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

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## GENERAL MATTER

### The Daffodils

I wandered lonely as a cloud  
That floats on high o'er vales and hills,  
When all at once I saw a crowd,  
A host of golden daffodils;  
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,  
Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.  
Continuous as the stars that shine  
And twinkle on the milky-way,  
They stretched in never-ending line  
Along the margin of a bay:  
Ten thousand saw I at a glance,  
Tossing their heads in sprightly dance.  
The waves beside them danced, but they  
Outdid the sparkling waves in glee.  
A poet could not but be gay  
In such a jocund company;  
I gazed and gazed, but little thought  
What wealth the show to me had brought.  
For oft, when on my couch I lie  
In vacant or in pensive mood,  
They flash upon that inward eye  
Which is the bliss of solitude,  
And then my heart with pleasure fills,  
And dances with the daffodils.  
— William Wordsworth.

## The Prophetic Gift in the Christian Church

(Concluded)

THE PROPHETIC GIFT BELONGS WITH  
COMMANDMENT KEEPERS

HAVING found that the prophetic gift should be manifest in the last days, we next ask, Where shall we look for that gift? A few scriptures will make it very clear that the gift belongs with commandment keepers. The wise man says, "Where there is no vision the people perish; but he that keepeth the law, happy is he."<sup>28</sup> This places in one class those who keep the law and are made happy by the vision, the prophetic gift, to guide them aright; and in another class it places those who do not keep the law, and therefore are left without the vision, or the prophetic gift. Ezekiel describes a similar condition. He says, "Mischief shall come upon

mischief, and rumor shall be upon rumor, then shall they seek a vision of the prophet; but the law shall perish from the priest, and counsel from the ancients."<sup>29</sup> Here we have a people described who "seek a vision of the prophet," and Ezekiel immediately tells us why it is not given to them. It is because the law has perished from the priests. Isaiah shows that even if God should speak through a prophet to those who reject his law, they would not be willing to accept the testimony of that prophet. Isaiah's declaration is, "Now go, write it before them in a table, and note it in a book, that it may be for the latter day: That this is a rebellious people, lying children, children that will not hear the law of the Lord: which say to the seers, See not; and to the prophets, Prophecy unto us right things, speak unto us smooth things, prophecy deceits."<sup>30</sup> This shows that it would be useless for God to speak through a prophet to those who reject his law, for such people are no more willing to listen to a prophet than they are to the law. It is perfectly reasonable also to conclude that when a man refuses that which God has already spoken in his law, God will refuse to give him further instruction. There is still another standpoint from which we should view this subject. Prophecy is one of the gifts of the Holy Spirit; but the Holy Spirit is promised on condition of obedience. Jesus says, "If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter,"<sup>31</sup> that is, the Holy Spirit. Christ did not promise that he would give this comforter, the Holy Spirit, except on the condition that we keep his commandments. Now as prophecy comes only through the movings of the Holy Spirit,<sup>32</sup> it is evident that it can never come without the bestowal of the Holy Spirit, and this is received only by those who obey. Therefore without obeying the law of God, a church cannot receive the Holy Spirit in its fullness and obtain the gift of prophecy. The foregoing texts show that God has always shown himself willing

to give further light through his prophets only to those who obey his law: and as God never changes,<sup>33</sup> our time cannot be an exception. This truth is made very emphatic by the prophet when he says, "And the dragon was wroth with the woman, (the church), and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ,"<sup>34</sup> which testimony is the spirit of prophecy.<sup>35</sup> Then where the Sabbath, or any of the law of God, is disregarded, the prophetic gift can never be manifest; but where the law is observed, and every one of its precepts honored, God will bestow the gift of prophecy. Therefore, "Despise not prophesyings, prove all things, hold fast that which is good."<sup>36</sup>

### REFERENCES

<sup>28</sup> Prov. 29:18; <sup>29</sup> Eze. 7:26; <sup>30</sup> Isa. 30:8-11, margin; <sup>31</sup> John 14:15, 16, 26; <sup>32</sup> 1 Cor. 12:4-13, 2 Peter 1:21; <sup>33</sup> Mal. 3:6; <sup>34</sup> Rev. 12:17; <sup>35</sup> Rev. 19:10; <sup>36</sup> 1 Thess. 5:20, 21.

O. F. BUTCHER.

## AT THE COLLEGE

### College Notes

Miss FAYE HEWITT enjoyed a visit from her father and her uncle recently.

The Columbia Choral Society re-organized this week. It is planning to render the sacred cantata "Esther,"

From the *Lake Union Herald* we learn that Mr. William Hunt is on his way to Mount Vernon to take the nurses' course.

Miss Mabel Marietta enjoys having her mother with her this week. Mrs. Marietta is in Mount Vernon making arrangements to move to this vicinity.

The music department is steadily growing. It has very nearly reached the half-hundred mark. Besides the

regular vocal and instrumental pupils, there are two classes in harmony and one in the history of music.

One of our students met with an accident on the evening of October 31. He was returning from the city on his bicycle after nightfall and failed to notice that the footbridge a few rods from the "public square" of our little college town had been carried away. The result of this oversight can easily be imagined; but we are glad to say that our friend escaped uninjured. The thinking people of the town are at a loss to find any good reason that the bridge should have disappeared at this time.

Mr. Jack Frost is at Berrien Springs with his brother. We are sorry to say that for the first time in several years Mount Vernon is without a representative of the Frost family.

Miss Francis Arnold last week enjoyed a visit from her mother.

Mr. Harry Miller, of Akron, O., visited his sister at the College Sunday, October 2.

Misses Gertrude and Myrtle Corner are visiting their uncle, Mr. Harvey Cassell, of Academia.

Professor Wilkinson paid the College a pleasant three days' visit last week, leaving on Sunday morning for Pittsburg, Pa. During his stay he gave the students several inspiring talks, and also assisted in the Sabbath-School convention held at Mount Vernon last Sabbath.

Mr. Glenn G. Robinson returned to Mount Vernon last Friday morning on his way to Missouri to visit his sister. He looks quite well, considering his recent severe illness, and we hope that he will soon be able to return to school.

## WEST VIRGINIA

### Wheeling

It may be a surprise to many of the readers of the VISITOR to learn that I have left the Union Conference work to enter the ministry in the "Pan Handle" district of West Virginia.

Three years ago I was state agent of the Southern Illinois Conference, from which position I had resigned to

take up ministerial work in the city of Chicago. At that time an urgent call came from Washington that I should join the publishing work in the East. While my convictions were that I should enter the ministry, the call was so urgent and the needs in the East so great, that I consented to continue with the publishing work for a while longer.

This fall, when I saw that we had two good men to take charge of both branches of the publishing work of the Union, I decided to answer the call of three years ago. With several calls before us, it was apparent that we were much in need of divine guidance, and at last the Spirit of the Lord directed us to Wheeling, West Virginia.

Wheeling appealed to us in a special way. First, because West Virginia is a very needy field; and though it has been worked for many years, yet there are not more than two hundred Sabbath-keepers in the state, if there are that many. Second, there is within a few miles of Wheeling a population of over one hundred thousand, who have never heard the third angel's message.

### OUR NEEDS

Mrs. Richardson and I are located here empty-handed. We purpose, however, to fill our hands with a prospectus and pencil, and go to work soul-hunting from door to door.

We need two good substantial canvassers to sell our large books in Wheeling and suburban towns.

We need two consecrated resident canvassers to canvass the rural districts of Ohio and Marshall counties.

We need two young ladies to sell our magazines. Wheeling is a first-class city for magazine workers. The people earn considerable money and spend it freely. All of you who know us, know what we think of canvassers, don't you? Come over then, and help us.

We need an experienced man to open up bath rooms. We know of no better opening in the Columbia Union Conference territory than is to be found in Wheeling. Many here are engaged in the oil, gas, and steel industries, and consequently are money-eyed people. There is nothing very good here in the way of a Turkish bath. It would probably require more money to get started in this city than in some other places, yet in the end it would pay much better.

We also very much need the prayers of our brethren and sisters, that God may lead us by his Holy Spirit, and that the work may prove success-

ful in the winning of many precious souls to the truth.

I should be pleased to correspond with anyone desiring to join us in the work here. Address Elm Grove, W. Va., Box 365. Elm Grove is a suburban town of Wheeling, yet we are within the five-cent limit by trolley.

I. D. RICHARDSON.

QUARTERLY meeting services were held by the Moundsville church, October 8. Nearly all the members were present, and a pleasant and profitable hour was enjoyed by all.

An impressive baptismal service was held at McMechen, October 8, Brother John McHenry being buried with his Master beneath the waters of the Ohio River in the presence of a few friends. Brother McHenry's home is at New Cumberland, and he becomes a member of the Chester church.

On the fifteenth of October Elder F. H. Robbins and Brother Richardson visited the church at Moundsville. They also stopped at McMechen, where the tent effort and camp-meeting were held, and visited several interested families there.

On Sunday, October 16, three more persons were baptized beneath the waters of the Ohio River. They had come into the truth as the result of the tent effort held at McMechen. It makes our hearts glad to see precious souls identifying themselves with the family of God. Our prayer is that they may walk in the light that is shining along their pathway, and may grow in grace and in the knowledge and power of God.

Others are awaiting baptism, and, the Lord willing, the ordinance will be administered the coming Sabbath or Sunday.

The many friends of Sister O'Del Fletcher will be grieved to learn of her death, which occurred on the afternoon of October 3, after a short illness. Her death is a grievous loss to the Moundsville church, of which she was a faithful member. Her presence could always be counted on at the meetings. In the circulation of books, tracts, and papers she made the truth known to many within the range of her influence. We miss her very much; but she is now at rest, awaiting the coming of the Life-giver.

W. L. Adkins, formerly of this conference, has taken up the ministerial work with the Chesapeake Conference.

Brother I. D. Richardson, who now has charge of the "Pan Handle" district of this conference, writes as follows:—

"Last Friday I went up to New Cumberland, where Brother McHenry met me at the train. He soon made it known to me that a number of people were coming in that evening for a Bible study. Quite a number came, and we had a study on Daniel 2. They were very much interested, and desired another study Sunday evening. On Sunday evening the number had increased, and we had a good company of interested believers. They were anxious to know what light we had on the Lord's second coming. Several were socialistic in their political views. They went home well satisfied that we had truths of great importance.

"The harvest in New Cumberland is fast ripening, and should be cared for ere long.

"On Sabbath Brother and Sister McHenry, their son, and I went to East Liverpool, where we met the Chester believers. Brother and Sister McHenry were received into church fellowship on profession of faith; and we all enjoyed a good meeting together. All of the Chester believers were present except one who lives in Steubenville, O.

"A few days ago Elder Robbins and I went to Wellsburg and called on Sister Simpson. We found that Sister Simpson had been doing some missionary work, and as a result a friend of hers is now keeping the Sabbath, and others are interested; so we feel to say that the interest is good in the "Pan Handle" district.

"We are hoping that within a short time we shall be able to report an interest in Wheeling. Work will be begun in a different way in a few days."

The Review and Herald Publishing House has just taken from the press its first educational convention report. This report has been published in pamphlet form, and will contain something over 200 pages. The pamphlet will give the papers that were read at the convention, with the principal parts of the discussions, which will prove to be interesting reading to all. The studies recommended for each grade, from the first in our primary schools to the com-

pletion of our collegiate work, will also be contained in the pamphlet. The reports can be had at the tract society as soon as they are received from Washington. Order at once.

### EAST PENNSYLVANIA

THE Harvest Ingathering campaign has begun in earnest. We believe that every church in Eastern Pennsylvania will exceed the amount received during the last two campaigns.

We know that all our people will rejoice over the fact that the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference has twenty-four students attending Mount Vernon College, many reported as greatly enjoying the school.

All our people desiring health foods will kindly order from us, as we have a good stock of both the Nashville and Battle Creek foods on hand.

Brother J. W. Hirlinger, our field and missionary agent, reports that the future outlook in the conference along canvassing and missionary lines is encouraging.

The quarterly services of the Orwell church, held October 22 and 23, were presided over by Elder W. H. Heckman. He reports an excellent meeting.

Brother G. W. Holman has charge of the conference health food department. Kindly send all orders to him at 1936 South College Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.

*Question:* Was the tithing system provided for the typical dispensation only?

*Answer:* "The tithing system reached back beyond the days of Moses. Men were required to offer to God gifts for religious purposes before the definite system was given to Moses, even as far back as the days of Adam." *Testimonies, Vol. 3, p. 393.*

*Question:* Is it binding upon Christians?

*Answer:* "The tithing system was no burden to those who did not depart from the plan. The system enjoined upon the Hebrews has not been repealed by the one who enjoined it. Instead of being of no force now, it is more fully carried out and more extended, as salvation through Christ alone should be more fully brought to

light in this Christian age." *Id., p. 393.*

Nine persons were baptized by Elder R. E. Harter in the first Philadelphia church, Sunday evening, October 30. These make a total of thirteen members who have been added to the church as a result of his tent effort during the summer. Several more are expecting to take the same step in the near future.

Mr. Robertshaw and his wife were recently baptized as a result of Elder Harter's tent effort, and are about to enter the Foreign Mission Seminary.

Elder and Mrs. Heckman have just returned from a pleasant visit to Mrs. Heckman's parents in Alabama.

All our workers will spend the month of November in the interests of the Ingathering campaign. We shall look for some good reports.

Elder Heckman spent Sabbath, October 29, with the Wade church. The company there is of good courage.

Nearly 1,500 copies of the "Ministry of Healing" have been taken by our people in this conference since our camp-meeting at Allentown. We trust that the money received for these books will be turned in as soon as possible.

Sister Myrtle A. Bristol, our Sabbath-school and young people's missionary secretary, will spend some time in Williamsport, Jersey Shore, Roaring Branch, and Northumberland during the month of November, in the interests of Sabbath-school and young people's work and the Harvest Ingathering campaign.

Sister Bristol visited the North Philadelphia Sabbath-school October 29, and after the study of the lesson, talked to the school in a very acceptable way. Sunday evening, October 30, she attended the young people's missionary volunteer service at the First German church. This is an excellent company of young people who have started a reading course and are very enthusiastic in this work.

"Drop thy dews of quietness  
Till all our strivings cease.  
Take from our souls the strain and stress,  
And let our ordered lives confess  
The beauty of thy peace."

## NEW JERSEY

### New Jersey Notes

EXCELLENT reports are already coming in from those who are working in the Harvest Ingathering campaign. If you have not done your part already, do not delay longer, but go out and get some of the blessings which are to be found in this kind of work for the Master.

The churches are sending in good reports from the effort to revive the old-time missionary spirit and the fourth Sabbath home missionary services. Those who love to see progress in the work will rejoice at this evidence that the people of God are arousing to the situation, and grappling with renewed zeal and energy the great problem of carrying the gospel to the world in this generation.

Brother and Sister Clarence Lawry returned last Friday from the West, after attending the funeral of Mr. Lawry's brother, who died during their stay.

Elder B. F. Kneeland spent a day last week with the little company of believers near Shiloh. They have made arrangements for the purchase of a small chapel, called the Jericho mission chapel, and are fitting it up for meetings. It is expected that the first service will be held on Sabbath, November 5, when Elder Spies will be with them.

The church at Bridgeton rejoices in the addition of three new members, who are the fruit of the meetings which have been conducted at the church by Brother J. A. Traugh of Fairton. The help that this brother has given to the church has indeed been appreciated.

Brother Pennington, our conference missionary secretary, reports some very interesting experiences in connection with his work. Surely there are many evidences that the fields are ripe for the reapers. What are you doing to gather in these precious souls?

Brother John Wilson has begun meetings with the Scandinavians in Camden. There seems to be a good interest in that place, and we trust that we shall see excellent results. Our workers are welcomed to the homes of the people.

Miss Thomas, of Oklahoma, who has recently come to this state to aid in the German work, is beginning Bible work in Paterson. We are very glad to welcome her to our conference.

Letters are being sent to all our people in the conference calling upon them to join the other conferences in a grand effort in the "Ministry of Healing" relief campaign. Nothing is better calculated to raise the spiritual condition of the home than the book "Ministry of Healing." It seems especially adapted to meet the needs of the hour, when thoughtful people everywhere lament that so many homes are barren of the fruits and joys of genuine Christian experience.

November 28 to December 2 has been set aside as a special Relief Rally week, when all are asked to do all in their power to dispose of these books among the homes where they are needed. We believe that if all take hold of this campaign with consecrated hearts, we shall be able to sell much more than one year's quota of two books per member. Why can we not, while we have our canvass well in our minds, make a little extra effort and dispose of the six copies of "Ministry of Healing" which the plans for the campaign call for? It can be done more easily now than at any time in the future. Let us strike while the iron is hot. The money that the relief campaign is intended to supply is needed at once, and the time to act is NOW.

Study the book, "Ministry of Healing," and make yourself perfectly familiar with the printed canvass which has been sent to you. This should be learned, if possible, as it will enable you to sell books in many places where nothing would be accomplished without the aid of a good knowledge of what to say when presenting the book to the people.

## OHIO

### With the Church Schools

SINCE October 17 the writer has been visiting the church schools in northern Ohio, beginning with Alliance and taking in Ravenna, Chagrin Falls, Grafton, West Clarksville, Camden, Clyde, and Bowling Green. At Alliance I assisted Miss Jessie E. Snyder in opening her school. The city superintendent of schools had left

a request for us to call upon him, which we did before beginning the school work.

Miss Snyder holds a three years' West Virginia state certificate, which was exceedingly useful upon this occasion. We explained our reasons for conducting church schools and our system of education. The superintendent became deeply interested and extended to Sister Snyder all the privileges of the city teachers, with an invitation to attend the teacher's meetings.

The Lord is blessing the work in our schools and there is a spirit of co-operation between the teachers and the parents. In some places the schools are held in upstairs rooms with no desks, but only an extension table and chairs. However there is a disposition to improve present conditions; and teachers and children, appreciating the spirit of sacrifice manifested by the parents, are taking hold of the work cheerfully.

W. C. MOFFETT.

### Charloe

DEAR VISITOR: We spent October 20-30 with the church at Charloe. Elder John W. Shultz joined us the last week of the meetings and we enjoyed our work together very much. The church was well filled each night with an attentive audience, and we have been requested to hold a series of meetings here some time during the winter.

On the last Sabbath of our visit we held a quarterly meeting with the church, and afterward baptized one sister in the Auglaize River. Others will follow in this sacred rite in the near future.

The Charloe church has had some trials, and we are glad to say, some victories, during the past two years; but we believe that the difficulties which have hindered its growth have been removed, and that a thorough understanding and careful, prayerful living out of the principles of the truth will place it on the high spiritual plane which all our churches should reach, and which may be attained if we will but forget those things which are behind and "press toward the mark of the high calling in Christ Jesus."

W. E. BIDWELL.

### Youngstown and Warren

It has been some time since we have reported through the columns of the VISITOR, which is welcomed by us every week.

The Lord is blessing his work here

as well as elsewhere. Since we came to Youngstown from our tent work at Warren, one person has promised to keep the Sabbath, and has already kept one Sabbath. We have good prospects that others will decide in the near future to obey the truth.

After the camp-meeting Brother J. W. Shultz and the writer pitched our tents at Warren in the vicinity of the public square, and on Sabbath, September 3, opened a series of meetings. The audiences were not large, but a good interest was shown by regular attendants. The two daily papers rendered excellent service, giving favorable notice of the meetings on their first page nearly every day. The truth was placed before thousands of people in this way.

Thus far, as a result of our meetings at Warren, six persons have begun to keep the Sabbath. Two of these we have not had the privilege of seeing since our meetings closed, October 2; but we trust that the good seed is taking deep root in their hearts. The other four we know to be continuing faithful. Further results may be seen later.

We are kept very busy in this part of the state, and the Lord is adding his blessing to our labors. We are of good courage in his work, and pray daily that the Lord will so bless his people in the giving of the message to the world that soon we may see him coming in the clouds of heaven to receive the faithful. F. E. GIBSON.

#### New Philadelphia

THE following is the missionary report of the New Philadelphia church, for the three months ending October 22:—

Books sold.....	4
Periodicals sold.....	90
Pages of periodicals distributed.....	368
Pages of books distributed.....	962
Pages of tracts distributed.....	510
Bible talks held.....	23

We have also frequently visited the sick and given clothing to the poor.

MRS. CORA LEHMAN, *Secretary.*

### The Morning Watch

THE Morning Watch Calendar for 1911 has just reached our desk, and it seems to us that it should be found in the hands of every Seventh-day Adventist. One valuable addition to the calendar is the insertion of a Sabbath sunset table, so arranged that a child in any part of the country can tell just when the sun will set in his locality. Scripture texts following the

course of the Sabbath-school lessons are given for each day of the year as a basis for meditation, and special subjects of prayer are suggested for each week, that we may be united in petitioning the throne of grace for special objects.

"The secret of being a saint is being a saint in secret." Our Lord and Master sometimes rose a great while before day to commune with his Father and obtain fresh supplies of grace for the duties and trials of the day. Living as we do in a time when men's souls are being tried, facing the most gigantic task ever entrusted to mortals, surely we cannot afford to begin the duties of a single day without first seeking strength and wisdom from above. While the purpose of the Morning Watch Calendar is especially to assist the young people in forming the habit of Bible study and prayer in the early morning, it will be appreciated also by those who are older—by all who believe in prayer.

The price of the calendar is only five cents. Orders should be sent to the Educational Department, Ohio S. D. A. Conference, Mount Vernon, Ohio. W. C. MOFFETT.

THE Ohio Conference Committee met at Columbus, Monday, October 31, to transact important business.

Mrs. Frank Hankins of Charloe will soon join her husband in Jefferson County, where he is making an excellent record as a canvasser.

Brother George Wagoner of Delta has nearly recovered from a severe attack of typhoid fever.

A Sabbath-school convention was held in the Mount Vernon church, Sabbath, November 5. Professor B. G. Wilkinson was present and gave valuable assistance.

Brother Raleigh French has taken up Bible work in Columbus, and reports that he finds as much work as he can do.

Mrs. J. J. Marietta has been in Mount Vernon for a few days selecting a house and making arrangements for moving.

Harvest Ingathering services were held in the churches at Ohio City and Toledo last Sabbath.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Van Gorder of Clyde are preparing to go to Fox River Academy, Sheridan, Illinois. Brother Van Gorder goes to take charge of the academy farm next spring, and in the meantime to take up class work. Sister Van Gorder will have charge of the culinary department of the academy.

### WEST PENNSYLVANIA

WE are glad to note the orders coming in for the special *Review*, and trust that all will distribute these copies prayerfully.

Elder I. G. Bigelow made the office a pleasant call Wednesday, October 26.

Dr. Anna H. Flatt and daughter Thea have returned to Corydon after several weeks' stay at the Battle Creek Sanitarium, where they have been recuperating.

Have you had a copy of the Harvest Ingathering number of the *Review*? If not, a postal card sent to the office at Corydon will bring one to you. After you have looked it over, you will not be content until you have placed your order for enough copies to supply your friends and neighbors.

Elder I. N. Williams visited the Meadville church, Sabbath, October 29. Quarterly services were held, and a good interest is reported. Brother Williams went from Meadville to Oil City, where he spent some time before going on to Pittsburg to be present at the meeting of the executive committee, November 7.

Elder Bigelow reports a good meeting held with the Bradford church October 22. We are glad to note the excellent work done by that church with the "Ministry of Healing." They have about cleared up their three years' quota, besides being actively engaged in other missionary work.

Brother Williams spent Sabbath, October 22, with the Corydon church. Quarterly meeting was held, and Elder Williams gave a strong talk upon our privileges and responsibilities and the necessity of each member's becoming imbued with the old time missionary spirit. All realized the need of this timely instruction, and

many were the expressions of determination to improve the time and get our literature in the hands of the people.

Brother Charles Dunham has changed his location from Indiana to 1009 Lincoln Avenue, East End, Pittsburg, Pa. Brother Dunham is much encouraged with the outlook for the canvassing work. We trust that many will be burdened for this work of distributing the printed page. All interested ones should correspond with Brother Dunham, who will cheerfully help them in getting started.

Brother N. S. Ashton, our religious liberty secretary, has started a campaign to secure subscriptions for the magazine *Liberty*. Already the Pittsburg churches have responded by securing orders for 280 subscriptions for this excellent magazine.

Brother G. Medairy, who is associated with the periodical and book work in Pittsburg, writes encouragingly about the work our churches in this large city are doing. We are glad to note the interest they are taking in active missionary work, and the many sets of the *Family Bible Teacher* they are ordering. After church Number 2 had placed an order, they wrote that they did not have nearly enough, and so they placed another order. The brethren and sisters in the German church are also of good courage, and have a deep interest in the work.

Elder Ashton gives a good report of the work in Pittsburg, and writes: "Last quarterly meeting was a good day for church Number 1. Seven precious souls were baptized, and fourteen members were added to the church. We praise the Lord for the conversion of souls. We shall have others ready for baptism before long. Pray for us and for the work here."

A. V. WILLIAMS.

## CHESAPEAKE

### Financial Statement of the Chesapeake Conference, for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1909

#### RECEIPTS

Tithe	\$6,488 49
Property	1 90
General expense	14 32
Labor	24 47
Traveling	5 80

Freight and drayage	2 50
Tent and hall collections	385 52
Union Conference meeting	324 24
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	\$7,247 24

#### Appropriations:—

Northern Union for German work	\$400 00
Columbia Union	641 68
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Ohio Conference	574 72
Iowa Conference	1,276 00
General Conference	750 00
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	3,642 40
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	\$10,889 64

#### General trust funds:—

First day offerings	\$286 13
Sabbath-school offering	583 79
Annual offering	188 47
Mid-summer offerings	46 32
\$150,000 fund	25
Mount Vernon College fund	108 66
Maintenance fund	1 72
Thanksgiving offering	245 95
Greece, from Baltimore Y. P. S.	8 00
Missions	110 00
Missions, from Baltimore Y. P. S.	5 06
Religious liberty offering	38 97
Southern field	47 45
Turkey	10 00
Home Missions	25
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	1,681 02
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	\$12,570 66

#### Local trust funds:—

Tent fund	\$154 61
Maintenance fund	15 53
Literature in home fields	05
Baltimore church building fund	717 70
Maintenance fund (return of loan)	10 00
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	897 89

Total receipts, all sources	\$13,463 55
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1909	94 10
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	\$13,562 65

#### DISBURSEMENTS

Property	\$109 77
Union Conference meeting	399 08
Office expense	90 57
Labor	7,238 33
Traveling expense	832 33
Tent and hall expense	394 93
Freight and drayage	1140 80
Union Conference tithe	648 85
Greater New York from Iowa appropriation	50 11
To tract society from Iowa appropriation	39 89
General expense	531 09
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	\$10,475 76

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Mount Vernon College fund	108 66
Maintenance fund	1 72
Thanksgiving offering	245 95
To Greece	8 00
Missions	110 00
Missions	5 06
Religious liberty	38 97
Southern field	47 45
Turkey	10 00
Home missions	25
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	\$1,681 02

#### Local trust funds:—

Tent fund	\$187 80
Maintenance fund	29 66
Missionary volunteer fund	53
Baltimore church fund	712 70
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	930 69

\$13,087 46

Total receipts \$13,562 65

Total disbursements \$13,087 46

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1610 \$475 19

#### LOSSES AND GAINS

##### Gains

Appropriations	\$3,642 40
Tent and hall collections	385 52
Tithe	6,488 49
Freight and drayage	2 50
Traveling expense	5 80
Labor	24 47
General expense	14 32
Property	222 68
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	\$10,736 18

##### Losses

General and office expense	\$622 09
Labor	7,231 89
Traveling	832 33
Tent and hall	394 93
Freight and drayage	140 80
Union Conference tithe	648 85
Appropriations	90 00
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	9,960 89

#### Net Gain

\$835 29

#### RESOURCES

Inventories, tent and hall equipment	\$1,038 05
Office furniture and supplies	108 57
Local tent funds, tent fund (overdrawn)	88 34
Union Conference meeting	74 84
Accounts receivable	6 44
Cash	475 19
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	\$1,791 43

Canvassers' Reports

Ohio, Week Ending October 28, 1910

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
Ray Corder, Monroe Co.	GC	7	50	12	36 00	22 75	58 75		
Guy Corder, Monroe Co.	GC	5	41	10	30 00	7 50	37 50		
Enos M. Horst, Hocking Co.	GC	5	39	3	9 00	8 25	17 25	11 25	
H. Forsythe, Monroe Co.	GC	5	40	3	10 00	4 50	14 50	50	
F. E. Hankins, Jefferson Co.	DR	4	26	14	36 00	4 75	40 75		
H. Kirk, Harrison Co.	DR	3	26	10	27 00	4 00	31 00		
W. E. Holst, Licking Co.	DR	5	39			2 00	2 00		
L. H. Waters, Athens Co.	BF	4	36	5	5 00		5 00	93 50	
G. Schwab, Harrison Co.	CK	3	23	7	7 50		7 50		
<b>Totals</b>		<b>41</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>\$160 50</b>	<b>\$53 75</b>	<b>\$214 25</b>	<b>\$105 25</b>	

West Virginia, Week Ending October 28, 1910

T. M. Butler, Marion Co.	GC	4	31	9	31 00	4 70	35 70	1 50	
Guy Corder, Wetzel	BF	4	33					133 00	
Ray Corder, Marshall Co.	BF	5	30					77 25	
W. McElphatrick, Lewis Co.	DR	5	48	12	38 00	8 95	46 95	4 50	
H. Smith, Harrison Co.	DR	3	21	9	30 00	7 85	37 85		
<b>Totals</b>		<b>21</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>\$99 00</b>	<b>\$21 50</b>	<b>\$120 50</b>	<b>\$216 25</b>	

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending October 21, 1910

C. Zimmerman, Bedford Co.		2	11					122 00	
J. Glunt, West Moreland Co.				6	18 50		18 50	20 00	
A. Brownlee, Butler Co.	GC	5	45		50 00	7 85	57 85	10 80	
Adeline Zoerb, Beaver Co.	SP	5	21	11	11 00	50	11 50	2 25	
Agnes Zoerb, Beaver Co.	SP	4	20	8	8 25	3 20	11 45	3 00	
Miss Midkiff, Beaver Co.	SP	3	8	6	6 50		6 50	3 50	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>19</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>\$94 25</b>	<b>\$11 55</b>	<b>\$105 80</b>	<b>\$161 55</b>	

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending October 28, 1910

A. Brownlee, Butler Co.	GC	5	49	59	77 50	12 95	90 45	14 50	
J. S. Glunt, Allegheny Co.		2						5 50	
C. Dunham, Indiana Co.				30				56 15	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>7</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>\$77 50</b>	<b>\$12 95</b>	<b>\$90 45</b>	<b>\$76 15</b>	

Chesapeake, Week Ending October 28, 1910

Maryland									
Mrs. Whaley, Kent Co., Del.	GC	4	18	2	6 00		6 00		
S. N. Brown, Pekin	CK	4	19	16	18 50	2 25	20 75		
E. Moessinger, A. Arnold Co.	CK	5	33	16	18 50	2 65	21 15	6 00	
J. Paden, Pekin	CK	4	23	8	8 50	4 50	13 00		
W. Durst, Swanton	CK	4	20	6	7 00	2 25	9 25	1 00	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>21</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>\$58 50</b>	<b>\$11 65</b>	<b>\$70 15</b>	<b>\$7 00</b>	

Virginia, Week Ending October 21, 1910

K. Gertley, Wytheville	CK		21	14	15 50	1 80	17 30	3 25	
B. Hamam, Faber	PP		12	9	15 00	75	15 75	75	
<b>Totals</b>			<b>35</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>\$30 50</b>	<b>\$2 55</b>	<b>\$33 05</b>	<b>\$4 00</b>	

District of Columbia, Week Ending October 28, 1910

H. Johnson, Washington, D. C.								5 00	
F. Mills, Manassas, Va.								20 00	
<b>Totals</b>								<b>\$25 00</b>	

Grand Totals: Value of Orders, \$634.20

Deliveries, \$595.20

LIABILITIES

Maintenance fund	\$15 69
Missionary Volunteer fund	2 20
Church school fund	2 66
Baltimore church building fund	5 00
Literature in home fields	05
	<b>25 60</b>
Present worth (Jan. 1, 1910)	\$1,765 83
Net gain for year	825 29
Present worth Jan. 1, 1909	\$940 54

Financial Statement of the Chesapeake Tract Society for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1909

RESOURCES

Inventories

Subscription books	\$41 02
Trade books	13 85
Tracts	4 74
"Christ's Object Lessons"	33 75
Office furniture and supplies	11 67
Mileage	12 32
	<b>\$117 35</b>
Bills receivable	\$32 85
Accounts Receivable	\$1,236 16
Cash on hand and in bank	448 78
	<b>1,707 73</b>
	<b>\$1,825 08</b>

LIABILITIES

Accounts payable publishing houses	\$320 33
Accounts payable local societies	19 32
Accounts payable, VISITOR deficit	63 40
Total liabilities	\$403 03
Present worth	\$1,422 03

GAINS

Subscription books	\$686 81
Trade	29 70
Periodicals	35 37
Tracts	11 98
Individual account	02
	<b>\$763 88</b>

LOSSES

Expense	\$174 95
"Christ's Object Lessons"	5 61
Salary state agent	103 57
Traveling, state agent, for two months	18 50
Local societies	6 25
	<b>408 88</b>

Net gain \$355 00

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Stock account, Jan. 1, 1909	\$1,067 03
Net gain for year	355 00
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Present worth, Jan. 1, 1910	\$1,422 03
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1909	\$1,212 49
Cash received during year	4,964 44
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Total cash during year	\$6,176 93
Cash paid out during year	\$5,728 21
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Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1910	\$448 72

EMMA S. NEWCOMER.

### The Annual Offering

Just a few fast-passing weeks and we shall be in another week of prayer season, the last Sabbath of which, December 17, our annual offering to missions will be gathered. Between now (October 30) and that time we shall have made earnest efforts to gather funds for missions from our neighbors and friends; but at the close of the week of prayer, we, as a people, will offer our gifts to missions.

Somehow we can not keep our minds off that day, especially as we face the great demands made upon us to really properly support the fields already opened and meet the urgent demands to supply the actual necessities of those stations at our outposts. It is none too early for every one of our people, old and young, to begin to think of Sabbath, December 17. To-day my attention was called to the way the children of our Takoma Park school are beginning to plan for their offering on that occasion. They have begun already to lay by them in store against that day.

Christmas tide follows the time of our annual offering. Shall we spend more than in gifts than we present

to the Lord, Sabbath, December 17? The giving of good gifts to our children is commended by the Scriptures, but there is great danger that the popular tide of the world of throwing away money lavishly at this time will sway us and cause us to do foolish things of which the spirit of God can not approve. Let us begin early this year to avoid all useless outlay.

The treasurer's books of the General Conference to-day show that the week of prayer offering of the denomination for 1909 was \$32,891.81. Counting the membership about 100,000, this gives an average of less than one-third of a dollar a member. Surely we can do better than that!

The west coast of Africa with its millions pleads for two or three workers. And for more than a year they have waited. No one can be sent. South America has had a call for several workers for Brazil lodged with the Mission Board for six months, and the answer seems no nearer to-day than when this call came last spring. China is becoming almost desperate at the delay in answering most urgent pleas for immediate help. But we stand helpless. No money. India has men out in dangerous, thickly-populated regions, just one family here and there. They plead for some one to be sent to strengthen their hands, that if sickness overtake them the work shall not stop. It is the true soldier's ring, but they must be left to toil on alone.

Now what shall be done? God has said, "Go forward." Let us do it. Why not come up to the annual offering season this year and vote for an advance? Let us lay aside our "supposed wants," and give to the Lord an offering from our love for him that will actually tell in advancing this work. We can do it if we will. God grant that we shall, and let us begin to arrange for it now.

T. E. BOWEN.

### OBITUARIES

**BENNETT.**—Joseph Bennett was born Jan. 22, 1852, and he departed this life Oct. 24, 1910, aged 58 years, 9 months, and 2 days. His parents were Thomas and Margaret Bennett. He was born near Fairview, Scioto Co., O., and he was united in marriage to Miss Dora Rader, July 27, 1881. To this union were born three sons and four daughters. Two daughters and one son have preceded him to that peaceful rest. Four children, Victor, Edna, Rolley, and Mrs. M. V. Carpenter, of Sharon, Pa., with their

mother, survive him. He was a faithful companion, ever gentle and thoughtful in his home life, being earnestly devoted to his wife and children. He was a kind neighbor, always ready to minister to those in need. During his affliction and at times of intense suffering he ever appeared cheerful, and all was endured with Christian patience. His departure from this life was peaceful and trustful. Brother Bennett was a faithful member of the Seventh-day Adventist church. He delighted to commune with the Infinite and study the Word. He leaves to mourn their loss a family, two brothers and two sisters, and many friends and neighbors, with whom his memory will ever be cherished. We loved him, but Jesus loved him more, and sweetly called him to rest until the Life-giver comes. The funeral services were conducted by Elder R. R. Kennedy, of Mount Vernon, in the M. E. church at Beaver, O., in the presence of a large concourse of sorrowing friends and relatives.

**METCALF.**—Brother E. W. Metcalf was born in Hancock County, West Virginia, Sept. 21, 1844, and died at Mount Vernon, Ohio, Oct. 9, 1910, aged 66 years, and 18 days. He was married to Mahala Robinson, Aug. 4, 1870, and with his companion accepted the third angel's message about one year later under the preaching of Elder C. H. Chaffee. He led a faithful and consistent Christian life, being a great church worker, and a regular attendant at the mid-week prayer meetings. He has been a devoted and successful canvasser since accepting the truth. Brother Metcalf was afflicted with Bright's disease, and had a slight stroke of paralysis the fifth of last September; and though he continued to fail from that time, his condition was not considered serious until the morning of his death. He was the father of twelve children, and is survived by a wife, two daughters, and seven sons. Funeral services were conducted by the writer, assisted by Elder O. F. Butcher, in the Mount Vernon College chapel. His home had been in West Virginia until recently, when he moved to Mount Vernon, Ohio. According to his request, interment was made in the Mount Vernon cemetery. F. H. ROBBINS.

**LINDSAY.**—Miss Estella Ruth, was born in Columbiana, Ohio, September 26, 1889, and passed away in death August 20, 1910, ruptured aneurism of sub-artery being the cause of her death. During her sickness of ten days she was very patient, and trusted in the Lord. She believed in the third angel's message, and intended soon to put in practice the truth she believed. She leaves to mourn her loss a father and mother, four brothers and four sisters. Funeral services were conducted by the Methodist minister of Columbiana, Ohio.

F. E. GIBSON.