

REPORT OF COLPORTAGE WORK

For week ending *October 20th*

	No. MILES TRAVELED.	No. FAMILIES VISITED	No. Adults in Fam. Visited.	No. Children under 12.	No. Books Donated.	No. Tracts Donated	No. Books Sold.	No. Tc'ts Sold.	Am't Sales.	Am't. D'd to Work.
Monday	14	7	14	7	1		2		50	
Tuesday	8	5	10	5	1	1	2		140	
Wednesday	7	6	13	7	1	1	2		100	
Thursday	2	1	*	1						85
Friday	2	7	16	6	1	1	4		70	60
Saturday										
Totals	31	25	53	25	4	3	10		8360.85	

Remarks :

Signed *George Smith*
Colporter.

N. B. State on the back of this report the No. and kind of religions held by you

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REPORT OF COLPORTAGE WORK

For week ending October 7th to 14th

	No. MILES TRAVELED.	No. FAMILIES V'STD	No. Adults in Fam. Visited.	No. Chd'n under 12.	No. Books Donated.	No. Tracts Donated	No. Books Sold.	No. Te'ts Sold.	Am't Sales.	Am't. D'd to Work.
Monday.....	8	6	13	4	1		2		20	
Tuesday.....		8	14	9		1	1		15	
Wednesday.....	3	6	14	9	1		1		10	
Thursday.....	20	5	12	5	1	1	1		10	
Friday.....	5	4	14	9	3	2	2		15	
Saturday.....	8	6	12	4		1	3		50	20 ^{ts}
Totals.....	44	38	85	43	6	5	10		\$120.	20 ^{ts}

Remarks :

Signed George Smith
Colporter.

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REPORT OF COLPORTAGE WORK

For week ending 6th & 13th

	No. MILES TRAVELED.	No. FAMILIES VISITED	No. Adults in Fam. Visited.	No. Chd'n under 12.	No. Books Donated.	No. Tracts Donated	No. Books Sold.	No. Te'ts Sold.	Am't Sales.	Am't. D'd to Work.
Monday.....	8	4	10	6	1	1	2		20	
Tuesday.....	12	5	12	10	1	1	3		50	
Wednesday.....	6	5	10	6	1	1	2		50	
Thursday.....	3	6	13	7			2		25	
Friday.....		6	14	7	1	1	2		25	
Saturday.....	4	6	15	4		1	3		55	
Totals.....	33	32	74	40	4	5	14		\$225	

Remarks: *This report does not state the books I have loaned out or sold on credit. When I repeat my visits to those parties, I will*

Signed _____

George Smith
Colporter.

N. B. State on the back of this report the No. and kind of religions held by you

report each sale as I collect. One most encouraging feature of
this work is the repeated invitations I get to come again.
Nearly all my time in September will be taken up with
meeting engagements, already arranged. I thought it best at first
to concentrate my efforts, especially amongst our own members,
instill ~~create~~ interest where there was none, and rouse the flagging
zeal of the indifferent. This I have done, where I did not
have time to visit, by letters & books sent through the mail.
To us, who know the facts of the case, it was such work as this
done during the last two years, that was one of the prime
factors in the rapid increase & rebuilding of our church in C.
City. And one of the evidences of this fact is the position
the church in this country has assumed. It has changed
from a strictly defensive to an aggressive position.
What is needed is faithful earnest work to follow up what
has already been done.

G. S.

REPORT OF COLPORTAGE WORK

For week ending 20th & 27th

	No. MILES TRAVELED.	No. FAMILIES VISITED	No. Adults in Fam. Visited.	No. Chd'n under 12.	No. Books Donated.	No. Tracts Donated	No. Books Sold.	No. Tracts Sold.	Am't Sales.	Am't. D'd to Work.
Monday		2	12			1	3		55	25 ^{cts}
Tuesday	5	6	15	10	1	2	2		25	
Wednesday	8	5	11	8			3		140	35
Thursday	10	6	14	6	1	1	5		100	
Friday	15	5	12	7	1	1	3		95	
Saturday	8	6	13	8	1	1	2		60	
Totals	46	30	77	39	4	6	18		\$475.	25 ^{cts}

Remarks: *I have included under "Adults in Fam. Visited," the number of private individuals I have interviewed. I wish I*

Signed George Smith
Colporter.

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had some suitable tracts for distribution. They would obviate
the necessity of giving away a book, and cost a great deal less.
I find I have to impress on their minds, especially amongst
strangers, the fact that I am there for their good, and
nothing else, and I wish to do this as economical as possible.

G. S.

Bible-reading 20
Prayer 10

of tracts, merely to give away, they
would do good and assist be a val-
uable assistance ^{to me} in the work.

G.S.

Central City,
Muhlenberg Co. Ky.
August 3rd 1892.

Dr E. W. Bedinger,

Dear Brother, I send you
a P.O.O. for seven dollars and fifty
cents; half the amount of our appor-
tionment. Will send the other
half sometime between this and
Synod. Please acknowledge the
receipt and oblige.

Yours fraternally
George Smith
Ch. Treasurer.

P.S.

You will be aware that I have
begun my Colporteur work, and
have turned in my report for
June & July to Mr Poston.

The immediate results, as far as
I can see, is the numerous invitat-
ions I have received to repeat my

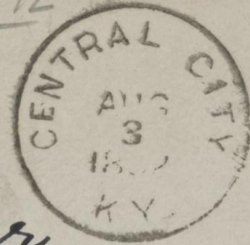
visits. It isn't in the amount of book sales that one can estimate the good that has been done; for in several instances in our town, there has more good resulted from a ten or fifteen cent book, than from a costly volume. I find the people don't want learned theological works, but something in a cheap form, and easily understood.

The increase in our own membership can be traced directly to the books which we have given away during the past year.

Any advice or instruction from your large & varied experience, would be very thankfully received. You know it is only during the last fifteen months, that my attention has been directed to such work.

If you could send me a supply

Aug. 3, 1892



Had receipt sent
Aug 4-92 Cent City \$1.50

Dr. C. W. Bedinger.
Anchorage
Kentucky.

Central City

Central City, Ky.
December 26th 1890.

Dear Bro. Bedinger,

After consulting with Mr. Porter, about the proposed trip to Madisonville, and deciding on the amount of new books to order, I am making arrangements to leave in about ten days. It took all of that time before we received our last order from the Publication House at Richmond, Va. I will start for Hopkins County immediately on their arrival, unless I receive further instructions. If you wish you can send me those books you spoke to me about, before I leave if possible, and the price I will sell them for. I will write to Mr. Adams for all necessary information. From Mr. Porter's description of the field

I fully realize, that it is
going to be no easy task to go
there, and do a little good;

I dare not think of doing much.

What encourages me to go is the fact I
am receiving evidence every week from
the most unexpected places, of the good
that has already been done, and is
doing from reading the books that
has been sold. They are a wedge
that will split the mass of ignorance
in our Green River Country wide open,
and make the work of our evangelists
much more profitable, & easier.

And above all is the Master's assurance,
which we know is true & faithful,

"My word shall not return ^{unto} me void."

Pray for me.

Your own Christ's service,
George Smith.

Central City, Ky.
July 19th 1893.

Dr Bedinger,
Dr Brother,

I send you a
P. O. O. for Five dollars, which you
will please credit to the apporportion-
ment of the Central City Church.
I would have sent it sooner,
but we have been paying on notes
as they fell due on our Church
this spring, and I am happy &
thankfull to be able to say that
only a small amount remains
unpaid. I will be certain to
send the balance of our apporportion-
ment, (\$10.00) sometime this summer.

In raising this collection I find
that a great many of old members,
as well as a majority of new ones,
do not realize the importance of this

part of the look, and they
tell me, "Why send this
money away when we need
it so much at home. Bro Porter
needs and deserves all we can give
him. Besides I'd rather give my
money to someone who I know does
the work," and so on. Those who
talk this way simply don't know.

If you could make it convenient
to stop off at this place, and hold a
meeting in the church and explain
the Evangelistic look of the state,
it would I believe, benefit many
of our new members, and coming
direct from headquarters would
have a good effect.

Yours fraternally
George Smith

Treasurer.

Central City Church

George Smith Jr.
Receipt amt July 20. 93
\$5.

July 19, 1893



Dr. Bedinger.
Anchorage
Kentucky.



Central City,
Muhlenberg Co. Mo.
August 30th 1912.

Dear Bro. Bedinger,

Enclose my
report for August; those for June,
& July I have given to Mr Porter.
I have a copy ^{of this one} to give him if he
wishes. The number of days worked
are as follows.

June	10 days
July	11 "
August	12 "
Total	<u>33</u> days.

I have found the work pleasant,
— sometimes, and the good that
has been done is undoubted.

You will have received by this
time the M^t Zion apportionment,
amounting to \$5.00.

In the spring I went out to
M^t Zion Church and organized a

a Sabbath school, and
the members were so del-
ighted at the success of the schools,
that when I invited them to
contribute to their part to the
Evangelistic Fund, they responded
at once - for the first time I
believe. And now they are
talking strongly of building or
repairing their Church.

That the good work may go on
is the prayer of

Your brother in
Christ's service
George Smith

Central City, Ky
October 14th 1892

Rev. G. W. Bedinger,

Dear Brother,

I enclose a
postal note for seven dollars and
fifty cents, which will finish paying
the apportionment of the Central
City Presby. Church to the Evangelistic
Fund.

Thanks for the timely cheque of
thirty dollars you sent me, and
have receipted and returned the
card. My work for October has
been more successful, financially,
than any of the previous months,
and I am now, frequently getting
orders for loops, I cannot supply,
as I do not have them.

To do full justice to the needs
of the work I would require a

greater variety and a larger amount of books in stock. Besides the good they have done our own people, it is very gratifying & encouraging to notice the increased interest in those to whom I have had to give suitable books to instill an interest. This is "foundation work," but it will tell in the near future.

It is telling now.

The next time you pass through our town, call and see me.

I would be glad to have an interview with you, with regard to the work.

Fraternally yours
George Smith.

Central City, Ky.
October 8th 193.

Dr. E. W. Bedinger,

Dear Brother,

I enclose a
P. O. O. for seven dollars, which,
with the five dollars I sent some
time ago, will leave this church
behind with their apportionment
to the Evangelistic Fund, just
three dollars. Owing to the great
depression in the coal business, it
has been very difficult to get any
subscriptions collected, but it is
beginning to get better, and I will
send you the three dollars this
church is behind, and something
from Mount Zion as well, some-
time this fall.

Fraternally

George Smith,

Treasurer C. City Churches

over.

P.S.

I have collected another
dollar on my way to the P. O.
L. R.

Central City, Ky.
March 3rd 1893

Rev. E. W. Bedinger,

Dear Sir,

made a mistake and built the house too small. Our Sabbath school is increasing since the weather got some better, and we have every reason to thank God, take courage, & go forward.

This leaves my family & self all well, & hope this will reach you & yours enjoying the same blessing,
Yours truly
George Smith

I am in receipt of your letter, and cheque for Ten dollars in payment for Colport work in October 92.

This settles my account with you up to date. This does not mean that I have been idle all this winter. I have done a large amount of work on my own account, and took advantage of every opportunity that presented itself, to put our literature in the hands of those whom I thought ^{it} would do good.

Since I saw you last, I have received a large package of our Books from a friend for free distribution. There must be ten

to twelve dollars worth
in the whole lot, and with
the books that Mr Porter
ordered for the Madisonville trip,
I am better prepared for work
than ever before. I have a strictly
first-class selection of books and
tracts, & Bibles. I hope & pray
that our people will see the
necessity of not only carrying on but
extending the work. There was
never a more favourable time
than the present for church extension.
The people are heart hungry for
the pure unadulterated Gospel,
and respond readily to efforts made
for their enlightenment.

You remember what a small
congregation there was when you
preached here first! The house
is crowded morning and evening
now, and it is evident we have

OFFICE OF
MILTON P. CREEL, M. D.

Central City, Ky., ~~January 11th~~ 1893.

Dear Bro. Bedinger,

I am in receipt of a card from the Rev. R. H. Adams stating that he had received a letter from Dr. W. S. Ross of Madisonville, who said the church there was opposed to holding a meeting during the winter months, and suggesting May or June instead. In my opinion this need not make any change in our plans; it will rather be to our advantage, as it will give the people time to read the books and think for themselves. Please advise me what to do, as soon as possible, as I have got everything ready to leave. Only I would suggest the necessity of doing something with the new stock of books which I have just received.

Elkton,

Russellville, & Franklin would be good points to visit during the spring months.

Fraternally yours

George Smith

AFTER 5 DAYS RETURN TO
M. P. CREEL, M. D.,
CENTRAL CITY, KENTUCKY.

Jan 11, 1893



Dr. Bedinger
Anchorage.
Kentucky

istic work will continue to prosper,
and that the Lord will bless us
in our efforts.

Accept my heartiest sympathy
and regards.

Yours in the Master's
Service,

George Smith
Treasurer
C. City Church

Central City, Ky.
March 29th 194.

Rev. G. W. Bedinger,

Dear Brother,

I enclose money
Order for ^{nine} eight dollars & thirty cents
as the first payment on our apporportion-
ment for this year for the Evangelistic
Fund. I have on hand several sub-
scriptions which I have not been able
to collect just yet, but will send
the balance sometime this summer.

Many, or rather the greater part of our
people take no church paper, and
fail to inform themselves of the pro-
gress of this work, consequently they
do not realize its importance. I have
to go round, and see them at their
homes to collect the little I do get.

I was thinking that if you would
send me a letter, explaining

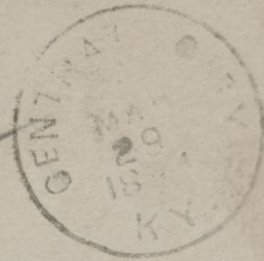
what has been, and is being done in the State, especially in the more destitute parts, it would assist me greatly amongst those who know very little what is being done.

I secured last year a ^{donation of} large number of books, (about fifteen dollars worth) and I am still carrying on the Calportor book in my spare moments.

It is at their homes, round their ^{own} fireplaces, that people's opinions are moulded, and the good that has been done by the scanty efforts of this neglected part of our Church work will be bound to tell in the years to come. And if it only had the effect of building up our people, ^{so} they could give a reason for the faith that is in them, this would be reward enough.

I do hope and pray that the Evangel-

Mar 29, 1894



Receipt sent Mar 30 '94
promised to write
wrote Mar 31.

Rev. E. W. Bedinger
Anchorage.
Kentucky.