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

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GENERAL ARTICLES

AS WHITE AS SNOW

As white as snow! O can it be
That those sweet words were meant for
me?

Ah, what a rapture 'tis to know
That I may be as white as snow.

Long time I wandered from my God,
In paths by none but sinners trod;
But Jesus sought me there, and O!
His robes were all as 'white as snow.

He called to me; in vain I sought
To turn from him in act or thought;
My soul was sick of sin and woe,
And longed to be as white as snow.

I followed him—he leads me on,
The pearly gates are almost won;
Afar the heavenly mansions glow,
Where I shall be as white as snow.

All ye whose erring feet have been
So low into the depths of sin,
That all your lives like crimson show,
Ye, too, may be as white as snow.

"As white as snow" was meant for
thee,

And all who will from sin be free;
The rich, the poor, the high, the low,
Through faith may be as white as snow.

—Henry A. Smith.

DO YOU EAT MEAT?

THIS is a live question just at present. The unsanitary conditions existing at the large packing houses, and the methods employed by them in preparing this article of food for the public is calling forth no little comment. Physicians, health officers, and editors of both secular and religious papers join in the discussion of this question. For one, I am glad to see this agitation, and as a result of it, I sincerely hope that many will be led to give up the use of this needless and dangerous article of food.

Believing that many of the VISITOR readers would enjoy some of the good things that are being

said, I herewith present an editorial which appeared in the *Cleveland Press* of June 2:—

THE MYSTERY OF MEAT

It is short sighted policy in the meat packers to try to prevent publication of the full report on packing house conditions.

Publication of the story in all its repulsiveness may be followed by a loss of trade to the packers; but let anyone whose mind is disturbed by that prospect try to picture the consequences of suppressing that report. The public must inevitably conclude that suppression of the truth could come only because in the judgment of the president it is too horrible to see the light.

Hardly any truth can be worse than suspicion and mystery.

Besides, the matter having become a public scandal and public business, the people are entitled to know all and will not be thwarted.

It is easy to raise constitutional objections to federal inspection of a manufactory's products. Manufacturing is not interstate commerce. Beef-killing and packing is private business.

But the selling of it is different. Federal authority may not be competent to restrain the packers from killing diseased cows and hogs, or from canning offensive slaughter house refuse under wholesome food labels, but federal authority can effectively prevent their sending over state lines or across the seas any product not bearing a federal inspector's stamp.

But the most important result of the disclosures is that they have caused millions of people to face the question whether they would not be better off without so much meat.

Many very careful scientists assert that man's taste for meats is a depraved one, and that its gratification is injurious.

Scientific men assure us that, at best, meat is only an accelerator of bodily processes, just as alcohol and other stimulants are, enabling us to live faster, but forcing us to quit sooner. It is notorious, they say, for causing sudden breakdowns in the human machinery.

Many serious ailments, notably rheumatism, indigestion, consumption and all fevers, are aggravated by meat. Whatever may be the disorder that comes upon one, the physician almost invariably orders abstinence from meat.

Chief Chemist Wiley, of the agriculture department, recognized as one of the highest authorities on dietetics in the world, advocates the substitution of other foods for meats purely as a health-improving measure.

"The meat-eating habit," he says, "is in no way essential to human life."

Japan whipped Russia on a diet of rice.

The athletes of old Greece in their most glorious days ate no meat, but only grains and fruits.

The big-boned, sturdy Scot is built of oatmeal porridge.

The railways and boulevards of this country are being built by muscles made of macaroni.

Practically all eminent authorities agree that so far as actual nourishment is concerned, the very best and cheapest foods are Indian corn, wheat, oats, rye, and rice.

If the meat disclosures set us seriously to thinking about these things just now when the heated season is coming on, they will be serving a good purpose.

TWO PRIZES FOR PRESS WOMEN READERS

Do you eat meat in your family?

If not, what do you eat?

The Press will give a prize of \$25 and a round trip ticket to any summer resort in Michigan to the woman reader who sends the best meatless dinner menu, mailed to The Meat Editor, *The Press*, before June 9.

The Press will also give \$25 and a round trip ticket to any Michigan summer resort for the best recipe for a substitute for any meat dish, mailed to The Meat Editor, *The Press*, during the same time, by any woman reader.

In concluding, permit me to ask, dear reader, where do you stand on this question?

H. H. BURKHOLDER.

A LETTER FROM BROTHER GIBSON

DEAR BRETHREN: We arrived safely on the evening of May 29, and are now laboring for the people here on the Island. Brother Hanna was very glad to see us.

We began our series of meetings Sunday evening, and quite a number of people were present. It was at this time I preached my first sermon here, and the Lord blessed greatly. . . .

The people seem quite friendly and sociable; and we are getting acquainted with a few. We are of good courage in the Lord, and are enjoying our work for him here very much, because we know that we are at the right place.

Remember us at the throne of grace, and we surely will do the same for the work in Ohio.

F. E. GIBSON.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., June 6.
Box 482.

MISSIONARY

THE MID-SUMMER OFFERING

THERE is sufficient reason for the mid-summer offering being a liberal one. The lack of means in the treasury may be assigned first, and all times, as a reason for liberal offerings; for, if the Foreign Mission Board were assured of abundant means, there would be little difficulty in finding men to fill the calls for help in other lands. As it is, our brethren who have gone to these lands find themselves in the midst of a vast heathen population, without means to provide suitable places for the people to attend worship, with no means to attract them from their own heathen temples; and perhaps it is necessary for the missionary to acquire a language, and very naturally they conceive the difficulties very great to be borne single handed.

If the work of warning is to be accomplished in this generation, it must become the business of

this people. This means that we whom God has blessed with the privilege of living where we are surrounded with plenty, will not permit one or two or a half dozen to struggle along in the midst of a population of three or four million, without power to reach them. But on the other hand, we will rise up in the might of our Heavenly Father, and provide the means for carrying the Message quickly to the lost world. This would constitute the best evidence in the world that we love the message of truth. Love for the Author of truth, love of the truth, and love for those to whom God sends the truth, but whom it has not yet reached, is manifest in the aid we render, and the interest we take in the cause of the truth in the earth.

The time for the offering is June 30, and there is none too much time to plan for it. Let parents plan for the children to earn something for a missionary offering, no matter if it is a small amount. The children will appreciate more fully an offering made from their own earnings. Let liberality characterize all our offerings.

ALLEN MOON.

GOOD NEWS

A BRIEF note has just come to hand from Brother H. H. Hall, manager of the Circulating Department of the Pacific Press, which reads as follows:—

"To-day, May 29, orders for the Earthquake Number of the *Signs of the Times* amount to nearly six hundred thousand copies. This is the greatest circulation ever given a single number of the *Signs of the Times*. More than thirty-five tons of paper have been used on this edition alone. Orders are still being received at the rate of about ten thousand a day."

This will be good news to our people who love to see the dear old Message go as never before. Somehow there is a ring of

strength and assurance in the statement, "Going as never before." Long before this paragraph is read by our people throughout the field the sale will have reached one or two hundred thousand more. What a blessed thing it is to see the record climbing so rapidly toward the one million copies.

Another car load of paper has just arrived, and orders have been given to the press room for another hundred thousand copies which will bring the total up to seven hundred thousand. Two more carloads of paper are on the way, and it seems evident that the Pacific Press will now be able to supply these specials as rapidly as they are needed.

Brother Hall has also reported to me that thousands of copies of the illustrated booklet are being ordered. The news stands are selling these booklets at the rate of fifty to one hundred copies a day. There never was such an opportunity before for all our people to sell the truth in popular form.

The tract which was promised will soon be ready.

The price of the booklet is 25 cents, with special price to agents. The price of the tract, "The Earthquake: Its Lessons," is one cent each, 80 cents per hundred, \$7.50 per thousand.

E. R. PALMER.

Sec. Gen. Conf. Pub. Dept.

SECOND EDITION OF THE "EARTHQUAKE SPECIAL"

With Fire Scene Supplement

A SECOND edition of the Special Earthquake number of the *Signs of the Times* has just been issued, accompanied by a beautiful supplement showing the great fire in San Francisco immediately following the earthquake. The photograph from which this engraving was made was taken on the morning of April 18, just six hours after the great shock. It is by far the finest view of the terrible calamity that we have

seen, and the engraving itself is well worth the price of the paper. It is printed on heavy coated book paper 9½ by 12 inches, suitable for framing.

This second edition contains many new and striking illustrations, as well as much new matter, thus bringing it right up to date.

The price including the supplement remains the same. In lots of less than one thousand, three cents a copy; one thousand or more, 2½ cents a copy.

We appeal to our people once more to take hold of this work and give this special edition of the *Earthquake Signs* a wide circulation. With the changes that have been made in the illustration and the addition of new reading matter, accompanied by this beautiful supplement, the territory can be re-canvassed and large numbers sold.

Order direct from the publishers, Mountain View, Cal.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

LINES OF AGGRESSIVE WORK

TO BEGIN and do real work is the solution to every hard proposition. Most of us are willing if the work is not too hard or humiliating. Some of us are anxious even if the work is hard, and a very few of us are willing to go through anything in order that the people may hear the truth.

The following are a few ways that may be put into operation to help our neighbors to see un-civil and unchristian ways that are being employed to make this a Christian nation:—

1. Furnish every family with the Religious Liberty leaflets now published, which are four in number; and as the new numbers come out, see that they are placed in every home. This will cost but little comparatively.

2. Let our church Religious Liberty Secretaries carefully prepare articles for the public press, or select suitable matter

from the leaflets, and offer them to the press for publication.

3. Attend meetings which will give you an opportunity of applying 1 Cor., 9:19-22, such as the W. C. T. U., Christian Endeavor Societies, and Epworth Leagues. A word of caution would hardly seem necessary, yet all will see the necessity of being "wise" and "harmless."

4. We have an opportunity in Ohio now that we ought to take advantage of (as the Sunday Observance crusade is on, and the "lid" is being applied all over the state with more or less misfit), in lecturing and giving Bible Readings along the lines of Christian liberty.

5. Visiting and corresponding with legislators, judges, mayors, attorneys, etc., enclosing one or more of the Religious Liberty leaflets for them to read.

6. If your church has not already done so, organize now for the work, by appointing for a Religious Liberty Secretary one who takes an interest along this line. As a church, make a study of the question to see what relation it holds to the Third Angel's Message, and then plan to warn your neighbors against the beast, his image, and his mark.

C. A. PEDICORD.

OUR WORK AND WORKERS

Columbus.

WE are pleased to report a month of progress in our work here. The interest is intensifying, and the battle is waxing hotter. The enemy has worked to hinder our effort in more ways than one, but thank God who always causeth us to triumph, we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.

Several new ones are keeping the Sabbath, and we are planning for baptism again on June 16.

The following is only a partial report of the work done during May:—

Bible readings given, 69; visits,

125; calls, 4,700; pages of literature distributed, 52,000. A number of books were also sold which will be reported later.

W. H. GRANGER.

Dayton.

WELCOME VISITOR: The State Meeting is over, and we have again returned to our field of labor with renewed courage and energy, fitting us for more vigorous work in giving the Message.

We are pleased to say to the readers of the VISITOR that the work in Dayton is onward. Sabbath, May 16, seven precious jewels for the Master were baptized in the river north of Dayton. About one hundred people were gathered on the bank to witness the scene. Others are much interested, and we believe will soon follow in baptism. Harmony prevails in the church, and we all enjoy our Sunday night meetings. Courage in the Lord is our watchword; work and wait is our song.

Please notice my address, as mail does not reach me unless addressed as below.

J. O. MILLER.

52 Burkhardt Ave. Dayton, O.

Greenville, S. C.

DEAR WELCOME VISITOR READERS: Thinking that you might like to read a report from this part of the Lord's vineyard, I address you at this time.

I came to this place January 5, and engaged in the canvassing work under C. F. Dart, the State Agent. I have been working alone until five weeks ago, when a native woman came to help me, and we think we will be able to go to another place by August. This is quite a large place, comparing in size to Mansfield, I should think. There are many mill towns (cotton) surrounding Greenville, and we are working these towns at present.

The country is beautiful, as we are near the mountains, and the water is fine. The people are

courteous, as a rule, but many orders are lost, about one half I suppose. Everybody seems to enjoy "Coming King," and thank me for bringing it to them. Some say they would not like to exchange back for their money, and some tell me they would not be without it for five dollars. I will have put out over two hundred by the time this letter reaches the office. I have also disposed of fifty "Best Stories," twenty-five "Gospel Primers," and six "Great Controversies." I have quite a few orders for the last named book, and I am going to give it more attention hereafter. I find that "Coming King" takes well among the working class, and is within their means.

I am glad to say that nearly all the colored people here can read, which makes it possible to give them the Message through the printed page. Both white and colored people are to be reached through the canvassing work. There is room for many more workers, and we hope some will feel called of God to come and help us. My work has been self-supporting so far, and I hear of even better success in other places. We need Bible workers, canvassers, and musical talent to help on the good work.

Pray for us and that the Lord will send forth laborers into his vineyard.

MRS. E. Y. SMITH.

321 Choice St.

BORN to Prof. and Mrs. N. W. Lawrence, June 14, twin boys.

SISTER MINNIE KUHN and family have moved from Lore City, O., to Ainos, W. Va.

MRS. J. B. CLYMER and children have returned home after a pleasant visit with relatives in Tennessee and Missouri.

ELDER A. E. PLACE, who was called from Colorado, where he had recently gone for his health, by the serious illness of his father, John Place, occupied the pulpit of the Mt. Vernon church the last two Sabbaths. His sermons were excellent and much appreciated.

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Sabbath begins June 19 at 7:33 P. M.

Camp meeting August 16 to 26.

ELDER GRANGER'S report was unavoidably delayed for a week.

MR. FRANK MOFFETT is visiting his mother and sisters at Academia.

MARRIED.—Alexander R. Little and Miss Flora A. Evans were married May 23, 1906, at Williamsport, Pa. They will be at home after July 1 at their home in Pleasant Hill, Dresden, O. The VISITOR extends congratulations.

BROTHER N. B. DONNELLY died June 11, after a long and painful illness. Although Brother Donnelly had lived in Academia only a little over a year, he had won the respect and confidence of the people, who deeply regret his death. He had known for quite a while that it was only a question of time until the final summons would come, and with patience he waited and longed for the end. To the sorrowing wife and children the VISITOR extends heartfelt sympathy.

THE many friends of Elder W. H. Wakeham and family read with deep regret the notice of Sister Wakeham's death in the *Review* of May 31. From a letter received from his daughter Lois, we learn that death was due to nervous prostration while en route to England, hoping that the change would be beneficial. They sorrow not as those without hope, believing that in the first resurrection, if faithful, they will meet their loved one.

"O, we see the gleam of the golden morning,
Piercing through this night of gloom;
O, we see the gleam of the golden morning
That will burst the tomb."

CANVASSERS' REPORT.

(For week ending June 8, 1906.)

E. R. Numbers, Lancaster.—Great Controversy: 19 hours; value of orders, \$31.50; helps, \$4.25; total, \$35.75; deliveries, \$33.25.

W. E. Barr, Clinton Co.—Great Controversy: 30½ hours; value of orders, \$9.

Ira J. Gault, Ashland Co.—Great Controversy: 17 hours; value of orders, \$14.75; helps, \$3.25; total, \$18.

A. T. Halstead, Belmont Co.—Bible Readings: value of orders, \$8.50; helps, \$2.75; total, \$11.25.

Guy G. Hastings, Mercer Co.—Bible Readings: 27 hours; value of orders, \$32.25; helps, \$4; total, \$36.25.

B. F. Cook, Pickaway Co.—Coming King: 32½ hours; value of orders, \$6.50; helps, \$.50; total, \$7; deliveries, \$1.50.

Enos M. Horst, Wayne Co.—Coming King: 1 hour; value of orders, \$1; deliveries, \$8.50.

Geo. L. Sterling, Delaware Co.—Coming King: 21½ hours; value of orders, \$16; helps, \$.40; total, \$16.40; deliveries, \$44.

Chr. F. Mahr, Cleveland.—Coming King: 25 hours; value of orders, \$28; deliveries, \$5.25.

George Perrine, Clinton Co.—Coming King: 27½ hours; value of orders, \$10; helps, \$3; total, \$13.

L. R. Williams, Miami Co.—Coming King: 29 hours; value of orders, \$32.50; helps, \$6.25; total, \$38.75.

Arthur Cooper, Hardin Co.—Coming King: value of orders, \$9.

D. C. Van Eman, Hardin Co.—Coming King: 19 hours; value of orders, \$10.