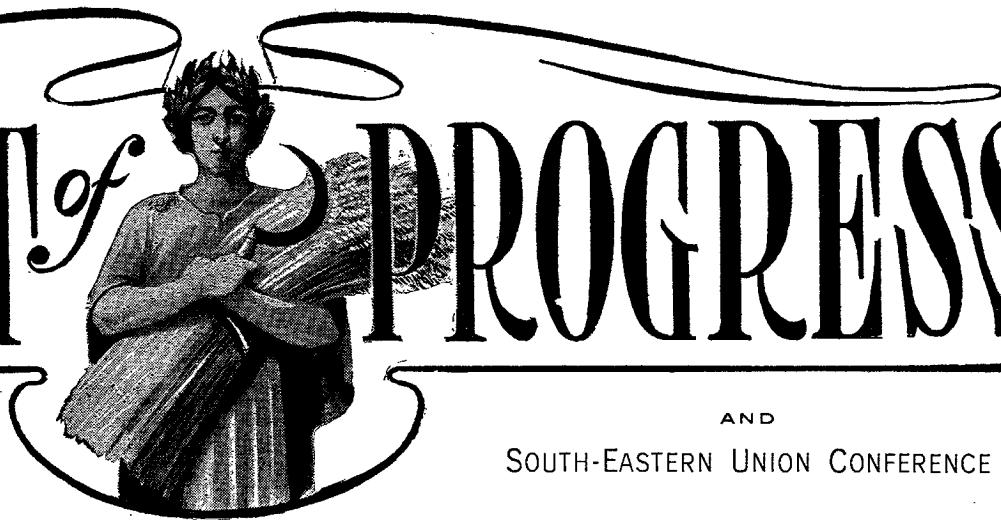


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A SHINING guard of angels bright
Is promised by the King of Light,
'Tis sweet to feel the sheltering arm,
'Tis joy to know that naught can harm;
If our peace with God is securely made,
Then nothing below can make us afraid.

E. H. MORTON.

ORGANIZATION AND SYSTEMATIC EFFORT IN THE CANVASSING WORK

(A paper read at the Atlanta, Ga., canvassers' institute, February 26 to March 11.)

God is not the author of confusion. In all the arrangements of heaven there is perfect order and harmony; and it was so in "this present evil world" until the arch-deceiver entered "the garden of God," and lured away the first holy pair of our race. He of whom it was written, "Thou sealest up the sum, full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty," stepped down from his high and holy position as Lucifer, or day-star, the covering cherub, and became Satan, the prince of evil. He so jeopardized not only the order, but the very government of heaven, that "he was cast out, and his angels were cast out with him." What he could not accomplish in heaven, he has, ever since his fall, been striving for in this world, and we see the sad results on every hand.

But God is still the author of peace, and although man has wandered far from the pathway so plainly marked out, yet our gracious heavenly Father is ever seeking to lead him back into the way of peace, which is a way of perfect order and harmony.

Notice the Lord's dealings with the children of Israel after their deliverance from Egyptian bondage. We see in everything perfect organization and system. The camp was laid out and each tribe knew just where it should pitch. Each had its standard, its officers and regulations, so there was no confusion in their movements. All this was true of the tabernacle and its appointments. Notice also how particular the Lord was to designate who should officiate in the tabernacle service and in all the work. Those thoroughly consecrated were chosen, "men of truth, hating covetousness." Had they not

been, they certainly would have brought confusion and disaster to the work.

Many are the instances recorded in Holy Writ showing how particular the Lord is in regard to those set apart for a certain work, and that unconsecrated hands must be kept off. We recall the familiar case of Uzzah, who, in his zeal lest the ark of God be harmed, put forth his hand to steady it. "And God smote him there for his error, and there he died by the ark of God." And also that of Nadab and Abihu, who offered strange fire before the Lord, and how signally they were punished.

But you may say, "What has all this to do with the canvassing work?" Again we repeat our first scripture—"God is not the author of confusion, but of peace,"—and couple with it this other: "I am the Lord, I change not." Is not the canvassing work ordained of God? We quote from "Gospel Workers," page 351: "The canvassing work is God's means of reaching many that would not otherwise be impressed with the truth." Also from Jer. 16:16: "Behold, I will send for many fishers, saith the Lord, and they shall fish them; and after I will send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them, from every mountain, and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks."

How important is this work? Let us first note this on page 11: "From Christ's ascension to the present day men ordained of God, deriving their authority from him, have become teachers of the faith. Christ, the true Shepherd, superintends his work through the instrumentality of these under-shepherds. Thus the position of those who labor in word and doctrine becomes very important." And compare with this from page 351: "The canvassing work is more important than many have regarded it, and as much care and wisdom must be used in selecting the workers as in selecting men for the ministry." "Well may every one feel an individual responsibility in this work. Well may he consider how he may best arrest the attention, for his manner of presenting the truth may decide the destiny of a soul."

Since God has spoken so plainly in regard to the importance of this work, should there not be most thorough organization in it?

Again we quote from page 333: "There is order in heaven, and there should be system and order upon earth, that the work may move forward without confusion and fanaticism." Again: "The same zeal and energy, tact and order, that are exercised in counting-rooms and shops, and in the fine arts, should be brought into the religious life and exercised in the work of God."—Page 386.

See how well the soldiers of an army are organized and how thoroughly they are drilled before being marshalled out on the field of battle. "If discipline and order are necessary for successful action on the field of battle, the same are as much more needful in the warfare in which we are engaged as the object to be gained is of greater value and more elevated in character than those for which opposing forces contend on the field of battle. In the conflict in which we are engaged, eternal interests are at stake.

"Angels work harmoniously. Perfect order characterizes all their movements. The more closely we imitate the harmony and order of the angelic host, the more successful will be the efforts of these heavenly agents in our behalf. If we see no necessity for harmonious action, and are disorderly, undisciplined, and disorganized in our course of action, angels, who are thoroughly organized, and move in perfect order, cannot work for us successfully. They turn away in grief, for they are not authorized to bless confusion, distraction, and disorganization."

"Those who have the unction from on high will in all their efforts encourage order, discipline, and union of action, and then the angels of God can co-operate with them. But never, never will these heavenly messengers place their indorsement upon irregularity, disorganization, and disorder."—Pages 156, 157.

This quotation needs no comment, and the more closely we follow heaven's plan, the greater will be our success. We are told that all the resources of heaven are at the command of those who are working for the salvation of souls. Then may God help us to work in harmony with them, and hasten on the glorious day of Jesus' return. Surely it will be our highest pleasure to do this.

The lack of systematic effort in the can-

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vassing work is truly largely responsible for many giving up in discouragement, saying they were not cut out for this work, and leaving the field. Whereas had they taken hold of the work aright, and pressed on, they might have become more and more efficient, constantly growing and fitting themselves for greater usefulness.

There are many advantages to be gained from systematic effort. By it one will get over a given territory with much less work, and sell more books in a given time, thus placing the truth in a larger number of homes. And thus by keeping where his subscribers are known, he will find their influence a great help in securing others.

By observing system in taking the orders, much time will be gained in making delivery. The Lord cannot bless confusion and disorder; but as we co-operate with him, he will co-operate with us.

Brethren and sisters, fellow-workers, the goodly land is just before us. The shining gates of pearl are almost in sight. Soon the voice of the archangel will rend the vaulted skies; the righteous dead will be raised, and they with the living saints be caught up to meet the Lord in the air. Let us buckle the armor a little tighter, and press forward in the strength of Israel's God. We are well able to go up and possess the goodly land. We have a Captain at the helm who will guide us into the haven of eternal rest. But we must abide in the ship.

May the Lord help us to take hold of these principles as never before, and carry them out in our work. And remember, "It is not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." F. A. EVANS.

CHEERING WORDS

FROM one of our young canvassers come these cheering words:—

"I have done fine this week, and I know that the Lord has surely blessed me. I have taken time to read and study (and pray) some every day, but I worked thirty hours, and took 19 orders for 'Coming King,' value \$26.50. I guess I happened to strike a good place this week.

"At one home the people told me that I was doing one of the grandest works that any one on earth could do, and said also that I had started out young, and if I kept on, by the time I was grown I would be one of the finest canvassers in the United States. The gentleman told me not to get discouraged, for I was doing the Lord's work."

These are encouraging words, and especially so when coming from those who do not know the present truth, but can see in our work the Lord's work, and urge us to keep right at it. Brethren and sisters of Georgia, I think it is *time* that we were up and doing, don't you? We thank you for your hearty co-operation and prompt reporting, and hope you will continue the same. Let us hear from all.

• A. L. MANOUS, *Field Agent.*

602 Capitol Ave., Atlanta, Ga.

BRETHREN HARRISON AND DART have been having a good attendance at the missionary institute in Henderson during the day time, and at night I have spoken upon the books of Daniel and the Revelation. I have sought to strengthen the work that they were doing. The Lord has witnessed to the work in the institute. It is beginning to dawn upon the minds of the young men and women that by taking up the canvassing work, they can, while selling the books that contain the message for this time, earn sufficient money with which to attend school during the school year.

This is an opportunity to obtain an education, and while doing this important work, they are actively engaged in the direct lines of the message. Thus while extending a knowledge of the message by scattering the printed page, they are gaining an experience that fits them for the next place in the work of the Lord. Last year, in another conference where we were working, four young people who had never sold our literature, in five weeks took so many orders for our books that the commission was sufficient to pay for each the whole expense of a year in school. None of these students thought that they could do this, but they tried, and the Lord gave them success. Reader, he will do so for you under like circumstances.

There are a large number, ladies as well as gentlemen, who could do this if they could attend one of our institutes. If there is one who has a desire to undertake this, please let me hear from you. Address me at McKinney, Ky.

This church is deeply interested in the educational work, and is planning to have another long year's school for its youth. They are now negotiating for the teacher. Consecrated teachers are what are needed for this work. The devoted, God-fearing teacher can do a work that is second to no other. We need such in every church where there are sufficient students to have a school. I was obliged to leave before the institute closed, but at that time everything was promising.

From a recent communication from Elder G. H. Baber in Louisville, I quote as follows: "Had a good time yesterday with some Scotch people, who are very nice. I have hopes of them. Things are warming up out in Parkland. Had a new meeting with three young men yesterday. Two of them are exhorters. Pray for our work. Surely God has some here who will walk with him."

The following from a letter by Elder E. G. Hayes of Elk Point, S. Dakota, will be of interest to all the churches in Kentucky:—

"I have been deeply interested in our work in the South for a good many years, and have often felt somewhat of a burden to give my time fully to the work in that field, because of its great need of more laborers and from the word that we have received that the work will close there first. I am certain I would enjoy the work in Kentucky, and shall endeavor to give it my best effort if it is decided definitely for me to labor there. It was necessary for me to leave our Union Conference

session before my name was presented in the recommendation for the Southern field, and the delegates tell me that my name was allowed to be presented on the condition that it will receive final action at our conference in June.

"My wife and I are busy here in our academy. She is the matron and practically preceptress also, while I am principal and business manager, with six full classes every day. The capacity of the academy was crowded to its utmost all winter, and in fact it is well filled at the present time, having more than twice as many students now as ever before at this time of the year, for which we praise the Lord, as it shows an increased desire on the part of our young people to receive a preparation to enter the work. We have enjoyed the work for our young people here very much the past year, and although I handed my resignation to the Academy Board at their meeting right after the conference meeting, they would not accept it till after I pressed the matter upon them near the close of their session.

"I understand that a majority of the board and conference committee are not in favor of my changing at this time, so I am hardly decided where duty calls me. I shall continue praying that God may direct, and that we shall be just where he wants us to labor and in the line of work of his choosing. I will write again soon, and hope to be able to make final arrangements in regard to entering your field and joining you in the effort to push the work there for the salvation of souls.

"Our school work continues right up to the time of our annual conference, so it will be impossible to get away before that time. Yes, I think that a 30 x 50 round-cornered tent with high walls is the best size for general use. I think that it is advisable to put forth a strong effort in new fields. . . . We find it an excellent plan, if possible, for a good, consecrated canvasser to do thorough work in the vicinity the year before meetings are conducted. I must close, wishing you much of the blessing of God in all your labors."

Let all the brethren and sisters pray that the Lord will send this brother to this field, where the work is to close up first. We need help, and we must earnestly ask the Lord of the harvest to send it to us. The Sabbath-school convention will be reported by the secretary. We are sure that it will be worth reading and instructive. We have asked her to send on to the REPORT OF PROGRESS some of the papers that were read. The presence of the Lord was with the work all the way through.

A. O. BURRILL.

ANDERSON, S. C.

I HAVE spent two weeks canvassing for the large book, "Daniel and the Revelation," and I consider them the best two weeks of my experience in the canvassing work. I have found some who were just wishing for such a work, others who had long wanted to understand Revelation, but had given up hope. One man told me that after I had written down his name, he wanted to tell me some-

thing. I wrote his name, and he said, "I am fifty years old, and that is the first book I have ever ordered in my whole life; but I've never before seen one like it either."

One day's experience with this book ought to convince the most timid canvasser in the South that *it is a book that should be sold now*. I shall rejoice more than words can express for every "Daniel and the Revelation" placed in the homes of the people. It contains the entire message, and in no uncertain tones, and clothed in the most convincing language. It seems to me that our workers ought to take up the "Great Controversy" and "Daniel and the Revelation," and *push them now*. Our new workers may find it better for a while to use the smaller works, but it is a most precious thing to sell a book that the people themselves are asking for.

In fifty-nine hours I have obtained seventy orders for this book, some of them for the best binding, although I favor pushing a single binding; and for this season of the year, when finance and storms and late spring etc., are troubling the people, I consider the fifty-nine hours and the result as a most conclusive argument in favor of selling our large books.

H. B. GALLION.

TO ENCOURAGE AND DISCOURAGE

EVERY soul who has espoused present truth ought to be in the Lord's work in some capacity, but especially in the canvassing work. The Lord helped me to sell \$37.50 worth of books one day in about five hours, for which I praise and thank him.

I am hearing very favorable reports regarding my books. Some have embraced the truth through reading them. I am heartily in sympathy with the canvassing work, and with the work as a whole.

We have of late labored with the St. Petersburg church and also with a Methodist minister in Tampa. It seems to the writer that to bring up the laity or church to become workers, is to infuse the spirit of life, which is only had in personal labor put forth by every mem-

ber. See *Review* dated March 19, "Church Discipline," by Mrs. E. G. White. I indorse the article; it meets my mind entirely. Leaving churches with sin and corruption in them for years ought to be discouraged; for it is partaking with the sinner who is in the church. May God pity us, and give us a clearer view of our duties to such churches among us. Some years ago the General Conference passed a resolution that members of our churches who did not report, either by person or by letter, for two or three consecutive quarters, were subject to dismissal from the church. May the Lord help us. J. F. BAHLER.

TENNESSEE RIVER HAPPENINGS

"All things are possible to him that believeth."

We are glad to have Brother Hazelton's name on the list of canvassers, after a season of rest.

Brother Keele is still doing good work with the special WATCHMAN. When the Temperance special is ready for circulation, he will still "have his hand in."

Brother Hook has been obliged to stay close at home on account of the sickness of Sister Hook; but we confidently hope it will not need to be much longer, as she is recovering.

Brother C. H. Chenault is a welcome addition from Oklahoma. Like the early disciples, he could not keep a good thing to himself, and has returned from his adopted home to bring the truth to his aged parents and old associates.

At the close of the institute held in Nashville, three sisters were located here to work for "Daniel and the Revelation." Look for their reports, but remember they are all beginners, with little experience in meeting the world. They say they are "getting along as fine as can be."

At the council meeting in Washington, D. C., it was decided to hold the next General Conference in that city, May 13 to June 6, 1909.

ALABAMA CONFERENCE

State Agent's Report for Five Weeks Ending May 2, 1908.

Agent	Place	Book	Hrs.	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Delivered
Mrs H T Moor	Birmingham	CK D&R	23	8	\$ 11 00	\$	\$ 11 00	\$ 4 00
Mrs M L Foster	Marlow	BFL	8	5	5 00		5 00	5 00
Mrs N C Freeman	Birmingham	books, papers			9 80		9 80	9 80
W C Wales	Birmingham	D&R	71	128	275 60		275 60	3 50
W R Elliott	Talladega	D&R	248	145	269 45	77 50	347 45	11 50
Mrs W R Elliott	Birmingham	MISC				18 55	18 55	18 55
Mrs Mammie Hawkins	Birmingham	BFL	21	10	12 00	2 20	14 20	
J E Vaughn (col)	Birmingham	BFL	7	12	15 50		15 50	
Ben Griffith	Baldwin & Escambea Co.	BFL	105	139	139 00	10 75	149 75	17 00
I W Peavy (col)	East Lake	BFL	2½	8	10 50	4 00	14 50	
Maria Whitman (col)	Birmingham	BFL	6	7	10 00	1 40	11 40	
W A Nelson	Etouah Co.	BFL	11	15	16 00	2 50	18 50	
R F Thompson	Etouah Co.	BFL	5	5	5 00	1 50	6 50	
D C Wolf	Jefferson	BFL	38	37	47 00		47 00	
Carrie Bradford (col)	Birmingham	BFL	27	14	16 00		16 00	
Rube Wages (col)	Birmingham	BFL	6	7	7 50		7 50	
J J Pearson	Birmingham	BFL	2	7	10 50		10 50	
Totals	17 Agents		580	547	\$859 85	\$118 40	\$978 75	\$69 35

R. I. KEATE, State Agent.

CANVASSING REPORT OF SOUTH-EASTERN UNION CONFERENCE FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 2, 1908

NAME—	Book	Hours	Value	Deliv'd
CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE				
Walter Kirkham	BFL	19	\$10 20	\$
Fred Meister	BFL	34	17 25	
C M Emmerson	BFL	30	43 45	
B F Halstead	BFL	50	5 45	
M J Weber	BFL	33	8 00	64 00
Jesse J Harris	2 wks. BFL	60	39 45	
J A Caldwell	BFL NTP	31	30 70	2 50
FLORIDA CONFERENCE				
LeRoy T Crisler	GC soft	23	77 30	9 20
Mrs P E Frost	BFL	21	34 85	1 10
W A Robison	CK	32	8 45	
Eugene Russell	BFL	30	19 26	13 20
GEORGIA CONFERENCE				
Sallie M Vansant	CK BS	10	8 50	26 40
Mrs Onie Henderson	D&R BS	10	2 50	15 00
J D Andrews	GC	42	30 50	50
Georgia Cruise	CK	30	26 50	
A L Manous	D&R	2	5 00	
Mrs A L Manous	D&R	20	17 00	1 00
Hazel L Foster	2 wks MISC			3 60
NORTH-CAROLINA CONFERENCE				
Guy L Kerley	D&R	49	21 50	3 50
Chas Peden	D&R	30	12 25	1 75
SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE				
G S Vreeland	DofA GC	39	59 35	15 60
F A Evans	soft	19	5 05	9 35
S H Swingle	soft	10	6 50	25 00
H B Gallion	D&R	25	65 25	1 75
J B Rise	D&R CK	32	36 00	3 00
Mrs H B Gallion	soft	15	6 35	16 85
Mrs E A Wing	CK soft	23	10 10	13 00
Ira Young	BFL	54	11 00	21 70
H Martin	2 wks. CK	80	47 35	43 35
RECAPITULATION				
Cumberland Conference		257	154 50	66 50
Florida Conference		106	139 86	23 50
Georgia Conference		114	90 00	46 50
North Carolina Conf.		79	33 75	5 25
South Carolina Conf.		297	246 95	149 60
Total		853	\$665 06	\$291 35

CANVASSING REPORT OF SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 2, 1908

ALABAMA CONFERENCE				
J J Pearsons	BFL	12	\$10 50	\$6 00
W C Wales	D&R	14	49 50	3 50
W A Nelson	BFL	11	18 50	
R F Thompson	BFL BS	5	6 50	
W R Elliott	D&R	38	60 80	1 00
Mrs W R Elliott	BS	25	17 05	17 05
KENTUCKY CONFERENCE				
Asa Davis	BFL	25	43 00	3 50
LOUISIANA CONFERENCE				
J P Campbell	soft	26	48 35	56 00
O F Frank	D&R	22	39 00	30 00
Edwin Booth	BFL CK	11	23 25	2 25
Wm Olmsted	GC	27	35 00	
A B Cheek	BR CK BS	31	24 85	
I T Reynolds	BR CK	23	20 00	44 00
MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE				
Horace G Miller	D&R	6		7 00
Lewis Thomas	BFL	25	10 05	11 05
A A Johnson	NTP	31	7 50	7 50
Ella Johnson	NTP	30	10 30	10 30
TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE				
Amanda Gahr	D&R	31	20 70	12 25
Mamie Moore	D&R	25	41 65	1 00
H C Balsbaugh	soft	36	35 25	25 25
C H Chenault	D&R	50	57 50	
Mrs Alice Patton	D&R	23	18 00	4 50
RECAPITULATION				
Alabama Conference		105	162 85	27 55
Kentucky Conference		25	43 00	3 50
Louisiana Conference		139	190 45	132 25
Mississippi Conference		92	27 85	35 85
Tennessee River Conf.		165	172 60	43 00
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CAMP-MEETINGS IN THE SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE FOR 1908

LOUISIANA...Lake Charles...August 6-16
MISSISSIPPI August 13-23
TENNESSEE RIVER...Dixon...September 3-13
KENTUCKY September 23 to October 4

At the recent meeting in Graysville, Elder W. A. Westworth, of the Southern New England Conference, was elected president of the Southeastern Union Conference. He is preparing to remove to his new field of labor.

W. G. RINGGOLD, Georgiana, Ala., R. F. D. 2, Box 2, would like a continuous supply of the *Watchman*, *Signs*, *Life and Health*, and tracts for missionary work among people who will gladly read on the truth, but are not in a position to buy our literature.

THOSE who have late clean copies of the *Signs*, *Liberty*, *Life and Health*, or the *Youth's Instructor* will confer a favor by sending them to Mrs. W. M. Crothers, Nashville, Tenn., care of this office. They are wanted for use in a reading rack, the periodicals taken by the society and the local supply not being sufficient to meet the demand.

It has been fully decided to publish the little work, "Suggestions to Missionary Workers," which has been appearing in *REPORT OF PROGRESS* as a series of articles on missionary work. It will be a good and useful booklet for all tract society workers, and those who have not already ordered it should do so at once. Direct Mrs. W. M. Crothers, this office.

TO CANVASSERS

FROM a letter just received from the Review and Herald Publishing Association, we quote the following:—

"We cannot make any definite promise on 'Practical Guide to Health.' It would not be well for agents to start in expecting to deliver books in July, since Dr. Rossiter has been delayed with legal matters, and has not been able to furnish the rest of the copy. The latest word from him is that the balance of the copy will reach here within ten days. There are about one hundred pages still to be set up."

We are prepared to furnish the other health book, "Home and Health," in any quantities

desired. This is a splendid book, and ought to be widely circulated.

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION.

WORK WHILE IT IS DAY

THE writer was once told by a blind carpenter, who, by the way, was quite a good workman, that he could do what other carpenters could not do. When asked what it was he said, "Work in the dark." I have observed since that a pianist can play in the dark if she knows the tune, and a stenographer can write in the dark if he does not have to transcribe notes. At the present time religious work can be done in the dark, and could also in Jesus' time, but he said the night cometh when no man can work. Man can handle inanimate things in the dark; but when the darkness that is coming gets inside of animate men, so that the whole body is full of darkness, and they "gnaw their tongues for pain," it will not be a propitious time to work for souls. Reader, are you working in the day, or waiting for night work?

C. F. PARMELE.

LOUISIANA

It has been decided to hold our camp-meeting at Lake Charles from August 6 to 16 this year, and we hope that all will attend. It is not too early now to begin to plan to attend this annual feast. Anciently the Lord required his people to appear three times a year at the feasts, that they might learn to fear him and serve him more acceptably. Shall not we, living as we are down so near the end of time, meet for counsel and mutual benefit at least as often as once a year? Make up your mind now that nothing will be allowed to hinder you from attending this meeting, and then pray and work to that end. Reduced rates have been applied for, and good help promised.

Let every church officer and Sabbath-school worker remember that inasmuch as next Sabbath is just one week from the day for taking up the collection for our New Orleans work, each one should urge those under his charge to give freely to this worthy enterprise. We hope that each church will be able to raise at least five dollars each month for this work.

While we have been unable to secure one of the tents donated by the Northern conferences, yet we have been promised two laborers, one to take the work in New Orleans, and one to do field work. Now let us all pay up our tithe, that there may be means in the Lord's treasury to carry on the work in this state, till every one is warned of our Saviour's coming.

Let each of us try to get at least one more person into the truth this year. Make this a subject of earnest prayer, and work while you pray.

The Lord calls on every Seventh-day Adventist in Louisiana to go to work in earnest for the salvation of their neighbors. You should all join in with those who are already doing their best and by selling books and papers, distributing tracts, giving Bible readings, and in every other possible way, let us

all pull together to double our membership this year.

The special temperance number of the *Watchman* should be widely circulated. Prices are—

1 to 4 copies, each..... .05
5 to 24 copies, each..... .03½
25 to 99 copies, each..... .03
100 to 500 copies, each..... .02½

Send your orders at once to the Southern Publishing Association, Nashville, Tenn., or Worth, Texas.

Let us all pray for a blessing this year in basket and store, that we may be able to do more than we have ever done to advance the cause of our Master. E. L. MAXWELL.

NORTH CAROLINA FIELD NOTES

It was lately my privilege to visit the little band of believers at Siler City. There are here three families who believe and practice the truth. Some opposition has been offered them, but this has had the usual effect of making them more firm in the message. They are all comparatively new in the work, but their zeal and courage is refreshing. Tobacco, snuff, etc., are all laid aside, and all are well instructed concerning health reform, tithing, the spirit of prophecy, and, so far as I am able to see, all our distinctive doctrines.

The Holiness people had previously been operating in this place, and one of our brethren, feeling the need of something more than was offered by other denominations, had been favorably inclined toward them; but when the light of present truth came, he gladly heard and obeyed, and now rejoices that he sees the truth that sanctifies indeed. He and all his excellent family are now firmly established in the truths of the third angel's message. The present truth was first introduced to them by Brother and Sister Henry Pike, who had heard the message in Indiana, and having gladly embraced it themselves, immediately began to have a burden to come to their friends in North Carolina with it. From them Brother N. Q. Smith is making preparation at some not far-distant time to enter the work as canvasser. Thus the good work continues in ever-widening circles.

Returning home April 20, I found Brother H. B. Tilden awaiting me. We spent most of the next day in counseling together regarding the canvassing work. Brother Tilden went on south to visit Brother Newton at Troy, Brother Lanier at Charlotte, and others in different parts. As we conversed and contemplated the vast unentered field, our hearts were moved to cry out to the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers. O my brethren, the time for labor will soon be over.

Tuesday, April 28, I shipped out the first tent to Brother Killen at Greensboro, and before this article is read, doubtless Brethren Killen and Crawford will be engaged in a tent effort at that place. Let us remember to pray for them.

April 29, I started for Graysville, Tenn., to attend the important business meetings held there, as mentioned in last week's *PROGRESS*.

T. H. JEYS.