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

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## UNION

### OUR BURDEN BEARER

The little sharp vexations  
And the briars that catch and fret,  
Why not take all to the Helper  
Who has never failed us yet?

Tell Him about the heartache,  
And tell Him the longings, too;  
Tell Him the baffled purpose  
When we scarce know what to do.

Then leaving all our weakness  
With the One divinely strong,  
Forget that we bore the burden,  
And carry away the song.

—Selected.

## The Summer School

Mount Vernon College will hold its summer session from June 11 to July 23, 1913. Below we give a list of the subjects that will be offered. It is not expected that classes will be formed in all these subjects; but from the list students may select such as they desire to pursue. The faculty reserves the right, however, to decide upon the advisability of starting a class, at the same time keeping in mind the best interests of the students.

#### I. Bible.

1. Life and Teachings of Christ.
2. Bible Doctrines.
3. Spirit of Prophecy.
4. Daniel and the Revelation.
5. Acts and Epistles.

#### II. Mathematics.

1. Arithmetic.
2. Methods and Problems in Advanced Arithmetic.
3. Algebra.
4. Geometry.

#### III. Normal Training.

1. Psychology.
2. Pedagogy.
3. General Method.
4. History of Education.
5. Teacher's Reading.
6. Teacher's Arithmetic.
7. Teacher's Geography.
8. Manual Training.

9. Teacher's Nature Study.
10. Teacher's Drawing.
11. School Management.

#### IV. History.

1. United States History.
2. General History.
3. S. D. A. Missions.
4. History of Missions.
5. Civil Government.
6. Denominational History.

#### V. Science.

1. Physiology and Hygiene.
3. Zoology.
3. Botany.
4. Physical Geography.
5. Chemistry.
6. Physics.

#### VI. English.

1. English.
2. Advanced English.
3. Rhetoric.

#### VII. Modern Languages.

1. German.
2. Spanish.

#### VIII. Drills.

1. Reading.
2. Mental Arithmetic.
3. Spelling.

#### THE FACULTY

The teachers in the College summer school have been chosen from the College faculty. This insures as thorough work as is done during the regular College year.

#### PLAN OF STUDY

The plan of study adopted enables the student to complete any two one-term subjects during the six weeks of the school.

#### WHAT TO BRING

Each student should bring towels, napkins, covers for dresser, washstand, and study table; also bedding and pillow. Only a mattress is furnished with the bed. Both ladies and gentlemen should bring working clothes.

#### THE SUMMER SCHOOL IDEA

The summer school idea is well established. Nearly all educational institutions of note now make provision for a regular summer session, and thousands of the best and most

progressive teachers in the land are every year availing themselves of the opportunity offered by these schools to better equip themselves for their work.

#### ADVANTAGES OF THE SUMMER SCHOOL

The advantages which such a school affords are many. It furnishes teachers an opportunity to strengthen themselves where the class-room has revealed weaknesses. If a review is not needed, the live teacher will be quick to press forward to higher attainments. Students having hard work to make up in the College or Academic courses may remove the conditions by taking the work offered in the summer school. Prospective teachers who feel the need of reviewing certain branches, or who desire to take up new studies to more thoroughly equip themselves for their work, will find the summer school adapted to their needs. Lastly, anyone wishing to take a short course in one or two subjects will find it greatly to his advantage to attend the summer session of the College.

#### EXPENSES

The management desires to reduce the expenses as much as possible with safety to the College finances. They therefore offer the following terms for the session of six weeks:—

Tuition	\$ 6.00
Lighted room	9.00
Board about	12.00

Board will be furnished on the European plan, and will cost the student according to what he eats. During the school year the average cost is about two dollars a week. If this average is maintained during the summer session the cost will be as stated, about twelve dollars. In addition to these rates, each student will be required to perform two hours' work each day.

#### WHEN TO COME

Students should come at the opening of school. Classes will be formed then, and any delay on the part of the student will mean a hindrance to his work. Late arrivals will be ad-

mitted to classes on condition that they make up the work done before they came. Otherwise no credits will be given.

#### HOW TO REACH THE COLLEGE

Mount Vernon is situated near the center of the state of Ohio, at the junction of the Baltimore & Ohio and the Pennsylvania Railways. On arriving at either station take the electric car, which makes regular trips to the College grounds every twenty minutes. Passengers coming over the B. & O. should ask for transfer when paying fare, and change cars at the public square. Tell the conductor where you wish to go, and he will tell you where to change cars. Those coming over the Pennsylvania will take car at the station for the College without change.

#### FURTHER INFORMATION

If further information is desired, address the registrar of Mount Vernon College, Mount Vernon, Ohio.

### GENERAL MATTER

#### The Need of Educational Reform

Our work is reformatory; and it is the purpose of God that through the excellence of the work done in our educational institutions the attention of the people shall be called to the last great effort to save the perishing. In our schools the standard of education must not be lowered. It must be lifted higher and still higher, far above where it now stands; but the education given must not be confined to a knowledge of text-books merely. The study of text-books alone cannot afford students the discipline they need, nor can it impart true wisdom. The object of our schools is to provide places where the younger members of the Lord's family may be trained according to his plan of growth and development.

Then let no more time be lost in dwelling on the many things which are not essential, and which have no bearing upon the present necessities of God's people. Let no more time be lost in exalting men who know not the truth; "for the time is at hand." There is no time now to fill the mind with theories of what is popularly called "higher education." The time devoted to that which does not tend to assimilate the soul to the likeness of Christ, is so much time lost for eternity. This we cannot afford, for every moment is freighted with eternal interests. Now, when the great work of judging the living is about to begin, shall we allow unsanctified

ambition to take possession of the heart, and lead us to neglect the education required to meet the needs in this day of peril?

The study of God's word should take the place of the study of those books that have led minds into mysticism and away from the truth. Its living principles, woven into our lives, will be our safeguard in trials and temptations; its divine instruction is the only way to success. As the test comes to every soul, there will be apostasies. Some will prove to be traitors, heady, high-minded, and self-sufficient, and will turn away from the truth, making shipwreck of faith. Why?—because they did not live "by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." They did not dig deep, and make their foundation sure. When the words of the Lord through his chosen messengers are brought to them, they murmur and think the way is made too strait. In the sixth chapter of John we read of some who were thought to be disciples of Christ, but who, when the plain truth was presented to them, were displeased and walked no more with him. In like manner these superficial students also will turn away from Christ.

Every one who has been converted to God is called upon to grow in capability by using his talents; every branch of the living Vine that does not grow is pruned off, and cast away as rubbish. What, then, shall be the character of the education given in our schools? Shall it be according to the wisdom of this world, or according to the wisdom that is from above? Will not teachers awake to their responsibility in this matter, and see that the word of God has a larger place in the instruction given in our schools?

There is an urgent demand for laborers in the gospel field. Young men are needed for this work; God calls for them. Their education is of primary importance in our colleges, and in no case should it be ignored or regarded as a secondary matter. It is wrong for teachers, by suggesting other occupations, to discourage young men who might be qualified to do acceptable work in the ministry. Those who present hindrances to prevent young men from fitting themselves for this work are counterworking the plans of God, and they will have to give an account of their course. There is among us more than an average of men of ability. If their capabilities were brought into use, we should have twenty ministers where we now have one.

Young men who design to enter the

ministry should not spend a number of years solely in obtaining an education. Teachers should be able to comprehend the situation, and to adapt their instruction to the wants of this class; and special advantages should be given them for a brief yet comprehensive study of the branches most needed to fit them for their work. But this plan has not been followed. Too little attention has been given to the education of young men for the ministry. We have not many years to work, and teachers should be imbued with the Spirit of God, and work in harmony with his revealed will, instead of carrying out their own plans. We are losing much every year because we do not heed the counsel of the Lord on these points.

#### SMALLER SCHOOLS BEST

It is possible to have too many educational facilities centered in one place. Smaller schools, conducted after the plan of the schools of the prophets, would be a far greater blessing. The money which was invested in enlarging Battle Creek College to accommodate the ministers' school would better have been invested in establishing schools in rural districts in America and the regions beyond. No more buildings were needed in Battle Creek; ample facilities were already provided for the education of as many students as ought to congregate in one place. It was not best that so many students should attend this school; for there was talent and wisdom to manage only a certain number. The ministerial institutes could have been held in buildings already erected, and the money used in enlarging the college could have been invested to better advantage in erecting school buildings in other localities.

If some of our large educational institutions were broken up into smaller ones, and schools established in various places, greater progress might be made in physical, mental, and moral culture. The Lord has not said that there should be fewer buildings, but that these buildings should not be centered too much in one place. The large amount of means invested in a few localities should be used in providing facilities for a wider field, so that many more students could be accommodated.

The time has come for lifting the standard of truth in many places, for arousing an interest and extending the mission field until it shall encompass the world. The time has come when many more should have the message of truth brought to their at-

tention. Much can be done in this direction that is not done. While the churches are responsible for keeping their own lamps trimmed and burning, devoted young people must be educated in their own countries to carry forward this work. Schools should be established, not such elaborate schools as those at Battle Creek and College View, but more simple schools with more humble buildings, and with teachers who will adopt the same plans that were followed in the schools of the prophets. Instead of concentrating the light in one place, where many do not appreciate or improve on that which is given them, the light should be carried into many places of the earth. If devoted God-fearing teachers of well-balanced minds and practical ideas would go into missionary fields, and work in a humble way, imparting that which they have received, God would give his Holy Spirit to many who are destitute of his grace.

If there is disunion among those who claim to believe the truth, the world will conclude that this people cannot be of God, because they are working against one another. When we are one with Christ, we shall be united among ourselves. Those who are not yoked up with Christ always pull the wrong way. They possess a temperament that belongs to man's carnal nature, and at the least excuse passion is wide awake to meet passion. This causes a collision; and loud voices are heard in committee meetings, in board meetings, and in public assemblies, opposing reform methods.

Obedience to every word of God is another condition of success. Victories are not gained by ceremonies or display, but by simple obedience to the highest General, the Lord God of heaven. He who trusts in this Leader will never know defeat. Defeat comes in depending on human methods, human inventions and placing the divine secondary. Obedience was the lesson that the Captain of the Lord's host sought to teach the vast armies of Israel,—obedience in things in which they could see no success. When there is obedience to the voice of our Leader, Christ will conduct his battle in ways that will surprise the greatest powers of earth. *Testimonies*, Vol. VI, pages 126-140.

Order the *General Conference Bulletin* at once, if you have not already done so, and get the best part of the proceedings. Price for the session will be fifty cents.

## Canvassing as Related to the Third Angel's Message

A little over thirty years ago our people tried a new venture and started the canvassing work for the sale of our publications. Before this there had been books and papers sold but no exact record was kept of them and there was no organized work. The first report of book sales was given in eighteen hundred fifty-seven and was a great source of encouragement. The report was over eleven hundred dollars and showed that the truth was gaining strength and was "like streams of light making its way around the world." The canvassing work increased so that fifty years after it was started the total sales were eleven million dollars. To-day we have canvassers all over the world selling the books of over twenty-five publishing houses.

"If there is one work more important than another it is that of getting our publications before the people thus leading them to search the Scriptures." "The canvassing work properly conducted is missionary work of the highest order." It is a good, as well as successful, method of presenting before the people the truths of the third angels' message. There are many souls hungering for the truth who would not be able to hear it through any other means than our publications. The books and papers can go many places where the living preacher can never go and in this way the seeds of truth are sown.

It is true all who buy books will not read them. Many will put them on the shelf or lay them away only looking at them once in awhile. Yet God cares for his truth and in time it will bear fruit. It is in many ways that the Lord directs the people owning books to read them. He may bring sickness or affliction into the home and they, looking for comfort and help, will read these books and receive their message. Many people are prejudiced and would receive the message in no other way than by the literature brought into the home.

"The time has come when a large work should be done by the canvasser." The churches to-day are asleep and through the efforts of the canvasser can best learn of the truth. Even where the minister carries on his work the canvasser should accompany him. The minister presents the truth to them but the "papers and books are the Lord's means of keeping the message for this time continually before the people." In this way the people are enlightened con-

cerning the truth and confirmed in it, for the Holy Spirit will impress the minds of those that read the same way he impresses those that listen to the preaching.

The true motive for canvassing is spreading this message and bringing souls to Christ. "All who consecrate themselves to God to work as canvassers are assisting to give the last message of warning to the world. We cannot too highly estimate this work, for were it not for the efforts of the canvasser many would never hear the warning." "Let the canvasser go forth . . . remembering that those who obey the commandments and teach others to obey them will be rewarded by seeing souls converted, and one soul truly converted will bring others to Christ." Although canvassing is hard work, as all know who have ever tried it, yet will we not count these hardships as joy if souls are converted to Christ thru our humble efforts?

If a canvasser goes out purely for the sake of money he is not likely to succeed. Those who take for their aim the winning of souls and work faithfully are sure of success. For does not Christ say that the laborer is worthy of his hire? Then whatever the canvasser is worthy of that will he receive. Many of the students in our schools go canvassing in the summer time to earn money for the next winter. This is all right and they will be successful if they make soul winning first and earning the money secondary.

A canvasser should have a thorough preparation. This should consist of two kinds—spiritual and technical.

"All our service is to be done to the glory of God, to give the light of truth to those who are in darkness." In order to carry this out successfully a canvasser should be daily converted giving his life anew each morning for service, for it is only by this means that he can become a soul winner. "The canvasser is in constant need of divine help." Those who are converted will have the angels of God going before them preparing the way by opening the doors and hearts of the people. "His strength, his courage, his success will depend on how fully the truth presented in the books is woven into his own experience and developed in his character." Thus he should not only know a canvass on his book but should have read and studied it so that it is a part of his life. In this way people can see that the principles and truths found in his book are really of value. The canvasser should not have just a set form

of words but should give the Lord an opportunity to help him in devising ways of gaining access into the homes.

He will have many difficulties and these must be met. "Great characters are formed by little acts and efforts." And when these difficulties come discouragement will come with them. But "when there is a continual reliance upon God, a continued practice of self-denial, the workers will not sink into discouragement." They will remember that there are many souls whom God is seeking and also Satan and that discouragement is Satan's means of keeping these souls from receiving the light.

Technically canvassing is a real business. Hence aside from the spiritual preparation, the canvasser needs some good methods for keeping his accounts. He needs a prospectus, well studied, a definite territory to work, a map of the same, and, above all, he needs good health, a pleasant manner, and a determined purpose.

The result of canvassing will be many souls won for Christ. Perhaps a few incidents will be of interest. One evening a young man stopped at a home and asked to stay all night. As it was late the woman granted the request. The next morning she bought a book of the canvasser and he went on his way. The book was delivered and the people began reading it and studying the truths set forth. After about a year this woman accepted the truth and united with the church at her home. She had a daughter eighteen years of age who accepted the truth at the same time. This young girl is now canvassing intending to attend one of our schools and prepare herself for work in the Master's vineyard. It was just a common place experience to the young man. The results of the books sold are not always known by a canvasser, but who can tell of all the good wrought by them?

Another young man while canvassing sold a book to a woman who was interested in Sunday-school work. The book was followed by other printed matter sent by the canvasser. Soon the lady accepted the third angel's message, never having seen a preacher—just through the literature brought into the home.

It was evening and raining. The canvasser's partner had left him in discouragement. He himself was going at the end of the week. He now stood waiting for a car. Looking across the field he saw a house and having a long wait went over. The lady let him in, but said she did not want any more books. Upon

inquiry it was found that she had "Daniel and the Revelation" and had studied it but did not understand it all. Then the canvasser offered to come and stay all night and explain these matters to her. After much hesitation she consented, her husband afterward scolding her for it. The canvasser came and explained parts of Revelation to them and she accepted the truth. Her husband accepted later. When the canvasser delivered his books he had the pleasure of seeing this family baptized.

Many other instances could be given but this is enough to show the importance of the work.

MADGE MILLER.

Mt. Vernon College.

## WEST PENNSYLVANIA

Kane

As it has been some time since we sent a report to the VISITOR I will write a few lines with reference to our work here in Kane. There are eight persons who have begun the observance of the Sabbath. One sister has very strong opposition from her husband, who has forbidden her to attend our meetings or permit us to call at their home.

The interest at present seems to be on the increase. Last Sabbath we had twenty-two persons in attendance at the Sabbath services, fifteen adults, and three of them men. Not all of these are Sabbath keepers but they are persons who are interested in our message. Last night we had twelve persons present at a cottage meeting held on the west side of town, some distance from our regular place of meeting. One man was present who had not been to a church service for several years. He was once a member of a church, and seemed deeply impressed with what he heard.

The work at this place has been a long hard pull, and now that we have a little fruit and seemingly a growing interest we must leave and go to the General Conference not knowing what will be the result of this work in the future; but we hope the dear Lord will care for these souls and for his own work in this part of the field. Brethren pray for the work at this place.

J. W. WATT.

Our time belongs to God. Every moment is his, and we are under the most solemn obligation to improve it to his glory. Of no talent he has given will he require a more strict account than of our time.—C. O. L., p. 342.

## OHIO

### "A Large Work"

"The time has come when a large work should be done by the canvasser."—*Manual for Canvassers*, page 8. While this quotation was written several years ago and has been fulfilled in a measure, yet we are sure that we shall see even more marked evidence of its fulfillment in the near future. As stated in some of our previous articles, "God is calling the canvassers back to their work," and I am glad that many are responding to the call. The book work is growing as never before. It is surprising to know that we as a denomination have sold more literature in the last decade than in all our previous history put together. Truly the time is here when a large work is being done, yet brethren, we must expect larger things of the Lord and work as never before to advance the saving message for this generation. I am sure the Lord expects large things of us, but nothing more than we can do, and nothing more than what we must do if we obtain eternal life. A great work has been committed to us, and with the committing of the work God has provided grace to do that work.

The work is growing in Ohio. When this article reaches you, we will be in the midst of an institute in Akron. The prospects at this writing are very bright for a very successful institute. We are looking for a score or more to go forth from this institute into the great harvest field. These humble servants need your prayers that their work may be blessed of God as they go forth to labor for him.

The recent tornadoes and floods call loudly for us to arouse as one man and give the warning message. We are told that these calamities are only examples of what is coming upon the whole world. There is no better method of giving the trumpet a certain sound than through the printed page. The books bearing directly upon the message should have a wider circulation than ever before. Now is the opportune time to enter this work. Do not procrastinate thinking there will be a more opportune time to enter this important branch of the Lord's work. Do not be deceived by thinking that the recent destructions will retard the work. God's work is onward and these calamities will only tend to advance the work if we place ourselves where the Lord can use us. Let us labor as never before. J. I. CASSELL.

## Colporteurs' Testimony Corner

Brother H. A. Rossin, who is working Coshocton County with Bible Readings, writes: "When I consider the nearness of the end, I desire to be more consecrated, and I long to see workers going forth as bees from a hive, returning at eventide, laden with the fruits of their labor; yet among these workers I abhor the place of a drone."

Our sympathies go out to Brother C. V. Leach. He has been one of our strongest and most earnest workers but has fallen a prey to goiter. This has compelled him to leave the field for a time. Let us pray for his speedy recovery.

Brother J. S. Randolph and C. E. Reichenbach have been moving their families into new territory which has detained them from active field work for a time; but after they are settled they will be ready for strong aggressive work the balance of the year.

Some of the regular colporteurs have come in to partake of the refreshing the institute affords them. They are an inspiration to those who have not yet been in the field, and each will doubtless return to his territory with a new worker associated with him. Continue to pray for this work.  
J. H. McEACHERN.

Elder R. G. Patterson reports twenty-two persons added to the Cleveland church on Sabbath, April 26. Twenty of these were taken in by baptism, and two by letter. It is thought that ten or twelve more will hereafter be baptized on May 10. Cleveland with over half a million population has but two English speaking workers, Elder R. G. Patterson and one Bible worker, Miss Carrie Askey, whose efforts with the cooperation of the church and the blessing of God have been thus rewarded.

Last Sabbath evening Elder E. K. Slade opened the canvassers' institute at Akron with a discourse on the "Importance of Canvassing Work."

Elder W. E. Bidwell is visiting the churches in his district and binding off the various interests preparatory to General Conference and the summer efforts.

Elder C. W. Weber, formerly of Chicago, Ill., has taken up his duties as pastor of the Cleveland German church, succeeding Elder H. F. Graf, who was called to labor in the Southern California Conference.

Last Sabbath the Cleveland church enjoyed listening to Elder R. A. Underwood whose voice has not lost any of the certain ring of the Advent message.

Brother G. C. Quillin, the conference custodian, has gone to Takoma Park to assist in preparing the grounds for the approaching session of the General Conference.

The Newark church recently enjoyed a visit from their pastor in early days, Elder D. E. Lindsey.

About forty persons plan to go from Mt. Vernon to the General Conference.

During the past week Dr. Harry S. Miller performed successful operations upon Miss Brumbaugh at West Milton and Mr. John Lemmer at the College.

## VIRGINIA

### Visit to Lynchburg.

It was a great privilege to me to again visit Lynchburg, and become more personally acquainted with the members of the church and others who are interested in the truth.

I went to Lynchburg on Friday April 25. Sister Rice met me at the train and we went to the church, where I met Brother Womack, and accompanied him to his comfortable farm home three miles in the country.

Sabbath morning between 30 and 40 persons assembled for Sabbath-school and services following. It was a good day for the Lynchburg church.

After the services, I accompanied Brother and Sister Dick to their home five miles in the country. My stay at Brother Dick's and also at Brother Womack's was very much enjoyed.

Sunday at 11 A. M. a larger number of adults assembled at the church than on the Sabbath, and listened very attentively to the word spoken. I am sure there are better days in store for the Lynchburg church. Sister Rice is doing a good work. Prejudice is being overcome, and I believe that at some time in the future, we can hold a series of meetings at Lynchburg with profit and gather a harvest of souls. Meanwhile we will do all we can to prepare the way. The church seemed greatly encouraged by the meetings held. I secured thirteen subscriptions for our different periodicals.  
W. J. STONE.

## CHESAPEAKE

### Notes

Elder F. W. Paap spent Sabbath and Sunday with the church at Rock Hall. It was the occasion of the quarterly meeting for this church and all the members seemed to enjoy the service.

The friends of Elder C. B. Haynes former pastor of the First Seventh-day Adventist church of Baltimore, will be glad to learn of his safe arrival in Baltimore last Friday. Elder and Mrs. Haynes have been laboring in the South for nearly a year. They have had marked success in their work at Jacksonville, Florida. Elder Haynes spoke in the new church last Sunday night to a large and attentive audience.

Prof. H. R. Salisbury of Takoma Park, spoke in the Baltimore church last Sabbath morning. He gave a very interesting account of his extensive trip in the far East visiting our mission station and schools. Surely the Lord is doing a great work in those heathen lands. All this gives our people courage in their efforts to finish the work.

Elder R. T. Baer left Monday for Washington to assist the brethren in their preparations for the General Conference session soon to convene.

The colored brethren of Baltimore have recently purchased a very fine building which will be used by them as a church building. This church is progressing very nicely and we are sure that this neat and comfortable place of worship will add strength to the work. There are 90,000 colored people in this city and we believe the church is hopeful of being used of the Lord for this work. Brother G. P. Rodgers is the pastor.

Brother J. A. Skinner of Pittsburgh is canvassing at present in Baltimore for the *Protestant Magazine*. He has had good success with this magazine and is doing a good work here.

Better to weave in the web of life  
A bright and golden filling,  
And to do God's will with a ready heart  
And hands that are swift and willing,  
Than to snap the delicate, tender threads  
Of our curious lives asunder,  
And then blame heaven for the tangled ends,  
And sit, and grieve, and wonder.

## EAST PENNSYLVANIA

## Beaver Springs

During the first quarter of 1913 the superintendent of the Reading Sabbath school gave four little girls of the infant department, each ten cents to invest and bring the results for the thirteenth Sabbath offering. The amount realized by the four children was \$10.00.

I will also append just a few lines to inform you that I have again taken up the book work in Snyder County, a territory that has not yet been worked with our books. I rejoice in the good work for truly the harvest is ripe. Oh, that only more would enlist in the Master's cause and thus hasten his coming! My earnest desire is to continue in the work until his coming which is very near.

J. L. GEARHART.

Six persons were recently baptized and added to the First German S. D. A. church in Philadelphia. Others are deeply interested and are considering the call to leave Babylon.

Elder J. H. Schilling, superintendent of the German work in the Eastern states, recently paid a visit to the German church in Philadelphia in the interest of the German Seminary at Clinton, Mo. Three well attended meetings were held, and a collection taken for the benefit of that school amounted in cash and pledges to \$279 00.

## We Can Find Time

The great evangelist, D. L. Moody, knew the power of prayer, perhaps as few have known it, because he constantly practised it. In one of his earnest talks on this subject he met the common excuse of not having time to pray, with these words:—

"There is many a business man to-day who will tell you that he has no time to pray; his business is so pressing that he cannot call his family around him, and ask God to bless and keep him and them from the temptations of every day. But look at Daniel! He had the whole, or nearly the whole, of the king's business to attend to. He was a prime minister, secretary of state, and secretary of treasury all in one. He had to attend to all his own work, and to give an eye to the work of lots of other men, and yet he found time to pray; not just now and then, nor once in a while, not just when he happened to have a few moments to spare, but three times a day."

## Canvassers' Reports

Chesapeake, Two Weeks Ending April 25, 1913

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
J. E. Jones, Somerset Co.		GC	8	64	19	53 00	18 00	71 00	134 90
D. W. Percy, Wycomico Co.		GC	10	80	53	154 00	12 70	166 70	
T. H. Barritt, Baltimore Co.		PPF	5	34	27	55 50		55 50	44 50
M. S. Pettibone, Harford Co.		PPF	4	21	6	12 50	5 45	17 95	79 00
Anna Seeney, Baltimore		BF	3	10	12	12 50	50	13 00	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>5 Agents</b>		<b>30</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>\$287 50</b>	<b>\$36 65</b>	<b>\$324 15</b>	<b>\$258 40</b>

## District of Columbia, Week Ending April 25, 1913

I. I. Boyle, Prince George Co.	OK	5	38	28	42 00	7 85	49 85	60
T. J. Chambers, Montgomery Co.	GC	2	11	5	13 00	2 50	15 50	50
L. A. Godwin, Fairfax Co., Va.	PPF	5	38	31	54 00	6 00	60 00	4 00
Frank Smith, Londen Co.	CK	5	44	32	54 00	25	54 25	
R. A. Towne, Prince George Co.	GC	4	33	17	52 00	7 25	59 25	
W. A. Williams, Fairfax Co., Va.	CK	4	23	28	42 00	1 25	43 25	
Mrs. L. Dennis, Washington	CK		20	8	12 00			3 50
Totals	7 Agents	25	207	149	\$269 00	\$25 10	\$282 10	\$9 60

## Ohio, Week Ending April 25, 1913

J. S. Randolph, Delaware Co.	ES	6	58	7	24 00	6 45	30 45	196 45
H. A. Rossin, Coshocton Co.	BR	5	35	7	21 00	2 50	23 50	6 00
J. B. Reichenbach Montg'y Co.	BR	4	29	7	22 00		22 00	65 50
L. H. Waters, Miami Co.	CK	5	35	9	13 50	1 75	15 25	1 75
*Mrs. S. D. Phillips, Lucas Co.	BR	8	39	4	12 00	3 00	15 00	19 25
F. E. Wilson, Hamilton Co.	CK	2	14	6	9 50	2 00	11 50	50
Mrs. Chas Cable, Cuyahoga Co.	BF	3	13	2	2 00	2 30	4 30	
John Schick, Summit Co.	GC	4	23	1	3 00		3 00	9 45
Mrs. Reichenbach, Montgy Co.	Mag	4	31			28 35	28 35	28 35
F. E. Wagner, Summit Co.	GC	3	20	2	7 00	6 15	13 15	5 65
Totals	10 Agents	44	297	45	\$114 00	\$52 50	\$166 50	\$332 90

## New Jersey, Week Ending April 25, 1913

G. W. Blinn, Mercer	BR	5	40	18	48 00		48 00	
Wm. Schmidt, Newark	GC	5	34	5	9 00	11 30	20 30	9 30
Clarence Peacock, Bridgeton	PPF	2	7	5	5 00	50	5 50	1 50
Totals	3 Agents	15	81	25	\$62 00	\$11 80	\$73 80	\$10 80

## MAGAZINES

J. Upton		320		32 00
W. B. Plant		380		38 00
J. H. Holt		20		2 00
Julia Jenssen		500		50 00
Mrs. H. C. Wilcox		700		70 00
Ida Leedom		50		5 00
James Johnson		100		10 00
Bessie Smith		30		3 00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>8 Agents</b>	<b>2100</b>		<b>210 00</b>

## West Pennsylvania, Week Ending April 25, 1913

J. A. Kimmel, Fayette Co.	PPF	5	32	17	35 00	8 10	43 10	2 10
Alva Davies, Pittsburg	CK	5	31	25	41 50	1 25	42 75	39 50
C. Guenter, Potter Co.	BF	3	21	9	9 00	2 85	11 85	2 85
W. H. House, Cameron	BF	6	43	1	5 00	8 25	13 25	32 10
Edgar Rogers, Fulton Co.	CK	5	44	13	19 50		19 50	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>5 Agents</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>\$110 00</b>	<b>\$20 45</b>	<b>\$130 45</b>	<b>\$76 55</b>

\*Two weeks.

West Virginia, Week Ending April 25, 1913

H. C. Smith, Harrison	PPF	5	41	33	62 00	2 50	64 50	
T. M. Butler, Harrison	PPF	5	38	33	59 50	7 50	67 00	3 00
John Fahrner, Randolph	GC	3	13	1	4 00		4 00	4 75

Totals	3 Agents	13	92	67	\$125 50	\$10 00	\$135 50	\$7 75
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Grand Totals:	41 Agents	Value of Orders, \$1112 50	Deliveries, \$696 00
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## Results from Scattered Literature

Many instances of persons accepting the truth through our literature have come under my observation.

One who was engaged in selling health foods lent a copy of the *Signs of the Times* to a woman for a few weeks. She said one day, "That paper has a tendency to convert people." She became a subscriber, and later accepted the truth and united with the church.

Some years ago a young woman visited her uncle and aunt, who were Presbyterians. Previous to her visit, they had purchased "Bible Readings" of a canvasser. On discovering afterwards it was an Adventist book, to get it out of sight they placed it in a spare room upstairs. It was here that the niece found it, and often read it until a late hour in the night. She became so interested in its contents that her aunt gave her the book. She took it home with her, and her brother and brother-in-law became interested in it. Later one of our Bible workers held a few readings with them, and they accepted the truth. Afterward the same book was lent to a married sister living eight miles away. She became interested, and the same Bible worker held readings with her, and later she was baptized, and united with the church.

One of our brethren went down to the train in his town, to give away some papers to the passengers. They took the papers, but some tore them in pieces and threw them out the carriage windows. It grieved this brother to have the papers treated thus. About four or five miles up the track from the station, the linemen were working, and one of the young men picked up half of a page torn from one of our Swedish papers, which was torn from one corner to the other. On the part of the page which he found, was an article about the Sabbath. He read it, and sent the piece to the office, asking for the paper which contained the article. He soon began to keep the Sabbath, and afterward became a worker in the cause of God.

Years ago one of our workers gave a few tracts to a man to read and then distribute. The man, on looking them

over, decided they were not fit to circulate. To get rid of them, he put them under a pile of brush by a gate he had to go through in passing along a by-road through the timber. That evening a man who was earnestly seeking light on the state of the dead, sent one of his boys to see if the paddock gate was closed. The boy picked up the tracts, and carried them home to his father, who read them that night. He soon found the one who gave the tracts away, and obtained more reading matter. As a result, he and his family accepted the truth, and have been active in scattering literature and doing other missionary work.

This encouraging word came to one of our missionary volunteer societies:

"There is one item which will be of special interest to the young people's society. For more than a year you have been sending a copy of the *Signs* to Mrs.——. I furnished this name, and although I had never heard whether the paper was read or not, I still had it sent. When I reached this place a few weeks ago, I learned that this woman and her daughter were baptized last Sabbath, and united with our church here. I had the privilege of meeting them on Friday evening, and studying the Sabbath-school lesson with them. They have never heard an Adventist preach, and told me it was the paper that brought them the truth. This is the family of a prominent physician, deceased. They are fine, intelligent people."

The following letter was received by one of our workers:

"You will please pardon me for taking the liberty to write to you, but I feel I must do so. I have been reading your publication, the *Youth's Instructor*, which I bought a few days ago from a woman who came into my shop selling papers, and I want to say that I feel it was the best investment I ever made. I am considered a hopeless drunkard, and yet I am a young man, twenty-eight years old to-day. I honestly believe I am on the road to reform; at any rate, I am going to put forth an earnest effort to be a total abstainer. Remember me in your prayers. I want to be a sober man, and one who will command the respect of respectable people."

—Mrs. L. Flora Plummer.

## Get the Habit of Succeeding

A girl in a high school class in geometry was sent to the board to demonstrate an original proposition. Several members of the class had tried it, and their instructor had promptly found a flaw in their reasoning. This girl gave a neat, correct demonstration.

The effect was unexpected. The student in question was far from brilliant. She had never been particularly interested in her work. How she had chanced on that demonstration was a mystery no one could fathom. She walked to her seat tingling with a sensation novel in her experience. She was tasting the joy of success. That night she applied herself to her work as she had never done before in the course of her school life. By the end of the year she was acknowledged the most promising student in her class, and her record more than fulfils the pledge of those early days.

Nothing inspires like success. It is hard work to get up ambition enough to carry you through a humdrum routine, but as soon as you have done anything splendidly, your pride and satisfaction will supply the energy you need for duplicating your achievement.

Get the habit of succeeding. Make your work easy by making it good.

—Selected.

## The June Watchman

We are glad to report that the May *Watchman* enjoyed an unprecedented sale because of the up to date flood and cyclone matter which it contained. It became necessary early in the month to order a second edition which has been completely exhausted. The people seem to be eager to know the meaning of these disasters. Our June issue will be, if possible, even a better number, especially for our agents and those returning from the General Conference. The contents are as follows:

The World's Greatest Revolution.

Who Changed the Day?

The Doctrines of the Second Advent.

Making a Universe without God.

Why Were the Prophecies Written?

The Return of our Lord.

Chaplains in Congress.

Heart Culture.

Scripture Study: Home and Health.

In addition to the above, the Outlook Department will contain current world events in their proper Scripture setting.



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Elsewhere in this issue of the VISITOR we present extracts from a chapter in Volume Six of the "Testimonies" on "The Need of Educational Reform." We believe the matter presented is deserving of careful study at this time.

Habit is a cable; every day we weave a thread, and soon we cannot break it.

"Press on! If once or twice thy feet slip back and stumble, harder try."

### Special Car to General Conference

In the VISITOR of April 23, we announced that no arrangement would be made for a special car to accommodate passengers going to the General Conference. Since that time there has developed a desire on the part of quite a large number to go in a body, and it has been decided to ask for a special car.

Arrangements have been made for a special car on the Baltimore and Ohio train leaving Mount Vernon, Ohio, at 7:58 P. M. on Tuesday, May 13, and arriving at Takoma Park at 12:45 P. M., Wednesday. The car is being secured for the accommodation of those who are going from Mt. Vernon to the General Conference, but any who desire to do so are welcome to join the party. The car will make no difference in rates.

The only advantage offered will be the privilege of being by ourselves. Those buying tickets from the B. & O. anywhere along the line, will be permitted to enter this car either at Mount Vernon or Newark.

E. K. SLADE.

## AT THE COLLEGE

### The Ministerial Band

At the beginning of school last fall about 25 young men of the College organized for the study of the principles of gospel ministry. Messrs. Delano Rees and Frank Wells have served as direct leaders of the meetings. Elder James Shultz has had the general oversight of the band, and the valuable instructions given by him have been of practical benefit to the members, and undoubtedly will be of much benefit to each one when out in the work.

Some of the subjects that have been studied are; The Importance of the Gospel Ministry, Qualifications of the Minister, Rostrum Etiquette and Everyday Department, Organization, Duties of Church Officers, How to Organize a Church, How to Make an Outline. A number of other important and interesting features of the work were also considered. Besides this, the band has been well favored by timely talks from conference presidents and other prominent workers.

Increased interest was manifested in the meetings, when, about the middle of February, the band obtained the South Vernon school house for holding Sunday night services. Ten subjects, ranging from "The Word of God" to "The Importance of Obedience," have been presented by the young men. From the start a lively interest has been noticed in the meetings, the average attendance being close to forty. A number of adults come regularly and we are led to hope and pray that some will finally accept God's truth for this time. Sunday evening, May 4, the band held its last meeting. A temperance rally was given that evening, consisting of discourses, recitations and songs. Much of the interest in the meetings has been due to the distribution of card notices. The band is indebted to the missionary society of the Mount Vernon church for defraying the expenses of advertising.

RAY CORDER.

The College graduating class is the largest in its history consisting of twenty-seven members, six of whom are completing full College courses. We are pleased to note that the class, in harmony with the principles of the College, is avoiding extravagant display, preferring to put the gilt on its work rather than upon its announcements.

Inquiries are already coming in concerning the summer school, and the indications point to a comparatively good attendance.

Mr. Eber Opdyke, who recently finished the nurses' course at the Newark Sanitarium, was a visitor at the College last week.

Mr. Merritt V. Eusey will run the College farm this summer and continue his studies preparatory to finishing the literary course next year. The College is fortunate in securing a man so well adapted by nature and experience for this work.

As delegates from all parts of the world assemble at the General Conference at Washington, prayers should ascend daily from every lover of this message that the Lord of the harvest may direct in all that is done in this most important gathering whose decisions will greatly affect the progress of this movement.

## OBITUARY

GLASCOCK.—Emily G., eldest daughter of Naaman and Mary Noffsger, was born near Port Union, Ohio, Dec. 15, 1851, and died in Fernando, Cal., Apr. 15, 1913, aged 61 years and 4 months. In early youth, she was converted and united with the Baptist church. In 1877, under the labors of Elders T. M. Stewart and T. J. Butler, she embraced the truths taught by Seventh-day Adventists, and became a charter member of the New Antioch church. She often met with the little company of Seventh-day Adventists, who, for three years, held meetings in the home of the writer's mother. At that time he was unconverted and never attended one of the meetings. Little did he think then that a miracle of grace would be wrought in his life, and that in years to come he would be called upon to preach the funeral of one of that company. Sister Emily was always loyal to the third angel's message, and for several years engaged in Bible work in Cleveland. In 1890 she was united in marriage to Eli Glascock, whom death claimed eight years later. She was a loving wife and proved a true mother to her two step-children. She was taken from them without a moment's warning, but she was ready to go, and they sorrow not as those who have no hope. Beside her step-children, six brothers, and two sisters mourn their loss. A large number of relatives and friends attended the funeral, held at the home of her sister, Mrs. Bert Vanderwort, and all testified of her exemplary life. We laid her to rest in the cemetery at New Antioch.

W. W. MILLER.