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GENERAL MATTER

THE SINGER'S ALMS

In Lyons, on the mart of that French town, Years since, a woman, leading a fair child, Craved a small alms of one, who, walking down

The thoroughfare, caught the child's glance and smiled

To see, behind its eyes, a noble soul;

He paused, but found he had no coin to dole.

His guardian angel warned him not to lose This chance of pearl to do another good;

- So, as he waited, sorry to refuse,
- The asked-for penny, there aside he stood, And with his hat held, as by limb the nest, He covered his kind face, and sang his best.

The sky was blue above, and all the lane

- Of commerce, where the singer stood, was filled,
- And many paused, and listening, paused again
 - To hear the voice that through and through them thrilled.

I think the guardian angel helped along That cry for pity, woven in a song.

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- The hat of its stamped brood was emptied soon
- Into the woman's lap, who drenched with tears
- Her kiss upon the hand of help; 'twas noon, And noon in her glad heart drove forth her fears.
 - The singer, pleased, passed on and softly thought,
 - "Men will not know by whom this deed was wrought."

But when at night he came upon the stage,

- Cheer after cheer went up from that wide throng,
- And flowers rained on him; naught could assuage

The tumult of the welcome, save the song That he had sweetly sung, with covered face.

For the two beggars in the market place. —Henry Abbey.

The singer was Mario, the great tenor.

Who Will Volunteer?

A TABULATED statement in a recent number of the Missionary Review of the World shows that all the principal Protestant missionary societies of America (not including Seventh-day Adventists) have entered forty-three missionary fields. Seventh-day Adventists have entered thirty four of the forty-three named, besides several others not included in their list. The greatest number of fields entered by any one society is ten. True, we have not the men and facilities in many of these countries that others have; but in the providence of God the work of the third angel's message is spreading out into all the world; and soon the earth will be lightened with its glory.

The increased interest of our people in foreign missions in the last few years, as shown by the gifts of men and money, has been very encouraging, and is an added evidence that God is finishing his work; and yet this great work is taxing our resources to the utmost. The stress of the situation often brings the mission board into great perplexity; and many times we have been forced to select and send recruits who had no time to properly prepare.

Three years ago we took an advanced step in the establishment of the Foreign Mission Seminary, a step which received the heartiest approval of all our people. And now, as stated more fully in articles in recent numbers of the Review, the General Conference Committee has taken another advanced step. In the future the mission board will select missionaries six to nine months previous to their sailing, and give them the necessary special training in the Seminary. The courses of study have been arranged, and the faculty selected with reference to this plan of work. I am free to say that this is by far the most satisfactory arrangement for supplying the present demands of this world-wide work that we have ever had. It is the latest development of our thirty six years' experience in foreign mission work.

And now, let all union and local conference officers, overseers of the churches, and individuals, co-operate with the foreign mission board in pushing this message to the ends of the earth. Let conference officials send lists of prospective missionaries at once. Who will respond to the call for a hundred and twenty missionaries? Brethren and sisters, pray much over the needs of the heathen that are stretching out their hands unto God. If God impresses you that you should respond and receive this training, write without delay to the foreign mission board, or to the president of the Foreign Mission Seminary, Takoma Park, Washing-The Seminary opens ton, D. C. A. G. DANIELLS. September 14.

Galations*

POLITICALLY, the name Galatia meant the Roman province which included Lycaonia, Insauria, parts of Phrygia, and Pisidia. Geographically, it meant the country inhabited by the Celtic tribes of Asia Minor.

The Galations were a people with strong Celtic characteristics. "They came of a race which shook all nations and founded none." Gladly they received Paul and the gospel which he preached, but soon turned "again to the weak and beggarly elements." Paul said, "I am afraid of you, lest I have bestowed upon you labor in vain."

The church of Galatia was founded on Paul's second missionary journey. Luke tells us practically nothing concerning Paul's work in that region, but simply remarks that in the course of his journey he passed through Galatia and Phrygia, strengthening the churches.

There is some discussion concerning the date of the writing of this book; but it is thought to have been written shortly after Paul's second visit, probably about 57 or 58 A. D.

^{*}This article was written by a member of the class studying "Acts and the Epistles" in Mount Vernon College last year.

This letter is addressed, not to an individual, or a church, but to the churches of Galatia. The letter written to the believers in Galatia was probably the third apostolic letter written by Paul. It was evidently written from Corinth, where Paul spent part of the winter of 57 and 58 A, D.

The converts of Galatia did well for a time, but soon Judaizing teachers found their way into the young Galatian churches. News reached Paul at Corinth, revealing a state of confusion, and even apostasy. Division, heresy, and sensualism were creeping in among them. Faith in Christ, and obedience to the law of the ten commandments were regarded as of minor importance.

Paul asserted his position as the apostle of Christ, not by the will of men, but by the power of God; and early in the epistle he said, "I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you unto the grace of Christ, unto another gospel." These words make it clear that it was soon after Paul's visit to them that this apostasy took place. Evidently it was soon after their conversion, as the Revised Version reads, "so quickly removing from him that called you." They, as a race, were quick to receive impulses, and equally quick to lose them.

We should carefully consider the instruction to the Galatians. "For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I please men? for if I please men, I should not be the servant of Christ." We love to be well spoken of by the world; but Christ will accept of nothing but the whole heart, the true affections. The friendship of the world is enmity with God; but Christ is able to change the heart. He abides in our hearts by faith of the son of God, who loved us and gave himself for us.

Abraham believed God and it was accounted to him for righteousness, and he was called the friend of God. Paul says, "They which are of faith, the same are children of Abraham." His faith was made manifest by his works. To Abraham and his seed were the promises made. Abraham was to share the inheritance. The promise of God may seem to be delayed, but at the appointed time it will surely be fulfilled. The Bible plainly teaches that the promises made to Abraham are to be fulfilled All that "are through Christ. Christ's are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise; to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that fadeth not away."

Paul entreats the Galatians to stand

fast in the liberty wherewith Christ has made them free, that they be not again entangled with the yoke of bondage.

In the latter part of chapter five, the works of the flesh and the fruits of the Spirit are contrasted. They that are Christ's at his coming will have crucified the flesh with its affections and lusts; but the fruits of the Spirit are joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, meekness, temperance. "Against such there is no law;" or, as the German version reads, "Against such the law is not."

Christ has bidden us to seek to restore those who are in fault in a spirit of meekness, remembering that we are subject to temptations. "Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ."

It is the law of nature that we reap as we sow. Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap. Do men gather grapes of thorns or figs of thistles? A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. By their fruits ye shall know them.

"Notice how three things are put together in opposition to ceremonial observances. Circumcision is nothing; but faith which worketh by love. Circumcision is nothing; but a new ereature. Circumcision is nothing; but the keeping of the commandments of God. These three—faith that works by love, a new creature, and the keeping of the commandments of God, are inseparably connected, and constitute the essentials of a Christian experience."

DELILAH L. BRIGGS.

Kindness

ONE very rainy day while riding upon a street car in a western city, the writer observed the following incident which will illustrate a point under the subject presented.

A minister was seated in the car, en route to a meeting to be held in one of the prominent churches; his throught possibly was projected to the place for which he was bound, and he failed to notice a woman just opposite him, who, with two small children and a large telescope at her feet, was anxiously peering out of the car window, seeming much troubled. Another woman, somewhat removed from her side, but in a position to view the situation, going to her, asked her if she might render her any assistance. The first woman, looking up pleased and surprised, said that she was a stranger in the city, and did not feel sure where the street was

at which she wished to alight. The noise of the storm and the street traffic in the unknown city had confused and unnerved her. It was but a slight thing for the Christian woman to restore her peace of mind by telling her that she was nearing the street, and that it would be no trouble to assist her with the children and the baggage, also that she would be pleased to share the use of her umbrella to a place of protection from the storm.

The car stopped for them, and the minister hurried past to keep his appointment, uninterested apparently in so insignificant an opportunity for service. The question came to mind whether the One in whose honor and for whose glory all meetings in the church should be held, would have done likewise, or if he would not have considered present need worthy of divine notice.

In an age of formalism we may do well to ask ourselves if loving kindness prompts all our deeds. Selfishness is so subtle that it may permeate what may appear the highest service; while love, leading to lowly acts, offers numberless opportunities for kindness.

> "Little drops of water, Little grains of sand, Make the mighty ocean, And the pleasant land. "Little words of kindness, Little deeds of love, Make this earth an Eden, Like the heaven above."

This little rhyme contains a great principle, which, if followed faithfully, would banish sorrows and bring sunshine to many lives struggling under burdens hard to bear alone.

Trace in God's word the number of times loving kindness and tru h are linked together, and consider how much easier truth is discerned where loving kindness led the way. "God will send forth his loving kindness and his truth." Ps. 57:3. Kindness makes the heart tender, preparing rich soil for the implanting of truth-

It may seem easy to be kind to those who are amiable and sweet; but "love suffereth long and is kind." Does some one irritate and annoyyou? Here is offered an opportunity for the one seeking this virtue to exercise self-control, which is real kindness; for not alone has he gained a victory, but he has helped another along the same path. Was it not loving kindness which led us over hard places? If so, then how better can we show the spirit of him "who went about doing good" than just by being kind?

CLARA LOUISE CLARK.

Spiritual Rest

SPIRITUAL rest means fellowship with the Father above. There is nothing mystical about this rest. It is not a far away dream, a merephantasm of the human mind and will. It is not an ecstatic state of mind developed from one's own inner consciousness. It is just as easy of comprehension as the relationship of loving trust that exists between a true child and its loving parent. There is no mystery whatever about it. It is more than resting in creative power: it is knowing the Creator himself through the indwelling of the Spirit which he sends to preside in our frail bodies, when we ourselves present our bodies to be the temples of his Spirit.

We may admire the genius, the mental qualities and the power of thought that produces and executes the plan for some grand work of art; but it is a vastly different state of mind that takes possession of us when we really come to know the artist, to be at home in his presence, to love him for what he is, and feel our love reciprocated, to feel that he is a faithful and true friend, with whom we may have bosom companionship, to know that he will be true to our interests as well as his own; this is a faint conception of fellowship with the Divine. -G.D'Estin Ballou, in "The Seven Essentials to Life and Health."

Encouraging Figures

In 1902 we were told through the spirit of prophecy that the cauvassing work was to be revived, and that it was to go forward with increasing success. To day this testimony is being fulfilled before us. From the time this statement was made, the canvassing work has been making steady progress.

We have been told also that the work was to return to the East; and as a preparation or foundation for this work, the canvassing work in some of the eastern states has been advancing by leaps and bounds.

As a result of the blessings of God upon the faithful efforts of our missionary canvassers during the month of July we were able to run a few hundred dollars higher than the best record for any one month in the history of our union.

But at the same time, figures show us that we are far below the standard of forty hours a week. During the whole month of June our canvassers averaged seventy hours each, just about one-half time. During July the average was one hundred and four hours, making a gain of thirty-four hours for each canvasser. Let us not be ungrateful for the wonderful manner in which the Lord has blessed our efforts, but let us put forth a special effort to make another gain of forty hours for each canvasser during the next month, and we shall not have far to go then to reach the standard. Consecration, faith, good time, and hard work are bound to win in the end. E. R. NUMBERS, General Agent C. U. C.

AT THÉ COLLEGE

WILL YOU NOT STRIVE?

Possess your souls, ye heavenward bound, As swirl the evil blasts of sin:

A way to paradise is found— Will ye not strive to enter in?

Ten thousand wiles thy way beset, Both fierce and subtle there allure; But heavenly grace is offered yet— Will you not strive to be secure?

A world is plunged in sin and gloom, Devils exult o'er seraphim;

Our Saviour lifts the awful gloom-Will you not strive to honor him?

Oh then resist the accursed powers,

And he will quicken-make alive;

GORNIE 100

Notes by the Way

HAVING been invited by the Ohio Conference to visit the churches of southern Ohio in the interests of the College, I called first at Newark, where I saw a number of young people, and found a lively interest in the school. Several young people are looking favorably toward Mount Vernon.

At Columbus I met Elder Butcher, and we spent the day looking up the matter of uniform note books and other supplies for the College. We then went to Springfield together, and there Elder Butcher left me for northern Ohio.

Upon reaching Springfield I found that a lively interest in the school had already been aroused. Miss Nellie Rudolph, who attended the summer school at Mount Vernon this year, had been showing her loyalty to the College by talking of its beauties and advantages to the young people of her church. We had an interesting meet ing, and many pleasant visits with the young people. We look for several representatives from Springfield next year.

A school's best advertisement is its loyal and active students.

At Dayton a large number of the church members, especially the young people, were visited. The greater part of one day was spent with the Spangler brothers, enjoying very much their hospitality. They are both interested in completing their educational work.

At Hamilton we found our loyal students, Edna and Clarence Keppler and Addie Flenner, all of whom are anticipating returning to the College. Miss Flenner has been canvassing during the summer, and having good success. Mr. Keppler has been working with his father in the bakery, and will take his old place in the College bakery when school opens.

During the Sabbath and Sunday spent in Cincinnati many young people were visited. At the meeting held on Sabbath, a deep interest was shown by all the members in school work and educational institutions, a number being very desirous of having their children in Mount Vernon College.

At Wilmington I found Messrs. Lonn and Okey Metcalf busy in the midst of a flourishing baking business. The former will be in charge of the music at the West Virginia campmeeting. At this place we also met Miss Jessie Pope and Mr. Ray Runyan, both of whom we expect to see at Mount Vernon College in the fall.

O. M. JOHN.

College Notes

MISS CLARA GATES was recently called to her home in Roxbury, O., by the illness of her mother.

Elder O. F. Butcher is attending the West Virginia camp-meeting in the interests of Mount Vernon College.

Miss Clara Pettit is having excellent success canvassing in West Virginia. We hope that she will be able to earn a scholarship before school opens.

Miss Laura Atwell spent a few days in Mount Vernon after the Ohio camp-meeting. Mr. Harold Ferguson has been engaged as stenographer to Dr. Saddler, of Chicago.

Among the graduates at the commencement exercises at the Washington, D. C., Sanitarium, to be held September 5, will be Miss Nina Hamilton, Miss Mary Moffett, and Miss Harriet Frost, who are all well known at Mount Vernon.

Mr. E. R. Brown, auditor for the Columbia Union Conference, spent a few days at the College last week, auditing the College books.

Miss Florence I. Hottes has decided to enter school again this year to further prepare herself for teaching by finishing the normal course.

Mrs. W. M. Throckmorton, of Albany, O., was in Mount Vernon several days last week visiting her sister, Mrs. Greenup.

Mr.George Cemer of Fredericktown, O., is at the College, working on the repairs.

Miss E. Vada Welch expects to spend next year at her home in Van Wert, O. She has been teaching for several years, and feels the need of rest.

Mrs. Vernon O. Punches left Ohio at the close of the camp meeting to join her husband in Virginia, where Mr. Punches has been elected to serve another year as field missionary agent.

Miss Debora Secor has joined her sister in Chicago, and will spend the remainder of the vacation with her brother there.

Mrs. Carroll, of Academia, has been ill for some time, but is now improving.

Miss Myrtle McPeak has been visiting at the home of Mrs. Secor in Academia. While here she decided to return at the opening of school to take up work in the College.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Peterson, of Norwalk, O., were among the old College students at the Ohio campmeeting. "Cap" Peterson, as he was called by the boys, was one of our printing force during his stay at Mount Vernon.

Two other church school teachers not mentioned in the list last week were on the camp-ground at Marion --Miss Bertha Laughlin and Miss Clara Reichenbaugh. Misses Alice Black, Mary Barrett, Lelo Welch, and Florence Hottes were also in attendance during the last few days of the meeting.

The College tent was an attractive place at the camp-meeting, being nicely furnished and decorated with pennants and pictures. There the old students found a hearty welcome, and there the prospective students might often be seen studying the calendar and asking questions about the College.

Miss Fidelia Punches is at home teaching music. She has a class of forty pupils.

At the first Sabbath-school of the camp-meeting sixty two from the Mount Vernon Sabbath-school were counted. At the second Sabbathschool the number was not far from a hundred.

CHESAPEAKE

The Canvassing Work

To ALL who are interested in the canvassing work, a special invitation is extended to attend our campmeeting, which is to be held at Chestertown, Md., from September 22 to October 2. A canvassers' meeting will be held every day, to which all are invited. If you are not directly interested in the canvassing work, come to the meetings anyhow, and we shall pray earnestly that an interest may be awakened in your hearts to join us.

While the Lord does not place any one branch of his work above another, yet he does say through the spirit of prophecy that "if there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the people, thus leading them to search the Scriptures." "As much care and wisdom must be used in selecting the workers (canvassers) as in selecting men for the ministry."

While a great many are saying the way of the canvasser is hard, the Saviour says, "Take my yoke upon you and learn of me." The yoke is the symbol of service with Christ.

Brethren and sisters, if you are interested in the canvassing work, and thinking of entering it, do not fail to attend the canvassers' meetings at the camp-meeting. If you wish to begin before that time, write me at once, and let me know your plans.

JOSEPH E. JONES.

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

THE executive committee of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference met last week, at which time several important matters pertaining to the interests of the conference were considered, and plans for future work were laid.

Brother John Ott and family, of Devault, attended the services at the First Philadelphia church Sabbath, August 20.

Miss Myrtle A. Bristol, our Sabbathschool and young people's secretary, spent Sabbath and Sunday, August 20 and 21, with the church at Fairhill. A young people's society.was organized at that time. We hope to see excellent results from this society.

The church at Stroudsburg was visited by Elder Heckman August 20. The spirit of the Lord came into the meeting in a marked manner, and many expressed themselves that their strength and courage were renewed in the third angel's message.

One evening last week at the tent effort conducted by Elder R. E. Harter, an expression was taken as to how many would obey the Lord by stepping out to keep the Sabbath commandment, and thirty arose to their feet. Many attended the services at the church Sabbath, August 20, for the first time.

Brother W. F. Kilmer, the leader of the Carbondale company, tells us that he recently took up the \$300,000 fund proposition with the members there, and over \$40 more than their quota was raised. We trust that all our churches will do as well proportionately as this faithful company has done.

Word from the Ariel church shows that the young people's society

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organized there is prospering, and doing good work.

We trust that all our brethren and sisters who have taken their quota of the "Ministry of Healing" will send in the money for them as soon as possible, as it is very much needed.

Sabbath, August 27, will be Mount Vernon College day in our churches. We trust that this may result in many of our young people's deciding to take a course at that worthy institution.

The Fairhill church will be completed in a few days, and will be dedicated Sabbath, September 3. We wish to compliment our people there upon the nice building they have erected.

Will all Sabbath-school secretaries please send in their orders at once for the lesson quarterlies for the last quarter of 1910? Get your orders in early, so as to have them in plenty of time for your school.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

ELDER W. F. SCHWARTZ writes from Altoona, where he and Elder Veach are holding a tent effort, that the interest is fair. On Sunday nights they have a full tent. Sabbaths, August 13 and 20, Sabbath afternoon meetings were held in the tent.

Elder I. N. Williams spent August 19-23 in connection with the effort Brethren George West and Fred Shaw are holding at Sweden Valley. He reports a good interest in the meetings there.

On account of Sister Wagner's health it has been necessary for Elder Wagner to give up his work in West Pennsylvania, as a change of climate has been ordered by the physicians attending Sister Wagner's case; and as they go from West Pennsylvania to Arizona, we trust that the Lord will go with them, and bless them in their labors for him. We earnestly hope that Sister Wagner may be restored to health.

Until further notice all communications and matter intended for the president of the West Pennsylvania Conference should be addressed to the vice-president, Elder I. N. Williams, Corydon, Pa.

Brother E. R. Brown, of Baltimore, Columbia Union Conference auditor, made the office a pleasant call August 26-29, and audited the conference books, submitting the following: "Elder I. N. Williams, West Pennsylvania Conference. Dear Brother: I have audited the books of the West Pennsylvania Conference and tract society again for a period covering the last fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 1910. In my examination I have checked the books in the usual way with the papers of original entry, also verified the cash on hand and in the bank, and find same to agree with the demands of the cash book to date. The statement, as submitted by your treasurer, correctly represents the financial starding of your conference. The books are well kept and in balance, all of which I respectfully submit. Yours for the Master, E. R. Brown."

WEST PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE TITHE RECEIPTS

APRIL, MAY. JUNE, and JULY

1910

Albion	54	
Allegheny	263	59
Allegheny German	124	66
Altoona	178	91
Austin	46	35
Bradford	193	73
Clearfield	113	72
Coudersport	372	83
Corry	147	93
Corydon	45	80
Conneautville	10	46
Duke Center	20	00
Edinboro	70	78
Eldred	46	66
Erie	41	74
Greensburg	28	98
Huntingdon	96	31
Indiana	164	61
Jimtown	65	36
Johnstown	206	54
Lock Haven	42	92
Meadville	92	64
Midway	102	10
North Warren	128	38
Oil City	78	25
Pittsburg Number One	728	05
Pittsburg Number Two	136	35
Punxsutawney		
Port Allegany	80	08
Shingle House	-	
Six Mile Run	93	44
Titusville	3	05
Union City	37	30
Washington	52	67
Individuals	111	65
Total \$	3,979	95
A. V. WILLIAMS,	Secy	•

VIRGINIA

The Virginia Camp-Meeting

THE Virginia camp-meeting was held August 4-14, at New Market, Va. The tents were located on the campus immediately adjoining the Shenandoah Valley Training Academy. Although the attendance from the different parts of the conference was not so large as could be wished, yet there was a local attendance good enough and large enough to make it an interesting and profitable campmeeting.

There was indeed a good spirit prevailing on the camp-ground, and the abundant blessing of God which was present marked this camp-meeting as a forerunner of better days for the work in Virginia. On two occasions, especially, the power of God came very near, and there was a large and stirring response to the call for the unconverted to give their hearts to God. and for backsliders to return to the Lord. We think that the Virginia brethren will long remember the seasons when the Lord came preciously near, and gave them new and rich experiences in the power and blessing of his Spirit.

The conference also held its session during the progress of the campmeeting. A spirit of harmony and co-operation for what was deemed the best pervaded the breasts of all. Elder H. G. Thurston, the president of the Arizona Conference, who has accepted the call to come to Virginia, was unanimously elected president of the Virginia Conference. We were greatly pleased to have associated with us in our labors at this campmeeting Elder Stewart Kime, who has recently come from California to connect as a laborer with the Virginia The Lord blessed Conference. Brother Kime in his efforts to labor in behalf of the people on this campground.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: secretary and treasurer of the tract society and of the conference, A. M. Neff; secretary of the Sabbath-school department, Miss Naomi M. Herrell; religions liberty secretary, Elder Stewart Kime; field missionary secretary, V. O. Punches; secretary of the educational department, Professor Forshee; executive committee, H. G. Thurston, R. D. Hottel, A. C. Neff, Stewart Kime, and J. E. Gardner.

• The brethren responded willingly, and liberally to the calls which were

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made in behalf of the "Ministry of Healing" and the \$300,000 fund. All the copies of "Ministry of Healing" which were on the ground were readily sold, and orders for more were taken. The brethren of the conference responded to the call for the \$300,000 fund by subscribing more than one-third of their total three years' quota. A great interest was also manifested in the questions of education, of home, tract, and missionary work, and in fact all the leading lines of work which we carry on as a people.

The usual list of credentials, licenses, and other conference papers were granted to a goodly force of workers. Resolutions covering the great issues which are now on before us as a people were brought in and amply discussed with enthusiasm by the delegates present. We feel satisfied that this camp meeting can result in nothing but good for the advancement of the cause in Virginia.

B. G. WILKINSON.

Medical Day at New Market, Virginia

THE morning hour of August 17 at the Virginia camp-meeting was spent in a discussion of "Drugs versus Potional Methods of Treatment," and some simple hydrotherapeutic treatments were domonstrated. Many such treatments can be given in the home, thus often saving health and doctors' bills.

In the afternoon two pastors of local churches in the vicinity were invited to join in a health and temperance program. These brethren spoke earnestly of the evils of alcohol and tobacco, and their co-operation was much appreciated. Dr. Olive Ingersoll presented some facts concerning the effects of the cigarette habit, and then made a call for anti-cigarette pledges. Her supply of pledges and badges was soon gone. Two stereopticon lectures were given, one on "Flies as carriers of diseases," and the other on "Tuberculosis." Prevention and cure of diseases is a part of the gospel work now, as well as in Christ's time.

The plan for the "Ministy of Healiug" campaign has been heartily endorsed, and all the books supplied for the occasion were quickly taken, and subscriptions given for more.

One hour was given each day for testimony study along health lines. The interest in these meetings was excellent. Dr. Olive Ingersoll and a nurse from the Washington sanitarium were on the ground throughout the meeting, and the writer was present two days. God blessed the medical day at the camp-meeting.

H. N. SISCO, M. D., 2 Iowa Circle, Washington, D. C.

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The Ohio Camp-Meeting

 $\mathbf{T}_{\mathbf{HE}}$ recent camp-meeting at Marion, O., was the largest ever held in the Ohio Conference. About 850 of our people, and a large number from the city, were in attendance. One hundred and fifteen tents were pitched and floored for the campers, and all the buildings on the grounds, and also two large tents, were occupied, and many had to seek accommodations outside the camp ground. Notwithstanding the large numbers. there was no confusion in the camp; but a beautiful spirit of order and harmony prevailed throughout the. meeting.

In addition to the locallaborers who assisted in the various services, several General and union conference workers were present. Elder W. T. Knox was in attendance during the first part of the meeting, Professor Wilkinson arrived early in the second week, and Elder Daniells stopped off on his way to another camp-meeting to spend the last Sabbath of the meeting with the Ohio campers. Elders Butler and Butcher from the College, and also Elder I. D. Richardson of the Columbia Union, were present during a greater part of the time.

Early in the meeting a tender spirit came in and touched the hearts of all. A revival service was held in the middle of the week by Professor Wilkinson. After a stirring appeal the speaker gave the invitation for all to come to the Saviour who felt their need of him. A large number responded to the call, and came forward weeping. It was a time when the presence of Christ was felt, and the mighty power of God searched the heart. Another meeting of the same kind was held on Sabbath morn. ing by Elder Daniells, who spoke of the rich young ruler who was lacking in one thing. After many touching illustrations were given, the gospel invitation was extended, and over a hundred came forward, confessing past mistakes and desiring to yield all, that the blessing of heaven might come into their hearts. On the day following, twenty-one persons were buried with their Lord in baptism; the others will receive the ordinance

in their home churches.

All through the camp-meeting special services were held daily for the children and youth. Three large tents were fitted up for their use.

Professor Otto M. John had the supervision of the young people's Their work of the camp-meeting. meetings, which were held daily at 5:30, morning and afternoon, in the youth's tent, were attended by a large class of earnest and devoted young people. Much stress was laid on educational work, and it is hoped that a large number of these young men and women will, in the near future, be in preparation for efficient work in the Lord's vineward. A large and increasing interest was manifested in this department throughout the meeting.

The kindergarten department was in charge of Miss Debora Secor, who has had this work at our camp-meetings for the past four years. It was intensely interesting to see fifty or sixty small children, from three to seven years old, listening intently to a Bible lesson, and afterwards illustrating it with their own hands. The other children, of whom there were a large number, were in charge of Miss Anna Franklin.

Tuesday, August 16, was educational day on the camp ground. The advantages of our educational system were discussed by Brother W. E. Moffett, educational superintendent of the conference; Miss Bessie E. Acton, who has acted in this capacity for the last three years, and now goes to Illinois to take up intermediate school work; and Elder Butler, president of MountVernon College. Their remarks went to show the necessity of a Christian training in our own schools for the young, that they may be saved for the cause which so much needs their assistance. Like ancient Israel, we often fail in the education of our children, and have occasion to regret the course they take in after life, when, if we had been more considerate in their training, they might now be filling places of trust and responsibility in the Lord's work.

On Wednesday morning a religions liberty program was rendered. Elder A. C. Shannon, religions liberty secretary of the conference, read a paper outlining the principles of religious liberty and showing the results of its abuse. Elder James E. Shultz also read an interesting paper on the subject, showing that religious liberty is the very foundation of our government.

On Thursday the medical phase of our work was taken up. In the

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morning session several interesting talks were given on the subject of medical missionary work, and how it can be made effective. In the afternoon Dr. V. L. Fisher, superintendent of the Mount Vernon Medical and Surgical Sanitarium, gave a very instructive and practical talk on the care of the sick. With the aid of four trained nurses from the sanitarium, he gave several practical demonstrations showing how pain and disease may be relieved by simple treatments which anyone can learn to give. The physicians on the campground were Dr. Fisher, Dr. Jump, Dr. W. J. Venen, Dr. Maud L. Bull, and Dr. Roxette Runck. A medical tent was nicely fitted up, where treatments were given daily by nurses from the Mount Vernon Sanitarium.

On Friday morning Elder Daniells arrived on the camp-ground, and during his stay of two days he gave himself no rest, but morning, afternoon and evening, in the large pavilion or in the youth's tent, he continued to give his messages of hope and encouragement, and his stirring appeals for help. In the Friday morning session, after a review of the missionary work of the world. Elder Daniells introduced the "Ministry of Healing" campaign for the relief of the medical missionary work. Professor Wilkinson followed in the discussion, and when a call was made for volunteers in the campaign, the ninety books on the grounds were quickly disposed of, and orders were taken to be filled after camp-meeting.

On Sunday morning, in the early meeting, the \$300,000 fund was taken up, and almost half of Ohio's full three year's quota was pledged.

In the various efforts held for the purpose of raising funds, the following amounts were given in cash and pledges:—

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The meeting was indeed a time of spiritual refreshing, and hundreds returned home filled with courage and hope, willing to live the truth and to give liberally of their means to carry the message to every nation, that the grand re-union of God's people in the earth renewed may be hastened.

J. F. Olmsted.

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Florence

EARLY in June Elder W. E. Bidwell and the writer pitched a tent in Florence, O., and continued our meetings until about July 26. The interest was very good, and remained so until the last. Many hearts were touched as the truths of God's word were presented, and a considerable company decided to obey. One family of ten, and parts of other families are keeping the Sabbath and attending the Bible studies. A Sabbath school of from twenty to twenty-five members was organized, and there are good prospects for a church organization. Let us remember these new converts at the throne of grace, that they may remain steadfast in the truth. We all have need to pray earnestly one for another, that we may continue in the good work to which God has called us. F. E. GIBSON.

DR. H M. JUMP and Dr. W.J. Venen remained at Marion to follow up the interest awakened by the campmeeting. They have pitched a tent in another part of the city from that in which the camp meeting was held.

A church school convention will be held in the Springfield church Sabbath and Sunday, September 3 and 4. A program is arranged for, and excellent help is expected. Members of the neighboring churches are invited to attend, and will be entertained free of charge. Brother J. W. Mace, manager of the South Bend Branch of the Review and Herald, attended the Ohio campmeeting in the interests of the book work.

Mrs. James E. Shultz had scarcely reached the camp-ground at Marion on the last Thursday of the meeting, when she was called to Clyde on account of the illness of her little son Gerald, who had been spending a few weeks with his grandparents. For a few days his case seemed very serious, but he is now out of danger.

Mr. Walter Moffett went to Clyde last week in the interests of the church school work.

Miss Cora B. Gibson has suspended her Bible work in Cleveland for a, short time on account of her health. She will spend the next few weeks at her home in Wakeman.

We are glad to welcome back to Ohio two of our faithful canvassers, the Corder brothers. They expect to go to Athens County to work up their fall delivery.

At the close of camp-meeting Brother John Shultz and Brother F. E. Gibson went to Warren, O., to hold a tent effort.

Almost our entire force of canvassers was present at the camp-meeting. Brothers Fred Numbers and Earnest Numbers, field missionary agents for the state and union respectively were also in attendance, and, with the help of Brother Mace, held many interesting meetings with the canvassers.

About sixty subscriptions to the COLUMBIA UNION VISITOR were secured at the Ohio camp-meeting. We hope the effort to increase our list will be continued until the paper is a welrome VISITOR in every Adventist home in the conference.

The receipts of the Obio tract society during the camp-meeting were within five dollars of \$600.

Mrs. J. I. Cassell was called to Laura, O., last week on account of the illness of her mother.

Miss Bessie E. Acton, went from the camp meeting to her home in Hicksville, O., where she will spend a short vacation before taking up her duties in Fox River Academy. Elder W. E. Bidwell and Brother L. R. Williams have begun a tent effort at Holmesville, Holmes County, Obio.

Nurses' Course at the Mount Vernon Medical and Surgical Sanitarium

THE fall class for missionary nurses opens September 15. As heretofore, the course will be in connection with Mount Vernon College. Write for application blanks. Address: Mount Vernon Medical and Surgical Sanitarium, Mount Vernon, O.

Sanitarium News Notes

DR. ROXETTE RUNCK, who has been teaching at Berrien Springs the past three years, has joined the sanitarium family, and will act as lady physician.

Mrs. G. E. Wales, of Toledo, is spending a few weeks resting at the sanitarium.

Professor Barber, of Ypsilanta, Mich., is being treated in the institution for facial neuralgia.

Brother P. S. Stokes and family are spending their vacation in Scioto county visiting Mrs. Stokes' relatives.

Mrs. Minnie Cooper is nursing at the sanitarium this week.

Misses Edna Cook and Hallie Metcalf are attending the camp-meeting in McMechen, W. Va.

Misses Stella Kennedy and Bertha Spohn are assisting at the sanitarium during the busy season.

OBITUARIES

ATKINSON.—Died of old age, Brother Robert Atkinson, aged 80 years and 7 months. Brother Atkinson was highly respected by all who knew him, and although a great sufferer for a time, was always trusting in God for this life and the life to come. He was laid away on July 14, in the cemetery at Alloway, N. J., where he rests from his labors, and his works do follow him. The funeral services were conducted by the writer, who spoke words of comfort to the mourners. from Rev. 14:13.

GEORGE W. SPIES.