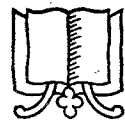
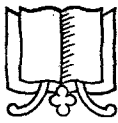


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## Visitor



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### EAST PENNSYLVANIA

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### Genuine "Evangelistic Canvassing" Number 1

We take pleasure in passing on to you a portion of a letter received from Bro. W. B. Dunkinson one of our evangelistic colporteurs. We believe that this experience is a practical definition of the familiar term "Evangelistic Canvassing".

"I have had some good experiences this week. On Tuesday I called at eight or ten houses without taking an order but finally came to a little house at the end of the street where I met a man about sixty-eight years old who came to the door and invited me inside. I gave him a canvass for 'Past Present and Future' took his order for a two dollar binding and delivered it during that noon hour. I might say that this came in direct answer to prayer, I believe, as I was in need of the money. When preparing to deliver the book, I was impressed to take along my prospectus for 'Great Controversy'. After delivering his book I gave him a canvass on 'Great Controversy' taking his order to be delivered at the time of my regular delivery. At this point several relatives came in and one of them from whom I had taken an order requested me to repeat the canvass for them. I complied with their request; gave them a short Bible study on the Sabbath had prayer with them and went on my way rejoicing.

"The next day I felt impressed to take along my prospectus for 'Great Contro-

versy'. During that day I called at the home of the only policeman that I had ever seen about the town. I canvassed him for 'Past Present and Future' took his order for a \$2.00 binding. I then felt impressed to show him 'Great Controversy'. I did so, and took his order for a \$3.00 binding. During the canvass, and after, we had a good talk about the coming of Jesus and from time to time his eyes would fill with tears and he told me that he belonged to church but had not been doing as he ought. We had prayer and parted with a hearty handshake.

"Now just notice how the Lord caused this to work out. The next day I came to a large house, a lady met me at the door and after telling her who I was, and what I was doing, she invited me in and introduced me to her husband. I started to canvass him but after a short time he stopped me saying that he would not be interested as he had everything along that line. He said, 'I suppose that you do not know that you are in the Methodist Parsonage?' Well, I told him that I was not aware of it. He then asked me if I was the man who had prayed with the policeman. He said the policeman had afterwards sent for him as he was a member of his church and told him that he was very much concerned about his eternal welfare and quite broken up. You can imagine how my heart was made to rejoice by hearing this. Well I had quite a talk with the minister and afterward prayer at which time he prayed that the Lord might use me in a larger way. He suggested that I ought to be in evangelistic work. I told him that I was a Seventh-day-Adventist. He of course does not know what a great work the colporteur work is and I did not take time to tell him. He said that I might use his name as recommending my books. He introduced me to the Presbyterian minister who was also very friendly and also gave me a recommendation for my books but would not give an order. As I have practically all of the prominent people in

the town to work yet I feel that their recommendations will help me a great deal in gaining admittance to many homes."

The above experience shows, (1) That our Father knows our needs, makes provision for them but that we must go where the provisions are stored before we receive. (2) That he goes before, preparing mens hearts but we must use "the key to heaven's storehouse",--prayer, before men respond to the heaven sent message that we bear. (3) That prejudice is avoided and men of standing are influenced to favor rather than to discourage the work of the ambassador of Christ because of the overwhelming evidence that Jehovah is back of the work. (4) That as a result of *work we receive*, and as a result "we see heaven brought down to earth", and finally as a result of work and prayer combined we see difficult places opened for successful work. "Oh Lord God! behold thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy power and stretched out thine arm and there is nothing too hard for thee." Jer. 32:17.

C. V. LEACH.

### News Notes

The work is onward. The new church at Strousburgh has just been dedicated and those at Sayre and Williamsport will be soon. More detailed reports of these dedications will appear later.

Billy Sunday was in Philadelphia for nearly three months. Some of those who attended his meetings are now greatly interested in our Bible studies conducted in West Philadelphia, and greatly concerned about the prophecies. The first question asked by one man was, "What is the mark of the beast?" After the last study, three of these interested men began to argue among themselves, wanting to know if their case had been decided in the judgment. Upon their urgent request that this question be answered, they were

promised a study upon the fourteenth chapter of Revelation. This class is composed principally of men.

As the result of another series in the same part of the city, a woman has recently taken her stand for the truth and her husband is greatly interested. Another, a physician, is very much in earnest as the result of attending these Bible studies. We ask the united and earnest prayers of our people, in behalf of these interested one who are so eager for more truth and light, that they may take a definite stand when the testing truths are presented.

We are glad to report revived missionary zeal in the Lancaster and Scranton churches. These churches are at work— young and old, and the Lord is blessing their efforts. May more join the rank, is our prayer. Time is too short for longer delay.

The following is a report sent in to the office by an aged brother who is an invalid—unable to leave his bed without assistance: Letters written 7, letters received 2, papers given away 16, tracts given away 3, Bible given away 1, number of meals provided 4, offerings home mission \$1.00, offerings foreign missions \$1.25, and tithe \$3.00.

If our missionary secretaries could receive as good a report from each member who is blessed with health and strength, all would rejoice.

## VIRGINIA

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## Republican Grove

"A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump." This truth has been demonstrated, at least in a measure, at this place. Three years ago there fell into the hands of a man one of our publications. He with his neighbor read and studied the book. After careful consideration and comparison with God's Word they saw it taught the truth and in spite of the most bitter opposition stepped out and began to keep the Sabbath, never hearing a Seventh-day Adventist sermon preached.

Because of their loyalty to true principle in spite of sore persecution, their Godly and unselfish life, and zeal for the spread of the message, it has caused men to cry out as in the days of the apostles:

"What meaneth this?" In answer to this cry the Lord has opened up the way that a tent effort will be held in early summer, conducted by Elder W. J. Armstrong and and the writer. The Lord has given us an excellent place under some fine large oak trees to place the tent.

The mother of one of those men was so well satisfied with the faith of her childhood, that she would not have any thing to do with present truth, and the printed page had no avail. But God works in many mysterious ways. He brought her in contact with our people who were preaching the word at Lynchburg last fall and she went back home a Sabbath-keeper. This shows the great need of not only preachers, but also the much needed consecrated colporteur.

We earnestly solicit the prayers of all God's people in this effort. I have spent a little time this winter at Republican Grove and nine are keeping the Sabbath now.

L. O. GORDON.

## News Notes

The Canvassers' Institute has closed and the workers are hastening to their fields for an active summer. Several are anxious to earn a scholarship.

On Monday night, March 30, Elder Moffett spoke to a large audience in the Baptist church at Bridgewater on the "Eastern Question." The church was offered for further meetings.

Brother M. A. Maloney stopped over night with friends in Richmond on his way to deliver books in Brunswick County. His field of labor will be in Essex County. The outlook for the summer is good and we are hopeful for many others to unite with this good work.

Miss Nora B. Gibbons, well known to the people in Virginia, had the misfortune to fall backwards down a flight of stairs recently. She broke the bone in one arm and sprained the other. She has suffered very little pain and is making a good recovery. She is now at her home in Pennsylvania.

Miss Louise Henley has been working recently in the vicinity of Norfolk and Portsmouth selling magazines. Her report for the least days work is seventeen and the highest fifty-two in one day. It is good to see the Lord fulfill his promise to those who step out by faith and work with our good publications.

During the last six months 130 new converts have been added to our churches in Virginia at an average cost of \$33.

This is counting all that has been expended in the work during that period. The Lord is surely setting his hand to the finishing of the work.

Elder J. W. Hirlinger has just closed a successful effort in the Portsmouth church, a goodly number accepting the truth. Elder Hirlinger is now assisting Elder Beckner to bind off his work in Matthews County.

The Christian church at Norfolk has been rented for a series of meetings which Elder's Hirlinger and Moffett plan to begin April 11. Norfolk with its 85,000 souls has nothing to represent the truth and we trust a fine foothold may be secured at this time.

Sister Louise Henley, who sells magazines, writes of one experience in her work. "While canvassing in Suffolk I met a man to whom I had sold a magazine. He told me that he had subscribed for the magazine as he was afraid that I would not come back again.

"He told me that he had never seen a magazine like that in all his life, and that it was the best he had ever read.

"It is a pleasure to work in the Lord's vineyard. I am thankful that he has chosen me in his work. Pray for me that I may be faithful. The prayers of the righteous availeth much."

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## The Time Is Now

The time is at hand for our churches to organize strong missionary societies for the purpose of warning every city and community, relative to the meaning of the most recent events. God has committed to his people the last message of mercy and we are now living in the closing days of this last message.

It is evident that as we near the end, organizations will be effected, having for their aim, some special reform, federations of every sort will be at work to accomplish their ends by means of legislation. Unless we unite with these organizations, we will be frowned upon and sooner or later we as a people will stand alone.

When the fog clears away after the rush for political power Seventh-day Adventists will be on one side and the great organizations on the other.

We need to be at our post of duty, preparing the people to meet what is coming. The European war, but more especially the Turkish phase of this terrible struggle, is waking up the reading public more than anything that has happened in the world for many years. We have literature to interest such people. "The World's Crisis", is the kind of reading that will interest people. Price is twenty-five cents. Let every church member order one and then those who can find a little time for God's cause, go out with these small books to their neighbors and friends and help them to be ready for the "time of trouble that awaits the people of this world". Our tract society is ready to assist any one who desires to engage in this work. Remember dear brethren that we are soon to reach the end of human probation, and when we do, no more missionary work can be carried on. Now is the time to work, to win and to pray. To delay is dangerous. Begin Now. R. T. BAER.

### News Notes

Emery C. Wagner, a student at Washington Missionary College, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wagner, for a few days at Baltimore, Md.

Interesting reports are already coming in from the thirteenth Sabbath exercises, and we look for an excellent offering for the day from the various schools. Some of our isolated members are also reporting in a very liberal manner.

Good reports have also begun to come in from the Home Missionary and the Young People's Societies.

We would like to see more of the book, "World's Crisis" being sold. One of our colporteurs, in writing of this book, says "I find that it appeals very forcibly to the people."

Some of our colporteurs are having very remarkable experiences in their work. They are finding many people who are inquiring for truth.

Brother A. J. S. Bourdeau of Washington, D. C. addressed an interested congregation on Sabbath, March 27, at the Baltimore No. 1 church on the question, "Why I am a Protestant". On the following day he addressed a large audience at the Blue Mouse Theater, Lexington St., Baltimore, on the subject, "Is Romanism a Menace to the United States?" He has another appointment for April 25, in

which he will address the men of Baltimore. These lectures were greatly appreciated.

Begin now to get ready for campmeeting. A good location will be secured and then in order for the meeting to be a success we will need you there. We will have good help. We want the young people of the conference to plan to be there. May we count on you?

Brother Melvin Munson of the Washington College conducted a very interesting missionary and stereopticon lecture on the Malaysian field at the Baltimore No. 3 church, Sunday evening March 28. The church was crowded and many could not gain an entrance.

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### Appeal for Worthy Students

Sabbath, April 10.

I wish to tell the readers of the VISITOR how some of the money given on Educational Sabbath a year ago has been used to assist worthy students at the Washington College.

One young lady working for her board and room did not have sufficient money to pay her tuition in school so she was aided from the fund to the amount of twenty-five dollars to pay for her tuition. This has made it possible for her to attend school all during the year without which she would not have been able to attend.

Another case is that of a young man who has been endeavoring to earn his whole way at the school. He has to earn his support entirely himself by day labor, and during the winter months work has been scarce so that his tuition to the amount of fifteen dollars has been paid from the fund of worthy students.

These are only two examples that might be given of those who are working hard to get an education, but find it impossible to do it without money being loaned to them or some financial assistance provided. In "Counsels to Teachers" we read that in each conference a fund should be raised to loan to poor students who desire to give themselves to mission-

ary work. In some cases such students should even receive donations.

It is the plan of the committee, having the fund in charge, to loan money to such as it seems probable would be able to pay it back. To others who are not able to do this, money has been given in small amounts, but it is only to help those who are doing their utmost in every way possible to assist themselves.

What better investment can be made than in the training of young people who desire to fit themselves for the Master's service? Many who are not able to do much missionary work themselves, can do much by assisting worthy students to get an education for the Master's service. On Sabbath, April 10, a collection will be taken in all of the churches of the Union for the benefit of worthy students. Why not make this dollar day for worthy students? Can we do less than to give one dollar a year each as church members to the assistance of worthy students?

We find in this Union in the large cities there are young people whose parents are dependent upon day labor for support, and who are unable to assist their children to attend college. It is a great privilege that comes to us to assist young people in attending our schools, for many who do not have the opportunity are led away by the influence of the world, and some of them give up who if they had the advantage of attending school, and the association of Christian teachers and young people, would become earnest Christians and later on develop into active workers. We earnestly entreat our people to make April 10 a day of prayer in behalf of the young people in this Union to the end that God may greatly bless them and lead his people to greater liberality in following the instruction of the Lord to assist worthy students to get an education.

J. L. SHAW.

### Among the Workers

Following are a few sentences taken from the many letters received here from those who are out with our publications. There is no discordant note sounded, and all are pressing forward and contributing their quota toward the carrying of God's message in the earth:

H. R. QUICKLEY: "I want to lay all on the altar for service, and know nothing but Christ and him crucified."

FRANK COSTLEY: "I want to go forward in this good work, and then join in the victor's song when the home-going day comes."

ALICE BLACKSON: "I gave a Bible study to a woman Thursday night, and the Lord came graciously near and touched her heart. This is surely the work of God, and I am glad I can have some part in it."

REBEKAH DOOLEY: "I want to ask that you pray for God's blessing to rest upon those to whom I have sold books and magazines. I find the people interested everywhere."

MRS. L. JOHNSON: "I have been sick in bed since I sent in my last report, but have been able to do a little work, as you will see by report. I want to go on to the end."

C. Warren, who only has one leg, writes as follows: "I feel that some one is praying for me, and that the prayers are being answered. I have three "Bible Readings" to deliver in April, nine for the first of May, three more during the month, and two in June, so I want you to pray that God will ever bless me in the work I am trying in my humble way to do." Brother Warren canvasses in the forenoon, and shines shoes in the afternoon to pay his expenses.

Hattie V. Purce, sends in the following report: "Days worked, five; orders, fourteen; value, \$31.00; amount delivered, \$35.00." Sister Purce has many other duties to look after outside of the canvassing work, hence she is to be duly commended, as are all the workers, for their success and unflagging devotion to the work.

E. R. BUTTON.

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## Swedesboro

Last fall Brother G. W. Holman went to Swedesboro to do self-supporting missionary work. He had not been there long until an unused Baptist church was offered him free of charge for public meetings. He accepted it and commenced meetings about November 1. At first the interest was not very good, but when the subject of Romanism was presented it increased, and he continued the services every night for five weeks. Since then he has been holding two meetings a week. I have met with them several times and found that there was a splendid class of people attending these meetings, and a goodly number have already accepted the truth.

Several have been looking forward for sometime for baptism, so March 27 was set apart for this service. At this time Brother Lawry and I met with them there visiting the candidates Friday afternoon and then meeting with the company

on Sabbath, at which time we celebrated the ordinance of baptism, eleven adults going forward in this sacred rite. Four of these were men, three being the heads of families and their wives accompanied them. Aside from those baptized there are six more keeping the Sabbath who will soon be ready to unite with the company there. At this time we organized a church of fourteen members which starts out with courage to carry on the work of a church in advancing the cause of God.

One of the six, who is now keeping the Sabbath but not yet baptized, is an aged brother who is deeply interested in the work and its advancement, and he is planning to help in a very substantial way financially in securing the church building in which they are now meeting. The Baptist Association has been very kind in permitting us to have this building free of charge and now they are willing to sell it to us at a very reduced figure, and in all probability we will very soon have this property. This church is located in the best part of town, and would be a valuable asset to our cause in that part of the conference.

Truly the Lord has wonderfully blessed Brother Holman in his efforts at Swedesboro, and we rejoice with him in the success that has attended his work there.

A. R. SANDBORN.

## Colporteurs' Experiences

On last Monday I went to Sussex County with Brethren Hansen and Taylor, which is to be their field of labor. The Lord helped us in a wonderful way to secure a room with a nice family, for headquarters.

Tuesday we were enabled by the help of the Lord, to secure \$20.00 worth of orders. Brother Hansen was very much encouraged by securing an order from the very first canvass he ever made alone.

The next morning we started out being of good courage. We had a good season of prayer in the bushes, and God had many blessings for us this day. We secured an order for a full morocco binding from the Christian minister, and that night we were introduced to the Presbyterian minister at Branchville. He invited us to attend prayer meeting at his church that night. We did so and greatly enjoyed meeting the members of his congregation.

At this place our hearts were rejoiced in meeting with Sister Crane, who is over 80 years of age, and has been a Sabbath-keeper for nearly 30 years. She is of good courage, and is looking forward with pleasure to meeting her Saviour very soon face to face.

In our visit we met many people who believe that the end of all things is at

hand. Opportunities opened on many occasions to pray with the people.

We found our books almost in every home, "Great Controversy", "Coming King", "Old Bible Readings", and "Bible Footlights", yet we secured over \$70.00 in orders for "Bible Readings" revised.

This was a most enjoyable week with these brethren. I left them Saturday night both of good courage, and determined to press the battle to the gates.

On Sabbath we had the privilege of meeting with the Rockaway church, and celebrating the ordinances with them.

I must say, I am very much encouraged with the brethren in the way they are taking hold of the work. Although it is impossible for me to visit some for several weeks, owing to the large number of new men in the field yet they are going ahead, and trusting in the Lord.

I am now with Brother Orr in Passaic County. God is blessing us. We have secured lodging with a Holland family. They took a full morocco book. God is good, praise his holy name.

T. H. BARRITT.

## News Notes

Brother Medairy returned to the office the last of the week after having spent about two weeks with the Paterson English church and the Bayonne church in the interests of the missionary work. Among other things accomplished was several subscriptions for the good old *Review*.

Orders have come in so far for about 3000 of the *Temperance Instructor Annual* for 1915. We have a supply on hand and are able to fill all orders promptly. These magazines are doing a good work.

We have already ordered from the New York Branch over three thousand of the "World's Crisis," and still the orders are coming in. This book is a rapid seller, and is a splendid means for missionary money. We are glad for what has been done, but we are looking for more.

Sometime ago a tract society secretary wrote the *Watchman* office as follows; "We have two sisters awaiting baptism and one of them says she has read herself wholly into the truth through the *Watchman*." The *Watchman* does accomplish definite results. "There's a reason."

"There is nothing quite so encouraging as a word of appreciation, and though so easy to give, how slow some of us are when just a few words might give some discouraged brother a new lease on life."

## WEST VIRGINIA

## Notice

Notice is hereby given that the fourth annual meeting of the Seventh-day Adventist Book Society will be held in the Parkersburg church, located on Mark Street, Parkersburg, West Va., on Wednesday April 14, 1915, at 10:30 A. M., for the purpose of electing officers, election of the board of directors, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

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## Would You?

Would you admit that you had failed to sign and return that mission goal card because it looked too much like a pledge? It is true that pledges have proved to be a disappointing proposition under certain circumstances until some have made resolutions against them. But had you contrasted the pledge form and the goal card? The former reads, "I hereby pledge, etc", while the latter states that, "I have decided to make the column checked below the goal in my endeavor through the year 1915". Webster says "a pledge is a promise or agreement by which one binds one's self to do something," and "a goal is the end to which a person aims to reach or attain". Note in one, the idea of a special obligation, and in the other an aim to stimulate efforts.

But if I sign the card, is it not a pledge for the total amount? Rather it is an outline by which you get the habit of regular, systematic giving. When you sign that card, it should be indicative of a firm resolution to carry out the outline to the close of the year even if it calls for sacrifice or special effort. Remember what it accomplishes—this message to all the world in this generation.

Do you say "I cannot plan so far ahead, not knowing what may happen"? That is true enough but you depend on future prospects in other plans. At camp-meetings, many readily pledge for the balance of the year. Couldn't you stretch the time a few more months and have a longer period

in which to pay small installments by the goal card plan? A pledge is a special obligation above your regular offerings while the mission goal plan includes all offerings for missions given in the usual way. If your income fails, you are no better prepared to cancel a pledge at the close of the year than to finish the goal card aim chosen; and besides you have already paid a good share of your goal each passing month.

Really, the greatest advantage to the individual and the work is the idea instilled of the regularity in time and amount. You may be practicing that and using one of those schedules. Others contribute quite irregularly and would be surprised that their total contributions were so low, should they see a record of it. Would you encourage such a substantial basis of support of the work by signing a card and urging others to do likewise? Some other member needs your influence. The work needs the results.

Do not let those larger items such as the annual offering discourage you, meet it by a little more each week, or in the Harvest Ingathering, or by a missionary garden, etc. Make the surplus of one item offset the lack in another. It is not too late to use the schedule, for what you have already contributed is included and there is plenty of time to supply any shortage. Connect the needs of the mission fields with your efforts. By continual effort hasten the finishing of the work. Your card received at the conference office will indicate you have joined in aggressive plans for the greatest progress of the message yet in 1915. Mail it TODAY.

H. D. HOLTOM.

## Walnut Grove Convention

Friday evening, May 19th a missionary convention opened at the Walnut Grove church. Our people showed their interest in the convention by their faithful attendance. Many came long distances to enjoy the services with us. This meeting was held in the midst of a series of revival services which were being conducted by Brother F. M. Fairchild and M. V. Eusey. We appreciated very much the assistance rendered throughout the entire time.

The church in this place has been doing some missionary work, but no organized effort has been put forth. Realizing the times in which we are living, almost every member felt it was time to consecrate himself anew to the Lord, and work to place our literature into the homes of their neighbors. In order to do this a goodly supply of tracts were purchased. In addition to this the members bought 50 "World's Crisis" and will use them. Then our people purchased \$40.00 worth of literature from our stock on exhibition.

To make the work more effective a missionary society was organized, and Brother L. R. Williams who has had a wide experience in this line of work was chosen as leader.

We feel confident that as a result of the work done this church will receive new life and that souls will be saved as a result of their labors.

V. O. PUNCHES, *Miss. Sec'y.*  
BESSIE E. ACTON, *M. V. Sec'y.*

## Van Wert

A Sabbath-school has been organized here recently with a membership of twenty. These are regular in attendance. Elder Welch is in charge. The meetings are held at two o'clock P. M. at the home of Sister Frantum. The interest is good. All are impressed by the nearness of the end.

We are hoping for a tent effort here next summer and we will endeavor to do all we can to assist in preparing the way.

Brother Walters and Draper report good results from their labor in this vicinity selling "Bible Readings."

D. S. TETERS.

## News Notes

Elder E. K. Slade spent Sabbath, the 3rd, with the Newark church.

Brother J. H. Stafford is demonstrating that it pays to put in faithful time when canvassing. For several weeks he has been putting in more than forty hours per week and last week he worked fifty-seven hours, and sold \$96.75 worth of "Bible Readings."

In one mail this week orders were received for four hundred "World's Crisis". It is hard for us to keep up with our orders for the book is in such great demand.

Mrs. Earl Cockrell, of Castalia, Ohio, spent a few days this week with her sister, Mrs. V. O. Punches.

We are glad to see Brother Richard De Garmo back in the colporteur work once more. He has been kept out for several months by the sickness of his father. He has been one of our most faithful workers in the past, and we know that his work will be a great help in placing our books among the people.

During the last two weeks of March, F. M. Fairchild and Brother M. V. Eusey held a series of meetings with the Walnut Grove church. Although the outside attendance was not large, there was a good interest among the church mem-

bers. Several who had not attended services for some time renewed their covenant with the Lord, and as a result of this effort we expect to see this church prove more effectually a lighthouse for the truth in that community.

Brother J. S. Randolph writes that he finds "Desire of Ages" to be the book for which the people have been looking. He is having success in placing it in the homes of the people.

Elder H. H. Votaw, of Columbus, was a caller at the conference office for a short time recently on his return from Killbuck where he held several meetings.

### Findlay

Sabbath and Sunday, March 20 and 21, were two good days for the church at Findlay Ohio. Elder Slade was with us on the Sabbath. Five adults were baptized and joined the church. We expect that others will soon be ready for baptism. We are of good courage in the Master's work and feel sure of its speedy triumph. F. M. FAIRCHILD.

### What Some Say About the Plan

One of our isolated members writes: "I will enclose card with amount marked that I will try to give and give still more if I possibly can. My income is small and with extra expense now must economize very closely. But it certainly is a pleasure and a joy to deny self for the cause of truth that we love so dearly."

Accompanying a goal card marked for schedules 3, 4, and 5 for the family, the signer adds: "We shall try to improve on this if possible."

We quote the following from another letter recently received: "The letter with the systematic plan for mission offerings for the year received, and we were delighted about it, as we had just been planning on doing that way."

From another of our scattered members comes this word: "I have chosen the fourth space on the card, as the amount I shall give for missions through the year 1915, the Lord willing."

The cards already received total nearly \$2,000 which our members are planning to give through the year in these regular offerings. Such prospect is substantial evidence of progress, and as indicated above, a source of pleasure in reaching the goals set. Along with some of the cards sent, we have that encouraging addition, "I will try to do better than indicated here."

"Education is a better safeguard of liberty than a standing army."

### Canvassers' Reports

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
<b>Ohio, Week Ending March 26, 1915</b>									
J. H. Stafford, Lucas Co.		BR	5	57	21	76 00	20 75	96 75	
Fred Hannah, Holmes Co.		BR	5	41	4	13 00	5 50	18 50	3 50
J. S. Randolph, Marion Co.		DA	5	40	13	46 50	18 10	64 60	26 55
W. S. Syphers, Ross Co.		BR	4	37	7	22 00	4 50	26 50	5 50
W. S. Scott, Jefferson Co.		PPF	5	36	16	38 00		38 00	
Mrs. Syphers, Ross Co.		BR	4	35	6	19 00	2 25	21 25	75
H. W. Barto, Pickaway Co.		PG	4	33	10	36 00		36 00	
C. R. Fairchild, Hardin Co.		BR	3	29	3	11 00		11 00	79 00
H. A. Rossin, Tusc. Co.		BR	5	29	8	24 00	6 75	30 75	20
C. E. Reichenbach, Shelby Co.		GC	4	28	8	28 00	2 00	30 00	
B. F. Carter, Guernsey Co.		BR	3	24	5	15 00	2 25	17 25	2 25
L. H. Waters, Paulding Co.		PPF	2	19	6	9 50	6 00	15 50	
Glenn Draper, Van Wert Co.		BR	3	18	4	12 00	1 50	13 50	
C. G. Douglass, Summit Co.		BR	2	11	5	16 00	4 55	20 55	37 90
W. W. Kay, Mahoning Co.		HM	1	8	4	9 50		9 50	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>15 Agents</b>		<b>55</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>\$375 50</b>	<b>\$74 15</b>	<b>\$449 55</b>	<b>\$155 65</b>
<b>Chesapeake, Week Ending March 26, 1915</b>									
M. S. Pettibone, Carroll Co.		BR	5	43	10	30 00	20 90	50 90	12 00
O. C. Weller, Frederick Co.		BR	4	37	5	16 00	3 75	19 75	127 25
J. W. Wynn, Baltimore Co.		BR	4	21	1	3 00	13 50	16 50	
D. W. Percy, Talbot Co.		DA	5	38	13	42 00	28 50	70 50	
J. E. Jones, Sussex Co.		PPF	5	37	27	55 00	12 10	67 10	50
John J. Martin, Caroline Co.		PPF	4	25	10	20 00		20 00	
N. O. Shaffer, Baltimore Co.		CK	3	24	11	16 50		16 50	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>7 Agents</b>		<b>30</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>\$182 50</b>	<b>\$78 75</b>	<b>\$261 25</b>	<b>\$139 75</b>
<b>East Pennsylvania, Week Ending March 26, 1915</b>									
W. P. Hess, Lanc. Co.		PPF	2	14	1	2 00	1 50	3 50	
G. R. Hawthorn, Chester Co.		BF	6	55	38	59 00		59 00	
F. Washburn, Bucks Co.		PPF	4	23	2	4 00	5 25	9 25	
W. B. Dunkinson, Tioga Co.		PPF	5	39	15	31 00		31 00	6 00
Sherman Booth, Wyoming Co.		DR	3	18	7	21 00	3 00	24 00	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>5 Agents</b>					<b>\$117 00</b>	<b>\$9 75</b>	<b>\$126 75</b>	<b>\$6 00</b>
<b>Virginia, Week Ending March 26, 1915</b>									
Bennett Ham, Geer		BFL	5	40	4	6 00	4 75	10 75	
Mrs. A. C. Neff, Quicksburg		WC			18				4 50
<b>Totals</b>	<b>2 Agents</b>		<b>5</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>\$6 00</b>	<b>\$4 75</b>	<b>\$10 75</b>	<b>4 50</b>
<b>MAGAZINES</b>									
Frank Parson,	Signs of Times				100			10 00	
<b>West Virginia, Week Ending March 26, 1915</b>									
Peter Cordero, Marion Co.		BR	5	42	7	22 00	2 10	24 10	1 75
T. M. Butler, Dodridge Co.		BF	5	40	5	19 00	1 00	20 00	83 00
G. Earl Snyder, Cabell			5	39	6	20 00	17 40	37 40	1 25
W. A. McElphatrick, Tucker Co.		BR	5	36	9	31 00	8 20	39 20	7 95
W. H. Wilcox, Wood Co.		BR	4	35	19	59 00	1 50	60 50	75
John McHenry Jackson Co.			2	18					90 00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>6 Agents</b>		<b>26</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>\$151 00</b>	<b>\$30 20</b>	<b>\$181 20</b>	<b>\$184 70</b>
<b>New Jersey, Week Ending March 20, 1915</b>									
Harry Law, Cumberland Co.		BR	5	31	4	12 00	90	12 90	
Mrs. L. Crates, Hunterdon Co.		BFL	1		1	2 50		2 50	
G. W. Blinn, Mercer Co.		DR	13	105	22	68 00		68 00	160 00
H. Lauterbach, Warren Co.		BFL	4	21	3	9 00	4 00	13 00	1 50
J. I. Applegate, Cape May Co.		BR	3	20			2 40	2 40	2 40
W. H. Stagmeier, Monmouth Co.		BR	3	23	4	14 00	1 10	15 10	
A. Hansen, Cape May Co.		BR	3	2	4	20 00		20 00	20 00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>7 Agents</b>		<b>32</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>\$133 90</b>	<b>\$8 40</b>	<b>\$133 90</b>	<b>183 90</b>
<b>Magazines</b>						<b>200 50</b>			
<b>Grand Totals: 42 Agents</b>						<b>Value of Orders: \$965 90</b>		<b>Deliveries: \$678 50</b>	

## SPECIAL

## The Science of Salvation No. 1

## DEFINITIONS

Science,—An accumulated system of facts bearing upon any one thing. The truth on that thing.

Salvation,—Deliverance from the power of Satan and final entrance into the kingdom of God.

Purpose,—A fixed determination to accomplish some particular thing, or object.

Eternal Purpose,—The purpose of the eternal God, made in the eternity that is past and extending into the eternity of the future.

## THE SCIENCE OF SALVATION

"The science of salvation is the most important science to be learned in the preparatory school of earth. . . . The opportunity of learning the science of salvation is placed within reach of all." *Counsels to Teachers*. If you want a scientific course where the science is all true and reliable then why not matriculate for this course? If you want a study where there are no revisions, no theories changing, no unsound premises, no wrong conclusion in the study try the science of salvation. I commend to you a thorough course in this science. "The science of salvation, the science of true godliness, the knowledge which has been revealed from eternity, which enters into the purpose of God, expresses his mind, and reveals his purpose,—this heaven deems all-important." *Counsels to Teachers*. This is the science of salvation. It includes the revealed knowledge of the fall into sin, the ransom by Jesus Christ, and the final restoration of the lost dominion.

## THE ETERNAL PURPOSE

God has a set purpose. It is an eternal purpose, conceived in the eternity of the past, reaching unto the eternity to come. It is an unchanging, unchangeable purpose to gather the redeemed of the earth together in One, even His son Jesus Christ. "To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifest wisdom of God; according to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord." Ephes. 3:10-11. This purpose is explained to be the determination of Jehovah to gather his people together under the banner of One, "In whom we have redemption in his blood. . . having made us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he purposed in himself: that in the dispensation of the fulness of time he might gather together in one all things in Christ." Ephes. 1:7-10. This is the eternal, unchangeable purpose of 'almighty' God—to save sinners from their sins. To save

you, my brother, from your sins. Do you have difficult times overcoming the sins which beset you? Are your burdens too heavy or your strength too feeble? Remember the eternal purpose of God. Remember to acquire the science of salvation. It will help you. It will lift your burdens, and break the power of your besetments.

J. D. MONTGOMERY.

## Thoughts for Teachers

"We are living in the very last moments of the very last days of earth's history.

How do we know it?

First: By the progress of the gospel message. It is now preached in almost every land and in all the leading tongues.

Second: By the signs among the nations. People everywhere are of the opinion that the present conflict is Armageddon. Although this is not true, that last battle will soon follow. Lord Asquith, of England, in his speech recently in the Mansion House, used the following words: 'The Turkish Empire has committed suicide and dug with its own hand its grave.' There is but one conclusion for us and that is, 'All nations are fighting their last battles and are going down.' Turkey must go. But with what a world of meaning is this thought freighted! Listen! 'Then shall Michael stand up.' Just now master workmen are needed, not only well trained, but those who are able to train others. How important then is our responsibility as teachers, for soon the children will raise their voices in finishing the work. Our time to work is almost over. Let us be faithful."

"Dear teacher, someone's watching you;  
A child's bright eye sees all you do.  
That hat you wear looms up in view,  
The dress he criticises too;  
The style in which you do your hair.  
Your manner sitting in your chair,  
The gentle voice, the smile, the frown,  
Just how and when you go to town,  
The song you sing, the way you walk,  
The laugh, the joke, the way you talk,  
The prayer you make, the way you read;  
Of all you do he takes the heed.  
So be careful what you do,  
For someone's ever watching you."

## Giving the Message in Books

After getting "The Missionary Idea", I accepted the "Call of the Lord", selected a "Practical Guide", left "The House We Live In", and started on a "Ministry of Healing", selling the "Seer of Patmos" and "The Story of Daniel." By "Looking unto Jesus" and following the "Bible Footlights" in the "Steps to Christ", we may reach "The Mount of

Blessing;" become "Men of Valor" in giving the "Heralds of the Morning." We can tell of a "Lover's Love", give the people a "Christian Education", tell them how to gain a "Home and Health", and help them in "Making Home Happy."

"In my selection for "Little Folks" I have "Gospel Primer" and "Best Stories", which contain "Stories Worth Reading." I leave "Thoughts on Daniel and The Revelation" in about half the homes I visit. Each week I leave a few "Bible Readings" which will give them "Helps to Bible Study" with "Scriptural Evidences" and will reveal to them "Past, Present, and Future", and help them both "Here and Hereafter." I speak to all I meet of "Christ our Saviour" and tell them of the "Glorious Appearing" of "The Coming King." "The Great Controversy" will soon be over, and "The Desire of Ages" will come. Then I hope to meet many to whom I have brought "Present Truth" and "Last Day Tokens", and with the "Patriarch and Prophets" enjoy "Our Paradise Home."

R. B. DYER.

"Every new experience is a new opportunity of knowing God. Every new experience is like a jewel set into the texture of our life, on which God shines, and makes interpretation and revelation of himself."

## OBITUARIES

ANDERSON.—Thomas E. Anderson, father of Sister Bertha Meeker, died at the home of Sister Meeker, March 19, 1915, aged 81 years. He had been an invalid for many years and was under constant care. He leaves to mourn one son and one daughter, Elmer E. Anderson and Mrs. Bertha Meeker, one brother and one sister and many relatives and friends. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

F. M. FAIRCHILD.

FOGLE.—Michael W. Fogle was born in Frederick County, Md. December 17, 1850 and died at his home in Frederick City, Md. March 19, 1915. A wife three sons, three daughters four sisters and a host of relatives and friends mourn the loss of a devoted husband and father and a kind loving friend. His pleasant smiles, and cheerful words ceased only when death came although he was a great sufferer for many months.

The church loses one of those steady earnest soldiers of the cross. His earnest prayers and encouraging testimonies will be greatly missed. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer who feels the loss almost as keenly as though it had been a father.

S. T. SHADEL.



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ASHLEY.—Philip George Ashley was born at Worton, Kent County, Maryland, August 9, 1835, and died at his home in Rock Hall, Maryland, March 22, 1915 aged 79 years, 7 months and 13 days. He was united in marriage to Mary C. Ayers, in 1863 to which union were born five children, three sons and two daughters.

The wife two sons and two daughters remain to mourn their loss. As Brother Ashley was a hard working good citizen, his funeral was well attended by a good class of Rock Hall's citizens. The theme of the discourse by the writer was the Second Coming of Christ to resurrect the dead, based on Job 14; 10-15.

S. T. SHADEL

**Academy**

Dr. David Paulson of the Hinsdale Sanitarium visited the academy last week. He spoke to the students Friday evening and to the church Sabbath morning. His talks as usual were an inspiration to everyone. He also gave a lecture Saturday evening in the chapel.

Merrit Eusey was home for a few days last week. He has gone to Delta where he and Elder F. M. Fairchild are holding a series of meetings.

**Thoughts for Young People**

Fight to conquer in your spiritual life as you fight to conquer in your physical life; win your battles for God as you win in your games.

Life is not all happiness, but there is far greater joy in walking with the Lord than in being subdued at each step by Satan.

You think it a great talent to converse, but a greater talent is to listen.

You save a dime to spend in a worldly pleasure; why not spend that dime in the Lord's cause and help save a soul?

Take hold of the Lord's work today, dear student, then tomorrow a place in His service will be waiting for you.

You descend the hill looking for amusement; let us ascend and imagine we see the enchantment which comes from living with God.

If you neglect your opportunities for spiritual development while in school this year, it will be doubly hard to see these opportunities next year.

Take hold of your opportunities for spiritual development while in school this year, for they will increase until at the end of the school year you'll see an opportunity in everything. J. I. BUTCHER.

**Special Notice**

We hope that all will take a special interest in the effort to help worthy students obtain an education by donating liberally to the Educational Fund on the day appointed.

The donations received from the Ohio, West Virginia, and West Pennsylvania Conferences will be used to help students in Mount Vernon Academy. The donations received from the five Eastern Conferences will be used at Washington Missionary College. Be sure to read the article from Professor J. L. Shaw on page 3. EDITOR.

**Washington Missionary College**

At our Sabbath morning service, Professor J. L. Shaw gave an intensely interesting report of the recent visit of Elder Daniells to the various stations in India.

The Tuesday chapel hour was taken by Professor S. M. Butler. The definite location of the generation mentioned in Christ's Advent prophecy was much appreciated by the students and answered a question that is frequently discussed.

The Foreign Mission Band was honored by a visit from Sister J. N. Anderson at their latest meeting, held Friday evening. The account of her life's, experiences in China inspired new missionary zeal in the hearts of all present.

The college Sabbath-school is glad to be able to send \$100.00 to Malaysia as their thirteenth Sabbath offering. Most of the students earned their dollar-offering by selling magazines in the city.

"Marvels of Electricity" was the subject of a demonstrated lecture delivered by Mr. H. L. Transtrom, last Monday night. The marvellous possibilities in electricity were shown in the many wonderful feats performed by Mr. Transtrom.

Professor J. N. Field, of Keene, Texas, who has recently returned from Europe visited the college this week; and the history students were pleased to have him speak to them in class. The two past years have been spent by him in research work in Europe.

**Advertisements**

Approved advertisements will be published in the VISITOR at the rate of twenty-five cents for twenty words or less, and one cent for each additional word. Each group of initials or figures counts as one word. Cash and reference must accompany copy for all advertisements.

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