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

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## MISCELLANEOUS.

### THE OTHER SIDE.

We go our ways in life too much alone;  
We hold ourselves too far from all our kind;  
Too often are we dead to sigh and moan;  
Too often to the weak and helpless blind;  
Too often where distress and want abide,  
We turn and pass by on the other side.

The other side is trodden smooth and worn  
By foot-steps passing idly all the day;  
Where lies the bruised ones that faint and  
mourn.

Is seldom more than an untrodden way.  
Our selfish hearts are for our feet the guide—  
They lead us by upon the other side.

It should be ours the oil and wine to pour  
Into the bleeding wounds of stricken ones;  
To take the smitten and the sick and sore,  
And bear them where a stream of blessing  
runs.

Instead, we look about—the way is wide,  
And we pass by upon the other side.

—Selected.

### PACIFIC PRESS OVERTURNED BY AN EARTHQUAKE.

#### Reorganization and Work.

ALL our people throughout the world have learned through the public press of the almost unparalleled disaster which has visited San Francisco and adjacent cities and towns within a radius of about 100 miles.

In this brief statement we will not attempt a repetition of facts concerning this awful calamity, but wish to place before you its effects upon our own work and our plans for the future.

When the Pacific Press moved from Oakland to Mountain View two years ago, it was the definite intention of the board to set aside commercial work and turn the facilities of the Press entirely upon the publication of the Third Angel's Message. But our denominational work has not increased as was hoped, and it seemed necessary to keep up the commercial work to some extent, and little by little it has been growing to occupy a strong position in the office. In a few seconds the great earthquake settled this question. Our customers are ruined. All our commercial jobs must stop where they are, and the work done is probably lost. Today there is no commercial San Francisco from which we can look for work. In its place we

stand in the shadow of a great calamity, the meaning of which we know; and this meaning must be told to the world. Therefore, we have decided:

1. To repair our shattered building with frame in place of brick, and make it safe for operations.

2. To close out commercial work, as far as possible.

3. To go to the world with this message, and throw all our energies and facilities into publishing the signs of these times.

4. To call upon our people everywhere to stand loyally by the Pacific Press and devote their energies to the circulation of our books, tracts, and papers; for we must depend upon our people to scatter the literature. And by doing it they will give the world the light, and will give to the Pacific Press work to save the office from further loss.

5. As the most urgent and important step, to issue immediately a special number of the *Signs of the Times*, which will be called the *Earthquake Special*.

We trust that in the light of this great warning to the world our people will be equal to the needs of the hour and give the paper the circulation which the issue demands.

The Pacific Press is readjusting all its working facilities for publishing these words of warning. The editors, with several photographers and other assistants, are in Oakland, San Francisco and San Jose gathering material for the paper. Offices have been opened in a private house for publishing the circulation.

We are fully confident that God will move upon his people to spring to the front and do valiant service in this glorious work. Cannot every Seventh-day Adventist in our ranks sell or give away from 100 to 1000 papers. Some in country places cannot take so many. Others will be so situated that they can circulate large numbers. Prices are as follows:

For quantities less than 1000 to one name and address, three cents each.

For more than 1000 to one name and address, two and one-half cents each. Send orders by letter, or wire direct to the Pacific Press, Mountain View, Cal.

These papers will be issued in about six days. There is no time to lose. Please decide to do great things, and do them at once.

C. H. JONES,  
E. R. PALMER,  
J. R. FERREN,  
*Special committee.*

### Another Protest to be made.

SENATE bill No. 2825 and H. R. bill 12610 have been introduced into Congress, providing financial aid, direct or indirect, amounting to more than \$2,000,000, besides an expenditure for a naval parade by the ships of many nations for the Jamestown (Virginia) Tricentenary Exposition for 1907.

Section 13 of this bill says:—

"That as a condition precedent to the payment of appropriations herein provided for, the Jamestown Exposition Company shall contract to close the exhibits and places of business to visitors on Sundays."

This section should be opposed by every lover of freedom.

There was a national appropriation for the St. Louis Fair, which was made contingent on a contract that the gates should be closed on Sunday, and on Sunday during the Exposition all entrances bore the significant sign, "Admission to the grounds on Sunday is prohibited by act of Congress."

All know that in making such a prohibition Congress is overstepping her sphere, and is in flagrant opposition to the first amendment to the Constitution, which says, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

The promoters of Sunday legislation are urging the passage of this bill with all their power by writing letters and sending telegrams to members of Congress.

I take this opportunity to urge upon our people the urgent necessity of writing letters also to the members of Congress, vigorously protesting against the passage of the measure while it contains the Sunday closing condition.

The following are names of Congress-

men who should be written to at Washington without delay, opposing this measure. The Chairman of the Committee of the House of Representatives on Industrial Arts and Expositions, the Hon. A. P. Gardner, of Mass.; the Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations, the Hon. James A. Fawcett, of Minnesota; and, in the Senate, the Hon. William B. Allison, of Iowa, Chairman of the Appropriations Committee.

You do not need to confine your letter to the Congressmen indicated above. Any others could be written to with profit.

K. C. RUSSELL.

### TWO VIEWS.

"I've only one life here to live," said a young man flippantly, "and I'm going to make the most of my time." He was first in every pleasure; he visited every country in search of new delights, and at the age of forty had burned the candle of his life at both ends and drifted out into eternity. Having lived for self, he had few mourners, and ere the grass was green above his last resting-place, he was forgotten.

"I've only one life to live here," said an earnest-faced young man, and his eyes looked out upon the world with all its needs, temptation, and suffering. "Only one life to live, so I must make the most of my time." Up and down the earth he traveled. The friendless found in him a friend, the sorrowing ones a comforter. The weak and hopeless ones were cheered, the tempted were strengthened, and the degraded lifted up and encouraged to better living.

After four score years of kindly, useful deeds, he, one day, with a smile, closed his eyes upon this world's scenes. His many friends came crowding round to take a last farewell. Through tearful eyes they looked, and saw God's peace upon the quiet face; the same gentle smile rested upon the lips, and the willing, helpful hands were clasped across the quiet breast. How many loving words those lips had spoken! How many blessed deeds those hands had done!

And now though many years have passed, his words and deeds are not forgotten, and over his grave fresh flowers bloom, planted by loving hands.

You and I have but one life to live here upon earth. What shall we make of it? The choice lies with us. Shall we live for self or for the Master?

—*Young People's Weekly.*

### MISSIONARY OPPORTUNITIES.

To those who love the truths which have made us a peculiar people nothing is dearer than the study and rehearsal of the evidences of our faith as found in God's Word, and as revealed in his dealings with this people during the last sixty or more years. There is a sweetness and joy in this that makes our eternal home seem very near and dear.

And to those who have not yet learned the joy of these things, but are led by others to an investigation of them, the story is one of interest and wonder. No effort we can put forth can be more blessed than this very work of interesting others, in present truth, and it is a work in which all may have a part.

Elder J. N. Loughborough is writing a series of articles, which are the fruit of his long experience in this cause; they breathe a spirit of deep refreshing reverence for God's Word, and in them the inspiration and hope of the Advent people appear in their truly magnificent setting—the fulfillment of prophecy and the sure promises of God. As these articles are read, the mind instinctively fills with the solemn beautiful meaning of the Advent message.

The articles on the Advent Movement will appear in *The Watchman*, beginning about the middle of May. The series is one which you, your friends, relatives, and neighbors should read. Much of the manuscript is already on hand and is certainly most excellent matter.

While this series is running the *Watchman's* regular contributors will write on some very choice subjects, and Elders Butler and Haskell will continue their powerful articles along the lines of old-time Adventist faith.

Subscribe at once, requesting your subscription to begin with the "Articles on the Advent Movement." Send the names of others who ought to have the paper. Terms: six months 50 cents; one year \$1.00.

Order through your tract society or address,

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION,  
Nashville, Tennessee.

### GOD'S WAY.

God's promises are ever on the ascending scale. One leads up to another fuller and more blessed than itself. In Mesopotamia God said: "I will show thee the land." In Canaan: "I will give thee all the land, and children innumerable as the grains of sand."

It is thus that God allures us to saintliness. Not giving us anything

till we have dared to act, that he may test us. He may overwhelm us, and always keeping in hand an infinite reserve of blessing. Oh, the unexplored reminders of God! Who ever saw his last star? —*Selected.*

## REPORTS.

Toledo.

DEAR WELCOME VISITOR: Taking a few lines from Toledo might be read with interest, I will give a brief report of the work in this city.

While many perplexing questions arise in carrying on the work in our cities, so that many times one scarcely knows what course to pursue, and the Lord has been blessing this work abundantly in this city.

There has been a marked improvement in our church during the past year, especially as touching harmony and spirituality; and as the plain testimonies of the spirit of the Lord are presented, we look for greater improvement.

During the latter part of February and March, much of my time was given to assisting Elder Shaanon in holding a series of meetings in Bowling Green.

The fourth Sabbath of each month the service is devoted to Home Missionary work, and the services are conducted by Sister Nicholas, our Librarian, while I visit either the church at Dowling or Six Points. These missionary meetings are well conducted, and evidently productive of much good.

On April 7, three persons followed their Lord's example in baptism and joined the church; and two weeks later another candidate presented herself for baptism. Others are seriously considering the thought of making a similar decision.

At no time since coming to this city have I seen as much evidence of the working of the Spirit of God as at present. Last Sunday evening I commenced a series of meetings in a hall in East Toledo, and if the interest appears to be encouraging we shall hold the meetings three nights each week.

The Lord is surely, with few exceptions, blessing our people with good health. In looking over my record recently, I noticed that out of the last eleven funerals I have conducted, that but one of the deaths was that of a member of our church.

Our Sabbath meetings are held from 9:30 to 12 o'clock in Meredith Hall, corner of Jefferson Ave., and Michigan St., where we would be pleased to meet any of the VISITOR readers when they are in the city over Sabbath. Yours in the Message,

R. G. PATTERSON.

## MOUNT VERNON COLLEGE

### REPORT OF THE LIFE BOAT BAND.

DEAR VISITOR READERS:—No doubt you will be interested in knowing the progress of the Life Boat Band which has been formed since holidays by a number of the students. At the beginning of our work the Secretary of our band wrote letters to the different prisons in Indiana for the purpose of securing the names of prisoners who would be interested in reading religious literature. We promptly received answers, and two letters especially were very favorable. They read as follows:—

Dear Madam: I appreciate your kind letter and the interest manifested in the unfortunate. The paper you mention, *The Life Boat*, is commendable, and has been subscribed for by a number of the men heretofore. Your desire to supply others is praiseworthy, and receiving a quantity I shall be pleased to distribute them. You will receive under separate cover the biennial report of this institution, which may be of interest to you.

James D. Reid,

Warden Michigan City Prison, Ind.

Dear Madam: I have your communication of March 16, in which you wish to send a paper called *The Life Boat* to some of the boys of this institution. You may address whatever you have to send to Rev. W. E. Edgin, chaplain of the institution, and he will no doubt see that they are distributed for you.

W. H. Whitaker, Ind. Reformatory.

A large number of the *Life Boats* have been sent to these places with a missionary letter with each number, and the following answers have been received:—

I beg to acknowledge receipt of copies of the *Life Boat*, and the same have been distributed among the prisoners. I thank you for your kindness and thoughtfulness.

James D. Reid.

Your letter at hand concerning *Life Boats*. I received quite a number of copies of the little paper, and I hereby thank you for them. I distributed them Sunday in my S. S. They are very much appreciated by our "boys." Only last night I was asked by one of the fellows if I had any more of them. Any nice papers are very much appreciated. Again I thank you for the favor and may God bless you in all similar attempts to do his will. Respectfully yours,

W. E. Edgin.

We may feel that we are doing but

very little when we give a small tract or paper away, but only eternity will tell how much good these papers have done. The harvest truly is great but the laborers are few. Pray for us that we may be able to help the many souls that are behind the prison walls who know not God.

GRACE CLINE.

### CO-OPERATIVE FUND.

We are glad to see that the friends of the College and of the young people are giving such an evidence of their interest in this part of God's work. I have often wished that the Lord would give me language that would reach the depths of every soul, and imprint there the importance of putting forth every effort to enliven our young people with new zeal and energy to do the Master's work, and give them a greater desire to fit themselves to perform that work properly.

Every donation which comes to this fund will assist in accomplishing this end, and we rejoice when we see the interest which is being manifested in this material way. Are there not others who can and are willing to make larger gifts to this good work? While many willing souls are responding with their smaller donations (and the Lord will bless them richly for it), I am confident that there are a good many who could give \$100 and more who could send \$50 and \$25, and still more who could hand in their \$10's and \$5's. Remember this fund will accomplish three things; viz., help the young people to an education, decrease the debt, and when \$1,664 has been received on it, the Christ Object Lessons question will have been disposed of, so far as the people are concerned.

So let the funds continue to come. Every cent of them will be applied as indicated. May we all decide to sing the jubilee song by the time the next school year closes. Send all funds to the Treasurer of Mt. Vernon College, Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

CHAS. E. WELCH.

### OUR EXAMPLE.

WHAT may our example be? One of the surest ways and most impressive means of exerting our influence on the side of right, is to center our minds and affections on the true Pattern. Then our daily deportment will speak louder than our words. Were our general manners and conduct without the sanctifying graces of the Spirit,—humility, sympathy, and true holiness,—all our occasional reform and improvements would sink into insignificance in the minds of our associates.

Christ, when on this earth, went about doing good. He relieved the sufferings of humanity. When he ascended to heaven, the disciples missed his presence; but they afterwards referred those to whom they preached to the perfect Example. He laid aside his robe and crown, and clothed himself in the garment of meekness. Christ tells us not to place too high an estimation upon earthly things. He bids us shine with a pure, clear light.

We are to be transformed; then we shall be able to set a better example. Jesus said, "Be ye transformed." Will he do the transforming unless we yield ourselves to his divine will?—No; we must be as clay in the hands of the potter. We will then be "fashioned like unto his own glorious body." Unless we do this we may be stumbling-blocks to many who are trying to live consistent Christian lives.

We must cherish in our heart the desire to follow our lowly Pattern, and urge others to follow; we must trust God's promises, and by faith in the One who is all powerful, we will be led safely all the way. Others will then follow the true Pattern, and by so doing God will be glorified.

FLOSSIE HALL.

### CO-OPERATIVE FUND.

Previously Reported.....	\$91.75
Ida C. Jaynes.....	2.00
Mrs. C. T. Russell.....	5.00
C. H. Woolgar.....	5.00
Cliff Kaser.....	2.00
A Friend.....	11.00
Total.....	116.75

The music class will render a recital in the College chapel on Sunday evening next.

Mr. B. L. JACOBS, who has been stenographer at the College, left here last Thursday to accept a similar position with the Northern Union Conference.

"Do not think that the Bible will become a tiresome book to the children. Under a wise instructor, the Word will become more and more desirable. It will be to them as the bread of life, and will never grow old. There is in it a freshness and beauty which attracts and charms the children and youth. It is like the sun shining upon the earth, giving light and warmth, yet never exhausted. By lessons from Bible history and doctrine, the children can learn that all other books are inferior to this. They can find here a fountain of mercy and love."

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BESSIE E. RUSSELL Editor.

Academia, Ohio.

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Sabbath begins May 4 at 6:58 P. M.

ELDER A. B. PLACE spent a few days with his father and sister in Academia. He occupied the pulpit last Sabbath, and gave a practical sermon on the helpfulness that should exist between brethren in the faith.

THE Walnut Hills Treatment Parlor, 1029 E. McMillan St. Cincinnati, Ohio, an institution owned by a company of members of the Cincinnati church, desires to correspond with a well recommended S. D. A. sister who wishes a treatment room education. Small wages will be paid from the beginning. Address as above.

WORD has just reached us of the death of Brother Burkie Boardman of appendicitis, at San Diego, Cal. On March 7, Brother Boardman went to Loma Linda, (Redlands) to act as physical director for the Sanitarium. He was taken sick while on his way to San Diego, to instruct a class for one week. We hope for more definite particulars soon.

WE regret that so few of the laborers have reported their experience in the field of late. We are sure that others are having good experiences, and these might prove beneficial to the readers of the VISITOR also, if published. There has been and still is, a call for these, that we might know what the Lord is accomplishing through his servants.

### STATE MEETING.

It has been decided to hold a meeting at Academia, May 25-28, especially for the benefit of the laborers of the Conference. The presence of every accredited laborer of the Conference is desired at this meeting. Plans for future work; a summer's campaign, and location of our next camp-meeting will be considered. Any one knowing of a good opening for a tent meeting should make the same known by writing at once to the undersigned, giving a description and points of general interest.

Good locations for camp-meeting

may be sent in also with whatever inducements or interesting features worthy of consideration. These meetings will be held in the College Chapel.

Board on the European plan, and a room for two with bed can be secured at the College. Room rent for the season \$1.00. These meetings are free for any of the brethren and sisters who desire to attend. These meetings will last but four days. Let all be there promptly. First service will be held on Friday evening, May 25, at 7:45.

H. H. BURKHOLDER.

### OUR GERMAN PAPERS.

ON the first of April, we changed our German missionary paper, the *Christlicher Hausfreund*, from a 16 page weekly at \$1.25 to a 20 page semi-monthly, including the cover, at \$1.00 per year. Our purpose will be to make it more salable, so that our workers in our large cities can sell.

We have also changed our German Church paper, *Deutscher Arbeiter* from a small eight-page monthly a 25 cents, to a larger eight-page semi-monthly at 50 cents per year. These two papers will be issued alternately.

The *Hausfreund* will contain the Senior Sabbath school lessons, as before, while the *Arbeiter* will contain the Intermediate lessons. Thus both papers will be a help to every family, and we believe our German brethren and workers will appreciate the change.

Order of your Tract Society, or of the International Publishing Association, College View, Neb.

### LIFE AND HEALTH.

THE May number of *Life and Health* has just come to our desk, bearing the cheering message of Isaiah 36:10, "They shall obtain joy and gladness and sorrow and sighing shall flee away."

With much other good matter, this number emphasizes the importance of *right thinking* and *right doing* in combatting disease and promoting health. The three general articles in this number are alone worth the price of the journal for one year. "Divine Healing," teaching conformity to the physical and moral laws in restoring and maintaining health and happiness; "Experience Not Always Reliable," illustrating, in story form, erroneous conceptions and practices of self-made invalids; "The Woes of the Sensitive," prescribing the remedy of applied common sense in the prevention and cure of all sensitiveness, and revealing the way for all sensitive persons

to have peace in the place of pangs and constant irritation.

We recommend *Life and Health* as a missionary periodical. All agents are having excellent success in selling it. The regular subscription price per year is fifty cents; twenty-five or more copies of any one issue, at one order, to one address; two and one-half cents per copy.

### CANVASSERS' REPORTS.

(For week ending April 20, 1906.)

Paul Stokes\*, Columbus.—Desire of Ages; value of orders, \$8.50.

Fred B. Numbers, Portsmouth.—Great Controversy; value of orders, \$13.50.

Fred C. Webster, Portsmouth.—Bible Readings; 35 hours; value of orders, \$43; helps \$3.50 total, \$46.50.

Raleigh French, Mercer Co.—Bible Readings; 33 hours; value of orders, \$28; helps, \$50; total, \$28.50.

L. H. Waters, Stark Co.—Coming King; value of deliveries, \$53.

Chas. H. Jackson, Springfield.—Coming King; 16 hours; value of orders, \$15; deliveries, \$10.

F. O. Barrows, Delaware Co.—Coming King; 28 hours; value of orders, \$17.

B. F. Cook, Pickaway Co.—Coming King; 33 hours; value of orders, \$18; helps \$3.50; total, \$21.50; deliveries, \$1.

Geo. L. Sterling, Delaware Co.—Coming King; 29 hours; value of orders, \$15.50.

\*Two weeks.

### OBITUARY.

BAKER.—Clarence F. Baker was born Sept. 23, 1884, on his father's farm near Findlay, O., and died of tuberculosis April 12, 1906, aged 20 years, 5 months, and 20 days. When at the age of thirteen his father departed this life, leaving this, his only, son the cares of family and farm. In early life he gave his heart to God, and, with his parents, united with the S. D. A. church. For a time he wavered in his Christian life, but thanks be unto God, several months before his death he renewed his covenant relations with his loving heavenly Father, and began earnestly to seek him who promised to save. During his sickness he talked to his sisters about his hope in Christ, and requested his mother's prayers. He seemed fully resigned to his lot, and his last words to his family were, "Oh, do meet me in the first resurrection." Surely this is a great comfort to his friends. He spent two years in New Mexico and Colorado in hopes of recovery; and was glad when once more he was back to the home of his childhood. A mother, two sisters, many relatives and friends mourn their loss. Now he sleeps waiting the call of the Life Giver. Words of comfort were spoken by Elder E. J. Van Horn from James 4:14.