

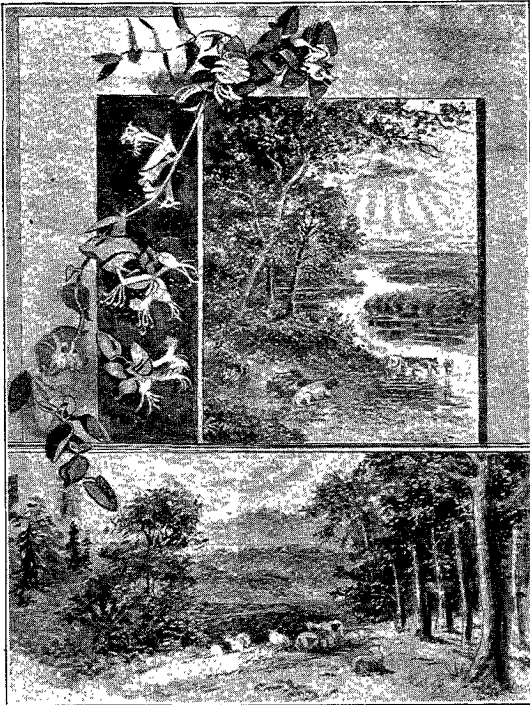
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"The Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." Joshua 1:9

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REPORTING

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It is said that much of the success of the Japanese in their war with Russia was due to their accurate system of obtaining constant and definite reports from all the field. This enabled the generals to know exactly what had been done, and what needed to be done next. If this system of reporting is necessary to carnal warfare, how much more necessary is it to spiritual warfare.

An idea prevails in the minds of some that they ought not to tell what they have done. This is a mistaken idea, which, if carried to its logical conclusion, would entirely disorganize our work and reduce it to hopeless confusion. And if it were wrong for one to tell what he had done, it would be wrong for all. We could have no churches, for one might tell who had accepted the truth through his or her work. Each would have to labor independently and alone. There could be no counsel for mutual help.

But the work of the Lord is not so ordered. In Luke 9:10 we read that the apostles, when they returned from their missionary tour, told Jesus all that they had done. Acts 14:27 tells how Paul and Barnabas rehearsed their experiences to the church. We can find many excellent examples in the Bible for us to follow.

"A good report maketh the bones fat." Prov. 15:30.

Some one else says, "It is not right to report, bringing our work into prominence, letting our left hand know what our right hand is doing; and so letting self be brought forward; and we will not do it." But we are told that "our works go beforehand to judgment, and in the judgment we shall see those whom we have been instrumental in saving." Then there must be some reporting somewhere! Can you tell me *where?*

Reporting originated in heaven. Angels carry writing materials, and set down their work, and report it. Of one angel to whom the Lord gave a commission to labor for souls, it is said that he carried a writer's inkhorn, "And, behold, the man clothed with linen, which had the inkhorn by his side, reported the matter, saying, I have done as thou hast commanded me." Eze. 9:11. This was written that we upon whom the ends of the world have come might learn a lesson.

Dear brethren and sisters, keep a faithful account of the work that you do. If it is but one of the small streams, see that it finds its way to unite with the larger streams, and in this way all will be carried together. A body of water has never been collected so large that it was not made of little drops. Send a report of your work, giving God the glory.

Many weak hands that had almost relaxed their hold, have been strengthened for a new effort by seeing even a small report from another. If you alone have done the work, let it drop; but if God has sent you, tell it, and he will be glorified.

Some are not where they can attend the missionary meet-

THE BOOKMEN'S CONVENTION—IMPORTANT NOTICE

THE time for the bookmen's convention to be held in Nashville, January 17 to 23, is rapidly approaching, and the entertainment of those who attend must be arranged for as early as possible in order that all may be in readiness. We therefore request that the name of each person expecting to attend be sent to us without delay, in order that we may know how many to provide for.

We are not yet able to say just what arrangements can be made for board and room, but we will do our best to provide for the comfort of all. It will be necessary, however, for each one who can to bring his bedding, as we can furnish covering for only a few. Further information will be given later.

R. Hook Jr.

"To win souls to Christ is the greatest work in the world. It is the first business of the minister, the church, and the individual Christian."

"SOME people never succeed because they are afraid of doing more than their share."

ings, and their report may be small. They may not see any immediate results of their missionary efforts; but this is with the Lord. He says, "Sow thy seed . . . thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that." Eccl. II: 6.

Telling of your work, then, will cause others to start out. Let us renew our faithfulness in reporting.

M. H. C.

CRITICISM AND FAULT-FINDING

THERE is nothing more dangerous to the followers of Christ than a spirit of fault-finding and criticism. The spirit of fault-finding, criticism, and tale-bearing is one of Satan's especial agencies to sow strife and discord. It separates chief friends and leads to perdition.

Those who are carrying to this dark and sinful world the last warning message of mercy, cannot afford to spend their time in dwelling upon the faults and mistakes of others. By beholding the faults and mistakes of others, we become changed into the same image; but by beholding Jesus, talking of his goodness, long suffering, and kindness, we will become changed into the same image, and will manifest the same in our lives among men.

"Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual restore such an one in the spirit of meekness." We are to go to the erring one with the tenderness which will give him the assurance that it is the longing of our heart to do him good and not evil. May we remember that the victories we have gained over our selfish hearts and the temptations of Satan, have been by constant watchfulness and persevering prayers.

"Those who are forward of accusing others, and zealous in bringing them to justice, are often in their own lives, more guilty than they. Men hate the sinner while they love the sin. Christ hates the sin, but loves the sinner. This will be the spirit of all who follow him."—*Desire of Ages*, p. 549.

May our hearts be moved from all evil: and may the love of Jesus so reign in our lives that when the reign of sin is over, we may stand with that company on Mount Zion, and sing the song of Moses and the Lamb.—*P. G. Stanley in Field Tidings*.

A MISSIONARY OPPORTUNITY

God has entrusted to his people the special light and truth suited to the needs of the world at this time. A part of this saving truth is that pertaining to health principles, and this is as timely a message for the physical needs of the world as is the rest of our truth for the spiritual needs. We are responsible for the giving of all the truth.

Just now there is a widespread interest in questions pertaining to health, hygiene, and temperance. Much attention is given these subjects, in newspaper and magazine articles, public lectures, instruction in schools and colleges and in enactment of laws on temperance and pure food regulations. Natural remedies and "back to nature" movements are popular. Mental healing and faith cure are topics of interest to many. Medical missionary work is receiving most favorable consideration.

In this popular interest in health principles we see a searching and a groping for the truth. All that is called reform is not true reform. Many errors are given and received as truth. Advantage is taken of the popular sentiment, and things are called by names that do not rightly represent them. We see "health food" whiskey, "hygienic" beer, "good health" cigars, and "pure food" this and that. And because of the name many of these find the more ready sale.

Just now is an opportune time for giving to the world the genuine of that for which it is seeking, and which it so much needs. To us has been entrusted the truth of health reform in its broadest and fullest sense. The basis for our teaching and practise of health and temperance is the true one.

In that beautiful book, "Ministry of Healing," we have presented in a most acceptable manner those truths for which the world is hungry and which are needed more than ever. And circumstances have brought us to the place where we, as a people, have been directed to a movement whereby we may place many copies of this volume of truth in the hands of the public. At the same time it will be the means of calling the attention of the people to the special work of our medical institutions. Many sick ones may thus be directed to them, and so come in contact with true principles of healthful living and right methods of treatment. Much material assistance will be brought to our sanitariums, of direct returns from the sale of "Ministry of Healing" and an increased patronage.

L. A. HANSEN.

THE PLACE OF FORGIVING

My heart was weary, for its trust had been
Abused, its kindness answered with foul wrong;
So, turning gloomily from my fellow men,
One summer Sabbath-day I strolled among
The green mounds of the village burial place,
Where, pondering how all human love and hate
Find one sad level, and how, soon or late,
Wronged and wrong-doer, each with meekened face
And cold hands, folded over a still heart,
Pass the green threshold of our common grave,
Whither all footsteps tend, whence none depart,
Awed for myself, and pitying my race,
Our common sorrow, like a mighty wave,
Swept all my pride away, and trembling, I forgave.

—*Christian Advocate*.

Our Publishing House

HOME OFFICE NEWS

Book and periodical sales for week ending Dec. 16, 1910: book sales, 2,272; *Watchman*, 990; *Gospel Sentinel*, 1,850.

We were very sorry to receive a letter from Brother Griffiths of Alabama announcing the accidental shooting of his young son, and at morning worship the matter was made a subject of special prayer. We know that Satan is determined to discourage our field workers if possible, but "the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save," and the angel does encamp round about them that fear him and delivereth them. Brother Griffiths was away from home when the accident happened, hence his wife was alone in her affliction.

Our canvassers should be remembered daily at the throne of grace. Our people everywhere should pray earnestly that they may be given grace for the work in which they are engaged. It is a sacred and solemn line of work, and the Lord is surely blessing their efforts, but the enemy is not asleep.

The Southern Union Conference has surely great cause for rejoicing over the success of the book work in our union. In a good letter from Brother Harrison received some days ago, he is enthusiastic over the work of 1910 and is beginning to plan for the new year, and states that 1911 is going to beat all previous records. It is a good plan to begin early, and let us always talk courage. Any of you who have especially noted Brother Harrison in his talks on the canvassing work will have noticed that he always talks courage. He always sees

success ahead. Brethren, this is the faith that counts. The Lord has said that he will bless the work; let us believe him and take him at his word.

We are beginning to plan for the bookmen's convention and have our program about ready. We hope to give extracts from this from time to time.

Our reports from the field are a minus quantity this week. We wish to say that we in the publishing house are of good courage. The week of prayer, we believe, has been a blessing to many, and some have received help and strength that will help them in the year to come. We feel the need of self-examination and a closer walk with God.

The writer was particularly impressed with some of the thoughts uttered by the brethren assembled in General Conference council. I have memorandums of a few of these, and for your benefit will quote them here:—

"The disciples never said 'Teach us how to preach,' but 'Teach us how to pray.'

"Pray more and talk less.

"The Lord can fit us to meet any situation.

"Some of us are so busy working for the Lord that we don't have time to be Christians or take time to pray.

"Pray for constancy.

"We have had prayers answered; still we drift. Perplexity fills our minds. Let us look beyond and take hold by faith, believing.

"Success in this work does not depend so much upon modern methods as it does on ancient communion with God."

Brother Daniells in telling of the magnitude of our work and the smallness of our numbers, stated, "if we do not pray earnestly for help and God hears and answers, we shall be ground to dust." Brethren the time has come when we should unite in earnest prayer to God for help to carry on the work which has been committed to our hands. We in the publishing house feel our responsibility, and we believe a spirit of prayer is taking hold of our people that is going to bear fruit in the year to come.

In the last issue of the "Southwestern Bookmen's News-Letter," published by Brother Pierce, our manager at Fort Worth, we read this item of news: "Doubtless many of the readers of the news-letter will be surprised and sorry that Brother C. M. Woodward expects to leave the Southwest about January 1 to take the place of auditor in the North Pacific Union Conference. During the time Brother Woodward has been editor of the *Record*, he has been very liberal in giving space to our canvassers and has won a large place in the hearts of our loyal 'book-hawkers,' and since he has decided to make this change, we are sure that the prayers and best wishes of the canvassers in the Southwest will go with himself and family to their new field on the Pacific coast."

We were indeed sorry to hear of Brother Woodward's removal to another field. He has been in the territory of the Southern Publishing Association for many years, but we in the Southern Union shall pray with our brethren in the Southwest that the Lord will bless himself and family in their new field of labor. While we regret to lose him from our territory, yet we feel sure that the Lord can use him to good advantage in his new field, and he has our best wishes for success.

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSN.,
R. Hook Jr., Gen. Mgr.

"We want to hear from you, .
And that right often, too;
Not one great long report,
But many, good and short."

Alabama Conference

A LETTER TO OUR CANVASSERS

For some time past my letters to you have been rather few and far between. It has not been caused by neglect nor through a lack of interest in your letters and reports, but because I have been so situated that I could not do much writing.

The first of the month I was with Bro. Edgar Allen of Dothan, Ala., who has recently accepted the truth and has now joined the ranks of those who are endeavoring to carry the message to the world through the printed pages. Then I had the pleasure of visiting Bro. O. A. Prieger, and from there I went to Brantley to assist in making a "postponed" delivery. There I again had the importance of being on time impressed upon me. *Never forget the importance of delivering the book the very day* that you have told the people you would be there. Being on time makes a better delivery, saves time by making delivery quicker and thus saves in the cost of delivery also.

October, as you have learned through the *WORKER*, was the largest month on record in books delivered. In the first ten months of this year we have reports of \$6,600.05 worth of books delivered. This is over five hundred dollars larger than any year's report that I have a record of for this State. Certainly we should rejoice and praise the Lord.

Two of our brethren have reached the requirements necessary to have their railroad fare paid to the bookmen's convention. Brother Roberts was the first to reach it, and Brother Griffiths passed the one thousand-dollar delivery mark the first week in November. By the last of October Brother Ivory had worked 1,490 hours, and up to the time of writing this O. A. Prieger has delivered \$876.25 worth, so these brethren should have no difficulty in reaching the requirements. For some time past we have been counting on having at least four of our faithful workers to represent Alabama at the convention.

It has been interesting to me to note the way our books are stirring up the people. A week ago last Sabbath Brother Ringgold and I spent the Sabbath with a family that have begun to keep it through reading "Bible Footlights." They have also given up pork, and they are trying to quit snuff and tobacco. We also visited an old man who has been keeping the Sabbath since 1902 though he never had heard a Seventh-day Adventist preacher. The truth is being discussed by many, and numbers seem to realize it is the truth.

Soon this year's record will be completed. Though at present we are ahead in this union conference, if we do not continue to do our best we may yet fall behind. Mississippi is following close on our heels. Then we must remember we are working for the Lord and he requires our best efforts. Pray for more laborers.

Your fellow-laborer in this last message,

R. I. KEATE.

The following is the record of those who have nearly or fully reached the requirements necessary to attend the bookmen's convention to be held in Nashville next January.

Agents	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Delivered
Ben Griffiths	.1590	1199	1687 50	74 05	1761 55	1108 75
O A Prieger	.1384	640	1103 75	81 10	1184 85	882 35
M L Ivory	...1706	650	1017 25	176 50	1193 75	370 71
I W Peevy	...1397	346	558 50	175 05	733 55	307 91
R Roberts	...1803	610	919 50	475 45	1394 95	897 55

Brother Prieger's December delivery will probably bring

him to the mark, and Brother Peevy has four weeks to make 203 hours in. This will mean some hard work on his part to reach it.

The latter part of the month two new workers joined our ranks whom we are more than pleased to welcome,—Bro. and Sr. F. D. Hunt, who have come from Chester, S. C. They have located in Montgomery. Sister Hunt is working with the *Watchman* and Brother Hunt with our books.

So far I have not received a report from Bro. and Sr. C. C. Hunt's work in Birmingham, though Sister Hunt had ordered one thousand *Signs*.

Four more weekly reports will finish this year's record. The records will then show whether we still stand at the head of this list in this union or not. Let us do our best in the short time that remains.

Pray for the coming institute and for more workers. With best wishes, I am, your brother in Christ,

R. I. KEATE.

MAGAZINE AGENT'S REPORT

Agent	Papers	Hrs.	Ords.	Delvd.
Mrs F D Hunt .....	.....w	8	100	\$10 00

R. I. KEATE.

OBITUARY

LAYTON.—Mary Layton (nee Davis), died suddenly of paralysis at Brantley, Ala., Oct. 26, 1910. She was fifty-two years of age, and the beloved wife of A. Layton. She accepted the truth in 1902. She and her husband have walked together in the light ever since.

H. G. RINGGOLD.

Kentucky Conference

FROM THE FIELD

Bowling Green

ELDER MARTIN was with this church over Sabbath and Sunday. One was added to its membership by vote. This sister received the message through reading and being connected with those who represented the message in their daily walk. We intended remaining longer, but, on account of sickness in so many families, we went on to the next place, expecting to return later.

Sand Hill

We held meetings fourteen days at this place. The brethren had done a little work upon the new building since camp-meeting. We did what we could to make the building comfortable for the present. The citizens seemed very willing to assist in furnishing the lumber in the trees with which to finish the inside of the house. In some cases they were willing not only to give the trees, but when they were cut to draw them to the mill.

Brother Martin spoke almost every night, and on Sabbaths and Sundays. When the weather would admit a goodly number came to listen to the word spoken. It seemed pleasing to the Lord that a plain testimony should be borne about using tobacco and raising it for market. How can those who are looking for the soon return of the Lord and expecting to be translated when he comes, be producing the very thing which destroys soul and body? Only think what this poison is doing for humanity. "It is a slow poison. It affects the brain and benumbs the sensibilities, so that the mind cannot clearly discern spiritual things, especially those truths which would have a tendency to correct this indulgence. Those who use tobacco in any form are not clear before God. With such a filthy practise it is impossible to glorify God in their

bodies and spirits, which are his."—*"Spiritual Gifts," Vol. IV, p. 126.*

This is what the Lord has to say about the use of this filthy weed. Although it defiles the body and soul, Seventh-day Adventists will grow it, and, if reproved for doing so, they answer, "Well, we have to raise something that will bring us money." Is our God dead? Does he not promise that if his people seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, the necessities of life will come? Doubter, turn to Matt. 6: 24-34, and read what he says.

A plain testimony must be borne against this thing, and those who are true to the message will listen, and turn away from its use, and will also refuse to grow it. This excuse for growing tobacco is the same as the saloon-keeper uses in justifying himself in his work of destruction.

If our people will only live the message there will be a constant ingathering of souls in our churches. Unbelievers interpret the message by the way the church-members live it out.

A fall of snow and severe cold, stopped the people from coming out; so we closed the meetings, expecting to return in a short time to finish the work. There will be a turning to the Lord in earnest by those who really mean to get ready for his coming. Elder Martin has promised to return to Kentucky to labor with us in several other places in the conference as soon as the weather will permit. It is no myth, the Lord will soon return for his faithful ones. He will not take to heaven one tobacco user, or one tobacco grower who has the light; there will be no place for them. That church will be "a glorious church" "not having spot or wrinkle, or any such thing." Yes, it is to be without "blemish."

Upon arriving home I found my wife down and under the doctor's care with nervous prostration. She would not allow them to send for me, lest the work of the Lord should be hindered in the field. She is recovering, and I will soon be out to work again.

A. O. BURRILL.

Louisiana Conference

CAN THE CHILDREN HELP?

WE have been told by the servant of God that the children should have a part in the closing work, and one of these parts seems to be that of helping to provide means for carrying forward the message.

You may be interested to know what the boys and girls in Louisiana have been doing the past year, and I am glad to tell you that they have been successful in buying a field tent for our conference, which cost \$139.50. This amount looked like a very large sum of money for the children to earn themselves, and it was; but that seemed to be the work for that time, and we went forth believing and trusting in the promises of God, realizing that his strength is sufficient to help us over the steep places when we are trying to work for him.

We began by giving each of the children a nickel and asking God to bless the girls, boys, and nickels, that they might do a work to his glory and honor.

Then, when the gathering time came, we found the dollars coming into the treasury; some had more than others, but God looks at the heart and not the dollars, and all had experiences which we trust will be profitable to them in the future.

At the appointed time for the funds to be sent in, we had not enough to pay for the tent; but our president sent for it, and we had the use of it at our camp-meeting. The presi-

dent said the children had done so well that the conference would take the tent as it stood, and pay the balance.

We asked the children, "Shall we finish raising the money, or shall we allow the conference to finish paying for the tent?" and we are glad to say that most of the boys and girls said, "Let's finish the work"; and they went at it with renewed energy so that now we have the amount all raised, and in this way the few scattered Sabbath-keeping children have been able to be of real help in the conference work.

The "Children's Tent" has been in the field the past season, and some are rejoicing in the truth as a result of the work that the possession of the tent made it possible to do. And this is not all. When the cold weather came on, the tent was stored away; but in the spring it will be brought out again and other honest souls will hear and accept the third angel's message as a result of the work the little children did; and eternity alone will reveal how far-reaching the efforts put forth by those little minds and hands have been.

So children, and youth, let us rally to the work; you are a help in our homes, you can be a help in God's work. The church and the world need your help.

What are you going to do this coming year? God has a work for each child to do in 1911; let us try and find the work, and do it with willing hearts.

Mrs. E. H. REES, *New Orleans.*

"BEWARE lest thy friend learn to tolerate one frailty of thine, and so an obstacle be raised to the progress of thy love."

STATEMENT OF THE TITHE AND OTHER FUNDS RECEIVED SINCE JULY 1, 1910

\$300,000 FUND	TITHE
Lake Charles\$ 42 00	New Orleans\$ 750 83
New Orleans 28 00	Welsh 639 41
Jennings 10 00	Lake Charles 188 15
Welsh 10 00	Hammond 187 76
Lake Arthur 5 00	Shreveport 172 13
Hammond 5 00	Jennings 103 35
J J Jobe 3 50	Isolated 62 11
Total .....\$103 50	Lake Arthur 44 06
EMERGENCY FUND	Hobart 34 65
Welsh\$ 4 96	Hodge 33 90
Lake Charles 2 40	Ringgold 17 90
Jennings 2 10	Dodson Co 12 80
Hammond 1 00	Mansfield 5 59
Total\$ 10 46	Total .....\$2,252 64
CANVASSERS' FUND	WEEKLY AND OTHER MISSION OFFERINGS
W H Noyes\$ 50 00	New Orleans\$ 40 20
Welsh Church 10 00	Lake Charles 21 88
A F Harrison 2 25	Welsh 19 97
Total\$ 62 25	Hammond 17 25
COLEMAN NOTE FUND	Jennings 15 50
A H King\$ 25 00	Isolated 11 45
Welsh Church 21 00	Lake Arthur 7 55
Shreveport Church .. 10 00	Chapman Co 5 00
F P Goodwyn 5 00	Shreveport 3 10
Total\$ 61 00	Total .....\$141 90

S. S. DONATIONS	TENT FUND
New Orleans\$ 96 04	I T Reynolds\$ 25 00
Welsh 30 78	F Peabody 25 00
Shreveport 25 22	S C Saxby 25 00
Home Department ... 21 50	Mrs Bendixen 22 00
Hammond 19 08	New Orleans Church 13 00
Jennings 18 90	C L Collision 12 00
Camp-meeting 16 68	H E Heald 10 00
Hollywood(Newelton) 10 50	Jennings Church 10 00
Ringgold 8 07	Mrs C L Brown 6 00
Lake Arthur 7 42	Wm Thompson 5 00
Hobart 7 10	Thos Stegall 5 00
Lake Charles 5 09	Grace Cady 5 00
Hodge 5 00	Mrs A Powell 5 00
Pineville 1 90	W D Bush 5 00
Total .....\$273 28	Welsh 4 00
	Mrs E H Rees 2 50
	Mrs G E Thompson ... 2 50
	Shreveport Church .. 1 00
	Mrs G L Litchfield.. 1 00
	Dr A J Hetherington 90
	Total .....\$184 90

HARVEST INGATHERING	
New Orleans\$ 18 70	
Welsh 14 41	
Hammond 4 85	
Conference Church .. 3 00	
Isolated 30	
Lake Charles 15	
Total\$ 41 41	

OCTOBER COLLECTION		CHILDREN'S TENT FUND	
Lake Charles\$ 4 65		Bal. previously rept'd.\$ 77 33	
New Orleans 1 50		Collected by Sr. Rees. 45 39	
Jennings 1 00		Lake Charles 7 55	
Lake Arthur 25		Hammond 5 58	
Total\$ 7 40		Lester Winterton ... 1 55	
		F H Walton 1 25	
		Gordon Reynolds ... 55	
		Mrs D R Austin..... 30	
		Total .....\$139 50	

The foregoing lists cover all the tithe and trust fund receipts from July 1, 1910, to December 13, and it is hoped that their publication at this time will stir us to greater faithfulness.

We have done well in tithes, and we hope to keep this up through the coming year. But some of the other funds have been forgotten it seems.

This is true of the Coleman Note Fund. The amount necessary to pay this note has been pledged over a year now, and yet there is still \$68.25 of these pledges unpaid. Can we not all rally to the need that we now face and pay these off so as to get this account off the books?

The Children's Tent Fund has been paid in full. The cost of the tent was \$139.50, and this has all been raised, as the report will show. Much credit is due Sister Rees for the untiring interest that she has taken in this work, and to the children as well, who have set us who are older, a good example of "paying out."

We have raised very nearly the amount equal to ten cents a week per member this year. Our books show that we have paid to the Southern Union Conference for missions from all sources, the sum of \$1,200.33, and there is some that has been sent direct to the Mission Board. This will raise the amount to nearly the \$1,258.00 required.

As we enter upon the new year, let us each pledge himself to greater faithfulness and a deeper consecration.

Yours for the finishing of the work,

E. L. MAXWELL.

ORDER is the sanity of the mind, the health of the body, the peace of the city, the security of the state.—*Southey.*

Mississippi Conference

TREASURER'S REPORT

TITHE FOR NOVEMBER, 1910

Vicksburg	\$ 10 90
Meridian	21 45
Hatley	36 84
Individual	17 98
Jackson	5 27
Quitman	6 50
Enid	347 66
Conference Church	31 80
Total	\$478 40

BEULAH M. CALLICOTT, *Treas.*

Tennessee River Conference

NASHVILLE

DURING the week of prayer the membership of the Nashville church was divided into convenient meeting places, three on the north side, one each on the east, south, and west sides, and one at the Sanitarium. This, with the additional leaders and readers made it possible for all to attend every meeting, without carfare.

As I passed every night from one company to another, and united with them in their readings and devotions, it was easily discerned that the one spirit actuated all of them.

It was the testimony of every one that the readings, this year, were the best we have ever had, and the earnest cry of all was for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, and an entire consecration of all for service.

This week of prayer was indeed a blessed season. We were brought more fully face to face with the fact that the end of all things earthly is at hand, and that God will very soon cut his work short in the earth.

The offering at the closing service amounted to \$282.75.

R. M. KILGORE.

LEACH

WE are having a very interesting church school, taught by Sister Amanda Gahr. There are nineteen pupils enrolled, and at least three more expect to attend.

As a result of faithful teaching our children and youth will grow up with the Bible in their hands, and streams of blessings will flow to the world through them. As the stars have a message of good cheer for every human being, so the church school teacher has a message for the children and youth of to-day.

May we not forget any of our teachers, but remember them as they deal with tender minds, as they seek to teach them "the riches of the glory of this mystery . . . which is Christ in you, the hope of glory."

MAE KEELE.

NOTES

THE Week of Prayer for 1910 is now in the past. May the blessings we have received during that special season continue with us all through the coming year and be an incentive to greater activity. We cannot live on past blessings, but as we are active for the Lord, the blessing will continue, and will increase. The world is to be warned, and unless we are faithful others will be raised up to take our place.

Next Sabbath, December 24, is the time for our regular

missionary service to be held in the churches. I trust all our people will enter into this service with a whole heart. The program is a good one and should be carried out as complete as possible. I am sure these services will be a great blessing to us as a conference if we each one do our part to help make them interesting.

The year 1910 will soon be counted among the things of the past. Let us each ask ourselves the question, "Have I done all I could to help spread this message during the year?" This is an individual matter, and each one must answer for himself. I am sure I could have done more, but I mean, by the help of the Lord, to make my mistakes of the past year, stepping-stones for the coming year. When we see and recognize our mistakes, they become sign-boards to direct us in the right way. Let each one look for the sign-boards and then be careful to keep in the right way.

THOS. E. PAVEY.

General

HAVE WON THE PRIZE

I AM glad to be able to send in another report from a faithful worker whom we hope to meet at Nashville at the bookmen's convention next month, Brother M. Wheeler, of Summertown, Tenn. Brother Wheeler attended the institute, and began his year's work in Kentucky. He was one of Kentucky's best and most faithful workers. While in that State, he put in 1,206 hours' work, and delivered \$701.25 worth of books. Afterward he came to the Tennessee River Conference and since his coming he has put in 433 hours' work, and has delivered \$247.95 worth of books, making a total of 1,639 hours' work, and \$949.20 worth of books delivered.

Brother Wheeler is one of the few who will likely win out in both propositions; that is, in putting in the time, and delivering the amount of books required in order to attend the convention. This shows what can be done when one makes up his mind to stick to business. We are looking for still others to do the required amount of work, and attend.

We look for one of the best meetings we have ever held in the Southern Union Conference. We are expecting good help from outside our union. Brother Blosser, from the Lake Union, who is one of the oldest laborers in the book work, and Bro. E. R. Palmer, of Washington, will be with us. Above all else we expect the Lord to meet with us.

Who will be the next one to send in his name?

Later.—Another of our faithful workers has reached the mark, Bro. G. Jorgenson, of New Orleans, La. He has put in 1,750 hours' work, and has already delivered \$511.70 worth of books, and has not yet completed his delivery for this year. This brother has done remarkably well considering his hearing is impaired. His work has been done in the city. I hope to meet him in Nashville in January.

Yours in hope,

A. F. HARRISON.

IN BUSINESS FOR THE LORD

IN a letter from Bro. G. Dail, of Europe, he tells of the experience of a brother whom he met at the East Prussian annual conference, held in Insterburg. Brother Dail says: "I was greatly rejoiced to look into the happy, radiant face of the brother who has made up his mind to devote all his net gains to the advancement of the cause of God. He farms on a large scale, and owns many horses and cattle. He employs several workmen to keep things in order.

"Formerly, so I am told, he was rather of a disposition to

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State	Agts.	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Delivered	Gnd.	Total
Mississippi	20	1992	454	668 75	2400 70	3069	45
Tennessee River	18	1366	561	972 55	970 75	1943	30
Alabama	14	1350	317	769 90	903 19	1673	09
Louisiana	9	841	312	623 30	477 30	1100	60
Kentucky	5	554	177	266 60	126 25	392	85
Totals	66	6103	1821	3301 10	4878 19	8179	29

The month of November is now in the past, and I know the readers of the WORKER will be glad to know how well we have done.

Our record has held up well in our union. It is not so much the number of orders taken as it is the number of books delivered that accomplishes the work; yet we cannot deliver the books without the orders.

During the month of November, 1909, we took orders worth \$3,428.55; exceeding this month by \$127.45. But last November we only delivered \$3,232.20 worth of books, showing a gain this year of \$1,646.09 in books delivered, or a total gain over the month of November last year of \$1,578.64.

This certainly speaks well for our work in the Southern Union. In books delivered we have already exceeded our last year's work by several thousand dollars. I shall publish the full report at the end of the year; also the report for 1909. The Lord is certainly blessing the work, and this should give us courage to press forward. Now is the time to lay our plans for the year 1911.

I was in Washington, D. C., until December 12, attending the bookmen's convention in the Review and Herald territory. They have a good corps of field agents, and they are laying broad plans for their future work.

As soon as the convention closed I left for Louisiana to join Brother Reynolds and the president of that conference. I will be here for two or three weeks, running over the State in the interest of their institute, which convenes in the spring.

You will notice by the above report Mississippi takes the lead, Tennessee comes second, and Alabama third. The latter will have to wake up. The office address will reach me.

Yours in the blessed hope, A. F. HARRISON.

gather and hold all he could to himself. He married a woman who also had considerable means. But on their conversion to the truth, they at once began to demonstrate that the spirit of the message had won their hearts away from all covetousness.

"Already he has put thousands into the cause in Germany, and now runs his farm for the advancement of the third angel's message. You would enjoy meeting the brother, as he is so earnest, so simple in all things, and so joyful in the Lord."

Ought not that to be the aim of every Seventh-day Adventist—to run his business for the Lord? It is a blessed thing to give all to God, so that everything—aside from the necessities of life, which our heavenly Father dedicates to his children—shall be counting for the hastening on of this work. The cause of Christ calls for the undivided energies of every soul of us.—*Review and Herald*.

Did you know that one result of missionary volunteer work in a certain conference last year was the conversion of seventy-seven young people? Does it pay? Will you not give Sabbath, January 7, to a careful study of how your church and your home can best work for our young people?

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ALABAMA CONFERENCE							
NAME	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Delivered
Ben Griffiths	.2WBF	95	88	\$117 00	\$	\$117 00	\$15 50
I W Peevy	...BF	50	3	4 50	5 50	10 00	47 25
M L Ivory	...BF	46	9	13 50	28 30	41 80	11 25
O A Prieger	...PPF	42	21	35 00	1 00	36 00	50
N E Allen	...PPF	34	11	19 00	14 75	33 75	1 50
R Roberts	...BF	25	7	8 00	8 25	16 25	17 50
R A Wesley	...BF	18	8	8 00		8 00	

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE							
H E Beck	...BF	33	4	4 00	2 75	6 75	25
Annie Benton	.MISC	28		10 75		10 75	2 75
W P Ethington	.BF	42	10	11 50	8 00	19 50	2 75
M D Landon	...BF	42	15	16 50	11 00	27 50	2 75

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE							
T S Sligh	...PPF	20	4	6 00	2 00	8 00	5 25
M D Reed	...MISC	5	7	2 50		2 50	50
Virginia McPhall	PPF	14	12	8 50	7 00	15 50	1 50
G S Rogers	...PPF	24	4	6 00	6 45	12 45	11 85
J J Jobe	...MISC	35	80	86 50		86 50	6 00
I T Reynolds	...PPF	30	14	21 00	5 00	26 00	6 50

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE							
E L Marley	...D&R	20	7	15 00	2 25	17 25	
W H Haddon	...BF	39					59 25
C H McColrey	...BF	4	5	6 00	1 00	7 00	7 00
John Campbell	...BF	10					12 00
W N Olvin	...BF	44	6	6 50		6 50	27 25
John Wood	...BF	21	8	12 00		12 00	
Katie Holston	...BF	34	3	4 00	1 25	5 25	7 25
Louise Jackson	.BF	8	1	1 00	25	1 25	1 00
Otto Waite	...BF	34	33	32 50		32 50	

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE							
R H Hazelton	sofp	28	2	2 50	18 50	21 00	4 50
C H Chenault	.D&R	37	7	15 00	8 00	23 00	23 00
C E Morphew	...BF	18	6	6 00	45	6 45	1 45
M Wheeler	...BF	28	15	17 00	3 50	20 50	2 70
Mrs F T Wales	2WBF	9	16	11 50		11 50	13 00
H C Balsbaugh	...GC	45	8	18 00	18 15	36 15	5 25
Mamie Moore	.D&R	26	6	17 00	6 85	23 85	2 25
C D Wolff	...BF	36			1 50	1 50	39 75
J S Moore	...PofJ	52	6	16 75	26 80	43 55	10 05
T J Tyer	...BF	15					37 75

SUMMARY							
Alabama Conf	....	310	147	205 00	57 80	262 80	93 50
Kentucky Conf	...	145	29	42 75	21 75	64 50	8 50
Louisiana Conf	....	128	121	130 50	20 45	150 95	31 60
Mississippi Conf	..	214	63	77 00	4 75	81 75	113 75
Tenn River Conf	.	294	66	103 75	83 95	187 50	139 75
Totals	.....	1091	326	559 00	188 50	747 50	387 10

A CHINESE prince says that Roosevelt promises to visit China next year.

ARE you surprised at the number of failures in this world? Then consider the number of people who do things by halves, in a slipshod, unfinished way; the people who work with one eye on the office clock; the people who are continually saying, "Well, that isn't quite right, but I guess it will do," and cease being surprised.—*Kate Clyde*.

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ANNUAL MEETING, SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION

NOTICE is hereby given that the third annual meeting of the constituency of the Southern Publishing Association of Seventh-day Adventists will be held Monday, January 23, 1911, at 10 A. M., at the Seventh-day Adventist church, on Twenty-third Ave. N., and Seifried St., Nashville Tenn., for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

C. F. McVAGH, *President*,
L. A. SMITH, *Secretary*.

TO THE STATE SECRETARIES OF THE TRACT AND MISSIONARY AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER SOCIETIES

We have already sent out our quarterly letters and report blanks to our State secretaries of both departments of work, and we earnestly ask that you will be prompt in returning your report, as soon after your quarterly meeting as you receive the reports from the church tract societies. We trust all our secretaries will read this notice, and send in their report to Mrs. M. H. Crothers, 2123 24th Ave. N., Nashville, Tenn., Southern Union Conference Missionary Secretary.

TESTIMONIES FOR THE CHURCH

ONE of the lesson helps for the Sabbath-school during the year 1911 is "Testimonies for the Church." The different volumes (1 to 9), are referred to many times, and every teacher and scholar should obtain the entire set as soon as possible. The Testimonies should become books of reference in every home, as they contain much information for this time, which it is not possible to find in any other publication. The set is bound both in cloth and full leather, the prices are as follows:—

Volumes one to six, cloth, per volume	\$ 1 00
Volumes one to six, full leather, per volume	1 50
Volumes seven to nine, cloth, per volume	75
Volumes seven to nine, full leather, per volume ...	1 25
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be glad to sell them to missionary societies or individuals in any quantities at one and one-half cents each, postpaid.

The *Watchman* began to come out in monthly magazine form in February, 1909. These back numbers are clean, and the truths they contain are just as valuable now as when first printed.

Send your orders to the Southern Publishing Association, 2119-2123 Twenty-fourth Ave. N., Nashville, Tenn.

OF INTEREST TO FRIENDS OF THE "SIGNS"

ONE of our ministers, while looking up a place for a series of meetings in a locality where he was a stranger, called upon a man who, upon learning that he was a Seventh-day Adventist minister, expressed himself as follows: "I know you people have the truth, for I have read the *Signs of the Times* for years, but never attended any of your meetings. If you ever come to this town to hold meetings, I have a hall that will seat about four hundred people; you are welcome to it free of charge. Or if you find some other place, I am willing to help bear the expense, as I would like to see you come to this town."—*Pacific Union Gleaner*.

A Memphis (Tennessee) brother writes: "I could mention many who have embraced the truth through reading the *Signs*."

Miss Ethel Hunt has been selling about one thousand copies a month in South Carolina. She has met with some rich experiences. A banker's wife bought a copy of the magazine from her a few months ago. Later she found that this lady enjoyed that copy so much that she sent her subscription to the publishers for a year.

"The Lord blessed me with many experiences with the *Signs Monthly*. I am enclosing a year's subscription to this magazine for one of my most interested customers in Davenport. I am very glad to obtain it, because the gentleman had become so interested, and I hope to hear that he has accepted the truth. I have deducted my commission of forty cents, which I believe is the correct amount."—*From an Iowa agent*.

Do you know about the Socialists? Their ideas have been unpopular with the majority of people. Perhaps like Seventh-day Adventists they have been misunderstood. Be that as it may, they (every one of them) are deadly in earnest. Like all Seventh-day Adventists used to be, and like many of them still are, Socialists are always ready to talk, distribute papers or circulars, or do any other work that is assigned them, just so it helps their cause along. As a result, Wisconsin Socialists have seated one of their number in the mayor's chair of Milwaukee, and more recently elected a member to Congress. The following quotation, taken from an Associated Press despatch, is the basis for these observations:—

"The Socialists' plan of campaign was unique. In the absence of a daily newspaper organ, they had printed each week, for the last six weeks, many thousands of copies of a four-page paper printed in English and German, in which their doctrines were expounded, these periodicals were taken in hand by twelve hundred men each Sunday morning, and it is said that every household in Milwaukee County was supplied with a copy. Noonday meetings at the factories and night meetings at various halls seven days of the week were also held for the last six weeks."

God's cause, eternally important, should receive this kind of support from every Seventh-day Adventist, shouldn't it? We won't make much of a stir until we get together and work determinedly and as a unit.

"An investment in knowledge always pays the best interest."—*Franklin*.

The Southern Publishing Association has on hand a large quantity of monthly *Watchman* for the year 1909 and would