

# COLUMBIA UNION VISITOR

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

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No. 1

## GENERAL MATTER

### Education Needed

IF parents would feel it a solemn duty God enjoins upon them to educate their children for usefulness in this life, if they would adorn the inner temple of the souls of their sons and daughters for the immortal life, we should see a great change in society for the better.

And because time is short, we should be in earnest, and work zealously to give the youth that education which is consistent with our faith.

Workers are needed all over the world. The truth of God is to be carried to foreign lands, that those in darkness may be enlightened by it. God requires that a zeal be shown in this direction infinitely greater than has hitherto been manifested. As a people we are almost paralyzed. We are not doing one-twentieth part of the good we might, because selfishness prevails to a large extent among us. Cultivated intellect is now needed in the cause of God, for novices cannot do the work acceptably. The height to which man may reach by proper culture, has not hitherto been realized. We have among us more than an average of men of ability. If their talents were brought into use, we should have twenty ministers where we now have one. Many have felt, "Well, it doesn't matter if we are not so particular to become thoroughly educated," and a lower standard of knowledge has been accepted. And now when suitable men are wanted to fill various positions of trust, they are rare; when women are wanted with well-balanced minds, with not a cheap style of education, but with an education fitting them for any position of trust, they are not easily found.—*Mrs. E. G. White.*

### An Appeal for the Holland Work in New Jersey

JANUARY 2, 1910, the Lord willing, we will start meetings in the Holland language in Paterson, N. J. The city

of Paterson harbors about 20,000 Hollanders. Most of them are protestant, the majority being members of the Dutch or Christian Reformed churches.

This will be my first effort, and the first effort in the Holland language in Paterson. The Lord has wonderfully blessed me in my preparatory work; especially as far as the advertising of the meetings is concerned. The advertising seemed at first quite a problem, but the Lord has very clearly guided me in this matter. Although the Holland people have their colonies in this city, it is not easy to reach them with handbills or cards. I went to a Holland newspaper and got the privilege of writing a column and a half in their paper, which I utilized as a question box; causing the people to search the Scriptures. To this printer I gave the printing of two hundred big cards, 11 by 14 inches, to be placed in the store windows, and he agreed to fold in his newspaper eight hundred handbills the same size as the cards for a very small price.

There is another Holland newspaper here, which it was thought at first would oppose us. I went to the proprietor yesterday and asked him how much it would cost me to have him fold in each of his papers one of these handbills, including printing etc. He looked at me at first, and then commenced to talk to me very friendly. Soon we were acquainted with each other, and discussed freely the difference between us in faith. As to the handbills, he referred me to the manager. The manager told me he would distribute the handbills enclosed in their paper in Paterson for only one dollar. Brethren, this certainly is of the Lord. Praise his holy name, for he certainly is very good to us.

To-day I delivered a good many of the big cards to the Holland store and shop keepers in Paterson. Many of them knew me and shook hands with me. I also met some of my former associates and unbelieving friends, of whom some were ready to denounce me, but others were silent, and accepted the card to display in their store.

It is a little more than thirteen years since I openly blasphemed the name of the Lord, a zealous atheist, just then arrived from Holland. This happened in the Lorne church in which I hope to praise his name next month. Can you realize, dear reader, what this means for me? The Lord has made me a living witness of his unlimited love, but I am so weak, so helpless; yes, so ungrateful many times. I therefore appeal to the brethren and sisters to pray for me and the Holland work in Patterson, N. J. No one knows how I have been tempted, yes am continually tempted to sin, so that I should be unable to do the work. I am the only Holland Sabbath-keeper here in Patterson. More than any one else do I need your prayers. Will you remember me and the Holland work in your prayer meetings; yes, also when you bow your knees before the Lord at night? Please do this; it will give me great courage to know that God's people are upholding me with their prayers. D. P. BOERSMA.

### Tyre

IN Genesis 10:6 we learn that Ham's last son was named Canaan; in the fifteenth verse we learn that his first son was named Sidon. It is conceded by all that his early home was in Palestine and Phoenicia. Sidon and his descendants evidently took up their abode in what was called, in ancient times, Phoenicia.

Very early in their history a new colony was founded about twenty-five miles to the south, on the coast. This colony took the name of Tyre. During most of the history of these cities, Tyre enjoyed the more prominent position. Herodotus says that these colonies were here as early as 2000 B. C. This may not be true; but we know that during the reigns of David and Solomon they were reckoned as a strong people. They were well advanced in civilization, were skillful workers with wood and metals. This was about 1000 B. C., or a little before.

Solomon took wives from here;

Jezebel, the wife of Ahab, came from Sidon; her father, Ethbaal, was a priest, who obtained the throne by murdering the last king. Jezebel brought with her the religion of Baal and forced it upon all Israel. This soon led up to the experience recorded in 1 Kings 2:18, where Elijah and the eight hundred and fifty priests met to decide who was the true God. Hiram, king of Tyre, was a friend and ally of David and Solomon.

As early as 600 B. C., Tyre was so rich that she could make her ships of cedar; fine linen was used to make sails, and benches of oak and ivory were common. From Ezekiel 27, we learn in detail of her commercial relations with the chief peoples of the world. Her army came from Persia, Lud (Northern Mesopotamia), Phut (Libya), Tarshish (modern Tartessus in Spain), produced silver, tin, and other metals: Javan (Greece), Tubal Meshech (early settlers of Russia), brought slaves and vessels of brass; Togormah (Armenia), traded in horses and mules: Syria (descendants of Aram); Dedan (Judah and Israel), Elisbah (coasts of Greece and Asia Minor); Arabia, Sheba, and Raamah—each of these countries brought their products to Tyre and thus made her the greatest trading center of that time. If the reader will carefully compare Genesis 10 and the chapter in Ezekiel given about it, he will find that about seventeen of the grandsons of Noah are mentioned in connection with the city of which we are studying. We are probably indebted to this people for our alphabet. It came to them through a large colony at the mouth of the Nile; they discarded the more cumbersome parts and worked out an alphabet which was of real worth. Her sailors were the first to steer by the Polar Star. She also had entire control of the trade in the famous purple dye. So she enriched the kings of the earth with the multitude of her riches and of her merchandise.

The original city of Tyre was built on the mainland. Later the city which became the more famous, was built on a small island about one-half mile from the shore. It is this part of Tyre that taxed the ingenuity of Alexander and his army. A moat was built and partly destroyed; but nothing daunted the "conqueror of the world." Another attempt was made and in about six months he was successful. Thousands of its inhabitants were killed and many were sold as slaves.

In conclusion let us note a few of the interesting points concerning this very wonderful city:—

1. Its great antiquity.
2. It has passed successively under the yokes of Assyria, Egypt, Babylon, Medo-Persia, and Greece.
3. Suffered two sieges by the Assyrians; one by Nebuchadnezzar, which lasted thirteen years, and the last by Alexander which has been spoken of.

It is interesting to note that the drouth during Ahab's reign extended to this country. It lasted a full year.

4. Enjoyed a commercial position which was greater than any other one city has ever had.

5. Her gods, Baal and Asteroth were the same as Bel and Ishtar of the Babylonians.

6. Ezekiel 27 tells of her prosperity and chapter 28 foretells her destruction: in the fifth and fourteenth verses it is summed up: that prophecy has been fulfilled to the letter. Isaiah 28, Jeremiah 25 and 47: Amos and Zechariah 9 speak of this great metropolis. Certainly this city did have a history which cannot be duplicated. Let us remember that God had a purpose in destroying it. Though she was strong, rich, and enjoyed world-wide fame, the destruction came just as the prophet foretold over two-hundred and fifty years before. While it refers to the King of Babylon, it was not completely fulfilled until Alexander's invasion of Asia.

A. EARL HALL.

## The Columbia Union Conference

(Continued from last week)

### FIFTH MEETING

THE fifth meeting of the Second Biennial Session of the Columbia Union Conference opened at 3:30 P. M., Monday, December 6, 1909, with Elder B. G. Wilkinson in the chair. Elder C. S. Weist of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference offered prayer. The minutes of the Fourth Meeting were read and adopted.

#### CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS

Resolution number 3, calling for greater activity in behalf of the VISITOR, was read and discussion deferred.

Resolution number 4, recommending a cash policy for our tract societies, as adopted by the General Conference, was then considered. This cash policy is as follows:—

- (a) "That state tract societies

settle monthly for supplies secured from the publishing houses.

- (b) "That canvassers for books settle monthly with state tract societies for all goods, including helps, due allowance being made for length of time required in shipping books to distant points.

- (c) "That agents for periodicals accompany their orders with cash.

- (d) "That church tract societies and companies settle monthly for all supplies.

- (e) That conference laborers either pay cash for supplies, or give order on conference treasury for monthly settlement from wage account.

- (f) "That lay members pay cash for supplies.

- (g) "That all these recommendations be interpreted with a proper recognition of exceptional conditions."

This was spoken to by several, and adopted.

Resolution number 5, recommending that the Field Agent, in counsel with the Conference President, be permitted to call to his assistance experienced canvassers in starting new agents when necessary, and that such persons be paid from tract society funds, was read and discussed.

On a motion, duly seconded, it was voted into effect.

Resolution 6, recommending an Educational Secretary who shall spend his whole time in the work, and also recommending a Missionary Secretary as soon as the funds will permit, was enthusiastically discussed.

After some discussion, the question on the resolution was called.

Adjourned to 9:15 A. M., Tuesday, December 7, 1909.

### SIXTH MEETING

THE Sixth meeting of the Second Biennial Session of the Columbia Union Conference was opened at 9:15 A. M., Tuesday, December 7, 1909. Elder J. P. Gaede of Cincinnati, Ohio, offered prayer. The minutes of the Fifth Meeting were read and adopted. On account of many of the delegates being in committee meeting, only thirty-four responded to the roll call.

#### CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 7, recommending that three counties in Maryland and one county in Virginia be ceded to the District of Columbia Conference, was re-read by the Secretary.

Moved by Elder O. B. Haynes, and seconded by Elder F. I. Richardson.

that the resolution be amended by striking out Calvert County of Maryland. Amendment carried.

Elder H. W. Herrell moved an amendment providing that the Westmoreland, Northumberland, Richmond, and Lancaster Counties of Virginia be included in the counties ceded to the District of Columbia Conference. The amendment was carried.

The resolution, as amended, was adopted.

Resolution No. 8, in the interest of the foreign work, was read; and after some discussion, action was deferred until the arrival of Elder O. A. Olsen.

Resolution No. 9, respecting the \$300,000 Fund for homes and institutions in the foreign fields, was read. In answer to a question regarding the time given in which to raise this Fund, Elder Daniells replied that it was usually expected that one-third of the \$300,000 be raised each year, or at least, that the whole amount be raised by the next General Conference session; but that it was left to the action of each union conference executive committee to adopt its own plan. Elder Daniells spoke also of the purpose of the Fund, and stated that every cent was to be used for dwellings, schools, and sanitariums in the foreign fields.

The question on this resolution was called.

It was voted to adopt this partial report of the Committee on Plans and Finance, with the exception of Resolution 2, which was referred back to the Committee; and Resolution No. 8, which also was referred back to the Committee.

#### PLANS AND FINANCE

The Committee on Plans and Finance made the following partial report:—

10. *"We recommend,* That the tract societies be requested to take the burden of raising a fund for supplying the *Christian Record* to the blind in the conferences of the Columbia Union Conference.

11. *Whereas,* Many conferences have been supporting workers in various needy fields in this union conference; and,—

*"Whereas,* These conferences are now asked to turn all their surplus funds into the General Conference treasury; therefore,—

*"Resolved,* That we hereby express our grateful appreciation of the aid given in the past, and earnestly request that the General Conference Committee make provision for the

future support of these laborers.

It was moved and supported that these resolutions be adopted by considering each one separately.

Resolution No. 10 was re-read by the Secretary; and, after a little change in its construction it was by common consent adopted.

Resolution No. 11 was re-read, and adopted.

Adjourned to call of chair.

#### SEVENTH MEETING

The Seventh meeting of the Second Biennial Session of the Columbia Union Conference convened at 4:30 P. M., Tuesday, December 7, 1909, with Elder B. G. Wilkinson in the chair.

The meeting immediately followed the Religious Liberty Department meeting; and for that reason, song and prayer were omitted.

Prof. H. R. Salisbury of the Washington Foreign Mission Seminary occupied the first few minutes of the period, speaking to the delegates concerning the benefits of the Special Course for ministers now being offered by the school.

#### RESOLUTIONS

The following resolution was offered on the floor:—

12. *Whereas,* In view of the large population in our Union and the earnest counsel of the Spirit of Prophecy to work our cities; therefore,—

*We recommend,* That special efforts be made during the coming biennial period to do a large work in the cities of our Union.

In speaking of the work for the cities, Elder O. O. Bernstein urged upon the delegates the need of doing city work in up-to-date city methods. In cities of considerable size, a large, clean, well lighted, nicely located tent, with good music and a number of Bible workers as helpers, along with thorough advertising, were suggested as essentials to the success of city aggressive work.

Brethren Haynes, Daniells, Prescott, Bourdeau, Hilgert, Richardson, and others talked on the subject, emphasizing these various points. The live discussion indicated the general interest in the topic; and all agreed that we have now reached a time when vigorous efforts should be made to warn the masses in the cities of the East.

The resolution was adopted.

The meeting adjourned to 9:15 A. M., Wednesday, December 8.

E. R. BROWN, Secretary.

## WEST PENNSYLVANIA

### Showers of Blessings

EARLY in November we received word from Brother Glunt that the Lord had blessed him with a renewal of health and strength and that he was on his way to a new field of labor.

Shortly after, word came to us that he had selected Lewistown, Pa., for his headquarters. His first three days' work gave us a report for \$43.00 worth of orders; the next week almost the \$80.00 mark, and the following, \$59.00; while the next brought in a report for an even \$100.00; and the last week before delivering, \$38.00, making a total for twentieth-two days' work of \$320.00. This is practically new territory, not having been worked for years, yet Brother Glunt is finding some books that had been placed in the field there years ago. I visited this brother on my way to the convention and Union Conference and found him healthy and happy, not because he had done something, but because he realized that the Lord was using him in this important branch of the Lord's work. I just received a cheery letter from him to-day stating that he was going to get at it in earnest again this week.

I wonder how many are sitting down waiting for January 1 to pass by before getting out into the field again.

I quote from Vol. 9: "The salvation of sinners requires earnest, personal labor. We are to bear to them the word of life, not to wait for them to come to us. O that I could speak words to men and women that would arouse them to diligent action. The moments now granted to us are few. We are standing on the very borders of the eternal world. We have no time to lose. Every moment is altogether too precious to be devoted to merely self-serving. [Now notice] Who will seek God earnestly, and from him draw strength and grace, to be his faithful workers in the missionary field?"

When this appears to be read, the holidays will have passed by, and we cannot improve these days of the past, but we can profit by our lessons of the past and start in earnestly to "redeem the time knowing, the days are evil."

We are praying that the winter of 1909 and 1910 will show the largest work of any in the history of the cause.

Last winter, February showed the best month for West Pennsylvania,

## Receipts of the Columbia Union Conference. Jan. 1, 1908 to Oct. 31, 1909

Tithe	Total	Sundries	Ohio	West Pa.	East Pa.	N. J.	Ches'p'ke	Virginia	West Va.	D. C.
From Conferences	\$14016 30		\$4765 58	\$1874 35	\$2518 41	\$1768 13	\$1173 19	\$815 20	\$444 18	\$657 34
From Individuals	277 16	\$577 16								
From A. U. Conf. Division	704 01	704 01								
From Lake U. Conf. Division	537 38	537 38								
General Trust Funds										
Sabbath-school Donations	12649 77		4296 10	1750 82	2638 61	1601 43	972 11	554 45	317 49	518 76
First-day Offerings	5411 80		2208 90	777 97	1259 69	564 41	376 86	148 36	67 46	8 15
Foreign Missions	2388 03		926 45		241 32	361 95	9 59	251 18	251 20	303 34
Annual Offerings	4145 69		1604 72	488 00	1067 68	492 69	159 83	263 59	54 18	15 00
Midsummer Offerings	3211 01		1403 69	293 60	525 22	482 66	67 76	158 00	41 22	238 86
Religious Liberty	1142 28		442 32	174 14	156 77	191 09	54 34	56 30	15 44	51 88
\$150,000 Fund	1371 99		732 29	91 54	57 31	50 03	267 44	172 63	75	
Southern Missions	776 25		445 75	141 27	100 46	28 91	58 86			1 00
Ship Missions	1 00		1 00							
West India Training School	104 63		104 63							
Philippine Islands	10 00		10 00							
Work for the Colored People	247 62		29 99		38 99	82 09		69 78	16 27	10 50
Java	10 00		10 00							
Venezuela	10 00		10 00							
Life Boat	50		50							
Oakwood School	118 94		99 58	19 36						
Guatemala	10 00		10 00							
Foreign Mission Seminary	40 96		10 00		30 96					
Algeria	10 00		10 00							
Armenia	3 00		2 00					1 00		
Thanksgiving Ingathering	5341 25		1228 30	692 43	1358 39	1256 42	347 60	229 32	162 35	66 44
India	24 50		12 50	8 00			4 00			
Stanborough Park	1 32		1 32							
Africa	35 83		6 10	5 00	6 00		13 73	5 00		
Southern Missionary Society	27 95		2 65			24 09			1 21	
Kingston	40 65		32 50			7 00			1 15	
Blind	8 00		1 00	2 00		5 00				
Mission Home	55		55							
Jewish Work	14 95		1 10			13 85				
China	40 44		15 44	6 50	5 00	9 00		5 00		
Finland	25		25							
Turkey	22 93		3 43			9 50	10 00			
Portugal	112 89				109 89	3 00				
Tamil Sabbath-keepers	42 63				42 63					
Missionary Volunteer	18 04				13 81	3 08			1 15	
Hazel (Ky.) School	131 70			79 07	52 63					
Mt. Vernon College Equipment	28 08				4 08	24 00				
Huntsville School	17 79			16 89				90		
German East Africa	10			10						
Mexico	2 00			2 00						
Naahville School	71			71						
James White Memorial	36					36				
"Sunny Caribbean"	3 00					3 00				
Self-denial Box	1 00					1 00				
Huntsville Orphanage	12 71					12 71				
Home Missions	25						25			
Greece	8 00						8 00			
Most Needy Missions	58 05							58 05		
General Conference	1 00							1 00		
Toluca School	10 60							10 60		
Jamaica	5 00							5 00		
Russia	3 00							3 00		
Colored Sanitarium	107 74									107 74
Huntsville Sanitarium	84 50									84 51
Local Trust Funds										
Maintenance Fund	282 19			34 49	130 85	52 70	21 38	19 01	12 39	11 37
Main Fund (A. U. C. Division)	86 51	86 51								

Tithe	Total	Sundries	Ohio	West Pa.	East Pa.	N. J.	Ches'p'ke	Virginia	West Va.	D. C.
Mount Vernon College Fund	859 02		503 17	68 77	66 88	130 28	48 54	12 48	28 90	
Bible Teacher's Salary, Mt. V. C.	265 99		186 80			55 79			23 40	
Pennsylvania Sanitarium	620 65		500 00			120 65				
Outside Auditing	102 64	102 64								
Mileage Sold	195 36	196 36								
Bills Receivable	650 00	500 00							150 00	
Sundry Accounts Receivable	319 92	319 92								
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$56796 52</b>	<b>\$2730 54</b>	<b>\$19618 61</b>	<b>\$6527 01</b>	<b>\$10465 58</b>	<b>\$7354 82</b>	<b>\$3593 48</b>	<b>\$2842 85</b>	<b>\$1588 74</b>	<b>\$2074 89</b>

### Financial Statement of the Columbia Union Conference from Jan. 1, 1908 to Oct. 31, 1909

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Bills Receivable.....	\$500 00	Bills Payable .....	\$500 00
Furniture and Fixtures.....	176 82	Ministry of Healing.....	120 65
Mileage on Hand.....	42 66	Maintenance Fund.....	44 48
Accounts Receivable.....	4 50	Mt. V. C. Bible Teacher's Sal... 161 99	
Cash on hand:		Mt. Vernon College Fund.....	11 90
L. T. Funds \$839 02			
Tithe 556 03			\$839 02
	1,395 05		
	\$2,119 03		
<b>Total Resources.....</b>	<b>\$2,119 03</b>		
<b>Total Liabilities.....</b>	<b>839 02</b>		
<b>Present Worth, Oct. 31, 1909.....</b>	<b>\$1,280 01</b>		

LOSS AND GAIN			
LOSSES	1908	1909	Total
Labor .....	\$1,831 17	\$2,256 77	\$4,087 94
Traveling Expense.....	519 14	642 59	1,162 03
General Expense.....	232 89	183 29	416 18
1908 VISITOR Editor's Salary.....	364 00		364 00
Rent.....	133 84	100 00	233 74
Office Expense.....	53 62	57 79	111 41
Tithe to General Conference.....	705 86	723 50	1,429 36
West Virginia Appropriation.....	1,200 00	1,033 33	2,233 33
Virginia Appropriation.....	800 00	666 67	1,466 67
New Jersey Appropriation.....	1,162 01	416 67	1,578 68
Chesapeake Appropriation.....	500 00	500 00	1,000 00
Pennsylvania San. Appropriation	200 00	166 67	366 67
West Pennsylvania Appropriation	160 00		160 00
Mt. Vernon College Appropriation		166 67	66 67
Postage on VISITOR.....		105 41	105 41
Mt. Vernon College Fund Expense		67 52	67 52
Old Labor Account Settlement....		100 00	100 00
East Pennsylvania Appropriation		27 01	27 01
<b>Total Losses.....</b>	<b>\$7,862 73</b>	<b>\$7,213 89</b>	<b>\$15,076 62</b>

GAINS			
Tithe Received.....	\$7,058 55	\$7,234 99	\$14,293 54
Net Loss for Year 1908.....	\$804 18		
Net Gain 10 Months, 1909.....		\$21 10	
Net Loss Jan. 1, 1908 to Oct. 31, 1909.....			\$783 08

STOCK			
Receipts from A. U. C. Division.....	\$1,525 71		
Receipts from Lake Union Division.....	537 38		
Present Worth, Jan. 1, 1908.....	\$2,063 09		
Net Loss, Jan 1, 1908 to Oct. 31, 1909.....	783 08		
Net Worth, Oct. 31, 1909.....	\$1,280 01		

when we reached \$1,220.00. We have not equalled it since, but think when the reports are all in for December, we will almost tally the mark, besides our holiday deliveries.

At Indiana, Pa., where we have five of our canvassers located, we held a special meeting at the close of the week of prayer last Sabbath, meeting with seven canvassers present, and although the writer asked to see them only for a few moments, the meeting lasted nearly two hours, during which we had a lively testimony from all present, and the five who are in the work at the present expressed themselves as ready for a good winter's work, and word from the rest of our workers in the field gives a very hopeful outlook for the work in West Pennsylvania this winter.

I know that there are others in this conference who can and ought to engage in this work; we are praying for you and trust to receive a call from you soon to come and start you in what our Saviour says "is missionary work of the highest order."

We have almost reached the crisis of the work. "Eternity stretches before us. The curtain is about to be lifted. . . . Every day that passes brings us nearer the end. Does it bring us also nearer to God?" What effort are we making to win souls for Christ?

I. G. BIGELOW, *Field Agent.*  
Bradford, Pa.

### CHESAPEAKE

### Words of Cheer

I ADDRESS these words to all of the dear VISITOR family. The time has fully come when we as a people, as individuals, as members of the great body, the church of Christ, should believe what we believe. What I mean by this is this: that we should carry out in our lives what we profess to believe. I believe that precept and example both have followers. But I am led to believe that example has

## Disbursements of the Columbia Union Conference from Jan. 1, 1908 to Oct. 31, 1909

Foreign Mission Board.....	\$37,843 67
Tithe to General Conference.....	1,429 36
Labor.....	4,060 93
Traveling Expense.....	1,174 03
General Expense.....	451 11
Salary of VISITOR Editor, 1908.....	364 00
Mileage Bought.....	349 48
Rent.....	248 74
Furniture and Fixtures Bought.....	178 82
Sundry Accounts.....	145 16
Office Expense.....	111 41
Postage on VISITOR.....	105 41
Mt. Vernon College Fund Exepnse.....	67 52
West Virginia Appropriation.....	2,363 33
Virginia Appropriation.....	1,466 67
Chesapeake Appropriation.....	1,000 00
New Jersey Appropriation.....	916 67
Pennsylvania Sanitarium Appropriation.....	366 67
Mt. Vernon College Appropriation.....	166 67
West Pennsylvania Appropriation.....	160 00
East Pennsylvania Appropriation.....	27 01
Bills Receivable.....	1,150 00
Mt. Vernon College Fund.....	847 12
Maintenance Fund.....	324 22
Mt. Vernon College Bible Teacher's Salary.....	104 00
VISITOR Deficit.....	81 39
College Equipment Fund.....	28 08
Total Disbursements.....	\$55,401 47
Total Receipts.....	\$56,796 52
Total Disbursements.....	55,401 47
Cash on Hand Oct. 31, 1909.....	\$1,395 05

Respectfully submitted,

E. R. Brown, *Treasurer.*

Washington, D. C., Nov. 29, 1909

To Whom It May Concern:—

This is to certify that I have examined the books of the treasurer of the COLUMBIA UNION CONFERENCE, checking the entries of the cash-book with the vouchers, and find same correctly entered. The books have been very neatly kept. I also noticed that the Union Conference has made a very good record in the way of raising funds for Foreign Missions. The above we respectfully submit.

S. E. McNEILL, *Auditor.*

## Canvassers' Reports

Ohio, Week Ending December 24, 1909

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
A. L. Bassler, Fairfield Co.	DR		5	50					199 65
H. F. Kirk, Carroll Co.	DR		5	39					156 00
*R. Minesinger, T'carawas Co.	DR		10	70	4	11 00		11 00	171 25
C. VanGorder, Huron Co.	DR		1	12					43 00
F. E. Wagner, Summit Co.	DR		4	30	4	11 00	2 50	13 50	32 90
Enos M. Horst, Ross Co.	GC		3	18			1 20	1 20	7 15
Ray Corder, Belmont Co.	CK		4	42			1 50	1 50	175 00
L. H. Waters, Athens Co.	CK		4	36	1	1 00		1 00	124 55
*C. Reichenbaugh, Stark Co.	CK		4	32					112 75
G. Reichenbaugh "	CK		4	26	24	29 00		29 00	65 20
Guy Corder, Noble Co.	BF		4	35					80 00
Wm. Shobe, Athens Co.	BR		5	44					71 00
<b>Totals</b>			<b>48</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>\$52 00</b>	<b>\$5 20</b>	<b>\$57 20</b>	<b>\$1238 45</b>

more followers than precept. The man or woman that demonstrates by action in going about doing good impresses me more than all that he could say if he does not carry into action what he preaches. I will relate to you the experience of one brother who is now engaged in the canvassing work in Eastern Shore, Dorchester Co., Md.

Brother Wesley North writes me these words of good courage. He says in part: "Because I could not get a place to spend the night out in the field where I was canvassing, I thought the best thing to do was to jump on my wheel and ride back home, a distance of about 15 miles. But the next morning with renewed energy I set out for my field again." He further states in his letter that Satan scared him, or rather he became scared, but he does not mean to let Satan hinder him from doing what the Lord has impressed him to do. He writes me again that there is much sickness among the people where he is working. He prays with them. Brother North heard one man say that he believed that this man was sent there to help them; that is what one man told his wife. Brother North seems to rejoice and praise the Lord—not because these poor souls are sick and distressed, but that he can enter their homes and speak words of cheer to them and point them to that beautiful home that the Saviour has gone to prepare, where there will be no more sickness or death.

Brethren and sisters, what is needed to-day in the cause of God is men and women who are willing to do anything or go anywhere for Christ.

I had the privilege of being with Brother North a few days, and I believe he is in earnest. Pray earnestly, dear brethren and sisters, for this brother. Pray for all the dear canvassers. If there is any one class of workers that Satan will try to hinder it is those who are going from house to house with this great message. Our object is to work until Jesus comes, but there will be joy when the work is done. Come and help us.

JOSEPH E. JONES

## EAST PENNSYLVANIA

BROTHER I. D. RICHARDSON, the Columbia Union Field Agent, gave this office a pleasant call last week on his way to visit our State Agent, Brother Holman, at Souderton (Fairhill). From there he went to Allentown, where he spoke Sabbath and Sunday. His lecture Sunday even-

## West Pennsylvania, One Week Ending December 24, 1909

A. Brownlee, Butler Co.	GO	10	82	21	\$34 25	\$2 20	\$36 45	\$176 50
C. Dunham, Indiana Co.	GO	5	27	3	8 25	10	8 35	59 90
A. McIntyre, Armstrong Co.	SP	4	21					20 50
T. Saxton, "	GC	1	5	2	5 50	3 00	8 50	45 00
T. M. Butler, Erie Co.	CK	5	30	12	14 00	40	14 40	40 25
Miss Zoerb, Lock Haven	CK	4	13					26 80
J. Glunt, Muffin Co.	GO	5	19			85	85	8 58
C. Zimmerman, Bedford Co.	SP	7	41	12	57 75	2 15	59 90	31 75
J. Heaton, " Co.	GO	4	29	16	48 00	11 00	59 00	8 50
<b>Totals</b>		<b>50</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>\$167 75</b>	<b>\$19 70</b>	<b>\$187 45</b>	<b>\$417 68</b>

## Chesapeake, Week Ending December 3, 1909

<b>Maryland</b>								
J. W. Siler, Mount Pleasant	GO	4	25	3	8 25		8 25	33 00
C. B. Tracy, Baltimore City	GO	3	16 $\frac{3}{4}$	5	14 00	6 80	20 80	2 15
W. North, Loyds	GO		20	3	8 25		8 25	
Jos. C. Paden, Elkhart	CK	4	32	14	16 00	3 15	19 15	8 90
G. Carroll, "	CK	5	32	6	5 75	1 55	7 30	
S. N. Brown, Allegheny Co.	CK	4	31	19	20 00	2 00	22 00	13 25
Mrs. R. McNally, Frederick Co.								8 40
Mrs. J. Siler		2	6			8 45	8 45	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>22</b>	<b>162<math>\frac{3}{4}</math></b>	<b>50</b>	<b>\$72 25</b>	<b>\$21 95</b>	<b>\$94 20</b>	<b>\$65 70</b>

## Eastern Pennsylvania, Week Ending December 17, 1909

W. Leader, Northumberland	DR	3	14	3	8 25		8 25	
G. Jenkins, Lackawanna	GO	2	10	2	5 50		5 50	7 50
H. Minier, Bradford		3	15			1 50	1 50	
W. P. Hess, Lancaster	CK	5	28	6	9 00		9 00	120 00
F. Barto, Lancaster	CK	5	30	20	25 50	1 40	26 90	
Mrs. A. Miller, Bucks	BS	5	20	34	17 00		17 00	16 00
Mrs. A. Holman, "		5	20	34	17 00		17 00	16 50
<b>Totals</b>		<b>28</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>\$82 25</b>	<b>\$2 90</b>	<b>\$85 15</b>	<b>\$160 00</b>

## Virginia, Week Ending December 10, 1909

K. Oertley, Wytheville	SP		50	32	33 00	4 40	37 40	1 25
C. Pease, Petersburg								39 15
F. Horton, Norfolk	CK		37	27	29 50		29 50	
<b>Totals</b>			<b>87</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>\$62 50</b>	<b>\$4 40</b>	<b>\$66 90</b>	<b>\$40 40</b>

## Chesapeake, One Week Ending December 10, 1909

<b>Maryland</b>								
Leon C. Post, Madison	GO	3	25					68 85
W. North, Strait's Dist	GO	5	32	4	11 00		11 00	
S. N. Brown, Allegheny	CK	3	20	14	18 25	2 70	20 95	
G. Carroll, "	CK	3	22	26	7 50		7 50	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>14</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>\$36 75</b>	<b>\$2 70</b>	<b>\$39 45</b>	<b>\$68 85</b>

## West Virginia, Week Ending December 24, 1909

W. Reynolds, Berks	DR		63	1	1 50	13 00	14 50	28 80
<b>Totals</b>			<b>63</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$1 50</b>	<b>\$13 00</b>	<b>\$14 50</b>	<b>\$28 00</b>

## Chesapeake, One Week Ending December 17, 1909

C. Tracy, Baltimore	GO	3						60 12
S. Brown, Cumberland	CK	4	24	3	3 50	70	4 20	63 50
J. C. Paden, Elkhart	CK		14	1	1 50	35	1 85	26 80
G. Carroll, "	CK	3	24 $\frac{1}{2}$					24 00
<b>Totals</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>62<math>\frac{1}{2}</math></b>	<b>4</b>	<b>\$5 00</b>	<b>\$1 05</b>	<b>\$6 05</b>	<b>\$174 42</b>

Grand Totals: Value of Orders, \$550.90. Deliveries, \$2193.50

\*Two weeks

†Week ending December 17.

ing was, "Twenty Thousand Miles in India."

Five adults were baptized by Elder R. E. Harter at the North Philadelphia church Sabbath, December 25.

Sister Borehgreivink, our Scandinavian Bible worker, while soliciting in this city (Philadelphia) for the Ingathering campaign, received about \$25, and also the promise from one prominent man that this denomination could look for \$1 per month from him as long as it would be called for.

Elder W. H. Heckman was called to preach the funeral sermon of Brother L. W. Maynard's wife. Brother Maynard has been the local elder of the Orwell church for many years, and we are very sorry to learn of his bereavement.

The Souderton (Fairhill) church reports nearly \$100 as the result of the Ingathering campaign. This is certainly splendid work when we take into consideration that this church is in the country and the territory is limited.

The date for our next camp-meeting in Eastern Pennsylvania has been set; first choice, June 2-12. Second choice, June 9-19. The location has not yet been decided. Let our brethren and sisters begin to plan for this now.

Evangelist C. S. Baum reports that while the attendance in his effort in St. Clair is not large, yet the interest manifested on the part of those who do come is very encouraging. Let the brethren and sisters remember this effort in their prayers.

Elder C. S. Weist has begun a series of meetings in West Clifford. This is near the home of Brother W. F. Kilmer, leader of the Carbondale company.

A series of revival meetings is in progress in the North Philadelphia church. Elder R. E. Harter is in charge, being assisted by Evangelist B. M. Heald and wife.

Elder W. H. Heckman will meet with the Allentown and Zionsville churches for their quarterly occasion, Jan. 8, 1910.

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## Ohio Conference, Notice

THE forty-eighth annual session of the Ohio Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the Seventh-day Adventist church, corner of Ohio and Fair Streets, Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 24-28, 1910. The opening meeting will be held on Monday, Jan. 24, 1910, at 7:30 P.M. The meeting is called for the election of conference officers and the transaction of any other business that may be necessary to consider at that time.

Let all the local churches plan to be represented at this conference; and if possible, by a full delegation. The basis of representation is one delegate for the organization, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members.

H. H. BURKHOLDER, Pres.

## Ohio Conference Association Meeting

THE annual meeting of the Ohio Conference Association of the Seventh-day Adventist church will be held in the Seventh-day Adventist church, corner Ohio and Fair Streets, Columbus, Ohio, in connection with the annual conference, Jan. 24-28, 1910. The purpose of this meeting is to elect a board of trustees, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the Association. The first meeting will be held Tuesday, Jan. 25, 1910, at 3 P. M.

H. H. BURKHOLDER, Pres.

R. G. PATTERSON, Sec.

## How They Paid for Them

BROTHER KIRK writes that he has made a good delivery and says, "The first house I went to in the country, a little boy told his mother if she would order a "Daniel and Revelation" he would pay for it; as he worked in a factory. So she ordered the book, and when I showed him a "Best Stories," he ordered one of those, and there were several children in the family.

"They were very poor people, and I was afraid they would not be able to take the books, but when I delivered them they had the money ready. They said it looked rather blue for a while. The boy got only one or two days' work till the factory shut down, then they thought they would fail to get the money for sure. But one day their dog ran a skunk in a hole, and when they dug it out they found two and got \$7 for the hides. The boy told me that they knew the Lord ran the skunk in the hole to pay for the book." If they think the Lord sent the skunk, they will surely think he sent the books, and we hope it will be seed sown in good ground.

E. R. NUMBERS.

(An Ohio worker sends us the two following news items for the VISITOR. We are always glad to get news items and articles from the workers—and the people who read the VISITOR are glad too.)

MEETINGS held with Washington C. H., church for a period of eight days encouraged one lady to take her stand for the truth and interested others.

Isolated Sabbath-keepers from McArthur and New Marshfield met with a few of the Chillicothe church in the United Brethren church at Dundas Sabbath, December 18, where a good spiritual feast was enjoyed. About thirty not of our faith attended the afternoon meeting.

## The Dying Year

ANOTHER year has passed into eternity, and a new year is before us. What is the record that it bears to the secret place of God?

But we should ponder the past only to learn the lessons that are in it for us. The old year is gone never to return. The future belongs to God; how much of it he will give to us we may not know. The present moment only is ours; the question is, how can we best improve it?

The close of one year and the be-

ginning of another ought to be a season of meditation, of seeking God, of deep repentance for past sins, and of worthy resolutions and high endeavor after better things. The enemy of all righteousness has made this a time of lightness and pleasure seeking. But at this time the Christian should remember the words of the Psalmist and by divine grace make them his own:—

1. Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations.

2. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.

3. Thou turnest man to destruction; and sayest, Return, ye children of men.

4. For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night.

5. Thou carriest them away as with a flood; they are as a sleep: in the morning they are like grass which groweth up.

6. In the morning it flourisheth, and groweth up; in the evening it is cut down, and withereth.

7. For we are consumed by thine anger, and by thy wrath are we troubled.

8. Thou hast set our iniquities before thee, our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.

9. For all our days are passed away in thy wrath: we spend our years as a tale that is told.

10. The days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.

11. Who knoweth the power of thine anger? Even according to thy fear, so is thy wrath.

12. So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

13. Return, O Lord, how long? and let it repent thee concerning thy servants.

14. O satisfy us early with thy mercy; that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

15. Make us glad according to the days wherein thou hast afflicted us, and the years wherein we have seen evil.

16. Let thy work appear unto thy servants, and thy glory unto their children.

17. And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us: and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it. Psalms 90.—*Gospel-Sentinel*.