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Statements Favoring the Plan

THE spirit of prophecy has very clearly pointed out our duty in this respect. From a testimony written Feb. 28, 1900, we quote the following:—

“There are true worshipers, and there are false worshipers. In the fallen churches of to-day the Lord God recognizes every soul that is drawing nigh unto him, but there are many who are indulging a false hope. At the very time when they are loudest in its praise, the commandment goes forth, ‘Hew down the tree, and cut off his branches.’ Many claim to be Christians, when their hearts are set on worldly pleasure and worldly gain. A witness is present in all the scenes of mirth and revelry, and in a moment he can change the features of the scene, even as he did on the night of Belshazzar’s sacrilegious feast.

“There are Christian churches that are standing in defense of the principles of temperance. We want them to stand shoulder to shoulder with us. There are many of every nationality who have wealth and intellectual powers. It is the Lord Jesus who has given them their ability and wealth. These gifts are a trust wherewith the Lord’s vineyard is to be worked. Now the teaching of our workers is to be such as to awaken in these souls a sense of their responsibility to be co-laborers, and Christ wants them. He says, ‘Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.’

“There is a world to be warned, and we have been very delicate about calling upon rich men, either church-members or worldlings, to aid us in the work. We would that all professed Christians stood with us. We would that their souls might be drawn out in liberality to aid us in building up the kingdom of God in our world. *We should call upon great and good men to help us in our Christian endeavor work. They should be invited to second our efforts in seeking to save that which is lost.*”

“With all our power we must urge souls to

look unto Jesus. It will do no harm to let them know that you expect them to co-operate with you, that you expect them to give joy to the heart of Christ by using every one of his gifts in honoring his name.”

In referring to the obligations that the people of the world are under to return to the Lord a portion of that which he has given we quote again from the same testimony: “The people of the world have had the use of the Lord’s vineyard and have brought in little in return.”

Thus it would appear that the people of the world upon whom he has lavished his gifts in abundance, are not relieved from responsibility to God and his cause because of lack of recognition of his claims upon them, and *it would appear that our duty toward the world in giving the message does not consist simply in preaching the precepts of the gospel. We should also urge upon the people their obligations to God, and invite them to share in the support of his work.*

MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

MISSIONARY SIFTINGS

MISSIONS IN CHINA

Opening Song: “Christ in Song,” No. 116.
Three short prayers, especially remembering the foreign mission fields.

Minutes.

Reports.

Song: “Christ in Song,” No. 422.

Study: Missions in China.

Collection.

Song: “Christ in Song,” No. 397.

Benediction.

Opening of Missions in China

“Behold, these shall come from afar; and lo, these from the north and from the west; and these from the land of Sinim.” “It is generally understood that the last clause of this text refers to the flowery kingdom of Eastern Asia, the oldest of existing nations, having a history dating back twenty-two hundred years B. C., fifteen hundred years before the founding of Rome, seven hundred years before the date of the exodus, and three hundred years before the call of Abraham.”

Within the limits of this empire, which is

exceeded in extent of territory by only two others, the British and the Russian, dwell more than one-fourth of the inhabitants of the world. Three hundred and eighty-six millions of these are crowded into the eighteen provinces of China proper, with an area of only 1,300,000 square miles, scarcely one-third that of the entire kingdom. Some of these provinces are nations in themselves, having within their borders more than 35,000,000 people. O that we might realize, as we look at the map and see the word “China,” how much it means, how many millions are yearly added to its teeming multitudes, and more solemn still, how many millions are each year passing to the land of the unknown—unknown indeed to them; that we might catch a glimpse of the magnitude of the field that is here represented before the church of Christ for occupancy.

In 1848 fifteen missionary societies were represented in the middle kingdom by nearly a hundred missionaries. From this time really dates the history of modern missions in China. In 1863 the China Inland Mission, organized by the Rev. J. Hudson Taylor, sent its first missionary into the interior.

In 1843, after fifty-seven years of labor, there were only six Protestant converts in China. Now we find these first converts replaced by a host numbering over a million church-members, who spend many thousand dollars for the spread of the gospel in their own land.

Is China numbered among the “all nations” of our Saviour’s command, and the “every nation, kindred, tongue, and people” of the commission given to the angel of Revelation? Was that command given to us? Do we believe in the second coming of Christ? Can he come while scores, yea, hundreds of millions know nothing of the Saviour who died for them? May these questions be carefully and prayerfully pondered; and may every Seventh-day Adventist be aroused to earnest, energetic action!

China in her deep poverty gave three times as much for her idolatry in 1894 as Protestants for their Christianity.

MRS. W. M. CROTHERS.

(To be continued.)

ALABAMA SABBATH-SCHOOLS

Summary for the year ending June 30, 1908

	Mem- ship	Offer- ings	Expendi- tures	Amt. to Missions
Birmingham (w)	43	\$83.77	\$10.82	\$72.95
Huntsville	85	39.00		39.00
Birmingham (c)	54	49.59	13.05	36.54
Marlow	27	41.74	1.71	40.03
Elkwood	26	20.16		20.16
Montgomery (c)	25	19.00		19.00
Magnolia Springs	7	12.26		12.26
Yankee Hill	8	13.33	.17	13.16
Eliza	19	11.53	5.22	6.31
Mobile	15	15.28	4.54	10.74
Montgomery (w)	7	10.62	.60	10.02
Attalla	9	6.15		6.15
Oak Level	22	5.05	.75	4.30
Chunchula	6	8.66		8.66
Headland	11	4.06	2.66	1.40
Juniata	35	9.23	2.85	6.38
Semmes (6 mo.)	11	4.17	.57	3.60
Cardiff	6	5.93	1.00	4.93
Citronelle	10	6.22	1.72	4.50
Bridgeport (9 mo.)	22	9.32		9.32
Drifton (3 mo.)	12	.91		.91
New Decatur (3 mo.)	11	2.45		2.45
Silver Hill (3 mo.)	8	2.62		2.62
Home Schools	61	40.76	.75	40.01
Camp-meeting	—	14.69		14.69
Totals	540	436.50	46.41	390.09

The Sabbath-school at Semmes has been discontinued on account of removals. Our offerings this year are \$55.11 more than last year, while we have spent \$49.97 less on expense, and given \$105.08 more to missions.

Ten of the schools have given all their offerings to missions, others have joined them lately; so we hope that this time next year our report will show no expenditure for expenses, but that every cent given in the Sabbath-school will be really an offering to the Lord, and not an offering to ourselves to buy our Sabbath-school supplies with. It is hoped this year that the Sabbath-schools in the United States and Canada will give \$1,000 a week to missions. "Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work."

HELEN MCKINNON.

CANVASSING IN ST. AUGUSTINE, FLA.

THIS city, as all know, is the oldest in America, and although some parts of the city present a comparatively modern appearance, yet the greater part of it remains just as it was years ago before modern conveniences were known. The streets are narrow and crooked, some of the business streets being only about twelve and fifteen feet in width. It was here that Ponce de Leon discovered his fountain of youth, and where the historic old Fort Marion still stands.

When Bro. Wm. K. Achenbach and I came to this place, we found that about two-thirds of its inhabitants were Roman Catholics, and although this seemed like a rather forbidding place to sell Seventh-day Adventist literature, yet we went to work with good courage, feeling that the Lord's power is not limited to places or conditions. We found that very

little had been done here with our books, and as we took up this work, the Lord greatly blessed our efforts. It was surprising how the Catholics in many instances would purchase our books, and we trust that these few pages of truth placed in their hands may be the means of turning some of them from the worship of the "beast" to worship the true God.

We remained at this place four weeks, and while there Sisters Maggie and Elsie Achenbach joined our company and did good work selling our papers, Sister Maggie also selling several books. While there, we delivered about \$170 worth of books, and as Brother Achenbach has quite a large delivery there the 17th of August, we hope it will be at least \$200 after this delivery is made. Surely "this is the Lord's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes."

Brother Achenbach was invited to speak in one of the Baptist churches on the "Coming of the Lord." This he did, and all seemed deeply interested. On Sabbaths we met with Brother Capman's family for services.

Leaving St. Augustine August 6, we came to Jacksonville, where we are now located, and ready to take up the work here. We ask all our brethren to pray for us, that we may be able here also to do a work for Christ.

W. H. BRANSON.

FLORIDA ITEMS

THE Brooker church building was dedicated August 2.

Dr. W. H. Kynett went to Michigan this week for a few weeks.

Brother J. W. Manns is holding a series of tent-meetings in the country near Gainesville.

Brother C. P. Whitford is now in Concord, Tenn. He writes that he finds plenty to do wherever he goes.

Good reports come in from the various churches of the splendid meetings they are having as Elders Parmele and Stephenson are visiting them.

The interest manifested in the getting of a camp-meeting tent for the youth and children has been a pleasure to note. With continued efforts and perseverance on the part of the children and youth, they may have a tent paid for when camp-meeting time arrives. Only a few more weeks in which to raise the required amount, and may it be said of this tent, we "owe no man anything, but to love one another."

Elder and Mrs. L. T. Crisler leave this week for North Carolina. We regret very much that the failing health of Brother Crisler has made it necessary for him to seek restoration in a different clime. We hope that the mountain air may be conducive to health, and that he may soon recuperate to take up the work again which is so dear to him. They will attend the Lexington camp-meeting, and then locate in the mountains.

What one of our sisters who is canvassing did: On learning of the depleted condition of our tent and camp-meeting fund, she had a great desire to make an offering to it. Like

many others, her purse was empty, but she promised the Lord the proceeds of a day's work. The Lord blessed that day's work so that she realized \$3 for the tent and camp-meeting fund. Should all do likewise, how do you think it would affect this fund? Shall we do it? The fund is overdrawn nearly \$100, and now we have to get a new circle for the large pavillion before our coming camp-meeting, and this will cost \$100. Can we not do as well as this sister—give a day's work?

A private letter just received from Elder L. H. Crisler contains the following:—

"At our last meeting in Jacksonville, four were baptized, and two others were ready, but sickness prevented, and six united with the church." Summing up their work there, he states that since they began there last fall, thirteen members have been taken "into the church, eleven on profession of faith. . . . We left three more fully convinced, and two I am quite sure will yield. Another is keeping the Sabbath." In addition to this, it would be in place to remark that during this time the church debt has been paid, and a baptistry added.

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE ITEMS

WORK on the new school building at Hazel, Ky., is progressing nicely. Brother Thos. Pavey had a hard fall from a second-story window, sustaining severe strains on both wrists, and one shoulder. He will be kept from the work for some time.

The Springville, Tenn., church is to have a church school this winter again.

Prospects are good for a large attendance at Hazel.

THE SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE REPORT

THE time has arrived for another report of the work done in this conference, and I am glad to be able to show that there is still a gain, both in the number of workers and the work done for the month of July. I was greatly in hopes that we could reach the five-thousand dollar mark in securing orders; but we failed a little. However, we did extremely well with our delivery. No doubt you have heard it stated that deliveries cannot be made in the South in the summer time; but if you will notice the reports for the past two months, I think you will see that we can deliver books any time, even if we do not quite reach the mark we do in September and October.

I have just been attending the camp-meeting at Lake Charles, La. This was indeed a refreshing time for all present. Brother Reynolds was chosen to continue as field agent, and he expects to enter into the work with renewed strength and courage. They started a canvassers' fund, and secured between fifty and sixty dollars, and I expect, with the interest manifested, that this fund will quickly be doubled. They are planning on at least two institutes in the spring, and I say, Let the good work go on.

You will notice that we have seventy-five canvassers in the field, and with the plans that are being laid for another year, there is no telling where we will stop; for the people have a *mind to work*, and this work is soon to be finished. We invite all our people to wake up and fall into line before it is too late.

I am now at Amory, Miss., and the interest seems to be good. The president of the conference has kindly given us the best hour in the day for the presentation of this branch of the work before the people, and Brother Miller, the field agent, is just running over with enthusiasm. Already they are planning for two institutes another year; and with this spirit coming in, you can count on a good work being done in old Mississippi.

On account of the camp-meetings over the field in this month, we cannot expect to do as much work in August as we have in the past months; but we trust that all will have a burden to do all they can to lift the standard up; for now is the time to push the work along with power.

REPORT OF THE UNION CONFERENCE

Conf.	Agents	Hrs.	Orders	Value	Deliv.
La.	7	664	255	\$434.15	\$426.30
Ala.	23	1548	1199	1559.10	558.70
Ky.	23	2585	1046	1448.50	710.50
Miss.	8	985	409	642.90	272.60
Tenn. River	14	995	407	758.45	346.40

Total 75 6781 3316 4843.10 2314.70

I call this a pretty good report; but I look forward to the near future when this will look very small. This is good, but nothing to what we can do when the people all make up their minds to work.

A. F. HARRISON.

THE COLORED WORK IN SOUTH CAROLINA

THE colored work in this conference is moving rapidly. The numerical and financial strength is increasing. New Sabbath-keepers are appearing all over the state. Since my last report, one colored church has been organized with sixteen members, and has increased to twenty-one. A new company has been raised up at Bear Creek.

Elder Armstrong and R. T. Nash have been instrumental in bringing the light to the Bear Creek people. We have two laborers in the colored work in this state; but if the interest keeps on growing as it has in the past, we will have to ask that another laborer be sent to help take care of the work. I just closed a successful tent effort at Darlington, S. C., the home of A. J. Brunson. Elder Brunson

CANVASSING REPORT
Southern Union Conference
For Two Weeks Ending Aug. 8, 1908

NAME	Book	Hours	Value	Deliv'd
ALABAMA CONFERENCE				
I W Peevy iwk.	BFL	36	\$29 00	\$
Mrs Maudel Ivory iwk.	BFL	16	9 00	
W H Swait.	BFL	56	65 30	3 50
E M Gates.	BFL	53	19 50	
E A Wood.	BFL	55	20 50	
H A Lynd.	CK BS	94	86 75	6 00
Benj Griffiths.	BFL BS	60	94 50	3 00
R F Thompson.	BFL BS	79	64 00	1 00
W A Nelson.	BFL BS	78	86 70	1 50
D C Wolfe iwk.	BFL		23 00	
KENTUCKY CONFERENCE				
M Wheeler.	BFL	75	58 15	8 25
Asa Davis iwk.	BFL	36	4 75	60 00
M J Weber.	BFL	100	124 00	34 50
O L Dart.	D&R	59	5 25	23 45
Charley Allran.	BFL	56	37 45	2 40
Ruth Etta Jones.	CK	40	11 50	1 50
Dollie H Callender.	D&R	51	20 00	
James Dutch.	D&R	46	22 45	14 25
V Todd.	D&R	73	13 50	
Hannibal Beck.	D&R	89	25 75	3 75
J P Foree.	D&R	92	51 50	11 50
Warren Judson iwk.	D&R	43	24 50	8 00
Mrs Alice Reynolds.	D&R	39	8 75	
LOUISIANA CONFERENCE				
Jas Anderson.	BFL	70	74 00	20 00
J P Campbell iwk.	sofp	30	50 00	32 60

was holding a series of meetings at the same time that I was. His meetings were held in a Baptist church three blocks away.

After baptizing we left Darlington for Greenville, S. C., where our camp-meeting was to be held July 24 to August 3. We arrived on time, and began meetings the 24th with about one hundred present. Since that date our meeting has been well attended, with an average attendance of three hundred. Only a few nights did the congregation fall below two hundred. Sunday night five hundred were present, and last night, which was Monday, there was a congregation of about three hundred twenty-five. Rain does not keep the people away from hearing these strange truths. I am now at the "white heat period" of the meeting, and am unable to seat the people. I will have to set out begging for another tent 60x90 so as to be able to accommodate the people.

If the work keeps on prospering as it has, it will only be a short time when South Carolina will rank third in the two union conferences in the colored work. Eighteen months ago South Carolina was last in all the conferences so far as the colored work was concerned, but now she ranks second in the Southeastern Union and fourth in the conferences south of the Mason and Dixon line in the colored work. God is blessing this neglected part of the vineyard. SYDNEY SCOTT,

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE				
H G Miller.	MISC	45		30 50
J S Fry.	D&R	69	66 10	7 60
Ella Johnson iwk. CK NTP		11	13 40	70
Louis Thomas.	BFL	89	75 20	70
W H Haddon.	D&R	43	9 85	32 25
Virgil Smith.	D&R	56	54 50	35 40
A A Johnson iwk.	CK	15	14 80	1 40
J M Harp iwk.	BFL	47	28 00	
E Clark iwk.	CK NTP	50	38 60	13 60
TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE				
R H Hazelton.	D&R		39 85	
Mabel West iwk.	D&R	36	12 75	22 75
Harry A Fitch.	CK NTP	29	44 80	21 00
Virgil Wall.	BFL NTP	30	32 90	
Mrs Alice Patton iwk.	D&R	25	8 90	9 20
Mamie Moore.	D&R	39	39 15	8 50
RECAPITULATION				
Alabama Conference.		527	499 55	15 00
Kentucky Conference.		796	407 55	167 60
Louisiana Conference.		100	124 00	52 60
Mississippi Conference.		425	300 45	122 15
Tennessee River Conf.		139	178 35	61 45
Total		1987	1509 90	418 80

Southeastern Union Conference

CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE				
S F Reeder iwk.	BFL	31	15 50	
F B Sedore.	BFL	65	69 80	
Harry Watt.	BFL	87	25 60	4 85
Walter Kirkham iwk.	BFL	34	20 75	
C M Emmerson.	BFL	55	98 95	5 95
A D Day iwk.	BFL NTP	10	1 70	
J A Caldwell.	BFL NTP	66	28 95	7 50
Mrs A D Day iwk.	BFL NTP			4 00
E D Haskell iwk.	CK		32 00	18 90
H S Miller iwk.	D&R		12 00	
B F Halstead iwk.	BFL	34	3 60	3 60
FLORIDA CONFERENCE				
P W Paulson 6wks.	D&R BFL	106	133 50	61 90
Mae Hollingsworth iwk.	BFL	10	5 85	
Carl Matthews.	BFL	71	23 00	31 60
Mrs Rosa Bishop iwk.	sofp			23 00
W H Branson.	BR	53	21 65	102 00
Wm K Achenbach.	D&R CK	46	24 70	63 70
J H Robison iwk.	sofp	4	2 00	16 35
LeRoy T Crisler iwk.	sofp	10		16 35
GEORGIA CONFERENCE				
S G Dent iwk.	BFL	1	1 00	1 00
Albert Benson.	D&R	69	60 25	
R E Williams iwk.	D&R	28	101 00	
J A Sudduth 3wks.	BFL	86	105 50	5 00
Hines Carter.	BFL	15	28 50	
Mrs A L Manous iwk.	D&R	2	1 50	3 50
Wm McConnell iwk.	CK BS	35		34 00
P R Rainwater iwk.	BFL	15	17 50	6 00
Myrtle Maxwell iwk.	BFL NTP	10	5 95	17 25
J W Syphers iwk.	GC	21	14 10	2 10
W D Hughes iwk.	CK	4	1 00	1 25
J D Andrews iwk.	GC	53	28 00	
G T Ellingson iwk.	GC	17		24 00
G T Carter iwk.	D&R	5	10 00	
NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE				
Chas Peden iwk.	D&R	16	4 25	57 25
Guy L Kerley.	D&R	75	33 25	77 75
J P Allran iwk.	CK	35	6 30	83 30
W E Lanier.	D&R BS	62	9 00	118 60
R L Underwood iwk.	D&R	21		21 00
J S Killen iwk.	sofp	4	6 00	6 00
Mrs Jane Hundley iwk.	MISC	40	7 40	7 40
Mrs Anna Patterson iwk.	MISC	60	13 00	13 00
SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE				
F A Evans iwk.	sofp sofp	2	6 25	
SH Swingle iwk.	sofp sofp	12	14 75	6 00
H B Gallion iwk.	D&R	8		10 00
G S Vreeland iwk.	dofa	33	8 50	47 25
RECAPITULATION				
Cumberland Conference.		382	308 85	49 85
Florida Conference.		300	201 70	298 55
Georgia Conference.		361	374 30	94 10
North Carolina Conf.		313	79 20	384 30
South Carolina Conf.		55	29 50	63 25
Total		1411	973 55	890 05

V. O. COLE.

CANVASSING REPORT OF THE SOUTHEASTERN UNION CONFERENCE FOR JULY, 1908.

Conference	Agts.	Hrs.	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Delivered
Cumberland Conference	11	1224	369	\$603.00	\$120.85	\$723.85	\$736.90
Georgia Conference	6	1075	204	624.20	125.35	749.55	279.00
North Carolina Conf.	8	983	404	383.05	55.20	438.25	584.95
South Carolina Conf.	10	652	468	588.80	119.50	708.30	191.90
Florida Conference	6	323	313	381.30	36.55	417.85	67.15
Total	41	4257	1758	2580.35	457.45	3037.80	1859.90

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CAMP-MEETINGS FOR 1908

The Southern Union Conference

KENTUCKY, Moreland..... Sept. 24 to Oct. 4

TENNESSEE RIVER, Memphis..... Oct. 1-10

ALABAMA, near Mobile..... Oct. 8-18

The Southeastern Union Conference

CUMBERLAND, Cleveland, Tenn., Aug. 26 to Sept. 6.

FLORIDA, Palatka..... Oct. 1-12

OUR manager, Brother I. A. Ford, has just returned from the camp-meetings in North Carolina and Georgia, and reports excellent meetings in both places.

We give this week another instalment of the article "The Ingathering for Foreign Missions." We hope our readers are giving due consideration to this appeal from the General Conference in behalf of the "regions beyond." If we will all put our hands to the work in good earnest, the Lord will surely bless, and the results will make our hearts rejoice.

THE camp-meeting number of the *Nebraska Reporter* is at hand. It gives the program and special features of the camp-meeting, besides much other information of general interest, and is made attractive by suitable illustrations. This issue is designed for general distribution a few days before the meeting opens, and we believe it will prove an effective advertising agent.

NOTICE FOR ALABAMA

I WISH to say to our people living in the northern part of Alabama that we have decided not to hold the camp-meeting at Cullman. Instead of this meeting, we have decided to hold three general meetings this fall after the crops and fruit are cared for. These general meetings will be held as follows: Birmingham, Oct. 23-28; Oaklevel, Oct. 30 to Nov. 5; Elkwood, Nov. 6-12. We expect excellent help at all these meetings. Let all begin now to plan to devote this time to seeking the Lord, and gaining that help that we need to enable us to do what the Lord has for us to do in this closing work in a way acceptable unto him. Come, and bring your families and your neighbors.

A. J. HAYSMER.

GEORGIA BRETHREN TAKE NOTICE

At our good camp-meeting that has just closed, an important change was made in the office of secretary and treasurer of the conference. Mrs. Helen D. Dowsett, whose address is 75 Ashby Street, Atlanta, Ga., was elected treasurer of the conference, and all moneys, tithes, offerings, Sabbath-school donations, etc., should be sent to her.

It is hoped that all the church treasurers will bear this in mind and forward the funds on to the conference office at the close of each month, and that all the isolated Sabbath-keepers who are not members of some church, will send their tithe and offerings on as often as the funds on hand will justify.

Brother M. L. Woodall, the former treasurer, is now making his plans to enter school and prepare himself for greater usefulness in the cause of God.

Keep in mind the address of the newly elected treasurer, and kindly send the funds to the proper parties and thus save confusion and delay.

G. W. WELLS, Pres. Ga. Conf.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

AS THE result of Bible work, cottage meetings, and finally a tent effort, we are glad to report thirteen accessions to the membership of the Louisville, Ky., church; ten by baptism the 15th of August, and three on profession of faith. Several others are awaiting a more convenient season.

Elder Walter Jones continues the tent effort at Louisville; the writer goes to Graysville to connect with the Southern Training School.

G. H. BABER.

CAMP-MEETING FOR THE COLORED PEOPLE

WE wish to again call the attention of our colored brethren to the camp-meeting that will be held at Cleveland, Tenn., beginning Sept. 12 and continuing ten days. Good help has been secured, and we trust that all will make a special effort to attend this important meeting. All orders for tents should be sent to A. D. West, Cleveland, Tenn.

J. F. POGUE.

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

TENT NO. 3.

AFTER a stay of five weeks at Shiloh, Tenn., we decided to strike tent there and pitch at St. Bethlehem, about twenty miles to the northeast. Brother Gentry Lowry and his wife and myself accompanied the tent, while Brother Spaulding remained at Shiloh to canvass for our books and periodicals from house to house, and to search out the lost sheep. We left four or five that we knew of keeping the Sabbath, and he reports several others in addition, and many books sold.

Our interest here at St. Bethlehem is encouraging, although the rains have broken in on our attendance. On Sunday night the Methodists started their annual revival. It was thought best, under all the circumstances,

to close our meetings for the time, while Brother and Sister Lowry hold a few meetings near Shiloh, and I remain here to care for the tents, visit from house to house, and watch the progress of the revival.

R. M. KILGORE.

REDUCED PRICES ON TRUE EDUCATION READERS

At the meeting of the principals of our schools held at Cleveland, Ohio, July 3-10, the following recommendations were passed concerning text-books:—

Whereas, The value and permanency, and hence the prices, of text-books are largely dependent upon the thoroughness and care given to their consideration and examination; therefore—

We recommend, That the Text-Book Committee continue to give these features careful attention, passing favorably only upon such books as they believe will not need revision for at least five years.

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