

# THE Welcome Visitor

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

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### GREETING TO THE PIONEERS

"But call to remembrance the former days,  
in which, after ye were illuminated, ye endured  
a great fight of afflictions; partly, whilst ye  
were made a gazing stock both by reproaches  
and afflictions; and partly whilst ye became  
companions of them that were so used."

TO-DAY we call back former days,  
For when the light had come.  
A great fight of afflictions came  
Upon our journey home.

What gazing stocks! Oh, what re-  
proach

Brought forth upon our little band!  
Alone we stood 'mong kindred dear—  
Alone in all the land.

But truth had sunk its arrow deep  
In loyal hearts and true:  
Since light illumed the narrow path,  
Could we the broad pursue?

How could we longer break his Law!  
How could we grieve our King!  
No, we would worship at his feet,  
And pray, and praise, and sing—

"Jesus, I my cross have taken,  
All to leave and follow thee,  
All things else I have forsaken,  
Thou from hence my all shalt be."

Yes, Jesus was our all just then,  
And has been all the way;  
And now we stand as Pioneers  
And count him All to-day.

How kindly he has led us on  
Through all the changing scenes;  
And as we backward gaze to-day,  
How wonderful it seems!

A light divine illumes the way,  
Prophetic, strong and clear;  
And while we work and watch and  
pray,  
No danger need we fear.

The gospel of the kingdom is  
To earth's great nations given,  
And people which to idols bowed,  
Now learn of Christ and heaven.

And Christ is watching every soul,  
Waiting in patient love,  
Till every fault is laid aside  
And we can dwell above.

There we shall dwell in robes of white,  
Made pure and clean below;  
Then we'll forget the weary past,  
And tears no more will flow.

Oh! Master, hasten thy return,  
Let courage fill each heart;  
We're nearing now the blissful shore  
Where thou our treasure are.

O blessed Christ! to dwell with thee  
And see thy loving face,  
Will make our home forever be  
A glorious dwelling place.

MRS. P. ALDERMAN.

### CAMP-MEETING KINDERGARTEN

WHILE the Lord was blessing  
the older folks at the camp-meet-  
ing this year, he did not forget  
his little ones. Our kindergar-  
ten consisted of an average of  
forty bright, active children from  
three to seven years of age, and  
eight teachers.

We formed our little benches  
in a circle for our morning meet-  
ing, and after we sang our little  
hymn all the little heads were  
bowed and altogether we—

"Thanked our Father for the night;  
And for the pleasant morning light;  
For rest and food and loving care,  
And all that makes the day so fair,"  
and we then asked him to—

"Help us to do the things we should,  
To be to others kind and good;  
In all we do, in all we say,  
To grow more loving every day."

After singing a song chosen by  
one of the children, we had our  
social talk when all the children  
in turn could tell what they were  
doing for Jesus. One of our les-  
sons was based on the text, "I  
am the vine, ye are the branches."  
After talking over the lesson, we  
found that Jesus is the vine and  
we are the branches, so we must  
bear the fruit for Jesus. After  
explaining the way in which we  
can bear fruit, the children were  
all eager and anxious to begin to  
bear good fruit for Jesus. It  
was not only interesting and

amusing to hear the little ones  
tell so earnestly of a "pail of  
water carried to help mamma,"  
or of how they had fed "a big,  
hungry, black doggie," or "had  
been good all day," but it also  
showed how gladly and how will-  
ingly the little ones were doing  
their part for their Master. May  
the Lord bless these branches  
and take their dear little hearts  
while they are pure that they  
may bear much fruit for him.

After our small collection was  
gathered, the lesson was taken  
up, bringing out all the particu-  
lar points and teaching the chil-  
dren a little memory text for the  
day. Another song was selected  
and we then dismissed for the  
morning.

In the afternoon, we formed  
the children in classes around the  
tables, dividing them according  
to age as far as possible. After  
opening with a song, we thanked  
our Father for keeping us safely  
and asked him to help us with  
our work for the afternoon. We  
sang another song and then took  
up our busy work in illustrating  
the morning lesson, for instance,  
one morning our lesson was on  
"The Good Shepherd," and we  
cut little sheep from cardboard  
and covered their back with cot-  
ton; another was "Daniel in the  
Lions' Den." We made a lion's  
den with soaked peas and splints.  
The last day our lesson was on  
"Creation," and each child was  
allowed to make anything in cre-  
ation from clay.

We stayed together an hour  
each afternoon and closed either  
by song or by repeating the  
Lord's prayer. The children  
worked in harmony with their  
teachers and the Lord blessed  
us all in our duties.

As the great oak was once in a tiny acorn, how little we can realize the great possibilities there may be wrapped in a little child, and if properly trained, what a power for good may grow from one of these little seeds. I am so glad that Jesus said, "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

DEBORA SECOR.

## OUR WORK AND WORKERS

### Paris, Ontario.

DEAR VISITOR: I arrived safe and well last night, to find Elder Burrill preaching to a crowded tent. I am rooming with Brother Kestlake. I have met Brother Noftsgger and wife, and Sister Sadie Baker. Our aged Brothers Sanborn and the father of Elder Burrill are also present.

The weather is fine, the meeting situated in the heart of the city, and the attendance and spiritual work good. Twenty-six tents are on the ground. A number have been baptised. The meeting will close on Sunday, September 2. The Canadian Union, the Ontario Conferences and the Ontario camp-meeting are in joint session.

It is probably more than a thousand miles to my next appointment at Ayer's Flat, Quebec. I will write from there.

Will the dear saints of Ohio bear me to a throne of grace for the favor of God in my work here?

D. E. LINDSEY.

Aug. 31, 1906.

### Trinway, Dresden, Zanesville.

TO THE VISITOR READERS: We are rejoicing in the Lord and wish to express our praise to the Lord for the rich blessing received at the camp-meeting. My own soul was watered and I feel like pressing onward, to be more faithful than ever before. It was my sad experience to lay my dear father away to his last resting place on August 25. He died of

pulmonary tuberculosis. Truly we are living in a bodily-sick and sin-sick world. But how thankful I am for the comfort and peace which I find in this glorious Message.

I have been at home a few days since camp-meeting and I am glad to find the believers in this vicinity still faithful and of good courage. We are laying plans to have a church school here this winter, with Miss Margaret Pieper as teacher.

The church here has many things to be thankful for, and now a foundation has been laid which if faithfully followed up will result in a good strong work at this place. The Lord wonderfully opened the way for us to get possession of a good church building last fall in Dresden. We secured it at a public auction for \$755. It is a good brick structure, 40x60 feet, with a good slate roof and all seated and furnished inside ready for holding meetings. It was formerly owned by the German Lutheran people. In addition to the building, the church is located on a lot 100x135 feet, and this is in the central portion of Dresden, a city of 3,000 inhabitants.

Inasmuch as the Trinway, Dresden and Pleasant Hill companies are so close together they can always meet for quarterly meeting together in the church.

We had to borrow the money to buy this church and only a small amount has been paid on the church, yet we are doing all we can to raise the money.

Our work is new in this part of the State and we believe God will be pleased for us to establish a memorial for his truth in this section.

We are going to continue the work in Zanesville this fall, and by the blessing of God we hope to be able to organize a church there in the near future. Already we have secured a beautiful location for our tent in one of the best residence districts of the city, and by the time you

read this we will be proclaiming the Message.

Yours for Christ,

B. L. HOUSE.

## A WORD FROM SOUTH CAROLINA

DEAR WELCOME VISITOR: I have missed your visits for three weeks, and as I am settled again, would like to have you visit me.

I closed up my work at Greenville, S. C., and left for the camp-meeting at Cowpens on August 6. We had a very good meeting and it was well attended by both our members and the town's people.

I was privileged to meet and become acquainted with the workers of this State for the first time, and although they are few in number, they are earnest and God fearing people, filled with the Message and a zeal to impart it to others.

I took a week's rest with our State Canvassing Agent's family, and then came to this field Wednesday, in company with Sister Wing to work this and other towns in this county. I was impressed while at camp with the amount of unworked territory in this State and so few to work it. Since the camp-meeting I have learned that a good brother from Norwalk, O., is coming to this State with his family to help us in the canvassing work. This is good, and for the encouragement of any others who may be of like mind, would say there is plenty of room. We want Bible teachers also to follow up interests.

I would say that I have been more than self-supporting since I came here. I do light house-keeping so am comfortable, and have my diet free from the objectionable things used in this climate. I have many and varied experiences, with enough of encouragements to make the work both enjoyable and attractive.

Pray for the success of our work at this place and for our consecration to it that the Lord's name may be glorified.

MRS. E. Y. SMITH.

## NOTICE TO CHURCH ELDERS

I WOULD like for each church elder in the State of Ohio to send me a list of those in his church whom he thinks would make good canvassing timber. The holiday season is now on, and we should have many new workers stepping in to fill up the ranks.

Now, brethren, do not pass this matter by lightly, but send in the list for which I have asked as soon as possible, so that we may correspond with these persons who might be induced to take up this needy branch of the Lord's work. Your brother in the Master's service,

CARL E. WEAKS.

*Mount Vernon, O.*

I WOULD be glad to correspond with some consecrated sister who would be willing to take up the canvassing work in the mining districts of Ohio this winter. One of our most experienced lady canvassers, who has had experience in the mining districts, would be glad to locate with such an one.

CARL E. WEAKS.

## A CHILD'S MOST VALUABLE LEGACY

A CHILD'S most valuable legacy, and the one which is due every child, is a knowledge of his Creator. To gain this knowledge he should have a sound body, and a sound mind. The weaker the body, the more danger of a weakened mind, and the more difficult it is to acquire a knowledge of God.

An education is not the learning of sciences; it is more than the preparation for the life that now is; it has to do with the whole period of existence possible to man; it not only prepares one for service in this world, but for a higher service in the world to come. "What shall it profit a man, if he gain the whole world,

and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" "This is a question that demands consideration by every parent, every teacher, every student,—young or old. No scheme of business or plan of life can be sound or complete that embraces only the brief years of this life, and makes no provision for the unending future." Christian education is the only means by which this legacy can be given.

When man was first created and placed in the Garden of Eden, he was perfect in every way, he was created in the image of God. His faculties were capable of being developed. It was God's plan that they should be. He intended that man should reflect more and more each day, the image and glory of his Maker.

The first school was instituted in the Garden of Eden, and it was the pattern intended for the whole human race. Our first parents were the students, the garden was the schoolroom, nature was the lesson book and God was the teacher. There were new lessons to be learned every day. All was in perfect harmony. But when man sinned, all this was lost. He became subject to death; and had not Christ, through infinite love and mercy instituted the plan of redemption, all this would have been lost forever.

Now the object of education is to bring man back to the perfection in which he was created. After man was driven from the Garden of Eden, God did not leave him to go on alone in sin, but still continued to be his instructor. And as the human family increased, he taught the children through the parents.

VADA WELCH.

(To be continued.)

"YOUR friends often know things about you that you yourself never suspected."

## COLLEGE NOTES

MOUNT VERNON COLLEGE began the new school year Wednesday, September 5. A good enrollment for the present term has been made. All are of good courage to make this the most successful year in the life of the school.

THURSDAY the program of recitations was arranged to eliminate conflicts, and the classes met for a few minutes to organize and have lessons assigned.

FRIDAY recitations began in earnest. We need every recitation period in the school year to cover the work planned in the courses, hence the haste in getting into routine order.

FRIDAY evening the first Sabbath service was held. As customary at the College, it was a social meeting. To hear the words of praise which these earnest young people spoke, gave courage to those who had attended the meeting. We wish that the parents could visit these meetings, and hear the testimonies. They would feel that the work and sacrifices necessary to have their children here were not unavailing.

OUR first service Sabbath morning was the Sabbath-school. Steps were taken to organize this part of our school work, and when another Sabbath comes this service will be thoroughly organized.

ELDER KIRKENDALL occupied the pulpit during the preaching service. He delivered one of his good, practical sermons. These Sabbath services are among the best features of College life here. There is always a good speaker of some note, locally or in the General Conference, to speak to the congregation on some subject of importance connected with the life of a Christian. In this way our students have a good opportunity to learn what the life of Christ's followers must be.

N. T. L.

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Sabbath begins Sept. 14 at 6:14 P. M.

ELDER W. E. BIDWELL baptized fifteen persons at Charloe the 4th instant.

BRETHREN BIDWELL and Shultz have pitched a tent at Continental.

MISSSES MARGARET and Almeda Haughey spent a few days last week with friends in Academia.

PROFITABLE meetings were held each day on the Troy camp-ground by the local church elders and leaders.

THE poem by Sister P. Alderman, which appears on the first page, was read at the camp-meeting on Pioneers' Day.

ELDER BURKHOLDER reports the organization of a church of twenty members at Charloe, Tuesday, September 4.

THE treatment of the large pavilion to a solution of paraphine and gasoline before erecting it at Troy, proved very satisfactory.

MR. CLEMEN HAMER, who has been spending a few weeks with his parents, returned last Monday to Berrien Springs, Mich., to resume his work in the College.

THERE was no VISITOR published during the camp-meeting. This has been the custom for years. But owing to the illness of the Editor after returning from Troy, and complications in the printing office, it was necessary to omit the one following the meeting also. However we hope to have the paper make its

weekly visits regularly, on time, and with a neat appearance in the future.

PROF. LAWRENCE and family reached their new home in North Dakota, August 1. Mrs. Lawrence writes, "We had a very pleasant trip. Got along finely with the babies. Berwin proved himself a fine traveler and was really sorry when we reached our destination. We were delayed one train, so reached here in the night causing us to have a midnight ride over the prairies of North Dakota. This is a beautiful country with moving grain in every direction as far as the eye can reach. We are all well and happy even though we haven't a house as yet."

### AN ORDINATION SERVICE.

AT the close of the forenoon service in the large pavilion on the Troy camp-ground, Sabbath, August 26, Brethren W. E. Bidwell, C. A. Pedicord, C. T. Redfield and J. E. Shultz were set apart by ordination to the sacred work of the gospel ministry. Elder I. H. Evans offered the prayer, and Elder R. A. Underwood delivered the charge. The service was both solemn and impressive. May these brethren be so completely hid in Christ that the fragrance of their lives, from henceforth, may reveal to all people wherever they go that their call to the ministry of the Word has been from above.

H. H. BURKHOLDER.

THE EDENIC DAY LINE; or How to Identify the Sabbath of Jehovah in all parts of Our Round and Revolving World. By Elder W. H. Littlejohn. The only view of the subject which can be harmonized with history, reason and the Word of God. Single copy, postpaid 10 cents, 5 copies, 35 cents. Large discounts to ministers and canvassers. Write for particulars. Address all communications to the author, directing to Battle Creek, Mich., R. R. 4.

### CANVASSERS' REPORTS

(For week ending Aug. 31, 1906.)

Ira J. Gault,\* Ashland Co.—Great Controversy: value of deliveries, \$56.05.

Fred B. Numbers,\* Clermont Co.—Bible Readings: 43 hours; value of orders, \$32; helps, \$7.50; total, \$39.50.

Miss Augusta Blosser,\* Cincinnati.—Bible Readings: 15 hours; value of orders, \$15; helps, \$5.50; total, \$20.50.

Miss Audrey Murphey,\* Cincinnati.—Heralds of the Morning: 19 hours value of orders, \$24; helps, \$8; total \$32; deliveries, \$4.50.

Isaac R. Harden, Darke Co.—Coming King: 93 hours; value of orders, \$45; deliveries, \$26.

Geo. L. Sterling,† Delaware Co.—Coming King: value of deliveries, \$53.

Elmer Sharp, Franklin Co.—Coming King: 104 hours; value of orders, \$146.50; helps, \$3.25; total, \$149.75; deliveries, \$46.50.

Goldie L. Baldwin, Huron Co.—Coming King: 644 hours; value of orders, \$26.50; helps, \$7; total, \$33.50; deliveries, \$6.50.

F. E. Wagner, Tuscarawas Co.—Miscellaneous: cash sales, \$26.80.

\*One week, ending August 10.

†One week, ending August 31.

### OBITUARY

PARROTT.—John A. Parrott, son of Jacob and Eliza Parrott, was born in Fayette County, Ohio, Oct. 25, 1851, and died at Washington C. H., July 20, 1906, aged 54 years, 8 months and 25 days. His mother died when he was about five years of age, but after his father's second marriage, he remained at home until manhood. He was married to Miss Malinda Hopkins, Sept. 12, 1885, and to this union was born one daughter, Mary M. Parrott. He leaves his wife, one daughter, one sister and one brother to mourn their loss. At the age of sixteen years he joined the M. P. Church under the labors of P. F. Johnston. He was a kind husband, an indulgent father, and a congenial neighbor, courteous to all whom he chanced to meet and ever ready to help in time of need. The writer was present on the funeral occasion and spoke to a large congregation of sympathizing friends and neighbors.

M. C. KIRKENDALL.