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WEST PENNSYLVANIA

Pittsburgh

We are nearing the close of the first month of our student work in the city, and are glad to pass on to the readers of the VISITOR the encouraging news of success. During the past two weeks our working force has been increasing steadily, until at the present time we have twenty-three workers on the list. Of this number eight commenced work this week.

Different sections of the city have been apportioned to the students, who are arranged in squads ranging from two to six. Every home is visited as far as possible, and we plan by this means to reach the masses within the limits of Greater Pittsburgh during the next two months. Judging from the results we have had since our work began, there is no doubt but that the city can be covered at least twice before the close of summer.

The students are confining their efforts exclusively to the small books, "Armageddon," and "World's Crisis." It is a recognized fact that these books contain the message in an attractive, concise form, and without a doubt are designed for the people in our cities, who are too busy with the daily routine of city life to read large books on these questions. Excellent success is attending the efforts of the workers, and already records have been made that eclipse anything that has been done in the past with these message filled books. Since the work began three weeks ago, almost one thousand books have been placed in the homes of the people. Messers Vance, Dunham and Rieman are using our large books, not confining their work to any one section of the city. They meet many in their work whose leisure moments are not so limited, and can take time to study the larger books.

Our first three weeks of work totaled a little over \$950 in sales. Most of these have been delivered to date. Our goal for the summer's work is not less than \$4,000 worth of literature placed in the homes of the people within our reach. Present indications encourage us to believe that this will be more than realized. With an interested public, and a good

corps of workers we feel encouraged to look forward to a big harvest by the close of summer.

Our students are playing an important part in the work of seeking for the interested souls in the city. Already a goodly number of homes have opened their doors to our Bible workers through the influence of the student work. We cannot estimate now the results that will develop in souls saved, but in a little while we hope to see many who first became interested through our faithful colporteurs. We trust the readers of the VISITOR will remember the workers as they visit daily from home to home, calling the attention of the people to the message for the present hour. H. K. CHRISTMAN.

News Notes

The new tent has just arrived, and we plan to hold our first meeting Sunday evening, June 25.

Camp-meeting will be held in Pittsburgh, or vicinity, August 24 to September 3. Make your plans now to attend.

Brother Stillwagon who lives at Adah is very ill. Elder Robbins was called to go over last week, and he says, Brother Stillwagon is rejoicing in the Lord.

There are many people in Pittsburgh who are interested in the study of the Third Angel's Message. Last week alone seventeen new homes opened their doors for Bible studies.

Elder A. N. Durrant opened his meetings Sunday evening, June 18. The attendance was good.

As we look out into the field, we are deeply impressed with the fact that the message is going. Several of the workers in different parts of the field have made some excellent records during the last few weeks. Brother George Dunham reported sales amounting to \$98 last week. Brother Dunham is working in McKean County. The same week Brother James Lippart reported \$90 in sales. We are glad to see our student workers enjoy such encouraging success.

Brother Vance has been using the large books in Pittsburgh for some time. During the last two weeks his sales amounted to almost \$350. This is another evidence to us that our large books can be sold in our cities.

OHIO

Cleveland Tent Effort

No doubt the readers of the VISITOR would be glad to see a report of the work in the sixth city.

Since our tent effort of last July and August, about 75 members have been added to the Cleveland Church and others will soon be ready to join the ranks of Israel.

Last night, (Sunday, June 18) we held the first meeting of this summer's tent effort in our large tent, sixty by one hundred and twenty feet, located on a large corner lot at West Twenty-fifth and Myers Ave. We were blessed in our opening service with an overflowing attendance. As we were not able to seat the people, we borrowed about 80 chairs and asked the children to sit on the platform that the older people might be seated. Many, however, could not be seated, but remained for the entire service, the large audience giving splendid attention to the message on "Armageddon Nearing," or "The last great battle between all nations of earth to be fought in this generation."

A good interest seems to be already awakened, which we are confident will grow and develop, resulting in a harvest of souls.

The artistic decoration of our tent is a credit to our sisters and makes our tabernacle one to which we are proud to invite the public.

Our tent company is composed of two Bible workers: Sisters Carrie Askey and Fannie Emmel; a Chorister, Brother Joseph Tuttle, who also acts as our tent master; and assistant tent master, Brother Edward Palm and the writer.

We are happy to report also that our lay members are active in missionary work among the people, which is indicative of good results. We are confident that the total expense of conducting this effort will be met by the donations received.

In the book of Joshua, chapters five and six, we have the record of the fall of Jericho. Before those mighty walls were brought down, Joshua lifted up his eyes and seeing the Captain of the Lord's hosts, asked him: "What saith my Lord unto His servant?" Joshua 5: 13, 14.

We know that the one all important secret of success in taking cities for God today, is to take our eyes off of the apparently impregnable walls and barriers which Satan has raised up against us, to lift our eyes heavenward in prayer, seeing by the eye of faith, the Captain of the hosts of the Lord. We know too, that we must recognize His divine leadership, obey implicitly all His commands, always asking as did Joshua, "What saith my Lord unto His servant?" This part is ours to do, while glorious triumph and victory He alone must give, by the removal of all mountains in our way and the shattering of the walls of our modern Jericho.

Unite your prayers with ours for glorious results in the great city of Cleveland.
R. S. LINDSAY.

Columbus Tent Effort

It affords me great pleasure to report that the work in Columbus is progressing very nicely. Upon my return from Washington, I saw several new faces in the congregation and it was my privilege to baptize eight souls on Sabbath, June 10. Seven of these were adults and a boy of thirteen years. There were three men among the number, heads of families, and we feel sure they will add strength to the work of the church. One man and wife who were baptized, first came in contact with the truth during the tent meetings last summer. Owing to the fact that it seemed hard for him to arrange his business, he delayed beginning to keep the Sabbath until he could arrange business matters in a satisfactory way.

We are now in the second week of the tent meetings and while the attendance is not quite as large as last year at this time, a good class of people come and many are very regular in their attendance. We entertain strong hopes that as a result of the work done, there will be a material addition to the membership of the church. There are several who are to be baptized soon. These last have gotten hold of the truth through the earnest efforts of Brother Eusey, the Bible workers, and some of our very loyal members.

H. H. VOTAW.

A good deed is never lost. He who sows courtesy, reaps friendship, and he who plants kindness, gathers love.

—Richard Brooks.

Get Ready

Since the first of April, I have visited the following churches, chiefly in the interest of the Washington Missionary College Fund: Toledo, Liberty Center, La-Grange, Spencer, New Philadelphia, Coshocton, Mansfield, Canaan, Medina and Killbuck.

The above named churches were visited on as many Sabbaths, while in the intervening time, companies and isolated Sabbath keepers in and around Wooster, Elyria, Lakeville, Shreve, Bellville, and Chatham were being visited in the interest of the same fund. On the occasion of my visits to the first three churches, I was there as a helper to Elder G. F. Enoch, which privilege I enjoyed very much.

It is indeed gratifying to find that the brethren who are at home on the farm and in the shops and factories, are still loyal to God, which was shown by their willingness to give, to reinforce our good school at Washington. Also other places have been visited in the interest of tent efforts, to which we are looking forward for great results.

Last but by no means least, I want, before closing this article, to speak of our coming camp-meeting, which, as has been mentioned in previous articles by Elder Slade and others, is to be held in Newark, in the beautiful Mound Builders' Park.

The city of Newark, situated as it is in a most beautiful farming country, with her great trunk railroads, running east west, north and south, together with her Interurban lines and local Street Car System, with her beautifully built streets and great stores and a population of more than twenty thousand, has given us a most cordial invitation to come and favor them with our presence, and impart to them such things as our God has for this purpose given unto us.

Just another word about the grounds, to say that they are beautiful will be putting it mild indeed. They are level with abundance of shade, provided by great elm trees. The buildings which are plentiful and in good condition, can be used to store our goods, and to partition off for the accommodation of those that cannot live out in a tent. The prehistoric earth works that are thrown up with a ditch on the inside, being round and forming almost a complete circle in the enclosure for all of our small tents.

So Brethren and Sisters of the Ohio Conference, let us as of yore rally to the colors, getting our work so arranged that when we are nearing August 17, we can be ready in a moment's time to get under marching orders, remembering what is said in Vol. 6, page 39 "Brethren and Sisters, it would be far better for you to

let your business suffer than to neglect the opportunity of hearing the message God has for you." G. C. QUILLIN.

News Notes

A startling discovery was recently made at the conference office—many members are not found on the *Review* list. Are you guilty? Someone else needs your influence in this.

A Sabbath school of thirteen members has been recently organized at Barberton, with F. E. Wagner as superintendent and Richard DeGarmo as secretary.

Since "Rally Day" we have had the pleasure of adding four new Sabbath schools to our list. These are at West Mansfield, Broughton, Winchester and Barberton. We are anticipating a large increase in our Sabbath school membership and attendance as a result of the "Rally Day" program.

Wanted Volunteers—To join that important movement, "the *Review* in every home." The work and some one else needs your services. Help us talk it until true.

In a recent letter from Miss Acton, she stated that summer school was running smoothly and that the spirit of earnestness and co-operation among the students was very good. At present there are ten Ohio teachers in attendance.

Brother V. O. Panches recently visited Brother and Sister Oancea of Youngstown, who are having many rich experiences in the colporteur work among the foreigners of that city.

We are glad to welcome Misses Elsie Haughey and Katharyn Fickes who are just starting to canvass Henry County. Brother Joe Shellhaas has also joined our workers in Darke County.

Mount Vernon Academy

No doubt the students will be pleased to know that there has been over \$400 paid into the Students' Association to apply on our Fund.

Mr. W. J. Walters of Academia, was called to the Southern Wisconsin Conference to take up the work of secretary and treasurer. He left last Thursday and his family will follow shortly and will locate in Fond du Lac.

Professor and Mrs. Stinel, of South Lancaster, Mass., stopped on their way to the mission field, to visit Professor and Mrs. Welsh.

Mrs. J. I. Cassell is visiting her mother at Laura, Ohio.

We have received several orders from students for "Ministry of Healing" to be used in making up the amount of their pledges for the Educational Fund. Glad-den James heads the list with an order for 34. John Holder sent in an order for 7, George Johnson 6, Anna Saxton 5, and E. A. French 1. The Akron Church has sent in orders for 54, and the Cleveland Church for 15. We will be pleased to fill more orders at any time.

Mr. Lloyd Christman left last Tuesday for Wayne County, West Virginia, and will join Mr. John Brownie in the col-porteur work there.

Mr. John Holder has been very active during his short vacation in working for the Association. He writes that he has practically enough money promised to cover the amount of his pledge and has already sent some in. He visited several churches where he told the needs of our school, with good results. This shows that Mr. Holder has not lost the spirit of loyalty for which our Association stands, even though he has completed his work here and gone to the fields beyond.

Mr. and Mrs. Kohr and their daughter Helen left Monday morning and will canvass in Licking County.

WEST VIRGINIA

A West Virginia Colporteur's Letter

We sent our reports away in such a hurry, I did not mention one day's experience that I should have.

I always remember the ones I feel might be interested in the truth and follow them up in some way, to reach them. Last Thursday I visited in the homes on two streets off to themselves, where I felt sure God had some honest souls. In my delivery there in March, I was impressed to see some of them again, so to my old customers I went. I reclaimed \$2.00 that I had lost on account of sickness in my March delivery and took orders for \$8.00, besides two "Bible Readings." I had a nice visit with one lady, who was having a nervous collapse and how she thanked me for calling. She may go to the Wash-

ington Sanitarium. Because of her condition, she asked me to call when she felt better and bring all my supply of books and she would possibly order of all of them. I showed her "Bible Readings" because I had it with me and she thought it a grand work. She has a family of five children and I am sure she will find something for each one of them. Her husband owns the Coca Cola factory here.

Then another "Christ's Object Lessons" customer had had a talk with me about the *Signs of the Times* when I delivered the book and asked me to what church I belonged. Nevertheless she urged me to call on her often, because she was a stranger here. She has "Daniel and the Revelation" and in my visit Thursday, she told me how she had always longed for a course in Theology and was planning to buy a set of such books, but felt now, the "Bible Readings" she was ordering would surely answer that purpose. She feels the shallowness of the churches and as she expressed herself so freely, I thought I would ask her if she wished to have Bible studies, but I meant to wait until I had delivered "Bible Readings," when to my pleasure she said, "Do you know I have longed to belong to a Bible class where I can get down into a subject and learn more than I can study out for myself?" Then I suggested the studies to her and she was pleased to have the pleasure of studying with Brother Thirlwell. MRS. G. E. SNYDER.

News Notes

Sister Snyder recently sold a "Bible Readings," full morocco, to one of her old customers who intends to make a wedding present of it to her brother who is a Methodist minister. Sister Snyder is calling on her old customers, taking another book this time. She is meeting with a good reception and receiving orders for more literature. This proves that the first impression left was a good one.

Professor Teesdale of the Mount Vernon Academy spoke to the young people of the Parkersburg Church last Friday evening and to the church on Sabbath. He is making a tour of the conference in the interest of the educational work.

When Brother Barnett called at one of the homes in his territory last week, the gentleman asked him to what church he belonged and on being informed that he was a Seventh-day Adventist, invited him in. He had attended a series of our meetings about eight years ago and was glad to meet Brother Barnett who is now holding Bible studies with him.

Brother Monroe writes: "I gave an old gentleman a canvass for "Bible Readings" and when I had about finished, he said, "Well as far as I can see you are on the right track" and running his hand down for his pocket book said, "I am going to give you some money," but his wife stopped him saying, "He did not ask you for any money, he just wants you to sign for a copy of his book." The gentleman said, "It is worth something to hear a man talk about the Bible like that, but if he only wants me to sign for a book, he may put my name down for one."

After being away over three weeks for treatment, Elder Hirlinger is again in West Virginia. He is improving and hopes to be all right in a short time.

Brother H. L. Sheneman, of Ohio, has come to Logan County to canvass with the Corder brothers.

VIRGINIA

Richmond

On the second Sunday night before our Virginia camp-meeting, the city auditorium at Richmond was secured for an address by Elder A. G. Daniells on Armageddon. Thorough work was done in advertising and an audience of twenty-five hundred assembled to hear the lecture. The next Sunday night an audience of one thousand was present to hear Elder Carlyle B. Haynes. It was our hope to swing the interest from these meetings to our camp-meeting which has just closed and from that to the tent effort which is followed up on the camp-meeting grounds. Owing to the unfavorable weather, the attendance at the camp-meeting and the follow-up tent effort has not been what we hoped for, but there is a wide-spread interest throughout the state. Providentially, it seemed to us the Sunday closing reform movement has just started in and by the time this article reaches our people, it is expected that all classes of workmen including Sunday newspaper publishers, paid church choirs and paid church organists will be arrested for Sunday labor. We have secured the city auditorium for a mass meeting, Sunday June 18, Professor C. S. Longacre will be principal speaker. The news papers are taking everything we give them on the Sunday issue, some of our articles occupying the center of the first page with a three column heading. In this way we are reaching thousands of people with the Third Angel's Message quickly. We desire the prayers of our people that wisdom and power may be given to the workers

in following up the interest that has developed. Already candidates are applying for baptism. W. C. MOFFETT.

Owing to the nervous breakdown of Sister Dresser just before the close of the school year, it has been thought best that Professor and Mrs. Forshee of Emmanuel Missionary College at Berrien Springs, Michigan, should take the place made vacant by the resignation of Professor and Mrs. Dresser. Brother Forshee will soon be on the grounds preparing for the coming year's work at the Academy and those who anticipate attending next year, may write to H. M. Forshee, New Market, Virginia.

Brother Forshee had years of experience in public school work before accepting the truth and has since been called to several different schools, so he comes well equipped for his work.

"Ode To Canvassers"

Tramp on, ye canvassers, with fearless tread,
O'er mountains, rocks and ditches;
Your mud-smeared shoes, and aching backs,
And sun-bleached, creaseless breeches
Will some sweet day a memory bring
To gladden your heavy heart,
When on that shore you meet the ones
To whom you did impart,
The precious truths of righteousness,
That opened their eyes of error,
To see the true and only way
That leads to joy forever.
If sometimes, now, you seek your beds
In straw beneath the stars,
Be cheerful with the thought that you
Are letting down the bars
To homes in Heaven, where souls with joy,
May enter in and be
In everlasting peace and bliss,
Because of work by thee.
Again, when hours of ten do slip
Between your scanty meals,
Rejoice in that the book you sell
The "Bread of Life" reveals.
Then, onward go, ye canvassers,
With faces set like flint,
And know the books you sell will send
Souls to glory bent.
Frank R. Wood, Nelson County, Va.

Infinite is the help man can yield to man. —*Thomas Carlyle.*

The essence of true nobility is neglect of self. Let the thought of self pass in, and the beauty of a great action is gone, like the bloom from a soiled flower.

—*Froude.*

As in the fire the yellow gold is tried,
So friendship's faith can but be proved in
time of dark adversity. —*Ovid.*

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The Personal Standard of the Ministry

The Apostle Paul admonishes us in his letters to the Corinthians and Ephesians to walk worthy of the vocation wherewith we are called, giving no offence in anything that the ministry be not blamed, but in all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God, and then he proceeds to place before us a standard. That standard calls for the very highest attainments in Christian character, the most resolute purpose, the most determined will, and for unceasing and untiring labor. Well may we exclaim, "Who is sufficient for these things?" Nevertheless the standard is set and to attain it, the price, inevitably must be paid.

Efficiency and conservation are topics foremost in the consideration of the great organizations of the modern world. From every direction the question is being asked, "How can I be more efficient? How can I save that which is going to waste?" The business man is continually introspecting his business methods to see wherein they can be improved. If he discovers a loss resulting from mismanagement or incompetent help, he at once endeavors to remedy the defect. Men are looking for results. The machinery, energy and time expended must produce a profit on the investment if the business is to continue and prosperity to crown the efforts of the firm.

Farmers have failed in the past to produce from an acre of ground, what an acre ought to yield, blaming the weather, poor soil, or climatic conditions for the small crops. In the West, farmers formerly planted three kernels of corn to a hill. If one stalk resulted, producing one ear of corn weighing eleven or twelve ounces, they were satisfied. Today four stalks must be produced to the hill at least two ears on each stalk, and a considerable increase in the weight of the ear.

Recently twenty boys, representing the Boys Corn Clubs of the United States met in Washington, as guests of the Department of Agriculture. One boy had succeeded in raising on one acre, more than fifteen times as many bushels of corn as is raised by the average farmer.

This prevalent demand for efficiency has made the thought of waste and extravagance almost intolerable. The nations of earth are today setting examples of economy. They are surveying their swamps with the view of converting them into fertile fields. They are measuring their deserts, and laying plans to irrigate

them. They are computing the value of their forests and taking measures to prevent their destruction.

The business man, the farmer and the nations of the earth see the need of efficiency and conservation. Then why cannot the church today, with profit, follow their example? We might ask ourselves the question, "Why do not we, with the forces we have in the field, our many departments, and our wheels within wheels, accomplish greater results?" It is true we have made progress, and we have laborers who are giving their lives, constantly studying new methods, seeking deeper consecration, pressing forward with ever increasing zeal, not satisfied to be merely merry-go-rounds, always going but never getting anywhere, but fired with a determination to have success. Others are satisfied with mediocre results, continuing from year to year with very little to show for their work, when a little more energy and push, a little more earnestness and perseverance, a little more prayer and consecration would yield a more bountiful harvest, and develop a better quality of fruit.

God never goes to the lazy or idle when He needs men for His service. When God wants a worker, He calls a worker. When He has work to be done, He goes to those who are already at work. When God wants a great servant, He calls a busy man. The man who is doing something where he is, is wanted everywhere. The man who says, "I am doing the best I can," when he is accomplishing nothing, declares himself a failure. We need workers today who see nothing but success.

When Napoleon was told that the Alps stood in the way of his armies, he declared, "There shall be no Alps," and the road across the Simplon was constructed through a district formerly almost inaccessible. "Impossible," said he, "is a word only to be found in the dictionary of fools." The ancient crest was a pickax with the motto, "I will find a way or make one." Energy usually displays itself in promptitude and decision.

One of the greatest wastes we must guard against, is the waste of time. In Object Lessons, page 342, are the words, "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 we expect to make a success in God's work, we must know the value of time. It is said of Sir Walter Scott, who attained eminence in the literary world, "His punctuality was one of the most carefully cultivated of his habits. He made it a rule to answer every letter received by him, the same day. It was his practice to rise by five o'clock and light his own fire. He shaved and dressed

with deliberation, and was seated at his desk by six o'clock."

Vice President Henry Wilson, although a poor boy, and obliged to serve an apprenticeship of eleven years on a farm, read one thousand books before he was twenty-one.

Albert Barnes wrote his commentaries on the Bible during the early hours of the morning, planning to not interfere with the regular duties of the day.

Men of business are accustomed to quote the maxim that "Time is money," but it is more. The improvement of it is self-culture, self-improvement, and growth of character. If a system were adopted by every worker to devote the early hours of each day to study, meditation and prayer, making the Bible, the Testimonies, and the Ministerial Reading Course (which has been selected with such care) the basis for his plan of study, it would fit and prepare him for the work of the day, and increase his usefulness and prepare the way for advancement in the cause he loves.

To be leaders in this cause, we must set the pace for others to follow. The old saying is, "Get the bell wether, and you can lead the whole flock." "Action speaks louder than words." "Do as I say, and not as I do," is an injunction never heeded. If we expect the church to be faithful in tithes and offerings, the leaders should set a liberal and unselfish example. To teach that the needs of the cause call for self-denial on the part of the church, places a responsibility on every leader, to be careful, lest extravagance and luxury contradict the teaching. To expect the church to be on time, the leader must be on time. To teach that the church must work, and accomplish results, the leader must show them how it is done. To impress the church with the shortness of time and the importance of improving every hour, the leader must devote his every effort to the work, to the exclusion of every other interest.

Paul sums it all up in his instruction to Timothy: "Give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. Neglect not the gift that is within thee. Meditate upon these things. Give thyself wholly to them, that thy profiting may appear unto all."

R. E. HARTER.

Special

A Call from the West China Mission

I am sure that all our dear people in the homeland will be interested in the plan, suggested by Brother Arthur Allum, superintendent of the West China Mission, of giving the light of this glorious

message to the five hundred foreign missionaries of Sunday-keeping Societies in that vast field.

Brother Allum labored with the writer in Australia, and from the very beginning of his ministry, he has been a strong advocate of our literature as a mighty factor in winning souls. In a letter dated January 21, he has sent in the following appeal:

"Now Brother Paap, I have a request that I would like to make of you. We have in the territory that comprises the West China Mission, over five hundred foreign missionaries of Sunday-keeping Societies, and I see no other way of reaching this body of men and women than through our literature, as it will be impossible for us to meet them all personally, as they are scattered over such an immense area. . . . Ever since coming to this field I have felt a deep desire to reach in some way or other this body of missionaries, many of whom, though prejudiced, are consecrated people, and, if some of them would but take their stand for the truth, they would be a grand factor in helping us carry the message to the 96,000,000 people who are in the territory covered by the West China Mission."

"Now my thought was this, if you could lay this out before some of our church members in the States in the course of your travels, it would not be difficult to send one yearly subscription of one of our magazines to each missionary in this field. It would not take five hundred yearly subscriptions, as among this number some are husband and wife, and we would need to send but one subscription to each family. Church members in the States, desirous of helping in this matter, could subscribe for one year to one of the following papers: *Signs of the Times* monthly, or *The Watchman*. These papers could be sent at club rates to our headquarters here, and we could post them out each month to the individual missionaries. This would perhaps cost a little more than sending them direct, but would enable us to get in contact with the missionaries better than if the papers were sent from the United States direct to them."

We would suggest that those who are desirous of helping, send all contributions direct to the Home Missionary Department, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C., and then we will see that the order is filled and a full report rendered. We think the plan a good one, and if as Brother Allum says, some of these consecrated missionaries can see and accept the light, what a great help they will be in giving the message to China's millions.

We may not see the results of this sacrifice and co-operation now, but in the school of the hereafter it will all be made

manifest. "If the followers of Christ were awake to duty, there would be thousands where there is one today, proclaiming the gospel in heathen lands. And all who could not personally engage in the work, would yet sustain it with their means, their sympathy, and their prayers. And there would be far more earnest labor for souls in Christian countries." *Steps to Christ*, page 86.

Here is an excellent opportunity to do service for God. Who will respond, saying, "Here am I, send me."

F. W. PAAP.

Our Relatives and Friends

All who believe in the early consummation of the Third Angel's Message have relatives, friends, or acquaintances, in whom they are deeply interested and for whom they would do anything in their power in order that they might know of and have the opportunity to do something for these, but no especially favorable way seems to have been suggested to them. Others have done some intermitted work for friends, but the great majority have attempted nothing in a well-planned, organized and systematic effort. For all there is a good, tried plan that we recommend. It is as follows:

Let all who have non-believing relatives and friends, send them a complete set of the Present Truth Series, beginning with No. 1 and continuing to No. 24, one number being sent by the publishers each week, until the entire series is covered. Sending one copy each week, it will take six months to use the entire series. The cost will be only 24 cents for the full set of 24 numbers to be mailed postpaid each week for six months.

The day of the Lord is rapidly approaching, and there are thousands of our relatives and friends, who are gradually making their decision for eternal life or eternal death. The present day is the most favorable time we shall ever have to discharge our personal responsibility in behalf of these who are so dear to us. This is the time especially referred to in the following statement:

"All heaven is in activity, and the angels of God are waiting to co-operate with all who will devise plans whereby souls for whom Christ died may hear the glad tidings of salvation. Angels who minister to those that shall be heirs of salvation, are saying to every true saint, 'There is a work for you to do'. 'Go, stand and speak . . . to the people all the words of this life.' Acts 5:20. If those addressed would obey this injunction, the Lord would prepare the way before them, putting them in possession of means wherewith to go. The very simplest modes of work should be devised and set in operation among the churches. If the members will unitedly accept such

plans, and perseveringly carry them out, they will reap a rich reward; for their experience will grow brighter, their ability will increase, and through their efforts souls will be saved." Test. Vol. 6, page 433.

This special effort in behalf of our friends and relatives will be made simultaneously the world over, beginning September 1, 1916, and ending March 1, 1917. Between now and September 1 all names and addresses should be sent to the Present Truth Series, through the Tract Societies, it being very necessary to begin mailing all subscriptions at one time, and receiving no new names after that date. This special effort for our friends and relatives is to be without variation, and limited to September 1 to March 1, not a name to be added after September 1, and no exceptions of any kind made in connection with any name. It is to be a straight and regular mailing of a copy of the Present Truth Series each week to each name on the list for six months straight.

There will be another regular list started January 1, 1917, which will include general subscriptions either single or clubs for general missionary purposes. This list will be mailed once a month, or as often as the paper is published and will be for the new series which will begin January 1, 1917. Names for this list should be sent in for Present Truth, beginning with the January list 1917. Orders for this list ought to be sent in early, at least one month previous to the beginning of the new list, January 1, 1917. Even earlier would be better.

United States Report

Cases adjudged in the Supreme Court, Volume 227, No. 3.

"Where orders taken and transmitted to the manufacturer in another state for ranges to be delivered in fulfillment of such orders, which are in fact shipped interstate commerce and delivered to the persons who ordered them. Business of this character, as well settled by the decisions of this court constitutes interstate commerce, and the privilege of doing it cannot be taxed by the state."

CRENSHAW VS. STATE OF ARKANSAS

Error to the Supreme Court of the State of Arkansas No. 127 argued Jan. 20-21, 1913 - Decided Feb. 24, 1913.

"The negotiation of sales of goods which are in another state for the purpose of introducing them in the state in which the negotiation is made is Interstate Commerce, Robbins vs. Shelby County Taxing District 120 U. S. 489."

"The police power of a state cannot obstruct foreign or interstate commerce

Canvassers' Reports

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del
Ohio, Week Ending June 16, 1916									
P. A. Franks, Wayne Co.		BR	5	55	15	45 00	3 00	48 00	
Fred Hannah, Lorain Co.		BR	4	52	7	21 00	10 75	31 75	4 50
R. H. Patterson, Green Co.		BR	5	51	16	53 00	2 75	55 75	1 25
W. A. Ralls, Darke Co.		BR	5	51	22	71 00		71 00	
Lutin Haughey, Darke Co.		BR	5	50	9	27 00		27 00	
Chas. Carter, Fairfield Co.		BR	5	50	21	69 00	3 00	72 00	
C. F. Wilcox, Stark Co.		BR	5	47	10	30 00	1 50	31 50	125 75
Ed. Searles, Crawford Co.		BR	5	44	16	49 00	1 65	50 65	4 15
George Carter, Fairfield Co.		BR	4	41	6	18 00	2 25	20 25	69 50
W. H. Smith, Holmes Co.		BR	4	40			5 40	5 40	130 35
H. W. Barto, Fairfield Co.		BR	5	40	19	59 00	3 00	62 00	3 00
C. C. Webster, Lake Co.		BR	5	36	18	62 00		62 00	
E. E. Goodrich, Madison Co.		BR	4	35	6	18 00	2 25	20 25	
W. S. Syphers, Madison Co.		BR	4	35	13	39 00	6 50	45 50	3 00
George Cottman, Warren Co.		BR	3	33	6	22 00	75	22 75	75
Mrs. Smith, Scioto Co.		CK	5	31	13	19 50	4 25	23 75	12 75
Mrs. C. Kelley, Springfield		CK	4	31	7	10 50	8 65	19 15	37 95
Fred Herman, Wyandot Co.		BR	4	30	5	15 00	75	15 75	75
C. G. Douglass, Summit Co.		BR	5	29	10	31 00	6 00	37 00	15 00
Mrs. E. Ritter, Fostoria		BR	3	28	7	25 00		25 00	
J. I. Midkiff, Alliance		BR	5	26	7	23 00	11 15	34 15	8 60
Richard DeGarmo, Summit Co.		HM	3	26	2	4 00		4 00	12 00
Will Price, Mansfield		BR	3	25	2	6 00	5 00	11 00	4 00
Katharyn Fickes, Henry Co.		BR	3	24	11	34 00		34 00	
Elsie Haughey, Henry Co.		BR	3	24	14	46 00		46 00	
G. W. Yingling, Alliance		BR	9	41	10	34 00	8 85	42 85	15 35
Mary Holder, Union Co.		BR	3	22	5	15 00	7 25	22 25	50
J. J. Mettler, West Park		BR	4	21	4	12 00	8 25	20 25	
Frank Fults, Adams Co.		BR	3	17	2	6 00	1 50	7 50	6 00
Totals	29 Agents					1251033 283 \$864 00	\$104 45	\$968 45	\$440 30

Virginia, Week Ending June 16, 1916

C. A. Carter, Carolina Co.		BR	5	48	25	76 00	35	76 35	
Harry Wright, Hanover Co.		BR	3	23	21	65 80	40	66 20	
T. D. Gibson, Augusta Co.		BR	3	29	13	39 00		39 00	
S. N. Wilmer, Roanoke Co.		BR	3	25	8	25 00		25 00	
Max Trummer & wife, Wythe Co.		DR	5	86	32	108 00	28 40	136 40	
A. H. Schultz, Allegheny Co.		DR	5	43	19	57 00	2 70	59 70	
Frank R. Wood, Nelson Co.		GC	5	40	20	62 00		62 00	
Bennett Hamm, Nelson Co.		GC	5	48	23	71 00		71 00	7 50
M. A. Maloney, Rappahannock Co.		CK	3	25	15	23 50	4 50	28 00	2 95
John Fasanko, Rappahannock Co.		BFL	2	19	10	15 00	2 10	17 10	1 75
Totals	10 Agents					39 386 186 \$542 30	\$38 45	\$580 75	\$12 20

West Virginia, Week Ending June 16, 1916

J. S. Seal, Talcott Co.		BR	3	27	26	65 00	6 75	71 75	
J. S. Monroe, Wetzel Co.		BR	4	38	8	24 00	6 40	30 40	3 70
G. E. Snyder, Harrison Co.		BR	4	38	3	12 00	8 60	20 60	75
T. M. Butler, Harrison Co.		BR	5	36	5	18 00	5 00	23 00	2 00
I. Lawrence, Petersburg		BR	5	42	8	26 00	8 50	34 50	62 25
Henry Waggoner, Preston Co.		BR		63	5	15 00	3 85	18 85	67 80
Ruth Fahrner, Helvetia		BR	2	9	4	12 00	75	12 75	24 00
E. C. Barnett, Garrett Co. Md.		GC	1	11	3	10 50	50	11 00	
Jessie Capes, Putnam Co.		GC		27	4	12 00	2 50	14 50	
E. R. Corder, Logan Co.		CK	5	43		141 00	13 35	154 35	3 25
Guy Corder, Logan Co.		BFL	5	44	45	69 00	7 50	76 50	
Mrs. G. E. Snyder, Clarksburg		Misc	4	13	12	14 55		14 55	38 65
Totals	12 Agents					38 391 123 \$419 05	\$63 70	\$482 75	\$202 40

New Jersey, Week Ending June 16, 1916

Andrew Hansen, Sussex Co.		DR	5	36	1	3 00	6 00	9 00	18 30
W. B. Plant, Morris Co.		RR	4	33	4	14 00	3 00	17 00	10 50
Totals	2 Agents					9 69 5 \$17 00	9 00	\$26 00	\$28 80

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending June 16, 1916

A. Brownlee, Washington Co.	GC	5	44	13	27 00	23 00	50 00	10 55	
J. E. Bugher, Westmoreland Co.	BF	3	38	23	40 00		40 00	8 50	
S. J. Burns, Allegheny Co.	BR	5	28	4	12 00	4 00	16 00	75 25	
Geo. Buttermore, Fayette Co.	BR	5	35	7	22 00	9 75	31 75	61 45	
J. S. Glunt, Mercer Co.	BR	5		4	13 00	3 05	16 05	12 05	
D. J. Hoover, Fayette Co.	BR	4	16	11	37 00	3 00	40 00		
C. H. Kelly, Jefferson Co.	BR	5	41	15	51 00	11 50	62 50	8 50	
James Lippart, Jefferson Co.	BR	5	51	25	83 00	8 25	91 25	7 50	
John Morley, McKean Co.	BR							89 10	
C. B. Moser, Westmoreland Co.	BF	4	38	8	20 00		20 00	10 50	
C. E. Will, Washington Co.	GC	5	46	6	18 00	3 75	21 75	36 35	
Totals		11 Agents	46	337	116	\$323 00	\$66 30	\$389 30	\$319 75

District of Columbia, Week Ending June 9, 1916

H. L. Shull, Fauquier Co.	BR	5	46	13	41 00	6 00	47 00	
S. P. Jones, Fauquier Co.	BR	5	43	24	72 00	11 25	83 25	
Paul Nilsson, Fauquier Co.	BR	5	40	22	73 00	7 50	80 25	
Wm. H. Schmidt, Fauquier Co.	BR	5	40	13	42 00	8 30	50 30	
J. S. Spraggs, Lancaster Co.	BF	5	36	19	24 50	9 50	35 00	
F. W. Holland, King George Co.	BR	3	19	5	19 00		19 00	
Magazines, Washington, D. C.	Mag				5 00		5 00	
Miscellaneous,	Misc				1 40		1 40	
Totals		6 Agents	28	230	96	\$277 90	\$42 55	\$321 45

The Pittsburgh Work Week Ending June 16, 1916

J. J. Vance, Pittsburgh	BR	5	40	60	204 75		204 75	35 00	
H. L. Rieman, West Liberty	GC	4	30	11	38 00	8 50	46 50	17 50	
Earl Hackman, East Liberty	WC	5	28	55		27 25	27 25	13 00	
Maynard Rieman, North Side	A	4	21	55		26 75	26 75		
Carrie Matteson, Pittsburgh,	Mag.	4	20			24 10	24 10	24 10	
Clifford Hubbell, North Side	A	4	22	59		18 50	18 50	13 00	
Bonar Bainbridge, East Liberty	WC	4	22	33		16 00	16 00	5 50	
S. B. Brown, Herron Hill	A	2	5	25	2 00	12 00	14 00		
Myrtle Bateman, Mt. Washington	A	3	16	28		12 25	12 25	6 00	
Anna Schmidt, North Side	A	4	23	61		11 00	11 00	7 50	
Margaret Schmidt, North Side	A	4	23	23		10 00	10 00	5 25	
John Kmetz, Pittsburgh	Misc	5	48	36		9 65	9 65	9 65	
Zoella Kelly, Mt. Washington	A	3	16	22		8 75	8 75	9 50	
Mabel Robbins, Bloomfield	A	3	16	17		6 50	6 50	6 50	
Lillie Herrich, Bloomfield	A	4	24	15		6 00	6 00	2 80	
Jane Stumme, Corrick	A	4	15	14		5 50	5 50	3 25	
Thelma Barr, Bloomfield	A	4	19	10		4 75	4 75	10 25	
Miscellaneous								2 75	
Totals		17 Agents	66	388	524	\$244 75	\$207 50	\$452 25	\$171 55

Chesapeake, 3 Weeks Ending June 16, 1916

C. W. Jenkins, Washington Co. Md.	BR	5	41	14	42 00	1 50	43 50		
Jeanette Wadsworth, Wilm. Del.	BR	11	65	53	151 75	12 75	164 50		
G. W. Lawrence, Harford Co. Md.	DR		10					27 00	
J. E. Jones, Talbot Co. Md.	PPF	5	42	16	33 00	20 10	53 10	1 25	
Totals		4 Agents	21	158	83	\$226 75	\$34 35	\$261 10	\$28 25

Grand Totals: 81 Agents Value of Orders \$2915 75. Deliveries, \$1524 70

beyond the necessity for its exercise, nor can objects not within its scope be secured under color of the police power at the expense of the protection afforded by the Federal Constitution. Railroad Company vs. Husen, 95 U. S. 465."

"While on peddlers who sell and forthwith deliver goods is within the police power of the state, a tax on one who travels and solicits orders for goods to be shipped from without the state is a burden on interstate commerce and unconstitutional. Emert V. Missouri 156 U. S. 296 distinguished."

"Peddlers at common law, and under those statutes regulating them which have been sustained, are such as travel from place to place selling goods carried with them and not such as take orders for delivery of goods to be shipped in the course of commerce."

"This court is dealing with rights created and conserved by the Federal Constitution looks to the substance of things and not the names by which they are labeled."

"A state cannot, by defining a business subject to its own police power, as includ-

ing a class which is not subject to that power, deprive such class of rights protected by the Federal Constitution."

"A state statute, imposing a license on those who solicit orders from samples which they do not sell of articles to be shipped from another state and which are afterwards delivered to the purchaser by the manufacturer is an unconstitutional burden on interstate commerce beyond the police power of the state and cannot be justified as a license tax on peddlers even though the state defines the persons soliciting the orders as peddlers."

"It is undoubtedly true that there are many police regulations which do effect interstate commerce, but which have been and will be sustained as clearly within the power of the state; but we think it must be considered, in view of a long line of decisions, that it is settled that nothing which is a direct burden upon Interstate Commerce can be imposed by the state without the assent of Congress, and that the silence of Congress in respect to any matter of Interstate Commerce is equivalent to a declaration on its part that it should be absolutely free."

The Colporteurs can save the above article for future use. W. H. GEORGE, Field Secretary.

A Work That Pays

Here is an extract from a recent letter from one of our Missionary Volunteer secretaries which gives in concrete form some of the good results of our Missionary Volunteer work:

"I had a Reading Course review paper recently from a fine young person, on the book 'Things as They Are.' One question is, 'Mention a way in which the book has helped you.' She said, 'It has helped me not only to realize the great need in that benighted land, but has made me willing to go if God calls me.' I know that she meant it. And to think that our Missionary Volunteer Reading Courses can have such an influence on our young people's hearts. It certainly shows us that they are worth while."

"I visited a society two or three weeks ago where I was especially impressed with the earnest, well-expressed prayers of the young people, several of whom led in prayer. All of the girls had accepted the truth only last fall, and it seemed so unusual to hear them give such good prayers. One of my girls who attended camp-meeting last year said to me, 'I am so glad that you prevailed upon me to take part in prayer band at camp-meeting, even though I did dread it so every time; if I hadn't become accustomed to it then, I don't know what I should have done, for all these new girls looked to me

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OBITUARIES

NEFF.— Abraham Charles Neff was born near Rude's Hill, Shenandoah County, Virginia, March 29, 1844; died at his home near Quicksburg, Virginia, June 12, 1916, aged 72 years, 2 months and 13 days.

During an attack of la grippe, his heart became affected. He sought relief in the Washington Sanitarium where he was a patient for five weeks. Returning home, everything possible was done for him but without avail, and the end came peacefully and without suffering.

He was twice married. From the first union seven children were born, all of whom survive and are married: Carson E. Neff, near the home place; Mrs. W. E. Brackett, Toledo, Ohio; Dr. A. M. Neff, Richmond, Va.; J. P. Neff, superintendent city schools, Staunton, Va.; Elder E. L. Neff, president South Texas Conference, Houston, Texas; Mrs. Thomas Zirkle, New Market, Va.; Mrs. W. E. Whitney, Los Angeles, Cal. His last wife survives him.

Just forty years ago, in 1876, his attention was called to the Third Angel's Message under the preaching of Elders J. O. Corliss and E. B. Lane, the first ministers to bring the message to Virginia. After due and careful consideration, he with his family united their interests with this movement. He was baptized by Elder Isaac Sanborn.

On March 4, 1883, the Virginia Conference was organized near Quicksburg, and on the same day our brother was ordained to the gospel ministry by Elder J. O. Corliss; and he was unanimously chosen the first president of the newly organized conference. While Brother Neff never gave very much time to field work, yet during the forty years of his connection with the message, he gave much time to local and

conference work in Virginia. He gave liberally of his means to carry forward the message both in this conference and outside, and his home was always open and a welcome extended to the worker in the cause. As a result of yielding to the requirements of the Lord concerning tithes and offerings, he was rewarded more than once by the fulfillment of the promises of the Lord to rebuke the devourer for your sakes. It was at his farm during the first years of the message in Virginia that the army worm which was destroying neighboring crops, and had come to the borders of his place, through claiming the promises of God, came thus far and no farther.

He was regarded as a devoted husband and father, an earnest and sincere Christian, a considerate and kind neighbor, a safe and careful counselor, a man of the highest integrity, to which estimate of his worth the large gathering on the funeral occasion testified.

During his recent illness he expressed to the writer the joy of having accepted the message that turned the whole course of his life during the past forty years, and we believe he rests in hope of coming forth in the resurrection of the just.

The services were conducted by the writer from Titus 2: 11-14. R. D. HOTTEL.

Camp-Meeting Dates

East Pa., Lebanon, June 22 to July 2.
W. Virginia, Weston, Aug. 30 to Sept. 10.
New Jersey, Trenton, July 27 to Aug. 6.
West Pennsylvania, Aug. 24 to Sept. 3.
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to teach them how to pray to the Lord right, when they came into the truth last fall. And I could not have helped them at all if I had not gotten a start at camp-meeting.' It seemed wonderful to me that so timid a girl had been the means of encouraging all these young folks to take part in the meeting in this way."

M. E. KERN.

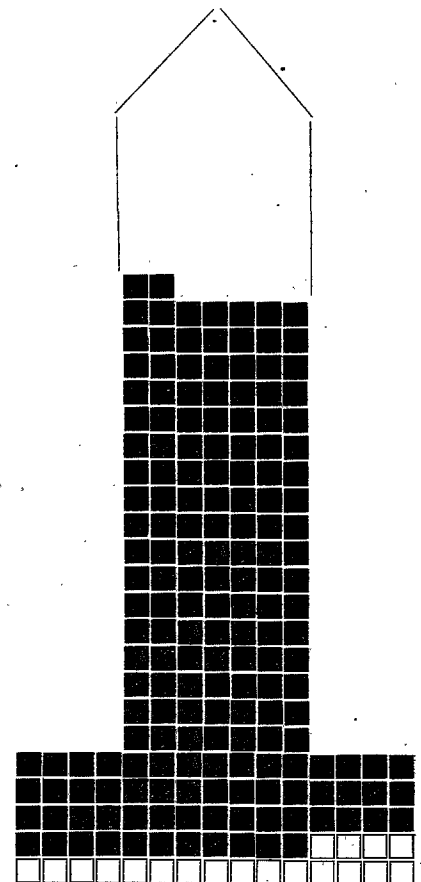
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July Watchman

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