

# THE Welcome Visitor

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

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## MISSIONARY.

### OUT OF REPAIR.

I THOUGHT as I 'woke one cold morning,  
How much like a time piece we are;  
For when we are just going nicely,  
All at once we get out of repair.

With the mercury way above zero,  
'Tis so easy to tick on and go;  
But when it drops down to the "forties,"  
We come to a stop, don't you know?

To a friend, I once said, "Can you tell me,  
As to what is the matter, and where?"  
He answered, with a hand on my shoulder,  
"Why, Joe, we get out of repair."

We may oil, we may wind, and may  
tinker,—  
But with all this we find 'tis "no go."  
We must pass to the hands of the Maker's  
We have been a long time out you know

So we spent a whole week at the Maker,  
To clean up our old works, don't you  
know?

That if temperature change, veer or  
vary,  
We may run just the same—high or low.

With new life, and a full consecration,  
We emerge from our good week of  
prayer,  
We believe that we now must run better,  
Since we all have been up for repair.

Now, with eyes on the heavenly dial,  
Keeping stroke as we'er climbing the  
stair,

Till we land at the top of the ladder,  
Where we always will keep in repair  
—Selected.

### TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF THE OHIO CONFERENCE.

I HAVE in mind a matter which I want to set before the young people of the Ohio Conference. It will be remembered that ever since the death of Sister Maud A. Miller, the Mission Board have kept up an active search for a suitable person to send to China to connect with Dr. H. W. Miller in his missionary effort for that people.

While we all felt the deepest sympathy for Dr. Miller, and many earnest prayers have ascended in his behalf, yet there was too much involved to be hasty in making a selection and we have been waiting to see the Lord indicate in some way his approval of the man whom he would have join Dr. Miller and assist in the effort to place the Third Angel's

Message in the printed form before the people of China.

It now seems clear that the right man has been found, and that he is already on his way to China. A young man by the name of Allum, of Australia, a practical printer, offered himself to the Mission Board stating his convictions of duty and that God had called him to assist Dr. Miller, the Mission Board feel clear that Brother Allum and wife are just the help so much needed by Dr. Miller at this time and so have cabled them to go at once.

The Mission Board have also asked if the young people of Ohio would not esteem it a privilege to assist in sending this young man and wife and supporting them for awhile. I feel sure that this request for financial help will be met with a hearty response by Ohio's young people. This is a worthy call and one in which the youth of Ohio have more than ordinary interest.

At all of the future District meetings to be held, announcements of which will be given in the VISITOR, we suggest that a collection be taken for this purpose. Let those who are planning to attend these meetings, as well as those who have charge of them, please make a note of this.

H. H. BURKHOLDER.

### INDIA.

*Columbus Church,  
Columbus, Ohio.*

*Greeting to you all, and the children not left out.*

I MUST first ask your pardon for not writing sooner as I promised. I had not forgotten you by any means, but waiting until I had some rich experience to relate which would be sure to interest you all.

You will remember, no doubt, my letter to the "VISITOR" of June 14, in which I mentioned a call that came from East Bengal. Well the call kept coming, and the man who visited me first has been here taking instruction from me for two weeks. He expects to preach the same to his people.

A young man in another district embraced the Sabbath, and he, too, is

coming every day for readings. He has become intensely interested and has begun to talk the truth and distribute Bengal tracts. A man from a district near this one came to our meeting one Sabbath and became interested. When he went home he told his friends what he had heard and they, too, were interested. They sent word for me to come and visit them, and I promised to do so when I had time. They kept urging me to come, and word came that they were building a place for us to hold meetings and had a house ready to lodge us. Later they begged us to come at once for they were having opposition which they could not meet.

This seemed like a real call from the Lord, and as a man was going to speak on Sunday about the Sabbath, I sent the young man who was taking readings to attend the meeting, take notes and get the texts which were used. Brother Mookerjee and myself followed the next day. As the village is far from any railway station, and things to eat somewhat scarce, I took a small trunk full of provisions, most of which were health foods.

After leaving the train, we took a steamer. It was then morning and the butler came to me and asked if I would take some breakfast. I thanked him quite independently, remarking that I had plenty with me. Half past seven was my usual time for breakfast, so, at that time, I went to get my lunch only to find that my trunk was missing. Then I had to call for the butler, who was a native, to give me some breakfast. He told Brother Mookerjee that what the Lord had portioned out to him no man could take away, and his portion was to serve me a meal and in return obtain a rupee, (thirty-two cents). The text came to me, "Take no thought for the morrow what ye shall eat or what ye shall drink."

We reached our landing about noon and then took a smaller boat which was drawn by a man walking on the bank, when he did not have to walk in the water. The boat was very small and the top was very low, so that, when three of us got into it, we were very much crowded and cramped. The

distance we had to go in this was five miles and it took about three hours.

When we reached our destination we were met by the villagers who were interested and taken to a house with a thatched roof, the sides and ends made of matting, the floor of earth, the windows of bamboo splits and the beds of boards. As we always carry our bedding with us, we made ourselves quite comfortable indeed. They soon brought us our dinner which consisted of rice and dahl served on plantain (banana) leaves, and fingers had to be used for spoons. I asked for a spoon and dish, but it was some time before they found a spoon and plate. These were all I had to eat with while I was there.

The natives take a lot of rice on a plantain leaf, or something of the kind, then they dip their fingers in the dish where the dahl is, take some of it, mix it with the rice, and eat it with their fingers. I could appreciate as never before what the Jews said to Jesus about his disciples eating with unwashed hands, for the eastern customs have not changed much since he was here on earth.

W. W. MILLER.

*To be continued.*

## OUR WORK AND WORKERS.

### Springfield.

It was my privilege to spend Jan. 5-7 with the church at Springfield. We truly enjoyed a spiritual feast on the Sabbath as we celebrated the sacred ordinances of the Lord's house. On Sunday an interesting and profitable business meeting was held at which the election of church officers for the ensuing year took place. Owing to age, and the illness of Sister Wood it was thought best to lighten the burdens so well and faithfully borne by Elder Wood, in his connection with this church in the past. The work here has prospered under his ministry and the brethren and sisters were very much affected at the thought that in the future he would not be able to meet with them as regularly as heretofore.

Brother Homer O. La Fevre was elected elder, and at the close of the service was set apart by ordination for the sacred work to which he had been called. All the other necessary officers of the church were elected, and the meeting passed off without a jar.

The treasurer's report showed the church to be \$150 ahead on their payments on the building, and the tithing account showed a gain for 1905 over the previous year of \$700. This

was indeed a very gratifying report and reveals spirituality and life on the part of the membership.

With the experience and counsel of Elder Wood as Pastor; the strength of a good strong church board, and the assistance of Sister Katherine E. Miller as Bible worker, the church starts out hopeful of even greater results in the year to come.

H. H. BURKHOLDER.

### Akron.

THE District-meeting which was held at Akron, beginning Monday evening, Jan. 8, and closing Sunday evening, Jan. 14, was a time of refreshing to all who were privileged to be present.

Our quarterly meeting, being postponed on account of the District-meeting, was held on the thirteenth, and was well attended, and the presence of God was very forcibly felt as we mingled our voices in Christian testimony and partook of the ordinances of his house. Elder C. C. Webster was with us throughout the meeting; Elder F. M. Fairchild, brethren Carl E. Weaks and James E. Shultz were also with us a portion of the time. Their words of encouragement and warning were listened to with much interest, and a greater determination was felt by all to go forward giving the Third Angel's Message in the strength of him who has said, "I will strengthen thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness."

CORA M. SUITS, *Church Clerk.*

### Marion.

WELCOME VISITOR:—While spending the holidays at home many friends told me that they had been watching the canvassers' reports, and were interested in the progress of this work.

The figures, in the canvassers' report, represent only a part of his compensation. Space would not permit a full report of the blessings. Words cannot express them. They cannot be estimated. The wages of the canvasser can best be understood, I believe, by calling on our neighbors with our message-filled books.

"Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters." "Go ye therefore: . . . and, lo, I am with you alway."

FRED B. NUMBERS.

### Dresden.

ON Jan. 13, the Pleasant Hill and Trinway companies met with the Dresden company in the celebration of the ordinances of the Lord's house.

We all met in the new church at Dresden. Nearly all of the members from the three places were present and much interest was manifested in the services. Elder B. L. House officiated.

Elder House read a portion of Matt. 26, beginning at Verse 26. We then partook of the Lord's supper, and went out rejoicing in the rich blessings of the Lord.

HOWARD W. WEST, *Clerk.*

## THE CANVASSING WORK.

CHRIST'S instruction to Peter was, "When thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren." This commission applies alike to every son and daughter of God. God never calls one to a life of idleness. All have a definite work to do in gathering the sheaves for the heavenly garner. Because one feels as though he were unable to enter the ministry or occupy a position as teacher or physician in one of our institutions, he is not to think that there is nothing he can do. "To every man his work."

The importance of the branches just mentioned is unmistakable. They were instituted by the Lord himself, but He has many other ways of reaching the people. He has spoken especially of the canvassing work as a means of presenting the Truth for this time. We read from the Spirit of Prophecy that, "the same ministry of angels attends the books that contain the truth as attends the work of the minister."

When this important branch of our work is presented, the excuse is so often made, "I can never make a living selling books." These persons seemingly question the justice of our great Paymaster, for his commission is, "Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you." When God calls us into his work and we begin to feel as though we wanted more money than would come from such service, we are virtually saying that we want more than is right for God has promised us that much. "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof." There is nothing we have but what comes from him; so if he is able to provide for our temporal wants when we are not in the place to which he has called us, he is certainly able to take care of us when we are actively engaged in his service.

We hope to see many books sold during the coming season, and there is no reason why this should not be the case; for conditions were never more favorable. God has said that if

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## MOUNT VERNON COLLEGE

### HEALTH REFORM.

IN our fourth year Bible class we have just completed the subject of Health Reform. I have found this an interesting as well as an important subject. God never does anything without a purpose, and his purpose in giving us the Health Reform is that we may be strong and thus have the advantage over Satan. In this age when truth and error are so combined, how necessary that we should be strong and have our minds clear, that we may be able to discern the truth!

Paul expresses this important wish: "Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth." It is necessary that we preserve the body in health that we may present it a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is our reasonable service. Paul says, "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him will God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are." Then if we are Christ's, we should care for our bodies as Christ's property. But if we eat and drink that which brings disease to our bodies and destroys their vigor, we no longer glorify God.

God's purpose in giving Health Reform to the Israelites was to make of them a holy, healthy, and happy people, prepared to enter the land of Canaan. It was his desire that they should be an example to other nations.

We find many examples in the Bible of those who found it necessary to follow out Health Reform. Paul found it necessary to guard himself, and from the life of Daniel we learn that those who will not eat and drink from principle will not be guarded by principle in other things. John the Baptist is another example of one who was in training for a great work; and with this great work before him, it was necessary for him to live an abstemious life.

The same conditions exist now that existed in John's time. To-day the world is watching us, and by observing our lives they form opinions of God; therefore how necessary that we should represent Christ aright! We to-day are to proclaim Christ's second advent, and the need of healthful habits is a part of the gospel which must be presented to the people.

A solemn and important work is before us, and therefore we should feel that great responsibility rests upon

us to preserve our bodies in the best condition of health, that our minds may be clear to comprehend heavenly things.

FRANCES FROST.

### PRINCIPLES OF TRUE EDUCATION.

*Extracts from the Writings of  
Mrs. E. G. White.*

IN the grand work of education, instruction in the sciences is not to be made of inferior character.

Prophecy and history should form a part of our school.

God would have us study the history of His dealing with men and nations in the past, that we may learn to respect and obey His message, that we may take heed to His warnings and counsels.

The proper training of the voice is an important feature in education, and should not be neglected.

Students should be taught how to breathe, how to read and speak so that the strain will not come on the throat and lungs, but on the abdominal muscles.

Music forms a part of God's worship in the courts above, and we should endeavor, in our songs of praise, to approach as nearly as possible to the harmony of the heavenly choirs.

By both precept and example, the youth shall be taught simplicity of dress and manners, industry, sobriety, and economy.

The common branches of education should be fully and thoroughly taught. Book-keeping should be looked upon as of equal importance with grammar.

The youth should be taught to look upon physiology as one of the essential studies. They should not be satisfied with a mere theory; they should obtain knowledge from books on this subject.

### COLLEGE NOTES.

TIME. How fleeting!

JANUARY 31, 1906, and the College year a little more than half in the past!

DAYS, weeks, and months of hard work, study, and some play—and it is possible some have played more than worked.

WE take some pride, however, in being able to send out this word to our friends and patrons, that the grades for the past term's work average better than the first term of last year.

PROGRESS in the right lines is always commendable in all people and

in all places, and while speaking of the students' progress in their studies we desire our friends to know how we appreciate their aid in building up our College Library. We are beginning to feel as if we could say in good faith, "We have a modest library."

IT has occurred to me that one of the important things those preparing to labor in giving the gospel message need, is a good general knowledge of the progress of events in our own and other lands. For a body of students to keep in touch with current events, requires papers and magazines of various kinds; such as, "World's Work," "Literary Digest," "The Search-light," "Review of Reviews," "The Scientific American," "World To-day," etc., etc. Also good daily papers, farm journals, journals of art, science, history, biography, and literature play an important part in the preparation of all-around workers.

WE are sure that many of the friends of the College would consider it a nice privilege to supply our students with a year's subscription to one or more of these helps. In placing your order, have the subscription address, Mount Vernon College Library, Mount Vernon, Ohio. This will insure proper delivery, and it will find its place where it will do the most good. This is just a suggestion, but knowing the interest the people of Ohio have in their school and their young people, we are sure the mere suggestion is all that will be required to bring many tokens of interest in our school work.

N. W. L.

MR. W. E. BARR was called home Thursday because of the death of his sister. Elder Kirkendall left Friday to conduct the funeral service on Sabbath, Jan. 27.

THE students gave a music entertainment last Saturday evening. The object of the entertainment was to give the history of sacred song. A few well known songs were chosen, and a short sketch of their authors, and the incidents that inspired the writing of the songs, were given. The songs thus spoken of were "Rock of Ages," "Nearer My God to Thee," "Abide with Me," "Jesus Lover of My Soul," "Green Land's Icy Mountains," "Ashamed of Jesus," and "Praise God." Each song was either sung or recited, either in solo, duet, or quartet.

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## State Directory.

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" 5 and 6, - - -	Eld. A. C. Shannon, Sidney.

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

BROTHER JAS. SHULTZ'S article on the Young People's Work reached us too late to appear this week. Look for it next week.

ALL church clerks, who have not sent in their quarterly report, please do so at once. We desire very much to have the names of the new officers.

A DISTRICT meeting will be held at the Camden church beginning Feb. 13. Elders Burkholder, Webster, and Brother Shultz will assist in making these meetings a blessing to all who shall attend. We hope that the brethren will plan to be present and lend their presence and aid in making these meetings a success.

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we do not do the work he has intrusted to us now, we will have to do it under circumstances far less favorable.

We hope to see a goodly number of our people who are planning on this branch of our work for the summer in attendance at the Institute March 1-14. The experience of those who have had experience in the field will be of great aid to those who are new in this work, so let all plan on attending whether you are now in the field, or expect to enter soon.

I will be glad to hear from those who plan on attending at an early date as possible so that arrangements may be made for your entertainment.  
CARL E. WEAKS, *Field Sec.*

Springfield.

DEAR VISITOR:—Here is the report of about one-third of the missionary work done by the Springfield church. The report seemed so good to us that we thought it might be a source of encouragement to the rest of the brethren throughout the State, so we send it.

## YEARLY REPORT.

Papers Distributed.....	1245
Papers Sold.....	6
Papers Loaned.....	9
Life Boats Sold.....	214
Life Boats Given Away.....	38
Good Healths Sold.....	29
Life and Health Sold.....	59
Life and Health Loaned.....	1
Life and Health Given Away.....	40
Reviews Given Away.....	334
Garments Given Away.....	2
Books Sold.....	15
Books Loaned.....	18
Books Given Away.....	2
Books Ordered.....	78
Books Delivered.....	16
Subscriptions To Books.....	15
Letters Written.....	23
Letters Received.....	11
Conversations Held.....	54
Visits Made.....	59
Signs Given Away.....	33
Signs Sold.....	37
Signs Loaned.....	4
Periodicals Given Away.....	18
Bible Training School Given Away.....	11
Tracts Sold.....	43
Tracts Given Away.....	366
Pages of Tracts Given Away.....	1514
Bible Readings Held.....	60
1 Whist Broom Sold.....	
Flowers Sold.....	\$21

The remainder of the report will not be published. Praying the Lord to especially bless the work each day, I am, Yours in the work,  
MARGARET W. PORTIES, *Miss. Sec.*

## MARRIED.

ON Jan. 2, at the beautiful home of William Johnson at Clyde, O., his son Will M. Johnson and Hilda Mc

Guffin—both nurses from the Battle Creek Sanitarium, were, by me, united in marriage. Brother Frank Shultz and wife, both graduate nurses of the same institution, were their best man and maid. About fifteen friends were in attendance. An excellent hygienic dinner was served by the parents, and hearty good wishes follow this newly married couple of our dear young people as they embark on the journey of life. PASTOR D. E. LINDSEY.

## CANVASSERS' REPORT.

(For week ending Jan. 12, 1906.)

C. R. Smith, Holmes Co.—Bible Readings: value of helps, \$7.

A. T. Halstead, E. Liverpool.—Bible Readings: value of orders, \$36.50; helps, \$4.50; total, \$41.

F. B. Numbers, Marion Co.—Bible Readings: 26 hours; value of orders, \$24; deliveries, \$5.

L. H. Waters, Stark Co.—Coming King: 25 hours; value of orders, \$14; helps, \$1; total, \$15; deliveries, \$2.

E. R. Numbers,\* Lancaster.—Coming King: value of orders, \$40.50; helps, \$.75; total, \$41.25.

F. E. Wagner, Tuscarawas Co.—Miscellaneous: cash sales, \$15.60.

\*Two weeks.

(For week ending Jan. 19, 1906.)

Irvine B. Fifield, Medina Co.—Bible Readings: 2 hours; value of orders, \$1.

C. R. Smith, Holmes Co.—Bible Readings: value of helps, \$7.25.

A. T. Halstead, E. Liverpool.—Bible Readings: value of orders, \$28; helps, \$1.25; total, \$29.25.

Fred B. Numbers, Marion Co.—Bible Readings: 27 hours; value of orders, \$44.50.

H. A. Weaver, Columbus.—Bible Readings and Practical Lessons; 31 hours; value of orders, \$29.75.

L. H. Walters, Stark Co.—Coming King: 24 hours; value of orders, \$13; deliveries, \$3.50.

E. R. Numbers, Lancaster.—Coming King: 20 hours; value of orders, \$21; helps, \$3; total, \$24.

## OBITUARY.

SEARLES.—Sister Ella Nora Searles, aged 22 years, died Jan. 3, at Cleveland, O., of consumption, that dread plague to the human race. Her last words were "I will meet you at the resurrection of the just." Sister Searles was young a member of the Baptist church. Her sickness covered a period of about six months. Many friends gathered at the church to express their sympathy for the bereaved ones. A father, mother, five brothers, and three sisters are left to mourn her death. How precious the promises of God under such trials.

PASTOR D. E. LINDSEY.