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GOD HOLDS THE KEY

God holds the key of all unknown,
And I am glad;
If other hands should hold the key,
Or if he trusted it to me,
I might be sad.

What if to-morrow's cares were here,
Without its rest?
I'd rather he'd unlock the door,
And as the hours swing open, say,
"My will is best."

The very dimness of my sight
Makes me "secure";
For groping in my misty way,
I feel his hand—I hear him say,
"My help is sure."

I cannot read his future plan,
But this I know,
I have the smiling of his face,
And all the refuge of his grace,
While here below.

Enough, this covers all my want,
And so I rest;
For what I can not, he can see,
And in his care I sure shall be
Forever blest.

JOHN PARKER.

Watch

WE ARE in the waiting time; let your loins be girded about, and your lights shining, that you may wait for the Lord when he returns from the wedding, that when he comes and knocks you may open unto him immediately.

Watch, brethren, the first dimming of your light, the first neglect of prayer, the first symptom of spiritual slumber. "He that endureth to the end shall be saved." It is by the constant exercise of faith and love that believers are made to shine as lights in the world. We are making but poor preparation for the Master's coming if we are serving mammon while professedly serving God. When he appears, you must then present to him the talents you have buried in the earth, talents neglected, abused, misused,—a divided love.

Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation. There are stern battles to be fought. We should put on the whole armor of righteousness, and prove ourselves strong and true in our Redeemer's service. God wants no idlers in his fields, but co-laborers with Christ, vigilant sentinels at their posts, valiant soldiers of the cross, ready to do and dare all things for the cause in which they are enlisted.

In this age of corruption, when our adversary, the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about seeking whom he may devour, I see the necessity of lifting my voice in warning. "Watch and pray, lest ye enter into temptation." There are many who possess brilliant talents, who wickedly devote them to the service of Satan. What warning can I give to a people who profess to have come out from the world, and to have left its works of darkness? to a people whom God has made the repositories of his law, but who, like the pretentious fig-tree, flaunt their apparently flourishing branches in the very face of the Almighty, yet bear no fruit to the glory of God. Many of them cherish impure thoughts, unholy imaginations, unsanctified desires and base passions. God hates the fruit borne on such a tree. Angels, pure and holy, look upon the course of such with abhorrence, while Satan exults. Oh, that men and women would consider what is to be gained by transgression of God's law. Under any and every circumstance, transgression is a dishonor to God and a curse to man. We must regard it thus, however fair its guise, and by whomsoever committed.

God is leading his people out from the abominations of the world, that they may keep his law; and because of this, the rage of "the accuser of our brethren" knows no bounds. "The devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time." The antitypical land of promise is just before us, and Satan is determined to destroy the people of God, and cut them off from their inheritance. The admonition, "Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation," was

never more needed than now. We are now living in the great day of atonement. In the typical service, while the high priest was making the atonement for Israel, all were required to afflict their souls by repentance of sin and humiliation before the Lord, lest they be cut off from among the people. In like manner, all who would have their names retained in the book of life, should now, in the few remaining days of their probation, afflict their souls before God for sin, and true repentance. There must be deep, faithful searching of heart. The light, frivolous spirit indulged by so many professed Christians must be put away. There is earnest warfare before all who would subdue the evil tendencies that strive for the mastery. The work of preparation is an individual work. We are not saved in groups. The purity and devotion of one will not offset the want of these qualities in another. Though all nations are to pass in judgment before God, yet he will examine the case of each individual with as close and searching scrutiny as if there were not another being upon the earth. Every one must be tested, and found without spot or wrinkle or any such thing.

Solemn are the scenes connected with the closing work of the atonement. Momentous are the interests involved therein. The judgment is now passing in the sanctuary above. For more than sixty years this work has been in progress. Soon—none know how soon—it will pass to the cases of the living. In the awful presence of God our lives are to come up in review. At this time above all others it behooves every soul to heed the Saviour's admonition, "Watch and pray; for ye know not when the time is." "If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee."

When the work of the investigative judgment closes, the destiny of all will have been decided for life or death. Probation is ended a short time before the appearing of the Lord in the clouds of heaven. Christ in the Revelation, looking forward to

that time, declares: "He that is unjust, let him be unjust still; and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still, and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still; and he that is holy, let him be holy still. And, behold, I come quickly, and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be."

The righteous and the wicked will still be living upon the earth in their mortal state—men will be planting and building, eating and drinking, all unconscious that the final, irrevocable decision has been pronounced in the sanctuary above. Before the flood, after Noah entered the ark, God shut him in, and shut the ungodly out; but for seven days the people, knowing not that their doom was fixed, continued their careless, pleasure-loving life, and mocked the warnings of impending judgment. "So," says the Saviour, "shall also the coming of the Son of man be." Silently, unnoticed as the midnight thief, will come the decisive hour which marks the fixing of every man's destiny, the final withdrawal of mercy's offer to guilty man.

"Watch ye therefore; . . . lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping." Perilous is the condition of those who, growing weary of their watch, turn to the attractions of the world. While the man of business is absorbed in the pursuit of gain, while the pleasure-lover is seeking indulgence, while the daughter of fashion is arranging her adornments,—it may be in that hour the Judge of all the earth will pronounce the sentence, "Thou art weighed in the balances and art found wanting."

"And what I say unto you, I say unto all, WATCH."

Mrs. E. G. White, in Gospel Herald.

Prophets

MAN came from the hand of God pure and holy. While he remained in this condition he was permitted to talk with God face to face. But after he had sinned he was afraid of God and feared to talk with him, lest he should die; for our God is a consumer of sin. Thus it seemed that man was completely separated from his Maker; but God in his great mercy conceived a plan whereby he could still instruct and lead his people. This plan was through his prophets.

A prophet is one who is illuminated, inspired, or instructed by God to speak for him and interpret his will to man. To these prophets God reveals his will by visions and dreams. Peter

tells us that it is the Spirit of Christ which causes the prophets to write and speak. 1 Peter 1: 10, 11; so the words which they speak are not their testimony, but the testimony of Jesus. Revelation 19: 10.

In opposition to God's plan, Satan, the great arch-deceiver, has caused many false teachers and prophets to go forth into the world in order to deceive. But God has not left us to guess whether a manifestation is from heaven or from the evil power. He has given us rules by which we may know the genuine and the false. The performing of miracles or great signs and wonders does not prove a prophet true; for a great persecuting power will do this in the last days. Revelation 13: 13, 14. John the Baptist was one of the greatest prophets, yet he did no miracle. A true prophet will speak in harmony with the law of God and with the prophets who have spoken before him. Christ also said, "By their fruits ye shall know them." Matt. 7:15-27.

Prophets will continue until the end. Especially is it said of the last or remnant church that they will keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus—the spirit of prophecy. Rev. 12:17. So if we do not accept the spirit of prophecy, we cannot belong to the remnant church.

Tokens are on every hand that the end is near. Jesus will come, and then sin will be forever removed. Again we may talk with God face to face. The righteous shall dwell with him. They shall see the King in his beauty. Isa. 33:14-17.

MARY BARRETT.

Philemon

PHILEMON was a prominent member of the church at Colosse, and it was to this brother that Paul addressed the epistle which bears his name. It is the only private letter we possess of the apostle Paul's. Paul does not begin this epistle by asserting his apostolic authority, but he addresses Philemon as a brother in Jesus Christ. From the epistle it seems that Onesimus, the servant of Philemon, had wronged his master, and had then run away; but after his conversion, Paul sent him back, and with him this letter of commendation to his master. We read in the eleventh verse that this servant was unprofitable in times past, but now Paul considered him profitable to himself.

Thus we see what the gospel of Christ can do for one. It will transform a useless life into a useful one. Paul says in his epistle to the He-

brews that "the word of God is quick and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword;" and if we let it into our lives it will do for us what it did for this servant.

In the twenty-seventh verse Paul expresses his confidence in the prayers of others, and all through his epistles he exhorts the believers to pray for him. He was a powerful preacher for the gospel, but the secret of his success was his constant connection with God by prayer.

ESTA L. MILLER.

AT THE COLLEGE

RUBIAYAT OF THE GLEANER

Work, faithful Christian, while 'tis called to-day,

The night is coming, hasten while you may;
This is the time to do what'er thou canst;
To-morrow's sun may never shed a ray.

The harvest whitens as the autumn nears,
And honest work is more than palsied fears.

O, let us work in faith and then present
Our toll of precious sheaves—not idle tears.

Some soul to-day may reach the turning point

That shall decide life's destiny. Anoint

O Lord, our efforts with thy grace,
That we thy Spirit may not disappoint.

A cheering word, a smile may turn the tide—
May reach the soul submerged in bitter pride,

And point him on toward the pearly gate,
That he may enter in and there abide.

GURNIE YOUNG.

Evidences of Education

EDUCATION is a life-long process. It is not something that can be measured by years in a college course. The work in school is merely a preparation for further growth. Let us note a few of the evidences of education.

Of more importance than many estimate are correctness and precision in the use of the mother tongue. English is undoubtedly coming to be the universal language. Englishmen and Americans have carried it around the globe. It is the hardest language to master, and has finer shades of meaning than any other language. It is most difficult to always make a good choice of words. Association with persons of refinement and culture is one of the means of acquiring this most difficult art. Clearness of expression should be cultivated, and there is no place where one can derive more benefit than in the criticisms which come from college associations. One who has mastered the mother tongue has

one of the best evidences of an education.

Another evidence of an education is the refinement and gentle manners which are the expression of fixed habits and actions. The outward expression will reach the inward consciousness, and even the little expressions of common politeness will become habits which are more than mere expressions. All true courtesy includes unselfishness. There is no better place than in a school filled with Christian young people in which to acquire habits of refinement, although there is no place in which it is more easy to fall into careless habits of speech and action.

The power and habit of reflection is another evidence of an education. The English and Germans accuse us of being in such a hurry that we never stop to think. But whether this is true or not, it is certainly a fact that the greatest weakness of the ordinary student is slavery to the text-book. No doubt this is caused by the heavy work which is being carried, in order to finish the prescribed course of study as quickly as possible; but it certainly is a lamentable fact that a student will take so many studies that he has not time to assimilate what he studies. Wise is the student who allows nothing to take the place of a "silent hour" each day.

Another evidence which naturally should be included with the last is the power of purposeful and consecutive thinking. This power gives the ability to overcome difficulties and leads to growth. One will say this power may be acquired out of school. True, many do accomplish much, but it takes a much longer time to secure the same training; and through the foresight of experienced teachers, the growth and trend are in the right direction. Natural tendencies may with this assistance be guided.

Other evidences may be mentioned: for instance, the memory is enriched, the judgment more firmly established, the habit of painstaking emphasized, the senses trained to respond more accurately and quickly, the perceptive faculties made more keen, and the ability attained to use the powers and experiences which one has on new problems. The student habit is a most important evidence. This means power of growth. Good character is not the being good alone, but the "growth in goodness which constitutes" the education; not honesty alone, but the continued growth in grace and good will and serious purpose," the clean intention and unselfish in-

terests. Nowhere along the upward road of learning may one be said "to have attained that 'good character' which is supposed to be the end of education," and which excuses no one from the duty of reaching yet higher altitudes. In the mental as well as the moral life, any stage or degree of attainment is only one of the series of upward steps. Any of these stages are equally honorable, provided one be facing up and moving onward. But no matter how lofty the height which merely holds its own or retrogrades, the only really important fact is growth.

The blacksmith who each day makes the very best shoe that he knows how is on the way to better ones in the future.

An important factor in college life which is an aid to growth, is the opportunity of helping others. One has said that we are not to wait until we are out of school to get into the work, but we are in the work in school, if we will but do it. And viewing the matter from a purely personal side, I was going to say a selfish side,—though we cannot conceive of such a thing as a selfish side when helping another,—the more one strives to aid others, the greater progress will he make. The association with others constitutes one of the greatest advantages of college life.

MYRTA M. KELLOGG.

The Way to the Top

It often happens that the poor and unfortunate are those who, in later years, become powerful and respected, and do great good for their fellow-men. The first question that comes to us is this: How is it to be accomplished? How do these persons prepare for a great work? Let us consider in a brief way one phase of this question.

In some way and at some time an education must be obtained. But if you are poor or circumstances hinder, how is an education to be had? First—nearly always—a strong will-power and determination will cast circumstances to the winds. If poverty is the trouble, that can also be overcome.

There are many ways by which our young people who are determined may get the means for a training in school. Let me mention a few. The scholarship plan is becoming very popular as a means for earning money for school expenses. Even one who might be termed "an ordinary person" can sell enough books during the vacation to pay for one year's schooling. There are two other good

points in this plan. The experience is invaluable to the student in after life as he enters the work, even in any capacity. But perhaps the greatest good is done for the persons who buy the books or papers. Thus they become acquainted with the truth; and many who are now in this truth have come to a knowledge of it in this way. If only one soul should be saved as a result of a summer's work, that work would not be in vain.

Nearly all of our schools have farms connected with them. This furnishes employment for a limited number, both in summer and in winter. Where there are industries in the school, there is always a chance for worthy ones to work at least a part of their way. Sometimes sanitariums are situated near a school; these always furnish many places for students, especially during the summer months.

So far as possible all work in the homes and other buildings is done by the students. This gives opportunity for a large number to work all or a part of their way. Families in the vicinity often ask students to help in their homes; this provides for board and room; and who could not find tuition and books in some other way?

There are other ways whereby a young man or woman who is earnest, and is determined to obtain knowledge, can have it. If you think the obstacles are too many, think of Luther, the great reformer who stirred the world; he was the son of a poor miner. Lincoln was a backwoodsman, called the "railsplitter"; see where he is to-day!

Let us notice a few men who stand high in the commercial world,—Vanderbilt, Gould, H. H. Rogers, John Rockefeller, Andrew Carnegie, and Sir Thomas Lipton. Take a glimpse at these men in their early years. Perhaps some would be surprised to know some of their early history. They were not born with a silver spoon in their mouth. They were determined to do one thing, and they thus accomplished it. So each one of us may do at least some good in this world if we only are in earnest and faithful to the end.

A. EARL HALL.

College Notes

ELDER BUTLER has so far recovered from his recent illness that he is able to attend to his duties a few hours each day.

Miss Viola Kirkendall, of Toronto, Ontario, a former student of Mount Vernon, is at Berrien Springs this year.

Mr. Earl W. Culver returned to the College again this year to take charge of the cooking department. During the summer he has been assisting in a tent effort at Newark, New Jersey, and rendering valuable help in the music.

The Metcalf family desire to express their thanks to friends and neighbors for the kindness shown them during their recent sorrow.

Mrs. Maud Wilson and little son, of Cleveland, Ohio, have been visiting Miss Marea Wilson at the College for a few days. Miss Wilson was quite ill for some time after her arrival at school, but has now recovered.

The largest class in music that has formed since the establishment of the College, is beginning its year's work.

A new steel gas range was added to the culinary department last week. The kitchen, serving room, and dining room, which were replastered during the summer and finished with Keene cement, show a marked improvement over their appearance last year.

Mr. Earl Spencer, whom many of the old students remember, is now engaged with the North Dakota Conference as secretary-treasurer. He is also acting as pastor of the Fargo church.

Mr. E. W. Metcalf is suffering from an attack of paralysis.

Miss Fidelia Patches, of Hamler, Ohio, will be here early in October to take up her duties as assistant in the music department.

There is an opportunity for three or four young ladies to obtain work at Mount Vernon that will enable them to earn their way through school during the year. References are required.

Miss Clara Pettit who earned her scholarship by canvassing in West Virginia after the close of the summer school, is now ill, but will be in school as soon as she recovers.

Mrs. Iles, the wife of Edward L. Iles, whom many of the old students will remember, was in Academia

with her children last week, visiting friends here prior to her departure for Alabama, where Brother Iles is engaged in ministerial work.

Miss Mary Moffett of Academia, a former student of Mount Vernon, who has just been graduated from the Washington Sanitarium, is visiting friends in New Jersey, before returning to her home.

Miss Bessie E. Acton, although enjoying her new work at Fox River Academy, is suffering an attack of homesickness for old Mount Vernon.

The following students have enrolled since our last issue:—

Myrtle L. Amick	Florida
Laura Bense	New Jersey
Florence M. Chrisman	Ohio
H. W. Chilson	Ohio
Lydia M. Detwiler	Pennsylvania
Glenn G. Evans	Michigan
Elizabeth H. Herr	Pennsylvania
Goldie Hixon	Ohio
Alfred Holst	Ohio
Flora E. Judd	Michigan
Sarah E. Long	New Jersey
Ruth M. Murphy	New Jersey
Margaret G. Newell	Ohio
J. Devereau Parish	Michigan
Willia B. Parker	Ohio
Leah Mae Reark	Ohio
Mabel A. Reed	Michigan
Francilia Scott	Ohio
Mary Sprecher	Pennsylvania
Mildred Weick	New York
Raymond Weick	New York
Mrs. Myrial Daisy Weick	New York

CHURCH SCHOOL

Eugene Chapin	Ohio
Lula Knolls	Ohio
Arlo Newell	Ohio
Ernest Piper	Ohio
Wayne Sprankle	Ohio

Miller-Atwell

THE marriage of Miss Laura Atwell to Mr. Esta Miller, of Mount Vernon, was solemnized Thursday evening, September 8, at 8 o'clock P. M., at the home of the bride's father, Mr. Oliver C. Atwell of Jefferson, O. Elder J. O. Miller, father of the groom, officiated. Miss Ruth Atwell, sister of the bride, rendered the wedding march.

Only the relatives of the contracting parties were present, excepting Miss Hazel Crummel, room-mate of the bride when at college, who, with Mr. Clarence Morris, attended the bride and groom; also Mr. Orvie J.

Gibson, who spent three years with the groom in China. After the marriage ceremony, refreshments were served, and a very pleasant social hour was enjoyed by all present.

At 12:58 the bridal pair left for Mount Vernon, where they spent five busy days making ready for their trip to the Orient, where they have chosen to spend their lives for the cause of truth, in behalf of China's millions. Wednesday evening, September 14, at 10 o'clock, they took train for San Francisco, from which port they sailed for China September 20, on the steam-ship *China*, of the Pacific Mail Line. Both the bride and groom were students at the College last year, and it was a privilege which they very much appreciated to meet again Wednesday morning many of their old friends and school-mates, who had returned for another year's work at the College. The prayers and best wishes of a host of friends follow them.

Those who attended the wedding from out of town were Elder and Mrs. J. O. Miller and daughter Alice, of St John, N. B.; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Miller, Mr. O. J. Gibson, and Mr. Clarence Morris, of Mount Vernon; Miss Hazel Crummel, of Akron; Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Andrews, of South Kirtland, O.; and Mr. Benjamin A. Webb, of Youngstown, O.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller's address will be Box 993 U. S. Post Office, Shanghai, China.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

ELDER I. G. BIGELOW was a welcome visitor at the office September 8.

Brother J. S. Glunt is now located at Pitcairn, Pa., where he expects to sell our books. We trust that the Lord will especially bless Brother Glunt with success in this locality.

Elder I. N. Williams spent a few days last week with the company at Kittanning, and spent Sabbath, September 17, with the brethren and sisters at Indiana.

The Corydon church school will open in a few days. Sister Clara Worden of Burt, N. Y., will teach. We trust that we shall have a prosperous school year. Any one interested in the school should correspond with Elder I. N. Williams, Corydon, Pa.

Brother J. T. Long of De Young, Pa., accompanied his son Seth to the Tunesassa school, which opened September 19, and before returning home made our office a pleasant visit. Brother Seth did splendidly selling magazines to help him through school this winter, and we trust that many others among our youth will resolve to earn a scholarship in this way. If you can not go to school this winter, now is the time to begin work. Any one interested in getting an education, and lacking the means, is invited to correspond with this office.

Last year the West Pennsylvania Conference used 7219 copies of the missions number of the *Review*, and the funds collected amounted to \$552.94. The needs of the cause are greater this year than they were last, and this year's number of the *Review* is better for circulation than any previous number; therefore we trust that the brethren and sisters in our conference will use a larger number than before, and be more earnest and successful than in the past in securing donations for foreign missions. October 1 is the date set to begin to fill orders. If you have not placed your order, do so at once.

A. V. WILLIAMS.

NEW JERSEY

OUR workers seem to be having more than the usual amount of sickness this month. Brother Wolter is in the Middletown, N. Y., sanitarium; Brother Boersma has been ill a large part of the time, and Miss Dreyfuss has been obliged to stop work for a few days. We shall remember these workers in our prayers, that they may be again restored to the work which needs their labors so much.

Elder B. F. Kneeland attended a union meeting at the Jersey City, West Hoboken tent, on Sabbath, September 10. A good meeting is reported.

Elder J. G. Handhardt, who has returned from a trip to some of the western camp-meetings, reports that a strong interest has been aroused in that part of the field in the work for the great cities in the East. The services of a lady Bible worker have been secured for the German work in this state. Such a work has been greatly needed, and we trust that this

will give a new impetus to the work among this people.

The conference committee was in session last Wednesday and Thursday. Among the important steps taken was the assignment of the various workers who will take charge of the Harvest Ingathering campaign among the churches. Plans were also laid for further aggressive missionary effort during the remainder of the year. We were reminded that only about one-fourth of the year still remains, and it must be filled with earnest effort, if the record of the year is to meet Heaven's approval.

We are glad to note that our young people are being aroused to appreciate the blessings of an education in our schools. Among those who have recently left us to spend the year at Mount Vernon College are John Van Olst of Paterson, Mr. Smith of Newark; Miss Sarah Long of Burlington, Miss Louise Bensei and Miss Ruth Murphy, of Trenton. Others are just as anxious to go as these, and expect that another year will see the difficulties swept away which now prevent their attending the College.

Have you sent in your order for a supply of the special missions issue of the *Review and Herald*, which is to be used during the Harvest Ingathering campaign this year? Every true Seventh-day Adventist will rejoice at this grand opportunity of obtaining this splendid herald of the third angel's message for distribution at no expense to himself. There seems to be no reason why the campaign this year shall not be better and stronger than either of the two previous ones. If we value this truth ourselves, and prize the priceless blessings it has brought to us, we shall do all in our power to bring it to the thousands about us who are still groping in darkness, and know not, or do not realize, that we are now standing on the borderland of the kingdom.

Remember that the Harvest Ingathering campaign week is October 30 to November 4; but the papers and supplies must be ordered immediately. Send in the orders to this office, 1635 South Broad Street, Trenton, N. J. Do not order papers and allow them to be wasted, but order just as many as you can use judiciously. The situation and the needs of the work demand a still greater effort than was made last year. During the last two cam-

paigns, we have had splendid efforts by our people, and most excellent results, and we trust that all will take hold of this one in a way that will make it the greatest success of all.

We heard the other day of a church member who came to the meeting on Sabbath, October 17, and had not heard that the day was set aside as a day of fasting and prayer. Of course it was found that he did not read the *Review*. No one can hope to keep pace with this message who does not have interest enough in the progress of the work to read our church paper.

WEST VIRGINIA

The Camp-Meeting

THE West Virginia camp-meeting was held at McMechen, West Virginia, August 18-28. The annual session of the conference was held in connection with this assembly, and contributed much to the interest and profit of the meeting.

An excellent spirit prevailed during the entire time of the gathering, and some felt that it was the best camp-meeting that had been held in the state for many years, both in interest and in attendance. There was a splendid spirit of good will toward the camp and the campers on the part of the people dwelling in the city. The number of outsiders at the evening meetings was very large, and those who came seemed to be greatly stirred by the truths which were presented.

Elders Robbins and Steele expect to organize a church at McMechen as a result of the tent meetings and also of the camp-meeting which has just been held at that place. Five precious souls followed their Lord in baptism, and about ten more will be baptized soon.

The last Sunday night of the meeting the Sabbath question was presented by the writer, and a call for an expression on the part of the audience was made. Two precious souls arose to signify then and there their intention to begin the observance of the Sabbath. About fifty more who were not Sabbath-keepers held up their hands to signify their conviction in the truth that the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord; and while the heads of the audience were bowed in prayer, about a dozen of these raised their hands to ask for prayers that they might be strengthened to follow their Lord in the convictions which he had given them.

I can truthfully say that at no camp-meeting which I attended this summer was there shown a greater spirit of liberality than right here in West Virginia. The hearts of the people were moved not only to give themselves, but to give their means. By so small a handful of believers, something like 219 copies of the book "Ministry of Healing" were disposed of. A call for foreign missions resulted in a gift of \$113, while the response to the \$300,000 fund resulted in cash and pledges to the amount of \$760, which was more than two-thirds of the entire three years' quota of the West Virginia Conference.

Plans were laid to carry on aggressive work in different parts of the state this year. The work will be opened up in Charleston and Wheeling. The prospect looks bright in this state for a successful year's work.

B. G. WILKINSON.

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

ELDER C. S. WIEST reports seventeen baptized as a result of the tent effort in Reading this summer.

We trust, now that the Harvest Ingathering campaign has become a permanent thing, that our churches in this conference will all do their part in making this as successful or even more so than last year.

Evangelist C. S. Baum has closed his effort in Allentown. He states that nine have fully accepted the truth that we so much love, and many more are in the valley of decision.

The church at Fairhill near Souderton, was appropriately dedicated Sunday, September 11. Elder W. H. Heckman had charge of the service.

Elder R. E. Harter closed a successful tent effort in Philadelphia Sunday night, September 18. There was a large audience present, and when the call was made to ascertain how many believed that the Seventh day was the Sabbath, nearly all stood upon their feet. When the call came as to how many would obey, one-half the congregation arose.

Elder W. H. Heckman spent Sabbath and Sunday, September 17 and 18 with the churches at Williamsport, Jersey Shore and Roaring Branch.

He reports profitable meetings at these places.

The young people of this conference have raised, thus far, on the \$1200 fund for the Mount Vernon College water plant, the sum of \$27.84.

Elder and Mrs. W. H. Heckman left Philadelphia September 25, for a visit with Sister Heckman's aged parents in Alabama.

OHIO

Cleveland

THE day of fasting and prayer was a day of great blessing for the German church in Cleveland. At the close of Sabbath-school we had a good prayer meeting, and afterward the \$300,000 fund was taken up. Six members were absent, but the twenty-seven members who were present, and two who were not Seventh-day Adventists, gave in cash and pledges, \$126.

It has been some time since we have reported the German work in this city; we have been trying an experiment. We desired, before reporting, to get our whole membership to work, and see what the result would be. Now we have no discouraging report to bring to the readers of the VISITOR. The work is onward, and the message is triumphing.

At first it was very hard for the members to begin the house-to-house work with the *Family Bible Teacher* and *Zeichen der Zeit*, which we now use; but when we told them how, in Brazil, the newly converted heathen would go with us from house to house in the city with papers and tracts, begging the unconverted to read, and as the result of this work we had baptized twenty, forty, and even ninety-seven souls in one day, they were glad to help us in this noble work; and we organized a missionary society. Since this organization was effected there has been a spirit of joy and peace in the church, and eight precious souls have been baptized. A member who had become discouraged in the Christian life joined this society, and while working for others found a spiritual refreshing herself, and is now rejoicing over two persons whom she was able to lead to the fold of safety.

The leader of our missionary society is Mrs. Graf. Brother M. B. Schnster has been acting as secretary and treasurer, but as he has now gone

to the Clinton German Seminary to prepare for the ministry, Brother Theis has been appointed to take his place.

Our society has thirty-seven sets of the *Family Bible Teacher*, and one hundred *Signs of the Times*, for which we have paid. A German church in Colorado is also sending us thirty-five copies of the *Signs of the Times*, a brother in College View, Neb., is sending us ten copies; the Christlicher Hausfreund mission fund is supplying us with forty copies of the *Christlicher Hausfreund*, and a brother in Minnesota is sending us ten copies of the same paper. Two members of the Sherwood church, when they heard of our good work, sent us ten dollars; and one brother in the same church paid for one hundred copies of the *Christlicher Hausfreund* for one year. These are sent direct from the International Publishing Association to our readers in this city.

Our society meets every Tuesday night for prayer, labor reporting, and business. In the books of our treasurer I find all bills paid, and a cash balance of \$12.76 on hand. We also hold meetings on Sunday afternoon, and Tuesday and Thursday evenings, when the workers bring in such persons as are interested, and opportunity is given to ask questions. Could our brethren and sisters of the Ohio Conference witness the many tokens of appreciation, and the willingness to accept the truth as it is in Jesus, I know that it would inspire their hearts to greater faithfulness in every known duty.

Brethren, take heart. The mighty Lord is with us; he is for us, and it is victory all the way.

H. F. GRAF.

OHIO TITHE RECEIPTS

AUGUST, 1910

Akron	\$14 50
Alliance . . . . .	.....
*Barnesville . . . . .	.....
Bellefontaine	53 00
Bellville	15 00
*Broughton . . . . .	.....
Bowling Green . . . . .	.....
Camden	24 00
Canton . . . . .	.....
Chagrin Falls	58 29
Charloe	16 28
Chillicothe	34 33
Cincinnati	54 20
Cleveland	2 50
Cleveland German	80 81
Clyde	3 55
Columbiana	17 59
Columbus	316 91
*Conant . . . . .	.....

Canvassers' Reports

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending September 16, 1910

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
J. Heaton, Huntingdon Co.	GC	2	7	1	3 00	10 45	13 45		
F. Hiner, Beaver Co.	GC	2	19	9	31 00		31 00	2 00	
Adeline Zoerb, Beaver Co.	SP	5	20	5	5 00	2 50	7 50	2 00	
Agnes Zoerb, Beaver Co.	SP	5	26	7	8 00	2 15	10 15	23 05	
Miss Midkiff, Beaver Co.	SP	5	27	23	26 00	8 15	34 15	50	
A. Brownlee, Butler Co.	GC	4	49	11	32 50	10 30	42 80	7 60	
C. Zimmerman, Bedford Co.	GC	4	25	14	45 00	10 00	55 00		
L. Scanland, Allegheny Co.	GC	5	20	7	22 00		22 00	74 00	
Mr. L. Scanland, "	GC	3	14	5	17 00	3 00	20 00		
J. Glant, West Moreland	GC	2	12	6	9 25	25	9 50	14 75	
Totals			37	219	88	\$198 75	\$46 80	\$245 55	\$123 90

Ohio, Week Ending September 16, 1910

+Enos M. Horst, Hocking Co.	GC	10	88	18	56 00	8 00	64 00	8 00	
H. Forsythe, Monroe Co.	GC	4	42	3	9 00	2 30	11 30		
Ira Rickett, Morgan	GC	2	13	3	9 00	25	9 25	25	
O. Hershberger Morgan Co.	GC	4	36					162 50	
+A. L. Bassler, Perry Co.	DR	7	68	12	37 00	21 70	58 70	5 85	
H. C. Smith, Summit Co.	DR	3		7	21 00		21 00	9 00	
H. Dunmead, Morgan Co.	DR	5	43	3	9 00	1 50	10 50		
F. E. Hankins, Jefferson Co.	DR	3	17					154 51	
H. Kirk, Jefferson Co.	DR		23					115 00	
+F. E. Wagner, Summit Co.	DR	8	56	3	9 00	21 75	30 75		
L. H. Waters, Athens Co.	BF	5	43	25	27 00	50	27 50	50	
C. Perrine, Richland Co.	CK		14					29 00	
Totals		51	443	74	\$177 00	\$56 00	\$233 00	\$484 61	

West Virginia, Week Ending September 9, 1910

Clara Pettit	CK	5	38	46	69 50	1 40	70 90	1 40	
J. Jennings, Fayette Co.	DR	5	37	2	8 00	34 00	42 00	5 00	
R. Wheeler, Preston Co.	DR	4	40	5	15 00	16 50	31 50		
" " "	DR	4	30	1	3 00	2 00	5 00	32 00	
W. Coleman	DR	4						137 50	
Hazel Leach, Wetzel Co.	DR	2	17					75 00	
J. H. Jennings, Fayette Co.	DR	1	6	1	2 00	5 80	7 80		
W. McElphatrick, Lewis Co.	DR	4	41	13	39 00	2 00	41 00	1 25	
Totals		29	209	68	\$136 50	\$61 70	\$198 20	\$252 13	

West Virginia, Week Ending September 16, 1910

T. M. Butler, Tyler Co.	GC	3	2					55 10	
W. Adkins, Enterprise	DR	5	40	20	64 00		64 00		
J. Jennings, Fayette Co.	DR	5	30	9	26 00	21 00	47 00		
Clara Pettit	DR		42	27	38 00		38 00		
Dollie Parker, Marion Co.	CK	5	43	33	37 50	3 00	40 50		
" " Ohio "	CK	5	60					140 00	
Totals		23	236	89	\$165 50	\$24 00	\$189 50	\$195 10	

District of Columbia, Week Ending September 16, 1910

W. Seeblick, Rectortown, Va.	DR			21	69 00	15 75	84 75		
C. Buel, Prince George, Md.	Heralds	2		6	12 00		12 00		
Totals		2		27	\$81 00	\$15 75	\$96 75		

District of Columbia, Week Ending September 9, 1910

H. Johnson, Takoma Park	DR		10		10 50	1 50	12 00		
L. Funk, Warrentown, Va.	DR							52 50	
Ira Porter, " Va.	DR							40 00	
Totals			10		\$10 50	\$1 50	\$12 00	\$92 50	

+Two weeks

Grand Totals: Value of Orders, \$975.00 Deliveries, \$1,148.26

Conneaut	2 63
*Convoy	....
Corsica	....
Coshocton	27 05
Cygnat	....
Dayton	106 36
Defiance	8 50
Delaware	70 55
Delta	....
Derwent	11 50
*Dixon	....
Dowling	....
Dunkirk	....
East Liverpool	40 38
Elgin	5 00
Findlay	14 46
Greenspring	1 55
*Gilboa	....
Hamler	....
Hamilton	57 99
Hicksville	....
*Jackson	....
Jefferson	....
*Kenton	8 70
Killbuck	10 60
LaGrange	....
Lake View	65 71
Laura	....
Leesburg	....
Liberty Center	23 12
Lima	....
Locust Point	15 00
Mansfield	25 94
Marion	48 65
Massillon	....
Medina	....
Mendon	8 00
Middlefield	10 83
Mount Vernon	102 56
Newark	55 46
New Marshfield	....
Norwalk	....
New Philadelphia	....
Pemberville	....
Piqua	94 56
Pleasant Hill	24 35
*Plimpton	....
Powell	....
Ravenna	22 02
*Reedsville	....
Rows	....
Sherwood	....
*Shreve	....
Spencer	....
Springfield	81 29
Toledo	153 15
Troy	....
Van Wert	....
Walnut Grove	....
Washington C. H.	198 24
Waterford	....
*West Mansfield	5 00
Whealersburg	....
Wilmington	....
Youngstown	94 03
Zanesville	23 63
Individuals	71 80

TOTAL \$2,179 59

*Companies

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Mount Vernon College Fund.....	109 48
Mid-Summer Offering.....	103 37
\$300,000 Fund.....	67 68
Sanitarium Relief Fund.....	2 00
Mission Review.....	1 60
Colored Work.....	1 00
\$150,000 Fund.....	25 00
Blind Fund.....	83 75
Tent Fund.....	217 12
Missionary Volunteers (Huntsville)	23 18
Africa.....	1 10
Orphans and Aged.....	1 25
Tent and Hall Donations.....	14 91

TOTAL.....\$5,125 58

H. D. HOLTOM, *Treas.*

MRS. H. H. BURKHOLDER of Bellville, Ohio, visited her daughter, Mrs. Holtom, of Academia, last week.

Brother W. C. Moffet, educational superintendent of the conference, met with the patrons of the Ohio City church school on the evening of September 17, at which time a new school board was elected.

We are sorry to learn that Mrs. Katherine Riley of Cincinnati died last Wednesday morning. Sister Riley has been a patient sufferer for a number of years.

Miss Alice Black will teach the church school at Ohio City. The patrons

of the school unite in extending an invitation to any seeking church school privileges to send their children to the school at Ohio City.

Brother George A. Welch of Van Wert expects to move to Ohio City soon, that his children may attend the church school there.

Brother J. R. Hall, elder of the Bowling Green church, is recovering from a very serious illness.

A district meeting will be held in the Walnut Grove church, October 29 and 30. Elder Burkholder and three other conference workers will have part in the services.

Drs. H. M. Jump and W. J. Venen are conducting a very successful tent effort at Marion, Ohio. Several have begun keeping the Sabbath, and others are under conviction.

We should be glad to have more frequent reports from our conference and church workers. Are you having success in the "Ministry of Healing" campaign, the raising of the \$300,000 fund, or some other missionary enterprise? Report it briefly to the VISITOR, that others may find encouragement in your success.

Notice!

THOSE who attended the Marion camp-meeting this year and desire pictures of the grounds, three and one-fourth by five and one-half inches print, mounted on a five and one-half by seven and three-fourths inch card, can procure them for 15 cents each or two for 25 cents by writing to Mrs. Ida C. Jaynes, Grogan, Ohio. The net proceeds of these pictures go to the foreign mission work.

F. R. JAYNES.

To the Members of the Mount Vernon College Board

NOTICE is hereby given that a special meeting of the Trustees of Mount Vernon College will be held Tuesday, October 11, 1910, 2:30 P. M., at Mount Vernon College, Mount Vernon, Ohio. All the members of the Board of Trustees of Mount Vernon College are especially requested to be present at this meeting, by B. G. Wilkinson, President of the Board of Trustees.

Canvassers, Charge!

Go on, brave canvasser and true,
Bear forth the burden laid on you,
And send the sacred heralds forth
To east and west, to south and north.

Emboldened by the truth you love,
Empowered by all heaven above,
To every human dwelling bear
The burden of the word "Prepare."

A little while—oh! saints rejoice,
For we shall hear the trumpet voice
Of God's own well-beloved Son
Proclaim: "Thou faithful child, Well done!"

—Selected.

Maltsugar Free

OUR offer to include extra food to fully pay the freight on \$10.00 shipments, and give six pounds Maltsugar free, east of Colorado, until September 20, is hereby extended to October 25. Cooking oil and 45 lb. cans nut butter cannot apply on this offer. Half freight and three pounds with \$5.00 shipments. This offer is the most liberal we have ever made, and will positively be withdrawn October 25. Do not miss it.

The factory is very busy, having sold more food in August than during any previous month. We supplied food for thirty-six camp-meetings this year as compared with twenty-five last year.

There are no better foods made than we are making, and they don't taste like money either—you can afford to live on them. Order direct or through your tract society.

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OBITUARIES

HOOKE. — Miss Elizabeth L. Hooke, daughter of Robert and Elizabeth Hooke, was born October 19, 1825, died July 22, 1910, aged 84 years, 9 months, and 3 days. She is survived by three sisters and two brothers. Sister Hooke lived and died on the old homestead near Port Republic, Virginia. Sister Hooke, with two sisters, embraced the third angel's message at a tent effort conducted at Port Republic twenty-five years ago by the writer and Elder B. F. Purdham. Sister Hooke, although called upon with her sisters to pass through many trials and afflictions, faithfully lived the message for this time, taking a deep interest in its onward progress and contributing to its support as she was able. The funeral services were held in the Methodist Episcopal church at Port Republic, and were conducted by the writer. We laid her to rest in the family graveyard near the old homestead, trusting that when the Life-giver shall appear she will come forth to life eternal in the kingdom of our God.

R. D. HOTTEL.