

# Columbia Union Visitor

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

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## UNION

### A Remarkable Opportunity

The writer has just returned from a visit among the churches in the western part of the Union and from Mount Vernon College in particular. He wishes from the inspiration which he received from this to call the attention of the brethren throughout the Union to a remarkable opportunity.

For two or three years now in the past, our dear brethren throughout this Union have materially cooperated in every effort to put Mount Vernon College upon vantage ground. And we are very glad to say that their efforts have been rewarded. The school has now the largest attendance it has ever had in its history, while the building is in splendid condition, everything being spick and span, so that it is well qualified to go ahead with excellent work in the future.

Besides the great amount of improvements put upon the plant, we have labored to reduce the debt of the institution. This we have done so that the debt now stands very materially reduced. And the remaining portion will be cleared off this year of 1913 if all our brethren will give us a hearty "He-ho-He" in this splendid opportunity. When we presented the card plan to the Union, we asked the brethren to take a certain number of these cards at \$5.00 apiece in order to liquidate what was then the outstanding indebtedness. \$11,000.00 was subscribed on these cards when the twenty-cent-a-week plan came into operation. As it was the purpose of all in launching the twenty-cent-a-week plan to make that the one fund both for foreign mission work and for the relief of our institutions, the Columbia Union desired to not further press the card plan. Afterward it was understood that if the Union raised twenty cents a week per member from the first to the last of the year 1913 it would be given the extra five cents above the fifteen cents which regularly goes to foreign missions to apply on

the debt of Mount Vernon College. This, added to the \$11,000.00 pledged, would easily liquidate the entire indebtedness.

Now we know all the brethren throughout the Union are interested in foreign missions. And from the funds already in, the Union will easily raise her fifteen cents a week per member for 1913. But we are still considerably behind of reaching the standard of twenty cents a week. This opportunity will never come to us again. In order to meet the Twenty-cent-a-week Fund and to secure the \$11,000.00 pledged, we need yet on an average of \$5.22 per member throughout the Union. The list as submitted by the treasurer of the Union is as follows:—

Conference	Per Capita Bal. 1913.
Chesapeake	\$5.84
District Columbia	6.40
East Pennsylvania	4.66
New Jersey	5.06
Ohio	4.76
Virginia	6.24
West Pennsylvania	5.26
West Virginia	4.93
C.U.C. Average	5.22

The brethren can see from the above how much is needed dating from November 1. Of course some of this has already come in the remittances of November which are already being passed in. The remittances for December will not come in until after January 1. Can we not beseech our brethren everywhere throughout the Union to take hold heartily and help make of this remarkable opportunity a splendid success? And then what will that mean for us! It will mean that we shall be fully equipped to do splendid work throughout the Union in educational lines for all our boys and girls. We can bring up the system in excellent form and open wide the doors for our youth everywhere throughout the Union.

B. G. WILKINSON.

"How far that little candle throws its beams! So shines a good deed in a naughty world."

## VIRGINIA

### The Closing Year

As we near the close of another year and look back at the good resolves at its beginning and unkept vows, undoubtedly, there will be many misgivings, and some will feel almost overwhelmed with the fact that they have come far short of the work.

A few weeks are still left us to right these wrongs. If we have been unfaithful in bringing in our tithes, God will help every soul now who desires to make good, and right himself before the close of the year. Resolve at once to do this. Ask God to open the way, and you will be surprised to see what he can do for you.

The other day a brother was lamenting that he was behind in paying tithes and stated that he was going to pay his back tithes as soon as possible. He related how he had had some misfortunes, and some of his best stock had died. Perhaps, God allowed this to take place to cause him to halt and consider his doings. It does not pay to rob God. The Lord says, "Ye are cursed with a curse." Oh that all could realize that nine-tenths with God's blessing can reach much farther than ten-tenths with his curse!

Soon, not only will the year be closed, but life will have ebbed away, and with many, unless there is a change, unfaithfulness will be recorded opposite their names. Not only in the matter of not being honest with God in tithes and offerings, but when we are careless in these matters, we are almost sure to be careless in our devotions and service to God.

There are but few who do not know their duty to God; but Satan has polluted the atmosphere around us, and we become careless and do not fully sense how far short we come of doing our whole duty. Let us make the closing days of 1913 the best days of all our experience. Then, we may enter the new year full of faith and courage for a glorious triumph.

W. J. STONE.

## Our Duty as Leaders

The captains, lieutenants, and other officers are to be instantaneous in carrying out the orders of those in higher rank. Then, the rank and file of the army are successful just in proportion as they carefully carry out the orders from headquarters.

If the captain fails to pass on the orders from the higher officers, no action is taken and the work is a failure. Just so in our churches, the General, Division, and Union Conferences may lay excellent plans for the work and pass them on to our local conferences, and the local conferences communicate them to the officers of the churches; but if the officers in our churches fail to give the order to the church, and see that the instruction and plans are carried out, then the plans, though they be ever so good, become of none effect.

A great responsibility rests upon the officers of our churches and no one should accept an office, unless he is willing to faithfully discharge the duties of his office. It sometimes happens that important matter is sent to our churches and in some instances it never gets further than the elder of the church. Through neglect or otherwise it is laid aside and forgotten until too late, and thus orders from headquarters are made void. In some instances, the brethren and sisters would do more if they were informed and requested to do certain things, but for lack of instruction nothing is accomplished. We hope this will never be the case in endeavoring to carry forward the work in the Virginia Conference.

We are in the midst of a great Harvest Ingathering campaign, and we are looking to every church officer to stand in his lot, and place, and not only pass on the orders, but to lead out in the work. \$100,000 for missions is the motto, and I am sure that all desire that the Virginia Conference shall not become behind her sister conferences in the work.

W. J. STONE.

## The Week of Prayer.

This is the last opportunity we shall have to call the attention of our brethren and sisters, through the VISITOR, to the importance of the week of prayer, and ask that arrangements be made, as far as possible, to set apart some time for this occasion, and make it a season of great refreshing to all of our churches. We all need it. Eternity is hastening on apace. Quickly the Master will be here. We have

but little time to make the needed preparations.

Nearly all the churches in the conference will have a conference laborer with them. Some of the smaller churches will be deprived of this help, but we trust they will endeavor to devote some time to the readings which have been prepared and to seeking the Lord for more of his spirit and power.

Elder Stone will spend much of the time with the Lynchburg and Richmond churches. Elders Hottel and Neff will look after the churches in that branch of the valley. Elder T. H. Painter will be with the Stanley church, and Sister Swan with the Rileyville church. Sister Rice is laboring at Lynchburg, and will assist the church in the week of prayer services.

Brother Gordon will spend the week of prayer between the two churches at Newport News; and Brethren Reavis and Eekhout will have charge of the services at the white church at Portsmouth.

Elder Sabastian will spend his time between the colored churches of Norfolk and Portsmouth, assisted by Sisters Manners and Nixon. The colored church, No. 2, at Richmond, will have the services of Elder Kinny. Some of the other churches who are not favored with a laborer at this time, may later have series of meetings. Elder Mallory will be with the company at Thelma.

Do not forget that the annual offering for missions will be taken the last Sabbath of the meeting, and all should endeavor to bring in a gift to the Lord proportionate to the blessings they have received during the year. We hope to see the annual offering this year the largest of any upon like occasions in the history of the work in the Virginia Conference. May the Lord greatly add his blessing and refresh us for the perilous times before us.

W. J. S.

## Encouraging Omens

There is truly encouragement to every faithful colporteur, when he or she sees the success that God is giving the work in Virginia. Many words of cheer are coming in from the men in the field, and those who have been willing to breast the storm and leave the comforts of the home to go to the rescue of the perishing; for many are perishing to-day for the lack of the truth that we profess to love. Hosea 4:6, "My people are destroyed for the lack of knowledge." These people spoken of in the same verse have for-

gotten the law of God, and Paul says, "It was needful for me to write unto you and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints." Now, I must say that I see no better way of complying with the instruction given than to faithfully pursue that noble, and God appointed work of the colporteur. Many who are now sitting in darkness will have a chance to know what is truth in these days of deception, as a result of the faithful consecrated canvassers, and the time will come, and that speedily, "when the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea." I greatly fear that many of us are not sensing the great responsibility resting upon us as people whom the Lord has called out to do the very things spoken of, "contend for the faith once delivered unto the saints," which is the law of God, and to take the people the message which our many good books and magazines contain.

We are all very greatly encouraged to see the new converts, and those who have been in the truth longer, entering the canvassing work. It is an omen that God has set his hand to finish the work, for the hearts of the truly converted and consecrated are turning to their neighbors who are in darkness.

For the advancement of the colporteur work in the conference, it has been planned to have an institute in Richmond for fifteen days, about the middle of February, a little before, or soon thereafter, this will be decided in time. The institute is much needed in this state, and we are planning to have one of the best the conference has ever had, where men and women can get instruction that will enable them to do real live active service for the Master. It is hoped that every colporteur now in the field, and all who have a real burden for the work will plan their affairs, so as to be at this institute, and get the instruction given at that time.

I should like to have all the colporteurs in the city three or four weeks before the institute so as to work the city, then make the deliveries just after the institute, and then go back to the country and pull for a good big spring delivery, etc. We are planning for big things, and we will not be content with less than God is willing for us to have.

Your co-worker,  
W. H. GEORGE, *Field Agent.*

"Failures are with heroic minds the stepping-stones to success."

## CHESAPEAKE

## A Call to Prayer

We have come up to another week of prayer. How rapidly time passes, but with the passing of time, the end of the race will come. Never in the history of our work have we seen more convincing evidences of the closing work of God in the earth. Prophecy is being rapidly fulfilled and the time is not far distant when the "kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord and of his Christ." For this we should pray at this time. "Our Heavenly Father waits to bestow upon us his blessing. It is our privilege to drink largely at the fountain of boundless love. What a wonder it is that we pray so little! God is ready and willing to hear the sincere prayer of the humblest of his children, and yet there is much manifest reluctance on our part to make our wants known to God. The darkness of the evil one encloses those who neglect to pray. The whispered temptations of the enemy entice them to sin; and it is all because they do not make use of the privileges that God has given them in the divine appointment of prayer. Why should the sons and daughters of God be reluctant to pray when prayer is the key in the hand of faith, to unlock heaven's storehouse, where are treasured the boundless resources of omnipotence?"

There is much that we can thank the Lord for, and this we should do before asking more. There are many things to pray for, and as each one seeks the Lord and the burden of prayer rolls upon the suppliant, the Spirit of God will help bring to the mind the all important subjects of prayer. At a recent meeting of the conference committee, it was voted to district our conference, asking the laborers to visit all the churches in the field. It is hoped that the church officers will arrange the meetings and plan for a large attendance. There is a liberal supply of the week of prayer readings at the office for church officers and isolated Sabbath keepers. These will be sent upon request to any part of our field.

Let all plan to make this a season of earnest heartsearching, that we may find the Lord as we have never found him before. Can we not expect a baptism of the Holy Spirit to prepare the church for service in the closing work of the third angel's message?

ROSCOE T. BAER.

## EAST PENNSYLVANIA

## Hanover

The opposition so keen while the tent effort was in progress, has not abated. When the tent was taken down, the local ministry tried to block our effort to secure a meeting place by trying to get an option on the building in preference to any "outside parties", but they were not successful. We have a commodious hall on one of the prominent streets of the city, where Sabbath services, and Sunday night preaching services are maintained. A Sabbath-school has been organized with an average attendance of twenty, and a cottage Bible study is held each Thursday evening in which a deep interest is being manifested. Many times the homes will scarcely hold those who wish to attend.

When the tent services closed we reported eight Sabbath keepers; there are fifteen now who have signed the covenant, and several more who are deeply interested.

The enemies of the truth are active. The "Millennial Dawn" people followed our effort with some of their best speakers from New York City. Gamble's movable Sabbath has been exploited, and a great deal of other antagonistic literature has been circulated; but it has not dimmed the faith of those who accepted present truth.

Two of our sisters are meeting with severe opposition in the home having been compelled to stay away from our meetings, but they are still keeping the Sabbath.

Seven miles from Hanover, near the little country town of New Oxford a new interest has been started. We have a brother, Geo. Fyock, living in that neighborhood, who has been holding Bible studies with his neighbors. The interest has grown until he thought it best to have a preaching service. I visited them last Tuesday night, and preached to a company of twenty-three, and left an appointment for another service in two weeks. It looks like a promising field, and can be easily worked with the Hanover interest.

Mrs. Elsie Evans came to assist in the work recently and is doing excellent Bible work in the homes. The outlook is very encouraging.

F. A. HARTER.

The current topics of the December *Signs Magazine* are unusually good and interesting. They will prove helpful to the agent.

## OHIO

## Funds for Missions

How much we shall individually give for missions this quarter, will be settled by each of us according as we view the greatness of our work, and our ability to give. I believe, could we see the shortness of time, every lover of the third angel's message would do his best. If we should hear a voice from heaven saying "Time will soon be no more. Get ready, get ready, *get ready*," how many of us, dear readers do you think would not make a determined effort to give to missions during the remaining portion of the year 1912?

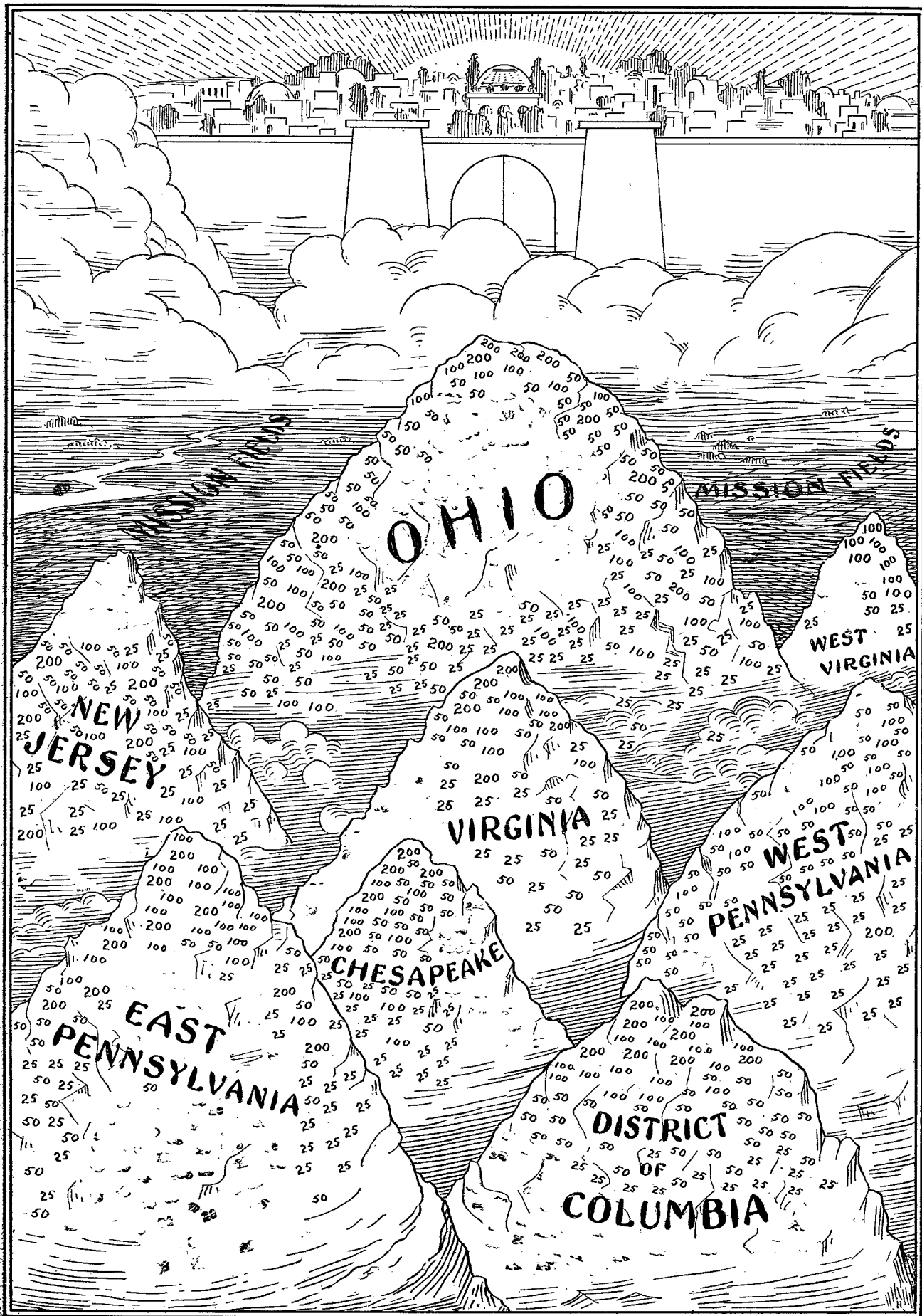
Has not God spoken these very words to us, and are they not true, and will he not bring it to pass? I tell you, my dear brother and sister, he will. The present plan for raising money for missions is one of God's plans, and if the desired end is met, would it not bring courage into our work, and into our own souls as well? I am sure it would. Is there not a reason why we should give at this special time as never before? Think of China with her teeming millions, calling for help, India, Korea, Japan, and the islands of the sea! Mesopotamia, the home of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, is calling for assistance. Ethiopia is standing with outstretched arms beckoning for us to come over and help.

My soul cries out, when I think of the great work we are called upon to finish. What can we say or what can we do to get each one to lift every pound he can at this time of need? When I look over the churches in districts five and six assigned to me for the present, my prayer is that each church may come up to the help of the Lord just now. This is a time for lifting, and let us sing as we lift, "Lift, Brother Lift." It will take a heavy lift, but when we consider our lifting may save a dying brother, shall we not do our best? Our earnest effort at this special time of need will surely be taken into account by the one who has said "In as much as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

May our souls be stirred as never before in this struggle to raise money for missions. Your brother for an earnest effort for complete victory and success,

FRANCIS M. FAIRCHILD.

"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might."



"If Ye Have Faith as a Grain of Mustard Seed, Ye Shall Say unto This Mountain, Remove Hence to Yonder Place; and It Shall Remove; and Nothing Shall Be Impossible unto You." Matt. 17:20.

### Size of Mountains November 1

West Virginia . . . . .	\$ 848 31
Virginia . . . . .	2,932 99
Chesapeake . . . . .	3,282 67
New Jersey . . . . .	3,449 97
West Pennsylvania . . . . .	3,865 47
District of Columbia . . . . .	5,089 78
East Pennsylvania . . . . .	5,275 85
Ohio . . . . .	9,986 22
COLUMBIA UNION . . . . .	\$34,731 23

We cannot give you the results of November's income for missions in this issue since we have not received the returns from the conferences.

Most encouraging words come from the various "Generals" and our "story" for next issue promises to be one of interest.

With which class of persons are we identified?

The "I won'ts", Those who always oppose?

The "I can'ts", Those who always fail?

Or the "I will's", Those who always succeed?

The company of "I will's" are coming right to the front in this campaign. The "I can'ts" are gaining courage, and the "I won'ts" can scarcely muster a corporal's guard, so scarce are they.

How thankful we are for what has already been accomplished! But we will not attempt to say what our feelings will be if New Year's Day finds us with our mission offerings averaging full twenty cents per member for the entire year. It will indeed be to the Columbia Union a "Happy New Year."

We cannot refrain from repeating the little incident referred to in the issue of February 5.

"A rich lady dreamed that she went to heaven and there saw a mansion being built. "For whom is that?" she asked of her guide. "For your gardener", came the reply. "But", said she, "he lives in the tiniest cottage on earth, with barely room enough for his family. He might live better if he did not give away so much."

Farther on she saw a tiny cottage being built. "And for whom is that?" she asked with interest. "That is for you," came the answer in low, but

unmistakable words. "But I have lived in a mansion on earth. I would not know how to live in a cottage."

The words she heard in reply were full of meaning, "The Master Builder is doing his best with the material that is being sent up."

The motive, the cheerfulness, and the willingness, as well as the amount of our gifts enter into the reckoning of the Master Builder.

Now is our opportunity to "send up" the material we have failed to send up in the past. "Redeeming the time" as well as enjoying forfeited blessings is our privilege.

The writer took a little trip to the East Pennsylvania Conference last week to experience some of the blessings of the Harvest Ingathering. Some good experiences were enjoyed. In addition to gathering in a few shekels from the world, he returned laden with two precious gifts for missions from two dear sisters; one for \$100.00 and another for \$50.00. Are there not many others who will join these persons in making a most substantial offering during the week of prayer.

He that loses an opportunity not only loses that opportunity but all the advantages that might be accomplished by its use and reuse which, by the time the work closes, would amount to an inestimable value.

A dear brother has written that he has \$500.00 awaiting Mount Vernon College if we are able to raise the full standard in our offerings to missions for 1913. We have but a few weeks in which to gain this added blessing, but if one and all will contribute most liberally to the Annual Offering Fund this brother will have no excuse to withhold this \$500.00. He says he is anxious to see us succeed, and to help make it possible he has already dropped into the treasury \$100.00 for missions.

We are reprinting the mountains as they appeared in last issue. Study the figures and after earnest prayer see how large a stone the Lord will enable you to lift before 1913 closes.

R. T. DOWSETT.

"Be thou faithful unto death."

### A Most Important Recommendation

The Columbia Union Committee in session a few weeks ago passed the following:—

"We further recommend to the conferences of the Columbia Union to put forth special efforts to make the week of prayer, December 13-20, a season of great spiritual uplift to all our churches.

(a) By making it a week of self-denial and consecration to the service of God.

(b) That a strong united effort be made by each conference to raise the mission offerings in each church to equal or more than equal \$10.40 for each member for the year 1913."

If each dear soul who reads this will faithfully follow the recommendation infinite will be the results: *great spiritual uplift* to all our churches in the home land and abroad; *complete consecration* on the part of one and all to the service of God; *every talent* employed in winning souls for the kingdom; wherever there is a Seventh-day Adventist, there a bright and shining light, a savor of life.

A *week of self-denial* on the part of more than six thousand six hundred souls within the territory of the Columbia Union and upward of one hundred thousand souls if all believers unite with us! The money spent thoughtlessly or for luxuries, if given to save souls, would amount to a surprising sum; then if added to this one and all will really practice *self-denial* on a par with the dear students on a mission island who instructed their cook to lay aside every tenth handful of rice that it might be sold in order to have the gospel spread more widely, what an annual offering would roll in!

A little arithmetic may not be out of place. We sometimes overlook the blessings coming to us financially since we embraced the truth. A tremendous saving to many has resulted. Let the brethren figure the yearly saving since the Lord overcame that appetite for drink or tobacco: ten, twenty, thirty, or fifty cents a day saved in dollars and cents beside better health and innumerable blessings. Sisters, figure the cost of tea and coffee and many like things the truth has saved you. A portion of the annual sum thus saved will make the mission offerings of every church average far beyond the twenty cents per week standard, and result in

more missionaries sent to regions beyond.

Shall we not make the week of prayer for 1913 all it should be to us and the cause we love so dearly? To this end each member of the Union Committee is most earnestly praying.

R. T. DOWSETT.

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

### Washington Sanitarium Notes.

The cousin of the French ambassador and his wife are spending some time here. The ambassador's daughter was here for a number of weeks last summer as a patient.

A Hebrew millionaire from New York has been here during the past week, and is curiously inquiring concerning our work and faith.

A New York newspaper editor, who has been here as a patient and who is much interested in the truth, took a good supply of literature with him when he left this week. He was especially concerned about the religious liberty work.

A leading attorney of Washington who was for a number of years District of Columbia Commissioner, spent the summer here with his wife.

A prominent lawyer and banker of Washington, who came here several weeks ago in very ill health, has greatly improved. He is interested in the *Protestant* and *Liberty* magazines.

A government employee, who occupies an important position in the treasury department, came here in a precarious condition recently, and is much improved. He is active in religious movements in the city of Washington, and has charge of the largest mission there.

Professor Kern is giving a series of very helpful and well-adapted talks to the patients at the vesper hour Sunday evenings. Many points of present truth have been tactfully presented, and the services have been exceptionally well attended.

MAY COLE KUHN.

"Jesus cares for each one as though there were not another individual on the face of the earth."

## Canvassers' Reports

Ohio, Week Ending Nov. 28, 1913

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
A. L. Bassler, Noble Co.		DR	5	41	9	27 00	16 25	43 35	2 80
J. S. Randolph, Knox Co.		ES	3	27	10	34 00	7 20	41 20	14 43
C. E. Reichenbach, Perry Co.		ES	2	16	10	33 00	1 75	34 75	
Tillie Gable, Cuyahoga		ES	4	22	9	33 00	1 25	34 25	
Ray H. Chapin, Perry Co.,		ES	3	21	6	18 00	11 50	29 50	
N. J. Dean, Miami Co.		PPF	5	27	5	8 50	20 50	29 00	
C. G. Douglass, Summit Co.		ES	3	21	5	17 00	10 75	27 75	
Lloyd Swallen, Stark Co.		ES	4	28	3	9 00	18 50	27 50	
Marie Flenner, Butler Co.		BF	7	30	24	24 00	10 85	34 85	45 00
Beulah Morgan, Columbiana		BF	4	16	17	17 50	5 75	23 25	3 25
John Schick, Summit Co.		GC	3	16	2	5 00	14 25	19 25	6 25
J. L. Sauder, Portage Co.		ES	4	30	2	6 00	12 45	18 45	2 25
J. B. Reichenbach, Montg'y Co.		BR	4	32	4	13 00		13 00	13 50
Mrs J. B. Reichenbach,		Mag	2	7		12 65		12 65	12 65
L. H. Bacher, Athens Co.		ES	3	16			15 25	15 25	10 00
Mrs. S. D. Phillips, Lucas Co.		BR	3	9	2	8 00	4 50	12 50	
E. B. Kutscher, Shelby Co.		PPF	4	36					123 50
Miscellaneous		CK	15	56	12	19 50	21 85	41 35	28 50
<b>Totals</b>	<b>17 Agents</b>		<b>78</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>\$285 15</b>	<b>\$172 60</b>	<b>\$457 75</b>	<b>\$261 90</b>

### New Jersey, Week Ending Nov. 30, 1913

G. W. Blinn, Trenton		DR	14	92	5	12 00	77 50	89 50	7204
W. B. Plant, Morris Co.		BF	10	30		37 50		37 50	14 25
Allen Boynton, Cape May C.H.		PG		5					15 25
Edward Sterner, Trenton		PG	3	19	3	7 50	1 00	8 50	1 00
Wm. Schmidt, Essex Co.		GC	8	52	4	9 50	22 70	32 20	14 60
H. Lauterback, Warren Co.		PPF	7	41	3	9 00	25 75	34 20	36 35
S. R. Haynes, Trenton		GC	7	34	17	59 00	3 60	62 60	
A. S. Samuels, Newark		GA		5		3 00	20	3 20	20
Magazines						78 00		78 00	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>8 Agents</b>		<b>49</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>\$137 50</b>	<b>\$130 75</b>	<b>\$346 25</b>	<b>\$153 69</b>

### West Pennsylvania, Week Ending Nov., 28, 1913

A. Brownlee, Washington Co.		PPF	10	85	37	140 75	49 40	190 15	48 50
Mrs. C. Dunham, Pittsburgh			4	24	23	18 35		18 35	
J. A. Heaton, Defiance Co.		PPF		32	37	52 76		52 76	
J. A. Kimmel, Fayette Co.		PPF	2	13	5	10 50	2 70	13 20	4 83
Wilbert Morgan, Beaver		ES	2	14	2	2 00	50	2 50	12 50
L. M. Yohe, Armstrong Co.		ES	4	30	6	18 00	17 05	35 05	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>6 Agents</b>		<b>22</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>\$242 36</b>	<b>\$69 95</b>	<b>\$312 01</b>	<b>\$65 00</b>

### West Virginia, Week Ending Nov. 28, 1913

O. J. Belt, Tyler		FS	5	46	11	35 00	7 80	42 80	
Clara Wood, Wood		CK	5	40	4	6 00	2 25	8 25	37 20
W. A. McElpatrick, Broxton		DR	9	76	2	5 00	5 25	10 25	134 65
Waldo H. Wilcox, Harrison Co.		PPF	4	36	5	9 50	85	10 35	53 35
T. M. Butler, Harrison		PPF	4	32					113 00
E. M. Buckland, Kanawha		PPF	4	32	12	30 75	7 75	38 50	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>9 Agents</b>		<b>31</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>\$86 25</b>	<b>\$23 90</b>	<b>\$110 15</b>	<b>338 25</b>

### Virginia, Week Ending Nov., 21, 1913

K. Oertley, Portsmouth		GC		30	12	21 50	8 50	30 00	
J. Meyer, Chatham		PPF		45					178 55
C. Jones, S. Boston				39	14	41 00	11 40	52 40	
B. Hamm, Geer		BR		17	8	13 00	1 00	14 00	25
N. O. Shaffer, Marlboro				30					33 75
<b>Totals</b>	<b>5 Agents</b>			<b>161</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>\$75 50</b>	<b>\$20 90</b>	<b>\$96 40</b>	<b>\$212 55</b>

District of Columbia, Week Ending Nov. 28, 1913

Eva. Chandler, Anacostia	GC	4	20	2	6 00	6 20	12 20	20
F. Smith, Charles Co.	GC	5	38	22	66 00		66 00	
A. Taltamus, Fauquier	DR	9			154 00	7 75	161 75	
Mary Barrows, Anacostia		4	21			7 60	7 60	1 25
Mrs. Morgan, Woodridge		5	25			11 25	11 25	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>5 Agents</b>			<b>\$226 00</b>	<b>\$22 80</b>	<b>\$259 80</b>	<b>\$1 45</b>

East Pennsylvania, Week Ending Nov. 29, 1913

W. P. Hess, Lancaster Co.	PPF	5	29	16	28 00	5 25	33 25	
J. L. Gearhart, Berks Co.	CK	3	17	6	9 50	1 50	11 00	
Mrs. H. Tranger, Lehigh Co.	CK	4	16	42	13 25	1 50	14 75	
Miss Jean Curtis, Lycoming Co.		4	12	9	5 75		5 75	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>4 Agents</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>\$56 50</b>	<b>\$8 25</b>	<b>\$64 75</b>

Chesapeake, Week Ending Nov. 28, 1913

J. E. Jones, Queen Ann Co.	GC	4	30	15	28 50	20 05	48 55	
M. S. Pettibone, Harford Co.	PPF	3	24	21	33 50	6 50	40 00	
G. W. Lawrence, Cecil Co.	DR	8	54	34	61 00	8 50	69 50	
J. J. Martin, New Castle	BF	3	16	13	18 00	3 25	21 25	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>4 Agents</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>\$141 00</b>	<b>\$38 30</b>	<b>\$179 30</b>

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C. F. ULRICH.

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—Thompson.



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### No Issue December 24

The next number of the VISITOR will complete the 1913 volume of fifty numbers, so there will be no issue December 24.

### A Valuable 1914 Diary

Ready December 1

Last year, on urgent request from workers in the field, the General Conference Committee authorized the secretary of the Publishing Department to prepare a compendium of data relating to the beginnings and growth of our organized work in its various departments to be issued in a Diary for 1913. This booklet met with such favor that the data has been revised in harmony with the latest statistics and is being issued in a neat little pocket Diary for 1914.

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### COLLEGE NOTES

Mount Vernon College has just closed its first term's work. School opened September 17 and the first term ended with the examinations of Monday and Tuesday, December 8 and 9. We have been blessed with a large attendance this year, in fact the largest in the history of the College. The students seem well pleased with the work, and are anxious to make a success of it.

As we are beginning a new term's work, we wish to speak to the readers of the VISITOR regarding the new classes that are about to start. There are many students who perhaps might enter to very good advantage classes that have been in session during the whole of the year, but those who would like to enter school and start most of their work in new classes, we should like to suggest the following: special chemistry, botany, history of education, pedagogy, methods, history of missions, and Roman history.

We would advise those who are thinking of starting work to enter at the opening of school, after the Christmas vacation, January 5. This will be a very good time for new students to enter.

The school is placed in the Columbia Union Conference for the accommodation of the young people, and we are doing all within our power to make the work here such as will meet the approbation of our students and patrons, and of a nature that God also may approve.

The spiritual interest in the school is very good. We wish that all of our friends could attend our Friday night social services. The presence of the Lord is greatly manifest in these meetings. We are looking forward with pleasant anticipation to the week of prayer and hope to make it a means of great good to all. May we not hope for an interest in the prayers of all our brethren and sisters throughout the Union?

If there are any interested in taking up the work, please address the president of the school.

On Monday night, December 1, a stereopticon lecture was given by H. H. Hall of the Pacific Press, who stopped off to visit his brother, Prof. A. E. Hall, on his way to Washington and then to Europe and South America. The lecture was on the Waldenses and their work and was especially interesting.

The chapel period Tuesday morning was taken by H. H. Hall. He spoke concerning the book work and gave many interesting experiences of our colporteurs in different countries.

Miss Annie Bennett, of last year's graduating class, is now teaching school at Bishop, Cal. She is up in the mountains 4,500 feet above sea level, and is not far from Mount Whitney, which is 14,500 feet above sea level. She says she enjoys the fine air and the beautiful sunsets. Her school is not large, but has grades up to the eighth inclusive. She is kept busy and likes her work.

### OBITUARY

HARDING.—Miss Mary C Harding, daughter of Dr. G. T. Harding of Marion Ohio, and sister of Sister H. H. Votaw of Rangoon, Burmah, died October 29, 1913. In her death the Marion church loses one of its most faithful members. Because of the instruction and example of her godly mother, Sister Harding has been a Christian all her life. During the last seventeen years she has been a teacher in the Ohio State School for the Blind. Her life was so unselfish; so full of concern for others; so marked by helpful sympathy; so devoted to the good she might accomplish, that it enlisted the love and admiration of those who knew its abiding beauty, and left its impress on those she taught and directed in the paths of hope and happiness. These join her aged father, and brothers, and sisters in mourning her death.

H. M. JUMP.

HANEY.—Mrs. Charlotte Haney was born May 23, 1820, and died in Wilmington Ohio, November 1, 1913, aged 93 years, 5 months, and 9 days. She united with the Christian Church when quite young, and remained a member of that church until she heard the truth of the third angel's message in 1881 near New Antioch, Ohio. She was a constant reader of the Bible, having read it through more than twenty times. She had hoped to live to see the Lord and yet was satisfied to rest awhile in the grave and there await the call of the Life-giver. The funeral was conducted by the writer assisted by a Christian minister. The funeral was held in the home of her son-in-law, Mr. Barrett. The remains were taken to New Antioch for burial. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Luke 2:36-38. W. W. MILLER.