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

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WEST PENNSYLVANIA

News Notes

"Workers for Christ are never to think, much less to speak, of failure in their work. The Lord Jesus is our efficiency in all things; his spirit is to be our inspiration; and as we place ourselves in his hands, to be channels of light, our means of doing good will never be exhausted. We may draw upon his fulness, and receive of that grace which has no limit."

Professor C. L. Stone spent a couple of days in Pittsburgh last week in the interest of young peoples' work.

R. J. Hook, of the Review and Herald Pub. Assn. spent a few hours in the office October 14.

Elder J. W. Watt was called to New Bethlehem, Pa. October 23, to preach the funeral sermon of Abram Anthony, one of our isolated Sabbath-keepers.

Elder J. P. Gaede baptized six persons recently, and four others will unite with the church soon. The Lord has abundantly blessed Elder Gaede's efforts this summer.

Elder Robbins left on Monday, October 25, for Loma Linda where he is going to attend the general conference council. He planned to stop off a day or two at Mt. Vernon Academy where his daughter, Mable, is attending school.

Sister Rager reports having finished the two towns of Cambria County. She commenced work with "Bible Footlights" in Indiana County recently. There is a great work to be done in our cities and towns. We would be glad to hear from others who feel burdened to enter this work.

Word comes from Brothers Patterson and Buttermore that their courage is good. They joined our corps of colporteurs a few weeks ago in obedience to the Masters call. Are there not others who hear the Master's call to service and feel burdened for the work?

A number of the workers have had large deliveries during the past two weeks. Reports from the field contain the encouraging news of success. Let us remember these workers for Christ, that their success in seed-sowing may continue.

Brother Kimmel has located in Stahtstown to look after the interest which developed there as a result of the tent effort conducted by Elder Robbins. He will also do some colporteur work in the Lionier Valley. We wish him God speed in his work, and trust that many souls will be gathered out as a result of his work.

The colored people in Pittsburgh are getting along quite well with their new church building. Elder F. H. Robbins, his two brothers from Connellsville, and Archie Brownlee, almost finished the brick work on the building last week. It is brick veneer, and is located on a good lot near the street car line in the colored district.

The tent at Galetton was taken down about two weeks ago, but the work there has just begun. The medical missionary work conducted by Brother Koons and Sister Kneeland has proven to be a great factor in overthrowing prejudice, and winning the confidence of the people. Elder Kneeland is continuing his services in a hall near the place where the tent was located. In spite of the most bitter opposition on the part of the ministers of the town, the meetings are well attended. Thus far eight persons have taken their stand for the truth, and many are interested.

The tent effort in Greensburg held by Elder Robbins, assisted by Brother and Sister Konigmacker who led the music, has been instrumental in breaking down a great deal of prejudice in Greensburg. Sister Addie Bowen who was left there to follow up the interest has as much as she can do in giving Bible studies. We believe that good results will follow this effort. A full report will be given of this work later.

VIRGINIA

Conference Report

I will now report our work since camp-meeting. We put up our tent at Doswell and began a series of meetings August 20. Elder Moffett joined me after the first week and was with me the most of the time until the close, October 10.

We had a good hearing each night until wet, cold weather set in. Brother Walter Jones will follow up the interest for a time with Bible readings.

At Doswell we have a good church school and a good live Sabbath school of over twenty members.

October 2 and 3, I spent with the Yale church, baptized and added to the church six persons and held quarterly service with them. I enjoyed my stay with this new church.

October 16 we baptized five persons in the North Anna River. We believe in the near future that a church will be organized at Doswell and these newly baptized ones with others that are fully in the faith will form a good live church.

Brother and Sister Phlugaradt have been faithful in their efforts in that field and we believe that the seed sown by them and the result of the tent effort will be the means of building up a strong church there.

The writer is now at Rileyville holding a short series of meetings and aiding that church with the Ingathering work, which

I think when finished, will be a success. Nine are going out next Thursday to spend the entire day in that work.

They have a good school conducted by Miss Grey formerly of Graysville Tennessee. Her work thus far is satisfactory. A number of outside children are attending and there are prospects of more in the near future. Some of these outside pupils have to pass directly by the public school.

W. E. BIDWELL.

News Notes

The Newport News church has ordered a club of sixty weekly *Signs* for the winter, and are of good courage selling literature. They are already working with some three hundred magazines each month.

L. O. Gordon and wife are spending this week with the church at Lynchburg, assisting with the Harvest Ingathering. They report an excellent meeting for Sabbath and are of good courage in the work.

Some of the churches have not yet ordered their supply of Harvest papers. They should now be ordered as you have likely planned your work for a later date. Also some of the missionary secretaries have not yet sent in their church quarterly missionary report. We should have these at once.

At this writing we lack just one hundred and seventy-six papers of equalling the number of Harvest Ingathering papers used by Virginia last year, and ere this paper is read, we shall have gone by our record. We trust each will work faithfully with their papers so that none will be wasted, and a goodly sum will be netted for our missions. The latest heard from is Mrs. T. D. Gibson of Staunton, who has gleaned \$25.30 herself and others of the company there make ten dollars more which will be a nice little sum from their work at Staunton.

NEW JERSEY

Harvest Ingathering Campaign Launched in Trenton

On Sabbath last it was my privilege to meet with the Trenton company in the interest of the above campaign, and the Lord came very near. All felt the need of reconsecrating their lives anew to the Master's service before entering upon this effort, so that the Lord could use us as instruments in his hands in pointing precious souls to Jesus. Many expressed their desire to be faithful, and go out

with the papers and gather in all they could to help spread the gospel. Sunday morning I started out with two sisters who felt a little timid. Very soon their timidity was gone, and the Lord blessed us in a remarkable manner. These sisters are very enthusiastic and are going out as often as possible.

All the office staff with the exception of one went out and God showered blessings down upon us, and we collected over \$12 in about 5 hours. We had many experiences.

Last Friday the school closed for a few hours, and it was encouraging to see the little folks going out with the papers under their arms and they became so interested that quite a number of them are continuing to go out. How it must rejoice the angels to see the people of God going forward in faith, especially the young people. Let us all, young and old, pull together and see if we cannot raise more than the goal that is set. If every member would do his or her part, we would have a grand sum to present to the Lord. You are welcome to as many papers as you like; all that is needed is the effort.

One church in this conference of only sixteen members has raised over \$70 already, and good reports are coming in from many of the churches.

T. H. BARRITT.

News Notes

We had an office call from Brother Spies last week, the third of our conference committee who has favored us with a visit.

The Newark young people report excellent results with the Harvest Ingathering campaign. Thus far they have \$34.00, and "the end is not yet".

We are sorry to report that Sister Martin has been in a hospital in New York for several weeks. Last Monday she underwent an operation which we hear was satisfactory. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Elder G. W. Spies recently baptized five precious souls, all adults, near Winslow, N. J., upon whom Brother Edward Finck of Hammonton had bestowed considerable labor. These believers are trying to interest others in the truth which is so precious to them.

We are sorry to report to the readers of the *Visitor* that Brother Hansen who canvassed in Sussex County, met with a bad accident. While delivering his books, the horse took fright, and threw him and dragged him 50 feet and cut his foot badly and broke his knee cap. Brother Barritt

visited him about a week ago and found him progressing favourably although it will be some weeks before he will be able to walk.

Let us remember this brother in our prayers, and if any would like to send him a few lines I am sure he would be glad to hear from you. His address is Mr. Andrew Hansen, Lafayette, Sussex County, N. J.

Elder Martin is having splendid Sunday night meetings in the city of Paterson. Brother T. H. Barritt was with him the opening night and the following Sunday night. Quite a goodly number turned out on both occasions. There is a good interest, and Elder Martin is of good courage. We wish him success in his labors for the Master in this large city.

Do not forget that we have only two more months before the close of 1915, dear Missionary Volunteers. What ever we do for the 1915 goal must be completed by the close of December. If you have been lagging behind in the task you have set yourselves to do, get a new supply of grit as soon as possible, and throw your energy and enthusiasm into the work. "We are organized to do things, and when we will, we can."

OHIO

Missionary Conventions

We have planned to hold missionary conventions in Ohio churches as follows: Bowling Green, November 5-7; Leesburg, November 14-16; Dayton, November 19-21; Lake View, November 26-28; Cleveland, December 3-5; Columbus, December 10-12; Mount Vernon, December 17-19.

I feel very anxious indeed that these meetings shall prove to be a great inspiration to the churches where they are held, and that a missionary zeal may be developed that will bring gladness to the hearts of many and decided helpfulness in the giving of the message in Ohio.

These conventions are to be of a practical nature. In addition to such ministerial help as may be provided, Brother V. O. Patches, our field missionary secretary, and Miss Bessie Acton, the missionary volunteer secretary of the conference, will be in attendance. They represent two important phases of our conference work, and we have an earnest desire that these departments and the work they represent may receive great help, not only in the churches where these conventions are held, but in a way throughout the conference.

Especially do we desire that the churches favored by these conventions

shall do all in their power to make them eminently successful. I feel certain that these churches will be glad to have visitors come in from neighboring churches, and that they will be properly cared for. I believe that our church members will realize that the success of these conventions will depend more than anything else upon drawing near God and upon having his presence and leadership in all that is attempted. The times in which we live make urgent indeed the best efforts that we can bestow to revive the true missionary spirit among our people in relation to all departments of our work.

E. K. SLADE.

Experiences in the Field

Last Tuesday evening at sunset Brother Syphers and I were a little more than one mile from Brookwaller and as neither one had succeeded in finding a place to stop for the night we decided the best thing to do was to go to Brookwaller.

We found a widow lady that said we might have lodging for 25 cents for the night. We bought our supper at the grocery, consisting of canned peaches, bread and butter. On Wednesday morning after a breakfast of celery, bread and butter we began canvassing in Brookwaller. Brother Syphers was using "Bible Footlights" in some of the homes where the people were poor. In the evening he canvassed a family of Christian Union faith for "Bible Readings." After securing their order, they invited us to their cottage prayer meeting that evening. We went and this man when testifying introduced us as Christian men selling a work on the Bible that every one should have in his home. I sold a book for cash in the afternoon to one of the men present, who also told about the good book. After the meeting was dismissed we sold the elder a "Bible Readings." He said he would like for us to canvass the people in his community, for it was a book that should be in every home. He said he had never seen anything to equal it.

We sold almost \$30.00 worth of books in this little town in the one day it took to canvass it.

We are thankful for such experiences and also that we have a part in giving this last message to the world.

IRA M. RICKETT.

Washington C. H.

Thinking that it might be an inspiration to the other churches of this conference will report that the church at Washington C. H. is taking an active part in the religious liberty work as suggested by Elder C. S. Longacre in the *Review* of

October 21. On Sabbath October 23, the members donated \$10.00 to send subscriptions of the *Liberty* magazine to the leading men of Fayette County.

As we see the time of trouble coming on and Satan inciting his forces to persecute God's people we ought to warn those in responsible positions against persecuting their fellow men. We can do so in no better way than by placing this good magazine in their homes.

WALTER S. SYPHERS.

News Notes

Brother C. E. Reichenbach is helping D. L. Sealy, of Findlay, to start in the colporteur work this week.

Sister Bessie Acton is visiting the Alliance, East Liverpool, and Ravenna believers this week, in the interest of the work of her departments.

Elder E. K. Slade will leave for California the first of November to attend the Fall Council meeting of the North American Division Conference, and will not be permitted to return to Ohio until the first of December. Any mail for him should be directed to the conference office as in the past and will receive prompt attention.

Our colporteurs are taking advantage of this fine weather of the past few weeks and have succeeded in putting in practically full time. They have also had the highest sales per hour during the past month of any time this year.

We have not seen Brother Fred Hannah's name among our reports for colporteurs for the past two weeks, not because he has dropped out of the work, but because he has been moving. He writes that soon he will be able to put in full time again. Brother Hannah has been one of our most faithful workers.

Brother J. H. Stafford is now located in Cincinnati, and says he will soon be ready for work. We hope that he may have success in his new territory.

Brother H. O. Kohr, having finished canvassing Knox County, is now working in Zanesville with "Bible Footlights." The Lord is blessing him in city work, his sales for one week amounting to \$83.

People are showing their appreciation of our books by purchasing them in quantities as gifts for their children or friends. Sales have been made to individuals as follows: Brother V. O. Pun-

ches, while with a colporteur, sold four full morocco copies; one of our students, three full moroccos; Brother George Cottman, of Cincinnati, four half moroccos, and one full morocco; C. C. Douglas, of Akron, four cloth copies; Brother P. A. Franks, three cloth during his first week of canvassing. This demonstrates how the people value "Bible Readings."

The first missionary convention will be held in Bowling Green, November 5-7.

Our city work has been a hard proposition, but we are glad to see some meeting the situation successfully. Brother Douglas, of Akron, has spent almost the whole of the past two years in city work. He is succeeding in placing our large books in the homes. His last week's sales amounted to \$87.25, and he has had a one hundred per cent delivery in the past month.

January 2 to 12 has been selected as the date for our next colporteur institute. This meeting will be held in the Cleveland church. Full details will appear in the *Visitor* later. Any who are interested in the colporteur work should write to the field agent, Brother V. O. Patches, Bx. 8, Mt. Vernon.

W. M. Campbell of Cincinnati, Ohio, worked seven hours with the Harvest Ingathering *Signs* and received \$31.00 for missions. One business man gave \$20.

Special

The Harvest Ingathering By Correspondence

Some of our members are feeble, some are invalids, and unable to get about, but they want a part in this Harvest Ingathering effort. Requests have come in for suggestive letters, and in response the following examples are given.

TO A RELATIVE

"My dear Uncle:

"I have at last found a way to do a little in behalf of this mission work in which I am so much interested, even though I am confined to my home and the most of the time to my bed.

"Our missionary society has issued a Harvest Ingathering number of our missionary paper, which contains a sketch of the progress of our mission work in eighty-five different countries. It contains a number of pictures, most of which were made from photographs taken by our missionaries.

"We are now supporting nearly three thousand missionaries in foreign lands. In addition to what they secure in their

fields, we raise nearly eight hundred thousand dollars a year, or more than two thousand a day, for their support.

"The Lord has blessed you and your family with health during the past year, and has prospered you in your business, and I feel sure that you will appreciate the privilege of making a little donation in behalf of the mission work represented by our paper.

"I am sending a copy of the paper by today's mail. This enclosed Solicitor's Card will show you that I am authorized to collect funds for the Mission Board. Whatever donation you will send to me will be forwarded promptly to the Mission Treasury.

"Thanking you in advance for whatever gift you may send,

Affectionately yours,—"

TO A BUSINESS MAN

"Dear Sir:

"I am taking the liberty of sending you by mail, under separate cover, a copy of the special Missions Number of the *Signs of the Times*.

"My reason for doing this is to interest you in the work we are doing in eighty-five different countries, to Christianize, civilize, and educate the people of these lands. As a business man, I am sure you will appreciate the value of this work of raising the standard of living among these people and teaching them habits of industry and thrift.

"This year has been a year of war and bloodshed, which has made it more than necessary that the citizens of the United States should rally to the support of Christian missions. This country has been blessed with peace and a good degree of prosperity, which is fast making it the leading nation in the world. These privileges may well call from us grateful acknowledgments of God's goodness.

"The enclosed official Solicitor's Card will show you that I am duly authorized to solicit donations for foreign missions. I am one of 75,000 persons who have volunteered to assist in this way.

"If you are interested in this work of uplifting the people in the less favoured nations, you may be willing to contribute to its support by sending me a donation. Please write your name and the amount on the card and return it with the donation. Every amount will be gratefully received and forwarded to the Mission Board at Washington, D. C.

"Wishing you prosperity in your business,

Yours respectfully,—"

TO ONE WHOSE OCCUPATION IS UNKNOWN

"Dear Sir(or Madam)

"I am taking the liberty of sending you by this mail, under separate cover, a copy

of the special Missions Number of the *Signs of the Times*.

"My reason for doing this is that I believe you will be interested in this report of the work we are doing in eighty-five different countries to civilize, Christianize and educate the people of these lands.

"This year has been a year of war and bloodshed, which has made it more than ever necessary that the citizens of the United States should rally to the support of Christian Missions. This country has been blessed with peace and a good degree of prosperity and been spared much of the suffering other countries are enduring. These privileges may well call out from us grateful thank offerings for God's goodness.

"The enclosed Official Solicitor's Card will show you that I am duly authorized to solicit donations for foreign missions.

"If you are interested in this work of uplifting the people in these lands where the gospel has as yet made but small progress, and where they have few educational and other privileges, you may be willing to contribute to its support. Please write your name and the amount of the donation you desire to give on the card and return it to me with the donation. Any amount you feel free to give will be gratefully received and forwarded to the Mission Board at Washington, D. C.

"Wishing you the continued enjoyment of the blessings of peace and prosperity,

Yours respectfully,—"

It is not expected that these letters will be copied just as they are, but that they will give ideas how such letters should be written. With these suggestions in mind, after a careful study of the paper, and earnest prayer for help, letters can be written that will touch hearts and lead them to assist in the work.

E. M. GRAHAM.

The Harvest Ingathering Goal Shall We Reach It?

The \$100,000 goal is still before us unreached in our Harvest Ingathering work. For three years this same goal has been voted by the General and North American Division Conferences. Shall we really try this year to reach it? The nearest we have come to it yet is \$56,282.99. This goal is on the basis of \$1.54 for each church member. Really it would seem that each conference ought to raise this. And it might easily do so if each church would gather in its share. And that depends upon whether each church member fulfils his part.

October 21, the Maritime Conference, Eastern Canada, sent us a telegram saying they were already out on their portion of the goal.

According to reports sent by conference treasurers to the union conference treasurers, on December 31, last year, the Columbia Union stood as follows:

	Share of \$100,000	Amount Raised	Due
Ches.	931 70	787 79	143 91
*D. C.	1187 34	1257 85	
East. Pa.	1771 00	1538 40	232 52
N. J.	1118 04	986 96	131 08
Ohio	3080 00	1512 08	1567 92
Va.	791 56	432 82	358 74
West Pa.	1216 60	602 39	614 21
West Va.	264 88	164 56	100 32
Col. U.	10361 12	7282 93	3078 19

* This conference is on the Honor Roll with \$70.51.

Before the cold weather comes on is the most favorable time for work with the missions number of the *Signs*. Some people to whom we go will help. Others will not. But there is a real blessing in doing our duty whether we feel like it or not. There is some work we must do for the Lord that we do not like to do. But shall we pick out that only which pleases us? The Lord did not do that way. "He pleased not himself."

God needs the help of every one just now whose heart he has touched with the love of this truth. He has work for you that you can do. Will you not persevere in your work with the missions *Signs* this year until you know your conference has reached its portion of the \$100,000. Is this a too large amount to attempt to raise for God, when every field is open to us to give the message, and the Lord is holding, to some extent, the winds of strife for us to finish our work?

If you are out of papers write your conference secretary for more. Let us resolve within ourselves to do more this year in gathering funds for missions than ever before. God loves a cheerful giver, and a cheerful worker too.

T. E. BOWEN.

Providence

"Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and He will bring it to pass." Ps. 37:5. Many are the incidents in the lives of the children of God where special providences have guided their steps in the way of right, and to the reception of precious truths which they had not previously learned. To the Lord's praise I will speak of a little of my own experience in that line.

When the Third Angel's Message was first introduced in Rochester, N. Y., I was living in that city, but some distance from the private house where the few believers held their meetings. The first I heard of this people was from one bitterly opposed to them, and who, as I afterward found grossly misrepresented them to me. He said, "They just get together and

shout and sing in a fanatical manner, and have a noisy high-time."

Now let us note a providence that removed that wrong impression, and opened the mind for the candid hearing of the message. I had an uncle who was a very devoted Adventist. He had a severe spell of fever. I was at that time a minister among the First-day Adventist. Uncle sent for me to call upon him. He requested me to read to him James chapter five, especially that part relating to praying for the sick. After I had read to him, he said, "I believe that, and if you will get Brother Morehouse and Brother Boughton to join you, and do what is there said, the Lord will raise me up." It was a new experiment for us. We followed the instruction; the fever was immediately rebuked. Uncle rose from his bed, dressed himself, and joined us in praise to the Lord. What a sensible presence of the spirit of God filled the room!

Not long after this, on the evening of September 26, 1852, I received an invitation to go to a Seventh-day Adventist meeting, and hear Elder J. N. Andrews speak. Of course the opponent's story was in my prejudiced mind, and, and I expected a "noisy time." As I entered the meeting, room, they were having a social meeting, as a prelude to the discourse. It was indeed a calm and heavenly place. Quiet, humble testimonies, wet down with tears, were borne. There was a most sensible presence of the Spirit of God in the meeting. I thought to myself, "This is just the opposite of what that opponent told me about this people and their prayer meetings."

Before the close of the social meeting Brother Harvey Cottrell, a brother of R. C. Cottrell, came in from another room, and said in a tender voice, accompanied with tears, "I came here two days ago expecting to enjoy this meeting with you, but instead I have a burning fever which has deprived me of attending even one meeting. Praise the Lord! the brethren have followed the rule in James five. The Lord has healed me. Praise his name." The power of God filled the room as the brother spoke. I thought, surely this is a counterpart to that experience in uncle's case.

J. N. LOUGHBOROUGH.

Practice What You Preach

This statement has met my ears many times in the past year.

I believe the time has come when every Seventh-day Adventist must be an example of the doctrines we profess. There can be no pretense in the lives of those having so sacred and solemn a message as we have for the world. The world is watching Seventh-day Adventists, because it knows something of their profession of faith, and the high standing to which we

are inviting them. And when it sees those, in high standing, or low standing, who do not live up to their profession, it points at them with scorn and contempt.

Behold thou art called a Seventh-day Adventist and resteth in the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus; and thou makest a profession that thou lovest God, and knoweth his will, and approvest the things that are more excellent, being instructed, especially on the law of God and the sure word of prophecy; and thou hast such confidence in thyself and the doctrines of the Word, that thou art posing as a guide to those who have less light, or "who are blind," a light to those who are in darkness, an instructor to the less wise, a teacher of the weak. Thou hast the form of godliness, and a knowledge of the true relation of the law and the gospel.

Thou therefore which teachest another, oughtest thou not to teach thyself also? Thou that preacheth a man should not steal, dost thou steal? Thou that sayest a man should not commit adultery, dost thou commit adultery, dost thou look upon other men's wife with lust? Thou that teachest others to keep the holy Sabbath, art thou a mark for the world to point at with the finger of scorn? Thou that professest to abhor idols, hast thou something or somebody in thy life that comes before God?

Thou that maketh a profession of keeping the law of God, art thou breaking it, and dishonoreth thou God? The name of God and his holy truth is blasphemed, and brought into reproach too often among ministers of other churches and others, through our carelessness and indifference.

—Exchange.

Ye Are the Salt of the Earth

God says that we are to be the salt of the earth. Salt is valued chiefly for its preservative properties. It is mingled with the substance to which it is added in order that it may be kept from decaying. Thus from this simple illustration would God have us learn a lesson. He would teach us that his purpose for us is to be the means of serving others. We are to take to the perishing world this "gospel of the kingdom" to save them from their sins.

In order to do this Christians must be so purified through the truth that they will possess the saving qualities that will preserve the world from utter moral corruption. That men might be reached by the saving power of the gospel we must come into personal contact with them and associate with them. Our hearts must be so filled with the love of God and the love of souls that we will be willing to be spent in the blessed work of telling them of that love. We must come

close to those whom we desire to benefit. Personal influence is a power.

The savor of salt seems to be the vital quality, for without it the salt is useless and is cast away. So it is with the Christian, the love of Jesus in the heart and the righteousness of Christ pervading the life is the vital power. Without this power works would avail nothing. We must be sincere and earnest if we would win souls. Love modifies the character.

"O, love is power, 'tis bloom and grace,
'Tis a reviving essence;

A flower will bud, a heart will sing,
Beneath its sunny presence;
And God is love and love makes kings
And priests of humble peasants.

"O, love is power; it operates
To make all things diviner;
It is the beauty of our God;
All graces are its minor;
It pours like fire and dew through hearts,
And is the souls' refiner."

Academy

"All who are under the training of God need a quiet hour every day for communion with their own hearts, with nature, and with God."

The young people have their society meetings every Sabbath afternoon as usual. Otto Hershberger is leader, Helen Greunke assistant, John Brownlee secretary, Violette Craig assistant, Vesta Panches pianist, Harry Beckberger assistant.

Elder F. H. Robbins stopped at the academy on his way to the general council of the North American Division to see his daughter, Mable who is attending school here.

Professor H. O. Swartout is conducting a series of health lectures every Tuesday evening at the Mission. The meetings are well attended.

The officers for the students Sabbath-school are as follows:

Superintendent, Professor Teesdale; assistants, Lilly Schar and John Holder; secretary, Myrtle Bateman; assistant, Alvine Perrine; pianist, Grace Kelsey, assistant, Mable Robbins.

"The instincts of self control of gentleness of consideration and forethought and quick sympathy which go to make up what we call good breeding the absence of noise and hurry, the thousand and one little ways by which we can please people, or avoid displeasing them, are all taught us by our own hearts. Good manners are the fine flowers of civilization and everybody can have them."

The Sabbath-school that is being conducted at the Mission is being well attended by outsiders. Recently 73 persons were present.

The Bible Worker's Band has been organized with Helen Greunke as leader, Lily Schar, assistant and Miss Silber secretary. A large number of the young women of the school are in attendance at the meetings.

The Mission Bands which meet every Friday evening before the students prayer meeting are being well attended. Professor Swartout has charge of the first year class and Mr. Hershberger has charge of the second year class.

Elder F. H. Robbins spoke to the students at chapel hour on Tuesday and Wednesday. His words of admonition and counsel were much appreciated by the students.

The Ministerial Band which always does such active work each school year is organized for work again. Mr. Elmer French has charge of the work assisted by Mr. Jesse Smith. Mr. George Wolfe is secretary and Robert Kruff assistant. We hope their efforts to give the truth to the public may result in the saving of some souls.

Washington Missionary College

Thursday, October 14, the girls at the college organized a gymnasium class. There were over forty in attendance, and the work is under the direction of Miss Frances Williams, a graduate of Meridian College. The basket-ball field is to be our gymnasium hall when stormy weather does not oblige us to take refuge in the Sanitarium Gymnasium Hall. The class meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5 to 5:30.

Brother V. O. Cole, general field agent of the Atlantic Union Conference, paid a short visit to his son who is attending the college this year.

The first meeting of the "Quadrangle" was held last Saturday evening. The officers chosen for the first semester were: President, Harold Lewis; Secretary, Hazel Worden; Corresponding Secretary, May E. Wheeler; Faculty Advisor, Dr. Olson. Meetings are to be held every two weeks, and some interesting programs are expected during the year.

Professor Shaw has recently been giving some stirring chapel talks on manu-

Canvassers' Reports

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del
Ohio, Week Ending October 23, 1915									
Geo. Cottman, Brown Co.	BR	5	49	7	22	50	10	38	32 88
C. R. Fairchild, Logan Co.	BR	5	41	6	23	00	3	25	26 25
R. E. Simpson, Logan Co.	BR	4	40	18	60	00	4	00	64 00
H. W. Barto, Pickaway Co.	BR	4	37	13	44	00	5	25	49 25
H. O. Kohr, Muskingum Co.	BFL	5	37	38	59	00	6	90	65 90
G. W. Yingling, Huron Co.	BFL	4	37	14	23	00	9	50	32 50
Mrs. C. Kelley, Portsmouth	CK	5	36	34	53	00	7	50	60 50
P. A. Franks, Wayne Co.	BR	4	36	15	55	00	3	00	58 00
Mrs. E. Y. Smith, Portsmouth	CK	5	34	31	49	00	5	60	54 60
W. S. Syphers, Fayette Co.	BR	5	32	13	34	50	5	75	40 25
L. H. Waters, Adams Co.	PPF	5	29	12	21	50	7	50	22 25
C. G. Douglass, Summit Co.	BR	5	29	23	76	00	11	25	87 25
Ira M. Rickett, Fayette Co.	BR	5	29	10	31	00	8	85	39 85
W. H. Smith, Homes Co.	BR	1	5	1	3	00	75	3	75
Totals	14 Agents		63	471	235	\$554 50	\$82 73	\$617 23	\$34 65

Virginia, Week Ending October 15, 1915									
T. D. Gibson, Augusta Co.	BR	5	42	20	60	00	3	75	63 75
T. C. Cunningham, Washington Co.	BR	3	30						86 95
David Orr, Highland Co.	CK	5	28	5	7	50	70	8	20
A. L. Gary, Highland Co.	PPF	4	39	20	26	50	1	30	27 80
Bennette Hamm, Madison Co.	BFL	5	35	16	24	00	1	05	25 05
S. N. Wilber, Appomattox Co.	BFL	5	38	24	42	05			42 05
M. A. Maloney, King William Co.	DR	1	10						66 90
J. L. Goode, Henrico Co.	BR	4		80	20	00			20 00
Harry Wright, Henrico Co.	WC	5	27	17	30	50			30 50
Totals	9 Agents		36	222	267	\$150 55	6 80	\$157 35	\$154 20
Frank Parsons			15	90					4 45
Charlott Copeland									
Total									\$20 35

Chesapeake, Week Ending October 23, 1915									
Geo. R. Apsley, Carroll Co.	BR	3	30	13	46	00	5	70	51 70
J. E. Jones, Caroline Co. Del.	PPF	4	30	14	32	00	5	85	37 85
D. W. Percy, Caroline Co. Del.	PPF	5	37	26	27	00	3	75	60 75
Geo. W. Lawrence, Harford Co.	DR	5	33	15	46	00	3	50	49 50
Totals	4 Agents		17	130	68	\$181 00	\$18 80	\$156 30	\$14 00

New Jersey, Week Ending October 23, 1915									
W. B. Plant, Morris Co.	BR	5	25	8	25	00	2	60	27 60
E. J. Wood, Camden Co.	PPF	4	22	7	17	00			17 00
Geo. Lloyd, Burlington Co.	PPF	4	26	3	6	00	11	50	17 50
W. H. Stagmier, Morris Co.	BR	4	18	3	9	00	3	00	12 00
Mrs. Geo. Lloyd Burlington Co.	PPF	3	12				4	50	4 50
Totals	5 Agents		20	103	21	57 00	21 60	78 60	7 45

Grand Totals: 32 Agents Value of Orders \$943 03 Deliveries, \$210 30

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

Monthly Summary of Canvassers' Reports

Month Ending July 30, 1915

Conference	Colporteurs	Hours	Orders	Value	1914
Ohio	17	2535	757	2120 85	3519 00
West Pennsylvania	22	1359	419	1379 15	1342 35
Chesapeake	11	1039	258	1082 75	1537 88
West Virginia	9	863	263	980 30	863 12
Virginia	17	1572	805	881 50	555 75
East Pennsylvania	14	951	294	669 25	616 75
District of Columbia	6	197	76	309 10	
New Jersey	8	398	82	284 20	516 85
Totals	104	8914	2954	\$7707 10	\$8946 20

mental training. As a consequence several more students have enrolled in the industrial departments.

The sewing department is busier than ever this year. There are three divisions, and the work is made practical for all, even the beginners are learning the stitches on simple garments instead of samples. Demonstrations in selecting and buying goods are to be given. Each young woman in the department is looking forward to the time when she can make all her own clothes neatly and economically.

Elder A. G. Daniells spoke to the students of the college at chapel hour last Wednesday on the unmistakable evidences of the completion of the work of the Third Angel's Message. In its consummation are centered all the hopes of every true Seventh-day Adventist. Our faith in God's guidance of this denomination was increased by the facts that Elder Daniells brought out, the fact of God's foretelling what would surely come to pass, and the fact that in every land the way for the preaching of this message has been prepared. Surely the time is now here when all who believe in Christ's soon coming must lay every selfish ambition away and do only those things that will help others to be ready for this closing scene of history.

We regret that Mrs. Paap has found it necessary to drop her work as matron and preceptress of the dining hall; but we welcome Mrs. Quantock, who has taken her place. Mrs. Quantock has several years of experience in our work at home and in the mission fields.

Last Thursday evening the girls of the dining hall gave Mrs. Paap a pleasant farewell surprise. A short program of music and recitations was given. Refreshments were served.

The college has purchased a new automobile. This will be used to carry passengers between the college and the Takoma Park car lines, and for evangelistic work. Mr. Ray Miller will act as chauffeur.

Professor Shaw accompanied by his wife and children left Wednesday, October 20, for California to attend the Autumn Council. He will be absent a month or more. His cheering words and fatherly counsel will be greatly missed by the students.

A pleasant surprise was given to President and Mrs. Shaw on Tuesday evening,

when the members of the faculty gathered at their home to bid them farewell. The evening was spent in a social way, and refreshments were served. As the company broke up all joined in singing the hymn which has endeared itself to many hearts, "God be with you till we meet again."

Last Wednesday morning the students presented to the college a large United States flag. The movement to procure the flag originated in the "Quadrangle", and rapidly spread through the school, showing that our students are not lacking in patriotism. Professor Shaw expressed his appreciation of the gift and said, that we should not only be proud of the American flag, but also of our world-wide message which originated on American soil.

The students who have taken music under Professor Hamer during the summer gave a recital Thursday night, October 21. It was a very credible performance.

The printing department of the college gives work this year to ten students who are thus enabled to earn their way through school. There is also a regular class in printing which meets once a week. The "Sabbath School Worker," and the "Second Sabbath Readings" are printed by the school press with student labor.

Mrs. Votaw, who has been spending some time in Ohio has now joined her husband. They expect to live in the Park.

Miss M. Alice Miller has been obliged to return to her home for a time, on account of the illness of her aunt.

Mrs. E. M. Burdick, of Titusville, Pennsylvania, is visiting her daughter at the college.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hall are welcome visitors at the college. Mr. Hall finished his college course last year.

Mr. Richard Farley, also of the class of 1915, spent a day at the school last week. Mr. Farley is engaged in evangelistic work in the Virginia Conference.

Professor G. W. Caviness, who has just returned from Mexico, gave an interesting chapel talk concerning his recent experiences there. Although there has been suffering and affliction all around the Lord has cared for his people.

OBITUARIES

WOODEL.—Edith Dill Boyle Woodel was born May 21, 1880 in Clearfield, Pa., and died October 4, 1915 of hemorrhage of the lungs. Sister Woodel accepted present truth in 1906 through the labors of Elder Wiper. In 1907 the deceased was married to W. Woodel, who, with two brothers and five sisters of the deceased, mourn their loss. They mourn but not as those who have no hope. Her hope and faith in the soon coming Saviour was firm to the end. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer. C. F. ULRICH.

JACKSON.—Edgar W. Jackson was born in Arkansas, February 23, 1876. He died August 11, 1915 at the age of 45 years 8 months 11 days. On December 22, 1903 he was united in holy matrimony with Edith Spencer. To this union three children were born. In the year 1909 he accepted the truth held by Seventh-day Adventists and united with the church at Chagrin Falls, and lived in harmony with the doctrines held by this denomination until death released him of his suffering. As we lay him away to rest it is not without hope. He leaves a wife, three children, one sister and other relatives and many friends to mourn their loss. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer. F. M. FAIRCHILD.

Character Building

We are sent into this world to build up characters which will be blessed and useful in that great future for which we are being trained. There is a niche which only we can fill, a crown which only we can wear, music which only we can render. God knows what these are, and he is giving opportunities to prepare for them. Life is our school-house. Its rooms may be bare, but they are littered with opportunities of becoming fit for our great inheritance.

Knitting needles are cheap and common enough, but on them may be wrought the fairest designs in the richest wools. So the incident of daily life may be commonplace in the extreme, but on them as the material foundation we may build the unseen but everlasting fabric of a noble and beautiful character. It does not so much matter what we do but the way in which we do it matters greatly. What we do may or may not live; but the way in which we perform our common tasks becomes an indestructible part of our character, for better or worse and forever.

We ought, therefore, to be very careful how we fulfill these common tasks of daily life. We are making the character

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money orders payable to your tract society.*The check mark here indicates that
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renew at once.*in which we have to spend eternity. We
are either building into ourselves wood,
hay, and stubble, which will have to
burn out at great cost, or the gold, silver
and precious stones that shall be things of
beauty and joy forever. F. B. MEYER.

Watch

Don't forget to watch for the Educa-
tional number of the VISITOR which will
be published next week.Christ wishes us to be fishers of men,
we should plunge out into the deep,
where we may do the most good. Our
bait should not be pickles (a sour Chris-
tian experience) but should be a bright,
sweet influence, which will draw souls to
Christ.Now is the time to get ready, when the
storm bursts there will be no time to set
the masts or band the rudder. Oppor-
tunities are sure to come which we shall
most earnestly wish to employ to the ut-
most. Our actual use of them, however,
will depend not on what we wish, but on
what we are. —Foss.

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The present truth series is successfully
accomplishing the work it was designed
to do, namely,—searching out those sus-
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late this worthy paper, and I surely will.
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something. Yours truly and foreverlast-
ing success."

Did You See It?

Referring to Sister White, the "Independ-
ent" of August 23, in the closing senten-
ces of an article headed, "An American
Prophetess," says: "She showed no spiri-
tual pride and she sought no filthy lucre.
She lived the life and did the work of a
worthy prophetess, the most admirable of
the American succession."The influence of this reference to Sister
White and life work among the many
thousands of "Independent" readers, can
only be imagined. Find the entire article
reproduced in the *Signs* magazine for De-
cember. Also a splendid variety of other
articles which give the message in an up-
to-date setting. You and your neighbors
ought to read the *Signs* magazine regu-
larly.

A Danger Signal

The *Review* came into existence through
special instruction at the beginning of our
work, and has been a strong factor in
building up this work for more than sixty
years, and doubtless will continue to be
the voice of the denomination until the
close of time.While it serves as an impelling force,
imparting spiritual vitality and creating a
working devotion in the promotion of all
lines of our special work, it also serves, as
revealed in the following testimonial, as
a particular danger signal to all of our
members:—"I am taking the *Review*, and trust I
shall as long as it is published. I feel
that all of our people should have it in
their homes, and I am confident that
those who are able to take it and do not,
are doing so at their peril. Not that it
means their salvation to simply read the
Review, but if they have no more interest
in the advancement of the message than
to indifferently let pass such a fund of in-
formation as well as the encouragement
that may be obtained from week to weekthrough the *Review*, it is time for them to
take an inventory of their spiritual con-
dition. Many times families do not take
the paper through neglect, for we are all
prone to procrastinate as well as to for-
get. So I believe our ministers should
make it a point from time to time to call
the attention to the *Review*, and to urge
the people to see that the *Review* makes
its regular weekly visits to their homes."

The Review and Our Missionaries

The *Review* is greatly appreciated by
the majority of our people, but perhaps
none find so much help and consolation
in it as do our missionaries. The follow-
ing is expressive of the sentiments com-
mon among them:"I trust you will never discontinue my
Review. Just notify me when my time is
up, and it will be attended to right away.
We missionaries who are many thousands
of miles from the home land cannot do
without the grand old *Review*. It is life
to our souls, and it seems to me that
every family in the home land should
have it if they want to keep up with the
wonderful progress of this glorious mes-
sage, and if they expect to triumph with
it."

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