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

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GENERAL MATTER

The Secret of Power in Preaching

The popular preacher of today is inclined to rely more upon human ability than upon the Word of God in his pulpit work. It is possible for those who have trained to that end, to move mightily men and multitudes by the use of eloquence and by appealing to the pathetic and humorous inclination of their hearers. The magnetic speaker may seem to have great power over his congregation though he may make but little use of the Word of God or refer only incidentally to spiritual things. Many of the sermons connected with the modern revivals are of that character. There may seem to be a power in such preaching but it is not the power that reaches the soul and that leads to conviction and conversion. There is a danger and some tendency for our ministers to gravitate toward that method of preaching. I believe that we do well to bear in mind the one brief word of counsel which Paul gave to Timothy when he said to that young man, "Preach the Word." The import of this counsel, when we take into account all that has been said in reference to this matter of preaching in the Word, is of special significance to young and old today. To Peter, the Saviour said, "Feed my sheep." In this he referred to the ministry of the Word to his followers. The Word of the prophet to the workers in the cause of Christ is, "Sow beside all waters." To the disciples the Saviour said on one occasion, "Go thou and preach the kingdom of God." In the time of persecution when the followers of the Saviour were scattered, it is said of them, "Therefore, they that were scattered abroad went everywhere preaching the Word." Every minister should ever have in mind this commission given by the Saviour, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

Of the Saviour's own ministry it is written: "And straightway many were gathered together, insomuch

that there was no room to receive them, no, not so much as about the door: and he preached the Word unto them." The gospel is God's power unto salvation. The Word of God, which is a sword to be used by the gospel worker, is living and powerful. It should ever be borne in mind that human might and human power cannot accomplish that which is needed for the human soul. The Word makes wise unto salvation, and it reaches the very depths of the human heart to accomplish the transformation needed.

Of this Word, the prophet has said, "It shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereunto I sent it." With these thoughts in mind, we can realize the import of the counsel: "Let the words of Christ dwell in you richly," to one who is preparing for or engaging in the ministry.

We have seen many noble examples in our work of men who become strong in their ministry through their relying upon the power there is in the Word. How unwise it is to depart from such a practice and preach sermons that are made up largely of nonessentials, though they may please the hearers. The most genuine and effective revivals that I have ever witnessed have followed the simple presentation of the clear-cut, vital lines of truth based upon the Word of God.

In this movement in which we are now engaged, the everlasting gospel is to be preached by proclaiming those truths and prophecies which pertain to this time. Special power is to accompany such a proclamation of the gospel.

I recall the case of a young man whom I knew as a canvasser. He finally entered the ministry in Michigan; and while possessed of only ordinary ability, he became a power in the work. In the state of California before his death, the Lord used him mightily in the preaching of the Word. The secret of his success was in the splendid knowledge of the truth which he had. He had acquainted himself with the prophecies for this

time so thoroughly that at any time, on any occasion, he could take up any of the lines of truth and present them in such a clear manner as to fascinate his hearers and convince them of the truthfulness of his message. I believe that our workers, and especially our young men preparing for the ministry, should not lose sight of the fact that their success in the ministry will depend much more upon the effective preaching of the Word than upon attempted eloquence or oratory.

It is a wonderful privilege to be permitted to minister unto humanity this gospel which is God's power to save. To depart from it in any degree and to depend upon human devisings and man-made methods will to that extent make impotent our efforts for lost humanity.

E. K. SLADE.

OHIO

Notice Concerning the Baltimore Meeting

Those who are to attend the Conference at Baltimore are planning to go by the Baltimore & Ohio from Pittsburgh, and will take the 10:25 train from that place Monday, April 27.

If those who are not delegates who desire to attend will meet with us there, arrangements will be made by which about four dollars can be saved on the round trip from that point. Will those who plan to attend this meeting and desire to unite with the company there, write Brother H. D. Holtom of your intentions? This meeting will be a very important one and of great profit, I believe, to all who attend.

E. K. SLADE.

The Coming Missionary Volunteer Day

The program and readings for Missionary Volunteer Day, which is to be observed in all our churches the first Sabbath in May, will be found in the *Review & Herald* of April 16.

I feel very anxious that our church officers in every church in the confer-

ence will observe this day in a fitting way. Though you may have but very few young people in your church, it will be well, I believe, if you can carry out the program.

It is designed to be a time of earnest study and careful consideration of the great problem of saving and training for service the children and youth of our denomination. May we not have the fullest cooperation of our church officers in making this a most profitable occasion for the Missionary Volunteer work in Ohio?

It is well to have the plans made and the nature of the service of that day well announced beforehand.

E. K. SLADE.

OHIO TITHE RECEIPTS

MARCH, 1914

Akron.....	\$ 98 17
Alliance.....	6 45
*Barnesville.....	13 60
Bellville.....	22 10
Bellefontaine.....	.....
*Broughton.....	3 80
Bowling Green.....	207 69
Bucyrus.....	6 75
Camden.....	17 91
Canaan.....	20 38
Canton.....	49 28
Chagrin Falls.....	66 01
Charloe.....	2 50
Chillicothe.....	.....
Cincinnati.....	155 33
" Msn.....	.....
Cleveland Eng.....	60 79
Cleveland German.....	.....
Clyde.....	28 93
Columbus.....	317 46
Columbus S. D. A. Mission.....	.....
Conneaut.....	24 27
Corsica.....	.....
Coshocton.....	40 75
Dayton.....	84 98
Defiance.....	2 50
Delaware.....	8 00
Delta.....	177 52
Derwent.....	12 00
Dowling.....	2 00
Dunkirk.....	.....
East Liverpool.....	.....
Elgin.....	22 82
Findlay.....	60 80
Greenspring.....	.....
Gilboa.....	.....
Hamler.....	.....
Hamilton.....	43 12
Hicksville.....	18 15
*Jackson.....	.....
Jefferson.....	.....
Killbuck.....	10 17
LaGrange.....	59 44
*Lakeville.....	.....
Lakeview.....	38 13
Liberty Center.....	8 10
Laura.....	.....

Lima.....	.....
Locust Point.....	.....
Leeburg.....	.....
Mansfield.....	34 40
Marion.....	40 19
Marshfield.....	.....
Medina.....	.....
Mendon.....	2 00
Mount Vernon.....	350 50
Newark.....	76 65
Norwalk.....	.....
New Philadelphia.....	.....
Nova.....	5 60
Ohio City.....	8 00
Piqua.....	31 91
Pleasant Hill.....	15 42
Powell.....	.....
Ravenna.....	47 04
*Reedsville.....	.....
Rows.....	14 00
Sandusky.....	42 00
Sherwood.....	.....
Spencer.....	.....
Springfield.....	80 06
Toledo.....	92 05
Troy.....	.....
Van Wert.....	1 62
Wlanut Grove.....	17 30
Washington C. H.....	.....
Waterford.....	42 00
Wilmington.....	5 10
*West Mansfield.....	.....
Wheelersburg.....	9 08
Youngstown.....	72 43
Zanesville.....	73 41
Individuals.....	44 63
Jackson.....	4 87

TOTAL..... 2,842 56

*Companies

H. D. HOLTOM, *Treas.*

TOTAL RECEIPTS, ALL SOURCES

MARCH, 1914

Tithe.....	2,842 56
Tract Society.....	1766 25
Sabbath-school Donations.....	1006 57
Missions.....	108 61
Harvest Ingathering.....	21 43
Religious Liberty.....	154 98
Annual Offerings.....	.....
Weekly Donations.....	70 57
Mount Vernon College Fund.....	1 25
Colored Work.....	2 73
Refund Labor Expense.....	.....
Ministry of Healing.....	.....
Loma Linda.....	.....
Stereopticon Fund.....	.....
Orphans and Aged.....	.....
Clinton Seminary.....	.....
Tent and Hall Collections.....	.....
Cooperation Fund (Signs Times).....	.....
Expense Refund.....	.....
Mid Summer Offering.....	.....
Ingathering Missions.....	.....
Gospel Herald.....
Philippines.....
Mission Literature.....

South America.....
China.....	4 58

TOTAL..... \$5979 53

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The Home Missionary Work

It is encouraging to see the marked increase in this quarter's report over that of the previous quarter. A larger number of churches have reported for which we are thankful, it is sad, however, to have to report so many as a blank on account of no word being received of the work they are doing. I trust, dear reader, that as you look carefully down the list till you find the name of your church you will study the figures and determine that, with the Lord's help, you will do all you can to cooperate with your missionary secretary in making the home missionary work a success in your church.

We feel sure that the reports sent us—although they are good—do not nearly represent the work being done. Brother Cassell, the tract society secretary, says that orders for tracts and other supplies for home missionary effort has increased wonderfully since the first of this year. This indicates an awakening all over the state. We believe that as the latter rain falls upon God's people individually this work will continue to grow and develop until every church member becomes fully aroused to do personal work for the salvation of souls.

"Heavenly angels have long been waiting for human agents—the members of the church—to cooperate with them in the great work to be done. *They Are Waiting For You.* So vast is the field, so comprehensive the design, that every sanctified heart will be pressed into service as an instrument of divine power." *Vol. 9, p46.*

J. H. McEACHERN.

"Facts indicate that 10% of the minister's time and attention and that of parents and church leaders is given to the winning and enlisting of the young. The harvest from this 10% is 80% of the accessions to the church and practically 90% of its officers and leaders. What would be the result if pastors, parents, and church officers gave 50% or 60% of their time and energy to the efficiency and conservation of the young life for the church?"—John L. Alexander, in *"The Sunday School and the Teens."*

How many young people did you try to lead to Christ last week?

Report of Home Missionary Work of Ohio Conference for First Quarter 1914

Name of Church	Membership	No. Reporting	Missionary Meetings	Letters Written	Letters Received	Missionary Visits	Bible Readings and Cottage Meetings	Subscriptions for Periodicals	Papeps Sold	Papers Mailed, Lent or Given Away	Books Sold	Books Lent or Given Away	Tracts Sold	Tracts Lent or Given Away	Hours of Christian Help Work	Articles of Clothing Given	No. of Meals Provided	Treatments Given	Offerings to Home Missionary Work	No. Conversions
Akron	67			10	6	50	12		300	100	100	8		50				2		
Alliance	17																			
Bellefontaine	20																			
Belleville	6																			
Bowling Green	56																			
Camden	40	3					1		1	18	28				2	1		19		
Canaan	17	5	3	10		5				86		3	8	330			1			
Canton	16	9	12			6	46		310	58	48	8		60	1	bb1	5	2	\$5 28	
Chagrin Falls	30	16	12	6	2	28	12		14	273	31	6		171	22	12		2	8 65	
Charloe	16	4		6	3			20		20				40	18	10			80	
Chillicothe	5																			
Cincinnati	80	18	4	105	96	205	92	3	774	1391	32	82		1138	404	84	41	22	5 39	
Cincinnati (Colored)	16																			
Cleveland	181																			
Cleveland (German)	55	34	9	16	4	74	24	4	221	139	2	3	430	540	1				1 40	
Clyde	40	8		36	15	20	27			252		8	32	4	13		8			
Columbus	133																			
Conneaut	8	5		6		40	1			15		1		150		22			45	
Corsica	14																			
Coshocton	12	6	3	14		6	3		85	140		5	150	30	14	4	2			1
Dayton																				
Defiance	14	5	6	6	10	12			40	93		6		5	76		2	1	83	
Delaware																				
Delta	22																			
Derwent	7																			
E. Liverpool	19	8	12	8	4	7	7	1		301	1	12	28	1058	6	19	4			
Elgin																				
Findlay	27																			
Hamilton	31	22	3	15	17	78	6		555	316		31		137	79	35	131	3		
Hamler																				
Hicksville	21	22	12	84	22	280	57	5	63	83	56	14	3	475	14	110	25	61	4 28	12
Jefferson	20																			
Killbuck	18																			
La Grange	53																			
Lake View	22	18	3	16	6	26	43	2	11	85		10		92	8	1	4		5 71	
Laura	12	4					1	4		6		1					2			
Leesburg	16	16	4	10	1	35	10	10	5		90	24	26		160		15	16		
Liberty Centre	32																			
Lima																				
Locust Point	6																			
Mansfield	9	0	3																	
Marion	11	6	3	1	3	36	24	12	26	106	20	4		84	40	3	2	11	7 00	
Medina	4																			
Mendon	4																			
Mt. Vernon	240		12	89	50	202	49	26	207	1204	13	67	29	1048	347	173	93	6	14 84	
Newark	45																			
New Philadelphia	10	15	3			40	11	1	80	56	4		89	21	12	9				
Norwalk	40	15	12	15		68	20	25	600	562	5	7		2342	112	106	59			
Nova	12	3								76										
Ohio City	11																			
Piqua	17	5	3	8		201	89	3	93	90	5	5	28	1127				2	14 02	4
Pleasant Hill	16	9	12	14	1	11	1	1		123	23		872	361					5 63	1
Ravenna	15	6	12	4	2	5		2	100	130	3	5		226	4	1	1		2 87	
Rows	10																			
Spencer	14				3					294				15		3		3		
Springfield	80	25	3	40	13	48	25		579	479	14	28		456	115	10	28	7		
Toledo	73	45	12	208	36	149	113	41	125	654	40	92	1	669	163	240	66	88		
Van Wert	7	2	4	5		2				16				950						
Walnut Grove																				
Washington C. H.	1	4				13	28		8	62	5	2	10	66				6	11 08	
Waterford	22																			
Wheelersburg	22																			
Wilmington	37																			
Youngstown	28	5	2	10	8	31	5	50	223	18	23	4	22	3	7	41			60	
Zanesville	50	9	24	15	46	55	55	5	75	25	20	18		113	61	26	72	19	40 00	4
Dr. A. W. Herr				3		15				2032			57	449						
Miscellaneous		3		21		40			56	311				788	5					
Totals		346	173	794	314	1764	777	219	4551	8627	502	512	1520	13545	1595	949	557	262	129 83	22

Where is your Morning Watch Calendar? Keep it where it will remind you to keep your daily appointments with the Master.

The Missionary Volunteers this year are giving through their societies \$2.50 or more each for foreign missions. Are you.

"God has my life planned in his best way, He holds in his hand each passing day; What this plan is I do not know, Enough for me God planned it so."

CHESAPEAKE

The Colporteur Work

Our canvassers are full of courage. Our institute, recently held, was a great help.

Brother G. R. Apsley, Cumberland, Maryland, writes, "We are having excellent experiences with the people. We enjoy studying the Word of God as we visit with the people in their homes at night, and trust we are sowing some seeds of truth that will spring up and bring forth an abundant harvest. We find people hungering for truth, and I am convinced that there is no higher work in which we can engage than that of getting the truth in the homes of the people."

Brother T. H. Barritt of the same city says, "I have had some blessed experiences, too numerous to mention. I met one old man, seventy, years of age, who wants to become a Christian, and as I talked to him of the glorious future, the tears trickled down his cheeks, and I know the Spirit of the Lord was present. I love this work, and cannot imagine anything else in connection with the giving of this message that will bring a man closer to the Lord than the canvassing work; not even the ministry. We need your prayers."

Brother Geo. Lawrence, Calvert Co., writes, "Although I am not so well, I am thankful I am still able to be on my feet. About three weeks ago a minister called on me and asked me to speak in his church, Sunday, April 1. I accepted the invitation. He advertised that a man from Baltimore would speak. When I reached the church I found it full to overflowing, packed to the door. The minister informed me that his congregation was back \$41 on his salary and he would like to get it that day if possible. I intended to speak for about forty minutes, but as I looked into the faces of the people, and saw my opportunity to give them the truth that the Lord had given to me, I spoke as the Lord gave me utterance, and words seemed to come faster than I could speak them for one hour and ten minutes. I then made an appeal for the minister's salary and the \$41 was brought forward and laid on the table. Then I took my book, "Daniel and Revelation," and gave a canvass, taking orders for \$19.00 worth of books. This included an order for the minister. He also gave me \$2.00 in cash. We know the Lord is with us in this field."

Brother J. J. Martin, also working

in Calvert Co., says, "I am still having excellent experiences here. Were it not for the fact that the women do not like to give an order unless their husbands know about it and are willing, we would hand these books out like 'hot cakes'."

These brethren, both working for "Daniel and Revelation," took orders last week to the amount of \$120.60 and \$75.80, respectively.

Brother J. E. Jones has been hindered somewhat in his work, as he has been suffering from boils on his neck.

Brother M. S. Pettibone has been kept at home much of the time in the last few weeks because of the illness of his mother, and because of a heavy cold from which he is suffering.

F. E. Hankins is spending part of this week attending the institute at the Seminary, Takoma Park, D. C.

Our mottoes will soon be here, and we shall be pleased to fill orders from any of the librarians in our various churches, as soon as they arrive. We know all will be pleased with these, and feel sure they will find ready sale in the homes of the people. We have had a few copies sent us for immediate use, and some of the Baltimore church No. 1 members have been out with them, and had good success. One little girl has sold a number of them, and some of the boys have also been able to dispose of a number of them.

EMMA S. NEWCOMER.

CHESAPEAKE TITHE RECEIPTS

MARCH, 1914

Baltimore No. 1.....	\$248.19
Baltimore No. 2.....	36.65
Baltimore No. 3.....	44.04
Blythesdale.....	19.05
Cambridge.....	20.49
Cheswold.....	52.18
Church Hill.....	11.66
Cumberland.....	44.30
Dover.....	12.47
Frederick.....	11.65
Fords Store.....	23.41
Hagerstown.....	19.02
Millington.....	22.59
Pondsville.....	12.19
Rock Hall.....	160.12
Smithsburg.....	7.22
Whitleysburg.....	56.45
Wilmington No. 1.....	153.23
Wilmington No. 2.....	46.31
Individuals.....	24.45

Total..... 1025.67

W. T. DURST, *Treas.*

"No man is ever defeated who does the work he was sent to do."

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Washington Sanitarium News Notes

Dr. Margaret Ross-Stewart gave an interesting and instructive talk to the young people at the meeting Friday, April 10. The subject was "The Relation of Health to the Religious Life." The more nearly perfect the health, the more capable a person is of comprehending and grasping spiritual things. The spiritual life also affects the physical. It is a stimulus to the whole being. The ideal is a perfect physical and spiritual development.

Ex-Senator Dubois and wife of Iowa, and Congressman Austin of Tennessee are at the Sanitarium as patients.

David Fairchild, who is at the head of one of the departments of agriculture gave an illustrated lecture at the seminary this week, on "The Monsters of Our Back Yards." Here we saw the spider as he would look if we were flies. The grasshopper, magnified many times, the butterfly, and many other insects and creatures of interest were thrown upon the screen. Mrs. Fairchild who is the daughter of Alexander Graham Bell, has been a patient at the Sanitarium for some time. She has purchased "Great Controversy" and "Patriarchs and Prophets."

The average number of patients entering the institution at present is three a day. The surgical patronage is large and the X-ray work is growing. The practicability of the use of the X-ray in diagnosis is being demonstrated.

Dr. V. Pampaian, of Constantinople is at the Sanitarium. He comes in the interests of the work. Mrs. Pampaian is also in this country. After enduring many hardships in Russia and Turkey experiencing the death of two children, and the loss of Mrs. Pampaian's health they come to recuperate. We wish these friends much of the Lord's blessing during their stay.

M. C. KUHN.

Save your *Instructor* for April 28 until you have written your reading course review. It contains the review questions on "Wild Life in the Rockies" and "In the Tiger Jungle."

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

Coudersport

The general meeting held at Coudersport, April 3-5, was on occasion of great spiritual refreshing to the brethren and sisters here. Elder F. H. Robbins met with us, and we greatly enjoyed his first visit to this part of the conference.

The Lord came very near to us on the Sabbath day at our communion service. A number of heartfelt confessions were made, and a wonderful blessing came to us all as the Lord drew near to us and bound our hearts together. A number stated that it was the most blessed quarterly occasion they had ever enjoyed.

On Sunday afternoon we met in the First Baptist church, which was kindly given to us for the service, when it was our privilege to lead four precious souls into the water to be buried with their Lord and rise to walk in a new life. This makes seven who have joined the church here by baptism and profession of faith since the first of January. We are all of good courage and feel like pressing on harder than ever. The church is taking hold nobly in a special campaign for the circulation of our tracts, and we also have a special temperance issue before us in which the *Temperance Instructor* is being used to good effect. A good-sized class is taking regular lessons in Bible work, that they may be better prepared to work effectually for their neighbors.

The heavy snows and severe weather have prevented doing much work in the country districts during the winter, but there are a number of places which need attention at the first opportunity. There is a large and needy field in this section of the conference which we trust will be remembered by all in their prayers.

B. F. KNEELAND.

The General Conference Committee has appointed Sabbath, May 2, as Missionary Volunteer Day. Every church is urged to observe it. The suggestive program appears in the *Review and Herald* for April 16.

Get a reading course gift book from the Missionary Volunteer Department this year.

Shall you be among the five hundred new Standard of Attainment members this year?

AT THE COLLEGE

Elder J. L. Shaw spent several days at the College recently in the interest of the Washington Missionary College. A number of the students in the college department are planning on entering that college in the fall. His visit was much appreciated and his talks were an inspiration to all.

Professor B. G. Wilkinson stopped off on business on his way home from the meeting held at Loma Linda. From Mount Vernon he went to Parkersburg, West Virginia, and from there to Washington, D. C.

The first six weeks' period of the last term of school closed Tuesday, April 14. The grades were given out Wednesday morning in chapel.

Miss Sadie Wise was called to her home in Shelbyville, Indiana, last week on account of her mother's illness.

We are sorry that Mr. Paul Johnston has had to stop his school work for a short time because of illness. He is now taking treatment at the sanitarium.

All are glad to have Miss Ruth Murphy, who recently underwent an operation at the sanitarium, in school again.

Elder H. F. Benson left Wednesday morning, April 15, for San Francisco, where he will join Mrs. Benson and sail for Japan, May 9.

Professor Hall has taken Elder Benson's place as preceptor.

Canvassing for Subscriptions

While good results will be obtained from the regular sale of periodicals from house to house, attention should also be given to obtaining subscriptions for them. Once paid for, the periodical will go to the home for a period of time, during which there will be given considerable light on this message.

"A mistake has been made in soliciting subscriptions for our periodicals for only a few weeks, when by a proper effort much longer subscriptions might have been obtained. One year's subscription is of more value than

many for a short time. When the paper is taken for only a few months, the interest often ends with the short subscription. Few renew their subscriptions for a longer period, and thus there is a large outlay time that brings small returns, when with a little more tact and perseverance, yearly subscriptions might have been obtained. You strike too low brethren; you are too narrow in your plans. You do not put into your work all the tact and perseverance that it deserves. There are more difficulties in this work than in some other branches of business; but the lessons that will be learned, the tact and discipline that will be acquired, will fit you for other fields of usefulness, where you may minister to souls. Those who poorly learn their lesson, and are careless in approaching persons, would show the same defects of manner, the same want of tact and skill in dealing with minds, should they enter the ministry.

"While short subscriptions are accepted, some will not make the necessary effort to obtain them for a longer time. Canvassers should not go over the ground in a careless, unconcerned manner. They should feel that they are God's workmen, and the love of souls should lead them to make every effort to enlighten men and women in regard to the truth. Providence and grace, means and ends, are closely connected. When his laborers do the very best they can, God does for them that which they cannot do for themselves; but no one need expect to succeed independently and by his own exertions. There must be activity united with firm trust in God."—*Testimonies for the Church*, Vol. V, Page 399.

This work of soliciting subscriptions for periodicals may be taken up in connection with the house to house sale of the papers, or may be made a regular business. There are workers who take a few sample copies with them and devote their efforts to securing subscriptions. They say it is almost as easy to obtain a subscription as to sell a single copy, and much more profitable, for then the visits of the paper are ensured for a length of time. It accomplishes more in a given time than the house to house sale does. Both methods have advantages, and each will reach some people that could be reached in no other way.

E. M. GRAHAM.

"It is effort, not genius, that crowns success:

And he will succeed who does his best."

Good Words for the Church Officers' Gazette

"We are much pleased with the first issue of the *Church Officers' Gazette*. We are also receiving good words from others who have seen the paper."

The *Church Officers' Gazette* is very interesting and instructive."

"I am surely pleased with the *Church Officers' Gazette* and can hardly wait until the next one comes. It has been a real help in our Missionary Volunteer Society work, and I feel so glad for it."

"I think the *Church Officers' Gazette* will be a great help to our churches. Most of them see a minister so seldom, they need some one to help them plan programs for their missionary meetings."

"We are very glad to see the *Church Officers' Gazette* coming out each month, for we know it will mean better informed leaders in our churches."

"We have received the *Church Officers' Gazette* and believe that as it is printed month by month it will surely be a strong factor in strengthening our church officers for the duties and responsibilities they carry."

"We are well pleased to have the good instruction to church officers now appearing in the *Church Officers' Gazette*."

"I am very much pleased with the *Church Officers' Gazette*. I believe this is going to be a great help to us with its practical suggestions for our missionary meetings."

I am glad the *Church Officers' Gazette* is going to cover instruction to practically all our church officers. This will be generally appreciated."

"I have just received the *Church Officers' Gazette* and think it is an excellent paper. I should like to see it in all our churches."

"We are very pleased with the *Church Officers' Gazette*. It is a very great need supplied."

"I have just been wondering how successful you have been in getting the *Church Officers' Gazette* into the church. We are anxious that it shall reach every officer in our conference, for we believe it will be of great value to the people."

"I have just received and read the *Church Officers' Gazette*. Its contents are very helpful. I thank God we have the publication. It will give me real pleasure to do what I can to extend its circulation."

"We are very glad for the *Church Officers' Gazette*. It is meeting a long felt want, and our church officers are getting to look for it for the help

Canvassers' Reports

Ohio, Week Ending April 10, 1914

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
L. H. Waters, Ottawa Co.		PPF	5	44	37	64 00	50	64 50	
A. L. Bassler, Noble Co.		DR	5	51	14	43 00	8 35	51 35	3 85
C. E. Reichenbach, Mt. Vernon		ES	5	23	11	43 00	3 00	46 00	
J. B. Reichenbach, Montg'y Co.		BR	5	33	11	35 00	6 90	41 90	6 00
C. G. Douglass, Summit Co.		ES	5	40	7	21 00	17 15	38 15	13 00
R. De Garmo, Medina Co.		GC	3	18	10	30 00		30 00	
W. Syphers, Wilmington		GC	4	30	7	22 00	7 05	29 05	8 75
Lloyd Swallen, Stark Co.		ES	5	25	1	4 00	24 00	28 00	1 95
J. H. Stafford, Lucas Co.		DR	5	38	9	27 00		27 00	4 25
Ray H. Chapin, Perry Co.		ES	3	26	7	24 00	2 10	26 10	5 00
Fred Hannah, Ashland Co.		GC	5	42	9	24 00	2 10	26 10	
J. L. Sauder, Portage Co.		ES	5	40	5	18 00	6 10	24 10	14 60
W. E. Wagner, Wilmington		GC	5	40	6	19 00	3 75	22 75	3 75
John Schick, Summit Co.		GC	4	22	3	9 00	9 50	18 50	5 25
W. E. Morgan, Columbia Co.		PPE	5	16	8	16 00	75	16 75	
Mrs. Sadie Conn, Cleveland		PPF	2	9	7	11 50	4 35	15 85	
Mrs. H. B. Wylie, Cleveland		PPF	4	12	7	13 00	1 40	14 40	5 70
W. H. Geisweller, Springfield		PP	4	19	4	12 00	1 50	13 50	
W. Wallace Kay, Stark Co.		ES	5	21	1	3 00	10 25	13 25	45 00
Tillie Gable, Cleveland		ES	4	19	3	9 00		9 00	3 50
Miscellaneous		GC	13	71	13	26 50	4 50	31 00	16 70
Totals	25 Agents		101	639	179	\$474 00	\$113 25	\$587 25	\$138 20

Chesapeake, Week Ending April 10, 1914

F. H. Barritt, Allegany Co.		DR	5	41	16	52 00	8 30	60 30	
G. R. Apsley, Allegheny Co.		DR	5	41	16	40 00	2 30	51 30	
G. W. Lawrence, Calvert Co.		DR	5	41	38	115 00	5 60	130 60	
Jno. J. Martin, Olivet		DR	5	46	24	73 00	2 80	75 80	4 00
Arthur Gibbs, Howard Co.		PPF	5	34	16	27 50	6 50	34 00	
J. E. Jones, Sussex Co.		PPF	5	40	29	52 50	17 00	69 50	75
M.S. Pettibone, A. Arundel Co.		PPF	3	19	9	18 00	9 45	27 45	
Naomi Geisenderfer, Arlington			2	11	6	11 50	2 25	13 75	
O. C. Weller, Frederick Co.		CK	6	40	34	52 00	6 00	58 00	
Magazines									
Naomi Geisenderfer, Youth's Instructor						9	90		
Arthur Gibbs						12	2 50		
G. R. Apsley,						23	2 30		
T. H. Barritt						23	2 30		
Totals	9 Agents		40	313	188	\$458 50	\$60 20	\$518 70	\$4 75

Virginia, Week Ending April 10, 1914

G. W. Hendricks, Suffolk		PPF	4	33	59	93 00	11 75	104 75	2 50
Jacob Meyer, Smithfield		GC	12	97	75	148 50	16 45	164 75	10 60
F. S. Parsons, Richmond			10	70		21 60	21 60	21 60	21 60
Alice Robinson, Richmond			2	20					5 00
Totals	4 Agents		28	220	134	\$263 10	\$49 80	\$291 30	\$39 70

District of Columbia, Week Ending April 10, 1914

R. E. Orange, Prince Wm. Co.		DR	3	25					117 14
A. H. Taltamus, Warrenton		DR	4	36				70 00	
W. A. Williams, Stafford		CK	4	40	34	51 50	10 00	61 50	
Totals	3 Agents		11	101	34	\$51 50	\$10 00	\$131 50	\$117 14

East Pennsylvania, Week Ending April 10, 1914

W. P. Hess, Lancaster Co.		PPF	5	37	6	13 50	3 00	16 00	
W. B. Dunkinson, York Co.		PPF	5	37	8	16 00	1 75	17 75	
F. Willruth, Scranton		CK		19	6	20 00	5 60	25 60	5 00
F. A. Brownell, Scranton		GC	4	15	9	30 00	1 50	31 50	15 00

J. L. Gearhart, Snyder Co.	PPF	4	32	14	26	50	60	27	10
E. Tolver, Luzerne	BF	4	29	23	35	50		35	50
W. S. Harmon	GC	3	18	6	22	00		22	00
Mrs. C. D. Wolff, Reading	BF	4	13	3	4	50	2 25	6	75
Mrs. Park Drake, Johnsonville		2	3					1	95

Totals 9 Agents 31 204 75 \$167 50 \$14 70 \$184 15 23 35

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending April 10, 1914

J. Brownlee, Fayette Co.	DR	4	40	24	49	75	1 70	51	45	20
J. A. Kimmel, Waynesburg	DR	4	22	5	10	00	1 50	11	50	75
William Lener, Mt. Braddock	HW	2	13	8	5	25		5	25	5 25
A. Brownlee, McKeesport	PPF	4	40	13	25	00	3 75	28	75	1 50
C. Dunham, Allegheny Co.	DR	4	21	9	22	00		22	00	11 00
Fern Lavelly, Johnstown	PPF	3	24	0	19	00	3 50	22	50	
J. S. Neely, Armstrong Co.	GC	3	20	9	34	00	2 85	36	85	15
L. M. Yohe, Armstrong Co.	ES	3	25	5	15	00	15 35	30	35	50 00

Totals 5 Agents 17 130 45 \$115 00 \$25 45 \$140 45 \$63 25

Grand Totals: 55 Agents Value of Orders, \$1529 60 Deliveries, \$486 39

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“Don't do too much talking. A little walking will take you much faster and farther.”

Don't say to the sinsick stranger you meet that your heart is not at home by hanging a scowl on the windows of your face. A face that can not smile is like a bud that can not bloom. It dries up on the stalk.

Don't give up under adversity. It is the trial of principle. Without it one hardly knows whether he is honest or not.

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“Men and women who commune with heaven, make the atmosphere holy.”

OBITUARY

MYERS.—Telitha Ann Armstrong was born June 1, 1830, and died at Bellville, Ohio, April 2, 1914, aged 83 years, 10 months, and 1 day. On January 17, 1850, she was united in marriage with John Myers. To this union were born seven children, six of whom are still living. In the autumn of 1862 when the life of our country was in peril, the husband joined Co. E. 102nd O. V. I. and offered his body as a bulwark in defence of the flag of this republic. Without the privilege of returning home to visit his family, he died at Nashville, Tennessee, March 10, 1864. When John Myers bade his family farewell to connect with the Union army, he left his wife with their youngest child in her arms less than six months of age. In 1866 Sister Myers attended a series of tent meetings held at this place by Elders I. D. Van Horn and R. J. Lawrence, and on the 20th day of December the same year, she received the rite of baptism and united with the Seventh-day Adventist church at the organization in Bellville a few months later. She has been steadfast in this belief during all the years that have intervened, and died firm in the faith of Christ's second coming and the hope of a share in the blessed reward that he has promised to bring to his people at that time. The funeral services were conducted by the writer.

H. H. BURKHOLDER