

COLUMBIA UNION VISITOR

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

Vol. 15

Mount Vernon, Ohio, May 11, 1910

No. 19

GENERAL MATTER

CHRIST OUR HOPE

When, all around, the thunders roar,
And lightning flashes o'er and o'er,
We need not feel depressed,
For all who trust in Father's love
Will have protection from above,
For they're by Christ possessed.

The wind may blow, the rain may fall,
And torrents lash around us all, —
Christ will the storm control.
Yes, he who walked upon the sea,
And calmed the stormy Galilee,
Will save each trusting soul.

Then let us to the Father go
With every joy and every woe, —
He's glad to have us come;
He'll meet us at the throne of grace,
And give us strength to run the race
To that eternal home.

—Selected.

Eastern Pennsylvania Camp-Meeting

WHILE the annual camp-meeting and conference of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference have been thoroughly advertised and agitated among our people by our laborers, church officers, and through personal communications, yet the great importance of this meeting justifies us, we believe, in calling attention to it again through our Union Conference paper.

LOCATION

This meeting will be held in Emmanuel Grove camp-grounds at Allentown, Pa., June 1-12, 1910. The grounds are controlled by the Twelfth Street Baptist church of Allentown. We believe it was providential that we were enabled to secure this splendid location, as nicer camp-grounds with more perfect facilities could not be found anywhere. Extensive grounds, beautiful shade trees, well built cottages free from all the discomforts incident to rain and dampness—all this should be an incentive to our people not only to come

themselves, but to persuade their friends and neighbors to attend this annual gathering of God's people with them.

MINISTERS FROM ABROAD

In addition to these temporal comforts a spiritual feast will be provided for all. Besides all our Eastern Pennsylvania Conference laborers, some of the leading General Conference men from Washington, together with Prof. G. B. Wilkinson, president of the Columbia Union Conference, and Elder S. M. Butler, president of the Mount Vernon College, will be present; also, other departmental representatives.

IMPORTANCE OF ATTENDING

Nothing of an ordinary nature should in anywise come in to prevent our attendance at this most important gathering of God's people. We are rapidly nearing the close of human history and God's admonition to us is: "Not forsaking the assembling of yourselves together. . . . and so much the more as ye see the day approaching." Heb. 10: 25. Anciently the Lord's chosen people were to appear before him three times each year. At these feasts the gathered hosts of Israel "met to recount God's mercies; to make known his wonderful works and to offer praise and thanksgiving to his name." "Thus they were to be preserved from the corrupting power of worldliness and idolatry." "If the children of Israel needed the benefit of these holy convocations in their time, how much more do we need them in the last days; days of peril and conflict."

Listen further: I quote from "Testimonies for the Church":—

"It is important that members of our churches should attend our camp-meetings." "Brethren and sisters, it would be far better to let your business suffer than to neglect the opportunity of hearing the message God has for you. Make no excuse that will keep you from gaining every spiritual advantage. . . . you cannot afford to lose one such privilege." "Some will say, 'It is expensive to travel, and it would be better for us

to save the money and give it for the advancement of the work where it is so much needed.' Do not reason in this way; God calls upon you to take your place among the rank and file of his people. Strengthen the meeting all you possibly can by being present with your families. Put forth extra exertion to attend the gathering of God's people." "Come, brethren and sisters, to these sacred convocations, . . . your farms should not be considered of greater value than the higher interests of the soul."

It is not always economy to remain away from these annual gatherings. I shall never forget, as long as memory lives, the scene of a sister lying on her bed of illness saying to me: "Oh, if I had only attended that annual gathering of God's dear people, I do not believe I would be in this condition at the present time. I thought I could not spare the time nor the means to take advantage of that meeting, but I now feel that that was just what I needed, and here I am, wasting away, not only having lost the time and the money, but also the blessing that I feel the Lord had in store for me."

Let us pray for the success of this meeting. Bring the Lord with you, be there at the beginning, and come to stay.

EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATIONS FOR CAMPERS

The grounds have been especially fitted up for camp-meeting purposes. There are over one hundred new, well built cottages, 10 by 14 feet, 7 foot side walls, front porches running the full width of the same. Each cottage contains two doors and four windows. These little buildings form a large circle in the center of which stands a spacious auditorium (not shown in the above cut, as these are merely post card views grouped together) with a seating capacity of about two thousand. In another section of the grounds, convenient to the cottages, is a nice sanitary dining-hall, entirely screened, together with a grocery stand.

(Continued on page 4)

An Experience

"THEN said he unto his disciples, the harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few. Pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest." If these words were spoken to the disciples of old, how much more should they appeal to us, who live at the close of this world's history! When we look around us and see how "darkness covers the earth, and gross darkness the people," and when we hear the calls from every land, "Come over and help us," let us remember, dear reader, that it is you and I who are responsible for the answering of these calls.

For a long time I was impressed to do my humble part in the Lord's vineyard, wherever he might use me; and the Lord truly opened the way for me. When we think how the eye of God is beholding our earth, and on it he sees millions of men engaged in manufacturing useless things, such as jewels and laces, side by side with millions of other men in the extremity of want, how foolish, how selfish, how barbarous must we appear before him! We pass our time in making ribbons and trinkets, when we have not sufficient food or clothes, and when we ought to be in the Master's work. This I can apply to myself; for I used to make silks and ribbons. Surely the Lord has not designed that we should be in the factories, especially this kind.

I well remember the time when I wrote to the state canvassing agent to meet me and help me to start in the canvassing work; for this is the most excellent way in which to start in the Master's work. The morning came that we were to go, but to my disappointment, I had to go alone. I felt almost too weak to go alone, but by God's help I tried it, and by the time the state agent met me at the end of the week, I had taken orders for over forty dollars' worth of "Daniel and the Revelation." This was very encouraging to him and more so to me; for I thought I was a canvasser; but the time came when the Lord tried me, and it seemed as though courage almost failed me; but if the Saviour sees that we are faithful, he will always help us; for he says, "I will be with you alway, even unto the end of the world." Surely this is true; for he has wonderfully blessed the effort I put forth. It was during the great political campaign in the United States, when it seemed that everything was very

dull, that I started in this work, and all during my work I had from forty to one hundred dollars a week, and delivered practically all the books.

A few of my experiences might be of interest to the reader. The thought came to me that true missionary work should begin at your own door, so I started around my home town, and I must say that the Lord wonderfully blessed the effort, although I had to meet with many oppositions; yet open doors were seen everywhere, and many homes welcomed the work that I was doing.

A few months later I was engaged in this line of work in a small town of about five thousand. I did fairly well, but just a few weeks before delivery, there was a great uproar in the town about this book agent, the statement being made that this was the sixth and seventh book of Moses; but, however, for more than half a day I had to go and recanvass my orders, which was no easy task. But through all these efforts that Satan put forth to destroy the work of the Lord, I lost only one order, and at this place I was told that if I would come in the house they would kick me out. This may be discouraging to those who never made a start in this noble work, but these trials cannot be compared to the blessings I received. Not for worlds would I give my two years' experience in the canvassing work; for you receive a greater education in this way than any college or seminary cannot give in any of its courses.

But not being prepared to do much good, I longed for the time when I could be in one of our schools preparing to do more efficient service for the Master. In May of 1909, my wife and I attended the General Conference at Washington, D. C., and the reports we heard from every nationality and the pleas for help were too much for us to resist. We decided then and there to get a better preparation to do service for the Master. But it was only about eight weeks until school opened, and being poor it was a great problem to solve, and a high hill to climb, a great sacrifice to make; for those of you who have nice little homes furnished may realize what it means to sell all that you have and take a step of this kind; but the only way to get the preparation was to do it. And now to show how the Lord helps those who have a desire to work for him, I will give my last experience in the canvassing work. Having only a few weeks' time to do all this work, I started out with a determined effort on the

scholarship plan, and in less than three weeks I had more than a scholarship, which is two hundred and fifty dollars' worth of books. Surely the words of the Psalmist are true, "Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised."

To-day we are enjoying the privilege of being at Mount Vernon College, although we have to toil hard. The Christian instruction that we are receiving from the faculty of this school is very encouraging to us. Our only desire is to see hundreds of young people being fitted in our schools for noble service. My prayer is that the Lord may stir the hearts of the parents so that they will encourage their sons and daughters to be workers for him. I expect this coming vacation to receive many rich blessings and experiences in canvassing. I can only say, as Paul and Peter said, "To him be all the praise and glory." H. G. GAWKER.

Influence

THE only responsibility that man cannot evade in this life is the one he thinks of least,— his personal influence. Man's conscious influence,— when he is on dress parade, when he is posing to impress those around him,— is woefully small. But his unconscious influence,— the silent, subtle, radiation of his personality, the effects of his words and acts, the trifles he never considers,— is tremendous. Every moment of life he is changing to a degree the life of the whole world. Every one has an atmosphere which is affecting every other.

Into the hand of every individual is given a marvelous power for good or for evil,— the silent unconscious, unseen influence of this life. This is simply the constant radiation of what a man really is, not what he pretends to be.

Discouragement often comes to honest souls, trying to live the best they can, in the thought that they are doing so little good in the world.

Trifles unnoted by us may be links in the chain of some great purpose. Men and women have duties to others, and duties to themselves. In justice to ourselves we should refuse to live in an atmosphere that keeps us from living our best.

To make our influence felt we must live our faith, we must practice what we believe. No individual is so insignificant as to be without influence. The changes in our varying moods are all recorded in the delicate barom-

eters of the lives of others. We should ever let our influence filter through human love and sympathy.

We should not be merely an influence,—we should be an inspiration. By our very presence we should be a tower of strength to the hungering human souls around us. Let us seek to live our best every day, then if failure comes we will meet it bravely; if our paths lie in the shadow of trial, sorrow, and suffering, we shall have the restful place and the calm strength of one who has done his best, who can look back upon the past with no pang of regret.

If a man seeks to live his best at all times, that determination is visible in every moment of his living; no trifle in his life can be too insignificant to reflect his principle of living. Nature in her beautiful love and tenderness says to man, weakened and worn and weary with the struggle, "Do in the best way you can that trifle that is under your hand at this moment; do it in the best spirit of preparation for the future your thoughts suggest: bring all the light of knowledge from all the past to aid you. Do this and you have done your best." The past is forever closed to you. No worry, no struggle, no suffering, no agony of despair can alter it. It is as much beyond your power as if it were nine million years of eternity behind you. The present is yours; the past has gone back with all its records to the God who loaned you the golden moments to use in obedience to his law.

Life is worth living, if it be lived in a way that is worth living. Man does not own his life,—to do with it as he will. He has merely a life interest in it. Let us promise ourselves that each day will be the beginning of a newer, better, truer life, for ourselves, for those around us, and for the world.

"If all in this life had no trials to meet,

No burdens to bear, and no foes to defeat,

O, how easy the journey to heaven would seem,

Only rest in our boats as we float down the stream;

But temptations and trials and burdens to bear,

Fill our lives every moment with some anxious care.

And if we gain that blest haven of rest,

It will be by the fact that we've each done our best."

BERTHA SPOHN.

The Second Coming of Christ

THERE is no doctrine held in Christendom which is more abundantly Bible sustained than that of the second coming of Christ. By prophets of Old Testament, by our Lord himself, by evangelist and apostle, is repeated the thought that he will come again.

The Son of God came to this world once. He "was made flesh, and dwelt among us." His first coming was a literal coming: he was the Man Christ Jesus. He lived among men. He ate, drank, walked, slept, and talked, as did other men. He preached the gospel, healed the sick, raised the dead, forgave sins, gave hope and life to the despondent and dying.

"This same Jesus," his messengers declared, "shall so come in like manner" as he went away. Acts 1:9-11. Said he to the sorrowing disciples, "I will come again and receive you unto myself." John 14: 3. That promise, that assurance, is still held at its face value by many. They believe Christ Jesus when he says he will come again.

That coming is important. When it occurs, the earth will be depopulated, the righteous, sleeping in death or waking, will be rewarded; and not till then. Then will be finished his work for the redemption of men. Then men will by their own decisions for eternal weal and woe place themselves where infinite justice shall declare: "He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: . . . and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still. . . . And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be." Rev. 22: 11, 12.

It would be logically expected by every Bible believer that the devil would do all in his power to blind men not alone as to the event of Christ's coming, but as to the time of his advent also. Consequently we hear it said, and by good men also, that Christ's coming is at death; that it is by the outpouring of his Spirit; that it is in the great enlightenment of the present day; that it is in Modern Spiritualism; that it is in Christian Science; that it is a secret coming. We are told that there are various signs which will precede that coming, chief among which are miraculous manifestations, such as speaking with tongues, the appearance of some literal "Elijah," and the return and conversion of the Jews.

In short studies these will be taken up in the future, each one considered, and the Bible teaching set forth in its simplicity so far as we are able. We

believe these studies will be profitable.—*Signs of the Times.*

Sin's Magnetic Power

"IN ancient Arabian lore there is a fable which tells of a great black magnetic mountain by whose powerful influence iron bolts were drawn from the timbers of a passing ship so that it fell apart and became a wreck on the waves of the sea. The deadly power of this mountain soon became known to sailors and they steered far away from it. All shunned it as they would death itself. Sin is like that fabled mountain. Its power is so great that it draws from human character those virtues that make the true man. The only safe way is to shun sin as the sailors shunned that magnetic mountain."

Hidden Gems

"WHAT dirty, dreadful, disgusting stuff," exclaims a man, regarding that peculiarly unpleasant compound, the mud of London streets. "Hold, my friend," says Ruskin. "Not so dreadful after all. What are the elements of this mud?—First, there is sand; but when its particles are crystallized according to the law of its nature, what is nicer than clean sand? And when that which enters into it is arranged according to a higher law, we have the matchless opal. What else have we in this mud?—Clay. And the materials of clay, when the particles are arranged to their higher laws, make the brilliant sapphire. What other ingredients enter into the London mud?—Soot. And soot in its crystallized perfection forms the diamond. There is but one other—water. And water when distilled according to the higher laws of its nature, forms the dewdrop resting in exquisite perfection in the heart of the rose." So in the muddy, lost soul of man is hidden the image of his Creator; and God will do his best to find his opals, his sapphires, his diamonds and dewdrops.—*Rainsford.*

No Fruitless Efforts

EVERY real and searching effort at self-improvement is of itself a lesson of profound humility. For we cannot move a step without learning and feeling the waywardness, the weakness, the vacillation of our movements or without desiring to be set upon the rock that is higher than ourselves.—*W. E. Gladstone.*

HOW TO REACH THE GROUNDS

Allentown, the county seat of Lehigh county, about sixty-three miles north of Philadelphia, between Reading and Easton, is a city of about 45,000 inhabitants. It is reached by the Lehigh Valley and New Jersey Central railroads, also the Reading and Allentown trolleys, thus being of easy access from all parts of the state.

All passengers coming on either the Lehigh Valley or Jersey Central railroad, will walk north to the square (only a few blocks), and there take the Allentown and Kutztown trolley. Fare to the grove, five cents. Those who wish to take car at the depot for the square pay five cents extra. There will be at both railroad stations on May 31, and June 1 and 9, a member of the reception committee, who will give directions for reaching the grove and receive checks for baggage to be delivered to the grounds. From the square all baggage will be delivered free.

COTTAGE RATES

The rental of cottages for entire season of twelve days, will be \$4.00. When we take into consideration the way they are built, well floored, etc., it will be seen at a glance that this price is very reasonable as compared with former years, when tents would be rented at about \$3.00, not including flooring.

Cots and straw for sleeping purposes can be obtained at reasonable rates. All other articles, such as bedding, linen, towels, soap, etc., etc., must be supplied by occupants. Curtains for dividing the room must be brought by those desiring them.

BOARD

The boarding this year will be conducted on the European plan, thus leaving each person free to select what he wants, and pay for the food ordered, enabling him to be as economical as he may see fit.

There will be a grocery stand where all kinds of foods, such as fruit, vegetables, breadstuffs, etc., etc., can be secured at market prices, thus giving those who desire, an opportunity to board themselves.

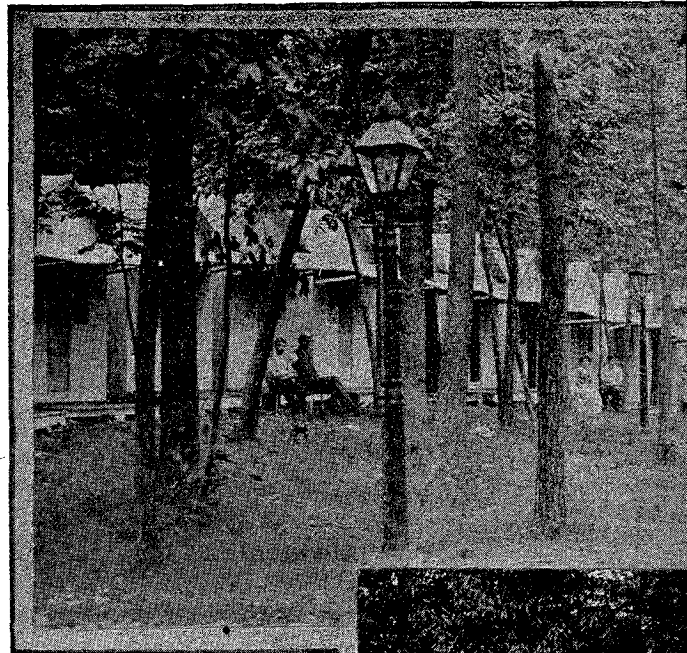
REDUCED RAILROAD RATES

The Trunk Line Association, which includes all railroads in Pennsylvania and New Jersey, has granted us reduced rates to this meeting—two cents per mile. Tickets to be sold and good, going May 31 to June 3, and June 9 and 10. Returning, to reach original starting point not later

The Annual Cam

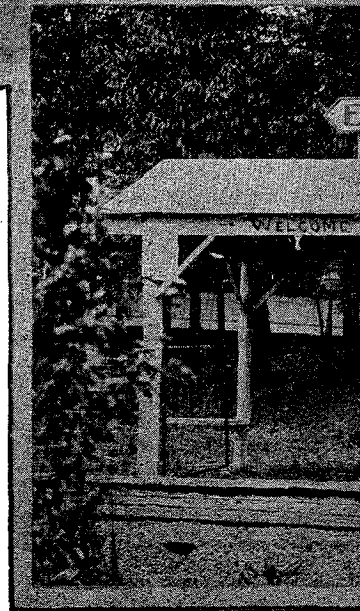
OF THE EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA

Emmanuel Grove,



“Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together * * * and so much the more as ye see the day approaching.”

Heb. 10:25



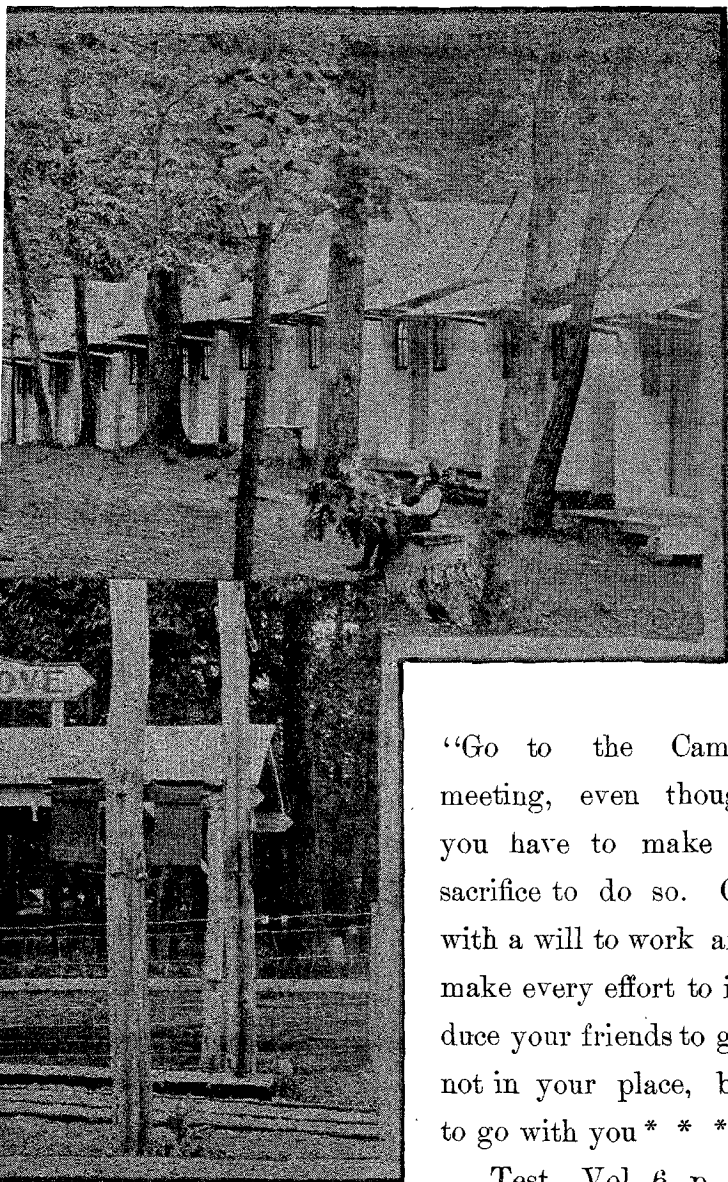
Three post card views of
one showing entrance and

ing and Conference

CE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

IN

Pa., June 1-12, 1910



"Go to the Camp-meeting, even though you have to make a sacrifice to do so. Go with a will to work and make every effort to induce your friends to go, not in your place, but to go with you * * *."

Test., Vol. 6, p. 40

grouped together; lower
entown & Reading Trolley.

than June 14. The reduction is an open one, and it will therefore be necessary to supply those who are going with card orders as heretofore. All you need to do get the tickets at the reduced rates is to make application to the ticket agent. All stations may not be supplied with through tickets to place of meeting, but agents at such stations will inform passengers of the nearest point where such tickets may be obtained. If there is sufficient business from a station not ordinarily supplied with such tickets, agents can provide same if given advance notice of the number of tickets required.

WATER SUPPLY

The matter of pure drinking water at a camp-meeting is a problem which usually is a perplexing one. In this instance, however, we are fortunate in having pure water from a drilled well 237 feet deep—the very best water that can be secured in the entire vicinity. The sanitary condition on the grounds are likewise perfect.

SONG BOOKS

"Christ in Song" (new edition) will be used in all our meetings. Do not fail to bring yours with you. If you have none, they can be secured at the book stand, where a large supply of them will be on hands; also Bibles, religious books, tracts, etc.

It is anticipated that there will be an exceedingly large attendance, hence it will be almost absolutely necessary for those who are contemplating attending, to let us know at least a week or ten days in advance, in order for us to provide them with cots, etc. There will be a sufficient number of cottages. Let us all pray earnestly that God may bless this meeting, and that it may be the commencement of the greatest revival ever experienced among our people in Eastern Pennsylvania.

W. H. HECKMAN.

From the letters of inquiry which are coming in relative to our camp-meeting, the indications are that we will have the largest attendance at this meeting of any previous one held in Pennsylvania. The excellent facilities and accommodations of this camp-meeting appeal to a great many who have not been accustomed in the past to attend our annual gatherings.

Would Have Given His Pillow

CHILDISH sympathy is very beautiful. A little lad of four or five years was one day reading to his mother in the New Testament, and when he came to these words, "The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man hath not where to lay his head," his eyes filled with tears, and with a child's unrestrained gust of feeling, he said to his mother, "I am sure, mamma, if I had been there I would have given him my pillow." A childish utterance, yet full of love and tenderness. He would have given Jesus his pillow. The blessed Son of man should have the best we have.—*Selected.*

Because She Was Blind

A SUFFICIENT excuse for pettishness, and selfishness, and grumbling, one might suppose—but what a reason for grieving! At a missionary meeting in Paris a poor blind woman put twenty-seven francs into the plate, "You cannot afford so much," said the man who was holding the plate." "Yes, I can," she answered. And on being pressed to tell how she could give so much, she said: "I am blind; and I said to my fellow straw-workers, 'How much money do you spend in the year for oil for your lamps, when it is too dark to work nights?' They added it up in their minds, and found it was twenty-seven francs. So," said the poor woman, "I found that I save twenty-seven francs in the year because I am blind and do not need a lamp, and I give it to send light to the dark heathen lands."—*Selected.*

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

WORD just received from Brother W. F. Kilmer, of Carbondale, Pa., says that several are keeping the Sabbath in West Clifford, as the result of some meetings held there by Elder C. S. Weist.

A union choir of the three Philadelphia churches meets every week for the purpose of practicing for the coming camp-meeting to be held in Allentown, Pa., June 1-12. Brother B. M. Heald is the leader.

Elder H. Meyer, pastor of the German church in Philadelphia, has gone to Warrentown, Mo., where his wife has been visiting her people for the last few months. They are expected home next week.

In a communication from Elder A. R. Bell, he states that six persons are ready for baptism at Carlisle, Pa.

May 22 the annual outing of the Harrisburg church will be held at the farm of Brother R. V. Smith, which is on the island at Marysville. A very interesting program has been arranged.

Elder W. H. Heckman spoke at the North Philadelphia church last Sabbath morning, and to the German church in the afternoon.

The husband of Sister E. Dawson, of the North Philadelphia church, who had gone South for his health, died last week. The funeral will take place in Philadelphia May 2.

Brother G. B. F. Unger, elder of the Shimersville church, reports a new convert at that place, who is awaiting baptism.

VIRGINIA

Virginia Tract and Missionary Report for Quarter Ending March 31

Letters Written.....	186
Letters Received	80
Missionary Visits.....	566
Bible Readings Held.....	161
Subscriptions for Periodicals....	22
Papers Sold.....	150
Papers Given Away.....	538
Books Loaned.....	22
Pages of Books Sold.....	1854
Pages of Tracts Sold.....	335
Pages of Tracts Given Away....	9652
Offerings for Home Missions....	\$20.21
Offerings for Foreign Missions..	3.15

This report is not as complete as it ought to be owing to some of the churches not sending in any report of their labor. Church secretaries, I would again ask you as you look at this report to enquire of yourselves if you have been as faithful in helping to make it as complete as you might have been. Church members, have you helped your secretaries by faithfulness in working and in reporting from week to week as you should have done? Let us be "laborers together" and thus hasten the message. The word says, "A good report maketh the bones fat," then let us bring them in.

J. GREER HANNA,
Field Miss. Sec'y.

Ford, Richmond

I HAD the privilege of spending the 16th and 17th of April with the church at Ford. I found the members of good courage and busily engaged in circulating our good literature among their neighbors. On Sabbath I talked with them on the importance of home missionary work and planned for other services on Sunday, but the weather changed our plans. The rain fell in such torrents that it was impossible to get to the place of meeting.

On Monday the 18th, I went to Richmond to attend the institute held in behalf of the Sanitarium Relief campaign. We learned many things which will be of interest to our people as we meet with them and solicit their aid in this good work. Services were held each evening with a fair attendance. On Sabbath I spoke on the tract and missionary work, and there seemed to be manifest a willingness to respond to the Lord's call to service. After the service I met with the young people's society and was pleased to see a good interest on the part of the members. They are busy progressing.

On Sunday night a temperance rally was held under the auspices of the young people's society, and although the night was very unfavorable for a large attendance, a goodly number responded to the invitations which had been circulated. A good program was rendered and at the close several signed the pledge.

Sunday afternoon I met with the colored church and talked with them also on the home missionary work, to which they gave a hearty response by ordering fifty magazines. This is a working company, and the Lord is blessing them by adding to their numbers.

There is hope for the work in Virginia when the church members are willing to get in line and give the message to the people by scattering the printed page. Let us all rally to this good work. J. GREER HANNA,
Field Miss. Sec'y.

WEST VIRGINIA

DON'T forget that our camp-meeting will be held August 18 to 23.

Brother Adkins writes: "Our little company of believers at Little Birch enjoyed a very pleasant visit from Elder F. H. Robbins recently. The words which he left behind were a source of much encouragement to us,

and gave us a desire to press on to victory.

Camp-meeting will be at Parkersburg, August 18 to 28.

Elder Robbins stopped off at the office on his way to Mount Vernon, Ohio.

Because of poor health it was thought best for Elder W. R. Foggins to labor in places nearer his home. For a few days he will be in Jackson county.

I. D. Richardson, of the Columbia Union Conference, visited Parkersburg for a few days. He is instructing in the sale of "Ministry of Healing."

Encouraging Words

On my last trip through West Virginia I called to see our president, Elder Robbins, and found he was preparing for a short trip to Fairmont and Clarksburg to visit a few of the isolated brethren and sisters, and I had the pleasure of meeting him in both towns, also making some visits with him, and we found our brethren and sisters of good courage, and they all express their desire to see the work advance. They will put their shoulders to the wheel and help to push along the work in this needy field. Brethren and sisters, the people of West Virginia need your earnest prayers, that they may come together and be imbued with the Spirit of God, and the determination to labor on and pull together so that there will be that union of love builded up in the heart of each one.

Elder Robbins is of good courage, and desires much to see the work prosper in this field. Let us hold up his hands by prayer and by other means that the Lord may open before us. In co-operating with him, a good revival can be had in many places, and in fact throughout the conference. Thus much good can be accomplished for the cause and for each individual.

We need to be brought back to our first love, and plans are being made that we may have a revival such as will be remembered, that we may better realize the blessedness of continually drinking at the Fountain. Those of us who have always had a shepherd to guide us since we accepted this truth, little realize what

Canvassers' Reports

Virginia, Week Ending April 22, 1910

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
E. Roberson, Fredericksburg		BR	25	15	44 00	7 60	51 60	1 10	
K. Oertley, Wythe Co.		CK	25	17	17 00		17 00		
V. O. Panches, Rockingham		GC	20	3	98 00	12 50	110 50	2 00	
A. Jaspersen, Keeletown		GC	40	4	13 00	15 90	28 90	1 50	
J. Lewis, "		GC	45	2	6 00	22 00	28 00	1 00	
Totals			157	19	\$178 00	\$58 00	\$236 00	\$5 60	

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending April 22, 1910

Miss Zoerb, New Brighton	CK	4	14	7	10 50	2 00	12 50		
Celestia Midkiff, New Brighton	SP	5	25½	17	22 25		22 25		
Mrs. M. Wetsell, Erie Co.	GC	4	24	3	13 00		13 00		
G. Medairy, Lewiston Co.	SP	5	24½	12	25 00	2 40	27 40		90
A. Brownlee, Butler Co.	CK	5	53	24	34 75	7 40	42 15		8 90
†J. Glunt, Lewistown	GC	10	53	10	30 00	24 60	54 60		6 00
Totals		33	194	73	\$135 50	\$36 40	\$171 90	\$15 80	

West Virginia, April 22, 1910

T. M. Butler, Parkersburg	CK	40	19	20 50	7 00	27 50			
D. Haddix, "	BF	18	6	6 00	6 75	12 75			
J. Jennings, Fayette Co.	DR	33	13	19 50	27 75	47 25			75
Totals		91	38	\$46 00	\$41 50	\$87 50	\$ 75		

†Two weeks

Grand Totals: Value of Orders, \$495.40 Deliveries, \$22.15

we have to meet, compared with those who are isolated. It is very easy to drift away when you have no one from week to week to encourage you with comforting words from the good book.

The end is drawing near, and Paul says, "Forsake not the assembling of ourselves together, and so much the more as we see the day approaching," and Isaiah says, "The day of the Lord is near and hasteth greatly," and if so be that we know these things, we should be willing to get down in sackcloth and ashes, if need be, that we may be found ready to hear the "well done" said unto us. The work is onward, and those of us who have tasted of the good word of God, in the closing of this message, should watch unto prayer, and labor that no other will step in and take our crown. Some go away never to return, never to be entreated with the comforting words of invitation, and some one else will step in where they left off and take their crown.

Brethren, arise and shine, for thy light is come, for the glory of the Lord is risen upon you, to preach the word, to be instant in season, and learn to live for Jesus. O for that unity that we can have in God, one

in act, one in purpose, and one in deed.

I can see advancement in West Virginia, and my prayer is that we may pull together, and work with a will. Be honest in paying our tithe, as God has said, "Bring ye all the tithe into the storehouse," that the work may not be delayed. Brethren, we are on the verge of an eternal world, and let us ask ourselves the question, What have we done for the advancement of the message?

Pray for the work in this field, and that the honest in heart may be sought out, and be rejoicing in a free and full salvation. All is ours to gain, for God promises to go before us, and make all the crooked places straight, if we but follow out his commandments, to do them.

W. C. FLEISHER.

A LETTER just received from Brother C. E. Weeks tells of their safe arrival in India. They are both enjoying good health, and are well pleased with their new field. He states that the climate at this season of the year is ideal. Their address is 19 Banks Road, Lucknow, India. —North Pacific Union Gleaner.

COLUMBIA UNION VISITOR

OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE

COLUMBIA UNION CONFERENCE

of the Seventh-day Adventists

ISSUED FIFTY TIMES A YEAR

BY THE

Mount Vernon College Press
Mount Vernon, Ohio

Price, 50 Cents a Year in Advance

D. D. REES - - - EDITOR

Address all Subscriptions and make all Money Orders payable to your Tract Society.

Entered as Second-Class Matter March 25, 1908, at the Post-office at Mt. Vernon, O., under the Act of Congress of March 3 1879.

Columbia Union Conference**Directory****Territory**

Ohio, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, West Virginia, District of Columbia.

Officers

President: B. G. Wilkinson, Takoma Park Station, Washington, D. C.

Vice-President: H. H. Burkholder, Bellville, Ohio.

Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, E. R. Brown, 59 Boone St., Cumberland, Md.

General Missionary Agent: E. R. Numbers, Delaware, Ohio.

Missionary Volunteer Secretary: I. D. Richardson, Takoma Park Station, Washington, D. C.

Educational Secretary: S. M. Butler, Mount Vernon, Ohio.

Medical Secretary: H. M. Sisco, M. D., No. 2, Iowa Circle, Washington, D. C.

Religious Liberty Secretary: W. A. Hennig, 1330 Tenth St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Executive Committee: B. G. Wilkinson, H. H. Burkholder, W. H. Heckman, B. F. Kneeland, H. W. Herrell, F. D. Wagner, E. R. Brown, E. R. Numbers, H. M. Sisco, M. D., S. M. Butler, W. A. Hennig, I. D. Richardson, and F. H. Robbins.

Eastern Pennsylvania Conference Notice!

THE sixth annual session of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held June 1-12, 1910, in connection with the camp-meeting at Emmanuel Grove camp-grounds, near Allentown, Pa.

The location is ideal. Nicer camp-grounds with more perfect facilities could not be found anywhere—extensive grounds, beautiful shade trees, well built cottages free from all the discomforts incident to rain and dampness. All these should be incen-

tives to our people to come, and persuade their friends and neighbors to attend this annual gathering of God's people. In addition to these temporal comforts, a spiritual feast will be provided for all. The election of conference officers and various other matters of intense interest to every loyal Seventh-day Adventist will come before the meeting.

The first session will be called at 9:30 A. M., June 2.

W. H. HECKMAN, Pres.

Pennsylvania Sanitarium and Benevolent Association, Notice!

NOTICE is hereby given to the constituency of the Pennsylvania Sanitarium and Benevolent Association that the fifth annual meeting of the said corporation will be held at 9:30 A. M., Thursday, June 9, 1910, at Emmanuel Grove camp-grounds near Allentown, in connection with the annual camp-meeting of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

The membership of the constituency is composed of the Executive Committee of the Columbia Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the Executive Committee of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of Seventh-day Adventists and the Executive Committee of the New Jersey Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the physicians employed by the corporation, the ordained ministers of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the ordained ministers of the New Jersey Conference of Seventh-day Adventists and twelve persons elected for the purpose at the last session of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

Officers will be elected and such other business will be transacted as may properly come before the meeting.

H. W. HECKMAN, Pres.

The Harvest Ingathering for Missions

SHOULD we not begin now to lay plans to raise some money for the needy mission fields? Every Seventh-day Adventist is expected to give \$5 toward the raising of \$300,000 for missions. Some may not have this much to give, but think of the many opportunities there are of raising this amount by a small investment. Especially is this true on the farms and gardens. We would suggest that

our farming brethren set aside an acre of ground to be planted as advantageously as possible and the products derived therefrom be sold and the entire proceeds given to missions. There are great possibilities in a plan of this kind.

Think of the pleasure to be derived from caring for the crop growing on this particular acre. Do not you think the Lord would increase the yield from this consecrated spot of ground? By a little faith and prayer on your part, we believe he surely would. What can the boy or girl do to have a part in this good work? A few pennies invested in seeds planted and faithfully taken care of, will produce many times the amount expended, and what a pleasure it will be to turn this into a fund to be used in supporting our missionaries, who are laboring so sacrificingly for the truth's sake!

Then again, others can raise a few chickens to be devoted to missionary purposes. That old sitting hen will gladly do her part, if you will do yours. There maybe those who cannot embrace the opportunities mentioned above. For those we suggest that they try selling some of our good magazines or small books. While they are raising something for the needy missions, they are getting the truth before the people through the literature circulated, and are gaining rich experiences in the work for themselves.

We would be glad to hear from any who will endeavor to put into execution some of the plans mentioned above. We believe the Lord will greatly bless in such work. Who will try it?—H. E. Moon, in *The Northern Illinois Recorder*.

BROTHER D. K. ROYER, recently from New Jersey, now manager of the *Watchman*, made the College a pleasant call one day recently. He gave a copy of the May *Watchman* to each student of the College.

PROF. B. G. WILKINSON, president of the Columbia Union Conference, has been spending the past few days at the College on conference business.

FOR SALE.—Well established jewelry and optical business. Good location for Seventh-day Adventists; near Shenandoah Valley Training Academy and New Market church. Fine climate. For further particulars, write A. M. Neff, New Market, Va.