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LEAD THOU ME

The way is rough, my Father, and
Dark, so dark and drear.
I cannot see one step ahead; but halt
In doubt and fear.

On through the mists around me I
Faintly, blindly grope,
Take thou my hand and lead me to
Life, and light, and hope.

Thou mighty Helper of the weak,
That sure and faithful Guide,
Direct my faltering steps aright, and
Draw me near thy side.

Thou knowest oft my timid soul is
Pressed by doubt and fear,
Place underneath thine arms of love,
And hold me ever near.

E'en now I see a glimmering light in
Yonder eastern sky,
E'en now I hear thy gentle step, and
Feel thy presence nigh.

I know thou doest all things well, so
Whatsoe'er may come,
I'll rest each day in perfect peace, and
Say, "Thy will be done."

—Selected.

AWAKE! AWAKE! AWAKE!

I have a message from the Lord for all our churches. Divine truth is to be received and communicated; its saving principles are to enlighten the world. Those who are converted must become more and more intelligent in their understanding of the Scriptures that they may be able to speak words of light and salvation to those who are in darkness and perishing in their sins.

My brethren and sisters, when a camp-meeting is held, take pains to become acquainted with those who attend the meetings. Interest yourself in their soul's salvation. If in no other way, you can give the truth to the people by handing them tracts and pamphlets. And not only at the camp-meeting, but in the neighborhood where you live seek to gain access to souls. Get acquainted with your neighbors. O how many have never opened their lips to inquire of

neighbors and friends if they would be willing to hear something of the truths for the time in which we are living! My brethren and sisters, study your plans. Grasp every opportunity to speak to your neighbors and associates, or to read to them something from books that contain present truth. Show that you regard as of first importance the salvation of the souls for whom Christ made so great a sacrifice.

The end of this earth's history is near. The world is seeking for those things that perish with the using; its diligence and activity are not exerted to obtain the salvation gained through the imparted righteousness of Christ. At such a time as this should professing Christians be indifferent to the needs of those who are perishing in their sins?

The times in which we live have a peculiar importance. Countries long hitherto closed to the gospel are opening their doors, and are pleading for the word of God to be explained to them. Kings and princes will open their long-closed gates, inviting the heralds of the cross to enter. Can the Christian, who has the world for his field, fold his hands in idleness and leave the sheaves ungathered? Eternity alone will reveal the results of well directed efforts put forth just now. Let every family who claims to believe the Message put forth earnest, untiring efforts to proclaim the truth.

My sisters, do not spend money needlessly for dress, but dress plainly. Fathers and mothers, educate your children to dress inexpensively; teach them to save their pennies for missionary work. Let every member of the family practice self-denial. Christ is our example. He was the Prince of glory, but he had such an interest in our world that he left his riches, and came to this earth to live a life that should be an example to rich and poor alike. He thought that all should come together in unity and love, to work as he worked, to sacrifice as he sacrificed, and to love as children of God.

My brethren and sisters, you must be willing to be converted yourselves, in order to practice the self-denial of Christ. Dress plainly, but neatly. Spend as little as possible upon yourselves. Keep in your homes a self-

denial box into which you can put the money saved by little acts of self-denial. Day by day gain a clear understanding of the word of God, and improve every opportunity to impart the knowledge you have gained. Do not become weary in well doing, for God is constantly imparting to you the great blessing of his gift to the world. Co-operate with the Lord Jesus, and he will teach you the priceless lessons of his love. Time is short; in due season, when time shall be no longer, you will reap if you faint not.

In working for perishing souls, you have the companionship of angels. Thousands upon thousands and ten thousand times ten thousand angels are waiting to co-operate with members of our churches in communicating the light that God has generously given, that a people may be prepared for the coming of Christ.

To those who love God sincerely and have means, I am bidden to say, Now is your time to invest means in sustaining the work of the Lord. Now is the time to hold up the hands of the ministers in their self-denying efforts to save perishing souls. When you meet in the heavenly courts the souls you have helped to save, will you not have a glorious reward?

From many places calls are coming for ministers, for teachers, for physicians to carry on the work in sanitariums; but we have not the trained workers to send. We have sanitariums; but we need more of these institutions in various places. We need schools that will be self-supporting, and this can be, if teachers and students will be helpful, industrious, and economical. There is no need for debts to accumulate on our schools. And the old debts should be cleared away.

Sacrifices must be made on every hand; we must devise and plan and labor to the utmost to be thrifty and economical.

Those who have helped with their means in the purchase and operation of our sanitariums have placed their money where it has accomplished much good. These should rejoice that they have been able to put their Lord's money in the hands of the exchangers, that at his coming, he may receive his own with usury.

Let none withhold their mites: and let those who have much rejoice that they can lay up in heaven a treasure that faileth not. The money that we refuse to invest in the work of the Lord will perish. On it no interest will accumulate in the banks of heaven.

Those who have had advantages for knowing the word of God are to communicate the truth to others. God has placed upon us the solemn obligation of bearing fruit unto righteousness. In harmony with Christ we are to work for the salvation of souls. "Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call upon him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? and how shall they preach except they be sent? As it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things."

ELLEN G. WHITE.

RELATION THAT SHOULD EXIST BETWEEN THE CHURCH AND THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

Altogether too little attention has been given to our children and youth. The older members of the church have not looked upon them with tenderness and sympathy, desiring that they might be advanced in the divine life; and the children have therefore failed to develop in the Christian life as they should have done. Shall the youth be left to drift hither and thither, to become discouraged and to fall into temptations that are everywhere lurking to catch their unwary feet? The work that lies nearest to our church members is to become interested in our youth, with kindness, patience and tenderness, counseling and guiding them as they begin life's journey.

Our youth are too little understood. They are filled with life and energy, yet without experience, too old to be counted as children, and eager to begin life's work in earnest.

"Give us our work! impatiently they cry.

In the broad field of earth's activity,

We want a place, a purpose for our life,

A noble aim to give us strength in strife."

Almost without fail you will find our youth filled with noble ambitions, yet how many mistakes are made. Satan is putting forth every effort his evil mind can conceive to drag our youth to destruction. The world is offering

every allurements,—the most fascinating scenes are presented before their eyes. Should not the church be on her guard? But what can we do? How thankful we should be that God has not failed to plan for us. Listen!—

"Let not the youth be ignored; let them share in the labor and responsibility. Let them feel that they have a part to act in helping and blessing others. Even the children should be taught to do little errands of love and mercy for those less fortunate than themselves. Let the overseers of the church devise plans whereby young men and women may be trained to put to use their entrusted talents. Let the older members of the church seek to do earnest, compassionate work for the children and youth. Let ministers put to use all their ingenuity in devising plans whereby the younger members of the church may be led to co-operate with them in missionary work. Plan ways whereby a live interest may be kindled.

"We have an army of youth to-day who can do much if they are properly directed and encouraged."

The restless energy that is so often a source of danger to the young may be directed into channels where it will prove a blessing. God needs this strength in his work. From every church, he calls the young men and women who really love Jesus to organize themselves into companies as workers, not only for those who profess to be Sabbath-keepers, but for those not of our faith.

This call to our young people is really a call to our churches. Our youth need to be guided and trained in this work. The church can not discharge its duty by looking on as an unconcerned spectator, nor as a sentry who gives the danger signal, but makes no effort to avert threatening danger. Without criticism, but with charity, patience and forbearance the churches should rally to the support of the young people's work. Then the difficulties will be overcome, the dangers avoided, and the work will triumph gloriously.

The society is a department of the church, and both the church and the society should recognize this relation. The banding together of young people into companies of workers means that they are to be church workers. It should mean that the young people "who really love Jesus will be more faithful in their attendance at the regular services, the prayer meeting, the missionary meeting, and the Sabbath-school. It should mean that these young people will be workers

in all these lines. It should never mean a separation of interests. Unless the organization of the Young People's Society has a direct tendency to encourage each member to be more faithful in all church duties, it would be better never to be organized. May God give us wisdom and understanding, that we as his people, both young and old, may work at all times according to his will. BESSIE E. ACTON.

CO-OPERATION OF THE SABBATH-SCHOOL TEACHERS AND PARENTS*

That the teacher and parent should co-operate in the religious instruction of the children is apparent to all. But as to how they can best co-operate where the teacher and parents live so far from each other, as is often the case in our country schools, is a question that is much harder to solve than if they were living in the same neighborhood.

For the welfare of their scholars every teacher should plan something to keep up the interest in the class, a week ahead, and place this plan before the parents either before or after the Sabbath-school, asking them to keep the subject before the pupil as much as possible during the week. The teacher should also visit the parents just as often as these visits would be beneficial in helping the parent raise the standard of religion and morality in the home. He may so speak and conduct himself while in the presence of the family that both children and parents will feel inspired to have a higher reverence for God and his sacred work.

In many homes the religious teaching of the children rests entirely with the mother. What a help and comfort it would be to her if the Sabbath-school teacher would drop in occasionally, and speak a word of cheer or teach the children the memory verse for the next Sabbath's lesson! This would lay the foundation on which the mother could build and thus lessen her work.

Most children enjoy a Bible story, and the teacher can get the little ones around her knee, and relate some good Bible story. This affords a grand opportunity for making a lasting impression on the heart and mind of the child. The younger the child on which these impressions are made, the more lasting they will be, as these impressions should be made before the tempter has had an opportunity to instill into the mind his principles of

*Paper read at Sabbath-school Convention.

deception and evil, which in this day and age of the world are being sown broadcast in our public schools and everywhere he can gain an entrance in the hearts and minds of the young. This condition makes it important that the teacher and parents unite in their work of saving the souls of the children and youth.

There is strength and power in prayer; so let parents and teachers be found often in secret prayer petitioning the Lord for wisdom and guidance, and he who "giveth to all men liberally and upbraideth not" will hear and answer their prayer, and finally reward their labor.

M. J. STEVENS.

THE COLLEGE SABBATH-SCHOOL

The College Sabbath-school during the college year just closed has, in many respects, been very successful; and the teachers and students feel justly proud of their record. At the beginning of the school year several changes from the former methods of conducting the school were introduced; most important of which, perhaps, was the matter of the secretary's report. Heretofore the report had been read soon after the opening exercises of the school, and it all pertained to the previous Sabbath. This year the report was read just before the closing song, and all pertained to the work of the day. Very brief mention, if any, was made of the regular exercises, such as the songs and the general review, but the report of each class was given separately and in full. In this way the membership, attendance, and donation of each class were made conspicuous, and the "banner classes" in attendance and donation were always mentioned. This brought in a very pleasing and friendly rivalry among the classes, each striving to be the banner class either in attendance or donations. As a consequence it was a common thing to have four or five classes with perfect attendance, and the effect on the "giving to missions" was truly wonderful.

Perhaps a comparison with last year's donations will best show how well the school did this year. Last year the total donations for the school year were \$20.49. Of this amount, \$7.50 were spent for the running expenses of the school, leaving \$12.99 which we sent to the Foreign Mission Board. This year, with our change from the old system of reporting, we gave \$111.76. Of this amount \$10.65 were spent on the school, and \$101.11 were sent to the Mission Board, a gain over last year of \$88.12.

During the term just closed, Prof. Clymer's class was the banner class in attendance, and Prof. Hamer's in donations, giving, for the twelve weeks of the term, \$6.92. This is four cents more than the entire school gave during the corresponding Sabbaths last year. During the last term the donations went below three dollars only three Sabbaths, and then only a few cents. This, with an average attendance of fifty-two, is, we think, a very good showing.

D. D. REES, *Supt.*

COMMENCEMENT WEEK AT MOUNT VERNON COLLEGE

On Monday evening, May 18, the first exercises of our Commencement week was held, when the students of the Music department gave their final recital. At eight o'clock, the program began with a "March and Soldier's Chorus" on two pianos by Prof. Hamer, Misses Dolphine Fort, Bertha Hanger and Flora Frost. Then came a vocal duet, "With the Stream," by Misses Bess Fleming and Laurel Rushmere. An adaptation of Wagner's Spinning Song for two pianos was rendered by Prof. Hamer, Miss Rushmere, Miss Mildred Palmer and Miss Norma Cobb, after which Miss Palmer played Mendelssohn's "Rondo Capriccioso." Prof. Hamer, Miss Hanger, Miss Rushmere and Miss Dorothy White then played another right-hand piece, "The Charge of the Hussars." Mendelssohn's "Concerto in D Minor" was rendered by Prof. Hamer and Miss Cobb. The closing number was a "Kitchen Symphony," by the Kitchen Mechanics' Orchestra. The instruments consisted of bottles, jugs, a dish pan, glasses, fire irons, tin lids and spoons. The children were so well trained that they were able to bring music out of what usually gives only noise. All those who took part in this program showed careful training by their teacher, Prof. Clemen Hamer.

A large number of people from both Academia and Mount Vernon gathered on Wednesday evening to hear the Sacred Cantata "Ruth" by the Choral Society of the College. Solos were sung by Miss Winnifred Ford, of Chicago, Misses Eva and Bess Fleming, students of the College, and by Prof. Hamer. The performance was a success and was enjoyed by all who attended. By request the "Kitchen Symphony," given on Monday evening, was repeated after the Cantata.

Class Day exercises were held Thursday night. The program consisted of

an "Address" by the class president, Mr. Samuel Frost; a discussion of their motto, "He Conquers who Conquers Himself," by Miss Debora Secor; Vocal Solo, "Sunshine and Rain," Miss Grace Purtham; Poem, "The Fortuna's Last Freight," Mr. George Sterling; Recitation, "O Years, You Have Vanished," Miss Edith Fisher; History, Miss Klopfenstein; Solo, "The Harbor Bar," Prof. Hamer; Class Prophecy, Miss Bertha Spohn; Class Will, Miss Ivy Griffin; Valedictory, Mr. Blaine Kennedy; and Class Song by the Class.

The Baccalaureate Sermon was preached on Sabbath, May 23, by Elder J. M. Rees, of Parkersburg, W. Va.

Sunday evening the students of the Training School held their promotion exercises. The songs, recitations and dialogues, in some of which every student took part, were enjoyed by all present. Seven of these students—Vesta Clymer, Grace Wahl, Josephine Smith, Wilma Walter, Dolphine Fort, Alice Miller and Madge Miller—have completed their course of study and were granted diplomas which will admit them to the preparatory department of the College.

With the Commencement Exercises of Monday evening, May 25, the school year closed. At eight o'clock the eleven graduates, followed by the College faculty, marched in to a "Grande Marche" played by Prof. Hamer. The chapel was prettily decorated in the class colors—pink and white—and by ferns and potted plants. Several visiting ministers assisted in the program and the address was given by Elder G. B. Thompson, of Washington, D. C., who took for his subject, "The Divide."

Diplomas were presented by President Clymer to Misses Fisher and Griffin, who finished the Nurses' Course; to Misses Purtham, Sweet, Klopfenstein, Secor, Mr. Sterling and Mr. Greenup, from the Academic Course; and to Miss Spohn, Mr. Frost and Mr. Kennedy, who are the first to finish the Scientific Course and take the degree Bachelor of Science. To Miss Myrta Kellogg was granted the degree Bachelor of Arts. The exercises of the evening closed with a solo, "Abide with Me," by Prof. Hamer.

NORMA COBB.

"God measures the generosity of the giver, not the size of the gift. The widow's mite was praised by the Master, not because it was a mite, but because it was the best gift possible. How many can measure up to it."

THE SUMMER SCHOOL

The Mount Vernon College Summer School has been planned for both teachers and students. No church school teacher can afford to miss the work offered this year. If a teacher wishes to grow, if she wishes to be progressive and successful, she must take advantage of the opportunities offered by the summer school. In the public schools, the work of the summer normal is considered so important that in many States a certificate is refused a teacher unless she has attended the normal session. Is our work less important?

Teachers, are you satisfied with your present knowledge or the common branches? Would you like to take some advance work in Bible, history, English, mathematics, and science? Do you need some training in child study, pedagogy, and busy work? Would you like to make a careful study of the proper discipline in the schoolroom, and many other subjects equally important? If you want any or all of these, then come to the Summer School, and the faculty will do their best for you.

A greater range of work is offered this year than has ever been offered before, and the members of the faculty have been selected with great care. Practically everything taught in the regular College Course is offered in this summer session, and credits will be given for the work the same as if it were taken during the regular College year. Students who desire to shorten their time in College, or who may have some back work to make up, will find the Summer School especially opportune to them.

Every conference in the Columbia Union should take a deep interest in this Summer School, and see to it that all the teachers take advantage of it to become more efficient in what the Spirit of prophecy has termed "the nicest work ever entrusted to man."

All interested should write to the College for a copy of the Summer School announcement, a beautiful little twenty-four page catalogue, which gives full particulars of all the work. Remember the date, June 10 to July 22.

D. D. REES.

GEMS

At the recent conference session of the Southern New England Conference, it was voted to appoint a field missionary agent. This completes our list, as every conference in the Atlantic, Columbia, and Lake Union Conferences each have a State agent.

Orders were taken in the old Atlantic Union Conference territory amounting to \$2,651.19 during the month of April, 1907, and in Ohio during the same time, \$802.90, making a total of \$3,454.09. This year for the same month the Columbia Union Conference took orders amounting to over \$3,800. Thus we can see that about one-half the territory took more orders this year than the entire territory a year ago, and the new Atlantic Union did almost as well.

We have heard this week from a neighboring State of a family of six that is keeping the Sabbath as the result of the faithful labors of one of our canvassers. Another canvasser writes that a mother and her son have accepted the truth just lately.

A letter was received by the writer from a man who stated he had bought a book published by the Review & Herald Publishing Association which taught that the seventh day was the Sabbath, and that he had begun its observance. He was anxious to take this book to others that they might see the same truth. It is needless to say that the canvasser who sold this book, when informed of the result of its work, was encouraged to press on even though he had just passed through some severe trials.

The following appeared in one of our Union Conference papers: A woman, who formerly had an income of \$20,000 a year, and who was left penniless through the death of her husband, bought one of our books and told me three weeks ago that she wanted to keep the Sabbath. Another, the wife of an editor, writes to me in answer to a letter inquiring her opinion of the "Great Controversy," saying, "As a history, I consider it fine. As a prophecy of future events, it certainly is wonderful. I believe it all may come true. I am also fully persuaded in my own mind that the seventh day is the Sabbath."

In another Union Conference paper we read, "I notice in April those who canvassed less than fifty hours worked three hours for each order. Those who worked from fifty to one hundred hours took an order every two hours, while those who worked over one hundred hours, took an order for each one and one-half hours. Curious, isn't it? but facts are stubborn things."

MORRIS LUKENS.

HARD TIMES

During the years of prosperity it was a hard matter to get our brethren and sisters to enter the canvassing

work. The excuse was they did not believe that the Lord had called them, or they were fearful that the work would not afford them a living. At the present time, it is the cry of hard times.

God's people anciently were destroyed because of unbelief. The same great danger is facing us today. His word is, "Trust in the Lord and do good, and so shall thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shall be fed." All that is needed is to have a working faith in this promise and the results are sure to follow.

I have just received the following report from the Review & Herald office, "Our canvassers in the Atlantic, Columbia, and Lake Union Conferences took orders during the month of April to the amount of \$8,648.50. This is eighty per cent. more than was taken in the same territory during the corresponding month last year." If this is the result of hard times, I hope hard times will continue.

A few months ago a dear brother had promised me to enter the canvassing work very soon. When the time came to take up the work he wrote to me, saying that he had tried to sell papers, but that he finds that times are too hard to even sell papers, much less a book. I answered the brother by telling him what great success others are having. Again in reply said, "This may be true in their place of labor, but it can't be done in this county at present." I have promised the brother to come and prove to him that it can be done, and am willing to remain with him until he is satisfied that I am right. At last he consented to have me come, and after it is proved that books can be sold in that place, he will be willing to enter the work.

The first day we were canvassing, the devil would have me believe that I had made a statement that could not be accomplished, by selling only a few books. The second day we doubled the amount of sales, and in six days we sold \$52 worth of "Daniel and the Revelation," mostly in the large edition too. This looks like hard times, don't it?

Very often the text comes to my mind, "Of ourselves we can do nothing, but we can do all things through Christ who strengthens us."

Dear brethren and sisters, what the Lord has done for others he will do for you. God is no respecter of persons. If you are called into the canvassing work, do not question the matter from the standpoint of hard times; simply take up the work, believing that he will give you what is

CANVASSERS' REPORTS

New Jersey, Week Ending May 22, 1908

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
D. W. Percy, Pleasantville,		D R	5	41	35	\$103.00	\$1.90	\$104.90	
G. G. Taylor, Pleasantville,		D R	5	40	20	58.00		58.00	
D. P. Boersma, Camden Co.,		D R	5	35	6	13.75	4.00	17.75	\$1.00
Sam'l Paul, Camden Co.,		G C	5	41	10	29.50	.75	30.25	
William Ambs, Secanus,		"	5	40	15	45.25		45.25	
Theo. Hilgers, Bergen Co.,		"	5	31	10	28.50	1.50	30.00	4.25
Geo. W. Blinn, Trenton,		"	4	28	14	40.50		40.50	
Anna Hugg, Paterson,		"	3	13	5	13.75	2.00	15.75	1.00
Sadie Winter, Irvington,		"	3	12½	3	9.25		9.25	1.00
C. Woodward, Hammonton,		B R	4	16	1	2.75		2.75	
Chas. Duenke, Little Falls,		C K	3	18	7	9.00		9.00	
Totals,			47	315½	126	\$353.25	\$10.15	\$363.40	\$7.25

Virginia, Week Ending May 22, 1908

Mattie Phelps, Port Norfolk,		G C	4	9		\$11.00		\$11.00	
L. Overstreet, Stanleyton,		C K		27	6	6.00	1.40	7.40	\$ 3.00
J. A. Hayes,* Norfolk,		D R		71	4	13.25	20.60	33.85	16.90
Clara Pease, Malothian,		C K		5					4.45
Mrs. Zeidler, Richmond,		C K		5					10.95
Kaspar Oertly, Roanoke,		S P		10	5	6.25		6.25	
Adolph Schenk, Roanoke,		G C		19	2	5.50	.20	5.70	.90
E. McGlocklin, Norfolk,				22			11.90	11.90	3.95
Totals,			4	168	17	\$42.00	\$34.10	\$76.10	\$40.15

Eastern Pennsylvania, Week Ending May 22, 1908

H. J. Detwiler, York,		D R	5	40	17	\$26.75	.35	\$27.10	
W. Garrett,* Uniondale,		H M	7	50	14	24.50		24.50	
W. M. Seigle, Jersey Shore,		C K	3	24	5	5.50	\$4.00	9.50	
G. Seigle, " "		C K	5	40	7	7.00		7.00	\$1.35
Bessie Donachy, Bangor,		C K	5	33	1	1.00		1.00	4.66
Elsie Swingle, Bangor,		C O L	5	35	16	20.00	3.25	23.25	
R. Spangenberg, Scranton,		C O L	2	14	18	22.50		22.50	16.25
Totals,			32	236	78	\$107.25	\$7.60	\$114.85	\$22.26

Ohio, Week Ending May 22, 1908

W. W. Goss, Geauga Co.,		D R	5	40	5	\$15.75	\$3.00	\$18.75	
C. B. VanGorder, Sandusky,		D R	5	40	8	23.00	3.50	26.50	
Ray Corder, Mahoning Co.,		D R	5	46	11	32.25	10.70	42.95	
Howard Weeks,† Ross Co.,		C K	5	40	31	31.50		31.50	
L.H. Waters, Mahoning Co.,		BF CK	5	47	40	47.50	.70	48.20	.70
L. A. Holobaugh, Chillicothe,		C K							\$5.50
Totals,			25	213	95	\$150.00	\$17.90	\$167.90	\$6.20

Chesapeake, Week Ending May 23, 1908

J. E. Jones, Delmar, Md.,		C K	5	46	29	\$31.50	\$2.75	\$34.25	\$7.00
E. Mitchell,† Woodbine,		D A			5	15.00	36.75	51.75	
J. C. Paden, Frederick Co.,		C K	7	59	22	27.50	3.00	30.50	
W. A. Mansfield,† Easton Co.,		B R	3	22	7	15.75	2.00	17.75	
			7	55			12.95	12.95	12.95
Totals,			24	182	63	\$89.75	\$57.45	\$147.20	\$19.95

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending May 22, 1908

Ivor Lawrence, Windbur,		C O L	3	20	13	\$16.25	\$5.00	\$21.25	
A. Brownlee, Beaver Falls,		D R	5	41	3	18.85	2.00	20.85	\$3.60
Chas. Dunham, Indiana,		G C	2	9½	7	19.25		19.25	
Totals,			10	70½	23	\$54.35	\$7.00	\$61.35	\$3.60

*Week ending May 8, 1908. †Week ending May 15, 1908.

‡Two weeks.

right. If times are not hard enough to sell a sufficient amount of books to obtain a living from it, I believe that God will permit harder times that you may.

It has been proved that more books are being sold during these hard times than in times of prosperity. This is not man's work, but God's. He will surely keep his promise to cut the work short. What has not been done under favorable circumstances, must be done under unfavorable conditions. Let us take hold of the work and help to quickly finish the work yet to be done, and thus hasten the coming of the blessed Lord, and then receive our reward according as our work shall be.

G. W. HOLMAN.

Lancaster, Pa.

NOTES FROM THE OHIO
CANVASSERS

The canvassers have all gone back to their fields again since the Institute, and are having some good experiences and meeting with success.

Brother Ray Corder, who is just starting in the work, writes, "I am glad that I can send in my first report for the canvassing work. I sincerely believe the Lord has helped me very much this week. Friday, May 15, was quite wet in the morning, but the Lord helped me to take four orders for 'Daniel and the Revelation,' and I had the precious experience of speaking words of comfort to a few people."

Brother Goss, who has started to work in Geauga County, with "Daniel and the Revelation," says, "I have had a good time the past week, though it rained part of the time. I kept going, and while working in the rain I found a woman who was very anxious for the book. It was what she had wanted for a long time, and she gave me her order very readily. I enjoy the work, and have had a number of interesting experiences."

Brother Oberholtzer writes that he has on his list two preachers, one doctor and two merchants. This is certainly a good beginning.

Brother Gallion, who has been hindered in his work by sickness, says he is now ready to start again, and, by the help of the Lord, will get in good time. He writes that he is having some rich experiences which he could not have in any other work.

One of our canvassers, the youngest in the field, started to work immediately after the Institute, and was blessed with success from the beginning, selling about thirty dollars' worth the first week. The next Monday he took

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at the Postoffice at Mt. Vernon, O., under the
Act of Congress of March 3, 1879.

Brother George A. Keppler, of
Hamilton, called at the office Sunday.

Miss Cora Miller has gone on a
Western trip, combining business and
pleasure.

Blaine F. Kennedy and Cammie H.
Greenup have gone to Montana to en-
gage in the canvassing work.

Sabbath, May 16, six students from
from the College and church school
were baptised, and Sabbath May 23,
seven more from the College signi-
fied their desire to walk in newness of
life by the ordinance of baptism.

Elder F. D. Starr, and family, left
last week for their former home in
Forest, Idaho. Sister Starr's health
requires the high altitude of this sec-
tion of the country. Many good
wishes for the future accompany
them on their journey.

One of the very pleasant programs
given in the College chapel near the
close of the school year was a James
Whitcomb Riley recital, by Professor
Rees and Miss Eva Fleming. The
recitations were interspersed with four
songs by Professor Hamer. The pro-
ceeds of the recital were turned over
to the College library.

COLLEGE SPRINGS SANITARIUM NOTES

C. E. Robishaw is still nursing a
typhoid fever patient in Mount Ver-
non, O.

Miss Chloda Franklin was called to
Hamler, O., to nurse at the home of
Brother D. D. Punches.

Brother George Keppler paid the
Sanitarium a short visit, bringing with
him a patient from Hamilton, O.

Mrs. Oberholtzer, of Wadsworth,
who spent several weeks at the Sani-
tarium last summer, is with us again.

Sister E. J. Van Horn, who has been
taking treatment at the Sanitarium for
the past four weeks, returned to her
home last Wednesday.

NOTICE, WEST PENNSYLVANIA

The fifth annual session of the West
Pennsylvania Conference of Seventh-
day Adventists will convene on the
camp-ground at Oil City, June 19,
1908, at 9 A. M., for the election of offi-
cers and the transaction of such other
business may properly come before
the conference delegates. Every
church in the conference should be
represented by duly appointed dele-
gates. I. N. WILLIAMS, *Vice Pres.*

WEST PENNSYLVANIA CAMP- MEETING

The West Pennsylvania Annual
Camp-meeting will be held in Oil City,
June 18-28. The attendance should be
large. Every Sabbath keeper should
be there that possibly can. Railroad
rates have been secured over all of
the principle roads. Please send in
orders soon for what you will need.
These orders have to be presented to
the agent when going to purchase
your ticket. Read the card over care-
fully, as it fully explain itself. The
camp is to be located in Hasson Park,
where the meetings were held last
year. Street car runs to the grounds
without transfer. Come at the begin-
ning and stay through the entire
meeting. Not only do we need the
spiritual blessings of the meeting, but
we should be present to study the
plans presented for the advancement
of the work. We are planning for the
most profitable meeting ever held in
our conference. All orders for tents,
rates, etc., should be sent immedi-
ately to the office at Corydon.

A. V. WILLIAMS, *Sec.*

NOTICE TO LIMA AND TOLEDO DISTRICTS

Will all the elders and leaders in the
Lima and Toledo districts please pre-
pare a list of all the members of their
respective churches with the address
of each, also a list of the church
officers, and forward the same to me
before June 18? I also desire the
names and address of all isolated per-
sons and families keeping the Sabbath
in these districts.

This call is made that we may plan
more effective work in our field in the
future.

Address me at Delta, O.

W. E. BIDWELL, *Dist. Supt.*

"Steady, quiet, presistent, plain
work can't be imitated or replaced by
anything just as good."

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but very few orders, and wondered
why it was; but he studied the "Man-
ual for Canvassers," and decided that
the reason for his failure was because
he had neglected to pray for success
as he had the first week. He then de-
termined to ask the help of God before
entering any home. The result was he
took an order in every home he can-
vassed Tuesday morning.

The students will be starting out in
a few days, and we are expecting just
as good reports from them.

We hope all our canvassers will make
use of the blank page attached to the
report blanks. We always look for
the canvasser's letter.

E. R. NUMBERS.

COLUMBIA UNION CAMP- MEETINGS

Chesapeake Conference, Wilmington,
Del., June 25-July 5.
East Pennsylvania, Scranton, Pa.,
June 11-21.
West Pennsylvania, Oil City, June
19-28.
Ohio, Mansfield, O., August 13-23.
New Jersey,
Virginia,
West Virginia,

DISTRICT, NO. 4

The Church Officers' Convention for
District No. 4 of the Ohio Conference
of Seventh-day Adventists, was held
as appointed, May 22-24, in the
Seventh-day Adventist church at
Camden, Lorain County.

The Conference laborers in attend-
ance were Elder H. W. Burkholder,
President of the Conference; H. M.
Jump, Medical Missionary Superin-
tendant; and Miss Bessie Acton, Ed-
ucational Superintendent. Both of
these departments received due con-
sideration. Elder Burkholder gave
very important and timely instruction
on church organization.

The Question Box was liberally pat-
ronized, questions being asked that
are of vital importance, thus giving
Elder Burkholder opportunity to ex-
press his views on certain things con-
cerning the Lord's work which other-
wise would not have been considered,
as different localities have conditions
peculiar to them-selves. Therefore the
Question Box was a decided success.

This meeting is the last to be held in
the State this season. We believe that
much good has been accomplished by
this series of meetings, and that much
more effective work will be done dur-
ing the remaining days of this old
earth's history because of them.

G. O. QUILLIN.