

THE Welcome Visitor

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

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WHO WILL HELP US FREE THIS CHURCH FROM DEBT.

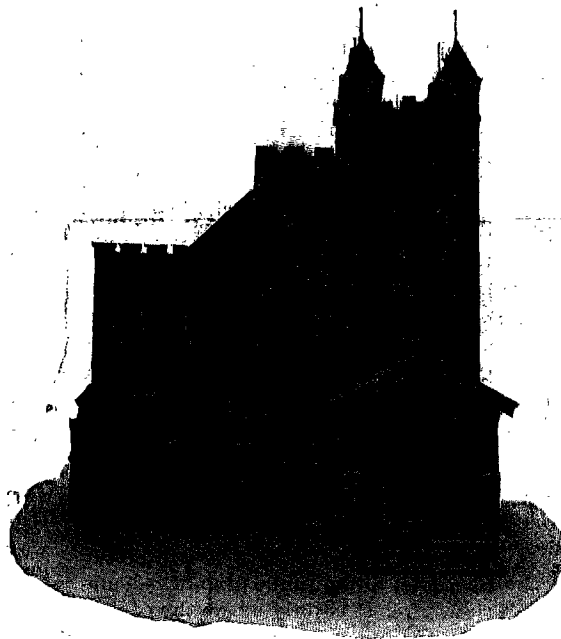
AS I think of the situation in Cleveland and the joy that would come to the hearts of our brethren and sisters there could they see the dark cloud of debt now hanging over their house of worship lifted, I feel more confident that God would be pleased with a united effort on the part of our people in Ohio to bring about this happy condition.

Of late we have been looking to the regions beyond and have promised to share with these needy fields both our consecrated laborers and our means. This is right, yet we must not lose sight of the cause at home. Let us turn to Isa. 54:2, and read a verse which refers to both the foreign and home work. "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations; spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes." That part of this verse which we have put in italics most certainly applies to the work at home. While God has increased our interest in the work abroad, he would not have us neglect an opportunity of strengthening the cause at home. Such a course would very soon weaken our efforts for the fields beyond.

It seems clear to me that one of the stakes that should have attention and receive strength at this time is the one driven in the city of Cleveland. Here is a large mission field open for work, and we have been told that *now* is the time to push the work in the cities. This house of worship has been erected at a sacrifice on the part of the brethren of Cleveland that should appeal to our sympathy and cause us to rally to their aid and help them free this memorial from the reproach of debt.

Let all money and subscriptions be sent to C. V. Hamer, Conf. Treasurer, Academia, O., who will see that it is applied on the debt and reported to the WELCOME VISITOR.

In concluding this article I wish to call special attention to the contribution following this from Elder A. C. Shannon who was pastor of the church during the time the building was in process of erection. Please read carefully the words he quotes from a testimony of Sr. E. G. White. It may



THE CLEVELAND CHURCH.

deepen our convictions of duty and stimulate us to act our part in this effort.

H. H. BURKHOLDER.

THE PREPARATION AND WORK OF BUILDING.

FOR several years the Seventh-day Adventist church organized and established here to hold forth this truth, has labored to accomplish the purpose of its existence. It lies not within our power to review her efforts, successes, failures, blessings, disappointments, circumstances favorable and unfavorable, with the idea of determining the extent of her work; for that is still in progress. Her work can only

be determined in that great day, when the final victory is won, and by him who weighs the motives as well as the service.

Among the places of worship that have been established may be mentioned the mission on Case Avenue, corner of Scoville; and the mission at 74 Kinsman St. A little later the property at 249 Cedar Avenue was purchased, and fitted up for a place of worship. Soon after, a mission building was erected in the rear of the church. As the years passed by, it became evident that this was not a desirable location, neither was the building suitable. The impression made by the following testimony from Sister E. G. White continued to grow.

"The Lord has shown me that if the brethren of the Ohio Conference were consecrated to him, they would put forth earnest efforts to establish a mission in the city of Cleveland. If they would preserve humility and personal piety, a spirit of self denial, and consecration to God, the Lord would give them wisdom; he would be their counsel, and a *house of worship would be erected in that city.*"

"Had the energies been directed to the building of a church in Cleveland and the establishing of a mission properly managed and planned, the movement would have been pleasing to God; it would have given character to the cause of present truth in that city, and very many souls would have been added to the church, of such as should be saved. Satan says: *I WILL DEFEAT THAT; THERE SHALL BE NO TRIUMPH FOR THE TRUTH IN THAT CITY.*"

After several years, through the advice of the Conference officers, the trustees offered the property for sale. In the fall of 1901 the sale was made to the Friends, but the terms of the sale and the delay in payment were such that there was not enough money received to safely begin again to

build until late in the fall of 1902. After careful search, advertising, and considering the different locations; this lot was purchased, and at last the work of building was commenced. But as this was at the beginning of winter, progress was slow; and when the sun in the spring of 1903 smiled on the work of men, and we hoped to speed the work, we found the freezing of nature followed by the freezing of labor difficulties, (strikes, delays for material, and delays by one contractor waiting for another) and the work as a result still moved slowly.

At last in the fall of 1903 the welcome announcement was made that the building could be occupied; and during the week that followed, the finishing touches were made and the building grew more homelike. And now the church rejoices in the privilege of carrying on her work with the advantage of a comfortable house of worship. With a vivid realization of the importance and magnitude of the work yet to do, her prayer is for grace, wisdom, and the gift of the Holy Spirit, that the trumpet may give the certain sound, and that at last she may hear, "Well done, good and faithful servant;" "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world."

A. C. SHANNON.

Cleveland.

DEAR WELCOME VISITOR READERS: "Praise ye the Lord, Sing praises unto the Lord." "Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your request be made known unto God." Another translation of these beautiful sentiments is "Do not be anxious about anything; but under all circumstances by prayer and entreaty joined with thanksgiving, make what you want known to God." Then follows "through your union with Christ, Jesus, God's peace which passes all human conception will stand guard over your hearts and your thoughts... where ever you find truth or holiness, righteousness or purity, anything loveable or anything attractive, or if there is anything in virtue and honor there let your hearts dwell,.... and then God who give peace will be with you."

I have thought several times since our late camp-meeting that I would write to the VISITOR readers of the blessing of the Lord that has been with me since that time; but until the Lord called me this morning, the sec- time, at half past two. I have let the matter of duty pass by. My heart is filled with praises and thanksgiving.

A realizing sense of his presence has been with me in all my work to which I was recommended. I have not sold as many books as one would naturally desire to do, but the promises have been sure. My experience many times has been that I personally need to recognize my own need of a Saviour. I must be a broken and empty vessel. It has always been a question in my mind how the Lord could use a broken and empty vessel. Naturally we would cast such aside as worthless; but it is only such that the Lord can fill. But he fills them, they overflow, and the more broken, and empty of self we are the more we overflow with his blessings for others.

On Sept. 14 I come to a place in my experience where I needed a blessing from the Lord. I hope no one has ever felt just as useless to the work of the Message as I felt without being revived as I was. I could see no promises to the overcomer, no hope in the Message. I would gladly have run away if possible. Perhaps the Psalmist felt that way when he said "whither shall I flee from thy Spirit." I felt that I had no message for the people, but there was an awful sense of the convicting of the Spirit of God. Alone I sought a secluded place in the park and wrestled with the Lord. Opening "Steps to Christ" I read, "The Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give his life a ransom for many. Self and self interest had no part in his service so those who are the partakers of the grace of Christ will be ready to make any sacrifice that others for whom he died may share the heavenly gift. If we have tasted and seen that the Lord is good we will have something to tell. . . . And the effort to bless others will re-act in blessing upon ourselves. This was the purpose of God in giving us a part to act in the plan of redemption. . . . It is only as we thus fulfill the divine purpose in our creation that life can be a blessing to us. . . . Encountering opposition and trials will drive you to the Bible and prayer. The spirit, of unselfish labor for others gives depth, stability and Christ like loveliness to the character, and brings peace and happiness to the possessor."

Looking into the mirror of his righteousness I saw my condemnation and the blessing I needed. The world then looked differently to me. I am praising the Lord. Let us praise the Lord together. L. K. MORGAN.

Wheelersburg, Chillicothe.

QUARTERLY meeting services were held at the Wheelersburg church Sabbath Sept. 23. One sister was received into the church subject to baptism.

We went at once to the shore of the beautiful Ohio River where she followed her Lord in this ordinance.

Her husband was present, and was deeply impressed. We trust and pray that he too will lay hold by faith on the promises of God, and get the victory, so that he may stand beside his beloved wife, and with her enjoy that peace that passeth all understanding.

On Sabbath Sept. 30, the ordinances were celebrated by the church at Chillicothe. Three more dear souls have been added to this little church, subject to baptism. They will go forward in this ordinance on next Sunday. The elder of this church reports the church to be in the best spiritual condition since its organization. Two Bible workers are needed in this city to labor for the interested ones and to strengthen the work so that a suitable place may be secured in the city for the use and encouragement of the church. We believe if this could be done, the work of giving the Message to this city would be more speedily accomplished.

R. R. KENNEDY.

CALCUTTA, INDIA.

DEAR VISITOR: During a recent visit to Karmatar, we were invited to come to Kora, a Bengali village about four miles from our school.

Sister White's has a little room in a "godown" at Karmatar where she treats the sick. She has from fifteen to twenty patients a day, and many of them come from Kora. Some walk, some are carried, and very often they come with their ox-carts to take her to those who cannot be brought to her.

They have appreciated her work very much, and two men who live there have offered to deed us land if we will open a school and dispensary. They invited us to come over to see about making out the papers. Accordingly, in company with Sister White's, Brother and Sister Little, and Brother Barlow, we left Karmatar about four o'clock in the afternoon. There was no top to our conveyance, a bullock cart, but fortunately there was a good bottom. On this we placed bundles of rice straw for seats and started off with merry hearts and good courage.

The recent rains had done much damage to the roads making many places almost impassable. To cross the first wash-out, we had to unload and walk while the bullocks drew the cart through the water.

We met natives all along the way, and Brother Barlow, who is able to speak both Hindi and Santhali, would ask them if they could read. If they could he would give them a tract, and say a few words about Jesus, and

go on. He could do this and keep up with the bullocks for they are very slow.

We came to a river which we had to ford, but in the middle of it, one of the bullocks bolted and away he went through the jungles for there are no fences along these roads. The other bullock, being too lazy to run, seemed glad for an opportunity to rest. Brother Little took off his shoes, rolled up his pants, and carried his wife and Sister Whiteis across. He offered to carry me too. Some of the natives who had stopped to look on also wanted to carry me, but, as I knew the cart must get out some way, I decided to stay with the stuff.

It was "hot" (market) day in Kora and many people were returning from market, so it was not long until there was quite a crowd. They talked a little among themselves, then all came and with the help of the one bullock drew the cart across. They seemed to enjoy the fun. Some of the natives went in search of the bullock, and while we were waiting for them to return, we decided to travel on as the road was level there. Brother Barlow yoked up with the bullock and I did the driving, using a bunch of rice straw for a gad, as I did not want to break any bones and they were very near the surface. The rest of the company enjoyed a hearty laugh as they followed behind.

Right here I wish to say that, while many things are distressing and cause sorrow, there are many incidents which bring laughter. When it does one good and hurts no one, then I say "laugh," for in this country, we must not let ourselves be weighted down all the time with the distressing things about us.

The natives soon brought back the bullock and we all mounted the cart again, but ere long we were face to face with another wash-out. It looked rather risky to go down the sidling bank, but before we knew it, the driver had driven down, and several natives at the request of Brother Barlow took hold and helped push the cart through the mud holes.

When we arrived at Kora, it was almost dark. We called on the men who wanted to give us the land. They said they were doing this to help the poor as many die before their time because they have no Medical aid. They boiled milk for us to drink and treated us very kindly indeed.

Sisters Whiteis and Little went to treat some patients and as they entered the door they found that one of them was dying. In less than an hour she was carried to the river, and by its side, was laid on a bundle of sticks

and burned. Some of the bones are thrown into the river Ganges. They think this is a sure passport to heaven.

While in the village, a cart came to take Sister Whiteis to see a sick child a mile away. This took much time as we travel so slowly in these carts.

On our return trip we also met with difficulties. It was very dark and we had no lantern. One of the bullocks would lay down every half hour and stretch himself as if he expected to die in a short time. After much urging, he would get up and go along for a time and then play the same trick again.

We got off the cart at the last wash-out and the bullocks went down the bank alright, but, as they started up the other side, the same bullock bolted again leaving the cart in the mud. As it was one bullock and very dark, we thought it useless to find the bad creature so we walked home feeling quite tired but thanking the Lord for our experiences in the village.

We feel that the Lord is opening the way for us in Kora. Sister Whiteis is very anxious to move her dispensary there as many patients come from that place and taking such a trip as I have described several times a week is wearing on her.

Of course we will need to get up buildings and this will require means with which to do it. If the Lord impresses any one to help us in this we will be grateful indeed.

W. W. MILLER.

Manchester.

WELCOME VISITOR:— I came to this place last spring and as I have been operating a saw mill, I have come in contact with a great many people, many of whom have become interested in our faith and way of living. One of our neighbors came to me saying that he had been talking with his friends and the Pastor of his church (Christian) and said they would like to have me preach for them. As it seemed that the Lord had opened the way, I accepted the invitation, and accordingly met with them on Sunday night, Sept. 3, speaking to a large and very attentive audience. My subject "The Home of the Saved," created great interest.

I have received many invitations to speak at different places. On last Sunday night I spoke at Fellowship (Christian) Church taking as a basis 2 Tim. 3: 1-5, and James 5: 1-8. At both of these places the people asked to hear more of our belief. I have an appointment at Clayton, a small place two miles from here, for next Sunday night. The Lord is surely

opening the hearts of the people, to receive the Message. If we only had workers here to give it. Pray the Lord of the harvest, that he will send laborers into this neglected field, to give the Message to these souls who are hungering for the Bread of Life. Your Brother in Christ,

E. K. MOUNT.

WELCOME VISITOR:

THE members of our little church would like a little advice, Mr. ——— of ———, is in this town. He has been a Seventh-day Adventist, and attends our class nearly every Sabbath. He is a night time-keeper at the ore dock at our harbor. He does not keep the Sabbath, and says we are not obliged to keep it, and that it is not necessary we should. He does not pay tithe, for he says the Seventh-day Adventist denomination is so corrupt and dishonest he could not trust them.

He is very bitter against Sister White and says all manner of evil against her. Still he wants to lead our meetings. We have heard as much unbelief as we thought advisable and made a change in the way our meetings were led. (We have no elder and a minister of the gospel in our midst is a very rare occurrence. Have not met one in eighteen months.)

This man's brother and sister were here from ———, ———. They thought we did a wrong thing not to let him lead the meetings for it might be the means of his going back entirely.

Please give us a little counsel through THE WELCOME VISITOR. Is it our duty to hear his unbelief? or did we do right to shut him out as leader. Yours for righteousness.

In answering this Sister we will first read the instruction Jesus gave us in Matt. 7:15-20. "*Beware of false prophets (would be leaders or teachers) which come to you in sheeps clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.*" Again in first epistle of John 2:18, 19, it is written: "Little children it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby

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Sabbath begins Oct. 13 at 5:26 P. M.

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

BROTHER C. V. HAMER was so un-
fortunate as to have a fire in the
kitchen cupboard in which some silver
and china heirlooms in the family
for nearly 150 years, were stored,
completely destroying it all. The
origin of the fire is unknown.

COLLEGE NOTES.

ONE month of the school year is al-
ready in the past. It hardly seems
possible.

PROFESSOR and Mrs Rees are liv-
ing in a part of Brother F. H. Clymer's
residence.

SINCE last week's report, Mr. Perry
Hinckley of Michigan has taken up
his work in school for another year.
Samuel Groff of Killbuck, O., Esta
Miller of Academia, O., and Miss
Inez Waite of La Grange have also
enrolled during the week. Miss
Waite will pursue the Nurses Course.

WANTED: A few young men, willing
and capable in the lines of carpen-
tery, painting, paper-hanging, and
printing, who can pay part of their
schooling and are willing to work
for the rest of it. Address Mount
Vernon College at once stating ex-
perience, available cash, and such
other information as will aid in de-
termining what arrangements can be
made.

A NEW coal shed has become a ne-
cessity, and as these lines are being
written a number of teachers and
young men of the College are putting
up one similar to the one built back
of the boiler house. A days vacation
is being taken (Tuesday Oct. 10) for
this purpose, and to enjoy an outing
in the afternoon in the Skeln woods
while the leaves are coloring so beau-
tifully.

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we know that it is the last time. They
went out from us but they were not of
us; for if they had been of us, they
would no doubt have continued with
us; but they went out, that they might
be manifest that they were not of us."

From this reading our attitude to-
ward such men as ——— is clearly
set forth. He has no light for you
and should not be specially invited to
attend your meetings much less be
allowed to occupy the position of
leader.

You are certainly justified in the
course you have taken with him, and
in my judgment the less you mingle
with him the better off you will be.

H. H. BURKHOLDER.

CANVASSERS' REPORTS.

(For week ending Sept. 29, 1905.)

A. T. Halstead, E. Liverpool. —
Bible Readings: 40 hours; value of or-
ders, \$40; helps, \$3.75; total, \$43.75.

J. A. Maxam, Cleveland. — Bible
Readings: 15 hours; value of orders,
\$4; helps, \$11.50; total, \$15.50.

F. B. Numbers, Mansfield. — Com-
ing King and Best Stories: 6½ hours;
value of orders, \$7; helps, \$5.50; total,
\$7.50; deliveries, \$2.

E. R. Numbers, Fairfield Co. — Com-
ing King: 76 hours; value of orders,
\$65.50; helps, \$5.25; total, \$70.75; deliv-
eries, \$4.

Percy J. Tuttle, Cleveland. — Com-
ing King: 15 hours; value of orders,
\$2.50; helps, \$1; total, \$3.50.

L. H. Waters, Stark Co. — Coming
King: 30 hours; value of orders,
\$23; helps, \$70; total, \$23.70.

C. R. Smith, Holmes Co. — Coming
King: 27 hours; value of orders, \$18.

TITHES RECEIPTS.

SEPTEMBER, 1905.

Akron.....	\$ 35.44
Alliance.....	3.68
Ashland.....	.....
Barnesville.....	15.20
Beaver.....	.....
Bellefontaine.....	.....
Bellville.....	10.55
Bowling Green.....	52.46
Brokaw.....	3.20
Broughton.....	.....
Camden.....	24.60
Canton.....	16.54
Chagrin Falls.....	17.41
Chillicothe.....	14.25
Cincinnati.....	5.40
Cleveland.....	235.26
Clyde.....	23.00
Columbus.....	173.15
Conneaut.....	14.02
Corsica.....	.....
Coshocton.....	.....
Cygnets.....	.....
Dayton.....	85.69
Defiance.....	14.43
Delaware.....	5.29

Dowling.....	23.77
Dresden.....	.....
Dunkirk.....	.....
East Liverpool.....	13.83
Elgin.....	72.56
Fairfield.....	.....
Findlay.....	.....
Geneva.....	.....
Gilboa.....	6.75
Grand River.....	3.60
Green Spring.....	10.75
Hamilton.....	.....
Hamler.....	.....
Hicksville.....	.....
Home Dept.....	.60
Jackson.....	.....
Kenilworth.....	.....
Kenton.....	.....
Killbuck.....	13.87
Kirtland.....	.....
Lagrange.....	110.36
Lake View.....	2.50
Laura.....	.50
Leesburg.....	.....
Lewistown.....	.....
Liberty Center.....	.....
Lima.....	18.21
Locust Point.....	6.25
Mansfield.....	1.15
Marion.....	15.55
Marshfield.....	32.65
Marysville.....	.80
Massillon.....	.....
Meigs.....	18.68
Mendon.....	10.46
Middlefield.....	14.05
Morrow.....	5.29
Mount Vernon.....	149.30
Nashville.....	.....
New Antioch.....	72.00
Newark.....	20.11
Norwalk.....	.....
Olivett.....	15.35
Pemberville.....	.....
Piqua.....	.....
Pleasant Hill.....	.....
Reedsville.....	.....
Rows.....	2.40
St. Clairsville.....	.....
Sherwood.....	.....
Sidney.....	.....
Sinking Spring.....	.....
Spencer.....	.....
Springfield.....	207.70
Toledo.....	42.30
Trinway.....	.....
Troy.....	4.75
Van Wert.....	12.00
Wadsworth.....	.....
Walnut Grove.....	.....
Washington C. H.....	.....
Waterford.....	.....
Wengerlawn.....	5.93
West Mansfield.....	.....
Wheelersburg.....	145.33
Wilmington.....	12.74
Youngstown.....	10.27
Isolated Sabbath Keepers.....	60.14

Total.....\$1,761.71
C. V. HAMER, Treas.

TOTAL RECEIPTS. ALL SOURCES.

SEPTEMBER, 1905.

Tithe.....	\$1,761.71
Tract Society.....	740.14
Weekly Offerings.....	70.78
Sabbath-school Donations.....	77.13
Washington, D. C., work.....	1.00
China.....	20.00
Southern Field.....	10.46
Y. P. Society.....	18.40
Total.....	\$2,699.62
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