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LOUISIANA'S NEEDS.

By REV. E. O. WARE, Cor. Sect'y State Board.

To one familiar with the religious condition of Louisiana a dozen years ago, the present condition is encouraging. When I write of "religious condition," I have reference specially to our own denomination. In these few years we have grown from 17,000 to 34,000 (in round numbers.)

But we CAN increase in an accelerated ratio if the opportunities that are ours can be turned to account.

The help rendered by the Home Board during the years of the past has been no mean factor in the success that has been ours, and Corresponding Secretaries should not be slow to ascribe praise.

The Home Board exist for the purpose of rendering aid when aid is needed in our Southern States as well as in the Indian Territory and upon the Island of Cuba. Through this Board Southern Baptist seek to aid in the evangelization of those sections of our common country and the "Queen of the Antilles."

But how are our Baptist hosts of the South to be brought to earnest activity in this effort at evangelization? By having knowledge of the NEEDS. May I ask the privilege of giving SOME idea to our brethren of more favored states through the columns of the HOME FIELD.

As is known to all, Louisiana has Parishes instead of Counties. Our state is about the same area as Kentucky, but we have only fifty-nine (59) parishes. Of this number eighteen are without a white Baptist church. Thirty of our Parish sites are without, besides some dozen or more other towns, ranging in population from fifteen hundred (1,500) to seven thousand (7,000). There are several Parishes in which there is only one to three churches, and several others in which there are fewer than a half dozen.

There is no State in the Union with a more cosmopolitan population. There are a great many French speaking people in the southern portion of the state, besides those in the city of New Orleans.

The Italians are increasing rapidly in the sugar section. Not a few Cubans can be found, and there is a colony of Mexicans in the Parish of Sabine. These last speak the Spanish language, as do also the Cubans. The remnants of two tribes of Indians lead a sort of nomadic life in the southwestern portion of the state.

MISSION FIELD! Where can it be excelled outside of Heathendom? There are only seven churches, Coliseum Place, New Orleans; Valence St., New Orleans; First Church, Shreveport; Lake Charles; Crowley; Evergreen and Monroe churches that SUPPORT preaching every Sunday. Four others, Park View Church, Shreveport; Alexandria; Baton Rouge and the First Church have services every Sunday by the help rendered by the Home and State Boards.

Fewer than thirty churches sustain services twice every month; a few have services that often, by the help given to them to help support their pastor. The remainder (by far the largest number) have preaching only once every month. The weakness of the force for missionary endeavor can readily be appreciated by our sister states in which there are a number of strong churches.

There is so much destitution in the rural districts that a number of the twenty-nine District Associations in the State are attempting to supply their own destitution without any organic connection with the organized work of the Convention. In the majority of cases very little is done by these Associations, and if their entire contributions were turned into our treasury the amount would not be augmented very much.

With our country churches (some of the best of them in our best Associations) to attempt work in the country adjacent that is destitute—and this destitution would tax the best efforts of the whole state—the entering these towns is impossible without the help of the Home Board. New railroads are building in almost all portions of the state. Along these lines new towns are springing up, and opportunities to be the first on the field have been multiplying rapidly.

Help rendered now will tell as the same amount can never tell again in the future.

May the Lord constrain our brethren of the more favored states to contribute to the funds of the Home Board, so that this much needed help may come in time.

REV. J. V. COVA'S WORK.

In last issue of OUR HOME FIELD we published extracts from a letter from Brother Cova at Matanzas in which he referred to the desire of Rev. Cabrera, a Methodist preacher to be baptized. Brother Cova hesitated to receive into the church and baptize this brother, advising him to seriously consider the question. After prayerful study of the Bible Brother Cabrera insisted and he was finally baptized by Brother Cova.

Another letter from Brother Cova has been received from which we copy the following:

Matanzas, Cuba, July 5, 1899.
Rev. Dr. I. T. Tichenor,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Doctor: I write to-day to relate a very remarkable experience we had here on last Saturday. It has caused a great sensation and attracted attention, sympathy and respect for the Baptist church in this city. It came to my hearing that a Bible colporteur had come to our city and was selling Bibles and other books from house to house.

Last Saturday morning Brother Cabrera, the Methodist preacher of whom I have written to you, came to see me accompanied by a gentleman of about fifty years of age, who was introduced to me by Brother Cabrera as Mr. Angel Truebano, a

Bible colporteur of the Methodist denomination and a professor of that faith for 29 years.

The man told me he had the apprehension from some years, which was ever growing as his Bible studies were progressing on, that his infant baptism was not valid, and hearing that in my last prayer-meeting, we had discussed infant baptism, he had prayed Brother Cabrera to bring him to me for having a discussion on this matter. When Brother Cabrera heard this, he began talking with him, Bible in hand, on the question, and persuaded him that he was not baptized at all. Then I opened a Bible before his eyes and began explaining to him our Scriptural foundation for rejecting infant baptism, showing to him that faith, re-generation and conversion must precede baptism. When I arrived to Acts 22, 16, "And now why tarriest thou? Arise and be baptized," the man started up and cried out: "I will. All my doubts are vanished. I see all, clear through Divine grace. I mean to be baptized straightway."

And on that very day, he was buried by me, in the waters of obedience.

When he entered into them, he joined his hands together and said in a loud voice: "Jesus, my Savior, here is Thy servant, obedient to Thy command, and doing what Thou didst in the Jordan."

It was a very impressive moment. We began singing "Come to the Light" and then a man who had come to see our Baptism, asked us to take some refreshments with him. He took us into a house and I was surrounded by a crowd and began to explain our baptismal mode, its foundations and making a true preaching at that moment. The man showing his kindness to us resulted to be Mr. A. Madan, a lawyer belonging to one of the most distinguished families in Cuba, who requested of me to go to his house to talk with him and family of Christ and His commands. After the meeting, I distributed tracts and gospels among the audience.

The baptized man told me then, he was going on next morning to Havana where he has his home, and that he had been preaching for some time, in a private house in that city, having received as candidates about 40 persons, which, he said, will be now taught by him to confess faith in Christ by receiving what he now knows is Christian Baptism. I understood I had baptized a man and a whole congregation with him, too. Bless the Lord!

I gave him letter, of divination from this church to join the Havana church, and wrote a strong letter of recommendation to Brother Diaz in behalf of that congregation, raised by the new-made Baptist.

I forgot to say that the man was an authorized exhorter of the Methodist church, an American citizen, and seemingly a man of some culture. The first steps of this conversion which have had a great resonance in the city, are the work of our worthy candidate to baptism, Brother A. Cabrera. I rejoice with you for these results.

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CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

As is well known to our readers, the question of Corresponding Secretary, by the Convention left to the Board for adjustment, has occupied the earnest and prayerful consideration of the Board since the meeting of the Convention.

Progress in dealing with this question has not been rapid, but during the Board's deliberation the work has not been neglected. The old executive officers have by request of the Board, continued in the performance of their duties.

The conclusion at which the Board has arrived has the unanimous and cordial approval of every member of the Board. It involves the appointment of Dr. Tichenor as Secretary Emeritus, and the election of Dr. F. H. Kerfoot of Kentucky, Corresponding Secretary. We are gratified to be able to state that Dr. Kerfoot has formally indicated his acceptance.

During the present temporary absence of Dr. Tichenor from Atlanta, we take occasion to say that it is our purpose at some time in the near future to speak more fully of his eminent ability and consecrated fidelity to the cause of his Master, as disclosed during these years of close and fraternal relationship with him.

We invite attention now to the following closing paragraphs of an editorial published in the *Christian Index*:

The years have passed away, seventeen of them, and have stolen from him much of the physical vigor which enabled him to do the great work which devolved upon him then, and which he has lovingly and faithfully performed ever since, until now both he and those who most admire and love him feel that he must resign to younger hands the work which, while great in the past, looms up as a far greater, to be done in the near future.

It was a graceful thing in the Board to elect Dr. Tichenor Secretary emeritus, and provide for him a salary, which should serve to make easier the financial burdens which often press hard on workers for

the Lord who have forgotten themselves in their eagerness to accomplish his work, when their years have come to be many. In this position he will be able to render incalculable service to his successor, in the varied duties which devolve upon him.

We feel that we shall violate no confidence of the Board when we say that it would have done any brother's heart good to have heard the noble words and seen the noble spirit exhibited by this veteran of the cross, as he urged Dr. Kerfoot to accept the office of successor to himself and promised him his most earnest support. The old time fire flashed from his eyes and the old time ring was in his voice as he pictured the future of the work of the Board and urged his beloved friend to assume charge of it. May the Lord incline Bro. Kerfoot's heart to accept that work which Dr. Tichenor so gracefully sought to turn over to him.

Incidents in connection with the work of Miss Buhlmaier at Baltimore:

"I wish you could have been present at the landing yesterday to witness the work and the blessing the immigrant fund proves to many. I stood beside the desk of one of the registrars while a young German girl was being registered. His questions brought out the fact that she had no order and not enough money for her ticket to Pittsburg, Pa. The shortage was \$1.00. Knowing that she would have been 'held over' on account of it, thus adding to her expense, as well as to her anxiety, I offered to advance the dollar, if she promised to return the same. This she gladly did, and her ticket was secured. Now I knew she was without one cent of money, and her sister was expecting to be notified of her arrival, which was also a necessity. The telegram was arranged for and some food brought and given her. The girl was so pleased that she did not leave me, but followed me wherever I went until the train carried her away.

"Among the first to register was a certain woman and child. I helped her to her ticket and then directed her to the baggage room. She was inclined to linger, yet was obliged to go, as all immigrants must leave upstairs when their business is finished. Again and again she returned upstairs crying and looking very much troubled. Every time she was ordered down, yet no one understood what she was saying. I tried very hard to find out what was the trouble but succeeded only after hours, when the young girl mentioned above, told me that it was on account of her sister who was held in the detention room. The woman was a Lithuanian, and none of all the employes or officials speak that language. This girl did, however, and after looking into the matter by her aid, I soon got the release of the sister and her three little ones. What was the matter? The sisters were both going to Chicago to meet their husbands who are living together there. The first one had the address, while the second had not. Now, although she had her order for ticket, she was held because she had no address and no money. Oh, how glad the sisters were to be united once more!

"When, quite a while after her release, I found her crying again, and asked why she was weeping now, she answered: 'Oh, its for gladness, its for joy this time.' I felt that same joy trying to creep through my eyes."

The Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention at Louisville, to whom was referred the report of the Treasurer of the Home Mission Board, of which Mr. G. W. Norton, a prominent banker of Louisville was chairman, presented the following report, which was adopted:

"The committee to whom was referred the report of the Treasurer of the Home Mission Board have given the report their careful consideration, and congratulate the Board upon the very satisfactory increase in the contributions from the States, as shown by the report, and upon the good management which appears to have characterized the work of the year, resulting in practically a freedom from debt. We commend the report to your study."

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

Auxiliary to S. B. C.

No. 304 N. Howard St., BALTIMORE, MD.

Motto.—GO FORWARD.

MISS ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG, EDITOR.

STRIKE FOR GOD.

"We are living, we are dwelling
 In a grand and awful time,
 In an age on ages telling—
 To be living is sublime,
 Worlds are charging, Heaven beholding:
 'Thou hast but one hour to fight;
 On! Let all the soul within you!
 For the truth's sake go abroad!
 Strike! Let every nerve and sinew
 Tell on ages—tell for God!"

MONTHLY MISSIONARY TOPIC—THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD.

What is it?

A committee to whose care is committed the Foreign Mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention.

When first appointed?

In 1845, upon the organization of S. B. C.

Where located?

At Richmond, Virginia.

PROGRESS OF WORK.

Mission first opened in	China, 1845.
" " " "	Africa, 1850.
" " " "	Italy, 1870.
" " " "	Mexico, 1880.
" " " "	Brazil, 1881.
" " " "	Japan, 1880.

CAUSES FOR THANKSGIVING.

The present outlook is full of hope. 845 converts were baptized last year, more than during any preceding year of the Foreign Board's history. 18 new missionaries have been appointed. Missionaries in China are being welcomed into the homes of the wealthier class. A Chinese Baptist Publication Society has been established at Canton. In Africa one of our churches begun the new year with a Thanksgiving service and observed the Week of Prayer. The English Baptists have turned over to the Foreign Mission Board their Mission at Naples, Italy. New missionaries have taken the place of those who resigned in Mexico. From Brazil, in spite of dreadful famine and persecution, real progress has been made the past year. \$2,000 has been raised in cash and pledges towards the house for Mr. and Mrs. Maynard of Japan. Those who have not contributed, may increase their joy by doing their part towards securing the \$500 yet needed.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Total receipts of the Foreign Board last year were \$109,267.43. Woman's Missionary Union contributed \$24,152.02.

SEED THOUGHT.

If we devise liberal things for our God and His glory, if we are willing to do the little things for the sake of the great results, will He not bless us abundantly in our spiritual life, our home life, our church life and make us a blessing unto all the world?

"YE ARE MY WITNESSES."

FOREIGN BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS.

Before leaving this world, Christ gave to His followers several banners, the brightest and most highly valued has emblazoned upon it "Ye shall be my witnesses." "Bear that banner," He cried, in effect, "about Jerusalem and Judea;" "see that it is unfurled in Samaria, and carry it to the uttermost parts of the world."

"In Jerusalem and Judea," that is to-day, in the church, the town or city and State in our immediate vicinity. "In Samaria," that embraces Home Missions, the destitute section of our native country and among those who from distant lands have come to us without a knowledge of the Savior. "And to the uttermost parts of the earth." Grand world-wide commission! It affects the universe, and wonder and glory of honor, it is intended for you and me "Ye shall do this thing, ye are my witnesses." Surely the greatest of all ideas ever advanced is this thought of God that the sin and evil of the world shall be conquered through human instrumentality, by the efforts of redeemed sinners.

As Woman's Missionary Union workers, Societies and individuals, by prayerfully, faithfully carrying out recommendations from the various S. B. C. Boards to whose care has been committed by the churches, the Mission work of Southern Baptists, may prove their loyalty to Christ and do their part in bringing about the coming of that time when His kingdom shall extend over the whole world, when the earth shall be filled with His glory.

Having previously considered recommendations from the Home Board, attention is this month directed to the various lines of work in which the Foreign Board asks co-operation. It requests that the Christmas Offering for the work in China be continued; that painstaking effort be made in training and developing young people in Bands and Societies; that assistance be given in making Missionary Day a success; in extending the circulation of the FOREIGN MISSION JOURNAL; and that \$30,000 be contributed to the Foreign Board, this amount to include \$4,000 which it is hoped may be given by the young people of our churches. It also commends the efforts which are being made to bring children of missionaries and those in the home land in closer contact.

During the past year the God of Missions greatly blessed the work in foreign lands, and we rejoice in the fact that of the \$109,267.41 raised by the Foreign Board, Woman's Missionary Union contributed \$24,152.92; but let us bear in mind that success means enlarged opportunities. 845 conversions reported—more than in any previous year in the history of the Board—the large number of men and women begging to be sent as witnesses to Mission fields, the wide open doors, the wonderful facilities for work, may wisely be interpreted as a clear, ringing call from God to renewed zeal and activity.

SOWING AND REAPING.

From recommendations of Executive Committee, W. M. U., in connection with the Foreign Board, the following thoughts are gleaned:

Live close to the Master, as a preparation for effective work. Recognize His interest in the "least of these" in foreign lands. The Christmas Offering may be presented in a most attractive manner through use of special literature. Talk of it to those who are near, write to the distant ones. Closer contact between children of missionaries and those in Bands and Societies may be brought about through the sending of letters and simple tokens of love. The new "Mission Manual" is suggested as a valuable help to leaders of young people. Personal influence, brought to bear on Superintendents and other Sunday-school workers, time and talent consecrated to training those taking part in the program, are essential to the success of Missionary Day. Prove by example that zeal is according to

knowledge, and suggest subscribing to FOREIGN MISSION JOURNAL to those not already interested in it. Beautiful, unselfish service may be rendered by appropriating as our very own letters from missionaries in the JOURNAL and replying by encouraging messages, without expectation of answers, from these busy workers. Societies in the various States may increase moneyed contributions by undertaking to raise a definite part of the apportioned amount.

It is hoped the above suggestions as to how to carry out recommendations of the Foreign Board may be helpful to all Woman's Missionary Union workers, but let it be remembered that there is a divine law which governs the success of all our work. "He that soweth bountifully shall reap bountifully; sparingly, shall reap sparingly." Great investments alone bring great dividends. Do we indeed desire to sow the idea of co-operation with Jesus Christ, are we anxious that the contributions of W. M. U. shall increase this year, that those in pagan and papal lands shall be led to the foot of the Cross? Whole-souled, true-hearted, faithful, persevering endeavor linked with the power of God, will surely bring forth a mighty harvest. "As God hath prospered" is the measure of responsibility. Has he given wealth, power, eloquence, wide influence? Give not in return the fragments left over after all selfish ambitions have been gratified. Let none be disheartened. The poorest has some gift she can bring, some service that can be sown to the glory of Him who called us from darkness into light. However much, however little we can do, as we go forward into the work of another year, let each resolve to do her best. Then, at its close, there will be no disappointing results. We shall surely reap as we have sown.

A LITTLE DEED AND ITS RESULT.

When we do anything for God, the very least thing, we never know where it will end nor what amount of good it will do. Another evidence of the helpfulness of little things, has been granted Woman's Missionary Union. For several years, it has been the custom to send a letter of greeting from the Annual Meeting to our sisters, the missionaries in foreign lands. This year the Holy Spirit prompted the thought that perhaps if this letter were sent also to the wives of frontier missionaries, their hearts might be gladdened because of the evidence that they too were remembered. The thought resulted in action and for the first time, they were included among those to whom it was sent. It should be appreciated that without receiving any moneyed compensation, the wives of many frontier missionaries are doing much to advance the work. They are teaching Sunday-schools, holding women's prayer-meetings, organizing Missionary Societies, encouraging their husbands to persevere in their efforts, at the same time, learning for Christ's sake, to suffer and be strong during the long hours of loneliness, privation and hardships when the missionaries must be absent from home.

A few extracts from letters are given below that Woman's Missionary Union workers in the various States may see for themselves the result of this little deed of kindness and tender sympathy. Sweet also is the renewed assurance of the comfort received from boxes of supplies which have been sent to the desolate sections:

"So grateful to be thus kindly remembered by the noble sisters of our sunny Southland. We of our little band are glad to have done a little of the great work accomplished. We observed the Week of Self Denial and sent about eight dollars to Home and Foreign Missions. All our members are poor, mere day-laborers and few in number. Husband is trying hard to enlighten the people in gospel and mission work. We have had about twenty accessions during the last six months. We are now holding a series of woman's prayer-meetings.

"MRS. A. P. COLLIER, Texas."

"I do appreciate the letter of greeting very much as it means that those missionaries who could not attend the meeting in Louisville were not forgotten in your prayers and your interest. Mr. Cova, children and myself are in Matanzas since the last days of March. We are fitting the house of worship in the better way the Lord has given us power to do it. The people hear the gospel eagerly, are disgusted with Romanism. Services are crowded. We are very careful on the admission of candidates. We are praying much and working with all our possibilities, trusting God and knowing that you fellow-laborers, though far from us, are behind us by nearness of heart and sympathy.

"MRS. J. V. COVA, Cuba."

"The kind letter of Christian greeting is at hand, and indeed it seemed such to me, for it found me lonely as usual in this dark corner of the Choctaw nation. I would have loved to have been with you at the meeting. I am so glad you often think of the neglected sisters of this country for there is great destitution. Continue to pray God to send more help to this field.

"MRS. A. S. POTTS, I. T."

"You do not imagine how much the letter encourages and comforts me. The Mermons are doing all they can against our work. They have a very strong hold about forty miles from this place. Our work has been more encouraged the past four months than ever before. Mr. Olom has organized one church and four Sunday-schools.

"MRS. S. J. ODOM, I. T."

"I am glad to hear you had such a good meeting and it encourages me so much to know we are not forgotten in our struggles for Christ's glory on the Western frontier. Had it not been for Woman's Missionary Union help, I do not see how we could have remained here. We live in a town of about 500 inhabitants. Our church numbers thirty, mostly ladies. We have no house of worship but use a school-house. We organized a Society a year ago which has raised \$25.

"MRS. M. H. FUSON, Oklahoma."

"I am not blessed with the privileges of doing mission work as are some, for I have little children to care for and my husband is gone most of his time. We have no Societies near me, but I hope and pray that we may have soon. I have been talking to some of the sisters and we think we will try to organize one in our church. I feel that it would be a blessing.

"MRS. S. E. ANDERSON, Ark."

"The kind letter was received. We are glad to hear of the success of the past year and hope the blessings of the Father in Heaven may rest on the grand work the women are doing. I live far out in the country. Our churches are small and very poor. If it had not been for the Woman's Missionary Union, my husband would have been compelled to stay at home. Pray that we may be worthy your kindness, and be able to do to others as you have done to us.

"MRS. J. H. ELLIOTT, I. T."

CHILDREN—AT HOME AND ABROAD.

The most pleasant relationship exists between W. M. U. and our foreign missionaries. In addition to the letter of greeting sent from the Annual meeting, other little white-winged messengers have carried words of sympathy and encouragement to them.

Believing the children of missionaries and those in the home land could be brought in closer contact through the sending of simple inexpensive tokens of love, the co-operation of parents on foreign lands was sought. Letters were written them. Very satisfactory replies were received. Some of the children have already become little missionaries. One is conducting a kindergarten for Chinese. The following quotations from answers received show how the plan is regarded: "We shall be delighted if you bring it about." "It is a good idea, will not only do the home children good, but also the missionary children." "Heartly thanks for loving interest in our little ones." "Our little girl will be proud of a letter." Copies of these letters were sent to Central Committees or Band Superintendents in the different States to be used as each thought best.

HENRY A. WISE ON CHIMNEY ROCK.

What Virginia's Famous Governor said of this Famous North Carolina Crag.

In the midst of one of his impassioned speeches years ago, during the "Know Nothing" campaign, the late Henry A. Wise, formerly Governor of Virginia, and perhaps its most eloquent orator, stretched himself to his full height and exclaimed: "Those mountains which lift their hands to milk the clouds." The old chap was without doubt referring to Chimney Rock. His index finger was pointing directly at Chimney Rock. Henry A. Wise is dead. But Chimney Rock still lives. Henry A. Wise is immortal. So is Chimney Rock. Chimney Rock is one of the boldest of American crags. The Seaboard Air Line will take you there. It is only seventeen miles beyond Rutherfordton. Railroad tickets good over the stage line. The ride is one of phenomenal grandeur. The inns are set cozily in the recesses of the wild mountain range. One dollar to two dollars per day. The beds are clean. The food is plentiful and toothsome. The pools are solitary and cool and glistening with speckled trout. The leafage of the steeps is a ceaseless study and solace and stimulant. The summer thermometer does light duty, having a "beat of only from 60 to 81. This means deep sleep by night and long climbing walks by day. Everybody wants to walk. But Henry A. Wise said it all. Summer tourists rates from all parts of North Carolina. Don't miss it, men and brethren. Inquire of all Agents. "Kick if everything is not perfectly comfortable. Watch the baby get well. Watch the boy from college get tough and hickory. If Chimney Rock is anything, it is a place to set the family up against the fall. Excursion tickets on sale at all Seaboard Air Line ticket offices to Chimney Rock and return at greatly reduced rates.

Receipts of Home Mission Board.

Receipts from June 15th to July 15th, 1899.

ALABAMA: Cash, Providence ch., \$2.70; Concord ch., \$10; W. B. Crumpton, Cor. Secy., \$170.81; Total \$182.51. Previously reported, cash \$59.17. Total since May \$241.68.
ARKANSAS: Total since May, cash \$14.
GEORGIA: Boxes reported by Miss Aurie W. Armstrong, Baltimore, Social Union, 1st ch. Atlanta, \$53. Cash, T. J. B., for Burning Springs School, \$6; W. M. S., Hawkinsville ch., \$13.50; Hawkinsville ch., \$85.86; Bowersville ch., \$6; L. A. S., Arlington, \$1.50; W. J. N., 1st ch. Atlanta, for Burning Springs School, \$50; A. D. A., 2nd ch. Atlanta, for Burning Spgs. School, \$25; Evergreen ch., \$3.80; Total \$190.66. Previously reported, cash \$72.19. Total since May, boxes \$53.00, cash \$262.85.
INDIAN TERRITORY: Cash, Eufaula ch. \$7.40. Previously reported \$10.00. Total since May \$18.
KENTUCKY: Cash, Lynn Ass'n \$10.16; R. W. M., for Rurning Spgs. School, \$5; New Bethel ch., for Cuba, \$6; Irvington ch. \$2.50; 1st B. ch., Owenboro, \$3.68; Blood River Assn., \$7; Total \$34.34. Previously reported, cash \$303.54. Total since May \$337.88.
LOUISIANA: Cash, E. O. Ware, Cor. Secy., \$202.70. Previously reported, cash \$68.50. Total since May \$271.20.
MARYLAND: Boxes, reported by Miss A. W. A., S. S., Franklin Spgs. ch., Balto., for German work, \$18; L. S., 7th ch., Balto., for German work, \$6; Total \$24. Cash, 4th ch., Balto., for German work, \$3.56; F. S. B., Balto., \$16; Franklin Square ch., Balto., \$100; Total \$118.56. Previously reported, cash \$12.57. Total since May boxes \$24, cash \$131.12.
MISSISSIPPI: Boxes, reported by Miss A. W. A., Society, Hatersbury \$46.85; Society, Ellersville, (contribution) \$6.55; Society, Poplarville, (contribution) \$11.60; W. M. S. of Tippah Assn., \$25.50; Total \$90.50. Cash, Estabueh ch., \$9.40; Sunbeam Society, Scranton, \$2; Total \$10.40. Previously reported, cash \$3.25. Total since May, boxes \$90.50; cash \$13.65.
MISSOURI: Boxes, reported by Miss A. W. A., W. M. S., Gillian, OKLAHOMA: Previously reported since May, cash \$3.19. \$14.35. Cash, E. H. Sawyer, Tr., \$128.11. Previously reported, cash \$154.18. Total since May, boxes \$14.35; cash \$281.29.
SOUTH CAROLINA: Boxes reported by Miss A. W. A., L. S., Edgefield, \$64.00. A member of Edgefield Society, one typewriter, \$20. Total, \$84.00. Cash, Marion Union, Lower Section, \$22.06; Basy ch. \$2.13; Grocers ch. \$2.10; Padgett's Creek ch. \$4.20; Big Stevens creek ch. \$5; Sumter ch. \$10.30; Faithful Workers, Lake City ch. for Cuba, \$9.85; Parkersville ch. \$3.72; Holly Grove ch. \$1.00; Princeton ch. \$5.85; Warrior Creek ch. \$2.28; Mountain Springs ch. \$1.16; Mt. Airy ch. 60c; Flint Hill ch. \$2.31; St Johns ch. 96c; Richard Springs ch. \$1.40; Fairmount ch. 65c; Wassamassaw ch. \$2; Hebron ch. \$1.00; Clover ch. 2.35; Central Com. Mrs. John Stoen, \$20.25; Hatcher ch. \$3.60; Groomsville ch. \$1.22; Switzer ch. \$2.30; M. B. 1st B. ch. Palzer, \$2; Oberaw ch. \$8.55; Congaree ch. \$4.05; Congaree S. S. \$3.05; Mary Harley Society, \$1.00; Parksville S. S. \$1.24; Bethel ch. \$3.30. Total, \$161.64. Previously reported, cash, \$212.09. Total since May, boxes, \$84.60; cash, \$373.73.
TENNESSEE: Boxes, reported by Miss A. W. A., Three ladies of Poochontas ch., \$19.25. Cash, Harmony ch., \$5; Union Ridge ch., \$7.72; Young South, for Cuba, \$22.25; H. M. Woodcock, Tr., \$147.31; Total \$182.28. Previously reported, cash \$137.62. Total since May, boxes \$19.25; cash \$220.10.
TEXAS: Cash, Reed ch. \$2; Prairie Valley ch., \$6.10; J. B. Gambrell, Supt., \$90.43; Shilo ch., \$5.15; Total \$104.68. Previously reported, cash \$58.63. Total since May, cash \$172.31.
VIRGINIA: Boxes, reported by Miss A. W. A., W. M. S., 1st ch, Petersburg, \$85.18. Cash, B. A. Jacobs, Tr., \$600. Total since May, boxes \$85.18, cash \$600.
AGGREGATE: Boxes \$370.88, cash \$1,922.27. Previously reported cash \$1,123.73. Total since May, boxes \$276.86; cash \$3,046.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MOUNTAIN REGIONS AND FRONTIER WORK, ADOPTED AT THE LOUISVILLE CONVENTION.

With pleasure we commend the efforts of the Home Board to meet the increasing demand for work in the mountain section of our country. The peculiar condition of things in the mountain region, growing largely out of the lack of ready communication with other portions of the country, as well as the lack of proper development of the vast material resources of this section, call for special and continual effort. We believe that no better expenditure of money could be made than in the employment of a wise, tactful and broad-minded man, who shall devote his whole time to mountain work, exerting himself in aiding and establishing schools, instructing preachers, and making himself useful in evangelistic and educational efforts. The unusual activity of the Mormons in the mountain districts adds especial emphasis to the call for help from that section. Hundreds of Mormon missionaries are already at work in this mountain region, and we cannot afford to delay enlarged, systematic and well-planned work. We are further assured that this work would not only soon prove to be self-sustaining, but in a few years would return increasing revenue to be devoted to work in other fields, at home and abroad.

The demand for vigorous and increased work in the far West and on the frontier comes to us with an insistency that cannot be ignored. These now sparsely settled new States and territories are rapidly filling up with a thrifty and industrious population, and in a few years will be crowded with a still greater population. Cities are springing up, and the fertile lands, under new methods of cultivation and irrigation, will yet support prosperous rural communities. We therefore urge increased expenditures, as rapidly as the revenue of the Board will permit, for this important and growing section.



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