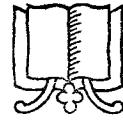


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"I WILL VISIT YOU, AND PERFORM MY GOOD WORD TOWARD YOU"

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The Ohio Camp Meeting

What was probably one of the largest camp-meetings ever held for the Ohio Conference was held this year at Mount Vernon, August 12 to 22. The last Sabbath of the camp-meeting, the Sabbath school registered one thousand seventeen present. The annual session of the Conference was held in connection with this meeting. The camp was pitched on the beautiful campus of the Academy, practically on the same spot where the camp-meeting was located last year. There was not much of an attendance from the outside except those who were brought by their friends from the different churches.

The spirit of the Lord was present in great power from the beginning. A call to ascertain how many were attending camp-meeting for the first time was responded to by about forty persons. There was a splendid attendance at every service and a hearty response to all the propositions and resolutions presented.

The reports of the president and treasurer of the conference showed the work in the conference in encouraging condition. While there was a slight decrease during the past year in tithes, yet there was an increase in the amount given to the Twenty-cent-a-week Fund. There was also an increase in book sales for the year; an increase of about 13 per cent over 1913. Earnest and active efforts have been put forth throughout the state to

bring things everywhere into good condition. Mount Vernon Academy, which is situated in the heart of the conference, and which exercises a strong, helpful influence to the work within the state, was this year able to declare itself free from debt. Many of the members could look back to only five years ago when the indebtedness of the college was \$33,000. The prospects are good for a good attendance this coming year at the institution.

Elder A. G. Daniells was present the first few days of the meeting and rendered excellent help. At the close of his last talk on foreign mission work a call was made which was responded to with a donation in cash and pledges of about \$10,000. Some of this money was gifts of land as well as cash pledges for currency. Also the last Sabbath of the camp-meeting, at the Sabbath school a call was made again for foreign missions and was responded to with a gift of \$1,100. Other laborers present were Elders W. T. Knox, G. B. Thompson and Professor J. L. Shaw, as well as the usual laborers from the Union.

Some strong tent efforts have been put forth throughout the state the past year which resulted in creating great interest in the Truth and in bringing many new souls into the church. We would especially mention the effort at Columbus, Ohio, where Elder Votaw from Burma was conducting a large effort, and also another one held in Cleveland, Ohio, under the direction of Elder R. S. Lindsay, who has recently come to work in the Ohio Conference. Everybody felt that the Lord was greatly present at this camp-meeting. Elder E. K. Slade was re-elected president with practically the same corps of officers. The outlook for the work in Ohio for the future is very bright.

B. G. WILKINSON.

"There is many a self-made man who has only made a fool of himself."

VIRGINIA

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Camp Meeting of 1915

The annual Conference and camp-meeting for this year is now in the past. It was held at Charlottesville, toward the northern end of the state, a place new to the work of Seventh-day Adventists. The convention was a season long to be remembered, and the sweet, melting, subduing influence of the Spirit was present to a marked degree. Its influence must pervade the conference work, and results will be seen for a long time. It was not a large meeting, there being scarcely two hundred of our people in attendance, but those who failed to attend and partake of the manifold blessings showered upon the camp will certainly put forth great effort to be there next time.

The help given from outside our conference was ample, and much appreciated. The evening services were largely attended from the city and the interest manifested seemed to repay the effort put forth. Elder Stewart Kime is following up this interest and the outlook for a church organization is excellent.

There were seven meetings of the conference session. Fifteen resolutions were considered which were much after the order of previous conferences. They expressed thankfulness and appreciation for blessings received; placed the conference on record for temperance work, as well as for loyalty and support for our church paper, the good old *Review and Herald* and its sister publications. Per-

haps the resolution which will be most noticeable in the conference work is the provision for a mission committee which shall have supervision of the colored work of this conference. This will be of much advantage to the colored work and follows the custom of other southern conferences.

There were good gains reported for the evangelical work. One hundred eighty-three baptisms were reported for the term;

Yale	55
Republican Grove	20
Stanley	19
Lynchburg	16
Richmond No. 2	14
Portsmouth	12
Scattered	47

The Sabbath school Department has made good growth during the term. For the years of 1912 and 1913, our number of Sabbath schools was seventeen. In 1914 we had twenty-three schools with six hundred eighty-seven members. Our combined Sabbath school donations for 1912 and 1913 were \$1245.05, but this amount is exceeded in 1914 as our Sabbath schools sent on for missions \$1293.11. We are glad to report this excellent gain. As our consecration deepens, our service to man will correspondingly increase. The prospect for 1915 is that even these figures will be exceeded, as for the first six months of the year, our schools sent on \$758.09 for foreign missions.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year, W. C. Moffett President; Secretary-Treasurer, F. N. Johnson; State Agent, W. H. George; Young People's Missionary Volunteer Department, R. F. Farley; Sabbath school Department, Mrs. W. C. Moffett; Educational, W. C. Moffett. Conference Committee: W. C. Moffett, Stewart Kime, A. C. Neff, W. G. Dick, and L. O. Gordon. Negro Mission Committee: W. C. Moffett, Stewart Kime, L. O. Gordon, J. B. Mallory, W. H. Sebastian.

The book-tent was well patronized and the sales amounted to nearly one hundred dollars. Many availed themselves of the opportunity to take reading home for missionary work. The dining tent under the management of L. O. Gordon and Mrs. W. G. Dick gave excellent satisfaction and received its share of patronage.

At the call for Mission Offerings nearly \$2,000. was raised in cash and pledges. While some pledges were conditional to the sale of property, yet there seemed to be the desire to let the Lord work and hold nothing back.

Altogether the camp-meeting was a success, a blessing to have been there, and as we return to our homes and press on the work our next Conference can but show even greater success and attendant blessings.

F. N. JOHNSON.

News Notes

This is a busy time with the colporteurs. Many are making their deliveries now, and we are glad to report the good success they are having both in taking orders and in deliveries. Brother Gibson reports over 90 per cent delivered so far and says that part of his territory he has finished. Brother Trummer has in some parts of his territory delivered 100 per cent. He has earned five scholarships in value of orders this summer. In two weeks he earned a scholarship. Brother Keihnhoff in twenty days placed \$356.36 in orders or over a scholarship. Brother L. A. King is making a good delivery. Brother S. P. Jones has met with splendid success and it can be said of all the colporteurs that have put in good time. God has wonderfully blessed the colporteurs this year, to Him be praise. Now is the time to enter the work. Many should be found in this kind of work, that for some cause seem to have but little burden for it. I hope that this condition may change.

W. H. GEORGE.

OHIO

Our Attitude Toward the Liquor Traffic.

During the next few weeks much will be said for and against the liquor traffic in the State of Ohio. What should be the attitude of every Christian, and especially of every Seventh-day Adventist? Would it not be well to see what the Lord expects of his people, and what instruction He has given us?

First we will consider the

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personally to the drink question. Recognizing that the body is the temple of God, and that nothing can be used which would in any way defile it, he cannot of course use intoxicating drinks of any kind neither can he take any part in giving it to others. Hab. 2; 15. He remembers that no drunkard can enter the kingdom of heaven, and hence can take no part in anything that would lead him to this condition.

This being the attitude of the individual Christian it is therefore the

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which must stand as a beacon light to those who have been deceived by this thing. Prov. 30: 1. It will give warning to all not even to "look upon the wine", which "biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder", and will at all times point out the woe, sorrow, and trouble brought about by the use of these things. Prov. 23: 29-32.

In "Testimonies for the Church", Volume VI, page 110, we are told that Seventh-day Adventists are to "give more attention and support to the temperance question", and that we should make it a "living issue" and endeavor to lead to Christ those who are enslaved by this habit.

In reviewing our past work we see the need of this call to more earnest effort in this work. We have not "led out" in this work as we should have done. We are far behind in meeting the mind of God. A reproach is upon us as a people, but the opportunity is now before us to remove this reproach, and in so doing win souls to the Master.

This same Testimony tells us that if this work is done "there will be a shaking among the people" and many will be rescued.

Next week we will consider some ways in which this work can be done at this time.

L. M. GREGG.

Columbus

Another occasion, blessed of God to the good of all present, was the baptismal service held in Columbus, Sabbath, September 4. Eleven candidates partook of the blessings which come to those who have part in this beautiful memorial ordinance. Several not of our faith were present and a marked impression seemed to have been made upon the minds of these.

It is difficult to say what agency contributed most to the results obtained as far as the human element is concerned, for workers and laymen have both labored and prayed for a long time for some of the candidates. But it is easy to see that where man alone must have failed, the Holy Spirit has wrought his good work.

H. H. VOTAW.

Camp Meeting Notes

The usual time of the conference session with the following hour on Thursday, August 19, was given over to the educational interests. Much interest was taken in Mt. Vernon Academy, both by the young people in plans to attend and by the older ones in sending them, as well as in the most encouraging fact of its freedom from debt, a decided advantage to the institution in many ways. At this time considerable interest was manifested in a fund to install a knitting or glove factory or some other practical industry to assist self-supporting students. Washington College also received a share of the interest, especially from those seeking advanced training.

The liberality of our people in their support of the work was given an addi-

tional test Sunday morning, the 22, when the needs of the Tent Fund were presented. Elder Slade called attention to the fact that this fund was overdrawn nearly \$500, and our equipment is meager as well as many of the larger tents being in poor condition. If aggressive evangelistic work be carried on another season and our camp facilities maintained, such a situation would need to be remedied. Realizing this to be very essential to progressive plans and results, a response was forthcoming that indicated true self-denial, for in a short time nearly \$1,400 was pledged. Since the time of payment was extended to June, 1916, we trust still others not in attendance will consider it possible to join in this result. Send in your remittance now or write for a pledge blank.

Several items point as proof to the fact that this was our most successful camp-meeting; the largest attendance, over 1,200; the largest donations, etc. Altogether it is felt that this annual gathering has served its purpose as a medium through which our people have been drawn more determinedly to plans for strengthening the work at this important time. Thus those in attendance as well as those remaining at home can enter heartily into the spirit of that last resolution, to do all in our power to accomplish a better work for our Master.

In the Temperance rally held Sunday afternoon, the 22nd, Atty. Ashbaugh, of Mt. Vernon, joined a number of our ministers, in a stirring program by which our position on that question was effectively presented to a large audience. We trust that our people throughout the conference will respond by circulating the *Temperance Instructor* in harmony with plans submitted at an earlier meeting that day. Remember the campaign closes Nov. 2, not far distant.

Complying with the resolution passed at the last meeting of our annual conference session, copies of an article were furnished to the county papers in which was stated our attitude toward the temperance cause. Already we have learned that it has been published in full in a number of these papers.

CHESAPEAKE

Annapolis

It has been a some time since we have had anything in the *Visitor* regarding our canvassing work in Chesapeake, this is not because we do not have any interesting experiences for nearly every week we receive something interesting from each of the colporteurs. A few days ago Brother Apsley told me of an experience he met with while working the west of side Fred-

rick County he succeeded in selling a man "Daniel and Revelation" later he met the man and he is getting things in shape that he may keep the Sabbath. Sabbath August 28, Elder Kirkendall went to Beterton and buried two precious souls in baptism the truth was brought to them through the faithful efforts of Brother Lawrence while canvassing in that section in the spring.

A few weeks ago I went to the western side of the state to help Brother Jenkins get started in the work, we left his home on Monday morning and worked together until Thursday when it began to rain and kept it up all day, so we decided to go in, he said he would go back into that section the following Monday, the following is a portion of the letter he wrote of his experience.

"I just got your letter, I enjoy it very much, the letters I receive from Sister Newcomer and you are so encouraging. I praise the Lord for the report I have to send you this week, the Lord surely has been with me, and directed me in my work. I went to Clear Spring and began at those houses we left to our right as we were going out. I took an order at the first house. I kept on up the road to where we come out. The first seventeen hours I secured \$60.00 worth of orders. I canvassed that valley thoroughly. During the afternoon on Thursday I made arrangements to stay that night with a family, but as evening was drawing on I felt that I ought to get in near Clear Spring so I could take the first car home in the morning, but after making arrangements to stay at this home I did not want to tell them that I had decided not to, so I went on back, and as I was coming in the lady came out and said, it did not just suit them for me to stay that night, well I said "lady that is all right for I feel that I should go on home any way", so I started for town, when I got within about a mile of town I met a man I had canvassed on Monday, I said to him, well are you ready to give the order for that book, he replied that he was not able to order it then, I told him I could help him, that if he would take me home with him and give me supper, bed and breakfast I would take off \$1.00 he said, "I will do that", I believe the Lord directed me that way that evening so this man could have this book. Well when I got home I found my daughter sick in bed; and my wife real sick, so I was badly needed at home. I am glad to be in the work, it is a pleasure for me to talk with the people and give them the canvass. This brother worked thirty-seven hours and his sales were \$121.00.

The Lord is calling for all who have a knowledge of the truth to engage in his service. "The night of trial is nearly

spent" the time is not far distant when we will not be able to go from home to home as we do today. Surely the condition of things in this world indicate that we are soon to be in the midst of that time of trouble. May we as a people having the last message of mercy to a dying world be faithful for "our time belongs to God. Every moment is his, and we are under the most solemn obligation to improve it to his glory. Of no talent he has given will he require a more strict account than of our time."

"If Christians were to act in concert, moving forward as one, under the direction of one Power, for the accomplishment of one purpose, they would move the world." Vol. 6. p. 221.

F. E. HANKINS.

News Notes

Elder M. C. Kirkendall is spending some time with the church at Frederick, Md.

Elder G. P. Rodgers reports thirteen having united with the church last Sabbath as a result of his tent effort. Quite a number of others will be coming in later.

Brother H. L. Peden baptized three precious souls in Hagerstown last Sabbath.

Brother G. R. Apsley is spending a few days in Baltimore waiting to consult with Brother F. E. Hankins relative to his future field of labor. He tried Howard County but found some one just ahead of him with another book on doctrines of the Bible and found it impossible to do anything. Let us pray that he may get into good territory.

Several of our colporteurs have not been heard from this week. We miss their reports.

Brother G. W. Lawrence called at the office on his way to Calvert County, Md. his new field of labor. We wish him success.

The October number of the *Signs* and of the *Watchman* came to hand recently. These papers are full of the message and should be widely circulated.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

News Notes

The various tent efforts in the District territory are all progressing nicely. Sunday, August 29, Elder Horton presented

a stereopticon lecture on the "Doom of Turkey" which brought out the largest attendance thus far this season. The stereopticon lectures every Monday evening by Elder L. A. Hansen on health topics are a decided benefit to the work and appreciated by the people. Sunday evening, Sept. 5, Elder Harter presented the subject "The Beast and His Image", which, though a rather distasteful subject to some, was listened to by a large audience with scarcely any evidence of dissent to the statements made. A good class of candidates for baptism is now being listed and instructed in the details of the message.

Elder Campbell, in charge of the colored effort at 22nd and M streets, northwest, reports continued excellent interest and attendance nightly. Elder Horton's lecture with the stereopticon, on "The Doom of Turkey" was given to the colored people a week ago and was greatly appreciated. Some thirty or more have already taken their stand and many more are on the dividing line.

Elder Gibson reports continued good attendance and interest. The new Sabbath school organized a few weeks ago at the tent continues to add substance to the results of the effort.

Brother W. A. Nelson, at Newlands, is having good attendance and the Lord is blessing the work in that community. Prospects are good for a number of additions to the ranks of believers from this effort.

Sister Prieger is assisting in Bible work in connection with the Gibson Tent Company for a few weeks.

Sister M. S. Hicks arrived from New York City the last of the week to connect with this conference as Bible Worker among the colored people. She has a large field of work awaiting her in connection with Elder Campbell's Tent Effort.

Brother D. A. Rees who recently took the position of Field Missionary Agent in this conference is busying himself searching out those among our churches who will make valuable workers in the canvassing field. Many cannot put in full time but it is those who do what they can, faithfully and well, who are the most important factors in the work after all.

The Harvest Ingathering Campaign is now demanding attention. We hope to plan and push it even more vigorously than we did last year and come out with

a much larger surplus. We can do it if we will. Let each one do his or her part and, though it be very small, it will have its effect and will be of much more value to the cause than the amount of cash received. Every effort strengthens the faith and broadens the scope of usefulness of the individual in the Master's harvest field.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

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News Notes

The varied experiences that come from different parts of the field each week are encouraging evidence that the Lord is blessing his faithful light-bearers. An interesting letter reached us from Brother Bryson this week, and feeling that perhaps it would be a source of encouragement to others we pass some of its contents on to our readers. He says, "Monday I stopped a man on the street and exhibited my book to him. He gave me an order for the cloth binding. Tuesday I happened to meet with a like experience and secured another order. Wednesday I met two men talking together, and after introducing myself to them, and demonstrating "Bible Readings" two more orders were added to my list. I then came in contact with a Baptist minister who gave an order for the leather binding. He said he was very much interested in the prophetic themes of the Bible and invited me to give him studies every Monday, and also to give a series of lectures in his church. I accepted his invitation, and ask you to pray with me that the Lord will bless this effort."

Brother Bryson has been working in Pittsburgh and suburban towns for some time. His success during the past few weeks had not been very encouraging because of conditions in the cities, and yet here and there even in the busy thoroughfares honest hearts are looking for truth. Let us remember Brother Bryson with others who are carrying the truth to the people.

Miss Myrtle Bateman left Pittsburgh September 8, for Mount Vernon. She will attend Mount Vernon Academy this year.

Elder F. H. Robbins closed his tent effort in Greensburg, August 29. A hall has been rented near where the tent was located in which meetings will be held on Sabbaths, and Sunday evenings. A goodly number have promised to attend these meetings, and we expect soon to organize a company of Sabbath-keepers.

Upon request from isolated Sabbath-keepers at Stahlstown, the tent was removed to that place. Elder Robbins, assisted by Brother and Sister Konigmacker will hold meetings there as long as the weather permits. A deep interest is manifested in the truths presented from night to night.

Elder W. F. Schwartz reports six families keeping the Sabbath as a result of the tent effort held in Erie, Pa. this summer.

Remember the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering September 25. Can we make it dollar day in West Pa?

Married

Mr. Adolph Bihler and Miss Hazel Scholl were quietly married Tuesday evening September 7 at the home of the bride's parents in the presence of a few friends by Elder J. P. Gaede.

The newly married couple left for Washington D. C. where they will remain for some time, after which they expect to make Pittsburg their future home.

J. P. GAEDE.

Miss Docia Roadman of Ligonier, Pa. was united in marriage to Mr. Gladden James of Stahlstown, Pa. on August 26. The ceremony was performed by Elder F. H. Robbins at his home in Greensburg. Mr. and Mrs. James have the best wishes of their many friends as they journey through life.

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Mansfield

We opened our tent meeting in Mansfield, July 22. Our interest has been excellent from the first. The most enthusi-

astic leader of Sunday-school conventions in the county and the class leader of the largest church in town, were present at the first service, and have continued coming. They express themselves as convinced that what we have been preaching is truth, and we feel hopeful of their acceptance of it. Even though this has been the rainiest season for over twenty years, our tent has been well filled from night to night with the very best class of listeners. The State Normal school is located here, which makes Mansfield the educational center of the county. We are glad to report that doctors, professors and business men have attended our services very regularly. Since presenting the testing truths, we have had a decrease in our attendance, yet a very encouraging interest continues and already several have begun the observance of the Sabbath. We will report more fully later on the final results of the work. One lady, a sister-in-law of a minister of the Methodist church and president of the Union Conference, accepted the truth with her son. She said that while living in the minister's home for nineteen years she never heard the great truths of God's word explained and she feels very thankful that the Lord sent us to Mansfield with the tent, and is now rejoicing in the Sabbath truth. Let us all pray most earnestly that the honest may be quickly garnered. H. J. DETWILER.

NEW JERSEY

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Financial Statement of the New Jersey Conference

Year of 1914
 Loss and Gain

GAIN	
Tithe Received	\$19557 81
General appropriation	3590 00
Danish	165 00
German	260 00
Con. Orphanages	93 37
	\$23666 18
LOSS	
Columbia Union Tithe	\$1955 77
Freight and Drayage	507 42
General Expense	117 77
Insurance	8 13
Labor	15391 08
Missions	1484 49

Mt. Vernon Col. Pres.	123 07
Office Expense	218 33
Property	552 57
Sustentation	1173 35
Traveling	1614 82
Visitor Deficit	84 62
Rent	120 00
Summer School	69 43
Washington Miss. College	76 45
	\$23497 22
Net Gain	\$168 96

Resources and Liabilities

RESOURCES	
Bills Receivable	\$139 18
Accounts Receivable	978 16
General Expense (Inven.)	23 43
Property	2335 10
Traveling	56 90
Cash on Hand	1298 05
	\$4830 82
LIABILITIES	
Benevolent Fund	40 17
Credit Checks	76 66
Miss. Volunteer Fund	4 96
Local work	238 43
Religious Liberty Fund	22 88
	\$382 20
Pres. Worth Dec. 31, 1914	\$4448 62

PROOF OF STATEMENT

Pres. Wor. Jan. 1, 1914	\$4279 66
Net Gain	168 96
Pres. Wor. Dec. 31, 1914	\$4448 62

Financial Statement of the New Jersey Conference Association of Seventh Day Adventists

Year Ending December 31, 1914

RESOURCES

Trustee Acct.	
Trenton	\$4500 00
Bridgeton	500 00
C. M. C. House	400 00
Paulsboro	900 00
Newark (Boh. Siav.)	4000 00
Ramah	300 00
Perth Amboy	550 00
Newark (English)	9000 00
Jericho	200 00
	\$20350 00

Trenton Church	168 44
C. M. C. House	1 50
Paulsboro	141 61
Real Estate (Con.) Trenton	848 20
Jericho Company	58 50
Bills Receivable	3300 00
Cash on Hand	3334 53
	28202 78

LIABILITIES

Trustee Account	\$20350 00
Trustee Acct. Annuity Bond	4550 00
Bills Payable	2961 53
	\$27861 57
Pres. Wor. Dec. 31, 1914	\$341 21

PROOF OF STATEMENT

Present Worth Jan. 1, 1914	\$261 99
Net Gain (Interest on Deposits)	79 22
Present Worth Dec. 31, 1914	\$341 21

Financial Statement of the New Jersey Tract Society

December 31, 1915

RESOURCES

Inventories:	
Merchandise	\$594 11
Office Expense	85 36
Office Equipment	155 60
	835 07
Cash on Hand	1357 38
Accounts Receivable	1453 56
	\$3656 01

LIABILITIES

Ministry of Healing	248 18
Accounts Payable	509 44
	\$757 62
Present Worth Dec. 31, 1914	2898 39

GAIN

Merchandise	\$1355 79
Discounts	1 14
	\$1356 93

LOSSES

Bad Debts	\$545 77
General Expense	17 20
Freight and Drayage	31 68
Office Expense	219 22
Property	30 64
	\$845 51

Net Gain \$511 42

PROOF OF STATEMENT

Present Worth Jan. 1, 1915	\$2386 97
Net Gain	511 42
Present Worth Dec. 31, 1914	\$2898 39

News Notes

The little company at Hackensack met at Sister DeWolf's home last Sabbath, and Elder Martin and Sister Iden had the pleasure of being present at the Sabbath school and church services. Though scattered these faithful people do not "forget the assembling of themselves together," as the Saviour's coming draws near, we must draw nearer, be more faithful than ever in seeking him together. In unity there is strength.

At Patersen Elder R. H. Martin has had much to contend with in carrying on his tent effort this summer. A short time before his meetings began, there was a great revival in the city under Billy Sunday's efforts. But in spite of this, there are a number of interested ones, and though there will not be a large number to baptize at the close of the effort, the workers will have plenty of Bible work to do and no doubt good results will follow. Pray for this company.

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending September 3, 1915

John Brownlee, Clarion Co.	BR	3	23	4	12 00		12 00	3 00	
Wm. Bryson Allegheny Co.	BR	5	33	14	48 00	3 75	51 75	3 75	
Lloyd Christman, Clarion Co.	BR	2						39 50	
Geo. Dunham, Westmoreland Co.	GC	3	43	11	33 00	4 05	37 05	1 00	
C. G. Guenter, Jefferson Co.	GC	4	34					51 00	
W. H. House, Potter Co.	BR	2	19	3	10 00	8 65	18 65	12 00	
D. J. Hoover, Fayette Co.	BR	2	9	1	4 00		4 00	28 00	
C. B. Moser, Armstrong Co.	BF	4	25	4	6 00	2 25	8 25	2 25	
Ralph Morgan, Armstrong Co.	BF	5	20	3	4 50	40	4 90	6 40	
W. Morgan, Armstrong Co.	BR	2	40	3	9 00	7 75	16 75	2 75	
Totals		11 Agents	30	258	55	\$167 50	\$27 85	\$195 35	\$149 65

Virginia, Week Ending September 3, 1915

S. P. Jones, Pulaski Co.	BR	4	24	13	20 50	8 40	28 90	
A. L. Gary, Highland Co.	PPF	5	46	24	36 95	3 55	40 50	2 95
Bennette Hamm, Albermarle Co.	BFL	9	67	38	48 00	25	48 25	25
Max Trummer, Smyth Co.	DR	5	50					235 00
T. D. Gibson, Augusta Co.	BR	2	13	6	18 00	75	18 75	123 75
L. A. King, Carroll Co.	GC	5	49					150 50
Totals		6 Agents	30	249	\$125 45	\$11 95	\$136 40	\$512 40

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Carl Parsons	12 50	Frank Parsons	27 80
Louise Henly,	16 10	Total	\$56 40
Grand Totals: 56 Agents	Value of Orders \$1047 35	Deliveries, \$1938 50	

* Two weeks, † Three weeks.

go about my work. She gave me an order for a "Bible Reading" and a small book. She also directed me to two of her friends who gave me orders and one of them directed me to her father and I secured an order from him. Another time I met a man from Baltimore who gave an order for a half morocco binding, and in sending his check he wrote me a very encouraging letter, wishing me much success and hoped that I would remain in the good work, which I hope to do with God's help."

Our camp-meeting being larger this year than ever before made it necessary that more equipment be purchased, and this has caused us to add a ten-foot addition to our conference storage building. Work is being pushed on it as the equipment from the tent companies is beginning to come in. The efforts in Phillipsburg and Burlington closed Sunday night. The others are planning on running through this week anyway.

CLARENCE LAWRY.

Canvasser's Experiences

In the VISITOR of two weeks ago I related an experience that Brother Hansen and I had while in Sussex County, in visiting a lady who was dying with cancer. In a letter received from Brother Hansen on Friday last, he says, I know you will rejoice to know that we were the last to minister unto her spiritual welfare before she died. A few days after we visited

her she passed away, and was buried in the little cemetery on the hill.

I expect to meet this dear soul again very soon, for when I leaned over the bed and asked her if she was trusting in Jesus, she said, "Yes, he is my only hope", and when leaving the sick room, we clasped hands, and hoped to see one another in heaven. She now sleeps in Jesus awaiting the resurrection, and if Brother Hansen, and myself are faithful, I feel sure that this dear woman will be anxious to meet us when we enter those pearly gates, together with all the redeemed. Imagine how glad we shall both feel to know that the Lord permitted us to have a part in this glorious work of pointing souls to Jesus, and meeting them in the kingdom,

O, what a glad day that will be, we as colporteurs will never know here in this life. But thank the Lord if we are faithful we will some day. It makes us feel very happy, when the knowledge comes to us that we have been instrumental in bringing present truth to some soul, and that they accepted it. But what will it be, when we are walking the golden streets and visiting the various mansions, and there is continually some one enquiring for us anxious to tell us the glad news that it was through that visit, and the book we left in their home, and the prayers that were offered while staying with them over night that they are there enjoying the pleasures of heaven. Sometime the way

seems hard and we know that Satan is opposing this work, and doing all he can to discourage us, but dear colporteur look ahead; think of the joys just before. Think of those happy receptions that are awaiting you. Those who are not at present engaged in this glorious work, and feel that they should be spending their time in spreading the gospel, wont you take hold of it while the angles are holding back the winds of strife a little longer, and also experience that joy of having some coming to you in the New Jerusalem and telling you that you assisted them in getting there?

Yes; we are soon going to see Jesus, and as I often express it in song, "I want to see Jesus, dont you", I am sure you all do, why not do all you can in spreading the printed page, and those that cannot engage in the work all the time, that is, as regular colporteurs, will you not spend all your spare time in selling the "World's Crisis", and such books, and always be ready to give out a tract.

Let us promise the Lord that we will be more faithful, and do more in hastening that glad day.

Brother and Sister George L. Lloyd now residing in Westmont, N. J. have decided to enter the colporteur work again, and are going to make Burlington County their field of labor.

Our hearts rejoice to see our brother and sister take up the work again, especially Brother Lloyd, as he has been out of the work for fifteen years, but God has been calling, and thank the Lord he has heeded the call, and is desirous of once again getting into the harness, and help spread the printed page like the leaves of autumn.

God is surely calling back the old canvassers to again enter the ranks, and as I spent the day with Brother and Sister Lloyd at their home, I was very much encouraged by their determination to do something for the cause that is so dear to them. We wish them much success and joy in laboring for their Master.

While in Asbury Park this week visiting Brother Stagmier, I had the pleasure of meeting with Sister Levers and family who reside at this seaside resort, and I found them of good courage in the Lord.

T. H. BARRITT.

The Signs an Effective Soul Winner

"In a meeting recently conducted by Earnest Loyd, missionary secretary of the Pacific Union Conference, it was found that eight out of the audience of two hundred accepted the truth from reading the *Signs of the Times* alone."

"In another, where about one hundred

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sixty were present, fourteen stated that the *Signs* was the sole means of their accepting the truth."

"Will you kindly send the *Signs of the Times* weekly to the four addresses I will put on the other side, for three months? Three months' papers convinced me of the truth. I hope it may do the same for others."

"One leading family was brought into the truth years ago, through the interest aroused by the reading of the *Signs*."

"I am pleased to know that the Fresno church is taking so many *Signs*, for we know that the *Signs* brings good results. My niece, to whom we have been sending the paper, has begun keeping the Sabbath. She never heard one of our ministers speak, and has no neighbors or friends of our faith. She says she wishes that some of our people would move into that neighborhood. Our club will expire soon, and I will do what I can to double the number for the next club."

One year ago the raising of the circulation of the weekly *Signs* to an average of two copies to each member in the North American Division, was made a part of our Home Missionary Campaign. We did not reach our aim the first year, but the circulation was raised from about 15,000 copies to 32,589, though it fell back to 22,000 when the summer months began, and \$2520.00 profits on the paper were realized for foreign missions.

The few experiences given here are taken from the many that might be given, and they show that already the effort has brought many souls to a knowledge of the truth. How many more might have been saved had the average of two copies a member been reached we will never know.

The plan followed by the editors of the *Signs* is to present all features of the

message once in six months. The present series ends with the last week in September. Now therefore is the time to renew old subscriptions, to obtain new ones, and to begin a larger work than ever before with this paper.

"There are many who can help in the work of selling our periodicals. The Lord calls upon all of us to seek to save perishing souls." *Testimonies for the Church Vol. 9, page 63.*

Here work with periodicals is definitely connected with saving perishing souls and this should encourage all to take hold of this work with renewed vigor. There is not much more time in which to work, so now is the time to circulate the weekly *Signs*.
E. M. GRAHAM.

Among the Best Classes

(Concluded)

"The chief of police, who is a Romanist, asked if we differed from other denominations on any other point than the Sabbath. I told him that others believe that the righteous will spend eternity in heaven while we believe that they will inherit and live upon this earth after its purification by fire. He said, 'I believe that the righteous dead are already living here, but we cannot see them.' He also said, 'The laxity of Sabbath (meaning Sunday) observance is to be greatly deplored and it ought to be prevented; but after all, it takes more than an act of Parliament to make men Christians.'

"A medical officer asked me if we, as a people, have much tuberculosis among us. I replied that our manner of living tends strongly to prevent disease of every kind. He showed considerable interest in our health principles.

"The manager of a bank was the most interesting case to me. He was very busy, but as soon as he learned that I represented the Seventh-day Adventist Conference, he threw off his official manners, and began to ask about the Sabbath, the reasons for the apostacy in the churches today, and how one can find and live a life of peace with God. Oh brethren and sisters, if ever I was glad that I knew Jesus, the great burden-bearer and peace-maker, it was at that moment. I knew that I had met a hungry, burdened soul, and I pointed him to our blessed Saviour as the only One who can bring forgiveness, rest, salvation to the troubled heart. He said, 'Mr. Clark, if ministers would do more of this kind of work that you are doing, it would help us in our daily struggles in life. I am glad that you called upon me, and may you be prospered in your good work.' If the distribution of these papers yields nothing more, I am repaid by having this privilege of lifting up the Saviour to a weary and needy soul. Please join me in pray-

ing that the Lord will still draw him and save him.

"These, and many other experiences with men of this class, confirm the following statements found in 'Ministry of Healing', under the subject, 'Ministry to the Rich', pages, 209, 210.

"Today God is seeking for souls among the high as well as the low. There are many like Cornelius, men whom he desires to connect with his church. Their sympathies are with the Lord's people. But the ties that bind them to the world hold firmly. . . . Many long for something that will bring to an end the monotony of their sinful lives. Many in official life feel their need of something which they have not. Shall we make no personal appeal to them?" T. E. BOWEN.

Married

On August 30, 1915, at 1 o'clock p. m., at the home of Elder R. D. Hottel, near New Market, Virginia, Miss Janette Louise Bidwell, and Mr. Andrew Schuster were united in marriage by Elder Hottel.

The couple, accompanied by Elder and Mrs. Bidwell, drove from their home near Stanley, Virginia, to the officiating minister and after dinner returned the same day.

Mr. and Mrs. Schuster will return to the Washington Missionary College, Washington, D. C., to continue their studies.

Camp Meeting Dates

Virginia, (Colored) Newport News, September 9-19.

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