THE

Welcome Visitor

"Surely 1 Come Quickly." Even So, Come, Lord Jesus."

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FROM OUR MISSIONARIES.

TELL ME NOT.

TELL me not my Lord must linger Long before the coming day, When this earth with all its fullness Waxing old shall pass away. E'en from childhood's happy hours, Blest has been the joyous thought Of my Saviour coming, coming, Do not say he cometh not.

Tell me not that we are sleeping. Slumbering on in calm content; While the world in sin is steeping, Night comes close; the day's far spent. As a band of gospel workers Help us do with all our might, Faithful service for the Master Till soon dawns the morning light.

Teil me more about my Jesus, Oft I've heard the story o'er, Yet each message sweetly spoken Is still dearer than before; Of the mansions he's preparing Where the exiled ones shall meet, Sing with harp and palm of victory, Bow with reverence at his feet.

PAULINA M. A. ANDERSON.

CALCUTTA, INDIA.

WELCOME VISITOR: We want to inform the readers of the WELCOME VISITOR of our safe arrival in India. We reached Calcutta December 25, and Brethren Votaw and Little arrived December 22. A delegation of our brethren met us at the train to welcome us home. If the brethren in Ohio could know of the joy brought to the workers here in India they would feel doubly repaid for sending us to this needy field. The burden has been so heavy that Elder Shaw is breaking down under it; but already he feels and looks better as the burden is rolling off onto the new workers. Our brethren here delayed the week of prayer until all the workers should arrive. This meeting is to be followed by a conference when it will be decided where the new workers are to labor. A few of our brethren, scattered throughout India, are here to join us in this meeting. We are earnestly seeking guidance that each worker may find the right place. Calls come from all parts of India. Only a few

of these can be filled, and God alone can direct in this matter.

Thus far very little work has been done among the natives because of the difficulty in getting the language, and we feel time has come for the Message to be carried to them. India is a hard field because of the variety of the languages. Each province has an entirely different language.

India is all that could be desired this time of years. The weather corresponds to jour June in the States. However, the evenings and mornings are so cool that warm wraps are necessary.

The simple lives of the people in the native villages was very interesting to us as we viewed them from the train crossing from Bombay to Calcutta. The mud hut of a room not only contains a large family but is shared by the dog, goats and cows. Furniture is not needed as the natives sit on the ground with legs crossed under them. The simple meal is prepared out side of the hut over a bed of coals. Around this fire in the early morning, while it is yet cool, the family sit. They all eat from a large dish placed in the center of the group.

It is harvest time, and we saw many of the natives threshing their grain by means of the flail. Here in Calcutta we find the natives much more advanced, due to their coming in contact with Europeans.

It was our privilege to travel by boat with two native physicians and two lawyers of Calcutta. One of these men offered to take Elder Miller out to the native villages and make him acquainted with the leading men of the village. The Third Angel's Message is to go to every nation, kindred, tongue and people. That means it must go to the millions of India. The Lord says, "One can put one thousand to flight, two, ten thousand," so we are glad it is our privilege to join those already here to help give the Message in this dark land. Brethren, pray for us.

DELLA BURROWAY.

Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

SHANG TSAI HSIEN, HONAN, CHINA.

DEAR VISITOR: The past week has been a very busy one. We have opened our dispensary for the sick, and I think that nearly all the sick in the city are coming. It is simply remarkable the confidence the people place in us, and they all pay for their medicines. It is not much, but it is as much in proportion to the salary as those in the States pay. The effects of the antiseptics for ulcers and sores, seems something remarkable; and the medicine that cures "pehan" or malaria, is talked about all over town. The bandage is a curiosity to them, and as they leave with a white bandage around their neck or head they are laughed at quite a little by their fellow associates, but they feel like taking care of the crippled member in spite of some ridicule.

We can now see as never before the advantage of a missionary being a doctor. It brings us in a personal attitude towards the people and weare able to become acquainted with them as in no other way. We see the Chinese love for their children, both boys and girls. Like Americans, and all other nationalities, the Chinese dread death. They have a very vague idea of anything in the future. My wife and I spend three hours in the afternoon seeing patients, and during this time we examine and treat from thirty to forty people. We have not been able to treat all that came any day before the time of closing the dispensary, telling the remainder to wait until the next day. These are the brightest days of our medical practice for we are where we can help people who have no other source of help. There are but two or three other doctors in this province besides the four doctors of our missions, with 22,000,000 people. The cases with sore eyes and ulcers are most abundant.

We are also holding meetings every evening with the Chinese besides the services held on Sabbath. With our language studies we are kept quite busy. But we are living in a time of this world's history when every man, woman, and child should be about their Master's business proclaiming the Message for this time. We still $\mathbf{2}$

have some repairing to do on our place but hope to soon complete it. The people here are anxious to have us begin our school for their children, but that we must delay until some help comes, as we now are encroaching upon our time for language study, which is most important.

We are especially pleased with the attendance of Chinese women at our meetings. While it is customary for them to always remain at home, Mrs. Miller has had about as many women for treatment as I have men, and they all bring money with them to pay for their medicine. Our object in charging for the medicine is not so much for themoney, for that is a small item compared with the cost of the medicine, but they are more careful with it when they buy it, and will follow instructions.

The Chinese are much interested in pictures, especially large colored ones. As few of themever leave their homes, they have little idea of the outside world. We can best teach them by illustrations. We have two school rooms, a guest room, a chapel for public meetings and our dispensary, all of which we would like to decorate with pictures. We thought perhaps our friends in Ohio would like a part in supplying us something of this kind. This people are not permitted to take residence in the States if they had the money, and to the majority this would be an impossibility on a salary of six cents a day. If you could only see the interest they manifest in a picture, and hear the many questions asked about it by both old and young, it would make you feel like planting a Carnegie libary over here or sending over an American art gallery. This people can quickly grasp ideas through pictures. We have drawn some rough pictures to illustrate the parable of the prodigal son, the two roads and the lost sheep, but feel the need of something better. I wish to emphasize the importance of the students in the Academy learning to draw. It will be one of the greatest helps in a foreign field, and also teach you to be a more careful observer. The only instruction I ever had was that given by Prof. Lawrence during my first year in Mount Vernon Academy, and the knowledge gained from these lessons has been a great help in the work here. Every thing I have wished made I have either had to make a model or drawing for it, whether chair, table or paved walk.

Large pictures illustrating Bible stories or parables will be especially interesting; also pictures of great men, presidents, buildings, landscapes, all will help to add to this people's knowledge. Pictures of great improvements and modern appliances will help this conservative people to see that men are running to and fro and knowledge is increasing. It is hard to convince a Confucionist who has never seen anything his father did not see, or who thinks it a sin for him to ever attain to a height of knowledge his father did not reach, that knowledge is increasing. We also need a good atlas, something like Rand & McNally's of the world, showing the state of different countries in detail, for the Chinese idea of the world is that China embraces the whole earth, and if a man should succeed in climbing over the great wall he would fall off the earth. We feel sure that many of our brethren at home have just what we need, and would be glad to place them where they would enlighten the heathen if they only knew how, and where they could be used. We will ask the VISI-TOR to be the messenger. Picture books and a prophetic chart would be greatly appreciated. Yours in the Master's service,

H. W. MILLER, M. D.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

THOSE desiring to send pictures or maps to China will please send them without frames, rolled neatly, by mail or express to my address. Brother Anderson, of China, will attend the General Conference to be held at Washington, D. C., May 11, 1905. We will have him take them back on his return to China. Send express packages to Mount Vernon, O.

J. O. MILLER.

A SURE TEST.

Academia, O.

"As many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God." This is the test and herein lies the demonstration. The "led" are the "sons." Not as many as are touched by the Spirit, whether once, twice, or many times; but as many as are led. There is a constancy of Divine action, the steady, even pressure of the Holy Ghost; and on the part of the man; there is a ready yielding to this gentle force; "led" not dragged; "led" not goaded: "led" not even coaxed. And when, by our Godly behavior, we show that, in conduct and feeling, we are led by him, then indeed "the Spirit Himself beareth witness with out spirits that we are the children of God."

SPEGIAL.

"HIS GLORIOUS APPEARING."

(THE following article was written by W. E. Barr, a fifteen year old boy of the Lagrange church school. We are informed that it is original, and his only reference book the Bible.--ED.)

As Christ sat upon the Mount of Olives his diciples came unto him privately saying, "Tell us, when shall these things be and what shall be the sign of thy coming."

These humble followers of Christ asked these questions seeking for light. "Jesus answered them saying, Take heed that no man deceive you." The time has now come when one's truest friend is not to be trusted. By deceit the world goes on and if you are of the world you must partake of her sins.

Then said Christ, "They shall deliver you up to be afflicted and shall kill you and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake. But he that shall endure to the end the same shall be saved."

If we stand true to our standard through affliction and eventorture, we shall be saved, said Christ. What a test of our faith? When brought up before death will we give up Christ and eternal life and thus plunge our soul into everlasting destruction? "God forbid." But said Christ, "Because iniquity shall abound the love of many shall wax cold."

Christ warns his disciples still farther. "For then shall there be great tribulation such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be." But think! What are a few short years of tribulation on this earth for all the years of eternity. Is it not worth while? Try it, my brother. You say you have! Perhaps one weak effort. Had Christ given up at one weak effort what would have been accomplished? Man would have to die for his own sins without hope of salvation.

As Christ was about to ascend to his Father he led his disciples over the Mount of Olives. As they walked he gave them their last instructions. He also encouraged them with the promise, "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." Little did the disciples think they were walking with their Master for the last time. They had crossed the summit and had paused. The disciples crowded around him for their last instructions.

The last instructions given, the last promise made and with hands outstretched in blessing, he slowly ascended from among them. While

[&]quot;YES, we trust the day is breaking; Joyful times are near at hand: God, the mighty God, is speaking By his word in every land; When he comes his lost ones seeking Darkness flees at his command. '

they were straining their eyes for the last sight of their Master, a cloud of angels received him out of their sight, and they heard a voice at their side saying, "Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven, this same Jesus which is taken up from you into heaven shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven." Christ will come with clouds, then, at his second coming.

As Christ approaches the gates of heaven the glory that encloses him makes even the angel that guards the door tremble.

Christ has said, "Whosoever shall be ashamed of me and my word, of him will the Son of man be ashamed when he comes in his own glory and in his Father's and of the holy angels." What a scene that will be! The glory of one angel smote the Roman guard down as dead men. Is it any wouder then that the wicked are slain at his coming? Ah, but what is this? "Whosoever shall be ashamed of me and my word, of him will the Son of man be ashamed when he comes in glory."

Oh thou mortal man, wilt thou be ashamed of Christ—ashamed of thy Redeemer? What is this world coming to? Plainly the word of God is being fulfilled. His coming is near.

Listen! What voice is that? "He that is unjust, let him be unjust still; he that is filthy, let him be ilthy still; he that is filthy, let him be ilthy still; he that is righteous, let him be righteous still; and he that is holy, let him be holy still. And behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be." Christ's ministry in finished. Probation has ceased and there is no longer hope of repentance. Oh thou sons of men, thou wert weighed in the balances and found wanting.

In the east, there appears a small white cloud, growing larger and larger. "Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him; and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him." ""This same Jesus shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven." Yes, Christ has come again but this time as a conqueror to punish an unjust world.

There is one class who cry for the rocks and mountains to fall on them saying, "Fall on us and hide us from the fierceness of the wrath of the almighty God." Will you be among this company? Will you stand among those who dare not look upon the Saviour? or will you be of that class which shall say, "Lo, this is our God, we have waited for him and he will save us." Decide before it is too late and the grace of our Lord be with you always. W. E. BARR.

OUR WORK AND WORKERS.

Rows

WITH Elder J. O. Miller I went to Rows January 13, reaching Brother Ira Gault's home about sundown, after a cold drive from Ashland. We found them well and enjoying God's blessing.

Sabbath afternoon the brethren came in until there were thirteen assembled. After a good, live Sabbathschool, in which all took part with a keen interest, Elder Miller read a number of texts concerning the ordinances of the Lord's house and with a few well chosen words, explained the significance of each and also how each should be observed.

This is the first time that this little church has had the privilege of taking part in a quarterly meeting, and the ringing testimonies that were given plainly showed that God's Spirit was with the company.

All but two, who are not members, took part in the meeting, and the hearty hand shakes as they separated clearly indicated that brotherly love was in each heart, while each face showed courage as words of faith and hope came from each tongue.

At the close of the services Elder Miller ordained a local church elder who, with other church officers, had been elected earlier in the day. Thus closed a day that will long be remembered by those who took part in these services, and I hope that all of that company will be gathered together again when Christ shall give a crown to each that loves his appearing, 2 Tim. 4:8, a crown that will not fade away, 1 Peter 5:4.

W. E. BIDWELL.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

DEAR WELCOME VISITOR: Sunday evening, January 22, we closed one of the best meetings ever held in this part of the State. The Spirit of the Lord was present from the beginning of the meeting, and every one present well understood the Saviour was in our midst. The churches of Toledo, Defiance, Dowling, Cygnet, and Liberty were represented.

Elder Burkholder, Brethren James E. Shultz and John P. Gaede were present, and took an active part in the meetings. The brethren at Bowling Green did nobly in supplying the temporal needs of all in attendance, and in making the meeting a success.

Three meetings were held each day. Elder Burkholder spoke on "The Standing Up of Michael, The Great Prince, Which Standeth for the Children Thy People." Every heart was stirred as we realized that this event marked the ending of probation, when every case will be settled for eternal life or eternal death.

Each discourse was full of meaning and special importance for the people at this time. Truly the great day of God is at hand. May God grant us power and grace to do our part, and having done all to stand. Yours in the work, FRANCIS M. FAIRCHILD

Marysville.

DEAR WELCOME VISITOR: The interest here at Marysville is increasing. I hear people everywhere saying, "Those people at the Fairgrounds surely were all nice, Christian people. I wish they would come again next year and have their camp-meeting here." The ministers here have tried their best to destroy the good influence left from the camp-meeting, but are not able to do it. They have delayed it some, but people everywhere are investigating our faith, and as we go about and hand them our good literature, the good seed sown takes deep root and will come up some day.

If the Lord is willing, we will have Elder J. O. Miller come and help us now pull the net to shore, and we fully expect fruit for our labors. Some of the people are beginning to give up pork. One nice family that keeps a grocery store asked me about health reform, and I gave them my reasons. To my surprise the next time I met them the whole famlly had given up pork and are asking me what to use in place of lard. They are teaching their friends to do likewise. Others asked me even in Sunday-school about it. We have more calls to come to visit and hold Bible readings than we can possibly fill. We have sold 400 of the special number of the Signs, and 200 of the German special number of Hausfreund, and 50 numbers of special number Life and Health, besides a number of the Family Bible Teacher and tracts. I have also delivered every one of my books for Christmas delivery. The people were delighted with them. I did not loose an order. I have taken four subscriptions for the German paper: two yearly and two for one-half years. Others have promised. One of the county trustees, also trustee of the Methodist church which is a mile and a half out from the square in the country, told me that he would try and work it out with the other trustees of that church so that we can hold meetings there. He believes the Sabbath is the right day. I sold him "Object Lessons"

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Sabbath begins Feb. 10 at 5:33 P. M.

WILL all custodians of "Christ's Object Lessons" please remit for all books delivered? N. S. M.

THE blue pencil mark here means that your subscription has expired. Renew at once.

WE have a few quarterlies left. If you are short, order immediately, as they may soon be exausted.

N. S. M.

ELDER H. H. BURKHOLDER has been suffering from a sever attack of la grippe. Elder Lindsey and family have been similarly affected. At last report all were better.

BROTHER C. V. HAMER has been performing his office duties under distressing physical conditions for more than a week, the result of la grippe. He is confined to the house at present, but hopes to be at his desk by Tuesday.

TALKS ON GERMS.

By Mike Robe.

A NEW series of interesting health talks is now appearing in the Youth's Instructor. These articles are prepared by a physician who is thoroughly posted and up to date scientifically, and will show in a most entertaining way the nature and habits of bacteria or germs; how they help us, how they injure us; how we may take advantage of their help, how we may prevent injury from them.

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and spent one day with him in talking over our points of faith. He invited me to come again. He is a Nicodemus, only not quite as fraid to talk the truth to others. The Lord surely sent us here. Our Sister Maud Gaede from the Cleveland Sanitarium spent the holidays with us, and she was a great help in the singing. We play other instruments together with the Bilhorn Telescope Organ, which bring the people out. Yours in the work.

G. P. GAEDE, NETTY GAEDE.

Columbus.

DEAR WELCOME VISITOR: Since the VISITOR is to be the organ of communication of the Young People of Ohio, I take pleasure in sending greetings from Columbus. God has, and is, greatly blessing us and like Nehemiah has given us a mind to work. We have about fifteen members at present: some of experience and some just growing up, but all take a lively interest. Since the first of January we have begun the support of our native helper in Barotseland, as we have regular weekly pledges of one dollar for this purpose. We ask the prayers of the VISITOR family that we may, with the help of God, do this work with meekness and fear, for we realize to some extent the great responsibility.

The committee on distribution of literature is quite busy and we trust some of the seed will bear rich fruit for the heavenly garner.

Another committee is earnestly endeavoring to bring in new members and again we solicit your prayers that we may be a blessing to one another. The sewing circle have their hands more than full, but with an abundance of work. We want to provide some of the bedding needed to furnish a tent for visiting ministers at our camp-meeting. When we have disposed of a comforter now on hand, we will forward some money towards the support of our worker in Korea. I praise God more and more for the privilege of attending the Young People's Convention, for it has been an inspiration to me. May the spirit of consecration and work manifest there spread among all our societies and may we arise and let our light shine.

At the end of this quarter we hope to have a more definite report, as all have pledged greater faithfulness along this line. Hoping to hear some cheering news from all our societies in Ohio, we remain, Your fellow workers, MRS. LENA GRANMAN,

President of District No. 1.

Lynchburg.

DEAR WELCOME VISITOR READERS: You are interested in what is being done in all parts of the State and so we write about how the Lord is going before us as we work here; but first want to tell you of two new Sabbath keepers, Brother and Sister Watkins, at Morrow, as the result of visiting, Bible readings and reading matter. Two others also are becoming very favorable, whereas there existed in this family quite a prejudice on the part of the husband.

Some three years ago Brother S. H. Van Voorhis moved into the place where we are holding meetings two and one-half miles north of Lynchburg. At this point has been built by the Methodist Protestant Church a building for church purposes. In answer to requests by the neighbors Brother Van Voorhis asked that someone be sent to hold meetings and so in the providence of God we are here and meetings have begun. On reaching this place we found that Brother Van Voorhis had taken precaution to have a contract signed securing to us the place of meeting for a time of eight weeks. This we feel was a right course and we look forward to results. Two meetings have been held with a good attendance although the weather is very cold. We find some who heard Elders Saxby and Iles, that say they will attend the meetings clear through. They were impressed with the truth but did not obey. We pray for these especially. Let us look up and rejoice together as we see the Lord working with us for the advancement of the truth in this State and throughout the world.

We are making our home with Brother Van Voorhis and are made very comfortable in his good home. We are of good courage. Address, Lynchburg, O., R. F. D. No. 2, care of S. H. Van Voorhis. Your brethren in the work, L. K. MORGAN,

F. E. Gibson.

CANVASSERS' REPORTS.

(For week ending Jan. 20, 1905.)

Kittie Halstead, E. Liverpool.---Miscellaneous: 9 hours; value of orders, \$13.25; value of deliveries, \$3.75.

Mary Hubbell, Columbus.—Coming King: 12 hours; value of orders, \$18; helps, \$3; total, \$21.

(For week ending Jan. 27, 1905.)

G. A. Hopkins, Ashland Co.—Coming King and Best Stories: value of deliveries, \$20.75.

Kittie M. Halstead, E. Liverpool.— Miscellaneous: 1 hour; value of orders, \$2.