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

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SWING OUT

"SWING out upon the promises of God,
Nor stay thy hand on crumbling earthly things;
Trust not in princes bold, ungodly shod,
Nor pin thy faith upon the word of kings.

Firm and secure is the foundation laid,
The King of kings, himself the corner stone.
In faith and truth his promises are made;
Thou needest naught but his sure Word alone.

Think not within thy heart how thou shalt stand,
Nor look for help where mortal feet have trod;
Trust him who weigheth all things in his hand,
Swing out upon the promises of God."

AN INVITATION

LAST week we told you something of the board meeting of the Loma Linda College of Medical Evangelists. The finance committee introduced the following recommendation which was unanimously adopted.

"We recommend, That the General Conference, the Central, Lake, Northern, North Pacific, and Pacific Union conferences, and the Southern California conference, be invited to donate one thousand dollars or more each; the Southwestern, Atlantic, Columbia, and Western Canadian Union Conferences, five hundred dollars or more each; and the Southeastern and Southern Union conferences, two hundred and fifty dollars or more each, toward the building fund for the college of Medical Evangelists during 1911."

This is a very modest request, and I am sure that our people in the Southern Union will esteem it a privilege to do our part. None of this money is for running expenses, but exclusively for the building fund. Most of us are aware that the institution was brought into existence by the direct testimony of the Spirit of prophecy, and I am confident that if we all take the proper interest in it and use our influence to have it managed in harmony with the light that the Lord has given, it will prove a great blessing to the denomination. Let each laborer take an interest in raising a share of this fund. Each conference should speedily bring in not less than fifty dollars for Loma Linda. Send donations and pledges through your conference treasurer who will report from time to time the amounts received in the WORKER, and pray for the faculty work in our Medical College. C. F. McVAGH.

"It is this life of Christ — which is also the love of Christ — that we must have in our hearts; and this, and this alone, will make us victorious in our fight for Protestantism, which as we believe, the fight for truth, for freedom, and for righteousness."—*D. Allock.*

THE HOLY CITY

"BETWEEN the seas," at an altitude of 2,550, stands the Jerusalem that "now is." Thirty-two miles to the west roll the blue waters of the great Mediterranean Sea, while eighteen miles to the east there lies that mysterious depression of waters known as the "Dead Sea." Hence the locality is described in Scripture as "the glorious holy mountain between the seas."

Though the reason may not be apparent, yet it is certain that Jerusalem has held a place of almost supreme importance in the minds of men in ordinary life, as well as among the makers and controllers of national histories. To the astronomers, Orion mysteriously holds the first place among the celestial constellations, and in some other mysterious way Jerusalem has appeared to stand first among the cities of earth.

The most holy, and yet the most desecrated; the most beloved, and yet the most despised; the most glorious, and yet the most dishonored of all earthly possessions, its very history appears as a panorama of contradictions that must surprise the mind of the beholder. Round it the ambitions and jealousies of men and nations have surged for centuries with an intensity that history cannot parallel.

During the period of fifteen centuries, from the time of Joshua to Titus, it was besieged seventeen times. Twice its walls were overthrown, and twice its very foundations were destroyed. No trace of its ancient glory remains, and even its geographical outlines have been lost.

Not from its magnitude, for it is but a small city among the thousands of earth, nor yet from its magnificence, for many other capitals have exceeded it in grandeur, does the marvel of its unique veneration arise; nor yet alone by the hand or will of man, has its honor and esteem been created. A divinity has touched its destinies, and men have wondered.

Historically, Jerusalem comes first to view in the time of Abraham, more than nineteen centuries before Christ, and Melchizedek was then its king. Gen. 14:18. After this it was possessed by the Jebusites, and hence the name Jebus-Salem, or Jerusalem. As the Jebusite capital it resisted all efforts at capture till the time of David, by whom it was conquered and made the capital of Israel. 1 Chron. 11:4-9.

Henceforth it became the center of Jewish national life. Solomon enlarged and beautified the city, and erected the temple on Mount Moriah, where the divine glory was made to appear. On that hill God had talked with Melchizedek, with Abraham, with David, and with Solomon, and from the glory above the temple mercy seat, his presence lighted the courts of Israel. Thus it became the "city of the great King," for God was known in her palaces.—*Australian Signs of the Times.*

"A PASSIONLESS purpose means a powerless program."

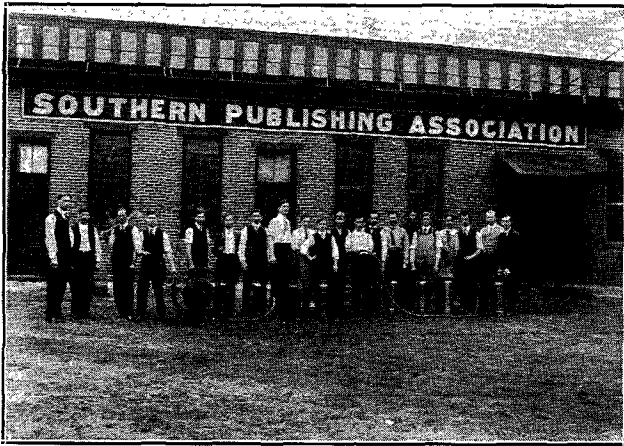
Our Publishing House

HOME OFFICE NEWS

SALES report for week ending May 20, 1911: Bound volumes, 2,321; *Watchman*, 16,678; *Gospel Sentinel*, 2,000.

WRITING from Graysville under date of the 18th inst. Brother Harrison speaks very encouragingly of the outlook for the success of the canvassers. Speaking of one young man who is about ready to go into the field, he says: "I believe he will do well. I am sure he will if it rains."

It has rained and everybody is feeling greatly encouraged over the improved crop prospects. This cannot fail to be of great benefit to the canvassing work, although as we know from the experience in the Southwest last summer, the Lord's work is not dependent upon good crops. In fact the dry weather in the Southwest last year was overruled to the benefit of the canvassing work. As our readers will remember, quite a number went into the field who would not have gone into that line of work had the season been a normal one. Notwithstanding the discouraging outlook from the standpoint of agriculturists, deliveries were unusually good, and the number of orders taken was fully up to the average. This



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is the Lord's work, and it is not dependent upon what we might call favorable conditions.

UNDER date of May 17, Bro. R. I. Keate writes very encouragingly of the outlook in Alabama. He speaks of one canvasser who had just entered the field, and was having splendid success. A number of others were about ready to go into the work, several of them being men of experience who had previously demonstrated their ability to make a success of the canvassing work.

UNDER date of May 19, Bro. J. M. McLaughlin, the new canvasser referred to by Brother Keate, writes: "I started out in the canvassing work in this district Tuesday, May 16, canvassing for 'Bible Footlights.' My first day's work was 8 hours, 18 exhibitions, 14 orders; second day, 8 hours, 17 exhibitions, 10 orders; third day, 8 hours, 20 exhibitions, 19 orders; or a total of 24 hours, 55 exhibitions, 43 orders. Total value of orders taken, \$48.00.

"The Lord has wonderfully blessed me in carrying this message. I attribute my success to asking God to prepare the hearts of the people to receive the message. This is my first experience in canvassing."

We believe there are many more who might have a similarly good experience if they would only put themselves in

line with the Lord's blessing, that is if they would go out in faith as this brother has done and is doing.

BRO. C. D. WOLFE, agent for the Tennessee River Conference, writes, "The work is onward, and I praise the Lord." Speaking of Paducah, he says, "I believe this is a good town in which to sell books."

BROTHER HOOK was absent for some days the latter part of last week, and the first few days of this week, in the interests of our periodicals. Thursday night, May 18, he gave a stereopticon talk at Beechwood Academy, Fairland, Ind. Sunday night he was at the 46th Street church, Chicago. He reports an excellent interest in the periodical work.

We expect to see a large increase in our periodical sales, especially of the *Watchman* now that the schools have closed and quite a number of students are working for scholarships.

We believe the present year is going to be perhaps the best we have ever seen in the South, and that the workers will make a record, not only of our book sales but also of our periodical literature.

THE Tennessee River Conference is putting a force of workers into Nashville for a summer campaign. We expect to see more work done here probably than ever before in the history of the city.

Several of the boys from the office are going out night after the Sabbath each week selling the *Watchman*. They report good success, and meet with many interesting experiences.

EXCELLENT reports come to us from the Southwest. The outlook in that part of the field is for largely increased sales this summer.

REPORTS are also encouraging from the Atlanta Branch. The workers in the Southeastern Union are of good courage, and seem determined to make a record in book and periodical sales.

Of course, activity in the field means increased responsibilities for the workers in the office. We are doing the best we can here to keep up a good stock, and to fill all orders promptly. The Lord is blessing these efforts, and with our brethren elsewhere, we are of good courage in the work.

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION.

C. P. BOLLMAN, *Vice-Pres.*

Periodical Department

A WORKER'S EXPERIENCE

You have a personal interest in the magazine workers' experiences, so I want to tell you of an encounter I had with a gentleman in his office recently.

I walked in, cheerily exchanged "good morning" with him, and offered him the *Watchman*. He curtly said, "No," but glanced at the magazine, so I ventured to ask him, "Why, please?" He then abused the magazine and its writers, and branded the whole lot as false from beginning to end, and in proof, brought out a copy of *Liberty* (I was glad to know a Catholic had read it). He said, angrily shaking his finger in my face, that it was (and banging on his desk with clinched fist) a venomous, scurrilous attack on the Catholic Church. I stood just in front of him asking the Lord in my heart to help me to say the right thing to help the man, and so I began by sympathizing with his outraged feelings, and saying that it was not an attack on the individuals in the meshes of Catholicism, but on the great system of error, and that the *Watchman* stood for truth, the Word of God. He then asked if I was so ignorant that I did not know that the

Catholic Church was given the "keys" to heaven by Christ himself. I said, "Even granting that to be true, she has now lost her keys—the Old and the New Testaments. The gates of hell cannot prevail against you nor me if we follow the Word of God." He disgustingly said, "Oh! you Protestants tire me. You profess to follow the Bible and yet keep holy the first day of the week," etc., etc. I then showed him Brother Manous' article on "The Little Horn of Daniel Seven," and told him the Sabbath change was just the point at issue, and that in this too I followed the Bible, so he said, "Well that is a new kind of Protestantism," and bought a magazine, and we parted friends. Do you doubt that angels of God were in that office that day? I felt their presence, and I saw the effect on this man's ugly temper. The next morning a priest on the street asked me many questions about my belief and finally said, "More people would be damned for believing the Bible than for any other reason." I thank God for a message so clear cut and plain as the blessed third angel's message of Rev. 14:6-12.

I am enjoying my May sales of the 300 *Watchman*.
Yours for the promotion of truth. DAISY TERRY.

Alabama Conference

SHEFFIELD

We have our tent pitched in a different place in the city, and have held our first two meetings. Last night every seat was filled, and some seats had to be put outside to accommodate the overflow. There seems to be quite an interest yet in the town, and we hope to see several more come into the truth.

Yesterday Brother Elliott and I were invited to go to sing and pray with a sick man. We went. The family all gathered in the room while we sang and prayed. All seemed very much pleased because we came.

In a couple of days we will make the first payment on our church, then we expect to paper the walls, paint the wood-work, and get ready for organizing just before camp-meeting.

We feel very thankful for the success and blessings of God we have had in the work here. We know that it has all been done by and through the help of God, and to him be all the praise. We are of good courage, and we ask an interest in your prayers that those who have taken their stand may remain steadfast. Yours in the Master's work,

JAMES BELLINGER,
ETHEL BELLINGER,
W. R. ELLIOTT.

Kentucky Conference

A CALL TO DUTY

I AM quite sure that the people throughout the conference are anxious to see the work of the Lord advance along all lines; and when I state that we who have charge of the work are depending upon the co-operation of each church-member to enable us to do what you are anxious to see done, this will bring to your mind that it will be necessary for each soul to be faithful in the payment of tithes and offerings. At the present time, we find our conference fund very low, and we have our laborers in the field who are depending upon us to send them support. I am quite sure that we will all see the need of being prompt in giving the Lord his own.

If we fail to do this, the blessing that the Lord is ready to bestow upon us will be withheld.

Remember that with the present arrangement, ten cents of every dollar will be sent to missions, and for the support of faithful laborers who have given their lives to help give the message, but now are unable to work. So you see it will be necessary for our tithe and offerings to be larger this year than last. Now, dear brethren and sisters of the Kentucky conference, shall we not put our hand in God's, and do just what he calls us to at this time? Do not put off the payment of your tithe and offerings, but pay them at once. Unless the tithe comes in rapidly, we will not have a sufficient amount to pay the workers at the end of the present month; but I believe that each lover of this truth will step in at this time and pay the money that is needed. Only a short time remains for this people to give of their means, as we are expecting the Lord to return in this generation, and then all earthly possessions will be left to perish in the destruction that awaits the world.

During the last remaining years, months, weeks, days, and hours, before the flood, property became less and less valuable to its possessor, as the time grew shorter in which it could be invested in the work of warning the world of the coming flood and preparing the ark for safety. "As the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." Then, dear brethren, let us be faithful in the payment of tithe and offerings while we have the opportunity. Let each one of us rally to the support of the work in the great field of need, so that our skirts will be clear in the time when the Lord comes to gather out the faithful, and we may hear the word, "Well done, good, and faithful servant."

B. W. BROWN.

MAGAZINE AGENTS' REPORT

For Week Ending May 19, 1911

Agents	Papers	Hrs.	No.	Value
LEXINGTON				
Runa Walbert	W	4	35	\$ 3 50
Marie Wirth	W	2	33	3 30
Charlsey Allran	W	3	25	2 50
LOUISVILLE				
M. Jones	L&H L P E soft W	58	257	25 70
Totals		69	350	\$35 00

MAGAZINE AGENTS' REPORT

For Month Ending April 30, 1911

Agents	Papers	Hrs.	No.	Value
Milton Jones	L&H soft YI W H4	511		\$51 10
J. H. White	W	6	70	7 00
Rose Shasky	YI W	18	57	5 70
Charlsey Allran	W	10	56	5 60
Miss Retlinger	YI W	4	04	4 00
Hattie Hicks	YI	4	40	4 00
Marie Wirth	W	4	28	2 80
Runa Walbert	L&H W	12	28	2 80
V. F. Todd	W	4	19	1 90
Mrs. M. A. Ewald	YI	1	15	1 50
C. R. Millar	W	5	15	1 50
D. C. Ray	W	5	14	1 40
Irene Presnall	W		6	60
Totals		187	899	\$89 90

C. F. DART, Miss. Sec.

NOTES

BRO. R. S. LINDSAY has taken up work in our conference. He is now located in Lexington, where he will hold tent-meetings.

Miss Marie Wirth and Miss Charley Allran report some of their readers deeply interested in the truths of the last message.

Miss Rose Shasky has been doing faithful work in Louisville giving Bible readings, and reports several who are on the deciding point.

Elder Graf is located in Louisville, and reports an interest among the people with whom he has been holding cottage meetings.

Brother Dart has been spending some time at Frankfort helping the canvassers in their work. We now have several faithful canvassers in the field. Let us remember them in our prayers.

Sister Callender reports that the Sabbath-school and young people's work is moving along nicely. She is very anxious to see the offering increased so that we will have one hundred dollars each quarter for missions. Let each one help to swell the donations so that we can send in each quarter one hundred dollars to support the workers who have gone to foreign fields.

I hope that all our church treasurers will be prompt in remitting all conference funds at the end of each month so that we can settle with our laborers. B. W. BROWN.

Louisiana Conference

THE JENA TENT-MEETING

OUR tent-meeting began here April 7, and we had, by the help of God, an extraordinary interest until May 9.

We planned to stay right here until May 21, and have put forth a most earnest effort to establish the dear ones that have embraced the truth and are endeavoring to obey it. If we make haste slowly, preach the truth fully, and get a *few settled* in the message, we will without doubt accomplish more in the end, than we would by holding short meetings, preaching only our main doctrines, and getting many disturbed and unsettled.

Last Sabbath afternoon we had our first Sabbath-school in Jena. About thirty were present, and they all seemed determined to continue it. We intend to organize the Sabbath-school soon, and we have ordered a supply of literature for it.

Last Sunday night there were three other churches that tried to hold services, but at our tent, I was told, there were four times more people in attendance than at all the others. We feel to praise God for the continued interest the people of this town manifest in our effort. Let us hope and pray that souls may be saved in the kingdom as the result.

O. F. FRANK.

Mississippi Conference

TESTIMONIES FROM OUR CANVASSERS

BRO. W. E. COOPER writes: "The Lord is certainly in the work or we could not do so well. I get pretty tired walking, yet I am happy all the way, and sing or whistle nearly all the time. I feel it is such a privilege to have a part in so great a work."

Sr. Lucy Allen who is working at Tupelo writes: "The Lord has certainly been good to us all and especially good

to me. He has enabled me to take sixty-four orders for 'Bible Footlights.'"

Lemar Cooper expresses himself as follows: "The Lord is surely in this great work, and he is giving us good success for which we give him all the praise, for without him we can do nothing. The work is certainly onward in this part of the harvest field. I am of good courage, and am pressing on in the great cause that I so much love."

Among other experiences, Sr. Mundy relates the following: "While canvassing a man yesterday, he laughed at me when I told him that the coming of Christ was very near, but I showed him so plainly by the signs that he could not help seeing it. He said that I scared him, and after showing him that the United States was mentioned in prophecy, he was anxious for the book and gave me his order."

Bro. Colie Parkins after his first week's experience says: "We surely are in a great work. I am glad to have a part in it, and eternity alone will reveal the good done by the canvasser."

In a very interesting letter from J. S. Fry, one of our old stand-bys in the canvassing work, I find these words of courage: "I am more and more thankful for the goodness of the Lord. He keeps me always. Although trouble comes, he stays by my side, and strengthens me for the work."

Bro. Virgil Smith has been detained from the work for awhile. From a recent letter from him I cull the following: "I had some good experiences. Two families seemed so hungry for the truth. I sold some books to them. One night I had some trouble finding a place to stay over night. Another abused me considerable, and then bought the book. Taking it all together the week was a very enjoyable one. I felt glad to be back at my old work again."

"I never feel one bit discouraged" is the testimony of Sr. Mary Parkins who is working with Sr. Parazetta Smith, at Columbus.

Sister Smith writes: "We are of good courage. The Lord certainly helps us to meet the people. I found one woman who seemed very much interested in the Sabbath question. When I told her a few things in answer to her questions as to what we believe, she said she had often wondered why we kept Sunday instead of the seventh day."

From Sister Jackson's letter we quote the following: "I am made to feel thankful as I go near some of the homes where 'Bible Footlights' have been sold and loaned to the neighbors. As I pass they say, 'She is the one that has those books,' and give me an order. I do want to represent Jesus in everything."

Just one more experience and testimony for this time. This is from Ella Johnson, one of our most faithful colored canvassers. She writes to us as follows: "Dear Brother and Sister Miller: I think you are anxious to hear from me and learn just how I got along with my delivery, and I am anxious to tell you. [Her delivery was during very high water when farms were overflowed.] It seems that I could see the hand of the Lord in this delivery as I have never seen it before. I left home expecting to deliver ten or twenty 'Bible Footlights,' and the Lord helped me to deliver \$91.50 worth. I tell you how I had to deliver them: on mule back, in wagon, on horseback, by train, walking, and in a 'skiff,' for some homes were surrounded by water. I had to use all these different means to make my delivery.

"On one plantation where I had to deliver, the owner forbade all peddlars, even beef and fish wagons, to sell to the people on his place; but the Lord helped me as the following incident shows. My delivery was May 1. On April 28 this man was taken seriously ill at the gambling table in his store, and they all thought he would die. They secured a

special train, and took him to the hospital. The next day (Sabbath) he was operated upon, and my delivery was the next Monday. So you see he was not on his plantation to disturb me, but in the hospital. He is much better now and will return home May 10." There are honest-hearted souls in that part of the vineyard, and I am praying that they will receive the truth from reading "Bible Footlights."

In closing I wish to state that Sr. Emily Billups, one of our most faithful and earnest canvassers, and who is past sixty-five years of age, has not let either mud or water hinder her work. She says: "Brother Miller the roads were so bad that I could not get a buggy. I had to hire a man to pack my books. The roads were too bad for a horse and buggy." She walked through mud and water, and delivered \$137.00 worth in about three and one-half days. These are surely examples of courage in difficulties, and of overcoming them.

I will have more testimonies later.

H. G. MILLER, *State Agent*.

I SURELY enjoyed the institute held at Hatley. It was indeed a feast both spiritually and mentally, and the instruction received gave me a greater zeal for the Master's work. So I am determined to do more for my Master and the establishment of his kingdom. Pray for me. E. M. BLUNT.

I ATTENDED my first institute at Hatley. I thank the Lord for the blessed truths I learned while there. By the help of the Lord, I intend to do all I can, in the cause of the Lord, as long as I live, if God will give me health and strength. Praise the Lord for his goodness to me so far.

Your sister in Christ,

MRS. L. A. FRY.

NOTICE

At the meeting of the conference committee, November 27 and 28, it was decided to raise a fund to pay for some office furniture that we find our office very much in need of, such as desks, a typewriter, etc. All who would like to help raise this fund will please send their donations to Miss Beulah Callicott, and your name, with the amount given, will be published. If you cannot give a large sum, do not be ashamed to give a small amount.

W. S. LOWRY.

CONFERENCE OFFICE FURNITURE FUND

Amount already donated.....\$26.00

Tennessee River Conference

NOTES

On the eleventh of May I arrived at Nashville to meet Brethren Kilgore, Martin, Pavey, and others to help plan for the summer's campaign with the tent there this season. On Sabbath the twelfth I was invited to speak to the people of the memorial church on the corner of Fifth and Fatherland Streets.

The Lord gave freedom, and we talked awhile of the progress of the work and the burden that rested upon us now. As to the work in Nashville and Memphis, I will say that for some time the Lord through the Spirit of prophecy has told us these cities should be worked. Nashville and Memphis have been mentioned as fruitful fields, and we trust that in our effort this year, we shall reach many souls and save all that we can. We have planned to rent a house for the workers in each of these cities, and put the gospel tent in the yard of that home, if large enough, or on an adjoining lot, so

that it can be cared for, and the workers that live in the house can always be at meeting, rain or shine, hot or cold. In locating the work in a good home, we are afforded accommodations of electric lights, city water, and sewerage, also protection by screens from the flies and mosquitoes. This will make it more comfortable, and the workers will be better satisfied, and we trust, of course, it will result in more and better work. In these strong companies we expect to have paper sellers, Bible workers, book agents, and ministers. It seems to us to be an ideal plan that all can work out from the tent every day, meeting the people, reading with some, selling and giving away literature, and inviting all the people to meeting.

On Wednesday night we held a joint meeting of the two Nashville churches in the north Nashville church near the publishing house. This was indeed a missionary meeting, the congregations, including the leaders of both churches, were present. The writer spoke a few minutes, and then turned the meeting over to Brother Haskell and wife. Brother Haskell spoke of the progress of this work, and the importance of getting our literature before the people, and the good it would accomplish. This was followed by a talk and a reading of a few scriptures by Sister Haskell. She then took up the sale of the literature, offering two dollars' worth of small books for one dollar to any one who would agree to sell them. Our secretary had made up several packages, and every one of them was sold; also two five-dollar packages of tracts, containing several thousand pages. The retail price of these tracts was fifteen dollars, and this was paid and donated to the tent work together with several packages of small books. Indeed it was a good meeting. The Spirit of the Lord was there, and the meeting at its close was turned into a social and praise meeting. The spirit manifested by the leading brethren of these two churches to purchase literature, set the example and led out in this work.

Next day we went with Brother Martin to select a home for the tent company. We visited two places, and as we viewed one of them, we were reminded that we had prayed for God to lead us in finding a location, and, unless hindered in some way by the enemy, I am persuaded that we have succeeded in locating in harmony with his will.

This week will be spent in locating the tent company in Memphis. Pray for the work in these places.

W. R. BURROW.

A VISIT TO THE FOOD FACTORY NEAR MADISON, TENN., AND THE LITTLE CHURCH AND CHURCH SCHOOL AT FOUNTAIN HEAD, TENN.

At the factory we found Brother Knox and his co-laborers all busy making the good foods that are being distributed all over the country. Indeed it is a pleasure to visit the place and see how neat and clean everything is kept where this food is made. We have been to some places in the past, and went away pretty well disgusted, saying, "We don't want any more of that stuff;" but not so here. We have been using these foods from the first, and it now seems that our table is not complete unless we have one or more of these foods on it.

This factory belongs to the denomination, and turns in a dividend to no one. It is not run for the sole purpose of making money, but that our people, with the rest of the world, may purchase these foods at a price low enough so that they can afford to eat them.

From there we went to Fountain Head. There we had a most excellent meeting and visit. It was a pleasure to visit this school home again, and see the excellent work that is being done by Brethren Mulford and West, and their co-

laborers. This is one of the self-supporting schools in Tennessee. They have had a successful school this year. I had not been there long until they proposed a meeting. They did not have time to let many know for the day was far spent; but by the phone and horse-back riders notice was given that preaching would be held at the schoolhouse, and it was pretty well filled with a good attentive company. We are glad for the excellent work these people are doing. Truly it was encouraging to hear them talk of the progress of the work and their interest to help in all its departments until the work is done. Brother Mulford was not at home, Brother West was busily engaged in running a saw-mill, and all seemed to be busy doing something. May God bless this good work. Yours faithfully,
W. R. BURROW.

Missionary Volunteers

CHAFF OR WHEAT

IN these times when the tendencies of education are so strong toward mythology and "light literature," it is well to give heed to the admonitions of the Lord in reference to the proper food for the spiritual needs of the child. Even periodicals that pose as Christian are often found advising the reading of fiction by the young.

The Lord's instruction to parents is this: "But teach them [that is, teach God's law and the story of his dealings with his people] thy sons, and thy sons' sons." Deut. 4:9, 10. "And ye shall teach them [that is, God's words] your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up." Deut. 11:19.

Is this narrowness? If so, it is the narrowness of infinite wisdom. There are some things that are better narrow than broad; as, for instance, a leak in a dyke, a break in a dam, or the spaces between the bars of a tiger's cage. It is the very essence of wisdom to be narrow toward evil; it is the sum of foolishness to be narrow toward God. But he who fills his mind with the folly of this or ancient times is broadening toward the evil, and narrowing toward the good. God makes no provision, he sets apart for us no time, for the study of the foolish and frivolous things of the age in which we live.

One prominent religious journal recommends for the children a list of books of fiction which it plainly states is composed of books whose contents would be a senseless jumble to the adult mind; but whatever they appear to the healthy adult mind, that is what they are; and the one who places before his child a senseless jumble, instead of that which the Lord has directed, is guilty before God. He is not only starving the intellect of the child, but he is turning the intellect of that child away from the love of God, and the love of the truth, to the love of the unreal, the unsatisfying, the foolish.

Upon every parent rests a weighty responsibility in this matter; it is not the responsibility of seeing that these channels of folly are led into the home to flood the soul, and drown its longings for God and the good—it is the responsibility of seeing to it that there is a strong barrier set up against any such invasion. The wise parent will give to his child that which is "meat in due season;" for "what is the chaff to the wheat? saith the Lord." C. M. SNOW.

THE Christian has cause to be thankful for three things—that some one preached the way, that the Lord accepted his offer to walk in the way, and that he made the way easy.

GOD'S VIEW OF MEN

MANY a young man or young woman who has attracted no attention from men has stood before the eyes of God as a future leader and hero in his kingdom. Some thirty-five years ago a young negro lad might have been seen walking along the dusty roads of Virginia on his way to Hampton Institute. To men, he appeared only as a dirty, poorly-clad, ignorant child of slavery; in the sight of God he was the future leader of 10,000,000 colored people in America—Booker T. Washington.

In central Africa, eighty years ago, a young negro boy was captured and sold into slavery. His master thought so little of him that he was offered in exchange first for a horse, then for a cask of rum, and finally for some tobacco. No one wanted him, and he was sent on board a Portuguese slaveship, chained and crowded together with hundreds of other slaves. The vessel was captured by a British man-of-war, and the black boy set free. He came under the influence of a Christian man, who led him to Christ and educated him. That slave boy, despised and rejected by men, became Bishop Samuel Crowther, the first negro bishop of Nigeria, honored by Christians the world over, and the means of bringing multitudes of his fellow men into the kingdom of God.

What a change it would make in our estimates of men, women, and children, if we could see with the eyes of God, and know the value of a soul saved for the service of the King!—*Delavan L. Pierson.*

General

HEARING ON JOHNSTON SUNDAY BILL

ON Wednesday, May 17, at noon, a hearing was held in the Capitol, at Washington, by a sub-committee of the Senate District Committee on the new Johnston Sunday Bill, S. 237. The committee members present were Senators Works, of California, chairman; Johnston, of Alabama; Curtis, of Kansas; Pomerene, of Ohio; and Dillingham, of Vermont. These senators gave the closest attention throughout, and manifested their interest by asking a large number of questions. Eld. K. C. Russell opened the hearing with a strong speech, protesting against the passage of the bill because of its un-constitutional and religious character. He was repeatedly interrupted by questions from members of the committee. In the course of Brother Russell's speech, Senator Works stated that if he could be shown that the bill was of a religious character and infringed the rights of any person, he would oppose it.

Professor Prescott, who followed Elder Russell, addressed himself to the statement of Senator Works, and in a very forceful argument set forth the religious nature of the bill. Following Professor Prescott, the President and Secretary of the Secular League of Washington presented arguments against this proposed legislation. No one appeared in its favor.

At the close of the hearing, a carefully prepared, formal, printed protest against the bill was placed in the hands of each senator present, and has since been mailed to every member of the Senate. By this means, it is hoped to reveal the danger of this kind of legislation to every senator.

Several weeks will necessarily elapse before this bill will be reported out of committee to the Senate, and come up for its third reading and passage. Meanwhile we desire to earnestly

APPEAL TO OUR CHURCHES

in the United States to immediately take up the petition work

which has previously been outlined by the Religious Liberty Department. Let every church at once pass a set of resolutions protesting against this bill. We desire the churches to take this action in order to reveal to the senators to whom these petitions should be sent, that in passing such a bill they are in reality rendering a decision in a religious controversy.

Some have written in to the office that they have already sent in petitions against this bill, and making inquiry as to the propriety of sending in petitions the second time against the same bill. But this is not the same bill. It is an entirely new bill, introduced on April 6, 1911, into an entirely new Congress. While its provisions are similar to the bill against which we have formerly protested, yet it is not the same. This is Senate Bill 237, of the Sixty-second Congress. The other was Senate Bill 404 of the Sixty-first Congress, and died in committee at the close of that Congress on March 4, last. It will, therefore, be proper to repeat our protests against this bill that we have already made against S. 404, of the last Congress.

We strongly urge that the action above indicated be taken at once in all our churches, and a copy of the resolutions passed, be sent immediately to the senators from your State. And pray that God's gracious hand may still be with us in this important work. RELIGIOUS LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

Per Carlyle B. Haynes.

A SOLDIER'S APPEAL

In the WORKER of May 11, 1911, there is an earnest appeal in behalf of the soldiers in the United States regular army. The writer of the appeal, B. N. Brown, now connected with the Publishing House office, is well fitted on account of his ten years' army experience to reach his old comrades. He can send literature to every man in the service if the necessary tract fund is provided. Those who desire to assist may send donations through the regular channels or to the treasurer of the Southern Publishing Association, 24th Ave. N., Nashville, Tenn., and tracts and papers will be systematically sent to the soldiers, and the results reported.

C. F. McVAGH.

ELDER LOUGHBOROUGH (who, since the death of Elder Wheeler, is the oldest minister in the denomination, that is, has been longest in service) is still engaged in active work. He writes: "I have attended three camp-meetings in California, and in company with Brother and Sister Haskell have taken part in three institutes. I have also had opportunity to speak several times in Lodi, my home church. I thank the Lord that he still gives me strength to labor in this precious cause in which I have spent the most of my life."—*Selected.*

BRO. A. N. ALLEN sends the following interesting report from Peru, South America: "Though we have had wars and rumors of wars, and fightings within and without, God has blessed his cause in this land of the ancient sun-worshipping Incas. Thus far thirty-four have been baptized this year, all but one coming directly from the Roman Church. A Dominican friar has just left the convent, and expects to sell our literature. A minister and his wife, formerly of Colombia, unite with us, and ask to be allowed to carry the message to unentered Colombia. Recently in Puno, Brother Stahl and I were met by crowds of Indians carrying flags, and hundreds came out to hear the Word, coming for leagues over the Andes Mountains and across the plains. Large numbers es-

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D C Ray.....	BFL	50	16	17 50	1 10	18 60	50
W P Ethington*NT	P	35	22	20 50		20 50	
W P EthingtonBNT	P	51	31	33 50		33 50	
H Ethington ..	BFL	40	33	35 50		35 50	
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W E Cooper..	BFL	36	27	31 00	2 75	33 75	2 75
Lamar Cooper ..	BFL	51	50	62 50	3 00	65 50	2 50
C G Parkins...	BFL	50	58	66 50	2 75	69 25	1 75
Mrs L A Fry...C	K	16	11	18 50	4 25	22 75	2 75
Mrs M E Mundy	BFL	25	12	12 00	5 25	17 25	2 25
Lucy Allen ...	BFL	12	7	7 00	50	7 50	25
Parazetta Smith	BFL	21	10	11 50	2 50	14 00	50
Mary R Parkins	BFL	24	16	22 50	1 00	23 50	1 00
Ella Johnson ..	BFL	27	57	70 00	4 75	74 75	7 75
J P Campbell..	BFL	45	23	25 50	50	26 00	7 75
E P Campbell...P	G	21	3	9 00	5 75	14 75	7 00
Louise Jackson	BFL	19	1	1 00	1 25	2 25	7 00
Annie Watts ..	BFL	25					25 00
Mary J Moore..	BFL	17	13	13 00	2 00	15 00	
D V Barnes....	BFL	20					15 00
E L Marley....	BFL	20					15 00
M A Murphy...B	L	40					100 00

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J S Moore.....	—	35	1	1 00	5 50	6 50	5 00
C H Chenault...	—	54	15	38 00	28 75	66 25	50 75
E Jones	—	12	11	12 50	1 00	13 50	
C L Sims.....	—	24	20	23 00	5 00	28 00	
S Frisby	—	20	3	3 00	50	3 50	
C E Morphey...	—	60	21	24 00	12 45	36 45	9 50
M Wheeler	—						13 85
S E Gray.....	—						8 00

SUMMARY

Alabama Conf ...	147	61	28 50	14 50	93 00	12 75
Kentucky Conf ...	343	152	162 50	9 85	172 35	77 30
Louisiana no report						
Mississippi Conf ..	646	412	524 00	49 75	573 75	272 25
Tenn River Conf..	276	93	124 00	65 45	189 45	137 60
Totals	1412	718	889 00	139 55	1028 55	499 85

corted us from one town to another, and I even preached in one Catholic church. Fifteen of these Indians were baptized. Drops of the latter rain are falling in Peru."—*Selected.*

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DID you read the article in the WORKER dated May 11, entitled "A Soldier's Appeal"? If not you missed something.

This appeal is meeting with ready response among the brethren, and the writer is greatly encouraged to believe that the great task set before him will be accomplished; viz, warning the entire United States army of the coming of Christ, a field that *cannot* be entered by canvasser or preacher. My plan has been in development for some six months, and lengthy consultation has been made with various members of the General Conference. The article referred to, and my plan, has been approved by the General Conference Committee in an official action contained in letter dated May 9.

Did you know that a soldier's quarters is one "house" that the canvasser can never reach? How then is he going to be reached?

By one of their own clannish number. I am of that number.

Think it over and send what you may to the Treasurer, Southern Publishing Association, Nashville, Tenn., and may God bless you for the effort no matter how small. Send stamps if you so desire. They will carry many missives, many miles, to many souls.

BURTON N. BROWN, Formerly, U. S. Army.

Few people really know the value of fruit as a food. Most people think fruit is merely a luxury, pleasing to the taste, and beautiful to the eye. Everybody likes it, but as to its being an essential part of one's diet, comparatively few people believe it. These uninformed people who read the June number of *Life and Health* will have occasion to change their opinion in regard to fruit being an essential as a food.

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