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"The Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." Josh. 1:9

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THE EAST AND THE WEST

DURING the early days of the advent movement, prior to the passing of the time in 1844, the first and the second angel's messages were proclaimed with power throughout the Eastern States. Many cities were deeply stirred. Men in positions of responsibility,—ministers, educators, and those connected with the courts,—came out to hear, and listened attentively to the truths presented. Many who came to scoff returned home to pray. At times, appointments were made for meetings to be held in churches and halls in various parts of a city, in order that as many as possible might hear. A knowledge of these appointments extended to the communities round about, and in some instances many came long distances to attend the meetings. Wonderful reformations were wrought, and the glory of God was revealed.

After the disappointment, when light was given on the sanctuary question, the Sabbath truth, and the three angel's messages of Revelation 14, the cities of the East were given the light of present truth. The third angel's message was carried from city to city, and from town to town. Light shone on the pathway of the scattered believers concerning the near advent of their Lord, and some received the message gladly. Others turned from the light, and lost their hold on God and on his truth.

Portland, Maine, is one of the places where the third angel's message was faithfully proclaimed after the passing of the time. My first experiences as a public worker in the cause of God were gained in connection with these early efforts to warn the people in the East. Thorough work was done, but the people were slow to accept the straight truths presented.

As the cause developed, the laborers pushed westward, and met with increasing success. Many openings for public work were found in the Central States, and many of those who had been laboring in the East, were transferred to these more promising fields. Appeals were made to the brethren and sisters in the East to support this work in the Western mission fields, and thus extend the message into Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, and neighboring States.

In a vision published in 1856, I was shown some things in regard to the meaning of the success of the messengers in the Western fields, as pointed out in the following quotation:—

"I saw that special efforts should be made in the West with tents; for the angels of God are preparing minds there to receive the truth. This is why God has moved on some in the East to move to the West. Their gifts can accomplish more in the West than in the East. The burden of the work is in the West, and it is of the greatest importance that the servants of God should move in his opening providence.

"I saw that when the message shall increase greatly in power, then the providence of God will open and prepare the way in the East for much more to be accomplished than can

be done at the present time. God will then send some of his servants in power to visit places where little or nothing can be done: and some who are now indifferent, will be aroused, and will take hold of the truth."—*Testimonies for the Church*, Vol. I, pp. 148, 149.

During the General Conference held at Washington, D. C., in the spring of 1909, the Lord lifted me above my infirmities, and enabled me to bear a decided message in behalf of the unwarned cities of our land, and particularly the cities where the advent message was first proclaimed. For many years the Lord has been sending messages to his people to enter the great cities, and labor for the salvation of precious souls. A little has been done, but nothing in comparison with the work that must be done in order to meet the mind of the Master of the vineyard.

Following the General Conference meeting, it was my privilege to visit some of the scenes of our early labors. *En route* to New England, we stopped a few days at Philadelphia and in New York. There we saw multitudes of people, unwarned. Then we went on to places farther east, including Boston, Mass., and Portland, Maine.

At Portland we attended the annual camp-meeting of our brethren and sisters in Maine. There was a good attendance of those not of our faith. Extra seats had to be provided for those who came. The power of God rested upon the speakers, and hearts were touched. The Lord blessed me as I stood before the people to proclaim the same message of mercy that I had proclaimed to the people of Portland half a century ago, and at various public gatherings through the years that followed. The Lord gave me ready utterance. At the close of the discourse, I asked all who would pledge themselves to carry on a personal study of the Scriptures, in order to find out whether or not the truths presented were in accordance with the Word, to rise to their feet. Nearly every one in that large congregation arose. The Spirit of God was present in a marked manner.

When I think of the opportunity we now have to work Portland, Maine, and many other cities in the East, I cannot hold my peace. The believers in that part of the field are comparatively few in number, and have but little means with which to carry on aggressive work. Unless they receive help from some of their sister conferences farther west, the work is liable to be seriously retarded.

God is now placing upon the more prosperous parts of his vineyard the responsibility of doing a faithful work in the cities of the East, where the third angel's message had its rise. Churches are to be raised up in many places; meeting-houses are to be erected; and in some places of special importance, there will be opportunities to establish and maintain small medical institutions. The providence of God is going before the messengers, preparing the way, and it now devolves upon those in responsibility in the more prosperous

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conferences to plan with largeness of heart, not only to warn the cities within their own borders, but also to extend a helping hand to their sister conferences in the East, where so many millions dwell in the cities, and where the laborers are few and the resources limited.

This burden rests also upon large churches in connection with our institutions. In such places as Mountain View, Cal., where many believers are brought together, a special study should be made of the advantages to be gained by manifesting liberality toward the support of the cause of God in the East. The blessing of the Lord will be bestowed richly on those who rally to the support of enterprises demanding help in places in the East where, in the early days of the message, the believers sacrificed for the extension of present truth into the West.

As God's people take steps to advance his work rapidly in the East, the blessing of heaven will rest on their efforts, and they will see memorials for God established, as centers of influence, in many places now unworked. The cause of God will be strengthened in all its departments, and a mighty impetus will be given to the movement now in progress to warn the world.

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

CAMP-MEETING

ON the last page of the WORKER will be seen the dates of the camp-meetings in the Southern Union. The locations will be published as soon as definite information can be furnished by the various conference presidents. Let us not forget the assembly of God's people in these annual gatherings. Already some are planning to make real sacrifices in order to attend camp-meeting. This is the right spirit. No great blessing is obtained without sacrifice. From the Testimonies I quote:—

"These camp-meetings are of importance." "Let all who possibly can, attend these yearly gatherings. All should feel that God requires this of them. If they do not avail themselves of the privileges which he has provided that they may become strong in him and in the power of his grace, they will grow weaker and weaker, and have less and less desire to consecrate all to God. Come brethren and sisters to these sacred convocation meetings, and find Jesus. He will come up to the feast. He will be present, and he will do for you that which you most need to have done."

Good help will be provided for each meeting. Plan to attend, and pray for an outpouring of God's Holy Spirit.

C. F. McVAGH.

NEVER before in the history of this world has there been so much talk of peace, and never before has there been such an earnest effort made to bring about permanent peace as at the present time, and never before have the nations been more actively engaged in preparing for war. Do you realize the radical changes that have taken place in the navies of the world in the last thirteen years? Some of the great battle-ships of the Spanish-American War are mere playthings as compared with the great battle-ships that England, the United States, Germany, and other nations are building to-day. There is an illuminating article on this subject in the June Monthly *Signs of the Times* from A. O. Tait. Every Seventh-day Adventist ought to read it.

WHO?

"LORD who shall abide in thy tabernacle?
 Who shall dwell in thy holy hill? . . .
 Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord?
 Who shall stand in his holy place?"

WHILE making a delivery this week I met a gentleman to whom I had sold "Daniel and the Revelation" a few months ago. He told me he had not read all of that book yet that I sold him. I asked him, why? He said, "It teaches that Satan is kept on this earth in its desolate condition one thousand years with no one to tempt. I believe Christ will reign here one thousand years while Satan is kept confined and not allowed to tempt the inhabitants of earth."

"It teaches that Sunday is the mark of the beast, and that keeping Sunday is receiving the mark, and that those who keep it perish with the beast."

He also said that while he did not believe that, he was inclined to the opinion that the seventh day is still the Sabbath, as he did not find in the Bible where it had been changed.

I told him that many will be saved who have kept Sunday for the Sabbath; but that when one keeps Sunday in lieu of the seventh day, knowing the origin of both, and knowing that one is a sign of God's authority, while the other is a sign of the authority of the papacy as opposed to that of God, he then receives the mark or seal of the beast in place of the mark or seal of God, and will perish.

I told him that probation closes before Christ comes; that then the righteous are taken to heaven, where Christ said he had prepared a place for them, the wicked are destroyed by the brightness of his coming, and Satan alone is left here. And that the same word that is translated "deep" in Gen. 1:2 is rendered "bottomless pit" in Rev. 20:3; darkness was upon the face of the bottomless pit; Satan was cast into the deep kept on this earth in its desolated condition,—in "the abyss," according to Rotherham's translation.

Before we stopped talking, the gentleman and the people where I met him, said they hoped keeping Sunday was not receiving the mark of the beast.

Such experiences are a source of encouragement to the canvasser. We find that although some have not read "all" of the book, they have surely read a very important part of it.

R. H. HAZELTON.

Tennessee River Conference.

Last Monday, May 30th, I started out on foot from Houston to canvass for "Bible Footlights," and took six orders for "Gospel Primer," board; two "Best Stories," board; one "Best Stories," cloth, one "Christ Our Saviour," cloth; one "Ministry of Healing," and sold for cash every book with which I started, except two that went for lodging where the people did not charge me, but as they were needy I helped them that way. I took thirty-six orders for "Bible Footlights," \$54.00; helps \$6.50, and worked fifty-five hours and walked about thirty miles, returning to Houston Friday about 3:00 P. M. I had a pleasant home each night, and dinner each day. Three families invited me to read and pray with them. I can truly say that the more I canvass, the more I love the excellent work of enlightening the world with the glorious message of our Lord's soon coming to gather his faithful ones to their promised home.

W. H. HADDON, *Mississippi.*

It would be a great help to the canvasser if we could say with Paul the Apostle, "And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who hath enabled me, for that he counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry." 1 Tim. 1:12. We might say, "putting me into the canvassing work;" for while the canvasser does not talk to houses filled with people, he has

those who can hear, and seeming defeat is turned into victory.

Recently I was directed to the home of a retired farmer. I met a very intelligent young man in front of the house. I introduced myself and the work I was engaged in. He said, "Go right in. You can see my father." I went to the house, told him my name, and that I was a gospel worker. He invited me to be seated. I gave him the name of my book, but he said that I need not take the trouble of showing it, as he did not intend to give an order. I talked on and told him that Peter said "we have a more sure word of prophecy" and we would do well to take heed. I went on with the canvass, and soon the old lady came out and then the daughter-in-law. I finished the canvass, but he said he did not intend to give me an order. We talked some little time and he said, "What did you say that book was worth?" I told him again, and handed him the prospectus. He turned to his wife saying, "What do you think about it?" She answered that if Sid would read it, she would like to have it for him. I told her to set him a good example. She then told me that they had nothing to do with agents, but when I said I was a gospel worker, she became interested, and that was what she was wanting, and gave me the order.

Then the young man came in and asked me if I had sold his father a book. I told him I had. He said, "Well, you ought to have a gold button if you sold him a book." I then got up to go and shook hands. They gave me an invitation to come back at night, saying, "Don't fail to come to-night, we have just got interested in the Bible." After I left the house I heard them laughing, and when I went back I told them that they were having some fun at my expense. They said "No," they were laughing at their mother, for she had boasted that no agent could come in her house, and it was a wonder that she did not shut me out and shun me. I told them this was the Lord's work and his angels had gone before and opened their hearts and the doors. We read the Bible and they wanted to know to what church I belonged, and what we teach and practise. They asked me about the Sabbath and Sunday, the coming of the Lord, and the sleep of the dead. In the morning, they asked me to have prayers, and told me to come and stay whenever I was in the neighborhood.

If we had *two* canvassers in every county, how quickly the message would go to the world. May the Lord help us all to put on the armor, and put our good books in the homes, and be ready to meet the Saviour in peace, is my prayer.

J. S. FRY, *Mississippi*.

The Lord blessed me in the last delivery and I pray he will continue his blessing to me. Last week, I took in three days fifty-one orders for "Bible Footlights," gilt. I thought I would try taking orders for gilt alone, and see what success I would have. I have a hard row of stumps to go through, as this country is filled with Bible canvassers, but it only makes me work the harder. Pray for me that the holy angels will go before me to prepare the way. I must close now, as I must go to work and see what the Lord has in store for me, and may God bless you all in the publishing house.

BENJAMIN GRIFFITHS, *Alabama*.

Bro. G. W. Davis writes of the work in the Southwest: "In the two weeks which have just closed, sixteen canvassers have sold \$1,497.00 and \$1,412.00 worth respectively of our books to the people in this conference. I felt that this was a fair record for so few men. A few well trained men are a power in the field with the printed pages of truth, when all are filled with a determination to see the work close up in this generation. We expect to have some good reports

for the next few months, as the most of the canvassers are men and women of experience. Of course we have some new ones, but the most of them are *old war horses*. With the prospects for the crop to be fair as it is now, we are of good courage.

"It does me good to see the work going so in all parts of the field this year. I trust all will continue to do well, and will not slack as the sun gets hot and the list gets large.

"We are watching with interest the advance being made in the two sister conferences to our east, and are glad to see that they are doing so well. This certainly is the time referred to in the Testimony given. The time has come for the work to go and the work is going. I want to so relate myself to the Lord that he can smile upon the work in which I am engaged. The needs of our field are many, and we are working and leaving the results with the great Captain.

"I have before me some reports which read like this, orders \$391.00, \$362.00, \$212.00, and so on."

In the news-letter recently received from the Atlanta branch we find this from Brother H. B. Tilden, State agent of North Carolina, under the title, One Thing Needful. "The greatest need in our field work to-day is not better equipment nor addition to our field force, nor yet those of greater intellectual ability; it is God. He is the One in whom we are to trust. Acknowledge him in all our ways, and quit depending on our own ability and understanding. A minister once made this statement in his discourse: 'God is waiting to show again what he can do with a man thoroughly consecrated to him.' Dwight L. Moody was present. He walked home with his hands in his pockets thinking,— 'A man,—a man,—not a brilliant man, not an intellectual man,—just a man.' Then suddenly, 'I am a man. God is waiting to show what he can do with me.'

"It is not especially qualified, brilliant people that the Lord is waiting to see connect with his work. It is consecrated people. Gideon was able to do with three hundred men what he could not have done had he kept the full number with which he started out. He was a man who was willing in all his ways to acknowledge God. So when the order came to send twenty-nine hundred of his company home, he did so. What made the three hundred of value in meeting the multitudes who had stationed themselves against the Lord? Their interest was undivided. They did not permit even thirst to detract their attention from the enemy. They had accepted the call of God to serve, and until it was evident that all was safe, they did not intend to take their eyes off their work.

"Those who plead with God as did Moses will receive the same assurance that Moses received.' 'My presence shall go with thee.' 'Certainly I will be with thee.' 'The same assurance given to Moses will be given to those who go forth to be co-laborers with Jesus Christ in the Southern field.'"

On page 10 of "Manual for Canvassers" we find this encouragement for the canvasser: "The canvasser should not rest satisfied unless he is constantly improving. The Lord desires every one to improve to the utmost the talents committed to his trust. He desires the workers in his cause to study his Word diligently, that its practical teaching may have a positive bearing upon their lives. The faithful, youthful Timothy was taught by experienced men of God's appointment, how to study the Word and how to explain it. The work of the colporteur is elevating, and will prove a success if he is honest, earnest, and patient, steadily pushing the work he has undertaken. He must rise early and work industriously, putting to proper use the faculties God has given him."

This is from page 18: "The canvassers should be im-

pressed with the fact that the canvassing work is the very work the Lord desires them to do. They should remember that they are in the service of God."

HOME OFFICE ITEMS

~~DURING the week ending June 3rd, we have sold 3,372 bound volumes,—almost double the number sold the previous week. Our magazine sales for the same week are, *Watchman* 6,646, *Gospel Sentinel* 2,750. The work is onward and upward, and we look for great things to be accomplished during the remainder of 1910.~~

Reader, do you not wish a part in this grand work? If so, drop us a line and we shall be glad to correspond with you on the subject.

We were very pleased to receive a visit from Bro. C. D. Wolff, who has just returned from an extended canvassing tour in Florida.

Brother Wolff returns full of courage, and just brim full of experiences secured on the firing line. It is interesting to attend a social meeting where canvassers are in attendance. They have so much to tell that is of real live interest.

We have just received the following letter from a purchaser of "Daniel and the Revelation": "I am so well pleased with it, that I would like to take the agency for it, if it is sold through agents, please send me terms, etc., for it, and oblige."—*North Carolina*.

Thursday, June 2nd, we received a large order from Brother Randall. This order reached our shipping-room at 11:30, June 2nd, and was shipped at 11:00 A. M., June 3rd. The total number of bound books in this shipment were 2,405; weight when packed, 3,959 pounds; time occupied in packing and shipping, 10¼ hours. Brethren, this is quick work, so do not be afraid to send in your orders, for they will be sure of prompt and careful attention. We are making that feature of our business a specialty.

We note from the last issue of the *Review* that the total amount of orders taken for our books in the United States aggregate about thirty-two thousand dollars. Of this amount the three unions composing the Southern Publishing Association territory have taken over eighteen thousand dollars worth. This is truly a fine showing, and we feel to congratulate the field workers in our territory for their faithful work. We also feel to praise God that his blessing has attended the efforts put forth, and may the year 1910 be the banner one in our history. Let us pray earnestly that the Lord will continue to bless the work of this office, not only at home, but all over the field.

Let us remember that "He that cometh to God must believe that he is and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him."

Brother S. B. Horton is visiting Nashville for a few days, stopping over *en route* to his new field of labor in New York State. Brother Horton has an interest in our prayers, and we trust that the Lord will use him to the saving of souls as he takes up labor in the new field.

Bro. Freeman Bruce is a recent addition to our stenographic force in the periodical department.

Mrs. D. K. Royer, wife of the manager of our periodical department is a recent arrival in the city from Newark, N. J.

Bro. W. W. Harrison is visiting in Graysville, Tenn.

The monthly statements have just gone out. As we have urgent calls for money just now, we would be very thankful to our brethren who owe us if they would make prompt remittance. Quick returns at this time will be a source of strength to the office. SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION.

R. HOOK JR., *Gen'l Mgr.*

Alabama Conference

TUSCUMBIA

TUESDAY, May 10, 1910, myself and wife left Waldron, Ill., for our new field of labor at Tuscumbia, Ala. We have been here now just three weeks. Our tent has been pitched about two weeks, and meetings have been held every night. At first the attendance was small, owing to bad weather. But Sunday night the tent was well filled with interested listeners while Brother Elliott presented the Sabbath question.

Last night the Change of the Sabbath was given to a large audience and several have shown their appreciation of what they heard, and some have expressed a desire to keep the Sabbath.

Last night while the people passed out, two of the young people took me by the hand, and asked to be prayed for. Many seemed to be touched by the truths they hear, and we are praying that these dear souls may have courage to obey God and keep his commandments.

Last Sabbath afternoon three precious souls were buried with their Lord in baptism. These people accepted the truth through reading our books.

Elder Bagby has been with us from the beginning, and plans to be here most of the time. At present he is absent because of a committee meeting. Brethren Elliott and Iles are also present in our company to help in the work. The music, under direction of my wife and Miss Bagby, is a great help to our work.

We are glad to have a part in the work in this needy field, and want each day to be wholly consecrated to God and his cause. Every morning we gather together in the tent and seek God for wisdom for the day's duties. We believe much depends on our getting started right in the morning, and we all enjoy the early six o'clock meeting.

The first Sabbath we were here, we organized a Sabbath-school of nine members, and we hope by next Sabbath to add a few new ones. We can see the blessings of God resting upon the effort we have made, and ask your prayers in behalf of the work here.

JAMES BELLINGER.

Tuscumbia, Ala.

Kentucky Conference

TRACT SOCIETY OFFICE NOTES

ONE sister writes, "Enclosed please find two dollars for fifty more *Watchman*. I have had such good, rich experiences with the others that I wish to continue in the good work. There are many who seem to be in earnest and want to know the truth. I was out a few hours last Monday, and disposed of twenty-five copies. I have such joy in the work. I often wonder why there are not more that would like to share the rich blessings of God." God's blessings are falling all around us. Keep your "cup of blessing" right side up.

From another letter is the following: "I wish I could get all my mail Friday, but I get nothing until the evening after the Sabbath except the SOUTHERN UNION WORKER, and that is a week late. It is fine when I do get it. I like it so much better than the *Report of Progress*. The departments are arranged so nicely."

Miss Minnie Adams has returned from Graysville, where she has been attending school. She has already entered the paper work, and is selling *Life and Health*. She will visit Somerset, Standford, Lancaster, Danville, and Richmond. There is still room for more workers.

Brother Dart is at this writing in Graysville, looking after

Kentucky's share of the sterling young men who are expecting to enter the canvassing work. Our share is all we can get.

Elder Burrill is still visiting in the western part of the State. He reports many interesting experiences, and is sending in some orders for periodicals and books.

The Kentucky Tract Society during the month of May did \$554.73 worth of business, and the balance-sheet shows a net gain of \$53.68. We hope soon to have a few fixtures. I wish that you could see our little office and furnishings. Elder Burrill loans us his type-writer. We wish to thank the brethren and sisters who have favored us with their orders. We can promptly fill any order for denominational literature. Do not forget to send your renewals to our papers through this office.

The only thing you can do to hurt our feelings, is to let us alone.

Mrs. R. M. LONDON, *Secretary*.

Glasgow

FROM Rio church I came to Glasgow. Five miles in the country is a sister who learned the message last year from "Bible Footlights" and some Bible readings held by Brethren Wheeler and Beck. One of her sons and his wife are interested. We found a hospitable home with them. We had been out in a soaking rain, and it seemed good to have such a Christian welcome. The son subscribed for one of our papers, and the mother bought "Ministry of Healing."

Apparently the community are ready for the message. Our faithful missionary canvassers have placed the literature in the homes of the people. We could remain but one day. When returning to the train we rode with a neighbor who had purchased "Bible Footlights." He had been reading it and informed me that he greatly appreciated the doctrines it taught. The son invited us back, saying he would meet us at any time at the train.

Near by is a beautiful grove, in which to hold tent-meetings, which we have reasons to think would be largely attended. We intended to visit two other families, one ten, and the other fifteen miles away; but the roads were so muddy that we gave it up.

Ferguson

On our way here we spent one day in Bowling Green, resting and writing. We were met at the station by Brother George Rutherford, and taken to his beautiful home five miles in the country. His wife and two daughters, and Sister Crane and her daughter are the only Sabbath-keepers in this place.

These mothers have for many years obeyed the message. It has been several years since any of our ministers have visited them. We found them all glad to have a few meetings; I spoke to them three times.

Sunday morning we drove to Whipoorwill Creek, and administered baptism to one. The Baptist Sunday-school, which had convened there, came out, and we gave a short talk upon the nature of baptism and what it implies to the one receiving it.

In the afternoon we attended at the Christian church, the exercises for children's day. By invitation I spoke to them in the evening. At the close of the meeting the elder invited me to speak to them again when I might be there.

We found several who were interested. We believe that faithful labor would bear fruit in this country place. This is where Sister C. F. Dart was reared. We enjoyed our stay very much. These sisters ordered the *Review* for one year, and the SOUTHERN UNION WORKER. A. O. BURRILL.

GOOD SO FAR

DURING the eleven weeks since our canvassers' institute, five of our canvassers have made a record of which I am proud. Here it is:—

Hours	Orders	Delivered
475	\$254.00	\$137.05
440	231.25	161.50
428	266.50	207.00
414	289.35	368.45
408	234.00	197.50

2165	\$1,275.10	\$1,071.50
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AVERAGE

433	\$255.02	\$214.30
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The deliveries do not run so even, because some have delivered up to date, while others have orders not yet filled; and three delivered some orders that were taken before the institute.

If these continue the rest of the year at this rate, they will break the record.

Now dear canvassers, while this is a splendid record of which we are proud, yet let us remember the Bible principle, "He that endureth to the end shall be saved." And so it is those who will stick to this work until the end of the year that will go to the bookmen's convention.

Possibly some of us do not realize that from the time this article appears in print we have but twenty-nine weeks of this year left, and we will have to average forty hours each week to make our sixteen hundred hours. Remember the hare and the tortoise, and keep right at it.

The deliveries for this year, up to May 20, amounted to \$1,736.80.

C. F. DART.

Louisiana Conference

NOTICE

SINCE publishing our notice of the canvassers' institute circumstances have arisen that make it necessary to change the date of meeting to July 10 to 20. The place of meeting will be Ringgold, La.

We shall be glad to hear from all who are interested in attending.

I. T. REYNOLDS, *Field Agent*.

Pineville, La.

NOTES OF PROGRESS

ARE you preparing to come to camp-meeting? This year it will be better than ever before, and we hope to enjoy more manifestations of our Saviour's love.

The meeting will be held at Alexandria, which is the most central place in the State.

Begin to prepare now. Do not let Satan cheat you out of the blessing that awaits those who attend camp-meeting by persuading you that you cannot come.

The meeting will begin July 21, and will close July 31. Details as to rates, etc., will be given a little later. Watch for them.

A French brother has connected with the mission in New Orleans. He will sell literature in French and Italian to the people of these nationalities in the city.

Brother Saxby reports five as ready for baptism in New Orleans.

Brother Reynolds is busy these days making masterful efforts to enlarge our corps of canvassers.

Brother Frank, at Castor, and Brother Hanson, at Bernice, report good interests.

Our new tent has come and is being used in the work at Castor. It is also paid for. We have now ordered seven

new family tents, eleven flies, and a large 40 x 60 camp-meeting tent.

We will need all that has been pledged to the tent fund to pay for these much-needed supplies.

Another large sum of mission offerings went forward this week. Let us all be faithful with our means, and this precious message will soon be sent over the whole world and our Saviour will come.

E. L. MAXWELL.

Mississippi Conference

NOTES FROM OUR CANVASSERS

SISTER DORA WILSON is working Boliver County for "Bible Footlights." One week she took orders to the amount of \$83.60. This is the best record made this year by any of our sisters. She hopes to sell one thousand dollars worth of books and be at the bookmen's convention next winter.

Sister Creath is canvassing Clarksdale for "Bible Footlights."

Ella Johnson, one of our faithful workers in 1908, has re-entered the canvassing work, and is doing well.

Cylvia Cyrus, Louise Jackson, Annie Watts, and Katie Holston are canvassing the city of Vicksburg with "Bible Footlights," and are doing nicely. They have already taken over three hundred dollars worth of orders. In this work Sister Annie Watts has taken a leading part. This is her first year.

Sister Celestia Wilson is located at Jackson, and is doing a good work with the *Watchman* and *Signs*.

Emily Billups, one of our best and oldest workers, has just about finished canvassing Canton and has taken one hundred eighty dollars worth of orders, and made her delivery.

Not a discouraging letter has come to me in 1910 from any of our canvassers who are now at work. I am truly grateful for the spirit of hope and courage among our canvassers.

We plan to make June the banner month.

May we all realize and appreciate the blessing pronounced upon the worker in Ruth 2:12.

H. G. MILLER.

Grenada, Miss.

NOTES FROM GRENADA

THE Lord has given me many pleasant experiences during the last four month's work in Mississippi.

I came to Grenada in the latter part of January, and found the people friendly to me, and glad to look at my book, "Daniel and the Revelation." In spite of the prejudice raised by the ministers and a few other church people before the time for my delivery, there are some who are very friendly and seem hungering for the truth.

After delivering a book to a prominent citizen, he said, "Whenever you have something I ought to have just come round." A prominent church lady—the mother of a resident dentist—after receiving her book said to me, "Whenever you are in town, just come to my house and you will always find a welcome. While I was walking the streets one night a noted physician stepped out of a store and hailing me, asked me to call on Mrs. _____, his neighbor, whom I had not seen while canvassing. (for she was away). The next day in passing this same physician's home his wife came out and called to me, telling me that her neighbor was deeply interested and wanted to see me. I called, showed her my book, and took her order for an immediate delivery. Later, while passing this physician's home, his wife invited me in to talk with her about the book. I found her to be of an inquiring mind, and intensely interested in the prophecies. I

learned that many who would not take the book, are reading their neighbors' books.

The real purpose of the canvasser is to get the people interested in the truth. Whether, therefore, they own the book, or read their neighbor's, I thank God that the truth is known.

I made a delivery in Winona a few days ago, notwithstanding the opposition and prejudice I met while canvassing. I found the people glad to see me and anxious to receive their books. One lady, wife of a prominent business man, was anxious to get her book, and invited me to remain with them a week as their guest. While waiting for the train on which I intended to leave, a business man told me if I had a book left to let him have one. Of course I had one, and supplied his wants.

The following are a few of the expressions which show how the people appreciate our books: "I am delighted with my book. Everybody ought to have one." "I am carried away with my book, and every one who reads it is too." "I am deeply interested in my book. I surely do not regret the price paid for it." "This book is just what I've been looking for." "I would not take fifty dollars for what I have already learned."

The enemy is working against the truth, but I thank God there are some he cannot control. The message must be given, and it will be given, for the Lord is in it. Brethren, pray for us, and for more laborers to enter the field.

EVERETT L. MARLEY.

Tennessee River Conference

CAMP-MEETING

At a meeting of our conference committee, held at Hazel, Ky., April 17-25, it was decided that our annual camp-meeting and conference should be held at Waverly, Camden, or Huntingdon, Tenn., this year, Brethren Kilgore, Parmele, and myself being a committee chosen to settle the matter. All these places have been visited by one or more members of the committee. Brother Jones, another member of the committee, and Brother Fry, of Cedar Grove, Tenn., became much interested to have the meeting at Huntingdon, and began to seek a suitable place for it. They met many of the prominent men of the little city, who said to them, "We hope you can find a suitable place here, and when you do we will get it for you." These brethren notified the writer, and on May 31, in company with Brother Kilgore, we visited Huntingdon with these brethren, and found a most beautiful place right in the best part of the city, and near enough to the depot to make it convenient. There is a good house of seven rooms on the grounds, that will be used by Brother Kilgore and company during the tent-meeting to be held prior to the camp-meeting. City water and electric lights will contribute to the comforts of the meeting.

The tent-meeting will begin soon, but the time of the camp-meeting is August 18-28. Let all our people begin to get ready to attend. You cannot afford to stay away from this meeting; for surely it will be one of the most important that has ever been held in our conference.

W. R. BURROW.

BIBLE WORKER'S REPORT FOR MAY

BIBLE Readings Given..... 44
 Missionary Visits 26
 Periodicals Given Away..... 14
 beside a large package taken to country. Two persons admitted to church-membership as the result of previous labor.

Mrs. R. H. HULL.

TREASURER'S REPORT

For May, 1910

TITHE

Memphis	\$316.45
Nashville	300.00
Cedar Grove	109.76
Conference Church	59.20
Hazel	43.80
Leach	42.75
Individual	33.00
Paducah	16.21
Springville	12.28
Total	\$933.45

OFFERINGS

Sabbath-School Donations	\$ 54.20
\$300,000-Fund	40.75
Tent and Camp-Meeting Fund.....	31.50
First-Day Offerings	19.85
Foreign Missions	4.30
Religious Liberty	3.15
Ingathering	3.00
Old People and Orphans.....	2.00
Total	\$158.75

THOS. E. PAVEY, *Treas.*

Our Sanitariums

NASHVILLE SANITARIUM NOTES

THE balance-sheets from the sanitarium books show a very encouraging increase of receipts over expenditures for the first four months of the year 1910. We hope the day is not far distant when our sanitarium will be numbered among those that are more than paying their expenses.

Will all those who subscribed for copies of "Ministry of Healing" at our last year's camp-meeting please write the sanitarium at once, giving us some idea when they can dispose of their quota of books? We have a stock of books on hand here at the sanitarium, and can supply books at once to those who want them. It seems to us that an earnest endeavor should be made to dispose of all our 1909 quota before our camp-meeting this year.

Thirty-four people registered at the sanitarium during the month of May: from Nashville, twelve; other parts of Tennessee, fourteen; Kentucky, three; Alabama, two; Florida, two; and Mississippi, one.

Any of our brethren who have several bushels of Whippoorwill peas on hand that they can dispose of to the sanitarium, we will appreciate it very much. Please write us at once, stating price.

B. W. SPIRE, *Mgr.*

OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

THE various trades and occupations of to-day are terribly over-crowded, and everywhere we find men and women seeking employment. Although there are vast manufacturing plants, department stores, and office buildings being erected every few months, which call for thousands of young men and women as machine hands, clerks, stenographers, etc., still the supply of help far exceeds the demand. Manufacturers have long lists of applications always on hand, and employment bureaus carry lists by the thousands of those seeking employment.

On the other hand the Lord's work is being sadly neglected,

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CANVASSING REPORT

Southern Union Conference
For Week Ending May 28, 1910

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

NAME	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Delivered
H E Beck.....D&R	41	6		\$15 00	\$ 8 50	\$23 50	\$ 2 50
H C CarmichaelofA	22	9		30 00		30 00	
M D Landon...BFL	23	6		6 00	2 00	8 00	2 00
M J Weber....BFL	44	31		32 00	3 00	35 00	1 25
M Wheeler ...BFL	51	28		31 50	3 95	35 45	3 45

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

L D Powell....CK	14	9		13 50		13 50	
Wm Olmstead moFN	51	16		37 50	19 50	56 00	18 50
Daisy L Berry..D&R	23	26		54 50		54 50	
John Harzman ..GC	69						115 00
David Ulmer ..PP&F	32	16		26 75		26 75	15 50
I T Reynolds..PP&F	20	5		7 50		7 50	31 50

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

W H Haddon..BFL	42	23		34 50	6 00	40 50	2 00
J S Fry.....D&R	56	19		44 00	1 50	45 50	1 50
Virgil Smith ..D&R	52	16		43 00	5 95	48 95	7 95
E L Marley...D&R	55	43		111 00	10 50	121 50	1 80
H G Miller...D&R	21	17		44 00	5 50	49 50	1 50
Mollie Miller .stoc	5	1			50	50	3 50
M C WhitmarshMIS	10	6		10 00	3 05	13 05	13 05
T C Coltrin...MISC	5	8		4 80		4 80	4 80
Ella Johnson ..BFL	26	34		34 00	2 75	36 75	6 00
Emily Billups ..BFL	35	6		6 00		6 00	30 00
Annie Watts ...BFL	45	4		4 00	2 00	6 00	8 00
Katie Holston ..BFL	38	4		4 00	5 00	9 00	8 50
Louise Jackson BFL	13	3		3 00	1 25	4 25	1 25
Cylvia Cyrus ..BFL	4						2 00
Celestia Wilson BFL	36	12		12 00	5 00	17 00	5 00
Susie Creath ...BFL	12	7		7 00	1 30	8 30	

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

H C Balsbaugh..GC	51	20		23 00	43 75	66 75	
C H Chenault..D&R	48	8		16 00	10 00	26 00	6 00
S L Clark....PP&F	31	13		10 50	4 25	14 75	50
R H Hazelton.MISC	28	16		24 00		24 00	4 00
E E Loveland.PP&F	36	13		12 50	1 75	14 25	1 75
C H McColrey.D&R	45	10		28 00		28 00	
Mamie Moore ..D&R	39	29		60 75	13 60	74 35	1 10

ALABAMA CONFERENCE

Ben Griffiths ...BFL	57	67		100 50	1 20	101 70	1 40
Alex Osterman BFL	62	49		73 50	2 50	76 00	1 75
M L Ivory....BFL	68	41		61 50	2 25	63 75	75
W G Ringgold.BFL	38	26		26 00	20 00	46 00	
E E Dollaway..BFL	43	28		42 00	4 00	46 00	
O A Prieger..PP&F	32	18		40 50	2 50	43 00	
I D Ingraham..BFL	14	42		42 00	12 00	54 00	
I W Peevy....BFL	35	18		15 00	2 00	17 00	75
R RobertsBFL	30	1		1 50	3 55	5 05	4 10
W A Nelson..PP&F	23	2		3 50		3 50	
R T Jacks No report							
Geo W Brown No report							

SUMMARY

Kentucky Conf	181	80		114 50	17 45	131 95	9 20
Louisiana Conf ...	209	72		139 75	19 50	158 25	180 50
Mississippi Conf ..	455	203		361 30	50 30	411 60	96 35
Tenn River Conf..	278	109		174 75	73 35	248 10	13 35
Alabama Conf	402	292		406 00	50 00	456 00	8 75
Totals	1525	756		1196 30	210 60	1405 90	308 15

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Southern Union Conference

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Mississippi, Enterprise.....	September 1-10

WORDS OF COMMENDATION FOR THE SOUTHERN UNION WORKER

ONE of our conference presidents writes: "I am much pleased with the new paper. I am sure both workers and readers will appreciate the change."

Another: "I think you are to be complimented in the make-up, size, and attractive appearance of the SOUTHERN UNION WORKER. I hear its praise rung wherever I have been."

A letter from one of our State canvassing agents says: "I want to express my appreciation of the change in our union conference paper. Its name, size, and general make-up is a great improvement over the *Report of Progress*."

Another State agent's testimony: "We are all glad to see our conference paper in its new dress, the workers are delighted with the change; both in size and matter."

We have more letters of like nature, but these four will be sufficient to show our readers that it is generally appreciated.

A SANE FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION

EVERY year about the time of our national birthday the papers have much to say about "A Sane Fourth." The conviction is growing that there is no justification for the appalling loss of life and limb that attends the annual celebration, and that such things are not sane expressions of loyalty and patriotism. More and more the use of giant crackers and other nerve-racking and dangerous noise-makers is being restricted in the cities.

This is certainly wisdom. But Seventh-day Adventists go a step further in teaching by example a safe and sane method of celebration. As a people we stand every day in the year for principles of civil and religious liberty that have made this nation great. Instead of wasting money and time in dissipation and noise we have made it a custom to bring an offering known as the "mid-summer offering," to help carry the knowledge to all the world of the right principles for which the fourth of July stands. What better and saner way of emphasizing our loyalty to these principles could be devised?

Every year the mid-summer offering is becoming a more important factor in the source of supplies for mission work. Last year it brought in the splendid sum of nineteen thousand dollars. But now we are one year nearer the coming of the Lord, and the work is spreading by leaps and bounds. This year our plans call for the largest outlay of means ever made by this people, and if the mid-summer offering meets its proportionate share of the increase, it will have to reach twenty-five thousand dollars.

At the spring council of the Mission Board in Washington, it was decided to ask our people to set twenty-five thousand dollars as the mark for the offering to be taken Sabbath, July 2nd, this year. This can be easily done if all will take hold and put the money into the offering that is usually burned and wasted. It is not too early for conference officers, church officers, and people to begin definitely to pray and plan for the necessary increase over last year. I trust that no conference in the Southern Union will come behind in the good work.

C. F. McVAGH.

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All matter intended for publication should be sent to the editor, SOUTHERN UNION WORKER, at the above address.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

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and there is an abundant opportunity for the thousands of our young people to find employment. Such statements as these come from the servant of the Lord: "Where there is one there should be one hundred." "You have only touched the work with the tip ends of your fingers." "Where are the faithful laborers who are willing to sacrifice to see the work go forward?" Truly we can sing, "Where are the reapers?"

Is it not a strange thing that when time is so short and such a vast amount of work to do, and laborers so scarce, that our young people will help to swell the already over-congested condition of the various worldly trades and occupations? I repeat: Is this not a strange situation and one that deserves our most prayerful and careful consideration?

I speak from the standpoint of the sanitarium. There is and has been for years a crying need for the missionary nurse. Open doors everywhere; in our institutions, in the field at home and abroad; yet how few are willing to consecrate their lives to the Lord and this branch of the work.

We appeal especially to our young men, for there is a special need just at this time for consecrated young men to take the nurses' course. We are at present organizing another class in our nurses' training-school, and feel sure that there must be in our Southern Union Conference quite a number of our young men who are willing to enter this class at this time. We shall be glad to hear from all those who desire to enter this class. Write at once for application blank. Address the Nashville Sanitarium, Station 5, Nashville, Tennessee.

B. W. SPIRE.