

THE Welcome Visitor

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

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OUR WORK AND WORKERS.

PERFECT TRUST.

BLESSED Jesus, how I love thee,
Thou my Saviour, brother, friend,—
He will lead me, he will guide me,
He will keep me to the end;
And whatever may betide me,
He will all my steps attend.

All my cares I'll cast upon him,
All my grief and all my woe.
Come to me, ye heavy laden
He doth whisper, soft and low:
When the waters dark surround thee
They shall not thy bark o'erflow.

I'll be with thee in the trial,
I'll be with thee in distress,
I will strengthen and uphold thee
With my hand of righteousness.
In my arms, I will enfold thee,
I will comfort thee and bless.

Jesus, thou my only refuge,
Rock of ages, cleft for me,
When the tempest round me gathers,
I will put my trust in thee—
I will never fear nor falter,
For thou wilt abide with me.

When at last this life is o'er
And I reach the other shore,
There my loved ones I shall meet
And we'll hold communion sweet.
Songs of praises we will sing
To our Redeemer, Lord and King.

OLGA GAEBE.

Springfield.

DEAR WELCOME VISITOR: Perhaps our little home paper would be pleased to hear from the District Meeting recently held here. There was a goodly number in attendance. We were especially pleased to see so large a representation from our new church at Hamilton. The only regret we had was that there were three on the program unable to be present, but their places were filled by others. The universal exclamation was, "What a good meeting this is!" The chairman must have been gratified to have the subjects so ably handled. And we could not help contrasting three of these persons with what they were when we first knew them, too timid to go and canvass a stump, as some had to do to familiarize themselves with their subject. But now they step out before an audience undaunted and give a message helpful and precious. We could not help but exclaim, "What hath God wrought?" What an in-

centive to go and do likewise! How fast our people develop when they get the go in them! We will look for fruitage from this meeting. Dear readers, please pray that God's blessing may attend the meetings that shall follow the District Meeting. Elder E. J. Van Horn will conduct them. The blessed hope brightens as the years advance with the writer.

MRS. NETTIE E. GRAVES.

Stovertown.

DEAR VISITOR READERS: Brother F. H. Henderson, and the writer came to this place and started meetings in the Stovertown school house Friday evening, February 24. Many books having been sold in this neighborhood some four years ago, we are hopeful of good results. While it is true that nearly all who attend are Lutherans and have been for years, yet surely the set time has come when a remnant is to be gathered out of all denominations and peoples, and prepared to meet King Jesus.

The great religious awakenings that are taking place in different parts of the world betoken the rich harvest of souls so long foretold by the inspired penman, Isaiah. Isa. 60:3-5.

Our attendance is good considering the rain and mud. The seats are nearly all filled each night. The only doctor in the place has shown us special favors. May God's people pray for the work at this point.

F. H. HENDERSON,
F. M. FAIRCHILD.

Meigs.

WELCOME VISITOR: It was my privilege to spend from February 9-13 with the company at this place, and was greatly pleased to find all of good courage. We had a grand meeting Sabbath which was only more convincing to me that the Lord had individuals at Meigs for whom he had paid that inestimable price, the life of his Son, that they might have life, and also some who were willing to show their appreciation of this wonderful love, be it at any cost to themselves.

Sunday, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, all enjoyed the blessing of the Lord in the celebration

of the ordinances and an interesting business meeting which followed. The little company was greatly encouraged to find that their church could not be taken from them, as was quite freely said by some who desired to cause trouble. While there we carefully looked up the record and found the lease on the ground where the church stands to be legal and that it could in no way be taken from them.

The evening meetings were exceptionally well attended by both the members and the outside people of the village, a deep interest being manifested on the part of all and as a result of the work done there last summer and fall, one brother has taken his stand for the truth and will be taken into the church in the near future. Thus we see the hand of the Lord is working as may be further seen from their tithe report each month. May the Lord continue to bless this little church, making of them all that it is his mind to make is my prayer. C. T. REDFIELD.

Manchester, Tenn.

ALTHOUGH Manchester is the county seat of Coffee County, it is an unincorporated country village. It is located in the valley of the Duck River, a branch of the Tennessee. By our mountaineer neighbors this is called "the low country," that may be, but it is far from being level. True, there are some level fields and there are also many rugged hills and deep ravines.

The air is humid. When it is warm there is such a penetrating sense of intense heat, and when it is cold, as it has been every few days since the first of January, it reminds one of the intense cold felt in driving along by the Ohio River on the coldest winter day. On cold days here the streets and roads are deserted. No one seems willing to brave the storm. It is almost impossible to build fires hot enough to be comfortable in a Southern home.

It is necessary to raise the sleeping apartments to a very high temperature each day by fire heat to dry out the dampness and avoid the "chills." I am rooming on the ground floor and have found it necessary to elevate my trunks on blocks to keep the contents

from becoming saturated by the rising moisture.

The air contains malaria germs and the water must be boiled to prevent typhoid. We have had four cases of the "chills" since school began, and have been fortunate in each case to get them checked promptly. We have used many sanitary measures to keep this disease out of our ranks. Those who live hygienically are almost immune to its attacks.

The sectional spirit is very marked in our midst. It is but the repetition of history in which the conquered nation refuses to be taught by its conquerors. It takes something more than human skill to come to Southern fields from the North and win the confidence of the native Southerner and become his teacher. Those who succeed often have occasion to notice the workings of him who said, "Lo, I am with you alway." Well does the parable of the sower and seed apply here. The ground must be prepared for many days before the seed can be scattered.

Our workers do not have to contend with alcoholic drinks, which is quite an advantage. The foes are tobacco and quinine. Whole families use this poison and are startled to hear that it does them any harm. However, in my school work, I have been fortunate enough to keep it from our midst. The preparation of foods is most unhygienic. What an opportunity to teach health principles along with Bible work! Pork, being expensive, is not used so much, but coffee is used very freely.

An air of poverty pervades the home of the Southerner. It is only the "man from the North" that has any means. The houses are very poor, some are mere sheds with poorly shingled roofs. On entering one of these homes (needy both physically and spiritually) we are often reminded how the Lord has "chosen the poor of this world rich in faith." Jesus himself while on earth visited the homes of the lowly and rested from the hauteur of the Jewish rabbis.

The entrance to these homes may be obtained by a trained nurse who is consecrated to the Lord. How readily God's creatures recognize the Creator's spirit as manifested in his humble servants! While relieving the pain and setting the physical being free, we can lead to that greater freedom—the freedom of soul, mind, and body in Christ Jesus. There are many openings for Bible readings. I am trying to devise some plan whereby I can give more time to this line of work. "The harvest truly is plenteous but the laborers are few." Brother and sister in Ohio, pray for the lonely toilers in the Southern fields.

I am of good courage in the Lord and I am thankful that he has deemed me worthy of a place to work in his vineyard. Yours in the Message,

RACHEL R. HESSE.

Feb. 20, 1905.

Cincinnati.

DEAR WELCOME VISITOR: I want to tell you that February 25 was our Children's Missionary Day. We began to plan for this day about the first of the month. In order to make it a real missionary day, we thought we would have to do some missionary work, and earn some missionary money for some mission field. I asked the children if they could sell papers to earn the money. They all said they could. So they sold *Life Boats*, *Signs of the Times*, *Little Friends*, and *Youth's Instructors* and from these sales made \$2.50.

On the day appointed we carried out the program published in the *Review and Herald* of December. On February 25 the weather was very disagreeable, but owing to the fact that the children all came with the exception of two, their places were filled and the program carried out with success. All the children did well. In the last piece the little boy with the collection box told, if the little box in his hand was full of pennies and quarters and dimes, how much good it would do in a mission field, and while the choir sang, "The World's Harvest," he passed around the room. The box was filled and running over. This with what the children had earned, amounting to six dollars, they requested it to be sent to Brother W. W. Miller in India. I know the Lord blessed these little ones in their efforts. My prayer is that these little ones may be filled with the missionary spirit and by and by be missionaries in the Lord's great harvest field.

NETTIE CUTLER.

Waynesburg, Ky.

DEAR WELCOME VISITOR: We take this opportunity of writing you a few lines as we are very comfortably located in our home in Kentucky, where we intend to labor in the cause of truth until the Lord opens up a new place to work. Surely this is a place where there is a great work to be done; and we feel that it was the Lord's hand that led us here for we find many opportunities of spreading the Third Angel's Message.

To-day a man and wife called at our house, and after we had given him the Special Signs number of the *Watchman*, he asked if we had any books on the Sabbath question. After supplying him with several tracts on the

Sabbath, he said that he had always read in the Bible that the seventh day was the Sabbath and when he was satisfied that it was, he would keep it as he wanted to do just what the Lord required of him.

We also find a good many places where we can teach health reform, as there is much sickness resulting from the continual use of pork,—such as sore eyes, boils, rheumatism, and stomach troubles. The only reason the people live as they do is because they are not afraid of fresh air as you will find them sitting around the fireplace with the doors wide open even in the coldest weather. Another thing, they are a simple, easy going people and no doubt by the Lord's help many of them will accept the truth when they understand it better.

We are planning a house-to-house work with the *Family Bible Teacher*, to be followed up by selling books and giving Bible readings and later on holding a series of meetings. We ask an interest in your prayers that God may bless our feeble efforts and that the harvest time will soon be over. On every hand we see that light is breaking, and that the blessed Lord and Saviour will soon come to gather his people home. We are of good courage and trusting in the promises of our Master. Yours in the blessed hope,

HARRY U. JACOBS,
MRS. MARY B. JACOBS.

Gladys.

DEAR WELCOME VISITOR READERS: When we wrote you on January 29, our meetings at this place had just opened. From that time the weather has been cold, disagreeable in some respects, but the roads have been very fine for the people in the country to get about. Our interest has remained good, having increased from the beginning. People have come from miles around and many who live some distance away have attended quite regularly.

Gladys is the name of the cross roads two and one-half miles from Lynchburg where we get our mail, and it is here that the church is located in which we are holding our meeting. Satan has not been pleased with our presence here and on last Thursday, February 23, sent word that he wanted if possible to save some of his children who were in danger. He wanted to debate the truth of our position. We told the ones who brought the message, it would be of no use; but they publicly urged, and so we consented to grant him time to tell why Sunday should be kept as the assembly day for Christians. Tuesday, February 28, was announced as the time of hearing

and when the hour arrived the church was crowded, perhaps 400 persons being present. A large number were forced to go home not being able to get to the door.

Of course the ministers who wanted to defend the practice of Sunday keeping may be deceived and think they are doing God service. We felt like treating them kindly and in all our remarks tried to exemplify the Master. They hold that every thing in the Old Testament, plan of salvation, law, prophets, all, were done away with, *triumphed* over by Christ: that while God the Father had done the best he could to save, Christ now introduced an *easier* way which from the experience of 4,000 years of failure in the old plan would prove successful. Of course it sounded ridiculous to say that the *new plan*, from experience of failure in the old, would prove successful; but the proof would be seen by adopting Sunday keeping into which day had been placed by the "fathers" all of the blessings which God had placed in the seventh-day Sabbath: and the fathers had brought none of the burdens of the day over to interfere with the free enjoyment of the new day. Many threadbare arguments were used and queer statements made. After an hour and fifteen minutes the speaker closed, having in the latter part of his remarks tried to abuse our people and created quite an amount of laughter.

We then took the stand for examination. Order being restored, we asked that all bow their heads in prayer. We lifted our hearts and voices imploring wisdom and grace. God gave it, and though the house was crowded good attention was given.

Influential people of the community were present: ministers, lawyers, professors, teachers, and business men. We told them we would not debate what the former speaker had said. We would leave that with the "Spirit" to use to the glory of God. We would preach the truth now and leave the word of God with the people. After the meeting we were told by some that we ought to have denounced some of the things that were said and whipped the fellow good. We said "no." *Better council* said, "Preach the word."

God has blessed us because of the meeting and good results are following. Bibles are being searched. Our meetings continue in interest. From many we hear encouraging words. Will our people who read this seek the blessing of their Lord on his work here. We will report again.

L. K. MORGAN,
F. E. GIBSON.

"EVERY ONE SAID TO HIS BROTHER, BE OF GOOD COURAGE."

"So the carpenter encouraged the goldsmith, and he that smootheth with the hammer him that smote the anvil, saying, It is ready for the soldering: and he fastened it with nails that it should not be moved."

In response to inquiries with reference to the progress of the work with "Christ's Object Lessons" in various parts of the field, we are receiving many words of encouragement. That others may have the benefit of these cheering words, and encouraging experiences, we print with this a few extracts from letters received, showing what has been accomplished by some who have gone forth in humble faith to work for the Master with this good book.

From the Western Oregon Conference the good word comes: "Our quota was between ten and eleven thousand dollars' worth of the books, —8,304 copies. About eight thousand dollars of this amount, or a little over, we have received from the efforts put forth thus far, and it has been applied on the College indebtedness. Our purpose has been right along just what it is now, to stay by the work until it is done. We will do all that we can during the coming month to enlist the churches and companies in the special effort for the sale of the book."

One brother "was feeling a burden to take up the canvassing work when 'Object Lessons' came to us. Finally he decided to ask the Lord for a test, promising that he would enter the canvassing field, if, in one day, he could sell six copies of 'Object Lessons' and three smaller books. During his first day's work, he sold eleven 'Object Lessons' and five other books, sixteen in all." This brother is now a State canvassing agent.

At a meeting held in College View last September, the president of the West Michigan Conference, in speaking of the campaign with "Christ's Object Lessons," said:—

"One of the most interesting features of this work to me is this, that last summer, while our ministers were engaged in the tent work, constant calls were coming from the churches that had been most active in selling 'Object Lessons' for a minister to come and baptize converts. During the months of July, August, and September, I had the privilege of baptizing nearly one hundred persons, the greater portion of whom had been reached through the work of the churches with 'Object Lessons.' In one place a class leader in the Methodist church had been very active

in fighting Adventists. But he was reached through this book, and I had the privilege of baptizing him."

This addition of new church members as a result of the work with this book is illustrated by the experience of one of our brethren in Wisconsin. This brother, "who was selling from a book wagon, did much of his pioneer work by selling 'Christ's Object Lessons.' In one neighborhood where he thus worked a Sabbath-school was organized, and Bible readings with the people followed. Later came conversions, and baptisms, and at this writing no less than twelve persons have become members of the church to which this brother belonged. This brother has sold more than four hundred copies of 'Object Lessons.'"

There is no limit to the results that may be obtained by continuous, earnest, united effort, put forth in the work of the Lord. A special warning, however, is given us that we become not weary in well doing. To those who heed this warning; the promise is sure that "in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

Shall we not then increase rather than relax our efforts in every good work to which the Lord has called us as individuals and as a people?

W. C. WHITE.

"THY GENTLENESS HATH MADE ME GREAT."

THERE is a text in the Psalms which uses the strange expression, the "gentleness" of God. We wonder sometimes when God is so great, so terrible in majesty, that he uses so little violence with us, who are so small. But it is not his way. His way is to be gentle. He seldom drives, but draws. He seldom compels, but leads. He remembers we are dust.

We think it might be quicker work if God threatened and compelled us to do right. But God does not want quick work, but good work. God does not want slave work, but free work. So God is gentle with us all — molding us and winning us many a time with no more than a silent look. Coarse treatment never wins souls.

So God did not drive the chariot of his omnipotence up to Peter and command him to repent. God did not threaten him with the thunderbolts of punishment. That one look of Jesus laid a spell upon his soul which was more than voice or language through all his after life. — *Henry Drummond.*

"ALL of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility; for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble."

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

ELDER H. H. BURKHOLDER and J. E. SHULTZ spent Sabbath with the Clyde church.

BROTHER W. S. HUFFAKER spent a few days in Academia visiting his mother.

BROTHER IRA GAULT has purchased Sister Huffaker's property, and will take possession about April 1.

"SPEAK gently! 'tis a little thing,
Dropped in the heart's deep well;
The good, the joy, that it may bring,
Eternity shall tell."

IN a recent letter from Sister Almeda Haughey she says that the Cleveland Young People's Society has just finished paying a pledge of eighty dollars to the Southern work. They sent five dollars to help Dr. Albert Cary in his work in that field, and also voted six dollars to apply on the salary of Brother Lim Ki Pan in Korea. Let us hear from other societies.

J. E. S.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

At the Tabernacle, Battle Creek, Mich.

JOHN ANDREW HAUGHEY while on a visit in Battle Creek made a special request of me to attend his funeral and give the sermon, using for the text Rev. 14:13. "I make this request because you are the first minister I ever heard preach the Adventist faith." Circumstances were such that I could not be at the funeral. It was therefore thought best that a memorial service be held in Battle Creek on Sabbath, Feb. 11, 1905. A large audience was present and good attention and interest was manifested. Relatives occupied the front seats. The points especially noticed were: blessed are the dead, God's blessing on his people even though in death, die in the Lord,

every person who is converted—God dwells in him and he in God, to die in this state is to be sure of eternal life, having a part in the first resurrection, the resurrection is a change of the physical nature, which is the body (see Phil. 3:20, 21), who shall change our vile body and fashion it like unto his glorious body (examine 1 Cor. 15: 51-55, see also Luke 20:34-37) the Saviour's answer to the Sadducees, neither can they die any more, for they shall be equal unto the angels, and are the children of God, being the children of the resurrection, glorified beings, will go to dwell in a glorified home, even the city of God, and the earth made new, where there will be no more death nor sorrow nor crying, nor any more pain for the former things are passed away.

I. D. VAN HORN.

CANVASSERS' REPORTS.

(For week ending Feb. 24, 1905.)

Kittie M. Halstead, East Liverpool.—Bible Readings: 15½ hours; value of orders, \$14.75; helps, \$2; total, \$16.75.

E. R. Numbers, Lancaster.—Coming King, 30 hours; value of orders, \$15; helps, \$1.20; total, \$16.20.

(For week ending March 3, 1905.)

Kittie M. Halstead, East Liverpool.—Bible Readings: 5½ hours; value of orders, \$6; helps, \$2; total, \$8; deliveries, \$3.25.

Mary Hubbell,* Columbus.—Coming King: 35 hours; value of orders, \$29.

G. A. Hopkins, Ashland Co.—Coming King and Best Stories: value of orders, \$11.50; helps, \$.75; total, \$12.25.

*Two weeks.

TITHE RECEIPTS.

FEBRUARY, 1905.

Akron.....	\$ 62.56
Alliance.....	.....
Ashland.....	.....
Barnesville.....	.....
Beaver.....	5.70
Bellefontaine.....	.....
Bellville.....	5.00
Bowling Green.....	25.30
Brokaw.....	.....
Broughton.....	.....
Camden.....	65.60
Canton.....	12.07
Chagrin Falls.....	10.18
Chillicothe.....	.....
Cincinnati.....	68.00
Cleveland.....	118.75
Clyde.....	8.50
Columbus.....	197.69
Conneaut.....	13.36
Corsica.....	.....
Coshocton.....	.....
Cygnets.....	.....
Dayton.....	81.47

Defiance.....	.....
Delaware.....	50
Dowling.....	23.73
Dunkirk.....	.....
East Liverpool.....	37.71
Elgin.....	.....
Fairfield.....	.....
Findlay.....	.....
Geneva.....	10.46
Grand River.....	.....
Green Spring.....	6.18
Hamilton.....	16.09
Hamler.....	.....
Hitesville.....	.....
Jackson.....	.....
Kentworth.....	.....
Kenton.....	.....
Killbuck.....	.....
Kirtland.....	.....
Lagrange.....	.....
Lake View.....	14.00
Laura.....	1.00
Leesburg.....	.....
Lewistown.....	1.79
Liberty Center.....	.....
Lima.....	.....
Locust Point.....	.....
Mansfield.....	.....
Marion.....	7.36
Marshfield.....	10.00
Marysville.....	1.82
Meigs.....	4.00
Mendon.....	3.90
Middlefield.....	6.75
Mineral.....	.....
Morrow.....	.....
Mount Vernon.....	198.84
Nashville.....	.....
New Antioch.....	4.10
Newark.....	53.97
Norwalk.....	.....
Olivet.....	.....
Pemberville.....	.....
Piqua.....	.....
Pleasant Hill.....	.....
Reedsville.....	1.10
Rows.....	21.35
Rowsburg.....	.....
St. Clairsville.....	15.34
Sherwood.....	40.00
Sidney.....	.....
Sinking Spring.....	.....
Spencer.....	11.78
Springfield.....	67.77
Toledo.....	64.45
Troy.....	.....
Van Wert.....	4.75
Wadsworth.....	3.50
Walnut Grove.....	.....
Washington C. H.....	113.58
Waterford.....	.....
Wengerlawn.....	.....
West Mansfield.....	.....
Wheelerburg.....	14.23
Wilmington.....	.....
Youngstown.....	6.75
Isolated Sabbath Keepers.....	76.20

Total.....\$1,517.63
C. V. HAMER, Treas.

TOTAL RECEIPTS. ALL SOURCES, FEBRUARY, 1905.

Tithe.....	\$1,517.63
Ohio Tract Society.....	335.96
First Day Offering.....	39.92
Sabbath-school Donations.....	29.60
Annual Offering.....	16.00
India.....	11.00
Washington, D. C., work.....	36.00
Southern Field.....	3.48
Young People's Society.....	2.00
Religious Liberty Fund.....	7.60
Total.....	\$1,999.19
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