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CHESAPEAKE

President's Address

It is through the manifold blessings of God that we are permitted to meet in annual conference and camp-meeting. This important occasion demands careful counsel and wise planning and a liberal portion of the Holy Spirit. The signs of the times indicate very definitely that we are nearing the close of this world's history, and when we pause for a moment to permit our minds to revert to the primitive days of the message and fully realize that seventy years of this generation are behind us, it will not be at all difficult to believe that we are very near the close of the great warning message of Revelation 14 which is destined to bring the end. Our God is still at the helm and his hand is on the lever of circumstances. He can shape conditions in every part of the world field in a very short time and bring the end, therefore he declares that "he will finish the work and cut it short in righteousness, because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth."

The past year has been a prosperous year for us, both in resources and in souls added to the church. Notwithstanding the drought in many sections of our field, there is a fair crop and prices are about as usual. The world is rushing on into worldliness and upon every hand there is an apparent tendency toward the union of the church with the world. In proportion to the rejection of truth by the professed Protestant churches, there is a strong desire for a union between church and state. It is very evident that progress has been made among organizations having for their object the enforcement of certain religious ideas by law and the leaders of such have been laboring zealously to have their ideas crystalized into some sort of religious legislation.

OUR WORK

A brief review of the past year will show whether or not we should be enthusiastic about the future. This an-

nual period has been the most prosperous for the work in the history of the Chesapeake Conference. A number of general meetings were held in several of our churches resulting in several baptisms and a general revival among the church members. Evangelistic efforts were conducted in halls and churches during the winter months. Bible workers kept busy securing readers and scattering literature from house to house. After the General Conference we planned to conduct three tent efforts in the following cities: Baltimore, with Elder F. W. Paap and L. E. Froom in charge; Wilmington, Elder R. H. Martin; and Frederick, Elder S. T. Shadel and Brother Walter Nelson. These efforts were all successful as the reports by these workers will show. The results of all our efforts during the year including the tent efforts mentioned show one hundred converts to the truth, most of whom have been baptized and taken into the church.

Some changes have come into our work since the last conference. Elder T. L. Thuemler was compelled to return to the West on account of failing health. Brother J. H. Weirts from the Washington Foreign Mission Seminary, has been asked to take charge of our German work. It was recommended at the General Conference, that Brother W. L. Adkins connect with the work in North Carolina. Elder S. T. Shadel from Atlanta, Ga. is with us and has charge of the work in District Five. We are glad to report that Doctors H. N. and Bourdeau Sisco formerly of the Washington Sanitarium, have located in Baltimore with the purpose of carrying on real medical missionary work. At last a great need has been supplied in the advent of earnest workers to our field. We shall endeavor to combine the medical and evangelical in such a way as to bring to our work the very best results in winning souls to the truth.

CHURCH BUILDINGS

There has been a lack of suitable places of worship in our field, but more especially in our large cities. Our brethren and sisters have moved out by faith to alter these conditions.

Baltimore took the lead and with the help of their pastor, who has worked hard and faithfully, they now have a new brick structure with a seating capacity of three hundred. The estimated value of this property including ground is \$13,000.00. The brethren of Rock Hall have repaired their old building which makes it today practically new. Both of these churches were dedicated in April. The old church building at Fords Store was torn down a few months ago and since has been rebuilt. It is a beautiful church edifice and is valued at \$3,000.00. The brethren at Hagerstown have been handicapped in their work by having to use lodge halls. They decided to sacrifice and build a meeting house of their own. The result is that they have a very neat cement block building in a growing part of the city. This building is valued at \$3,500.00. Our people at Whiteleysburg have erected a fine building 32 x 22 feet. This building is made of cement blocks and has recess pulpit and porch over the door and is worth \$1,000.00. For many years our people at Wilmington have had the use of an old Baptist church, but a short time ago this property was sold, and they were notified that they would have to find another place. This of course lead them to prayerfully consider what would be the wisest thing to do. Since they already owned a lot, they felt it would be economy to build and at the same time save rent and receive the benefit of a new church building in a growing part of that city. Thus we are to have another memorial for God's Sabbath in next to the largest city in our territory, costing about \$4,000.00 when complete. The brethren at Ponds ville have a neat church of log material built along the mountain side and very conveniently situated to draw an attendance from all parts of the surrounding country. This building is valued at \$800.00. All together there are now five new church buildings ready for dedication. The total valuation of these church buildings is carefully estimated at \$25,000.00. In most cases these buildings are free from mortgage, and what debt re-

mains is being reduced as rapidly as possible. It is encouraging to add that while these churches are being built and paid for, the efforts have not effected our conference finances, but at the same time our funds have come in as before. We feel sure that these memorials for God's truth will prove a great strength to our work as our winter public efforts will be more successful because of our having a more suitable place to invite the public.

WORK AMONG THE COLORED PEOPLE

The work among the colored people shows a splendid growth. A very good class of people have been lead to embrace the truth during the last year. Elder Seeney has charge of the work in Wilmington where there are 35,000 colored people. Brother G. P. Rogers is in charge of the work in Baltimore where there is a colored population of 90,000. These brethren need our prayers for this work is becoming more difficult as we near its close.

LITERATURE SOLD

Our literature sales have increased as colporteurs consecrated to the Master's service have gone out with the printed page. Though these brethren go out and meet the precarious hospitalities of an unfriendly world, yet the Lord has heard their prayers as they have sought him in the woods and by the road side. The book sales for the year beginning September 1, 1911 to September 1, 1912 were \$9,282.20 and for the same period beginning September 1, 1912 to September 1, 1913, were \$10,504.00, an increase over the previous year of \$1,221.80. Some attention has been given to the sale of our splendid magazines and the records show our sales to be \$737.35. The total amount of all literature sold for the year is \$11,343.35.

CONFERENCE FINANCES

The Lord has blessed our treasury with sufficient means to meet the usual demands. Very careful pains have been taken to keep the conference from being involved in debt. Our endeavor has been to guard the sacred use of the tithe and to use it for the purpose for which it was originally designed. In order to do this we have created what is called an Emergency Fund, from which tent and camp-meeting paraphernalia is provided, and also special appeals for benevolent work in behalf of the unfortunate. The total tithe receipts for 1911 were \$8,960.10, for 1912 the tithe was \$10,550.00, or a gain over

the previous year of \$1,589.90. The tithe per capita for the year 1907 was \$9.50 and for the year 1912 we show a per capita tithe of \$18.90. We desire to express our appreciation to the General and Union Conferences for their financial assistance during the past year which has been freighted with blessings from on high.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

It is needless for me to state the importance of this department. Our people are quite well informed as to the place it occupies in leavening public sentiment in opposition to religious legislation. We are supplying senators and representatives and other men in public life with the magazine *Liberty*. The secretary in company with Elder Longacre was present at a hearing given in Baltimore during the month of May when several Jewish merchants were arrested for Sunday labor. This gave these brethren an opportunity to explain our position relative to the evil of Sunday laws.

EDUCATIONAL

Three church schools are in operation with an enrollment of nearly fifty pupils. In most of the new church buildings thus far erected, provision has been made for church school, and it seems quite safe to say that the future look favorable for many more schools to be organized.

SABBATH SCHOOL

This branch of our work has made progress. The cooperation existing between the conference department and the local secretaries, is bringing the work up to a higher standard. I shall not say more as the work of this department will no doubt be reported by its secretary.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

After the last conference session in Baltimore at a meeting of the executive committee, this department of our work was strengthened by appointing a committee to work along with the general secretary. This committee consisting of four members residing in different parts of the field who are in close touch with the secretary, reduces the traveling expenses and keeps the secretary informed concerning the growth and development of this line of work. Our secretary being employed by one of our churches to teach school in the winter and then by the conference during the tent season, may be one reason why we have not been able to show even more progress. Notwith-

standing these conditions, the Lord has wrought for our young people and quite a number have given themselves to the Lord and have followed him in baptism.

MISSIONS

Believing as we do that the finishing of the work will come by preaching the everlasting gospel to all the world, this conference has put forth untiring efforts to raise its quota of the Fifteen-cent-a-week Fund. Last year we were successful in raising our share which was approximately \$4,500.00. Now that there has been added an extra five cents per member, we find ourselves confronted with a larger shortage than we would like to see. However, we look upon the matter with courage since the better months are before us, the Harvest Ingathering campaign, two more thirteenth Sabbath offerings, and the annual offering to crown our efforts with success. We have already begun work on the Harvest Ingathering campaign and have received orders for over 4000 of the special *Review*. We trust that our people throughout the field will take hold in earnest to make this the most successful campaign for missions that we have ever operated.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It seems to me this conference should take some advanced steps toward the completion of the work committed to us. The Lord is soon coming and what we do must be done quickly. I will recommend to this body of delegates that a conference church be organized in order to work more effectually for and with our isolated brethren and sisters living within our borders. Plans should be laid to revive a real missionary spirit among our people as was true in the early days of this message. Much more should be done to get our tracts and truth filled magazines before the people. Very earnest consideration should be given to the many thousands of foreign speaking people landing on our shores every month. Large ocean steamers are constantly coming into harbor near Baltimore to discharge their cargo of humanity, and one cannot but feel impressed with the great need for these people. This is one of the perplexing questions we face in our work today and a question that we cannot long evade. A missionary boat with a consecrated person in charge, who could give all of his time to visiting sailors and incoming ocean steamers, would surely supply a crying need.

These are some of the important matters which come before this conference. I have endeavored to state the conditions in this field as they appear to me. The meeting is now in your hands. It rests with this delegation to say what we ought to do to make still more progress for the year just before us. I pray that Israel's God will come to our help in this meeting and that showers of blessings may fall upon this encampment, and that great good may be the result of this assembly. Let the one desire of our hearts be to eradicate all sin from the camp and like God's people of old, move on to take the cities and strongholds of the enemy in his name.

During the few days we shall be together we should see evidences of the Spirit of God. In the courts above Christ is pleading for his church, pleading for those for whom he has paid the redemption price of his blood. Centuries, ages, can never lessen the efficacy of his atoning sacrifice. Neither life nor death, height nor depth, can separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus; not because we hold him so firmly, but because he holds us so fast. If our salvation depended on our own efforts, we could not be saved, but it depends on the one who is behind all the promises. Our grasp on him may seem feeble but his love is that of an elder brother. So long as we maintain our union with him, no one can pluck us out of his hand. Brethren and sisters, may this be even so with us here today. Though the storms of life may gather about us there is courage in the words of the poet.

"Then let the fearful thunders roar,
And let the lightnings glare;
We're nearing the eternal shore,
And we are almost there.
Then heave, ye waves, on every side,
And onward, homeward bear
Our fragile bark, 'gainst wind and tide
For we are almost there.

"The coward peers, with trembling form,
Into the gloom profound;
But we can smile to view the storm;
Our ship is homeward bound;
And though for us, on time's dark wave
No place of rest be found,
O let our hearts be true and brave;
Our ship is homeward bound."

ROSCOE T. BAER, *President*.

If you have gracious words to say
Oh give them to our hearts to-day;
But if your words will cause us sorrow
Pray keep them to the last to-morrow.
—Burton.

Resolutions Adopted at the Fourteenth Annual Session of the Chesapeake Conference

Held at Chestertown, Md. September 18 to 28, 1913

EXPRESSING OUR THANKS TO GOD

1. *Whereas*, the past has been one of advancement and blessing in the work of this conference, and,

Whereas, in the providence of God our workers, with the exception of Elder T. L. Thuemler, have been blessed with health and strength,

Resolved, that we express our deep gratitude to God for his many mercies and pledge ourselves to a fuller consecration and greater activity in his service during the coming year.

WORK IN THE CITIES

2. *Whereas*, the Spirit of God has spoken to us relative to the great urgency of giving the light to the teeming millions of our cities, and,

Whereas, the work cannot be accomplished by public efforts alone, but earnest house to house work must be combined with our tent and hall efforts, and,

Whereas, in carrying forward this evangelistic work, funds as well as laborers, are needed with which to purchase tents, tent furnishings, hymn books, literature, etc., therefore,

Resolved, (a) That we ask each member of our conference to give at least one dollar per annum with which to carry forward this work. (b) That suitable men and women be encouraged to connect with these special efforts to engage in self supporting work selling literature, and assisting as far as possible in these mighty soul winning efforts.

HOME MISSIONARY WORK

3. *Whereas*, the Testimonies tell us that to a large degree through our publishing work is to be accomplished the work of the angel of Revelation 18: 1-4, which we believe to be the angel of the loud cry,

We recommend, that special attention be given by all our workers to promoting the "Home Missionary Work."

(a) By organizing a missionary society in every church.

(b) By selecting a strong missionary secretary for the church.

(c) By setting the churches at work selling and giving away our books, magazines, pamphlets, and tracts.

(d) By advising our young people to spend as much time as advisable, doing Christian help work.

MEDICAL MISSIONARY WORK

Whereas, our medical work is designed of God to be the right arm of the third angel's message, and to open doors that would otherwise be closed to us, therefore,

We recommend, (a) That our medical work as a missionary feature be kept prominently before our people, and,

(b) That medical missionary programs be arranged and presented at least two Sabbaths during the year.

Whereas, the health and morals of our children are endangered because of social impurity, and,

Whereas, false and vulgar teaching is prevalent concerning the origin of life and relative subjects, therefore,

We recommend, (a) That church officials urge parents to secure suitable literature from our publishing houses, and instruct their children, and,

(b) That wherever possible, instruction be given from the pulpit at least once during the year.

EVANGELISTIC CANVASSING

5. *Whereas*, the spirit of prophecy tells us that evangelistic canvassing is missionary work of the highest order, and is one of the most important agencies for carrying this gospel message to the world, and that as much care should be taken in the selection and training of colporteurs as in selecting men for the ministry,

We recommend, that colporteurs be divided into two classes.

(a) Those who can spend but part of their time in the field be known as "Home Workers."

(b) Those working twenty-five or more hours per week to be known as regular colporteurs.

We recommend further, that colporteurs' credentials be granted only to such workers as have spent at least six months in the field as resident canvassers.

We recommend further, that whenever, for the good of the work, it be thought best to request the presence of any colporteur holding credentials at any institute or general meeting, that expenses with suitable compensation be granted for such time as he is obliged to be away from his work.

We recommend further, that our colporteurs improve all suitable opportunities for providing for their expenses by selling our ten cent magazines Saturday nights and Sundays.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

6. Recognizing the fact that our work includes the propagation of the principles of religious liberty as set forth in the three-fold message of Revelation 14, and,

Whereas, these principles have been menaced by certain religio-political movements in the United States of America which, if successful, would finally result in church and state union, therefore,

We recommend, that our conference officials and churches be urged to study in a definite way the principles of religious liberty and be prepared to assist others in becoming acquainted with these principles by,

(a) Furnishing themselves with *Liberty* and *Protestant* Magazines and other available literature on the subject.

(b) Distributing literature among the people at large.

(c) Placing in the hands of state, county, municipal officers, judges, and legislators, as may be possible, such literature, and by canvassing for American State Papers.

7. Resolved, that this conference continue to send the *Liberty* Magazine to the Governor and his cabinet officers, to the supreme and circuit judges of the states, to prosecuting officers, and to each member of the state legislature for another year.

8. Resolved, that this conference enter into the plans of the Union Conference to hold a religious liberty institute, prior to an aggressive lecture campaign in the large cities, on the striking features of the third angel's message, during the coming winter.

We recommend, that our church members be encouraged to send or pay for sending both *Liberty* and *Protestant* Magazines for one year to those of influence, such as editors, attorneys, clergymen, county officials, public school officers, and teachers, in the states of Maryland and Delaware at the special rate of two dollars for ten yearly subscriptions to *Liberty*, and three dollars for five yearly *Protestant* subscriptions. Also,

That efforts be made to secure subscriptions for these magazines from officials and members of patriotic organizations such as Guardians of Liberty, Junior Order United American Mechanics, Patriotic Order Sons of America, Orangemen, Garibaldi Society, Knights of Malta, Waldensian Societies, and further,

That this work be followed up by the sale of "Great Controversy," "Daniel and Revelation" and other Protestant books to these patriotic citizens.

We recommend to the careful consideration of our home missionary workers, the judicious sale of our ten cent magazines from house to house on Sunday when the families are at home, as is done with great success by our colporteurs in Europe.

9. We recommend, that the current *Liberty* with marked articles be sent to the Catholic Clergy of Maryland and Delaware with suitable letter.

W. T. DURST, Secretary.
(To be continued)

"Speech is golden in opportunities; what pity to throw a grain away!"

OHIO

Columbus—Springfield

The Columbus church school building is progressing nicely and in a very short time will be enclosed. The location is ideal for school purposes and we believe in the years to come the brethren will see the wisdom in leaving the congested quarters on the East Side for the present site on the West Side.

Quarterly meeting was held the 4th and was a good day for us all. While there was a vein of pathos running all through the service, yet the testimonies given were filled with trust and confidence in the closing work. It was indeed a sad parting, but we consented to sever our connection with the church only after we had been called to another, and believing that we ought to be willing to go any where and do anything for the Master, we responded to the call at Springfield.

We wish to thank our many friends in Columbus for their interest and co-operation, and while we have shared their joys and sorrows, we wish to assure them that we shall not soon forget them nor lose sight of the common hope that binds us together.

We have been heartily welcomed in Springfield and feel confident that better days are ahead. We have faith in the Lord's work and have always found his people ready to respond in every crucial test, so we are of good courage and expect to push the triumphs of the cross.

JOHN FRANCIS OLMSTED.

401 Fremont Ave., Springfield, Ohio.

Burton

Living in the town where we lived when we were children and until after we were married and where we first accepted Christ and united with the Congregational Church, the people think it very strange that we keep another day. I had a great desire to give them the message, but the way had never seemed to open. Truly God's way is not man's, for he has opened a way in a very unexpected manner.

The pastor, Reverend Rice, is very friendly and often invites me to not

only assist him, but to preach for him and I always give the message or some points of it in a very careful way. Once while speaking on the "Inheritance of God's People," in closing I referred to Hebrews 11:36,40. After service, we were invited to the home of one of the deacons, and in conversation he said, "I see you do not believe that we go to our reward at death." This gave me an opportunity to give them a Bible reading on the "Sleep of the Dead," and at its close he remarked that their former pastor used to call him a heretic because he always believed that.

One Sunday the lesson was the first four commandments of the decalogue, and I was appointed to review the following Sunday. The idea had been taught in the Bible class that I was in and other classes in the school, that the commandments had waxen old and had vanished, referring to Hebrews 8. It is needless to say that in reviewing the lesson, we exploded that air balloon.

The pastor has invited me to preach for him one Sunday in October. I asked him if he would be willing that I should speak on the subject of the "Second Coming of Christ," and he said "Certainly, I believe in that myself." Brethren, pray for me that on that occasion, I may have power given from above to impress on the hearts of this dear people the necessity of a better knowledge of God's Word and the importance of a closer walk with God in these closing days, and that opportunity may be granted to give them the complete message and that when my work in this place is done, I may be called elsewhere to give the message, for this is the work that I love.

C. C. Webster.

Weston

Over a week ago I was called to nurse W. W. Hill, an old physician, living at Weston, who is very ill. His illness is caused by high blood pressure and hardening of the arteries.

It is my hope that by my coming to a place where there is no adventist company some seeds of truth shall be sown. Brother D. E. Sweet and family live not far from here, but I do not know any others near here.

Doctor Hill has practiced medicine here for about thirty-five years so they say.

It has been my privilege to meet several of the doctors in this place, who are very friendly to the family and also to me. One doctor asked about our church school at Bowling Green or rather about Sister King,

who taught the school last year. She is a relative of his wife. It is my desire to be a medical missionary to the people here in some way. Please remember me in your prayers.

WILLIS MEEKER.

To VISITOR Readers:

We are now settled in our old home and hope to be of some help here. I made a visit to the Flower Hospital last week and found Brother Halfrich convalescing nicely from a serious operation. I also made a hurried visit to an invalid sister in Henry County, who is full of faith and meekly submissive to the Lord's will for the issue of her affliction. What a blessed hope we have! It buoys us up and we rejoice on beds of pains while racked with burning fever or distressed with wasting consumption. We are of good courage in the Lord, and are improving slowly in health. Our permanent address is Clyde, Ohio.

D. E. LINDSEY.

OHIO TITHE RECEIPTS

SEPTEMBER, 1913

Akron.....	\$334 95
Alliance.....	.....
*Barnesville.....	28 14
Bellville.....	34 34
Bellefontaine.....	42 32
*Broughton.....	4 60
Bowling Green.....	60 62
Camden.....	14 48
Canaan.....	16 02
Canton.....	51 09
Chagrin Falls.....	12 84
Charloe.....	4 25
Chillicothe.....	.....
Cincinnati.....	147 12
" Msn.....	13 89
Cleveland Eng.....	208 42
Cleveland German.....	69 90
Clyde.....	20 52
Columbus.....	253 54
Columbus S. D. A. Mission.....	.....
Conneaut.....	21 03
Corsica.....	.....
Coshocton.....	48 01
Dayton.....	50 88
Defiance.....	8 85
Delaware.....	50
Delta.....	.....
Derwent.....	14 50
Dowling.....	.....
Dunkirk.....	.....
East Liverpool.....	140 73
Elgin.....	.....
Findlay.....	72 45
Greenspring.....	4 92
Gilboa.....	.....
Hamler.....	.....
Hamilton.....	623 17
Hicksville.....	32 54

*Jackson.....	5 70
Jefferson.....	6 30
Killbuck.....	105 85
LaGrange.....	69 51
*Lakeville.....	.....
Lakeview.....	.....
Liberty Center.....	26 54
Laura.....	5 06
Lima.....	.....
Locust Point.....	.....
Mansfield.....	59 45
Marion.....	20 44
Marshfield.....	.....
Medina.....	13 00
Mendon.....	.....
Mount Vernon.....	379 81
Newark.....	.....
Norwalk.....	.....
New Philadelphia.....	83 37
Ohio City.....	.....
Piqua.....	.....
Pleasant Hill.....	63 72
Powell.....	.....
Ravenna.....	64 28
*Reedsville.....	.....
Rows.....	13 90
Sherwood.....	.....
Spencer.....	.....
Springfield.....	112 45
Toledo.....	170 28
Troy.....	14 53
Van Wert.....	.....
Walnut Grove.....	27 09
Washington C. H.....	.....
Waterford.....	8 54
Wilmington.....	11 11
*West Mansfield.....	.....
Wheelersburg.....	16 10
Youngstown.....	82 35
Zanesville.....	80 97
Individuals.....	47 08

TOTAL.....\$3,808 15

*Companies

TOTAL RECEIPTS, ALL RESOURCES

Tithe.....	\$3,808 15
Tract Society.....	3,281 12
Sabbath-school Donations.....	1,188 44
Missions.....	674 45
Harvest Ingathering.....	5 00
Religious Liberty.....	.....
Annual Offerings.....	.....
Weekly Donations.....	117 67
Mount Vernon College Fund.....	170 50
Colored Work.....	.....
Refund Labor Expense.....	.....
Ministry of Healing.....	.....
Loma Linda.....	2 00
Stereopticon Fund.....	.....
Orphans and Aged.....	.....
Clinton Seminary.....	.....
Tent and Hall Collections.....	40 73
Flood Relief.....	.....
Cooperation Fund (Signs Times).....	.....
Expense Refund.....	.....
Mid Summer Offering.....	18 15
Ingathering Missions.....	.....
Gospel Herald.....	.....
Philippines.....	.....

City Work.....	10 08
Weekly Msn. Offering.....	117 67
TOTAL.....	\$9,310 11
H.D. HOLTOM, Treas.	

Sabbath, October 4, Elder W. E. Bidwell held quartely service in the Lake View church. After enjoying the services, and when about ready to leave the church the sad new came to Sisters Saurns, Tuttle, and Van Horn that their father had dropped dead on the street in Bellefontaine.

Elder Bidwell began a series of meetings at Locust Point, Thursday, October 9, with a fair attendance.

Mrs. F. C. Webster of Atlanta, Georgia, is visiting Elder C. C. Webster and family.

Miss Mae Webster, who has been ill, is much improved.

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

Philadelphia

Two were united with us in baptism October 5, 1913. Slowly but surely the Lord is sending us a few more laborers into this great needy field. The work is not going very fast here, but we know "Not to the strong is the battle, Not to the swift is the race, yet to the true and the faithful, victory is promised through grace." For that reason we are very courageous giving Bible readings where ever we can. We have moved in the southern part of the city where there are many colored people, also much opposition to meet, but we thank God we are not left alone to do this work. "Lo I am with you alway even unto the end of the world." All who read this letter remember the First African church in your prayers. M. G. WALLACE.

"John Wesley, in his home in London, had one small room which he called his prayer room, and used it only for the purpose of secret prayer. Luther had a certain portion of the day set apart for his devotions. The good which these men, and others of like character did, is untold. In fact, all men of power have been men of prayer. Should not those who are to carry the third angel's message to a sin-cursed world be often found before the mercy-seat?"

"Let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath."

VIRGINIA

Offering for the Colored Work
October 25, 1913

Sabbath, Oct. 25, is the day set by our General Conference for the annual offering for our colored work. This contribution is greatly needed to help forward the colored work, and we trust that our brethren and sisters in the Virginia Conference, and especially our colored churches, will deem it a great privilege at this time to contribute liberally for the furtherance of the colored work.

The General Conference has contributed yearly about \$1,000 to aid in the colored work in Virginia, and we ought to show our appreciation of this liberality upon their part by donating upon this occasion as liberally as we are able.

W. J. STONE.

Colored Tent Effort at
Portsmouth

We are sure our brethren and sisters are remembering the work here in their prayers. Our attendance has not been so large since cold weather, but the interest is still good. Sunday, September 28, eleven were baptized. We had a beautiful day. A large attendance was at the scene. Some expressed the idea that it was the best baptismal scene they ever witnessed. We shall be obliged to have another baptism soon for others who were not ready to go forward at that time.

A lady came here from Chicago to visit her brother and his wife, and became deeply interested in our meetings, and has accepted the truth. She gave up the idea of returning to Chicago, although she had many inducements to persuade her to do so. After holding readings with her, she concluded to go to Oakwood to school, and prepare for a Bible worker. She intends to leave for Oakwood next week.

Many opportunities are opening before us in new homes. This is very encouraging to us, as house to house work is the most successful. We are endeavoring to find a permanent place of worship, and will hear definitely about the church on County Street tomorrow. Pray for us.

J. B. MALLORY,
W. A. SEBASTIAN.

The patronage at the Virginia Sanitarium is increasing, and the future outlook is encouraging.

Canvassers' Reports

Ohio, Week Ending Oct. 10, 1913

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
C. E. Reichenbach, Perry Co.		ES	5	43	18	64 00	15 25	79 25	9 25
Ray H. Chapin, Perry Co.,		ES	5	43	18	64 00	15 25	79 25	
L. H. Waters, Shelby Co.		PPF	4	31	24	42 00		42 00	72 00
J. B. Reichenbach, Montg'y Co.		BR	4	31	12	39 00	50	38 50	
J. L. Sauder, Portage Co.		ES	5	42	9	27 00	8 25	35 25	
L. H. Bacher, Knox Co.		ES	6	18	2	7 00	24 75	31 75	
Tillie Gable, Cuyahoga		ES	5	30	7	24 00	50	24 50	5 00
Maria Grunke, Lucas Co.		PPF	5	24	12	19 00	2 25	21 25	
Lloyd Swallen, Canton Co.		ES	4	20	2	6 00	9 00	15 20	16 25
Lillian Keyler, Cinti Co.		CK	5	39	8	13 50		13 50	2 00
N. J. Dean, Shelby Co.		PPF	3	20	4	5 50	7 75	13 25	36 40
Mrs E. F. West, Dayton			5	17	23		12 45	12 45	
Mrs J. B. Reichenbach,		Mag	3	14			15 90	15 90	
Miscellaneous			8	18	2	6 00	10 00	16 00	12 75
Totals	13 Agents		66	391	159	\$306 00	\$130 80	\$435 80	\$156 35

Virginia, Week Ending Oct., 3, 1913

K. Oertley, Williams Wharf	CK	84	35	54 00	5 25	59 25	6 00
L. A. King, Ringgold	GC	38				118 45	
R. W. Constable, Culpeper	DR	23	2	6 00		6 00	185 50
J. Meyer, Chatham	PPF	59	7	25 00	1 25	29 25	6 65
F. Meyer, Chatham Co.	PPF	89	22	48 50	1 20	49 70	9 00
L. A. Overstreet, Roanoke		20	24	48 50		48 50	
H. A. Wright, Gloucester		40					115 00
M. Jemerson, Richmond		11		4 00	2 75	6 75	3 10
Totals	8 Agents	364	90	\$186 00	\$10 45	\$196 45	\$443 70

East-Pennsylvania, Week Ending Oct 11, 1913

W. P. Hess, Lancaster Co.	PPF	5	38	14	21 50	6 00	27 20
F. A. Brownell, Lack'a Co.	GC	7	17	13	50 00		50 00
Mrs. F. A. Brownell, Lack'a	CK	4	16	5	8 00	2 00	10 00
J. L. Gearhart, Berks Co.	CK	3	24	3	6 00	7 50	13 50
Mrs. M. Biltington, Moosic	BF	2	19	2	2 00		2 00
Miscellaneous				33	15 45		15 45
Totals	6 Agents	21	115	70	\$102 95	\$15 50	\$118 45

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending Oct., 10, 1913

A. Brownlee, Washington Co.	PPF	4	29	16	28 50	13 10	51 60
C. Dunham, Pittsburgh Co.	DR	5	37	19	77 70	2 00	79 70
F. W. Hall, Venango	GC	5	31	7	23 00	2 50	25 50
Mrs F. W. Hall, Venango	CK	4	23	5	7 50	1 25	8 75
J. A. Kimmel, Fayette Co.	PPF	3	22	5	9 00		9 90
J. E. Perkins, Warren Co.	CK	4	18	8	12 00	3 50	15 50
L. M. Yohe, Armstrong Co.	ES	5	44	22	71 00	18 55	89 55
Totals	7 Agents	30	204	82	\$228 70	\$40 90	\$296 60

Chesapeake, Week Ending Oct. 10, 1913

J. E. Jones, Somerset Co.	GC	8	60	17	22 50	2 25	27 75
M. S. Pettibone, Harford Co.	PPF	4	33	30	48 00	5 00	53 00
F. H. Barritt, Baltimore Co.	PPF	4	32	11	22 00		22 00
G. W. Lawrence, Cecil Co.	DR	4	32	22	49 00	11 85	57 95
Totals	4 Agents	20	157	78	\$138 50	\$19 20	\$160 70

Grand Totals: 38 Agents Value of Orders, \$662 15 Deliveries, \$900 40

"Heaven's best aid is wasted upon
men who themselves are false."

"If I regard iniquity in my heart, the
Lord will not hear me."

Brother George has been assisting Brother Hendricks of Richmond, the past week in getting ready to enter the colporteur work.

The latest report from Sister Swan stated that she had decided to teach the Rileyville school, which will likely begin next Monday.

The Educational Fund is printed again in this week's MESSENGER. We shall be glad to have those interested send in pledges to this worthy fund.

The church school at Richmond now has enrolled twenty-nine students and all are well pleased with the work being done and the future prospects of the school.

Sister Myrtle Robertson has gone to Indiana for a few weeks' vacation. We hope her stay there will be short, as she is needed in her line of work in the Virginia Conference.

Eleven persons were baptized recently as the result of the tent effort for the colored people at Portsmouth. Others are to follow in the ordinance soon. The interest there is still excellent.

The new church building at Portsmouth, will soon be enclosed. Brethren Edward White and W. B. Eekhout are doing the carpenter work with the help that is being donated. They hope to have it all completed by the first of December.

Elder Stone went to Takoma Park last Sunday morning to attend the Council of the Columbia Union Conference Committee, and the Fall Council of the General and North American Division Conference Committee meetings.

WANTED—A Seventh-day Adventist young man to take charge of a dairy of fourteen thorough-bred cows and some young stock. Good wages to the right man. No one but a good milker need apply. State wages and experience in first letter. Address, J. D. PATTERSON, Wellsboro, Pa. R. D. 9

"The work of the gospel is not to depend solely upon the ministers; every soul should take an active part in advancing the cause of God."

"Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever."

COLLEGE NOTES

Enrollment by States, Oct 9, 1913

(Concluded)

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

Linnie Baumgartner, Harvey M. Baumgartner, Homer C. Baumgartner, Harold L. Dennis, Sadie J. Detwiler, Frank J. Detwiler, Harvey G. Gauker, Mrs. H. G. Gauker, Anna Gloor, Stella Grube, Mary M. Herr, Adam N. Hill, Robert T. Jones, Reta Jones, Venus Lewis, Idamae Master, Chas. H. Patterson, Mary F. Rice.

We regret that by an oversight the enrollment of the East Pennsylvania students was omitted in the enrollment of students last week. It will be found above.

Mrs. H. A. Weaver spent a few days last week visiting Mrs. Welch and her niece, Miss Helen Daniels.

Miss Goldie Porter spent a few days last week at the College visiting her sisters. She is teaching in a family, near Cleveland.

Brother H. S. Weaver received a telegram last week with the sad news of the death of his aged father at Lancaster, Pennsylvania. He was in his ninety-second year. He leaves to mourn their loss seven sons.

We were delayed in getting out the VISITOR last week on account of trouble with the engine. All efforts to adjust the engine were in vain, until Wednesday a new engine was installed temporarily. For this reason we could not get the paper mailed until Thursday night.

We are glad to report that seven new students arrived last week.

Mr. Guy Corder returned home last week from Bluefield, West Virginia, where he has been very successful in canvassing. He has entered school.

Mr. Dale Hamilton entered school last week. He has spent the summer with his brother in Mesopotamia, Ohio.

"In withholding our hearts' service from the Lord, we fail to benefit our fellow man, and thus rob God of the glory that would flow to him through the conversion of others."

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

General Meetings

According to appointment the general meeting for Bradford convened October 2-5 and all together was a most blessed season. There was a good attendance of the brethren and sisters and the Spirit of God was with us. The various phases and needs of the work were presented and a good response was manifested.

We are glad to note that the Bradford church averaged 39 cents per week per member for missions for the first six months of the year and the last six months will show still better. Another item worthy of attention is that every family has the *Review* and the COLUMBIA UNION VISITOR. This fact may help account for their good work for missions.

The interest was such that two studies on the Sabbath question were given and one dear soul determined henceforth to walk in the light of God's truth. Quarterly meeting was held and the Lord came near in the consecration meeting and the celebration of the ordinances of his house.

Following the Bradford meeting a two days' meeting was held at Corydon. The Methodist church had been secured for the occasion and a good attendance was secured each evening. Here also there is a good interest to hear the message.

North Warren claimed the next general meeting and here too we were glad to see many come in from a number of miles around. The blessing of God was with us here and many went forward in a new determination to lay aside every hindering weight and press forward to victory.

Nine subscriptions for the *Review* and VISITOR were taken besides a goodly sum pledged for the conference Emergency Fund.

At all these places our great foreign mission efforts received considerable attention, and the Harvest Ingathering campaign was launched with considerable enthusiasm.

Union City, Waterford, and Albion will all have short stops and then we go to Erie, October 16-19.

We thank God for his leading and for his presence along the way

Wm. A. WESTWORTH.

W. F. SCHWARTZ.

"Whatever the mistakes or failures of the past, we may, with the help of God, rise above them."

"The great secret in life is for a man to be ready when opportunity comes".

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"We should live continually so that our life shall make it easier for others to live; never to be hinderers, but always helpers, of others."

Washington Sanitarium News Notes

Two patients, a man and wife, having a splendid family of seven children, have recently accepted the truth here. The man is a government official in Cuba. We are thankful for the privilege of bringing spiritual as well as physical life to our guests.

Our affable head nurse, Mrs. Slaten, has returned from New York, where she has been taking a post-graduate course. She has had a good experience in lines pertaining to her professional work here.

October has brought us a class of promising young people to take the nurses' course. The spirit of helpfulness with which they have taken hold of their work insures success, if it is continued. The roll call at present is as follows: Florida, Misses Ada and Ethel Page; Texas, Miss Ruth M'Carthy; Philadelphia, Miss Ida Belmont; Virginia, Miss Anna Hafenmayr; Ohio, Miss Juanita Gibson; Washington, D. C., Mr. Edward Mitchell; Brooklyn, N. Y., Mr. Fred Greiner. The Foreign Mission Seminary, Miss Mildred Smith; Canada, Miss Gladys Wilson; Baltimore, Md., William Horn.

The Sanitarium family is delighted to meet again Miss Florence Cristman, who is here with a patient.

Elders L. R. Conradi, E. E. Andross, and Meade Mac Guire are among our guests. They come to attend the fall council.

L. M. Bowen, business manager, and H. E. Ross, steward, have arrived. We look forward to a prosperous era for our institution. MAY COLE KUHN.

OBITUARY

TAYLOR.—Mr. Joseph W. Taylor was born September 29, 1840. He was the son of Jane and Henry Taylor, the eldest of three children. His sister and brother still survive. He was suddenly stricken by death, while at his work, at the age of 73 years and five days. He was married to Harriet Kershaw, February 25, 1864. To this union eight children were born, five of whom are still living to mourn with their aged mother their loss. He believed with his companion the third angel's message, but never made any profession. He was a quiet, kind man who bore his own troubles with patience and was always ready to sacrifice his own interests to

help others. The writer assisted by Elder E. J. Van Horn conducted the funeral services at the home of the deceased in Bellefontaine, Ohio, taking as a text "But truly as the Lord liveth, and as thy soul liveth, there is but a step between me and death." 1 Samuel 20:3. We then laid him away to rest in the cemetery until Christ comes. W. E. BIDWELL.

MILLER.—Mrs. Anna M. Miller died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. G. W. Hill, near Lexington, Ohio, September 11, 1913, aged 76 years, 10 months, and 4 days. She was born at Nassau, Germany, and immigrated to this country with her parents at the age of seven years. She accepted the third angel's message and united with the Seventh-day Adventist church at Bellville Ohio, July 6, 1879 and remained faithful until her death. Funeral service was held in the Christian church at Lexington, O., conducted by the writer, attended by a large number of friends and neighbors. H. H. BURKHOLDER.

SEWELL.—Mrs. Mary Ann Sewell died at her home in Farmer, Defiance County, Ohio, October 4, 1913 aged 67 years, 7 months, and 26 days. Sister Sewell was converted early in life and united with the church. In the summer of 1893 during a tent effort conducted by Elder R. A. Boardman and the writer, Brother and Sister Sewell gladly embraced the doctrines held by Seventh-day Adventists and and united with the Hicksville church at its organization a few months later. Her affliction covers a period of about eight years during which time she was never known to murmur or complain, but was always patient and resigned to her lot. She was held in high esteem by all who knew her and will be greatly missed by the church. She leaves to mourn a husband, five sons, and two daughters, but not without hope. Funeral services were conducted by the writer in the Union church at Farmer which was well filled with sympathizing friends. H. H. BUKKHOLDER.

MURPHY.—Thelma Jane, infant daughter of Robert A. and Mary B. Murphy of Lonaconing Md., aged 2 months and 16 days, died Sabbath, October 4, at 5 P.M. of pneumonia with whooping cough. Little Thelma sleeps in Jesus awaiting the time when the Life-giver shall come and she shall awake and be brought to her mother's arms. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from II Cor. 1:3,4. GEO. R. APSLEY.

"It takes the entire man to make a valiant Christian."

"Whether you are rich or poor, great or humble, God calls you into active service for him."

"Blessed is the man that endureth temptation."