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### The Harvest Ingathering for Foreign Missions

This is the fourth annual effort in behalf of our foreign mission work through the medium of a special missions number of one of our papers. The three former efforts have been through the medium of the denominational church paper, the *Review and Herald*. This year the medium is the denominational missionary paper, the *Signs of the Times*; and it is an excellent number, as all know who have seen it.

Not only is the effort one that results in great blessing to our ever increasing and rapidly developing foreign mission endeavor, but also one that is a great home missionary work. Think of what it means to place 500,000 copies (over two carloads) of a large, well-illustrated number of the *Signs* into so many homes in the United States. A few years ago such an effort would have been considered a sure evidence of drops of the latter rain—an evidence of the loud cry—and the hasty completion of this work in the earth.

By distributing these 500,000 copies of this paper, not only will so many homes have placed in them a witness that this gospel of the kingdom is being preached in all the earth, as an evidence of the soon-coming of our Lord and Saviour, but from \$30,000 to \$50,000 will be gathered in as a help in the carrying forward of this work into the uttermost parts of the earth. The amounts gathered by the masses of our people may not each in themselves be large, but when thousands of others are each doing the same good work, a large stream comes flowing into the ocean of God's great world for the carrying forward of this work. So let each do his part, that all together may hear the "well done." If every one who believes this message will take hold and do what he can, we are sure that the blessings of heaven will attend our united efforts.

A. R. OGDEN.

### With the College Students

It gave me great pleasure at the close of my labors in the West Virginia Conference to spend two or three days at Mount Vernon with the College. This pleasure came from the privilege of looking into the large number of happy, earnest faces. The body of students at the college this year is composed of those who are there for a purpose. Young men and young women have come from different parts of the Union with mature and settled plans to develop themselves for the work and service of God.

On Friday night, October 7, I had the privilege of talking to the students. The blessing of God was in the meeting. At its close about seventy of those dear young people came forth for prayers; some to give their hearts to God for the first time, some to renew their consecration, and others to turn from backsliding to devotion, and from worldliness to consecration.

The next Sabbath morning I had the added privilege of speaking to the assembled Mount Vernon church. Truly the spirit of God was with us in this meeting, leading many to take a new and firmer hold upon the Lord and to consecrate themselves more definitely to his service.

Sister Steele from Chattanooga, Tenn., who has been laboring there for thirty years in behalf of motherless children, was present with us this Sabbath day. She spoke to the students both in the afternoon and in the evening, giving them some very excellent, practical, Christian instruction.

There was a hearty response to the words which were spoken in these several meetings, so much so that we feel of good courage regarding the work of the College this coming year. Still, we are not yet satisfied. We earnestly entreat our brethren throughout the Columbia Union Conference to pray that God will greatly bless the students in the school and prepare them to go out and face the world's battles which must soon be

fought for the advancement of the truth.

The enrolment of the school, as far as we could learn, is about ten per cent larger than it was at this time last year. B. G. WILKINSON.

### School Management\*

The management and instruction of children is said by the servant of God to be the noblest missionary work that any man or woman can undertake. And a teacher must seek daily for that wisdom which our heavenly Father has promised, in order to know how to meet wisely the difficulties that come up in the school-room.

Whatever else a teacher may know, she must know how to govern. The teacher who would govern well must first learn the lesson of self-control. The inspired word says, "The love of Christ constraineth us;" and if this love exists in the heart of the teacher, self will not rise up in anger or impatience, even at the most trying times.

There should be few rules in the school-room, but these should be enforced kindly and firmly. All rules should be reduced to one—Do what is right and best under the circumstances. Hold each child to this. Ask him what would be the result if all should do as he is doing or wishes to do. Get him to decide, if possible, and take his stand on the right side.

This will teach self-government, the foundation of all good government. Anything like fault-finding, bitter censure, or harshness serves only to harden, to encourage resistance, to cause deeper purposes of rebellion, but never to reform. To administer correction properly we must manifest a helpful sympathy for the erring, must point out the weakness in love, kindly showing the results of disobedience both to the doer and those within the circle of his influence. When necessary, explain how not only his welfare, but also that of the entire school, home, or neighborhood

\* Read at the Camden, Ohio, Educational Convention, October 15, 1911.

rests upon the proper execution of authority.

Such correction need be no less firm or effective for the spirit in which it is given. It becomes more effective, because it seeks to reach the secret springs of reason, self-respect, honor, and justice. It tends to call forth the better impulses of the soul, and thus strengthens the will and builds up the foundation of Christian character. Even the most stubborn may by this method be melted, as it were, into faithful, trusty helpers. Let the teacher gain the confidence of the tempted one, and, by recognizing and developing the good in his character, she can in many cases correct the evil without calling attention to it.

The teacher who fusses, scolds, and frets soon finds her government a failure. "Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." How true this is we know by our own experience; we would much rather obey those who are kind and courteous in administering government than those who fume and fret.

If the teacher moves noisily, talks in a loud tone, slams the door, and handles the books roughly, the children soon catch the same spirit; for "by beholding we become changed." But if she cultivates a quiet, subdued manner, the effect of its influence will be seen in the pupils. There should not be required, however, such a silence that you could hear a pin drop. This is a mistake; for where life is there is heard the quiet hum of industry.

The teacher should be kind, just, and reasonable. Before saying Yes or No, she must consider whether the request is reasonable or not. Having decided, let her give her answer in a quiet, firm manner which will indicate that no change will be made.

Teachers stand, as it were, at the child's parting of the ways. What his future will be does not depend so much upon the number of Bible verses he can repeat, or the facts of Bible history he can relate, as upon his early appreciation of, and respect for, proper and just authority. Therefore it is the solemn duty of the teacher to enforce proper discipline.

But if pupils cannot be taught to govern themselves, they must be governed.

Government is divine. "Order is heaven's first law." The more we study the character of God, the more we see that he is a God of order; and he would have our church schools such that his angels can walk through the rooms and behold in the order

and principles there, the order and principles of heaven.

The child who rebels against the reasonable exercise of authority in home and school is likely to pass with rapid steps against the government of God. The authority of the school must be maintained. If the teacher cannot maintain authority in any case by reason, she may use other methods. Solomon says, "Spare the rod and spoil the child." She who hesitates or falters in her work of correction should remember that "the greatest wrong that can be done to a child or youth is to allow him to become fastened in the bondage of evil habit."

No teacher who has at heart the well-being of those under her care will compromise with the stubborn self-will that defies authority or resorts to evasion in order to escape obedience. It is not love that palters with wrong-doing, seeks by coaxing or bribes to secure compliance, and finally accepts something else as a substitute for the thing required. This is not our heavenly Father's way of working. The Bible says, "Whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth." "Now no chastisement for the present is joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterwards it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness in them that are exercised thereby." So we see that true love will administer just that which is necessary and best for our future well-being.

Proper discipline in the school-room never harms; it helps to develop such characters as will enable the children to be obedient to the law of God as they grow older and must bear responsibilities for themselves.

Now comes one of the most important features of the work—the co-operation of the parents. If parents uphold the teacher in her principles, the children will soon be subdued. But nothing makes a child more defiant than the knowledge that his parents are taking sides with him. This is the hardest thing that a teacher has to meet; and God-fearing parents should never uphold their children in wrong-doing; for it will be to their everlasting sorrow and regret. Rather they should seek to teach their children obedience from their earliest childhood, thus paying the way for the teacher, who will have them under her care during the coming years. Seeing, therefore, what a solemn responsibility rests upon both parents and teachers, "let us walk worthy of the vocation whereunto we are called, with all lowliness and meekness, with long-

suffering, forbearing one another in love; endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

CLARA REICHENBAUGH.

## Hints on Taking Part in Prayer Meeting

Do you find it hard to take part in the prayer meeting? Almost every one has had the same experience. Will you benefit by a few hints, so that you may take part profitably? Do you think you ought to take part? Well, if it is your Christian duty, then your allegiance to your Lord demands that you do your duty, or else "die trying to do it."

### Some Little Things That Are Not Little

1. Sit in front.
2. Take part at the very first opportunity.
3. Sit with those that do take part.
4. Ask them to encourage you to take part.
5. Remember to make taking part a matter of earnest prayer.
6. Determine that you *will* take part.

Sometimes the very best thing you can do to help a meeting is to fail while trying to take part. Will you ask God for grace to fail for him, if that is best?

### What Can I Do?

Sometimes people ask this question. Here are five things which you can do. Is the last too hard? Then try the easiest first. Do not stay in the "verse-reading class" long. Remember to be "always abounding in the work of the Lord."

1. You can read a verse of scripture; but be sure it is on the topic.
2. You can read an appropriate selection or the verse of a hymn. Be sure you can read it intelligibly.
3. You can preface or follow the reading of a verse by some brief remark, as: "I have found this verse helpful." A very good way is to say: "This verse means"—then tell in your own words what it means. If you can make some remarks to bring out the meaning, do it.
4. You can illustrate the meaning of a verse or the topic:—
  - (a) By some Bible incident that you can read, or better, tell.
  - (b) By some story you have read in history, or in some book or paper.
  - (c) By some incident that has come under your personal observation.
  - (d) Best of all, by some personal experience.
5. You can pray.

There is nothing that helps a meeting more than prayer. We have few

prayers in our meetings. It is hard to pray. Will you pray?

How shall you begin? How do the Bible prayers begin?

How shall you end? How do the Bible prayers end? What shall you put in the middle? Study the Bible prayers. Some Bible prayers suggested for study (remark how little like these prayers are the ones you hear): Matt. 6:9-13; Eph. 1:9-17; 4:14-21; Phil. 1:9-11; Col. 1:9; Heb. 13:20,21. Absorb these petitions. It costs to pray. Will you pay the cost?

#### How to Speak

So that you can act your part with edification, remember you are speaking for others to hear; therefore:—

1. Stand up to take your part.
2. Hold up your head and speak out.
3. Speak loud enough for all to hear, especially when you pray.
4. Speak distinctly.
5. Speak slowly. All beginners speak too fast. Try to go slowly.
6. Take a good breath just before you begin to speak.

KINLEY McMILLAN.

## AT THE COLLEGE

### The Scholarship Plan

Last spring during the canvasser's institute held at the College a large class of prospective canvassers was formed. At the same time other young men and women in different parts of the Union were preparing to enter the field and earn for themselves a year's scholarship in Mount Vernon College. Together they made the largest corps of student canvassers that has ever entered the canvassing field of the Columbia Union. All summer the work of these young people was eagerly watched throughout the Union, and their success was cause for general rejoicing. Now, having fairly entered upon a good year's work in school, they have begun to reap the first fruit of their summer's sowing. Perhaps other fruit will be gathered for the kingdom of heaven as a result of their faithful efforts.

Recently the students who spent the summer, or any part of it, in the canvassing field, were asked to report the financial result of their work. Knowing that a summary of these reports will be of interest to all, and hoping that it may prove an inspiration to other young men and women who should adopt the scholarship plan, we give it to the readers of the VISITOR.

The following are the figures as given by the students themselves. They represent the retail value of the books sold. A scholarship is \$275 worth of books or magazines delivered. Not all the figures stand for a full summer's work; some of the students were able to be in the field for only a few weeks, others for only a few days; but all improved the time while they were out, as will be seen from their reports.

Alice Austin	\$300.00
Harry W. Barto	427.00
Homer C. Baumgartner	231.00
Hannah J. Beatty	250.00
Annie M. Bennett	535.00
Harry K. Christman	66.00
Guy Corder	415.00
Ray Corder	376.00
Frank J. Detwiler	210.00
Sadie J. Detwiler	200.00
Laura D. Endy	$\frac{1}{2}$ scholarship
Merritt V. Eusey	180.00
Harvey G. Gauker	1 scholarship
Alfred Holst	225.00
John Z. Hottel	487.50
Paul E. Hottel	400.00
Charles F. Houck	88.50
Olive Krum	584.00
John R. Midkiff	75.00
Madge Miller	1 scholarship
Ruth Murphy	285.00
Charles Paden	$\frac{1}{2}$ scholarship
Olive Pangburn	400.00
Dollie Parker	275.00
Mary F. Rice	225.00
Sevelon Rockwell	375.00
Della Smith	$1\frac{1}{2}$ scholarships
Rosella Smith	$3\frac{1}{2}$ scholarships
James W. Smith	$\frac{1}{2}$ scholarship
Edward Sterner	$\frac{1}{2}$ scholarship
Lloyd Swallen	377.00
Berl E. Wagner	335.00
Edgar F. Welch	180.00
Robert B. Wheeler	150.00

### What the Students Say About It

The canvassing work means to each student who engages in it with the right motive, not only financial help, but also educational and spiritual development.

OLIVE PANGBURN.

The distribution of papers and books is the Lord's means of keeping the message for this time continually before the people. This is the highest work that the student can engage in during the summer vacation. Through it he is able not only to earn his way in school, but also to give the truth for this time to the people.

PAUL E. HOTTEL.

If there is any work that will prove the metal of one's makeup, it is canvassing.

MERRITT V. EUSEY.

I think the scholarship plan for students affords an excellent opportunity to gain an education.

ANNIE M. BENNETT.

I have found that by canvassing one is inspired with greater ambition and zeal to work for the Master.

LOYD SWALLEN.

We are told that the work of the gospel canvasser is one of great importance. I know of no better way for young men and women to secure a Christian education than to work on the scholarship plan. They are thus obtaining means to go to school, and at the same time sowing seed that will cause some souls to accept the blessed truth for this time.

J. W. SMITH.

Canvassing for our literature is an excellent means by which our young people may obtain a spiritual and intellectual education.

RAY CORDER.

The scholarship plan is a three-fold good: it takes the message to the people through the publications distributed; it offers an education that no college can give; and it furnishes the means for a better preparation to carry the glorious truth to the world.

H. G. GAUKER.

As a means of gaining self-reliance adaptability, and education in general, canvassing is invaluable.

HANNAH J. BEATTY.

Canvassing for our books is, outside of its evangelical importance, a healthful, helpful, and educative work.

GLENN S. DRAPER.

I consider it a great privilege to place the precious truth in the homes of the people. It is a comfort to feel that while we are attending school this winter the printed pages which we helped to scatter are bearing their silent but telling witness.

MARY F. RICE.

No more important work than canvassing can be engaged in. It is educational, affording an opportunity to put into practice the knowledge obtained in school. It shows us the great responsibility which rests upon the young people in the closing work of this generation. And best of all—it teaches us to put full dependence in God.

DOLLIE PARKER.

Canvassing is not only an excellent way to earn the means with which to attend school; in itself it imparts a training that is not to be obtained in the class-room. Coming in contact with the world, we learn to sense more clearly its needs, and are enabled to make a better preparation for the great work that is before us.

HAZEL V. LEACH.

Money could not buy the many blessed experiences I enjoyed while canvassing.

LAURA D. ENDY.

From the viewpoint of a student, the canvassing work is intensely interesting. The experience of meeting people daily in their homes and presenting to them the truths of the third angel's message draws one nearer to God and makes one feel the need of a greater consecration to his work.

MADGE MILLER.

The canvassing work is the very work which the Lord desires his people to do at this time; and I can truthfully say from experience that one of the best means for young people to gain a Christian education is the scholarship plan. They are not only earning a preparation to give the last warning message to the world; they are already giving it through the books which they scatter.

JOHN Z. HOTTEL.

I consider canvassing for our literature an excellent way for our young people to obtain means to attend school. They are not only earning an education, but are at the same time placing in the homes of the people the message which is due the world at this time. The marked manner in which the Lord guides and blesses one in this work is evidence that it meets with his approval.

CHARLES C. PADEN.

There is no greater field of improvement for a student's talents than the canvassing work. It strengthens his moral courage, enlarges his views, and gives him a desire for more aggressive work in the cause of truth. Evangelistic canvassing develops stability of character and adaptability, two of the most essential qualifications of the foreign missionary. With this work there comes also a sense of joy and peace, from the fact that one is scattering seed which will spring up into everlasting life.

HARRY W. BARTO.

As a means of meeting the people and giving the truth to those who are longing for it, or as a practical education in evangelistic work, nothing excels evangelistic canvassing.

SEVELON ROCKWELL.

I have learned from experience that the canvassing work can be made a success, and that the scholarship plan offers a Christian education to many who could obtain it in no other way. I have enjoyed the canvassing work very much during the last two summers, and if it is the Lord's will I intend to enter it again next spring.

EDWARD STERNER.

My experience in canvassing leads me to think that every student should spend at last some time in this line of work. It teaches many things which can be learned in no other way. Not only is the message brought to the people, but the student is made to see the necessity of its reaching every human soul. He is also called upon to lean heavily on the Lord in adversity, and to learn the sweet lesson of victory through prayer and perseverance. Canvassing is an all-round, practical education that prepares one for other branches of work. Try it.

OLIVE KRUM.

## Hosea

Hosea was a prophet of the northern kingdom of Israel, a younger contemporary of Amos and an older contemporary of Isaiah and Micah. His life seems to have been a tragic and melancholy one, though of its details we know little except what he tells us. He delivered his message in the latter part of the reign of Jereboam II. and in the troublous times that followed. Outwardly it was a time of prosperity, but inwardly the nation was decaying. Gross immorality was increasing on every hand and the masses were being crushed by their cruel oppressors. When Jereboam II. died, the crash came. Zachariah, his son, reigned for only six months; and was murdered by a conspiracy. Afterward Zachariah, Shallum, Menahem, Pekahiah, Pekah, and Hosea, succeeded each other on the throne. This was the saddest part of Israel's history.

Hosea with his prophetic eye beholds the empire of Assyria advancing to crush his country; he sees its cantons ravaged, and its tribes murdered or enslaved. In an ecstasy of grief and affection he pours forth the

strength of his soul. He rebukes, he warns, he invites, he expostulates; but all to no avail. The nation will not listen to him. They repent not of their sins and are carried by the Assyrians into captivity, never to return.

Hosea has much to say about Ephraim, sometimes referring to the nation of Israel as a whole. The sentence, "Ephraim is joined to his idols; let him alone," foreshadows the doom of that tribe. And in Rev. 7:4-8, where the tribes are named as inhabiting the new earth, we find that the tribe of Ephraim is left out. Thus the prophecy is fulfilled.

In the tenth chapter and twelfth verse Hosea prophesies of the latter rain, similar to that which was given on the day of Pentecost. The importance of the study of this book is given in its closing words: "Who is wise, and he shall understand these things? prudent, and he shall know them? for the ways of the Lord are right, and the just shall walk in them; but the transgressor shall fall therein."

A STUDENT.

## What Saith My Heart?

What does my heart say when it is sad,

To the hearts of my fellow men?

When all my thoughts are gloomy and dark,  
Making the brightness of life a mere spark—

What does my heart say then?

It says in the language of sadness and gloom:

"I'm far too busy to give you room,  
Go elsewhere now and leave me alone,  
While I brood awhile o'er things of my own."

The heart is sad because of the thought,

And so it will ever be.

As a man thinketh within his heart,

So is he.

What does my heart say when it is glad,

To the hearts of my fellow men?

When all my thoughts are joyous and bright,

What does my heart say then?

It says in the language of gladness and cheer:

"Come in, dear hearts, I welcome you here.  
Come share in my thoughts, my joy shall be  
thine;

I welcome you in to be guests of mine."

The heart is glad because of the thought,

And so it will ever be.

As a man thinketh within his heart,

So is he.

—Walter S. Whitacre, in *Progress Magazine*.

What does that person need most to study, who says he knows more than he can tell—that he has it in his mind and understands, but can not express it in words? The answer to this question is found in the November-December issue of *Christian Education*.

## Victory

"Now thanks be to that God who always leads us forth to triumph with the Anointed One, and who diffuses by us the fragrance of the knowledge of him in every place." 2 Cor. 2:14 (Literal Translation).

When you are forgotten or neglected, or purposely set at naught, and you smile inwardly, glorying in the insult or the oversight—that is victory. John 3:26-30; 2 Tim. 4:16.

When your good is evil spoken of, when your wishes are crossed, your taste offended, your advice disregarded, your opinions ridiculed, and you take it all in patient and loving silence—that is victory. John 8:48; 1 Pet. 2:20.

When you are content with any food, any raiment, any society, any solitude, any interruption—that is victory. Phil. 4:11; Heb. 13:5.

When you never care to refer to yourself in conversation, or to record your own good works, or to yearn after commendation, when you can truly "love to be unknown"—that is victory. Gal. 2:20; 6:14.

"The perfect victory is to triumph over one's self."

"In all things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us." Rom. 8:32. —Contributed.

## College Notes

Elder Butler returned last Wednesday from the Columbia Union council, bringing good news concerning the future prospects of the College. He has promised to tell us in next week's issue some of the educational plans adopted by the council.

Dr. and Mrs. Harding, of Columbus, were recent visitors at the home of Professor and Mrs. Welch.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Panches of Hamler, O., were in Mount Vernon last week, making arrangements to move to this vicinity.

Mr. Earl Bisel and Mr. Harry Barto spent a recent Sabbath at Mr. Bisel's home in Bellville, O.

Last Wednesday morning the students listened to a very interesting chapel talk from Elder John W. Shultz. His subject was "Doing Things." We are not condemned by the number of evil things which we

do, but by the number of good things which we fail to do.

The young men of the College home organized a fire department last Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Vandora Horner of Dayton recently spent a day with her daughter, meeting her at Columbus.

Mr. Delano Rees of West Pennsylvania, who was a student of the College last year, returned Wednesday. He has been canvassing in Ohio during the summer and has just completed his final delivery.

The Bible department has organized for the purpose of raising a fund to reseat the Bible room. Eight bands are working faithfully toward this end. Any donations to the "chair fund" will be thankfully received.

Elder and Mrs. George B. Starr, of Melrose, Mass., passed through Mount Vernon on their way to the Hindsdale Sanitarium, where Elder Starr gave the address at the graduating exercises held November 1. On his brief visit to the College, Elder Starr spoke to the students upon the subject of "Victory." He described very graphically the fight and the victory for temperance in the recent campaign in Maine. His talk was enjoyed by everyone present.

Miss Faye Hewitt is teaching a church school at Hanford, Cal., this year. She writes that she likes the West very much.

Professor D. D. Rees, our former teacher of English, now principal of the Forest Home Industrial Academy at Mount Vernon, Wash., writes in a private letter as follows:—

"Our school is progressing nicely. Our enrolment so far is eighty, and we expect that it will reach one hundred by Christmas."

I am more and more in love with this great Northwest, and think the Puget Sound country is the finest I have ever seen. It is said that no one ever wants to leave after living here awhile, and I am beginning to feel pretty well satisfied myself. I am just about snowed under all the time with work; but we think we have an excellent little school, and the Lord is blessing our efforts."

"We have no greater work in our home field than that of the education of our youth for acceptable service in promoting our special message."

Every young person ought to read the editorial in the November-December issue of *Christian Education*, entitled "Relative Values in Education." The range of useful knowledge is very great. No one can acquire it all. What to select, what to read, is the problem. Shall emphasis be placed upon acquiring as many facts as possible, or upon the mastery of living principles that will be perpetual in bearing fruit of knowledge?

## A Card of Thanks

Mrs. Alice Knouff, who has been a resident of Academia for the past few months, and who was last week bereaved of her husband, desires, with her daughter, to express to the members of the community her sincere thanks for kindnesses rendered during the time of Mr. Knouff's illness and death.

## WEST PENNSYLVANIA

### Pittsburg

We have been having some interesting experiences in missionary lines in the city of Pittsburg. The churches having organized for aggressive work, everyone is taking hold of it with a will. During the month of October the Pittsburg No. 1 church furnished itself a supply of 7,000 tracts, and every time the church is opened the tract cabinet is besieged at the close of the service by applicants for the various tracts.

Elder I. G. Bigelow was here for several days, and together we held meetings with all the churches and companies in the interest of missionary endeavor.

On Sabbath, October 28, the Pittsburg church held a very interesting Harvest Ingathering service, in which nearly all the teachers and officers of the Sabbath-school, with the members of the intermediate department, took part. Gifts of fruit and vegetables had been brought, which together with oak leaves and corn were appropriately used in decorating the rostrum and chandeliers. Afterward the fruit and vegetables were distributed among the needy.

During the month of November I expect to visit a number of our churches and isolated members in the northern section of the conference. It may be that our president will make the tour at the same time.

G. MEDAURY.

"An honest man's the noblest work of God."

## OHIO

## A Work of Faith

I look for the Harvest Ingathering campaign to bring excellent results in missionary lines, as well as in the gathering of funds for missions. The special *Signs* is splendidly adapted to this work. The plan affords a wonderful opportunity to our people to go out in faith expecting large things. Great care should be exercised with the paper, that the work shall not be merely a financial undertaking. The members of our churches should spend much time in prayer, asking the Lord to open the way by moving the hearts of men and women to liberality, in order that large gifts may be received. We cannot afford to leave the Lord out of our efforts. He is waiting to help our people as they enter upon this work, in a way to make it result in a great blessing to the worker as well as to those who are visited and those who receive the paper. Let all have a part in it. It would be a good plan to hold some experience meetings after the work has been in progress for a short time.

E. K. SLADE.

## Pleasant Hill

The Pleasant Hill church held its Ingathering services on Sunday evening, October 29. The front part of the church had been tastefully decorated with beautiful autumn boughs and the products of the field. An excellent program consisting of appropriate songs, recitations, and dialogues concluded with an address on the object of the exercises and an offering for missions.

W. C. MOFFETT.

## Wooster

After much inconvenience and delay the tent at Wooster was pitched September 10. Brother and Sister G. E. Wales, who were connected with us in the effort, had charge of the music, and rendered valuable service in visiting and holding Bible readings with the people.

The influence of the local churches was used most effectually against our attendance. Except on one night, when the tent was quite comfortably filled, our average attendance was not over twenty, although we advertised extensively both with cards and through the daily papers.

We closed our meetings October 15. The present result of the effort is that seven adults have signified their de-

termination to keep the Sabbath; eleven appointments for Bible readings have been made; and fourteen other homes are open for Bible study.

Praying that the Lord may water the seed that has been sown in Wooster, and that the judgment may reveal much fruit as the result of this effort, we now take up the work in other fields.

R. G. PATTERSON,

J. J. MARIETTA.

## Thornport

On Wednesday, September 6, Elder Bidwell and the writer pitched their tent at Thornport, O. For two successive evenings rain prevented the holding of meetings. However, on Sabbath, September 9, the meeting began with a fair attendance, and continued for six weeks. The place being small, our audiences were never large, but we were gratified to see the same faces from night to night throughout the entire series. At the close of the effort two persons had taken their stand for the truth, and others expressed their intention of so doing.

The people of Thornport were very hospitable, and they lost no opportunity of manifesting their good will toward us. The expenses of the effort were nearly covered by their contributions. They have requested that further meetings be held in their vicinity, and have volunteered to do what they can to procure a place for the services.

J. W. SHULTZ.

## Springfield

The work in the city of Springfield is making very encouraging advancement. On Sabbath, October 28, we held our regular Harvest Ingathering service, with a good attendance from the outside. The blessing of God was present in the meeting, making it a most profitable one for the work here. On Sunday evening the service was repeated, with a much larger outside attendance and an increased interest on the part of all.

Our church services are now well attended, and not only by the members; a deep interest in the study of the truth is shown by a goodly number of regular attendants, several of whom are already keeping the Sabbath.

The work here seems to be growing more substantial and taking on a more promising aspect, as is shown by the interest the church is taking in getting the truth before friends and neighbors, in finding openings for Bible readings, and in the deep

interest of the members in the daily study of the Bible and the Testimonies; which is resulting in greater willingness on the part of all, not only to live the truth, but to give for its advancement.

Our church school, taught by Miss Rosella Draper, is being blessed of God, and is making advancement.

The church is taking hold of the work with the mission number of the *Signs* in a very encouraging way, and already some of the children have gathered in several dollars for the work in the mission fields. As we go forth with our Captain, each day increases our desire to see the battle pushed even to the gates of the city.

C. T. REDFIELD.

## Columbus

The members of the Columbus church was especially favored Sabbath, October 28, in having with them Elder G. B. Starr, chaplain of the Melrose Sanitarium, and Elder O. F. Butcher, of the Mount Vernon College. Elder Starr gave a splendid discourse filled with earnestness and zeal that commanded the best attention, not only of our membership, but of the many visitors present, who showed deep interest and expressed themselves as well pleased.

At the close of the regular service the writer suggested that his brother-in-law, who had recently been severely afflicted, be especially remembered in prayer, that he might not only be restored to health, but that he might be drawn closer to Christ, and like one of old sit at the Saviour's feet. The spirit of God swept over the entire audience, and when a call was made for a deeper consecration, fifteen arose, and soon half of the audience stood weeping before the pulpit. It was, indeed, a solemn occasion. Fathers and mothers came weeping and praying for wayward children, husbands and wives for unbelieving companions, children for their parents, and young people for members of the same household yet out of the ark of safety. During the prayer season the Lord came especially near. Discouraged hearts were made to rejoice in the Lord, and some who had grown cold felt that God was again calling them to greater earnestness and zeal in the closing work. We believe that the Lord heard our prayers for the afflicted one, and for those who were drifting away from God, and that the results of this meeting will be far-reaching, bringing a number nearer the Lord.

## Canvassers' Reports

West Pennsylvania, Two Weeks Ending October 27, 1911

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
J. Kimmel, Somerset		PPE	8	58		53 50	1 50	55 00	85 15
A. Brownlee, Washington		OK	9	72		86 75	13 85	100 60	36 95
C. Dunham, Allegheny		GC	3	14	20	65 00		65 00	37 00
Eva Jenks, Ridgway		OK	2	11	6	9 00	950	18 50	
Totals			22	155	26	\$214 25	24 85	\$239 10	\$159 10

West Virginia Week Ending October 27, 1911

T. M. Butler, Monongalia Co.	GC	5	40				32 35	32 35	1 10
A. Hendrickson, Kanawha Co.	DR	5	35	10	30 00		1 50	31 50	
Mrs. Huff, Ohio Co.		3	20				25 00	25 00	
J. W. Marshall, Braxton Co.	GC	4	37	20	53 00		4 00	57 00	2 00
W. McElphatrick, Braxton Co.	DR	3	25	8	25 00		9 75	34 75	1 50
F. E. Wagner, Ohio Co.	DR	4	30	12	26 00			26 00	
Mrs. Wagner, Ohio Co.		4	20				26 00	26 00	
Totals		28	207	50	\$134 00	\$98 60	\$232 60		\$4 60

Ohio, Week Ending October 20, 1911

J. Randolph, Marion Co.	DR	5	50	9	28 00	19 55	47 55	3 80
H. F. Kirk, Clark Co.	BR	4	28	11	32 00	2 65	34 65	
L. H. Waters, Seneca Co.	BF	5	35	29	33 00		33 00	
Marie Flenner, Butler Co.	BF	4	13	26	28 00	3 75	31 75	
Totals		18	126	75	\$121 00	\$25 95	\$146 95	3 80

Ohio, Week Ending October 27, 1911

H. F. Kirk, Clark Co.	BR	5	32	15	49 00	31 25	80 25	
J. Randolph, Marion Co.	DR	5	48	7	23 00	31 65	54 65	3 55
L. H. Waters, Seneca Co.	BF	5	40	27	31 50	2 50	34 00	1 00
Marie Flenner, Butler Co.	BF	3	10	16	18 50	2 75	21 25	
H. Forsythe, Seneca Co.	BF	4	31	14	15 50		15 50	
Totals		22	161	79	\$137 50	\$68 15	\$205 65	\$4 55

New Jersey, Week Ending October 27, 1911

R. D. Stagg, Sussex Co.	GC		42	4	13 00	8 30	21 30	4 55
W. Schmidt, Elizabeth	GC			3	14 00	8 50	22 50	8 50
A. S. Samuel, Newark	GA		30	155	38 75		38 75	23 25
N. R. Pond, Beverly	GC		25	2	6 00		6 00	8 95
Mrs. Stowe, Rockaway Co.	BS		13	24	23 75		23 75	
Totals			110	188	\$95 50	\$16 80	\$112 30	\$45 25

Chesapeake, Week Ending October 27, 1911

J. Jones, Ruthsburg, Md.	CK	5	35	9	13 50	5 10	18 60	57 20
*D. Percy, Harford Co., Md.	GC	10	58	13	32 00	37 00	69 00	
Totals		15	93	22	\$45 50	\$42 10	\$87 60	\$57 20

East Pennsylvania, Week Ending October 27, 1911

Wm. P. Hess, York Co.	DR	4	37	8	26 00	6 50	32 50	75 50
S. F. Zenger, Chambersburg	CK	5	43	17	26 50		26 50	
Daisy Ott, Meshoppen	CK	3	15	9	13 50		13 50	
Totals		12	95	24	\$66 00	\$6 50	\$72 50	\$75 50

\*Two weeks

Grand Totals: Value of Orders, \$1096.70

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We earnestly crave the prayers of all our people, that we may all be faithful here in the capital city, and that the influence of the church may always be strong in the service of our God. JOHN FRANCIS OLMSTED.

Elder John W. Shultz is visiting some of the churches in the north-western part of the state, in the interest of the \$300,000 fund and the "Ministry of Healing" campaign.

Master Herman Shenneman of Cleveland and Miss Emma Russell of Atlanta, Ga., are making their home with Mrs. Minnie Dunmead this winter, in order to attend the Pleasant Hill church school taught by Miss Leila Clough.

The parents of Sister Minnie Kuhn are very ill.

Brother R. J. Minesinger of Empire, O., met with a serious loss October 7, when his home was partly destroyed by fire.

The members of the Derwent church were pleased to have with them Elders Bidwell and Moffett Sabbath, October 28, on the occasion of their quarterly meeting. This little church makes an excellent showing in tithes and offerings, and also in educational work; four of its thirteen members are in Mount Vernon College.

## Notice

Notice is hereby given that Elder E. K. Slade will meet with the Bowling Green church November 10-12, and with the Toledo church, November 24 and 25.

## EAST PENNSYLVANIA

## Philadelphia

The work among the colored people of this city is growing in interest. Many of them are calling for some one to come and study the word of God with them. Truly the Lord has gone out before us in this work. On Sabbath, October 28, six members were added to the church; three were received by letter, and three followed their Lord in baptism.

I have made two visits to the little company in Chester, Pa. The members of this company hold their meeting in the home of their leader, Brother J. W. Scott. They are of good courage. T. H. BRANCH.



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### The Canvasser and the Harvest Ingathering

Our regular canvassers can have a part in the Harvest Ingathering campaign without its taking up much of their time. When Brother Hess delivers his books he carries with him the *Signs* special, and when he has delivered a book he takes out one of the papers, saying, "Here is a special issue of the *Signs of the Times*, which gives an idea of the great missionary work being done by the people who are putting out this good book. I am giving away the paper and soliciting for missions. If you feel like giving anything toward this good work, I should be pleased to receive it."

Following this plan, Brother Hess has collected in previous campaigns quite a nice sum for missions; and he is doing the same work this year with good success.

For the benefit of those who are out in the field we pass this on, believing that it is an excellent plan and one that could be adopted with profit by our agents generally.

J. W. HIRTLINGER.

The first number of the Fireside Bible Study series of the *Signs of the Times* weekly makes its appearance in another week. Already good lists of names are coming in. Our people appreciate this plan of our pioneer missionary paper in giving the great three-fold message in this way. The verse-by-verse study of the book of Daniel is a good feature of the series. This is a splendid opportunity for presenting these important lines of prophecy to those in whom we are interested.

Three fourths of the first edition of 40,000 copies of *Liberty* for the fourth quarter have already been sold. The new cover design and the contents of the number appeal strongly to all of our successful magazine agents. Send ten cents to this office for a sample copy and terms to agents.

The November *Signs* magazine is meeting with a good sale. On October 25 almost 4,000 copies more than were sold for November last year had been sold out, and orders are still coming in. November now bids fair to also become a record-breaker. The attractive cover, with its timely contents, is proving a good one for agents. You can make no mistake with a few copies.

What is the strongest factor in education? This question is answered in the November-December number of *Christian Education*. In dealing with this question, Mr. Garfield said two years before he was president of the United States: "It has long been my opinion that we are all educated, whether children, men, or women, far more by personal influence than by books and the apparatus of schools."

If personal influence is the strongest factor in our education, is it not better for children to be under the influence of our own God-fearing teachers, than to be molded by teachers filled with worldly ambitions and infidelity?

The following encouraging report from one of our youngest *Life and Health* agents in Maine, tells its own story and shows the right kind of progress:—

"My record is as follows:—

February, 5; March, 12; April, 25; May, 50; June, 100; July, 200; August, 225; September, 225; October, 250. I shall order 250 or 300 of the November number."

The above record shows the splendid opportunity there is for success in magazine salesmanship, even to beginners who are timid about ordering a large quantity of magazines at first. Large oaks grow from small acorns. This is a splendid and profitable line of self-supporting work. Send twenty-five cents to this office for a sample copy of *Life and Health*, *Liberty*, and the *Protestant Magazine*. Study them carefully, then make a choice of which magazine you desire to handle regularly. Address this office for terms to agents, territory, etc.

The Ingathering campaign continues with increasing interest. Orders from the tract societies are showering in on the Pacific Press, and all orders are filled and papers mailed out within twenty-four hours of receipt. Expect to pass the 400,000 mark today, the 26th. All orders should come through the tract society office. Send no orders direct. Many conferences, especially the smaller ones are in the lead; that is, they have entered the honor roll by ordering more papers than they used last year.

### OBITUARIES

GAEDE.—Maria Kuhn was born in Cleveland, O., Nov. 4, 1876, and died in Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 27, 1911, aged 34 years, 10 months, and 23 days. In 1907 she was united in marriage to Elder G. P. Gaede, having heard and accepted the third angel's message six years before under the labors of Elder E. J. Van Horn. For over two years before her death Sister Gaede suffered intensely, yet patiently; and it was with full assurance that she will come forth in the first resurrection that we laid her away. The funeral services were conducted by Elder H. F. Graf, assisted by the writer.

R. G. PATTERSON.

McCLELLAN.—Abram McClellan was born in Green County, O., Feb. 12, 1833, and died in Springfield, O., Sabbath, Oct. 28, 1911, aged 77 years, 8 months, and 15 days. Brother McClellan accepted the third angel's message 33 years ago under the labors of Elders J. J. Wagoner and W. H. Cottrell, in the first meetings held by Seventh-day Adventists in Springfield. He united with the church which was organized at the close of the tent effort. Brother McClellan, with his wife, who preceded him in death two years ago, embraced the third angel's message because of his love for the truth, as was shown by the consecrated life which he lived. When the hand of affliction rested heavily upon him during the last few months of his illness, his faith in God and his desire to see the cause advance were only deepened. He was most faithfully and kindly cared for by his oldest son, Frank, and his daughter, Mrs. W. A. Killin. As his last Sabbath drew to its close he passed away quietly, as one taking sweet rest in sleep. His devotion and consecration to the One he had learned to love, and the honest, upright life he lived, gained for the truth many warm friends. He was one of the main pillars of the church in its early years and until failing health made it impossible to carry his former heavy burdens. Words of encouragement were spoken by the writer to a very large circle of relatives and sympathizing friends. Text: Psalm 37:37. C. T. REDFIELD.