

THE Welcome Visitor

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

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY

BABY FACES

Two little faces at the window I've seen,
And the look on each face full of peace so serene

Made me think of the angels in heaven above,
Where there is no sorrow—nothing but love.

Would that all were as pure and as happy as they:

On this earth it would be more pleasant to stay.

But our Father in heaven has said that unless
We become as dear children we can't enter his rest.

So let us be happy like children each day,
And all of his precepts so gladly obey.
That at last when he comes to claim all the blessed

That we may be worthy of a home with the rest.

MRS. F. A. SHERIDAN.

SABBATH-SCHOOL AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONVENTION

THE General Conference has appointed a Sabbath-school and Young People's Convention to be held at Mount Vernon, O., July 10-21. This certainly will be a very important meeting, and we feel sure that it will be a great help in solving many of the perplexing problems which confront us in our young people's work.

An excellent program has been arranged covering the work for the entire time. About seventy-five persons have been arranged with to be present and assist in the work of the Convention. These are experienced Sabbath-school and Young People's workers from our various conferences and schools in the United States. Elders A. G. Daniells, W. A. Spicer, and other members of the General Conference Committee will be present and take part in the work of the Convention. The instruction which will be given during these ten days will be of great value, and we feel very anxious that as many attend this meeting as possible.

We would like to see a large attendance of our young people, especially those who are planning to soon enter the work. This should be so, especially from the adjacent conferences.

Cannot conference officers assist many of the youth in their conferences to attend? We hope also to meet many ministers and other conference laborers at this meeting, as well as church and Sabbath-school officers, that they may come in touch with the spirit of the meeting, and return to their homes and fields of labor to work for our young people with renewed interest. Plan to come, even at a sacrifice.

At the recent meeting of the General Conference Committee, held at Gland, Switzerland, a new department was organized, to be known as the "Young People's Department of the General Conference." This is a step which means much to our work. We have no doubt the Lord has led in this, and feel profoundly thankful that the work of our young people has grown until it can be organized into a separate department, with the necessary officers. At the Convention to be held at Mount Vernon, the plans of work for this department will be studied, and its future policy outlined. For this reason, we feel anxious that as many as possible attend the meeting.

The Ohio Conference will arrange to entertain all who attend, at as reasonable a figure as possible. Let those who are planning to be present at the Convention write to Elder J. E. Shultz, Box 187, Mount Vernon, O.

We earnestly ask all our people to pray for the success of this important meeting. G. B. THOMPSON,

Chairman Sabbath-school Dept.

Camp-meeting at Marion, Aug. 9-19

LOVE AND DUTY

LOVE has a twin sister, which is duty. Love and duty stand side by side. Love exercised while duty is neglected will make children headstrong, willful, perverse, selfish and disobedient. If stern duty is left to stand alone without love to soften and win, it will have a similar result. Duty and love must be blended in order that children may be properly disciplined.

- Selected.

A YOUNG PEOPLE'S NUMBER OF "LIBERTY"

THE next number of *Liberty* will be a Young People's number. It will be full of live, bright, fresh and interesting matter, especially adapted for our young people to read and circulate among their friends and other young people's societies.

This number will contain articles on The Flag, Christian Citizenship, Christian Endeavor, The Spirit of the Gospel, Walking as He Walked, Lessons from History, Religious Liberty through the Christian Era, The Struggle for Religious Liberty in Virginia, Patrick Henry's Great Speech before the Signing of the Declaration of Independence, A Thrilling Story, A History of Liberty Bell, Our Position, Why We Oppose Sunday Laws, The First Sunday Law—Civil or Divine, Sunday Enforcement Ruinous, Legislative Superstition, and on other subjects, by such well known writers as W. M. Healey, W. A. Spicer, G. B. Thompson, C. M. Snow, Allen Moon, S. B. Horton, F. M. Wilcox and others. It will also contain some excellent matter on Christian temperance and the importance of following our Guide Book, the Bible, and will be well illustrated.

We expect to publish a large edition of this number, and trust that it will be given a wide circulation, especially among the young people throughout the land. It will be good reading all, but especially interesting and instructive to the young. It will be issued about the first of July. We hope that our young people and our young people's societies everywhere will give this matter earnest consideration, and send in as large orders as they can for it. Now is a most excellent time to scatter reading matter of this kind.

Prices: Single copies, 5 cents; ten or more copies to one address, 3 cents a copy; twenty-five or more copies to one address, 2½ cents a copy. Order of Ohio Tract Society, Mount Vernon, O.

W. A. COLCORD,
Secretary Religious Liberty Bureau.

"LET the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord."

THE OHIO CONFERENCE

THE FOOT THAT GETS TIRED

THE potter stood at his daily work,
One patient foot on the ground;
The other, with never slackening speed,
Turning his swift wheel round.
Silent we stood beside him there,
Watching the restless knee,
Till my friend said low, in pitying tones,
"How tired his foot must be."

The potter never paused in his work,
Shaping the wondrous thing;
'Twas only a common flower pot,
But perfect in fashioning.
Then slowly raising his patient eyes,
With homely truth inspired,
"No, ma'am, it isn't the foot that works
But the one that stands gets tired."
—Selected.

WASHINGTON LETTER

Number III

DEAR VISITOR READERS: We are of good courage in the work here, and find many open doors for the truth. Since coming to Washington, we have been conducting a series of Sunday night services, with good attendance and increasing interest. We find quite a number who are in the valley of decision, and one after another, souls are stepping out from the darkness of error to walk in the light of present truth. Since coming here I have had the privilege of baptizing several dear souls and taking them into full fellowship with the remnant people.

The interested parties who were attending our Sunday night meetings are attending our gospel tent meetings. Our tent is located in the center of Washington proper, and in an excellent neighborhood. Our tent is forty by sixty feet in size and of the circular type with no fly, but it does not leak as it is comparatively new. Inasmuch as there is more rainfall here, and the summers hotter than in Ohio, the brethren claim that the tents decay sooner than they do farther north and away from the sea coast. We are glad to report a good interest in our tent work.

We have advertised our meetings in several ways. We have distributed and mailed postal cards which we had printed with our first weekly program on the front and a general announcement of the meetings on the back. Handbills were also circulated and we placed in the store windows large printed cards with bold announcement of our meetings. We are also using tracts and the *Family Bible Teacher* in doing personal work from house to house. With a large banner on the front of our tent, and by using the public press what we can, the people

are learning about our meetings. We see more than ever the need of the church of God awaking to the times in which we are living and using the summer time to spread the precious truth. When is Satan more busy than in the summer time attracting people to the follies of this world? Shall the church of Christ in the closing days of time be less diligent? Pray for us and the work at our nation's capital. Yours in the Message,

B. L. HOUSE.

1506 E St. N. E.

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PENTECOST

AFTER the day of Pentecost, there was abundant means in the Lord's treasury. The Holy Spirit brings the love of God into a man's soul. That love of God takes away the covetous disposition, and gives a generous, tender heart. Pentecost will be repeated. A flowing tide of means now held back will come into the treasury. However, the individual who receives the Spirit of God will manifest a willingness to place the means God has deposited with him back into the Lord's hands.

Read the following blessed, hopeful view sent to us by the Holy Spirit:—

"Recently, in visions of the night season, a representation passed before me. Among God's people there seemed to be a great reformatory movement. Many were praising God. The sick were healed, and other miracles were wrought. A spirit of intercession was seen, even as was manifested before the great day of Pentecost. Hundreds and thousands were seen visiting families, and opening before them the word of God. Hearts were convicted by the power of the Holy Spirit, and a spirit of genuine conversion was manifest. On every side doors were thrown open to the proclamation of the truth. The world seemed to be lightened with a heavenly influence. Great blessings were received by the true and humble people of God. I heard voices of thanksgiving and praise, and there seemed to be a reformation such as was witnessed in 1844. Yet some refused to be converted. They were not willing to walk in God's way. And when, in order that the work of God might be advanced, calls were made for liberal free-will offerings, some clung selfishly to their earthly possessions. These covetous ones became separated from the company of believers."

J. S. WASHBURN.

CAN OUR BOOKS BE SOLD TO CATHOLIC PEOPLE?

ONE very encouraging feature of the canvassing work to-day is the fact that Catholic people are purchasing and reading our books. As a rule these people are considered hard to reach, and the temptation often comes to pass by their homes; but in the past few weeks our canvassers have found that often they were as welcome in Catholic as Protestant homes. The people seemed to be eager to learn of God's word, and would listen attentively to all that was said, and purchase the books without any hesitation.

Amidst the multitude of deceptions and erroneous doctrines that are being taught to-day, people are bewildered and deceived. They are longing for some ray of light to guide them through the thick darkness that is coming on the earth. If there ever was a time when the world was ripe for the Third Angel's Message it is now. God has long been calling, and is calling to-day, for laborers, and is it not true, dear reader, that you have often heard that still, small voice saying, "Go work to-day in my vineyard"? Have you obeyed?

E. R. NUMBERS.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY WORK

THE legislatures of the States in the Lake Union have practically completed their work and it becomes advisable for us to lay plans in this time of quiet for the contests yet before us. When everything appears to be peaceful, we may know that there is a working to bring such religious legislation to pass that the people of God will be pointed out, his Message proclaimed, and the end hastened.

While we should not endeavor to fight religious movements which are joined to statecraft, we should certainly warn all so that they may intelligently take their position on the right side. If they fail to do this, the penalty rests upon them. The *National Tribune* has recently an article making some statements about a case being appealed from Washington to the United States Supreme Court. We will endeavor to have something more definite about this case next week.

We wish especially to ask that all of the different conference papers be prompt and faithful in notifying the Conference Religious Liberty Secretary of any move that in any wise points toward the fulfilment of the prophecy which we have believed in so long.

J. G. LAMSON, L. U. C. R. L. Sec.

MOUNT VERNON COLLEGE

THE POETRY OF THE BIBLE

THE effects occasioned by poetry are more easily defined than is poetry itself. Prof. G. H. Bell aptly says, "Poetry, like electricity, is well known by its influence, but it is hard to define." We all have been pleased and instructed by our poets; we all have felt their irresistible power and culturing influence; but concerning poetry itself,—just what it is that exerts the power, that cultures, that pleases and instructs,—there seems to be some difference of opinions. But we are safe in saying that in all poetry worthy the name there are two essentials,—esthetic thought, and uniformity, either in thought or mechanical construction. Good literature may be highly esthetic and imaginative, yet, though it would be poetic, we could not properly call it poetry if it be lacking in the essential quality—unity; and, on the other hand, we would be loath to allow a literary production to go under the high distinction of poetry if, though perfect in uniformity of thought or mechanical construction, it be lacking of poetic thought.

That certain portions of the Scriptures are rich in poetic thought, few have ever denied; but the rhythm—the uniformity which in Hebrew poetry we may designate "thought rhyme" has been, comparatively, but recently discovered. The discovery was made by Robert Lowth (1710–1787), an English bishop. His researches revealed that the poetry of the Hebrews consisted neither of rhyme nor of measured syllables, but of what has generally been called since his day *Parallelism*: that is, a "correspondence or relation which one line, or part of a verse, bears to another." This correspondence or relation most commonly obtains by a restatement of the thought, though in different words. Notice, for example, a beautiful stanza from the fourth of Proverbs:—

Enter not into the path of the wicked,
And walk not in the path of evil men.
Avoid it, pass not by it;
Turn from it, and pass on.
For they sleep not, except they have done mischief:
And their sleep is taken away unless they cause some to fall.
For they eat the bread of wickedness,
And drink the wine of violence.

In this stanza the parallelism is quite apparent, the second line of each couplet repeating almost the exact thought of the first. This we shall call, as did

Bishop Lowth, *Synonymous Parallelism*.

Synonymous parallelism is the most prevalent in the poetic books of the Bible, and is found in many different forms. The form most frequently occurring is the couplet. Take, for example, Prov. 2:1–5:—

My son, if thou wilt receive my words,
And lay up my commandment with thee;
So that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom,
And apply thine heart to understanding;
Yea, if thou cry after discernment,
And lift up thy voice for understanding;
If thou seek her as silver,
And search for her as for hid treasures:
Then shalt thou understand the fear of the Lord,
And find the knowledge of God.

Again, the lines may parallel in triplets:—

Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil:
That put darkness for light, and light for darkness:
That put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter.
Isa. 5: 20.
How long, ye simple ones, will ye love simplicity?
And scorners delight them in scorning?
And fools hate knowledge? Prov. 1: 22.

Sometimes the parallel lines alternate:—

He cutteth out channels among the rocks:
And his eyes seeth every precious thing.
He bindeth the streams that they trickie not:
And the thing that is hid bringeth he forth to light.
Job 28: 10, 11.

Still another very interesting form of synonymous parallelism is what is generally known as *Introversion*. "In this the stanzas are so constructed that whatever be the number of lines, the first line will be parallel with the last, the second with the penultimate, or last but one, and so on throughout, in an order that looks inward, or, to use a military phrase, from flank to center." Notice Psalms 1:3:—

And he shall be like a stream planted by the streams of water,
That bringeth forth its fruit in its season,
Whose leaf also doth not wither;
And whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

Dr. Kitto sights this interesting illustration:—

And I saw as the color of amber,
As the appearance of fire within it round about,
From the appearance of his loins and upward;
And from the appearance of his loins and downward
I saw it as it were the appearance of fire,
And there was brightness round about him.

Still other forms of synonymous parallelism could be pointed out, but enough have been noticed to aid the observing reader properly to arrange any other verses with which he may come in contact.

Another species of parallelism is what has been designated *Antithe-*

tic. This is just the opposite of synonymous parallelism. In this, two lines are parallel, but the second contrasts the thought of the first—expresses a reverse or opposite thought. This form prevails chiefly in the Proverbs, where "the antithetic parts of the verse set off the sentiment in more prominent and bold outlines, like the lights and shadows of a picture, and secure their greatest effect in brief, abrupt, pertinent sentences."

A false balance is an abomination to the Lord:
But a just weight is his delight.

When pride cometh, then cometh shame:
But with the lowly is wisdom.

The integrity of the upright shall guide them:
But the perverseness of the treacherous shall destroy them.

Riches profit not in the day of wrath:
But righteousness delivereth from death.

There is still another kind of parallelism which Bishop Lowth has called *Synthetic*. Here the parallelism is not so much a relation of thought as a correspondence in sentence structure. The second line is neither a synonym of the first, nor an antithesis, but continues, or expresses a new and additional thought in the same *mode* as was used for the first sentence. The two lines are similar in construction. Psalms 19: 7–9 nicely illustrates this:—

The law of the Lord is perfect, restoring the soul:

The testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple.

The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart:

The commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever:

The judgments of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.

D. D. REES.

(To be continued.)

COLLEGE NOTES

MR. ADDISON SAFFELL, who has now recovered from an attack of the measles, and who has been the first patient of the College Sanitarium in its new quarters, which are being pushed to completion, is about again and has a smile on his face about as broad as ever.

A LETTER from Christy J. Fritz, received last week at the College office, states that he is having good success in Columbiana in his canvassing work and expresses himself as being of good courage. Mr. Fritz has been in school for the past three years and expects to work for a scholarship for the coming year. He expects to make so much of a success in this line as to be able to be present at the beginning of school and has accordingly had a room reserved for him. We would be glad to hear from others also who are making an effort along this same line.

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Renew at once.

E. R. PALMER, secretary of the General Conference Department, has removed his headquarters to Takoma Park Station, Washington, D. C. Send all communications intended for him to the above address.

SISTER H. A. KELSEY, of Xenia, O., is greatly afflicted in the death of her husband, William H. Kelsey, who died May 26, 1907, of a complication of diseases, aged seventy-two years, eleven months, and twelve days. She is comforted, however, in knowing that sometime before his death her husband was converted. Sister Kelsey is an isolated Sabbath keeper, and is faithful in sending her tithes to the office and responds to nearly every call for means. We pray the Lord will comfort her in her affliction, and that the truth may continue to grow brighter and brighter unto the perfect day.

Camp-meeting at Marion, Aug. 9-19

THERE is no church organization at Ohio City, but the members of the little company that meets there all have their membership in the Elgin church and pay their tithe and offerings, and their donations to the \$150,000 Fund to the credit of that church. While the published reports of tithe and donations show no payments to the credit of the Ohio City company, yet the members of the Elgin church living at Ohio City are paying a faithful tithe, and their donations to the \$150,000 Fund are still coming in. The same can be said of the little company at Haskins, they holding their membership in the Bowling Green church.

"THE only hope for our people now is to take their stand on the true foundation. Higher and still higher they are to raise the banner of truth. Not for one moment are they to give place to the enemy."

BROTHER E. R. PALMER, secretary of the General Conference Publishing Department, in a recent communication writes as follows: "Every publishing house has now dropped commercial work, and contrary to the expectations of many, these houses are finding more denominational work than they can do. The increase of business in the field is so great that it is taxing our publishing houses to the utmost to turn out the books. At the present moment, the Pacific Press has orders in its bindery for 65,000 copies of our large books, and they have also orders placed with publishers outside for printing and binding 50,000 copies more. Less than one year ago they were devoting one half of their facilities to commercial printing for the world. Now the world must help publish the Message. And this is not because the facilities of the Pacific Press have been greatly cut down, for the new building has a working capacity quite as good as the old one, even though the building is not so large.

"From many countries outside of the United States the prospect is also good. We are greatly rejoiced and are of good courage."

THE CAMP-MEETINGS HELD IN OHIO

CLYDE, 1869: Clyde, 1870: Mansfield, 1871: Mansfield, 1872: Lexington, 1873: Bowling Green, 1874, 1875: Norwalk, 1876: Newark, 1877: Tiffin, 1878: Spring Mills, 1879: Clyde, 1880: Plymouth, 1881: Delaware, 1882: Galion, 1883: Columbus, 1884: Springfield, 1885: Mount Vernon, 1886: Cleveland, 1887: Columbus, 1888: Mount Vernon, 1889: Marion, 1890: Mount Vernon, 1891: Cleveland, 1892: Mount Vernon, 1893: Newark, 1894: Newark, 1895: Findlay, 1896: Springfield, 1897: Tiffin, 1898: Akron, 1899: Dayton, 1900: Canton, 1901: Coshocton, 1902: Mount Vernon, 1903: Marysville, 1904: Mansfield, 1905: Troy, 1906.

Cleveland

WELCOME VISITOR: You may say for the Cleveland church in your next issue that we will raise more than our quota of the \$150,000. Shall we not make a mighty effort all along the line?
R. G. PATTERSON.

MISS MAYBELLE KLOPFENSTEIN, of Bowling Green, is canvassing for "Christ's Object Lessons" in Cleveland.

CANVASSERS' REPORTS

(For week ending June 14, 1907.)

Ross Lindsay,* Mahoning Co.—Desire of Ages: 58 hours; value of orders, \$142.

Mary Hubbell, New Lexington.—Great Controversy: 15 hours; value of orders, \$15; helps, \$5; total, \$20; deliveries, \$12.50.

Enos M. Horst,* Wooster.—Great Controversy: 49 hours; value of orders, \$32.50; helps, \$1; total, \$33.50.

Ira J. Gault, Ashland Co.—Great Controversy: 43 hours; value of orders, \$48.50; helps, \$11.50; total, \$60.

C. F. Glasscock, Highland Co.—Great Controversy: 36 hours; value of orders, \$22.50; helps, \$3.90; total, \$26.40.

F. E. Wagner, Trumbull Co.—Great Controversy and Coming King: 37 hours; value of orders, \$23.50; helps, \$7.50; total, \$31; deliveries, \$11.75.

Christy J. Fritz, Mahoning Co.—Daniel and Revelation: value of orders, \$49.50; helps, \$16; total, \$65.50.

Mamie Telschow, Defiance Co.—Heralds of the Morning, 16 hours; value of orders, \$1.75; helps, \$4.50; total, \$6.25.

Mabel A. Rayle, Leipsic.—Heralds of the Morning: 16 hours; value of orders, \$1.75; helps, \$3.25; total, \$5.

E. J. C. Sharp, Pike Co.—Bible Footlights: 47 hours; value of orders, \$66.50; helps, \$1; total, \$67.50.

Mary Kuhn, Cleveland.—Coming King: 14 hours; value of orders, \$14; helps, \$.75; total, \$14.75; deliveries, \$3.

N. O. Coffman, Lima.—Coming King: 14 hours; value of orders, \$4; helps, \$3.50; total, \$7.50.

Mrs. S. E. Reagon, Cleveland.—Coming King: 13 hours; value of orders, \$5.50; helps, \$4.45; total, \$9.95.

L. H. Waters, Wayne Co.—Coming King: 33 hours; value of orders, \$30.50; helps, \$.25; total, \$30.75.

Maybelle Klopfenstein, Cleveland.—Christ's Object Lessons: 20 hours; value of orders, \$10; helps, \$.75; total, \$10.75.

Total value of orders.....\$467.50
Total value of helps 63.35

Grand total.....\$530.85
Total deliveries.....\$ 27.25

*Two weeks.