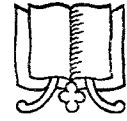


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"I WILL VISIT YOU, AND PERFORM MY GOOD WORD TOWARD YOU"

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God's Gift, Christ's Gift, Man's Gift

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16.

"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." John 15:13.

"And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Matt. 25:40.

The fullest expression of love that God could give to the world was the gift of his only Son. In him he poured out all the riches of heaven. "He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things." Rom. 8:32.

Christ in his turn poured out his love in the greatest gift he had to bestow, his life for the salvation of sinners. Not only does this include the years spent on earth, and the death of the cross, but it includes the taking of the place of the first Adam in relation to the human race, the ceaseless intercession for sin, the constant suffering with his people, and the continual burden of their welfare. What all this has meant to the Saviour we can not grasp, but we do know that he has given his life for us in the fullest sense.

These gifts from the Father and the Son call for a response from those who accept the gifts. These gifts are the free expression of love. No actions can merit them, no service can buy them. They can only be accepted by men and women, with grateful hearts, and thankful adoration. But the acceptance of these gifts should awaken in the hearts of those who accept them, the same spirit of love that prompted the Father and the Son to make the gifts. If it does not, the gifts have not really been accepted. The acceptance has been in form only, in word

merely, but not in reality, with the heart and the spirit.

When the gifts are accepted in their fullness, with humble gratitude, there springs up in the heart of the believer a love for his fellowmen, and a desire to share with them the precious things he has received. Then man makes his gift, the gift of his life in service to other people, and the circle of gifts which make up the gospel of salvation is complete. God and Christ give salvation, and men and women act as channels for them in making the way to salvation known.

Our brethren are not merely the members of our church. They are the members of the human family to which we belong. Our love to them will be shown in a desire to do them good. It will not be a feeble, lukewarm desire, easily satisfied, but a persistent earnest longing to bring them to the Saviour, to the full acceptance of the gifts of the Father and the Son. By this we may know if we have passed from death unto life.

There is not much more time in which to work. Should we not therefore plan for the biggest, most systematic, and far reaching home missionary campaign this winter we have ever had? Let us take hold to be laborers together with God in deed and in truth. E. M. GRAHAM.

East Pennsylvania

Lebanon

My boy Courtland and I came to Lebanon and pitched our tent, bought for us by Sister Rice of Carlisle, and began meetings August 1.

There was a splendid attendance from the first meeting, and we had to send for more seats to accommodate the people. Night after night our hearts were encouraged as we would see the tent fill up, and then hear the hearty "God bless you" as men and women gripped my hand at the close of the service. I have greatly

needed some one to take hold of the singing. This would have been a great strength to the work, and a great relief to me, as the strain of leading out in the singing, and without the help of a choir has been a greater hardship on my throat than preaching every night, twice on the Sabbath, and twice on Sunday.

Right in the midst of the presentation of the Sabbath Question and the Nature of Man, Dr. Henry W. Stough the great evangelist came to Lebanon. A tabernacle had been prepared for him with a seating capacity for 4000 people besides over 500 for a choir. His tabernacle is only three squares away from our tent. Now compare the two efforts.

For the Stough campaign nearly all the churches have closed their doors, and all their energies are being turned to making the campaign a great success. Numerous prayer-meetings are being held all over the city every day; the shops and factories are having services held in them; and a great choir of over 500 persons well trained, and a most efficient director, and a sensationalism in preaching second only to Billy Sunday is given the people who crowd the tabernacle every night. On the other hand here we are with not even a leader for congregational singing, and no choir, and no Bible worker.

It can be easily seen that we are laboring against great odds; and especially so when a tabernacle seating nearly 5000 is filled night after night out of a city whose population is only 20,000.

And too, the Stough campaign has materially affected our meetings. But do not understand from this that we are discouraged. Six have signed the covenant, and we feel sure that the Spirit of God is wooing and winning others.

More than six others are "almost persuaded to throw in their lot with God's remnant people. And there are others whom we can work with.

We have only a little handful of our people here, but every soul of them is

doing his and her full part, faithful to the last degree. The tent meetings have a new inspiration to them. They have been a great blessing to me.

I appeal to you my brethren and sisters of Eastern Pennsylvania that you plead with God for us and for these souls, that in spite of all that is going on here, these dear souls with others may find peace in believing, and yielding their lives in a new consecration to God for the full measure of devotion in obedience, be saved eternally in His everlasting kingdom.

It would be a great encouragement to me to hear personally from you who read this letter, and are moved to seek God in our behalf. A. R. BELL.

Gospel Tent, Lebanon, Pa.

WANTED.—A second hand set of the Testimonies. Address, Clayton Achenbach, Wind Gap, Pa., quoting price.

CHESAPEAKE

News Notes

Elder M. C. Kirkendall spent Sabbath and Sunday with the church at Blythesdale.

Elder J. H. Wierts will conduct a baptismal service in Baltimore next Sabbath.

Brother C. B. Tracy of Baltimore was made leader of the Baltimore No. 1 church until a regular pastor can be secured.

Elder Shadel expects to close his meetings Sunday night. A fuller report of his work will doubtless appear later.

Elder L. E. Froom from Wilmington stopped over in Baltimore for a short visit on his way back to Wilmington.

Brother G. W. Lawrence, as reported last week, went into Calvert County to canvass and found to his surprise that two men from an adjoining conference had been working in the county during the summer. So he had to return to Harford County and take up work where he left off.

Elder G. P. Rodgers closed his tent effort in Baltimore last Sunday night with the largest attendance of the season. Thus far twenty-two have united with the church as a result of the effort. Elder Rodgers has gone to Cheswold, Delaware, to visit at the home of his wife and to take

a much needed rest. Elder Seeney will continue the meetings on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday nights during his absence in the church on Druid Hill Avenue.

Elder Seeney reports a good interest in the work in Wilmington among the colored people. The church there is working hard with the weekly *Signs* and have a large list of readers each week.

Remember the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. The Lord is depending upon you, my brother, my sister, to do your part in this work.

His cause needs help. Last year we ordered 14,920 papers for distribution. We are far short of that this year. What will you do to help? Can you not help to make the goal of \$100,000 this year?

NEW JERSEY

Harvest Ingathering Campaign

The Harvest Ingathering campaign is here again, and through the medium of the *Visitor* our union paper, I am sending to each member a special message to remember the campaign during the week of October 3 to 8.

The next two months I will devote to this campaign, and I hope to come in in personal contact with you all by visiting each church in turn, but I want to impress upon each one to do all you possibly can during the week of October 3 to 8.

What I would like to see done, and will pray for is that each member be determined during this special week to raise at least \$1.00. This will mean that \$1,000 will be raised in one week.

I would suggest that the various cities and towns be districted out, and each member start out in their allotted district on Sunday morning, October 3, Sunday being the best day for calling on private people. Then put in all the time possible during the week, and on Sabbath go to church with a smiling face, and tell your experiences, and drop your collections in the basket which must not be less than \$1.00.

Many will of course get much more but get all you can during this week, and keep in mind \$1,000 for the week.

Everyone that goes out will get a blessing, do not miss this opportunity, let us all pull together, and pray and work, and the Lord surely will open up many hearts so that they will give some of their means to God's cause. Urgent calls are coming in from every quarter for missionaries, and funds are needed to enable the brethren to respond to these calls. Will you not have a share in helping to raise the

necessary funds, so that the prophecy of Matt. 24: 14 shall be fulfilled, and Jesus can come? Remember when you are out in the Harvest Ingathering campaign that you are in the Master's service, and angels are by your side, co-operating with you in the work.

This campaign will last until the end of the year and I wish it would be possible for every member to set for himself the goal of \$10.00 for the whole campaign, that is from October 3 to the end of the year.

But make a special pull during the week of October 3 to 8. I pray that the goal of \$1,000 for the week will be realized, and that you will experience much joy and happiness in having a part in this good work. T. H. BARRIT.

News Notes

Sister Applegate went out last week and sold fifteen "Shadow of the Bottle" to help in the church school work this winter. Another time she sold twenty-one copies. Here is a suggestion for those who are wondering how to meet tuition or church school pledges.

Married

Mr. Harold E. Harter and Miss Caroline W. Max, were quietly married, Tuesday evening, September 14, at the home of the bride's parents in Newark, N. J. A few friends and relatives were present. Mr. Harter and companion intend to make their future home, for the present at least in Takoma Park, D. C. to which place they returned on Thursday, the 16th. J. O. MILLER.

OHIO

News Notes

Have you noticed in the last number of the *Review* that Elder Boettcher has been banished from his place of labor in Russia? This is a great loss to the cause of truth in this part of our world-field. Has this suggested to your mind that now is the time to invest in souls before the lot of this brother becomes that of our workers in other foreign fields? Let us not neglect the work of Harvest Ingathering, and remember that while you are engaging, in this to secure means for the foreign field, you are doing some very practical home missionary work in getting the message before the people.

Brother C. E. Reichenbach, who has had a good many years experience in the colporteur work was called to take the place of Brother D. A. Rees as assistant

field agent. We are sure that his long experience in this work will be valuable in the training of new workers.

Do not delay longer ordering your Ingathering *Signs* that you may be ready to enter the campaign.

Brother Ira M. Rickett, who has been working in Highland County, has joined Brother W. S. Syphers. These two will work Fayette County this winter.

Has it occurred to you that your conversation and the copy of the Ingathering *Signs* you leave may awaken in some home a desire for earnest study of the truth?

This has been another month when many of our colporteurs have large deliveries, and with the exception of one or two of our workers who were in a district that was flooded by the recent heavy rains, usually good deliveries are reported.

Brother H. K. Hackman, of the West Pennsylvania Conference made a short call at our office this week, and visited some of his friends in the vicinity.

In Portsmouth, the printed page is being placed in the homes of the people by two of our most faithful sisters, Sister Carrie Kelley and Sister E. Y. Smith. They are meeting with excellent success selling that good little book, "Coming King."

We are glad to see Brother E. Searles back in Crawford County selling our books. He has been very faithful in putting in time and the Lord is giving him excellent success.

Brother George Cottman, of Cincinnati, who is canvassing in Brown County, says that he has been having a trying experience, but the Lord gave him the victory. He met one lady who bought four half morocco and one full morocco "Bible Readings" for her children. This shows that if we are faithful and stay right by the work, God will finally give us success.

Our students who have been working for scholarships have returned to their respective schools. The majority of these earned their scholarships and had excellent success during the summer. Brother Frank Wells has gone to Union College; Elsie Haughey, Katherine Fickes, and Mary Holder are now in Washington College; Miss Ethel Howard and Brother

John Holder are attending Mount Vernon Academy; and Brother Wayne Barto returned to Washington. We appreciate the good work these students have done and trust that they will return next year and bring some others with them.

Quite a number of new workers are in preparation for service. Some of these are entering the work, and others will be ready in a few weeks. These different ones realize that the time is short in which to finish the giving of this message to the world. Therefore they are preparing to devote their entire time to the service of God in this important phase of the work.

We are glad to see Brother P. J. Tuttle, of Cleveland, entering the colporteur work this week, and we wish him success in the giving of the message through the printed page. Brother Reichenbach is helping him start.

A national convention of the Patriotic Societies of America was held in Dayton, Ohio, September 16 to 18. Brother V. O. Panches and Dr. P. T. Magan, the latter of Madison, Tennessee, attended this convention and reported a very interesting time. They succeeded in placing that new book, "The Vatican and the War" in the hands of practically all the leaders of these societies.

Mr. S. A. Propst, Superintendent of the Anti-saloon League gave a temperance lecture on a recent Sabbath in the Cincinnati church. The church ordered 1000 copies of the Temperance number of the *Youths Instructor*. The Anti-saloon League also ordered 1000 copies.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

Pittsburg Colored Church Building

Last week I was unable to report definitely what the result of my visit among the churches would be, but as I have now finished my tour, I am glad to report that practically \$800.00 has been subscribed in cash, pledges, and some jewelry that have been given to be sold. We thank the dear ones who have subscribed, some by actual sacrifice, so willingly to this needy cause. The hearts of the members here have been made glad. We praise God for this measure of success.

In every place I have visited, I found a readiness to respond, and a desire to help in the work for the down trodden colored race. This is as it should be, for the Lord has said through the Spirit of

Prophecy; "For many years I have borne a heavy burden in behalf of the Negro race. My heart has ached as I have seen the feeling against this race growing stronger and still stronger, and as I have seen that many Seventh Day Adventists are apparently unable to understand the necessity for an earnest work being done quickly. Years are passing into eternity with apparently little done to help those who were recently a race of slaves...."

"Much might have been accomplished by the people of America if efforts in behalf of the freedmen had been put forth by the government and by the Christian churches immediately after the emancipation of the slaves. Money should have been used freely to care for and educate them at the time they were so greatly in need of help. But the government, after a little effort, left the Negro to struggle unaided, with his burden of difficulties. Some of the strong Christian churches began a good work, but sadly failed to reach more than a comparatively few; and the Seventh Day Adventist Church has failed to act its part." Vol. 9, pp 204, 205.

Because of the prejudices and race antagonism existing where there are a large number of colored people, for which we as a denomination are not responsible, we have been advised to secure separate houses of worship for the colored people in our evangelistic efforts. The Testimony reads:-

"Let the colored believers be provided with neat, tasteful houses of worship. Let them be shown that this is done not to exclude them from worshiping with white people, because they are black, but in order that the progress of the truth may be advanced. Let them understand that this plan is to be followed until the Lord shows us a better way, *Ibid*, pp. 206, 207.

Houses of worship, especially in the populous cities, have been recognized as a necessity all through our denominational history. And where we have failed to establish them, the progress of the message has been retarded among all races, as experience has taught us, and as indicated by the Spirit of Prophecy on page 100, Vol. 6, which reads in part: "Wherever a company of believers is raised up, a house of worship should be built. Let not the workers leave the place without accomplishing this.

In many places where the message has been preached and souls have accepted it, they are in limited circumstances, and can do but little toward securing advantages that would give character to the work. Often this renders it difficult to extend the work." This we have experienced over and over again, as this Testimony goes on to tell how ministers and people of other churches would hold us

up to ridicule.

We feel sure that all the pledges will be forth coming duly, as all the church elders and treasurers promised to look to the collecting and sending in promptly. I am also confident that some of those reading this will send us a donation, even though I was not able to visit your church. Send all donations to the conference treasurer, H. K. Hackman, 7155 Mt. Vernon St. Pittsburgh. Pa.

A. N. DURRANT.

WEST VIRGINIA

Bethany

Those who attended the West Virginia Camp-meeting at Weston, and heard Elder Philips speak will be especially interested in the following news from Bethany, Elder Philip's home.

The account has been in the VISITOR before how Elder Philips recently accepted this message through attending a few of the meetings during the tent effort at Martinsburg this summer, and by spending some time at the home of Elder G. A. Stevens in study with him along the lines of this message.

Elder and Mrs. Philips attended the West Virginia Camp-meeting, and she too embraced this precious truth.

After camp-meeting Elder Stevens spent some days at the home of Elder Philips in study with his family and others. His four oldest children stepped out in the light of the Third Angel's Message. A bright young man, a student at Bethany college also embraced the truth, and intends to enter our college. [Bethany college is a college where students are educated for the ministry of the Disciple Church]. Several others in the vicinity are much stirred over this message, so much so, that they may even keep the coming Sabbath. Elder Stevens spoke at the Disciple Church on Sunday night on the "Coming of Christ," and after the meeting many persons grasped his hand, and said that was the message they wanted to hear.

The harvest is ripe. Pray for the work, and the workers. R. R. STEVENS.

Treasurer's Financial Statement West Virginia Conference

Year Ending December 31, 1914

RESOURCES

Property	\$200 00
Accounts Receivable	145 71
Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1914	381 61
	<u>\$727.32</u>

LIABILITIES

Poor Fund	\$3 00
Religious Liberty	1 02
	<u>\$4 02</u>
Pres. Wor. Dec. 31, 1914	\$723 30
LOSSES	
Property	\$427 17
Six per cent Sustentation	235 44
Five percent Missions	196 19
Tithe to C. U. C.	392 42
Labor	5363 00
Traveling Expense	711 76
General Expense	683 10
Dining Hall	32 50
Tent and Campmeeting	76 82
	<u>\$8118 40</u>

GAINS

Appropriations Acct.	\$3603 08
Tithe Received	3924 12
Tent and Hall Col.	76 90
Net Loss Year 1914	514 30
	<u>\$8118 40</u>

STOCK

Pres. Worth January 1, 1914	\$1237 60
Net Loss Year End. Dec. 31, 1914	514 30
Pres. Worth Jan. 1, 1915	<u>\$723 30</u>
	J. S. Barrows, Treas.

Financial Statement Seventh-day Adventist Book Society

Year Ending December 31, 1914

RESOURCES

Inventory	
Merchandise	\$340 00
Property	853 15
Accounts Receivable	900 72
Cash On Hand	591 36
Old Accounts	1266 16
	<u>\$3951 39</u>

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$199 06
Pres. Worth January 1, 1915	<u>\$3752 33</u>

LOSSES

Sustentation 1%	\$50 62
Expense	170 52
Freight and Express	26 97
Colporteurs Trav. Expenses	12 30
S. W. Jack	10 45
J. W. Marshall	69 27
Mileage	45 00
Mt. Vernon Teachers Salary	65 21
Property	115 41
Postage	74 00
Visitor	61 74
Scholarships	31 44
Net Gain	380 75
	<u>\$1114 68</u>

GAINS

Hannah J. Beatty	\$ 2 11
Roscoe Bee	1 50
E. H. Franklin	40
Merchandise	1086 57
Periodicals	24 10
	<u>\$1114 68</u>

STOCK

Pres. Worth Jan. 1, 1914	\$3371 58
Net Gain 1914	380 75
Pres. Worth Jan. 1, 1915	<u>\$3752 33</u>
	J. S. BARROWS, Treas.

VIRGINIA

News Notes

The Norfolk church is taking a club of 100 *Signs Weekly* and are having excellent success in selling them out. One sister nearly eighty years old disposes of 50 each week.

Brother Harry Wright is having good success selling "World's Crisis" in the western part of the state.

The Conference Committee met on Wednesday, September 22 at Charlottesville with Elder Kime to plan the work for the fall and winter and to consider other matters which may come up. The report for this will appear later.

The interest is excellent in the tent meeting at Doswell, so much so that the local pastor of the Baptist persuasion has started nightly meetings for the purpose of keeping his flock away from the tent. The outlook is good for a company to be developed in the midst of this interest but those faithful workers need the prayers of those who are at home that the Lord will give strength and grace to those who step out and obey.

Miss Anna C. Rice has returned to Richmond from the Washington Hospital where she passed through critical surgical work. We trust that she will soon be able to resume her place among the conference laborers. She has been missed by those for whom she worked.

The Richmond church school began its fall session September 20 with an attendance of sixteen and the outlook is good for it to be increased for the seasons work. Miss Florence Swan who taught last year at this place is again with the school.

Reports from Charlottesville indicate that the labors of Brethren Kime and Farley and their associates will result in a church being raised up there. A goodly number have already taken their stand.

The tent company at Doswell consisting of Elder and Mrs. Moffett, Elder Bidwell and Brother William Jones reports that people are beginning to keep Sabbath with every prospect of organizing a church there.

The Portsmouth church was greatly encouraged by a Sabbath and Sunday visit by Elder Dowsett,

The colored effort at Newport News with Elders Mallory and Sebastian in charge is reaping a harvest of souls and developing an interest among the white people who gather about the tent.

The Doswell school opened with twelve students. Miss Grace Whitehead being their teacher this year.

Miss Florence Swan has resumed her church school work at Richmond having spent the summer in Bible work.

Miss Grace I. Whitehead from Arlington is teaching school at Doswell. They began school September 13.

Brother A. G. Yakovenko who taught the Russian school last winter and worked through the summer with the Richmond effort and at Doswell, has left Virginia to take up studies at the Washington Missionary College. While his many friends will regret to have him leave the work here yet all will be glad that he can continue his studies.

Elder Moffett and Brother W. H. George met with the colored brethren at the Newport News camp-meeting during a portion of their meetings. Aggressive plans were laid and the action of the conference organizing a colored department of the conference was enthusiastically satisfied.

The New Market Academy opened with an attendance of eighteen and more coming. Two good cows have been purchased and a small barn is to be erected.

Ten schools are being arranged for in Virginia and the attendance at Washington College will surpass that of any previous year.

The Conference Committee held an important meeting at Charlottesville last Wednesday. Plans were laid to push the Harvest Ingathering work and to press the evangelistic work during the fall and winter.

The interest in the tent meeting which have continued since campmeeting is increasing. At Doswell the attendance has been good and last Thursday evening when the Sabbath question was presented the tent was crowded as it had been given out that they would tell why they ob-

served the seventh day. The outlook is good for a company to be organized. Elder Moffett has assisted in the meeting as much as possible but has left this week to spend some time at the colored camp-meeting at Newport News. At Charlottesville there are ten reported keeping the Sabbath and the interest increasing. The effort at Republican Grove is developing and the church is busily engaged in erecting its new house of worship where the tent was located. Let us remember these workers in their anxious time of the harvest.

The book workers have been making their deliveries this past week and some have already left for school. Brother Arthur King has delivered the largest percent of any of the student canvassers. Brother George has been with the workers at Gate City helping them deliver and is now with Brother Harry Wright in Rockbridge County.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

District of Columbia Conference

We publish herewith a report of churches for August 31, 1915. You will notice, by comparison with our last month's report that the tithe has fallen off considerably. Our last month's tithe receipts amounted to \$2,032.68. We have nothing to say in this connection except to exhort all to faithfulness in this very important matter. It is a matter between you and God alone and we trust that at the great gathering day the Master will find it proper to say unto all of us the "Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord".

We desire to call especial attention to the report of the mission offering for the month. You will note that we stand, August 31, 1915, \$1,643.40 behind our

Report of Twenty-cent-a-Week Fund to August 31, 1915

Church	Members	Goal at \$6.93	Am't Rec'd	Am't Short	Am't Ahead
Alexandria No. 1...	10	69 30	12 84	56 46	
Alexandria No. 2...	17	117 81	11 14	106 67	
Arlington.....	30	207 90	123 35	84 55	
Belmont Company			10 20		10 20
Chilton's.....	10	69 30	12 44	56 86	
Colonial Beach....	8	55 44	70 53		15 09
Clifton.....			11 20		11 20
Conference.....	9	62 37	95 37		33 00
First Church.....	90	623 70	113 57	510 13	
Kilmarnock.....	16	110 88	97 26	13 62	
Memorial.....	105	727 65	819 44		91 79
Mt. Rainier.....	25	173 25	33 18	140 07	
Peoples'.....	120	831 60	142 66	688 94	
Sligo.....	123	852 39	904 48		52 09
Takoma Park.....	262	1815 66	1579 64	236 02	
Mt. Gilead Co.....			7 02		7 02
Signs of the Times			29 53		29 53
Totals	825	\$5717 25	\$4073 85	\$1893 32	\$249 92

Net Shortage \$1,643 4 0

Report of District of Columbia Churches for August

Church	Tithe	Total Tithe	20 cent a week	Total 20 cent
Alexandria No. 1.....		31 60		12 84
Alexandria No. 2.....		80		11 14
Arlington Church.....	28 13	126 72	16 13	123 35
Belmont Company.....		8 18		10 20
Chilton's Church.....	32 54	103 59	17	12 44
Colonial Beach.....	18 20	90 61	7 41	70 53
Clifton Station Company....		20 49		11 20
Conference Church.....	85 45	235 41	35 24	95 37
First Church.....	159 57	1163 10	26 66	113 57
Kilmarnock Church.....	30 96	521 28	5 95	97 26
Memorial Church.....	190 72	2440 46	70 78	819 44
Mt. Rainier Church.....		148 28		33 18
People's Church.....	85 02	1021 68	8 62	142 66
Sligo Church.....	322 79	2538 90	91 48	904 48
Takoma Park Church.....	766 60	6483 04	101 03	1579 64
Mt. Gilead Company.....		43 00		7 02
Signs of the Times.....				29 53
Totals		\$1719 98	\$14977 14	\$363 47
				\$4073 85

goal for that date. It looks like a pretty big shortage doesn't it. Do you remember, however, that at the same time last year we stood \$2,331.70 short? And we made it all up and came out with flying colors \$748.06 ahead of the goal for 1914. We can do it again this year but it will require that we take hold and all pull together and it may be necessary, also, to not do all the pulling at the other fellow's pocket. Several of our churches are far behind their individual goal. We hope that they will make a determined effort to dig themselves out. And these who are ahead should be no less zealous to make the largest showing possible regardless of what others do or fail to do. We are not really reaching goals, you know, we are "Giving of our best to the Master" in order that the truth may be carried to others and our great work hastened on to its close.

We hope that every member of this conference will take hold of the Harvest Ingathering Campaign earnestly and prayerfully and energetically. If you can't give what you would like to, then get some one else to give by your Ingathering solicitations. We have plenty of papers on hand at the office. Also your church elder or missionary secretary has a good supply. We want to use 25,000 in this conference this year. The first 10,000 are on hand. If you are isolated, so much the better, you have a territory all your own. Order twenty-five papers from the tract society at once and get busy. You have from now to January 1, to work on this year's Ingathering. The papers do not cost anything, you know, they are furnished free. All that we expect you to do is to make proper efforts to distribute them where they will do the most good and secure all you can by solicitation, for missions. If convenient remit direct to your church treasurer, otherwise send it to the conference office stating to which church you belong and we will see that proper credit is given. Get a supply of papers and start today. The Lord is waiting to bless your efforts. You are weak and fearful, but the Lord is strong. Ask Him to make your efforts a success. He'll do it. But begin now.

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Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del
Ohio, Week Ending September 17, 1915									
Geo. Cottman, Brown Co.		BR	5	53	11	43 00	2 65	45 65	
J. S. Randolph, Marion Co.		DA	5	46	5	15 00	13 20	28 20	3 65
H. O. Kohr, Knox Co.		BFL	5	44	44	67 00	1 50	68 50	
Ed Searles, Crawford Co.		BR	5	44	18	54 00	3 00	57 00	
B. F. Carter, Monroe Co.		BFL	5	42	8	12 00	2 25	14 25	2 25
Fred Hannah, Ashland Co.		BR	5	42	4	12 00	7 00	19 00	2 00
W. S. Syphers, Fayette Co.		BR	5	40	8	26 00	3 00	29 00	3 00
Ira M. Rickett, Highland Co.		ES	5	40	11	33 00	2 25	35 25	3 00
Mrs. E. Y. Smith, Scioto Co.		CK	4	32	22	35 00	5 00	40 00	1 75
J. H. Stafford, Lucas Co.		BR	3	30			2 75	2 75	24 00
Mrs. C. Kelley, Scioto Co.		CK	4	30	16	23 00	8 75	31 75	8 50
C. G. Douglass, Summit Co.		BR	3	28	11	37 00	9 75	46 75	13 75
H. W. Barto, Pickaway Co.		BR	3	26	8	27 00		27 00	
L. H. Waters, Adams Co.		PPF	4	23	8	23 50	2 00	15 50	
Totals	14 Agents			61	520	172 \$397 50	\$63 10	\$460 60	\$61 90

Virginia, Week Ending September 10, 1915									
Albion Kiehnhoff, Smyth Co.		DR	6	47					340 30
Max Trummer, Smyth Co.		DR	5	47					266 00
M. A. Maloney, Madison Co.		DR	5	38	7	19 50	1 75	21 25	
L. A. King, Floyd Co.		GC	5	50					187 00
W. H. Hunt, Washington Co.		GC	5	39	12	15 50	5 50	19 00	26 77
David Orr, Highland Co.		CK	5	27	7	10 50	1 65	12 15	
A. L. Gary, Highland Co.		PPF	5	48	27	41 00	2 85	43 85	
Bennette Hamm, Greene Co.		BFL	5	38	18	15 00	1 50	16 50	
T. C. Cunningham, Washington Co.		BR	3	29	4	12 00		12 00	129 00
S. P. Jones, Pulaski Co.		BR	5	45					234 74
T. D. Gibson, Augusta Co.		BR	5	42	16	50 00	1 50	51 50	
Totals	11 Agents			54	450	91 \$163 50	\$12 75	\$176 25	\$1183 82
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Carl Parsons			5	40		Frank Parsons			12 60
Total									\$18 00

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending September 17, 1915									
B. F. Burdell, McKean Co.		CK	2	20					50 00
A. Brownlee, Allegheny Co.		PPF	5	23	5	10 00	15 60	25 60	13 55
Lloyd Christman, Clarion Co.		SB	2	36			23 75	23 75	
*Chas. Dunham, Butler Co.		GC	10	62	33	99 75	2 75	102 50	8 00
D. Patterson, Fayette Co.		BR	4	24	6	18 00	2 50	20 50	
C. B. Moser, Armstrong Co.		BF	4	28	20	29 00	15 40	44 40	14 25
*Garnell Rager, Cambria Co.		BF	10	64	61	93 00	4 00	97 00	13 50
C. E. Will, Washington Co.		HW				6 00	11 35	17 35	390 00
Totals	6 Agents			37	257	125 \$255 75	\$75 35	\$331 10	\$489 30

East Pennsylvania, Week Ending September 17, 1915									
Wm. Frizzell, Cumberland Co.		PPF	2	12	2	4 00	1 25	5 25	75
M. M. Sterner, Cumberland Co.		PPF	4	31	18	36 00	1 00	37 00	
Q. Donachy, Cumberland Co.		PPF	4	29	10	10 00	1 50	11 50	
R. A. Howard, S. Philadelphia		WC		36	55	13 75		13 75	20 00
F. Washburn, Bucks Co.		PPF	5	22			1 50	1 50	16 25
§Genevieve Peacock,		Mag.				65 00		65 00	
Totals	6 Agents			15	130	85 \$128 75	\$5 25	\$134 00	\$37 00

West Virginia, Three Weeks Ending September 17, 1915									
T. M. Butler, Taylor Co.		BR	4	28					97 35
G. Earl Snyder, Cabell Co.		BR	5	33					95 05
Waldo Wilcox, Berkley Co.		BR	3	23	12	41 00	50	41 50	
I. Lawrence, Lewis Co.		BR	4	33	4	17 00	5 00	22 00	5 00
Totals	4 Agents			16	117	16 \$58 00	\$5 50	\$63 50	\$201 40

Virginia, Week Ending September 17, 1915

T. D. Gibson, Augusta Co.	BR	5	45	13	39	00	1	50	40	40	
David Orr, Highland Co.	CK	6	36	13	19	50	2	00	21	50	
M. A. Maloney, Madison Co.	CK	10	61	55	92	00	5	75	97	75	3 30
L. A. King, Floyd Co.	GC	5	42								199 50
W. H. Hunt, Washington Co.	BR										51 00
W. Hottel, Scott Co.	GC		30								180 50
Harold Harter, Scott Co.	GC		30								180 50
E. M. Trummer, Smyth Co.	DR	5	53								307 40
Harry Wright, Nottoway Co.	WC	5	41	160	40	00			40	00	40 00
Totals	9 Agents	36	338	241	\$190	50	\$9	25	\$199	25	\$962 20

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Lydia Kemp,	20	00	Victoris Davis		20	00
Charlotte Copeland	16	00	Total		\$56	00

Chesapeake, Week Ending September 17, 1915

N. O. Shafer, Baltimore Co.	BR	5	43	14	48	00	2	40	50	40	
O. C. Weller, Frederick Co.	BR	4	37	7	23	00	1	80	24	80	132 75
Geo. R. Apsley, Cecil Co.	BR	4	39	10	30	00	1	30	31	30	
J. E. Jones, Sussex Co. Del.	PPF	5	42	7	14	00	4	10	18	10	26 95
Totals	4 Agents	18	161	38	\$115	00	\$9	60	\$124	60	\$159 70

Grand Totals: 48 Agents Value of Orders \$1194 00 Deliveries, \$2935 62

* Two weeks, † Three weeks, § Four weeks.

Monthly Summary of Canvassers' Reports

Month Ending July 30, 1915

Conference	Colporteurs	Hours	Orders	Value	1914
Virginia	22	2533	2248	3138 10	976 65
West Pennsylvania	19	1879	330	1830 77	1155 07
East Pennsylvania	18	2022	455	1700 57	1074 03
Chesapeake	12	926	418	1557 10	731 00
Ohio	23	1294	344	1163 00	1139 55
New Jersey	9	859	251	886 25	619 50
West Virginia	8	830	86	848 85	570 00
District of Columbia	8	69	51	363 10	
Totals	119	10412	4183	\$11487 74	6265 80

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The Summary

It will be noticed that our summary for August is quite large. It gives us a gain of \$5,221.24 over August of 1914. Because of the large shortage in student colporteurs for June and July it caused us to fall behind, and we were fearful that we would suffer seriously on our annual report for 1915. But on figuring up the first eight months of 1914 and 1915 we find that we only have a loss of \$17.53. Our prospects are very good for a gain on the entire year as our gain for the first

five months and also for August was very good. If our work continues good throughout the year we will show a strong gain.

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OBITUARIES

JUMP.—Adah L. Jump was born in Erie County, Ohio, July 12, 1877, and died August 30, 1915. For many years she was a faithful member of the Toledo S. D. A. Church and maintained a firm and bright hope to the last. She is survived by her mother and two brothers, one of whom is Dr. H. M. Jump, of Toledo, who has tenderly cared for his sister since she was a small child.

ROBISHAW.—Madge E. Gibson was born in Clarksfield, Ohio, Sept. 10, 1880, and died August 2, 1915, aged 34 years, 10 months, and 23 days. She united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church in her early years and remained a devoted and faithful member till her death. She was married to Charles E. Robishaw Sept. 3, 1900.

The greater part of her married life was spent in Mt. Vernon, Ohio, and the last six years at the Welch Sanitarium of that place. Sister Robishaw had been in poor health for five years and a great sufferer for the last ten months. She bore her suffering with great patience, having a firm confidence that the Saviour doeth all things well. She had spent her life in an effort to relieve the sufferings of others and her solicitude for others was her last thought. She leaves to mourn, a husband, a mother, four brothers and seven sisters, besides a large circle of friends.

Words of comfort and encouragement were given by the writer from Jer. 29:11.

E. K. SLADE.

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This bright, up-to-date, message-filled, soul-winning, periodical is now going out from the Pacific Press to all sections of this great field. Yes, it is going with a strength and character here-to-fore unknown. It is being invited into every conference, and wherever it is invited with a strong enough desire, it will surely go. That is more than can be said for every preacher of righteousness. It is more, too, than could be expected. Our subscription list is steadily increasing. We are now on or passed the 32,000 mark. That is good, but we are after something better. We have set our goal for 50,000 and with anything like co-operation from all sections of this great and needy field, we surely can reach it.

While we are handling the *Signs* weekly, as well as all other classes of our literature, we are giving the message for this time. The message, given to John on the Isle of Patmos, showing that the end of all things is upon us, must now be preached with determined energy. The people must have an opportunity to prepare to meet God. The *Signs* weekly gives the message and produces results. It is appreciated wherever it goes. Read the following:

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"Livingston, Wis. November 27, 1914. Wilton C. Wilcox, *Signs of the Times*, Mountain View, California. Dear Sir: We have several copies of the *Signs of the Times*, but they are 1911 copies. We like the paper so well we would like to know if the subscription rates are the same as stated in the old papers. Yours respectfully."

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Protestant

Two articles make the October *Protestant* of special interest. The religious question in Mexico is dealt a forcible blow, by a Mexican prominent in state affairs, setting forth the reason for the lawless act of the Roman Hierarchy, their interference in political matters, and their determination to maintain their power over the state. This article is well worth reading.

Just as the *Protestant* goes to press the Pope sends a special message to President Wilson, by the hand of Cardinal Gibbons, with reference to the peace of Europe. The Editor deals with this in an article entitled "President Wilson, the Pope and Peace."

The *Protestant* this month as a whole contains some valuable information that every Seventh-day Adventist should read. Your subscription sent in now will entitle you to the remainder of 1915 and all of 1916 for \$1.00, if requested.

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