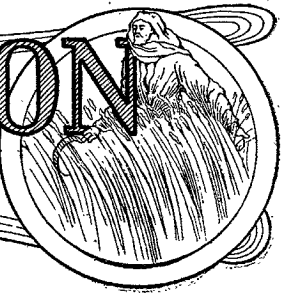


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"The Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." Joshua 1:9

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"THE FORMER THINGS ARE PASSED AWAY"

"Those words, 'no tears,' will look so blessed
To eyes grown dim with weeping;
Those words, 'no death,' will come so glad
To bodies graveward creeping;
'No sorrow' makes a thrill in hearts
Long dead to other thrilling;
'No crying' sounds so sweet to ears
Earth's moans have long been filling.

"No night there' seems so bright to those
Whose sun sank back at dawning;
'No sea' sounds calm to those who sail
Long, tempest-tossed and mourning;
'No pain' drops blessed on aching hearts,
Which fare their deepest dreading;
'That rest' falls sweet on weary feet
Unchosen pathways treading."

HOW THE LORD SEES US

It is sometimes said, with a view to giving encouragement that "the Lord does not see us as we are, but as we shall be saved in the kingdom of God." In a sense this is true, and the thought, properly understood, may be encouraging and helpful; but, misunderstood or misapplied, a grave danger lurks in it. It should never be forgotten that while the Lord sees some redeemed in the kingdom of God, he sees others—even some who profess present truth—finally lost, and forever outside that kingdom.

Perhaps the real truth of the way the Lord sees us cannot be better illustrated than by an incident which is said to have occurred in the life of Michael Angelo. It is related that, upon one occasion, the great sculptor visited a quarry, and seeing there a block of marble which the workmen had rejected as of little or no value, asked that it might be given to him, remarking that he saw in it a beautiful angel. His request was granted, and from that rejected block the artist chiseled one of his masterpieces.

But while this genius among men saw in that despised block of marble a beautiful angel, he saw also the work to be done ere that angel could be developed. In like manner, while God sees the possibilities there are in each of us, he sees also the work that must be done to fit us for a home in his kingdom. He sees the cutting and chiseling, the chastening and polishing, necessary to each individual to bring out and develop the character which his law demands. The stone, even though it be a living one, must be fitted for its place in God's great spiritual temple.

The wise human parent sees more clearly than can any one else the imperfections in his child, and his every effort is directed to the end of correcting the faults and imperfections that would otherwise permanently mar the character of his offspring. We must believe that in like manner, but to a much greater extent, our heavenly Father notes our imperfections, reveals them to us, and, if we have the spirit of obedience, enables us to overcome them, to the end that they may not prove our eternal ruin.

Read the several messages of the second and third chapters of Revelation, and note how the Lord not only commends the good, but how he points out and reproves the evil. To the church of Ephesus, the church in the days of the apostles themselves, he says, after commending them for their faithfulness: "Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent." Rev. 2: 4, 5.

And so in each of the messages to the churches we find reproof and exhortation, mingled with whatever of commendation is deserved, until we come to the last message, that to the Laodiceans. In these two important chapters we find the sharpest rebuke, the most solemn threatening, and the most earnest exhortation.

Brethren and sisters, we are living in the Laodicean period of the church. The message of Rev. 3: 14-22 is especially for us. And down deep in our inmost hearts we know that it has not yet wrought in our lives the transformation the Lord sees must be wrought in us. "I saw," said the servant of the Lord, "that the testimony of the True Witness has not been half heeded. The solemn testimony upon which the destiny of the church hangs, has been lightly esteemed, if not entirely disregarded. This testimony must work deep repentance; all who truly receive it, will obey it, and be purified."—*Early Writings*, p. 132, edition of 1900.

God forbid that we should deceive ourselves with the thought that the Lord is too benevolent to take account of our sins, that he is blind to our faults, or that he looks upon our lukewarmness with indifference. "Whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons: for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not? But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons. . . . Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby." Heb. 12: 6-11.

Therefore, instead of hardening our hearts against reproof, let us say, with the psalmist, "Let the righteous smite me; it shall be a kindness: and let him reprove me; it shall be an excellent oil, which shall not break my head." "Mine

eyes are unto thee, O God the Lord: in thee is my trust; leave not my soul destitute." Ps. 141: 5, 8.—C. P. Bollman, in *Review and Herald*.

Our Publishing House

HOME OFFICE NEWS

Book and periodical sales for week ending July 29: Books, 10,479; *Watchman*, 11,947; *Gospel Sentinel*, 2,300.

In the *Watchman* sales we include an order from Illinois for two thousand papers. We trust our workers in the South will awake to the great possibilities in working with the *Watchman*, and we trust many large orders will be received to be disposed of in the cities of this great Southland.

We have just received an order from Brother Randall, manager of our Eastern branch, calling for thirteen cases of our books, and to-day we are very busy shipping out several wagon-loads which go to make up a car-load of our literature for the Fort Worth branch.

The writer has just returned from the Texas and Louisiana camp-meetings, and found a splendid spirit manifested in both places. All our brethren seem to be longing for the coming of our Lord, and the coming of our Saviour can be hastened if we would all go to work in a united effort to give this message to the world. This can be done in no better way than through our books and periodicals.

At the Texas camp-meeting, they had a motto over the platform which read, "It is the mission of the whole church to give the whole gospel to the whole world." This is a splendid motto, and it surely expresses our individual responsibility in the matter of giving the truth to others. At the Texas meeting there were between eight hundred and one thousand camped on the grounds. Louisiana had a smaller attendance, but the Spirit of the Lord was surely present, and in both places there seemed to be a deep interest in our book and periodical business.

Brother W. A. Harvey has left for a well-earned rest. Most of his vacation period will be spent in Duluth, Minn.

We regret to announce that Brother D. K. Royer, manager of our periodical department, is quite seriously ill at the Sanitarium, with typhoid fever. He is getting along about as well as could be expected at this stage of the disease, and we would ask our brethren all over the field to remember Brother Royer in their prayers, for we feel that he is doing a noble work in increasing the circulation of our papers, and we trust if it be the Lord's will, that he will soon be restored to his place in the office.

The *Watchman* is growing in favor everywhere, and our agents are having splendid success. One of them telegraphed us last week as follows: "Send six hundred June to Buffalo immediately; also six hundred to Toronto, Ontario, Can. If for any reason you cannot fill the Canada order send all to Buffalo, but prefer six hundred sent there."

A *Watchman* agent writes as follows: "I note you have given my orders very prompt attention, for which you have my thanks. I never can tell how the papers are going, and last week I thought I had enough to run me a week, and they were all gone in less than four days. I now have quite a few on hand, and do not expect to sell as rapidly this week as I did last, for I have to make four small towns, and never can do so well as in one place. Will go to Akron, then Canton, then Youngstown, and then Erie, Pa."

The following is from one of our workers in Mississippi:—

"I received your letter, and was very glad of it. I am so thankful to know that we have such a good Father, that knows what to do for his children and will always do it in the right time. When I read about that conference that

would have to pull off its coat to beat Mississippi, I thought of something I learned once, and it is this: 'Good, better, best; never rest until your good is better and your better best.'

"I am glad that I have a part in the canvassing work and do want to be faithful. I met a preacher at one of the homes where I was delivering a book. He had gotten one of the 'Bible Footlights,' and he said that they had to just tell the people that he and all the preachers had been leading them wrong. I was glad to hear that from one of the leaders of the people, and to know that he found it out through one of the books that had been put in his home."

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSN.

R. Hook Jr., Mgr.

Kentucky Conference

NEWS ITEMS FROM THE TRACT SOCIETY

BRETHREN Lyndon Taylor, M. D. Landon, and W. P. Ethington are delivering books this week. Sister Jessie Rogers has finished canvassing Danville, and is now delivering. She goes to Nicholasville next. It is too early to report their success at this writing.

Sisters Alma and Clara Meister are making their way northward, and at this writing are in Indianapolis, Ind. Between Cincinnati and Indianapolis they sold 295 *Watchman*. They have had many encouraging experiences, and are of good courage in the Lord's work. Three hundred August *Watchman* have been ordered by the Louisville brethren and sisters already.

Our camp-meeting is right upon us. There are several things it will be well to bear in mind. Do not permit yourself or your children to be eating between meals. Provide yourselves with such articles as are needed in common emergencies. Often the mornings are cool, especially if it is rainy. All will have better health during the meeting if the feet are kept dry. There will be for sale fever thermometers and instruction will be given to both the brethren and sisters in the use of fomentations, packs, and baths. The Lord desires his people to be in health. He will never work a miracle in our behalf to heal us if the simple agencies of which he has told us are not made use of.

Our sanitarium work will be considered at this meeting, and all those who have "Ministry of Healing" on hand ought to have the books turned into money so that it can be turned over to the sanitarium. There is one hundred and fifty dollars' worth of the books scattered through the conference. There will be for sale in the book-tent a few copies of slightly damaged "Desire of Ages" and "Daniel and the Revelation." These will be sold at reduced prices. We shall also have a nice line of all our books. Come prepared to take some of our literature home with you.

Brother H. U. Jacobs, who will have charge of the music at camp-meeting, requests that all of our people who play any of the stringed or wind instruments bring them along, and that all get their voices in trim for singing. The late edition of "Christ in Song" will be for sale at fifty cents per copy.

McKINNEY

THE writer spent Sabbath and Sunday, July 30 and 31, with the Grove church, and had a very pleasant time with the brethren and sisters there, as they have an interesting Sabbath-school and plenty of material for a church school later on. I spoke to the church after Sabbath-school on home-training, from the Testimonies, and all seemed to get the

lessons taught in regard to the necessity of careful training of our young children. Sunday night I spoke to a well filled house and many on the outside on "The Manner of Christ's Second Coming," and had good attention by all present, as there is quite an interest in the neighborhood with regard to present truth.

HARRY JACOBS.

Mississippi Conference

TUSCUMBIA

It has been some time since we reported from this part of the State. The Lord has been with us and we feel to thank him for his many blessings. Our tent-meetings closed here about four weeks ago, and all the workers but myself and wife went to other fields to labor. We have been following up the interest here by visiting and Bible studies.

Three have taken a firm stand for the truth, two of these desire baptism. Three others are very favorable to the truth, and say they mean to obey. It seems hard for them to break loose and trust God to take care of them and help them make a living.

We have a nice Sabbath-school every Sabbath at the home of two sisters who have accepted the truth. These sisters are very old—seventy-six and eighty-six years—but they seem to rejoice in the new-found truth. I notice every Sabbath they go and bring out their nickel for Sabbath-school.

We made one trip out in the country a distance of twelve miles. This was quite a new experience for Mrs. Bellinger, and also for myself. I never expect to travel a rougher road. The rocks were thick and large, and in many places like stair steps. Some places were very steep, and Mrs. Bellinger was afraid she would be pitched from the buggy, but after about four hours of careful driving we reached the place for which we started.

At this place Brother Elliott held a few meetings, and we found four who are keeping the Sabbath, and these said there are two others, but we could not get to them. These people have had much opposition since Brother Elliott left them, but they say that they know they have the truth and nothing can turn them. I encouraged them all I could, and promised them help after the camp-meeting. Brother Hannon will meet with them on the Sabbath until we can get out there again. They seemed to enjoy our visit very much. One woman said, "We will sit up all night and listen to you talk if you will stay and preach for us." After a few hours' visit we returned home again, and found ourselves quite tired.

We leave Tuscumbia August 1 for Calera, where we will attend our State camp-meeting. Pray for us and these dear souls who have begun to keep the Sabbath.

JAMES BELLINGER.

OKOLONA

THE meetings near Okolona were progressing nicely, seemingly without very much opposition, until last week when a Campbellite preacher began a series of meetings at the church a half mile from our tent.

The next morning after the arrival of the opposer of the truth, we received a note as follows: "As you have been teaching error in this community, I hereby challenge you for a discussion of the Sabbath question."

The discussion closed Sunday afternoon, resulting in a wonderful victory for the truth. Those who have been keeping the Sabbath were confirmed in their former decision, and others—after hearing the final argument in which "Sun-

day," "Lord's Day," and the "Sabbath of Jehovah" were set forth in their true light—came forward and said, "The ten commandments are still binding, and from this day on we will keep the true Sabbath." The Lord has wonderfully blessed in teaching the truth to these people, and as a result a number of precious souls are now rejoicing in the hope of the soon-coming Saviour. For this we give God the praise, and our daily prayers are that others will give heed to the last message of mercy.

CHARLES F. LOWRY.

LAUREL

THE work is still onward here. The great Captain is fighting with us, and as the result of his wise generalship ten people are now keeping the Sabbath, and quite a number who have not yet taken a decided stand, will, we feel sure, in the near future be numbered in our ranks.

Just now we are located on the very site of a last year's "Holiness" camp. The people were very reluctant to hear us as the result of the disparaging remarks that were made about our people, and, too, a Methodist revival has begun here, but, praise the Lord, Sunday night in spite of the untrue and unkind remarks made against our people, in spite of the Methodist revival, the tent was full, and the interest is growing.

The truth is winning its way in the face of all opposition, for God has a people here, and the truth is finding them.

We have been urged by one of the leading physicians in town, whose wife is keeping the Sabbath, to get the court house for a series of lectures; or he will let us have a lot right in the heart of the city. However, that will be impossible until after camp-meeting, as our present location will hold us until that time.

Among those who have signed the covenant, is one of the leading members of the First Baptist Church.

M. C. WHITMARSH,
S. A. OBERG.

TO THE BRETHERN AND SISTERS

WE have been asked to sell two copies of "Ministry of Healing" each year for three years, and also five copies of *Life and Health*. This we should consider a blessed privilege, for in this effort we will not only get precious truth before the people, but will help to get our sanitarium out of debt.

By God's help I already have placed two of these books in the hands of the people and have orders for ten more. I enjoyed this work very much.

We will have a supply of these books at the book-stand at our camp-meeting at Enterprise, also a supply of *Life and Health* journals. Now why not come to this meeting prepared to purchase your supply and thus save the expense and trouble of getting them later.

Brethren and sisters, let us all come into line and do the work the Lord will be pleased to have us do.

I will mention again that we will have a good supply of Bibles, song-books, subscription books, children's books, journals, and tracts, at the camp-meeting. We want you to have the opportunity and privilege of getting these publications and scattering them like the leaves of autumn. Let us all be there for the first meeting.

H. G. MILLER.

THE sweet, mellow light of Christ's character will change us into his image, and make us lovely and attractive, if its radiance penetrates our lives. Ps. 90: 17; 2 Cor. 3: 18; 4: 6.
—Abbie C. Morrow.

Tennessee River Conference

NOTICE

You doubtless read my article in last week's SOUTHERN UNION WORKER regarding the rates to the camp-meeting; also Mr. Danley's letter, saying, that rates on the certificate plan would not be granted for less than two hundred.

You will be glad to know that later we have been able to secure rates for one hundred delegates on the certificate plan, as in the past. These certificates will be good August 16 to 22 only. These rates have been secured by special arrangement on the part of the N., C. & St. L. railroad between all points in west and middle Tennessee to Huntingdon. Do not come in parties of ten or more, but on the certificate plan.

W. R. BURROW.

I KNOW YOU ARE

I KNOW you are interested in what interests you, and all who believe this message are interested in the camp-meeting, as a whole, though you may be more especially interested in some one line than in another.

We hope all lines of work will have their proportionate share of time. I am especially interested in the home and missionary church work, and the missionary volunteer work, and I hope time will be given to these two branches at the camp-meeting. The first should be built up for the older workers in the churches, for God expects personal service from every one to whom he has entrusted a knowledge of the truth for this time.

What an opportunity this will be for our young people to meet together to seek God and to study his Word. You will gain spiritual strength for the year to come, and will be better fitted to help in your home meetings and work, because of the privileges you will have at these meetings. Make an effort to come, and ask the Lord to help you. The State, or conference secretary will be on the ground early to meet you, and help you to become acquainted with your part in the meeting.

Parents, this is the time when our children can receive help that may encourage them to start or continue in the way of salvation. Do what you can to come yourselves, and bring your children.

Elder Burrow has told you in a former issue of this paper, just what things you should take to the Tennessee River camp-meeting, so I will not mention them again, but come! The meeting needs your presence and influence, *so come one, come all!*

"The call of the hour" is for consecrated young men and women. Let us do all we can to help our young people. We believe we shall have good help at our camp-meetings, and we feel sure that all who attend will be benefited. Our work is onward, for which we feel to praise the Lord.

We are living in times when we need the "power of God" to keep us from yielding to the trials and temptations that are around us. These annual gatherings should be times of special refreshing from the Lord, so let us pray that this one may be; and that the work in this conference may prosper in the year to come as God would have it prosper in all its various lines.

M. H. CROTHERS.

S. U. C. and M. V. Sec.

"WHEN the iron has been put into the fire to purify it and take away its rust, it appears at first to grow black and dingy, but afterwards it is very easy to see that it has been purified."

Our Sanitariums

NASHVILLE

THE patronage of the Nashville Sanitarium has been good all summer, and at present our house is full. We have so far been able to accommodate all that have come to us, but it has at times taken a great deal of planning and moving to do it.

Elder W. H. Saxby, of New Orleans, La., spent a few weeks with us during July. We are always glad to have Brother Saxby here.

Professor Clifford Howell, of Daylight, Tenn., spent a few days with us recently. Professor Howell's talks in our young people's meetings were very much enjoyed.

Miss Nellie Woodruff, of Moorehead, Minn., has recently connected with the Nashville Sanitarium. Miss Woodruff is a graduate nurse of Graysville Sanitarium.

Brother George Lovell and wife, who have been spending a few months at Huntsville, have recently connected with the Nashville Sanitarium. Brother Lovell and wife are also graduates of Graysville Sanitarium.

It is very encouraging to us to see such a large number of people coming and going from the Sanitarium. Quite a number of prominent and influential people are now our guests, and we are doing our utmost in helping them to regain health and return them home well and satisfied.

Responses to our appeal in behalf of the sale of "Ministry of Healing," have begun to come in. We trust all our people will let us hear from them at once as to how many "Ministry of Healing" they will sell. Send your orders to the Southern Publishing Association, or to the Nashville Sanitarium, Station No. 5.

B. W. SPIRE, Mgr.

Our Schools

THE THIRD ANNUAL CONVENTION OF SELF-SUPPORTING SOUTHERN WORKERS

AUGUST 27-30, 1910

THIS meeting will be held at the Nashville Agricultural and Normal Institute, Madison, Tennessee, Sabbath, August 27 to Tuesday, August 30.

The Lord is calling many, as he called Abraham into a new and untried field. These men and women feel the call in their hearts, but some hesitate to step out in answer to the call. These conventions open the way for such to learn what can be done in the South and how it is to be done. Some ministers have left the North to enter self-supporting school work in the South. Many teachers and many men from other walks in life have come South and are making a success of self-supporting missionary work. Come to the convention and meet these people.

Those who are called should think solemnly of the situation, for if they hesitate too long God will call men from the highways and hedges to do what they might have done.

At the convention we meet live men, right from the battlefield. Write for an announcement and other interesting convention literature. Address, E. A. Sutherland, Madison, Tenn.

SELF-SUPPORTING SCHOOLS

THE Third Annual Convention of Self-Supporting School Workers will be held in Gotzian Hall, at the Nashville Agricultural and Normal Institute, Sabbath, August 27 to Tuesday, August 30.

This promises to be one of the most interesting meetings of the kind yet held. The number of self-supporting schools

is increasing; the workers in these schools are full of enthusiasm, and they come to the convention brim full of good things.

Those wanting to know particulars concerning the meeting should send for reading matter, addressing E. A. Sutherland, Madison, Tennessee.

Prof. P. T. Magan has recently returned from a six-weeks' trip through the Dakotas, Iowa, and Minnesota. Professor Magan has been assisting in the union conference camp-meetings, and has been helping the Northern Union Conference raise money for its new school.

Brother Thomas Thornton, a prosperous farmer from southern Ohio, recently spent some time in the South looking for a favorable location. He is deeply interested in the self-supporting school problem and the effort being made by some of the schools to develop what is supposed to be poor land in the highlands. Brother Thornton has decided to locate near Fountain Head, Tenn., about half-way between the school of Brethren West and Mulford, and that of Messrs. Walen and Wallace. He chose this site that he might help demonstrate the truth of the statement in the Testimonies that desert places of the South will yet be made to blossom as the rose.

Elder C. N. Martin, who with his family and others is conducting a school near Bon Aqua, Tenn., is at present assisting in the camp-meetings of the Southern Union Conference.

Sister N. H. Druillard is one of the founders of the Nashville Agricultural and Normal Institute. Since the establishment of the school six years ago she has seldom been away from the school farm. This spring she went to the Pacific Coast with the Institute's business manager, Mrs. E. C. Grey, of Armona, Cal. Sister Druillard visited several schools and sanitariums in California, and on the Fourth returned to the home school with renewed health and full of zeal for the work of the South.

A most interesting local educational conference was held July 2, 1910, at the Fountain Head Industrial School. This meeting was attended by twelve teachers and workers, who met for the study of school problems. This is the beginning of a series of quarterly meetings among the schools of that vicinity.

Mrs. S. V. Sutherland was delegate from the Nashville Agricultural and Normal Institute to the recent General Conference Educational Convention which convened at Berrien Springs, Mich. On her return she gave a most interesting report of the meeting to students of the Madison school.

Early in the morning, if one is astir on the farm of the Nashville Agricultural and Normal Institute, he sees several young men coming in from the field with baskets of fresh sweet corn. Presently the gardener appears with quantities of tomatoes. The potatoes were never better. The beets are so crisp and sweet. The young men working in the dairy come up the lane from the barn with pails of rich cream; out on the hill-side one sees the cows slowly going out to pasture. In the distance is heard the happy songs of the chicken family. There is a busy, bustling sound about the house as the young women carry on their work. It seems good to be here, and one thinks of the description of the schools of the prophets.

If you care to see young men developing a spirit to overcome difficulties, watch the boys on the Nashville Agricultural and Normal Institute farm putting in seventy-five tons of hay between showers. This kind of work makes men.

At the present time about eighty per cent. of the students are making their school expenses by work. The summer is the best time to work in this way, as there is an abundance

of work, the place is healthful, the climate delightful, and fortunate is the young man or woman who grasps this opportunity to fit for usefulness. More should take advantage of the opportunities offered during the summer months.

Brother B. N. Mulford, of the Fountain Head Industrial School, has recently returned from the North, where he raised money for the erection at his school of a simple bath-room for giving and teaching simple treatments in connection with the other work of the school.

Prof. E. A. Sutherland spent Sabbath with the Hillcrest school. He addressed the students on the necessity of starting farm schools for colored youth. Hillcrest has several students who expect to begin this work in the near future.

Brother Ira Woodman and wife were students at the Nashville Agricultural and Normal Institute last winter. Early this spring they, with several associates from the State of Michigan, purchased property in the Sequatchie Valley. Friends of Brother and Sister Woodman will be glad to hear that they have been carrying on a highland school with an attendance of from forty to fifty children.

DO YOU WANT AN EDUCATION?

Of course you do. But how much do you want it? If you are really in earnest about the matter, or especially if you are not, send for a copy of the Campaign Number of "Christian Education," which has been prepared specially to assist every young man and young woman who wants an education. You will find it full of excellent suggestions on ways and means and benefits and principles of success in educating yourself.

Note these titles to articles: "Some Ways of Getting into School," "How I Learned to Combine Study and Work," "Danger of Procrastination," "Working My Way Through School," "Some Stirring Facts for Christian Students." Every nook and corner of this number is packed with sayings and watchwords and maxims and slogans and key-notes to the success of men who have triumphed over difficulties. They will be a help and inspiration to you. Send for a sample copy, read it yourself, pass it on to some one else; then order from five to fifty more to be sent to your friends and acquaintances. At least three young people here in the offices have already determined to be in school next year, as a result of reading this number. It will help you to get there whether you see your way clear now or not. Five to forty copies, five cents each; fifty or more, four cents each. Order of your tract society or of *Christian Education*, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

LIVING ENVIRONMENT

"Did you tackle that trouble that came your way
With a resolute heart and cheerful?
Or did you hide your face from the light of day
With a blighted soul and fearful?
Oh, a trouble's a ton, or a trouble's an ounce,
Or a trouble is what you make it,
And it isn't the fact that you are hurt that counts,
But only, how did you take it?"

WE are to throw aside our narrow, selfish plans, remembering that we have a work of the largest magnitude and highest importance. In doing this work we are sounding the first, second, and third angels' messages, and are thus being prepared for the coming of that other angel from heaven who is to lighten the earth with his glory.—"Testimonies for the Church," Vol. VI, p. 406.

General

COLPORTEURS FOR FOREIGN FIELDS

THE Publishing Department of the General Conference has been requested by the General Conference Committee to select twenty-five experienced canvassers to fill urgent calls from mission fields.

The workers selected will be placed under provisional appointment, and will be given a short course of special training in the Foreign Mission Seminary, under the direction, and at the expense, of the General Conference.

The distribution of these workers in the foreign fields will be as follows:—

Brazil, four; River Plate field (South America), two; Chile, two; Bolivia, one; Ecuador, one; Jamaica, one; Central America, two; Philippine Islands, two; India, two; China, two; Great Britain and Ireland, six.

That the readers of this article may see that selling our literature in foreign lands has passed beyond the experimental stage, we will give here a few experiences of our brethren in these fields.

In China, during 1909, the circulation of our literature was 40,533,400 pages, as compared with 18,000,000 pages during the time from 1902 to the end of 1908.

From Japan Brother H. F. Benson writes: "In the city of Hiroshima one canvasser sold 215 copies of our Japanese paper, besides a number of tracts, in one day. In two weeks' time, in the same city, Brother Kuniya, with seven students, sold 1,622 magazines and 686 books and tracts."

From Porto Rico, Brother William Steele sends this cheering item: "During the past three months I have taken one thousand subscriptions for our Spanish paper. Working four days and a half canvassing for books, the Lord has graciously given me orders to the value of \$116.20. We expect to see the canvassing work go ahead in our field."

Brother J. E. Frazee, who has canvassed for many years in different conferences in the States, writes from the City of Mexico: "With the help of the Lord I am taking from forty to sixty dollars' worth of orders a day in the heart of the City of Mexico." Brother Frazee had only been in Mexico three months when this was written.

This cheering word comes from Brother F. T. Wilson, in Peru: "In six days I took \$187.75 worth of orders. By God's help I took \$55.25 worth in less than an hour. The Lord is blessing the faithful colporteurs here in Peru."

In Old Spain, during 1909, six native canvassers sold 37,790 papers, 451 books, and 397 tracts, the total value amounting to \$4,841.30.

The latest word comes from Brother Max Trummer, who is in charge of the canvassing work in Argentina, South America. Writing from one of the provincial cities, he says:—

"We took to-day thirty-one orders for 'Home and Health,' Spanish, and one subscription for the Spanish health paper. We canvassed in the municipal building, the post-office, the capitol building, in banks, in the railway station, etc. We got the mayor of the city, three bank directors, besides five bank employees, one priest, and many business men. In all, sixty-three orders in three days. I can hardly contain myself, I am so thankful to our blessed and loving Saviour for his unbounded blessings."

These items of experience are indeed encouraging, and show that the Lord has especially prepared the way for the circulation of our literature in the regions beyond. Now the call comes for twenty-five additional men to go out and join these faithful workers in scattering the printed page among the millions in those dark lands.

We believe this call will find a ready response in the hearts

of many of our faithful young men, and that we shall see them here at the Seminary during this coming year, preparing to go on to these needy fields. All who are interested in this call may address the undersigned at Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

N. Z. Town.

Assistant Secretary Gen. Conf. Pub. Dept.

A FEW WORDS FROM SOUTH INDIA

We have now been in India nearly seven months, most of which time has been spent in studying the Tamil language. We are enjoying our work very much, notwithstanding the extreme heat, and other disagreeable things with which we meet in this country.

We are devoting our entire time to language study, and although it is quite a task to learn one of these Indian languages, yet we hope that we shall soon be able to master Tamil. It is hard for us to put in all our time at language study and see so much work to be done all around us. But we know that this is the best, since we can do so much more and do it so much better after we get the language.

All our work in south India, as in other places also, has been done largely through interpreters. This, of course, is far better than nothing; but those who have had to carry on the work in this way are fully convinced that it is not the best way. For this reason most of our people here are studying the language that is spoken in the district in which they are working.

We find India in many respects something as we expected, but in other ways we were greatly surprised. The thing which appeals to us most strongly is the terrible condition of poverty, ignorance, and superstition in which we find the people all around us. Our hearts are touched as we see these poor souls in such wretched conditions, and realize the fact that we can do but little to help them.

As we think of the millions of India who sit in darkness knowing nothing of the gospel of God or of the soon coming of Jesus, and then look at the small force of workers who are stationed here to carry on this great work, we are almost overwhelmed and ask, Can this message be given in this generation? Then we remember the Saviour's words, "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world." and again, "This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled." To us this brings courage and hope. While we perhaps cannot see how so much work can be accomplished in so short a time, God sees it all, he knows just how it will be done.

We often think of the work and the dear workers who are spending their strength and energy to advance the cause of God in the home land, and are always encouraged and strengthened by the good reports which we see in the papers, of the work being done there. We ask an interest in the prayers of all God's people, that we may be faithful in holding up the light of truth in this land of darkness.

MR. AND MRS. G. G. LOWRY.

Nazareth, S. India.

A QUESTION ASKED

Is it essential that the members of the Young People's Society be members of the church?

The name of this organization is "The Seventh-day Adventist Young People's Society of Missionary Volunteers." All real Seventh-day Adventists are members of some Seventh-day Adventist church organization. (There are possible exceptions, but this is the rule.)

The "Membership Pledge" reads thus: "Loving the Lord Jesus, and desiring to co-operate with him in the closing message of salvation, I promise to take an active part in the

work of the society, doing what I can to help others and to finish the work of the gospel in all the world." The "closing message" is certainly the advent message; i.e., the third angel's message. How can any one but a genuine Seventh-day Adventist pledge himself to such an undertaking? In view of these facts, the answer to the above question must be in the affirmative. I may add that the leaders in our denominational work, after much careful thought and earnest prayer, and in view of past experience, decided that the interests of the young people themselves, as well as the general cause, would be best served by placing our young people's societies on a denominational basis.

This does not mean, however, that none but Seventh-day Adventists should attend the young people's meetings. Youth not yet converted, or those not of our faith should be invited to attend, and efforts made for their conversion. This ought to be one of the first objects of the organization, the conversion of all the youth who may be reached or influenced.

SUNDAY SUPPLEMENT FUN

UNDER the above heading, an article was addressed to the editor of *Good Housekeeping*, which reads as follows:—

"Mr. Editor—I read the article about the comic Sunday supplement with great approval. I am a foreigner, and when I first saw the comic supplement of an American newspaper I was horrified. We took then, and are still taking, the *Washington Star*, but the comic supplement I always keep away from my children, for it is simply hideous.

"I would like to tell you of one experience I had when calling my neighbor's attention to this menace to sweet, sane childhood. In this case it was a sister-in-law, who handed the comic paper to her boy and mine, of about the same age, in my house. I quickly protested, telling her I did not allow my children to see it, as it could only do them harm. Her husband took up the discussion, disapproving of my point of view, for 'all work and no fun makes Jack a dull boy.' I wanted him to show me the 'fun' in these supplements. Well, they pitied me because as a foreigner I did not have the subtle sense of humor Americans have, and many a time I have been thankful for not having it."

THE article on another page, "How the Lord Sees Us," copied from the *Review and Herald*, is timely and helpful. The supreme danger of the hour is not too great concern for our eternal interests, but too little concern. The sculptor and the parent furnish apt illustrations of how the Lord looks upon us, seeing us not only as we now are, but as we shall be finally, if we remain faithful. Another lesson to the same end might have been drawn from the daily experience of the wise teacher. The teacher sees in every real student a cultured man or woman, fitted to bear heavy responsibility, but he also sees in each student the years of hard work that must be done by teacher and pupil before the eloquence of that boy shall sway the multitude or the graces of that girl adorn the home. And seeing this he warns against that delusive self-confidence that has been the ruin of many lives both for time and eternity.

A TRUE ANALOGY

CHRISTIANS should live in the world, but not be filled with it. A ship lives in the water; but if the water gets into the ship she goes to the bottom. So Christians may live in the world; but if the world gets into them they sink.—D. L. Moody.

CANVASSING REPORT

Southern Union Conference

For Week Ending July 23, 1910

ALABAMA CONFERENCE

| NAME | Book | Hrs. Ords. | Value | Helps | Total | Delivered |
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| Alex Osterman..BFL | 62 | 37 | \$ 55 50 | \$ 2 00 | \$ 57 50 | \$ 6 00 |
| O A Prieger..PP&F | 52 | 26 | 48 50 | 3 50 | 52 00 | |
| R Roberts | BFL | 45 | 15 22 50 | 27 95 | 50 45 | 1 75 |
| M L Ivory | BFL | 57 | 28 42 00 | 3 00 | 45 00 | 1 75 |
| Geo W Brown..BFL | 52 | 2 | 2 75 | 6 00 | 8 75 | 35 75 |
| J T Burke..... | BFL | 9 | 8 18 00 | | 18 75 | |
| E E Dollaway..BFL | 61 | 5 | 7 50 | | 7 50 | 4 75 |
| Annie Peavy ..BFL | 85 | 3 | 4 50 | 50 | 5 00 | 9 50 |
| I W Peavy..... | BFL | 43 | 1 1 50 | 7 00 | 8 50 | 2 00 |

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

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| H E Beck.....D&R | 51 | 5 | 12 00 | 20 95 | 32 95 | 60 |
| C R Bruns Jr..PP&F | 30 | 23 | 36 00 | 4 00 | 40 00 | |
| H C Carmichael | do | | | | | 18 00 |
| H Ethington ..BFL | 55 | 22 | 24 25 | 2 00 | 26 25 | 2 00 |
| W Ethington ..BFL | 40 | 18 | 19 00 | 1 75 | 20 75 | 1 50 |
| M D Landon....BFL | 46 | 8 | 8 50 | 6 75 | 15 25 | 1 50 |
| Jessie Rogers ..PP&F | 72 | 51 | 79 50 | 25 25 | 104 75 | 1 00 |
| L E Taylor....PP&F | 28 | 24 | 40 00 | 3 75 | 43 75 | 75 |
| M J Weber....BFL | 55 | 46 | 47 50 | 2 50 | 50 00 | 1 25 |
| M WheelerBFL | 27 | 15 | 18 50 | 1 00 | 19 50 | 1 50 |
| Ed Whittier ..PP&F | 38 | 8 | 12 00 | 25 | 12 25 | 1 75 |

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

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| Daisy Berry ...D&R | 28 | 2 | 5 10 | | 5 10 | 78 25 |
| G Jorgenson ..PP&F | 50 | 9 | 13 50 | 6 60 | 20 10 | 12 50 |
| I T Reynolds ..PP&F | 10 | | | | | 4 50 |

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

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| J S Fry.....D&R | 60 | 13 | 30 00 | 1 50 | 31 50 | |
| W H Haddon..BFL | 53 | 29 | 35 50 | 10 50 | 46 00 | 1 50 |
| Virgil Smith ..D&R | 30 | 12 | 28 00 | 2 10 | 30 10 | 2 10 |
| Everett Marley D&R | 43 | 9 | 22 00 | 4 50 | 26 50 | 2 00 |
| C H McColrey..BFL | 33 | 37 | 44 00 | 2 20 | 45 20 | 1 60 |
| Mollie Miller .stoc | 6 | 1 | 60 | 45 | 1 05 | 2 85 |
| Ella Johnson ..BFL | 39 | | | | | 34 40 |
| Emily Billups ..BFL | 30 | | | | | 10 00 |
| Annie Watts ..BFL | 33 | 12 | 12 00 | 50 | 12 50 | 2 00 |
| Katie Holston ..BFL | 57 | 1 | 1 00 | 50 | 1 50 | 1 50 |
| Louise Jackson BFL | 15 | 6 | 6 50 | 50 | 7 00 | 4 75 |
| Dora Wilson ..BFL | 54 | 12 | 12 00 | 1 50 | 13 50 | 70 70 |
| C Wilson ...PAPERS | 35 | | | 3 50 | 3 50 | 3 60 |
| W F Gaskin....BFL | 20 | | | | | 12 25 |

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

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| C L Campbell...BFL | 38 | 9 | 22 00 | | 22 00 | |
| C H Chenault..D&R | 55 | | | | | 75 25 |
| J S Moore.....Pofj | 52 | | | | | 68 75 |

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| Mississippi Conf .. | 508 | 132 | 191 60 | 27 75 | 219 35 | 149 25 |
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Yes, to the very end.

Does the journey take the whole long day?—

The livelong day, my friend."

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CAMP-MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR 1910

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| Alabama, Calera..... | August 4-14 |
| Tennessee River, Huntingdon..... | August 18-28 |
| Kentucky, Louisville | August 25 to September 3 |
| Mississippi, Enterprise..... | September 1-10 |

There is strength in believing in God as "a rewarder of them that diligently seek him." Abraham was moved to obedience by his confidence in the promise. He believed, and that belief led him to go out into the land promised him. Moses esteemed "the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompense of the reward." In proportion as we keep the reward in view, in just that proportion will we esteem heavenly things as of more value than earthly things.

The pulpit will be filled next Sabbath by Elder J. E. White.

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NOTES

NOTE the call for twenty-five canvassers to go to foreign mission fields. The article "Special Call for Recruits," is worthy of careful reading. I am sure the publishing house, or your canvassing agent will be glad to hear from those who will be willing to enter the canvassing work.

In spite of storms and rain, Elder Crothers and Brother Parmele report good attendance at the tent-meeting. It shows that some are interested when they walk two and three miles to and from the meetings.

We especially call attention to Elder Burrow's article in another column regarding plans for the camp-meeting. They have been somewhat changed.

We greatly appreciate the new names, as subscribers to the WORKER that have been received lately. Let others follow.

We are glad to receive a letter from Miss Jessie French, leader of the young peoples' society of the Cedar Grove church at Madison, asking for different addresses. They are doing aggressive work, and will send clubs of papers to the Pacific coast workers to be used among the sailors that come into the different harbors along the coast. Let other societies help in this good work.

Special plans are being laid for conducting interesting and profitable meetings for the young people and children at the Tennessee River camp-meeting. Come, parents, and bring your families with you.

THE pulpit at the Nashville Memorial church was filled last Sabbath by Elder C. P. Bollman. The text was from the familiar words of Heb. 11: 6; "Without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him."

Faith was defined in the words of the Revised Version, as "the assurance of things hoped for, the proving of things not seen." Faith has in it two elements; first, confidence that what God has spoken is truth; and second, obeying, thus proving God. "By faith Abraham, when he was called," "obeyed." "By faith Noah, being warned of God," "prepared an ark." "By faith Enoch was translated," for before his translation, he had this testimony, "that he pleased God."

To believe that God "is," is to believe in him as he is revealed in the Scriptures, and not merely as the personification of the blind, unfeeling forces of nature. We must believe that he is a loving Father who has real affection for his creatures.

LIFE AND HEALTH

THE last month has been a busy one among our *Life and Health* band of workers. They have not been sounding a trumpet before them as they have gone out, but they have taken up their work earnestly and successfully. There have been very few individual failures. They have put out seventy thousand copies of the July number, and seemingly have done it easily. In fact, the *Life and Health* work seems to grow easier all the time. The workers are learning how to make it easy as they learn how to do more work in the same length of time. They are grasping the fact that they are indeed public benefactors. Confidence in their work inspires confidence in their customers. The public is learning the value of the journal, and purchase more readily. Wherever *Life and Health* goes, it does direct good and paves the way for better things. There is, therefore, only encouragement associated with our work with it.

The July number was a good one; it sold well; but the August issue is far better in every way. You will agree with us when you see the sample we are sending you to-day. It is more attractive in appearance, and its contents will readily and strongly appeal to the taste and good judgment of the people.

Originality adapted to conditions counts for much in our work. A boy ten years of age began work with the July number. His canvass was in substance: "Good morning, Mr. Blank, I have brought you the two best things in the world—life and health. Some spend fortunes for either one; I give them both for ten cents. Can't beat that, can you?" The man would smile, and give him the ten cents for his paper at once. On the street he would keep calling out: "Who don't want life, and health; life, and health!—how to live and how to keep well—only ten cents; the best of life, and the best of health, for a small amount of wealth—only ten cents. Give me a dime, and I will help you in life, and health."

THE August number of the *Signs of the Times Monthly* Magazine is particularly helpful to those who wish to work for a scholarship in any of our schools, as one of the leading themes is on the subject of education. Articles setting forth the principles of true education will appear from Professors Griggs, Cady, Howell, Elder Spicer, and others. The subject is introduced by a short plea for the cause of education, and also for the students selling the magazines. Half-tone engravings of some of our leading colleges appear in connection with these articles. Fifty copies and over, four cents per copy. They sell for ten cents. Agents wanted everywhere. Order at once from your tract society.