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NEWS NOTES FROM THE TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

In the interest of the work in our conference, I visited Trezevant, Leach, Hazel, Nashville, Cedar Grove, Madison, Fountain Head, and Goodlettsville. At each of these places I found a church school progressing well.

I spent much of the time in the interest of the special *Review*. In all my experience among the churches, I don't think I ever saw a desire to do something in the last message of mercy so unanimous as at the present time.

Last Sabbath the Memphis church held its first meeting in the church since the tent effort began. It was very much like coming back home after a long visit. One said every seat was filled but two. The many new faces cheer us to go on with the good work another year.

This year bids fair to be the most prosperous in the history of the Tennessee River Conference. Besides the large number that will be added to the Memphis church, there will be two if not three new churches to organize.

I was much interested in my visit to Madison to spend a short while with the school. Brother Tolman will likely go from this place to take charge of the school at Hustburg, Tenn. Brother C. F. Alden and his brother have an interesting school of about twenty students out in the country from Goodlettsville. They have a neat school building completed, and are no doubt doing excellent work for that neighborhood. The same will apply to the school that is being taught by Brother Mulford and his wife near Fountain Head, Tenn., except that they have not the school building completed yet, and are teaching in one room of their house.

W. R. BURROW.

FLORIDA ITEMS

BRO. J. B. CASE has been called home from his work at Orange Mills on account of the sickness of Sister Case. We hope Sister Case will soon be restored to health.

Elder Parmele is assisting in the tent-meeting at Hastings, begun by Brethren Stephenson, Branson, and Whitford. Three have signified their intention to obey the truth there, and there is good prospect of others. It is hoped that a church can be raised up there.

Brother Whitford has been spending some time in the interests of the Thanksgiving In-gathering at Daytona and Port Orange.

Brother W. P. Schuster of Connerville, Ind., is planning to open treatment rooms in Jacksonville. We believe he will find Jacksonville an excellent field for such work, and wish him abundant success.

Nothing preventing, Elder C. B. Stephenson will meet with the following churches on the dates named: Brooker, Dec. 5; Morriston, Dec. 12; Jennings Lake, Dec. 19; and Gainesville, Dec. 26. He will then return to the vicinity of Hastings to resume tent work, January 1. Brethren Branson and Whitford will remain to look after the interest at Hastings during the holidays.

Dr. Elsie Martinson stopped over Sabbath at the sanitarium on her return to her office in Tampa, from a trip to Jacksonville, where she had been to meet with the State Board of Medical Examiners. She reports encouraging prospects for her work in medical lines in Tampa.

The lumber has arrived for the new church building at Morriston, and the brethren hope to have it ready to occupy by Christmas.

NO. 1 CAROLINA FIELD NOTES

THE meetings at Lexington are now closed. I shall go back there and hold services from time to time as occasion may demand or time permit. There are now sixteen good substantial believers here. Some others who have left the city love the truth, and will live it. One has entered the canvassing work, and is now successfully scattering the printed page. It is fully decided to build a little chapel. Some of the citizens of the city have promised to help by work and cash.

Sunday, Nov. 8, we had a baptism at Abbot's Creek, near Lexington. Five persons were baptized. We shall hold another baptism in the near future. There is still a live interest, and consequently the work should not be dropped. If the brethren who have already accepted the message are faithful to their trust, there will be a still further harvest of souls from Lexington.

Friday, October 30, in company with Elder W. A. Westworth, I went from Hildebran six-

teen miles overland with team and buggy to visit Elder Shireman's Toluca orphanage. We found Elder and Mrs. Shireman busy as usual, with the duties of their work. The children seem contented and happy, and so far as we were able to see, a good work is here going on. Brother Shields is teaching the school.

Returning to Hildebran, Elder Westworth preached Friday night. Sabbath he preached at Baker's Mountain and the writer spoke at the Hildebran church. The Baker's Mountain work likewise must be continued, and the interest followed up and developed. Sabbath, Nov. 21, I shall hold a general meeting at Archdale. We shall make our final arrangements to be ready for the work of Thanksgiving week.

T. H. JEYS.

INSTITUTES IN MISSISSIPPI

AS I READ the encouraging reports in REPORT OF PROGRESS each week, I feel that I must tell you a little of what we have been doing and what we plan to do here in Mississippi.

Our canvassing force has not been strong, yet by the Lord's help, in the eight months from March 1 to Nov. 1, we have worked 4,640 hours; taking orders to the value of \$3,216.55, and delivered \$1,436.47 worth of books. To indicate something of the progress that has been made, I will give the record as reported for March and October:—

March: No. hours, 106; value of orders, \$151.50; delivered, \$7.50.

October: No. hours, 106; value of orders, \$363.90; delivered, \$526.22.

While this shows an encouraging growth, yet it seems so little in comparison to what we ought to be doing for the 1,551,000 people of this state, very many of whom know but little of this precious truth.

That the work may continue to grow in this conference, we have planned to hold two canvassers' institutes this winter, one in the northern part of the state, and one in the west central. The first will begin Jan. 8, 1909, and probably will be held at Amory. It will be announced definitely later.

The second one, which is for the colored, will be held at King's Station, which is five miles north of Vicksburg. It will begin on Jan. 25, 1909.

Now, we are in great need of many, many more workers to carry this truth to the people; and these institutes are held with the special purpose of training and developing workers to go out with our publications.

That institutes of this kind do this, I will give you one instance: A school-teacher borrowed a "Coming King" and read it, becoming much interested. He wrote to me, asking the privilege of becoming an agent for the book. After some correspondence, I invited him to spend Sabbath and Sunday at our annual canvassers' institute. At that time he was attending school about fifteen miles from the place where the institute was being held. He spent two days with us, and became deeply interested in present truth. He purchased "Daniel and the Revelation" and "Great Controversy," and began a diligent study of these precious books. The next winter we again invited him to our institute, which happened to be held during his vacation. He attended one week. He was baptized this last summer, and joined the church. He has now been engaged in the canvassing work about eight months, and is one of the most faithful workers in that conference. I could give other instances showing excellent results from these institutes. Yes, they surely pay.

Some who will wish to attend these institutes will no doubt need financial assistance. I am glad that we are in a position to help such. Assistance will be rendered largely according to the need of the individual.

I trust that all our brethren and sisters who have made pledges to the canvassing fund will be sure to pay them before Jan. 1. We will need every dollar that is pledged. Let us have everything cleared up before 1909 overtakes us.

We also need your prayers and hearty cooperation, but have no need of doubts or misgivings. God is calling for men and women to put on the whole armor and enter the field to endure hardness as good soldiers.

I will be glad to hear from those who are planning to attend these institutes, and to give you further information regarding them or answer any questions.

H. G. MILLER,

617 S. Congress St., Jackson, Miss.

NORTH CAROLINA NEWS AND NOTES

BROTHER H. B. TILDEN has recently moved to another part of the capital city, and his address is now 224 East Martin St., Raleigh, N. C.

Brother W. L. Killen writes that they are pleased with their new home at Siler City. He has been holding meetings, and at last writing was engaged in a house-to-house canvass for our publications.

Brother and Sister Crawford, who left Hickory the evening of November 7 for Washington, D. C., write that they are very pleasantly located at Takoma Park. Brother Crawford is endeavoring to make the most of the advantages to be obtained at the Seminary.

An interesting program has been prepared for the Ingathering Service at Hildebran, Sunday, the 29th of November. The schools at Hickory, Baker's Mountain, and Toluca are

invited to participate in the exercises. A profitable time is anticipated.

Sister H. B. Tilden writes that she is enjoying her vacation, and has gained fifteen pounds. She is now at Alvin, Texas, to which place her parents have recently moved. As an evidence of her continued interest in the work in the South, she sends us seven new subscribers for REPORT OF PROGRESS.

We give the following items for the benefit of those who wish to keep in touch with our state educational interests: We now have a church school at Siler City, and Sister Viola Graham of Toluca, is there as teacher. The church at Archdale have been fortunate enough to secure the services of Sister Emma B. Rogers as teacher of their school for the winter term. Mrs. L. T. Crisler has been placed in charge as teacher of the Hildebran Academy, thus leaving Professor Beach more free to look after other local interests, and to attend to his duties as state secretary of the Educational and Missionary Volunteer Department.

JESSIE V. BOSWORTH.

CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE ITEMS

AFTER a long steady effort at Byington, we are glad to report ten keeping the Sabbath, with a number of others who say they are planning to become commandment-keepers in the near future. The enemy has worked with mighty power at this place, and we have had to meet many perplexing things; but we praise God for victory, and for these precious souls to hold up the light of truth in this dark world. Sister Maude Dortch, who has labored here during the summer, will remain to assist this new company.

At the close of our camp-meeting, Elder Sanford began a series of tent-meetings at Hill City, where Brother James Hall, the elder of the Chattanooga church, had developed an interest among his neighbors. A number are deeply interested, and since the tent season is over, meetings are being held in private houses.

Elder Bird, who has been holding a tent effort at Vonore since camp-meeting, reports some keeping the Sabbath, and many interested. He has been assisted in the work by Elder and Mrs. W. W. Williams and Dr. Caldwell.

Sister Anna Hall is still working in Knoxville. She reports some new ones keeping the Sabbath, and a number of interested readers.

We are glad to see four of the brethren of the Cleveland church, who embraced the Sabbath last year, out in the canvassing field. They are all full of courage and doing well. One of them reports a family on the point of accepting the truth through his efforts.

Four church schools and two home schools are now in operation in the Cumberland Conference, as follows: Miss De Ette Payne, Copper Ridge; Mrs. E. C. Spire, Mission Ridge Valley; Parish Brickley, Cleveland; W. E. Haskell, Brayton. Home schools: Mrs. Cyrus Simmons, Knoxville, and Miss Marie Wirth in the home of R. A. Lovell, Knoxville.

About seven thousand copies of the special Review are being handled by the churches of

our conference this week. Each church is organized and equipped for service, and we are anxiously awaiting returns. We are praying God's blessing upon each effort put forth.

Elder J. F. Pogue has now located his family at Cleveland, and this will be their permanent address.

LOUISIANA, NOTICE

At a recent meeting of our Conference Committee, it was decided to hold our canvassers' institute near West Monroe in Ouachita Parish, commencing Jan. 18, and continuing ten days.

We earnestly desire the attendance of all who are interested in this good work. Many among our people have been promising the Lord for months and years that they would take up this line of work, and now is the very time to begin to plan to go at once to the field from this institute. Each succeeding year will make the work in the South more difficult, so let us prepare to enter the battle while conditions are so favorable.

Board at the institute will be thirty-five cents per day. Bring bedding and towels, your Bible, and the book you desire to canvass for.

Elder E. L. Maxwell and A. F. Harrison will be with us through the institute. Let me hear from all who desire to attend.

I. T. REYNOLDS, *Field Missionary.*

Pineville, La.

THE WORK IN JACKSONVILLE

I LEFT the camp-ground the 14th of October, and came here, by the request of the conference committee and the Jacksonville church, to engage in Bible work and canvassing. I spoke to our people here on Sabbath, the 17th ult., and we had an excellent service.

During my canvassing previous to the camp-meeting, I had found some that were interested in the truth, and now I am following up the interest then created with good results.

There are four persons that seem deeply interested in the truth. One, a groceryman, has promised to step out on the platform of truth. Also a lady to whom I sold "Coming King" invited me to hold Bible readings in her house, with the result that she has promised to keep the Sabbath. Thus the work is onward.

We need your prayers that the word may be accompanied with power to convince and convert souls.

WM. K. ACHENBACH.

SOUTH CAROLINA, ATTENTION!

NO DOUBT many clubs of the *Instructor* and *Little Friend* expire January 1. Renewals should be sent in at once so that no lessons will be missed. The Sabbath-school quarterlies should also be ordered now. We fear that some missed the first of our good lessons in Ephesians this quarter, as several orders came in very late. A good plan, and one that is followed by many schools and individuals, is to order the quarterlies for the full year at one time. They are then sure to reach you on time each quarter.

We are in receipt of the Morning Watch Calendar for 1909. It is attractively gotten up, and we are sure all will be pleased with it.

It contains a text for every day in the year, and will help you to form the habit of daily devotional study. Nothing could be more appropriate as a Christmas gift, and it can be had for much less than the usual price of such booklets. Single copy, post-paid, six cents. Five or more copies to one address, five cents each.

For the children, the Sabbath-school department has gotten up a dainty bookmark. The memory verses for each Sabbath of 1909 are neatly printed on satin ribbon, making a very pretty as well as useful gift. Sabbath-school and church-school teachers may give them as New Year's gifts to their pupils, or parents may give them to their children. The price is the same as for the calendars, six cents each, or five or more to one address, five cents each.

Send all orders to South Carolina Conference, Campobello, S. C.

ELIZA WARNER, Sec.

ORANGE MILLS, FLORIDA

THE effort begun by Brother J. B. Case just after camp-meeting in a school-house near this place is still in progress. Brother Case carried the work alone for a while, but because of broken health he was forced to return home for a few days. As I was with Elder Stephenson at Hastings, only four miles away, it was thought best that I should come here and take up the work that he had to leave. At this writing, however, Brother Case has returned from his home to assist in the work.

The interest is good, and last evening, Sunday night, we had a congregation of about forty or more adults. Some are "almost persuaded" to obey. Brethren and sisters, as you pray for work in various places, remember us over here.

W. H. BRANSON.

KENTUCKY OCTOBER BOOK WORK

OUR faithful canvassers put in 1,115 hours of work during this month, took 244 orders valued at \$352.50, and delivered 663 books worth \$647. See how many families were visited during this month; how many have had their attention called to the coming of the Lord; Then the 663 books which will be read during the winter months. Where are the other individuals that should enter upon this work? Please address C. F. Dart, Milledgeville, Ky., if you want to be taught how to meet the people and to get the art of selling the blessed message from house to house.

A. O. BURRILL.

THE THANKSGIVING NUMBER OF THE REVIEW

YESTERDAY, Nov. 21, the matter of giving away the *Review* and soliciting money for our work in other lands was set before the church in Memphis. They had five hundred *Reviews* sent them, and about all, it seemed, wanted to take part in this work, so the papers were soon about all divided. Some had already given away papers with splendid results. One sister who had given away five *Reviews* said she had received \$7.00.

**CANVASSING REPORT
For Week Ending Nov. 14, 1908**

Southern Union Conference

NAME—	Book	Hours	Value	Deliv'd
ALABAMA CONFERENCE				
Ross S Lindsay.....BR	18	\$36 00	\$	
Mrs M J Shaffer.....	13	14 50		
Peter Nelson.....D&R	13	9 50	6 50	
W G Ringgold.....D&R	23	34 00		
Albert F. Prieger...D&R BS		45 95		
H A Lynd.....CK BS	40	39 00	1 50	

Other good news has begun to come in from the churches. A letter from Brother E. A. Sutherland has just come, bearing these words: "We will also push the Thanksgiving number of the *Review*. One of our sisters went out to-day with a few papers, and got \$3.00 subscription on foreign missions. The whole school is planning to go out next Wednesday."

Trusting this good work will continue till it is finished, yours in the work,

W. R. BURROW.

ALABAMA

A CANVASSERS' institute will be held at the church, 1125 N. 17th St., Birmingham, Dec. 16 to 30.

The railway fare of all the regular canvassers and those who are going into the work to stay at it, will be paid by the conference. Arrangements will be made so that board and room can be obtained cheaply.

Address me at Box 623, Fort Payne, Ala., as I can get my mail quicker there.

R. I. KEATE, State Agent.

MY FIRST DAY

With the Special Review

I WENT out with my heart uplifted to God for help. I spent six hours in Glasgow, Ky., where our faith is but little known. I gave away twenty copies and received \$5.20. One woman, the president of the Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist church of Glasgow, gave me \$1.00.

I found two persons that formerly belonged to the Seventh-day Adventist Church. They were very glad to see me. One said she would subscribe for the *Review* in a few days. Here seems to be a chance to do further missionary work.

I enjoy this work much better than I thought I would.

C. F. DART.

SOUTHEASTERN UNION

Summary of Canvassing Work for October

Conf.	Agents	Hrs.	Orders	Value	Deliv.
Georgia ...	6	1217	168	\$726.75	\$661.65
N. Car. ...	12	880	323	516.85	269.50
S. Car. ...	20	1395	445	751.35	1200.00
Cumb.	15	2028	1100	1769.55	608.65
Fla.	7	199	151	230.50	1.00
Total ...	60	5719	2187	\$3995.00	\$2740.80

It will be noticed that this is the largest report we have had during the present year, both in orders and deliveries. It is encouraging to see the work growing, but let us pray that much more may be done.

V. O. COLE.

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

M J Weber.....BFL	11	16 00	
Chas Romines.....D&R	32	47 75	3 75
M Wheeler.....BFL	13	10 25	3 75
R A Crider.....D&R	24	24 00	1 75

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

Wm Olmsted 2w.....GC	23	13 50	50
A B Cheek 2w...BR D&R BS	61	22 70	3 80
John Harzman 2w....GC	66	15 25	22 50
I T Reynolds.....GC	20	92 50	
O F Frank.....D&R	19	30 00	
J T Miller.....D&R	33	57 00	

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

Louis Thomas...BFL CK	43	11 00	
E A Wood.....BFL	12	12 00	
Mrs Ben Morgan.....BS	10	10 00	
H G Miller.....D&R	14	13 00	5 50
W H Haddon.....BFL	19	14 70	1 80
A A Johnson.....CK	51	4 00	28 20
Ella Johnson.....CK	26	3 00	13 05

RECAPITULATION

Alabama Conference....	107	178 95	8 00
Kentucky Conference....	80	98 00	9 25
Louisiana Conference....	222	230 95	26 80
Mississippi Conference... 175	67 70	48 55	

Total ..	584	575 60	92 60
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Southeastern Union Conference

CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE

J S Moore.....sofp sofd	50	\$17 70	\$32 95
F B Sedore.....D&R BS	40	34 75	50
W S Fulbright.....	43	33 35	
G A Slade.....D&R	19	13 45	25
Geo M Powell.....CK	30	26 30	2 00
J W Slade.....BFL	5	4 20	
Fred Meister 2w....BFL	87	79 05	
W Kirkham.....BFL	31	10 40	35
V O Cole.....D&R	44	48 60	
E A Clarke 2w...BFL D&R	73	32 55	35

FLORIDA CONFERENCE

E B Roman.....D&R	25	35 00	
C G Manns.....BFL	20	13 75	
Gracie Hunter.....BFL	33	19 50	
Mrs Janette McColough D&R	26	20 00	

GEORGIA CONFERENCE

Mrs R O Terry 2w...MISC	39	25 50	11 50
Lillie Dekle.....BFL	18	8 50	
Mary Sharp <i>Life & Health</i>	24		20 00
Mrs J J Jobe 2w....BS	12		21 00
J J Jobe.....BR BS	13		9 50
E G Haley.....D&R	13	14 50	2 50
J A Kimmell...BFL BS SC	24	7 20	42 40
Mrs A L Manous...D&R BS	11	13 00	70
Gustav T Ellingson...GC	15	2 50	22 00
Albert Cochran.....D&R	36	17 50	6 00

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

J P Allran 2w.....CK	55		89 50
W E Lanier 2w...D&R BS	72	24 50	99 00
R L Underwood...D&R	29	7 00	1 00
M L Branch.....CK	39	23 80	2 80
G L Kerley.....D&R	36	2 00	50
Neill Q Smith.....CK	42	15 70	4 20
Alby Paul.....CK	29	5 70	70
H B Tilden.....D&R	17	1 75	45 25

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

S H Swingle...sofp sofp	30	1 25	37 75
A A Johnson.....D&R	22	18 50	
Mrs E A Wing....MISC	27	49 00	2 20
Wm C Rahn...sofp sofp	30		73 50
S E Wright.....D&R	5	2 50	10 00
J B Rise.....D&R	33	5 00	42 50
Rose Lull.....PAPERS	10		5 80
Mrs A C Tinsley....COL	14	1 25	13 75
Roger Tinsley.....NTP	8		4 20
G B Case.....D&R BFL	35	30 05	2 20
Joseph Revans.....GC	33	74 00	

RECAPITULATION

Cumberland Conference...422	300 35	36 40
Florida Conference.....	104 88 25	
Georgia Conference....	205 88 70	135 60
North Carolina Conf....	319 80 45	242 95
South Carolina Conf....	267 181 55	191 90

Total ..	1317	739 30	606 85
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Report of Progress

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THE MORNING WATCH CALENDAR FOR 1909

AN attractive booklet, with an ornamental design on cover, and printed on heavy glazed paper. Easily kept in the Bible. Contains "My New Year's Resolve," and a preface entitled, "A Year at His Feet." It has a text for every day in the year, following the general line of thought in the Sabbath-school lessons for 1909, which for nine months are on the life of Christ; a selected gem of thought for each month, and subjects for special prayer. There is a calendar for the entire year on the last page.

Will you not, whether old or young, use this as a daily reminder, that you may form the habit of daily devotional Bible study? Help others to form this habit, by presenting them copies of this Morning Watch Calendar. It is a dainty gift booklet.

Single copy, post-paid, 6 cents. Five or more copies, post-paid, 5 cents each. Envelopes furnished for remailing on request.

Order of your conference Missionary Volunteer secretary or the Missionary Volunteer Department, Takoma Park Sta., Washington, D. C.

SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND THANKS-GIVING REVIEWS

THE interest manifested by all our people in the Thanksgiving Ingathering has greatly encouraged us. There has been nothing approaching it since the message started. The movement is so great that it has in a measure overwhelmed us here at headquarters. From all parts of the United States the orders for *Reviews* are still pouring in by telegram for from 1,000 to 15,000 copies. We must ask those who have sent in late orders for papers to exercise a little patience, as the *Review and Herald* is unable to cope with this avalanche of orders which come at the last minute.

No blame can be attached to the *Review and Herald* for the delay. All orders received on time were promptly filled. We had approximate orders at the beginning for 300,000 copies of the *Review*. We ordered 400,000 printed. As the orders kept coming in, this was increased to 500,000. They still kept coming, and this was increased to 600,000. The orders are still pouring in, and an order has been placed for 700,000, and we do not know where the end may be. All the special stock

of paper ordered has been used up, and stock on hand for the *Review and Instructor* for months ahead is being consumed in an effort to meet the emergency. The presses have been running night and day for weeks, and all the force available has been turned into the mailing in an effort to keep up with the orders. But as the orders are still rolling in by the thousands, it has been impossible to fill them promptly, as it is beyond the capacity of the machinery. At the present time we are about 125,000 behind.

But all orders received will be filled as soon as possible. One week is too short for such a work. We have therefore decided to extend the Ingathering work two weeks. Keep this good work going. As soon as your papers come, take them out and hand them to the people, and receive their donation. The papers will be as good a week or two later as at the present time. We want especially to urge all to in no way slacken their efforts when the week is past, but continue until all the papers ordered have been used.

A. G. DANIELLS.

LOUISIANA

At the camp-meeting there were several pledges made for various funds, especially for the emergency fund and for missions.

If those who can do so would pay these pledges now, it would be a help to the conference, as we are trying to raise the amount which will equal ten cents per week per member for missions, and also to pay off the note that Brother Coleman holds against the conference.

There is advancement in the work in every line in the conference, and we hope to see every debt aside from that on the New Orleans building wiped out by next camp-meeting.

This means that we will have to raise about \$1,850 between the present and that time. This includes the payments on the New Orleans building that must be met each month. Elder Saxby hopes to make that pay for itself, however, and that will reduce the amount we will have to raise in the field.

Lest these figures should discourage any one, I will just say that we have already paid nearly that amount on the accounts we were owing, and have several unpaid pledges yet, besides, we have raised thus far this year for missions more than twice as much as we did last year.

The Lord is helping us to free ourselves, and now who will take hold to pull until we are out of debt? We are all learning to pull together, and if we will keep at it, we shall be able to sing the jubilee before long.

E. L. MAXWELL.

ALABAMA

THE Alabama camp-meeting this year was held at Daphne, Baldwin County, in a beautiful magnolia grove in sight of Mobile Bay. The attendance at first was not very large, but toward the latter part of the week we had a good representation from the churches near by.

The visiting brethren were Elder McVagh,

vice-president of the Southern Union Conference, Professor Van Kirk from Graysville Academy, and Brother A. F. Harrison from the Southern Publishing Association. These, with the ministers of the conference, Elders A. J. Haysmer, W. S. Cruzan, and C. C. Webster, gave timely instruction, and all felt, "It is good for us to be here." The natural surroundings tended to lift our thoughts to the great Giver of every good and perfect gift, and put in our hearts a sense of his presence. The trees in their silent eloquence seemed to say, "That they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he might be glorified." Isa. 61:3. "We are as trees planted in the garden of the Lord, and he comes to us seeking the fruit he has a right to expect."

There was a good outside attendance in the evenings, and especially both Sunday nights, when the tent was more than full. Some came from the surrounding country, bringing their dinners with them, so they could spend the day with us.

The brethren responded liberally to the different funds presented, so good offerings were received for some new tents, for the canvassing work, and for subscriptions to *Liberty* to send to our representatives in the state.

A good company of young people were present, and as we witnessed their interest and enthusiasm in the Word and work of God, we feel sure that Alabama will yet be blessed with more good workers to spread the truth.

There not being any conference held during this meeting, the time was given wholly to devotion and instruction. At the time of parting, expressions were heard, "We are so glad we came."

Following the camp-meeting, two general meetings were held, one at Oak Level church and the other at Elkwood. Stormy weather interfered some with the meeting at Oak Level. At Elkwood we had a large attendance both Sabbath and Sunday. On the way from Oak Level to Elkwood, we had the privilege of meeting with the new company at Gadsden during the time of their prayer-meeting. It was good to see their interest in, and knowledge of, the message for this time. Two days were spent at Oakwood, where we were glad to meet so many preparing for a part in the work of God.

At these meetings Elders McVagh and Haysmer supplied the ministerial help, while Brother R. I. Keate represented the book and paper work.

At all of these places a good interest was shown in the progress of the message, and no doubt the instruction received will result in a greater realization that we individually have a part to act in this great work, and will help us to realize that the Lord has given not to a few, but to every man his work, and he holds us responsible for our part.

HELEN MCKINNON.

"SELF-DENIAL is a virtue of the highest quality; and he who has it not, and does not strive to obtain it, will never excel in any true work."