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WE THANK THEE

For mother's love and father's care  
For brothers strong and sisters fair,  
For love of home and here each day,  
For guidance that we go astray  
For those in heaven we thank Thee,  
For this new morning with its light,  
For rest and shelter of the night,  
For health and food, for love and friends,  
For every thing His goodness sends,  
Father in Heaven we thank Thee.  
For flowers that bloom about our feet,  
For tender grass, so fresh and sweet,  
For song of bird, and hum of bee,  
For all things fair, we thank Thee,  
Father in Heaven we thank Thee,  
For blue of stream and blue of sky,  
For pleasant shade of branches high,  
For fragrant air and cooling breeze,  
For beauty of the blooming trees,  
Father in Heaven we thank Thee.  
—Ralph Waldo Emerson.

TRUE THANKSGIVING

Another Thanksgiving day is at hand, bringing with it many causes for true thanksgiving. In accord with the annual proclamation issued by President Coolidge and Governor McLean, setting aside Thursday, November 26, as Thanksgiving Day, the people of the nation and state are to-day allotted a special time for the purpose of rendering thanks to Almighty God for His blessings to mankind.

In 1776 the people of this state with their leaders for this day and to solemnly assemble to return thanks to God for the many benefits enjoyed during the past twelve months, those in high authority to say in solemn words, with a feeling of gratitude in behalf of the millions of people whom they represent.

This time-honored custom of setting aside one day in the year as a day of praise and thanksgiving had its beginning when America was a struggling nation; and the practice has followed regularly year by year as the nation has prospered and grown great. As a nation and as a state we have prospered and gone forward and have gained much materially.

In no better way can we, as individuals of the nation, state and county, express true gratitude and thankfulness for the many benefits and signs of prosperity than by doing some service to those less fortunate than ourselves. This method of expressing gratitude is observed annually at this season of the year by many individuals and communities throughout the entire country. The true spirit of appreciation and gratitude is thus at its highest degree when all are brought to realize the fact that real happiness is derived by sharing joys and blessings with others in less fortunate circumstances. Therefore, in expressing thankfulness in terms of service, the true spirit of the Thanksgiving season is achieved.

A well known lawyer once said that no two States of the Union could be in the limelight at the same time. If that is true of communities in counties, then some of the numerous communities of Transylvania will have to step back and let Blantyre take the front.

STANBERRY CLOSES VERY SUCCESSFUL REVIVAL AT ETOWAH, TENNESSEE

The following is a clipping from the Etowah (Tenn.) Enterprise, of November 12:  
Rev. J. H. Stanberry and party, who arrived in Etowah for the Tent

revival meeting that started on October 18th, have been a Godsend to dear old Etowah. It reminds me of Jesus going from place to place teaching God's word to a dying world. And thank God we found Jesus in dear old Etowah from the very first night service at this meeting, and His presence at every service has been known.

We are now on the third week of his meeting, and the great good that has resulted from it is far beyond words to express. Up to Nov. 15th somewhere around 85 souls have been saved, and it looks as if the meeting has just started.

In this Godsend Revival meeting, this is what has happened to Nov. 15th: (1) Brother Stanberry and party have laid themselves upon the altar of God, pleading for lost and wandering souls to come Home and live for Jesus. They have fasted and they have prayed all night. (2) All the business houses have closed and locked their doors for the services and many have agreed to open up places of business each night with prayer. (3) Hundreds of Christian people have rededicated their lives to closer living to Jesus. (4) Somewhere close to 85 souls have been saved. And all with the exception of 3 or 4, have been men and women. (5) Every day there have been from 15 to 20 Prayer Meetings held in the different homes, resulting in several souls being saved. (6) Several Locomotive engineers, firemen and brakemen have found Jesus precious to their souls in his meeting, and are now ready to meet God, should they be out on their runs and come back. Praise God for this and for those who have been saved.

And now, what is the cause of such a great revival here in Etowah? Simply because Brother Stanberry has forsaken all for God, and is wholly depending upon God to give him victory in preaching his word. His devoted wife, Manager Pat Colville and Mr. Robinson are so consecrated that it don't take you but a few seconds to find out that Jesus the Sa-

vior is shining through them.

Brother Stanberry and Colville are two Locomotive Engineers of the Asheville Division of the Southern Railway, and in the four years they have been on the battlefield for God over 5,000 souls have accepted Christ in their meetings.

We, in Etowah, feel that the great good already accomplished in this meeting is more than words can express. Our churches have been greatly revived.

The writer has known Brother Stanberry nearly all his life, and I invited him to come to Etowah to hold this meeting. I saw, friends, that something had to be done in some way to help our churches spiritually, and to cause a check in the drifting away and to go after the unsaved railroad men. Brother Stanberry called in the ministry and his great work already accomplished reminds me of God's call to Samuel and Paul. Stanberry says, "Here I am Lord." Samuel 3-4; "And what wilt thou have me do, Lord?" Acts 9-6 and Bro. Stanberry said "God said, 'Harve, go out into this cold hearted world and preach my word'" and he has done it and God is blessing him. Wherever he goes he tells them the Way of the Cross of Christ leads Home, and that is the only route to take. He has no compromise for the Devil, the wandering or careless church members or the sinner. He tells them to lay themselves on God's altar and clean up for Jesus Christ. And Brother Pat Colville who will never be forgotten in Etowah so loves Brother Stanberry and feels for him so deeply, and when the invitation is given to the unsaved, he goes from seat to seat pleading for the lost to start home to God, and when some won't go he goes to walking up and down the aisle praying for them as no other man ever has done for the unsaved before in Etowah. I have often wondered how a sinner could stay back there and hear his wonderful pleadings to God in their behalf. God bless you Pat, keep on praying. God is with you. Pat has gone in

the highways and hedges and compelled them to come in by preaching and praying with them wherever he finds them. There have been some converts at this meeting who were not willing to go home until they felt Jesus saved their souls, and two Road men stayed with us until late hours at night in the tent until God saved them. Many homes in this town have heard the shouts of praise on account of some father and mother being saved.

We heard men and women on the streets talking religion and pleading with the lost to be saved. So today November 9th, with a rejoicing heart for the good that has been accomplished and souls that have been saved, yet I hear a small voice saying that makes me sad. Look out on dear old Etowah. There are many souls yet unprepared to meet God, but thanks be unto God. Brother Stanberry has preached the word of God to them, but many of them turned a deaf ear to God's call. Over 100 souls have lined up to walk with the King, and close to 2,000 Christian people have rededicated their lives to God to walk closer with the Savior. At the Sunday night

services, Nov. 8th, close to 200 came forward and gave Brother Stanberry their hand that they were going to be a Tither the rest of their lives, and we will not rob God any more; we will give a tenth of what we make unto the Lord.

Brother Stanberry and party have won the friendship of both Christians and the unsaved, and it has broken our hearts to say goodbye to night. But thanks be unto God, there is coming a day yonder in that beautiful city where there will be no separation. So Brother Stanberry and party, we pray God's blessing upon you and wherever you go, remember our prayers go with you, and we will not fail in our daily prayers to remember you and that God will continue to bless you with power to preach the word to this dying world.

This read and approved by the congregation at Etowah, Tenn, the close of the Revival Tent Meeting, November 9th, 1925.

P. H. DORSEY

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