

THE Welcome Visitor

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

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WHEN YEARS STAND FOR AGES

LET good seed be sown in the heart of a child,
When the soil is all fertile, by sin undefiled—
O then let the good seed be sown ere the tares
Are planted. The enemy comes unawares.

Ah, mothers! the greatest work under the sun
Is given to your hands—how shall it be done?
'Tis yours to build character—architect grand:
No other like your work forever can stand.

When years stand for ages, and moments for
years—

Though your labors be checkered with hope
and with fears—

O work, for a soul in the balance doth wait,
And look to your guiding, both early and late.

Dear parents, the moments are golden to
teach.

Ere Satan's devices your darlings can reach.
By all the great future—build stars that will
shine.

Build now, in the fugitive moments of time.

MRS. P. ALDERMAN.

Academia, O.

CAMP-MEETING

ANOTHER camp-meeting season is upon us, and none of our people can afford to let this opportunity pass unimproved. The time and means spent in attendance at these annual gatherings could be invested in no more profitable way. We might gain a little more of this world's goods by depriving ourselves of these spiritual feasts; but the question once put to his disciples by the Saviour should be carefully weighed by every one of us when settling questions of so much importance. He said, "What shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" Dear reader, pause a moment, ask yourself the question, "Can I afford to absent myself from the coming camp-meeting? Can I afford to miss this opportunity of gaining spiritual strength for the future conflict with the powers of darkness?"

Never since the world began did God's people need the benefits of such gatherings more than now. The perils of the last days are thickening around us. The enemy of all righteousness is working in every way to deceive, if possible, the very elect. He is organizing his forces for the

final conflict. There will be apostasies from our ranks; men who were once in the light will lose their way and fall out and turn to be the most bitter opposers. We need to be on the lookout, and above all things clothed from head to foot with the armor of righteousness that we may successfully resist every attack and in the end win the prize—eternal life and home in the kingdom of God.

H. H. BURKHOLDER.

TITHE FOR THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 1907

WITH the close of the month of June the first six months of the Conference year closed, and we herewith submit a statement showing, by churches, the amount of the tithe collections for the first six months of the year, 1907. It is hoped the members of the churches named will give this statement careful study, and if there be any person who, by reason of his having withheld his tithe, has caused the amount credited to the church to which he belongs to be less by reason of such withholding, let him forward without delay to the treasurer of his church the amount he has withheld.

The number of workers we are now supporting, both in the home and in the foreign fields, makes it necessary that all the Lord's money be sent to his storehouse.

Akron.....	\$339.63
Alliance.....	68.58
Ashland.....	6.12
Barnesville.....	13.60
Beaver.....	33.91
Bellefontaine.....	130.95
Bellville.....	52.77
Bowling Green.....	186.05
Brokaw.....	22.22
Broughton.....	7.00
Camden.....	135.49
Canton.....	79.43
Chagrin Falls.....	29.36
Charloe.....	12.24
Chillicothe.....	33.75
Cincinnati.....	504.79
Cleveland.....	1729.27
Clyde.....	302.54
Columbiana.....	29.62
Columbus.....	719.03
Conneaut.....	40.60
Corsica.....	75.70
Coshocton.....	97.91
Cygnut.....	115.41
Dayton.....	776.81
Defiance.....	92.30

Delaware.....	50.13
Delta.....	25.05
Dowling.....	21.50
Dresden-Trinway.....	87.17
Dunkirk.....	23.11
East Liverpool.....	118.38
Elgin.....	186.05
Fairfield.....	2.50
Farmer.....	13.60
Findlay.....	240.18
Fostoria.....	3.84
Green Spring.....	59.46
Hamilton.....	180.91
Hamler.....	274.60
Hicksville.....	90.60
Home Dept.....	.35
Jackson.....	1.75
Jefferson.....	71.51
Killbuck.....	207.42
La Grange.....	303.49
Lake View.....	17.70
Laura.....	85.60
Leesburg.....	40.35
Lewistown.....	14.74
Liberty Center.....	94.70
Lima.....	146.43
Locust Point.....	8.80
Mansfield.....	256.86
Marion.....	175.10
Marshfield.....	93.47
Marysville.....	1.50
Massillon.....	71.30
Medina.....	11.00
Meigs.....	57.74
Mendon.....	39.69
Middlefield.....	51.52
Mount Vernon.....	842.11
Nashville.....	37.20
Newark.....	306.04
Norwalk.....	104.23
Olivett.....	6.80
Pemberville.....	79.10
Piqua.....	2.53
Pleasant Hill.....	100.95
Plimpton.....	15.55
Powell.....	54.50
Reedsville.....	8.67
Rio Grand.....	5.00
Rows.....	19.20
Shelby.....	3.00
Sherwood.....	107.70
Shreve.....	11.99
Sidney.....	3.60
Six Points.....	14.00
Spencer.....	47.10
Springfield.....	541.18
Toledo.....	498.19
Van Wert.....	48.62
Wadsworth.....	88.50
Walnut Grove.....	122.63
Washington C. H.....	149.43
Waterford.....	86.35
West Mansfield.....	10.00
Wheelersburg.....	233.15
Wilmington.....	205.37
Youngstown.....	71.44
Zanesville.....	89.58
Isolated Sabbath Keepers.....	642.53

Total.....\$13,414.36

C. V. HAMER, Treas.

WATCH the progress of our work.

ISN'T IT WONDERFUL?

Isn't it wonderful when you think
How the creeping grasses grow,
High on the mountain's rocky brink,
In the valley down below?
A common thing is a grass blade small,
Crushed by the feet that pass—
But all the dwarfs and giants tall,
Working till doomsday shadows fall,
Can't make a blade of grass.

Isn't it wonderful when you think
How a little seed asleep,
Out of the earth new life will drink,
And cheerfully upward will creep?
A seed, we say, is a simple thing,
The germ of a flower or weed—
But all the earth's workmen laboring,
With all the help that wealth can bring,
Never can make a seed.

JULIAN CUTLER.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

WELCOME VISITOR: It has been some time since I have reported through your columns, but while I have been too busy to report, I have not been too busy to read the reports of my brethren and former co-workers. The work is onward here in Birmingham. Our church has long since made up and sent in the amount assigned them on the \$150,000 Fund, and last Sabbath at our Mid-Summer Offering meeting we made up \$108 more to go to that Fund. We are not through yet if more is needed. Our church is small, but I am glad to say that all are wideawake and in earnest, and all are in harmony and unity.

I enjoy my work here very much indeed. The climate agrees with me, but the hot weather does not agree with Mrs. Webster so well. We would request the dear brethren in Ohio to not only remember us, but also this needy field at the throne of grace.

C. C. WEBSTER.

Zanesville

WELCOME VISITOR: We have a most excellent interest, and many new homes have been opened for Bible readings. A growing attendance in our Sabbath-school is noticeable. We expect that several persons will be baptized before this report appears in the VISITOR. A Frenchman, who is proprietor of a sanatorium, told me yesterday that he must obey the truth.

Brother Fred Fairchild and myself are now seeing the good results of our last winter's work here, and we are encouraged to press on in the work. Last Sunday night I held my first meeting in the city. There was a fair attendance.

We desire the prayers of all our brethren for the work in Zanesville.

F. H. HENDERSON.

MISSIONARY

CHINA

A Day at the Chang Sha Mission Station

IN the majority of cases the idea one gets from reading an article written from one of the foreign fields is far from correct. It is hard to put on paper what one hears and sees in a place like this. On coming to such a place, one is not able to realize the situation the first time he looks things over. Everything is so strange to the visitor. But after living with such environments for some time, the strangeness seems to wear away, and one can better see things as they really are. I will endeavor to tell you what you might see if you were to spend a day at the mission station here.

On awakening in the morning, the first note that strikes one's ear is a thud from the rice mill across the street where rice is gotten ready for the market. After the rice has been threshed, the hull has to be removed from the kernel; that this may be done, the rice is placed in a large stone, bowl-shaped receptacle, and the continual pounding by a large hammer tears the hull from the grain. This hammer consists of a large stone head which is fitted with a large wooden handle about five feet long, and it is worked on the principle of the lever; a man steps on the end of the handle, thus raising the hammer into the air, then removes his weight for an instant when the hammer drops into the grain, only to be raised and dropped again. This is kept up for hours at a time, but every little helps. Next, one probably hears the twitter of a bird from the housetop or some nearby tree, or the crowing of the rooster, and, of course, the squeaking of the wheelbarrow can be heard at most any hour of the day. By the time we are up and dressed, the cook is supposed to have breakfast ready; but as he is well along in years, he sometimes needs a little assistance, for as yet he is not very well acquainted with our foreign methods. Breakfast generally means good old rice and lots of it, perhaps another porridge, poached or scrambled eggs along with a few potatoes, white walnuts, bread and fruit of some kind.

After breakfast morning worship is conducted, and immediately following this Mr. Laird holds a short service with the Chinese helpers. To-day happens to be dispensary day, so doctor dons her surgical gown and retires to the consulting room. All the way from three to a dozen patients call

for treatment,—sore eyes, colds, stomach trouble and rheumatism being the most common ailments. A charge of ten cents is made for the simple remedies which are prescribed. Mrs. Laird has a young Chinese lady who assists her. If people choose to come on other than regular dispensary days, a charge of one dollar is made; and when the doctor is called to the bedside, the regular charge is placed at three dollars.

A couple of men have come to hear a little doctrine, and, as Mr. Laird has a good command of the language, this lot falls to him. Step to the front door and there you may see a bridal procession, and, by the way, these parades, as we would call them, are no mean affairs; there are a great many lads in one of these processions carrying banners, gongs, and drums, and they are supposed to make plenty of noise. Also you will notice some of the lads carrying a large white goose in a basket, as this is one of the essentials. These boys are dressed in gaudy garments made for such occasions. The procession precedes the bridal chair, which must be seen to be understood. The bride rides in a large chair heavily draped with red embroidered silk, and it is carried by four men.

Soon it will be dinner time, so we must see what the cook is doing. As this is the first time he had seen potatoes, he supposed they were to be treated the same as walnuts. He got a hammer and proceeded to crack the potato. This is what our cook did. Other acts which seem just as queer to us are of common occurrence. After dinner Mr. Laird has an English class for a couple of hours. While this is in progress, Mrs. Laird has a company of ladies call on her. They are not so reserved as the ordinary American, but feel at liberty to examine the house from one end to the other, so our rooms here are inspected quite often. The girl who assists in the dispensary generally shows the visitors around, so they are not entirely alone in their rambles.

At about five or half past, perhaps, we go for a walk, generally up on the city wall. This wall is between twenty-five and thirty feet in height. The outside is made of stone and brick which are laid in mortar; the inside is a massive bank of earth. About every twenty rods an old iron cannon is mounted—I suppose as a means of defense, but it appeals to me as practically useless—and about every thirty feet between these large guns, a small opening is left in the wall, no doubt for smaller cannon, and between each of these smaller gaps there are a cou-

ple of holes which are probably intended to admit the smaller fire arms. The wall is built for defense and protection, and would accommodate a good sized army when one considers the fact that the wall is nine or ten miles in length. From the wall one gets a good view of the country beyond, and of the city which it surrounds.

After a light lunch, evening worship is held. From seven to nine another English class is conducted. This is the advanced class, and Mrs. Laird has charge of it. While this is in progress, Mr. Laird holds a meeting for the helpers here and for others who may come in. You could not visit the place here without learning that the dog is a prominent member of the concern. In a place like this, one perhaps appreciates, more than he might otherwise be able to do, the company of a few members of the brute creation. I am supposed to study in the forenoon and Mrs. Laird in the afternoon, but there are many interruptions.

In the summer time in this country, before getting into bed, one adjusts the netting which is to surround him so as to keep off the mosquitoes. This is suspended from the high bed posts and reaches nearly to the floor. We sleep on Chinese reed mats instead of the ordinary bedding, as they are much cooler. The weather is warming up now quite a little,—last week the thermometer stood between 90° and 98° in the house about all day. Before one gets to sleep, the melodious notes of the night watchman are generally heard. He carries with him a bamboo stick and a brass gong. By striking these alternately every few seconds, he not only tells the citizens that he is on his beat, but also the thief of his arrival. Perhaps this visit has been rather short, but our doors are open.

ORVIE J. GIBSON.

Chang Sha, Hunan, China, May 30, 1907.

TWO WORDS

THERE are two little words in our language which I have always admired, "try" and "trust." You know not what you can or can not effect until you try; and if you make your trials in the exercise of trust in God, mountains of imaginary difficulty will vanish as you approach them, and facilities will be afforded which you never anticipated.

JOHN WILLIAMS.

CAMP GROUNDS AT MARION

FROM a recent visit to Marion, we have every indication that the Lord is opening the way to hold our annual camp-meeting at that place. The beautiful fair grounds that have been secured are located on the border of the city. They are accessible by street and paved walk. The city cars run every fifteen minutes from near the depots to the grounds. The water is from the city standpipe, which is fed from fine driven wells.

The buildings on the grounds are ample and good. A commodious dining hall and kitchen are at our service. There is an abundance of shade in the rear of a beautiful lawn which has a very inviting appearance.

Marion is centrally located in our State. Four railroads—the Big Four, Pennsylvania, Erie, and Hocking Valley—pass through the city from all parts of the State. There is also an hourly service from Columbus, Delaware and intermediate points by the C. D. & M. electric line.

The gentleman in charge of the stables has kindly donated the use of a sufficient number of stalls to accommodate our brethren who may drive through to the meeting.

The brethren and sisters of the Marion church tender us a cordial welcome. They already have begun to do all that they can to make the meeting a grand success. The Lord by his opening providence seems to be stretching out his arms to bless us. We will have twenty-five new tents, which with the use of the buildings will enable us to accommodate all our brethren and their friends who may attend.

"My mind is deeply stirred. In every city there is work to be done. Laborers are to go into our large cities and hold camp-meetings."

"We are all laborers together with God."

R. R. KENNEDY.

GOOD THOUGHTS

GREAT blessings that are won with prayer are won with thankfulness.—*Goodwin.*

"SCATTER hope. Whatever is calculated to inspire hope is a blessing. It isn't what you tear down but what you build up that counts."

LIFE is make up, not of great sacrifices or duties, but of little things, in which smiles and kindnesses and small obligations, given habitually, are what win and preserve the heart and secure comfort.—*Sir Humphrey Davy.*

OHIO TRACT SOCIETY

THE harvest dawn is near,
The year delays not long,
And he who sows with many a tear
Shall reap with many a song.

Sad to his toil he goes,
His seed with weeping leaves;
But shall come at twilight's close,
And bring his golden sheaves.
GEORGE BURGESS.

HOW TO FIND IT

DID you ever let slip from you a quotation that you wish now you could recover? How will you go at it to secure it again?

Two of our leading workers have recently written the editor of the *Watchman* asking him to recover for them certain quotations that they failed to preserve, when they had an opportunity to do so. It would have been an easy matter for them to preserve these quotations, if they had had a *Watchman* Scrap-book. But, as it is, with the aid of the *Watchman* Scrap-book column, it is not a very difficult matter to recover the quotations, for on June 25 four scrap-books, well filled, were sent to the *Watchman* office by one of our workers for use in making up the Scrap-book column. The sender urges that extra care be used to avoid the loss of these books, and states that he would not part with one of them for \$100. In that very one, which is prized so highly, we find both the quotations which our brethren called for as noted above.

The Scrap-book column is at your service. While we must recognize continually the mission of the *Watchman* as a missionary paper, and not permit the Scrap-book column to in any way injure its efficiency in this line, it can still be used to excellent advantage by our workers. If you have lost a quotation, and wish to recover it, tell us the gist of it, and we will endeavor to secure it for you. If you are well supplied with quotations, generously share them with your fellow laborers by supplying them to the Scrap-book column of the *Watchman*.

Whether you are supplied or not, you should keep abreast the times by continual reference to the Scrap-book column of the *Watchman*. The Scrap-books are only 65 cents postpaid, or are given for two new yearly subscriptions to the *Watchman* and 15 cents for postage. Address the *Watchman*, 24th Ave. North, Nashville, Tenn.

"THE getting of treasures by a lying tongue is a vanity tossed to and fro of them that seek death."

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THE next issue of the VISITOR will
be a camp-meeting special.BROTHER FRANK SHULTZ and wife,
of Greenspring, were visiting Elder
James E. Shultz and family.ELDER BURKHOLDER administered
the ordinance of baptism to six per-
sons in the Olentangy River at Colum-
bus, Sabbath, June 29.ELDER BURKHOLDER spent last Sab-
bath with the church at Mansfield.
The rite of baptism was administered
to six willing candidates by Elder
C. T. Redfield, and five new names
were added to the church roll.ELDERS KENNEDY and Shannon are
busy on the College Campus pitching
the large tent for use during the Con-
vention which convenes Wednesday,
July 10. Preparations are being made
to accommodate all who attend. Ev-
ery thing indicates a large attend-
ance.

CANVASSERS' REPORTS

(For week ending June 28, 1907.)

Christy J. Fritz, Mahoning Co.—
Desire of Ages: value of deliveries,
\$65.Geo. Behnfeldt, Erie Co.—Daniel
and Revelation: 18 hours; value of
orders, \$14.50; deliveries, \$7.Ira J. Gault, Ashland Co.—Great
Controversy: 38 hours; value of or-
ders, \$20; helps, \$21.50; total, \$41.50.C. F. Glasscook, Highland Co.—
Great Controversy: 7 hours; value of
orders, \$5.Mabel A. Rayle, Leipsic.—Heralds
of the Morning: 15 hours; value of
orders, \$10.50; helps, \$1.25; total,
\$11.75.E. J. C. Sharp, Pike Co.—Bible
Footlights: 37½ hours; value of or-
ders, \$54; helps, \$3.50; total, \$57.50.Mary Kuhn, Cleveland.—Coming
King: 11 hours; value of orders, \$8;
helps, \$7.75; total, \$8.75; deliveries, \$2.N. O. Coffman, Lima.—Coming
King: 7 hours; value of orders, \$1;
helps, \$5.40; total, \$6.40.Mrs. Hetty Krabill,* Wooster.—
Coming King: 16 hours; value of or-
ders, \$6; helps, \$1.25; total, \$7.25; de-
liveries, \$15.Mrs. S. E. Reagon, Cleveland.—
Coming King: 12 hours; value of or-
ders, \$6; helps, \$6.25; total, \$12.25.L. H. Waters, Wayne Co.—Coming
King: 34 hours; value of orders, \$24.50;
helps, \$5.50; total, \$25; deliveries, \$1.Ward E. Hart, Paulding Co.—Coin-
ing King: value of orders, \$20; helps,
\$2.25; total, \$22.25.J. C. Hankins, Paulding Co.—Com-
ing King: value of orders, \$17; helps,
\$1.50; total, \$18.50.A. L. Bassler, Crestline.—Miscel-
laneous: 28 hours; value of orders,
\$21.50; deliveries, \$12.A. R. Hasemeier, Defiance Co.—Mis-
cellaneous: 44 hours; value of orders,
\$41.75.Mrs. Geo. Behnfeldt, Sandusky.—
Miscellaneous: 5 hours; value of de-
liveries, \$6.25.F. E. Wagner, Trumbull Co.—Mis-
cellaneous: 26 hours; value of deliv-
eries, \$13.25.Maybelle Klopfenstein, Cleveland.
—Christ's Object Lessons: 22 hours;
value of orders, \$12.50; helps, \$5.25;
total, \$17.75.Total value of orders.....\$262.25
Total value of helps 49.40

Grand total.....\$311.65

Total deliveries.....\$121.50

*Week ending June 21.

TITHE RECEIPTS.

JUNE, 1907.

Akron.....	\$ 5.00
Alliance.....	25.40
Ashland.....	.....
Barnesville.....	.....
Beaver.....	4.10
Camden.....	3.00
Canton.....	23.64
Chagrin Falls.....	19.48
Charloe.....	.....
Chillicothe.....	.....
Cincinnati.....	5.40
Cleveland.....	339.15
Clyde.....	2.00
Columbiana.....	.....
Columbus.....	92.23
Conneaut.....	10.00
Corsica.....	.....
Coshocton.....	5.05
Cygnat.....	.....
Dayton.....	72.97
Defiance.....	25.05
Delaware.....	10.00

Delta.....	.....
Dowling.....	.....
Dresden-Trinway.....	36.28
Dunkirk.....	.....
East Liverpool.....	8.00
Elgin.....	16.00
Fairfield.....	.....
Farmer.....	.....
Findlay.....	37.98
Fostoria.....	.....
Green Spring.....	.....
Hamilton.....	35.87
Hamler.....	.....
Hicksville.....	.....
Home Dept.....	.....
Jackson.....	.....
Jefferson.....	.....
Killbuck.....	21.10
La Grange.....	.....
Lake View.....	.....
Laura.....	6.00
Leesburg.....	.....
Lewistown.....	3.60
Liberty Center.....	.....
Lima.....	23.62
Locust Point.....	.....
Mansfield.....	76.97
Marion.....	28.15
Marshfield.....	.....
Marysville.....	.....
Massillon.....	.....
Medina.....	.....
Meigs.....	15.62
Mendon.....	10.45
Middlefield.....	.....
Mount Vernon.....	135.88
Nashville.....	.....
Newark.....	32.27
Norwalk.....	6.52
Olivett.....	.....
Pemberville.....	56.30
Piqua.....	.....
Pleasant Hill.....	22.76
Plimpton.....	15.55
Powell.....	3.24
Reedsville.....	4.55
Rio Grand.....	.....
Rows.....	2.43
Shelby.....	.....
Sherwood.....	.....
Shreve.....	.....
Sidney.....	.....
Six Points.....	.....
Spencer.....	.....
Springfield.....	2.20
Toledo.....	73.75
Van Wert.....	.....
Wadsworth.....	12.50
Walnut Grove.....	.....
Washington C. H.....	.....
Waterford.....	2.00
West Mansfield.....	.....
Wheelersburg.....	.....
Wilmington.....	.....
Youngstown.....	1.00
Zanesville.....	28.48
Isolated Sabbath Keepers.....	39.45

Total.....\$1,396.78

C. V. HAMER, Treas.

TOTAL RECEIPTS. ALL SOURCES.

June, 1907.

Tithe.....	\$1,596.78
Ohio Tract Society.....	797.24
Weekly Offerings.....	70.16
Sabbath-school Donations.....	38.76
Orphanages and aged.....	2.55
Y. P. Society.....	8.75
Southern Field.....	.33
India.....	.59
West Indian Training School.....	2.00
\$150,000 Fund.....	153.69
Total.....	\$2,470.83

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