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+Possibilities of Sabbath-School Work

THE words of the holy Writ, "Who hath despised the day of small things," come forcibly to mind as one traces the development of the Sabbath-school work of the Seventhday Adventists from an humble beginning fifty-seven years ago to its present position as a mighty factor in finishing the work of God in the earth. Becoming deeply stirred over the need of some systematic arrangement for the instruction of our youth in the truths of God's word, Elder James White, while journeying by carriage from Bangor, Me., to Rochester, N. Y., in the summer of 1852, prepared a short series of lessons by the roadside while his team was taking its noonday meal and rest.

But the believers were widely scattered, with no organization of any sort, and no ordained ministers or local elders to care for them. bring about the organization of Sabbath-schools and to secure a uniform course of Bible study the Youth's Instructor was first issued in August, 1852, at Rochester, N. Y., with a series of four lessons. During the first year the Instructor published only nineteen lessons, of which seventeen were borrowed from another denomination, and for the next ten years the appearance of the lessons was anything but regular, being entirely omitted for three and one-half years.

The few schools that were called into a precarious existence had no uniform plan of organization, each choosing its own lessons, making it impossible to provide helps in the form of suggestions on current lessons with the best methods of illustrating and teaching the same. Little effort was made to adapt the lessons to the youthful mind, small children

†Read at the Newark, O., Sabbath-school Convention, October 30.

studying the same lessons as the adults; grappling often with those portions of Scripture hardest to be understood. Instead of song books galore there were none at all, which was also true of record books and contributions.

But the hand of him who brought order out of chaos on creation's morn was over the work, and it has developed and prospered until to-day our perfected system of organization and reporting includes 3,805 schools, located in all parts of the habitable world, with 90,418 members studying the same lessons, which are adapted for old and young, and contributing in the last twenty-two years \$1,023, 384.11, of which \$680,802.48 went to the support of missions. Truly boundless possibilities are here. Thousands of little children, confiding, trustful, sit in the classes from Sabbath to Sabbath, at the age when they are most susceptible to influences for good or evil, the age when the character is being moulded for life. In many of the homes from which they come the family altar is broken down, and there is a corresponding waning of faith in the truths of the third angel's message, with slack living, and all too often jarring discord.

To the teacher comes the glorious privilege and with it the solemn responsibility of instilling in these tender minds the simple, saving truths of the gospel, of leading them to the Saviour, and impressing upon their hearts the loyalty to principle, the faith and courage that made the Josephs and Daniels of old. And the child converted may touch the heart of the lukewarm or unconverted parent where the minister would fail. It will greatly assist the work for the children, if the general exercises are made attractive and interesting for them.

Here is a class of boys, and another of girls who have reached the age when they sometimes know more than their teacher,—yes, and the superintendent, and the day school teacher, and father and mother all together. Subjected, perhaps, from

their earliest years to the influence of schools of the world and ungodly associates, many are indifferent to their spiritual welfare, absorbed with novel reading, fashions, and frivolous pleas-

Good, bad, and indifferent, these youth are with us to-day. To-morrow they will take their places as standard-bearers in the ranks of God's people, or step out into the world into the paths that lead to eternal destruction. The soul of one of these dear young people is of more value in the sight of heaven than all the treasures of the world. Do the efforts that we put forth as Sabbathschool workers and parents for their salvation indicate to the watching universe that we sense the possibilities and our accountability to God? Is there not a lack somewhere when a class composed largely of unconverted young people listen Sabbath after Sabbath for a whole year to the sound of the teacher's voice, and not one turns to God? There is need of a greater burden for souls, of more definite effort both in the Sabbathschool and out. There must be persympathetic, heart-to-heart work with the individual pupil. Tact and wisdom from above are required to do this work acceptably. Earnest, persevering efforts should be put forth even for the most unpromising. Who knows but that wayward boy may prove a John Bunyan, bringing thousands to a saving knowledge of the gospel? or that wild, apparently hopeless girl may be another Mary Magdalene, loving most because forgiven most, and foremost in telling of a risen Saviour?

Passing to the senior department we find some who are enduring bitter persecution in their own homes. Others are being severly tried in various ways, while here and there is one whose love is waxing cold or who is about to give up the struggle in despair. What a golden opportunity to speak a word in season to him that is weary! How often it is passed by unimproved, unheeded, while the class is fed upon the chaff of speculative theories, or the vital

spark in some fainting soul is extinguished by heated controversies over foolish and unlearned questions.

That brother who has been marked absent for several weeks might not have been working on the Sabbath to-day, if the teacher had kept in sympathetic touch with his circumstances, and been prepared to make a practical application of the lesson to his particular case. That sister might never have yielded to the opposition of her husband if words fitly spoken by a spirit-led teacher had filled her heart with hope and courage and an atmosphere of love and harmony pervading the school had renewed her drooping spirit.

Not the least important feature of the Sabbath-school is the study of the Scriptures. The lessons are designed to cover in a few years the general field of Bible facts and doctrines. Think of what will be accomplished if ever we can get the 90,000 members of our schools to make a careful daily study of the lesson, and to attend regularly. The home department, too, could greatly increase both the numbers and the good accomplished if proper attention were given to the isolated and the afflicted, the ones who most need encouragement.

The delnsions and perils of the last days are upon us, and the Scriptures are our only safeguard. They alone will fortify us against the overwhelming deceptions of Satan which are sweeping the whole world to ruin. Old and young must study the words of eternal life as never before. We must know for ourselves what is truth and what is not; and not only must we know it for ourselves, but we must be ready to give to every man a reason for the hope that is in us with meekness and fear.

The converted member of the Sabbath-school who knows the truth is under obligation to improve every opportunity to give the truth to friends and neighbors and all with whom he comes in contact, if he would clear his own skirts of their blood. Those who do faithful work both in and out of the school are gaining an experience that will make them pillars in the church, and to them our colleges, conferences, and mission fields will look for recrnits, for the Sabbath-school is the nursery for all.

Nor do the mission fields look to the Sabbath-school for recruits only. Last year of the \$104,917.72 contributed by our schools, \$94,500.12 went to missions, enough to pay the transportation and support for one year of seventy five missionaries,—a suggestion of what will be done when all our contributions go to missions, and everyone does his best in giving.

In fact, the success of the school in every line depends not upon the superintendent and teachers alone, but upon the hearty co-operation of every member. Think what the results would be if in all our schools we would adopt the following as

OUR APM

- 1. Every one present every Sab-bath.
 - 2. On time.
 - 3. With his Bible.
 - 4. A liberal offering.
 - 5. A studied lesson.
 - 6. A spirit of reverence.
 - 7. And a mind to learn.

Shall we not each resolve to do our hest to make our Sabbath-schools a still more powerful agency for the advancement of the cause of God?

WALTER C. MOFFETT.

The New Sanitarium

It is the purpose of this article to explain to our many inquiring friends the recent change which has been made in our Sanitarium at Mount Vernon, and to make plain the present situation and standing of this department of our College.

After looking over the fund and carefully considering the needs and demands of this work, it was decided that better equipment and larger buildings would be needed. An opportunity was found to obtain pleasing grounds, having plenty of shade, quite ideal in location, with building in good repair. The Board looked with favor on changing to this place. This property has been purchased, and we are pleased to announce the opening of this work in our new location.

Our name has been changed from College Springs Sanitarium to the Mount Vernon Medical and Surgical Sanitarium. It is located in the midst of three large lots on the corner of Sugar and Mulherry streets. The situation has the advantage of being out of the business section and easy to reach. It is only two blocks from the street car and one block from Main street.

Though our buildings may not be large yet we hope to have our equipment suitable to give the best attention possible to all who trust themselves to our care. The repairs which will soon be completed will furnish us with well ventilated.

steam-heated rooms with elevator, modern operating rooms, and thoroughly furnished medical offices. Our training course outlined in the College calendar offers opportunity to give a thorough course to those desiring to follow medical missionary work as trained nurses.

The College has special general classes conducted for the medical training of students of other courses. Thus the Sanitarium working united as a department of the College and both being managed and conducted under the same Board can be carried forward with less outlay; it is also an influence to strengthen and make more complete the courses of the College.

We believe that God has been leading in the growth of this work, and we anticipate that our people are pleased to co-operate with us in earnest efforts to make our College Sanitarium a place which will be the means of not only "healing the sick" but preaching the gospel.

Those who have friends who may be influenced to spend at least a short time at the Sanitarium confer a favor upon this institution and be the agents used to place them in the way of health and truth by telling of the Sanitarium, or writing to us for them concerning this institution.

V. L. FISHER, M. D., Supt.

A Noble Example

I WILL now write a few lines for the encouragement of all who are now to engage in the distribution of the Harvest Ingathering numbers of the Review for missions.

While our church members did real well here in Youngstown in scattering the good Ingathering number of the Review last year, and received a good liberal donation from the people for the missions; yet there was one old lady who is an invalid and cannot help herself or even walk, but has to lie in her bed nearly all the time, gave away a paper to the different people who called on her, and received over five dollars in that way for the missions, and rejoiced to think that she could do a little for the Lord. While she is not a member of our church, vet she desired to do God's will, and at last when Jesus comes, be ready to meet him with all the saints in the kingdom of heaven. If this poor sick woman could do all this for the Lord, how much ought we to do who are strong and healthy, and are able to do our daily duties? It seems to me that this object lesson ought to encourage us all to greater, and more service for God, to hasten the coming of Jesus in the clouds of heaven, to receive his people.

May the Lord help us all to do what our hands find to do, and do it with all our strength, so that when Jesus has come, he may say of us, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." F. E. Gibson.

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Duties of Husbands and Fathers

A WELL regulated, orderly family is a pleasing sight to God and ministering angels. The husbard is the head of the family. Husbands and fathers need the sanctifying graces of the spirit of God, which will manifest itself in the fruits of humility, sympathy, and true holiness.

Husbands are enjoined to love their wives and be not bitter against them. It is absolutely wrong and even cruel for a father to provoke his children to anger. To tease and vex them with untruthful stories or statements is sowing seeds which will develop into open rebellion against God and their parents, unless they are saved by the divine interposition of the holy Spirit and the ministration of angels of God.

The father's first and most sacred duty is to his own family. He should provide them, if possible, with good wholesome food and comfortable and respectable clothing. He should select for them a home in a good healthful climate. The advantages of a church and Sabbath-school should receive careful consideration. He should be a pillar in the organization and the maintenance of a church school where his children may receive a Christian education.

The father should be circumspect in his language and cultivate courtesy and politeness. The model husband will have respect for his wife's judgment and seek her counsel in all matters of importance; also the thoughts and plans of his children should have due consideration. Stubbornness should never characterize the deportment of him who stands at the head of the family. He should let the word of God be the rule of faith. The Scriptures should be read and carefully studied night and morning around the family altar, after which the voice of thanksgiving and praise should be heard in earnest prayer as they again dedicate themselves and all that is dear to them to

the service of God. The kingly power of reason, sanctified by divine grace should bear sway in the discipline of every family. This blessed qualification can be acquired only by an unconditional surrender to the will of God. The virtuous wife will be the crown of her husband in training his children for the Lord. His children will be like olive plants around his table. Not a single one of his family will be uncouth or unkind. He has taught them by precept and example from the life of Christ as revealed in the Scriptures. He has pointed them to the "Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world." He has asked for the old paths where is the good way, and has walked therein. His glory is in the cross of Christ. The same hand that guided the birds in making their migrations through the trackless space has guided him in training his family for the courts of heaven. Their life is an onward march, and Jesus Christ the captain of their salvation that leadeth on to victory sure and steadfast.

R. R. KENNEDY.

What Are You Worth?

HAVE you ever stopped to count up what you are worth to yourself-to society-to the world? Try it and see how much would be improved if you had embraced your opportunities. Truly opportunity knocks hut once (once at a time) at your door. Each day they are within your grasp. Do you reach out for them? or do you sit idly by waiting for a better one to turn up? Or, perhaps you are resting upon some past success. But it is not what you have done, nor what you are planning for the future, but it is that which you are doing-the advantage you are making of your opportunities—that counts in your favor. You may now have an opportunity to attend school, to take up a course of reading, or in some way to fill the deficiencies in your make-up. Take it, and thus gain for yourself the place nature meant for you to fill.-Frank A. Spangler, in The Columbian.

How Does It Affect You?

WHEN the doctrine of the second coming of Christ is preached, many people will be heard to say that it frightens them. They seem terrified at the thought of the possibility that the time may be near when the Christ of God will be seen coming in the glory that surrounds the majesty of his person.

That the feelings of men purely of the world, who have no hope in the promises of God and who have no personal acquaintance with his son Jesus Christ, should thus be stirred with dread at the thought of the coming of Jesus of Nazareth, is not to be wondered at. But why should professing Christians dread the coming of Christ?

There can be but one answer to this question, and that is, they are not Christians in fact. They are such only in name. The Jesus that all prophecy shows will soon come again, is the same Jesus that was here on earth nineteen hundred years ago. "This Jesus, who was received up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye beheld him going into heaven." Acts 1:11. He is the same person when he returns that he was when he went. away. All the tenderness of his nature that caused the common people of his day to hear him gladly; all his kindness of heart and manner that drew the little children to him; all his depth of feeling and sympathy for humanity as he wept at the grave of Lazarus, together with every other one of the desirable attributes that were so beautifully blended into his perfect character, will remain with him when he comes, for they are a part of his very being. He could not be separated from his nature of tenderness and infinite love and mercy.

But righteousness and justice are just as much a part of his nature and of his inseparable attributes as are mercy and loving-kindness. The Lord himself has impressed the truth of this upon every human soul. And the fact that at his coming we will have to meet his righteousness and justice, as well as his mercy and kindness, accounts for the dread that is in so many minds when the evidence is presented that shows the coming of the Lord to be near.

Then if we would enjoy the knowledge of the truth that this reign of sin is about to be destroyed at the soon coming of Christ, we must get a personal acquaintance with the Master himself. We must come to him in honesty of purpose, and allow him to wash away every sin by his own blood, and thus prepare us for his coming. Then we can look forward to the day of his appearing with a joy that is simply beyond description.

To enjoy the hope of his coming, we must first enjoy the work of his forgiveness and cleansing from sin. If we have thus been brought into personal touch with him, we will study every fresh evidence of his coming with a constantly increasing delight.

The man who is loaded with sin and crime, and who clings tenaciously to his wickedness, can have nothing else than a crushing load of dread at the thought of the appearing of the One whose whole being is filled with righteousness and truth. But oceans of delight flood the soul of him who has tasted of the forgiving and cleansing power of the Man of Nazareth, and who has learned from the lamp of prophecy to know of his coming.—A. O. Tait.

Let Your Light So Shine

A TRAVELER visiting the lighthouse at Calais, said to the keeper, "But what if one of your lights should go out at night?" "Never! impossible!" he cried. "Sir, yonder are ships sailing to all parts of the world. If to-night one of my burners were out, in six months I should hear from America or India, saying that on such a night the lights at Calais lighthouse gave no warning, and some vessel had been wrecked. Ah, sir! sometimes I feel, when I look upon my lights, as if the eyes of the whole world were fixed upon me. Go out? burn dim? Never! impossible!"

With how much dignity can enthusiasm invest the humblest occupation! Yet what a lesson to the Christian! It is no romance which makes the Christian a spiritual light-house for the world, with the eyes of the whole world upon him. Let, then, his light be full, and bright, and clear. The moment he neglects it, and leaves his lamps untrimmed, some poor soul, struggling amid the waves of temptation, for lack of it, may be dashed upon the rocks of destruction.—Selected.

"Lest They Slip"

"THEREFORE we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip." Heb. 2: 1.

Do you ask, "How am I to abide in Christ?" In the same way you received him at the first. "As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him." "The just shall live by faith."

Consecrate yourselves to God in the morning; make this your very first work. Let your prayer be, "Take me, O Lord, as wholly thine. I lay all my plans at thy feet. Use me to-day in thy service. Abide with me, and let all my work be wrought in thee." This is a daily matter, each morning consecrate yourself to God for that day. Surrender all your plans to him, to be carried out or given up as his providence shall indicate. Thus, day by day, you may be giving your life into the hands of God, and thus your life will be moulded more and more after the life of Christ.

A life in Christ is a life of restfulness. There will be no ecstasy of feeling, but there should be an abiding, peaceful trust. Your hope is not in yourself; it is in Christ.

When Christ took human nature upon him, he bound humanity to himself by a tie of love that can never be broken by any power save the choice of man himself. Satan will constantly present allurements to induce us to break this tie,-to choose to separate ourselves from Christ. Here is where we need to watch, to strive, to pray, that nothing may entice us to choose another master; for we are always free to do this. But let us keep our eyes fixed upon Christ, and he will preserve us. Looking unto Jesus we are safe. Nothing can pluck us out of his hand.

All that Christ was to the first disciples, he desires to be to his children to-day; for in that last prayer, with the little band of disciples gathered about him, he said, "Neither pray I for these aloue, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word."—Mrs. E. G. White.

"But One Thing Is Needful"

ONE day Jesus was enjoying the quiet of the home at Bethany. It was near the meal-time hour, and something must be prepared for the honored guest. Mary sat down near her blessed Lord and Deliverer, listening to the words falling from his lips. "Martha was cumbered [distracted, margin A. R. V.] about much serving; and she came up to him, and said, Lord, dost thou not care that my sister did leave me to serve alone? Bid her therefore that she help me."

It will be observed that this remark of Martha's really contained a rebuke to the Master, that he did not appreciate the domestic situation sufficiently to thus hold Mary with his teaching from helping in preparing and serving the meal. In answer to her remark Jesus said, "Martha, Martha, thou art anxious and troubled

about many things: but one thing is needful; for Mary hath chosen the good part, which shall not be taken away from her."

This lesson still comes with a force not only to those who serve in the kitchen and dining-roomin our homes, but to the husbands and fathers who till the farms and carry on the business of the shops and stores.

"But one thing is needful." Not that Jesus would have us give no attention to the common duties of life, for he knows we have need of temporal things, and gives instruction to be diligent in business; but he does rebuke the feverish anxiety, that "distraction," that comes from much serving and despoils the Christian's peace. All this is of the world, and The Lord puts should be overcome. it in other words when he says, "For a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth."

"But one thing is needful." And that one thing is obtaining just what Mary that very hour was securing—the assurance in her own soul that Jesus was to her a personal Saviour, her divine Redeemer. Having him, she possessed all things. Losing him, all would eventually be lost. And so of her he said: "Mary hath chosen the good part, which shall not be taken away from her."

In this hour of mad rush for perishable things so soon to pass away, shall we catch the spirit of the world and with that miss obtaining the one thing needful? Surely we shall do well to heed the words of admonition addressed to Martha in Bethany, also those spoken on Mount Olivet to the disciples, after taking their minds down over the history of time to the last generation that should witness the signs which were to precede his second coming, when Jesus said: "But take heed to yourselves, lest haply your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and that day come on you suddenly as a snare." "But watch ye at every season, making supplications that ye may prevail to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of

Surely it will be found then that "but one thing is needful."—T. E. Bowen.

"Take Heed"

"TAKE heed unto thyself and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself and them that hear thee."

"Thou shalt both save thyself and them that hear thee." How?—By giving heed unto myself and the doctrine. And the way to give heed is to "continue in them."

Paul says the reason that Satan is going to deceive the people is because they receive not the love of the truth, that they might be saved." 2 Thess. 2: 10. Right here is the reason why so many great, learned men do not have a better understanding of the truth, it is because they do not love it enough to practice it. They do not take heed by keeping themselves "in the love of God" (Jude 21): and this is why they left their "first love." Rev. 2: 4.

"Doctrine" is something to be practiced, and the way to give heed "unto the doctrine," is to practice it in our daily life. To all those who do not, God will finally send "strong delusions, that they should believe a lie, that they all might be damned, who believe not the truth, but had pleasure in righteousness." 2 Thess. 2: 11, 12.

In the great day of reckoning many will be weighed in the balances of God's eternal truth, and will be found wanting. Therefore let us take heed.

—M. J. Weber, in East Michigan Banner.

College Notes

THE enrolment of the College now reaches 160 and students are still arriving.

The latest arrivals are Miss A. Van Horn and Miss Ruth Andrews, of Lakeview, Ohio. They entered school November 1.

The first number of the lecture course was given November 6, by Elder J. F. Olmstead, lately from South Africa. It was a stereopticon lecture and was both interesting and instructive.

Everything is moving along nicely in the College. Over a month and a half of the school year has now passed. Not many idlers are seen but everybody is busy and consequently happy and contented.

Eleven students from Elder Butcher's Bible class have been chosen to take charge successively of the Wednesday evening prayer meeting service of the church. A literary society has been formed which meets every other Saturday night. The officers chosen are: Mr. C. H. Greenup, president; Miss Nina John, vice-president; and Miss Jessie John, secretary.

About fifty of the students of the College took part in the Ingathering Service. It is too early as this goes to press to give the effort from a money standpoint, but judging from the earnestness manifested on the part of the students, much good will be accomplished.

Sabbath, October 30, was a good day at the College. At the close of the Sabbath services a large number gathered on the banks of Lake Hiawatha, at the rear of the College campus, to witness a baptismal service. Nine persons were buried with their Lord in baptism, by the president. Eight of these were students. All hearts rejoiced to see these young people thus early dedicating their lives to the Master.

The Normal department under Miss Kellogg, the director, is growing. The training school has the largest enrolment this year that it has had since it became a department of the College. The school is taught by Miss Dorothy White, who was graduated from the Normal department last year. The school has a class in carpentry two days in the week, conducted by Mr. H. W. Chilson, which is much appreciated.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

We trust that the Sabbath-school teachers will as far as possible organize their classes and take personal charge of them in this campaign for the Harvest Ingathering.

Brother F. D. Wagner writes that on the evening of October 24, nine were baptized at Pittsburg church Number 1, and that others are to be baptized soon.

We are glad that our Sabbath-schools are burdened for the work in the foreign field and all will rejoice to know that West Pennsylvania for the quarter that is past has given all the Sabbath-school contributions to missions.

Orders are coming in for religious liberty postal cards which can be had as follows. Set of ten different subjects in assorted colors postpaid for ten cents. Where five or more sets are ordered at one time they can be had for six cents per set.

Word has just been received at the office from Elder W. F. Schwartz that a young people's society has been organized at Altoona. We are indeed glad to learn of this and trust that success and God's blessing will attend these young people in their work for him.

We are glad to note the material interest being taken in the educational work in West Pennsylvania. A general invitation is extended to each one to have a part in this splendid work in behalf of our children.

The general meeting at Erie November 10-14 will be held at the church on East Tenth street near German street. No doubt this will be a well attended and profitable meeting. If you are not privileged to be present, pray for the success of this meeting.

The November number of Life and Health is filled with excellent articles on the different diseases prevalent this time of year. It gives very practical instruction on general health topics. No one of our members can afford to be without a copy for their home.

October 23 was a day long to be remembered by the Port Allegany church. Four new members were received into the church, three being baptized. Elder I. N. Williams met with the church and the ordinances were celebrated. All present felt it to be a season of refreshing and reconsecrated their lives anew to the Lord's service.

Many of you from time to time have received a copy of the Signs Worker, which is a most helpful and practical little paper. The Signs of the Times Publishing Ass'n would be very grateful if you would write and let them know how you like this little worker and also if you would pass on to them some of the experiences you are enjoying in the selling and distribution of the Signs of the Times and the monthly magazine.

WEST VIRGINIA

ELDER GODFREY spent a few days in Parkersburg last week visiting relatives whom he had not seen for many years.

Our Harvest Ingathering orders have reached 2,513. Since last report Mrs. Vauce has ordered 500, and Elder MacLay 100.

A Sabbath-school of seven members was organized in Huntington, October 30. Elder T. Godfrey is superintendent and Miss Stella Godfrey secretary.

Elder F. R. Foggin and family have moved to Reedsville, Ohio. After getting his family nicely located, Elder Foggin has returned to his work at Little Birch.

Treatment rooms have been started in Fairmont, at 103 Fairmont Ave. Sister Ellen Vauce is in charge of ladies' department, and J. W. Lecklider, of Marion, Ind., the mens'. Sister Vauce writes that they have a splendid location and nice rooms. Any of our people passing through are invited to call. They have ordered 500 Harvest Ingathering Reviews, and expect to do all they can in missionary lines.

Huntington

I FEEL as if it is a proper time to introduce myself to the brethren and sisters in this field. This is a new field to me, but I see it is a needy one, and if there ever was a time when this people should awake and put on strength, it is now. "To-day is the day of salvation." Soon the day of the Lord will come. I find the West Virginia Conference a very needy field. Only a small portion of this field has been touched. In our association with the people we find they know very little about the message-very little about Seventh day Adventists. The very same thought that this message is to go to all the world in this generation ought to be incentive to action. Every child of God ought to respond to the calls coming from those needy fields, either with their means or personal service.

Says the apostle Peter, "But the end of all things is at hand, be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer." Then it is not now time to

amass fortunes. It is not now time to build stately mansions (See Zeph. 1:18 and Jer. 4:26). All these things will perish.

We need men and means to finish the work here in this field. Here is a city of thirty-five thousand, and it has had only two Sabbath keepers. Later on Brother and Sister Ripley from Battle Creek came. Still later I moved here with three of us in the This makes seven, but this does not add any to the number of believers, for we are all old members. What we need in this city is a good consecrated woman Bible worker, and also a wide awake canvasser. And we pray God to put it into honest hearts to respond to these calls. Come over into Huntington and help

I need Signs, Watchmans, Liberties, and the Protestant Magazine for missionary work. Pray for us here—we need your prayers. T. GODFREY. 1911 4th Ave, Huntington West Va.

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

ELDER H. MEYER baptized two adults a few weeks ago. This makes nine that have gone forward in this ordinance since Brother Meyer's tent effort closed, and as the result of his labors.

Brother Daniel Fried of Allentown, and Sister Kate Puffer of Lebanon united in marriage October 26, Elder Heckman officiating.

The No. 1 Philadelphia church has just been re-papered and certainly presents a decided improved appearance.

The church school at Souderton has been compelled to buy more seats in order to accommodate the new pupils that have arrived.

Brother Bayley is meeting with the Reading church this week in the interest of the Ingathering campaign.

Two adults were baptized by Elder Weist at Cherry Flats, Sunday October 17.

Elder Heckman was in Allentown, Scranton, Stroudsburg and Pen Argyl last week. He reports a splendid meeting at Stroudsburg. The church people there are working hard for their church building. The sisters are selling Signs of the Times and Life and Health and are doing noble work. One sister sold 50 copies in one afternoon.

Our Sabbath-school secretary, Sister Sue M. Andrews, left last Friday for Lebanon, expecting to stay there for some time in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering campaign.

Brother W. F. Kilmer of Carbondale reported last week that he had already started on the Ingathering campaign. We are hearing favorable reports from several of the churches.

Last Sabbath, October 30, Elder Heckman spent with the Souderton church. The meeting place "was filled to overflowing.

The Sabbath-school in the North Philadelphia church now numbers 76. Only a few months ago it was down to 50. We are glad to learn of the increase.

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Of the Canvassers

MRS. WAGNER has entered the canvassing field, and is doing some fine work.

Brother C. E. Reichenbaugh has gone to a new field where he expects his brother to join him soon.

Brother F. E. Wagner sold a copy of one of our books to a Church of God preacher who also gave him a recommendation.

Brother C. V. Leach is getting his work at home out of the way as rapidly as possible, and expects to be in the field again in a few days.

A number of other prospective men have written that they expect to begin soon, so with the Lord's blessing we are looking forward to a prosperous winter.

We are glad to add to our list Brother Mineringer, of New Philadelphia, and Brother Shobe, of Lima. They are starting out well, and we are expecting some good reports from them this winter.

Canvassers' Reports

Ohio, Week Ending October 29, 1909

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L. H. Waters, Athens Co.	$\mathbf{C}\mathbf{K}$	5	41	31	38	50	2	7 5	41	25		
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Brother Harley Forsyth, one of our old canvassers, has written that he expects to join us in a short time. We are always glad to welcome the old canvassers back to the field and we believe they are just as glad to get back.

Brother Wagner has been doing a little trucking as a side issue during the past summer, but in a recent letter he says that he has come to the conclusion that it does not pay, as he can realize more in the canvassing work.

Brother Kirk and Hankins are now settled in their new territory. They say they like it very much, only the hills are a little higher than to what they have been accustomed; but from their report thus far we believe they are going to meet with splendid success.

Brother Hankins writes that he has met some very interested people. One lady in particular, who believes in the Sabbath but knows nothing of Seventh-day Adventists. At another place while going through a coal mine he sold a copy to a young man studying for the ministry.

E. R. NUMBERS.

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E. R. Brown, Secretary.

Columbia Union Conference Association

THE Columbia Union Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists will hold a meeting in connection with the Columbia Union Conference session, Mizpah meeting house, Baltimore, Md., Dec. 2-12, 1909, notice of which is herewith given. The first meeting of the Association will be held Dec. 3, 1909, at 11 A. M. The accredited delegates of the Conference session are members of the Association. All legal matters should be attended to at this time.

E. R. Brown, Secretary.

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