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THE VICTORY

FAITH is in no sense allied to presumption. Only he who has true faith is secure against presumption, for presumption is Satan's counterfeit of faith. Faith claims God's promises, and brings forth fruit in obedience. Presumption also claims the promises, but uses them as Satan did, to excuse transgression. Faith would have led our first parents to trust the love of God, and obey his commands. Presumption led them to transgress his law, believing that his great love would save them from the consequence of their sin. It is not faith that claims the favor of heaven without complying with the conditions on which mercy is to be granted. Genuine faith has its foundation in the promises and provisions of the Scriptures.

Often when Satan has failed of exciting distrust, he succeeds in leading us to presumption. If he can cause us to place ourselves unnecessarily in the way of temptation, he knows that the victory is his. God will preserve all who walk in the path of obedience; but to depart from it is to venture on Satan's ground. There we are sure to fall. The Saviour has bidden us, "Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation." Meditation and prayer would keep us from rushing unbidden into the way of danger, and thus we would be saved from many a defeat.

Yet we should not lose courage when assailed by temptation. Often when placed in a trying situation we doubt that the Spirit of the Lord has been leading us. But it was the Spirit's leading that brought Jesus into the wilderness to be tempted by Satan. When God brings us into trial, he has a purpose to accomplish for our good. Jesus did not presume on God's promises by going unbidden into temptation, neither did he give up in despondency when temptation came upon him. Nor should we. "God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a

way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it." He says, "Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the Most High; and call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver thee; and thou shalt glorify me."

Jesus was victor in the second temptation, and now Satan manifests himself in his true character. But he does not appear as a hideous monster, with cloven feet and bat's wings. He is a mighty angel, though fallen. He avows himself the leader of rebellion and the god of this world.

Placing Jesus upon a high mountain, Satan caused the kingdoms of the world, in all their glory, to pass in panoramic view before him. The sunlight lay on templed cities, marble palaces, fertile fields, and fruit laden vineyards. The traces of evil were hidden. The eyes of Jesus so lately greeted by gloom and desolation, now gazed upon a scene of unsurpassed loveliness and prosperity. Then the tempter's voice was heard, "All this power will I give thee and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will, I give it. If thou therefore wilt worship me, all shalt be thine."

Christ's mission could be fulfilled only through suffering. Before him was a life of sorrow, hardship, and an ignominious death. He must bear the sins of the whole world. He must endure separation from his Father's love. Now the tempter offered to yield up the power he had usurped. Christ might deliver himself from the dreadful future by acknowledging the supremacy of Satan. But to do this was to yield the victory in the great controversy. It was in seeking to exalt himself above the Son of God that Satan had sinned in heaven. Should he prevail now, it would be the triumph of rebellion.

When Satan declared to Christ, "The kingdom and glory of the world are delivered unto me, and to whomsoever I will, I give it," he stated what was true only in part, and he declared it to serve his own purpose of deception. Satan's dominion was that wrested from Adam, but Adam was the vice-gerent of the Creator. His was not an independent rule. The earth is God's and he has com-

mitted all things to his Son. Adam was to reign subject to Christ. When Adam betrayed his sovereignty into Satan's hands, Christ still remained the rightful King. "The Most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will." Satan can exercise his usurped authority only as God permits.

When the tempter offered to Christ the kingdom and glory of the world, he was proposing that Christ should yield up the real kingship of the world, and hold dominion subject to Satan. This was the same dominion upon which the hopes of the Jews were set. They desired the kingdom of this world. If Christ had consented to offer them such a kingdom, they would gladly have received him. But the curse of sin, with all its woes, rested upon it. Christ declared to the tempter, "Get thee behind me, Satan, for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve."

By the one who had revolted in heaven, the kingdoms of this world were offered to Christ, to buy his homage to the principles of evil; but he would not be bought; he had come to establish a kingdom of righteousness, and he would not abandon his purpose. With the same temptation Satan approaches men, and here he has better success than with Christ. To men he offers the kingdom of this world on condition that they will acknowledge his supremacy. He requires that they sacrifice integrity, disregard conscience, indulge selfishness. Christ bids them seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, but Satan walks by their side and says, "Whatever may be true in regard to life eternal, in order to make a success in this world you must serve me. I hold your welfare in my hands. I can give you riches, pleasure, honor and happiness. Harken to my counsel. Do not allow yourself to be carried away with whimsical notions of honesty or sacrifice. I will prepare the way before you." Thus multitudes are deceived. They consent to live for the service of self, and Satan is satisfied. While he allures them with the hope of worldly dominion, he gains dominion over

the soul. But he offers that which he is not able to bestow, and which is soon to be wrested from him. In return, he beguiles them of their title to the inheritance of the sons of God.

Satan had questioned whether Jesus was the Son of God. In his summary dismissal he had proof that he could not gainsay. Divinity flashed through suffering humanity. Satan had no power to resist the command. Writhing with humiliation and rage, he was forced to withdraw from the presence of the world's Redeemer. Christ's victory was as complete as had been the failure of Adam.

So we may resist temptation, and force Satan to depart from us. Jesus gained the victory through submission and faith in God, and by the apostle he says to us, "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you." We cannot save ourselves from the tempter's power; he has conquered humanity, and when we try to stand in our own strength, we shall become a prey to his devices; but "the name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous runneth into it and are safe." Satan trembles and flees before the weakest soul who finds refuge in that mighty name.

After the foe had departed, Jesus fell exhausted to the earth, with the pallor of death upon his face. The angels of heaven had watched the conflict, beholding their beloved Commander as he passed through inexpressible suffering to make a way of escape for us. He had endured the test, greater than we ever shall be called to bear. The angels now administered to the Son of God, as he lay like one dying. He was strengthened with food, comforted with the message of his father's love, and the assurance that all heaven triumphed in his victory. Warming to life again, his great heart goes out in sympathy for man, and he goes forth to complete the work he has begun; to rest not until the foe is vanquished, and our fallen race redeemed.

Never can the cost of our redemption be realized until the redeemed shall stand with the Redeemer before the throne of God. Then, as the glories of the eternal home burst on our enraptured senses, we shall remember that Jesus left all this for us, that he not only became an exile from the heavenly courts, but for us took the risk of failure and eternal loss. Then we shall cast our crowns at his feet, and sing the song, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive

power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing." MRS. E. G. WHITE.

OUR WORKERS

Trenton, N. J.

THE fishermen of Brittany, we are told, are wont to utter this simple prayer when they launch their boats upon the deep,—“Keep me, my God; my boat is so small and the ocean is so wide.” How touchingly beautiful the words and the thought! How wise and appropriate the prayer! Might not the same petition be uttered with the same directness by each one of us every day of our lives? “Keep me, my God; my boat is so small”—I am so weak, so helpless, so easily carried by the winds and tossed by the waves. “And thy ocean is so wide”—the perils are so many and the rocks so frequent, the current of temptation so restless, the tides of evil so treacherous, the icy mountains of disaster so threatening, that, except thou, Lord, dost keep me, I utterly perish. Keep me, my God, keep me; my boat is so small and the winds are so fierce. The waves are so high, the waters are so deep and the ocean is so wide, I am so buffeted about by my adversary, so driven before the storms of grief, so swift by the resistless Euroclydon of defeat keep me, my God, keep me!

Hide me, O my Saviour hide,
Till the storm of life is past;
Safe into the haven guide;
O receive my soul at last!

From one in the boat of “faith” on the the seas of the canvassing work.
Yours in the Masters service,
GEORGE B. NEBBER.

Salem, N. J.

DEAR VISITOR:—

I rejoice each week as I read the good reports of the workers. The Lord is certainly blessing his work this summer. This is my first experience in the canvassing work, but I can truly say I thank the Lord that I can have the privilege of working for him in this great closing work. The way seems hard sometimes, but we know the Saviour trod the way before us, and he has promised to stand by our sides to guide and strengthen us for the work we have to do. We always have the good experiences along with the rest. One day last week I went back quite a long lane,

and canvassed a lady for “Daniel and Revelation”; she seemed to be very much interested and asked me to come back and see her husband at night. As I went out I met the husband who asked me to call about six o'clock and he would talk to me. I was there at six o'clock as agreed, and after having a good supper, I had quite a good talk with the family. During supper, after the husband had gone out, the wife told me that she and the children were Catholics, and that the husband was a Presbyterian. I raised my heart to God for wisdom in talking to these people that I might give the truth in the right light. I stayed over night with them. They gave me an order for “Daniel and Revelation” and a home Bible, and bought a “New Testament Primer” for the children. The Lord is sending this great truth to all denominations. I can only praise the Lord for these good experiences.

HOWARD E. PROVINCE.

Wilmington, Del.

THE tent effort started here on Sunday night July 19, with an attendance of 425. Perhaps the increasing interest may best be seen by some figures. The average adult attendance during the first week was 142. During the second week the average increased to 174. The third Sunday night brought an attendance of 560, and the third week an average attendance of 193. The fourth Sunday night, when the subject was “Who changed the Sabbath” the attendance increased to nearly 700, who gave us an offering of ten dollars.

During this week, the fourth, the average attendance has dropped off to 175, perhaps because of the Sabbath, and it may be from the rather threatening weather.

Many are very earnestly considering their obligation to observe the Sabbath, and we are praying that the Spirit of the Lord will send strong conviction to them.

We are grateful for the hearing the Lord has graciously given us, and trust it may continue.

Our tent is located in the best section of the city, and nicely lighted with electricity.

The members of the church here have done faithful service in the choir and in the distribution of advertising matter, and have also been in attendance regularly.

Our tent is directly opposite a Presbyterian church from which at first we expected we might receive opposition; but on the contrary the elders

have requested me to fill their pulpit during the pastor's absence on vacation and on the three preceding Sunday mornings, I have done so, and am to speak there again next Sunday morning. Nearly the whole membership of this church attend the tent meetings. We are grateful for the way in which the Lord has guided in this matter.

Elder H. S. Prener and wife and Brother Verbrook Nutter have been associated with the writer in this effort. Elder Prener remained with us until it was necessary for him to make preparations for his long journey to Brazil. He and his wife sail from New York on August 20. His help while here was greatly appreciate, and we have been very sorry to have him leave. Pray for the work in Wilmington.

CARLYLE B. HAYNES.

Cheswold, Del.

DEAR VISITOR: Thinking your readers might be interested in this part of the Lord's vineyard and the work being done here, I concluded to write you something about it.

There is a desire on the part of most of the Lord's people at this place to reconsecrate themselves to his service, and he is drawing very near to us. We can see the result of this good work, and the beautiful text in Zeph. 2:1, 3 comes to my mind: "Gather yourselves together, yea, gather together, O, nation not desired; before the decree bring forth, before the day pass as the chaff, before the fierce anger of the Lord come upon you, before the day of the Lord's anger come upon you. Seek the Lord all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought his judgments: seek righteousness, seek meekness; it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the Lord's anger."

The Lord is especially blessing in all departments of his work here. A spirit not seen before, has been manifested since our good camp-meeting at Wilmington, where the Lord came very near his people.

After the camp-meeting I pitched my gospel tent in Dover, the capital of this state, a beautiful little town of about 4,000 inhabitants, and known as the Garden Spot of Delaware. We opened our meetings July 15 with a good attendance. The Lord has been with us from the start, giving us power in presenting the message for these times. Our tent is full most of the time, and on Sunday nights it will not hold the people. All classes attend, from the common day laborer to the lawyer, doctor and merchant, and

all seem to like the meetings.

Last Sabbath three dear souls accepted the message of salvation and kept the Sabbath with us. They all signed the following covenant: "We, the undersigned, having accepted Jesus Christ as our personal Saviour, and the Bible as our only rule of faith, hereby pledge ourselves by God's grace, to keep holy the Sabbath of the Lord according to the commandment. There are several others who will soon sign the covenant.

Will the VISITOR readers kindly remember Cheswold in their prayers, that God may bring out a company that will stand true to the principles of this message that when the Saviour shall come in the clouds of heaven we may all hear the "Well done good and faithful servant." Never did the work in this part of the field look more promising. FRED H. SEENEY.

Richmond, Va.

ELDER B. L. HOUSE commenced tent meetings here July 9, and they have continued to grow in interest each week. While the attendance has not been large during the week, there has been a large attendance on Sunday nights. There has been during the week an average of about forty. Seven adults so far have begun to observe the Sabbath of Jehovah. There has been a nice class of people attending these meetings. Brother O. Denslow of the West Michigan Conference, is assisting Elder House in these meetings. The West Michigan Conference is supporting this brother in our field, for which we are very thankful. We believe others will yet take a stand for the truth, before these meetings close, as there is still a good interest.

H. W. HERRELL.

Chesapeake

BROTHER WORTH writes, "My record to date is 403 hours, \$560 worth of orders." This makes an average of \$1.26 worth of orders per hour.

BROTHER BUELL, of Washington, has canvassed only a few days, but enjoys the work very much. His testimony is, "I believe the work a grand one, a high calling, and I pray that the Lord will help me to keep my interest and courage good in the Message through faithful work in this field."

ALL who know Brother J. W. Siler, of Cumberland, will rejoice to learn that he has taken his stand for the truth and has decided to enter the canvassing field in Frederick County.

We believe he has gone to work in the right way. He has not experimented to see if he can canvass, but has settled it in his heart to obey God, and has packed up his goods to move and stay, believing and knowing that the Lord will give success according to his promise. He will soon be in the field.

BROTHER APLIN, of Takoma Park, is having good experiences in Montgomery County working with "Daniel and Revelation."

BRETHREN WILLIMAN and Lush have over \$500 worth of books to deliver this week.

WE are grateful to the Lord for his many tokens of love and mercy, and hope the time will soon come when many more will join in giving the printed page to the many in need of the light and truth contained therein.

G. H. CLARK.

Hagerstown, Md.

DEAR VISITOR: since I last wrote to you, our meetings have continued to grow in interest. During the week, we have an average of about one hundred and seventy-five. Sunday evenings, we have between three and four hundred. The interest, seemingly is good, but as yet we have had no definite results manifested. The past week, we have been giving them the Sabbath truth, but that does not effect the attendance, or the interest. We have formed a reading circle, which has proven a success. In this way we get into homes that otherwise we would not. The people enjoy the reading matter so much that they can hardly wait one for another as we pass it out. Many have said that they cannot retire at night until they have read all that has been given them.

The people are very kind to us, they bring us vegetables, fruits, and delicacies of different kinds. The daily papers are very liberal toward us in giving us space. By this means we are able to get a little of the truth before the people that we would not in any other way.

Last Sabbath we had our Sabbath-school in the tent. We had twenty visitors. These seemed to be very well pleased.

We are kept busy filling the invitations to call on people at their homes. We are praying that God may touch the hearts of this people so that they will take their stand for the truth. We hope that the VISITOR readers will join us in these prayers.

Trusting that the Lord will add

many to the Hagerstown church, I beg to remain, as ever, yours in the conflict,
WALTER L. ADKINS.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA

Altoona.

LAST Thursday August 13, I bound off part of the interest at this place. At 2.30 P. M. we held a baptismal service at which we baptised nine precious souls. On Sabbath August 15, these nine were added to the Altoona church by receiving the right hand of fellowship, for which we praise the Lord in seeing souls obeying the truth.
ELDER W. F. SCHWARTZ.

This is to notify our brethren and sisters in the West Pennsylvania Conference that our new President, F. D. Wagner, has recently come to us to take up his duties here; and we gladly welcome him to our corps of laborers, and trust that the hearty co-operation given me by our Conference may be granted him.

Any mail addressed to him at Wilkinsbury, Pa., will reach him until further notice.

I. N. WILLIAMS *Vice Pres.*

DR. A. C. SELMON has recently found it necessary to change his location in the province of Honan, China. They are now at Cheo Chia K'ou. Their entering a new place has caused something of a stir. Doctor Selmon says:—

"We all feel confident that it has been the Lord's leading, and that we have located in the right place to look after the work in Honan. We have been so busy that we have not had much time to work with the literature or get the preaching work started, but of course our presence here brings the people to look around and inquire who and what we are. It has led the China Inland Mission people to declare a boycott against any and all of our literature. None of their people are allowed to have or read anything that has our stamp on it. Of course in all this they are doing the very thing that will make people want to see this literature all the more. We are anxious to get settled down as quickly as possible; for we feel that there will be a good harvest throughout this section just as soon as we make known the truth. The thing we want to do is to give the Message straight, and leave out nothing essential; for if the Lord could make apostles out of the poor fishermen, he can make full-fledged Adventists out of some of these Chinese."

TO SABBATH SCHOOL AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY SECRETARIES

DEAR CO-LABORERS:—

For some time I have been thinking of some way to communicate with you all in behalf of our Sabbath schools and Young People's Societies, and yet save time and means for the cause; So I will write to you through the columns of that good little paper, the COLUMBIAN UNION VISITOR. We all believe that our Sabbath-schools and Young People's Societies are the training grounds for our children and youth for usefulness in carrying this last Message to "all the world for a witness to all nations," and therefore it is our duty as well as our privilege to work harmoniously and do all we can to help each other along and to hasten the finishing up of the work and the bringing in of everlasting righteousness.

The one point I wish to impress upon all our secretaries in particular is promptness in reporting. Often I am delayed almost a whole quarter before I am able to get in all the reports from the different schools and societies, and as a result my report is late getting to the General Conference office, and in turn, the secretary of the General Conference is made late in getting her report out. Thus we are kept continually behind.

Now if our local secretaries will be prompt, and report just as soon as each quarter closes, without delay the state conference secretary can report, so can the Union and General Conference secretaries get their work done; thus the work can be finished with much more ease and without delay or worry to anyone concerned. Let me say again, dear secretaries, do not delay with your report, but fill out your blanks and send in your report just as soon as the quarter has closed. By so doing, you will enable the state secretary to finish her report in time; also save a lot of worry and anxiety, besides the expense of writing to you the second or third time for your report.

Wishing you much of God's blessings in your work, I am yours for the Master,
ADA T. GALLAHER,

Sec. S. S. and Y. P. S. Vir. Conf.

"LIFE is a burden imposed upon you by God. What you make of it, that it will be to you. Take it up bravely, bear it on joyfully, lay it down triumphantly."

NOTES FROM THE CANVASSING FIELD

West Pennsylvania

DEAR VISITOR:—

WE have finished a successful trip, having visited some of our men in the field and leaving them all encouraged to press on in the work to which all said that they believed God had called them.

We are encouraged with the outlook in West Pennsylvania but are sorry for the word that comes from our faithful Brother Ness, that he is soon to leave us for Dakota. Brother Ness has been a faithful worker in this conference for some time and has labored in the book work for years. The Lord has blessed this brother in placing many of our large books as well as smaller books and hundreds of our periodicals in the homes of the people. Nearly every week, since the writer has been looking after this line of work (for more than a year), a report has come in to encourage us and always added to the report was a word of good cheer. Brother Ness leaves us to join his son in Dakota, but assures us in going that he does not intend to drop the work but expects to accomplish more in that part of the great harvest field than in the hard field he is leaving. I am sure we shall follow him with our prayers and will watch with interest his work in that field. We will also miss the kind care we have received from the hands of Sister Ness, his faithful companion, whenever we visited them. We lose, but Dakota gains, so we will not complain, we only commend these faithful ones to the Lord and his servants in that part of the field.

WE called at the office at Corydon, on business this week and were made glad to find that some of our workers, in order to help the office, were remitting for their books immediately on delivering even when only one and two books were delivered, and one of the names on our list stands with a cash balance to his credit.

This is right, brethren, keep up this good record, and the Lord will only bless you the more for it. From what I could gather from Brother A. V. Williams, he likes the cash balance best.

BROTHER CHARLES DUNHAM wrote us a hurried line on the 15th inst, but did not forget to send in a report of nineteen hours, twenty-seven exhibitions, fourteen orders, value \$39.25, delivering at the same time \$20.70 all for the good old book "Great Con-

trovery." Now dear reader, doesn't this make you feel like you would love to be one of us? Well you are the only one to prevent it, so come along and we will help you.

BROTHER LAWRENCE is a busy man too, now days. A report from this source tells us that nearly \$80 worth more of our large books have gone into the homes of the people in Cambria Co., and almost a hundred dollars worth more are to go in next week. Brother Lawrence thought that since the times were "so hard" he would try to put in two large books instead of one, so he tried it and as a result, quite a number of the good farmers over there have two books where they would have had but one. The writer spent three days in the field with this brother and although Brother Lawrence led us out into the wilderness, miles from the railroad and compelled us to walk all the way, yet we more than enjoyed our three days work with him and in twenty-five hours orders were taken to the amount of \$76, almost all for "Great Controversy" and "Daniel and the Revelation." On this trip we made it a point to call on some that Brother Lawrence had sold books to about four years ago, and one man who had bought at that time nearly all the books we handle, gave him an order for "Great Controversy." I am sure we met people on this trip that never would have received the truth in any other way and many rich experiences were enjoyed that can never be had in any other way. Reader, you can enjoy them too if you will.

WHEN we arrived home we found that Brother William Hawks, of Bedford, had not been looking quietly on all this time, but had been going from door to door in his able moments (for Brother Hawks has not been feeling well) and has taken orders for and delivered quite a number of books; one day last week, taking orders to the amount of \$15. This is good for a beginner. This brother has been selling "Coming King," but has in hand now a prospectus for "Great Controversy" and will soon be handling this good book.

We are leaving on the 23rd inst. to help Brother Zimmerman and also Brother Berar of Six Mile Run who have but recently started in this good work. They too have been doing well for the time put in, but we hope to be mutually benefited by our few days together next week.

You will see that we are not waiting to hear from others, but we

would be glad to hear from all those who are interested in this work, and will arrange to help you at the earliest moment; so don't wait, but write us immediately. First call first served. Truly yours for service,

I. G. BIGLOW, *Field Agent.*

A POINTED PIN-TALK TO MY COMRADES IN THE CAN- VASSING WORK

I AM going to try to prick your business sensibilities with a few points during a short pin-talk.

Rather an old and seemingly insignificant text, but as you will no doubt agree, it is pointed, and that is what is wanted in a short, business talk like this. Still, I fancy that you can not all see how the point is to be applied, so let us proceed to the application.

A good pin must have at least three things,—a point of sufficient hardness and sharpness to penetrate whatever it is intended to pierce, a head to push and keep it from going too far, and sufficient stiffness and strength of metal to keep it from bending much or breaking easily.

Like the pin, every canvasser should have a point,—the ability to concentrate his energies so as to bring all his power to bear upon exactly the right spot at the right time. The point must be sufficiently hard to withstand the pressure behind and penetrate the obstacle in front.

Then the canvasser, like the pin, needs a level, well rounded head. Many fail because their heads are not big enough to keep them from going too far, or else because their heads are too small to push.

Again, a pin that bends too easily is nearly always crooked. So also is a canvasser who will sacrifice principle to please, and yet, like the right kind of pin, the canvasser should never be so stiff that he will break before he will bend, but he should always bend in such a way that he may be easily straightened. Hold the pin up to the light and observe it closely. See how smooth, polished and bright it is. This is to enable it to do its work easily and with the least possible friction. The canvasser, like the pin, needs polish and smoothness; the ability to do his work with the least possible friction. Then, too, polish makes the pin more attractive, so it does the canvasser, and attractiveness is a valuable asset. "Some will accost those who are not with us in a very abrupt manner, and thus make the truth, which we desire them to receive, re-

pulsive to them. 'The children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light.' Business men and politicians study courtesy. It is their policy to make themselves as attractive as possible. They study to render their address and manners such that they may have the greatest influence over the minds about them. They use their knowledge and abilities as skilfully as possible in order to gain this object. . . . Had the believers in the truth purified their minds by obeying it, had they felt the importance of knowledge and refinement of manners in Christ's work, where one soul has been saved there might have been twenty."

On page 422 of "Gospel Workers," God speaks to the point. We find these words, "What a sacred trust God has committed to us, in making us his servants to aid in the work of saving souls! He has entrusted to us great truths, a most solemn, testing message for the world." Page 433 also, "Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Now comes the important message to every one engaged in this work, page 351 of "Gospel Workers," "Well may every one feel an individual responsibility in this work. Well may he consider how he may best arrest the attention, for his manner of presenting the truth may decide the destiny of a soul. If he makes a favorable impression, his influence may be to that soul a savor of life unto life; and that one person, enlightened in regard to the truth, may enlighten many others. Therefore it is dangerous to do careless work in dealing with minds.

"The canvassing work is God's means of reaching many that would not be otherwise impressed with the truth. The work is a good one, the object high and elevating; and there should be a corresponding dignity of deportment." Page 355, "The work of the colporter is elevated, and will prove a success, if he is honest, earnest, and patient, steadily pursuing the work he has undertaken. His heart must be in the work. He must rise early and work industriously, putting to proper use the faculties God has given him. Difficulties must be met. If confronted with unceasing perseverance, they will be overcome. Much is gained by courtesy. The worker may continually be forming a symme-

trical character. Great characters are formed by little acts and efforts."

This brings us back to our text once more. A pin is a very small object and of very little value. You can hold several hundred of them on the palm of your hand, and you can buy something like a hundred for one cent, and each pin is fashioned as perfectly and as carefully to do its appointed work as though it was worth hundreds of dollars instead of one hundredth of a cent. The canvasser needs to look after his little business pins just as carefully, for if he does not do this, they will become dull and crooked and their sharp points will irritate and puncture, making waste holes for Satan to work through, which will finally bring both him and his work down to ruin. There is a failure in a multitude of little things gone wrong. Watch your pins.

Now, just one more pin-point and I am done. The pin, you will notice, has no sharp nor angular sides with which to irritate and wound needlessly while doing its work. This is another good pin-point for the canvasser to consider. And let us never forget for a moment that a pin needs *push* back of it to do its work, and so also does the canvasser—the push of an energetic, ambitious brain.

I tried canvassing for our books and made a failure of it. Last October I was forcibly impressed to try it again, but my methods were wrong and I was about to make another failure, but the Lord had one more opportunity for me. I attended the canvasser's institute at Du Quoin, and there got some helpful ideas, and then I sought the Lord as never before. My soul has fairly fed on "Gospel Workers." I now have the assurance that God can use even me in this precious work.—*A Canvasser, in South Illinois Herald.*

IF YOU WON'T, SOME ELSE WILL

THE writer is convinced that some one is going to finish this great work, and I trust that no man shall take my crown. After finishing the trip reported in the VISITOR of July 29, we took another very profitable trip through the country north of the State line.

Since then, with Brother J. S. Glunt, one of our old time canvassers, we put in some time in the southern part of Erie County, going through some of the finest farm land I have ever seen.

God again prospered us and quite a number of orders were taken. Brother

CANVASSERS' REPORTS

New Jersey, Week Ending August 7, 1908

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
W. McCoy, Flemington,		DR	5	40					\$136 25
G. Webber, "		DR	5	40					59 95
D. Percy,* Cape May C. H.,		DR	5	36	24	\$61 00	\$1 25	\$62 25	
" " " " " "		DR	5	32	20	56 00	50	56 50	
G. Taylor,* Cape May C. H.,		DR	4	31	16	33 50	1 75	35 25	1 75
S. Oberg, Elsonboro,		DR	2	20					162 15
H. Province,* Pilesgrove,		DR	4	35	14	39 50	5 50	45 00	1 80
" " Manington,		DR	5	40	2	5 50		5 50	77 60
F. Loasby, Fieldsboro,		DR	5	37	8	22 00		22 00	62 00
C. Armor, "		DR	5	27	8	22 00		22 00	
V. Mann, Upper Freehold,		DR	5	46	21	59 75	1 50	61 25	
J. Rambo, Hopewell,		DR	5	35	12	30 50	1 25	31 75	75
D. P. Boersma, Camden,		DR	3	21					24 00
G. Blinn, Lanice,		GC	3	25					89 00
S. Paul, Gloucester,		GC	2	16					65 50
C. Woertz, Elizabeth,		GC	5	42	6	16 50		16 50	44 25
R. Funk, Union,		GC	3	34					48 75
J. Jenssen, Paterson,		GC	3	12	1	3 75		3 75	19 50
Anna Hugg, Paterson,		GC	1	10	1	2 75		2 75	23 00
Sadie Winter, E. Orange,		GC	2	5			1 00	1 00	
B. H. Welsh, Crawford,		BR	4	21	5	10 25	1 20	11 45	
Florence Welsh, "		BR	5	26	6	17 25	1 10	18 35	
B. Valenta,* Belleville,		BR	5	33	2	5 50		5 50	
" " " "		BR	5	35	1	2 75		2 75	
Totals,			96	699	147	\$388 50	\$15 05	\$403 55	\$816 25

Eastern Pennsylvania, Week Ending August 7, 1908

W. Garrett, Lackawanna,	DR	5	40	15	\$50 00			\$50 00	
H. Gauker, Berks Co.,	DR	5	40	13	32 00			32 00	
M. Campbell, Lebanon,	DR	3	14	11	22 75			22 75	
A. Pulis, Lebanon,	DR	5	24	8	13 25	\$3 50		16 75	
R. Spangenberg, Scranton	DR	5	28	6	12 75	8 50		21 25	\$ 35
H. Albright, Berks Co.,	DR	4	29	3	4 50			4 50	24 75
R. Albertson, Luzerne,	GC	4	30	9	25 75	7 10		32 85	
H. Minier, Luzerne,	GC	5	33	5	16 75	9 60		26 35	
S. Minier, "	GC	5	22	4	11 00	3 20		14 20	
M. Edwards, Tioga Co.,	GC	1	1	2	5 50			5 50	
W. Houck, Lancaster,	HM	5	31	6	14 00			14 00	10 00
G. Hackett,§ Luzerne,	HM	12	99	17	29 75	4 25		34 00	22 00
M. Hackett, "	HM	12	91	13	23 75	3 25		27 00	22 50
J. Dixon, Berks Co.,	HM	1	10						31 50
E. Swingle, York,	COL	4	17	3	3 75	3 50		7 25	11 00
W. Seigle,† Tioga Co.,	CK	10	76	18	18 00	7 75		25 75	18 35
B. Donachy, Lebanon,	CK	5	24	13	13 00	1 75		13 75	
Totals,		91	609	146	\$296 50	\$51 40		\$347 90	\$140 45

Chesapeake, Week Ending August 14, 1908

E. Mitchell, Louisville, Md.,	DA	5	38	2	\$ 6 00	\$33 25		\$39 25	
Henry Scott, Lawsonia, Md.,	CK	2	15						\$41 80
E. Aplin, Silver Spring, Md.,	5	29½	8	22 00				22 00	
W. Spicer, Princess Anne, Md.,	CK	5	34½	14	21 00			21 00	6 50
E. Matthews, Elk Mills,			12						11 50
D. Johnston, Montgomery Co. Md.,	CK	9	99	102	152 25			152 25	
W. Mansfield, Oxford, Md.,	4	33		6 80				6 80	
W. Wright, Aberdeen, Md.,	DR	5	37½	11	39 25	6 00		45 25	
A. Willman, Houston's Branch	GC	5	36	14	51 50			51 50	
S. Lush, Providence, C. H.	GC	5	27	2	2 00			2 00	49 50
J. Paden, Hagerstown, Md.,	DR	5	45	7	20 50			20 50	
Ira Porter, Barnesville, Md.,	GC	5	41	4	13 00			13 00	61 50
J. Jones, Rivertown, Md.,	GC	5	40	42	62 75	5 25		68 00	1 50
B. Arkebaure, Vandyke School,	GC	5	40	45	52 40	1 50		53 90	1 50
W. Wirth, Middletown, Del.,	CK	5	40						
Totals,		65	487½	251	\$497 45	\$59 50		\$556 95	\$173 80

*Week ending July 31, 1908.

†Two weeks.

‡Week ending August 8, 1908.

§Three weeks.

Eastern Pennsylvania, Week Ending August 14, 1908

H. Gauker, Berks Co.,	DR	5	40	22	\$52 75		\$52 75	
W. Garrett, Lackawanna,	DR	5	37	14	43 65		43 65	
M. Campbell, Lebanon	DR	5	17	7	11 75	\$1 75	13 50	
H. Gerhart, Bucks Co.,	DR	2	17	3	11 25		11 25	\$52 00
A. Pulis, Lebanon,	DR	4	18	5	7 50	1 50	9 00	
H. Minier, Luzerne,	DR	5	35	5	14 75	7 95	22 90	50
L. Minier, "	GC	1	7	1	2 75	4 30	7 05	
R. Spangenberg, Scranton,	DR	3	19	12	20 50		20 50	1 25
M. Hackett, Luzerne,	HM	5	39	5	9 50	75	10 25	
G. Hackett, "	HM	5	39	6	10 50	1 00	11 50	
B. Donachy, Lebanon,	CK	5	21	10	11 00	5 25	16 25	
E. Swingle, York,	COL	4	21	3	3 75	4 50	8 25	1 00
N. Bigart,† Chester,	OPH	10	44	54	18 90		18 90	18 20
R. Kimble,† "	OPH	10	45	46	46 10		16 10	30 80
Totals,		69	399	183	\$234 65	\$27 00	\$261 65	\$108 75

Virginia, Week Ending August 7, 1908

C. Grey, Parksley,	CK	40	29	\$50 50	\$3 85	\$54 35	\$ 1 10	
W. Genther, Parksley,	CK	40	56	62 00	5 45	67 45		
L. Wilding, "	CK	130	16	18 50	1 00	19 50		
W. Butler, Chase City,	CK	31	9	15 50		15 50		
C. Haskell, Greenville,	CK	26					50 50	
J. Woody, "	CK	36	37	47 50		47 50		
C. Stebbins, "	CK	35					62 20	
C. Overstreet, Riverton,	CK	3		2 00	70	2 70	2 35	
E. Wilson, Portsmouth,	DR	36	1	2 75		2 75	44 40	
J. Hayes & Bro., Alexandria,	DR	62	16	52 25	6 15	58 40	2 83	
A. Schenk, Roanoke,	GC	30	4	11 00		11 00	8 25	
K. Oertley, Radford,	SP	38	16	19 65	3 85	23 50		
E. McGlocklin, Norfolk,		19			6 30	6 30	5 75	
Totals,		526	184	\$281 65	\$27 80	\$308 95	\$177 38	

Chesapeake, Week Ending August 7, 1908

R. Dennison, Doubs, Md.,	GC	4	36	7	\$21 25	\$ 1 50	\$22 75	
H. Scott, Westover, Md.,	CK	5	34½	32	35 00	1 75	36 75	\$41 50
A. Williman, Liberty, Del.,	GC	5	39	14	52 50	3 75	56 25	3 50
W. Spicer,† Princess Anne Md.,	CK	9	72	19	33 50		33 50	86 50
W. Wirth, Dela City Del.,	CK	5	38	54	75 80	4 00	79 80	75
C. Paden, Hollandville, Del.,	CK	5	27½	16	22 50		22 50	
I. Porter, Montgomery Co. Md.,	DR	4	40	14	38 50		38 50	
E. Aplin, Rockville, Md.,	DR	4	29½	7	19 25		19 25	
E. Mitchell, Marriottsville, Md.,	DA	5	39	3	10 50	34 50	45 00	
W. Wright, Harford Co., Md.,	DR	5	45	15	54 25	1 10	55 35	
J. E. Jones, Hungry Neck, Md.,	CK	5	43	18	35 75		35 75	
B. Arkebaun, Dogtown Cor. Del.	CK	5	47½	49	70 00	3 00	73 00	1 50
S. Lush, Delmar, Del.,	GC	5	37	12	35 00	7 50	42 50	7 00
Totals,		70	526	260	\$503 80	\$57 10	\$560 90	\$140 75

Virginia, Week Ending August 15, 1908

E. Wilson, Portsmouth,	DR	42	12	\$36 75	\$3 40	\$40 15	\$ 1 70	
A. Schenk, Roanoke,	GC	21	6	17 50		17 50		
C. Overstreet, Riverton,	CK	24	9	9 00	3 15	12 15		
L. Overstreet, Riverton,	CK	28	9	9 00	1 75	10 75		
J. Woody, Greenville,	CK	36	32	39 85	3 85	39 85		
C. Stebbins,† Staunton,	CK	32	1	1 50		1 50	60 55	
" " "	CK	54	2				133 05	
W. Genther, Parksley,	CK	40		57 00		57 00		
C. Grey, Parksley,	CK	39	45	49 00	4 55	53 55		
J. Wilding, Parksley,		17	5	5 00		5 00		
K. Oertley, Radford,		35	8	10 25	7 00	17 25		
E. McGlocklin, Norfolk,		21			2 10	2 10	8 35	
Totals,		389	129	\$234 85	\$25 80	\$256 80	\$203 60	

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending August 14, 1908

A. Brownlee, Harmony,	DR	10	92	8	\$20 00	\$ 8 20	\$28 20	\$160 55
C. Dunham, Indiana,	GC	10	45	17	51 75		51 75	91 95
W. Hawkes, Foster, Bradford,	HM	7	46	13	26 00	3 50	29 50	4 25
I. Lawrence, Cambria Co.,	GC	7	63	25	71 75	15 00	86 75	80 85
J. Glunt, Edinboro,	BR	10	63	19	26 75	5 25	32 00	50
C. Zimmerman, Morrisons Cove	DR	3	15	3	7 00	9 85	16 85	
H. Rorar, Six Mile Run,		7	36	7	16 75	14 35	31 10	
Totals,		54	360	91	\$220 00	\$56 15	\$276 15	\$338 10

Glunt was much encouraged, and says that with the help of God he is going to put in good time and lots of books in that territory.

Coming down from Edinboro to Allegheny, we met Brother R. B. Wheeler, who has been canvassing for "Coming King" to help him through the next term of school. Desiring to encourage this commendable way for a young man to help himself, thereby not being an entire burden on his parents, the writer put in one day with Brother Wheeler, and again God manifested his willingness to help those who help themselves.

We had a call from Canonsburg to visit Brother Joseph Perrine of that place who has been impressed that the Lord wants him to work from now on with the silent messengers. Here, too, God blessed in the work, and we left a "Daniel and the Revelation" prospectus with Brother Perrine. He assured us that he would soon be putting in full time with our literature.

We also visited a brother at Greensburg who says that God has impressed him with this work.

We are now at Johnstown preparing for a few days' trip through the country with Brother Ivor Lawrence. We are looking for a good time. Watch for a report of this trip, for we will tell you about it in next issue.

Have you noticed West Pennsylvania's canvassers' reports?

Do you know why it isn't larger?

Shall we tell you?

It is because you are not selling books.

The above is for those whom the Spirit of God is persuading, but who have not yet replied, "Here am I, send me."

But if you won't, some one else will. May God bless and cause some to decide to begin now. Call on the writer, and he will do all he can to help you. I. G. BIGELOW,

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Thanks to him who built the hills;
Thanks be to him the streams who fills;
Thanks be to him who lites each star
That sparkles in the blue afar.

"Thanks to him who makes the morn,
And bids it glow with beams new-born;
Who draws the shadows of the night,
Like curtains, o'er our wearied sight.

"Thanks be to him who sheds abroad,
Within our hearts, the love of God,
The spirit of all truth and peace,
Fountains of joy and holiness."

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CAMP MEETING NOTES

WE regret that a report of our good camp-meeting does not appear in this issue of the VISITOR. It will surely be on time next week.

OUR camp meeting is now in the past, but it is conceded to be the best one ever held in the State. The weather was all that could be desired, and the spirit of unity and harmony which prevailed made the social feature a pleasure, and made it possible for the Spirit of God to dwell in the camp throughout the entire meeting.

THE attendance at Sabbath-school August, 22 was 632, and the donation amounted to \$116.76 to missions.

THERE were fully seven hundred campers on the ground Sabbath morning. This number was greatly increased, however, during the day by brethren who came in to enjoy the meetings over Sabbath and Sunday.

THE Kindergarten was a delight to the little tots, and it was a pleasure to see their happy faces, and see the little fingers endeavoring to illustrate the lesson in sewing and clay modeling.

THE Children's meetings were a source of great interest to the little people, and when the bell rang for their meeting it was an inspiring sight to see them assembling from all quarters of the camp ground.

THE Youth's meetings, in charge of Elder James E. Shultz, were well attended. Professor M. E. Kern was present several days, and gave some very practical talks which were appreciated.

ELDER JAMES E. SHULTZ and family left the camp-ground Sunday evening for Washington, D. C., where he will take charge of the Memorial Church. The prayers of many friends accompany them to their new field of labor.

West Virginia, Week Ending August 7, 1908

J. Jennings, Berkeley Co.,	DR	5	38	6	\$10 25	\$9 25	\$19 50	\$34 25
H. Waggoner, Morgan Co.,	CK	5	42	23	23 00	4 50	27 50	3 00
E. Metcalf, Parkersburg,	BFL	2	16	1	1 00	4 55	5 55	
Totals,		12	96	30	\$34 25	\$18 30	\$52 55	\$37 25

West Virginia, Week Ending August 14, 1908

J. Jennings, Berkeley Co.,	DR	5	33	5	\$10 00	\$ 9 00	\$19 00	\$ 3 75
A. Halstead, Lincoln Co.,	DR	2	15	4	9 75	13 80	23 55	3 50
D. Whetmire, Hardy Co.,	DR							44 50
G. Galaen, Berkeley Co.,		3	9			7 25	7 25	
Totals,			10	57	9	\$19 75	\$30 05	\$49 80
								\$51 75

A PLEASANT OCCASION

TUESDAY night at 8:30, in the presence of the relatives and a host of friends, Professor Olemen Hamer and Miss Winifred L. Ford were united in marriage by Elder H. H. Burkholder, at the home of the bride's mother.

The occasion being opened by a grande marche by Mrs. Stevens-McIntire, of Mount Vernon.

After the ceremony had been performed, and congratulations offered the guests were conducted to the dining room where the table was spread with all the dainties characteristic of the occasion.

Mr. Hamer will soon leave for Washington, D. C. where he will be engaged at teaching at the college. Mrs. Hamer will return to Chicago and thence to Washington. We join with the many friends in extending to the bride and groom our wishes for success in their new field.

TENT MEETING SERMONS

EVERY lover of present truth always manifests much interest in a series of tent meetings where the complete Third Angel's Message is preached with power and earnestness.

The splendid series of tent meeting sermons which have been running through the *Watchman* for more than a year have now been concluded. The entire set of back numbers of the *Watchman* from the first of this series to its close, including the good special number and several hundred pages of other choice matter, may be obtained for only seventy-five cents.

This series has been of unusual interest and merit, and is well worth preserving for study and future reference. This set of the *Watchman* would be especially good to place in the hands of interested friends. If desired, it can be bound in substantial covers, at a nominal cost, at any book bindery. Cash should be sent with each order. Order through the usual channel, or address the *Watchman*, Nashville, Tenn.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA TITHE RECEIPTS

JULY, 1908

Alba.....	\$ 4.00
Allentown	4.51
Ariel.....	17.74
Bloomsburg	
Carbondale	19.21
Cherry Flats	60.96
Fleetwood	
German Company	48.70
Harrisburg	59.41
Hawley	47.60
Jersey Shore	23.27
Kulp.....	6.72
Lancaster.....	25.21
Lebanon	118.63
Lorenton	
Norristown	19 50
North Philadelphia	323.37
Northumberland	87.78
Orwell	
Reading	177.77
Roaring Branch	85.38
Scranton	
Shunk	
Stroudsburg.....	
Wace	8.25
Williamsport	
West Philadelphia	185.43
Wilkes Barre.....	
Individuals	13.13

Total.....\$1,336.66

TOTAL RECEIPTS, ALL SOURCES

Tithe ..	1,336.66
Tract Society	344.74
Midsummer Offering	127.41
Sabbath-school Donation	124.08
First Day Offering	87.15
Religious Liberty Fund	2 65
Donations	241.12
Poor Fund	4.04
Tent Fund	188 30

Total \$2,456.15

A. L. BAYLEY, *Treas.*

IN a letter mailed at London, Mrs. Edith E. Bruce, who left the position of head nurse at the Washington Branch Sanitarium, in answer to a call for help at the Mussoorie, India, Sanitarium, writes:—

"We reached Liverpool in time Friday for me to get on to London before Sabbath. I found that the other nurses had already sailed for Bombay, so I am obliged to make the trip alone. It will be just a little lonely. But I am sure the dear Father's protection will always be mine, and I have nothing to fear."