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LETTER FROM REV. C. D. DANIEL.

Matanzas, Jan. 16th, 1901.

Dr. I. T. Tichenor, Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Brother:—I came over here and found Brother Cova to be a superior Christian gentleman. A real companionable fellow. He is a man of God and God is honoring his labors. I have never received a heartier Christian welcome than he gave me. He has taken me over the city and shown me every place of interest. He has taken me into the homes of his members, the first Cuban homes I have had the pleasure of visiting. He has several members of real intelligence and refinement. He took me to see several of the city officials and other leaders of Matanzas society people. He is a man of influence in the city. The English speaking Christians here speak of him in the highest terms. But oh my, my, how he does need a church house. The Episcopalians have a church house in one of the suburbs which cost \$6000. They are taking steps to build another church house in the heart of the city to cost \$10,000. The Methodist have just completed an elegant church, costing \$9000, which is to be publically dedicated next Sunday. This you see will put our brethren at a greater disadvantage. The Methodist congregation has doubled since they have begun work on their house, so Brother Baker, the pastor, told me. You see it gives the work the appearance of stability.

Last night was prayer meeting, I was surprised at the number present, and perfectly delighted at the manner of conducting the meeting, and the conduct of the members in church. There were about eighty people present. At the entrance a Bible was presented to each who took his seat and read till time to commence services, which began and closed on time. There was no whispering and laughing in the house. After four earnest prayers for specific purposes interspersed with singing, the pastor gave a very fine exposition of the first chapter in Hebrews, after which he called on me for a talk. The congregation then extended to me the right hand of fellowship and welcome. Then closed one of the most interesting prayer meetings that I have ever had the pleasure of attending whether in the United States, North or South, Mexico, Brazil or Cuba. The presence of American soldiers in this country is a real hindrance to missionary operations. The soldiers are, many of them irreligious, immoral, lewd, drunken crowd of fellows who assume the air of conquerors and frequently boast that the stars and stripes will never be taken away from Cuba. Thus a hatred for Americans and American custom is being created. The military leaders here pander to Romanism and have frequently treated Gospel workers with contempt. Dr. Dias of Havana and Brother Cova of this place both speak of the American occupation as the greatest hindrance to Gospel work. I spoke to Mr. — who is a

Christian gentleman and is connected with the educational department at Havana, about the complaints that I had heard. He said that the government in its effort to conciliate the natives, had, perhaps, gone too far in this direction. The same complaints come from the Home Mission Society workers at Santiago. A native worker from Santiago was in Havana last week bringing a protest from Mr. Mosley against the conduct of the government toward the Gospel workers. As he did not succeed in accomplishing anything, he said Mr. Mosley would come to Havana soon, and, if necessary would carry his protest in person before the government at Washington. The preachers of the various denominations in Havana have organized themselves into a conference for united effort along this line. I joined the conference Monday morning so did Dr. Diaz.

Doctor, I have fallen in love with Cuba. How beautiful, how grand, how rich. How lavishly God has bestowed choicest blessings on the Queen of the Antilles. What opportunities for Christian effort. But now is the time for earnest action. Today is the day of salvation for Cuba. If Baptists fail to seize the present opportunity they will be at a disadvantage in all the future. Other denominations have seen the importance of immediate earnest action, and are increasing their working force as rapidly as possible, strengthening the old and occupying new and important points. Our Baptist people have done well, we must do better. Diaz, as you know, is second to none in ability. Cova is intelligent, consecrated and earnest, a pathfinder and a foundation builder.

Yours in the work,
C. D. DANIEL.

COVA'S LETTER.

Continued from last month.

On next day, at my solicitation, I had a private interview with Dr. Rodriguez, which lasted three hours. I was very anxious to explore the feelings of that man, and know whether he was a Christian. I had heard in Matanzas that he was a spiritualist. We spoke of the Bible, of the Saviour of missions, of the Sagua church, and at last, I brought our conversation to spiritualism, though with extreme prudence. The man, on a certain moment stared at me fixedly and asked: "Mr. Cova, tell me frankly what are your opinions of me?" I answered: "I think you are a Christian and that you desire the advancement of the Kingdom of the Lord in your city." "It is so," he replied, "I am a Christian and a convinced one. I am here preaching in the way I can, because I desire that the mustard seed that has fallen here will not perish. I hope nothing from human help; God sufficeth me. I am ridiculed and sneered at by the ignorant and the unconverted, but I go on, doing what I can, and trusting the Lord. At my spare hours I studied the Bible as much as I can. I have bought in New York a Bible commentary, Cruden's Concordance, the 'Life of St. Paul' and other books. But with all my studies and efforts, the work does not prosper as I should desire. I understand we need here a good pastor; who would be a learned and spiritual man. Oh if such a man

could be found, the Sagua church would be a great work. We are the only denomination in the city, but we need a consecrated man and a better house to make a good impression on this people."

I preached at Sagua every night until Saturday. The audiences were good; they sang with a little hymn book printed there and paid for by Dr. Rodriguez, containing a good number of our most popular hymns. This was done because they have only two song books printed in New York. Besides having bought the organ they are using, Dr. Rodriguez has also given the little church the seats they have.

In our parting time, that brother expressed a heart felt desire for my coming again to them. "We need you" he said, "and we need a pastor not a hireling but a shepherd. Write to the Mission Board on what you have seen here and on what I have told you." His last words were: "Come again."

IS THE GOSPEL NEEDED IN MEXICO?

Let us look beyond our own land into that lovely neighboring country where unfettered Romanism has borne its bitter fruit for so many years. You wonder why we need to preach to Mexicans, when they already "know about God." Walk by the beautiful cathedral of Guadalajara and hear the sweet strains of the mass of San Gregorio, which, for the payment of one hundred dollars, will pass the soul of the departed straight to the celestial regions; follow the crowds to the cemetery of Belen on All Souls' Day, and watch that second-class priest mumbling his twenty-five or thirty prayers over the grave of some poor soul; watch the mass of people kneeling in that little pueblo where the virgin Zapopan, a rude wooden image about a foot and a half high has been carried with as truly heathenish demonstration of dancing and drunkenness as one would see before some Buddhist temple.

Pass by the houses of "spiritual retirement," and hear the shrieks of the devotees as they lash themselves with the iron disciplinas, or press the spikes of their cilicias farther into the quivering flesh, while the fumes of an extremely material sulphur make the place like a true type of the lower regions. Go to that baby's funeral, and see the crowd dancing and drinking while the heart-broken mother tries to stifle her sobs and join in the mirth, until the little form is carried away, when she falls into a frenzy of shrieking. Hear the rockets whizzing in honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary; see the grand dinners and the paseo on Good Friday; and the clang of the bells and the burning of hundreds of Judases when the "gory comes in" on Holy Saturday; hear the people gaily asking one another on Corpus Christi: "What is your Corpus? Mine is a big watermelon!" or on All Saints' Day see the children with their bonbon boxes in the form of coffins, with a candy doll in its white shroud within, while others have their arms full of hideous toys, grinning skulls, skeletons in every conceivable form—everything that will make a ghastly mockery of death. See the thronged market on Sunday morning; hear the wild screaming as the consorts for the afternoon bull fight pass by our chapel windows—and, in the face of it all, can any one say that the gospel is not needed?—Missionary Letter in the Little Worker.



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SELF-DENIAL WEEK.

It has been the custom, for several years, for the various Societies of the Woman's Missionary Union to observe the Christmas tide as an occasion for making special gifts to Foreign Missions. This was a happy thought and a happy custom. May it always last! Nothing could be more appropriate than that Christ's people, while thinking of God's great Christmas gift to the world, and while receiving and making gifts of all kinds, should be mindful also to make a special gift for the spread of Christ's Kingdom, and especially towards letting those who sit in heathen lands know of God's unspeakable gift.

It has been an equally happy thought and custom that these noble women have set apart a week during each Spring, in which they propose voluntarily to practice some kind of self-denial in order that their alms may go up with their prayers as a memorial before God. This week of self-denial has been consecrated to Home Missions. During this solemn time they think and sing and pray and give for Home Missions. They recognize that the work at home is the true basis and gauge for all Christian work of all kind. They know that as they can make the homeland what it ought to be, they are helping every enterprise that appeals to Christ's people, whether at home or abroad.

God only knows what this week of self-denial and prayer as observed by these godly, praying women has done for His cause and kingdom. Surely their prayers as well as their gifts have gone up like sweet incense unto God. And He who marks the sparrow's fall, and counts even the hairs of our heads, does not, will not turn a deaf ear to these prayers and sacrifices of

his dear children. Already the windows of Heaven have opened many times and blessings have been poured out upon his waiting, working daughters and upon his churches which there was not room to contain.

But as yet the good of self-denial week has only begun. Until now a comparatively few even of God's women have taken part in it. If this self-denial week has been good for these women that have thus far engaged in it, why should it not be good for every woman who loves the Saviour? Sister, in Jesus, do not deny yourself any longer the blessing that would come to you from joining heartily with your sisters in thus waiting before your Saviour.

Moreover if this week of self-denial is good for the Woman's Societies, why would it not be good also for every church of Jesus Christ to take some such opportunity for waiting before God? I would not for a moment suggest any such observance of "days and seasons" as would tend to formalism and ritual. Far from it. But every Baptist church does observe set days for certain purposes. We observe the first day of the week as our special day of worship. Almost every church has appointed times for observing the Lord's Supper. Most churches have set times for taking up their collections. Surely it is equally proper for a church to agree to observe, whenever it pleases, a week of self-denial and prayer, just as proper as it is to agree upon a time for a protracted meeting.

And oh! the good that would come from engaging in special prayer and self-sacrifice in connection with the offering of our gifts unto the Lord. Pastors of the churches think of this, will you not? Try it a few times at least in connection with these godly women of your flock. You need not keep it up any longer than you think it well for your church to do so. Try it this one year anyway. I suggest that, when the time comes for the week of self-denial this Spring, you try to get your whole church to enter into it. You need not have meetings every day if you do not care to do so. But on the Sabbath before the "Week of Self-denial" you might invite your people all to join in this Scriptural, Christ-commanded exercise. You might tell them that Jesus has said: "If any one will come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." You might tell them that your Woman's Societies of the South are going to observe this week, and invite everybody to join in the observance. You might get your Woman's Society, if you have one, to divide your membership up among themselves, and try to get some one of them to go during the week to see every member of your church and urge them to keep this matter before them in earnest prayer, and cultivate during the week the spirit of self-denial. You might fix on some average amount that you and they would

try to raise as a special self-denial offering for Home Missions. Or if you think it the better way, you might make the closing Sunday of Self-denial Week the time for taking up your church collection for Home Missions, as this is specially Home Mission week. Then on that Sunday you might put your heart, your soul, your sermon into trying to close up the week with such an offering as would be a real practice of self-denial acceptable unto God.

This is of course all only a suggestion. You will, I am sure, do as you think best. But brethren beloved, is it not worth a trial? Such a week, I verily believe, will be a revival season to any church. May God help you to make a real occasion of "Self-denial Week" in your church *this once* anyway. You can judge by what it is this year whether to continue it hereafter.

F. H. K.

BROTHER DANIEL'S LETTER.

We give in this issue the first letter received from our Brother Daniel, who has gone to Cuba under the appointment of the Home Mission Board to give attention especially to the spiritual needs of the English speaking people who live in Havana.

As Brother Daniel was a Missionary of our Foreign Mission Board for some years in Brazil, and since his return to this country has for years been engaged in mission work among the Mexicans in Texas, he is prepared to give efficient help to our mission work among the Spanish people of Cuba.

We are glad to have this highly favorable impression made upon him, both by the material interests and prospects of that beautiful island, and by the character of the work done by our missionaries there. Please note what he says about the spiritual atmosphere of their prayer meetings. We are highly gratified to know that his experience confirms our own as to the genuineness of the work done by our missionaries there.

I. T. T.

Since the above paragraph was written we have received a letter from Miss Mary A. Taylor, one of our American Missionaries in Havana, in which she says:

"Brother Daniel is seemingly just the man for our work here. We are much pleased with him in every way, and are glad to say he has made a good impression on both Americans and Cubans."

"We believe his coming of the Lord and trust Him to open the way for Bro. Daniel to take up this work permanently. He is quick to grasp the situation and cautious and wise in his movements."

Rev. B. F. Riley in Baptist Standard.

At different times we hear hints about the abolishment of the Home Mission Board. It is obviously suggested, now and then, that it is an effete organization—good enough in the days of the fathers, but as having spent its force because of the creation of State Boards. Yet, if the Home Board should spend every cent in its treasury upon Texas alone, it would be inadequate to meet existing demands. The same could be said of Louisiana and of other States the swell of the populations of which make far more imperative its perpetuation than any conditions which existed in the days of the fathers.

In His providence, God has imposed upon us, especially in this vast State, opportunities for the accomplishment of good rarely equaled in any quarter of the globe.

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MISS ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG, EDITOR.

Send forth Laborers.

Send forth thy laborers, Lord!
Into the world's wide field;
Cause waiting souls to hear thy voice;
Cause wavering hearts to yield.

Send forth thy laborers, Lord!
Their numbers still are few.
The time is short, the work is great
Which thou wouldst have us do.

Monthly Missionary Topics—Mexico and Brazil.

Mexico—Situation, southwest of the United States. Size one-fifth as large as the United States. Shape that of a cornucopia with mouth opening northward.

Early History—full of obscurity.

12th Century History—In 1196 the Aztecs entered Mexico and ruled for 325 years. They built large and beautiful cities but were idolaters. Their gods were fierce and delighted in blood.

16th Century history—In 1519, Cortez went to Mexico in search of gold. The emperor of the Aztecs was put to death by torture, and the country became a Spanish province. The inquisition was established and the people forced to become Roman Catholics.

Latter History—After many revolutions, in 1923 the independence of Mexico was acknowledged and soon after, it became a Republic with a Constitution modelled on that of the United States.

The Republic of Mexico consists of 27 States, 2 Territories and a Federal District.

The population consists of Whites, Mixed races and Indians.

Of the 11,000,000 in Mexico, 8,000,000 have never seen a Bible.

The priests are almost universally addicted to drunkenness, gambling, and other sins. The Sabbath is the special time for bull fights and the selling of lottery tickets.

The first circulation of Bibles was during the Mexican war when our army chaplains distributed Bibles among the destitute people; the first gospel sermon ever preached in Mexico was by a Baptist minister, in 1862; and the first Baptist Church was organized in 1864.

Southern Baptists began work in Mexico in 1880. The Foreign Board now has in its employ but 12 missionaries and 20 native assistants.

The wildest fanaticism prevents missionaries from obtaining houses in which to worship.

"We want" is the theme of all letters from our missionaries. They want more missionaries, and permanent houses erected in which services may be held.

"Here is our neighbor, pass not by,
Like Priest and Levite long ago—
Have pity! Help! Ring out the cry,
Prayer, means and men for Mexico!"

Brazil—Another papal field "Neglected yet at Our Doors" is in the northeastern part of South America and occupies nearly one-half of that country.

For 300 years, it was a province of Portugal. In 1822 under Don Pedro, it declared its independence and became an empire. In 1891 in compliance with the wishes of the people, he resigned and it became a Republic in form of government.

Brazil has 16,000,000 people. The Portuguese language is spoken and only one in twelve can read and write.

Precious stones are abundant. The great Mogul Diamond worth \$250,000 was found there.

Characteristics of the people—progressive, bright, attractive, social, but sadly immoral and greatly in need of the uplifting, purifying power of the gospel.

Ignorance and idols, superstition and sin are everywhere.

Beating the body with strips of leather filled with tacks, walking on the knees, dragging the tongue on the ground, are a few of the many forms of penance.

After eighteen years—since the time when S. B. C. work in Brazil was started—Southern Baptists have but 19 missionaries and 19 native assistants. A part of Brazil one-half as large as the United States, is wholly unevangelized.

The five main stations of Southern Baptists are Pernambuco, Bahia, Rio Janeiro, Capos, San Paulo.

431 baptisms were reported last year, and Rev. W. B. Bagby recently wrote: "Our work in Rio is being much blessed. We are having conversions and additions to the church every week."

The ladies of Bro. Ginsburg's church at Macahe recently held a bazar for the Church Building Fund and in spite of hard times and opposition, realized \$250.00.

FORWARD.

"Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward."

This message spoken of old to Moses, echoed and re-echoed through succeeding ages, is the word of God to the Christian women of to-day. Heirs of the 19th Century, pioneers of the 20th, with the past uttering its solemn message and the future opening before us increased opportunities for service, we occupy, at this time, a position of peculiar responsibility.

Appreciating the helpfulness of woman's co-operation, the Committee on the New Century Movement—appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention—has requested that Baptist women contribute towards the successful inauguration of the Twentieth Century by making STRONG EFFORT TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

A few facts will emphasize the importance of this work. Within the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention, there are 18,963 churches. Two-thirds of the membership are women, many of them know not the joy of obedience to the Great Commission, having "no interest in missions." Not one-tenth of the churches in some States have Societies, while in Virginia, where the women raise more for the Boards than in any other State, not one-half of the churches have woman's mission Societies. Is not this convincing proof that as yet we have only touched the border of that great land of promise which lies before us?

Dr. A. T. Pierson in his "Outlook for the Twentieth Century" writes: "With this new century we confront a new crisis in missions, and the question is, Who is to meet it and how is it to be met? At least four factors combine to constitute this a critical emergency in Missions; these factors are the vast unoccupied area, the entire inadequacy of the army of occupation, the lack of a proper standard of giving, and the lack of a proper spirit of prayer." As Baptist women, let us be willing to do our part in meeting the emergency, and recognize the far-reaching influence of the service which we have been asked to render. To Woman's Missionary Union workers and to all Baptist women of our Southland the appeal is made, would YOU be as ministering angels carrying sunshine into the lives of those who know not the privilege of service; is it your heart's desire that woman's work shall be placed on a stronger basis than ever before? Then, as individuals, will you not resolve at the dawn of the New Year that you will faithfully labor to bring about the organi-

zation of one Missionary Society? It is God who commands "Go Forward." He it is who has written on one side of the open door "Opportunity," on the other "Responsibility."

THE CHRISTIAN'S BUSINESS.

DR. JOSIAH STRONG.

Christ said: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel; and he did not say it to the twelve, but to the whole body of believers. If we cannot go in person, we are under obligations to go by proxy. Why are we not called upon to make as great sacrifices in SENDING as the missionary in GOING? The law of sacrifice is universal. "If ANY man will come after me;" that means Dives and Lazarus alike; the terms are all inclusive. And not only must all sacrifice but THE MEASURE OF SACRIFICE IS THE SAME FOR ALL. God does not ask of any two the same GIFT, because to no two are his gifts the same; but he does require of every man the same SACRIFICE.

"Whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not ALL THAT HE HATH, he cannot be my disciple." Luke 14:33: To give the little all is as hard as to give the abounding all. In both cases the sacrifice is the same, for it is measured less by what is given than by what remains. What God demands of every soul is the absolute surrender of self, of all powers and all possessions, not the ABANDONING of the latter any more than of the former, but their entire surrender to God to be honestly used for him.

"God will have ALL thou hast; thy mind, thy will, Thy thoughts, thy words, thy works."

Whatever their occupation, Christians have but one business in the world; viz., the extending of Christ's kingdom; and merchant, mechanic and banker are under exactly the same obligations to be wholly consecrated to that work as is the missionary.

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From Dec. 15th, 1900 to January 15th, 1901.

ALABAMA: Boxes reported by Miss Annie W. Armstrong, W. M. S., Denopolis \$66.00; W. M. S., Hartselle \$49.75; W. M. S., Lafayette \$23.00; W. M. S., Troy \$46.15; W. M. S., Jacksonville \$50.00; W. M. S., Prattville \$52.50; W. M. S., Midway \$40.00; W. M. S., Scottsboro \$51.25. Total \$413.85. Cash, Sycamore ch. by W. B. C. \$3.26; W. B. C., Crumpton, Cor. Sect'y, \$133.50; Pittsburg S. S. \$1.00; W. B. C., Crumpton, Cor. Sect'y, as follows, Soapstone, ch. \$1.50; Shiloh ch. \$1.00; Montgomery 1st, S. S. \$5.57; Castleberry ch. \$1.65; Sycamore ch. \$2.74; Wetmore ch. \$1.66; New River, Assoc. time \$4.50; Valmetto, St. ch. \$8.00; Bethel ch. \$1.82; Kingdom ch. \$1.31; Central ch. \$1.64; Fitzpatrick ch. \$1.00; Rahanna ch. \$33.35; Mt. Gilead ch. \$1.66; Bethesda \$2.50; Marshall Association \$22.56; Summer Hill ch. \$1.53; Spring Bank ch. \$1.30; Mt. Pisgah \$1.50; Salem S. S. \$1.34; Columbiana ch. \$1.33; Lower Peach Tree \$1.05; Belle Landing box. Total \$275.64. Previously reported boxes \$92.12; cash \$2,058.70. Total since May boxes \$367.95. Cash \$2,374.34.

ARKANSAS: Cash, W. M. and A. N. Malvern \$3.10. Previously reported boxes \$75.00. Cash \$333.71. Total since May Boxes \$78.00. Cash \$336.82.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Boxes reported by Miss A. W. A., W. M. S., Kendall ch. Washington \$45.40; W. M. S., Grace ch. Washington \$62.80; Immanuel Circle 1st ch. Washington \$100.00. Total \$208.20. Cash, Class 9 S. S., Washington ch. For Miss Bushman \$1.30. Previously reported boxes \$208.20. Cash \$34.10. Total since May boxes \$416.40. Cash \$39.58.

FLORIDA: Boxes, reported by Miss A. W. A., W. M. S., Plant City \$4.35; W. M. S., Turkey Creek \$5.50. Total \$9.85. Previously reported boxes \$151.15. Cash \$59.55. Total since May boxes \$161.00. Cash \$59.55.

GEORGIA: Boxes reported by Miss A. W. A., W. M. S., Hartwell and Sardis chs. \$66.00; W. M. S., 1st ch., Macon \$162.81; W. M. S., Athens \$161.86; W. M. S. and ladies of ch. at Guyton \$65.00. Total \$455.67. Cash S. Y. Jackson, Cor. Sect'y, received December 6th, and omitted in statement of cash receipts published in last month's paper by error, \$252.95; Judge J. R. B., Canton, \$75.00; Albany B. ch. \$14.48; Dublin B. ch. \$12.88; Jr. Union Mould for Cuba \$1.47; S. Y. Jackson, Cor. Sect'y, \$217.45. Total \$1,276.08. Previously reported boxes \$1,301.80. Cash \$3,875.02. Total since May boxes \$1,757.87. Cash \$5,252.87.

INDIAN TERRITORY: Cash, C. H. C., Wayne \$1.00; Rev. J. S. M., Atoka \$5.00; Vinita ch. \$9.00. Total \$15.00. Previously reported cash \$22.38. Total since May, Cash \$37.38.

KENTUCKY: Boxes reported by Miss A. W. A., W. M. S., Carrollton \$40.00; W. M. S., Winchester \$51.55; W. M. S., Paducah \$110.00; W. M. S., Mt. Pleasant \$12.50; W. M. S., Locust \$2.15; W. M. S., Hopkinsville \$30.48; W. M. S., Clinton \$65.00; W. M. S., Chestnut, St. ch. Louisville, \$75.00; W. M. S., Broadway ch. Louisville \$80.00; W. M. S., Allenaville \$40.00. Total \$645.58. Cash 1st, B. ch. Frankfort \$61.64; J. O. Bow Cor. Sect'y, \$335.37. Total \$977.37. Previously reported boxes \$284.10. Cash \$4,619.84. Total since May boxes \$1,473.78. Cash \$5,074.41.

LOUISIANA: Boxes reported by Miss A. W. A., W. M. S., Coliseum Place, New Orleans \$27.00; W. M. S., 1st B. ch. New Orleans, \$75.00; W. M. S., Monroe \$37.60; W. M. S., 1st ch. Shreveport \$145.00; W. M. S., Coliseum Place, New Orleans \$48.75; W. M. S., Valence, St. New Orleans \$75.00. Total \$409.45. Cash, J. W. Bolton, Tr. \$21.66. Previously reported boxes \$500.23. Cash, \$474.54. Total since May, \$929.60. Cash \$901.00.

MARYLAND: Boxes reported by Miss A. W. A., Upper Seneca ch. Contribution, \$6.60; Mt. Zion ch. contribution, \$1.00; Y. L. S., Eutaw Place ch. \$171.50; W. M. S., Eutaw Place ch. \$5.00; Y. W. H. and F. M. S., Immanuel ch. Meridian \$8.50; A. V. Rowe Cor. Sect'y, \$400.00. Total \$1,212.65. Previously reported boxes \$697.03. Cash \$1,024.77. Total since May boxes \$729.53. Cash \$1,741.75.

MISSISSIPPI: Boxes reported by Miss A. W. A., W. M. S., Winona \$116.00. Cash General Association \$1.45; Corinth ch. \$2.00; Immanuel ch. Meridian \$8.50; A. V. Rowe Cor. Sect'y, \$400.00. Total \$1,212.65. Previously reported boxes \$697.03. Cash \$1,024.77. Total since May boxes \$729.53. Cash \$1,741.75.

MISSOURI: Boxes reported by Miss A. W. A., W. M. S., Westport ch. Kansas City \$27.00; W. M. S., Liberty \$41.00. Total \$68.00. Previously reported boxes \$1,750.50. Cash \$884.23. Total since May boxes \$491.50. Cash \$884.23.

NORTH CAROLINA: Cash New Spring B. ch. \$3.61. Previously reported boxes \$1,227.45. Total \$1,231.06. Total since May boxes \$1,231.06. Cash \$2,699.75.

OKLAHOMA: Previously reported since May Cash \$10.33.

SOUTH CAROLINA: Boxes reported by Miss A. W. A., L. H. M. Band, Sumter, \$20.00; W. M. S., Lawtonville \$35.00; W. M. S., Piedmont \$55.00. Total \$110.00. Cash Sumter ch. \$11.85; and, Division Edgefield Association, \$2.00; Batesburg ch. \$15.00; Good Hope ch. \$2.00; Millers Union \$25.00; Greenville B. ch. \$2.50; Central Committee, Mrs. John Stout Cor. Sect'y, \$11.00. Lake Swamp Association \$1.75; 1st B. ch. S. S., Newberry \$9.75; Cornacow ch. \$50. Williston ch. \$6.60; Switzer ch. \$1.05; Bushy Fork ch. \$1.25; Cheraw ch. \$8.75; Bethel ch. \$1.55; Philadelphia ch. \$4.60; Marlboro Union Pns De Association \$17.29. Total \$198.66. Previously reported boxes \$718.80. Cash \$2,221.80. Total since May boxes \$858.80. Cash \$2,400.40.

TENNESSEE: Boxes reported by Miss A. W. A., W. M. S., Southwood \$40.00; W. M. S., Sweetwater \$55.00; W. M. S., Bell Ave. Knoxville, \$35.00; 1st ch. Memphis \$144.66; W. M. S., 1st ch. Nashville \$140.00; W. M. S., Edgemoor \$80.00; W. M. S., Hill City \$65.00; Y. L. M. S., 1st ch. \$4.00; W. M. S., 1st ch. Jackson \$85.00; W. M. S., Whitesburg \$9.65; W. M. S., Central ch. Memphis \$150.00; W. M. S., Dunlap \$30.00; W. M. S., Trinity ch. Memphis \$35.00. Total \$864.30. Cash, E. H. Y., Jonesboro \$16.10; So. Knoxville B. ch. \$10.00; W. M., Woodcock, Tr. \$66.73. Total \$777.13. Previously reported boxes \$111.26. Cash \$4,965.05. Total since May boxes \$1,672.85. Cash \$5,244.94.

TEXAS: Cash, Prairie Valley ch. \$5.00; Canton ch. \$12.00; Hubbard B. ch. \$10.45; B. F. Hall, Tr. Donna \$28.15; J. B. Gambrell, Supt \$52.59. Total \$107.19. Previously reported boxes \$200.00. Cash \$2,482.45. Total since May boxes \$220.00. Cash \$2,502.45.

VIRGINIA: Boxes reported by Miss A. W. A., W. M. S., Buchanan \$20.58; W. M. S., Zion ch. \$25.45; W. M. S., West End \$13.58; W. M. S., Crooked Run \$21.42; W. M. S., Kernville \$15.00; W. M. S., Hampton \$130.55; Y. L. S., Hampton, contribution, \$4.75; W. M. S., 4th St. ch. Portsmouth \$179.59; W. M. S., Walnut Grove ch. \$32.80; W. M. S., Globe Landing \$45.00; W. M. S., Cool Springs ch. \$30. Total \$1,121.60. Cash, E. A. Jacobs, Tr. \$90.01. Previously reported boxes \$9,022.24. Cash \$2,201.01. Total since May boxes \$1,211.61. Cash \$2,491.01.

MISCELLANEOUS: Cash, W. R. T. and Wife, Mattoon, Ill. \$2.00. Previously reported cash \$5.10. Total since May cash \$7.10.

AGGREGATE: Boxes \$1,108.77; cash \$3,800.14. Previously reported boxes \$12,661.13. Cash \$25,027.44. Total since May boxes \$2,319.30; cash \$5,298.15.

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