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Washington Missionary College

Now that it is decided that a full collegiate course shall be carried at Washington, our hearty cooperation will be needed in order to make this important educational institution all that it should be. It is destined, I believe, to be a mighty factor in furnishing well-trained workers in the last levies to be made for the closing work. Missionary appointees will be drawn from all American conferences to this college. Collegiate students will be drawn from the East Canadian, Atlantic, Columbia, and Southeastern Union Conferences; academic students will be drawn from the East Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Chesapeake, Virginia, and District of Columbia Conferences.

Those who have had the chief burden of working out the readjustment of schools and territory have realized the delicacy of the undertaking and the danger of strengthening one institution to the embarrassment of another. The matter of elevating Washington to a college has been under advisement for a long time, and as we all know, came before the delegates at the last General Conference. Every possible phase of the question has been carefully canvassed from the viewpoint of those occupying positions and locations of a most representative nature. It is hoped that no institution will suffer loss from the present arrangement.

Mount Vernon Academy will become a strong educational institution in its sphere. Its last years and especially its last year as a college provides history that we can review with satisfaction which serves to give an inspiration and an impetus favorable for its coming career as an academy. As such, it is to have the fostering care and cooperation of the Columbia Union Conference.

The Washington Missionary College has a unique location. It is at the headquarters of the greatest nation of the world as well as at the headquarters of the greatest religious movement ever undertaken. From now on, Washington is to be the scene of most interesting developments to students of prophecy. For artistic, scientific, and library advantages, nothing better could be provided. For being in touch with missions, missionaries, and the requirements of missionaries, it has every advantage. The faculty and facilities at Washington should appeal to all collegiate students. 1 feel that all such students in Ohio and the west end of the Columbia Union should aim for Washington. It will be best, you will find, to attend the college within your territory. I shall be disappointed if we do not have a large number of promising collegiate students from our Union in the Washington Missionary College the coming year.

E. K. SLADE.

OHIO

Dedication at Zanesville

Zanesville has a population of 28,000. Our people in that place have manifested a laudable interest in efforts to strengthen and advance the work in the city, but they have felt keenly the great disadvantages of having no house of worship. For some time the Sabbath meetings have been held in second or third story halls in the heart of the city, making it quite impossible to hold other than the Sabbath meetings.

Through the labors of Elder F. H. Henderson and the cooperation of the church members, the work has been growing in Zanesville; and about a year ago the pastor counseled with us regarding the advisability of their attempting to build. The plan was soon put in operation and the results are that they now have a modest, attractive, and roomy church building located in a good part of the city. The building is of frame construction and it is nicely arranged, having a good basement and an up-to-date hot air furnace.

It has been a struggle for our people to build their church at Zanesville, and Elder Henderson has worked faithfully. He has been successful in securing liberal aid from the business men and citizens of the place. Within a few months they hope to have their new house of worship wholly paid for.



The dedication of the church took place Sunday, March 1. The place was well filled by the local church, visitors from the city, and our people from nearby churches. Appropriate music was provided for the occasion. The scripture reading and opening prayer were given by Elder Henderson. After a discourse based on Numbers 14:21, the congregation reverently stood while Brother G. C. Quillin, by a very appropriate and earnest prayer, dedicated the structure to the service of God.

Meeting were held from Friday evening until Sunday evening. Elder N. S. Ashton was present Sunday evening and gave a stirring sermon on "The Second Coming of Christ" to a well filled house.

Sunday evening meetings will be continued by the pastor.

E. K. SLADE.

Book Men's Notes

Brother J. S. Randolph, our assistant field agent, has just returned from a four weeks' trip among the colporteurs. He reports courage and success all along the line.

The recent storms have retarded our work yet many of our courageous workers have waded through the snow drifts to rescue the perishing. Brother L. H. Waters, who is canvassing near Lake Erie, reports his ears frost bitten, but the Lord rewarded him with over \$40.00 worth of orders for that week and \$52.00 worth delivered.

Brother R. H. Chapin's sales for February were \$213.20. He had worked only 98 hours. Thus, the Lord had given him an average sale of \$2.38 per hour.

Miss Lulu Taylor of Toledo, has chosen the country in preference to city territory. She has been walking from five to eight miles a day, and says she enjoys her work more than anything else she has ever done. Her sales for one week of thirty six hours were \$45.75.

We are pleased to add the name of Rose Gill, L.A. Holobough, C.W. Ford.and Mrs Sadie Conn to our army of workers. While the winds of strife and persecution are being held let many heed the Lord's call"Son, go work to-day in my vineyard." Write to the Ohio Tract Society for a prospectus for either "Daniel and Revelation","Great Controversy" or the new "Bible Readings (revised)." These books give the message entire, and should be scattered like the leaves of autumm. The great religious awakening among the people demands a speedy action on the part of the remnant of Israel.

J. H. MCEACHERN.

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

Colporteurs' Institute

This institute will begin March 15 and continue fifteen days. It is to be held in Reading at the church near the corner of Windsor and Hampden Streets. Reading is conveniently reached from all points and we greatly desire to see a good attendance of earnest workers.

We have only a few colporteurs in the field at the present time, but these are of good courage and success is attending their efforts.

I have been visiting some of the churches and companies recently and am pleased to find the live interest the brethren and sisters manifest in this branch of the work and the spirit of hearty cooperation.

The prospects are good for a number of additions to our band of workers in the near future. One brother writes that he is praying the Lord of the harvest to send twenty-five new canvassers into this conference this spring. Shall we not all join in this brother's petition and help answer his prayer?

We trust many will avail themselves of the benefits of the coming institute. Provision is being made to entertain free all those who will come with a definite purpose to devote their time to the work. Carfare will be refunded when the worker has sold and paid for one hundred dollars worth of literature.

There will be preaching every night during the institute on special phases of the message.

Those who come to enter the work will bring prospectuses of the books they wish to sell. It might also be advisable to bring some bedding as the weather may be cold at that time. We believe this will be a feast of good things for us all and the interchange of ideas and experiences will be of mutual benefit.

We believe the churches of the East Pennsylvania Conference will heartily enter into the effort to make this meeting successful.

All who are planning to attend the institute will please notify the undersigned as early as possible so that arrangements can be made for entertainment.

C. D. WOLFF, Field Agent. 1116 Mulberry St., Reading, Pa.

WEST VIRGINIA

The Colporteur Work

I am glad to relate a portion of Brother McElphatrick's experience on working his territory the second time. He says, "I have sold several books to persons who bought "Daniel and Revelation" two years ago. Most of them expressed themselves as being pleased with "Daniel and Revelation." Only one person has made any complaint. She had not read the book, but was told that its doctrine was not sound. The work is going well this week; better than any previous week." Brother McElphatrick just gave me his report for the week spoken of above, and it is \$104.25. He put in 46 hours in town. This brother is sixty-two years old. Space will not permit me to tell of the long weary hours this dear old brother is faithfully putting in, in tramping through the mountains with heavy loads of books. There is nothing that would cause a man to do this, but a deep burden for souls. The only true record of so faithful a work, is

kept in the book of remembrance in heaven.

Are there not others who will patiently toil for a little while? Soon the last contract for territory will be let. Many will desire to have a part when it is too late. Now is the accepted time. H. F. KIRK.

CHESAPEAKE

Our Missionary Work

Our colporteurs' institute opened this morning in the First Seventh-day Adventist church of Baltimore, with a goodly number of earnest men and women who expect to go out into the field with our truth filled books. There are others who will take up the magazine work in our large cities.

We are living in the time just before the end, when every church member ought to be at work. There is much that our people can do to help give the warning message. There are hose who can give Bible readings and distribute literature and in this way a great and mighty work is to be accomplished for God in this generation which is given to us to finish the work.

At a recent meeting of the conference committee, very careful consideration was given to our home missionary work. The bretnren heartily endorsed the goal which the North American Division Conference has adopted as follows: "Win one soul for Christ." It was thought best to provide more help in our office so that more time could be given to encourage a real missionary effort among our people. It was finally decided to invite Sister Emma S. Newcomer to connect with the office as secretary and treasurer of the Chesapeake Tract Society. She will also be in charge of our Home Missionary Department. Sister Newcomer's experience in tract society work and of late in house to house Bible work, qualifies her for the work we have called her to take up. This change we think, will not only be a benefit to the work financially, but it will contribute largely to the encouragement which we are anxious to see come to all of our people in the field. We would urge our people to create a fund from which tracts and all kinds of literature can be purchased, and in a systematic manner, scatter it over the country and among friends and neighbors, praying that the Lord will water the seed sown, that when the harvest is gathered there will be sheaves for the garner of the Lord.

All correspondence hereafter pertaining to the tract and missionary work should be sent to Sister Newcomer, who will give it prompt attention. Roscoe T. BAER.

An Example of Encouragement for the Colporteur

"And the angel of the Lord spake unto Philip saying, 'Arise and go toward the south unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem unto Gaza, which is desert."" Acts 8:26.

The following verses of the same chapter tell of the good experience that Philip had with the eunuch. How often to a great extent is the experience of Philip repeated by the faithful colporteur as he goes on his way, from Jerusalem to Gaza, so to speak, directed by the angel of the Lord. Jerusalem at the time was a great center of the gospel, and so the workers were sent out in all directions it seems, but the angel of the Lord directed Philip to go toward Gaza. The result was he had great success. So to-day if we will let the Lord by his Spirit, guide and direct in all our goings, success will follow.

Let us pray that the Lord will help us to go forth with great faith and courage. Though it does look like a great desert before us at times, and the territory looks poor, let us always bear in mind, that there are some at least like the eunuch waiting for some one to guide them in the way of truth.

Pray that we may have great courage to go forward.

JOSEPH E JONES.

Fords Store, Md.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Experiences in Soul Saving

The following letter was received from Brother L. A. Godwin, one of onr faithful workers. I am sure it will be a source of encouragement to others so pass it on.

"Monday, February 23, being a very cold and stormy day I felt very much like staying at home, but remembering that the Lord has promised to go with us I knelt and asked him to give me courage for the day.

"After getting out into the field the first two calls I was unsuccessful in entering the houses, but at the third house I secured a \$3.00 order for 'Daniel and Revelation'. At the fourth house a young lady met me at the door and after my meeting her

father and having a short conversation with him I took out my prospectus and began my canvass. The wife hearing me came in at once from the kitchen and asked if that was a Seventh-day Adventist book. I told her The father, mother, and five it was children were present and they began asking questions on the coming of the Lord, sleep of the dead and Sabbath question upon which subjects I gave them a Bible reading for an hour and one-half after which I took their order for a marhled binding of 'Daniel and Revelation'. I then went on to the next house where I was encouraged by taking an order for a \$5.00 binding. The Lord was pleased to give me another order in the next house this being four successive houses in which I took orders. Surely the Lord was with me, for when I finished my day's work I found I had taken orders for \$ 17.50.

"Surely the Lord is opening the way and preparing the hearts of the people to receive the third angel's message. Even though the weather continued cold the remainder of the week I was determined to press on claiming the Master's promise, 'Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.' Surely the Lord is in the work for he gave me \$58.00 worth of orders for the week. I have many more such experiences that I might relate. My great desire is that I may be better prepared to do more efficient work in the Master's cause.

"L. A. Godwin."

This was the worst week we have had in this section this winter yet Brother Godwin was able to do a good weeks work. Bad weather weeks are usually the best weeks as you find the people at home and in a mood to talk to you.

We have plenty of territory like that in which Brother Godwin is working. We know there are many truthhungry souls out there awaiting the coming of the evangelistic colporteur. Dear reader are you perfectly satisfied that you are not of the hundred that should be out hunting for these souls? The servant of the Lord said some time ago, "I know that where there is one canvasser in the field there should be one hundred."

If the still small voice has been saying, "You ought to be doing something to give the message" consider seriously the business of scattering the printed page as a means of saving souls. The writer will be glad to correspond with those who may have a desire to take up this line of work. C. V. LEACH.

Takoma Park, D. C.

VIRGINIA

A Great Impetus in the Colporteur Work in Virginia

The institute is now a thing of the past, but the instruction given by Elder Richardson will long live with those who were fortunate enough to be there. There has been much need of just such instruction as the Lord has given us through his servant, for we can see as never before the importance of recanvassing territory over and over with the message filled books. There is already a noticeable improvement in the reports that are coming in. The institute has proved and will prove of great value to the colporteur work in Virginia.

The work is onward. Brother Charles Jones has just made another splendid delivery with "Great Controversy" having spent nine weeks and three days, or three hundred and thirty six hours taking orders and delivering. His delivery amounted to \$450.00, or about \$1.34 per hour for actual time put in the field. This sounds good for a winter time delivery. Truly the Lord is greatly blessing Brother Jones in placing "Great Controversy."

Brother Hendricks has also been very successful, and from now on we can look for better things from this field in the colporteur work, as new recruits are entering the field. One brother said to the writer as he asked for territory, "Iam afraid I shall lose my spirituality if I do not get into the work." I am glad that some begin to feel this way. I believe that many will have a dwarfed Christian experience because they have chosen an occupation that in itself does not stand for the advancement of God's cause at this time.

Many because of pecuniary advantage absent themselves from the work of the Lord, and God cannot bless them with a rich experience such as our colporteurs are having daily in the field.

The writer was very much encouraged when Brother Jones told him of the two brethren of Republican Grove, Va., who have embraced the truth from reading a "Great Controversy," which he sold in North Carolina to a sister of one of these brethren, she having loaned the book to her mother and then to her brother, and he to a friend, and the three embraced the truth as the result of reading this one book. And these two brethren each in his turn with horse and buggy heiped Brother Jones in his delivery. thus helping to place more copies of "Great Controversy" in the field.

Those who read themselves into the truth love it, and are anxious to see it spread. I mention this that all may see the importance of the colporteur work. I had rather have the knowledge of knowing that I placed hundreds of "Great Controversy" in the field than a good bank account, or any position as the gift of the people.

From time to time, I will write a few of the rich experiencies that have been mine to enjoy in the colporteur work; also the words of cheer, praise, and courage, from some of those who received the books.

W. H. GEORGE, Field Agent.

Missionary Work by Our Lay Brethren

That there is a great field open for our lay brethren and sisters to enter, and give the message to their friends and neighbors, is being demonstrated day by day, and the fact that this work will increase more and more as the days go by is evidenced by the greater interest that is being taken in this work.

The Lord has said, "The work of God in the earth can never be finished until the men and women composing our church-membership rally to the work, and unite their efforts with those of ministers and church officers." Testimonies, Vol. 9, page 117. According to this the work can never be finished until our lay brethren and sisters are actively engaged in missionary work. But the work is to be finished, and that, in this generation. So the time is coming, and I believe it is at the door, when we will see a great awakening upon the part of our lay brethren and sisters in missionary endeavor.

The following experience will actually be witnessed in the near future, for the time has come; the hour has struck.

"In visions of the night representations passed before me of a great reformatory movement among God's Many were praising God. people. The sick were bealed, and other miracles were wrought. A spirit of intercession was seen, even as was manifested before the great day of Pentecost. Hundreds and thousands were seen visiting families, and opening before them the Word of God. Hearts were convicted by the power of the Holy Spirit, and a genuine conversion was manifested. On every side doors were thrown open to the proclamation of the truth. The world seemed to be lightened with the heavenly influence. Great blessings were received by the true and humble people of God. Yet some refused to be converted." *Testimonies*, Vol. 9, page 126.

There are movements now in many places, that indicate that we are on the verge of just such a movement. These movements are not in one locality, but in many places.

A few days ago, a letter came to our office telling of how one of our sister was gathering her neighbors together and simply reading selections from some of our good literature, and telling us of the interest that was manifested in hearing these blessed truths. This work can be done by thousands of Seventh-day Adventists.

A few days later a brother wrote me that he and another brother were holding Bible reading nearly every night with their neighbors and that a number were becoming interested, whom they had heretofore thought could not be interested in the truth.

Only just a few days agolone of our sisters wrote to me for some instruction as to how to begin giving Bible readings to her neighbors, and she closes by saying, "We must engage in this work if we ever have a home in the earth made new. If I know my own heart, there is nothing in this world that I prize more than this truth. It is very precious to me."

Others are being moved in this direction; and when there comes a general move in this work by the body of our lay brethren and sisters, we will see many more praising God, the sick healed, and a mighty power of God manifested in the loud cry of the message. For this let us all pray.

W. J. STONE.

News Notes

Elder S. B. Horton, religious liberty secretary for the Columbia Union Conference, arrived in Richmond this week, and will remain in this locality for some days in the interest of religious liberty work. He will also visit Petersburg, and, perhaps, hold one or two meeting there. There is a Sunday bill now before the Virginia Legislature, which may also be given some attention. This question is becoming a live issue everywhere at the present time.

Brother G. W. Hendricks returned to North Emporia where he expects to finish his territory, and then go to South Hampton County to continue the sale of "Past, Present, & Future." He is of good courage, and enjoyed the instruction received at the institute. Brother Jacob Meyer left last week for Smithfield, Va. where he expects to engage in the sale of "Great Controversy." Word from him states that he is of good courage, and the Lord is blessing him in taking orders for that good book "Great Controversy."

I have enjoyed Elder Richardson's instruction very much and I am very glad to see the interest that is being aroused in the canvassing work in Virginia. BELLA SPARKS.

Brother Ira Hawkins, who was once a member of the Richmond church, but is now living in Hampton, Va., is going to take up the colporteur work this week. We are glad to learn this, and trust that the Lork will give him excellent success.

Brother A. M. Neff was able last week, Thursday, to accompany his brother, John, to the Washington Sanitarium, where he will remain for a few weeks, endeavoring to regain his health. Many prayers have ascended to God for his recovery, and many words of sympathy have come to the office besides the many letters that have come to him direct to his home. We trust that his stay at the Sanitarium will be of great benefit to him.

February 28 was Religious Liberty Day, and we trust that it was observed in all of our churches, and that a liberal offering was received for this branch of the work. The program for this occasion was followed in the First Richmond church. Brother Goode, the local elder, was in charge of the meeting, Elders Dowsett, Walker and Stone also taking part. A good interest was manifested in the services, and a liberal collection was taken. We ask that our churches that did not take up a collection, do so yet, as the money is greatly needed for this line of work.

Sister Rice in reporting her work at Lynchburg says that she wishes that she could send in a more encouraging report, but just as two are about ready to take their stand upon all points of our faith, they are moving from Lynchburg to Pennsylvania. While this may be a loss to our conference, yet we trust the interest will be followed up with them by the Pennsylvania Conference, and that they may be brought fully into the faith. The work is one, and all we

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should desire is that they are brought fully into the faith. Much prejudice has been allayed through the labors of Sister Rice at Lynchburg and good seed has bean sown. We believe that God will in due time give a harvest of souls.

Brother R. T. Dowsett, the Union Conference treasurer and auditor, has been in Richmond for the past week assisting Brother Johnson in getting the books in shape to be properly turned over. Brother Dowsett was here the first part of January and audited the books, but as a trial balance had not been made out, he could not verify the cash, and as but little of the business of the office had been placed on the books since Brother Neff has been sick, all of this had to be done and the books balanced to date that Brother Johnson might have everything in hand and know just the standing of every item of business.

Brother Mallory is now holding a series of meetings at Spencer. He earnestly requests the prayers of God's people upon the work there.

Mrs. W. J. Stone has so far recovered from the sciatica, that she was at church a week ago last Sabbath, the first time for nearly two months.

Sister Myrtle Robertson has recovered from her cold sufficiently to go forward with her Bible work. She reports some interested readers for whom she has hopes.

Brother F. N. Johnson arrived in Richmond, February 17 and began his work in the office the 18th. A number of our people have ere this been in communication with him, and will in this way become acquainted with him.

Elder Walker returned last week from Portsmouth, he and Brother Gordon having decided it was best to close the meetings there for the present. About fifteen took a stand for the truth. Eight were baptized, and others will go forward in baptism as soon as the weather is warmer, as they wish to be baptized in a large body of water. There are others still deeply interested.

There was a good attendance at the young people's meeting last Sabbath afternoon, at the First Richmond church. Fully forty were present, including some of the older persons. Elder Dowsett had charge of the services and a deep impression seemed to prevail that a fuller consecration was needed in order to properly carry forward the work entrusted to us.

A Present Opportunity

A golden opportunity is at our door, and it should be used in strengthening the foundation of our special work in all places. This opportunity comes with the new Temperance Instructor. It not only instantly appeals to the best people in all localities, but it is the strongest, condensed temperance educator ever published. It will prepare the way for gospel literature to follow. The temperance people all over the United States and Canada volunteerly write in praise of the new Temperance Number, and our workers all say it takes among the best people everywhere, yet, our people in many places are not making enough of it. Too many are letting a most favorable opportunity pass unused. Of the Instructor a business man recently wrote the following:

"To read the Temperance Instructor means good by to liquor and tobacco. To even see it, with its impressive illustrations, is enough to tell the story of a needed reform."

Another business man wrote the editor as follows:

"You have struck the nail on the head in publishing the Temperance Instructor. I just purchased a copy of it, and saw at once it was the most effective publication on temperance I had ever seen. If it is circulated all over the country, it will give the death blow to the liquor traffic."

Mr. T. M. Hare, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Maryland, wrote to the editor the following words:

"I have examined with interest the last copy of the Youth's Instructor, and I find it, as always, simply splendid. It ought to be in every home in the nation, and we shall be glad to cooperate in anyway within our power to extend its circulation."

A minister in one of the popular churches writes to the editor as follows:

"Dear Editor:—I enclose \$2.00 in payment for 50 copies additional for our Sunday-school. I very quickly distributed the copies sent us last week. In the past month, we have knocked out two saloons. My charge is now clear of these pests I have used this 'magazine with mighty ef-

fect Wish you would send the 50 copies I now order, at your earliest convenience. We need them for next Sunday. S. B. Bidlock, *Pastor.*"

The conferences in the Pacific Union are marshalling for one of the strongest efforts they have ever made in the temperance work. Their Union Conference President, E. E. Andross, is taking the lead. He writes as follows in the *Pacific Union Recorder*:—

"I am sorry that we have not always taken as active and aggressive an interest in the temperance question as we should. The Lord has said "The tame way in which the temperance question has been handled by our people is not in harmony with the necessity of the times." The work of making known our belief in matters of temperance should now be entered into most heartily."

"The Temperance Instructor is now ready for circulation, and it should be sowed broadcast all over this state. I know of no better medium for the education of the public mind on this question than the use of this splendid paper. I feel confident that this is the best number ever put out, and deserves the widest possible circulation. This latest number has just come to my hand, and as I read its pages, I received a new inspiration in the temperance cause. I am sure that every Seventh-day Adventist church in this state should at once organize its forces for a united campaign to place this paper in the hands of every voter in its vicinity. Undoubtedly the friends of temperance generally will recognize the value of this paper and will unite with us in this effort.

"There is no time to lose if we are to be successful in educating the masses to cast their vote on the right side next November. I trust that each conference will take this matter up at once, and assist the local church officers, in organizing their forces for aggressive work, and in legitimate ways to advance the interest of this cause. Let us unite our efforts with the friends of temperance everywhere, that if possible, victory may crowu the banners of the temperance hosts, that the demon of intemperance may be driven from our state, and later from our nation. Let this be the trumpet blast that will call every man, woman and child into active service till the battle is over and the victory is won."

"Whatever may be our occupation, we are to be missionaries, having for our chief aim the winning of souls to Christ "

J. S. Neely, Armstrong Co. L. M. Yohe, Armstrong Co.

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COLLEGE NOTES

The Bible Workers' Band

It was a privilege recently to meet with this splendid band of more than fifty young ladies.

The close attention to instruction given, and the many questions placed in the question box, showed a desire toknow more of the Word and how to better work for the Master.

This is the largest band of the kind ever connected with the school and with its good leadership and instruction is making progress as indicated by its present activities.

We feel sure the influence of these dear young people will be felt not only in the homeland, but in fields far distant, as they go forth in future days to carry the gospel to those who sit in darkness.

May they, with all the other young people in our denomination, ever remember our aim, "The gospel to all the world in this generation," realizing it is "not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord,"that the work is done. E. M. TALMAGE.

Mt. Gilead, Ohio.

The report of the Mount Vernon College Sabbath-school for the second term shows an average membership of 147. The average attendance was 139.

The donations amounted to \$182.95. A special donation amounting to \$17.25 was taken in response to a call from Mr. C. C. Belgrave, a former student, for lamps to be used in the school he is conducting in India. This made the total donations \$200.20 for the term.

Elder W.G. Kneeland visited his daughter Florence, at the College, Sabbath and Sunday, February 29 and March 1.

Elder Kneeland has spent twelve years laboring in the West Indies and is now preparing to return to take charge of the work in Panama. He sails from New York March 14 for Cristabol. Mrs. Kneeland and their son will follow early in the spring, while Florence will remain here in school one year.

Elder Kneeland spoke to the Mount Vernon Church Sabbath on "The Need of Consecration for the Lord's Work."

"Let the church members awake. let every member take up his individual work, and vindicate the name of the Lord by which he is called."

Canvassers' Reports

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Dear Friend in the Signs Work:

You will be glad to know that 25,000 copies of the March Signs of the Times magazine have gone out, to date. The 2,500 copies remaining will doubtless be called for within the next few days. Taking into consideration the trying weather of February, we feel that the placing of the entire edition of 27,500 copies is a most encouraging item to go into another month's record of the publishing of this truth.

You never know the interest a single magazine may create. One envelope reaching us a few days ago, contained the back page torn from a recent Signs magazine on which was advertised the package of Sabbath tracts. 25 cents accompanied it with order for the tracts. This is only an example of scores of orders for tracts, pamphlets, and periodicals that come to the various offices. Perhaps you sell the magazine and go on your way. These seeds of truth have in them di vine life, and the promise is that some will fall on good ground. Never have there been greater evidences of the truth of this promise than now.

You will find some very fine things in the April number. Dr. Read, the editor and artist, is a lover of nature. This month he has given us for the cover, a rare piece of canyon near the Big Redwood Trees Reserve in the Santa Cruz Mountains.

You will appreciate Elder Wilcox's article, which presents enough of the effects of some of the present day preaching and teaching to emphasize in a wonderful way God's everlasting gcpel. You can say that it deals with the popular teacning that man has divinity in himself, and shows its influence upon the present social and religious conditions.

Brother Connerly's article will appeal to a large class of readers. It presents the influence of the Panama Canal from another standpoint, and opens up an interesting study of the Prophetic Word. There has been a demand for more articles on Astronomy. Professor Larkin of Mount Lowe Observatory has furnished three very educational articles, the first appearing this month. These furnish variety and will be popular with many. Among the splendid short doctrinal and practical Christianity articles is one by Sister White on the Sabbath question

We are in hopes that you will want to use a large number of this issue. By the time your order reaches us, the magazine will be ready for mailing. Will you not join with us this month in putting this splendid number into the hands of at least 35 000 persons? Order through your tract society.

Yours for advancing the message, SIGNS OF THE TIMES MAGAZINE.

WANTED .- A home or homes for four children. Three are girls ages as follows:-Lillian, nine years; Esther, seven: Annie, five; one boy named John, nine months old. These children are blond in complexion. Their mother is dying of cancer of stomach. Their father is a drunkard. Relatives tbreaten to rear them Catholic, but the mother is anxious to have them reared in the truth and the father is now willing. No time should be lost in arranging it. They are in Philadelphia, Pa. For further particulars write to Brother A. C. Schultz, 1346, Lindenwood Street, Philadelphis, Pa.

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Signs of the Times, Youths Instructor, and Our Little Friend to be used in our little Sabbath-school and for missionary purposes.

MRS. E. A. MITCHELTREE,

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The Missionary Volunteers are doing well in their efforts to raise \$25,000 this year for the Orient.

"Do not fail to read "Wild Life in the Rockies." It can still be obtained for \$1.10.

... The April Watchman

It is clear that the minds of eminent men are being impressed with the nearness of the coming of Christ. This fact is emphasized by the remarkable International Prophetic Conference recently held in Chicago, Ill. In the April issue there appears a complete report of this world-wide gathering. Prominent divines and Bible students met to study the Scriptures with entire reference to the probecies pertaining to our Lord's soon coming. This body also received universal requests for a series of studies on Daniel and Revelation.

In view of the fact that our good magazines bear the same message more clearly, a striking opportunity is thus afforded us. The soil is being prepared. Now is our time to act. Are we ready? Our message is the solution. Our people can give it; our magazines contain the truth. Shall we warn our friends?

The Watchman for April in addition to this excellent report will contain the following striking features:

The Hand of God in History.

Is the Government without Authority?

The Other Side of Eeath.

The Unimpeachable Witness.

The Apostolic and Remnant Church. Do not miss the April issue. Order a supply through your local tract society. Rates in quantities, 5 to 40 copies, 5 cents each; more than 50 copies, 4 cents each. To Canada, 5 cents each. Single copies, 10 cents.

WANTED.—To correspond with a strong willing Sabbath keeping boy of 16 years or thereabouts, who would like to have a home and learn the painting and paper-hanging business. References exchanged. Address Jos. Konigmacher, 1209 Lang Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

WANTED. -- A boy from 12 to 15 years old to do chores and assist on a farm among Sabbath keepers. Our children are married and would like some one with us. For particulars address Solomon Brown, Fleetwood, Pa.

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"Those who are united to the church should be living, working agents to impart light to those who are in darkness."

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OBITUARY

RHOADS .- Jonas L. Rhoads was born near Birdsboro, Berks County, Pa., on September 6, 1853. Brother Rhoads was for years a leader in the United Brethren Church at Baumstown. Study of the Bible led into greater light, separating from them he later found and united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Brother Rhoads was elder of the Reading, Pa., church of Seventh-day Adventists for over twenty years serving with great faithfulness. He was often called to serve on committies of the conference, such as nominating and auditing committies. He was beloved by all who knew him. His last illness was of only eight days' duration. But it was the culmination of two years of failing health and towards the last he had frequent attacks of severe pain and weakness. Bronchia trouble, combined with other complications finally brought about his death 10:30 A. M., December 25, 1913. Brother Rhoads was 60 years, 3 months, 18 days of age. He is survived by his widow, one daughter, one brother, four sisters, and one grand-daughter.

The writer, assisted by Elder O. F. Schwedrat, conducted the funeral serveces at the residence in the country near Birdsboro. About 200 people packed the house, the majority having only standing room. The text of the sermon was Rev. 14:12-14 and I Thess. 4:13-18.

We laid Brother Rhoads to rest in the Ammityville Cemetery in the country about five miles east of his residence. We have the blessed assurance that if we are faithful we shall meet him soon in the immortal world at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ when he comes with all his holy angels to gather to himselt his saints and take them to those mansions he has prepared in the Heavenly City of our God where "They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes." Rev. 7:16,17.

H. M. J. RICHARDS.

TRIMBLE .- Mrs. Ella Trimble was born in Powell County, Kentucky, April 16. 1871. She died February 3, 1914, at the age of 42 years, 9 months, and 17 days. Her maiden name was Ella Griffy. In the year 1892 she was married to Andrew P. Trimble in Winchester, Kentucky, and with her husband moved to Zanesville, Ohio, where the family resided six months. From Zanesville the family removed to Newark. Ohio, where they subsequently resided. In the year 1895 Mrs. Trimble joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church of which she remained a member till the time of her death. The hope of a soon coming Saviour who will bring life and eter-. • 11.511 nal joy to all who trust in him was that which cheered her heart in times of discouragement. It is hopefully believed thet her faith in Christ to forgive her sins was firm at the last. Her husband, two daughters, Miss Alice Strassell, of Louisville, Kentucky, and Katherine Trimble, her mother, four sisters and three brothers beside her brothers and sisters in the church and many friends survive her.

H. A. WEAVER.

BATEMAN.—Mrs. Rebecca J. Bateman, widow of Harrison Bateman, died at her home near Port Republic, Va., December 4, 1913, aged 81 years, 2 months, and 4 days. Funeral services were held from her late residence, conducted by the Methodist minister, from Isa. 64:5. Her remains were interred in the family graveyard. My sister was taken ill last March and had been a great sufferer ever since.

She will be greatly missed by her many friends.

Farewell, dear sister, sweet thy rest,

Weary with years and worn with pain Farewell, till in the resuerrection morn,

We shall behold thy face again.

C. M. HOOKE.

METCALF. MrsCoraShriver Metcalf was born in Tyler County, W. Va., February 24, 1977, and died in Akron, Ohio February 13, 1914, being 36 years 11 months, and 19 days old. She was united in marrage to F. C. Metcalf September 29, 1901. She became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in 1901, since which time she lived a very devoted Christian life. She acted the part of a loving wife and a Christian mother in the home. She expessed a strong desire to live and rear up her children and would have much desired to live until the coming of the Lord, but was fully resigned to his will knowing that he does all things well. She died believing in the soon coming of Christ and in the hope of a part in the first resurrection. She leaves a husband, four children as well as a father. mother, five sisters, and four brothers to mourn their loss. Words of comfort based on Ps. 90: 12 were spoken by the writer to a large company of friends and relatives.

R. G. PATTERSON.

"When we are thoroughly tired and discouraged, then is the time to be really cheerful. Cheerfulness under blue skies and sunshine may only be a reflection of the cheeriness of the surroundings. It is the gray day and the hard road that test the real courage and sunniness of the soul."

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