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

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LOOK UP!

THERE 's neither strength nor courage
In looking down one's nose;
You'll find no inspiration
In counting o'er your woes—
Look up!

When darkness gathers round you,
The path you can't discern,
Be guided by the sky-line,
And doubt and fear you'll spurn—
Look up!

There 's strength in Christian courage;
There's light and life and hope
In looking up toward Heaven,
Then why in darkness mope?—
Look up!

Look up to the blessed Saviour;
Look up to the Father true;
Look for the prize eternal;
Look for the city new—
Look up!

C. P. B.

Our Publishing House

HOME OFFICE NEWS

SALES report for week ending October 26, 1912: Total number bound volumes, 4,553; *Watchman*, 4,389.

There are over 33,000 books going through the bindery at the present time.

We are taking the liberty of quoting from the *News Letter* of our Western Branch dated October 24.

"We feel that the Lord has wonderfully blessed the work in this Union, and that notwithstanding the droughts and financial depression which the Southwest has experienced the past two or three years. In worldly business 'times are dull' and 'money is tight,' and to many it is a puzzle why our book-work is so prosperous. This is only another illustration of the difference between the work of God and that of the world.

"We feel that all of our tract societies have done remarkably well in their remittances. While some have not been able to send in as large remittances as others, yet owing to the peculiar conditions of the different fields, we feel that each one is entitled to special thanks and appreciation. In order to handle North Texas' check for \$10,000 without having to pay exchange it was necessary for our bank to call up the Cleburne bank and make special arrangements, as the banks in the larger cities now have to pay exchange on Cleburne checks.

That check was certainly a surprise to the officials of our bank, and although it was deposited last week, one of them to-day asked me how it was that so much money became accumulated at Cleburne.

"At first, Oklahoma's deliveries started off a little slowly owing, no doubt, to the lateness of the crops in that State. However, last week Brother Adams sent us \$4,000, and to-day he surprised us by sending \$1,200 more, although he wrote us he could probably send but \$500. Their last report just received to-day for week ending October 19, shows deliveries amounting to practically \$2,100 for that week. Brother Priest delivered \$291.55 worth in sixty hours, which is certainly a splendid record. He is working for 'Practical Guide.'

R. L. PIERCE, *Mgr. Fort Worth Branch.*"

From the above we can readily see that there was unanimity of effort in making up the large remittance to the Home Office. It is also particularly interesting to note that even the conference presidents over in the Southwest occasionally take a vacation by going into the canvassing work. In a letter received from Brother Harrison a few days ago, he stated that he too was out in the field for a time. There is nothing like practical experience for it surely will assist these brethren to understand the difficulties and trials which our colporteurs meet from time to time, and thus they will be better able to sympathize with them in their work.

We are also glad to learn that Bro. G. C. Jenks is coming back into our territory and will take up work as field agent of Arkansas. Brother Jenks was formerly connected with the book work in Oklahoma and we take pleasure in extending a hearty welcome.

A PLEASANT INCIDENT

NOT every one enjoys lacteal fluid, but the milk of human kindness is sweet to everybody. Last week a member of our factory force, who is at present a shut-in received a remembrance in the shape of cut flowers, accompanied by a card bearing these words:—

"OUR TRIBUTE AND GREETING.

"May thy face shine with health,
And thy life with His love;
Every thought and desire
Controlled from above.
May these flowers we send you
Attest our good will;
Their Creator and ours,
Abide with you still.

"SOME FRIENDS."

And as the recipient of the flowers looked at them and read the "greeting," her eyes filled with tears, and she asked, "Why didn't they sign their names?" Well you see as it is everybody is under suspicion, and while all are not "guilty" all would have been if they had had opportunity; so it is plain enough that to have signed names would have been to assume

responsibility that in justice demanded a wider distribution. Plain enough, isn't it?

Important Notice

PLEASE ADDRESS THE HOUSE AND NOT INDIVIDUALS

Delays and misunderstandings are frequent when our friends address business communications to individuals and not to the house. Some weeks ago a sister sent an order for the *Watchman* to her tract society office, but instead of addressing the envelope in the name of the Conference Tract Society, she addressed it to the Secretary personally, but the conference had in the meantime changed secretaries and the former incumbent had left the conference. Consequently the letter was forwarded and after following him for some time was finally returned to the office but what about the customer? She had become discouraged at the delay and left the field with the feeling that our tract societies and publishing houses were very slack in their methods. All this can be avoided by addressing the tract society by name and all business correspondence intended for the Publishing House to the Southern Publishing Association and not to any individual connected with it. Individuals are frequently out of the office and sometimes out of the city while the Association is always at home.

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION,
R. HOOK, JR., *Gen'l Mgr.*

EXTRACTS FROM COLPORTEURS' LETTERS

OF GOOD COURAGE

I am of splendid courage. Hope you are.

October 20.

M. L. IVORY.

GOOD TESTIMONIES

I have witnessed several good testimonies from people in the delivery concerning the truth-laden books.

October 20.

S. S. GUILFORD.

NOT TOO BAD TO GATHER SHEAVES

THIS week has been one of the hard ones in delivering, but I am more than grateful to the Lord for blessing. Though this year has been rainy, and everything seemed to prevent a good harvest in cotton reaping, yet I can see that it is not too bad to gather sheaves in the Lord's vineyard, for even this Sabbath my boarding mistress has kept the Sabbath with me, and a man who has become deeply interested in reading "Bible Footlights" has also decided to keep the Sabbath. I have supplied both with literature, and after songs of praise to God and prayer, I took their names to send to the tract and missionary society. Dear brethren, write an encouraging letter to these dear earnest souls. I am convinced of the sincerity of my boarding mistress and this man. It would do you good to hear his earnest supplication to God, and thanksgiving for sending him the light and for the advancement of this cause. His address is Mr. C. Henderson, Eufaula, Ala., and my boarding mistress is Mrs. Mattie Warren, 338 McRae St., Eufaula, Ala. They say they would be glad if some one would visit them and teach them. There is another soul in the country near Batesville that is doing her best to be able to enter Oakwood in November. She also is trying to keep the Sabbath. Oh! pray for these souls! for God is moving upon the hearts of men and women to keep his law.

Oct. 19, 1912.

R. ROBERTS.

"LITTLE folks, when seriously taught the importance of little things, when they grow up to be big folks, will more fully realize the importance of the 'bigger things.'"

Alabama Conference

CANVASSERS' INSTITUTE

THERE will be a canvassers' institute held at the Cool Springs church, four miles north of Ashford, in Houston Co., Alabama, November 10 to 17 inclusive. The church there has agreed to keep all canvassers free of charge during the institute and the conference will refund the car fare of each canvasser, not to exceed \$8 after he has sold and delivered \$200 worth of books and paid his account with the tract society.

How much better would you want? Come and bring your prospectus and join the Gideon Band and help in this good work. Does it pay?—Yes. Can you afford it?—Yes. You can not afford to miss it. If you want to know more of the particulars come to the institute or write me at 1700 7th Ave., N., Birmingham.

Remember the date November 10-17.

MARK WILSON, *Field Agent.*

SHEFFIELD

It has been some time since we reported from this part of the field, but we have been hard at work although we have been silent.

We are late in getting started with our tent-meeting in this part of the field, and so only had the privilege of holding a few meetings before camp-meeting, however there was much interest manifested and the night we closed to go to camp-meeting the tent was well-filled.

We were gone eighteen days, and during this time Satan got in some earnest work, so when we started our meetings again it was well-nigh impossible to get the people out.

I was taken sick after the sixth night of meeting and could not do much for three weeks. It was thought advisable to take the tent down and do house to house work. Bro. J. J. Bales was with me in the work a short time. After camp-meeting, many became interested in the truth; three began to keep the Sabbath but have not fully identified themselves with our people. We are still doing Bible work with them and hope to see them come fully into the truth.

It was thought best that we move back to Sheffield for the winter so as to be near our church and more in the center of our work for the three cities.

We have been quite busy doing some repair work on the church and holding meetings and Bible readings.

We have our Sabbath-school and meeting every Sabbath which is well attended, also Sunday night meetings. Quite a number not of our faith attend the Sunday night meeting, some of whom we expect to accept the truth.

Yesterday (Sabbath) was a good day for us. We had a splendid Sabbath-school and meeting, and at the close of the meeting one sister came forward and presented herself for baptism and membership. After dinner a nice company gathered on the banks of the Tennessee River where we had a nice open air service and administered the rite of baptism to the dear soul. We all felt the blessed Spirit of God in all our services of the day and believe it was a holy Sabbath well spent.

I expect to visit a number of the isolated members and churches in the northern part of the State during the month of November. We need the prayers of the WORKER family.

I have spent about three hours and a half with the Harvest Ingathering *Signs*, used twenty-five papers and received \$3.70. We plan to canvass every home, store, shop, and factory in the three cities. I also plan to make a few trips in the

country with the paper. I hope to see a nice donation for missions from the Sheffield church.

I wonder if some one who reads this letter would like to help us a little on our church debt; if so we will be glad to receive it.

May God's blessing rest upon all his dear people in this needy field and may the day soon come when we can be gathered home.

JAMES BELLINGER.

Sheffield, Alabama, Box 504.

Kentucky Conference

REPORT OF VISITS

At my last writing, meetings were in progress at Auxier in the Methodist church. All went well until we had clearly set forth the Bible Sabbath. The minister admitted that it was such, but decided not to obey the truth, so he closed the church door and informed me that we could not hold meetings there any longer. I was glad that the Lord had blessed us in getting the truths of the Law, Sabbath, and Coming of the Lord clearly set before the people. As there was no other public building in the town, we continued our meetings in private houses. While the dragon was wroth, yet God moved upon the hearts of honest ones to accept the message, and we are glad to report a Sabbath-school organized last Sabbath with fifteen persons present. There are now eight adults who are keeping the Sabbath, and we believe God will move others to take hold of God's truth. Pray for this new company of believers that they will prove faithful.

After closing the meeting at Auxier, I visited the church at Lexington where we were able to hold two services. We found the brethren there very anxious to see the message go. Brethren Meyers and Jones are conducting treatment rooms, and find many opportunities to tell the people about the message. We are hopeful that these brethren will see souls saved as a result of their work. I next went to Nicholasville where I met the brethren living there. Brother Winkler had just made a good delivery of books and seemed to be of good courage. I was sorry to learn that Brother Harris had been sick, but was glad to hear from the Nashville Sanitarium where he had gone for treatment that he was improving. I was glad to have the opportunity of meeting Brother Wheeler and counseling with him in regard to some conference business. I have been very much encouraged as I have visited these different places, and may God shower blessings upon each believer in the above named places is my prayer.

B. W. BROWN.

Louisiana Conference

LEESVILLE

THE Leesville tent-meeting is progressing nicely. The services began on the second of the present month. The tent is located in the heart of the town, in a good dry place and easy of access. Our company at first consisted of Brethren Hirst and Wilson, both colporteurs (later Brother Reeder the state agent joined us), and the writer. About the 7th Bro. W. P. McLennan and wife joined us to help in the meetings. The colporteurs are now about to leave and the rest of us will be left here to carry on the work.

At first the interest was small, but we are glad to be able to report that there has been a steady increase until now it is extra good.

We have found the people very accommodating, and willing

to help us in every way in their power. We have many conveniences and comforts, and for all this we are thankful. The post-office is but a block away; city water is right at our hand and free as any water; the best of the stores are only a short distance from us; we have our tent well lighted with electricity for a less sum than it would take to burn gasoline, and it is in every way very much better. The tent is pitched on high ground that will not readily get muddy, as there is a ditch around the tent and a little levee on the inside to keep the water and wind out, when the wall is fastened to the wall-poles. The proprietor of one of the second hand stores very kindly loaned us one of his large heaters, another helped us with the pipe, and so we are prepared for a cold spell, and when it comes our congregations will not be driven away.

There are two weekly papers in town and we report to them regularly, and they never have refused what we have brought them, but seem very glad to get the news. Twice we had 500 bills printed and have placed them in the homes of the people. We think we have reason to have bright hopes and good courage, and we are determined by the Lord's help to make this meeting a success. Brethren and sisters, let us remember that "in due season we shall reap, if we faint not." Let us do our best and be faithful.

O. F. FRANK.

October 24.

Mississippi Conference

A RACY LETTER

THIS is my first attempt to write since I enlisted in the canvassing work, Feb 12, 1911. Varied have been my experiences and perplexing my trials. Still I'm holding on because I love the work. Two souls are rejoicing in the knowledge of the truth and many are interested through my sales of "Bible Footlights." Many children cry for the "Gospel Primer," and tears bring sales and happy hearts. Praise the Lord for such a glorious message to tell to others.

One Baptist minister who purchased a "Bible Footlights" stirred his people to anger by telling them that they did not go to heaven at death. Some declared they never would hear him again, and one said to me, "Yes he got that out of a book just like yours. He had it in the pulpit."

I told them the author of the book got it from the Bible, and if we went to heaven at death, we would be ahead of the preparation and be in the way; but it was so good in the Lord to give us a place in the grave to rest until Jesus came to take us to his Father's home. Praise the Lord. I took forty-six orders in that community last week. Many agreed to hear their preacher again.

I was allowed to canvass a large plantation last week after permission was given me by the agent. It was his wife that God used to speak for his Word. She told him it was a good book, and she was much interested. Company was coming and I was told to go and sell all I could. I hope to see the lady later. Oh, my people are much in need of God's Word in these delta farms.

I've climbed slippery hills, forded pebble-bottom creeks hunting and searching souls in need of this truth, sold books to skeptics, Catholics, lawyers, merchants, ministers and laymen, rich and poor of various races, still the harvest is ripe and laborers are few. I am receiving many blessings and rich experiences that none can know, unless he leaves all and meditates on Jesus as he goes from house to house.

Once last week I almost gave up a camp I had in view. I had to walk on tram road two miles through woods. Wild cats and one panther have been seen. I would kneel and pray,

get up, go a few steps, then retreat. About an hour was spent this way when I met some of the campers, went on safely, took several orders, had a good dinner and the women and children guided me through to the opening.

Last spring I went to deliver in a Methodist community. The minister took advantage during my absence (visiting my sick mother), sent for a Methodist canvasser and several preachers to come and help cut off my delivery. They preached and canvassed nearly every house I visited. When I returned, what an uproar! Some turned for, others against me. I could not rent a team and so started out on foot loaded with books. The sun beat heavy and I almost fainted going up the hills. Once I threw the books down and declared I'd give up. Conscience spoke and said, "That is just what Moses did; threw down the commandments because he was provoked at the people." I soon gathered up my books and started again, delivered many of them and left three families of wealth and intelligence in favor of the truth.

The sickness and death of my dear mother have prevented my returning to visit them. I scarcely knew how to get to work again. I was lonely and sad. She said she could not die right until she kept the Sabbath. The last two Sabbaths she rejoiced as did the thief on the cross and hoped to be with Jesus when he comes. Pray that the Lord may use me for his glory and save many who read these books, with his faithful workers who are laboring for the saving of souls.

"Be not an idle dreamer,
There is so much to do,
In the Master's waiting vineyard,
There is a place for you."

Midnight, Miss.

M. A. MURPHY.

Tennessee River Conference

COLPORTEUR NEWS

BRO. C. H. CHENAULT is having a good delivery in Dyer County.

BRO. J. P. FOREE's first week with "Ministry of Healing" was a success, taking twenty-four orders. Bro. G. C. Hinshaw has been ill and did not canvass the past week.

BRO. C. D. WOLFF and I are making a tour through the conference in the interest of the colporteur work.

On account of illness Bro. J. S. Moore went home to Hazel, Ky., the 20th. He writes that he is much better, and will soon return to Jackson to make a delivery of books.

C. F. DART.

NOW IS THE TIME

EVERYTHING in the city of Nashville goes to show that now is the time to work here with the third angel's message. God has been watering the seed that has been sown by faithful canvassers, and we are constantly meeting people who say: "Years ago I bought a book of an Adventist," or "A lady called and gave me a magazine and I became interested."

But unless some one goes to further interest these cases few of them will ever embrace the truth. The work must be followed up until it yields fruit.

A further sign of God's work here is that some were found keeping the Sabbath and tithing who had had no direct connection with our workers. What a surprise it is to find people who kept the Sabbath, but are not members of the church, yet we have several cases in Nashville. The writer hopes to see these souls brought into the full message.

Surely if we lag behind in any way God will bring the truth

to the seeking ones by other means, but that would rob us of the blessing.

The church in Nashville had a splendid Sabbath service, the hour being spent in social meeting. Good courage rang out in every testimony and all seem hopeful as they go forward in the fall campaign for souls.

C. A. HANSEN and WORKERS.

General

OUR FOREIGN LITERATURE

WHILE we have been learning a few facts concerning the great foreign population in this country, I am sure that you have begun to feel that some very definite movement should be made to bring the message of salvation to all these people whom providence has thus placed in our midst, and has not the feeling arisen in your heart of a desire to help in some way to be a blessing and help to some of these people?

I am glad to tell you that there is a way that you can help if you desire to do so, and not only you, but all and every one that will can help. You may not be aware of the fact but I am glad to inform you that we now have literature in seventy different languages and dialects. This is a great achievement.

In some of the languages of Europe, such as German, Scandinavian, etc., we have a fair variety of our larger books, besides a good supply of tracts; but in the languages spoken by the people of southern Europe we have only some of our smaller books, and a number of tracts.

While we greatly regret not having laborers in all these foreign tongues, still much good would result from a judicious circulation of this literature, and in this you can take part. And the best of it is that we can do much of this without having a knowledge of the language.

Yes here is an opening by which nearly all our people can help greatly to spread the message. You will find the foreigner everywhere, and you can readily learn whether he is an Italian, a Pole, a Hungarian, or some other nationality. Every conference tract society should have on hand a supply of publications in these languages, and your church librarian should have on hand publications in the languages of the foreigners in that community and call the attention of the church to that fact from time to time.

Why should we not inaugurate a real missionary campaign for the circulation of our literature in foreign tongues? By this means a great good would be accomplished. Why should not our churches and individual members give this matter immediate attention? There is great need for such a campaign.

In this as in all missionary work we need to use care and discretion. All literature is not equally appropriate at all times. It would be very unwise to put the tract *Rome's Challenge* as the first one in the hands of a Catholic neighbor. He would hardly be prepared to understand it and be helped by it. Rather use such tracts as the *Sufferings of Christ*, *The Coming of the Lord*, and others of similar nature.

We shall be glad to furnish any one with a catalog of our foreign publications who would wish to have one. All you need to do is to send a post card and ask for it, then as you see what we have in the different languages you can make your selection, and get them from your church librarian, or if they are not on hand have him get them.

As a preparation for this and all lines of missionary work, a heart filled with the love of Christ, and overflowing with

love for needy humanity, is the best and most important, and this preparation is available for all who will seek it.

Preparatory to handing out any literature make a friendly acquaintance. Many of these foreigners have but recently come to this country, and are naturally timid and shy, therefore, a friendly acquaintance is of the greatest importance. Such an acquaintance will open the way for them to be interested in the reading matter you may place in their hands.

We invite correspondence, and shall be only too glad to render any assistance that we can by way of information concerning the foreigners in our country, or our literature in these languages. We also have periodicals in Italian, Hungarian, Polish, Russian, Lettish, and many others. A club of these can readily be obtained for circulation. We do hope our people will consider these suggestions and take up this good work. Our address is 3645 Ogden Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

O. A. OLSEN.

TITHES OF ALL

In the beginning God created all things and all belonged to him, so that all was his. He generously gave the earth to man. The Psalmist says: "The heavens, even the heavens, are the Lord's: but the earth hath he given to the children of men." Ps. 115: 16. As a recognition, on the part of man, of the gift and the Giver, he withheld only one tree for himself as a test of man's loyalty. Gen. 3: 2, 3. He instructed Adam that to touch the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil was not only to forfeit the right to all earthly possessions, that had been given with man's Paradise home, but to forfeit the right to life as well.

When man robbed God under that test, he was driven from Paradise as an unmistakable testimony of all who rob God now will be excluded from the kingdom when man's Paradise home shall be restored.

The test before the fall was God's sovereignty and his right of ownership. He had reserved but one tree in all the earth as his. If man had remained loyal under that test, no tithes and offerings to redeem a fallen race would now be required.

Since the fall, God has undertaken man's redemption. In this undertaking he has made us all partners: for this purpose he has reserved to himself all the tithe of our increase before we live out of it. All who live by eating, and wearing of garments, and occupying houses or lands are therefore under this test of God's right of ownership in the returning to him of tithes and offerings to-day, as much as was Adam in Paradise before the fall when he partook of the one tree which God had reserved as his own. The same test is still applied, only it now comes much closer and enters into every detail of our lives in order that we may be trained by obedience for the kingdom of God.

We can not say that we do not know, for God has plainly said that all the tithe is the Lord's, it is holy unto the Lord. "And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's: it is holy unto the Lord." Lev. 27: 30. In order to redeem a fallen race, there is the same reserve made now of the tenth part of the fruit of every tree in the world that there was originally of the fruit of one tree out of all the trees in the world. God has increased the reserve to provide a fund of means to undo the result of Adam's failure by redeeming fallen man. It now embraces a tithe of all the seed of the land, all flocks and herds, and all increase from whatever source, before any has been removed for any purpose whatsoever. To withhold any part of this reserved portion is to rob God. Mal. 3: 8, 9. He says, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse,

that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." Mal. 3: 10. He declares that the whole people have robbed him of this reserved right to one-tenth of our increase, and of offerings, in as open defiance of his plain command to us as did Adam in the beginning. What hope can we have of entering Paradise restored unless we repent and make restitution?

If we prove the Lord in this way, he assures us that in place of his curse which now wastes our fields and blights our lives, the windows of heaven will open and pour upon us the refreshing showers of the latter rain. How blind one must be to continue to pray for God's blessing while withholding tithes and offerings, the very act which insures the blight and decay of his curse. Heaven's windows of blessings are unbolted by the key of faith which returns to God his own in faithful obedience. Men may pray themselves hoarse in an attempt to convince God of their zeal and devotion while his tithes and offerings are among their treasures, and he will be unmoved by their pleadings; while the man who quietly returns to God his own in tithes and offerings, and humbly prays "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven," receives the fulness of the promised blessing.

There is great emphasis placed by the Lord on the word "all" in Malachi 3: 10. "Bring ye *all* the tithes." A part held back brings the curse of Ananias, while returning *all* the tithe brings the blessing of faithful Abraham, of whom it was said, "He gave him tithes of *all*." Gen. 14: 20. Abraham struck the key-note of faith in his life's work, and God sent him forth as the father of all them that believe. All children of faith are assured the blessings of faithful Abraham.

Jacob prevailed with God on that night of wrestling, but before he received the blessing in answer to prevailing prayer, he had solemnly vowed before God, "Of *all* that thou shalt give me I will surely give the *tenth* unto thee." Gen. 28: 22.

Is it not time that we enter into covenant relations with God by dedicating our lives unreservedly to his service and making restitution of tithes and offerings which have been withheld? Shall we not solemnly pledge our loyalty to God by bringing to him "all" the tithes and offerings due for the finishing of his work, that the Paradise home may soon be restored and we with the faithful returned into the reunited family of God to rejoice in his blessed presence for evermore? —R. C. Porter, in *West Indian Messenger*.

ON WHAT AUTHORITY?

For what reason do men prefer the first day of the week to the ancient Sabbath of the Lord? On what authority do men continually violate the day which God sanctified, and commanded mankind to keep holy? Papists have for Sunday observance the authority of their church. Protestants deny the authority of the Church of Rome, and attempt to vindicate the change of the Sabbath by an appeal to the Bible. This is what we wish them to do. We ask them, therefore, to present a single text in which it is said that God has changed the Sabbath to the first day of the week. The advocates of the change have none to offer. If they can not present such a text, will they give us one which testifies that God ever blessed and sanctified the first day of the week? Its observers admit that they have none to present. But will they not give us one text in which men are required to keep the first day holy, as a Sabbath unto the Lord? They acknowledge that they have none.

On what authority, then, do they exalt the first day of the week above the Sabbath of the Lord, which the commandment

requires us to remember and keep holy? There is one reason urged for the observance of the first day of the week, which we will notice. "John was in the Spirit on the Lord's day." Rev. 1: 10. It is claimed that "the Lord's day" here mentioned is the first day of the week. But we ask, What right have they to assume the very point they ought to prove? This text, it is true, furnishes direct proof that there is a day in the gospel dispensation which the Lord claims as his own; but is there one text in the Bible which testifies that the first day of the week is the Lord's day?—There is not one.

Has God ever claimed any day as his, and reserved it to himself?—He has. "And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it; because that in it he had rested from all his work which God had created and made." Gen. 2: 3. "Tomorrow is the rest of the holy Sabbath unto the Lord." Ex. 16: 23. "The seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God." Ex. 20: 10. "If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day." Isa. 58: 13. "Therefore the Son of man is also Lord of the Sabbath." Mark 2: 28.

Then the seventh day is the day which God reserved to himself when he gave to man the other six; and this day he calls *his holy day*. This is the day which the New Testament declares the Son of man to be Lord of. Is there one testimony in the Scriptures that the Lord of the Sabbath has disregarded his holy day, and chosen another?—Not one. Then that day which the Bible designates as the Lord's day is no other than the Sabbath of the fourth commandment.—*Selected.*

DENOMINATIONAL SCHOOLS

WHY should our youth be educated in our own, rather than in the schools of the world? This question might be answered by asking, Why do we as a denomination go to the expense of erecting and maintaining churches of our own? Why not congregate and worship with the churches about us? Surely of churches, as of schools, there are a sufficient number all around us everywhere. But all Seventh-day Adventists unite in saying that the very nature of this message and movement with which we are connected and of which we are a part, demands a separate and thorough church organization. The same facts demand of Seventh-day Adventists an equally separate and thorough educational system.

As "England expects every man to do his duty" in a time of crisis, so God expects the energies of this denomination to be directed and absorbed in the giving of this message to the world in the shortest possible time. The ambition of every young man and young woman connected with this denomination should be to receive an education in our schools, that they may have some part, and fill some place, in connection with this ever-growing world-wide movement. The schools of the world are training and educating men and women to fill places in the social, business, and political world.

Can we expect the world and worldly institutions to enthuse our Seventh-day Adventist boys and girls with a burden for the giving of this message? We can not expect it. Experience proves that many of our youth who enter these worldly schools with high and holy ambitions for the work of God, soon lose this burden. The world, with its allurements, takes hold upon them, and before they are aware of it they have lost their burden for the work, if not to a large degree their love for the message. Youth, beware! God wants you in his service. The devil seeks to entangle your feet in his worldly net. The decisions which you are now making may decide your eternal destiny.

The time has come when every parent should see to it that his sons and daughters are attending our own schools; for every young man and young woman to say, "I will receive an education that will fit me to fill the place in this work that God in his great plan has for me to fill. If there is not a way, I will make one." If such a spirit as this should take possession of our youth, and they could realize the shortness of time,—that we are now sixty-seven years this side of the beginning of the hour of God's judgment, I am sure they would be willing to make almost any sacrifice to attend one of our schools.

To every young person let me say, get an education. Get it at any cost. Sacrifice for it. Get it somehow. Some one has said that "a dollar in the head is worth ten in the pocket, or fifty on the back; because that on the back will wear out; that in the pocket will get out; but that in the head only grows brighter by using." So I say again, let every young person in our ranks get an education in a Christian Seventh-day Adventist school.—*A. R. Ogden, in Worker's Bulletin.*

FROM A LETTER WRITTEN BY E. R. PALMER

"A FEW weeks ago one of our colporteurs was selling 'Great Controversy' in New York City. He called on a lady who proved to be a Christian Scientist. She purchased a cheap copy of the book and was so pleased with it that she sent for the agent and asked that he exchange it for a half morocco book. He did so, and took her subscription also for the *Protestant Magazine* for one year.

"A few days later, this canvasser received a letter from another person stating that if he would call at a certain number (a room in a very aristocratic apartment house), many orders for 'Great Controversy' would be received. Not having received such a letter as this before, it seemed to him a doubtful proposition, and for some unaccountable reason he paid no attention to it. As the colporteur did not respond, the lady applied to Fleming H. Revell & Co., of New York. They sent to the Review & Herald at Takoma Park, and Brother Ford referred the order back to Brother Graham in New York City. Brother Graham called the canvasser and sent him to this place, where he found that arrangements had been made through a second party. The lady who wanted the books was not at that place, and at first the elevator man would not take the colporteur up stairs, but finally after he showed the letters, the porter admitted him. He found that arrangements had been made to buy three copies of 'Great Controversy' in half morocco binding. This lady who acted as a go-between to hide the identity of another person, also said that if the colporteur would go to another address, he would find another person interested in the book. He went to that place, and sold six copies half morocco for \$34.

"Since that time the Christian Science organization of New York City has secured twenty-nine copies of 'Great Controversy' from the New York office. It has been ascertained that the Christian Science Reading School has adopted this book as one of the books in its reading course. This accounts for the number of copies disposed of.

"It also transpires that the lady who became interested in the book and placed it in the reading course, is one of the leading officers of the Christian Science organization.

"It appears, as though there is a great revival of the sale of our books in the East. I learn that in the Atlantic Union Conference during the first seven months of this year, they have sold as many books within \$28 as they sold during the entire twelve months of last year. Last year only one colporteur sold as high as \$100 worth in a week. This year sixteen colporteurs have sold more than \$100 worth in a week.

"Some of the best records in book selling have been made in the State of Maine where for years they have talked the book business out of court, assuring us that books could not be sold in Maine. The best work in this Union has been done in New York where for many years they have been equally certain that books could not be sold. In Protestant, in Catholic and in heathen countries all over the world, wherever God's people take hold in faith, there the Lord sets his hand to the work."

KEEP GROWING NEW WOOD

"WHEN Longfellow was well along in years, his head was white as snow, but his cheeks as red as a rose, an ardent admirer asked him one day how it was that he was able to keep so vigorous and to write so beautifully. Pointing to a blossoming apple tree nearby, the poet replied:—

"That apple tree is very old, but I never saw prettier blossoms upon it than those which it now bears. The tree grows a little new wood each year, and I suppose that it is out of that new wood that those blossoms come. Like the apple tree, I try to grow a little new wood each year."

"And what Longfellow did we all ought to do. We can not stop the flight of time; we can not head off the one event that happeneth to all; but we can keep on 'growing new wood,' and in that way keep on blossoming until the end."

ORDER FROM SABBATH-SCHOOL WORKER

OUR Sabbath-school workers should bear in mind that Memory Verse Cards should be ordered for the forthcoming quarter in time for the cards to be received before the beginning of the new quarter. The *Worker* bases its estimate of cards needed for the new quarter upon the orders received before the close of the old quarter. No new edition will be printed after the beginning of the new quarter. Orders made after the close of the old quarter may not be filled on account of the edition being out. Bear in mind to order *Memory Verse Cards early*.

AN IMPORTANT CHANGE

BEGINNING with the November number, just out, *Christian Education* will be issued monthly each year from September to June. For this year only it will run until July. Each year after this it will be run from September to June, the June issue being the regular campaign number for the summer.

This change has been made in response to repeated and urgent requests of the readers of *Christian Education* ever since it was first issued. While it has been reduced to thirty-two pages, the more frequent issues make possible much better service to the schools, and open the way for fuller entrance into the homes of our people.

Our homes and the schools must work hand in hand. They are inseparable. The interest of one is the interest of the other. We can not talk about education without including the home. The "Home Education" department has been strengthened, and every issue of *Christian Education* will be from this time forward of much value to all parents. Every parent, even every occupant of the home, should join in upbuilding the interests of education by making *Christian Education* a monthly visitor to as many of our homes as possible.

NEW SUBSCRIPTION RATES

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Those who are now subscribers will receive as many copies of the monthly as they are entitled to on their bi-monthly subscription, and two copies extra.

Until February 1, 1913, present subscribers' time will be extended four months for every two new subscriptions sent in at \$1 each. Through this plan one may extend his subscription as far as he may choose.

All orders for *Christian Education* should be sent through the conference tract societies.

COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR THE SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE

For Week Ending Oct. 19, 1912

ALABAMA CONFERENCE

NAME	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Delivered
I W Peevy	BF	24	8	\$12 00	\$	\$12 00	\$ 1 50
A J Rice	BF	33	2	2 00		2 00	4 50
Ernest Waters ...	BF	39	12	12 00		12 00	1 00
*S S Guilford ...	BF	146			47 60	47 60	98 00
*Chas Battle ...	BF	138			1 50	1 50	38 00
*W L Battle ...	BF	148			5 50	5 50	113 50
R Roberts	BF	48			37 50	37 50	65 00
M L Ivory	BF	47	12	18 00	3 00	21 00	16 50

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

Henry Jones ...	BF	21	10	10 00		10 00	
Andy Schroader .	BF	7	3	3 00		3 00	1 00
Alonzo Minton ..	BF	20	12	12 00	50	12 50	50
Verna Pound ...	BF	29	8	8 00	50	8 50	3 00
P M Winkler ...	BF	37					90 50
Gillie M Harris ..	BF	16	1	1 00		1 00	
David C Ray ...	BF	42	2	2 00	1 50	3 50	70 00
W Judson ..	BF & D&R	48	2	4 00		4 00	66 00
C D Sloane ...	PP&F	32	14	21 00	3 00	24 00	
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TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

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W L Cutchville ..	BF	43	19	28 50	2 00	30 50	
R H Hazelton ...	GC	32	8	17 00	1 50	18 50	
C H Chenault	BF&D&R	54	16	17 50		17 50	118 00
B Jackson	BF	40	2	2 50	2 00	4 50	14 50
Eugene Sykes .	PP&F	14	1	1 50	75	2 25	1 50

SUMMARY

Alabama Conf	324	34	44 00	95 10	134 10	338 00
Kentucky Conf	352	52	62 25	5 50	67 75	231 00
Louisiana Conf ...	No Report.					
Mississippi Conf ..	No Report.					
Tenn River Conf .	274	109	166 05	11 20	177 25	214 00

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IMPORTANT

We again find ourselves under the necessity of urging our brethren to be prompt in sending in their contributions for the WORKER. We can not print anything except very brief and important notices received later than Sunday.

IMPORTANT RULES FOR WRITING

1. ALWAYS be sure you have something of importance and interest to say before undertaking to write for publication.

2. Tell your story briefly, and in as simple language as possible. Tell it just as you would write it to a friend.

3. Write as plainly as possible, but be especially careful in writing proper names. They may be familiar to you, but that does not help the printers. The connection often suggests the ordinary word which may be represented only by a scrawl, but the connection gives no such help when a proper name is in question. Write your own name as plainly as any other. Some one here may know you, but the printer who sets your copy may not be that one.

4. Never crowd either your lines or your words. Leave plenty of space for corrections and necessary changes. We can not undertake to rewrite manuscript, and it would not be fair to the typesetters to place before them illegible copy.

Our typesetting is all machine work, which is very different from hand work. On this subject the *Linotype Bulletin* for June says: "The hand compositor rather prided himself on his ability to decipher illegible manuscript. Setting at the rate of about 800 ems an hour, he had time to study out his copy and to decide as to punctuation, or other points of style; but the keyboard operator, setting at the rate of 3,500 to 4,000 ems an hour, has no time to spend in this way. All machine copy should be edited carefully and made perfectly legible."

5. Send your copy in early. Only very short and important matter will be printed in next issue if received later than Sunday before date of issue.

ATTENTION, PARENTS!

EVERY parent with children of school age should read and study the November number of *Christian Education*. That number alone, if its instruction is carried out in the home, will be worth far more to any parent than the subscription price for the full term.

The Editor's article on "Stepping-Stones and Pitfalls in Education in the Home and in the School" should be studied by all parents. In any business it is a fine thing to be able to find the stepping-stones and use them in advancing, and to locate and to avoid the pitfalls. It is far more important

and of greater value to have such assistance in educational matters.

Sometimes a pitfall in the educational path of a boy or girl is ignorantly, yet innocently made, by a fond father or mother. A close study of *Christian Education* will enable our parents to avoid these mistakes and to greatly assist their children in finding and using safe stepping-stones in their development.

Our parents owe their children *their* best possible development. *Christian education* is hereafter to be as helpful to parents as to teachers.

New rate of subscriptions, \$1 per term of ten numbers.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

HEREAFTER the mailing list of the SOUTHERN UNION WORKER will be kept, not at the Publishing House, but by the secretary of the Southern Union Conference, at the conference office, 511 Cole Building, Nashville. It follows that everything pertaining to subscriptions for the WORKER should be sent by the individual or the church librarian to the local conference tract society secretary, and by him to the Union Conference secretary, and not to the Southern Publishing Association.

SEVEN TONS OF BIBLES SHIPPED

ABOUT the middle of May the American Bible Society made a shipment from its headquarters at the Bible House, New York City, which is listed among its records for a single day's sending out of the Scriptures. Over seven tons of Bibles were shipped at that time. Thirty-one cases were in the form of unbound sheets, printed in the Zulu language. These were shipped to London, England, where they will be bound and sent on to South Africa for distribution. The remainder of the shipment was destined for Colombia and Brazil. These Bibles were complete in every way and were printed in Spanish and Portuguese. The society is preparing for work among the sailors who will pass through the Panama Canal. It is already represented in Panama, but will enlarge its work as soon as the canal opens. Through the canal it also plans to do larger Bible work on the west coast of South America. This dissemination of the Scriptures to men of every race and every tongue calls to mind the admonition of the prophet: "Hear the word of the Lord, O ye nations." Jer. 31:10.—*The Christian Herald*.

DEATH AT SPRINGVILLE, TENN.

WE were surprised and pained a few days ago to learn of the sudden death last week of Sister Nannie Brigham of Springville, Tenn. Her death was probably due to apoplexy, or more properly speaking, to cerebral rupture.

OBITUARY

SMITH.—Beryl Smith, foster-child of Bro. and Sister E. H. Walker was born February 1912, in Dyer Co., Tenn. and died Oct. 5, 1912. She was a bright healthy baby until about two months before her death; was so bright that we could not tell any change had taken place until death had come to claim her for his own. She was the brightness and sunshine of the home.

The same that the gentle dew is to the withering flower, so was this child to the heart of that mother who had already laid away two of her own.

While it breaks our hearts to give her up, we know it will not be long until we can see her with Jesus where death and sad partings are no more, if we keep ourselves as pure and good as she was. And Christ says "We must become as a little child."

MRS. FLORENCE ETHERIDGE.