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"THEY REHEARSED ALL THINGS THAT GOD HAD DONE WITH THEM"

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U N I O N

The Lecture Campaign

Since my last report the lectures in the interest of the "Object Lessons" campaign have been given in Washington, Columbus, and Cincinnati. In the two former places the attendance was about 4000, and the collections about \$225. In Cincinnati we unfortunately held our lecture on the day of the great cyclonic storm, and heavy lightning and rain kept many hundreds away. But we had about 500 in attendance in spite of the storm. In Washington the theater was filled to overflowing and many were turned away. In each of these places the brethren and sisters have taken hold of the work of selling "Object Lessons" with courage, and hundreds of books are now in the hands of the people. It will not be possible to give the exact figures until later.

In Ohio the brethren and sisters of the churches have decided that the lectures are of so much benefit to the local work that they will subsidize them, and make up whatever deficit comes through failure to meet current expenses in the theater collections by the sale of "World's War." We must get out and sell thousands of this splendid book at this time. The people are ready to buy, and anything that will stir us up and get us to distribute it in our community is a blessing. So even the difficulty to make the expenses of the large theater lectures is proving a blessing in disguise where it has inspired our people to sell such a good book. We have one more lecture at Cleveland after which we will report the entire campaign. GEO. F. ENOCH.

"A captain of the guards was once saved from a bullet in northern France by his pocket Bible, on the fly-leaf of which was written: 'Thou, Lord, art my refuge.'"

"The heart that is fullest of good works has in it the least room for Satan's temptations."

There is more chance for a cripple on the right road than a racer on the wrong. --D. L. Moody.

O H I O

Columbus

On Sabbath, May 26, we enjoyed a most impressive missionary service in the Columbus Church. Elder Enoch had just conducted his campaign there during the preceeding week, and it seemed to be an opportune time to perfect the plan of organization for the work of the church, and also to stir the members of the church to launch out in greater, grander attainments in soul-winning efforts.

The most inspiring feature of the hour was the testimonies given by a goodly number of the members who had been visiting the homes of the people during the week. At this junction we were forcibly impressed with the admonition given us by the servant of God, when she said, "Those who have united with the Lord in the covenant of service are under bonds to unite with Him in the great, grand work of soul-saving. Let church members during the week act their part faithfully, and on the Sabbath RELATE THEIR EXPERIENCES. The meeting will then be as meat in due season, bringing to all present new life and fresh vigor." Test. Vol. 7, p. 19.

Some told of the response they met on the part of the people as they visited with them in their homes and talked with them on some of the questions that are confronting the world today. One little girl who had been out distributing the tickets for Elder Enoch's lecture, happened into a home where she found several christian women studying the Bible together. As the young sister met them, they told her that they were perplexed over many things that they read in the book of Revelation. At once the sister asked them what it was that seemed hard to understand. They asked her some questions on some portions of Revelation, and having just studied this book in church school, she was prepared to give ready answers to their questions. Before leaving the home, the young sister arranged to have someone visit these earnest seekers for truth, and study further with them. The testimony of this young sister stirred the hearts of the older mem-

bers of the church, and many expressed their desire to be more faithful in discharging their responsibility.

We believe that this meeting with the Columbus Church marks the beginning of a new era in the work of warning the inhabitants of the Buckeye capitol. The church is well organized under the leadership of Brother Wade Young. The membership has been divided into bands, and the city sectioned off into districts. The work has been so arranged that every one will have some little part to act in the future work there.

We are looking forward to a realization of this same ideal for every church in the conference, and to this end hope to bend all our energies during the summer months. Just now let us pray earnestly for the work all over the field.

H. K. CHRISTMAN, *Home Mis. Sec'y.*

Two Year's Work in Cleveland

It has been two years since we accepted the call to engage in the Lord's work in the city of Cleveland. During this time the Lord has wonderfully blessed us in His work. Since coming to Cleveland I have held three tent efforts, also other special series of meetings. The first year we had but one Bible worker; the second year two Bible workers engaged in the work. There has been such a wonderful interest in Cleveland that it has been impossible for us to accomplish all that should be done in properly developing the work. We should have not less than five Bible workers to help us in developing the interest which God has awakened. However, we have an earnest working church and our good people,--lay members are busy among the interested souls, watching for souls as they that must give account.

As a result of the effort of our church under the blessing of God, I have held twenty-three baptismal services and one hundred and fifty-six have been added to the Cleveland Church during these two years. Forty-eight have been added to our church since January 1. As we continue to develop the interest awakened by our past series of meetings in the tent and church building, souls continue to be added to our number. Our membership has reached three hundred and thirty-five,

and others are to join us soon. We believe these things are indicative of the speedy triumph of God's cause and we long to triumph with it. R. S. LINDSAY.

News Notes

We were glad to see the familiar face of Mr. V. O. PUNCHES in the office for a little while last week. He was accompanied by V. O. Cole, also of the Atlantic Union Conference.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Wells left last week to join Brother French in the tent effort at Conesville.

Miss Bernice Coe, a member of the class of 1917, has taken up stenographic work at the conference office, preparatory to taking Miss Westfall's place when she leaves next month.

We are glad to note the good work some of our student colporteurs are doing with books and magazines since school closed.

Miss Elsie Haughey spent part of last week in Newark, selling the "Watchman." She sold over one hundred copies in less than three hours. The "Watchman" appeals to the people these days.

Miss Martha Hottes is having splendid success in selling "Bible Footlights" in the city of Dayton, Ohio. There is little doubt of her not selling more than enough for her scholarship this summer, even though the city has previously been worked for the same book.

Daisy Wheeler will sell "Bible Footlights" in and around Willoughby, her home town. She also was a student at the academy the past year.

The services of L. C. Metcalf have been requested by the East Michigan Conference for a few days. He has gone to Saginaw to act as music director at the camp-meeting.

Mrs. G. M. Scott left last week to attend the summer school at Washington.

Miss Zita Hannah of Loudenville, Ohio, who has been attending Mount Vernon Academy the past year, will sell "Bible Readings" in western Knox County this summer. This young lady has recently consecrated herself to the Lord's work, and was baptized at the close of the school.

June 2, Elders Slade and F. M. Fairchild visited the Camden Church. While there, a baptismal service was held.

Four lady students from Washington Missionary College will spend their vacation selling "Bible Readings" in Fulton County. These students are not beginners in the colporteur work, having spent several summers placing literature in the homes of the people of this state, and their work has been much appreciated. These ladies are Misses Elsie Haughey, Mary Holder, Katherine Fickes and Mabel Stewart.

Miss Mabel Cassell, daughter of J. I. Cassell our tract society secretary, will also handle "Bible Readings" this summer. It is not sure as yet, what county she will work. Miss Cassell has also been a student of Washington Missionary College the past year.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

News Notes

Brother E. A. Manry spent Sabbath, June 2, at his home in Tunessassa, N. Y.

Elder Kneeland recently baptized six persons at DuBois.

Elder and Mrs. S. N. Haskell plan to attend the West Pennsylvania camp-meeting, July 5-15.

On June 3 Elder F. H. Robbins baptized seven persons in Connellsville. These accepted the truth as a result of the efforts of Brother William Robbins.

A Swedish Sabbath School of eleven members was recently organized by Brother A. O. Lund at Mt. Jewett.

Elder Kneeland writes that a church of eighteen members has been organized at DuBois.

One of our consecrated colporteurs in a short time placed nearly seven hundred dollars worth of books in the homes of the people, and as a result of Bible studies which he has given two Syrian ladies are keeping the Sabbath.

James Lippart and George Rapp, students from Mt. Vernon, are canvassing in Newcastle. The sales of each averaged something more than \$1.60 per hour for their first week's work.

Remember the camp-meeting at DuBois, July 5-15. Send in your order for tent or booth NOW, if you have not already done so.

WEST VIRGINIA

God Prepares the Way

The spirit of God is truly plain to be seen working on the hearts of men, women, and children. No doubt the colporteur, visiting the people here and there, over mountain and plain, sees it as vividly as any other class of workers. When we see tears trickling down the cheeks of both old and young, men and women alike, we know there is something more than the influence of man that causes this, and we believe that this same spirit will open the eyes of many that they may see the blessed truths in these heaven sent, silent messengers which are being placed into the homes.

I spent a few days last week in Bluefield, delivering for Brother Hays, and helping Brother McHenry. One lady said she dreamed last night of me bringing the book just as I did. She said she saw that green marble edge, and just how I held the book in my hand. Another said she dreamed last night that I brought her a black book, and it had Bible references in it. Sure enough, hers was a morocco binding. I feel sure these people will be more deeply interested in their books by having those dreams.

I was very glad to spend the Sabbath with Brother McHenry. The most pleasant experience of the day was, we organized a Sabbath School with a membership of ten, but each member is planning to help make it grow. I hope you will remember this Sabbath School in prayer, that souls may be brought into the truth through their efforts. John McHenry, superintendent; D. Pursey, assistant; Sister Mary Little, secretary and treasurer; Brother E. N. Lockwood, assistant.

H. F. KIRK.

News Notes

Miss Ruth Fahrner, of Helvetia, passed through Parkersburg this week enroute to Ohio. We were glad to have her visit the conference office.

Word has just reached us of the death of Brother B. B. Johnson of Elkins. Brother Johnson was the oldest member in the West Virginia Conference, and a faithful member. His obituary will appear later.

A new Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society has also been organized in West Virginia. It is composed of the young people of the Kanwaha and Walker Churches. They meet together each week for service.

Another new Sabbath School has been organized in West Virginia. It is located at Bluefield, where Brother McHenry is canvassing. Brother McHenry has had considerable experience in Sabbath School work, and we are sure this little Sabbath School will flourish under his supervision.

Brother Arnett called at the office this week and purchased a supply of "World's Crisis" and "World War" for use in home missionary work.

The church school at Parkersburg closed June 1. This year it has been a very successful one and the church members appreciate the faithful efforts that have been put forth by Professor E. F. Dresser, the teacher. A farewell reception was given in honor of Professor and Mrs. E. F. Dresser, Thursday evening, May 31, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Bee. There were about fifty in attendance and the evening was spent quite pleasantly. Brother Eaton, the church elder, expressed the appreciation of the church for the good work done in connection with the church school, and extended a hearty invitation to Professor Dresser to return and teach again the coming fall. They left Sabbath evening for Washington, and will be greatly missed by the members at the Parkersburg Church, but our prayers go with them that the Lord will continue to bless them and use them in His closing work. If it is the Lord's will we hope to have them in Parkersburg again next September.

VIRGINIA

SHUN FASHION

"Fashion rules the world; and she is a tyrannical mistress, often compelling her devotees to submit to the greatest inconvenience and discomfort." Fashion taxes without reason and collects without mercy. She has a fascinating power, and stands ready to criticise and ridicule the poor if they do not follow in her walk at any cost, even the sacrifice of life itself. Satan triumphs that his devices succeed so well, and death laughs at the health-destroying folly and blind zeal of the worshippers at fashion's shrine. Vol. 4, p. 634.

What is Satan doing? Satan is constantly devising some new style of dress that shall prove an injury to physical and moral health, and he exults when he sees professed Christians eagerly accepting the fashions that he has invented. Id. 634, 635.

Who has invented fashions? Satan. Is he not busy today? Are you allowing him to dress you? God hath made man (male and female) upright, but they have sought out many inventions. Eccl. 7:29.

Let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel. That women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with broidered hair, or gold, or pearls or costly array. But which becometh women professing godliness with good works. 1 Peter 3:3; 1 Tim. 2:9, 10.

For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. The world passeth away, and the lust thereof; but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever. 1 John 2:16, 17. Will you pass away with this great rush of waters? Satan deceives the whole world. He is controlling the fashions of today, and those who are following the fashions, he is controlling them. Is he controlling thee, my sister? Break away from his cobwebs of fashions, lest you be taken captive at his will.

STYLE

Many a style of dress that was appropriate and even ridiculous has been generally adopted because it was the fashion. Among these pernicious fashions were large hoops, (pray that they may not appear again) which frequently caused indecent exposure of the person. In contrast with this was presented a neat, modest, becoming dress, which would dispense with the hoops, and the trailing skirts, and provide for the proper clothing of the limbs. But dress reform compressed more than shortening the dress (trailing skirts) and clothing the limbs. It included every article of dress upon the person. It lifted the weights from the hips by suspending the skirts from the shoulders. It removed the tight corsets which compress the lungs, the stomach, and other internal organs and induce curvature of the spine and an almost countless train of diseases. Dress reform properly provided for the protection and development of every part of the body. Vol. 4, p. 635.

The trailing skirts were one extreme; now the shortening (beyond raising from cleaning the sidewalks) of the skirts to the shoetops and beyond. Now, the next step is to bring them down between these two extremes. Modesty! In "Gospel Herald" late issue I quote: "Tight corsets, the false hair, peek-a-boö waists, low necks, exposing much of the chest, short sleeves that leave nearly the entire arm bare, offensively short skirts and cobweb stockings, with high heeled shoes, were designed in the first place with no other object than to draw the attention of men.

One day while sitting in a car, facing a young lady, she sat before the mirror. Low neck waist, taking a perfect view of her folly. I was obliged to turn my head

What an army! Would not this army outnumber any nation? See them as they go, their faces full of powder and paint. What an army Satan has! Are you in this army? It is increasing with recruits. Are you joining this throng? Or are you already in these ranks? Get out as soon as possible. Stop now. "Now is the day of salvation." "Today if ye will hear His voice, harden not your heart."

STOP

Stop studying fashion plates. Study your Bibles. As we see our sisters departing from simplicity in dress, and cultivating a love for the fashions of the world, we feel troubled. By taking steps in this direction, they are separating themselves from God and neglecting the inward adorning. They should not feel at liberty to spend their God-given time in the unnecessary ornamentation of their clothing. How much better might it be employed in searching the Scriptures, thus obtaining a thorough knowledge of the prophecies and of the practical lessons of Christ. Vol. 4, pp. 628, 629.

How pained the ministers are when they look over their flock and see that Satan has introduced his worldly fashions within the remnant church. Cry aloud, lift up thy voice like a trumpet and show my people their transgressions and the house of Jacob their sins." Oh, how sad the condition! What an army Satan has.

W. H. SEBASTIAN.

Special

The Goal for the Weekly "Signs"

The goal for the "Signs" weekly is "One Hundred Thousand Subscriptions by July." The only way to reach it will be for the members to go out after them. The Lord's promise is, "I will make you become fishers of men." Fishers do not sit at home and wait for the fish to come to them. They go to the water with bait and patiently fish. If the promise has been fulfilled in the members, they will take bait and go after souls, and the "Signs" weekly is fine bait. If the promise has not been fulfilled, the condition, 'Come ye after me,' has evidently not been fulfilled, for they go together. Such a condition should call for heartsearching.

Some experiences will show the success some fishers of men are having:

"A short time ago while sending out our missionary papers we chose a man's name from a canvasser's list and sent him a copy of the "Signs". A few days later he met a gentleman near his home whom he knew to be an Adventist and told him that he had received a paper and paid him for a year's subscription."

"I have received several of your papers, the 'Signs of the Times,' which I have enjoyed very much. They were posted to me when I was in camp. I do not know who sent them. I thought it was some unknown friend, but I have no friend who takes this paper. If your publishing company sent them, I thank you very much, for they put many a dull hour to flight. Will you tell me how I can obtain them? I will subscribe to the paper if you will tell me how much it will cost for a year. I should like to know what Christian body they represent. If you hold any evening services I would like to attend."

"The most interesting phase of our missionary work at present is the weekly 'Signs' work. Though only a small company of eight members, with the Lord's help and blessing and by systematic methods, we have been enabled to work up our weekly 'Signs' list to seventy-eight subscribers; but we do not plan to be content to settle down at that number, for surely the Lord has more than seventy-eight souls in this neighborhood whom He would have come to a knowledge of this present truth. We have, therefore, set our aim at one hundred before this quarter closes. You may be interested to know just how we work.

"From our weekly missionary meeting offerings we purchase from time to time, from the publishers, a gross of assorted back number of the 'Signs.' After the secretary has stamped each one with the address of the hall and an invitation to the meetings, every member is given four 'Signs' each Sabbath, and that member takes the oversight of four houses in the vicinity, each member following one after the other, and leaving a paper in each home for four consecutive Sabbaths. On the fifth Sabbath a tract is left with the announcement that at present we have no more 'Signs' to give them, but if they have found the reading interesting and would like to receive more on the same topics, we would gladly bring them the up-to-date numbers, which are even more interesting, and we have found that seventy-five per cent readily subscribe. In fact, oftentimes before we have given the fourth paper they volunteer to pay us.

"This work, with our tract lending, is done during the lunch hour. We go out in twos. Now that our lists have grown, the secretary does the delivering and collecting through the week, this enabling the other members to work new territory. This work provides good items for our missionary meetings.

"Among the list of subscribers is a Catholic lady, with whom we have had several good talks. Recently she ordered 'His Glorious Appearing' and 'The World's Crisis.' Another a Congregational

lay preacher, has also ordered these two books."

This is a remarkable experience, as it shows what a few people can accomplish for the Lord by making careful use of their time. Why could not many more do as well as they have? The one hundred thousand goal would soon be reached then.

"We are giving Biblereadings and praying with the people. They come a long way to get our literature. We seldom are able to read the papers we are taking, for they are learning when each copy arrives and coming after it. One lady became so deeply interested in the 'Signs' weekly that she would send for it every week if we did not take it to her. On Sunday afternoon she called on us and as soon as she had taken her seat began to glance through different books in the library. I went to the file, and took out the last 'Review' and handed them to her, telling her they were late copies, and she looked them over. I handed her the tract entitled 'Signs of the Times,' and, 'Is Sunday the Sabbath.' She rolled papers, tracts, and all up and put them in her pocket, saying, 'You must give these to me for I want to read them every one.' I told her I had given the 'Signs' to her doctor, and she said she must have them, so I told her he was going to bring them to her as soon as he had finished them. She is reading the 'Story of Daniel.'

In this case the 'Signs' weekly had so interested this lady that she had become anxious to read anything she could get on the same subjects. She will almost surely accept the truth.

"This church takes a regular club of the 'Signs' weekly, and they are hearing words of appreciation from those who receive the papers. The elder had given the paper several times to a Catholic lady when she asked what the subscription price was. When he told her she ordered the paper for a year. A wealthy farmer has also subscribed."

"The 'Signs' weekly seems to become more popular each day. Just recently a person who is a stranger to us, stopped in at our office and inquired if he could obtain a copy of the 'Signs'. He stated that he believed that to be the best religious paper that was printed, and he wanted to know if he could obtain a copy each week. There are perhaps many others who would read and enjoy the 'Signs' if they only had the opportunity."

"A man called at the home and one of our sisters handed him a copy of the 'Signs.' He read it and came for another. As a result he and his wife soon accepted the truth. They moved into the country and soon had another Sabbath keeper with them. Shortly afterwards, a brother and sister visited them and they studied the truth and accepted

it fully. Then others living near them began to read the 'Signs' they circulated and there are good prospects that more will accept the truth."

Another good work began with one 'Signs' weekly. Why not give the Spirit of God many more such opportunities of working on the hearts of the people?

"A dear friend of mine sent in my name to your paper for six months and I have received it for about two months now. I wish to tell you that I have never read a paper of religious message in my life that did me so much good as this. I hope I will never be deprived of it and I am going to try to get it into other homes I know of. I really think this is the religion I have been looking for all my life, and hope I can join your little band before long."

These experiences should be an encouragement to our members to give this paper a wider circulation.

Try the plan of giving three or four numbers and then soliciting a subscription. In many cases you will succeed and many, win souls.

EDITH M. GRAHAM.

"Behold, Thy Mother!"

Honor thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee. Ex. 20:12.

It is most blessed to know that in all things Christ was our example, that He really had the same daily experiences that we have, and that in all things He won the victory and was perfect in all His ways. Though His birth was very mysterious and divinity was interwoven with humanity, He had earthly parents and He rendered them obedience as was written in the law children should.

While this obedience should be rendered to the father as well as to the mother, we shall especially dwell on honoring our mothers. We know little of Joseph after he returned with his family from Egypt, and it is thought that he died while Jesus was very young. We have not a very great knowledge of Jesus' life between the ages of twelve to thirty, but we have many times seen pictures of Him working in the carpenter shop, carrying water and helping His mother. While He was separated from His mother during the time of His public ministry, He made provision for her welfare. I imagine He visited her as often as He could, and listened to her trials and caressed and comforted her with all loving tenderness. Then coming to Christ's darkest hour of His life, when He felt as though even His heavenly Father and the entire host of heaven had forsaken Him, He beheld His mother. There stood Mary at the foot

of the cross, weeping. However, her grief was not bitter; she shed no tears of remorse, as some mothers shed because of their wayward children. As Jesus beheld His mother, He pitied her from the depth of His heart, though He himself was suffering death pains, He looked upon John, the beloved disciple and said, "Behold, thy mother!" Then speaking unto His mother, "Woman, behold, thy son!" Thus Jesus made provision and forsook not His mother.

But you say, "What do I owe my mother? What will pay the price?" Nothing on this earth can ever pay for the love, care and sympathy which a mother bestows upon her child. In the very earliest days of our lives, perhaps till we reach the age of five, (and very often later) there are many hours in which a mother's eyelids never close. It seems at times her strength is more than human, as she labors all day for the comfort of her children and at night perhaps watches eagerly over a sick child. "Behold, thy mother!" As the children grow older do they honor their mother by showing her due respect and love, or do they speak harshly and complain about the house, the food, their clothes? Do they feel ashamed of their mother's appearance, the pale, wrinkled face, the gray hair? These should be signs of great respect. These should draw all the love out of their hearts toward the mother that the heart contains.

"There is a story of an artist who wanted to freshen the old mother's photograph, taking out the lines and wrinkles, to make it look brighter and younger. 'No, no,' said the son. 'Leave it just as it is, lines and all.' Then 'he explained how the lines and traces of age in his mother were the most sacred things in the picture. They were the etchings of suffering and endurance, the grave records of love's cost, when the woman was mothering her children. Not a line or a mark must be taken from the old photograph. It would not be a true picture of mother if these traces of pain were washed out.

"The son was right. Old age, with its decrepitude, its bent form, its faded, shrunken cheeks, is not dishonorable when years have been filled with love. Wrinkles and lines made by care and self-denial are honorable credentials, records of holy service of love. Perhaps your mother is prematurely gray, has lost somewhat of the freshness of her earlier years is crippled, partly paralyzed, her hands feeble and trembling, her speech uncertain; have you ever thought that these physical effects are the results of her toil, loss of rest, self-denial for you?"

"Behold, thy mother!" Look after her if she is living, think of her reverently if she

is gone. Sometimes we hear of people setting apart a day in the year when they wear a white flower as a mark of honor for a mother. That is well. But while your mother lived, did you strew the path of her feet with flowers? If she still lives do you honor her with flowers of love? Do you show her kindness? Do you speak gently to her, and make her glad with your love?

"A white flower is an emblem of purity. A true mother is like an angel of God in the whiteness and luster of her life. In the school room of the little Princes of Germany, it is said this incident occurred: The teacher was saying that all people are sinners. The little Crown Prince wanted to know if this was true of people of rank, or only of the lowly. 'Of all,' said the teacher. 'Well,' said the little Prince, speaking slowly but very positively, 'my father may be a sinner, but I know my mother is not.'"

Girls, do you lighten the burden or do you make it heavier? Do you let your mother wait upon you, bring in friends and have her prepare for them, go on a vacation and let your weary mother home to do the work? Let us in our strong and healthful youth bear the responsibilities of the home. Let us wait on mother, send her away for a rest and enjoyment. Vacations are planned and arranged for those members of the family who work under employers, but who plans for the mother's vacation?

If we would honor our mothers in the true way, we must do more than wear a white carnation one day in a year. May it never be true of us that our mother should say, she would rather we were brought home dead than fallen in wickedness and disgrace as a lady said to her friend when her son was brought home drunk. She said, "I would rather a hundred times he had been brought home to me dead."

Girls, "Behold, your mother!" Honor thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise.

EMMA SILBER.

(Read in the Self-improvement Society, Mount Vernon Academy.)

A Report of the Work of the Present Truth Mission

G. A. R. Hall, Mt. Vernon

First I would say, The Present Truth Mission has been built on a self-sacrifice-basis, and let it be well understood that it is most earnestly desired that it remain so until its work is finished and its workers meet their dear Lord who said, "I am among you as He that serveth."

"Our Lord Jesus came to this world as the unwearied servant of man's necessi-

ties. He "took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses," that He might minister to every need of humanity. The burden of disease and wretchedness and sin He came to remove. It was His mission to bring men complete restoration; He came to give them health and peace and perfection of character.

"Varied were the circumstances and needs of those who besought His aid, and none who came to Him went away unhelped. From Him flowed a stream of healing power, and in body and mind and soul men were made whole."—Ministry of Healing, p. 17.

If this is the work of the Master it is surely the work of the Master's followers—for He is our example.

Is there any sorrow, is there any distress, are there any perplexities, is there any wretchedness, is there any sickness? The answer is obvious. Then, until this work is all done how can we spend an hour, a moment in self-seeking or in self-serving. This explains what the Present Truth Mission was established for—to give an opportunity for those who so desire to spend their spare time in doing what our great Example did—to remove wretchedness, disease and sin.

So, our mission workers, instead of lying on their couches, sitting in their easy chairs, spending pleasant evenings with their families, choose rather to go forth to the Sunday night meeting, to the Thursday night prayer meeting, and the greatest cross of all after having attended Sabbath School and the regular service in the morning to leave their families, their pleasant homes and go to the mission to teach, to sing, and to help in any way possible in the Mission Sabbath School in the afternoon; whether it is cold or hot, stormy or fair, and sometimes whether sick or well. Do we tell this to laud our name to the skies in the estimation? No! a thousand times No! But to show the importance of the call of the hour, and to show in a definite manner our appreciation of the precious truth God has given us and to help others to enjoy the same with us.

For the servant of the Lord has said, "All heaven is in activity, and the angels of God are waiting to co-operate with the human instrumentality who will devise plans whereby souls for whom Jesus died may hear the glad tidings of salvation."

So we are doing all we or anyone else can do, however wise or learned he may be, "devise plans whereby souls for whom Jesus died may hear the glad tidings of salvation." Sunday night when there is no place within 25 miles of Mt. Vernon where a meeting is held where the truths of the Third Angel's Message is proclaimed, the people have a "plan devised" whereby they may hear it at the

mission. So we are encouraging at the present outlook, knowing that if faithful we have the angels of God co-operating with us in working to bring souls to Christ, the Great Physician of the human family, our family doctor if you please.

Reader, surely your heart would be stirred if you were present at some of our Thursday night social meetings to hear the stirring testimonies of those who have been helped by this "means" that has been "planned." Something like this:

"I have drifted away from God and His truth, but through this mission I have been brought back to the fold and now I am longing to do something to bring others to Jesus."

"I don't know where I would be tonight had it not been for this mission."

"I have never enjoyed my Christian experience before, like I have since coming to the mission—God bless the mission."

"Pray for me, I want to serve God, but I am so weak I yield to the tempter's influence. I ask the prayers of this mission."

One of our workers, the past week, found a family who has lived in our city one year who said, "I am not able to dress well enough to attend the popular churches, nor am I able to dress my children well enough to go to their Sunday school." This worker has been assisting this lady in a very material way to fit them out so they may be regular attendants at our meetings and hear "the glad tidings of salvation" as found in the Third Angel's Message." And last Thursday this lady, her daughter-in-law and one of her children was present at our social meeting and promises to attend regularly. The children will come to Sabbath School.

There are still others out in the "streets and lanes" who might be brought in if we will only catch the spirit of our "Example" and go forth with books and papers which will bring us into contact with the people and enable us to sympathize with them in their condition and lead them to Jesus.

"His life was one of constant self-sacrifice. He had no home in this world, except as the kindness of friends provided for Him as a wayfarer. He came to live in our behalf the life of the poorest, and to walk and work among the needy and the suffering. Unrecognized and unhonored, He walked in and out among the people for whom He had done so much."

—Ministry of Healing, p. 19.

H. S. WEAVER.

"Not what we merely say, but what men see we are is what influences. A dumb Christian has more persuasiveness than a talking hypocrite, who is but a canting phonograph."

Canvassers' Reports

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del
Ohio, Week Ending June 1, 1917									
*J. H. Stafford, Franklin Co.		BR	8	72	11	42 50	3 10	45 60	
M. B. Ingersol, Huron Co.		BR	5	51	5	17 50		17 50	4 50
Geo. Carter, Shelby Co.		BR	4	43	13	47 50	2 25	49 75	2 25
*W. H. Smith, Delaware Co.		BR	8	63	16	59 00	3 50	62 50	2 75
Fred Hannah, Belmont Co.		BR	5	40	6	21 00	15 25	36 25	14 25
Chas. Carter, Paulding Co.		BR	4	37	12	49 00	75	49 75	75
R. D. Kline, Allen Co.		BR	4	36	5	21 50	3 00	24 50	1 50
N. Oancea, Akron	Foreign	5	33				22 15	22 15	22 15
E. C. Alexander, Adams Co.		BR	4	29	4	15 00	7 00	22 00	7 75
Frank Fultz, Montgomery Co.		BR	5	24	4	15 00	5 75	20 75	6 50
Martha Hottes, Dayton		BF	3	22	10	23 00		23 00	
Mrs. E. Y. Smith, Dayton		BR	5	19	4	15 00	3 35	18 35	18 10
Mrs. W. H. Smith, Delaware Co.		BR	2	17			2 25	2 25	
F. L. Rogers, Auglaize Co.		BR	2	17	4	15 00		15 00	
J. D. Fellabaum, Hancock Co.		BR	2	15	3	11 50		11 50	3 00
Clara Weber, Dayton		BR	3	13	2	7 00	75	7 75	15 75
Anna Oancea, Akron	Foreign	2	12				11 05	11 05	
Mrs. C. Kelly, Dayton		BR	2	10	4	14 00	4 55	18 55	
Glenn Pinnicks, Trumbull Co.		BR	1	10					48 50
Miss Kuebel, Dayton		CK	2	5	1	2 00	50	2 50	50
Totals	20 Agents			76	568	104 \$375 50	\$85 20	\$460 70	\$148 25

West Virginia, Week Ending June 1, 1917

T. M. Butler, Greenbrier Co.	BR	5	51	22	91 00	3 00	94 00	
Norman Haye, Kanawha Co.	BR	3	26	14	55 00	6 35	57 35	3 15
Andrew Lessner, Burnsville	BR	5	29	13	47 50	35	47 85	30
John Fahrner, Kayford Co.	BR	5	29	9	32 50	10 65	43 15	9 00
W. E. West, Burnsville	BR	5	33	10	39 00	2 15	41 15	1 00
C. G. Mays, Greenbrier Co.	HM	5	46	8	23 50	1 75	25 25	1 70
J. M. Morris, Kanawha Co.	HM	4	29	7	17 50	3 85	21 35	9 30
John McHenry McDowell Co.	BF	5	36	53	120 00	39 30	159 30	110 10
E. R. Corder, Raleigh Co.	CK	5	38	60	122 50	7 00	129 50	3 00
Guy Corder, Raleigh, Co.	CK	4	34	39	79 50	75	80 25	
Miscellaneous					108 00		108 00	108 00
Totals	10 Agents			46	351 235 \$732 00	\$75 15	\$807 15	\$246 35

West Pennsylvania Week Ending June 1, 1917

Mrs. C. D. Bateman, Cambria Co.	HM	3	21	13	34 50	4 00	38 50	10 00
Paul Baroudi, Westmoreland	BR	8						525 00
Solomon Diehl, Mifflin Co.	SP			10	15 00	6 75	21 75	61 00
J. S. Glunt, Erie Co.	BR	2		3	12 50	2 35	14 85	9 10
A. Holst, Indiana Co.	BR	4	25	1	3 50	5 75	9 25	23 75
D. J. Hoover, Fayette Co.	BR	3	21	6	26 00	75	26 75	23 00
Jas. E. Lippart, Lawrence Co.	BR	4	38	10	38 00	2 50	40 50	2 50
Geo. Rapp, Lawrence Co.	BR	4	38	14	54 00	2 50	56 50	2 50
Nellie Smith, Allegheny	HW	4	17	6	3 25	2 45	5 70	5 70
Miscellaneous	HW			140	35 00		35 00	35 00
Totals	8 Agents			32	160 203 \$221 75	\$27 05	\$248 80	\$697 55

District of Columbia Week Ending May 26, 1917

F. T. Feutz, Washington, D. C.	BR	3	24	10	34 50	1 50	36 00	43 00
Otto Westerhoff, Prince Wm. Co.	BR	3	28	5	17 50	6 20	23 70	
J. D. Haynes, Fairfax Co.	BR	3	28	34	120 00	2 00	122 00	
D. P. Corbett, Loudoun	BR	5	33	30	120 00	8 60	128 60	12 00
Miscellaneous	Misc				100 00	37 80	137 80	137 80
Totals	4 Agents			14	113 79 \$392 00	\$56 10	\$448 10	\$192 80

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Miss Alma Kibler								10 00
Miss Edna Bell								40 00
Total								50 00

East Pennsylvania, Week Ending June 1, 1917

J. L. Gerhart, Lehigh Co.	BR	2	20	4	16	00	1	50	17	50	
W. P. Hess, York Co.	BF	5	41	17	34	00			34	00	20 00
C. Booth, Franklin Co.	BR	4	30	13	49	50			49	50	
S. Booth, Franklin Co.	GC	2	11	2	7	00			7	00	
W. G. Lewis, Luzerne Co.	Misc	4	26		40	50			40	50	
E. S. Tolliver, Luzerne Co.	BF	3			6	00	2	00	8	00	54 00
L. W. Mase, Lacka Co.	GC	2	15	7	24	50	2	75	27	25	
R. W. Garrett, Carbondale Co.	GC	3	20	3	10	00	3	75	13	75	
Eugene Gloor, Dauphin Co.	BR	4	37	17	69	50	6	00	75	50	
Thos. Beamesderfer, Dauphin Co.	BR	4	32	20	86	00	9	50	95	50	
S. J. Mack, Northumberland Co.	BR	2	15	9	34	50			34	50	
C. F. Durr, Philadelphia	Misc	4					11	30	11	30	
Miscellaneous					377	81			377	81	

Totals 12 Agents 39 247 98 \$755 31 \$36 80 \$792 11 \$74 00

District of Columbia, Week Ending June 1, 1917

D. P. Corbett, Loudoun Co.	BR	4	26	25	90	00	4	75	94	75	4 50
Ralph H. Gauker, King Geo. Co.	BR	5	39	31	109	50	4	00	113	50	2 50
J. I. Butcher, King Geo. Co.	BR	5	49	22	79	00	9	75	88	75	
F. T. Feutz, Washington	BR	6	39	15	56	00	2	00	58	00	4 50

Total 4 Agents 20 153 87 \$334 50 \$20 50 \$355 00 \$11 50

District of Columbia, Month Ending June 1, 1917

O. Westerhoff, Prince Wm. Co.	BR	14	94	20	71	00	19	45	90	45	10 75
J. D. Haynes, Fairfax Co.	BR	13	116	135	474	50	10	00	484	50	8 00
D. P. Corbett, Loudoun Co.	BR	11	71	62	236	50	19	10	255	60	21 75
E. R. Corder, Washington	BR	1	5								18 00
T. J. Chambers, Washington	WW	4	20				10	50	10	50	10 50
F. T. Feutz, Washington	BR	9	63	25	90	50	3	50	94	00	47 50
Ralph Gauker, King Geo. Co.	BR	5	39	31	109	50	4	00	113	50	2 50
J. I. Butcher, King Geo. Co.	GC	5	49	22	79	00	9	75	88	75	
W. C. Welch, Prince Wm. Co.	BR	1	5	4	14	00	1	00	15	00	
Miscellaneous					130	00	46	15	176	15	176 15

Total 9 Agents 63 462 299 \$1205 00 \$123 45 \$1328 45 \$295 15

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Alma Kibler	20	00
Edna Bell	102	60
Augusta Iliff	25	00
Hattie N. Purce	5	00
Mrs. M. V. Nowlin	5	00
Mrs. Annie Straub	5	00
Miscellaneous	33	50

Total \$196 10

Grand Totals: 67 Agents of Orders Value \$4016 06 Deliveries, \$1665 60

Polish and Roumanian Magazines

To assist in meeting the need for Polish and Roumanian literature, a Special magazine has been printed in each language. These are called *Signs of the Times* and like the other magazines in foreign languages they have 24 pages and attractive cover in colors.

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I am a minister in the Christian Church."

Mount Vernon Academy

Professor W. H. Teesdale has gone to Parkersburg, W. Va., in the interest of the school.

Mr. Otto Hershberger left last Thursday to attend summer school at Washington.

Elder N. S. Ashton will attend the Columbia Union Council at Washington, and will stop off at Pittsburg in the interest of the school.

Mrs. E. R. Brown will spend the summer in New York. She will visit in Washington on her way and attend the wedding of Dr. D. H. Kress' daughter.

"Charity, or love, is the underlying principle out of which obedience flows."

In your patience possess ye your souls,
Luke 22:19.

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OBITUARIES

FAULKNER.—Lavina Hissom was born in Germany April 26, 1844, died March 3, 1917, at the age of 72 years, 10 months and 5 days. She came to this country with her parents at the age of eleven years. October 25, 1866, she was united in marriage to John W. Faulkner. Six children were born to them. Her husband, one sister, three daughters and one son besides grandchildren and other relatives mourn their loss. About twenty-five years ago Sister Faulkner united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church at Laura, Ohio, living a faithful devoted Christian life. She sleeps in Jesus to awake at His coming.

J. J. MARIETIA

GARDNER.—Roscoe Edward, born in Washington, D. C., February 2, 1896, died at Hampton, Virginia, May 6, 1917. February 26 of last year his father, James Edward, departed this life, thus great sorrow fills the hearts of the fond mother and sister. Interment at Leesburg, Virginia.

I. D. RICHARDSON.

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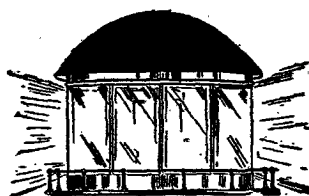
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New Jersey:—Trenton, June 28 to July 8.

West Pennsylvania:—Du Bois, July 5 to July 15.

Ohio:—Bellefontaine, August 16-26.



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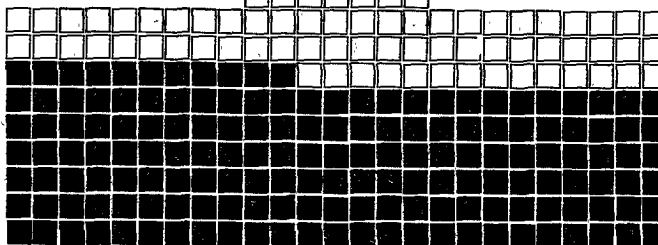
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