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A SUNLESS SABBATH

But where has the sunshine gone to-day?
I was certain at morn it had come to stay.
Yet I've waited and watched the whole day
through
For it to appear in the glorious blue.
The robins have taken their southward flight,
And the crow wings home with the coming
night.
From up in the pines the blackbirds call,
And the sombre curtain drops over all.
The north wind whistles among the trees,
The leaves float down on the rising breeze.
The clouds ride low—the night draws on,
And time for the sunshine has come and
gone.
A day without sunshine its whole length
through
Is like to a garden, where roses ne'er grew.
For the wind with its sighs of lament is ne'er
done
As it were Nature's voice crying out for the
sun.
But the night will soon pass, and the coming
dawn
May banish all thought of the day that has
gone.
And hearts full of hope and gladness may
burn
As bright eyes behold the sunshine's return.
E. STANLEY HEATH.

TO THE VISITOR FAMILY

DEAR BRETHREN AND SISTERS:—I had intended writing sooner after our leaving the Columbia Union five weeks ago. Time has passed very rapidly with me since we arrived in England, May 29.

We have received a most cordial welcome from the workers and people in Great Britain. The ministers and workers whom we have not yet seen have sent their kindly greetings by post.

The first two days (Sabbath and Sunday) after our arrival we spent at the Caterham Sanitarium. It was a pleasure to us to meet there Doctor A. B. and Brother M. E. Olsen whom we had known well in America. We were glad also to meet the entire Sanitarium family. While there I had the

privilege of speaking at the Sabbath and Sunday evening services.

On Monday, June 1, we went to our British Union headquarters at Watford. Caterham is seventeen miles south of London, while Watford is fourteen miles north of the city. Just outside of the town of Watford the British Union and its institutions own a beautiful estate of fifty-two acres. Upon this ground is a beautiful old mansion. This building was used the past year for school purposes. It is to be used as a sanitarium later. We have erected a new printing establishment and a Food factory which have been successfully operated for nearly a year. Our Students' Dormitory has also been erected. There remain yet to be erected, a school building, including a chapel, and a Sanitarium building. We hope to begin the erection of the school building the coming Autumn.

Our Union Conference offices are in the Publishing building.

I had opportunity to meet the faculty and students of the Training College twice just at the close of the year. Upwards of eighty very good young people attended school last year. A large percentage of these students are engaged in the work in some capacity at the present time. Many are canvassing; while others are engaged as ministers, Bible-workers and Tent masters.

The second Sabbath and Sunday I spent with the Watford church. I was glad to devote a week becoming acquainted with the people and affairs at the headquarters.

The third week I devoted to the Welsh mission field. I found the work going well there. Two tent efforts, besides a hall effort are being conducted in Wales at the present season. We expect the membership which now numbers about two hundred and twenty-five to be increased to nearly three hundred by the end of the year, when a conference organization will be launched. Good reports come to me from all parts of the British Union.

Since June 16, I have been attending meetings in Christiana, Norway and Onbro, Sweden. The Scandinavian Union Conference session was held at Onbro. A full delegation was in attendance from, all three of the

Scandinavian countries, and from Finland. There are nearly three thousand Sabbath keepers in that Union. There was a gain of over two hundred and fifty for 1907; and 1908 will show a good gain. The outlook is brighter for Scandinavia now than it has ever been. A stronger Union Conference arrangement has been effected. Elder J. C. Raft, of Denmark is now the Union President. He is now visiting Finland. He will cross from there to the North land mission field. That is the land of the "Midnight Sun." The work is promising in both these fields.

Some time in August Elder Raft will visit the Iceland Mission. There are now about twenty Sabbath keepers in Iceland.

The population of twelve millions in the Scandinavian Union territory present an interesting field for vigorous effort. Much of the vitality and iron of the old Viking blood and sinew are yet manifest in the peoples of these north countries.

I am now on the Danish Steam Ship "La Cour" crossing the North Sea from Esbjerg, Denmark to Harwich, England. The distance is three hundred and forty miles, and is traversed by this ship in about twenty two hours.

I will arrive in England today (July 2) and after remaining there, attending meetings in the South and North England Conferences until July 15, I will leave again for Friedensau, Germany, where I am to attend the great Camp-meeting of the German Union. About twelve hundred believers will attend that meeting. I will return from Germany in time to prepare for the British Union Conference session which is to be held at Watford, July 31 to August 9.

Trusting that the work in all parts of the Columbia Union is being prospered this season,

I am yours in Christ's Service,
W. J. Fitzgerald
Watford, Herts, 17 Buckingham St.,
England.
July 2, 1908.

During Tetzels last illness in a Dominical cloister, Luther wrote him a comforting letter—an evidence of the nobility of soul and large-heartedness of the great reformer.—Rein.

A CALL TO IMMEDIATE ACTION

IN no less than five months Congress will again be in session at which time the Johnston Sunday bill, which passed the Senate on May 16, 1908, may be brought before the House at any moment for final action. This fact should not be lost sight of by those who comprehend what it means should the House of Representatives pass this bill. The bill would then only lack the signature of the president to make it a law. This would doubtless be quickly affixed and then it would become a law in the District of Columbia. The next logical step for the champions of Sunday legislation would be to prevail upon Congress to enact a national Sunday law. This all can see would be easily secured in view of the fact that Congress would then have committed itself fully to the question of Sunday legislation by the passing of the Sunday bill for the District of Columbia.

There should be delay no longer on the part of our conference officers and ministers in doing what they can to enlighten the people on this subject, with the hope of holding in check a little longer this proposed legislation. This can be done by securing appointments with the United States Congressmen in each of your respective conferences, and placing before them the dangers which lie beneath this whole scheme, to which they would commit themselves in favoring the passage of the Johnston Sunday bill.

Much depends upon our activity and earnestness whether this bill will become a law or not. We are confident, however, that many of the Congressmen have very little, if any true conception of what is involved in this proposed measure. But if they could be so approached upon the subject by representatives of their own constituency before Congress convenes, they might be convinced of the dangers attending it.

The forthcoming issue of *Liberty* will be especially designed for our people to use in the present campaign in enlightening the people upon the subject of religious liberty, and preventing, if possible, the passage of this bill. This number of *Liberty* will be on the subject of the United States in prophecy. The *Religious Liberty Leaflets* should be used in large quantities, and also the Religious Liberty souvenir postal cards.

A copy of this forthcoming issue of *Liberty*, a set of the *Religious Liberty Leaflets*, and a set of the Religious

Liberty postal cards should be placed in the hands of every state, county, municipal and town official. The same should be placed in the hands of attorneys, educators, and other public men, besides sold as far as possible to all classes of people.

With a vigorous campaign along this line engaged in by all of our church members throughout the United States, we can little comprehend what great good might be accomplished in enlightening thousands and thousands of people concerning the dangers of religious legislation which threaten us so seriously at the present time, and too, in this way we might be able to defeat the passage of the Johnston Sunday bill for the District of Columbia now pending in the House of Representatives.

The time before Congress convenes is rapidly passing. What we do must be done quickly. We would urge that the officers of every church call a meeting at once, and plan for a vigorous religious liberty campaign in their respective communities. *Liberty*, the *Religious Liberty Leaflets*, and the Religious Liberty postal cards can be ordered through your tract societies. Begin at once to pray and work while you have the opportunity to do so.

K. C. RUSSELL.

OUR CHILDREN.

OUR children are a sacred trust given us of God, and should have our tenderest care.

In testimony vol. 6. page 429. we read. "Our work for Christ is to begin with the family, in the home. The education of the youth should be of a different order from that which has been given in the past. Their welfare demands far more labor than has been given them. There is no missionary field more important than this."

"O that parents would look prayerfully and Carefully after their Children's eternal welfare! Let them ask themselves, Have we been Careless? Have we neglected this solemn work? Have we allowed our Children to become the sport of Satan's temptations? Have we not a solemn account to settle with God because we have permitted our Children to use their talents, their time and influence, in working against the truth, against Christ? Have we not neglected our duty as parents, and increased the number of the subjects of Satan's kingdom?"

The above questions are solemn ones indeed. How strange it seems when we stop to think of it, that it should be necessary for the Lord to send such

testimony as this to a people who have the last message of mercy to a perishing world Committed to their Care? A people, who know that the end of all things is at hand, and yet the Lord must say to us, you have neglected your children. How sad to see some of the Children of sabbath keepers drifting away from the truth and into the world. Shall we not awaken to our duty on this point? Shall we still permit our children to be surrounded with worldly influences that will lead them away from God, and into the ways of death? Seventh-day Adventist fathers and Mothers above all others now living on the earth, should be thoroughly awake to the interests of their Children.

We should be seeking God earnestly every day that his Converting power might rest upon us, and that by the aid of his Holy Spirit we might be able to educate and train our Children and youth for his service here in this world and for a home in his kingdom. If we as a people, could only see this matter as God sees it, there would be a mighty reformation in our ranks, Greater spirituality would be seen in the homes of this people, a greater number of Church and intermediate schools would be started and maintained, There would be definite plans laid to get our Children out of the public schools, Thousands of dollars that are now invested in worldly enterprises would be turned to the work of preparing our Children for eternity. May the Lord help us to Awake out of sleep on this grave question.

J. W. WATT.

*THE GREATEST NEEDS OF OUR SABBATH SCHOOL

IN dealing with this subject, we will confine ourselves to the Columbus, Sabbath School.

The one great need of our school, is the abiding presence of the Spirit of Christ, in the hearts and lives of officers, teachers and pupils. To whatever extent this may be lacking, to just that extent the school will come short of accomplishing the purpose for which it is designed.

We quote from the Sabbath School Worker of April, 1886. "The Sabbath-school should be one of the greatest instrumentalities, and the most effectual in bringing souls to Christ. Our Sabbath-school workers need to be especially endowed with the Spirit of Christ. They cannot be co-workers with Christ unless they have Him abiding in their hearts by faith"

*Read at the Columbus Sabbath-school Convention.

One of the great objects of the Sabbath-school, is to bring the youth and children to Christ; and therefore ways and means should be devised, that will best accomplish this purpose.

We are instructed to make "Our Sabbath schools more interesting. Object lessons, pictures and black-boards should be used to make difficult lessons clear to youthful minds. Just so may present truth be simplified and made intensely interesting to the active minds of the children". It is also true that those of more mature years are able to grasp the lessons better when accompanied with illustrations.

The question may arise in the minds of some, that if such helps are of so great importance, why not provide them? Simply the possession of Sabbath-school helps, does not necessarily constitute a successful school, no more than the possession of carpenter tools makes a man a carpenter.

To many of us, simply the thought of illustrating a lesson on the black-board causes us to tremble. Who is there among us that have not been called upon to place some simple exercise or problem on the board, and to our shame and confusion find ourselves unable to recall, even the most simple rules applying to it? Why is this? There can be only one answer, and that is, that we have not been properly educated along right lines.

Second to having the presence of God in the life, is to have men and women who are qualified to act as officers and teachers in the Sabbath-school. And as the Lord has in mercy revealed to us the character and fitness of those who should act in this capacity, we will read a few extracts taken from the Spirit of Prophecy on this point.

"A true educator will carry the minds of his hearers with him. His words will be few but earnest. Coming from the heart they will be full of sympathy, and warm with the love for precious souls."

"Teachers and workers in every department of the Sabbath-school work, I address you in the fear of God, and tell you that unless you have a living connection with God, and are often before him in earnest prayer, you will not be able to do your work with heavenly wisdom, and win souls for Christ. The worker for God must be clothed with humility as with a garment."

"It is certainly important that we become acquainted with the reasons

of our faith, but the most important knowledge to be gained is the experimental knowledge of what it means to be born again. The great want in our Sabbath-school work is the want of the light of life. All through our ranks are needed men and women who have learned at the feet of Jesus what is truth, and how to present it to others. It requires holy men, men who have humility, who are abiding in Christ, to be educators of our youth and children."

"How sad it is to think of the great amount of mechanical work that is done in the Sabbath-school, while there is little evidence of moral transformation in the souls of those who teach and are taught; when the work of the Spirit of God is felt in the heart, we will see many earnestly seeking for the kingdom of God and His righteousness."

"The great want in the Sabbath-school is not the want of machinery, but the want of a knowledge in spiritual things. How greatly do the workers need the baptism of the Holy Spirit, that they may become true missionaries for God. They should learn to tax their minds to the utmost, that they may acquire a better knowledge of Bible truth. The teachers in the Sabbath-school should pray daily for the enlightenment of heaven, that they may be able to open to the minds of the youth the treasures of the sacred Word."

"The matter of choosing officers should not be left to the control of the Sabbath-school scholars. To change officers frequently will be an advantage to the school. . . . Different minds and qualities will bring in fresh ideas, fresh lines of thought; and this is essential. But above every thing else select those who, in the simplicity of their souls, are walking in the truth, who love and fear God, and take their lessons in His school."

U. E. WHITEIS.

West Hoboken, N. J.

DEAR VISITOR:—

The writer in company with Brother and Sister Ambs began the tent effort among the Germans of West Hoboken, N. J. on the evening of June 30, 1907. The Lord blessed and gave the victory when the battle seemed almost lost. A Sabbath-school was first organized, and then a German Church with a membership of twelve adults on Jan. 11, 1908

The Sabbath School Report of July 4, 1908, just one year after the tent effort began, showed a membership of twentyfour, and the Sabbath-school

donations for missions amounted to forty-three dollars and ninety-five cents (\$43.95) for the first six months of 1908.

For this we praise the Lord, and to him be all the glory.

At present the writer, in company with Brother J. H. Koenig, is holding a tent effort in Union Hill, N. J. Our interest is very small but what the result will be we do not know. Our courage is good, and we intend to press on till the victory is won.

Remember us at the throne of grace.

J. G. HANHARDT.

Hasbrouck H'ts, N. J.

AMERICA IS THE BENJAMIN

THE following appeared in the Charleston (West Virginia) Daily Gazette, bearing date of Tuesday July 14, 1908. From the clipping the reader can readily note the position our country now occupies as a member of the Papal See.

America is Benjamin of Family, Says the Pope

Receives Students of the American College and Declares the Father Always Loves More the Youngest Child

Rome, July 13.—The Pope received in private audience Sunday the students of the American College headed by the rector, Mgr. Kennedy, for the presentation of felicitations on the occasion of the papal jubilee.

Mgr. Kennedy delivered an address in which he said that the American College represented a young country, but one as loyal to the papacy as the oldest of the Catholic countries. The Pope in reply thanked him cordially, saying: "America is young, but the father always loves more the youngest child. In every family there is a Benjamin; America is the Benjamin."

Is it any wonder, when professed Protestant churches of America, leading statesmen, judges and men of influence in office clamor for the assistance of civil law to compel all to sacredly revere an institution of Catholic origin, that Mgr. Kennedy declares America while a young country is as loyal to the Papacy as the oldest of the Catholic countries?

—L. E. SUFFICOL.

I walk much in the pleasant fields of Holy Scripture in order that I may less perceive the bitterness of this miserable life.—Queen Elizabeth.

OUR WORKERS

Cincinnati

TO THE VISITOR:

This writing finds us in the midst of our tent effort. We began our Meetings June 25. Our location is not the best for comfort, but we are where we can reach the people; which is more desirable. Our personal comforts have been set aside, in preference to reaching souls with this Message. We are located right on a car line. Aside from the noise, we like it pretty well. As it helps to advertise our Meeting. We have put out 3000 bills stating the subjects to be considered each Night. We feel the Lord has led us to this location. As soon as we spied this vacant lot we thought it a favorable location and when the man let us have the lot free of charge, we felt sure the Lord had worked for us. Vacant lots are very scarce in Cincinnati.

While the Lord is working for us the devil is working against us in many ways. In one way, that he located a merry-go-round close to our tent only one house between us. Their continual grind annoyed us some. One Night the Lord sent us a man with a cornet, helping us to drown out the noise of opposition.

The Members of the Cincinnati church show their interest in the meetings by their presence from night to night. The bible Workers are faithfully performing their part. Sisters Venen and Gaede assist in the singing. The singing attracting the attention of passers by.

The International Publishing association at College View has sent us 350 copies of the Special Number of the German Missionary paper, for distribution. The Young people's volunteers of Cincinnati are helping with the temperance number of the watchman and Liberties, and the Church with tracts. So we hope to leave some things with the people here that will till for the truth and eternity. We are of good courage and firmly believe the Lord will give us Some souls for our hire. Pray for the work in this large and most wicked city.

Besides the tent effort here We have an effort in addysion a few miles down the river, where we go Sabbath after noon and Sundays.

Four souls have promised to keep the Sabbath. And others are seriously thinking of taking this step. It means much to them as all are working in shops and of course would loose their

positions immediately. These are trying times on account of work being so slack. One brother beginning to keep the Sabbath lost his position and has had none since. He is firm however He has gone on the farm with brother Poulson. This brother has fully given himself to the Lord and accepted all points of our faith. He united with the Cincinnati Church last Sabbath. The Work here is onward.

Yours in the blessed cause,

JOHN P GAEDE
W. J. VENEN

Charleston, W. Va.

ONE of the best meetings the writer has been permitted to attend was the quarterly meeting of the Charleston Church, Cor. Virginia Ave. and Charleston St. Nearly all members were present. This meeting was one which will long be remembered. The presence of the Lord was felt in our midst, and we could say, "Truly it is good for us to be here". Another name was added to our list, and as others are now keeping the Sabbath in the city, we believe by the end of this quarter our numbers will be enlarged by the addition of their names. We are glad to see our brethren and sisters paying a faithful tithe into the Lord's treasury, and this, together with their untiring and persistent efforts to place the Message before the people in this city and surrounding rural districts, will bring the rich blessing of the Lord upon this church.

Sunday July 12th the business meeting of the church was held in the tent on Bigley Ave. Many important matters were brought before the members of the church. Faithfulness in our payment of tithe and offerings was dwelt upon, and the following resolution unanimously adopted:

Whereas, there has been misunderstanding among the brethren concerning the proper place where church funds should be paid, and, believing that the Lord is a God of order,

Resolved, That we, as individual members of the Charleston Church Seventh-day Adventist, pay a faithful tithe, as well as all church offerings to our duly elected church Treasurer, and that said church treasurer give to each member paying tithe receipt for amount paid.

We trust that all members of this church will now work in harmony with the resolution, and we hope to see a steady increase in the tithe and offerings from month to month.

The following is a list of the duly elected officers:

Church Elder, Llewellyn E. Sufficool, Charleston W. Va.

Church Deacon A. T. Halstead, St. Albans, West Va.

Church Clerk Mrs. L. N. Sargent, Charleston, W. Va.

Church Treasurer, J. L. Hall, St. Albans, West Va.

Church Librarian, Beryl Cummings, Charleston, West Va.

May the rich blessing of the Lord rest upon this church is our prayer.

L. E. SUFFICOL.

Delta, Ohio

DEAR VISITOR—We held our first meeting in Delta, Ohio, June 5. We had pitched our tent in the East part of town. It was evident almost from the first that the enemy was at work to keep the people away. Our attendance was very light from the start. We soon became convinced that the people of that part of town had decided not to hear, the truths of salvation, so we secured another lot in the North part of town, where we pitched June 23, holding our first meeting that same evening. While our attendance is not large we have some interested ones here, who we hope will take their stand for the Truth.

From what we hear, some of the people, among them some of the ministers, are very much worried about our stay at this place and are very anxious for us to go away. How will they feel when they have to meet their words and work in the Judgement.

Sister Verna Shultz is with us as organist, and is helping to scatter the printed page. Sister Blanch Shultz is also out twice a week with the *Family Bible Teacher*. When we leave here the town will have been thoroughly warned even if they have refused to come to the tent.

Our people here and at Wauseon are doing all they can to make the meetings a success. Miss Clough is also helping with the *Bible Teacher*.

Our people from Liberty Center have been over twice. We held two meetings yesterday the Fouerth, and had our dinners in the tent, All seemed to enjoy the services.

W. E. BIDWELL.

JOHN W. SHULTZ.

TO OUR BRETHREN IN WEST VIRGINIA

Two weeks are now in the past since we commenced meetings in the tent in this city. We have been

blessed with good weather, an excellent congregation and a good interest from the first. At the last quarterly meeting four new converts were taken into full church membership, and others will unite with us at our next quarterly meeting July 11 and 12. Our tent company has been numerically weak. This has been the means of causing the workers to feel their utter dependance upon the Lord, and truly the Lord has blessed. Last night one man stated he could not work on the Sabbath any longer. Others are likewise interested.

For the first time in our experience as associated with the work in this city, the writer feels that Charleston is now ripe for the forth coming camp-meeting. We believe that this meeting will mean much to the work here in the state capitol.

We solicit the prayers of the faithful for the work in the city of Charleston.

L. E. SUFFICOOL.

BERYL CUMMINGS

MRS. MAUDE SUFFICOOL.

WEST VIRGINIA NOTES

ELDER FOGGIN has organized two Sabbath-schools in the vicinity of the Culloden church, and reports having a good interest there.

MISS MAGGIE GRAHAM has returned to Parkersburg after a ten week's visit with her sister, Mrs. J. D. Trough and family of Cumberland, Md.

THE tent companies at both Charleston and Moundsville still report having good interests and some in each place have decided to obey God.

PLEASE send in your pledge on the Tent Fund. All pledges were due the first of this month, and the money is very much needed to pay for the tents that have already been purchased.

WE still have on hands a number of TEMPERANCE WATCHMAN. Send in you order and do a good work by selling these papers in your vicinity. Try selling enough to pay your way to camp-meeting.

THE first service of our camp-meeting will be held August 27. Begin now to be at Charleston on that date. Bring the young people and the children, It may be too late another year. Special services will be held each day for both with good instructors. The solemn times in which we live and the great work to be done among us demands a special preparation, and the camp-meeting is the

place to get it. The testimonies say, "Strengthen the meeting all you possibly can by being present with your families. Put forth extra exertion to attend the gathering of God's people. Brethren and sisters, it would be far better for you to let your business suffer than to neglect the opportunity of hearing the message God has for you". Let all seek the Lord that a wonderful work may be done at this camp-meeting.

P. L. R.

CHESAPEAKE CANVASSING NOTES

—We now have sixteen canvassers in the field with several writing to enter.

—During the month of June the amount of orders exceeded \$2,000.00.

—Several of our canvassers attended the camp meeting which was held in Wilmington, Del.

—Some reports more than reached the \$90.00 mark per week. Twenty-two ran above \$40.00 per week.

—Brother Johns: "Tuesday at 5: oclock, I was on the road and by 8: oclock had nine orders for "Coming King" gilt." His report for the week was \$95.00

—Brother Joseph Paden delivered \$55.50 worth of books out of \$57.50 worth of orders. He says, "Out of twelve exhibitions Thursday P. M., I secured ten orders.

—Sister Lukens writes, "I met the Methodist minister and he ordered a Morocco "Great Controversy" and then gave me four names of persons. three of whom have given me orders. Harold and I have secured orders amounting to \$251.25 in thirteen days. I cannot express my gratitude for such good success."

—The canvassing work was given due consideration in the worker's meeting which preceded the regular camp meeting. All through the regular meetings this important branch of the Lord's work received hearty endorsement and support by all the officers and workers of the Conference. Look for resolutions on this subject, in the minutes of the Conference.

—Brother Mitchell: "Sometimes I am tempted to pass by a house, but the thought comes, 'If these people do not have this opportunity to learn the truth and they are lost, the blame will rest upon me.'"

O that we all felt this same solemn duty to warn our fellowmen and lead them to the light of present truth.

G. H. CLARK.

NEW JERSEY

THE annual Camp-meeting of the New Jersey Conference will be held at Woodbury, August 20 to 30, 1908. The grounds are very pleasantly situated. As Woodbury is situated on the main line of the Pennsylvania electric lines, it is easy of access from all parts of the State, and we trust that our brethren will begin at once to lay definite plans to attend this meeting which will no doubt be one of the most important meetings ever held in this State. Excellent help is promised us from the Union and General Conferences and we also expect that some missionaries from abroad will be in attendance.

We trust that our brethren and sisters will make special effort to be present at this annual gathering, as we hope to lay plans at this meeting for future work that will be of vital interest to every church member in this State.

There will be a dining tent on the grounds, where meals will be served at reasonable rates. Arrangements are also being made to accommodate those who wish to rent tents. All desiring tents for this meeting should write at once to D. K. Royer, 619 William St., Trenton, N. J., stating whether large or small tent is desired. Further plans regarding the meeting, and directions for reaching the grounds will be given at a later date.

Let us pray earnestly that God will make this meeting of special benefit to all our people.

Special consideration will be given to the various departments of the work, such as the Book work, medical work, Religious Liberty, Young People and Educational work. We also expect to have special studies for the benefit of church officers.

B. F. KNEELAND

Pres. N. J. Conference

GOD IS DIRECTING IT

WHAT? Why the canvassing work. Read, then join in with us for a share in the blessings.

The writer with Brother Wm. Hawkes of Bradford who has but recently started in this God given work, started through a valley in the vicinity of this city to reach some of the souls that the Lord has said "could not be reached in any other way".

Starting down the mountain side, through the woods (not forgetting to stop, and drawing to one side in its fastness, where the silence was broken only by the sweet songsters and the

rustle of the wind, to have a season with the angels of God and there receive a blessing that more than compensated for the hard day's work that was afterward put in.) for a few miles and on down the road, with "the everlasting hills in their beauty, on each side, declaring the handiwork (power) of God, we finally rejoiced to see a house which was the beginning of our struggle for souls. I said, this was the beginning, but dear reader, the real beginning was back in the woods and in the time spent with the Saviour before leaving home.

No, The Lord did not give us an order with our first stop, but He did give us a blessing, for after accosting the man who was out in the field reaping, he laid down his scythe and we went to the barn where sitting upon a bed of new mown hay we showed him our book and talked to him of the precious message for today, also to his son who had entered while we talked giving us a congregation of two, here the Lord helped us to understand how it is that, "the Lord looks upon the work of the faithful canvasser with as equal favor as the minister". We were given a cordial invitation to stop again on our way to deliver our books.

We found the valley settled with followers of the Papacy, many of whom were the foreign element, but scattered among them were some that we could reach, and God blessed in giving us orders for the book.

Passing on our way we noticed a very uninviting looking shanty off the road a little ways, the windows all out on the side toward us, and the other part of the shanty hid by an old black pumping station. Thinking it but the shanty of another one of the foreign element or probably uninhabited, we passed on. After getting down the road a short distance the writer was impressed to look back and remembering past experiences, concluded to return and investigate. On rounding the pumping station we saw what we could not see from the road, lace curtains at some of the windows, (I say we, I mean the *Angel of the Lord* and myself for Brother Hawkes had gone to another house) arriving at the gate we were intimidated by a dog who was there, as I thought, to watch things; but as he pointed his tail downward and scampered under the porch, I was assured of the partner whom God had given to work with me, my guardian Angel, so opened the gate and went in. Just at this juncture a sweet little

CANVASSERS' REPORTS

New Jersey, Week Ending July 10, 1908

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
D. Percy, Cape May C. H.,		DR	5	40	48	\$130 75	\$ 25	\$131 00	\$ 25
G. Taylor, " " "		DR	5	38	22	56 75	3 50	60 25	3 50
H. Province, Manington,		DR	5	40	25	71 75		71 75	
S. Oberg, Low Creek,		DR	4	42	23	66 25		66 25	
F. Loasby, Moorestown,		DR	5	41	17	49 50	11 50	61 00	
W. C. McCoy,* Union Twp.		DR	4	36	9	35 75	1 05	36 80	
G. Webber,* Union Twp.,		DR	4	34	2	9 50	35	9 85	
D. P. Boersma, Cross Keys,		DR	4	34	8	15 75	50	16 25	3 25
A. Perez, " "		DR	3	26	1	1 50	1 50	3 00	1 00
J. Rambo, Down,		DR	4	27	16	36 25	1 50	37 75	
G. Blinn, Hopewell,		GC	4	32	26	73 50		73 50	
C. Woertz, Roselle,		GC	5	40	22	60 50	1 60	62 10	1 60
R. Funk, Elizabeth,		GC	5	27	5	14 75		14 75	
T. Hilgers, Bedminster		GC	5	38	2	5 50	2 00	7 50	2 00
J. Jenssen, Paterson,		GC	2	6			2 50	2 50	3 95
Sadie Winter, Bloomfield		GC	3	29	4	11 00	1 50	12 50	1 00
B. H. Welsh, Summit,		BR	5	30	11	35 50		35 50	50
Florence Welsh, "		BR	5	22	11	31 25		31 15	
Totals,			77	582	252	\$705 75	\$27 75	\$733 50	\$17 05

Virginia, Week Ending July 10, 1908

A. Schenk, Roanoke,	GC	27	4	\$14 00		\$14 00			
C. Grey, Parksley,	GC	42	11	30 25	\$14 10	48 35		\$23 00	
W. Genther, "	DR	24	7	16 25	30 10	47 35		18 00	
E. Wilson, Richmond,	DR	29	5	13 75	6 50	20 25		27 00	
J. A. & J. M. Hayes,† Eastville,	DR	304	20	59 25	73 90	133 15		65 80	
N. Carpenter, Richmond,	CK	3	3	3 00		3 00			
C. Haskell, Lexington,	CK	52	29	37 40		37 40		58 10	
C. Stebbins, "	CK	25	20	32 50	5 70	38 20			
L. Overstreet, Stanleyton,	CK	41	2	2 00	3 85	5 85		45 85	
Mrs. A. Overstreet, Roanoke,	COL	2		2 50		2 50			
K. Oertley, Roanoke,	SP	21						97 00	
E. McGlocklin,† Norfolk,		34				26 55	26 85	8 50	
Totals,		604	101	\$210 90	\$160 70	\$376 60		\$195 03	

Chesapeake, Week Ending July 3, 1908

W. Wirth, Kenton, Del.,	DR	5	44	7	\$19 00	\$50 35	\$69 35		
B. Arkebaur, Lebanon, Del.,	GC	5	44	14	38 75	3 85	42 60	\$ 63	
W. Mansfield, Easton, Md.,		5	42			8 50	8 50	8 50	
W. Spicer, Princess Anne, Md.,	CK	5	40	25	36 00		36 00		
A. Williman, Atlanta, Del.,	GC	5	37	19	55 25		55 25		75
J. Paden, Myerville, Md.,	CK	4	35	16	16 00		16 00		55 50
D. Johns, Laurel, Md.,	CK	3	34	20	25 50	4 05	29 55		50
J. Jones, Hebron, Md.,	CK	3	24	10	14 00		14 00		
Mrs. Lukens, Hagerst'n, Md.,	GC	4	18	10	29 50	75	30 25		25
Harold Lukens, " "		5	17	17	51 75	25	52 00		
Totals,		44	335	138	\$285 75	\$67 75	\$353 50		\$65 13

Chesapeake, Week Ending July 10, 1908

W. Wirth, Cheswo'd, Del.,	CK	5	44	27	\$34 00	\$21 50	\$55 50		
W. Spicer, Princ's Anne, Md.,	CK	5	42	27	38 50		38 50		
B. Arkebar, Wyoming, Del.,	GC	5	42	14	40 50	5 40	45 90	\$ 1 40	
D. Johns, Laurel, Md.,	CK	5	39	7	10 50		10 50		153 45
E. Mitchell, Winfield, Md.,	CK	4	36	23	27 00	3 00	30 00		
J. Jones, Merdle Spring, Md.,	CK	4	32	21	26 50		26 50		
J. Howard, Hyatsville, Md.,	CK	3	14	36	36 00		36 00		
E. Matthews, Elk Mills, Md.,	CK	2	12	4	5 50	1 50	7 00		1 50
Totals,		33	261	179	\$218 50	\$31 40	\$249 90		\$156 35

West Virginia, Week Ending July 10, 1908

J. Jennings, Berkeley Co.,	DR	4	30	2	\$ 4 25	\$11 00	\$15 25	\$ 3 50	
D. Whitmire, Hardy Co.,	DR	4	33	2	5 50	17 40	22 90		50
H. Waggoner, Berkeley Co.,	CK	4	30	18	18 00	75	18 75		3 75
F. Gardner, Dodridge Co.,	CK	5	40	9	9 00	24 65	33 65		29 75
C. Midkiff, Morgantown,	SP	4	18	8	12 00		12 00		
E. Metcalf, Parkersburg,	SP	4	25	3	4 50	10 10	14 60		14 60
Totals,		25	176	42	\$53 25	\$63 90	\$117 15		\$52 10

*Week ending July 3, 1908.

†Four weeks.

‡Two weeks.

girl, American, came around the house and took me to the rear where we met a very pleasant young man and his wife who gave me a cordial invitation to be seated. They gave an interested hearing to the exhibition of the book and as I closed, the young woman said, with that eagerness born of a desire that could only have been created by a heavenly influence (the Angel was there) "that certainly is a good book and I would like to have it", the young man responded with equal eagerness, "I think so too and that we ought to have it in our home." It seemed that they were almost afraid that I would leave without taking their order. They then called our (for the angel had not left me) attention to the wickedness of the little Hamlet not far from there where, as they said, the men could drink, play cards, swear, play ball and do everything but go to church on Sunday, they pointed to their two children, so dear to them and said, "we have to bring our little ones up in the midst of all this and not even the privilege of the Sunday School. We are so glad you called. We will be glad to have the book in our home."

Later in the day we had the opportunity to witness the truth of their testimony against the place mentioned. We found about twenty-five houses, a saloon and a ball park but no church and not even enough interest to get together to have Sunday School. Brother Hawkes was ridiculed by young women in a home (?) that was but a sample of Sodom, while the writer was attacked at the country store by a man who could be no other than one of Satan's appointed agents. After reading the above, read and consider the following.

"This (the canvassing work) is the very work the Lord desires his people to do at this time. All who consecrate themselves to God to work as canvassers are assisting to give the last message of warning to the world.

We can not too highly estimate this work; for were it not for the efforts of the canvasser, many would never hear the warning."

The blood of righteous Able crying out from the ground, was the accuser of wicked Cain, so the many "sitting in gross darkness" today crying out for the light of the last message to this perishing world, is the accuser of every one who knows the truth and is not doing all within his power to spread the light. So come, my brother and sister, let us get to work and hasten the coming of our Saviour.

Ohio, Week Ending July 10, 1908

V. O. Punches, Hardin Co.,	DR	4	36	9	\$26 75		\$26 75	
C. Van Gorder, Sandusky Co.,	DR	4	35	6	19 50	2 50	22 00	
F. Black, Hardin Co.,	CK	5	35	67	75 00		75 00	
H. Weaks, Ross Co.,	CK	5	41	35	35 50		35 50	\$1 00
W. C. Van Eman, Hardin Co.,	CK	4	40	14	16 00		16 00	
F. Evans, Pike Co.,	CK	5	28	14	15 50		15 50	
R. Corder, Columbiana Co.,	BF	4	37	22	22 15	5 60	27 75	
W. Goss, Cuyahoga Co.,	CK	2	13	1	1 50		1 50	
Totals,		33	265	168	\$211 90	\$8 10	\$220 00	\$1 00

Eastern Pennsylvania, Week Ending July 10, 1908

H. Minier, Wilkes Barre,	GC	5	39	14	\$51 50	\$14 90	\$66 40	\$ 2 10
H. Gerhart, Bucks,	DR	2	18	14	26 00		26 00	
W. Garrett, Jermyon,	HM	4	32	8	14 00		14 00	
W. Houck, Lancaster,	HM	5	38	10	19 75	25	20 00	14 00
M. Hackett, Hazelton,	HM	4	29	5	8 75	1 25	10 00	
G. Hackett,	HM	4	29	5	8 75		8 75	
R. Spangenberg, Scranton,	COL	4	24	19	23 75	35	24 10	7 50
Totals,		28	209	75	\$152 50	\$16 75	\$169 25	\$23 60

Watch the VISITOR for the report of our experience on the last half of our trip through this valley. Truly God is directing this work.

The writer desires to hear from others who want to enjoy the same blessings that Brother Hawkes and others are enjoying today.

I. G. BIGELOW, Field Agent. *Bradford, Pa. 99 Rockland Ave.*

CANVASSERS MEETINGS AT THE OHIO CAMP-MEETING

It will not be long now till camp meeting to which we all look forward with pleasure. Especially will those meetings be appreciated by the brethren and sisters who are isolated and do not have the privilege of meeting with those of like faith.

The tempter may make some suggestions at this time saying to those who ought to go that the expense is too great that there are pressing duties to attend to at home, or will make some similar excuse. But God has in store many rich blessings for His people at these gatherings so let none be cheated out of these privileges through the deceptions of Satan.

The Lord is just as willing today to look after the temporal affairs of his people while they are assembled at the annual camp-meeting as He was in the days of Israel when He said,

"Thrice in a year shall all your menchildren appear before the Lord God, the God of Israel. For I will cast out the nations before thee, and enlarge thy borders: neither shall any man desire thy land, when thou shalt go up to appear before the Lord thy God thrice in the year" No doubt every brother and sister who has attended these meetings in the past has been conscious of the fact that they

were drawn closer to God, and were inspired to become more active in His service.

We are living in times of terrible deception when men are falling all around us, and at such a time as this when we need the special help of the Lord how can we reasonably expect Him to protect us from the fiery darts of the enemy if we neglect the opportunities that are offered us of becoming strong in His strength.

We hope that all our canvassers will put forth every effort to be present. All have had good experiences the past summer which will be a source of encouragement and strength to others, and we hope to find some time each day for a good canvasser's testimony meeting, and we hope that all who are interested in this work will make it a point to attend and come in contact with those who have been out in the field.

No doubt there are many throughout the State of Ohio who have heard the still small voice, saying, Go work today in my vineyard. Perhaps you have been in the work once but have dropped out. Will you not begin again?

Think and pray over this matter earnestly, and come prepared to receive what the Lord has for you.

E. R. NUMBERS.

Remember, three things come not back
The arrow sent upon its track,
It will not swerve, it will not stay
Its speed; it flies to wound or slay.
The spoken word, so soon forgot
By thee; yet it has perished not;
In other hearts 'tis living still,
And doing work for good or ill.
And the lost opportunity
That cometh back no more to thee;
In vain thou weepest, in vain dost yearn,
These three will never more return.

—Selected.

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MRS. C. L. SHELTON, and daughter
Miss Flossie, of Columbus, O., have
been visiting friend in Mt. Vernon.

MISS GRACE DONNELLY, a graduate
nurse of Battle Creek Sanitarium, is
spending her vacation with her mother,
Mrs G. A. Donnelly.

MRS G. A. IRWIN, of Washington, D.
C., is in Ohio taking a much needed
rest. Last week she visited relatives
and friends in Mt. Vernon.

WE regret to learn that the health
of Sister Claren Loe, nee Nellie Board-
man, has not been benefited by the
California climate, as was hoped, and
so her husband has taken her to Phoe-
nix, Ariz.

The canvassers in the New Jersey
Conference have been making and
breaking excellent records. we note
that this week Brother David W.
Percy holds the record on Daniel and
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LOCAL MEETING.

WE will hold a local meeting at
New Market, Va., Sept. 8-13. We
would like our people to begin to
plan to attend this meeting, espe-
cially those in the Valley. We are
expecting to have with us Elder E.
E. Andross, President of the Colum-
bia Union Conference, Brother I. D.
Richardson General Field Agent of
the Columbia Union Conference, and
we hope some of the General Confer-
ence brethren. The best of all we are
expecting to have the Lord with us.
During these meetings our new Acad-
emy will be dedicated. Let us all pray
for this meeting. All who are plan-
ning to attend, please notify Elder
R. D. Hottell, New Market, Va. at
once.

H. W. HERRELL.

President Virginia Conference.

ELDER W. J. TANNER, who is now
left alone in Hayti, writes that there
is great danger of a sudden uprising
of the people at any time. He says,
"All indications that the human mind
can take in make it clear that if
trouble once breaks out here, we
shall be in danger. This seems to be
the general impression among all for-
eigners. I feel, however, that we are
better protected than those who may
see strength in the presence of foreign
warships; for are we not right where
God put us in order that we might
carry on his work? I would not ex-
change the confidence that this knowl-
edge gives me for the presence of a
Pacific fleet. Nevertheless, to be
away from home under such circum-
stances is more or less of a strain on
one." And the Mission Board has no
one to send on to connect with him in
Hayti. Souls, even under these try-
ing conditions, are accepting the truth.

He further adds, "At the present time
we are more in need of help than ever.
The work is more than holding its
own among those who have accepted
the Sabbath the past two or three
years, and is making gains in new
places, as, for instance, Port de Paix,
where we now have a little company
who have been observing the Sabbath
only a few weeks. Letters from there
tell me that the past few weeks three
or four have begun the observance of
all the commandments, so that now we
have a company of seven or eight in
the capital, also, a place where we
have as yet done no public work.
These are calling for a visit and bap-
tism."

COLUMBIA UNION CAMP- MEETINGS

Ohio, Mansfield, O., Aug. 13-23.
New Jersey camp-meeting at Wood-
bury, N. J., Aug. 20-30.
Virginia, New Market, Va., Sept. 8-13.
West Virginia, Charleston, W. Va.,
Aug. 27-Sept. 6.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA TITHE RECEIPTS

JUNE, 1908.

Allentown	\$219.53
Ariel	30.34
Bloomsburg
Carbondale
Cherry Flats	1.10
Fleetwood
German Co.	30.20
Harrisburg	44.77
Hawley	5.35
Jersey Shore	14.35
Kulp	5.21
Lancaster	58.90
Lebanon
Lorenton	19.00
North Philadelphia	140.21
North Umberland
Orwell	2.79
Reading	13.25
Roaring Branch
Scranton	29.27
Shunk
Stroudsburg	45.00
Wade	18.45
Williamsport	81.91
West Philadelphia	186.78
Wilkes-Barre	26.17
Individual50

Total\$973.08

Total Receipts, All Sources

Tithe	\$973.08
Tract Society	362.27
Sabbath-school Donations	60.12
Weekly Offerings	14.14
Hazel, Ky. School	52.63
Bro. Hyatt's Work in Africa	5.00
Portugal Mission	2.76
Missionary Volunteer Fund	1.78
2nd. Sabbath Offering	1.00
\$150,000 Fund50

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A. L. BAYLEY.