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

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GENERAL MATTER

Not Understood.

- Not understood! We move along asunder, Our paths grow wider as the seasons creep Along the years. We marvel, and we wonder
- Why life is life, and then we fall asleep, Not understood.
- Not understood! How trifles often change us! The thoughtless sentence and the fancied slight
- Destroy long years of friendship, and estrange us,
 - And on our souls there falls a freezing blight,

Not understood.

- Not understood! How many hearts are aching
- For lack of sympathy! Ah, day by day, How many cheerless, lonely hearts are breaking!

How many noble spirits pass away Not understood.

- O God! that men would see a little clearer Or judge less harshly when they cannot see;
- O God! that men might draw a little nearer To one another. They'd be nearer thee, And understood.

-Selected.

The Origin of Sin and its Final Extermination

WHEN God had finished the work of creation, sin had no place in his universe, for the record says,— "And God saw everything that he had made, and behold it was very good. There was no note of discord to mar the heavenly harmonies. All creation reflected the glory and showed forth the praise of God.

But the time came when this heavenly harmony was broken. One who was honored high above the heavenly host was not content with his lot. Though recognized by God as one "full of wisdom and perfect in beauty," he aspired to be like the Most High. The high honors conferred upon Lucifer were not appreciated, for there was one, the Son of God, whose position was more exalted, who had been one with the Father in the work of creation and had shared the Father's counsels. And this exaltation of the Son he looked at as an injustice, antil he ventured to covet the honors of his Maker.

This spirit of discontent was nursed until it grew to open rebellion against God and his government. The peace and harmony of heaven was broken. The Scripture says regarding the inception of this plan in the heart of Lucifer that his heart was lifted up because of his beauty, and his reason became corrupted because of his brightness. He had taken his eye from the light of Jehovah and was looking at self, and was drawn away by his own lust and enticed. "Then the lust when it hath conceived beareth sin, and sin when it is full-grown bringeth forth death." James 1:15.

Instead of seeking to make God supreme in the affections of his creatures, Lucifer's endeavors were directed towards securing for himself the honor which belonged only to God. The worship of God had been abandoned for the worship of self; covetousness, which is idolatry, had taken hold of him and he worshiped the idol of his own heart, thus breaking the holy law of God, which says, "Thou shalt have no other gods before me." God is love, his law is a law of love, and he desires from all his creatures a service of love,homage that springs from a true appreciation of his character.

Lucifer allowed jealousy of Christ to prevail, and he became determined in his purpose, then sought to spread discontent among the angels, concealing his real purpose under an appearance of reverence for God. This discontent spread and was nourished until "there was war in heaven. Michael and his angels going forth to war with the dragon: and the dragon warred and his angels. And they prevailed not, neither was their place found any more in heaven. And the dragon was cast down, the old serpent, he that is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world. He was cast down to the earth and his angels were cast down with him."

Not content with having broken the peace and harmony of heaven, he continued his policy here on earth. Before he was degraded and cast from heaven, all that could be done was done for his salvation. Repeatedly he was offered pardon on condition of repentance and submission. The heart of God was drawn out to him in expressions of love and pity, seeking to draw him back, but to no avail. Prior to the fall, this great deceiver

was known as Lucifer, son of the morning. He was "the anointed cherub that covereth," for God had set him so. It is also said of him that he was perfect in his ways from the time that he was created until iniquity was found in him. Such are the statements of Holy Writ concerning this one. But how different now. To-day we think of him as "the great dragon," "the old serpent," called the "devil" and "Satan," "the deceiver of the whole world." To prove the identity of Lucifer and Satan, it is only necessary to compare Isa. 14:12 with Luke 10:17.18 and Rev. 12:9.

So far in our narrative, sin is only known to heaven, but as before said "he was cast down to the earth," where he continued his awful work. Man in his innocency held dominion here on earth, but as is recorded of Esau, he "for one mess of meat sold his own birthright." "And Jehovah God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die."

As was the case with Lucifer in heaven, with but one step standing between him and the height of his ambition, so it was with man in Eden: free in every particular, with the handiwork of God about him, he desired one thing more, and only one, which God in his love had not seen fit to give him. Satan saw here his chance to gain another point. So he approached the woman with the doubting insinuation, "Yea, hath God said, ye shall not eat of any tree of the garden? And the woman said unto the serpent,Of the fruit of the trees of the garden we may eat: but of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die."

Here we have the Bible record of the temptation of our parents, with the subject broached in the form of a doubt and finished with a bold-faced lie, the first and most demoralizing of which we have a record. Blinded with the new idea which the serpent had given her, "the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof and did eat: and she gave also unto her husband and he did eat. And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew . . . and . . . hid themselves." Such was the beginning of the awful record this earth has made since the fall of man.

"Now unto him who is able to establish you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery which has been kept in silence through times eternal, but is now manifested, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the eternal God, is made known unto all nations unto the obedience of faith." Good tidings were sent to the offenders in words as follows,- (speaking to the serpent) "And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed: he shall bruise thy head and thou shalt bruise his heel." These words, the first preaching of the gospel of Christ which had been kept in silence through times eternal, were spoken in the hearing of Adam and Eve, and were the first rays of light to pierce the awful darkness in which their souls were wrapped.

"In the banishment of Satan from heaven, God declared his justice and maintained the honor of his throne. But when man had sinned . . . God gave an evidence of his love by yielding up his only begotten son to die for the fallen race. In the atonement the character of God is revealed. The mighty argument of the cross demonstrates to the whole universe that the course of sin which Lucifer had chosen was in no wise chargeable upon the government of God." (G. C. 500, 501.) "And sin when it is full grown bringeth forth death." Death is the common fate of all, for the Bible reads,- "For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made

alive." So we reason, What will become of sin with its author? Will it continue on forever? or will it come to its end? What does the Bible say regarding this question? We have a description of the unmarred condition of the universe prior to the fall of Satan well told in Job 38:7. "When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy." And in Rev. 5:13 we have a picture of the redeemed state, when sin and sinners have been wiped from the face of God's universe. The verse reads,-"And every created thing which is in the heaven and on the earth, and under the earth, and on the sea, and all things that are in them, heard I saying, Unto him that sitteth on the throne, and unto the Lamb, be the blessing, and the honor, and the glory, and the dominion forever and ever."

Without further Bible proof, we could logically conclude that sin and sinners would be no more, but we are not left to these conclusions, for we read, (Nah. 1:9), "What do ye devise against Jehovah? He will make a full end: affliction shall not rise up the second time." And in addressing Lucifer God says,—"Thou shalt nevermore have any being." (Eze. 28:19.) O. J. GIBSON.

The October Collection

For a few years our people have, upon the first Sabbath in October, given a donation for the work among the colored people. This has been a great help to the work, and hundreds are rejoicing in the truth as the result.

The time has now come for another offering, October 1. There was never a time when there was such a need for a liberal donation as the present. We are enlarging our force of workers, and doing all that we can to speedily carry this message to the millions of colored people in this country, who know it not. The results of the efforts put forth are very gratifying. About one hundred have already accepted the truth this season. The field is ripe. The calls are coming in much faster than we can fill them, on account of a lack of means. Just now is the time to push this work.

We trust that all our people will remember the work at this time, and do all they can to furnish means to carry on what has already been begun, and to enable us to fill the urgent calls now coming in for help.

A. J. HAYSMER, Sec. North American Negro Dept.

AT THE COLLEGE

THE FATHER'S CARE

Child of my tend'rest loving care,

Though darkness off my face may hide, My hand shall still be stretched to thee, My arm unseen still be thy guide.

In sore temptation's trying hour, When Satan's wiles thy soul ensnare, Doubt not the presence of my power,

But trust thou to my loving care.

By scenes of grief and wrong distressed, Bereaved of many a heart-held hope,

My strength shall give thee peaceful rest, In dark despair thou shalt not grope.

In all the trying tests of life,

When friends forsake—thou stand'st alone, My power shall aid thee in the strife, I will not let thee go forlorn.

Then faint no more in unbelief, But rise in confidential trust:

For thou shalt find a sure relief If thou but on my promise rest.

O Lord! increase my faith in thee, That I may place my hand in thine. Whate'er the path of life may be, To know, to trust thee is sublime.

CHARLES C. BELGRAVE.

Are You in the Normal Department of Mount Vernon College?

THE great problem of to-day is the education of our young people. What is an education?—It is more than taking a certain course of study; it means more than preparation for citizenship in this world—"It prepares the student for the joy of service in this world, and for the higher joy of wider service in the world to come."

In our great missionary field we need ministers, Bible workers, medical missionaries, canvassers, business men, stenographers, teachers, etc. There are many calls for church school teachers, and how are we going to obtain them to fill these places? We certainly cannot go out into the worldly schools and select them. Why?-because they are training minds for this world only; but we are preparing our children for the world to come. Satan knows his time is short,-only a little while longer in which to destroy souls. On the other hand, we have just as short a time to teach our children the way of truth and righteousness.

God planted the church schools for a purpose-to prepare the lambs of the flock to meet Jesus. This work is a preparatory school for eternity. How may we expect our children to be saved if we do not have their character moulded for eternity?

What an inspiring work is that of the church school teacher! How it touches the heart of a sincere, earnest teacher, when he sees the results of his work—the children giving their hearts to God! What a feeling of joy and happiness in the better world to meet some one and shake his hand, and have him tell you that it was that church school which you taught that saved him!

Parents, do you not desire to have your children have a part in this great work of training souls for the kingdom? If so, send your sons and your daughters to Mount Vernon College, where they will have a Christian influence continually about them; where they will receive the education that they should have to go out into the world and teach others of the soon coming Saviour.

There are many young men and women in the Columbia Union Conference who are not in school this year, but are planning to come "sometime." Why not come now? You will then be prepared to go out into the field sconer and begin to share in the blessings that are showered upon the church school teacher. You will see the children growing up under your care, loving the truth, and anxious to prepare themselves to go to work for others.

Do you not think it will pay? The way may seem hard ofttimes, but God is ready to help everyone who is willing to help himself.

If you, young man, young woman, are desirous of entering college sometime, come now. Those who are sufficiently advanced can begin their work in the normal course this year; others cannot begin any sooner to make the preparation for the great work of teaching.

God has something for every one of you to do in his vineyard. He is waiting for you to answer the call. How can God's instruction be carried out if you do not help to do it?

"We are indebted to him who gave us existence for all the talents which have been entrusted to us; and it is a duty we owe to our Creator to cultivate and improve upon the talents he has committed to our trust."

If any of you have heard the still, small voice speak to you regarding this special line of work, and you have deferred to take it up, I trust that you will reconsider it carefully and prayerfully, and fully make up your mind to make use of the talent which God has given you, and prepare yourself to go out in the world and train others for the kingdom of God.

Why not decide to-day to come to the College and get that needful preparation which God desires you to have. The Lord is speaking to every young man and woman of this conference to go forth into his vineyard and give this message to those who are hungering for, truth. He is anxious for you to take the forward step.

Parents, why not encourage your sons and your daughters to prepare for this sacred calling? You may have to sacrifice to help them through school, but did not God sacrifice his only son to save every one in this world? Cannot you afford to put forth a little more effort, if need be, and give your sons and your daughters the opportunity of attending College this year?

Your earnest efforts will be greatly rewarded when you enter into the paradise of God with your children, and many will be the stars which will be placed in your crowns. To hear the words, "Well done, good and faithful servant, . . . enter thou into the joy of thy Lord," will certainly repay every one for the hard work and sacrifices in this world. At that day you can truly say, "It did pay."

MINNIE O. HART.

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College Notes

"You hear that boy laughing? You think he's all fun,

But the angels laugh too at the good he has done,

The children laugh loud as they troop to his call.

And the poor man that knows him laughs loudest of all."

Miss Grace Purdham, who graduated with the 1908 class from the academic course, has returned to the College this year to begin the literary course. Miss Purdham has been teaching in Virginia the past two years.

Miss Helen Horner, of Dayton, O., arrived at the College last week.

Mr. Frank Moffett, who is in the employ of the Taylor and Union Signal Company as Field Engineer, recently met with a disastrous accident near St. Cloud, Minn. He is now in the St. Raphael's Hospital at St. Cloud, and though both of his legs are broken and one of them crushed, he still carries on a considerable part of his business by the use of a telephone at his bedside.

Mr. W. H. Boden, a traveling evangelist for the Christian Church, last week paid a short visit to the home of Mrs. Greenup, who is enjoying an extended visit from her sister, Mrs. Boden.

Miss Cora Bennett, of Toronto, Canada, who graduated from the Washington Sanitarium with the '10 class, has connected with the Mount Vernon Hospital.

A note from Professor D. D. Rees, principal of the Forest Home Academy says: "We have started school with seventy students—fine young folks—more coming."

Misses Mary and Elsie Moffett and Miss Nina Hamilton arrived here from Washington, D. C., Monday evening, September 26.

Mr. Glenn G. Robinson, who contracted typhoid pneumonia while canvassing in Virginia this summer, and was taken to the Graysville Sanitarium, is recovering from his illness, but is not yet able to sit up.

Mr. Harry W. Barto has joined the printing office force.

Mr. Carl N. Hewitt has finished his delivery in Virginia, and also his friend, Mr. Robinson's, and is spending a few days at his home in Marshfield, Ohio, before returning to school.

Mr. Ernest Ayers, the nephew of Miss Myrta Kellogg, a former student of Mount Vernon College, is attending Emmanuel Missionary College, and teaching carpentry there.

Mrs. Lucy Tracy, who spent thirty years in Africa with her daughter, Mrs. Hankins, is visiting Mrs. Alderman, of Academia.

Mrs. Geo. L. Sterling writes from the Cook Islands. She especially mentiones the prayer bands which were held twice a week at school. "The Lord answered our prayers in many ways; some of the people we prayed for are now in the work." "You who have the privilege of meeting with those of like faith do not realize what a privilege it is. We especially miss it." The College bread is better than ever this year.

Miss Emma Rice, of Pottstown, Pa., formerly a student at South Lancaster, has joined her sister at the College.

Mrs. "Ned" Thornton writes that she and her husband are studying the Spanish language, in order to do a better work among the people.

Miss Clara Pettit's illnes, since her return from West Virginia, has proved to be malaria fever.

Miss Ethyl L. Schoonard, of Amherst, O., has obtained a position in Mount Vernon which will enable her to attend school and earn her expenses at the same time.

Miss Carrie Horn, who has been spending a two week's vacation at her home in Columbus, has returned to the Sanitarium.

Mr. Lonnie Taylor, a former student of Mount Vernon College, is working in the Indiana Conference as state canvassing agent.

Miss Bessie M. Gibson, of Clarksfield, O., is staying in Mount Vernon and taking studies at the College.

Miss Myrtle Finney, of South Webster, O., has begun the nurses' course at the Sanitarium. She is staying with her sister, Mrs. Paul Stokes, of Mount Vernon.

Mr. George W. Brassington, of Pentwater, Mich., a graduate of Cedar Lake Academy, arrived at the College last week to take up one of the advanced courses.

Miss Eva Fleming writes that Mrs. Hazel Inskeep Southard is visiting her home in Toledo, and that she never tires talking of M. V. C.

The enrollment this year in the Bible department of the College is 110. The class in" Old Testament History" has a membership of 40; "Bible Doctrines" has a membership of 25; "Life of Christ," 24; "Denominational History," 11; "Major and Minor Prophets," 10. It is needless to say that the Bible room is crowded during most of the session.

NEW JERSEY

A UNION meeting was held by the Jersey city churches on Sabbath, September 17. Elder W. A. Spicer, of Washington, was present, and his earnest message of courage and hope was greatly appreciated. Many vows of consecration were registered, some of them being made by those who were taking the initial step in obedience to the call of the last message. The brethren and sisters in Jersey City were greatly encouraged by the blessings received in the summer's effort.

The Harvest Ingathering campaign will soon be upon us. If you have not sent in your order for a good supply of the special *Review*, you should do so at once. The needs of the missions, the necessity of our heeding the calls of God to take hold of this means of reaching people with the truth, and the hungry cry of the thousands who are starving for the bread of life, are powerful appeals to us, which we pass unheeded at our peril.

Now that we have had a blessed season as we fasted and sought God most earnestly that he would greatly prosper the work of the message in these neglected eastern cities, we cannot escape the question, "What are we doing, personally, to help answer these prayers? Says the Spirit of God in speaking of the present crisis: "The work of God in this earth can never be finished until the men and women comprising our church membership rally to the work, and unite their efforts with those of ministers and church officers." "Now is the time for all to rally around the standard of the cross, and press the battle in the final charges against the powers of darkness."

Now is the time for those who have been prevented from going to the College this year to plan for some work in the courses offered by the Fireside Correspondence School, of Takoma Park, D. C.

The testimony of the students at Mount Vernon College is that the teachers and young people there are so fine that they quickly and thoroughly cure the homesick feeling which sometimes attacks one leaving home for the first time.

Brethren Pennington and Grey have been recent callers at the office. They are of good courage, and busy planning to push the work in the field.

At the recent meeting of the conference committee it was voted to employ Brother Paul Matula, of Newark, to carry on work among the Slavs and Bohemians in that city. God has blessed Brother Matula's efforts when he was working in a self-supporting way, and we believe that this move to advance the work among these foreigners within our gates is a step in the right direction.

The long winter evenings will soon be here. How are you planning to spend them? They will give you a good chance to broaden your mind by study. All work and no study makes a man into a machine. That neighbor or friend of yours might gain a knowledge worth more than the wealth of Wall Street if he had some of the books and magazines that you might place in his hands.

The company at Jericho has secured a small chapel which is being fitted up by repairing the roof and making other improvements, and they expect soon to be holding regular meetings there. We are glad to hear of the progress of the work in these new fields.

Remember that the week for the grand Harvest Ingathering campaign rally is October 30 to November 4.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

ORDERS are coming in for the Harvest Ingathering *Review*. If your order is not in by the time this reaches you, place it immediately, so as to save disappointment. The paper is certainly an excellent number, and one that we can hand out with a feeling of pride.

Elder I. N. Williams reports a very good meeting at Indiana, Sabbath and Sunday, September 17 and 18. Several interested outsiders were present Sunday. night.

Brother and Sister Joseph Konigmacher are locating at Indiana, Pa., for the winter. Sister Konigmacher will take charge of the church school at that place. We trust that they will have a prosperous school year, and that the students will improve their opportunities and fit themselves for a place in the work.

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Brother I. G. Bigelow, who has so long and faithfully labored in West Pennsylvania has resigned his office in this conference in order to take up the work of missionary secretary in the Columbia Union Conference. While we regret very much to lose Brother Bigelow from West Pennsylvania, we are glad that he will still be associated in work with our conference.

Brother Charles Zimmerman has moved his family to Six Mile Run, where they can have church privileges. Brother Zimmerman has lately re-entered the canvassing ranks and is meeting with success.

Elder I. N. Williams and Elder I. G. Bigelow expect to attend the board meeting at Mount Vernon College, October 11. Elder Williams expects to meet with the brethren and sisters in Erie, Sabbath and Sunday, October 1 and 2, and will then go to Conneautville.

Elders Veach and Schwartz have closed their tent effort in Altoona, and expect to hold baptismal services Tuesday, September 27. A report of the effort will be given in the VISITOR.

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THE interest in the tent meetings continues with increasing audiences. During the week there is a steady attendance, and many are studying the message seriously. The past two Sundays large numbers of people came from all parts of the country. Sunday, the 18th, three or four hundred people were in attendance all day. We are holding three services on Sunday, when we talk on the strongest features of the message. Eleven have decided to obey the truth, and last Sabbath we organized a Sabbath-school of twenty members, including our own company of three adults and two children. We have since heard of others who have decided to obey. We have not yet presented the Sabbath truth, but the people are convinced that we have the message for to-day. Next Sunday we shall open up the Sabbath question, and we expect to see a large attendance, as many have been asking us to preach on that subject. We have received a number of calls to hold meetings in different parts of the surrounding country. School

houses have been offered us for use during the winter.

We thank God and take courage. To him be all the glory. Pray for us and the work here.

J. GREER HANNA. CLARENCE HENNAGE.

The Colored Work in Virginia

THE church at Danville has done a good work this summer. Brother C. C. Belgrave canvassed the town for "Coming King," and was a great help to the church.

On the fourteenth of June the writer left Danville for Petersburg, Va., to join Elder Muntz in the tent effort at that point. The attendance was excellent during the summer, but the results are not so encouraging as we could wish. One has solidly accepted the truth, and one other professes to be keeping the Sabbath. There is a deep interest, however, and 100 Watchman, 50 Life and Health, 50 Liberty, 75 "New Testament Primer," several copies of "His Glorious Appearing," "Paradise Home," and "Helps to Bible Study," have been circulated. About 2000 pages of literature were given away. Sister Jackson did Bible work until her health gave way, when she returned to her home in Norfolk. Since that time Sister Mattie Jemerson, of Richmond, has been holding Bible studies with Sister Jackson's readers. Our work was crippled August 14 by Elder Muntz' taking ill with the fever. Since then the writer has done the ministerial work alone. We are glad to report that after a rest at his home in Delaware, Brother Muntz will return to the work again early in October.

The colored camp meeting opened August 26, with representatives from all the churches but one. The Spirit of the Lord was with us from the first meeting. Many renewed their covenant with God, and all returned to their homes, September 4, with an expressed desire to do more for the Lord than ever before. We were grateful for the faithful labors of Elders Stewart Kime and R. D. Hottel, and Sister Anna Rice. The message had the genuine ring, and members and visitors seemed much benefited. Aside from the above mentioned laborers, Sister E. V. Warnick was present, and gave health and temperance talks, and the writer, owing to the scarcity of help, spoke several times. Some of our local laborers also rendered acceptable service: Sister Ella Ragsdale, Brother A. Shelton, and Sister Jane Wooding. The last Sahbath of the camp, the writer baptized one

precious soul. A beginning has been made in this line, for which we are very grateful to God.

We are greatly encouraged, and believe that the colored churches of Virginia are looking hopefully forward to a deeper life in Christ Jesus and an abundant harvest of souls in the ensuing year.

FRANKLIN G. WARNICK.

The Canvassing Work

It has been some time since we have reported our work in this state, not because of having nothing to write, but because we have been too busy.

The summer's work is almost over, and most of the students have returned to school. As we look back over the past few months, we must first of all render praise to our heavenly Father, who has so richly blessed us. Our reports speak for themselves. We have broken all previous records in the history of the canvassing work here.

During the summer we had three students from the Seminary and four from the College. Most of these have had good success, far beyond expectations. Every student in the field except two, sometime during the summer in one week took orders to the amount of \$100. One took \$144 one week, another \$139, another \$132. Surely these are things to be thankful for. One canvasser, Brother L. O. Gordon, who has not had such wonderful success in selling books, has been blessed in seeing, as a result of his labor, some souls accepting the truth. A tent effort is following up his work, and the interest is very good.

As to delivering, it is yet early to give definite results. Thus far with some exceptions, deliveries have been very good. We have had difficulties in some instances however; Brother C. C. Belgrave, being colored, and having the race question to deal with, has lost orders; but we hope the seed he has sown among his own people will bring forth fruit. The boys in the mining section are not through yet. Brother Robinson's having taken sick has hurt his delivery somewhat, as others had to look after it. Those working in other localities have delivered a very high per cent. Brethren Wirth and Fritz have returned to Washington with more than their scholarships.

Now that the students have left us, we are greatly in need of workers to take their places, that the message may keep on going. We want at once several families to locate in the unentered counties and work: much good could be done in this way. I quote from Vol. 7, pages 227 and 228,—

"Let Sabbath keeping families move to the South and live out the truth before those who know it not. These families can be a help to one another. but let them be careful that nothing hedge up their way. Let them do Christian-help work, feeding the hungry and clothing the naked. This will have a far stronger influence for good than the preaching of sermons. Deeds as well as words are needed. Christ prefaced the giving of his message by deeds of love and benevolence. Let these workers go from house to house, helping where help is needed, and, as opportunity offers, telling the story of the cross."

We are told that the work will close up first in the South. Then we ought to put forth vigorous efforts to spread the truth while the doors are open. I hope soon to hear from some who will enter this line of work, and be willing to sacrifice for God and his cause. I will be glad to aid any one in getting located and in getting started in the work. Just let me hear from you. V. O. PUNCHES.

717 Greenwood Ave., Richmond, Va.

Brother Paul Hottel spent a month in the canvassing field after campmeeting. He has now gone to New Market to school, but expects to canvass next vacation. He had good success.

Brother Hamm has just started in the work. Satan tried a long time to keep him out, but was defeated, and Brother Hamm is now hard at work. God is blessing his efforts. He is in the famous county of Albermarle, the home of Jefferson.

Sister Ruth Neff is also doing some work. She would like to have some sister join her, that she may engage permanently in the work. Where is the one who will go with her?

Brethren Oertley and Schenk are still pushing the work in the southwest. They are some of our resident men. They write us that they are having many rich experiences.

V. O. PUNCHES.

We have word from Elder Herrell that he has changed his location. Please note that his address is now Vienna, Va.

WEST VIRGINIA

Camp-Meeting Notes

BROTHER BURGESS Ross, of Parkersburg, while assisting in the removal of a large tent, was struck by a falling pole, and his leg was broken. However, he remained through the meeting.

Brother Fleisher, of West Pennsylvania, and his wife and child, were visitors at the camp. Brother Fleisher spoke to the young people, giving a very interesting talk.

Brother T. M. Butler, a canvasser, who, with his wife has been on the ground for the past several weeks, proved to be of inestimable value in the camp. They were to be seen at all times and always busy.

A good place was found for storing the conference goods at McMechen, and they were left there for the time being.

The new tent with its new seats was much appreciated by all.

Elder Robbins was a very busy man on the camp-ground; yet with his multiplicity of duties, he presided over the affairs of the conference like one who had always been there.

Elder Knox, after a brief talk, in which he dwelt on the financial stress under which the Mission Board is laboring, asked for donations; and those present responded to the amount of one hundred and ten dollars in cash and pledges.

Brother Wilkinson presented the needs of the medical work and spoke of the sanitarium work, and the good that the sanitariums are doing. He then spoke of the book, "Ministry of Healing," the proceeds from the sales of which Sister White has donated to the sanitariums. The result of Brother Wilkinson's good talk was that our brethren carried away from the meeting 200 copies of the book, with promises of quick sales from all.

The camp was located on a hillside facing the street railway line running from Wheeling, and the interurban road running between Wheeling, Mc-Mechen, and Moundsville, making the camp accessible to either Wheeling or Moundsville every fifteen minutes.

The accident of Brother Burgess Ross made it necessary for Brother C. V. Leach to spend the greater part of his time in the grocery. Of course he was missed by his inability to look after his interests in the book work; but notwithstanding all this, he was able to secure several new canvassers.

Miss Ruth Robbins presided at the organ during the entire campmeeting, and earned the praises of all present for the very efficient manner in which she cared for her part of the music.

Brother Lonn C. Metcalf, from the Mount Vernon College, had charge of the choir, and to say he did well is expressing it but mildly. The chorussinging, the duets, quartets, etc., were well rendered, and the choir certainly has the thanks of all.



Chestertown, Md.

I TAKE pleasure in informing the readers of the VISITOR of the success of the tent effort held in Baltimore. Md., among the colored people. From July 5, when Elder F. H. Seeney and I left Dover, Delaware, until September 12, when we shipped our outfit to Chestertown, the Lord was with us and blessed everything that was done in his behalf. We pitched our tent on a lot Brother L. L. Ashton had secured free of charge, and labored faithfully for four weeks, when a severe storm tore our tent so badly that it could not be used again. We moved from that location, which was unprotected from the storms, and pitched on one of the busiest streets of Baltimore. Hundreds of people passed by the tent every day, and from the first service until the meetings closed the people thronged to the services, seeming to be hungering and thirsting for the words of truth. Never did Elder Seeney implore the assistance of the Master to know how to feed the people with the bread of life, as at this time; never did God bless him more in presenting the message of truth. The people seemed spell bound, and long before service each night they would come and talk over the message, and time after time

Canvassers' Reports

Ohio, Week Ending September 23, 1910

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New Jersey, Week Ending September 23, 1910											
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J. Rambo, Cumberland	CK	5	38	19	19 50	1 75	$21 \ 25$	\ 47	00		
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District of Columbia, Week Ending September 23, 1910											
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Deliveries, \$839.20

they would say, never had they heard such preaching and never had they heard such precious truth. The result was that in four weeks seven united with the Number 3 church of Baltimore, six being baptized; nine more are keeping the Sabbath, and a surprisingly large number are much interested. I truly hope that all the VISITOR readers will pray for the work here, as the harvest truly is great. The Lord has blessed the company here with souls that stand high in the estimation of the communities in which they live, and this will be a great advantage in house to house work.

The fact that our tent was needed at the camp-meeting, where we are now pitching the tents, is the only reason that we discontinued the services in Baltimore. May the Lord abundantly bless the workers sent into that field. GUSTAVUS P. RODGERS.

Baltimore

BEGINNING July 17, and continuing until September 11, Elder Carlyle B. Haynes conducted a series of lectures on present truth in the new 60x80 tent purchased recently by the Chesapeake Conference for city work. A corps of assistants consisting of Sisters Matilda Thaler and Irena Coleman, Brother George Apsley, Mrs. Tickner and the writer took charge of the house-to-house work. Brother Alvin C. Long of Lebanon, Pa., gave excellent service as tent-master. Credit should also be given for the good service rendered by Sister C. B. Haynes and Sister Geneva Sheirich at the organ.

Each morning was given to a Bible class for the workers connected with the effort, and many are the valuable helps the workers received from these studies. Harmony and good cheer prevailed from the beginning, and many regrets were expressed at the last meeting that no further work could be done in the tent this season.

Baltimore, being the very seat of American Catholicism, is exception. ally hard to work, and with its public press against the truth is made doubly hard; but God's word accomplished that whereunto he sent it, and we shall greatly rejoice when, on October 1, some fifteen or sixteen souls will follow their Lord in baptism as a result of our efforts this summer. In the past I have had many opportunities to prosper in worldly pursuits; but nothing has ever appealed to me so much as doing the work of the Lord; and in this I am but voicing the sentiments of all our workers.

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God guarantees all our needs, and the satisfaction derived from heartservice for him is riches enough.

During the effort our collections amounted to about \$96, and we were able to sell over \$100 worth of our denominational literature.

As Elder Haynes presented his closing appeal, "Walking in the Light," Sunday evening, September 11, the faces of his four hundred auditors were studies of earnestness and deep-rooted desire to give up all for God. Many requests were left for further study on the subjects presented during the summer.

Will not the readers of the VISITOR pray earnestly for the work in the Baltimore field, and hold up to God every worker stationed here?

Only our heavenly Father knows the full extent of our work, but we have much to thank him for, that can be actually seen.

C. EARLE TICKNER.

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BROTHER and Si-ter W. C. Moffett moved to Academia last week from Cambridge, O., and will occupy, with Mr. Moffett's mother and sisters, Brother Gault's house, recently vacated by Professor Hall.

Mrs. V. L. Fisher was called to Wheelersburg recently by the severe illness of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Blaine $K \in nnedy$.

Owing to his health Elder C. T. Redfield has returned from the South and again taken up work in the Ohio Conference. He is now pastor of the English church in Cincinnati, while Elder J. P. Gaede will have charge of the German work in that city. Mrs. Steinbaugh left Mount Vernon, September 27, for Delphi, Indiana, where she will visit her mother.

Brethren A. J. Kennedy and James Montgomery of Newark, O., called at the office one day last week.

A letter from Brother J. S. Randolph says: "Elders Venen and Jump are giving us some very good Bible instruction. There are two who will keep their first Sabbath this week as a result of the meetings."

Brother Ira M. Rickett writes from the canvassing field: "I made good time delivering my books, considering the roughness of the roads. I feel well pleased with my first delivery, and know that God will bless my efforts. I am not discouraged, even though I am not doing so well as some of the canvassers; but am going to endeavor to improve every week."

Very encouraging letters were received this week from Brethren Ray and Guy Corder, who are canvassing in Athens County. Both are having excellent success, as may be seen by their reports in this issue.

Do not forget that the Missionary Volunteer Reading Courses begin in the Youth's Instructor of October 4. This is a rare opportunity for young people to be guided in systematic reading of a few carefully selected books. Do not miss it.

WANTED-Middle aged woman to assist with house work in family of three. Church privileges. Address S. B. Manful, R. 4, Springfield, Ohio.

"Zeichen der Zeit"

German Magazine, Fourth Qarter, 1910

For the benefit of our tract societies and our English-speaking canvassers and magazine workers we herewith present a brief description of this excellent magazine.

The thought of autumn and harvest time is suggested by the beautiful three color illustrations on the first and second pages of the cover, with promises of God's faithfulness in giving us the seasons, the grain, and all the blessings of life. The contents are as follows:—

The Most Beautiful Song (poetry); the Harvest of the Earth; All the Scriptures (Illustrated); Daily Bible Study (Illustrated); the Sanctuary in Heaven (Illustrated); the 2,300 Days of Daniel 8:14 (Illustrated); the Day of the Lord(Illustrated); the Millennium (Illustrated); the Spread of the Gospel and the End; Chili, South America (Illustrated); the Modern Peace Movement (Illustrated); Is Universal Peace at Hand? (Illustrated); the Shelf Behind the Door (Poetry); Something About Cold Storage; the New Gigantic Money Trust; Opinions of Military Men; the Home: a touching story of how God providentially interposed in behalf of a poor widow and her ehild.

The price of this magazine is 10 cents per copy; 5 to 40 copies, 5 cents; 50 or more copies, 4 cents.

OBITUARIES

ROBEY .- Charles P. Robey was born in Harrison County, West Virginia, June, 1846. When about fourteen years old, he came to Fairmont, and lived there until his death, August 8, 1910. Brother Robey was 64 years and 20 days old when he died. He had been a faithful and consistent member of the Seventh-day Adventist church for eighteen years. The funeral services were conducted by the writer, assisted by Elder P. W Province, and Mr. Long, pastor of the Clarksburg Christian church. A wife, two daughters, and four sons are left to mourn their loss. Interment was made in the Fairmont cemetery. F. H. ROBBINS.

VAM EMAN.-Benjamin W. Van Eman was born in Elgin, Ohio, September 7, 1840, died in the same place, from an attack of flux, September 7, 1910, aged seventy years. Brother Van Eman has been long and favorably known to the members of the Ohio Conference, having embraced the truth years ago, after his pastor had failed to win one hundred dollars which Brother Van Eman's mother had promised for one text of scripture warranting the observance of Sunday as the Sabbath. Prior to this time, he had listened to a course of lectures delivered by Elder I. D. Van Horn, which had resulted in the conversion of all the other members of the family. Brother Van Eman was well known for his liberality in giving for the advancement of the third angel's message; and his interest in it was unabated to the close of his life. While in attendance at the Marion camp-meeting he was stricken with the disease which caused his death; and although all possible medical aid was rendered, he continued to fail, and died three weeks later, on the seventieth anniversary of his birth. He is survived by his wife, three sons and two daughters, and also by his mother and three brothers. Prior to his death, he made all arrangements for his funeral, and died with a firm hope of a part in the first resurrection. The writer conducted the funeral service.

JAMES E. SHULTZ