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

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GENERAL MATTER

Fitting for Service

"Rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time." Rev. 12:12. These words seem to suggest that Satan, after being cast into the earth, verse 9, works with no uncertain activity and manifestation of his wicked power. The great controversy having been narrowed down to so small an area, namely, our world, stimulates him to work with a determination born of desperation. It is this concentration of effort and frenzied struggle on the part of our great adversary that will lead to the approaching persecution by apostate Protestantism. Rev. 13:11-17.

In this heated contest God calls for well-equipped soldiers as his representatives. In speaking to the young man, Timothy, Paul expressed the thought, "No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who has chosen him to be a soldier. Thou, therefore, endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ." II Tim. 2:4,3. Soldiers are commonly known as well-trained men. Therefore, in order to be a good soldier, one must first secure a training or preparation.

A veteran of the Civil War took pride in relating to me about one of their most desperate battles and brilliant victories. I then asked, "To whom did you attribute your success?"

He answered, "To our general."

"Was your general a man of more ability than the one of the opposing army?"

"No," said he, "but we won because our general was acquainted with every part of the battle-ground."

Herein is a volume of thought. The Bible, God's inspired Word, and history, in which is seen the fulfillment of prophecy, carefully studied reveal to us the great battlefield of the controversy of the ages, and in no uncertain terms, of the coming conflict.

Where can this knowledge be better obtained than in our schools?

Think you that the adversary will not endeavor to hinder your every plan in going to school? Mole-hills will appear as mountains; but here is the test. If there is no way make one. Paul while traveling through Asia Minor, being forbidden by the Spirit to preach the Word in Asia or Bithynia, did not become discouraged because he could turn neither to the right nor left, but pressed forward, and after reaching Troas, received the Macedonian call.

Fellow students, God in his wisdom, does not remove every obstacle, in order that we might exercise faith and thus be strengthened. Decide deep down in your hearts that you are going to Mount Vernon College, and that nothing can thwart your purpose. It may be necessary to rise early and work hard, even at times to forego some of the social life in the school, but oh, the pleasure in knowing that you are fitting for service.

First of all let us give our hearts unreservedly to the Master, and then with an interest fired with enthusiasm, and a desire to make the best of ourselves, decide to go to our training school. The Lord who piled up the waters of the Red Sea and overthrew the walls of Jericho, "changeth not."

H. J. DETWILER.

Reporting

It is said that much of the success of the Japanese in their war with Russia was due to their accurate system of obtaining constant and definite reports from all parts of the field. This enabled the generals to know exactly what had been done, and what needed to be done next. If this system of reporting is necessary to earthly warfare how much more necessary it is to spiritual warfare.

To us as a people has been committed the task of giving the last warning message to a perishing world. To do this successfully we must have organizations in order that the work may be properly divided. Those upon whom the responsibility of directing the work has been

placed, must know what has been done, in order to plan properly for what is yet to be accomplished.

Steps are being taken to gather together, from all parts of the world, reports of the missionary work of our lay members, in order that we may know what is being done, and that we may publish a quarterly summary in the *Review*. We believe such a summary will be very interesting to all our people. It will show that the total amount of work done by our lay members is large, and will enable us to better understand why the completion of the work depends on the entire church membership. "If every church member were a living missionary, the gospel would speedily be proclaimed in all countries, to all peoples, nations, and tongues." — *Testimonies*. Vol. IX, page 32.

Every member will have a responsibility in making the report as accurate and full as possible. An idea prevails in the minds of some that they ought not to tell what they have done. This is a mistaken idea, which, if carried to its logical conclusion, would entirely disorganize our work, and reduce it to hopeless confusion. If it were wrong for one to tell what he had done, it would be wrong for all. No person could take any responsibility in directing any line of work, because he would not know what others were doing. Each would be compelled to work separately and alone.

But the work of the Lord is not so ordered. In Luke 9:10 we read that the apostles, when they returned from their missionary tour, told Jesus all that they had done. Acts 14:27 tells how Paul and Barnabas rehearsed their experiences in the church. We have some excellent examples to follow.

There is another side to this question of reporting which is overlooked by many. It is the Spirit of God that inspires us to do even the smallest missionary work. We ought, therefore, to tell what the Spirit of God has done through us, that God may be glorified. When we refuse to do so, God is robbed of his glory, and we lose the blessing. If we would give more

glory to God by telling what he has accomplished through us, we would receive power to do more and greater works.

The Morning Watch Calendar used by the young people has in it a page for each month for recording missionary work done. This makes it easy to put down, at the close of the day, anything that has been done. This is being used in some places by the older people and they find it makes keeping the record of their work very simple. We can recommend it to all.

Let us take hold anew and faithfully report our work for the guidance of our leaders in this cause and to the honor and glory of God.

E. M. GRAHAM, *Secretary,*
Home Missionary Department.

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

History of the Y. P. S. M. V. of Eastern Pennsylvania.

We are not informed as to the exact time of organizing the young peoples' work in Pennsylvania, but when the conference was divided in 1903, there were five societies in the eastern part of the state.

During the ten years of our existence, as a conference, the number of societies has varied from time to time; at present we have 12, including two Junior societies, also, a conference society recently organized, with an aggregate membership of 210.

On account of the unavoidable frequent change of state secretaries and some other discouraging conditions, the work has been somewhat retarded, nevertheless, much good has been accomplished by our active Volunteers. The work is now on a better basis than ever before, the young people are responding to calls for service and many are seeking a fitness for greater usefulness.

We have the largest reading circle in our history, sixty being enrolled. A few are striving to reach the Standard of Attainment goal and we are sure their example will stimulate others to do likewise.

About 250 Morning Watch Calendars are in use, so we have quite a large prayer circle.

Connected with our school at Fairhill, Pa., is a church school Missionary Volunteer Society which is studying the lessons outlined in *Christian Education* and is making good progress under the leadership of the teacher.

A goodly number of our Volunteers have entered our schools to prepare

for the work either at home or abroad, as ministers, Bible workers, teachers, nurses, or colporteurs. Some are already in the field. A few have completed their course of study and several will graduate this spring. About a score have been or are acting as colporteurs, many meeting a part or the whole of their school expenses in this way. Two are teaching church schools, two are in public school work, two more are about ready for the ministry, and one is stenographer in a conference office.

We are of good courage and with all the other Volunteers are marching on to victory, remembering, this advent message is to be carried to all the world in this generation; the love of Christ constraining us to press forward. ELLA M. TALMAGE, *Secretary.*

(This history, which was written for the M. V. Department of the recent General Conference, was read at the East Pennsylvania camp-meeting, supplemented by the "further report" published in the *Visitor* of September 10.)

Hanover.

Thursday night, September 11, I visited the tent company at Hanover with F. A. Harter in charge, Richard Farley assisting, and Jesse Smith tent manager. The Lord has blessed the effort in a marked manner. From the very beginning the attendance has been large and the interest up to the present time has not abated, although all the points of faith have been presented, and the ministers of other denominations have bitterly opposed and denounced them from the pulpit. Thursday night every inch of seating capacity was taken and many were obliged to stand on the outside, as the subject of the "Battle of Armageddon" was presented. At the close of the service, a gentleman offered the free use of a hall on Main Street to continue the meetings after the tent is taken down. All the expense of the meetings have been met by donations. Eight or ten have taken their stand and many are in the valley of decision.

R. E. HARTER.

"Patience is the ballast of the soul. Without it any passing storm will set the ship tossing and straining. With it the vessel can keep steady, and go forward, or, at the worst, lie safely in the biggest tempest that can blow over the seas of life."

"Study only the best, for life is too short to study everything."

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

After leaving the camp-meeting at Corry, Pa., according to previous arrangements, I attended camp-meetings in the Lake Union in the West Michigan, and Indiana conferences.

Since returning I have spent a few days in Pittsburgh. Sabbath September 20 I spoke to our colored church in the morning and in the afternoon to the First Church of Pittsburgh. Four members of the conference committee with the secretary spent some time in considering the needs of the work in the conference.

We are endeavoring to conserve every dollar and make it go as far as possible. The need of laborers in many places is pressing. It is difficult to arrange the workers so that no part of the field will suffer. If we had three times the number of laborers we have, we could have them all answering pressing calls. We should earnestly pray for the ministers, Bible workers, and canvassers in the field, also pray the Lord of the harvest to raise up laborers to enter the fields all white for the harvest. The need of more laborers suggests that all should be faithful to bring into the treasury of the Lord a full tithe. Every effort will be made to use the means to the best advantage possible.

Our brethren and sisters will note that a change has been made of the location of the office to 7155 Mount Vernon Street, Pittsburgh, Pa., which will save to the conference from \$5.00 to \$7.00 per month in rent and street carfare.

The general meetings to be held in October in various parts of the conference will prove a great blessing to our churches. Every member should plan to do all in his power to secure a large attendance at the meetings. Be on hand at the first meeting. Invite your neighbors and those interested to attend. These general meetings present opportunities that come only once in a year. Let us make the most of them. R. A. UNDERWOOD.

Pittsburg

The German tent effort has come to a close. Brother and Sister Haeft, our assistants, are on the way to their future field of labor, South America. Sister Helen Gaede, our nurse, that did good work in connection with the effort, has gone to the Washington Branch Sanitarium. With these workers as helpers and a brand new tent in a good location, we enjoyed the best attendance we have yet had among

Report of the Sabbath-Schools of West Pennsylvania Conference

For Quarter Ending June 30, 1913

	Mem'b.	Att.	Total Donations	13th Sabbath Offering	Increase	Decrease	Avg. per Member
Adah	13	8	\$30 11	\$5 55	\$3 25	....	\$ 18
Albion	20	15	10 51	4 96	3 87	....	04
Allegheny No. 1	39	23	52 26	10 56	17 48	....	10
Allegheny No. 2	26	20	25 95	3 51	6 33	....	075
Altoona	53	28	15 45	6 08	....	10 96	02
Bradford	23	17	57 64	37 00	37 77	....	19
Burrows .....	..	..	....	....	....	....	..
Butler	13	..	5 96	2 16	....	3 34	035
Carter Camp....	6	4	5 40	1 69	29	....	07
Clearfield	21	19	10 45	3 64	1 93	....	04
Corry	14	10	14 78	6 87	7 42	....	08
Corydon No. 1..	16	9	15 75	4 63	3 75	....	075
Coudersport	28	22	83 17	4 35	1 90	..	09
Conference S. S.	66	53	46 09	22 31	5 99	....	05
Dubois	8	6	1 92	15	....	25	015
Edinboro .....	..	..	3 38	26	3 38	....	....
Eldred	6	..	6 29	52	....	01	08
Corydon No. 2..	15	14	*4 31	....	4 31	....	045
Erie	34	19	29 82	12 31	4 54	....	065
Huntingdon .....	..	..	....	....	....	....	..
Indiana	42	33	19 62	5 17	....	1 08	035
Jimtown	25	10	3 76	1 76	....	1 91	01
Johnstown	45	33	49 06	19 88	10 93	....	08
Meadville	13	5	9 53	2 00	1 74	..	055
McDonald	20	16	6 76	5 16	....	2 99	025
Millport	9	7	1 96	1 21	66	....	015
North Warren ..	24	17	33 41	8 52	16 75	....	105
Pittsburg No. 1.	87	65	98 17	22 40	13 68	....	085
Pittsburg No. 2.	18	15	10 72	3 08	85	....	04
Port Allegheny.	9	7	....	....	....	....	..
Raymond	12	10	9 49	3 42	3 81	....	06
Ridgway	20	15	22 63	6 29	9 63	....	085
Russel	20	12	2 38	....	....	....	..
Shingle House..	..	..	8 65	90	....	....	..
Six Mile Run ...	35	29	9 09	1 21	1 08	....	02
Somerset .....	..	..	....	....	....	....	..
Union City	7	1	3 24	1 40	2 11	....	03
Verona	11	10	4 16	59	4 16	....	03
Washington	26	22	26 46	5 89	....	18 13	08
Wrights	9	8	3 13	25	3 13	..	025
Waterford	6	5	5 50	2 50	35	....	07
Youngsville	11	6	....	....	....	....	..
Total	850	593	696 95	218 17	132 43	....	06

*Six Weeks

MRS. B. F. KNEELAND,
Secretary.

the Germans in Pittsburg, and we hope with the best results.

Sabbath, September 20, we had the privilege of baptizing eight precious souls. We expect that others will soon follow and thus be united with the people of God. We are now holding several meetings during the week in a hall to keep up the interest and to bring some to a decision to fully follow the Lord in keeping all the commands of Christ. The work among the Germans is onward and we expect to build up a strong German church in Pittsburg.

We are anxious that the work the Lord has given us to do may soon be finished and we can all go home. The Lord is longsuffering to usward not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to the knowledge of the truth. But the Lord will come and not tarry. How glad we can be, however, that the Lord has not come sooner. We might not have been ready and many souls not saved that now are coming to repentance.

JOHN P. GAEDE.

"Draw nigh to God."

Kane

This week I am closing up my work in this place in view of going out among the churches in the special campaign planned by the conference committee.

Last Sabbath we had nine persons present at the Sabbath service and organized a Sabbath-school with Brother Charles Shull for superintendent and Brother Clyde Clark as the secretary. We are indeed glad to see this step taken by the few here who have decided to keep the Sabbath. Brother Shull has been a member of the Methodist Church and has had experience in Sunday-school work for years.

Just now as we are called to leave Kane the interest seems to be on the increase. One lady said last week that she would keep the Sabbath, but because of ill health and having quite a walk to reach the place of meeting, she was not at the Sabbath service. Another lady is much interested in the Sabbath question, who is also a prominent member of the Methodist Church and has three sons who are preachers. We hope to see this lady soon take a stand for the truth, others are interested.

Brethren, pray for the work in Kane that the Lord my cause it to go forward still.

J. W. WATT.

The Book Work

The harvest truly is ripe in this field, and if there ever was a time when our books should be sold it is to-day. People want something that tells them the meaning of the aggressiveness of Catholicism. The *Menace* is stirring them up, but they have nothing to guide them farther in their studies. The people are eager to find something more, so when our faithful colporteurs call at these homes, the result is almost sure to be a sale. The success of the men demonstrates that this is true. The encroachments of Rome in America is a subject that interests most every Protestant, and we should take every advantage of this by interesting them in our books and magazines. Not only those who are in the field, but other men who have ability should be consecrating their lives to this work. It takes men of strong faith sometimes to give up a good position and enter the field, but God gave up his son to die for us. We can surely repay him a little by giving our time to his service. Note how God is blessing those who have done this, and see if you do not want a share in this work.

Brother J. A. Kimmel who is working in Fayette County, where a great

many of our books have been sold says:—

"Last week I was working in a section of the country where an old gentlemen lives, who has kept the Sabbath for over three years. He is a member of the Church of God, and has the whole church stirred up. How I wish a minister could come here and do some work. This man learned of the truth through reading our literature."

Possibly this man would never have come in connection with us if it had not been for the faithful work of Brother Kimmel.

Brother Brownlee had been having a rather discouraging time because of sickness, so Satan tried to get him to give up by offering him a good position, but here is what he says.

"Satan has tried to get me to give up this work by offering me a good job, but I felt that God had called me into his work, and prayed earnestly that God would help me, and he did; for in one day I sold \$56.00 worth of books, \$5.00 being cash. I find that every time I trust him he gives me a greater blessing."

His week's work totaled \$155.55 and \$19.75 delivered. Since that time Brother Brownlee has averaged over \$50.00 per week.

Brother and Sister Hall are now located in Oil City. Their reports show how they are being blessed. They have averaged almost \$100.00 per week ever since being there.

Last week Brother Hall, who has been handling "Coming King," changed books, and is now selling "Great Controversy." He sold in the first 4 hours \$57.00, and for the week his sales amounted to \$101.25.

Brother S. R. Haynes and J. E. Perkins are now located in Warren County, and we are expecting some good reports from them as soon as they get started.

Brother Dunham is still meeting excellent success by following up his magazine work with our large books in the business section of Pittsburg. He recently sold \$91.00 in 36 hours. He is finding many interested people, and there are good prospects of some accepting the truth.

The earnest colporteurs need the prayers of this people, and as we gather in our weekly prayer meeting, or wherever it may be, do not forget this branch of the work.

V. O. PUNCHES.

"In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand."

VIRGINIA

Harvest Ingathering

We are glad to report that the orders are coming in fairly well for the Harvest Ingathering *Reviews*. We are glad to see this, and we hope our people will begin at once to place these papers, and then keep it up until the close of the year. Why should we not do this, and see if we cannot average at least handing out one paper a day until the close of the year. This is not a great thing, and all can do this, if we make up our minds that we will.

No argument needs to be made. The mission fund needs the money and the people should have the light this paper will bring them, and we need the experience. It will do every person good who comes in contact with this grand and good work. It will help to bring back the first love which is so necessary, and that first love was a desire to take the message to others and to see them rejoicing in the truth. This spirit must come into the church before the work closes. This will bring the loud cry. This is the loud cry, when all begin to work.

Shall Old Virginia now awake to its responsibility? God help us to do so.

W. J. STONE.

Rileyville Picnic

The Rileyville Sabbath-school held a picnic at Mountain View Union church, on Thursday, September 11, 1913. Elder and Mrs. R. D. Hottel from the New Market church, Elder T. H. Painter, Elder A. J. Painter, and about twenty five others from the Stanley church, were present at the gathering.

The brethren at Rileyville had made ample provision, in every way for the outing. Teams met the trains and conveyed the sisters to the place of meeting, about two miles distance, and returned them to the station in the evening. The church was decorated with potted plants and flowers, and the tables were spread with sufficient food to more than satisfy the three hundred who were present on this occasion.

But the day was not one to satisfy the physical man alone. This was not the plan. There was also a spiritual feast.

At 10 o'clock, an address was made to the Sabbath-school children by Elder Hottel. At 11 o'clock, Elder A. J. Painter, who had visited this company a number of times in the

past, spoke to the congregation. Dinner was served beneath an arbor especially prepared for this occasion, at 12:30. At 2 o'clock, the Sabbath-school children rendered an interesting program, and Elder T. H. Painter made a short address. At 4 o'clock, Elder Hottel spoke again, using as his text 1 John 2:24.

There seemed to be as much interest in partaking of the spiritual food as of the temporal, from the attention given to the services, and we believe that a profitable day was spent by all. We believe there should be more such gatherings in which we can invite our friends, not only to a temporal feast, but to that spiritual food which all need at this time in which we live.

Brother J. B. Jenkins, the elder of the church, who had charge of the program, did everything possible to make the day a pleasant one to all. We trust that from this mountain church there will be gathered many who will meet in that great gathering soon to take place in the kingdom of God.

ONE PRESENT.

Portsmouth

The church at this place still meets in the tent at the water front where the camp-meeting was held, but all are rejoicing over the progress that is being made on the church building on County Street. The church is of excellent courage. Last Sabbath there were three who applied to unite with the church and others will come in soon. The Sabbath-school numbered thirty one, with a thirteenth Sabbath offering of \$11.31. The Sabbath before a collection of \$5.00 was taken up which is to go to help make up the \$30.00 to be used in buying the Temperance issue of the *Youth's Instructor* to be used at the Richmond State Fair, in accordance with resolutions made by the Conference at the camp-meeting. A large number of the Harvest Ingathering papers have been ordered, 8,000 of the "Autumn Leaves Series" are being distributed, and the work is onward here. One young man, who lost a good position on account of the Sabbath, is doing good work canvassing.

The same spirit is prevailing here like that recorded in Isa. 50:7. "For the Lord God will help me; therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed." Pray for the work here.

L. O. GORDON.

"A promise should be made with caution, and kept with care."

News Notes

L. A. King has made a successful delivery around Ringold, Va. where he has sold "Great Controversy." He is now in Richmond, and will likely attend our school here this winter.

The New Market church hopes to open a church school there in the near future. They are negotiating with Sister Swan to teach this school.

The tent meetings at Richmond are well attended and considerable interest is manifested. It is expected that a number will take a stand for the truth from this and the effort before camp-meeting.

Elder Mallory reports that there are now twenty-one who have taken a decided stand for the truth among the colored people at Portsmouth. Some have already begun to pay tithes, and he reports that they are a nice class of people.

The large committee appointed at our recent conference to take under advisement and render a final decision regarding the future of the school at New Market, was called to meet at New Market, September 26 to 29. A report of this meeting will doubtless appear in the next issue of the VISITOR.

Elder Stone visited Portsmouth last week, in the interest of both the white and colored work. He assisted the white brethren in getting matters so arranged that the church building could go right on to completion. The colored brethren are also looking out for a permanent place of worship and Elder Stone looked at two places they are endeavoring to secure.

The church school at Richmond opened September 15, with an enrollment of fourteen; before the end of the week it had increased to twenty-one. It is now twenty-five, and it is hoped there will be an enrollment of at least thirty before the first month closes. Professor Dresser is much encouraged over the present prospects.

Six persons have taken a stand for the truth at Portsmouth since the camp-meeting, and several others are deeply interested, who our workers have hopes will soon obey.

The brethren and sisters at Portsmouth are working hard to procure themselves a place of worship. They have secured a lot; and are putting in the foundation, and hope to have a neat little house of worship completed before very cold weather.

WEST VIRGINIA

Camp-Meeting

Having just returned from the annual session of the conference and camp-meeting of West Virginia, I take pleasure in reporting to the readers of the VISITOR this splendid meeting. Both the conference and the camp-meeting were held at Charleston, West Virginia, September 4 to 14. The grounds used was the land surrounding the beautiful new church building which this body has put up the last two years.

The reports from the laborers of the field showed that the message was progressing throughout the state in a more encouraging manner than before. Four tent efforts have been held the past year with excellent results. The number of the brethren from West Virginia who attended the General Conference at Washington in May helped, no doubt, to make the attendance at this annual meeting less than the attendance otherwise would have been. Nevertheless, the attendance was good and while the attendance from the city was not so large as might have been expected, there were enough present to tax the seating capacity of the church in which the meetings were held.

The business passed off harmoniously, and all the brethren of the conference felt of good courage.

The reports of both the president and treasurer of the conference and tract society showed a splendid increase financially in all lines. Practically the same corps of officers as had served before were reelected for the coming year. Elder F. H. Robbins was reelected president while Brother Barrows was reelected secretary and treasurer of the conference and tract society.

The Holy Spirit was present with reviving power. The last Sabbath especially witnessed a splendid forward movement on the part of all the people. This conference was very little behind on its twenty-cent-a-week fund up to date and those arrears were practically all made up by the donations to foreign missions given the last few days of the conference.

The brethren in attendance from the

outside were Elders G. B. Thompson, D. C. Babcock, and the usual force of Union laborers. Never did the outlook for the work in West Virginia seem brighter. B. G. WILKINSON.

Conference Notes

The camp-meeting which was held in Charleston, West Virginia, September 4-14, was a source of spiritual help and strength to our people. There were in attendance at the meeting Elders G. B. Thompson, D. C. Babcock, H. B. Horton, B. G. Wilkinson, and I. D. Richardson. The people appreciated the excellent sermons which were preached during the meetings. The news papers were friendly to us, and published the articles which were written up by Professor L. W. Cobb. The medical work was well represented by Brother O. B. Kuhn and Miss Estep from the Washington Sanitarium. Practically the same officers were elected as will be reported in a later issue of the VISITOR.

After the camp-meeting Elder Robbins spent about a week eight miles from Pliay, West Virginia, holding meetings in a school house. Brother Herschell Foggin has lived in that place for thirteen years also Sister Jennings from Washington Pa., has recently moved to that county. We are pleased to say that they both represent the truth well, and the people were anxious to hear a Seventh-day Adventist minister preach. Elder Robbins closed the meeting with an attendance of about 150. He said that the people seemed anxious to learn more about the third angel's message.

Plans are being laid to begin a church school at Parkersburg in a few days. Sister C. V. Hamer has kindly consented to teach this school, and we trust that she will have the cooperation of both parents and children, and that a good strong church school will be held there this year.

Dr. George Thomason, of the St. Helena Sanitarium, has furnished some splendid articles for the *Signs*, but the several articles treating the the subject, "The true Science of Christianity and Its Principles of Health Contrasted with Christian Science and so-called Divine Healing" promise to be of exceptional value. They will begin in the *Signs* in a few weeks, and every believer should have several copies for his own personal use. Subscriptions to the six-months' series commencing November 21 will secure all of the articles.

OHIO

Almost two years have passed away since Elder Slade came to my home and asked me to take charge of the book work in Ohio. For weeks I had been praying that if it were God's will, someone else would be called, but the call came to me, and I considered it the Master's will. With fear and trembling I accepted it. I believe I felt less capable of doing the work than Moses did of delivering Israel. Nevertheless, I took hold and the Lord has greatly blessed: to him be all the praise.

As I have been called to another field, I want to thank the Ohio laborers for all the assistance they have given me. My heart is filled with joy for the experience I have had with the faithful colporteurs of Ohio. Each of you has been a great encouragement to me, and I hope you will accept of my thanks to you for your faithful efforts in placing this most precious truth in the homes of those for whom Jesus died. I know Brother McEachern has a great burden for the work here, and he will not withhold any efforts to help you. "With your hands on the plow, hold on." Only a few more trials and the work will be finished.

"The moments now granted us are few. We are standing on the very borders of the eternal world... every moment is golden, and altogether too precious to be devoted merely to self serving."

I thank the lay members for your prayers and entertainment. The reward for a cup of water will not be lost. I am sure your hearts have been made glad to see your prayers answered. I know your interests are mostly in Ohio, but I hope your prayers will go with me to West Virginia. Remember the field is the world.

As we separate, my sincere prayer is, that we all rally to the work, for that is the only way it will be finished. See "Testimonies for the Church," Vol. 9, page 117. I am not writing this because I am going a long distance away, but because the time is short.

H. F. KIRK.

"When our prayers seem not to be answered we are to cling to the promise; for the time of answering will surely come, and we shall receive the blessing we need most."

"Study to show thyself approved unto God."

Canvassers' Reports

Ohio, Week Ending Sept. 26, 1913

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
C. E. Reichenbach, Licking Co.	ES	5	45	19	68 00	16 35	\$84 25	7 75	
Ray H. Chapin, Perry Co.,	ES	4	29	22	75 00	8 50	83 50		
E. B. Kutscher, Shelby Co.	PPF	5	40	24	42 00	50	42 50		
Lloyd Swallen, Stark Co.	ES	4	17	3	10 00	19 50	29 50		
J. L. Sander, Portage Co.	ES	5	40	6	20 00	5 25	52 25		
L. H. Bacher, Knox Co.	ES	4	20	4	15 00	4 50	19 50		
Marie Flenner, Bulteer Co.	ES	3	11	11	11 00	6 50	17 50		
John Schick, Summit Co.	GC	4	28	2	7 00	10 00	17 00	10 25	
Helen Grunke, Lucar Co.	PPF	5	22	8	12 50	75	13 25		
J. S. Randolph, Delaware Co.	ES	5	54			10 00	10 00	227 00	
J. B. Reichenbach, Montg'y Co.	BR	5	40	3		9 00	9 00	54 00	
Mrs J. B. Reichenbach,	Mag	4	14		20 55		20 55	20 55	
Tillie Gable, Cleveland	ES	4	24	2	8 00	70	8 70	6 45	
W. E. Wagner, Medina Co.	GC	3	18					46 80	
Totals	14 Agents		60	402	104	\$288 95	\$91 55	\$380 50	\$402 80

East Pennsylvania, Week Ending Sept. 27, 1913

W. P. Hess, Lancaster Co.	PPF	5	42	13	22 50	2 00	24 50		
F. A. Brownell, Lack'a Co.	GC	4	13	10	34 00	23	34 23	18 50	
J. L. Gearhart, Berks Co.	OK	4	27	5	11 00	8 25	19 25	14 50	
W. C. Rahn, Ariel	SP	4	28	11	15 50	4 50	20 50	9 50	
S. H. Swingle, Ariel	SP	4	28	9	13 00	5 50	18 50	10 50	
Miscellaneous		3	12	1	15 00	10 25	25 25		
Totals	5 Agents		24	150	49	\$111 00	\$30 73	\$141 73	\$56 50

District of Columbia, Week Ending Sept. 26, 1913

L. A. Godwin, Montgomery	PPF	5	32	20	34 00	2 50	36 50	75	
Frank Smith, Charles Co.	PPF	5	50	41	75 50		75 50		
A. Taltamus, Fauquier Co.	PPF	2	20	2	4 00		4 00	125 00	
W. A. Williams, Prince Wm. Co.	PPF	4	35	29	48 50		48 50		
Miscellaneous		5	25		8 00		8 00	37 00	
Totals	4 Agents		22	152	92	\$170 00	\$2 50	\$172 50	162 75

West Virginia, Week Ending Sept. 26, 93

T. M. Butler, Harrison	PPF	5	34					170 50	
E. E. Smith, Pleasant Co.	DR	4	24	24	65 50	75	66 25		
W. A. McElphatrick, Broxton	DR	6	62	8	20 00	13 85	33 85		
Totals	3 Agents		18	120	32	\$85 50	\$14 60	\$100 10	\$170 50

New Jersey, Week Ending Sept. 26, 1913

G. W. Blinn, Trenton	PG	5	35	12	24 00	15 00	39 00		
E. J. Kesselmeyer, Atco	DR	5	39	11	35 00		35 00		
Edward Sterner, Cumberland	PPE	8	56	11	34 00		34 00	9 75	
Wm. Schmidt, Newark		5	29	3	10 00	10 00	20 00	11 60	
Magazines					82 00		82 00		
Totals	4 Agents		30	193	37	\$200 25	\$30 20	\$130 45	\$31 30

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending Sept., 29, 1913

F. W. Hall, Venango	CK	5	37	30	98 50	3 25	101 25	1 85	
Mrs F. W. Hall, Venango	CK	4	26	9	15 50	2 25	17 75	8 00	
J. A. Kimmel, Fayette Co.	PPF	4	30	9	14 50	4 10	18 60	1 10	
W. Morgan, Beaver Co.	BF	5	42	13	13 50	1 75	15 25	9 00	
Totals	4 Agents		18	135	61	\$141 50	\$11 35	\$153 85	\$19 95

Grand Totals: 34 Agents Value of Orders, \$997 20 Deliveries, \$843 80

NEW JERSEY

In carrying out the instructions given in the recommendations of our recent conference, Brother Medairy has been located in Hunterdon County to follow up the work that has been started by Brother George Blinn in his colporteur work. This is an entirely new field as far as evangelistic efforts are concerned. We believe that it is a very fruitful field and expect that a church will be raised up in that section. Brother Medairy will settle at Annandale. Brother George Sandborn has taken up the work in Rockaway, where there is an interest to hear the truth. The company there are faithful and are glad of help and willing to take hold and make the work go. These young laborers need your prayers.

Recently the president of the conference visited the isolated members down along the seacoast. At Ocean Grove, Asbury Park, and Sea Bright, he found a goodly number of faithful souls longing for help for that needy portion of the state. At Asbury Park there is a company of colored people, who are doing missionary work for their people, and are longing for a laborer there. We trust that we may be able to do something for them soon.

The tents in which our summer efforts have been carried on are all taken down and the workers are preparing for good strong winter efforts. Several of these efforts have resulted in the baptism of a goodly number of souls and more are awaiting baptism.

The president and secretary of the conference are visiting the churches in the interest of the home and foreign mission work and they report good meetings where they have been.

Elder R. C. Porter contributes a splendid series of thirteen articles to our pioneer missionary paper, the *Signs*. The subject is "The Kingdom of God," and it will be developed in a thorough way, taking up its origin, vs evolution, laws, invasion, subjects, liberty, principles, covenants, false views, and re-establishment. This is a very strong series and will appear in the new six-months' series to begin November 11. These are real missionary articles.

Wisely and slow; they stumble that run fast.—*Shakespeare*.

COLLEGE NOTES

Foreign Mission Bands

The first meeting of the mission bands was on Friday evening following the opening of school. There were twenty-nine present. Many have entered school since that meeting and plans have been laid looking toward the organization for the first and second years' work as outlined at the General Conference.

The first meeting was devoted to an explanation of the object of the bands and the plans perfected at the meetings in Washington.

At the meeting held Friday, September 26, the writer spoke on the subject, "What Is Involved in Mission Study." A report will be published later giving the number of active and associate members in both classes and other items of interest. We believe this is a timely movement on the part of our schools. May much good to the work result from the efforts made in this line.

A. E. HALL.

"Follow me and I will make you fishers of men."

The ministerial band met last Sabbath for organization, and officers were elected for the coming term. It is encouraging to note the large number in school this year definitely purposing to preach the third angel's message. You should remember this band in your prayers.

Miss Taylor, music director, reports that her department opened with a full attendance of earnest working students and what is better still, the department has grown to such an extent that they are adding a new piano and practice room.

Professor Wilkinson spent last Sabbath and Sunday at the College.

From a letter received by Mrs. King from Mrs. Butler, we learn that she and Elder Butler are nicely settled and enjoying their work at Nevada, Iowa. Elder Butler has charge of the school at that place, while Mrs. Butler is preceptress and matron.

Elder S. D. Hartwell and wife spent a few days last week with their daughter Mrs. McEachern. They were on their way to Alabama, where Elder Hartwell will act as secretary and treasurer of the conference.

Miss Nettie I. Porch, a graduate nurse of the College, is nursing at the Mount Vernon Hospital.

Notice

The nurses of the Washington Sanitarium who visited the various camp-meetings of the Union express their gratitude to conference presidents, officials, and laborers for kindly entertainment, assistance in the accomplishment of their mission, and for heartfelt interest, and appreciation for medical missionary work.

MISS WADDELL,
GERTRUDE CORNOR,
JESSIE ESTEP,
O. B. KUHN.

Many have heard Brother H. H. Hall, of the Pacific Press, in his interesting illustrated talks on the Waldenses and their work. Brother Hall has now prepared a series of six articles for the *Signs of the Times* weekly and they appear in the six-months' series commencing with the issue of November 11. It will be a real treat to have these in printed form. They will not only be of value to our people, but will be most excellent missionary articles. They will show the life and education, the staunch faith in the face of bitter persecution, and the inspiring missionary example of this great people. Be sure your name is on the list for the first number. Include a few of your friends.

Married

Under an arch beautifully decorated with evergreens and flowers, Mr. Clifford Swingle and Miss Bertha Rahn were married at Ariel, Pa. September 21, at the home of Brother Rahn. A host of friends were present. The Asgood sisters played the wedding march, "Midsummer Night's Dream," by Mendelssohn. The groom is a prosperous farmer of Ariel Pa. The bride was employed at the Review and Herald Publishing Association, Washington, D. C. May God's blessings rest upon this new home.

C. S. BAUM.

"Could'st thou in vision see
Thyself the man God meant,
Thou nevermore would'st be
The man thou art content."

"The loss of gold is great,
The loss of time is more;
The loss of Christ is such a loss
That no man can restore."

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"Don't get discouraged. It is often the last key in the bunch that opens the lock."

None too Early to Begin

An article which appeared recently in the Omaha *World Herald* suggests to our minds again the importance of our brethren and sisters taking hold of the sale of our Home workers' books at as early a date as possible. The article in question was headed, "Christmas Is Coming, Dealers Buying Toys." "Sweltering with heat, they buy for the season of deep snow." Then follows the article telling of the different kinds of new toys which will be on sale for the Christmas holidays. One paragraph of the article says:—

"It is only sixteen weeks until Christmas and merchants from towns out in the territory about Omaha are coming to the city to buy holiday toys. The sight of the sweltering dealer tediously choosing Christmas dolls and toys that will be popular when the snow is deep and the winds are cold, is a common one about the wholesale toy houses."

When business men of the world are so forehanded and active in getting ready for their Christmas trade, should not Seventh-day Adventists be still more active in securing orders for the splendid books which we have and which will be far better for the children than the "thousands upon thousands of toys" which this writer says will be on display for the "thousands and thousands of children?"

Now is the time to order the prospectus and make a beginning in this good work. Your tract society secretary will also send you a leaflet of instructions giving a description of each book and making suggestions in regard to the best way to present the books, how to report the work, etc. This leaflet explains to you how much commission you receive on each book.

"So we earnestly invite you to take hold with us in a larger circulation of these small books. Your opportunities may be limited, your field may be small, but with God's help, by making the most of the opportunities that are within your reach, you can have some part in this work." Order your outfit from your tract society secretary.
 N. Z. TOWN.

WANTED.—To correspond with a young lady who has had some experience in the giving of sanitarium treatments, who wishes to assist in the ladies' department. Address, Physio-Therapy Institute, 131 West 18 th. Street, Erie, Pa.

"When we permit our communion with God to be broken, our defense is departed."

Story of the Ages

We have received a complimentary copy of the new book, "Story of the Ages" by J. E. Woodward. The book contains 220 pages and is nicely bound in cloth. A diagram or chart is folded and attached in the back part of the book, on which the author, by means of grouping together the great historic outlines and prophetic symbols of the Bible, has endeavored to present, at one view, God's plan of the ages and the entire history of the world. Send to your tract society for descriptive circulars with price and special reduction for a short time.

Change of Address

All mail for the West Pennsylvania Conference Sabbath-school Secretary should be addressed to Mrs. B. F. Kneeland, Coudersport, Pa.

OBITUARY

CRUMMEL—Miss Hazel D. Crummel was born in Akron, Ohio, November 3, 1898, and died at Melrose Mass. September 7, 1913 age 20 years, 10 months, and 4 days. At the time of her death, she was a nurse at the Melrose Sanitarium at Melrose Mass., and in trying to save the life of a patient, whom she was caring for, she sank to the bottom of the lake. This young life was dedicated to her Heavenly Father, and she died at her post in full hope of a part in the first resurrection. She leaves a father, mother, two brothers, two sisters, and many other near relations, and friends to mourn, but not without hope. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Revelation 14:13.

FRANCIS M. FAIRCHILD.

Foltz—Mary Susan Foltz, nee Painter, wife of James F. Foltz, and mother of Brother Charles Foltz, was born April 4, 1842, and died at her home near Stanley, Page County, Virginia, September 10, 1913, aged 71 years, 5 months and six days. Although in advanced age, she was in good health apparently at the time of her death. She was stricken with paralysis in the evening, and died about midnight. The funeral was conducted by the writer, assisted by the Methodist minister, in the Adventist church, Friday, September 12, in the presence of a large congregation, the text being 1 Thess. 4:18.

R. D. HOTTEL.

"Ill that He blesses is our good;
 And unblessed good is ill.
 And all is right that seems most wrong,
 If it be His sweet will."