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GENERAL MATTER

LOOK PLEASANT

We cannot, of course, all be handsome,
And it's hard for us all to be good,
We are sure now and then to be lonely,
And we don't always do as we should.
To be patient is not always easy,
To be cheerful is much harder still,
But at least we can always be pleasant,
If we make up our minds that we will.

And it pays every time to be kindly,
Although you feel worried and blue;
If you smile at the world and look cheerful,
The world will smile back at you.
So try to brace up and look pleasant,
No matter how long you are down,
Good humor is always contagious,
You banish your friends when you frown.
—Selected.

A Good Character

A GOOD character is of slow but steady growth. Mental ability and genius are not character. Reputation is not character. True character is quality of soul, revealing itself in the conduct.

If the youth rightly appreciate this important matter of character-building, they will see the necessity of doing their work so that it will stand the test of investigation before God. The humblest and weakest, by preserving effort in resisting temptation and seeking wisdom from above, may reach heights that now seem impossible. These attainments cannot come without a determined purpose to be faithful in the fulfillment of little duties. It requires constant watchfulness that crooked traits shall not be left to strengthen. The young may have moral power; for Jesus came into the world that he might be our example, and give to all youth, and those of every age, divine help.

God has been very merciful in giving you reasoning faculties, which he has not bestowed upon the brute creation. But if, with these God-given endowments, man is not faithful in his sphere, God will call him to ac-

count for the abuse of those gifts which place him above the beasts. The lowest of the brute creation, in making the best use of their instinct, sometimes do far better than many men who are never grateful to God for their reasoning faculties. If man, by sinful practices, lessens the power God has given him, he must render an account to God for this. Let young men and young women conscientiously study how they can meet the expectations of God, and there will be far less weakness and indecision, and far greater strength of purpose to attain to symmetrical character. If they place themselves in connection with Jesus, they will become like him.

The inspired record concerning Christ is: "And the child grew and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon him." And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man." Of John the record says: "For he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink; and he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost even from his birth. And many of the children of Israel shall he turn to the Lord their God. And he shall go before him in the spirit and power of Elias, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; to make ready a people prepared for the Lord." "And thou, child, shall be called the prophet of the highest; for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways; to give knowledge of salvation unto his people by the remission of sins, through the tender mercy of our God; whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us, to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet in the way of peace." "And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, and was in the desert till the day of his showing unto Israel." The record concerning Samuel is: "And the child grew on, and was in favor both with the Lord and also with men."

These examples are given for the young to imitate. If they make this

their aim, they will see the necessity of a close connection with the source of power and grace. Christ has said, "Without me ye can do nothing." Solomon spoke to the youth in God's stead: "My son, forget not my law, but let thine heart keep my commandments; for length of days, and long life and peace shall they add unto thee. Let not mercy and truth forsake thee; bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart, so shalt thou find favor and good understanding in the sight of God and man. Trust in the Lord with all thine heart, and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him and he shall direct thy paths." In these words of inspiration the youth have encouragement and counsel.

Children and youth should begin early to seek God; for early habits and impressions will frequently exert a powerful influence upon life and character. Therefore, the youth who would be like Samuel, John, and especially like Christ, must be faithful in all things which are least, turning away from companions who plan evil, and who think that their life in this world is to be one of pleasure and selfish indulgence. Many of the little home duties are overlooked as of no consequence; but if the small things are neglected, the larger duties will be also. You want to be whole men and women, with pure, sound, noble characters. Begin the work at home; take up the little duties and do them with thoroughness and exactness. When the Lord sees you are faithful in that which is least, he will entrust you with larger responsibilities. Be careful how you build, and what kind of material you put into the building. The characters you are now forming will be lasting as eternity. Let Jesus take possession of your mind, your heart, and your affections, and work as Christ worked, doing conscientiously home duties, little acts of self-denial, and deeds of kindness, employing the moments diligently, keeping a careful watch against little sins, and a grateful heart for little blessings, and you will have at least such

a testimony for yourself as was given of John and Samuel, and especially of Christ: "And he increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man." —Mrs. E. G. White.

A Word about the Ohio Camp-Meeting

WE are glad to say a few words to the readers of the VISITOR about the Ohio camp-meeting. Others will write more fully, but I just wish to say that it was a splendid contribution to the work in Ohio. The people of God were refreshed and instructed. A good spirit came into the meetings and one could testify that the spirit of God was witnessing to this assembly of believers. Every line of work was taken up, and earnest efforts to organize for service this coming year were made. The attendance and interest from the outside were good. On the night when the Sabbath question was presented, two outsiders signified their intention to keep God's holy day.

As I have been reporting the cash and pledges payable before Jan. 1, 1910, which are being advanced on the one-cent-a-day plan, I take pleasure in adding the amount given at the Ohio camp-meeting. Previously reported.....\$ 919 16
Amount raised at Lima, Ohio 683 65

Total.....\$1,602 81
G. B. WILKINSON.

Is the Ingathering Plan Scriptural?

THIS question can be answered by referring to the experience of, and God's dealing with, Israel. "Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples; and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come." 1 Cor. 10:11.

God promised Abraham and his seed the land of Canaan, and that promise was sure, as all God's promises are sure. Yet they found themselves in a strange land, dispossessed of their own land, and held in bondage as slaves with many restrictions, and but little freedom to exercise their God given rights.

Finally the time came for them to begin to move toward their own country. The message came to God's people to get out of Egypt. Intensity began to take hold of everything. God wrought with a mighty hand for the deliverance of his people. Finally, the Lord through Moses in-

structed the people to borrow from their neighbors jewels of gold and silver, and it is said, "The Lord gave the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians."

It was afterward revealed that the Lord had a special design in this. This collection of gold and silver was needed in the building of the sanctuary or temple of the Lord, and it was freely handed over to the workmen by the people for that purpose.

Now the lesson: The only people that have any hope of a real inheritance in the earth is the Christian. But, do they possess it now?—No; it is in the possession of the dark sinful world, often brought to view in the Bible under the figure of Egypt, while God's people are spoken of as under the oppressors (Isa. 19:20), a people scattered and peeled, meeted out, and trodden under foot, whose land the rivers (peoples) have spoiled. Isa. 18:7. Yet there stands the promise that "the meek shall inherit the earth."

Now the Lord has told us to arise and possess the land. He is working mightily for his people. Intensity is taking hold of everything.

It was said of Christ that "he shall grow up out of his place, and he shall build the temple of the Lord." Zech. 6:12. He works through the church. Eph. 3:10. The church gathered from all peoples constitutes the temple. Eph. 2. Each member is a lively stone. 1 Pet. 2:5. During all these years Christ has been gathering up stones for his temple and by his spirit he has been hewing, polishing, and shaping the stones. It is now time that the temple must be completed. We are in the sounding of the trumpet under which the work is to be finished. As the temple which took the place of the tabernacle in the wilderness was to go up without a sound of a hammer, so the members of the church will be so completely perfected by the shaping of the spirit of Christ that before the temple will be complete we all will be one in him. Be of one mind, see eye to eye,—be in the unity of the faith. Then there will be no friction in the final completed temple of the Lord.

Now, while it is true that this building process has been going on all through the centuries of the earth, it was almost torn completely down about two thousand years ago. Acts 15:16. All through the dark ages of Papal supremacy there was but little done toward the building. The prophecies however looked forward to a time of mighty activity in this

temple building, a time of repairing the breach, of going through, and preparing the way for the people, gathering out the stones; and this is done largely by what is called "the remnant."

So brethren, here we are, and now is the time. This message is to complete the work. It is going to all nations gathering out the "stones." In other words, the workmen are as busy as can be, finishing the "holy temple of the Lord." Gold and silver were necessary in the days of ancient Israel to build the literal temple, which was a type of the spiritual temple, and gold and silver were necessary in the building of the spiritual temple. As God called upon his people to obtain from the people not of their faith in building the material temple, so is he calling upon his people now, to obtain from the world to assist in finishing the great spiritual temple.

Abraham did not hesitate to collect a tithe of the goods of the heathen kings, understanding that a tithe was the Lord's anyway, no matter in whose possession it was found. So we must learn that the earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof, and though we may gather means from the world the Lord will never get more than is his own. So let us take hold of the November harvest ingathering with a zeal, realizing that it is the Lord's call to obtain from our neighbors means to complete the Master's work.

F. D. WAGNER.

Our Publishing Work

ITS PROSPERITY

THE degree of prosperity which has attended the publishing work in the Columbia Union Conference since its organization in November 1907, is certainly very encouraging; for on the outset we had three conferences where nothing was being done, and two others were very poorly organized and thus doing but little.

The work soon took shape. The Lord raised up men among us to head the work in each of the unmanned conferences, so that to-day we have a good live state agent in each conference doing very satisfactory work.

I can not say that any of the leaders in the publishing work of the Columbia Union Conference feel at all satisfied with our present record, though last year (1908) this conference sold more books than any other union in the United States. And this year's record, thus far, is much better than last. We purpose to push on with the blessing and help of God,

and so continue until the work is finished. We want to see this branch of the work continue to grow until every soul who should be at work selling our good books has been properly instructed and placed at his post of duty.

It might be interesting to our readers to look over the comparative figures showing what was done for each month last year and what has been done thus far this year.

	1908	1909
January	\$521 40	\$4,051 93
February	283 90	5,587 85
March	831 40	5,483 20
April	3,793 20	4,303 94
May	4,703 70	5,493 40
June	7,008 85	8,452 05

It will be noticed that the gain for the first six months of this year was very large. We hope that the remaining six may also show a large gain, thus evening up the work. To this end all of our state agents are working. What we need is a good, steady corps of workers who can be depended upon for twelve months in the year. This is the class who are following up their work and are seeing fruits from their labor.

SOUL WINNING

While our canvassers are far more successful in the sale of our literature than they have ever been before, averaging nearly one dollar sales per hour, yet we never were so far from commercialism as at present. Our canvassers to-day go out trusting in God for financial success, and praying for opportunities to pray for the sick, the wayward, and the discouraged ones, and for openings to hold Bible studies and conduct family worship in Christian homes where the old altar has been deserted and the stones scattered.

Many very interesting experiences might be related if space would permit, which would encourage those who have worked in the canvassing field in years past to again enter it. I shall relate one such instance. One of our canvassers recently stopped with a family over night who were very much prejudiced against Seventh-day Adventists; but when the canvasser manifested such an earnest spirit and acted his part in resurrecting the family altar, his host was wonderfully effected, and took great pleasure in telling the neighbors what a good book the young man was selling, and also told them what an earnest Christian he was; thus a victory was won for the truth in the hearts

of that family as well as among their neighbors.

OUR CONTRIBUTION TO MISSIONS

While we have been working very hard to train men to fill the vacancies in the various conferences, and have at times been perplexed to know where to look for competent men to take charge of the canvassing work in some of the conferences, yet we have gladly contributed two of our best and most promising men to the mission fields.

Brother G. H. Clark, who was state agent in the Chesapeake Conference for two years, has been released to take charge of the work in the South African Union Conference, and all who know him will say that the South African Conference now has one of the most competent men we had in our union. We rejoice that we have such workers to send to the front.

Brother E. T. Wilson, who had charge of the work in the District of Columbia Conference, was released to take charge of the publishing work in Peru. Brother Wilson was a very successful canvasser for years with popular works, especially "Stoddard's Lectures," and after accepting the truth, spent some time selling our denominational books.

While we have given our best, yet the Columbia Union Conference to-day is better manned with state agents than ever before. When we give to the Lord it is returned to us with good interest.

We feel to praise God with all our hearts for what we see, for he has wonderfully blessed his cause in this field, and to him be all the glory.

I. D. RICHARDSON,
Gen. Agent C. U. C.

The Importance of Child Study*

(Concluded)

IN studying the child we must recognize his three-fold nature. The physical, being the first with which we have to deal, is also the foundation of all the others. This being so, the physical nature of the child should receive most careful study. To quote from Horace Mann: "Two grand qualifications are equally necessary in the education of children,—Love and Knowledge. Without love, every child would be regarded as a nuisance, and cast away as soon as born. Without knowledge, love will ruin every

child. Nature supplies the love; but she does not supply the knowledge. The love is spontaneous; the knowledge is to be acquired by study and toil, by the most attentive observation and the profoundest reflection. Here then lies the fatal error; parents rest contented with the feeling of love; they do not devote themselves to the acquisition of that knowledge which is necessary to guide it. And what is the consequence of this excess of love and lack of knowledge on the part of the parent? More than one-fifth part—almost a fourth part—of all the children who are born, die before attaining the age of one year. A fifth part have died before a seventieth part of the term of existence has been reached! What would the farmer or the shepherd say, if he should lose one-fifth part of his lambs or kids before a seventieth part of their natural term of life had been reached? And before the age of five years, more than a third part of all who are born of our race have returned again to the earth, the great majority of them having died of that most fatal and widespread of all epidemics—unenlightened parental love."

Although the physical life—the foundation—is important, yet it is not all. The beautiful super-structure of the mental and spiritual natures is to be built upon it. In the physical life of plant and animal the law of development is well understood and acted upon. Any departure from the normal is at once recognized. How is it with the development of mind and soul in the child? Do we understand the laws of growth and development in the child nature? If the trial of the serpent appears in the beautiful garden, can we at once detect it?

Sister White says, "Parents and teachers should aim so to cultivate the tendencies of the youth that at each stage of life they may represent the beauty appropriate to that period, unfolding naturally, as do the plants in the garden."

Do we understand these different periods of growth and the beauty appropriate to each? When the enemy comes in and sows tares, do we know it? or do we think it is wheat? I quote from one of our own educators: "Babyhood, childhood, and youth come but once to man. Each of these periods is particularly and peculiarly susceptible to special heavenly influences, and to the reception of definite and divine gifts. A sacred responsibility, therefore, rests upon parents and teachers to see that in the early days of life the young are

*Read at Parents' Meetings on the Camp-ground at Lima, Ohio.

taught in such a way that these heaven-bestowed gifts may be cherished and developed. If this is done a full and robust life is given to the world. If on the other hand these gifts are for any cause still-born, the soul will pass through life only a partial life. Some beauteous traits are missing from it, and the blessing which otherwise might have gladdened weary wanderers is lacking—there is an eternal loss."

A mother in the South came to us much troubled on account of her boy of about fourteen. She thought he must be about to die, for he seemed to be in such a strange condition of mind, and had come and asked her forgiveness for every wrong he had ever done her. We told her that the Lord was working for her boy; that she should pray with him and cherish in every possible way the spiritual life that God was seeking to implant in his soul. When, a few short years later, that same boy was arrested for forgery and sentenced to the penitentiary, the mother could not understand why Jimmie should do such a thing, for he had been so well brought up.

That mother knew not the time of her visitation. When the Lord spoke to her child's soul she did not realize that she had come to the kingdom of motherhood for such a time as this. The heavenly visitant, not being welcomed, passed by, and her house was left desolate. O the sadness of it! The Lord desires to awaken a divine harmony in the soul of your child. But perchance your ears are too dull to catch the heavenly music; or perhaps with ruthless hands you break the very heart-strings of the child, and the chord, once lost, ceases to vibrate forever.

One of two results follow: (1) the Lord may continue his work for the child, unappreciated though it may be by the parent. How many children suffer as Jesus did in this world, from not being understood by his nearest and dearest earthly friends! (2) or something more terrible may come—the divine gifts, not being recognized and appreciated by the parent, may be withdrawn, and Satan, who also has his gifts ready to bestow, may gain an entrance, and the ruin of the young life may be complete.

O, that I could say something to arouse parents to sense the dangers that surround the young child-life;—to the importance of closely watching and studying the child-nature in order that the first departure from truth and purity may be recognized.

Listen once more to Horace Mann, that great educator:—

"My friends, is it not incredible that any parent should ever attempt to manage and direct that mighty force—a child's soul—without having first sought to acquire some knowledge of its attributes, of its upward and downward tending faculties, of the reciprocal relations existing between it and the world into which it has been brought, and of the manner in which its marvelous capacities may be developed into harmony and beauty and sanctified into holiness? Surely, in no other department of life is knowledge so indispensable; surely, in no other is it so little sought for. In no other navigation is there such danger of wreck; in no other is there such blind pilotage."

MRS. N. A. HONEYWELL.

Where the Minister Does Not Go

THE writer, with a faithful canvasser, started out to open a new part of that territory where Brother Brownlee (the canvasser mentioned) intended to work up a good delivery.

We desired to get some good names on our list to begin with, and finding that we were in a German Lutheran settlement, we went to see the ministers, but it did not take him long to send us on down the road, and we soon came to the little hamlet, where we selected one of the nicest looking houses, and seeking the Lord earnestly in our hearts, we entered only to soon find that we had landed in the home of one of the German Lutheran parochial school teachers. We had not talked to him but a few moments when we found him to be one of the most intelligent men we ever met, and knew if we ever received his order it could only be through the influence of the Spirit of God: therefore while we walked we also prayed. We were on the point of taking his order after an hour's battle, when he turned to me and said,—

"You are a minister, ar'nt you?"

I acknowledged I was.

"Of what denomination?"

My answer then turned the tide again against us and caused a continued struggle. Finally he said,—

"Well we do not believe all the Adventists teach; we think that Luther taught all that was needful for salvation, and all that is necessary is to follow his teaching and that will save us or anyone."

I pointed out to him that Luther was a firm believer in the second coming of Christ, and then after speaking

favorably of Luther's work I saw that he was becoming more favorable again. This time, following up the 'vantage, it was not long before he said,—

"Well, you may take my order for one of those \$2.75 bindings."

We went on our way rejoicing to know that a good old "Great Controversy" was going into that teacher's hands, and trust the victory gained by the Spirit of God will continue until he is teaching the closing message.

While out with Brother Chas. Dunham recently, we separated, the writer going to the house of a young married couple and Brother Dunham visiting a widow who, we were told, was a good Christian woman; after taking an order for "Great Controversy" where I went, I came out and met Brother Dunham driving down the road, it being time to quit for the day (about 6.30 P. M.) We counseled as to where to spend the night. I was glad to learn that he had sold a "Great Controversy" for cash and had a good talk with the woman mentioned. We concluded to return to her home, and on arriving found her glad to keep us over night. We studied different phases of the message until about 12 P. M., and in the morning, though we had our supper, night's lodging, and breakfast, the woman would not take a penny from us, and invited us back again. Brother Dunham has called since and found the woman well pleased with her book and desiring to learn all she can about the truth.

While with Brother Jack at Ford City, we were able to put a "Daniel and Revelation" into the hands of a maiden lady, a school teacher, and she has since expressed herself as not willing to take twenty dollars for her book if she could not get another like it, and the writer has, by her request, sent her about five hundred pages of tracts, and she seems favorable to the message. How true it is that "many who would never hear the truth in any other way, will hear it through the efforts of the faithful canvasser."

T. M. Butler, of North East, Pa., writes at the close of his first week after the writer left him, during which time he footed up \$47 worth of orders in forty-two hours: "I never took up any work that I liked better." His brother, O. G. Butler, not yet sixteen years of age, took orders to the amount of \$18 in the same length of time.

Miss Agnes Zoerb, a sister that we just started in, right in Butler in a

Catholic locality, in four days took orders to the amount of \$9. This was her first book work. She writes, "I never missed a house." While this amount is not large, when considered that nearly all were Catholics, it was surely a good work.

Mrs. Lina Lias, with home family duties to occupy the most of her time, sends in this week a report for \$20 in book sales. Many more of our sisters might find time to do the same work. It simply means, improve the spare time.

All of our canvassers send in words of cheer, telling of good courage in the work.

I. G. BIGELOW, *Field Agent,*
Bradford, Pa., *Kendall Creek Station.*

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

Johnstown

THE gospel tent that was pitched in Johnstown, Pa., closed its effort Sunday evening, September 15. The services have been conducted by Elder J. W. Watt, G. L. West, the writer, and his wife. Every evening has been devoted to the tent service since July 14, with a good interest. For the last three weeks Sabbath meetings have been held in the tent, and we are glad to report that ten grown persons are keeping the Sabbath, and fifteen other persons have acknowledged that the seventh day is the Sabbath, but they have not kept it as yet. A hall has been rented for Sabbath and Sunday night meetings, so as to reach those who have not taken their stand as yet; also to accommodate those who are keeping the Sabbath. One of this number is the principal of one of the Johnstown free schools, who has charge of eight large rooms. He has taught twenty years, and his wife, a fine Christian woman, has been an active worker in the church where they held membership. She and their little daughter stand with him in obeying the truth.

We praise God for what he has wrought in bringing souls into the truth. The tent has been taken down, and work will be followed up by the writer. The ministers are scattering Mr. Cantright's tracts at present, so as to hinder the work, but God will turn it to his glory.

Our courage is good in the glorious message of truth.

W. F. SCHWARTZ.

"To be converted is not to be white-washed, but to be washed white."

OHIO

Lima

THIS bright Sunday morning finds us in camp once more in a nice location on Eureka St., in the south-east part of Lima, Ohio.

Brother John Shultz and the writer were chosen to conduct a series of meetings at the close of the camp-meeting held in Lima August 19 to 29.

Our first service was held September 2 with about twenty present, and a like number present the following nights; we believe that a good hearing will be gained here.

Brother Williams helped me arrange the camp and begin the meetings. On the return of Brother Shultz from home he went to Conway, his future field of labor. The members of the Lima church are taking hold in an earnest manner to make the meetings a success. Much of our literature has been placed in this city and we hope for a good harvest for the Lord. W. E. BIDWELL.

J. P. GAEDE is conducting tent meetings in Cincinnati.

A. C. Shannon and F. E. Gibson have a tent in Toledo.

Dr. W. J. Venen and R. G. Patterson are having good success in Ravenna.

Dr. H. M. Jump and M. V. Downing have developed a good interest at Baltimore.

J. J. Marietta and J. I. Cassell report favorably of their tent meetings at Houston.

Elders W. E. Bidwell and J. W. Shultz are holding tent meetings in Lima, following up the interest of the camp-meeting.

At the Ohio camp-meeting about \$985 was given and pledged to Foreign Missions, and \$685 to the Mount Vernon College Fund.

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

WE have received word of the completion of No. 9, of the "Testimonies for the Church"—the latest, the best, and most important of all numbers of

the Testimonies. Prices: Cloth, 75 cents, regular leather, flexible, \$1.25; Thin flexible, \$1.25.

W. P. Barto made us a pleasant call. Both he and his brother Harry have earned a scholarship this summer. One goes to South Lancaster while the other goes to Mount Vernon.

The lesson quarterlies are now ready for the fourth quarter of 1909. Let all schools get their order in early, and accompany orders with cash as far as possible.

Harry Christman is planning on attending school at Mount Vernon. He spent part of the summer canvassing, and will devote his entire vacation to this work next summer, and will endeavor for a scholarship.

Remember the Harvest Ingathering for missions will start November 1. Now is the time to commence to plan how much each can do. Information, instruction, and the necessary plans will soon be ready for all workers. Let us all rally at this time and do our best, so that there will be no lack of funds in the Foreign Mission Treasury.

H. G. Gauker has finished a very successful summer in canvassing, and he and his wife will attend school at Mount Vernon. We are glad to see these young people preparing themselves for greater usefulness in the Master's service.

Dr. W. H. Smith has returned from a very pleasant visit with his relatives in the West.

A meeting of the executive committee was held at Philadelphia last Monday and Tuesday. All members were present.

Elder W. H. Heckman baptized ten adults at Scranton last Sunday, September 12. This makes a total of fifteen that have accepted the truth and been baptized there thus far this year. This good work has been brought about largely through one of our faithful Bible workers.

One of the converts at the Pottsville tent effort is a superintendent of one of the Methodist Sunday-schools.

Brother Baumgartner, elder of the

Allentown church, informs us that two more are ready for baptism in that city. While this church has not had a great deal of ministerial help of late years, it is a live working church and God has greatly blessed them.

Elder Baierle and Evangelist Heald closed their tent effort in North Philadelphia. We understand that several have embraced the truth.

Brother J. L. Gearhart, one of our canvassers, writes that he cannot praise the Lord enough for his wonderful goodness to him in his work. He finds that some people hear about his work before he reaches their homes and when he arrives there they are ready and anxious to give him their order. Some tell him that they were afraid he would miss them.

Friday evening, September 10, Elder Heckman spoke at the Pottsville tent; Sabbath morning at Scranton; Sabbath afternoon at Wilkes-Barre; and Sunday at a large gathering of people who had come together to hear the spoken word and witness the baptismal scene.

VIRGINIA

ELDER H. W. HERRELL reports a good meeting with the Bethel church, at Hebron. Two went forward in baptism.

H. W. Herrell, Jr., of Richmond, will attend the Washington Foreign Missionary Seminary this winter.

The Shenandoah Valley Training Academy will open Tuesday, September 14. Carl A. Maxwell is principal.

Miss Izetta Gardner and Miss Grace Whitehead are planning to return to the Shenandoah Valley Training Academy.

Miss Florence N. Swan will leave Richmond for New Market on Monday, September 13, to attend the academy there this winter.

Let all of our churches order at once the missions number of the *Review* through our state tract society, New Market, Va. A. M. Neff, Sec'y.

Brother John F. Bahler (one of our blind brethren) and his wife are canvassing in Richmond. He spoke for

Canvassers' Reports

Chesapeake, Week Ending September 3, 1909

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
S. L. Lush, Cecil Co., Md.	GC	5	47	22	\$72 50	\$5 25	\$77 75		
W. H. Spicer, Chapel, Md.	GC	5	39	16	44 00	8 40	52 40		
C. Tracy, Clarksburg, Md.	GC	4	28	9	24 75	3 00	27 75		3 00
B. Arkebauer, Kent Co., Md.	GC	3	22	8	22 00	15 30	37 30		
A. C. Williman, Hope, Md.	GC	4	30	10	30 50	1 50	32 00		
S. N. Brown, Big Pool, Md.	GC	5	37	6	16 50	10 50	27 00		32 50
J. G. Mitchell, P'sant Vly, Md.	GC	4	29	7	19 25	4 00	23 25		
O. Yingling, Carroll Co., Md.	GC	3	23	5	14 75	5 00	19 75		
John Miller, Harford R'd, Md.	GC	2		3	8 25	3 15	11 40		
Leon Post, Frederick, Md.	GC	2	6	1	2 75		2 75		12 80
Mrs. Whaley, Chr'ch Hill, Md.	GC	1	4						27 50
J. W. Siler, Urbana, Md.	GC	2	13						84 55
Wm. Paden, Clearspring, Md.	GC	5	44	3	10 25		10 25		28 50
J. Paden, Indian Spring, Md.	CK	5	28	14	15 50	3 45	18 95		11 20
Totals,			50	350	104	\$281 00	\$59 55	\$340 55	\$199 60

Ohio, Week Ending September 10, 1909

Jay Chrisman, Madison Co.	DR	5	46	30	84 50		84 50		
A. L. Bassler, Fairfield Co.	DR	5	42	14	37 50	3 90	41 40		3 15
J. C. Hankins, Paulding Co.	DR	5	15½	7	20 25		20 25		
F. E. Wagner, Stark Co.	DR	4	42	4	9 00		9 00		14 50
Jay Chrisman,† Madison Co.	DR	4	33½	10	27 50		27 50		42 25
Wm. M. Deuschle, Ross Co.	GC	4	31½	10	27 50	1 00	28 50		
R. DeGarmo, Summit Co.	CK	4	20	30	38 00	2 50	40 50		
L. H. Waters, Portage Co.	CK	5	41	29	35 50	35	35 85		1 35
E. E. Shaw, Lucas Co.	CK	4	34	19	27 00	3 00	30 00		3 00
C. Reichenbaugh, Portage Co.	CK	5	33	17	19 50	1 40	20 90		1 40
B. F. Carter, Noble Co.	BF	1	15						22 00
Totals			46	358½	170	\$326 25	\$12 15	\$338 40	\$87 65

Eastern Pennsylvania, Week Ending September 3, 1909

H. J. Albright, Berks	DR	5	43	25	61 75	4 00	65 75		
J. L. Gearhart, Lehigh	DR	4	40	20	51 00		50 00		8 00
H. G. Gauker, Berks	DR	1	10						65 75
G. B. Jenkins, Scranton	GC				42 20		42 20		3 25
H. Barto, Cumberland	GC								154 25
W. Barto, "	GC								124 25
H. Goodrich, Susquehanna	GC	2	20	2	7 50	70	8 20		
W. P. Hess, Lancaster	CK	4	40	28	32 50		32 50		
Totals,			16	153	75	\$193 95	\$4 70	\$198 65	\$355 50

Virginia, Week Ending September 3, 1909

K. Oertley, Radford			12						23 40
E. Truman, Cape Charles	OC	33	19	54 25	28 25		82 50		1 40
E. Roberson, Richmond	BR	14	7	19 50	3 65		23 15		85
C. Pease, Richmond	BR	12	6	16 50	4 85		21 35		
M. Jemerson,* Richmond		20	3	5 50	8 75		14 25		3 20
Totals			91	35	\$95 75	\$45 50	\$141 25		\$28 85

New Jersey, Week Ending September 3, 1909

L. Cruickshanks, Hainburg	DR	5	39	9	23 75	60	24 35		60
S. A. Oberg, New Brunswick	GC	3	30	11	34 25	2 80	37 05		
Geo. W. Blinn, Hunterdon	GC	4	35	3	8 25		8 25		63 75
Wm. B. Plant, Hamburg	OK	4	30	40	41 50	14 25	55 75		
Totals,			16	134	63	\$107 75	\$17 65	\$125 40	\$69 35

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending September 10, 1909

J. S. Glunt, Blair Co.						4 45	4 25		5 50
T. M. Butler, Erie Co.	CK	5	38	18	24 00	1 50	25 50		14 40
A. Brownlee, Butler Co.	GC	5	33						163 30
Miss Zoerb, Butler Co.	CK	4	24½	8	9 50		9 50		
Miss Lias, Indiana Co.	CK	4	43		20 00		20 00		
J. A. Heaton, Bedford Co.	GC	4	30½	9	26 75	9 00	35 75		11 75
Totals,			22	170	35	\$70 25	\$14 75	\$95 00	\$194 95

West Virginia, Week Ending September 3, 1909

A. T. Halstead, Boone Co.	DR	4	29	20	50 25	6 10	56 35	22 45
J. H. Jennings, Monroe Co.	DR	5	41	1	1 50	22 50	24 00	2 95
Maude Pengelly	GC			1	2 75		2 75	161 70
Florence White	GC							90 65
Totals,		9	70	22	\$54 50	\$28 60	\$93 10	\$277 75

*Two weeks

†Two weeks ending September 3

Grand Totals: Value of Orders, \$1,332 35. Deliveries, \$1,213.65.

Report of Periodical Sales

New Jersey, Week Ending September 3

Agent	Place	Hours	Magazine	Value
A. Sherman, Paterson, Newark		43	LH, ST, Lib.	\$40 85
Opha Luttrell, Montclair, Caldwell		42	ST, LH	20 75
W. F. Schmidt, Elizabeth, Newark		34	LH	20 00
Louise Henley, Newark		34	ST, LH	13 10
Lillian Wright, Asbury Park			Instruc.	2 50
Totals,				\$97 20

the Richmond church Sabbath, September 4.

stand on the Lord's side, as the result of these meetings.

We understand from a letter just received that Miss Annie Tucker, of Quicksburg, is planning to attend the Washington Foreign Missionary Seminary this winter.

W. H. Lewis and family are at the home of his brother, Ashton Lewis, in Dinwiddle county, where he expects to remain for several months before he leaves for Africa.

Elder Leslie Munce reports a good attendance still at his tent meetings in the city of Norfolk. We understand that six have so far united with the church as the result of these meetings.

Brother George A. Stevens, who is laboring at Colonial Beach, Westmoreland county, reports he is getting into some of the houses with the Family Bible Teacher, and finding some opportunities to hold some Bible readings.

The tent company in Portsmouth in charge of Elders Ostrander and Hanna, reports one man has taken his stand for the Sabbath of the Lord so far, and that they expect others to soon take a stand.

The tent meetings being held by Elder B. L. House, assisted by Brother John H. Allran, in Fulton, are growing in interest and attendance. We hope to see a goodly number take their

We hope all of our churches will order a goodly club of the special *Signs* (Home Bible Study Series). A club of five or more, sent to one name and address for the twenty-five weeks, for only \$2.50. This is a grand opportunity to do missionary work with your neighbors this winter.

Elders Purdham and Lindsey report a well-filled tent of attentive listeners from night to night. They are located at Oak Grove, Westmoreland county. We understand from a letter recently received from Elder Lindsey that his health is good, and that he is enjoying the work.

A letter from Brother Vernon O. Punches, our field missionary agent, informs us that Brother E. A. True-man has made a good beginning in the canvassing work. Let us all remember before the throne of grace our brethren who are engaged in carrying the printed page to the people.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

PROF. B. G. WILKINSOM is at home this week, having finished the camp-meetings in the Union.

Mrs. James E. Shultz, who has been at the home of her parents, in Clyde, Ohio, returned to her home in Washington, D. C.

Prof. and Mrs. Oleman Hamer reached Takoma Park this week, after having spent their vacation in visiting friends and relatives.

Elder G. B. Thompson, formerly president of the Columbia Union, has returned to his home after a long tour of camp-meetings.

Prof H. R. Salisbury and wife have returned to Takoma to prepare for the school year at the Seminary.

Elder F. I. Richardson, president of the Chesapeake Conference, spent two days with his wife at Takoma Park, in counsel for his future work, and visiting friends.

Mr. Dell Pickard, who has been conducting the tent effort at Warrentown, Va., was in Takoma Park this week, and reports four new converts and many more interested.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA TITHE RECEIPTS

JULY 1909

Alba...	\$ 1 00
Allentown	79 31
Ariel
Bloomsburg
Carbondale.....
Cherry Flats.....
Fleetwood.....	33 08
First German,....	57 50
First Philadelphia....	166 31
Harrisburg	38 62
Hawley-Honesdale	20 65
Jersey Shore	27 32
Kulp.....
Lancaster.....	23 03
Lebanon	9 80
Lorenton.....	80
North Philadelphia.....	174 01
Norristown.....
Northumberland	3 60
Orwell	69 90
Reading	19 56
Roaring Branch	41 76
Scranton	114 65
Shunk
Shimersville	15 80
Stroudsburg	26 56
Wade	14 05
Williamsport.....	40 85
Wilkes-Barre.....	45 02
Wellsboro	1 00
West Philadelphia
York
Individuals.....	43 48
Chester Company
Scandinavian Company.....	6 62

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—Selected.

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THE October number of the *Signs of the Times Monthly Magazine* will deal with that most perplexing problem, Capital and Labor. Articles have been secured from prominent writers, representing the different sides of this controversy, thus making it an interesting and popular number, and one that will appeal to all classes. The subjects will be taken up in the following order:

An article by John Kirby, Jr. president of the National Association of

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Selected statements from the recent utterances of Mr. John Mitchell, the great labor leader, will present the subject from the viewpoint of organized labor.

A special article on "Capitalism and Socialism" by Eugene V. Debbs, will present the matter from the socialistic standpoint.

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General Meetings

GENERAL meetings will be held in Coudersport, September 30 to October 3; Bradford, October 7—10; Erie, October 14—17. No doubt many who have not enjoyed the privilege of our local or general conference will be glad to hear of this opportunity to meet with those of like faith to enjoy a rich spiritual feast. It does us good to meet together and talk about, and hear more about, our wonderful message, its developments and needs; especially as we see the great day approaching.

F. D. WAGNER.