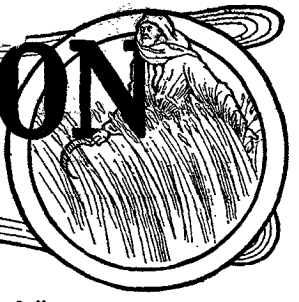


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## Nothing Can Make Us Afraid

Psalms 91:10

THE driving storm is sweeping past,  
With drifting snow and mournful blast,  
The awful pestilence is here,  
And many hearts are filled with fear;  
If our peace with God is securely made,  
Then nothing below can make us afraid.

Disease and death are in the land,  
And thousands fall on every hand;  
Though plagues and famines here abound,  
And wretchedness is all around,  
If our peace with God is securely made,  
Then nothing below can make us afraid.

The dreadful earthquake's quivering shock,  
The sudden woe of hidden rock,  
The bloody war and cruel strife,  
Have not the power to mar the life;  
If our peace with God is securely made,  
Then nothing below can make us afraid.

— *Eliza H. Morton.*

## Of General Interest

1914  
Gone

Opportunities  
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It MIGHT not be out of place to stop, look, and listen; yes, to look both ways just at this crossing. As we glance to the left we can see a year of the greatest happenings in all the history of our world. It has been a year of opportunities to the child of God. Have we improved these opportunities? Have we made the most of them? Doubtless there are few who can answer in the affirmative. But while we have failed in many ways, we must not become discouraged. As the old professor once said, "There is no use crying over spilled milk; up, and catch the cow."

The year 1915 is with us. It offers us every opportunity. "The man who loves God does not measure his work by the eight-hour system. He works at all hours, and is never off duty. As he has opportunity, he does good. Everywhere, at all times and in all places, he finds opportunity to work for God. He carries fragrance with him wherever he goes. A wholesome atmosphere surrounds his soul. The beauty of his

well-ordered life and godly conversation inspires in others faith and hope and courage." Vol. 9, p. 45. This is in harmony with Paul's counsel to the church at Galatia. "As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all." Gal. 6:10.

We have these opportunities with us all the time. We shall not see them nor appreciate them unless our hearts are in tune with the Infinite. The thing that God would have us do is not always couched in the most pleasing setting; but if we will take hold, if we will go to work whether we feel like it or not, we shall see blessed results. Take up the work; the simplest that lies nearest. This faithfully done will lead you into broader fields.

The year 1915 holds many surprises in store for the earnest, unselfish Christian worker. We are to present the truth in such a way that it will be seen in all its beauty. "If this work were faithfully done, if fathers and mothers would work for the members of their own families, and then for those around them, uplifting Christ by a godly life, thousands of souls would be saved. When God's people are truly converted, when they realize the obligation resting on them to work for those within their reach, when they leave no means untried to rescue sinners from the power of the enemy, the reproach will be removed from our churches." Vol. 7, p. 11.

All around us are precious souls who long for something better; who would fully appreciate an exhibition of Christlikeness. Shall we not give it to them? In a thousand ways we can show that we love them; that we carry a burden on our hearts for their salvation. "As Christians we are to be moved by an inexpressible desire to win souls to Christ. If we have nothing of this desire, we must pray for the spirit of service." As, or *since* we "have opportunity, let us do good unto all." Gal. 6:10.

May 1915 find us all improving our opportunities; making the very best of them, that we may at least hear the gracious words, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."  
F. W. PAAP.

## Skipping Hard Things

SOME people have the habit of skipping everything that is difficult. This habit begins in childhood in school. Easy lessons are learned because they need no great effort. But when a hard one comes in the course, it is given a half-hearted trial.

When reading a story, the hard word is skipped over, not mastered. The habit thus allowed to start from childhood easily finds its way into all the life. The boy does the same in the playground. When the game needs no special exertion, he gets through it very fairly. When the game is hotly contested and the victory can be only won by a struggle, he drops it. He does not have the persistence for a great effort.

The girl who lets her school lessons master her, who leaves the hard words unread and the hard problems unsolved, soon begins to allow other hard things to master her. The home tasks

that are disagreeable, or that require special effort, she leaves unattempted, or to her sister.

And so at last the habit of doing only what is easy and pleasant, and skipping what is hard and disagreeable, pervades the whole life, with the result that nothing brave or noble is ever accomplished, and the person never rises to anything above the commonplace.

This habit of leaving and shirking hard things damages our character. The difficult things are put in our way, not to stop us in our course, but to call out our strength and develop our energy. If we never had any but easy things to do, things that require no effort, we should never get strong. If we timidly give up whenever we come on something hard, we shall never outgrow childhood.

The Indians say that when a warrior slays a foe, the strength of the conquered man passes into the victor's arm. This is true of the difficulties and obstacles which we master. We get the strength of each victory into our own hearts.

The skipping of hard things, and leaving them behind, has a hurtful influence also on the future.

The lesson is: Be thorough; go to the root of things. Anybody can conquer when the conflict is easy, when the opposition is feeble, and the enemy is cowardly. There is nothing noble or brave in doing what everyone else can do.— *Selected.*

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### Desires a Horse-thief License

A MAN who signs himself G. I. Lovegold is reported to have applied to the board of supervisors of Imperial County, California, for a horse-thief license.

In his plea for the license he says he is willing to pay liberally for the privilege, and that he is emboldened to make the application by reason of other special privileges that are sought by citizens "of good moral character." He says that these good moral people, so-called, ask for licenses for a business that produces at least three-fourths of all the crime committed in the county and that has recently made the criminal court the most expensive in its history.

Mr. Lovegold thinks his business would not be nearly so injurious to the community as that of selling intoxicating liquors. For instance, he would not take away the senses of any man, nor rob his purse. He would not cause any man to beat his wife, to commit murder, to raise a disturbance in the community. All he would desire would be simply the privilege of stealing horses.

He says that he would do nothing to destroy men's souls, and that he would be willing to put himself under solemn obligation not to steal horses on Sunday, election days, or legal holidays, nor after twelve o'clock at night. He would not steal colts, nor horses that have no sense, nor old broken-down plugs.

In fact, he thinks he would confine his stealing to the well-to-do only; but their bodies, their minds, their reputations, and their characters would not be hurt. He would simply take their horses.

He reminded the board of supervisors that they had to have license fees to run the county; and that if he did not steal horses, somebody else would; and if they do not let him have a license for stealing them, the result will be that a lot of sneak-thieves and liars will, under cover, get them by stealth.

Mr. Lovegold has certainly presented a very fine piece of irony. There is just as much sense in granting license to horse thieves as there is in granting license to saloon-keepers; for, as the gentleman points out, the horse thief would not do anything like the injury that is accomplished through the licensing of strong drink.— *Signs of the Times.*

### An Important Book

"A STRAIGHT TALK TO OLD BRETHERN" is the title of a book by Elder J. H. Morrison, containing two hundred twenty-four pages. This book has a field of its own. It reviews and gives facts and confessions made by leading men who have from time to time left our work and started movements in opposition to the organized work of Seventh-day Adventists. It gives something of the history and demise of five different papers that have been started at different times against our work by these spasmodic movements.

The book is devoted especially to a review and the consideration of the teachings of Elders A. T. Jones, A. F. Ballanger and G. G. Rupert, who have in a way been united in an effort and are contributors to a publication called *The Gathering Call*, whose object and purpose is especially to oppose the organized movement of Seventh-day Adventists. Everyone will find a perusal of this book most interesting.

Elder Morrison is one of our oldest ministers, and by practical experience and knowledge of these various movements, knows what he is talking about. He has been president of different conferences, and a member for many years of the General Conference Committee; and those who read his book will appreciate the clearness of his arguments, and the unique manner in which he treats the subject under consideration.

In a recent letter from Elder Geo. I. Butler, I take the liberty of quoting the following:

"I have recently read Elder J. H. Morrison's book of two hundred twenty-four pages, entitled 'A Straight Talk to Old Brethren,' and find it exceedingly interesting. It is a book that is needed at the present time. It is a candid, a fair review of the teachings of Elders A. T. Jones, Ballanger, and Rupert, also of M. E. Kellogg, in their combined attack upon our denomination. His review of their arguments and positions is a very forcible presentation defending the positions of our people. It is devoted to ground not elsewhere covered. It explains facts that seem mysterious to some of our people, who might be led into doubt and uncertainty. It would be a grand help on right lines, preparatory to a great crisis. I wish it could be circulated everywhere. It will do a vast amount of good in removing doubts from many hearts. It will do all believers good to read it. We advise many to purchase and carefully peruse its pages. It will strengthen your faith in God and in his Word."

Elder Butler needs no introduction to believers in this cause, having served many years as president of the General Conference, and devoted his life to the cause of the third angel's message.

This book has been turned over to Union College, and whatever little profit there may be in it, the college will have the benefit from the same. The price of the book, when ordered in three or more copies sent to one address, will be thirty cents, postage prepaid. When sent in less than three copies, it will be thirty-five cents, postage prepaid. All orders for the book should be sent direct to Union College Printing Department, College View, Neb. In the second edition of Elder Morrison's book, he has added eighty pages, but only added five cents extra on the price.

R. A. UNDERWOOD.

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### "In Hearty Sympathy," Says Senator Perkins

"I AM in hearty sympathy with the efforts of your Religious Liberty Association, and thank you for the *Liberty* magazine, which I always read with pleasure."— *George C. Perkins, United States Senator from California.*

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"STORIES first heard at the mother's knee are never wholly forgotten; they form a little spring that never quite dries up in our journey through scorching years."

## Publishing and Colporteur Work

### With the Men Behind the Books

AT THE recent Publishing and Home Missionary Convention careful consideration was given to the unusual conditions with which many of our faithful "men behind the books" were confronted during the closing months of 1914. It seemed evident that much benefit was derived from the discussions upon this important topic on the part of our field leaders and other workers of long experience, the tangible results of which will be seen in the future.

In answer to the question, "What shall be our attitude in times of drought, political campaigns, money panics, wars, etc.?" it was shown that hard times and forbidding conditions can really be used as a help in attaining success in this work. This is one difference between working for the Lord and working for the world. Hard times drive worldly agents from the field, thus leaving it clear for those working with our message-filled books.

It was stated in this connection that one reason for not more of our workers delivering a better per cent was due to the fact that in most cases the orders were taken under entirely different conditions than when the deliveries were made. The orders were secured for the most part before it was known that anything unusual was going to happen to the cotton market; and, in not a few instances, even before the war broke out. As the people were taken by surprise they were unprepared for such a decided change in conditions, and it placed many of them in very trying circumstances to say the least. This was one reason for the following resolution which was enthusiastically passed by the Convention:

*"Resolved,* That in times of drought, war, and other difficulties, these calamities be used as a means for obtaining orders, and that the deliveries be made at shorter intervals than is usually the case."

In the opinion of some of our most experienced bookmen there is now the most promising prospect for the book work that we have ever had. The people are stirred as they have never been stirred before, and by using the tremendous events now taking place as signs of the times in which we are living, orders can readily be secured for the books which explain what these things really mean. And, what is more, orders that are given under present conditions are almost sure to be delivered.

The greatest difficulty, we believe, is for us as workers to realize the truthfulness of this statement, and do our part in improving the rare opportunity which the present situation affords for the sale of our literature. Many people, who, a short time ago, had little or no confidence in the prophecies and the matter contained in our books, are now looking upon Seventh-day Adventists with respect. They now have confidence in our work, and in many cases it will require but little effort to secure their orders.

Again, these events serve to prove to the people the value of our books, and it should therefore inspire every lover of the message to greater activity in behalf of the circulation of our literature. May the Lord help us to sense the solemnity of the times, and the importance of improving the exceptional opportunity which the present time offers for placing our books in the homes of the people. R. L. PIERCE.

**"DO EVERYTHING** in earnest! If it is worth doing, then do it with all your might. Above all, keep much in the presence of God; never see the face of man till you have seen His face."

**"PROVE** all things; hold fast that which is good."

## "The World's Crisis in the Light of Prophecy"

THE European war and other present-day events are causing thinking men and women to anxiously inquire, "What do these things mean?" For the purpose of answering this and similar questions in a plain and concise manner, a new book has just been published entitled "The World's Crisis in the Light of Prophecy." The various chapters which this book contains were prepared by men who have made a careful study of the prophecies for years, and who are therefore qualified to speak authoritatively upon the subjects treated. The following is the

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"The World's Crisis" is a most timely book, and a ready seller. In fact, some say that it sells at sight. It contains 128 pages, about fifty illustrations, with paper covers printed in two colors.

This is a most excellent little book for interesting your friends and neighbors in the message. Those who have not yet become accustomed to selling our literature will find introducing "The World's Crisis" an easy way to begin. It is expected that large quantities of the book will be used by our people generally, and that much good will be accomplished as a result. The price of a single copy, postpaid, is twenty-five cents. In lots of one hundred or more by freight, twelve and one-half cents. Send all orders through your tract society. Order a supply at once and see how easy it will be for you to do some real effective missionary work in your community.

## "Testimonies" Complete in Three Volumes

THE nine volumes of "Testimonies for the Church" have just been printed on Oxford Bible India paper, and are bound in a set of three red limp-leather covered volumes. In this form they weigh but a little over four pounds, and bulk less than one-third of the regular edition.

Owing to the war and the attending difficulty of importing paper from England, an edition of but 700 sets is being issued. Orders for 383 sets have already been received. The price for a set is \$12, postpaid. Volume one is now ready, and will be delivered upon receipt of your order from the tract society.

## Office Desks

THIS Office has secured the agency for a splendid line of office desks, both flat and roll top. Should any of our tract society or conference offices, or others be in need of a new desk, money can be saved by writing us. For catalog, prices, discount, etc., address Southern Publishing Association, 24th Ave, North, Nashville, Tenn.

## Alabama Conference

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### Sunset Calendar

Friday, January 22, sun sets..... 5:23

### News Notes

BROTHER R. P. HARBIN writes from Gilbertown and sends in his tithes. He expresses a desire to press onward and forward in the work.

Miss Beulah Phillimore from Whistler sends in payment in full for her first order of *The Watchman* and at the same time places an order for another shipment to be sent at once.

The Huntsville Y. P. M. V. S. orders fifty *Morning Watch Calendars*. We trust that each member of this society will make good use of the calendars all during the year.

Sister Frank Elstrom of Summerdale gives a very encouraging missionary report. She states that as the result of mailing one paper to a friend in the North she received a donation of one dollar for the Harvest Ingathering and is planning to obtain at least twenty-five cents for each paper given out. The Harvest Ingathering Campaign is not completed till every paper is disposed of and we trust that the efforts will not be slackened until we have reached our goal of five dollars a member for the entire State of Alabama.

Brother E. V. Higgins of Irvington sends in an order for the new book "The World's Crisis in the Light of Prophecy." It is surprising to see how well this book is taking. At the low price of twenty-five cents it should be scattered broadcast. Now is the time for you to place your order.

Sister F. W. Halladay orders one hundred copies of the "World's Crisis." We are glad to note that the school is planning on taking up this kind of missionary work.

### Colporteurs' Institute

THE time set for the colporteurs' institute for the white canvassers is February 8-16 and will be held with the Birmingham Church. The church, in connection with the conference, will furnish free entertainment for the colporteurs during the institute. The canvassers should bring some bedding as it will be a great help to the members of the church in furnishing them lodging. Perhaps a couple of blankets and two quilts will be all the bedding necessary to bring. We hope that all the colporteurs will remember this arrangement. Come with a prayer on your lips that God will abundantly bless the meetings. We urge that all the regular colporteurs and also the invited prospective workers be at this meeting.

We will have good help at the institute. Elder Wight and Brother Davis from the union will be with us, and Elder Miller and Elder Keate from the local conference. Every thing possible is being done for the comfort of the colporteurs and the success of the meeting. The Lord tells us that the time has come when there is to be a great work done by the colporteurs, and if there are any with whom we have not been in touch

who would like to attend this meeting, we will be glad to come in touch with them at once. The "call of the hour is answered by the coming of a man." "Manual," p. 71. Are you a man? Then the Lord has called you.

When you take into account the shortness of the time and the great need of the work in the broad, harvest field, we feel that nothing less than fifteen or twenty workers at this meeting will meet the mind of God. Certainly the Lord has that number in the Alabama Conference who will dedicate themselves to the canvassing work for the year 1915. How many will do as the prophet of old? When the Lord asked who would go for him, Isaiah's reply was, "Here am I; send me." Isa. 6:8. In the fifth verse of this chapter the prophet records the experience of a soul cut off from God. He says, "Woe is me! for I am cut off (margin)." How long it will be until the inhabitants of this world will be cut off and the awful anguish come from every breast, we do not know. But now, while probation lasts, may God move us as never before to carry the truth to the lost and those that soon must perish.

We shall be very glad to correspond with any who desire to take up the canvassing work. We have the names of about twenty-five white persons and about twelve or fifteen colored on our mailing list but we feel that there are others whom the Lord is calling to this work. There was never a time in the history of our work nor of the world when the Lord's call was more urgent. Read the report of the colporteur work for the year 1914. Certainly the Lord is with his people and all who will give themselves to him for service he will not forsake. I know this work is of the Lord and why should we think of failure? The word of the Lord is, "Be strong and of a good courage; for unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I sware unto their fathers to give them." Josh. 1:6.

M. L. WILSON, *Field Agent*.

### Work in Birmingham

AS THE result of the decisions made during the week of prayer and since, ten were baptized and added to the Birmingham Church last Sabbath.

Eight of these were children who are Sabbath School scholars and junior M. V. S. members. Six of them attend our church school.

We are praying and hoping for a number of others to take their stand soon. This is a large place and we need your prayers for the work here. Pray for us. R. I. KEATE.

### The Roman Catholic Priest Cursed the Protestant Bibles

FROM a point in Silesia comes the following report:

"Colporteur Neumann, a new member of our staff, was puzzled by the people taking their books to the priest to be consecrated. But the priest did not bless, he cursed. Then there was a *gendarme* who had a strong desire to arrest Neumann on the ground that the colporteur was selling Protestant books to Roman Catholics. It was not until that it was pointed out to him that the arrest of an innocent man, fully entitled to pursue an innocent and lawful calling, might injure him in his career that this watchful guardian consented to let Neumann go in peace."—*B. F. B. S., Report 108th (1912), page 47.*

### Senator Works Champions Civil and Religious Freedom

"You are right in supposing that I am interested in the principles of civil and religious freedom, and the total separation of church and state in civil polity."—*John B. Works, United States Senator from California.*

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### Sunset Calendar

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### Items

Do NOT forget the colporteurs' institute at Welsh, January 28 to February 6. Write us of any that you know who should attend.

Did your church take up a collection last Sabbath for our Emergency Fund? If not, why not? It was the third Sabbath. This fund is used for such expenses as should not be borne from the tithe.

Dr. Lydia E. Parmele, who has been in Michigan since the latter part of November, attending her mother in her sickness, has returned. She reports her mother much improved in health. The doctor came by way of Nashville, and attended the latter part of the general meeting there.

Elder and Dr. Parmele stopped at Huntsville, Ala., Jackson, Miss. and Rayville, La., on their way home from Nashville. At Rayville Mr. Swimm had arranged for Elder Parmele to speak in the Methodist church on Sunday night on "The Meaning of the European War." Despite the very inclement weather, a good sized congregation gathered to hear this important subject. The message was enthusiastically received by those present, and every courtesy possible was shown by the pastor and congregation of the Methodist church. Brother and Sister Parmele report a most pleasant time at all the places visited.

### Scriptural Evidences

THIS booklet by Pastor W. M. Crothers, is a work which every believer should carry in his pocket, or keep always within his reach.

True to its title and exhaustive in its nature, it presents the scriptural evidence in support of the principal doctrines as understood by Seventh-day Adventists, covering the ground of thirty or forty Bible readings or sermons as usually presented by our workers.

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### Sunset Calendar

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### Office Notes

ELDER ELLIOTT left Nashville Monday, January 11, for Memphis, where he goes to assist the church there. He will return the latter part of February.

Brother Wagner has just completed a very successful delivery in Lewisburg. He writes that the work is onward in that vicinity and that there is a large work yet to be done.

Brother Keele writes that he is of good courage and is pressing forward in the work. We made a large shipment of books to Brother Keele and almost immediately he found it necessary to write for more books and these were shipped to him. We are always glad to get orders from our workers, and to ship them out promptly.

A number of the churches have not yet sent in their quarterly reports. These reports should be in by the fifteenth of January and we sincerely trust that each church clerk will see that this is done. We desire to make a full report to the General Conference, and for this reason are making this request.

Brother Young writes from Paducah that he has not been well of late and has not continued regularly in the work. We hope to see Brother Young back again as soon as the weather improves. He has done faithful work the past summer and we would be glad to have him back in the work again.

The February issue of *The Watchman* is now off the press and orders are beginning to come in. This is a splendid issue and we earnestly hope to see a larger number of orders than ever before. We were successful in disposing of two thousand copies of the January number and still the orders continue to come in.

### The Institute

THE conference committee was in session in Nashville on January 6, and among other things voted that the colporteurs' institute for our conference be held at Springville, Tennessee, February 18-27. Arrangements have been made for those attending to have free entertainment while there. The railroad fare will also be paid to those who continue in the work by allowing five per cent additional commission on book sales. A number of letters have come in from different ones, signifying their intention to be present at this meeting, and we would

like to hear from a large number of our people who would like to devote their time to this work. A letter to the undersigned or to Brother Pound will bring particulars. Be sure to attend and help spread the message during 1915. Truly the harvest is great and the laborers are few.

F. C. BRUCE.

### A Call for Workers

We are glad to learn of several persons who are expecting to enter the canvassing field again soon. We expect to see in the near future, many new workers marching side by side with the older ones in a determined effort to finish the work in this conference. There are several counties in which the tread of one of our colporteurs has never been heard. God has a record of this, and is holding some one responsible for the giving of the message in these counties. It would be well for us to ask as did the disciples, "Lord, is it I?" We have planned to hold our institute at Springville, Tenn., and we want all our workers and those who intend to enlist for service to attend this meeting. The reports from the field show that there is much to encourage us in a forward march.

I. C. POUND.

### The Work in Nashville

THE work of the Nashville Church for the past year has been one of progress and advancement. While we have not had pastoral help steadily, yet by the help of the brethren passing through our city, we have very seldom been without a speaker for our Sabbath services.

Our Bible workers in the city have done excellent work in increasing the interest. A number of baptisms have resulted from their work.

Miss Cothren is holding Bible workers' training classes each week, and a number of our brethren and sisters are taking the instruction from her as to the best methods of doing Bible work, home missionary work, etc. As she will only be in this city for a few weeks, it is hoped that a number more of our people will take up the work of giving Bible readings and leading out in missionary endeavor.

The business meeting of the church was held at 7:30, Sunday night, the seventeenth, and the treasurer's report read showed that the Nashville Church had overpaid on the twenty-cent-a-week fund. The total receipts for the year were, \$7,168, divided as follows: For missions, \$1,792.57; for local church work, \$602.57; for local conference work, \$4,773.63.

It is earnestly hoped that during the year 1915 not only our membership, tithe, and offerings may be increased but that many new souls may be brought to a knowledge of present truth.

F. C. BRUCE, *Treasurer.*

### Some Field Experiences

I LEFT home at 5:30 A. M. last Monday and walked most all the way (ten miles) to Huntingdon, Tenn. Here I looked after some business and then caught the 9:45 A. M. train, before eating my breakfast. I arrived at Paris, Tenn. at 12 M. and secured a room. After writing some letters and cards I went to work at 2 P. M. and took three orders that afternoon.

I have had some precious experiences the past week, as I usually have. Wish I could relate them but time is too short. It is a common thing for men and women to assure me with all the positiveness they can that they will not buy any books. But these things do not affect me at all. I know they do not know what I have; therefore I tell them I have not asked them to buy, neither will I. I do not have to ask people to buy my book. They all want it. All I ask of any one is just to look from three to five minutes.

God is helping me to help the mother to see how she may be a blessing in her home by teaching her own children to know God.

Oh, dear brethren and sisters, those of you who can be spared from home, why do you tarry from going out and making known to the dear people who are soon to be thrown into awful troubles such as never was? You may save some one. I find so many people who thank me for calling and showing them the book. All seem to appreciate it. Those who do not take it only lament that they cannot.

Brethren, very soon the work will all be over. And then, as never before, the workers will hear in richest music, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." It will indeed be a most refreshing eternal rest. But notice it is only to those who labor and are heavy laden, because of the abominations that are being done in our midst.

I sold thirty-six books during the week and sixteen *Watchman* this morning. I have written a number of missionary letters this afternoon.

People now listen as never before to the truth presented in love. Now is our time to work. Let us work while it is day for soon Jesus will come.

Wm. J. KEELE.

### An Endearing Expression

ONE of the apostle James' favorite and endearing expressions is, "brethren," or, "my brethren," or yet the still more endearing, "my beloved brethren."

According to the "Englishman's Greek Concordance of the New Testament" (Harper and Brother, New York, 1867), the Greek word, *adelphos*, from which the term "brethren" in the epistle of James is a translation, occurs nineteen times in the Greek of this epistle.

These occurrences, and their renderings in our common English version, are the following:

- James 1:2 — "My brethren, count it all joy."  
 1:9 — "Let the brother of low degree."  
 1:16 — "Do not err, my beloved brethren."  
 1:19 — "Wherefore, my beloved brethren."  
 2:1 — "My brethren, have not the faith."  
 2:5 — "Hearken, my beloved brethren."  
 2:14 — "What (doth it) profit, my brethren."  
 2:15 — "If a brother or sister be naked."  
 3:1 — "My brethren, be not many masters."  
 3:10 — "My brethren, these things ought."  
 3:12 — "Can the fig tree, my brethren."  
 4:11 — "Speak not evil one of another, brethren."  
 4:11 — "He that speaketh evil of his brother."  
 4:11 — "And judgeth his brother."  
 5:7 — "Be patient therefore, brethren."  
 5:9 — "Grudge not one against another, brethren."  
 5:10 — "Take, my brethren, the prophets."  
 5:12 — "But above all things, my brethren."  
 5:19 — "Brethren, if any one of you do err."

This Greek word, *adelphos*, is also at least a part of the root from which the word "Philadelphia" (that is, "brotherly love") occurs in Rev. 1:11; 3:7.

A. L. MANOUS.

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R W Harris . . . BF	10	3		7 50		7 50	8 00
Bibles . . . . .				7 70		7 70	
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F E Wagner . . . D&R	39	8		22 00	2 50	24 50	41 50
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Conference	Orders	Helps	Deliveries
Alabama Conference . .	\$	\$	\$
Kentucky Conference . .	73 20	9 60	146 00
Louisiana Conference . .	70		
Mississippi Conference .	95 00	2 90	134 25
Tenn. River Conference .	84 00	10 90	45 25
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**Roman Catholics Cannot Go to Confession With a Protestant Bible in Their Possession**

A colporteur in East Prussia is reported to have had the following experience:

"In the Braunsberg district Grau [the colporteur] was in contact with a fanatical Roman Catholic population. Some years previously he had visited this region and sold several Bibles; but the fear of the priests took possession of the people, and apparently most of the books were destroyed. One young woman told Grau that she had thrown her Bible 'into the water,' for otherwise she could not have gone to confession."—*B. F. B. S., Report 108th (1912), page 44.*

THE vision of the divine presence ever takes the form which our circumstances most require.—*Alexander MacLaren.*

**Magazine Agents' Report Week Ending Jan 9, 1915**

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LOUISIANA CONFERENCE		
Bethel Mann . . . . .	138	\$ 13 80
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Harrison McGilorey . . . . .	28	2 80
Octavia Boden . . . . .	50	5 00
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Milton Jones . . . . .	125	12 50
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Totals . . . . .	461	\$ 46 10

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### Colporteurs' Institutes for Southern Union 1915

Mississippi.....	January	18-26
Louisiana, Welsh.....	January 28-February	6
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Tennessee River.....	February	18-27
Alabama (Colored).....	March	1-9
Mississippi (Colored).....	March	11-20
Louisiana, New Orleans (Colored).....	March	22-31

ELDER S. E. WIGHT spent the past week assisting in the colporteurs' institute for the Kentucky Conference which was held at Nicholasville.

We are glad to welcome to our union Elder and Mrs. S. N. Haskell, who have returned to take up active work in the South after an absence of four years. They left Nashville Sunday night, January 17, for Jackson, Mississippi, where they will attend the Mississippi colporteurs' institute.

"THE *Protestant Magazine* ought to reach every man and woman in the world. I have not had such a feast of good, old-fashioned Bible doctrine for a long time. God bless and prosper your work."—*Rev. Mark Noble, Pastor First Baptist Church, Camas, Wash.*

EVERY man who conducts himself as a good citizen, is accountable alone to God for his religious faith, and should be protected in worshiping God according to the dictates of his own conscience.—*George Washington.*

### The Bugle Is Sounding

THE bugle is sounding its summons abroad,

A summons to work in the hours that remain,  
A call to engage in the service of God.

Hark! how it re-echoes o'er mountain and plain!

It calleth to you, and it calleth to me;

We all have some portion allotted each day.

Our Master is good, and his service is free,

He never will turn e'en the weakest away.

He strength gives to all for the work he desires;

The youngest and least may be able to serve;

Each worker may have just the grace he requires

To fit, to support, to enlighten, to nerve.

— *Selected.*

"If we would not have God put us off with a Pharisee's portion, we should not put him off with a Pharisee's performance."

### Dormant Sixty Years

A BUSINESS man connected with the largest insurance company in America writes: "Some time ago it was my good fortune to come across your valuable magazine, *Life and*

*Health*, but I find that I cannot buy it from any of the news dealers in this vicinity. I am deeply interested in this subject, and naturally do not want to miss anything in this line." Business men buy this magazine.

### Legal Notice

NOTICE is hereby given that the Sixth Annual Meeting of the constituency of the Hillcrest School Farm, Incorporated, will be held in the North Nashville church school building, Twenty-third Avenue North, near Seifried St., Nashville, Tennessee, at five P. M., Thursday, Jan. 28, 1915.

The purpose of this meeting is the election of trustees and a Board of Counselors, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

S. N. HASKELL, *Chairman,*

A. J. HARRIS, *Secretary.*

### What Do You Carry in Your Pocket ?

ONE thing that ought to be there all during the year 1915 is the five-cent, pocket-edition of the book of Matthew. Each member of the Sabbath School should have a copy, as an aid in studying the lesson daily. The senior division greatly enjoyed the pocket edition of the book of Romans, but this time the children, too, may share in the pleasure. Teachers of children may well provide this five-cent gift for their pupils, and encourage its use.

### "Doing a Noble Work" Says Judge Simmons

"PLEASE send me the club rate of your *Liberty* magazine. I will endeavor to make up an order for the next number. It is doing a noble work, and I am heartily in sympathy with it."—*Judge Cyrus Simmons, Knoxville, Tenn.*

"You can understand that as Lutheran pastor I delight in your *Protestant Magazine*. Yes, it is high time to speak and let our trumpet sound in clear tones."—*Rev. C. Lucas, Pastor German-English Lutheran Church, Preston, Ontario, Canada.*

"I THINK the liberty-loving people of this nation ought to pass a vote of thanks to you people for staving off religious legislation all these years. But some day, in spite of all our efforts to hinder it, it will come."—*A Prominent Member of Congress to the Editor of "Liberty."*

### The Roman Catholic Layman Who Buys a Protestant Bible Often Has to Burn It

FROM the city of Cologne in the Rhenish Province of Prussia comes the following:

"Colporteur Bahr, with Cologne as his center, works among an almost exclusively Roman Catholic population. He was frequently told, 'What is the use of buying your books? We shall only have to burn them as we did last time.' Here and there, however, he met with men and women who valued the Bible, and even Roman Catholics testified to the pleasure they felt in Bible study."—*B. F. B. S., Report 108th (1912), page 45.*

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