although the weather was very bad, the Lord indeed did bless in the work. We are anxious to see how the report will be for March. This week's report is very good indeed for the number of men engaged and the time put in. It amounts to \$74.58 each for the week. It shows a reward in orders to the amount of nearly \$2.10 per hour for the time put in. That is not bad pay. When the weather is more favorable, we are sure that the time will be better used, and of course the report will increase in proportion.

Brother J. D. Vincent is making a spring delivery in the northwest, and he says that he is expecting to make a 100 per cent delivery. That sounds good. We are hoping that he may not be disappointed. The new company at Wynnewood is starting out nicely, and we are expecting still others to go into the work in the near future. Oklahoma seems a ripe field for the books, and great things are expected.

We are anxious to get some good, live, consecrated people into the magazine work. We have a few, but they are not enough. Are there not a good many people who can engage in this line of the work? Our cities and towns should be thoroughly worked. We need many more for this line. Those who have this ability should not hesitate to enter into the work.

Let us pray earnestly for those who are at the front of the battle, doing what we can where we are for the truth. The line of march is planned. Who will step into the ranks and fill up the gaps? Victory is ahead; our place is on the firing line.

W. L. ADAMS.

THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES MAGAZINE.

Readers of this paper will be interested in the April issue of the SIGNS THE COVER DESIGN,—El Capitan, the mighty rock 3,300 feet high, overlooking one of the most scenic valleys in the world—the Yosemite. In colors. THE CONTENTS, consist of a number of timely and interesting articles, among which we mention a few. FLETCHERISM,—by Dr. David Paulson, medical superintendent of Hinsdale (Illinois) Sanitarium. To those who need its counsel or who are desir-

ous of attaining a good, sound digestion, an article of practical and price-less worth. READING THE FUTURE. The futile efforts of humanity; the surety of the prophetic word, in which the important events of the future have been outlined. FOUR UNIVERSAL EMPIRES OF TIME,—by Charles L. Taylor. One example from sacred history in sympathy with the preceding article. JUSTICE TURNED BACKWARD,—A prophetic setting given to the present depressing conditions. Strikingly clear. TOO MUCH GOVERNED, Our efforts to prevent lawlessness by enacting more laws, our acknowledgment of our inability to govern ourselves. What is the cause? Read this article. DEVIL-WORSHIP,—by Frank S. Weston. An example of another great sign of the times. What does it mean? OUR LORD'S OWN SIGN OF HIS COMING,—by Professor George W. Rine. Former articles continued. A wonderful story, showing the times in which we live. GLIMPSES of China,—and a number of others, all good. CURRENT TOPICS,—timely and interesting. Well illustrated. A most helpful number to place in the homes of the people. Why not try a few copies? Fifty cents pays for 10 copies. \$10.00 pays for 20 copies. \$2.00 pays for 50 copies. They sell at 10c a copy. Write to your Tract Society.

THE CLARION CALL.

Give ear, O Earth, amid thy strain,
And rest awhile today;
Come back and list the glad refrain;
Return without delay,
For 'bove thy bosom's motley host
Rings out a clarion call:
"Get ready now from coast to coast,
Arouse thou people alk."

It is the notes that Beth'lem heard
Proclaiming peace and song;
Good will to men of earth, the word
To turn and flee from wrong,—
Yea, mighty is that voice, and sweet;
So low, and yet a storm
To all who would in sin retreat;
To others, no alarm.

Then list, O Earth, amid thy strain,
And hear His voice, and see,
His day is near to come again;
Once more thy joy to be;
Restore thy beauty as of old
Among the worlds to win
Where all will join thee in His fold
Secure and free from sin.

—O. P. W.

THE TEMPERANCE NUMBER.

What efforts are being made to extend the circulation of the Temperance number of the YOUTHS-INSTRUCTOR? Have you seen a copy of this number? It is a most excellent production. Each year this paper is putting out a temperance number, and each is better than the previous one. Last year's issue was conceded by temperance workers the land over to be the best of its kind.

Our Young People's societies, missionary societies, and all our people should unite in pushing the sale and circulation of this excellent number. What will you do?

E. E. FARNSWORTH.

Our attention has been called a number of times to the excellent Temperance Number of the Youth's Instructor. Orders have been coming in quite freely for this, but we feel that where we have sold hundreds of these in the past, we ought to sell thousands.

In different portions of the United States, temperance workers of all denominations are taking hold of the Youth's Instructor and are making it their leader and their text.

Now, certainly if we have such a magazine as this that is recognized as the best, why not we as a denomination push it to the limit? This is not an enterprise in which we are called to sacrifice our means or time, but it is a work where, if we invest in fifty of them, we pay four cents and receive ten cents each for them.

Hundreds of our people are making good wages selling this temperance number. In every church and in every city, we ought to have a number of real good, live, energetic young men and young women, middle-aged, and sometimes, older people, who can take up this work with both profit and pleasure.

We have a number of this excellent issue on hand at the present time, and we shall be glad to supply you at the regular rates: single copy, 10 cents; 5-40 copies, 5 cents; 50 copies or more 4 cents each.

Let us hear from you, and we shall be very glad to co-operate with you in this good work.

OKLAHOMA TRACT SOCIETY.

Trust God for great things; with your five loaves and two fishes he will show you a way to feed thousands.—Bushnell.

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CAMP-MEETING DATES.

- Camp-meeting dates in the Southwestern Union Conference have been decided by the committee as follows:
- South Texas.....June 27-July 7.
 - ArkansasJuly 11-21
 - North TexasJuly 18-28.
 - West Texas.....August 1-11.
 - New Mexico.....August 15-25.
 - Oklahoma.....August 22 to Sept. 1.

OF GENERAL INTEREST.

Gen. Leonidas Plaza, who commanded the Government troops that opposed the recent revolutionary movement in Ecuador, has been elected President of that Republic.

Senator Robert L. Taylor, of Tennessee, died at Washington, D. C., Sunday as the result of an operation for gall stones.

Monday morning more than 400,000 coal miners suspended operations to await a settlement of the trouble between the miners and operators. An agreement will likely be reached in the near future.

President Madero, of Mexico has decided upon a vigorous campaign against the rebels, and arms and ammunition are to be shipped from the United States to supply the soldiers of our sister Republic. Madero seems confident that it will be but a short time till the rebels will be entirely vanquished. On March 30 bandits held up and robbed a train 50 miles south of the capital, killing 39 people, and then rode away without losing a man.

Do you know that the "Papal Syllabus of Errors," the famous encyclical of Pope Pius IX, contains 80 American principles of human freedom, the reason why so many Americans are ignorant of this Catholic constitution on human liberties is because, like all other Catholic documents, it was published in Latin. In the current, or "Rome vs. Freedom" number of the PROTESTANT MAGAZINE, this important document is printed in parallel English and Latin columns, so that "He who runs may read." This number also contains the famous Schrader's counter-propositions of a Jesuit commentary upon this syllabus.

FOR SALE—500 acres fertile timber land \$12.50 to \$15 per acre. Church school 3 miles. Sell any size tract; small payment down, long time. Improved land nearer church \$30 to \$60 per acre. Z. B. Bodwell, Wills Point, Tex., R. 4.

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OBITUARY.

Earl Moseley, aged 9 years, 7 months and 10 days, son of J. S. and R. M. Moseley died at their home in Keene, March 20, 1912. The funeral services were conducted at the grave by the writer. Because of weather conditions only a song was sung and a prayer offered. Earl was a bright little boy and will be greatly missed in the home, but relatives and friends take comfort in the promise of 1 Thes. 4:16, 17.

ISAAC BAKER.

CARD OF THANKS.

Mr. and Mrs. J.S. Moseley and family wish to express their thanks and appreciation, to the good people of Keene, for the loving kindness, tender sympathy, and helpful services rendered them during the illness and bereavement of their family.

It has inspired in us all a greater love and appreciation of our brethren and sisters, and a greater determination to live better and more helpful lives in the future.

An explanation of Rome's effort to keep her leaders and their doings before the public eye is found in the article "Rome's Organized Newspaper Campaign," in the current number of the PROTESTANT MAGAZINE.

Five years ago the first Temperance number of the Instructor was published. It was issued as an experiment. It was a plain, modest number, but it had a timely message—one due the world, and one the Lord wanted given, therefore his blessing accompanied its circulation. Every succeeding number has greatly increased in circulation, until last year 340,000 copies were placed in the homes of the people. Five hundred thousand copies is the edition for 1912. Who wants to share in the blessing accompanying this "entering-wedge messenger" this year?

Do you know what is meant by the "MOTU PROPRIO" decree, recently issued by Pope Pius X? An article in the current number of the PROTESTANT MAGAZINE will explain to you why the pope has threatened "excommunication" against any Roman Catholic who sues criminal priests, bishops, or cardinals.

SUN SETS 6:23, SUN TIME
FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 1912

COURTESY.

It transmutes aliens into trusting
friends,
And gives its owner passport round
the globe.

—James Thomas Fields.



NEWS NOTES

E. E. Farnsworth went to Waco Sunday on business, returning Monday morning.

J.J.Ward, Jas.Butka and C. E. Smith made a business trip to Fort Worth and Dallas yesterday.

Miss Jessie French, of Nashville, Tenn., is visiting friends and relatives here. She will return to her work this week.

Elder E. W. Carey was called home Thursday evening from Fort Worth on account of the illness of one of his children.

O. T. Nystel, wife and daughter, from Meridian, Tex., who have been visiting their son, T. E. Nystel, left Sunday for home.

Hersel Butka, who has been canvassing in Mexico for the past year, returned home Thursday morning and expects to remain till the close of school.

Elder W. A. McCutchen and daughter, Annie Laurie, left Friday morning for a two or three weeks' tour of the churches, Miss McCutchen in the interest of the young People's Missionary Volunteer and conference Educational work.

An interesting program was given at the Keene Public school house Saturday night by the students, under the directors of the teachers, Misses Carrie Bele Watts and Ada Scarborough. The house was crowded to overflowing and the program which consisted of dialogues, recitations, music, etc., was well rendered, showing careful and thorough training.

CLUBBING OFFER.

One of the South's greatest newspapers is the Semi-Weekly Record of Fort Worth, Texas, regular subscription price \$1.00 per year. It isn't for any limited set of people; it's for every member of every family. In addition to printing all the news of the day in concise form, the Record has special features of interest to all. The remarkable growth of the Record is the best evidence of its merits. By subscribing through this office you can get the Fort Worth Semi-Weekly Record together with the Southwestern Union Record, both papers one year for only \$1.25. A six page wall map will be included for only 15c extra; both papers and map \$1.40. Accept this remarkable offer today.

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NURSERY STOCK.

The Hillcrest School Farm, R. F. D. 3, Northeast Station, Nashville, Tennessee, has established a nursery department in order to provide profitable work for those students who must work their way through school. Note following selections.

ROSES—that will do well anywhere in the United States, strong, two-year-old, field-grown, fifty varieties. Four best for your locality—four varieties, (two climbers if desired) \$1.25 prepaid.

Blue Rose (a strong climber, and Everblooming Crimson Rambler, each 35c.

DAHLIAS—ten best in distinct varieties for \$1.00, or fifteen common varieties for \$1.00.

GLADOLIA, TUBEROSES, etc.—Send for price list. Every order helps some colored student to pay his way through school. 4tp

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"Star Flowers" by Eliza H. Morton. A book of 102 beautiful original Poems rich in purity of thought, characteristic of the Author.

This new book will be welcomed by all lovers of poetry.

All profits derived from the sale of the book have been dedicated by the author to the work in Portland, Maine.

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