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"Then they that feared the Lord spake often one to another."

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AN ALL ALONE SEASON.

When sorrow depresses, and pleasures depart,
And burdens are crushing the love from my heart;
When sin-alloyed joy turns to bitterest gall,
And hoped for fruition to nothing at all;
When dark seems the pathway my weakness has trod,
Then give me an all alone season with God.
When all earth born patterns have fallen in sin,
And self seems so wicked without and within;
When faith looses hold, and the beautiful star
Of hope looks so distant and dim from afar;
When continence alert wields the chastening rod,
Then give me an all alone season with God.
When faith grasps the promises and worryings cease,
And unalloyed pleasures and rivers of peace
Flow grand and inspiringly over my soul;
And bright is the path to the heavenly goal,
Then safe in the way let me happily plod,
And give me an all alone season with God.

—Robert B. Thurber.



"In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you."

God is himself the source of all mercy. His name is 'merciful and gracious.'

"Prove all things; hold fast that which is good."

Our Canvassers.

Findlay, O., May 9, 1902.

Dear Co-Workers—The brethren at this place are taking hold of the work in earnest. Every one seems to realize the responsibility of this work. All show a good liberal spirit. Books are being sold right along. One brother thought that he could not sell any, but the Lord showed him that the work is not by might, power, wisdom or strength; but there is a time and a chance for every man. He took several books with him as he went to his work. He showed them to the men and in one half hour he sold nine copies. He said he could sell about thirty-five in the mill. So the Lord opens the way for every one. "The race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, nor yet favor to the men or skill; but time and chance happeneth to them all."—Ecl. 9:11.

About seventy orders have been taken by the brethren at Findlay, but not all delivered yet. The good work is going on.

The church at Dunkirk has decided to do all they can. Thirty books were ordered for them. Thirty-two books were ordered for the Gilboa church. The membership there, as well as at Dunkirk, is very small.

Let us not become weary in well doing, but keep right on in the good work. The Lord will give each one "a time and a chance" to sell his quota of Object Lessons.

Your brother in the work,
John P. Gaede.

Lisbon, O., May 9, 1902.

Dear Welcome Visitor—Since the institute I have visited the following places, Meigs, Unionport, Wellsville and Lisbon. All have taken their quota except one sister. She was sick and could not take her quota. My experience in this work has taught me that the best way to get our people to

take hold of the O. L. work is to go out and demonstrate to them that the books will sell. I have disposed of 42 Object Lessons. I find that the people have decided to sell all the books they can after their quota's are sold. I am of good courage in the Object Lesson work.

One sister thought she could sell the book if she could only find time. While down town shopping she took one order and sold four for cash. Oh, if we could realize the blessing in the sale of this grand book we would all be found doing what we could.

Your brother in the truth,
F. H. Henderson.

Findlay, Ohio.

Dear Visitor—I took fifteen orders for Object Lessons. Delivered three. Sold 100 pages of tracts. May 8th took 6 orders for Object Lessons and sold three for cash. This was done in one half day. The Lord is in this work. I enjoy it very much. We can get the good will of the people by meeting them just where they are, and by so doing we break down prejudice.

I am of good courage in the Lord's work.
G. P. Gaede.

CANVASSERS' REPORT.

Fred C. Webster—Orders, 20 Object Lessons, 1 Sunbeams, 9 Steps to Christ. Value, \$31.50.

F. E. Wagner—Orders, 24 Coming King, \$24. Deliveries, 14 Coming King, 1 Best Stories. Value, \$14.75. Total, \$38.75.

D. R. Gallion—Value of orders, \$4.35.

John P. Gaede—Sold 11 Object Lessons. Value, \$13.75.

J. O. Young—Orders, 3 Object Lessons. Delivered 6 Object Lessons. Total, \$11.25.

Gurnie Young—Delivered 3 Object Lessons, 10 Best Stories, 7 Marvel of Nations. Value, \$20.50.

W. E. Bidwell—Delivered, 7 Object Lessons, 2 Steps to Christ, 2 Gospel

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Primer, 12 Best Stories, 4 Bibles, 2 Testaments, 1 Here and Hereafter. Orders, 1 Best Stories, 1 Bible. Total value, \$28.55.



STUDENTS FOR THE SUMMER SCHOOL AT BERRIEN SPRINGS, MICH.

Arrangements are being perfected for holding a summer school at Berrien Springs, Mich., to begin June 12. The time is near at hand, and those who expect to attend should hasten to get ready. This term of school is designed to be especially helpful to teachers. As a larger number of schools is to be provided for this year than in the past, a larger number of persons should be preparing to teach. The supply of teachers has not in the past been equal to the demand, and the prospect now is that the demand will be greater this year than it has ever been before. A school will surely be waiting for every capable teacher who will agree to work.

The summer term held at Berrien Springs last year was very successful in its work, and highly appreciated by those who attended. The facilities provided now make it possible to give a splendid school this year, and it is hoped that every teacher and every student will so connect with the Lord as to do and get the greatest possible good during the entire term.

There is no question but what our church school teachers are improving in their calling, and they will continue to do so as long as they avail themselves of the opportunities provided for this purpose. Our school work is in that stage of development which makes it essential for the teachers to have the benefit of these summer training schools. Our people are coming to appreciate the situation more fully, and for this reason are more willing to assist the teachers than they have been in the past.

The plan is to give free tuition to all teachers who attend this school. It is expected that arrangements will be made with all the Conferences in this district to pay traveling expenses to and from the school. A beautiful park belonging to Emmanuel Missionary College property is being provided with tents free of charge, so that no rents will be required of students. Good board will

be furnished upon the European plan so that the cost will be made as low as possible. Arrangements will be made for part of the board to be paid by work in the kitchen and dining department, and in the gardens upon school grounds.

The College at Berrien Springs and the Conferences in the districts are making an especial effort to provide a good school, and to make it of small cost to our teachers. These things are being done because the importance of the work demands that no sacrifice should be spared that is necessary to bring our schools up to the greatest possible proficiency. Teachers must be well qualified in order to teach good schools. We must have the best of schools if we would develop in them the best workers for the Lord's cause. Those who have taught in the past, and those who desire to teach next year are especially solicited to attend. Conferences, churches, and individuals are called upon to co-operate in making this summer school all that it should be.

Wm. Covert.



CHURCH SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS.

The management and instruction of children is the noblest missionary work that any man or woman can undertake. By the proper use of objects the lessons should be made very plain, that their minds may be led from nature to nature's God. We must have in our schools those who possess the tact and skill to carry forward this line of work, thus sowing seeds of truth. The great day of God alone can reveal the good this work will do.

Special talent should be given to the education of the little ones. Many can put the crib high, and give food to the sheep; but it is a more difficult matter to put the crib low, and feed the lambs. This is a lesson which primary teachers need to learn.

The eye of the mind needs to be educated, or the child will find pleasure in beholding evil.

Teachers should sometimes enter into the sports and plays of the children, and teach them how to play. In this way they may be able to check unkind feelings and actions without seeming to criticize or find fault. This companionship will

bind together the hearts of teachers and pupils, and school will be a delight to all.

Teachers must love the children because they are the younger members of the Lord's family. The Lord will inquire of them as of the parents, "Where is the flock that was given thee, thy beautiful flock?"—Jer. 13:10.—Test., Vol. 6.



A SPLENDID OPPORTUNITY.

Read and see if this does not mean you. The Correspondence School for Nurses connected with the Sanitarium Medical Missionary Training School will begin a new class the first of July. Lessons are sent weekly to students who are unable to leave home duties in order to take a regular course at one of our Sanitariums. This is the fourth year this work has been carried on, and hundreds are availing themselves of it. Studies on eleven subjects are given, among which missionary work and care and treatment of the sick are prominent. Our lessons have recently been revised and enlarged and are in every way much improved.

The tuition fee is \$3.00, which barely covers the cost of sending out the lessons, correcting the replies and returning the reports to the pupil. The text-books required for this work are furnished at actual cost price. We shall organize a new class in July which will continue one year (some finish in six months), and shall be glad to hear from all who are interested. A descriptive circular giving full particulars, also testimonials from those who have taken the Course, will be sent free on application. Address, Correspondence Department Sanitarium Training School, Battle Creek, Michigan.



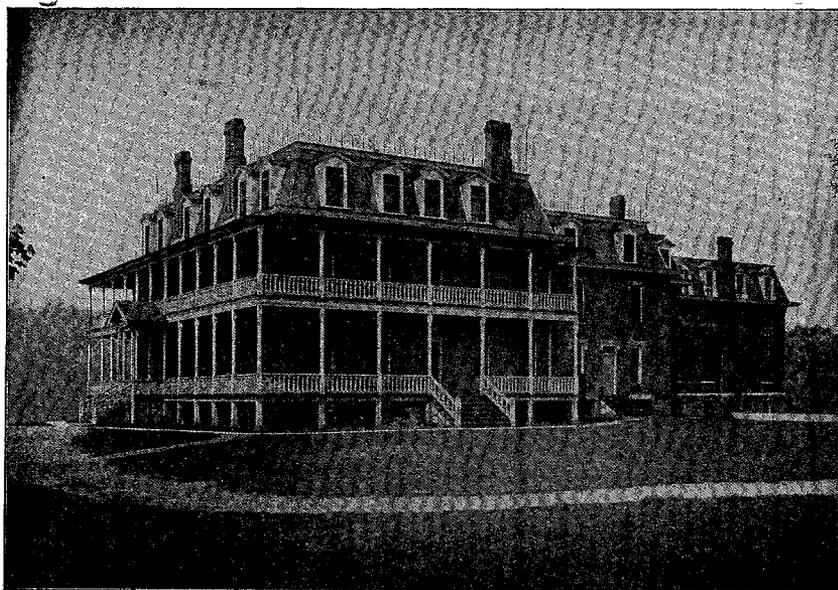
"But my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Jesus Christ."

"Rejoice in the Lord always; and again I say, rejoice."

"Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man."

My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations."

"If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable."



MT. VERNON ACADEMY.



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Friday evening, May 9th, the students gathered at the Academy chapel for their prayer meeting. Prof. J. W. Loughhead read a part of the forty-third chapter of Isaiah. We find in this chapter how the Lord has promised to care for His children. Although they may "pass through the rivers or through the fire" the Lord says, "Fear not for I am with thee."

"Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord." After we have experienced the presence and blessing of the Lord as we have passed through trials, then we can bear witness for Him. The spirit of the Lord was present to impress the lesson upon each heart.

Many said that they could not tell the greatest blessing that they had received during the school year, for their blessings had been numerous and all of them great. Some said that their association with Christian students had created a desire in their hearts to be Christians, too.

As it was the closing prayer meeting for this school year it continued a little later than usual; but all felt that it was good to be there.

Sabbath, May 10.

9:30 a. m.—The Sabbath school, with Superintendent J. B. Clymer in charge, was unusually interesting.

11 a. m.—Elder I. J. Hankins oc-

cupied the hour taking Col. 1:28 for the basis of his remarks. The best fruit that can be presented, from this earth, to God is a perfect man. God will have a perfect church made up of perfect men and women. "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus." It is the mind that makes the man, "For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he." It requires a willingness on our part to let the mind of Christ be in us, for our thoughts are not His thoughts. In order to have the thoughts of God we must study His word. We may read the word of God and not get His thoughts, for it requires a concentrated mind to get the thoughts of God. The word of God will expel darkness, for the psalmist says, "The entrance of thy word giveth light." Without the word of God it is impossible for us to be lights to the world.

Tools that are not in use become rusty and dull, so in order for a workman to do good work he must spend some time in sharpening his tools and getting the rust off. It is necessary for us to spend some time in study and prayer and get sharpened up and get the rust off, in order to be instruments that the Lord can use to present His truth.

We need to have the Son of God revealed in us in order to present Him to others. There never was a more active missionary in the world than Jesus Christ, and yet He was passive in the hands of His Father, so we want to be "passive in His hands but active in His service."

The things of this world are fast coming to an end but the work that we are doing for the Lord is going to continue. May the Lord help us to minister the gospel to others.

5 p. m. The students held their union meeting. After singing and praying Guy H. Hewitt occupied a short time in speaking about what it means to tell of Jesus' love. The love of God can be strengthened by the study of His wonderful works. As we study the life of Christ it gives us a longing to be more like Him.

Miss Mary Cobban gave a talk on "Moral Courage." It takes courage for young people to be Christians. It will take strong moral courage to resist the temptations of the world. It is the privilege of every young woman to be a strong courageous woman. It is the privilege of every young man to be a strong courageous man. He hath said, "My grace is sufficient for thee."

H. H. Votau opened his remarks by saying, "The reason people fail so many times is because they do not know how to succeed." With every temptation there is a way of escape.—1 Cor. 10:13. We need faith and we can get it by the study of His word.—Rom. 10:17. "The just shall live by faith, and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."

Harold Cobban spent a short time in speaking about the keeping power of God. "The Lord shall guide thee continually." If we were left to guide our way we would fall. The way may seem dark without, but we can have peace within, for the Lord is ever ready to help us. We expect to meet temptation and we expect to have the victory. The secret of Daniel's power was in his faithfulness. He prayed three times a day and there was where he received his strength. The Lord is just as willing to guide the youth today as he was to help Daniel. The speaker closed by saying, "As we go forth to meet the temptations of the world the Lord will be just as willing to help us there, as He has been to help us while we have been within the walls of Mt. Vernon Academy." The meeting closed by the congregation singing the song entitled, "Dare to be a Daniel."

7:30 p. m. The students held their weekly missionary meeting. They had an interesting program. Elder I. J. Hankins, who has spent some

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years in Africa, but now president of the Indiana Conference, was present and gave an interesting talk on the work in Africa.

Dr. Ruth Merritt told many interesting things about the work in Chicago.

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM.

Monday, May 12, 8 p. m.

Chorus—Unfold Ye Portals Everlasting.

Scripture Reading.

Invocation.

Piano Duet—Miss Weaver, Mr. Wakeham.

Address, "Possibilities of Life"—Ira J. Hankins.

Chorus—The Heavens Are Telling.

Presentation of Diplomas.

Quartette, "God Be With You"—Miss Sisley, Miss Waite, Miss Cobban, Miss Ellwanger.

Benediction.

FROM JAPAN.

It is some time since my last report to the Visitor was written. Since then we have been blessed and prospered very much. On Feb. 12th we removed from Shiba Koyen to Hongo, where Brother Wade had been living. He and his wife sailed for America Feb. 21st, and we have taken their place. We have a comfortable home in a healthy part of the city, and are thankful for it. Our neighbors are all Japanese, and we can look right into the nearest houses, and see how the people live.

The front room of our house, about 20 by 24 feet in size, is used for Bible classes and meetings. I have two Bible classes daily from Monday to Friday. Those who attend are mostly students from the high school and the Imperial University, both of which are nearby. Some of these students are very regular in their attendance, and seem interested. We are studying the book of Genesis by course.

On Sabbath at 3 p. m. we have Sabbath school. Of late we have been holding a gospel meeting and song service on Sunday evenings. We have had a very good attendance at these meetings. We sing both English and Japanese hymns. After the song service a short gospel talk is given. When I speak Brother Hasegawa in-

terprets. Nearly all who attend understand English more or less; but they understand Japanese better.

The friends in Ohio will be interested to know what we are doing in the public work. The translation of "His Glorious Appearing" is completed, and the work is now in the hands of the printer. The book will be illustrated, and will sell at a price that will bring it within the reach of all. We have received a donation for a printing press; a brother in Minn. gave enough to buy a good press. But we would need several hundred dollars more to equip a printing office, and to buy stock for publishing. Yet we believe the Lord will lay the burden of this work upon the hearts of some of our brothers and sisters in America who have means. Still we would not be unmindful of what has already been done; we thank our Ohio friends for the contribution they have made to the work here, and trust the Lord will add His rich blessing to both the gift and the giver.

We are all well as a family, and are enjoying our work. We are willing to stay here until the Lord comes, if that is His will.

Pray for us that our labor may be successful in the Lord.—F. W. Field, 30 Oiwake-cho, Hongo Ku, Tokyo, Japan.

GEMS OF TRUTH.

A little religion is a painful thing; but more religion takes away the pain.—William Arnot.

Good health is very much like money; it is valued most by those who have to work hardest to get it, and it is squandered by those who come by it easily.—John Habberton.

Cheerful temper, joined with innocence, will make beauty attractive, knowledge delightful, and wit good-natured. It will lighten sickness, poverty, and affliction, convert ignorance into an amiable simplicity, and render deformity itself agreeable.—Joseph Addison.

A pastor who leads the lambs will be able to lead the sheep. Every time you lay your hand on a child's head, you lay it on his mother's heart.—Moody.

The nearer we come to Jesus, and the more clearly we discern the purity of His character, the more clearly

we shall discern the exceeding sinfulness of sin, and the less we shall feel like exalting ourselves.—Object Lessons.

"Christ crucified,—talk it, pray it, sing it, and it will break and win hearts."



TO THE YOUTH.

It is good for man that he bear the yoke in his youth.—Lam. 3:27. For thou art my hope, O Lord God; thou art my trust from my youth.—Ps. 71:5. O God thou hast taught me from my youth.—Ps. 71:17.

Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.—1 Tim. 4:12.

Let not the youth be ignored; let them share in the labor and responsibility. Let them feel that they have a part to act in helping and blessing others.—Test. Vol. 6.

By many children and youth, time is wasted that might be spent in carrying home-burdens, and thus showing a loving interest in father and mother.

The youth might take upon their young shoulders many responsibilities which some one must bear. The life of Christ from His earliest years was a life of earnest activity.

He lived not to please Himself. He is our example.—Object Lessons.



ITEMS OF INTEREST.

From April 1-27 3,813 Object Lessons were shipped to different parts of the state of Ohio.

Miss Sadie Baker, formerly a Bible worker in Ohio, will go to Ontario June 1st to engage in the Bible work.

Several of the Conferences have decided to not hold a camp-meeting this year, but continue in the Object Lesson work.

The brethren at Killbuck have taken their quota of Object Lessons, 96 in all, and disposed of 45.

The May number of the Advocate contains many interesting articles on the Sabbath-school and church school work. Subscribe for it and thus become informed in these important branches of the work.