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

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Through Peace to Light

I do not ask, O Lord, that life may be
A pleasant road;
I do not ask that thou wouldst take from me
Aught of its load.
I do not ask that flowers should always spring
Beneath my feet;
I know too well the poison and the sting
Of things too sweet.
For one thing only, Lord! dear Lord! I plead,
Lead me aright,
Though strength should falter, and though
heart should bleed—
Through peace to light.
I do not ask, O Lord, that thou shouldst shed
Full radiance here;
Give but a ray of peace, that I may tread
Without a fear.
I do not seek to understand—
My way to see.
Better in darkness just to feel thy hand
And follow thee.
Joy is like restless days, but peace divine
Like quiet night.
Lead me, O Lord, till perfect day shall shine
Through peace to light.
—*Alelaide Anne Proctor.*

Young People's Day, May 25

At the Columbia Union Conference session held at Pittsburgh recently, it was unanimously voted that our churches everywhere throughout the Union observe Young People's Day, May 25.

It is one of the manifestations of the Holy Spirit when one is led to labor in behalf of the youth. In the early days of youth the soul is impressionable, and especially so to the high ideals which flow from one who is under the direction of the Spirit. In ancient Israel God mightily impressed the leaders, the mothers and the fathers in Israel, with the necessity of constantly instructing the young people in the things of the Eternal. This is a universal principle which holds good to-day. We beseech our brethren, especially our mothers and fathers and leaders throughout the Union, to make

special preparation for our coming Young People's Day, May 25. Do not delay this matter. We shall look for good reports, especially in the VISITOR, respecting the excellent programs and results of this day's effort.

I should like also to call the attention of our brethren throughout the Union to making special calls this day for the young people to attend our schools and secure a further training for the work.

It was also talked at our Columbia Union Conference that we should not forget to speak concerning the Missionary Educational Fund, or the financial plan of the Union to secure from all our brethren twenty-five cents a quarter for the maintenance of our educational work throughout the Union. We trust our brethren and ministers will not forget these important items, but will surrender themselves to God and find that he is making this day a grand success.

B. G. WILKINSON.

The Grace of Courtesy

Those who work for Christ are to be pure, upright, and trustworthy; and they are also to be tender-hearted, compassionate, and courteous. Courtesy is one of the graces of the Spirit. It is an attribute of heaven. The angels never fly into a passion, never are envious or selfish. No harsh or unkind words escape their lips. If we are to be the companions of angels, we must be refined and courteous.

The truth of God is designated to elevate the receiver, to refine his taste, and sanctify his judgment. No man can be a Christian without having the spirit of Christ; and if he has the spirit of Christ it will be manifested in a refined, courteous disposition. His character will be holy, his manners comely, his words without guile. He will cherish the love that is not easily provoked, that suffereth long and is kind, that hopes all things and endures all things.

What Christ was in his earth life, that every Christian is to be. He is our example, not only in his spotless

purity, but in his patience, gentleness, and winsomeness of disposition. He was firm as a rock where truth and duty were concerned, but he was invariably kind and courteous. His life was a perfect illustration of true courtesy. He had ever a kind look and a word of comfort for the needy and oppressed.

His presence brought a purer atmosphere into the home, and his life was a leaven working amid the elements of society. Harmless and undefiled, he walked among the thoughtless, the rude, the uncourteous; amid the unjust publicans, the unrighteous Samaritans, the heathen soldiers, the rough peasants, and the mixed multitude. He spoke a word of sympathy here and a word there, as he saw men weary and compelled to bear heavy burdens. He shared their burdens, and told them of the love, the kindness, the goodness of God.

Though he was a Jew, Christ mingled with the Samaritans, setting at naught the Pharisaic custom of his nation. In face of their prejudices, he accepted the hospitality of this despised people. He slept under their roofs, ate with them at their tables—partaking of the food prepared and served by their hands—taught in their streets, and treated them with the utmost kindness and courtesy.

Jesus sat an honored guest at the table of the publicans, by his sympathy and social kindness showing that he recognized the dignity of humanity; and men longed to become worthy of his confidence. Upon their thirsty souls his words fell with blessed, life-giving power. New impulses were awakened, and the possibility of a new life opened to those outcasts of society.

The religion of Jesus softens whatever is hard and rough in the temper, and smooths off whatever is rugged and sharp in the manners. It is this religion that makes the words gentle and the demeanor winning. Let us learn from Christ how to combine a high sense of purity and integrity with sunniness of disposition. A kind, courteous Christian is the most powerful argument that can be produced in favor of the gospel.

The principle inculcated by the injunction, "Be ye kindly affectioned one to another," lies at the very foundation of domestic happiness. Christian courtesy should reign in every household. It has power to soften natures which without it would grow hard and rough. The wife and mother may bind her husband and children to her by strong cords if she is unvaryingly gentle and courteous in words and manner. Christian courtesy is the golden clasp that unites the members of the family in bonds of love that every day become closer and stronger.

Those who profess to be followers of Christ, and are at the same time rough, unkind, and uncourteous, in words and deportment, have not learned of Jesus. A blustering, overbearing, fault-finding man is not a Christian; for to be a Christian is to be Christlike. The conduct of some professing Christians is so lacking in kindness and courtesy, that their good is evil spoken of. Their sincerity may not be doubted, their uprightness may not be questioned; but sincerity and uprightness will not atone for a lack of kindness and courtesy. The Christian is to be sympathetic as well as true, pitiful and courteous as well as upright and honest.

Kind words are as dew and gentle showers to the soul. The Scripture says of Christ that grace was poured into his lips, that he might "know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary." And the Lord bids us, "Let your speech be always with grace," "that it may minister grace unto the hearers."

True courtesy, blended with truth and justice, makes the life not only useful, but beautiful and fragrant. Kind words, pleasant looks, and a cheerful countenance, throw a charm about the Christian that makes his influence almost irresistible. In forgetfulness of self, in the light and peace and happiness that he is constantly bestowing on others, he finds true joy.

Let us be self-forgetful, ever on the watch to cheer others, to lighten their burdens by acts of tender kindness and deeds of unselfish love. Leave unspoken that unkind word; let that selfish disregard of the happiness of others give place to loving sympathy. Thoughtful courtesies, beginning in the home and extending far beyond the home circle, go far to make up the sum of life's happiness, and the neglect of them constitutes no small share of life's misery.

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

Our Message

It is a recognized fact that the power of the second advent movement lies in the message itself and not in man. Our message is so great that it challenges the admiration, satisfies the mind, and forms an incentive of inspiration. In considering it the question arises, Why is it here? and is it an absolute necessity at this time? The answer is, This message is an absolute necessity in order that the great gospel plan of God may be carried out. The gospel as seen and carried on by Luther and Wesley will not answer, for the reason that this is a different age, and we have additional light. They saw only the beginning of a reformation which must be completed. Their work was the unfolding of truth, but in this age of the world we have the full light of truth. God's great plan unfolds from age to age, and that which will answer for one age is not sufficient for a succeeding period. His growing, developing work requires advanced methods to meet the situation. When we carried on our work principally in rural districts, we could work by a method that will not answer when we change our base and enter the large cities where the odds are so against us.

In the time of Luther the papacy had swung men away from God's plan of salvation by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and had turned their minds to acts that they themselves could perform; but Luther swung the mind away from justification by works to justification by faith in Christ. That principle is in this message, and it must be preached from Luther's time until the end. Every ray of gospel light converges in the third angel's message. When we take the law, we take the whole law. In the matter of baptism, we take what everybody knows is baptism—immersion. In the matter of justification by faith, we go the full length, and claim salvation now and here from the power of sin. The Spirit of God we do not set aside. We accept that, even to the gift of the Spirit of Prophecy. So every line of gospel truth converges here. We have not rejected one of them. They are all recognized. The error of sprinkling and other things are set aside, and the truth is held.

But there is something aside from all that which makes the third angel's message an absolute necessity to-day. In the plan of God to save the world, the second coming of Christ is an absolute necessity. It

was necessary for Jesus to come as a man and live as he did, to be crucified, raised from the dead, and ascend to heaven; but it is just as necessary for another coming to take place, when the dead in Christ shall be raised, the righteous living changed to immortality, and eternity ushered in.

The third angel's message is the herald of the second advent. It is the movement that ushers the second in, and it is just as much a necessity as the second advent itself in the gospel plan. We cannot have the second advent of Christ without the third angel's message to precede it. The third angel's message hinges upon a very vital event in the plan of God—the second coming of Christ. It is inseparably connected with it. It is the preparation of the world for the event, and surely God will not bring the event without having the movement take place that prepares the world for it.

The second advent movement is well illustrated by two great events in the history of the church—the exodus movement and the first advent movement. There is not a person who understands the Scriptures and stands solidly upon the facts and events connected with them, who doubts that those movements were in the providence of God. Moses did not create the exodus movement. He led it, according to God's plan. The Lord came down and launched that movement, and named Moses as the leader. John the Baptist did not launch the first advent movement; an angel was sent down from heaven to start that movement. The Lord had a message for that time, and he must have a messenger. But instead of selecting the leader of that movement from among the men of influence in the Jewish nation, the angel of the Lord appeared unto Zacharias, a man well advanced in years, obscure and unknown, and promised him a child; and the Lord fulfilled that promise. Instead of laying hold of the visible, he laid hold upon that which, from the human standpoint, seemed impossible.

John the Baptist had two prophecies upon which to base his message. One was the prophecy of Isaiah, which said that a messenger would go before the Lord Jesus to proclaim his coming; the other was that from the time that the command should go forth to rebuild Jerusalem until the Messiah should be sixty-nine weeks, or 483 years. It showed first, the time for it to begin, and second, the character of the message to be proclaimed. And John was as sure

of his message and movement as he was of his own existence. Isaiah had said, "The voice of one crying in the wilderness," and John said, "I am the voice." The prophet had foretold that the first advent of Christ would be ushered in by just such a message, and it had to be given; and when the time came for it, the man who was to proclaim it knew that the time had come for it, and understood the message that he was to give.

We are just as surely the voice of the third angel's message as was John the voice of Isaiah 40:3. And as in the case of the beginning of the first advent movement, the Lord did not go to the great of the earth to start the second advent movement. He began with a lone, obscure man—an infidel. He allowed his spirit to work upon that man's heart until he became serious and anxious about the future and himself; then he allowed things to shape so as to deepen that and send him to his knees. He obtained an experience as a Christian; and when he became converted, and knew that God lived, then the Lord turned his mind to his Word, and gave him such a thirst for it that he sat up late night after night searching for light and truth. He had no special point, but he was searching for the truth of God. In his research he came to the prophecies, and understood them as no other man had ever before been able to understand them. He found in the eighth and ninth chapters of Daniel the statement concerning the 2300 days, and by comparing dates, he found that they terminated in 1843 or 1844, and there he concluded the end would come. He started his work, and made a profound impression upon the world at the time. It served its purpose. It shook the people and set them to thinking. And then the Lord, as in the case of Gideon's army, allowed it to collapse. Then the movement started again with a little band of three individuals, and from that day to this the Lord has never allowed it to retreat. It has developed until it is now represented in all parts of the world from pole to pole. The prophetic period of Daniel fixed the time when this message was to be given, and the hour and the message came together. A. G. DANIELLS.

"Will the wicked have a second chance?" with many other questions, is answered in the little tract, "The Darkness of the Millennial Dawn," by John N. Quinn. It "should be circulated by the million."

AT THE COLLEGE

The Sabbath-School Convention

The great interest which has attended the work of the two Sabbath-schools at Mount Vernon prepared the way for the Sabbath-school convention held here Sabbath, May 11; for the ambition of a good school is to be a better school, and the object of Sabbath-school conventions is to make better schools.

The convention consisted of a morning and afternoon session, in both of which the attendance and interest were excellent, the chapel being filled almost to its fullest capacity. Elder W. C. Moffett, educational superintendent of the Ohio Conference, presided over the meetings.

After the opening exercises Professor L. R. Anderson made a few introductory remarks on the importance of Sabbath-school work. The primary object of the school is to save souls and to cultivate in the hearts of the members the desire to serve God.

Professor A. E. Hall reviewed the history of the Sabbath-school work of the denomination, beginning sixty years ago, when Elder James White, on a journey from Rochester, N. Y., to Bangor, Me., after the noonday lunch sat down by the roadside and wrote out the first Sabbath-school lesson. The following figures will show something concerning the progress of the Sabbath-school department during the last two decades:—

Year	Schools	Membership	Offerings
1890	1,315	32,000	\$ 27,000
1900	2,452	55,000	48,000
1910	4,151	101,000	138,000

The records of the Mount Vernon schools show steady advancement. If offerings give any indication of the spirit and growth of a school, we have reason for encouragement. The donations of the College school have increased sixty-five per cent over last year, and those of the church Sabbath-school have doubled within the past two years.

The subject of the qualifications of Sabbath-school officers was discussed by Professor C. E. Welch. The primary object of the Sabbath-school being the salvation of souls and the training of workers, it is most essential that the leaders in the school should be such as have these aims before them. They should be those who have a deep love for God and their fellowmen. Then too, in order to do the most effective work,

the officers should be natural leaders. The superintendent should know how to organize, that the work of the school may run smoothly. Tact and skill are needed if each individual is to be put in the place which will be most fitting, pleasant, and helpful, and where he will bring the greatest good to all. The secretary should have such use of language that his report will be clear, interesting, and varied. The greatest responsibility falls upon those who have charge of the children. New devices must be used each week to attract and hold their attention. Those having this work in charge should be lovers of the children.

Elder Butler discussed the topic of the qualifications of teachers. The teacher should be, first, spiritual; else how can he lead the members of his class to give their hearts to God? Second, he must possess an aptness for teaching. He should know how to ask questions that will provoke thought. His preparation should be a good general knowledge of the Bible and a thorough preparation of the day's lesson, such as will enable him to teach and apply it with readiness.

In the afternoon session Mrs. J. E. Shultz gave an interesting talk on the work for the children. It needs the simplicity of Christ to train these little lambs of the flock. Devices must be used, object lessons, and everything conceivable to hold their attention. These efforts are very important; for the children will be those who will carry this work to its ultimate end.

Mrs. Butler, in discussing this subject, said: "The children must have the best influences thrown around them; for youth is the age when greatest impressions are made." In presenting a truth to the children, illustrations should be used to help them catch and remember it. The blackboard, pictures, and flowers were suggested as visible illustrations; stories from the Bible and other sources as verbal illustrations.

The value and necessity of the teachers' and officers' meeting was discussed by Elder Butcher. The teacher has great responsibility, therefore he ought to avail himself of every means to become more efficient. The superintendent needs the counsel of the teachers; and all will be strengthened by the prayers. New thoughts will be brought out, and an inspiration will be given which will help make the Sabbath-school a success.

The subject, "How to increase the offerings," was taken up by Profes-

sor Pulver. Our donations go to foreign lands. Therefore a study of the fields that will bring their needs before the school will arouse interest and sympathy and lead to more liberal giving. Some interesting devices may be used as an attraction. The teacher's example in liberality is a great incentive to the class. A high aim will do much. "Not failure, but low aim, is crime."

Mr. Howard Detwiler gave a short and pointed talk on the necessity of a thorough study of the lesson. The study of the lesson should be considered a privilege, and it should be carried on during the whole week, and not merely on Sabbath morning. God requires of us a reason for the hope that is within us, and what better opportunity have we to obtain a thorough knowledge of the Scriptures than is offered in the weekly Sabbath-school lessons?

Mr. V. H. Cook, in his talk on punctuality and regularity said: "Punctuality is a jewel that all should strive to possess." "There is no excuse for habitual lateness. It disturbs the service, and causes those who were on time to lose what is being said, because of the commotion caused by the tardy ones. Tardiness weakens the character and makes us unfit for a place in the Lord's work."

"Order is heaven's first law." Brother Harvey Cassell discussed the necessity that all remember this while in the house of God. If children are trained in the home to be quiet and well behaved, their conduct in the Sabbath-school will not be a reproach to the house of God. There must be co-operation on the part of the parents and teachers.

We feel that the Sabbath-school convention was a decided success, and that it will prove to be an uplift to our schools at Mount Vernon.

OLIVE A. KRUM.

A baptismal service was conducted at Hiawatha Lake, Sabbath morning, May 11, after the first session of the convention. Two students went forward in the ordinance.

The graduates' recital, given Tuesday evening, May 14, by Miss Laurel L. Rushmer and Miss Golden B. Kuhn, was enjoyed by everyone.

By the time the VISITOR reaches its readers this week, school will have closed, and most of the students will have left for their homes in all parts of the Union.

Miss Florence Eusey visited her brother during Commencement week.

Mrs. F. E. Gibson, of Charleston, W. Va., recently visited relatives in Mount Vernon.

Miss Helen Richards, of Mansfield, Pa., is taking the nurses' course at the Mount Vernon Hospital.

Mrs. H. J. Hasemeier and little daughter of Liberty Center, O., visited her sister, Miss Jennie Smith, during Commencement week.

Mrs. Rushmer of Columbus, and Mrs. Kuhn of Lore City, O., were visitors at the College last week, their daughters having finished the normal music course.

Among the old students who visited at the College during Commencement week were Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Kennedy, Misses Rosella Draper, Marguerite Mason, Florence Hottes, Mabel Andre, Mae Webster, Zona Gault, Alta Spees, Ruth Turner, and Messrs. J. D. Parish, Oscar Spohn, F. A. Spangler.

Miss Jessie Gault was married in April to Mr. Otis W. Cline, of Ashland, O.

The school picnic held in Hiawatha Park last Wednesday was considered a success by all who attended it. The school was divided into companies of from ten to twenty-five, who prepared their own dinners, and thus lost none of the pleasure of picnicing.

Miss Florence White's brother, Mr. Seabert G. White, secretary and treasurer of the Central California Conference, has accepted the call to China, to fill the place made vacant by the death of Esta L. Miller. Mr. White expects to sail in September with his wife and infant son.

The students and faculty were delighted to have with them the last Sabbath of the school year Dr. David Paulson of the Hinsdale Sanitarium. Dr. Paulson is an old friend of the school, and his visits are always welcomed.

Professor Pulver left Mount Vernon this week to attend the Auditors' Convention now being held at Washington, D. C.

The students' recital, given Sunday evening, May 12, was appreciated by all; and reflected credit on the leader of the music department, Miss Blanche de Spelder, who has spent four faithful years at the College, and now gives up her work to enjoy a year of rest.

Everyone was glad to see Miss Nellie B. Leach, our former preceptress, who came last Thursday to attend the closing exercises of the school. Miss Leach was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Detwiler during her stay.

Elder O. F. Butcher has accepted the position of principal and Bible teacher of the Fox River Academy, Sheridan, Ill.; and leaves for his new field this week. Elder Butcher's faithful work in the school and in the church is appreciated. On the last day of the school year the students of the Bible department presented him with a copy of Barnes' "People's Bible Encyclopedia" in two volumes; and before his departure he received from the members of the church and community a handsome traveling bag.

Class Roll

Ariel Arnold	Academic
Charles C. Belgrave	Academic
Jennette L. Bidwell	Academic
Mrs. Howard J. Detwiler	Academic
Merritt V. Eusey	Academic
Stella Kennedy	Nurses'
Golden B. Kuhn	Normal Music
Alice Miller	Academic
Madge Miller	Academic
Dollie Parker	Academic
Olive Pangburn	Academic
Laurel Rushmer	Normal Music
Jennie Smith	Business
Benlah Soper	Elementary Normal

Class Day Program

March, "Fantastique"	M. Fidelia Panches
Invocation	Elder Butler
Vocal Solo,	"Voices of the Wood"
	Stella A. Kennedy
Class Address, "The Purpose of Education"	Merritt V. Eusey
Class History	Dollie P. Parker
Vocal Duet,	"Harp of the Winds"
	Misses Kuhn and Rushmer
Class Motto	Charles C. Belgrave
Class Poem	Janette L. Bidwell
Instrumental Duet,	"Philomel"
	Misses Rushmer and Kuhn
Valedictory, "Character"	A. Olivia Pangburn
Benediction	Elder Butcher

OHIO

The Sowing Time

When we study the life of Christ we cannot but think of the many wonders which he did. The lame were healed, the blind received their sight, the dumb talked, deaf ears were unstopped, the dead were raised to life, and every thing was done that would seem to us to turn hearts to him and cause them to repent. And yet we do not read of any great number of converts until the day of Pentecost. "Ever since the fall of Adam, Christ had been committing to chosen servants the seed of his word to be sown in human hearts. During his life on earth he had sown the seed of truth, and had watered it with his blood. The conversions that took place on the day of Pentecost were the results of his sowing." Thousands were converted in a day.

I do not believe there was ever a better time for the canvasser to sow seeds than now. We may not see the results of our efforts immediately; but the time is not far distant when these books and papers will be searched, and thousands will be converted in a day. We are now in the sowing time.

Last Thursday I went out to help Brother Circle, as he was thinking of taking up the canvassing work. We took \$18.00 worth of orders in four hours. On Monday I went out with Miss Juanita Gibson, who is working for a scholarship. We worked till two o'clock, and no one seemed to be interested; but perseverance brought success. In the next six hours we took orders for over \$21.00 worth, and the next day in three hours took \$11.00 worth of orders, all of good, reliable farmers. Miss Gibson is very much encouraged.

William Black took six orders for "Bible Readings" last Sunday in the city.

Brother J. B. Reichenbach has just finished a one hundred per cent delivery, and sold \$12 worth of books extra while doing so. He is now packing his household goods to move to Dayton. He plans to leave several hundred books in the homes of the Montgomery County residents, while his wife will canvass the city with small books and magazines.

I have mentioned the dollars and cents in these reports, not because I am mostly interested in that part, but because so many fear they could not make a living at canvassing. The Lord says, "Enter in and work, and

whatsoever is right I will give you." Let us take him at his promise, enter the work, and not give up until it is finished. H. F. KIRK.

Springfield

The Lord is certainly blessing us in the Springfield church, and we are very happy to report progress in the work here. We have been trying for some time to get all the members working with our magazines, meeting the people, gaining an entrance into the homes, and thus laying a foundation for the future advancement of the message. A number have responded to the call to work; and as our county was interested in a local option election, we thought best to begin with the temperance number of the *Youth's Instructor*.

We were much pleased to see the young people take an active part in this campaign by planning a temperance rally. With Miss Rosella Draper as their leader, they gave a very instructive and we hope a profitable program, consisting of recitations, solos, quartets, and duets, all on temperance work. A very touching story was read, "A Bottle of Tears," which portrayed to us only too vividly how many a family has been ruined by that great curse—drink.

Although we may not be permitted to see good results from this effort at the present time, yet we hope to see souls saved in the kingdom of God as the result of this one effort. In this campaign we were permitted to place nearly a thousand *Instructors* with the people. We hope to follow this with *Life and Health* and also the *Watchman*. We are praying as we go that the Spirit of God will so stir our own hearts that we will have a desire to push the magazine work to the front in this city.

Brethren and sisters, pray for the work in Springfield.

CHLO W. MILLER.

The following report of temperance *Youth's Instructor* sales was contributed by Sister Rachel Rice of Alliance, O., hoping it might be the source of encouragement to others:—

Jessie Snider, Ohio Co., W. Va.	118
Lily Sehar, Ohio Co., W. Va.	112
Grace Kennedy, Stark Co., O.	100
Fannie Emmel, Stark Co., O.	45
Florence Hartsock, Stark Co., O.	11
Alba Patterson, Stark Co., O.	1
Total	387

Miss Juanita Gibson, who attended the recent canvassers' institute at

the College, is now selling "Great Controversy" in Hardin County, O. Her first weekly report is \$67.90. Miss Gibson says: "I know it is not I who should receive the credit, for Uncle—and Aunt—thought I could not do anything here; but this message must go. When we lay all upon the altar and put our whole strength into the work, the Lord will bless our feeble efforts. Tell the girls who have the West Virginia fever that Ohio is all right yet."

We are sorry to announce the death of Elder Charles A. Smith of Mount Vernon, who died last Thursday noon, and was buried on Friday afternoon. Elder Smith will be missed by the members of the Mount Vernon church.

OHIO TITHE RECEIPTS
APRIL, 1912

Akron.....	\$157 78
Alliance.....	....
*Barnesville.....	9 57
Bellefontaine.....	....
Bellville.....	15 00
*Broughton.....	....
Bowling Green.....	97 17
Camden.....	80 64
Canton.....	26 39
Chagrin Falls.....	30 39
Charloe.....	1 58
Chillicothe.....	1 65
Cincinnati.....	209 79
Cleveland.....	150 62
Cleveland German.....	80 33
Clyde.....	208 52
Columbus.....	416 23
Columbus S. D. A. Mission.....	11 36
*Conant.....	16 00
Conneaut.....	....
Corsica.....	29 04
Coshocton.....	19 50
Cygnets.....	....
Dayton.....	119 01
Defiance.....	5 75
Delaware.....	14 50
Delta.....	152 32
Derwent.....	2 50
Dowling.....	....
Dunkirk.....	....
East Liverpool.....	43 35
Elgin.....	25 65
Findlay.....	37 95
Greenspring.....	7 05
*Gilboa.....	30 00
Hamler.....	74 02
Hamilton.....	42 80
Hicksville.....	1 00
*Jackson.....	14 57
Jefferson.....	65 00
Killbuck.....	14 46
LaGrange.....	41 98
*Lakeville.....	....
Lakeview.....	35 56

Laura.....	36 00
Leesburg.....	58 35
Liberty Center.....	23 88
Lima.....	.....
Locust Point.....	.....
Mansfield.....	17 58
Marion.....	117 85
Marshfield.....	11 40
Massillon.....	.....
Medina.....	.....
Mendon.....	6 00
Middlefield.....	26 19
Mount Vernon.....	273 41
Newark.....	134 43
Norwalk.....	.....
New Philadelphia.....	15 71
Ohio City.....	.....
Pemberville.....	21 31
Piqua.....	50 49
Pleasant Hill.....	.....
Powell.....	.....
Ravenna.....	97 13
*Reedsville.....	.....
Rows.....	14 15
Sherwood.....	10 00
Spencer.....	.....
Springfield.....	114 03
Toledo.....	152 86
Troy.....	.....
Van Wert.....	16 00
Walnut Grove.....	40 18
Washington C. H.....	189 30
Waterford.....	16 70
*Wooster.....	2 15
*West Mansfield.....	.....
Wheelersburg.....	92 94
Wilmington.....	.....
Youngstown.....	59 70
Zanesville.....	73 94
Individuals.....	50 14
TOTAL.....	\$3,571 35

TOTAL RECEIPTS, ALL SOURCES

Tithe.....	\$3,571 35
Tract Society.....	739 24
Sabbath-school Donations.....	461 13
First Day Offerings.....	151 90
Annual Offering.....	.....
Mid Summer Offerings.....	.....
\$300,000 Fund.....	129 25
Mount Vernon College Fund.....	112 25
M. V. C. Tank Fund.....	.....
S. S. D. India.....	163 15
Orphans and Aged.....	48 99
Colored Work.....	6 24
Tent and Hall Donations.....	7 18
Tent Fund.....	10 00
Religious Liberty.....	39 78
Lantern Slides for Mission Fields..	5 85
Ministry of Healing.....	.....
Missions.....	148 79
Mission Signs.....	8 90
Blind.....	.....
White Memorial Chapel.....	.....

TOTAL.....\$5,604 00

H. D. HOLTOM, Treas.

Canvassers' Reports

East Pennsylvania, Week Ending May 11, 1912

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
E. Kesselmeier, Phila.	DR	5	32	9	30 00			30 00	60
W. Lindsay, Philadelphia	DR	4	32	10	28 00	3 30		31 30	1 05
J. T. McAllister, Phila.	DR	5	41	8	25 00	75		25 75	
W. Hess, Perry Co.	GC	5	40						123 25
Lucy Dicks, Hazleton	GC	3	20	2	7 00	2 80		9 80	70
F. Willruth, Lancaster Co.	CK	5	22	15	26 00	3 90		29 90	4 15
Geo. Unger, Lehigh Co.	CK	38	11	16 50	5 00			21 50	2 00
Daisy Ott, Williamsport	CK	5	28	7	10 50	4 50		15 00	
H. Gerhart, Bristol	CK		32						61 75
Jesse Smith, Lackawanna Co.	HM	4	23	5	10 00	3 85		13 85	5 10
Gertrude Wallace, Phila.	GA	3	8	40		10 00		10 00	50
Leon Williams, Phila.	GA	5	13	24		9 95		9 95	4 75
Totals			44	329	131	\$153 00	\$44 05	\$197 05	203 85

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending May 10, 1912

A. Brownlee, Washington	GC	5	45		40 10			40 10	12 05
G. W. House, Potter	PPF	8	56	15	24 50	6 75		28 00	24 00
J. Kimmel, Somerset	PPF	5	36	27	48 00	3 40		51 40	1 60
J. Perkins, Allegheny	PG	4	12	3	11 00	30		11 30	
T. Saxton, Indiana	PPF	2	10	12	17 50			17 50	3 00
Totals			24	159	57	\$141 10	\$10 45	\$146 30	\$40 65

West Virginia, Week Ending May 10, 1912

J. Marshall, Morgan Co.	GC	5	42	7	19 00	16 25		35 25	3 40
T. M. Butler, Monongalia Co.	BF	5	35	20	29 50	8 65		38 15	2 00
Orlo Butler, Marion Co.	CK	6	39	7	11 50	4 55		16 05	47 00
W. McElphatrk, Curtin	DR	2	8						24 75
Totals			18	124	34	\$60 00	\$29 45	\$89 45	\$77 15

New Jersey, Week Ending May 10, 1912

G. Blinn, Burlington	BR	2	20						140 00
J. Glunt, Camden	BR	5	30	2	4 00	4 20		8 20	2 35
W. Pink, Warren	BR	5	48	8	18 00	1 00		19 00	4 00
J. Rambo, Atlantic	CK	3	19	10	15 00	4 75		19 75	40 35
L. Cruikshanks, Plainfield	PPF	3	9	9	15 00			15 00	
R. D. Stagg, Sussex	PPF	3	29						133 00
B. Hartman, Jersey City	GA	4	21	54	18 00	20		18 20	
A. S. Samuels, Newark	GA	4	29	107	39 00			39 00	28 00
Totals			29	205	190	\$109 00	\$10 15	\$119 15	\$347 70

Virginia, Week Ending May 10, 1912

K. Oertley, Wytheville	GC		3			4 85		4 85	
F. W. Hall, Pennington Gap	BR		15	7	24 00	6 00		30 00	50
W. Eekhout, Portsmouth	PPF		27	4	7 50	7 50		15 00	
C. E. Overstreet, Keller	PPF		20	6	17 50	8 50		26 00	50
Paul E. Hottel, Keller	PPF		21	13	20 00	2 75		22 75	75
B. Hamm, Orange	GC		6	1	3 00	5 00		8 00	1 50
Totals			92	31	\$72 00	\$34 60		\$72 60	\$3 25

Grand Totals: Value of Orders, \$624. 55

Deliveries, \$672.60.

VIRGINIA

The Work at Richmond

Knowing of the great interest that all our people throughout the state have had in the work in Richmond, and the many prayers that have ascended to God in behalf of the efforts put forth, we feel that more than a passing notice should be given of the outcome of the winter's effort.

Brethren Tindall and Garnsey began meetings in the Richmond Seventh-day Adventist church about the twentieth of January. On account of bad weather much of the time, the attendance was never very large, only on Sunday nights; usually the house was than well filled. These meetings were continued five nights in the week, for about eleven weeks. During this time one of these brethren conducted a service on Monday night at the colored church. Two institutes were held continuously during the whole of the time.

In addition to all of this work, a large amount of visiting was necessary to develop and ripen the work, that those who were interested might be educated thoroughly in all points of our faith. All can see the large amount of work devolving upon those in charge of these services.

Near the close of this series of meetings an expression was taken one night, to see how many were going to obey God and keep all his commandments. About twenty-five arose. This was a great encouragement. However, the work has been continued in the homes of the people, two public meetings have been held each week at the church, and as a result twenty-two persons were last Sabbath taken into the church, subject to baptism, and were baptized on Sunday night by Brother Tindall.

Several of these had been taking Bible readings from Sister Rice, but had not decided to obey until these services were held. Truly, as it is written, "Paul may plant and Apollos water, but God giveth the increase." So, then, "we are laborers together with God," and to him we give all the glory.

It was a beautiful sight, and one long to be remembered, when these twenty-two candidates were seated on the front seats circling the pulpit during this Sunday night service. Brother Tindall gave a short discourse upon the meaning or significance of baptism, and before closing, had all the candidates arise, while he read the sixth chapter of Romans.

All but one of the candidates were adults. About one-half of these were young people, ranging in age from twenty-two to thirty years. In several instances men and their wives went into the water together. A goodly number of those baptized were men. The child who was baptized was a boy of fifteen years. After he heard the truth, he would sit up until midnight to study his Bible.

I can say of those who were taken into the church, that I am sure they have been thoroughly instructed on all points of our faith, and that the Richmond church will not only be strengthened spiritually, but financially; for all these persons understand fully the subjects of dress, healthful living, the Testimonies, and tithing; and they have promised to obey the Lord fully.

At the close of the baptism an earnest appeal was made to those who wished to be more fully instructed and go forward in baptism later. Eleven responded to the call, and four others said that as soon as they could arrange their affairs they would obey the Lord. Still others who were not present at this service are keeping the Sabbath and are deeply interested; so that the final outcome is yet unknown.

This interest will be merged into the summer's tent effort, when we hope to see a still larger company gathered into the fold.

Brother Mallory reports several new converts as a result of the series of meetings that has been held for the colored people. And as a large amount of visiting and medical missionary work has been done this winter for the colored, as well as for the white, quite an interest has been awakened, which is to be followed also by a tent effort for the colored people.

We still desire the earnest prayers of God's people in the Virginia Conference in behalf of the work here at Richmond.

W. J. STONE.

From Elder Herrell

It was my privilege to attend the sessions of the District of Columbia Conference, held in Washington, D. C., May 12, 13, 1912. This is the first general meeting I have been permitted to attend since my breakdown in health two years ago. It afforded me great pleasure to meet with those of like precious faith, especially those with whom I have been associated in the work in times past. On Sunday night we listened to an interesting sermon by Elder

W. W. Prescott, who showed very clearly the difference between false Protestantism, Romanism, and true Protestantism.

I feel to praise our heavenly Father for his goodness and mercy to me and mine. My health has, with the blessing of the Lord, improved much in the past year; and I hope it will not be long before I can take up the work of the Lord again.

Yours for the Master,

H. W. HERRELL.

Oakton, Va.

Brethren Hottel and Kime have been holding meetings at Rileyville for the past two weeks. A full report of their labor will appear later in the VISITOR.

Brother Mallory reports five new Sabbath keepers as a result of the effort for the colored people at Richmond. Others are interested, for whom he has hopes. The attendance at the Sunday night services is growing.

Elder Stone expects to spend a part of this week in Washington, D. C., having been called there by the General Conference to counsel with others regarding important plans of work for the East. He will then go on to New Market to attend a Board meeting of the Shenandoah Training Academy. He expects to return to Richmond some time next week.

Elder Stone and Brother Garnsey went to Guinea Mills May 3, and conducted service Friday night, Sabbath, and Sunday. Five meetings were held in all. A church of twelve members was organized on the Sabbath, and the church building was dedicated Sunday afternoon. The brethren and sisters were much encouraged by the meetings held. Others will unite with the church in the near future.

Last Sabbath was a good day for the Richmond church. After a discourse by Elder Stone, upon the principal points of our faith, twenty-two persons were examined and received into the church, subject to baptism. All of these were baptized on Sunday night. Another baptism will follow in about two weeks. This increase in membership is a great encouragement to the Richmond church.

All interested in the education of our youth, (that takes in all of us) should be regular readers of *Christian Education*.

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NEW JERSEY

In speaking of the report of the Missionary Volunteer Department of this conference, for the quarter ending March 31, 1912, Miss Matilda Erickson, corresponding secretary of the Missionary Volunteer Department of the General Conference, says: "I have compared it with the one for the previous quarter, and while I find that in some of the items there is a falling off, yet quite a number show an increase over last quarter; and in the matter of pages of tracts sold and hours of Christian help work this report is better than any ever before received from New Jersey." This surely is encouraging, but can we not make the one for the present quarter better yet? Let us try.

Do not forget that May 25 is Young People's Day. This applies not only to churches where there is an organized society of Missionary Volunteers, but to every church. It is upon us, the young people of this denomination, that the burden of giving this message to the world rests. The young people's society is often the training school where young men and women are fitted for greater usefulness in the cause of Christ, and are led to consecrate themselves to the service of winning souls.

No doubt all will be pleased to hear that the Sabbath-school donations for the quarter ending March 31 were nearly four hundred fifty dollars, one hundred dollars more than the donations for the preceding quarter, and more than has ever been reported before.

The Medical Evangelist

We are endeavoring to make our medical missionary journal, the *Medical Evangelist*, of special value to all our people—ministers, physicians, nurses, teachers, and church members in general. We believe it would be interesting and valuable to you.

The October-November number was a special issue discussing Sectarian Medicine, including Allopathy, Homeopathy, Osteopathy, Chiropractic, and other systems. It is time that Seventh-day Adventists understood the importance of a proper system of therapeutics and its relation to denominational work.

In the place of the February-March number of the *Evangelist* we have issued an illustrated souvenir, containing twenty-five half-tone views of the College of Medical Evangelists, and describing fully the work that is done in this institution.

The April number is an account of the Medical Council which was held here at Loma Linda a short time ago in connection with our annual Constituency and Board meeting. It contains many valuable papers and discussions by the various physicians who were in attendance. This may be continued in the May number, together with other interesting and valuable matter.

We are hoping to begin in the June number a historical sketch of our medical missionary work from its inception. This will be furnished by Mrs. E. G. White, W. C. White, and from the writings of J. N. Andrews, Joseph Bates, and others who are active in fostering medical missionary work among us as a denomination. This series of articles will be found only in the *Medical Evangelist*. Later we are hoping to get this into book form, after it has been run through the columns of the *Medical Evangelist*. We are sure this will be of interest to our people at large. We should be pleased to have your subscription begin with the October-November issue, that you may have these valuable numbers on file.

Our effort is to make the *Medical Evangelist* just what the name implies. We want it to reach all of our people in their homes, and be a help to them in doing medical missionary work for their neighbors. The medical work is said to be the right arm of the gospel message. Our people do not know how to use it in approaching their neighbors. We want to make it possible through the columns of *Evangelist* for them to learn how to do this work. W. A. RUBLE.

A good program has been provided for Young People's Day, May 25. See the *Review and Herald* of May 9. The program will contain splendid articles from Elder A. G. Daniells and Professor M. E. Kern. Do not miss them, and do not fail to observe May 25 as Missionary Volunteer Day in your church.

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OBITUARIES

NICKOLS.—Emma E. Bliss was born at Fredonia, N. Y., Jan. 21, 1849. In 1854 she moved with her parents to Ashtabula, O., and in 1876 to North Fairfield, O., where she lived with her brother. On April 5, 1877, she was united in marriage to John E. Nickols. To this union were born two children, Mrs. Anna R. Coleman, and Alfred J. Nickols. For some time Mrs. Nickols had been failing in health, until she passed quietly away at her home in Steuben, O., April 22, 1912, being then aged 63 years, 3 months, and 1 day. Mrs. Nickols religious experience began when she was but sixteen years old. About four year ago she accepted the truths held by the Seventh-day Adventists, in which faith she continued a firm believer until her death. The funeral services were conducted at the home by the writer.

O. F. BUTCHER.

HINCKLEY.—Orrin N. Hinckley was born in Columbia Township, Van Buren Co., Mich., Dec. 25, 1857, and died Apr. 23, 1912, at his home one mile south of Bloomington, Mich., after an illness of a few months. Thirty-one years ago he was united in marriage to Lois Nettie McCoy. Two sons were born to them, Fred N. and Perry N., both now residing in Cleveland, O., who with their wives attended the funeral service. Brother Hinckley was an earnest worker in the Seventh-day Adventist church for twelve years; was greatly respected and beloved by all. His warm cordiality and genial nature won for him a large circle of friends, who mourn with the bereaved family, and extend to them sincere sympathy. There remain to mourn, his life companion, who was permitted to minister to him during his last illness, two sons, two grandchildren, one brother, and three sisters. The funeral was held Thursday afternoon from the Christian church, Elder Clifford Russell, assisted by Pastor Landis, conducting the service.

MRS. P. N. HINCKLEY.