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FROM MISSION FIELDS.

Brother Edmondson, a faithful missionary of Hackett, Ark., writes:

I have almost worn out my life on these frontiers. I have labored for the Master 26 years, and 16 of that time I supported myself. But now I am 70 years old, and almost ready to lay down my armor and pass over. And that I may have the welcome applaud "well done good and faithful servant, you have been faithful over a few things, enter into the joy of thy Lord."

Your old brother in the patience of Jesus Christ.

Rev. J. B. Rounds, General Missionary to the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians in Indian Territory:

These two Indian nations occupy an area of 18,142 miles according to the report of the Secretary of the Interior for 1901. And according to the same report they have a population of 22,000 Indian citizens (besides 9,750 freedmen). Of this number from 8,000 to 10,000 are full-blood or non-English speaking Indians. Among them we have about 500 Baptists, gathered into 22 churches. They have 26 ordained and 8 licensed native preachers. While some of these preachers are educated men, the great majority of them are very ignorant, and in many instances their sermons are very poor, and some of them misleading. For instance some of the preachers have gone so far as to preach baptismal regeneration. Some of the Indians tell me the reason for this is found in the translation of certain passages in the Choctaw Testament. As I cannot yet talk the language I have to base my information on what they tell me. The man who told me this is a man in whom I have great confidence.

They are not taught the Bible as they should be, as is very plainly seen when a person is among them for a short time. One preacher restored persons to church membership when they confessed to him, without any action whatever on the part of the church. The churches very seldom exclude members, but almost invariably when a person commits such sins as getting drunk, dancing, gambling, and kindred vices, he considers himself excluded, and takes no part in church services until he confesses his faults. Some of them have the peculiar idea that they must "quit praying" when these temptations overcome them.

They have not the burden of souls upon their hearts as they should have, and consequently not many are being saved.

Rev. M. A. Wilson, Virginia: We are getting on well at Norton. On the last third Sunday we had six additions, three by baptism, two by letter, and one restored. We expect three or four more at our next meeting.

We are at work on our new house of worship. The lot has been paid for, the foundation is up; it

cost \$200; we will pay for it to-morrow, if nothing happens. The lumber will soon be on the ground, and the contractors bind themselves to complete the job by January 1st. It will be the largest and best house in the town, and will cost about \$1,800. Our town is on the up-grade fast, new houses are going up rapidly, and there is not a house to rent in the town. I believe Norton will be the best town in this section, and when we have our own house, our church will grow rapidly.

We do need another man so much in this county and in Scott County, to train the churches. We have some 25 churches in our Association, and my field gave this year more than one half of all that was given by the Association to missions. About five preachers are doing all that is being done, and they are all missionaries. Our mission churches are doing well. Thank God for the mission spirit. Coeburn is learning to give, and bye and bye she will do her duty. We have had two additions there.

MISS HANSEN.

The following extracts are taken from a letter written by Miss Chatharina Hansen, one of our female missionaries in Indian Territory.

I have, so to say, only gotten a look at the work, but it has been enough for me to see that it is Oh, such a great, such a needy and important work. I visited in 88 homes during the month of August. Oh, such miserable homes some of them; especially among the foreigners; the foreigners here are mostly Italians, Russians, Poles; all as far as I have been able to visit are Catholics. * * *

The Lord has been very near to me during the time of quarantine; several times I almost became down-hearted when I thought of the great work, the power of Satan and sin that confronts us poor, weak women, and a fear and trembling came over me lest we should fail to realize our full responsibility and avail ourselves of every opportunity. But at the throne of grace I was comforted and strengthened. One day I was specially blessed by the reading of the 31st chapter of Jeremiah and the 16th verse came to me as a prophecy from God. Oh, how I long to bring peace and joy and happiness through the love of the Lord Jesus Christ into the lives of these poor people whom I fear cannot be otherwise than miserable. * * *

I came back from the General Convention of the Indian Territory which was held from the 24th to the 28th at South McAlisterville a few hours ago. I feel like saying again and again Bless the Lord oh my soul and all that is within me bless and praise and glorify his holy name! We had such a grand, glorious Convention. We felt the Spirit's power from the first to the last session, and when our dearly beloved Dr. McConnell preached the Convention sermon Sunday morning, I think we had reached the highest point; the Church was packed, and I think very few eyes were dry. The power of it will remain with me in my work, and I think with many others.

At the closing service last night God gave us a crowning glory—ten additions to the Church, five through conversion, and five who were Baptists but had grown cold and indifferent. We felt God's presence; many were in tears, even men; God's earnest, faithful servants. I believe God will be with us and great work will be done in the Territory in the coming year for God's glory and the salvation of souls.

Miss Buhlmaier, missionary at Immigrant's pier, Baltimore:

Now just one more experience. Not very long ago, we were busy with the distribution of the literature, surrounded by a great crowd, all eager to receive a share. Among the many was also a woman who managed to push her way close up to me, when she said: "Please lady, have you any more whole Testaments? I am real pleased with this Gospel, but would so much love to have the whole Testament." Something in the woman made me tell her wait and follow me on my return up stairs, when I would grant her desire. I also asked her to hold my basket, so as to be better able to deal out to the waiting crowd. When the supply was exhausted, we returned upstairs. A short time before this I had not only received copies of the New Testament, but some Bibles as well. Of course these are held and distributed very cautiously. I reached for a bible now, and holding it out to the woman said: "You have asked me for a Testament, but I am willing to give you this entire Bible, as I judge you love God's Word, and rejoice to do His will. Will you accept it and promise to let it be your guide henceforth?" With beaming eyes, she reached out both hands for the Book, and pressing it to her bosom, she said: Oh, how very rich and happy you have made me. It has been my one desire to be able to call such a book my own. I did not expect that my hope would be realized here, right here, the first day in America. Now it is mine, my very own! Oh, thank you, thank you, a thousand times, thank you!" I said: "How is it, if you were so anxious for a copy of the Bible that you never come in possession of one—they are not so very expensive." Then she told me that in all her town and those around, you could not, even if you had ever so much money, buy a single Bible, they are simply not to be had. When the time comes when the children receive special religious instructions, and are obliged to learn various passages of Scripture, the only way is for them to try and borrow a Bible, and the only person able to loan one is usually the Pastor. After this explanation, I could understand what the possession of a Bible would mean to such a person. This woman came from Galisia in Hungary.

The thought arose: Do all we who have had the Bible from childhood appreciate the privilege and trust? Do we thank God for the Bible as we should?

All those interested in the Spiritual Conditions of the Coal Miners, the Neglected Indians of Central Brazil, the Crisis in China, the Progress of American Indians, or the Romance of Missions on the Frontier, should read *The Missionary Review of the World* for November.

These are but a few of the subjects which make up an exceedingly attractive table of Contents. Among the contributors are—Dr. Arthur T. Pierson, Dr. Arthur H. Smith, and "Ralph Connor," the well known authors; Mr. Geo. R. Witte, the pioneer and traveler in South America, and Miss Mary C. Collins, the friend of the Indians. Among other subjects ably discussed are: "Is the Home Pastor Responsible?" by Rev. John W. Conklin; "The Persecution in Manchuria," by Dr. John Ross; "The Yale Missionary Society," by Rev. H. P. Beach, director, and "A Mission on the Roof of the World," by Miss Annie Madden. There are besides selected articles, editorials, book reviews, and the sixteen pages of *Missionary Intelligence*, itself a veritable monthly newspaper of the progress of the Kingdom.

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TENNESSEE CONVENTION.

The Tennessee Convention met on the 15th inst. at the good old city of Humboldt, with good representation present. As many know, the state of Tennessee is a sort of double state. Its magnificent proportions being somewhat naturally divided into two parts—though I believe they regard themselves as comprised of about three, East, Middle and West. East Tennessee is represented, educationally, by Carson-Newman College, while west is represented by the Baptist University at Jackson.

The State Mission and colportage work under one management, so that the two or three elements of the State concentrate their efforts in one movement for evangelistic purposes. The Corresponding Secretary of the State Mission Board, Dr. A. J. Holt, the indifragible, has combined the State Mission work proper, the colportage and the orphanage work under one secretarial management, and in all the departments made an inspiring report to the Convention. The Convention was made sad by the announcement of the fact that Dr. Holt had resigned. After nine years of untiring and very successful labor as Secretary of the State Board of Tennessee, he goes to the pastorate at Nacodoches Church in Texas. His successor was elected by the State Mission Board during the meeting of the Convention, and the choice fell on Prof. J. T. Henderson, now President of Carson-Newman College; and the choice of the Board was emphasized by the unanimous rising vote of the Convention requesting him to accept the position. His decision has not been announced. Should he decide that it is his duty to undertake this work, brethren in Tennessee feel confident that the work so well regulated, and so ably prosecuted by Dr. Holt, will be carried on with a steady and increasing prosperity.

The scene at the close of the discussion of the State Mission report was one of great tenderness. Without any apparent intention, the Convention resolved itself into a farewell to their beloved Secretary, Dr. Holt. They sang a hymn composed by Dr. Holt, whose title is "Tennessee for Christ," and then another one, "God be with you till we meet again," and extended to him the hand of parting. Strong men fell on his neck, reminding one of the scene with Paul and his Ephesus brethren.

INDIAN TERRITORY CONVENTION.

I am sure it will be interesting to all the Eastern brethren to know that the Indian Territory has a well-organized Baptist Territorial Convention. They are proceeding in an orderly and systematic way with the work of evangelization.

Their late meeting was held, beginning on September 25, at South McAlester. Reports of the missionaries show gratifying progress, there having been nearly 1,000 baptisms into the fellowship of the churches during the past year.

Instead of a Corresponding Secretary as in the States and Oklahoma Territory, the Indian Territory has two District Missionaries who divide the Territory by an Eastern and Western line, occupying respectively the Northern and Southern halves of the Territory. The work of the Territory for the present must be largely in the rapidly growing towns. As may not be known to all, the land of the entire Territory is owned by the several tribes of Indians. And hitherto they have not been permitted to sell it, only to rent it to white men from time to time; and provision was made some time ago for the ownership in fee simple of town property, so that all the towns and cities in the Territory are owned and occupied by white people. Of these there are a large number, and many of them are splendid little cities. In almost every one of these cities we have one or more Baptist churches just now becoming firmly established. Some of them have reached the point of self-support, and many of them give promise of doing so in the near future; while very many of them are able to live by a small amount of help from our mission funds.

In addition to the missionaries among the white people in the Indian Territory, we have missionaries to the full-blood Indians, and have full-blood Indian churches accessible to most of them. A proposition is being submitted to these full-blood Indians now to take their lands in severalty, with the privilege of selling them as they may have opportunity and desire. When this has been accepted by the popular vote of the Indians, as it has been done in the case of some of the tribes, the country will be opened to settlement by purchase and occupancy of the white people, and then a new phase of mission work will open before us. It will be the establishment of country churches throughout the vast domain of that magnificent country. We have already about 400 Baptist churches in Indian Territory, many of which are self-supporting; a large majority are beginning to provide themselves meeting-houses, and are yet unable to support a competent ministry.

Our two ladies, Misses Hansen and Perry, sent out by the generosity of the women of Georgia, and the girls of Virginia, are enthusiastic in the prosecution of their noble work among the miners' families in the coal regions. The coal fields about South McAlester, Krebs, Old McAlester, Alderson, Haileyville, Hartshorne, etc., comprise a vast field for mission effort. It is thought that there are 30,000 people living in the long rows of miners' houses; built near the different coal mines, the husbands and sons working underground, and the wives and children living in the small houses near by. On account of peculiar conditions in the Indian Territory, there is no school system, and the only education provided is that in cities, and by private enterprise. This fact makes the mission of these women doubly blessed to the families in the mining districts. The Territo-

rial Board of the Convention requested our lady missionaries to locate at South McAlester, and extend their work as far as they may be able to do throughout this vast community of people.

It was the privilege of the Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Board to be present at an all-day session of the Territorial Board of Missions, and see them lay out their work for another year. Representatives from many of their needy localities were present and made most earnest pleadings for aid, each one of them seeming to believe that his was the most important, and the most urgent need of all. The Board, composed of earnest, prayerful men, were untiring in their efforts to make the funds at their commands relieve as far as possible the pressure at every given point. As I sat and heard the earnest pleadings for help, and the sympathetic effort to meet demands of important situations I thought in my heart, would God the Baptists of every land could hear these things and thus be brought to realize the glorious possibilities afforded their Home Mission Board for immediate usefulness.

OKLAHOMA CONVENTION.

The Oklahoma Convention which occurred a week after the Indian Territory Convention, met at Norman, a beautiful little city some 20 miles South of Oklahoma City. Norman has the proud distinction of being the seat of the Oklahoma University, and also has the peculiarity of not having a single colored person living within her corporate limits. The Convention was well attended by representatives from a large number of the 250 Baptist churches that comprise our forces in Oklahoma Territory.

While Oklahoma has her full quota of towns and cities, she also has a very large country population. The land has been opened to ownership and white settlement, being laid off in 160 acre lots, almost all of which have been taken up and are now occupied. The serious problem in Oklahoma is, therefore, a double prosperity that in the rapidly growing cities and that in the fast multiplying country both coming on at the same time. A well organized Convention, with a good strong Territorial Board, and a splendid Corresponding Secretary, give us good assurance of well regulated work and ultimate success.

A few of the Baptist churches in Oklahoma have become self-supporting, and others are looking forward to an early time when they shall be able to relieve the Board of any financial obligation to them. More than 600 baptisms were reported by the missionaries last year, and a conservative estimate shows that Baptist forces in Oklahoma were doubled in the past Conventional year. Of course a large number of accessions were by immigration. It does seem that a glorious opportunity is offered the Baptists in these two Territories. They need a few good, well prepared preachers. There is an open field both in Indian Territory and Oklahoma for men who can afford to live on a small salary and do a good lot of hard work. They have no room for adventurers. The earnest man of God who seeks an open field, and hard fighting, will be welcomed with open arms.

Any who might be disposed to go West and participate in the pioneer work that in the near future is destined to produce glorious harvest, should write to Rev. L. L. Smith, Oklahoma City, for any information about Oklahoma; and to Rev. A. G. Washburn, Hartshorne, and Rev. J. M. Newman, Sapulpa, about Indian Territory.

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MISS ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG, Editor.

REMINISCENCES OF AN EIGHTY DAY TRIP.

September 28th we returned to Baltimore after an absence of 80 days. The trip included Indian Territory, Oklahoma, Mexico, Texas, Missouri. We traveled 8,509 miles, visited 46 places, and gave missionary talks at 58 meetings of women and children.

It is a pleasure to be "at home" again, to take up the regular work of the office in which we have been engaged so many years. Yet memory lingers upon various incidents and experience and we realize more than ever how great are the needs and opportunities in our own country and in foreign lands. Some hardships were endured. Once while in Mexico, life itself was in great danger—an attempt having been made to wreck the train as it rounded a curve within a few yards of a bridge. The engine was thrown over the steep embankment, the baggage car also was wrecked, but the passengers were saved. The R. R. officials said "by a miracle." These things are now overshadowed by reflections upon God's comfort and protection in the hours of trial, and remembrance of extreme kindness of State officers, missionaries and others here and in Mexico.

What a pleasure it was to again grasp the hands and look into the faces of those whom we had met in former days; to come into closer relationship with others who though personally unknown have been recognized as "co-laborers" and valued for their work's sake! How sweet also was the surprise and joy of meeting many of whom we had no knowledge in places previously unknown to us, and of seeing interest in the work of Woman's Missionary Union.

To the many who, in various ways, helped in giving us opportunities for presenting the needs of mission work, in learning more of mission fields and in contributing to our personal comfort, we wish to express hearty appreciation and thanks. The trip has been to us a source of encouragement, inspiration and blessing, and we trust our labor in various directions has not been in vain.

Believing the Baptist women of the South are interested in the travels of one who represents their work, and having a whole reservoir from which to draw, we expect for some time to come, under various headings, to give information gathered during the summer of 1902.

ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG.

TWO FRONTIER HOMES.

Those who have not visited the frontier and shared the home life of the missionaries can have but faint conception of their manner of living or of the work which they are doing. We have read of the sacrifices which some have made, of the hardships they are enduring, of the influence they are exerting, but no pen picture has touched the heart as did the reality when seen by us during the past summer. By giving a glimpse into two homes in which we were most cordially welcomed and kindly entertained, we hope to bring others in closer touch with the missionaries.

In one of these, there is evidence everywhere of extreme poverty. Poverty, not only in scarcity of furniture and the many little things so essential to comfort, or as seen in thread-bare garments, but saddest of all, such poverty as reveals itself in loss of appetite, pale faces and weakened systems.

The missionary is an intelligent, educated man. Some years ago, he was pastor in the State of Georgia, later in Kentucky, but believing he could do a greater work in the more destitute section, the sacrifice had been made. His wife, a refined, earnest woman, with the same noble thought had willingly consented. Her words in referring to the change are: "We knew not what awaited us, but in faith journeyed to our distant home, feeling that we could rely upon the promises." Their first experience involved disappointment and hardship. They had hoped that a house would be provided, but there was none. They succeeded in finding a forlorn looking place, the walls of which had been papered, but this was partly eaten off by rats, and here they had made their home. Three children, boys of twelve, ten and eight, share it with them.

The only financial support of the family was a promised salary of three hundred dollars a year, to be paid by the little church. "Promised" because the poverty of the members, the disposition of many to change location in the hope of improving their condition, renders "assurance" impossible. As a missionary of the Board, this brother is entitled to an appropriation from it towards his salary. Why is he not receiving it? The answer is the history of a sacrifice to himself and the loved ones of his home involving actual suffering. But, it was a sacrifice by which he had gained the hearts of the people, and had strengthened the interests of Christ's cause. He had come to a church, the membership of which was greatly discouraged. A debt on the little house of worship which they were unable to pay, weighed heavily upon them, and it seemed useless to make effort in any direction. In this crisis, the devotion of the man to what he believed right was again tested, and with rare nobility, he assumed the debt of the church. In payment of it, he had freely relinquished the Board's appropriation towards his salary—that which he was sure of receiving. We rejoiced as we heard how the work had prospered, but our hearts ached as we saw how his health was giving way under the strain, how fragile the wife was, and realized that unless something is done and that speedily, the results will be most serious.

There was another inmate in that home of poverty whom we have not mentioned, but the presence of the Lord Jesus was felt all the time. We shall never forget the sweetness of the evening worship. By request of the father, the children—all of whom were members of the church—each repeated a selection of Scripture, and after he had led in prayer, the three boys spoke to God with the simplicity and trust of childhood. Genuine children, serving God as boys, at the same time finding many occasions for the "good times" to which boys are partial. Having learned that we were much opposed to cats, how interested they were in concocting plans for having fun at our expense! Perhaps they taught us more than we ever knew before of the joy in doing "little deeds of kindness." A small amount of money "to be spent as they wished" made them very happy, and words, utterly failed to express their delight when a water-melon was bought for the oldest boy's birthday.

(To be continued.)

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON HOME MISSION WORK OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

Ques. In what Home Mission Work does Woman's Missionary Union engage?

Ans. As Woman's Missionary Union is an auxiliary or helper of the Southern Baptist Convention Recommendations of suggestions from the Home Mission Board from the basis of all effort for Home Missions.

Ques. What is included in Recommendations of the Home Board for the present year?

Ans. The Board asks that \$35,000 be raised in cash by the Baptist women and children of the

South for the promotion of its work; that boxes of clothing be sent frontier fields; that prayerful interest be taken in the difference phases of its work; that the week of Self Denial be observed.

Ques. How may the work of the Home Board be divided?

Ans. Into Frontier Missions, Mountain Region Work, Missions in Weak States, among the colored People and other Foreigners, also in Cuba.

Ques. What were the contributions last year of Woman's Missionary Union to the Home Board?

Ans. \$19,510.48 was given in cash; \$24,459.47 in value of boxes containing clothing etc. sent frontier missionaries.

Ques. What is the Church Building Loan Fund and how was it started?

Ans. It is a fund of the Home Board for the loaning of small amounts as a means of enabling struggling churches, especially those on the frontier to build. It was started in 1900 by gifts of \$3,500 made through Woman's Missionary Union.

Ques. What is the greatest need of those in the Mountain Region?

Ans. Schools and educated missionaries. There are about 2,000,000 people in this section, most of whom are either Baptists or inclined to be. They recognize their need. The Presbyterians are aiming to supply it and great will be the loss of Baptist power if the Home Board is not given means to do this work.

Ques. What is God's command regarding the Foreign Population?

Ans. "The stranger that dwelleth with you shall be as one among you and thou shalt love him as thyself."

Ques. What is being done for the Colored People?

Ans. The Home Board employs missionaries and unites with others in holding institutes with with the object of training pastors how to do good work in their churches. Special help is given by Baptist women in some sections by teaching them in the home, in classes and in Industrial Schools.

Ques. What facts have been learned through the recent Cuban census?

Ans. Only 32% of the population are negroes, only 9% are foreign born. 3% of the population are illiterate and only 24% of the adult population are lawfully married—a dreadful charge against Romanism.

Ques. What special incentive have Southern Baptists for mission work in Cuba?

Ans. The memory of God's wonderful blessing on past efforts. Yet, while Baptists made a grand beginning on that island, Methodists, Presbyterians, Episcopalians are building churches and schools more rapidly than we, and God will hold us responsible if we fail to do our part in contributing money towards this work.

Ques. What is the purpose of Self Denial Week?

Ans. Through prayer to bring all Woman's Missionary Union workers in closer touch with the great cause of missions, and to increase moneyed contributions to the Home Board.

HOME MISSIONS AND FOREIGN IMMIGRATION.

"Immigration statistics show that the tide is still high, and that it has very greatly changed in character. The immigrants to this country in the year ending June 30, 1901, were nearly 650,000. Ireland furnished less than five per cent of this number, and Germany gives place to Austria-Hungary. Italy furnished more than any other country, 178,375, an increase for the year of 42,000. Swedish and Finnish arrivals were larger than in the previous year, and 90,000 more Japanese landed than in the year before. These facts are full of meaning to patriots and Christians. Will those who are opposed to foreign Missions give their support to Missions among these foreigners? We need to extend and strengthen our work among Italians, Japanese, Finns, and other foreign speaking populations who are settling in our cities, working in our mines, building our railroads, and helping on our farms. The problem of home evangelization becomes more complex and difficult and also more urgent every year. A great increase of means is absolutely needed for its solution."

Cash Receipts from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15, 1902.

ALABAMA: W. B. Crumpton, Cor. Sec., \$420.40; Clark Co. Bap. Asso. \$89.00; North River Baptist Asso. \$4.54; Judson Bap. Asso. \$16.40. Total \$539.34. Previously reported \$786.23. Total since May \$1,316.57.

ARKANSAS: Red River Asso. \$10.00. Previously reported \$24.15. Total since May \$34.15.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: C. E. S. Calvary Bap. Ch. Washington, for Ch. B. & L. Fund \$5.00. Previously reported \$30.00. Total since May \$35.00.

FLORIDA: L. D. Geiger, Cor. Sec., \$16.67. Previously reported \$156.11. Total since May \$172.78.

GEORGIA: Jones Ave. Ch. Atlanta, \$2.50; W. M. S., Waynesboro, for Miss Perry, \$10.25; Appalachee Asso. \$19.27; W. M. S., Marie Church, \$2.68; W. M. S., Davisboro, \$7.00; S. V. Jameson, Cor. Sec., \$828.06; S. V. Jameson, Cor. Sec. for 'lady frontier missionary', \$71.94; W. M. S., Mt. Airy, \$2.90; Dublin ch. \$4.65. Total \$949.25. Previously reported \$311.24. Total since May, \$1,260.49.

INDIAN TERRITORY: Pauli Valley ch. \$5.00; Salem Asso. \$5.00; Ind. Ter. W. M. U., \$5.50; Mrs. M. R., Atoka, 50c; W. J. H., \$1.00; Purcell B. ch. \$1.25; I. T. Convention for Cuban Missions \$15.05; W. H. K., \$11.50. Total \$44.80. Previously reported \$15.73. Total since May \$60.53.

KENTUCKY: Cumberland River Asso., \$4.40; J. G. Bow, Cor. Sec., \$465.99; Cent. Com. by Mrs. B. G. Rees, as follows: New Castle, \$2.00; Dayton, \$2.25; Owensboro 1st, \$3.20; Owensboro 1st, V. L. S. \$2.90; Burks Branch, \$2.00; Beechland, \$1.00; Columbus, \$1.00; Columbus Sunbeams, \$1.00; Owenton, \$5.00; Carrollton, \$3.33; Ashland Sunbeams, \$2.00; Beechland Sunbeams, \$1.00; Cynthia, \$2.00. Total \$499.07. Previously reported \$2,615.61. Total since May \$3,114.68.

LOUISIANA: Enon ch. \$7.20. Previously reported, \$268.31. Total since May, \$275.51.

MARYLAND: N. Ave. Bap. S. S. Balt., \$9.77; N. Ave. B. Ch. Balt., \$54.74; 4th B. Ch. Balt., \$10.28; Hagerstown ch., \$7.69. Total, \$82.48. Previously reported, \$746.28. Total since May, \$828.76.

MISSISSIPPI: A. V. Rowe, Cor. Sec., \$500.00. Previously reported, \$53.90. Total since May, \$553.90.

MISSOURI: E. H. Sawyer, Treas., \$867.00. Previously reported, \$1,139.83. Total since May, \$2,006.83.

NORTH CAROLINA: Previously reported, \$73.50.

OKLAHOMA: Chandler B. ch. \$15.15; Leger B. ch. \$10.00; Perry Asso. \$10.25; B. P. S., Blackwell, \$1.00; T. R. B., Texmo, \$2.50. Total, \$38.90. Previously reported, \$52.76. Total since May, \$91.66.

SOUTH CAROLINA: Beech Island B. ch. \$7.01; Abbeville B. ch. \$7.33; Conway, \$2.10; W. M. S. Vancuse, \$10.00; Bull Swamp, \$4.10; North ch. \$5.57; Big Stevens, \$2.00; Good Hope, \$11.25; Philippi, \$5.00; Four Holes, \$7.58; Hebron, \$1.60; Wolf's Creek, \$5.00; Wedgefield, \$2.75; Bethel S. S., \$3.92; Ridge Spring S. S., \$3.00; Fairfield Asso., \$2.00; Summerville, \$4.21; Harmony, \$12.00; Pleasant Hill, \$2.02; Edisto, \$1.00; 1st B. Ch. Sumter, \$6.65; Wanamaraw, \$1.25; Four Holes S. S., \$3.45; Poplar Spring \$1.50; Edisto Asso. \$3.30; Cent. Com. by Mrs. John Stout, as follows: (Self-denial, \$6.40; for Rev. J. W. Black, \$6.35; Ch. B. & L. Fund, \$11.00; General Fund, \$96.50; Dillon ch. \$6.00; Townville S. S., \$3.73; L. M. S., Chestnut Ridge, \$4.20; L. M. S., Rabun Creek, \$2.60; Warrior, \$3.57; Beulah, \$5.00; Union, \$1.75; New Harmony, \$2.00; W. M. S., Waterloo, \$2.50; Mt. Ville, \$4.14; Mt. Pleasant, \$6.50; 1st Ch. Laurens, \$67.35; Republican, \$3.26; Sardis, \$3.75; Batesburg, \$35.00; Mt. Zion, \$7.50; Hurricane, \$2.75; Fair View, \$2.00; Tabernacle, \$2.00; Lexington \$5.91; Kershaw, \$10.26; Norway, \$4.75; Wolf's Creek, \$5.00; Bethany, \$1.00. Total \$448.39. Previously reported \$1092.72. Total since May \$1541.11.

TENNESSEE: Carrons ch. \$5.00; Meadorsville, \$1.00; Hillsdale, \$1.15; Shady Grove, 50c; W. M. Woodcock, Treas., \$59.35. Total \$67.00. Previously reported \$504.07. Total since May \$1471.07.

TEXAS: Limestone Co. Bap. Asso., \$13.13; J. B. Gambrell, Cor. Sec. \$206.36. Total \$219.49. Previously reported \$632.11. Total since May \$851.60.

VIRGINIA: Previously reported \$3110.00.

MISCELLANEOUS: Int. on loan to Dickson, Tenn. ch. \$3.15; int. on loan to 1st B. ch. Monette, Ark. \$9.00. Total \$12.15. Previously reported \$92.90. Total since May \$105.05.

AGGREGATE: \$5,997.73. Previously reported \$11,805.45. Total since May \$16,803.19.

BOXES ON MERCHANDISE SENT TO FRONTIER MISSIONARIES.

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GEORGIA: W. M. S., Waynesboro, \$2.50; W. M. S., Cordele, \$50.00. Total \$52.50.

LOUISIANA: W. M. S., 1st ch. Shreveport, \$102.35; W. M. S., Valence st. ch. New Orleans, \$21.50. Total \$123.85.

MARYLAND: W. M. S., 7th st. Balt. (cont. to German Wk.) \$2.00; W. M. S., Lee st. ch. Balt. \$185.27; Busy Bee Jrs., Lee st. ch. Balt. (contribution) \$10.50. Total \$298.77.

MISSISSIPPI: Steen's Creek, \$25.00.

NORTH CAROLINA: W. M. S., Tabor \$30.00; W. M. S., Wilson, \$25.00. Total \$55.00.

SOUTH CAROLINA: V. L. S., Limestone College, Gaffney, \$26.25; W. M. S., Chester Baptist ch. \$90.00. Total \$116.25.

TENNESSEE: W. M. S., 3d ch. Nashville, \$61.40; W. M. S., 3d ch., Knoxville, \$95.95; W. M. S., Central ch. Chattanooga, \$87.07; W. M. S., Immanuel ch. Nashville, \$11.80; W. M. S., Medina, \$10.00. Total \$366.22.

VIRGINIA: W. M. S., Hunting Creek, \$20.80; C. E. S. & Ch. Falls ch. \$70.00. Total \$90.80.

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