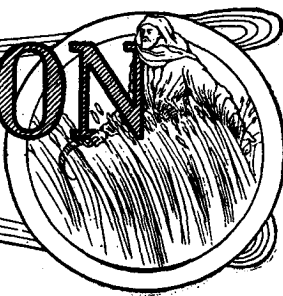


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"The Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." *Joshua 1:9*

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BUT AS FOR ME

"Choose you this day whom ye will serve; . . . but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." *Joshua 24:15.*

WHOM ye will serve this day, O choose!
Your reason and your conscience use;
Will you the best of friends refuse,
Or your worst foe?

Your choice of service make this day;
Choose thou the Christ; for to delay,
Is but to this dear Friend to say:
"I choose the world."

Between the right and wrong choose ye;
Be saved or lost eternally;
"From God depart" or "welcomed" be,
What choice make ye?

But as for all my house and me,
The Lord our joyous choice shall be
Until, life past, his glory we
In heaven shall see.

— *Grace Weiser Davis.*

FRIEDENSAU

THE biennial council of the General Conference at Friedensau, Germany, 1911, is now a matter of history. Its important actions are recorded in the official minutes, and will together with the impressions made upon the hearts of those present, have an influence upon the work of God to the close of time.

God is leading a people. He is gathering out from every nation, those who will hear his voice, and uniting them as one body, in order that he may lead them into the new earth, — the inheritance promised and prepared from the foundation of the world.

Those who had the privilege of attending this meeting could not help being impressed that God is leading a movement. He is not leading the individuals in it, as individuals, but as members of one movement, of one body. Just as surely as God in the days of the Exodus, started a movement in Egypt that continued until his people as a body went into Canaan, just so this third angel's message, which began back in 1844, is making its way in all the world, and will close in triumph. God organized and led the movement in the days of Moses, and in spite of opposition from without, and unbelief and even apostasy from within, the body moved on. Weary years were spent in the wilderness; men died and others arose; but the same movement that started in Egypt, finally entered Canaan. Not even Caleb and Joshua could enter in until they marched in as a part of God's triumphant organized body, and the history of the Exodus is recorded

for the instruction of the people of this advent movement. I Cor. 10:11.

There were assembled at Friedensau about twenty-five hundred Sabbath-keepers from sixty-eight different fields, and representing thirty-four languages; but all imbued with one spirit — the spirit of the advent movement from 1844 until the 144,000 sing the new song of victory on the sea of glass. It began in one nation, and has now reached many nations; but it is still one movement, moving steadily forward to certain victory. Men come and go, and lack of faith delays, but can not change the purpose of God. He called the people out that he might bring them into the land of promise. Wherever the message goes, it breaks down national barriers, and unites in one organization, those who heed the call. According to the record of the Exodus movement, so it will be to the end.

The Holy Spirit will purify the body. Sin and unbelief will be shaken out. But the pure and true will press together, and the movement, begun in apparent weakness, will triumph gloriously. But the work can not close until it closes in all the world. All God's people are interested in every step in the movement. Every meeting, such as the one at Friedensau, marks an era in the development of the work of God, and all who come under its influence are either strengthened or weakened, according to the spirit they cherish, and the way they relate themselves to the work as a whole.

Pleas were presented and plans laid for the advancement of the message into new fields. The last Sabbath was a day long to be remembered. Elder Spicer spoke in the morning, and the Holy Spirit came in power, and hundreds came forward to seek the Lord for definite victories. In the afternoon, after a discourse by Elder Daniells, twelve tried men, who return to labor in seven different languages, were solemnly set apart by the laying on of hands, to the work of the gospel ministry. All these gave short, but earnest testimonies, and the entire congregation joined in earnest prayer for them. In addition to these, two new laborers left the council for South America, two for East Africa, and one for Iceland. These also were presented before the congregation, and received prayers and Godspeed.

Eld. J. H. Schilling, president of the West German Union, was released to take charge of the German work in North America.

Special music for the occasion was rendered by the English quartet and the Berlin choir. The hearts of God's people in all the world are knit together by the spirit of sacrifice for the truth, and a hungering desire to see the work close. By far the larger number present were from the European division. The American delegates were unanimously requested to carry greeting to America, and to say that Europe is one with us in America to the close of the work.

C. F. McVAGH.

Our Publishing House

HOME OFFICE NEWS

SALES report for week ending Aug. 4, 1911: Total number of bound volumes, 1,066; *Watchman*, 5,546.

"COULD N'T" AND "COULD"

"COULD N'T" and "could" were two promising boys

Who lived not a great while ago.

They had just the same playmates and just the same toys,

And just the same chances for winning life's joys,

And all that the years may bestow.

And "Could" soon found out he could fashion his life

On lines very much as he planned;

He could cultivate goodness and guard against strife;

He could have all his deeds with good cheer to be rife,

And build him a name that would stand.

But poor little "Could n't" just could n't pull through,

All the trials he met with a sigh;

When a task needed doing, he could n't he knew;

And hence, when he could n't, how could he? Could you,

If you could n't determine you'd try?

So "Could" just kept building his way to success,

Nor clouding his sky with a doubt,

But "Could n't" strayed into the slough of Distress,

Alas! and his end it is easy to guess—

Strayed in, but he could n't get out.

And that was the difference 'twixt "Could n't" and "Could;"

Each followed his own chosen plan;

And where "Could n't" just would n't "Could" earnestly
would,

And where one of them weakened the other "made good,"

And won with his watchword, "I can."

—Nixon Waterman.

We have the following report from Bro. R. I. Keate, field agent of Alabama:—

"Certainly we should praise the Lord. As I opened my mail last night I was profoundly impressed by the way the Lord is blessing our work. Here are some of our reports:—

	Hours	Total Orders	Bibles
Vernon Vaughn,	54	\$101 00	\$ 6 70
Ben. Griffiths,	54	115 40	
Wright Battles,	68	87 50	5 15
W. B. Parkins,	53	100 25	
W. A. Nelson,	47	90 75	3 00
M. L. Ivory,	62	121 50	19 90

"One thing worthy of special notice is that all of these fine reports show real good time put in.

"Brother Vaughn just started in this work the week before last. This is his first full week's work. He is only eighteen years of age, and is working for a scholarship at Graysville. We all know Brother Griffiths. He has been averaging over \$100.00 per week. Brethren Parkins and Nelson are both Graysville students, and Wright Battles is from Oakwood. Brother Ivory is one of our faithful regular canvassers. Counting the Bibles he took \$141.40 worth of orders. This is his best record.

"All reports for last week are not in yet, but at this time those that are in amount to \$693.65 in orders, with \$400 delivered. The report for last week will close our record for July.

Reports already in, put us past our June record, though that was a five week period and July only four weeks. Don't forget to thank the Lord for it.

"Last week I drilled another worker for the field, and added one more to my list of prospective canvassers."

AN interesting item from Brother Pierce's Weekly News Letter:—

"A canvasser, an old gentleman who is working in the vicinity of his home here in the city, knocked at the door of what he knew to be a Catholic home, after praying for just the right words to say to impress the need for his book. The lady met him in a very unfriendly manner, and ordered him away even before he had mentioned his errand. As he slowly walked toward the street, wondering why his prayer had not been answered, the lady called him back. He returned, and she said: 'Are n't you a Seventh-day Adventist?' He told her that he was. 'Come in, then, I want to see your book,' she said. He went in, hardly knowing what to say, and just handed the prospectus over to her. She looked at it a few minutes, and then stated: 'I believe every word of that from the bottom of my heart. Bring me a copy.' That canvasser believes in prayer. He also believes it does not pay to cover up the fact that he is representing Seventh-day Adventist literature."

BRO. W. W. EASTMAN, general agent of the Southwestern Union Conference, writes as follows: "Well the drouth seems to be broken with us now, and we have plenty of moisture again, which may give us a good cotton crop. Feed stuff can be raised yet if the rains continue. Grass is growing for the stock, which is quite an item with us in the West. There will be some way provided for us to get through any way, so there is nothing for us to worry about. This is the Lord's work, and must go forward in spite of all difficulties.

"I suppose before this you have seen our June report, which is the best record we have ever made. I think our July report will also be a record breaker. North Texas for the second week in July, comes up with over two thousand dollars, which is the best record she has made this year."

A WORD of praise now and then is encouraging even to the workers in the Publishing House. We are glad to note that the workers in the field appreciate prompt and efficient service as shown by the following:—

"I would express my appreciation of the good work you are doing at the office, and in shipping out books. They are put up in the best shape and shipped with the most care of any I ever saw."

ELD. C. F. McVAGH returned to Nashville last Friday evening, and the office family enjoyed a treat at the chapel exercise Monday morning in listening to his report of the General Conference Council held in Friedensau. Elder McVagh brought greetings from the brethren across the water, and they are of good courage and the Lord is wonderfully blessing their work.

BRO. A. L. MANOUS, late State agent of South Carolina, has recently connected with the office force, working in our bindery department.

THE office has been unusually busy of late, but to turn out the large number of books with which to supply the workers in the field, takes considerable money, and we would kindly ask those who are owing us, to please make prompt remittance, as our needs are many at this time of the year.

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION,
R. HOOK JR., General Manager.

DO DREAMS COME TRUE?

We had a dream the other night,
When all around was still;
We dreamed that each subscriber
Came in and paid his bill.

— *Oklahoma Baptist, Feb. 17, 1910.*

Periodical Department**WATCHMAN**

OUR August edition of the *Watchman* is completely exhausted. This speaks well for "the present truth evangelizer."

The special message for September is related to the one for August. The conflict is on, what will be the outcome? The two conditions depicted on the September cover page will surely produce a result, for the Bible has prophesied, "Go to now ye rich men, weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon you." James 5:1.

In a strong editorial, "The Social Unrest," appears a pen picture drawing significant conclusions of the meaning of the present disturbed condition of society. Is it significant? It is but a sign of a great event that will engage the attention of the whole world. Like a smoldering volcano, the awful forces, now mustering their strength, will rise up against an unequal society, and the unjust conditions now existing will be righted by the appearance of the world's Saviour, for "the cries of them which have reaped are entered into the ears of the Lord of Sabaoth." James 5:4.

Professor Magan will continue his well-known series in a splendid article called, "The Balance of Power," outlining with great clearness how the powers are straining every fiber to hold back the "dogs of war," by preserving the delicately-adjusted "balance of power." We who are "wise unto salvation" realize that it is but the angel holding the four winds, until the elect of God are sealed in their foreheads. Shall we not therefore herald the message far and near by the circulation of this good number? Surely this article alone should stir us all to deeper thinking.

"Purpose of Bible Prophecy," by Clarence Santee, shows clearly why they were written. Prophecies were not always understood by those who wrote them, and they were written for the instruction of those living down near the end of time. A splendid contribution to hand to your neighbor who thinks the prophecies of no use.

And other articles, a description of which we have not space to give, as, "The Nature of Man," "A Stupendous Failure," etc., etc.

The September number is well prepared, the standard high, and the message clear. Order a few for your neighbors. Why not send in fifty cents for a small standing order of ten, and dispose of them?

Order through your tract society. Rates up to 40, 5 cents each; over, 4 cents.

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION.

If our forefathers read the Bible with smoking lamps and blurred vision, and nevertheless got some blessing, what a power of God it would be to us now, if in the light of the electric arc we should find it the storehouse of divine grace and truth, perfectly co-ordinated, and surpassing our highest ideals.— *Selected.*

"WHAT we need is home religion, the sanctification of the truth in the home life."

Kentucky Conference**OUR CANVASSERS**

BRO. W. P. ETHINGTON has placed one hundred forty-seven "Bible Footlights" in Henry County.

We expect two thirds of our canvassers to attend the camp-meeting at Pleasureville.

Runa Walbert has taken up the book-work, and is canvassing in Lexington for "Bible Footlights."

We regret that several of our canvassers have been ill, so that our July report will not be as large as June.

Herschel Ethington has had to give up the work, and Curtis Mount has returned home on account of his health.

Bro. Wm. Horn has just made his first delivery of "Great Controversy" in Bracken County. He averaged 76¼ cents per hour for both canvassing and delivering. He has already placed \$157.10 worth of books in the county, and writes that he had no such success as this last year where he worked. Kentucky is a good field in which to canvass.

The company at Shelbyville deserve a credit mark for the good solid time they have been putting in the past month; they averaged over fifty hours a week. In all my long years of experience in this work, this is the best average of time I remember any company putting in. This is a good example for others. They are having better success than they have been having in the past, for which we praise the Lord.

C. F. DART.

MAGAZINE AGENTS' WEEKLY REPORT

For Week Ending July 28, 1911

Agents	Papers	Hrs.	No.	Value
LOUISVILLE				
Magazine report for week ending July 28.				
Milton Jones	L&H soft	YI	W 27 82	\$ 8 20
Bessie Mount	W	36	60	6 00
Marie Wirth	W	2	11	1 10
Irene Campbell	L&H	23	263	26 30
Hattie Hamer	L&H	19	237	23 70
Total		107	653	\$65 20

LEXINGTON

ON account of the serious illness of my wife from malaria, we thought a change of climate would be beneficial; so we are located in the needy field of Kentucky.

After counsel with the president of the conference and some members of the committee, and after earnest prayer to our Father in heaven, we were impressed that the city of Lexington ought to be the scene of our labor during the summer.

Lexington is one of the large cities of the South, a center of pride, amusement, and corruption. Surely we should obey the voice of our Father, as he calls upon his servants to-day "to work the cities;" for he will not tolerate long the corruption that exists in our centers of population.

The time is not far distant, when the voice of God will call to his people in Lexington, and all other wicked cities, as in days of old, "escape for thy life, look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain, *escape thou to the mountain*, lest thou be consumed." Gen. 19:17.

As the Lord has chosen us to give this warning message to these souls for whom he died on the cruel cross of Calvary, we have felt our weakness and need of him, who is

the Captain of our salvation, that we may be able to bear the great responsibility that rests upon us. We have sought him in prayer earnestly asking him to overrule for good all things pertaining to the work we are striving to accomplish for his name.

The Lord has surely visited us with blessings, and has been with us in our meetings. The enemy of righteousness has endeavored to close up the way against us, but the hand of our God has been manifest with us, and opened up the way for the message to be given, by providing a splendid site on which to pitch our tent. We pitched our gospel tent in a little grove on East Main Street, which is a good residence part of the city, and our first public service was held Sunday night, June 4, and we have been blessed with a good attendance during the series of meetings which has been in progress ever since.

We closed this series of meetings Sunday night, July 30, feeling that the effort of eight weeks in Lexington has not been in vain, but that the services have been a blessing to our brethren and sisters here, and to all who attended them.

Bro. James Myers, and other brethren who reside in Lexington, rendered assistance in the meetings.

Mrs. Lindsay acted as organist during the entire effort, and our good music was a great factor in the interest of the meetings.

Our two Bible workers, Sister Allran and Sister Wirth, have been faithful in their work, and have been kept busy giving Bible readings. As a result of the effort we have made in Lexington, we are glad to report a band of ten Sabbath-keepers, all of whom seem to be rejoicing in the truth of God. Others have said that they would keep the Sabbath. A number are still interested for whom we will continue to labor.

Our donations during the meetings have amounted to about twenty-four dollars.

We all unite in giving God the praise and glory for what has been accomplished so far in this city, and we are desirous of walking with God daily, so he can continue to use us for his glory, in gathering out of darkness and adding to his church, such as shall be saved.

ROSS S. LINDSAY.

Louisiana Conference

CAMP-MEETING

THIS meeting was held at Baton Rouge, July 27 to August 6. The camp was pitched seven squares from the business center of the city, and just on the edge of a good residence section. There was a moderately good attendance in the evening from the outside.

There were present from outside the conference, Eld. J. N. Anderson and Bro. L. A. Hansen from the General Conference; Professor VanKirk from the Southern Training School; Eld. T. M. French, from West Africa, and A. F. Harrison and the writer, of the Southern Union Conference. The principal part of the preaching was done by these visiting brethren and by the president of the conference.

There were two large tents on the ground; one for the general meeting, and one for the children and youth. There were only twenty family tents, and the number of campers did not exceed one hundred.

The interest in the meeting was good, from the beginning to the close. Several were baptized at the close of the meeting, and Bro. O. F. Frank was set apart to the work of the gospel ministry.

The Louisiana Conference is in a prosperous condition. The

debt that was resting upon it a few years ago, has been lifted, and as a result the brethren and sisters are of good courage in the work.

The secretary's report of the conference proceedings will show that it is the purpose of this conference to come behind in no good work.

Elder Maxwell was re-elected, but with the understanding that he will be released as soon as a suitable man can be found to take his place. He will retire from this field on his own motion with the regard and best wishes of the entire conference.

C. P. BOLLMAN.

SABBATH-SCHOOL REPORT

For Quarter Ending June 30, 1911

Names	Expense	Membership	Avg. Attd.	Contribs.	Mission
New Orleans	\$10 45	67	51	\$65 02	\$65 02
Hammond	2 95	34	24	14 47	14 47
Jennings	25	18	9	12 11	12 11
Welsh	5 27	41	29	11 21	11 21
Shreveport		28	23	7 48	7 48
Lake Charles	1 15	18	15	6 85	6 85
DeRidder	3 35	21	13	6 58	6 58
Lake Arthur	50	15	10	4 95	4 95
Newellton		12	10	4 50	4 50
Hobart		18	17	3 11	3 11
Jena	3 21	33	23	1 96	1 96
Ringgold		18	11	1 00	1 00
Home Dept	2 85	117	117	11 23	11 23
Totals	\$29 68	340	29.98	150 97	150 97

Mrs. E. H. REES,

Sabbath-school Secretary.

Mississippi Conference

NOTICE

THE phone number of the Mississippi Tract Society is 1950.

H. G. MILLER, *Assist. Sec.*

OUR COLORED CAMP-MEETING

OUR annual State camp-meeting convenes August 24 and continues to September 3 instead of from August 30 to September 10, as announced in the *Review and Herald*, of July 6. We urge all who possibly can to attend. We are looking for showers of blessing during the meeting.

WHAT TO BRING

Bring bedding such as sheets and covering. The cost of tents will be about ten cents per day. We will have a dining tent on the ground where meals can be had at reasonable rates. We would be glad if some of the brethren could come a day or two before the meeting begins to assist us in getting things ready.

A. C. CHATMAN,
N. B. KING.

OUR Father exhorts us to "seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things [our living] shall be added" unto us. It is sad indeed that man should live so far short of this blessed privilege. Of such a one a certain writer has said: "His face is a map of vain journeyings after small treasures which he might have picked up in sufficient quantity while engaged in nobler efforts."

Our Schools

OBJECT AND SCOPE OF EDUCATION

THE education of an individual covers the whole period of his life, beginning with earliest infancy. Dr. Lyman Abbott recently said: "The difference between a helpless babe in its mother's arms, and such men as Gladstone or Thomas Edison is education." This is a sweeping statement, but no more so than the following one: "Education has to do with the whole being, and with the whole period of existence possible to man. It is the harmonious development of the physical, mental, and the spiritual powers. It prepares the student for the joy of service in this world, and for the higher joy of a wider service in the world to come."—"Education," p. 13.

We can see from these statements that the finishing of a prescribed course of study in school is only a part of education. The adolescent period, however, marks a crisis in the life of an individual. Character is being made rapidly, and lasting decisions reached at this time especially, so great care should be used that the influences that surround the young at this time are such as to give them a true conception of life, and its real object.

Unconsciously there comes into the life during the time of development into young manhood and womanhood a feeling that what they are learning is all that is essential. If wrong conceptions of life are obtained, if wrong ways of thinking come in at this period, it has an influence over the after life that is most difficult to overcome. Equally lasting are right impressions made at this time.

"The holy Scriptures are the perfect standard of truth, and as such, should be given a prominent place in education. . . . Higher than the highest human thought can reach, is God's ideal for his children. Godliness, God-likeness, is the goal to be reached. Before the student there is opened a path of continual progress. He has an object to achieve, a standard to attain, that includes everything good, pure, and noble."—"Education," pp. 17 and 18.

Is it possible for the schools of the world to help our students to achieve that object or to attain that standard?

In September, 1909, the *Cosmopolitan* contained an article by a prominent writer, giving the attitude of the leading educators of the popular schools toward the religion of the Bible. According to that article "an assault on the ten commandments, the church, and the usual conception of God, is an important part of their teaching." The college men say the God of the Christian's conception is not big enough for this enlightened (?) age. Many teach that marriage is not sacred; that there are holier alliances outside the marriage relation than in it, even that it is contrary to the higher laws of the spirit to set up a legal relationship. When leaders teach such things as these, do you wonder at the social condition we see everywhere about us?

"Never was any previous generation called to meet issues so momentous as now. Never before were young men confronted by perils so great as confront them to-day."—"Education," p. 225.

Fathers and mothers need to appreciate the responsibility and honor God has placed upon them, in making them, to the child, representatives of himself. (Read Judges 13.) O, that an earnest desire might come into the hearts of Seventh-day Adventist parents for wisdom to direct their children so they would consecrate themselves to the Lord, and receive a training for definite service.

The need for consecrated, trained, young people for every line of gospel work, was never so urgent as now. May the Lord help us all to do our utmost. A. N. ATTEBERRY.

HILLCREST SCHOOL NOTES

PROF. F. BRALLIAR is in the West with Mrs. Bralliar, whose health demanded a change of climate for a time.

Bro. Y. C. Haugsted, our farmer, has been called to Iowa, because of the illness of his father.

Elder Bartlett and Dr. A. J. Harris took charge of our quarterly meeting. God came very near and lives were re-consecrated for service.

Eld. J. E. White and Sr. M. M. Osborne spent Sabbath, July 1, with the school. Elder White gave a very interesting account of some of his experiences in the pioneer days of his work among the colored people. He also gave us a study on "The Sabbath."

Our locality recently passed through the most severe drouth known at this season in many years. This has materially affected our crops. Where we reasonably expected from one thousand to fourteen hundred bushels of oats, the drouth so dwarfed them that all had to be cut with a mowing machine, and put up as hay, getting but little of this. Recent rains are helping the corn and other later crops.

Bro. Henry Williams and wife, who have recently accepted the truth under the labors of Eld. Joseph Lawrence, in Louisville, Ky., are with us, and entering earnestly into the work of preparing themselves for efficient service among their own people.

The school family recently had a day's outing. The presence of Elder Barry and Sister Haysmer added much to the occasion. A program dealing with religious liberty, and our attitude toward it, and allied subjects, occupied the morning hours. After dinner, under the trees, some simple contests were engaged in, fresh fruit being awarded as prizes.

Bro. J. W. Allison and wife, of Vicksburg, Miss., twice visited the school recently. Their reports of practical experience in both school and medical missionary work were interesting and helpful. Due to the condition of Sister Allison's health, they are obliged to seek a more favorable climate for a time.

Our prayers will accompany them that God may speedily restore her health, and that they may soon return to this field to continue their labors.

Eld. A. Barry was with us over Sabbath and Sunday, July 8 and 9. His instruction was of a most practical nature, and will, we trust, bear fruit in our lives. July 22 he was again with us, when six of our students, also Brother Hyde, of North Nashville, were buried with their Lord in baptism in White's Creek at the back of the farm. O. R. STAINES.

General

DEPENDABLE

"ELEANOR is such a dependable girl." What a desirable adjective "dependable" is! "Depend" means to hang from. If you put a nail in the wall, and it goes merely through the plaster, the mirror or the picture hung from it is likely to fall and be broken. The nail is not dependable.

If, instead of going through plaster only, it had gone into firm wood, it would have held. So character, to be dependable, needs to be clinched firmly in the truth. A dependable person may be relied on to hold, to be true to a trust reposed.

The dependable girl does what she is told to do, when the order comes from one in authority; and she keeps her own promises. How many girls are there who do not say, "I meant to, but—" That "but" may have varying excuses following it; they all mean the same thing. The girl is not to be relied on. The dependable girl does not lose the important

letter she is bringing from the post-office. She does not borrow some rare volume from your library and leave it lying in a public place. It is the dependable girl who makes the best kind of a friend. She does not reveal confidences. She has an instinctive sense of what is proper to speak of, and what should be kept to oneself. She stands up for others where she can truthfully, and keeps silent if she can not approve. This girl pays her debts. She does not keep a needy person waiting long for the money due her for her work.

If an errand has been forgotten, go back and do it, even if you may have to retrace some of the way. You will not forget next time. Be careful about making promises; think well whether you can perform them, but once made, fulfil them to the letter.

Many rewards attend dependableness. A girl possessed of it is likely to be a favorite. She may be called upon to do more than others, but she is everywhere welcome, and the demands are an honor. Perhaps the highest reward is increasing strength of character. As the girl goes on to womanhood, the stress of life becomes more apparent. Some day persons in grief or misfortune will need the support of her strength, and she will not disappoint them. It is of the nature of dependableness to become more and more dependable.

M. H. C.

MANNERS IN PUBLIC

In these days of rush and hurry, in crowded streets and other public places, it may not be easy to keep the self-control and politeness that we practise in our houses; but we must remember that good manners are founded on kindness and consideration for others, and we should not fail in courtesy, even when we find that quality lacking in our neighbor.

A person with good manners does not push or jostle others in the entrances of shops or churches. A well-bred person shrinks instinctively from a pushing, rude crowd. If, by accident, one touches against another person in passing, one should say, "Excuse me." A man must be most careful in this particular, and must raise his hat as an apology.

In the street the rule is to keep to the right. It is rude for three or four persons to walk abreast, thus inconveniencing others. One or two should step back, and allow those behind to pass where there is not otherwise room. It is not good manners to loiter looking in shop windows; one should walk quickly from place to place. It is not correct for people to walk arm-in-arm, or for a man to walk between two women. A woman does not take her escort's arm in the evening. He walks beside her merely to show that she is not alone. A man should only touch a woman's arm to assist her over a crossing when she is feeble or infirm, or there is sudden danger from which he needs to protect her.

Voices should be restrained in public. A quiet tone is used in speaking. It is a lack of refinement to discuss private affairs in public, or to talk about absent persons and mention names. The worst manners are those of persons who seem to wish to attract attention in public, either by loud talking, laughing, or demonstrative gestures.

When traveling, it is not polite to monopolize more than a rightful share of space in a train or to fill another seat with bags or wraps, as though it were reserved for some one. If another person asks if the seat is reserved, one should be prompt and gracious in removing belongings, and giving up the seat.

A girl of refinement finds it extremely embarrassing to have a man pay her carfare. If a girl friend insists on paying carfare for another girl, it is better to submit graciously than to dispute in public, even good-naturedly.

When entering a public place a woman precedes a man, unless there is a large crowd and he can add to her convenience or protection by preceding her.

In a church a quiet manner is appropriate. Talking, whispering, or exchanging greetings in a church, and when walking down the aisle after the service, shows a great failure in reverential regard for the place. Conversation should be postponed until outside of the building. Introductions should never be made in a church. It is absolutely essential that one who is a stranger in a church, and not familiar with the service, should follow the customs which are obvious, and rise, stand, sit, or kneel when others do.—*Ladies' World*.

Missionary Volunteers

REPORT OF THE TRACT AND MISSIONARY WORK OF THE SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE For Quarter Ending June 30, 1911

General Subjects Studied in Meeting: Our People and Their Work, Foreign Missions, Home Missions, etc.

Number of Societies Reported.....	•14
Number of Letters Written.....	251
Number of Letters Received.....	125
Bible Readings or Cottage Meetings Held.....	36
Number Attending the Bible Readings.....	36

MISSIONARY VISITS

With Individuals	643
Institutions (public)	15
Hospitals	24

CHRISTIAN HELP WORK

Number of Sick Persons Assisted.....	90
Help Work	795
Number of Treatments Given.....	145
Number of Meals Provided.....	97
Articles of Clothing Given Away.....	409

COPIES OF PAPERS

Subscriptions Taken	74
Sold	674
Loaned	2654
Tracts Loaned or Given Away.....	1854
Total Copies of Our Papers Received.....	1890

BOOKS

Sold	523
Loaned or Given Away.....	224
Relief Books Sold.....	2
Number of Reading Racks.....	3
Times Filled	56

Signatures Obtained to the Temperance Pledge.....	101
Number of Children Brought to the Sabbath-School..	38
Retail Value of All Literature Given Away.....	\$ 95.41
Retail Value of All Literature Sold.....	203.50
Amount Collected for Missions.....	63.45

REPORT OF WORK DONE

THE missionary work has made encouraging progress during last quarter as the foregoing figures will indicate. We are so glad to know that so many people have been reached with the message for these times. We must not slacken our efforts in any way. Circulate our literature as much as possible while we are free to do so, for there are troublous

CANVASSING REPORT FOR THE SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE

For Week Ending July 29, 1911

ALABAMA CONFERENCE						
NAME	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total Delivered
Vernon Vaughn	BF	54	71	\$101 00	\$	\$101 00
W. L. Battles	BF	68	56	78 00	1 50	79 50
W. B. Parkins	D&R	53	31	96 50	3 75	100 25
Albion Kiehnhoff	PP&F	30	2	6 00		6 00 84 50
W. A. Nelson	D&R BF	47	46	78 00	12 75	90 75 4 50
M L Ivory	BF	62	55	82 50	39 00	121 50 1 50
W. V. Wilson	BF	19	15	15 00	1 25	16 25 3 75
R. B. Winston	BF	2	2	2 00		2 00 5 00
Beulah Cothorn	BF	4	2	2 00		2 00 6 50
R. T. Jacks	BF	22				49 50
Ben Griffiths	2wksBF	99	76	114 00	1 40	115 40 195 00
N. E. Allen	BF	50	26	38 00	3 50	41 50
John Finch	BF	36	26	37 50	50	38 00
Isadore Evans	BF	40	3	4 50	1 00	5 50 49 50
Indiana Baines	PPF	5	4	6 00	1 50	7 50 25
Robert Cook	BF	15	12	16 50		16 50

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE						
Wm Horn	2 wks.GC	81	16	51 00	11 30	62 30 159 35
H. E. Beck	BF	40	18	20 50	4 70	25 20 1 00
C. R. Millar	BF	31	9	4 65		4 65 1 25
Runa Walbert	BF	12	5	5 50		5 50
D. C. Ray	BF	51	23	26 50	50	27 00 50
W. P. Ethington	BF	42	3	3 00	4 75	7 75 2 25

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE						
Mamie Jeneveine	PPF	20				40 00
Jos. Goesling	PPF	10	9	13 50		13 50 23
Warren Adams	PPF	6	2	3 00	3 70	6 70 6 70
Daisy L. Berry	PPF	45	7	12 50	2 75	15 25 33 50
Frank Beckham	PPF	36	38	59 50		59 50 38 50
J J Jackson	BF	30	40	40 00		40 00
V McPhall	2 wksBF	41	52	52 00	6 50	58 50
G Jorgenson	PPF	38	4	8 00	3 25	11 25 18 25
P C Sibley	3wksPPF	129	37	139 50	15 50	155 00 152 05

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

J. S. Fry	D&R	55	24	55 00	1 25	56 25 1 25
W. H. Haddon	BF	53	42	53 50	4 00	57 50 2 25
Virgil Smith	BF	26	57	61 00	8 55	69 55 9 50
C. H. McColrie	BF	5				6 00
Lamar Cooper	BF	38	19	21 00	5 75	26 75 2 00
W E Cooper		26	19	20 00	3 75	23 75
Coley Parkins		41	43	48 50	10 75	59 25 2 50
Mary E. Mundy		21				6 00
H. G. Miller		10				6 00
Ella Johnson		9	18	26 50	1 75	28 25 3 50
Emily Billups		48	70	105 00	2 75	107 75
J. P. Campbell		61				45 00
E P Campbell	PC	20				6 00
John Woods	BF	53	16	24 00	3 75	27 75 24 00
J D. Miller	BF	8	13	19 00	75	19 75 8 00
Mrs S. D. Miller	BF	6	2	2 00		2 00 9 50
M A Murphy		26	26	28 00	50	28 50 6 80
Louise Jackson		22	5	5 00	2 50	7 50 10 50

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

Mamie Moore	D&R	36	26	43 50	2 25	45 75
Mrs C. L. Sims	BF	21	18	19 50	1 50	21 00
Mrs E. R. Jones	BF	14	18	21 00	3 00	24 00 3 50
C. E. Morphew	BF	26	14	15 50	3 50	19 00 1 75
Mrs Mary Allen	BF	9				25 50
R. Roberts	BF	41	24	24 00	12 50	36 50 1 00
R. H. Hazelton	BF	36	7	7 00	16 60	23 60 3 25
A. C. Wolff	BF	42	9	9 50	9 00	18 50 50
Mrs C. D. Wolff	BF	18	2	2 00	9 35	11 35 50
C. D. Wolff	BF	27	16	16 00	1 00	17 00 13 00
J S Moore	sofP	45	23	36 00	25	36 25 1 25
A. L. Hall	BF	10	8	8 00		8 00
J. N. Womack	Misc	42	20	5 00		5 00 5 00
Pearl Wolff	Misc	6		2 25		2 25 1 00

SUMMARY

Alabama Conf	606	427	677	50	66	15	743	65	400	00
Kentucky Conf	257	74	111	15	21	25	132	40	164	35
Louisiana Conf	255	189	328	00	31	70	359	70	312	45
Mississippi Conf	528	354	468	50	46	05	514	55	148	80
Tenn River Conf	373	185	209	25	58	95	268	20	56	25

Totals20191229 1794 40 224 10 2018 50 1081 85

times ahead of us. The days when Sunday laws will be passed, and persecution follow, are now right upon us. This question is being agitated in most of the States now, and not only here, but in almost every country in the world, even in such places as China and Japan. When the spirit of prophecy first told us this would be, it seemed almost an impossibility, but now we see it being fulfilled on every hand.

This is the very last part of this earth's history. We would therefore say to every tract and missionary society member, do not be slack or backward, but increase in courage and service as we near the end. Exert every effort to swell the ranks of that great company who will stand faultless before the throne, and enjoy the pleasures and blessings of heaven, and the presence of our Redeemer, throughout the ages of eternity. Put on the whole armor as found in Eph. 6: 11-17.

We are glad that even two of our conference tract and missionary societies have reported, but are sorry that the other three conferences which make up our union have failed to do so. The Tennessee River Tract and Missionary Society has only been in active work for eight months, but their report is very encouraging. We are pleased to see they have accomplished a considerable amount of missionary work. There is room, however, for much improvement.

We are living on borrowed time. Shall we not therefore

begin to do something at once? Make some calls, write a letter, pray for our friends and neighbors, and encourage them to take some of our periodicals, tracts, or books. Let each member of each society consider himself or herself a laborer for God every day of the year, and "he will be O so glad" to receive you. Send in to the office a report of what you do that we may work and pray with you.

MRS. M. H. CROTHERS.

Miss. Sec. of the Southern Union Conference.

"THE alabaster vase must be broken, that the ointment may flow out to fill the house. The grapes must be crushed, that there may be wine to drink."

"LET us be up and doing,
Gather flowers while we may,
Do our best now, and remember,
We're not coming back this way."

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Do not fail to read this

AGAIN we must remind our correspondents that they must be more prompt in forwarding their reports and other contributions, if they would have them appear in the next number of the WORKER after they are received.

Heretofore we have held the paper open for news notes received as late as Tuesday morning, but this often either interrupts or interferes with the regular work of the printers, or delays the WORKER, and causes disappointment to the workers in the field.

Hereafter all matter of every kind, received later than Monday afternoon, will have to be held over until the following week, and it may then be out of date. Let every one interested remember this, for no exception can be made to this rule. So far as the editor is concerned, the canvassers and the subscribers will no more be disappointed by not receiving their paper before Sabbath of the week it is issued.

All of our contributors may not understand or appreciate the necessity for this ruling, but we trust they will comply with it, and thus co-operate with the editor and the publishers, for the best good of all.—EDITOR.

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