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## EDUCATIONAL.

### OUR HIDING-PLACE.

ISAIAH 32:2.

O Lord! thou art our hiding-place,  
Where life's rough winds are stilled.  
Our hearts, enfolded by thy grace  
As in a Father's strong embrace,  
With thine own peace are filled.

From tempests gathering dark above,  
Thou art our covert sure,  
With eager wings, as of a dove,  
We fly to thy protecting love,  
And there we rest secure.

As streams that bless the thirsty plain,  
From thee the waters burst  
That cleanse away our crimson stain,  
With cooling comfort soothe our pain,  
And quench our desert thirst.

When wearied with the burning sand  
Where luring visions mock,  
Then close to thy dear side we stand,  
And find thee, in a weary land,  
The shadow of a rock.

O Lord! our rock, our sure abode,  
We seek thy sheltering grace,  
For thou didst bear the scorching heat,  
And all the tempest's fury meet,  
To be our hiding-place.

—Selected.

### EDUCATIONAL REFORM.

Several years ago the statement was made by the servant of God that "there should be a general reform on educational lines." It was long argued that this could not be since the results would be disastrous to our work. Finally the task was undertaken, but as it was not considered to be along right lines by many, the whole movement was condemned. There is danger, at the present time, of our swinging backward into our old paths thus making the "word of God of none effect."

This effort in the direction of reform embraced all branches of our educational work from the primary up to the college grades. It was an effort to give the Bible its proper place in education, and to make the fundamental principles of the Message the basic principles of our educational system. The reason this effort has not met with better success is because men have vainly supposed that they were "the reformers;" but the folly of this idea is shown by reading from Lev. 26:23 these words, "And if ye will not be reformed by me."

It is becoming popular, at present, to be styled "a reformer." People were aroused to the importance of this title at seeing the name of Carrie Nation occupying such a conspicuous place in the editorial journals. But was she a true reformer? What happened to her work when she was restrained? The reason for her failure was that although she wrought havoc with saloon furniture, she had nothing good to offer in its stead. And here lies the reason why mortal men are not reformers. They may be able to break the most intricate plans, but of themselves they have nothing to offer in their stead. This brings us to the question as to what constitutes a reformer? Let us answer in the language of Webster,— "To change from worse to better; to restore to a former good state; to form again; to create or shape anew."

From these definitions we see first; there must be a change, and this change must be for the better. Second; to restore to a former good state means that all the virtues lost must be restored; the character of the work thus reformed will be identical with the original work before it needed reforming. Third; to create or shape anew. The work of a reformer is to create. To bring from chaos something that is admirable. To see in the task before you that which, when evolved and brought out will charm the eye, captivate the mind, and excite the wonder of the beholder.

But creative power belongs only to God; therefore it is he who inaugurates all true reform. God has men who will co-operate with him in his work of reform. There are others who will try to do a work in and of themselves. They delight to "smite with the fist of wickedness" all who work contrary to their wishes. Those co-operating with God in behalf of true reform will exalt their work. They will carefully water the seed sown, and note with delight the opening bud and delicate petal. Not so with the self-styled reformer. His ambition will be to cause his work to serve as a chariot on which he may ride to grace his triumph.

Tender plants of another's planting

are ruthlessly destroyed. Yet as soon as the "reformer" is gone the work of reformation, falsely so called, ceases, and of it we hear no more. It has been truthfully said by a modern politician, "that the reformer works one tenth of his time, then sleeps while the enemy uses the other nine tenths in sowing tares."

Such has been our experience in Educational Reform; and still the messages of God come telling us this work must be done. We are to shape anew, no new design, however, but simply bring in harmony with the original one. Our reform then, means an introduction of original principles, and these we find were in use in Eden. Educational Reform means an Eden education; and an Eden education is a knowledge of the Most High, and the relation we sustain to him and the things he has created. "If ye will not be reformed by me by these things, but will walk contrary unto me; then will I also walk contrary unto you, and I will punish you yet seven times for your sins." JAS. E. SHULTZ.

## REPORTS.

### Springfield.

THE series of district meetings which were held in Ohio, beginning January 1, was concluded at Springfield, March 16 to 18. These meetings were conducive of much good, and the churches where they were held are anxious to be remembered again next year.

Diverging from the customary plan of holding one meeting in each district, it was decided to hold several, thus enabling a larger number of our people to be present. It was thought by some, that this plan, if pursued, would tend to lessen the interest in the meetings, and that our ambition would not be realized; but I am assured that this was not the case. It was my privilege to be present at ten of these meetings, and I feel that the blessings enjoyed have compensated me for my labor. Many expressed a desire for a more thorough consecration to the cause of the Master, and greater activity in the work of proclaiming the

Third Angel's Message to the world.

Our meeting at Springfield was largely attended by the adjoining churches, representatives being present from Columbus, Piqua, Dayton, and Cincinnati. Elder W. D. Curtis, of the Lake Union Conference, arrived in time to speak on the timely theme of "Christian Education." His remarks made an impression for good, and sentiment seemed to be in favor of a church school for this church during the coming year. They have a large number of bright, promising children who take great delight in their Sabbath-school work, which bespeaks an interest in embryo in a Christian training which is offered in our church schools.

We were also pleased to listen to a very able discourse delivered by Elder J. G. Wood. Our aged brother is now past eighty-six years, but the Lord sustained him as he presented the Message in a clear, forcible manner, and all were edified.

Other workers assisting in the meetings were, Elders Burkholder, Kennedy, and Granger, C. A. Pedizord, Dr. H. M. Jump, Katherine E. Miller, and the writer. Elders Fairchild and Miller were with us during the meeting, but preferred to take no active part in the meeting.

I believe it is only fitting to drop a word of encouragement for those who are in charge of the Sabbath-school work. This is a school that is conducted on right principles, and the deportment of the children shows it. The program for the school is varied from week to week, thus avoiding the routine which is so irksome to the little folks. They are led to expect that some new feature will be introduced from week to week, and the look of expectancy upon each face bespeaks the interest they have in the announcements of the superintendent. This tends to draw the children to the school, and makes the lesson a delight.

Reviewing all the meetings held, we are led to believe that this was a fitting one with which to close, since it was fraught with so many blessings.

JAMES E. SHULTZ.

Dayton.

It affords me pleasure to say to my brethren and sisters throughout the state that the work in Dayton is onward. Up to the present time five have united with the church and others are interested. While this is a small proportion of the great population of 100,000 people, yet we feel like thanking God for a few drops of the pentecostal shower during the time of the latter rain. There is only one

Conference laborer at this place; but we need more.

We ought to have some good, soul-stirring, vivifying, and energizing articles in the Welcome Visitor, as at the present they are much needed. Our people must not sleep as do others; and we must bear in mind that all others are *not* sleeping. Some of us had the opportunity of listening for more than an hour to the champion advocate of Sunday laws. W. F. Crafts spoke in the Fourth Memorial Presbyterian Church of Dayton, April 6. He told us that ours is a "wheel-barrow government which only goes when pushed." We are pleased to note that usually the cause produces the effect; but Mr. Crafts reverses this method and has the effect in front of the cause when he runs the wheel-barrow. However this may be, the people are surely with Mr. Crafts, and petitions are already being signed to close the Centennial Anniversary at Jamestown in 1907 on Sunday. But all the combined intelligences of the enemy will never be able to thwart the plan and purposes of God. With these inevitable truths before us, should we not take fresh courage, go forward in a united action and beard the lion in his den? We want to be fearless and drop the method of waiting until we can get some fellow behind the house and whisper in his ear, "The seventh day is the Sabbath."

The Supper Call is the last call, and it is to be given in the highways and hedges, with a compelling power back of it. How different is this power from that behind the wheel-barrow as suggested by Mr. Crafts.

J. O. MILLER.

#### WELCOME VISITOR:—

It has been some time since my last report, but I have been very busy, and the Lord has blessed my labors.

Since the district meetings, I have visited the churches at Powell, Delaware, and Killbuck in my own district, and with the consent of Elder Shannon I spent about ten days in his district in the western part of the state. The newly organized churches at Cygnet, Six Points, and Dowling are all doing well, and the Lord is blessing them. Truly our Heavenly Father is watching over his people.

The church at Powell is getting along nicely, and God is blessing them. Brother Floyd Gibson is with this little company, and is busy getting the material ready to erect a church building this Spring. I spent two days at this place, and am glad to say the brethren are of good courage.

I spent two days at Delaware, and found the brethren at this place full of courage also. While at present they have no elder, they hold meetings, and the Lord is leading them. We pray that the Lord will keep the brethren faithful until the Saviour shall come to take his people to their eternal home.

The brethren at Killbuck are strong in the faith, and their courage is good. We conducted the quarterly meeting services while there, and the Lord came very near by his Spirit. We were glad to meet with this church, and make the acquaintance of the brethren.

Dr. Howard Jump was with me at most of these meetings, and gave very timely talks on healthful living. May the Lord bless the doctor as he goes from place to place, and may we hold up his hands and sustain him by our prayers as he tries to build up this important part of the Lord's work in the earth.

The last message is going to a dying world, and very soon every soul will hear the Message, the number be made up, and Jesus come to take his people home. My courage in the work is good. May we all press forward and urge our way toward the city not made with hands."

Your brother in Christ,

FRANCIS M. FAIRCHILD.

Hamlet.

Ever since the Missionary Convention held in October 1905, the missionary work in our church has been increasing, and the interest at present seems greater than at any previous time.

There were more individual missionary reports handed in at the close of the last quarter than ever before. For this I praise the Lord. While the report is fairly good it might have been better, had all the members reported. I hope that they will soon be as interested in reporting as they are in working for the Master. We hold our missionary meeting every fourth Sabbath.

On February 24, the day appointed for the Religious Liberty Convention, we took up that work using the program published in the *Review*. We had a very interesting and profitable meeting. Our collection amounted to \$3.00, and was donated to the Religious Liberty work. ELLEN FREDERICKS.

"But godliness with contentment is great gain; for we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out; and having food and raiment let us thenceforth be content."

## MOUNT VERNON COLLEGE

### TWO GOOD MEETINGS.

ELDER UNDERWOOD, President of the Northern Union Conference, was with us on Sabbath evening, and occupied the time usually allotted to the Friday evening prayer meeting, in talking to the young people. All were much interested in his words of counsel. He spoke of the rapid way in which science, falsely so called, is advancing, and of some of the erroneous conclusions reached in this study. He spoke of one, especially,—that of the many millions of years which it is now said were taken in the creation of this earth.

He illustrated the subject very nicely. Men, at the present time, instead of going to the Creator or to His word concerning this creation, reason from the thing created. They say that it would be an utter impossibility for God to create this earth in six literal days, thus flatly contradicting God's word which says, "In six days God created the heavens and the earth."

He gave us many useful lessons which we should treasure up. We should be careful in our study of science that we always keep in harmony with God's word, or in our study of those parts of the Bible which seem impossible with man we will be led into the wrong path.

Elder J. O. Miller spoke to the Young People's Societies on Sabbath afternoon. It was the day for a union meeting of the two Societies, and as we all enjoy hearing Elder Miller, and are all anxious to learn the lessons which will fit us the most speedily for the spreading of the message, we were glad to listen to him. He spoke on the subject of True Education. This subject fitted in very nicely with Elder Underwood's, as it showed us what true education means, and taught us that it is the only education which will bring us at last to dwell with Him who is the source of truth and knowledge.

He also showed us that love to God and man must be the actuating principle in our lives in order that our work for the salvation of souls may be a success. The quartet rendered a favorite piece of his at the close of the talk, entitled "The Breaking of the Day."

SAMUEL FROST.

### FROM FORMER STUDENTS.

[The following paragraphs are extracts from letters that have been received from former students of the College. They show the high esteem

in which the institution is held by its former patrons. Though the school is appreciated by its current students, yet it is true that the great value of the work it is doing is not fully comprehended till the student goes out to make his own way in the busy world.]

TENDER memories crowd in, and I cannot close my letter without asking the privilege of joining by letter in the Friday evening social meeting—a meeting where the Spirit of God has blessed me many times. I learned to love both students and teachers, and the old school is still the dearest spot on earth to me. I suppose that our class motto has been erased from the board, but those words, "This gospel of the kingdom to all the world in this generation," have been traced indelibly upon the tablets of my soul by the Spirit of God. Those words ring in my ears continually. I always carry with me the class badge of blue, and every fiber of my being thrills with the determination to be true. While the servants of God are called to sacrifice, toil, hardships, and persecution, I am resolved to share in it.

W. C. MOFFETT.

THE good reports of the school always give me pleasure and bring to my mind the happy days I spent there. I know much good is being done by the school and the workers it sends forth. I shall ever have a good word for the College at Mt. Vernon.

CLARA GATES.

WE both look back at the days spent there at the College as the brightest and happiest of our whole lives.

MR. and MRS. HOLDEN.

THE cheering reports from your school does my heart good; for I am especially interested in its advancement.

A STUDENT.

SPRING is now fully upon us, and I can imagine seeing the young people strolling about the College campus and up through the woods. I hope the closing days of school may be as good and even better than those already passed. I was sorry to leave, but thought it best under the circumstances. Let us be faithful in every duty, and stand firm for the right at all times—we will finally be among the overcomers.

FRED WEBSTER.

YOUR letter was a pleasant surprise to me, and it did me good to hear that the school year has been a good one. That school is one which is doing a great work. How I would like to be back there again. Study your Bible, for you will need all you can get when you enter into the work.

JAMES IRVING.

### REPORT OF MINISTERS' BAND.

OWING to the fact that the proclamation of the Third Angel's Message is the work before us, it may be well for the benefit of those interested to give an account of a recent effort made in that direction.

Five of the young men of Mt. Vernon College joined hearts to lead souls of the near-by country to Christ. Permission having been secured of the members of the board to hold meetings in a school-house, the work began.

Cautiously but steadily advancing along the lines of our faith, the work went on. Gradually but firmly the confidence of the honest listeners was won, and they seemed to accept the points of truth as fast as they were presented. Every night there were faces that seemed to brighten as the truths were given. And some came a distance of about three miles to listen.

But with all these blessings the enemy was not idle. The trips to the place of meetings were uncomfortable every time, and sometimes exceedingly so, owing to the weather. And finally the meetings were stopped through the persistent efforts of a member of the school board and the school teacher of that place.

Perhaps the best feature of the effort made is the fact that the hearts and minds of the little company of truth seekers were being won. They seemed to be filled with a feeling of regret mingled with surprise at the announcement that the meetings would continue no longer. Some even expressed the intention of conveying their complaint to the school board concerning the action it had taken.

As the interest was left good, it seems as if there is still a chance to win some honest souls in that district.

J. I. HUGHEY.

THE Library committee has recently purchased a set of Spofford's Library of Choice Literature, in ten large volumes. This is a valuable addition to the library.

PROFESSOR MILLER has presented to the library Parker and Haswell's work on zoology in two volumes, and the government report of fresh-water Phizopods.

THE College Board will be in session on Thursday of this week. We shall soon give a report of this, and recent meetings, in the VISITOR.

PROFESSOR CLYMER will represent the College at the coming Lake Union Conference meeting to be held at Berrien Springs.

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ELDERS Burkholder and Kennedy spent Sabbath April, 13, with the church at Laura. The ordinances of the Lord's house were celebrated, and a spiritual feast was enjoyed by all in attendance.

ELDER BURKHOLDER spent last Sabbath with the church at Waterford. The ordinances were celebrated and Brother Clyde Stokes was set apart by ordination to serve the church as local elder. Brother and sister Miles Acton were set apart in the same manner to serve the church as deacon and deaconess.

MARRIED.—At the home of the bride's parent's near La Grange, on Monday, April, 16, at 12 o'clock, noon, Mr. Frank E. Sauder, of Ravenna, and Miss Edith Iola Gott, by Eld. H. H. Burkholder, in the presence of about thirty invited guests. Many useful presents were presented the happy couple by their friends who were present, and others who were absent. They will reside at Ravenna, where Brother Sauder has a good position. The VISITOR joins in extending hearty congratulations.

## NOTICE.

It will be necessary for the delegates and all others who are planning on attendance at the Lake Union Conference to provide themselves with straw-ticks for beds, sheets, pillows and pillow cases, with blankets or comfortables for covering. Two persons may unite and arrange for one complete bed, and thus save carrying so much material.

Those holding Clergyman's certificates can purchase tickets at the old fare provided they purchase to some point outside of the state of Ohio.

An Interurban line has recently been built, and cars are now running from Niles, Michigan, to the college grounds where the Conference is to be

held. Hacks will also carry passengers from Berrien Center, to the grounds.

H. H. BURKHOLDER,

## Delegates to the Lake Union Conference.

The following persons have been elected as delegates to represent the third biennial session of the Lake Union Conference to be held at Berrien Springs May 8-18, 1906.

H. H. Burkholder.  
R. R. Kennedy.  
C. V. Hamer.  
Thomas Thornton.  
G. C. Quillin.  
K. R. Haughey.  
F. M. Fairchild.  
N. S. Miller.  
J. E. Shultz.  
C. E. Weeks.  
C. A. Pellicord.  
Howard M. Jump, M. D.  
C. C. Webster.  
A. C. Shannon.  
Prof. J. B. Clymer.

H. H. B.

## HOW TO GET GOOD TEACHERS.

AFTER years of careful observation, Horace Mann declared that the "school teachers of America were a disgrace to the nation." He was asked for a remedy, and replied, "Make good teachers; train them in normal schools," and immediately started one himself.

The result is universal recognition of the need of trained workers in the Sabbath-school. To meet the demand the editors of the *Sabbath-school Worker* have secured a carefully prepared series of "Normal Lessons for Sabbath-school Workers, which furnishes a most excellent outline for the study of right principles and methods in Sabbath-school work. This series will begin in the June number of the *Worker*. All schools that have not yet sent in an order for the journal should do so at once that they may have the benefit of the complete series. Single subscriptions 35 cents. In clubs of two or more copies to one address, 25 cents a year.

## THE NEW MAGAZINE.

HAVE you subscribed for *Liberty*, our new religious liberty magazine? If you have, and have read the first issue, you will no doubt recognize the importance of giving it your hearty support and doing all you can in extending its circulation. If you have not read a copy of the magazine, write the publishers, the Review and Herald Publishing Association, 222 N. Capitol St., Washington, D. C., for a sample copy, or order twenty-five

or more copies to use in missionary work. The rates are as follows: Annual subscription price, 25 cents; five or more copies per year to *different addresses*, one order, 15 cents per copy; ten or more copies per year to *one address*, one order, 15 cents per copy; twenty-five or more copies of any one issue, one order, to one address, 25 cents per copy.

## CANVASSERS' REPORTS.

(For week ending April 13, 1906.)

Fred B. Numbers, Portsmouth.—Great Controversy; value of orders, \$2.25; deliveries, \$14.50.

E. R. Numbers, Lancaster.—Great Controversy; 26 hours; value of orders, \$27.75; helps, \$1; total, \$28.75.

Fred C. Webster, Portsmouth.—Bible Readings; 32 hours; value of orders, \$27.50; helps \$6.75 total, \$34.25; deliveries, \$28.50.

Raleigh French, Mercer Co.—Bible Readings; 40 hours; value of orders, \$51.50; helps, \$1.75; total, \$53.25.

C. E. Leek, Springfield.—Heralds of the Morning; 20 hours; value of orders, \$31.50; helps, \$5.25; total, \$36.75.

Chas. H. Jackson, Springfield.—Coming King; 17 hours; value of orders, \$22.

F. O. Barrows, Delaware Co.—Coming King; 25 hours; value of orders, \$22.

B. F. Cook, Pickaway Co.—Coming King; 47 hours; value of orders, \$34.50; helps, \$5; total, \$39.50; deliveries, \$3.

Geo. L. Sterling, Delaware Co.—Coming King; 28½ hours; value of orders, \$17.50.

F. E. Wagner,\* Tuscarawas Co.—Miscellaneous; cash sales, \$17.44.

\*Two weeks ending April 6.

## OBITUARY.

MCCOARD.—Antoinette Allen McCoard, wife of Prof. G. W. McCoard of the Ohio State University, and daughter of Albert Allen, was born on her father's farm near Lexington Ky., March 7, 1851. She fell asleep in Jesus on Feb. 27, at Columbus, Ohio, after a year's illness contracted in Florida where she had spent the two preceding winters with her mother at De Lund. Besides her husband and mother, she leaves four brothers and two sisters to mourn their loss. Sister McCoard gave her heart to the Lord in her girlhood days, and united with the Disciple Church. She afterward became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church at Columbus, O., where she remained a faithful and beloved member until her death. The last few months of her life were fraught with much suffering, despite the untiring ministry of her devoted husband and attending friends. Her cheery disposition and ardent love for the Master will always be remembered by her large circle of friends. She was laid to rest beside her father in the beautiful cemetery at Lexington Ky., there to await the summons of the Life Giver when He comes to make up His jewels. The funeral services were conducted by Prof. Charles L. Loos, of Kentucky University, under whose ministry she was converted and baptized in early youth. Altho we miss her, yet we sorrow not as those who have no hope.

W. H. GRANGER.