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"THEY REHEARSED ALL THINGS THAT GOD HAD DONE WITH THEM"

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## GENERAL MATTER

### THE MINISTRY OF LITTLE THINGS

The memory of a kindly word long, long gone by,  
The fragrance of a fading flower sent lovingly,  
The gleaming of a sudden smile or sudden tear,  
The warmer pressure of the hand, the tone of cheer,  
The hush that means, "I can not speak, but I have heard,"  
The note that only bears a verse from God's own word;  
Such minor things we hardly count as ministry,  
The givers deeming they have shown scant sympathy;  
But when the heart is overwrought—O who can tell  
The power of little things like these to make it well?

—Selected.

### Reviving Times in New Jersey

AFTER finishing my visit to some of the churches in the Chesapeake Conference July 19 and 20, I went on to Vineland, New Jersey. At this place we had the first of five meetings in New Jersey, which I held in conjunction with Elder Kneeland, president of the New Jersey Conference. Here a general meeting had been called for two or three churches. It was in the southern portion of New Jersey, where nothing much had been done for the message, except the effort at Vineland many years in the past. Believers now grown old awoke to new life as they heard of the stirring activities shown by the message in recent days. Some who had grown cold in certain points of faith came forward with expressed purpose to reach higher ground. On the closing night a sermon on the Sabbath question brought conviction to the hearts of outsiders, and one man remained to have us pray with him that he might amend his ways and become valiant for the truth. A little gathering responded to the call for aid to

Mount Vernon College. Two young people shall probably come from this gathering to the school.

We next spent one day with the church at Trenton which had an outing that day in one of the city parks. We had open services both in the morning at the beginning of the outing and in the evening at its close. The day was profitably spent in talking personally to the young people about their Christian experience, and about their preparation for work in the message. Three or four young people give promise of coming from this church to the Mount Vernon school.

The following day, July 22, we opened up a three days' meeting with the church at Camden, New Jersey. God richly blessed in these meetings. The attendance, small at first, had greatly increased by the close. Sabbath morning a lady dropped in just about the end of the meeting to see a friend who had come to town, and witnessing the impressive scene of a number giving their hearts to God, came to the afternoon service. Being under conviction, she decided to begin keeping the Sabbath. Young people also took deep interest in the subject of their future preparation for the work, and the church gave liberally to help our educational institutions. These amounts are tabulated below.

Sunday, July 25, I preached by request to the Unitarian church at Montclair, New Jersey, upon the subject, "The Distinctive Message of the Seventh-day Adventists and their Contribution to Christianity." It was indeed inspiring to see how well the strong truths of the third angel's message were received by these friends whose theology is somewhat indefinite.

After an excellent meeting of two days in Paterson, New Jersey, the local camp-meeting at Newark began the 28th, and continued until the 31st. The spirit of God was present throughout this meeting and prevailed mightily the closing Sabbath. Many testimonies of thankfulness to the good Lord were heard that day from souls who had been set free. Though the

Sabbath-school numbered only 181, which included young people and children, yet the donation given to Mount Vernon College was \$161.25.

### FURTHER LIST OF CASH AND PLEDGES TO COLLEGE FUND

Last reported.....	\$256.10
Vineland, New Jersey .....	40.60
Camden, " " .....	78.20
Paterson, " " .....	36.26
Newark, " " .....	161.25

Total, \$572.41

B. G. WILKINSON.

### Importance of Heeding the Spirit of Prophecy

AMAZIAH was twenty-five years old when he began to reign over Judah. His father Joash began to reign when only a child of seven. Joash was the one who made the chest with a hole in the top to receive money with which to repair the house of God. 2 Kings 12:9; 2 Chron. 24:8.

Jehoiada was chief priest at the time, and also a prophet. He was Joash's counselor and died at the age of 130 years. After his death, Zechariah his son, who was also a prophet, reproved Joash for his evil course; "and they conspired against him and stoned him with stones at the commandment of the king, in the court of the house of God." His last words were, "The Lord look upon it and require it." 2 Chron. 24:22. The sequel of Joash's reign shows how God did require.

At the end of the year a small company of Assyrians came against "a very great host" of Joash and slew them. After this Joash had a great disease upon him. Then his own servants conspired against him and slew him upon his bed, and he was not buried in the sepulchre of the kings. 2 Chron. 24:23-26.

Amaziah, his son, was a great stickler for the law of Moses, and when he came upon the throne he would not slay the children of those who had slain his father; for Moses had said, "The fathers shall not die for the children, neither the children

for the fathers, but every man for his own sin." 2 Chron. 25:4. But he did slay the servants who slew his father. 2 Chron. 25:3.

He then gathered his army together of men twenty years old, and upwards; three hundred thousand choice men, able to go to war, "that could handle the spear and shield." He also hired "an hundred thousand mighty men of valor out of the children of Israel for an hundred talents of silver," and paid them in advance. But God was not with "all the children of Ephraim" who belonged to Israel. 2 Chron. 25:5, 6.

Then came the prophet and warned the king of Judah not to take with him this army of Israel. "But," said the prophet, "if thou wilt go, do it, and be strong for the battle: God shall make thee fall before the enemy; for God hath power to help and to cast down." 2 Chron. 25:8.

The first thing that Amaziah thought of was the money he had paid out; so he said, "What shall we do for the hundred talents of silver which I have given to the army of Israel?" And the man of God answered, "The Lord is able to give thee much more than this." Then Amaziah separated them, "and sent the army that had come out of Ephraim home;" but "their anger was greatly kindled against Judah, and they returned home in the heat of anger." 2 Chron. 25:5-11.

Amaziah went to battle without them and gained a great victory. Inflated with his victory he took their "gods and bowed down himself before them, and burned incense unto them. Wherefore the anger of the Lord was kindled against Amaziah, and He sent unto him a prophet, which said unto him, Why hast thou sought after the gods of the people which could not deliver their own people out of thine hand?" But Amaziah, unlike David, who had prophets for his counselors, said unto the prophet, "Art thou made of the king's counsel? forbare; why shouldst thou be smitten? Then the prophet forbare, and said, I know that God hath counseled to destroy thee, because thou hast done this, and hast not hearkened unto my counsel." 2 Chron. 25:16.

From this time Amaziah lost his judgment. He sent Joash, son of Jehoahaz, king of Israel, to make war with him. Joash, king of Israel, warned Amaziah, king of Judah; for his heart was lifted up to boast because of his victory, and advised him to "bide now at home; why shouldst thou meddle to thine hurt, that thou

shouldst fall, even thou, and Judah with thee?" But Amaziah would not listen, and by the advice of his counselors he went to war and met with a notorious defeat. After this they formed a conspiracy against Amaziah in Jerusalem, and he fled to Lachish; but the conspirators sent to Lachish and slew him there. 2 Chron. 25:16-27.

Thus two kings, who began a good career, ended their lives in disgrace because they rejected the voice of the living prophet. This is an object lesson to all who follow the same course. Rom. 15:4.—S. N. Haskell.

### Conditions in Baltimore

God's people have been told by the Spirit of Prophecy that the work of this message will close sooner in the great Southern field than in other places. The work we should have accomplished in this field in the past will have to be done under great difficulties. We are told that "long years of neglect have made it far more difficult than it would otherwise have been. Obstructions have been accumulating." This report is made to call attention to some of these obstructions which have been and are being placed in front of our work; not to discourage, but with the view of arousing all to whom God has committed this work to more zealous efforts to accomplish its completion before these obstructions grow overwhelming.

Baltimore is not located within the bounds of any of the union conferences of the South. Nevertheless it is a Southern city. In fact, it is the metropolis of the South, as well as the fifth largest city of the United States. Obstructions have been placed across the path of the truth in this city, very quietly it is true, but nevertheless very effectively, which the workers in other cities will do well to study.

We know it is the purpose of Rome to control the cities of America. The effect of such control may be learned by a study of the conditions existing in Baltimore, for Rome is in control here. Here is the headquarters of the Papacy in America. Here lives the cardinal. Here one can see on every possible occasion long processions of the dignitaries of the church; ecclesiastics dressed in gorgeous scarlet and purple; with the cardinal in shimmering cloth of gold and his mitre.

Here is the great cathedral with its golden dome where a large number of priests are in continual service. Here there are Catholic colleges, academies, seminaries, monasteries,

convents, cloisters, and nunneries, with many, many churches, and a great host of priests. Here the city government is under the control of this great power, and as a result we have as poorly governed a city as any of the Old World which are under the same control. Instead of the streets being smoothly paved as in other cities, they are filled with cobble stones, as the Catholic cities of Europe. There is no adequate sewerage system for a city of 650,000 inhabitants. And in many other respects wretchedly inefficient government is manifest.

A great part of the property of the city is owned by the church. Here in one block is a church, next to it a school, next to that a convent, and across the street in the next block a large institution surrounded by a high stone wall on the top of which broken glass is set in cement. And so it is throughout the city, every few blocks some institution, a parochial school, a church, a monastery, a nunnery, a hospital, a reformatory, or a seminary. And I found to my sorrow when I was searching for a lot upon which to pitch my tent, that much of the unimproved real estate was also in their hands.

And those lots not directly owned by the church are controlled, by certain city regulations, to such an extent that it can prevent their being used for any such purpose as the preaching of the third angel's message. In other words, it is power so fully controls affairs here that it can almost (almost, I say, for I am grateful some opportunity still remains to teach the message) prevent the public proclamation of Jehovah's last message. The way in which this is accomplished will be taken up next week.

CARLYLE B. HAYNES.

### "He Is Faithful That Promised"

INTO almost every life there may come times of discouragement, when all around takes on a tint of blue, and we wonder if God has forgotten us. We may not give shape to the question either in word or thought, yet it may sometimes be implied in our actions.

If our vision were not so circumscribed, if we could see as God sees, would we not consider such a question let it come in what shape it will—to be treason? God is the same yesterday, to-day, and forever. He never forgets.

Take, for instance, his dealings with Abraham. God made him a promise, and later confirmed it with

an oath. Abramam waited long for the fulfilment. His faith was sorely tried. He had an abundance of time in which to wonder, and question and doubt, -and try to help the Lord keep his promise. But the Lord had not forgotten, and twenty-three years later the promise was fulfilled. He was faithful that promised.

Again, take the history of the Amalekites. To the casual on-looker it may seem a far cry from the battle of Rephidim to the prime minster at the luxurious court of a Persian monarch, if, indeed, the connection is at all discerned.

Let us view the battle-field, and see something of what was involved in that struggle. The Israelites had left Egypt, and were on their way to the promised land. They had passed through the wilderness of Sin, and came and camped at Rephidim. Here they met the great trouble of the wilderness. There was no water. Water, water, was the cry of the wilderness, and a well of good water nearly always proved to be a bone of contention between two factions. Rephidim was no exception. The Lord miraculously provided water for his children; but there was more involved than simply the causing of a spring to break forth. Israel was a school. The Lord was teaching them his eternal purpose which he had purposed in Christ Jesus.

The smitten rock was emblematic of the spiritual Rock, their Saviour, for Israel "did all eat the same spiritual meat; and did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that went with them; and that Rock was Christ." 1 Cor. 10:3, 4, margin.

No sooner was Israel supplied with water than Amalek came to give battle. The record is, "Remember what Amalek did unto thee by the way, when ye were come forth out of Egypt: how he met thee by the way, and smote the hindmost of thee, even all that were feeble behind thee, when thou wast faint and weary; and he feared not God." Deut. 25:17.

The Amalekites were a strong, warlike, treacherous nation. Their plan of campaign in this instance, however, was to carry on a guerilla warfare; to worry and harass and drive off the Israelites, and steal from them the blessing the Lord had provided for his children.

The act of Amalek was one of presumption, for "he feared not God." This is further indicated in the death penalty pronounced upon them by the Lord: "And the Lord said unto Moses, Write this for a memorial in

a book, and rehearse it in the ears of Joshua; for I will utterly put out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven. And Moses built an altar and called the name of it Jehovahnissi [the Lord my banner]: for he said, Because the hand of Amalek is against the throne of the Lord, therefore the hand upon the throne of the Lord hath sworn that the Lord will have war with Amalek from generation to generation." Ex. 17:8-16, margin.

Amalek was fighting against the Lord of heaven, and trying to thwart his purpose; but the Lord's promises were to Abraham, and to his seed forever, and "he is faithful that promised."

Amalek's doom was sealed, yet a long-suffering God delayed the execution, "not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance."

However, there came a time in the history of the Amalekites when their cup of iniquity was full; and the decree came forth to Saul, "Thus saith the Lord of hosts, I remember that which Amalek did to Israel, how he laid wait for him in the way, when he came up from Egypt. Now go and smite Amalek, and utterly destroy all that they have, and spare them not; but slay both man and woman, infant and suckling, ox and sheep, camel and ass." 1 Sam. 15:2.

Saul disobeyed, spared the royal family, and lost his kingdom because of his disobedience.

Later David had an encounter with them and destroyed all but four hundred young men that rode upon camels and escaped.

The next we hear of them is at the court of the Persian monarch, Ahasuerus. Haman the Agagite, the prime minister, was the Jews' enemy and oppressor. It was the old controversy continued. Once more the Lord worked for his burdened and oppressed people, and the last of the Amalekites went down before the Lord's chosen. He was faithful that promised.

Does the Lord forget?—Ah, no. He says, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee." "But Zion said, The Lord hath forsaken me, and my Lord hath forgotten me."

The Lord answers the charge: "Can a woman forget her sucking child?" "Yea, they may forget, yet I will not forget thee." Why?—Because, "Behold, I have graven thee upon the palms of my hands." By nail prints we are engraved on the hands of our Saviour. The print of a spear thrust into a broken heart

bears record of a Father's love.

God forget?—No, no. He made a promise one time and waited four thousand years before his people saw any signs of its fulfilment; but a Babe in a manger; a Youth in a carpenter shop; a Man in the wilderness, on the storm-tossed sea, on the lone mountain, through dark Gethsemane to Calvary, all testify that "He is faithful that promised."—*Report of Progress.*

## Kept, Hour by Hour

HE was a tall, powerful Scotchman and had held the position of "boss striker" at the steel works for years. Nearly all the men in his department were hard drinkers, and he was no exception to the rule.

But one day he said: "I shall never take a drink mair, lads. No drunkard can inhabit the kingdom of God."

A knowing one smiled, and said: "Wait a bit; wait a bit. Wait until the hot weather—until July. When he gets as dry as a gravel pit, then he will give in. He can't help it."

But right through the hottest months he never seemed to be tempted to drink.

Finally, as I was taking the men's time one evening, I stopped and spoke to him.

"Stowe," said I, "you used to take considerable liquor. Don't you miss it?"

"Yes," said he, emphatically.

"How do you manage to keep away from it?"

"Well, to-day is the twentieth of the month. From seven till eight I asked that the Lord would help me. He did so, an' I put down a dot on the calendar right near the twenty. From eight till nine he kept me, an' I put down another dot. From nine to ten he's kep' me, and noo I gie him the glory as I put down the third dot. Just as I mark these, I pray, 'O Lord, help me; help me to fight it off for another hour.'"—*Selected.*

## WEST PENNSYLVANIA

ELDER ROBBINS gives a good report of the work in Erie.

We are glad to note that on July 1 seven persons were baptized at North East, Pa.

We hope to send a laborer to Greensburg about October 1. There are a number of faithful ones in and around Greensburg, and we trust that as a result of an effort there

many souls will take a firm stand for the truth.

We are pleased to get word from one of our sisters who is active in local church work. This sister wants to know if she can canvass for some of our books. We are only too glad to tell her to go ahead with God's blessing. We hope others will feel the burden to spread the message in this way.

THE past few weeks Elder F. D. Wagner has been holding profitable and interesting meetings among the churches, having visited Pt. Allegany, Austin, Huntingdon, Erie, Cory, Allegheny, and Conneautville churches.

Elders Watt and Schwartz are having a splendid interest in their tent effort in Johnstown. The attendance is not only good, but there seems to be a fine interest. Quite a number have been attending regularly and seem deeply interested. Let us pray earnestly for this effort.

Elder Scholl, who is nearing the close of a tent effort among the Germans in Allegheny, reports some good people about to take their stand for the truth. Elder Scholl has certainly labored hard among the Germans of this place, and he should receive a rich reward of souls. Let us pray that the Lord of the harvest may richly reward his efforts among the Germans of Allegheny.

Elders Ashton and Veach are having fine audiences at their tent in Pittsburg. The attendance has been growing from the first until their 40 x 60 ft. tent would not seat the people last Sunday evening. It is not merely a Sunday evening audience, however, as the attendance is good right along. Let us pray that the spirit of God may take hold of the hearts of the people and help them to sense the great importance of the message.

A general meeting will be held at Pittsburg August 17-22. As West Pennsylvania is to have no general camp-meeting this year, there will be an effort to have some general meetings so that our people who have not had the privilege of attending the General Conference or our local conference meeting last winter, may not be entirely deprived of the blessing of meeting with the brethren assembled for a spiritual feast and revival. We will expect to see this meeting well attended by those who are not

far removed from Pittsburg, and we will be glad to have as many as will, attend, whether they be near or at a greater distance from Pittsburg. Speakers from among our general workers are expected to be present.

#### Johnstown

WE pitched our tent and began our meetings in Mossellville, a suburb of Johnstown, July 14.

The tent is about three miles from our church building, however a few of our people live here in Mossellville, and they have distributed our literature. Also our canvassers have sold quite a number of our books in this town years ago.

Elder K. C. Russell held a series of meetings in this place about fourteen years ago. There are many people here now that were not here then.

Our audiences thus far have been good. Last night, August 1, the tent was packed full to its utmost capacity and perhaps fifty persons standing on the outside.

A splendid orchestra rendered beautiful music for half an hour before the service without cost to us.

The subject for the evening was the Millennium. The Lord gave liberty in preaching and the large audience gave marked attention to the words spoken. At the close of the service the subject of the law and Sabbath was announced for the coming week. Some very good people have expressed a desire to hear this subject. Our courage is good. Brethren, pray for us that we may walk humbly with God that he may bless our efforts at this place and that precious souls may be brought into this blessed truth.

W. F. SCHWARTZ.  
J. W. WATT.  
GEO. WEST.

### EAST PENNSYLVANIA

PROF. O. JOHN will visit the different churches in this conference in the interests of the Mount Vernon College. We know that he will meet with a hearty reception among our people.

Elder Charles Baierle was called to officiate at the funeral of sister Hall, of Stroudsburg, which occurred Wednesday, July 21.

Elder W. H. Heckman spoke in the North Philadelphia tent Tuesday evening, July 20.

Evangelist B. M. Heald is at present on the sick list. We hope that ere

this reaches our people he will have fully recovered.

The interest in the different tent companies located throughout the conference continues to grow and not a few have decided to obey, and many are in the valley of decision. Kindly remember these efforts daily.

Elder W. H. Heckman met with the churches in Williamsport, Jersey Shore, and Roaring Branch, Sabbath and Sunday, July 31 and August 1.

The congregation of the first Philadelphia church was agreeably surprised Sabbath, July 31, to have with them twenty who have been regular attendants at the tent effort conducted by Elder O. O. Bernstein. At the close of the service fifteen of this number raised their hands designating that they have decided to obey the commandments of God. This was a glorious scene, and made a great impression upon the congregation.

We certainly appreciate the way the churches of this conference have aided by their means in helping to defray the expenses of the recent disaster which came to us in the heavy storm during which two of our tents were blown down.

We are still waiting for some of our clerks to send in their full list of members as well as their last quarterly report. We hope these matters will not be delayed any longer.

Brother Hoen, of Oklahoma, has arrived in Philadelphia to take charge of the Scandinavian work. We are very glad indeed to welcome this brother, as his labors will be greatly appreciated among this class of people.

### OHIO

MISS ELLA M. TALMAGE has been called home from Dayton, Ohio, on account of illness of her father. Her present address is Mt. Gilead, Ohio, R. F. D. 4.

#### Leesburg

It was my privilege to spend Sabbath, July 31, with the church at Leesburg. Four precious souls were added to the membership of that church. In all, ten have now been baptized as the result of five weeks' meeting held there last winter, and

others are in the balance. We have no doubt that several more will sooner or later take this step. May they feel the importance of obeying without delay, is our prayer.

The Saviour said, "Think not that I have come to send peace on earth. I came not to send peace, but a sword." We fully realized the meaning of this text when the truth at first found entrance only in part of one family here, the father and the son; the mother and the daughter drew back. This same Jesus also said, "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you." After all it is not the desire of our Saviour that there should be variance in the family. This condition is brought about when part of the family accepts the truth and part of it does not, rather opposing it, instead of walking in all the light God gives. How much better it is when the entire family is of one mind and spirit in the truth! So it pleased God to make this family one in Christ Jesus and in the keeping of the commandments of God, but this did not come about without a struggle and much prayer. What a rejoicing it caused, when the remainder of the family turned with all their heart to the truth. Now, peace and harmony, love and unity, reign supreme. May God grant that this abiding peace may ever cheer their hearts onward till the final victory is gained.

The Leesburg church is revived; they are of good courage, praying and working for souls. The Lord is willing to bless every effort and crown it with success if we are in earnestness and sincerity working for him.

JOHN P. GAEDE.

## VIRGINIA

### Danville

OUR tent meetings opened June 6. The attendance is very good and the interest gives promise of fruit. Two profess to be keeping the Sabbath at their homes, but none have attended as Sabbath keepers. Some visit our Sabbath meetings. We were unable to secure a tent master until August 1.

Sister Ella Ragsdale, of News Ferry, has been doing good work in the home. A good number of interested ones are studying the truth. A false theory of sanctification has greatly hindered our work. Our new building is nearly enough completed to hold services in it.

Elder Herrell, our conference president, visited us July 27, remaining two nights. His help was much appreciated, and the rest enjoyed by the one who had been speaking every night. The first night a searching discourse was delivered on conversion, and the second night a very helpful lesson on the steps in a Christian life. Many outside of the faith seemed deeply impressed. We regretted that he could not remain with us longer.

We ask the prayers of the readers that those in the valley of decision may balance for the truth.

The writer attended quarterly meeting the second Sabbath at News Ferry. The meeting was enjoyably refreshing, marked by the presence of the Holy Spirit.

FRANKLIN G. WARNICK.

### Richmond

OUR tent meeting at this place still continues with good interest. We expect to close this series of meetings August 22. Our attendance has ranged from fifty to seventy adults most of the time, and on Sunday nights from ninety to a hundred and twenty. The people in attendance are made up mostly of the middle classes, and many of them seem eager to hear the word of God. Three ladies have already started to keep the Sabbath, and we know that if they are faithful and walk in all the light they will yet find a home among the remnant people of God.

Miss Anna C. Rice, our Bible worker in this city, has been conducting some very interesting children's meetings on Mondays and Thursdays at 5:30 P. M. in the tent with most encouraging results. This gives her access to many homes to obtain Bible readers.

Brother Willie Herrell is acting as our tent master and Miss Florence Swan as organist. Our prayers ascend daily for the other tent companies. We also solicit the prayers of our brothers and sisters in our behalf, that souls may be won to Christ.

J. W. ALLRAN.

B. L. HOUSE.

## The Canvassing Work in Virginia

At the close of the General Conference I came to this state to take up the canvassing work, and ever since we have been steadily pushing on. Although we have made no large records, yet our faithful workers have

been meeting with good success. It has been said that this state was too poor for canvassers to make any great success, but I do not believe that; for we have just as good territory as any other conference in the union, and I do not believe there is a state that has a piece of country that can compete with the Shenandoah valley in wealth and beauty. The one who said this was "the garden spot of the United States" surely spoke truly.

Then we have the fishing centers, where any canvasser can reap a harvest; also in the south-west the mines with their many workers. But the southern part of the state still shows the ravages of the war, but it must be warned.

Many will wonder what class of people a canvasser meets when in this territory. In that respect we can boast of the best in the United States. A Virginian who uses a stranger inhospitably is looked upon with disfavor. One never gets a door slammed in his face unless it is by some one who has moved here from some other place. Hospitality is their pride.

Perhaps some will ask why there has not been more done here if the conditions are such as I have just related. It is this: our constituency is small, and we had many difficulties to overcome, and our workers have been few. Those that have taken up the work, trusting in the Lord to lead them, have made a success. We are in great need of good consecrated workers. This has been a neglected field; there are over forty counties yet unentered, and those that have been canvassed have been only touched by the finger tips.

I just returned from visiting some of the churches where there were some who expect soon to take up this work. The canvassers who are in the field are of good courage, and are having many good experiences. We hope in a later issue to relate some of them.

Now are there not others that would like to take up this work? Will you not come and enter some of these new fields that are near home? These must be worked as well as those abroad. Come and work here in the winter when it is almost impossible to work in the North. We will do all we can to help you. I will be glad to correspond with anyone in regard to the work or territory

V. O. PUNCHES,

316 S. Laurel St., Richmond Va.

## A Sacred Work

THERE is no work that we may do for the Master in administering to perishing souls the bread of life, that is not sacred; for it is handling those things that have cost heaven all its riches. How carefully and tremblingly, then, should we engage in that work, lest we mar it by our own imperfections.

There is no work that we may undertake for the Master that is fraught with more dangers along this line than that of circulating the printed pages of truth. The canvasser goes from home to home, dealing with human nature in all its phases, and having his own tried to the uttermost by meeting the selfishness of others with whom he has to deal. He may have walked and worked hard all day, and found none who seemed to be much interested in his book of work, and yet he must press on knowing that he must hasten to the "lost sheep of the house of Israel." He sees others engaged in business and in occupations that are agreeable to the natural man, and which promise good returns in money, but, no, he must turn a deaf ear to these temptations, and press on, knowing that his reward is at the end of the race when he shall present to the Lord His own; and the sheaves he has gathered for Him. He may be tempted to weave into his work commercialism, or a commercial spirit, that will cheapen it in the eyes of the world, yet which may promise him some much needed cash, but to this he must turn a deaf ear. I have heard of canvassers getting into the habit of selling articles that belong to the world's business, such as needless, cheap jewelry, toilet soap, wall mottoes, and even in one case patent medicine and perfumery. I am happy to say, though, that such cases are rare, but it shows how the enemy will work to get our eyes fixed upon worldly gain, and he knows that by the glitter of apparent prosperity he will entangle us in his meshes, and then drift us from the sacred work of dealing out the "bread that cometh down from heaven" that those who partake of it may have everlasting life. I know one good brother who got the idea that he could make lots of ready cash, as he was taking orders, by carrying with him an outfit for mending stoves. At first he seemed to succeed (this is generally the way it goes), and he would make some days five and ten dollars extra. Somehow he got behind in his finances,

## Canvassers' Reports

Ohio, Week Ending July 30, 1909

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
R. Corder, Belmont Co.	DR	5	50	1	\$2 75	\$4 50	\$7 25	168 95	
A. L. Bassler, Fairfield Co.	DR	5	52	18	50 50	7 95	58 45	2 85	
C. Leach, Washington Co.	DR	5	49	32	93 00	7 00	100 00		
J. Randolph, Marion Co.	DR	5	41	12	34 75	3 10	37 85		
C. Van Gorder, Fairfield Co.	DR	5	42	10	27 50	5 65	33 15	70	
C. Belgrave, Stark Co.	DR	3	22	8	25 00	50	25 50		
C. Hamilton, Licking Co.	DR	5	40½	8	22 00		22 00		
C. Fritz, Pickaway Co.	GC	5	44	18	45 00	11 50	56 50		
L. Waters, Portage Co.	CK	5	50	40	50 00	1 05	51 05	1 05	
Hazel Leach, Washington Co.	CK	5	38	22	32 50		32 50		
A. Clough, Washington Co.	CK	5	40	24	31 00		31 00		
E. Shaw, Lucas Co.	CK	4	35	15	22 00	50	22 50		
R. De Garmo, Summit Co.	CK		12		13 25		13 25		
B. Carter, Noble Co.	BF	4	27	10	10 00		10 00		
F. Wagner, Stark Co.			8		2 75		2 75		
Totals			61	552	216	\$462 00	\$41 75	\$503 75	\$193 55

Chesapeake, Week Ending July 23, 1909

B. Arkebauer, Sutersville Md.	GC	5	45	11	32 25	6 50	38 75		
C. Tracy, Howard Co., Md.	GC	4	31½	12	34 00	6 60	40 60		
A. Willman, Roseville, Md.	GC	5	36½	12	39 00	3 00	42 00		
S. Lush, Cecil Co., Md.	GC	5	41½	27	81 75	6 75	88 50	50	
J. Siler, Araby, Md.	GC	5	41	15	43 25	5 40	48 65		
W. Spicer, Easton, Md.	GC	5	45	9	24 75	6 60	31 35		
E. Mitchell, Carroll Co., Md.	GC		18					108 25	
L. Post, Myersville, Md.	GC	5	38½	4	11 00		11 00		
Mrs. Wright, Easton Co. Md.	GC	4	33	6	16 70	7 50	24 20		
J. Miller, Hartford Road, Md.	GC	1	8	1	2 75	1 60	4 35	1 60	
S. Brown, *Washington Co., Md.	GC	5	40½	19	29 25	35	29 60		
J. Paden, *Washington Co. Md.	CK	7	48	18	27 00	4 90	31 90		
J. Hayes†	DR	15	120	19	25 00	26 00	51 00	12 15	
Totals,			66	548½	153	\$366 70	\$75 20	\$441 90	\$122 50

Eastern Pennsylvania, Week Ending July 23, 1909

G. Hartman, Lebanon	DR	4	36	23	59 25		59 25		
H. Gauker, Berks	DR	5	43	34	93 50	6 20	99 70		
J. Gearhart, Lehigh	DR	3	25	3	8 25		8 25	28 50	
F. Barto, † Flanklin	DR	12	103	28	79 00	1 05	80 05	19 30	
J. Kennedy, Chester	DR	5	44	3	7 00	35	7 35	53 25	
H. W. Barto, Cumberland	GC	5	49	18	49 50		49 50		
W. P. Barto, Cumberland	GC	4	32	14	38 50		38 50		
H. Chilson, York	GC	5	36	5	14 75		14 75		
W. Hess, Lancaster	CK	4	31	18	20 50		20 50		
B. Scholl, Berks	CK	5	40	31	40 00	4 90	44 90		
J. Phillips, Lackawanna		5	40		40 00		40 00	25 00	
Mrs. H. Phillips, Lackawanna					10 00		10 00		
S. Diehl, Union					2 60		2 60	2 60	
Totals,			57	479	177	\$462 85	\$12 50	\$475 35	\$134 95

New Jersey, Week Ending July 23, 1908

Wm Plant, Sussex	DR	5	37					69 00	
L. Cruickshanks, Sussex	DR	3	30					71 00	
I. Porter, Eatontown	DR	3	38	10	28 50	2 80	31 30		
S. Haynes, Monmouth	DR			18	52 70		52 70		
A. Perez, Absecon	DR	3	19	2	7 50	2 50	10 00		
G. Binn, Mercer	GC	4	25	3	8 25		8 25		
M. Barrett, Vineland	DR	3	20	3	7 25	50	7 75	1 75	
S. Oberg, New Brunswick	GC	4	23	6	14 75		14 75		
Lena Matson, Franklin	CK	4	23	28	32 50	5 00	37 50		
Lena Matson, †	CK	5	23	12	13 00	6 60	19 60	78 00	
P. Brown, Deptford	CK	2	22					10 00	
A. Wright, Neptune	CK	2	9	3	4 00		4 00	6 00	
C. F. Weber, † Toms River	CK	1	8	3	3 00		3 00		
Totals,			40	280	87	\$171 45	\$17 40	\$188 85	\$235 75



## West Virginia, Week Ending July 23, 1909

Laura Atwell, Tucker Co.	DR	5	26	4	8	25	8	25	
Halla Metcalf, Tucker Co.	DR	5	29	10	23	50	23	50	
A. Halstead, Cabell Co.	DR	1	6				25	25	18 60
G. Ogden, Marshall Co.	GC	5	69	4	11	00	1 90	12 90	
D. Metcalf, Tucker Co.	GC	5	45	23	71	00		71 00	
Maude Pengelly, Marion Co.	GC	3	19	11	30	25	2 35	32 60	58 45
Florence White, "	GC	2	12	3	10	25	1 00	11 25	38 75
Totals,		26	206	54	\$154	25	\$5 50	\$159 75	\$115 80

## Virginia, Week Ending July 23, 1909

W. Zeidler, Lynchburg	COL	29	1	1	25	2 20	3 45	53 08	
Mrs. Zeidler, Lynchburg	CK	6						8 40	
O. Butcher, Strashburg	DR	46	16	44	00		44 00		
K. Oertley, Radford	SP	30	13	16	50	2 10	18 60		
Totals,		111	30	\$61 75	\$4 30	\$66 05	\$61 48		

## West Pennsylvania, Week Ending July 30, 1909

F. Shaw, Potter Co.	GC	5	23	19	52	25	3 75	56 00	
C. Dunham, Indiana Co.	GC	5	38	25	68	00		68 00	20 00
W. Jack, Armstrong Co.	DR	5	35	18	44	50		44 50	
Totals,		15	96	62	\$164 75	\$3 75	\$168 50	\$20 00	

\*Two weeks  
§ Week ending July 16

†Three weeks

‡Four weeks

Grand Totals: Value of Orders, \$2,004 15. Deliveries, \$884.03.

## Report of Periodical Sales

## New Jersey, Week Ending July 23

Agent	Place	Hours	Magazine	Value
A. Sherman, Elizabeth, Plainfield		38	LH, ST	\$22 60
Florence Evers,* Jersey City		120	ST	35 00
W. Schmidt, Elizabeth, Plainfield		33	ST, Watch. LH	20 20
C. Woertz, Toms River		20	LH, Lib.	5 70
Lillian Wright, Ashbury Park		4	Instruct.	3 00
S. Oberg,† New Brunswick		2	ST	2 50
Mary Barrett,† Vineland			LH	1 50
Totals,				\$90 50

\*Several weeks to date

†Book canvasser

and next he said, "Well, I will have to stop canvassing for a while and will mend stoves until I get caught up." He never got "caught up," and the last I knew was still working to "catch up." I knew of an agent who was using a fine article of toilet soap as a "help." He presented his book to a very nice appearing lady who lived in a well kept home, and she was much interested in his book and his work. After securing her order for the book, he presented his soap. "O," she gasped, "I thought you were a gospel worker, but I see you are an ordinary peddler!" Need I say that this so brought that canvasser to his senses that he stopped mixing into his sacred work the world's goods that cheapened it in the eyes of the people? When we yield to these temptations we lose our own sense of

the sacredness of the work, and next we are doing something that will yield us cash, and having once given ourselves up to this spirit we are soon out of the work entirely. The best "help" a canvasser can take with him is his prospectus, and an abiding faith in how God can use him in His work, and care for him in His own way.

We are glad to see the prosperity that is coming into the distributing of our literature. It is a certain sign that this work is soon to triumph. In 1908 a grand record was made, but 1909 promises to go far beyond last year. This is no time to become discouraged, and no time to turn to the glitter of this world for its treasures, for we are nearing the end of the journey.—J. B. Blosser, L. U. C., General Agent.

## Who Will Enlist?

"CANVASSER-EVANGELISTS are needed to hunt and fish for souls. The canvassing work should now be earnestly and decidedly taken up. Let every one professing the name of Christ act a part in sending forth the message, 'The end of all things is at hand;' 'prepare to meet thy God'. Our publications should go everywhere. The third angel's message is to be given through gospel literature, and through the living teacher. 'Your feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel of peace,' you will be prepared to walk from house to house, carrying the truth to the people."—Mrs. E. G. White.

Many are the appeals that are coming to us from the servant of the Lord calling upon us to enter the great harvest field with the printed page which is to act such an important part in the closing scenes of this work with which we are connected. The Lord has been going before our consecrated canvassers in a remarkable manner during the past, opening doors and preparing hearts for the reception of truth which the worker represents. The glory of the Lord has also been the workers' reward and results have followed the efforts put forth.

A few months ago one of our young lady canvassers sold a "Heralds of the Morning" to an infidel. This man had neither prayed nor read the Bible since a small boy at his mother's knee, but he was so impressed with the truth contained in this book that he gave his heart to God, and to-day his brother is with us in the office here in Portland preparing to enter the field within a few days with this same book.

Our book work has been carried on largely during the past few years by our young people from our schools. While these young people have accomplished a great work, yet I believe that the time is fully here when men and women should leave the ordinary walks of life to engage in this work to remain by it until the Lord says, "It is finished."

The Lord is not only blessing our canvassers spiritually, but financially as well. I doubt not but that there are many of our people in the North Pacific Union who could do as well if not better, in the book work than they are doing. The Lord has promised to pay what is right, and none of us want more than that.—C. E. Weeks, in North Pacific Union Gleaner

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