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Beware!

For when you resolve to take up the colporteur work, the devil will give you more attention than he has at any time in all your life. But "Do not slinch because the lion roars; do not stop to stone the devil's dogs; do not fool away your time chasing the devil's rabbits."

The Lord has given to every man his work. It is your business to carry out the convictions God has given you, and the devil's business to keep you from doing it if he can.

The myriad reasons why you can not enter the work, why you should not just now anyway, that frequently pass before you as in a panoramic view, are Satan's propaganda. "Can you not see that the whole thing is brought about through the craft of the devil to draw you off from your work and hinder your obedience to God?" Don't listen to him. Discourage him.

C. V. LEACH.

VIRGINIA

12 W. Main St., Richmond
W. C. Moffett, Pres. - W. H. Jones, Sec.

Meetings in Virginia

In the midst of the Colporteurs' Institute, an elders' and workers' meeting was held at Richmond with a good attendance from nearly all the churches in the state. We were favored in having with us Elder B. G. Wilkinson, fresh from the Charleston effort.

Practically all of the Union Secretaries were present, and Elder Daniells broke away from heavy committee work to deliver his stereopticon lecture on missions, spending a portion of one day in inspiring the workers.

Considerable study was given to the plans for the year's camp-meeting. The conference was divided into four districts, with Elder R. F. Farley in charge of the Tidewater section, Elder L. O. Gordon in charge of the Central district, Elder R. D.

Hottel of the Valley district, and Elder W. E. Bidwell superintendent of the Southwest district.

It was voted to institute immediate organization looking to the reaching of our quota of our Ingathering goal of over four thousand dollars, based on the Union goal of sixty thousand for 1919. This means that we will have to gather in two and a half times what we did last year. There was a feeling of confidence that Virginia would go over the top in this respect.

The Home Missionary campaign occupied considerable attention, along with a revival of the Medical Missionary work and we look for great things in this direction.

One of the most important meetings was that in which Elder Daniells presented the necessity of the infilling of the Spirit of God for the finishing of the work. Workers in charge of churches and laborers returned to their fields with renewed courage and determination to accomplish greater things for God.

W. C. MOFFETT.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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R. E. Harter, Pres. R. C. Taylor, Sec.

District of Columbia Conference

Home Missionary Institute

Monday morning, January 20, the Home Missionary Convention of the District of Columbia Conference opened in the Memorial Church, Washington, D. C. Although there were not very many present, when the program for God's finishing of the work was being unfolded before us, it was really inspiring to us all.

As Elder Harter was telling us about our layman's Missionary movement, we could not help but feel thankful when we were told that we were not beginning a work, but that God has given us the pleasant task of finishing it. Yes, we all not only have the privilege of working, but we shall have the blessed privilege of seeing it finished. We are not laying the foundations and planning to put up the

frame-work, but we are putting on the last and finishing touches, and will have the opportunity of seeing it all finished and complete. God has given us a great work to do, and we are so glad to know that He is not depending upon numbers to finish this work. In I Kings 20:27 and on, we find that Ben-hadad, King of Syria, came with a great number to Aphek to fight against Israel, and it says that Israel pitched before them like two little flocks of kids, but the Syrians filled the country. Although they were so few in number, like two little flocks of kids, God delivered the Syrians into their hands and they slew of the Syrians an hundred thousand footmen in one day. Friends, the few Israelites did what they could, and then God finished the work, for verse thirty reads, "But the rest fled to Aphek into the city; and there a wall fell upon twenty and seven thousand of the men that were left. And Ben-hadad fled, etc." God finished what Israel could not do. The early reformers could not finish the work, because they did not have the last warning message, and now since we have the message, we should let it finish its work in us, in order that we can give it to others. Inspiration picks them out and says, "Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus." Dear friends, if we want to be among those who are going to finish the work, we must have patience, obedience, and faith. Have we got it?

The meeting was full of enthusiasm. Elder H. K. Christman said that this missionary movement was really a reformatory movement in the churches. If we all get to work, despondency and discouragements will vanish away. If it will do that, isn't it just what we want? He appealed to all the ministers to use all their efforts to develop the talents of the laity, for God holds them responsible for this work.

Let us note right here the solemn words from the spirit of prophecy.

"In visions of the night representations passed before me of a great reformatory movement among God's people. Many were praising God. The sick were healed, and other miracles were wrought. A spirit of intercession was seen, even as

was manifested before the great day of Pentecost. Hundreds and thousands were seen visiting families, and opening before them the Word of God. Hearts were convicted by the power of the Holy Spirit, and a spirit of genuine conversion was manifest. On every side doors were thrown open to the proclamation of the truth. The world seemed to be lightened with the heavenly influence. Great blessings were received by the true and humble people of God. I heard voices of thanksgiving and praise, and there seemed to be a reformation such as there was in 1844." Vol. 9, page 126.

Friends, I want to be one of those taking part in this reformatory movement, don't you?

Elder A. G. Daniells was present and gave us an inspiring talk, which will appear in the "Review."

The institute continued through January 21. As the workers separated, there seemed to be a determination among them, which I believe is going to have its influence in all our churches.

The Haynes Evangelistic Meetings

Elder C. B. Haynes' lectures in the Shubert-Garrick Theater Sunday afternoons continue to attract large audiences. The meeting last Sunday, when the subject was "The Beast and His Image," was especially well attended, and Memorial Church was packed to overflowing, several being turned away in the evening, to hear the study on "The Mystic Number 666."

New names of interested people who desire literature continue to come in, until we now have a list of more than 300, a large percent of whom have come into personal touch with our workers and are considered excellent candidates for the kingdom. We are sending them "Present Truth" weekly, which will continue until the principal subjects of the message have thus been placed in their hands.

All who attend seem intensely interested and many express themselves as convinced of the truth as presented, and, one by one, are coming over the line in a determined stand for the right.

The two lectures Sunday covered some pretty delicate ground with regard to Religious Liberty and Sunday Laws, but at both meetings a genuinely favorable sentiment was manifest, indicating that the heaven-born principles on which we stand are reaching honest hearts who love the truth, and finding root.

R. C. TAYLOR.

Love is the pilot by which God is to guide this old staggering world through darkness and storms into the haven of rest.—Henry Ward Beecher.

News Notes

Elder Haynes spoke at Memorial Church last Sabbath on the subject of "Conversion." Many new believers, fruits of the campaign now being conducted in the city, were present, giving promise of real substantial additions to our forces as soon as they are thoroughly grounded in all the details of our faith.

Elder Robbins, who attended the various conventions in session at Takoma Park, spoke at Capitol Hill Church last Sabbath, February 15.

Our churches are gradually perfecting their organizations for Home Missionary work, in accordance with the new plans, and we anticipate a very successful year of soul-saving effort by our lay-members.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

Indiana, Pa.

I. D. Richardson Pres. - J. S. Neely, Sec.

NOTICE

The West Pennsylvania Colporteurs' Institute

Will be held in Erie, Pa., March 13-22 at the S. D. A. Church on East Tenth Street.

Those coming on the Pennsylvania R. R. get off at the Union Station, go to State Street, take a car or walk north to 10th Street, go east on 10th Street to the church which is on the right hand side of the street about three blocks from State Street.

Those coming on the P. & L. E. R. R. get off at the Union Station. Those coming on the Bessemer R. R. get off at their main Station on 12th Street, go to State Street and follow as given above.

T. M. BUTLER, Field Sec.

Correction

In the issue of the VISITOR dated February 13, page 5, column 1, under Allegheny No. 2 (Ger.) the amount for missions should read \$900.74 instead of \$200.72.

NEW JERSEY

200 Columbus Ave. Trenton
W. H. Heckman, Pres. Cora Felker, Sec.

News Notes

Brother Kirk left Monday to attend the Bookmen's Convention at Washington, where we are sure he will receive some valuable helps in strengthening the book work in New Jersey.

Brother Warren, Educational Secretary of the state, is attending the convention at Takoma Park.

The Bridgeton Church was visited last Sabbath by Brother Clark in the interest of the Home Missionary work. Bands were organized and the conference has hopes to expect splendid missionary reports from Bridgeton.

We understand the finishing of the Cape May Court House Church building is progressing nicely. We are receiving some splendid reports of encouragement from some of the officials of the church at that place.

Elder Heckman spoke at the Trenton Church on Sabbath morning. It is seldom that he is with his home church on Sabbath, and everybody appreciated his good talk. In the afternoon, he visited the Camden Church.

We are glad to notice from statistical reports that New Jersey leads the Columbia Union in the number of baptisms for the year 1918. Let us pray that our new brothers and sisters will prove faithful to the end.

Who said you couldn't sell our books in New Jersey? Just glance at the colporteur's report in this issue for New Jersey! Brother Blinn's report looks good with \$296, as does Brother and Sister Brownell's report with \$224.60. Let us remember our faithful colporteurs, that their labors may be productive of bringing many souls into a knowledge of this truth.

Brother H. A. May, from Eastern New York Conference, formerly state treasurer-secretary of New Jersey, stopped in at the office last Monday morning on his way to Washington to the Bookmen's Convention. We were glad to see Brother May and extend to him an invitation to call again. He remarked how nicely the office looks now, since it has been decorated and re-arranged.

Notice

In behalf of Elder H. F. Taylor, Los Angeles, Calif., former laborer in New Jersey Conference, I am writing this. He wishes to thank his many friends throughout the conference and Union for their many expressions of sympathy offered him in his time of sorrow. Elder Taylor is very busy at this time with a large hall effort in Los Angeles. He is meeting with splendid success, and therefore can not write to his friends personally.

F. F. STOLL.

WEST VIRGINIA

Third & Juliana Sts., Parkersburg
T. B. Westbrook, Pres. L. B. Taylor, Sec.

The following article appeared in a West Virginia newspaper, and was sent to us for reprint.

Gospel Temperance

Editor Democrat:—I wish to write a few lines on Gospel Temperance. I am truly glad for the wonderful advance that has been made of late in temperance reform. Recently I looked at a map comparing the "dry" with the "wet" territory in the United States, and could hardly believe my eyes. It seemed like a fairy tale. But when I became convinced of its reality, I felt like praising the Lord.

I believe every individual should know how much of our territory is under prohibition. Seventy-one per cent is now under prohibition. Can you believe it? Forty-seven million of our people are now living under prohibition. Sixteen counties at the last election added to the "dry" column in Illinois.

We must be on our guard or we will be getting rid of one temptation and allow another to take its place. For example, it is said on the best of authority that the drug habit is taking the place of the liquor habit. Another evil habit which is undermining civilization is no other than the tobacco habit. Think of the vast sum of money spent yearly for this deadly poison—more than a billion dollars spent for this evil weed last year. Suppose that every person that uses tobacco should say that they were going to quit and then stick to it. Oh, what a great help it would be to our government if the consumers would just give their money to Uncle Sam. Tobacco is a curse to our country. It goes without saying that it is a curse to every individual who uses it. Tobacco is a rank poison. Its use is highly injurious. Tobacco is the most subtle poison known to chemists, except the deadly prussic acid. Listen to what men of brains have to say about it:

"Tobacco is ruinous to our schools and colleges dwarfing body and mind."—Dr. Willard Parker.

"The use of intoxicating liquors by young men and the use of cigarettes are creating a race of feeble-minded, unhealthy and valueless citizens."—John Wanamaker.

"We might as well go to the insane asylum for our men as to employ cigarette smokers."—The late E. H. Harriman railroad magnate.

"Cigarettes are ruining our children, endangering their lives, dwarfing their intellects and making them criminals fast. The boys who use them seem to lose all sense of right, decency, and righteous-

ness."—Judge Crane, of New York City.

Some one may say, Oh, we could not stop using tobacco because we need the revenue. Think of the large sum of money Uncle Sam receives in this way.

Yes, this is all true; but did you ever stop to think of the number of young men that are unable to aid Uncle Sam as a result of using tobacco? Think of the number of men employed in raising tobacco and who are engaged in manufacturing it. Also the large area of productive soil that is covered with the productive weed. How much wheat and corn might be grown in its stead?

Yours truly,
ARLEY MCNEMAR.

CHESAPEAKE

1901 Rosedale St. Baltimore, Md.
A. S. Booth, Pres. Emma Newcomer, Sec.

Who Said It

That the canvassing work in the Chesapeake Conference was a failure? Well, they must have been dreaming of the times gone by, for a careful consideration of the records will show that work can be done in this field. In fact, we have some of the very best territory that any one ever canvassed in, for one of our sisters in thirteen weeks last summer delivered over \$2400 worth of books, and one of our brethren took \$2682 worth of orders, and delivered \$2929. Of course, you wonder how it was done in the Chesapeake Conference.

The sales in 1917 amounted to \$5,343.85, and in 1918, \$19,012.05, showing a gain in 1918 over 1917 of \$13,669.05. This shows that the territory is very good; all that it needs is men and women that fear the Lord, and are willing to step out by faith and claim the promises, that the Lord will be with us even to the end of the world, and in Phil. 4:13, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." In the month of January we made a gain over the previous January of \$719, so you see that the good work is going.

The Chesapeake Conference is planning on holding a Colporteurs' Institute, beginning March 27 and continuing to April 5, to assist those that feel that the Lord is soon coming and they want to help finish the work. There should be many at this time who feel the Lord is calling them to a more active service in His work, and this is one of the ways that you can help. Read what Vol. 6, page 315, says about what printed pages will do if they are placed in the hands of the people. I will be glad to hear from any who are planning on entering this line of the work.

J. W. Siler, Field Missionary Sec.,
42 S. Cannon Ave., Hagerstown, Md.

News Notes

The president of the conference, Elder A. S. Booth, and the secretary, have been in attendance at the Local Conference Secretary-Treasurer's meeting held in the Union Conference Office. This was a "new thing," but it was a very profitable meeting. All the secretaries and treasurers of the various local conferences, with some of the stenographers were present.

Elder Booth, Brother J. W. Siler, and Miss Newcomer attended the Bookmen's Convention held last week. Elder Booth also attended the Union Committee meetings held in Washington.

The interest in the meetings in Wilmington are still on the increase. Although the ministers of the various denominations are bitterly opposing the work and doing every thing they can to hinder the progress of the message, the people only seem to be more interested from week to week, and quite a company stood for deeper consecration of their lives to God when the call was made last Sunday night.

We are very sorry to have to record the death of Mrs. Oliver Blakeley of Harford County, Md. Sister Blakeley has been a devoted Christian for some time, and we sympathize with those who are left to mourn. She died Monday night.

Brother M. S. Pettibone passed through the city recently on his way to Washington.

Brother Edward Franklin visited the Rock Hall Church last Sabbath.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA

4738 York Road, Philadelphia, Pa.
D. A. Parsons, Pres. W. B. Mohr, Sec.

Greetings from New Mexico

Beloved brethren and sisters of the Columbia Union, and especially East Pennsylvania, where we labored so many years; Greeting:

We address you through the dear old VISITOR, because our many duties in connection with the precious cause of God in this field, to say nothing of Uncle Sam's war postage rates, make it impossible to write each one of you individually.

Among the brightest years of our lives were the more than four years spent in the Columbia Union, working with you all in the East Pennsylvania Conference for the advancement of the sacred truth of God among the millions there, and the

hundreds of millions in the dark and heathen lands beyond. You gave us a hearty welcome when we first came to your field and the fullest co-operation while there. Never were people and workers more loyal to the work than you of East Pennsylvania. To labor with you was a continual joy. The continued success that attended the work was the result of this consecration and unity of effort along all lines. Since leaving that field, we ever rejoice with you in the continued triumphs of the message there as from time to time we hear from some of you telling of victories gained. Continue to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, the Captain of our salvation, and never-ending success will crown your efforts made in His name.

Because of the exceedingly pleasant associations we had with you in the work for so long, it made us extremely sad to leave you and lay down our responsibilities among you. Yet, nevertheless, we resigned our work there voluntarily and of our own volition because we believed it to be our duty to take up work in another field. The answer to the call of duty, the voice of God to the soul, must always be allowed first place in our hearts, if we retain the smile of heaven upon us.

We treasure greatly the vote of regrets at our leaving that was passed by the Conference committee at the time; and their urgent advice that we take three month's time in much needed rest under support of the conference was greatly appreciated, although we could not feel free to remain so long in comparative inactivity with the world rushing on to its doom. After a very short rest, in which we visited Melrose Sanitarium a few days and our boys in Washington, D. C., we responded to the call to take charge of the work in the Ontario Conference, in Canada, according to the vote of the General Conference Committee.

We found that although in Canada the Stars and Stripes are seldom seen and it is a foreign land from the United States, the believers gave us the same welcome and sincere cooperation as you did. God's people are one the world over. In that cold but hospitable northern clime, we labored for more than a year and never did we see any of our people excel the Canadian believers for zeal and constant activity in both Home and Foreign Missionary work. As a result of this, the work is steadily growing in Canada.

Then came the General Conference last spring, which, in response to a strong call from workers in New Mexico with whom we had labored years ago, before coming to Pennsylvania, granted their request by voting the recommendation that I take the presidency of the Texico Conference, which consists of New Mexico and West

Texas. In obedience to this action we came here on May 30, 1917. Mrs. Richards has the same three departments of the conference work that she held in East Pennsylvania, Sabbath School, Young People's and Educational. So we are still just as busy as ever, and, therefore, still happy in the work, for activity brings joy.

We have Mexicans and Indians in the conference to work for besides the white population. The Navaho Indian Mission you have read of in our papers is in this conference. We have a number of Mexican churches and I have to talk to them and to the Indians through interpreters, though I am learning a few of the words of each people.

New Mexico is a natural sanitarium. People come here from all over the United States to recover their health in this dry air and the golden sunlight that makes one of the best climates on earth, and perhaps the most gorgeous sunsets to be found anywhere in the world. There are great mountains here, and there are beautiful spots of improved land and orchards. It is true there are wide desert stretches between. But this is not the new earth. May we so live and work for the Master that we may have a home in the city of our God and in the new earth, where the whole land shall be like Eden! There will be no desert there, but the desert, that now is, shall then blossom as the rose.

We live at the conference office in Clovis New Mexico. Write us at this address and we will enjoy your letters and will answer them as we can. Mrs. Richards joins me in sending kind regards to all.

H. M. J. RICHARDS.

Signs Campaign

Within the last few weeks it has been my pleasure to visit a number of the churches throughout the conference in the interest of the "Signs Weekly" campaign. I find that our brethren and sisters who have so nobly come to the front in the Harvest Ingathering work, are just as willing to help in this present campaign. After visiting personally only nine churches, the following has been raised:

	Mem.	Club
Sab. Jan. 25, Phoenixville	32	71
" " 25, North Phila.	97	150
" " 25, Sellersville	22	50
" Feb. 1, Scranton	69	60
" " 1, Wilkes-Barre	78	110
" " 8, Harrisburg	81	60
" " 8, Carlisle	23	40
" " 15, Phila. Col.	75	100
" " 15, Reading	114	275

Most of these churches had taken up the work and raised up a small club before. Had I space, I could take up each

company individually and tell you of the interest manifested, but the figures speak for themselves. Look for instance at the last church mentioned, Reading. The day I met with them was set apart for a young people's program. Thus only part of the time was given to me for the "Signs" work. After I spoke to them on the importance of everyone standing in his place, I made a call for a club of the "Signs." In just about fifteen minutes the club of 275 was raised. One remarkable feature about this club is that 11 out of 31 of the church school pupils took part in the work. Not only are these churches taking clubs of the "Signs Weekly," but orders are coming in from smaller companies and individuals. I hope that all who possibly can will avail themselves of the opportunity of taking a club of five or more. Remember the low price;—5 or more to one address—\$1.00 per subscription, and 5 or more to separate addresses—\$1.15 per subscription. You cannot invest your money in any better way. There is no paper published that brings better results than the "Signs Weekly." Notice these words from the Spirit of Prophecy:

"When we follow plans of the Lord's devising, we are 'laborers together with God.' Whatever our position,—whether presidents of conferences, ministers, teachers, students, or lay members,—we are held accountable by the Lord for making the most of our opportunities to enlighten those in need of present truth. And one of the principal agencies He has ordained for use is the printed page." Testimonies, Vol. 9, pp. 86, 87.

These are plain words, and let us heed them while we have a quiet peaceful time. If you are isolated, place your order with the tract society office, 4738 York Road, Philadelphia. Otherwise place your order through your local church. H. G. GAUKER, *Home Miss. Sec.*

SPECIAL

Report of the Fireside Correspondence School for 1918

The year 1918 was the banner year of the Fireside Correspondence School. The enrollment of new students was 457, 113 more than for 1917 and double that of 1913. The number of old students was 310, making 767 in all.

The net gain for the year was \$323.77. The school has now overcome the unavoidable deficit of the first four years, has paid back to the General Conference the capital advanced to start the enterprise, and has accumulated a reserve fund sufficient to restore unused tuition in case it should be compelled for any reason to

close its work, an event scarcely within the range of possibility.

Other index items also show encouraging growth. The number of certificates issued for subjects completed was 138, or 21 more than last year. The number of lessons corrected was 6205, against 6024 for 1917.

Bible Doctrines is still the most popular subject, having had 746 lessons corrected. English Literature comes second with 508 lessons, while Old Testament History has 372 lessons. Other subjects having above 200 lessons corrected are College Rhetoric 248, Church History 308, Daniel and the Revelation 245, English Grammar 210, New Testament History 292, and General History 256.

The school has added the following new subjects during the year: New Testament Epistles, Testimonies, Bible Readings, First Aid, and Reporting and Punctuation, making the number of subjects now offered 53.

Many of the best testimonials we have ever received have come to encourage us during the year. We have space for only brief extracts from two or three. A lady says, "I want to express my sincere appreciation of the course in Algebra recently completed. I shall never regret having taken it with the Fireside Correspondence School, for I know I could not have obtained it so thoroughly in any other way." A prisoner writes: "I was greatly benefited with the course in Bible Doctrines, more than words can tell, and I am more than pleased with the lessons in Old Testament History, they are so interesting to my hungry soul."

The prospects for 1919 are encouraging. By the middle of February we had enrolled 300 old students and 94 new students. It was the first of May last year before we reached the latter number. The receipts for January were larger than for any other month in the history of the school. The receipts for the first six weeks of 1919 are greater than for the first four months of 1918. Nearly twice as many lessons were corrected in January as were corrected during the same month last year.

We thank the Lord for victories gained and press forward to greater achievements in His name.

C. C. Lewis, *Principal*.

A New Book for Our Ministers and Workers

In his recent travels and talks to our ministers and workers, Elder Daniells has made frequent use of a valuable little book by J. Lovell Murray, entitled, "The Call of a World Task." The fifth edition has just been issued and bears the endorsement of such prominent men as Dr. Rob-

ert E. Spear, Dr. W. I. Chamberlain, Dr. James L. Barton and others associated with various religious boards.

In giving his opinion of the book, Elder Daniells says: "Regarding the value of the little volume 'The Call of a World Task,' I may say I have read this book with a great deal of interest and profit. The writer deals with intensely practical questions, as the following chapter headings indicate: 'The Call for Reality in Religious Life,' 'The Call of Opening Doors,' 'The Call of the World's Present Need,' 'The Call for a World Program in the Church,' 'The Call for a Full Mobilization of the Christian Forces.' As all can readily see, these are vitally important questions for Seventh-day Adventists to study. They are questions we have been endeavoring for years to keep prominently before our minds. I have read the book, and now I am studying its most important utterances. The writer's views in most respects are clear and sound. They challenge the approval and hearty response of all Christians."

We have made arrangements with the publishers to furnish this book to our people, and to those desiring a copy would suggest that you send in your orders at once, enclosing sixty cents, to Washington Branch Review & Herald Pub. Ass'n. Box 27, Takoma Park, D. C.

Experiences in Working Among the Jews

We are truly grateful at the way many of our people are taking hold of the work for the Jewish people. Many cases have come to our attention of late where the Jewish people who once gave up the Sabbath are again observing it, because of the influence of our brethren and sisters. One brother who has lived among the Jews for a number of years told me a few days ago that he knew of at least nine families of Jews who had given up the Sabbath but had gone to keeping it again, because of his being a Sabbath-keeper.

As our people visit among the Jews with our literature, they find that the children of Abraham are indeed interested. One Jew in Philadelphia I talked with, a short time ago purchased an Old and a New Testament in the Yiddish, and a Hebrew Bible. Although he was very tired the night he bought these books, he started right in to read the books. Within a few weeks from the time I saw him, I heard that he was planning to sell his business, and keep the Sabbath.

One of our workers writes: "In Tampa, Florida, a Jewish merchant said to me, 'We feel ashamed to see you going to church every Sabbath, and we are in

business.' And I replied, 'Well, the trouble with you good Jewish people is that you are still worshipping the golden calf.' . . . This gentleman, and almost every other Jewish merchant in Tampa gave the writer \$1 for the Harvest Ingathering. Also one of the Jewish judges donated to the same fund."

One Jew said, "I want you to know, Mrs.——, that we Jewish people feel like tipping our hats to you Seventh-day Adventists. Yes, we have a profound respect for you people."

"One of our brethren, a linen buyer in a large Jewish firm, worked there for many years before stepping out into the Sabbath truth. He still retains his position, and a year ago last Christmas received as a holiday gift \$200, the most given to an employee. Such was the regard of this Jewish firm for a Sabbath-keeper."

"I had rather an interesting experience the other day, with a Jewish rabbi that teaches the Jewish Hebrew school nearby. This rabbi called at the door to leave an express order. I then felt like giving him the truth, but did not know how to go about it. Well, when Elder Gilbert was here in——, I subscribed for six Yiddish magazines, and I got them last Sabbath; so yesterday morning I had to go to Hood's store nearby, and I said to myself, 'Now is my chance to give the Mendels a "Messenger." Elder Gilbert put us wise what to say. Now the Mendels don't know English very well, so I turned to a Jewish gentleman that was standing there, and said, 'Won't you please tell them what I am saying?' 'Yes, yes,' he said, 'I will. Is Mr.——home?' (The writer's husband) I gave him the second glance, and said, 'Are you the rabbi?' He smiled and said, 'Yes.' I told him that the "Messenger" was gotten out by a Jewish gentleman by the name of Gilbert. He said, 'The minute you spoke I knew what denomination you belonged to. I have read much of Mr. Gilbert's writings, and should like to see and hear Mr. Gilbert very much.' I told him Elder Gilbert had been here lately, and said that he would come again soon, and if he wanted I would notify him. His eyes beamed; he said he should love to come and hear him. I gave him a Messenger which he received with delight, and I promised him some tracts as soon as Elder Gilbert would send them, as he said he would love to read them."

Are you doing anything for your Jewish neighbors and friends with the Yiddish literature? Order the magazines and tracts for the Jews through your tract society, and you will receive them all right.

The Jewish Department has printed a small pamphlet of instruction on how

to handle the Yiddish literature among the Jew. Send for a copy to your tract society, or enclose a stamp and send for one to the undersigned. Pray and labor for the Jews.

F. C. GILBERT, South Lancaster, Mass.
For the Jewish Department.

Two Good Letters

St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Brother Hirlinger:

I am sure you will be anxious to hear about the Foreign Band, of which I am the leader.

Miss Gearhart was out with me among the foreigners one Sunday and she is all stirred up and wants to go again.

In one home we found a lady sick with appendicitis. I said to her, "I wish we could do something for you," and she burst into tears, her husband wept too. I asked to have prayer with her. She said: "Yes," and called another lady and girl who were there. We all knelt in prayer, and when we were all through, they were all still weeping. It touched their hearts to see us interested in them. They were Polish and we had only Italian magazines with us. We told them that we would come again and bring them a Polish paper. They seemed so glad.

One Polish family gave me a dollar for Harvest Ingathering. That day we received \$2.45 on the Harvest Ingathering fund and sold five Italian magazines and one Jewish.

Sincerely,

Mrs. J. McNabb.

Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Brother Hirlinger:

Well, you will be pleased to know that the way is opening up among the dear foreign people. We have had two or three meetings with the poor Mexicans, and they have come out to our prayer meetings twice. About six or seven families are reading Spanish "Coming King."

Two earnest Christian men, one educated and the other an ordinary man, have come out of the Catholic church. Both have been baptized, but neither belong to any sect. Both these dear souls are now reading "Daniel and Revelation" and the educated one ordered "Great Controversy" and the Spanish "Signs" and "Little Friend."

"God is working and who shall hinder." I feel the way is opening for a good work here. God has said, "Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power"—and our people are willing—it is time.

I just went to see a young Italian brother. He will be baptized as soon as he can leave his bed. He had an operation and the influenza. He says, "The Lord is just plastering me with health." His eyes almost popped when I told him

Canvassers' Reports

NAME	PLACE	BOOK	DAYS	HOURS	ORDERS	VALUE	HELPS	TOTAL	DEL.
New Jersey, Week Ending February 14, 1919									
George Blinn		BR	90	62		276 00	20 00	296 00	119 00
Mr. & Mrs. F. A. Brownell		BR	6	68	41	212 00	12 60	224 60	102 10
John F. Clarke		BR	5	59		59 00	37 72	96 72	48 70
H. Hansen		BR	4	21	11	37 00	8 50	45 50	4 50
Norman Haye		BR	5	21	22	88 50		88 50	
Fred Krall		OD	1	10					79 75
Esther M. Lull		Misc.	5	43				16 35	
Julius Matsen		BR	5	35	9	40 00	9 25	49 25	30 25
Clifford L. Moore		BR	5	31	4	17 00	5 75	22 75	19 75
Wm. Vahrenkamp		BR	6	35	25	113 00		113 00	107 00
Otto Westerhoff		BR	2	6		20 00	10 75	30 75	18 75
Fred Zimmerly		BR	5	35	14	64 00	4 00	68 00	149 00
Totals	12 Agents		49	455	188	926 50	108 57	1051 42	678 80
West Virginia, Week Ending February 14, 1919									
W. T. Dishman, Fayette Co.		OD	4	28	8	23 00	38 40	61 40	25 95
B. P. Wright, Charleston		BR	10	52	47	214 00	26 45	240 45	11 45
F. Bentz, Charleston		GC	4	24	7	31 00	10 00	41 00	11 00
Roscoe Bee, Gibmer Co.		OD	4	32	27	73 50	16 75	90 25	9 25
W. A. McElphatrick, Taylor Co.		OD	2	11	17	49 50	5 22	54 72	1 00
S. G. Bertolet, Mingo Co.		BR	8	49	27	123 00	20 60	143 60	55 35
Totals	6 Agents		32	196	133	514 00	117 42	631 42	114 00
Ohio, One Week Ending February 14, 1919									
Fred Hannah, Ashland Co.		OD	5	44	14	34 00		34 00	24 50
Mrs. E. Y. Smith, Van Wert		OD	5	36	8	20 00	7 50	27 50	59 00
O. E. Taylor, Athens Co.		OD	5	33	12	32 00		32 00	38 35
M. B. Ingersoll, Erie Co.		OD	5	30	9	26 50	1 00	27 50	1 00
Ed. Searles, Crawford Co.		OD	3	24	10	25 00	6 50	31 50	43 50
Beulah Houck, Toledo		WP	4	19			26 50	26 50	
Mrs. Chas. Carter, Toledo		WP	4	18			27 00	27 00	27 00
Mrs. G. Pinnicks, Muskingum Co.		OD	3	17	4	10 00	3 00	13 00	23 00
Mr. & Mrs. R. Shank, Richland Co.		OD	3	13	12	31 00	75	31 75	15 25
F. E. Wagner, Barberton									9 00
Irregular				60	25	69 50	57 00	126 50	87 00
Totals	11 Agents		37	294	94	248 00	129 25	377 25	327 60
East Pennsylvania, Week Ending February 14, 1919									
Benjamin Bell, Philadelphia		GC	5	38	21	92 00	65	92 65	15
Wm. P. Hess, Berks Co.		BR	5	36	14	66 00		66 00	16 00
Sol. Diehl, Union Co.		OD	3	19					14 85
G. B. Jenkins, Berks Co.		BR	5	19	5	25 00	1 75	26 75	25
Mrs. Park Drake, Northampton		OD	3	9	2	5 00	5 00	10 00	
R. J. Cole, Allentown		BR	4	28	12	51 00		51 00	
Totals	6 Agents		25	149	54	239 00	7 40	246 40	31 25
West Pennsylvania, Week Ending February 14, 1919									
Geo. E. Missbaugh, Butler Co.		BR	5	24	3	16 00	18 75	79 75	
Geo. Buttermore, Westmoreland Co.		OD	6	42	20	59 00	8 10	76 10	150 65
John Hughey, Sharon, Pa.		WCS	5	42	31	46 50		46 50	16 50
Archie Brownlie, Pittsburg		SD	4	36		8 00	16 60	24 60	29 40
Edward Brady, Pittsburg		OD	2		6	22 00	1 00	23 00	
Anna Leroy, Beaver Falls		BR	5	26	3	14 00	8 00	22 00	4 50
John LeRoy, Beaver Falls		BR	5	35	3	16 00		16 00	58 00
Millie Smith, Pittsburgh		OD	5	28		10 00	4 40	14 40	5 00
Totals	8 Agents		38	233	66	236 50	56 85	293 35	264 05
Chesapeake, Week Ending February 14, 1919									
J. E. Jones, Wicomico Co., Md.		BR	5	42	20	85 00	28 90	113 90	6 00
W. E. Strother, Martinsburg W. Va.		OD	4	29	20	57 00	25	57 25	8 50
W. Swope, Washington Co., Md.		OD	1		3	7 50		7 50	11 75
Totals	3 Agents		10	71	43	149 50	29 15	178 65	26 25

Virginia, Week Ending February 14, 1919

R. E. Pleasants, Amherst Co.	OD	5	23	36	98	00	6	75	104	75			
Emanuel Wilkins, Brunswick Co.	OD	6	30	15	37	50			37	50	37	50	
H. A. Wright, Rockingham Co.	BR	4	39								427	00	
Pearl Engel, Nottoway Co.	OD	4	11	1	3	50	2	50	6	00	12	35	
Totals	4 Agents		19	103	52	139	00	9	25	148	25	476	85
Grand Totals	50 Agents					Value Orders	2452	50			Deliveries	1918	80

he must get up and help me save the 10,000 Italians here. He said, "Sister Longgood, I was born in Little Italy and feel that God has healed me and spared my life for some purpose."

Sincerely yours,

MISS ELIZABETH LONGGOOD.

There are foreigners in your city waiting and longing for you to bring them the message of hope.

Since they have crossed the ocean,—traveling thousands of miles for light and liberty: will you not leave your pleasant home and go a block, or several blocks if necessary, to teach them the way of salvation, and thus bring hope and sunshine to their sin-darkened souls?

After filling your own soul with the Holy Oil, take heaven's candle of light and truth and see how many of these waiting, hungering souls you can find,—how many you can save for God. Do it TODAY,—while it is day.

Organize a Home Foreign Band in your church next Sabbath and do thorough systematic work, scattering the precious pages of literature among these dear people. You will be happily surprised at the many pleasant experiences awaiting you. Write for helpful information.

J. W. HIRLINGER, Brookfield, Ill.

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OBITUARIES

VAN EMAN.—Pearl, was born May 18, 1857, and died at the Lima Hospital, Lima, Ohio, January 21, 1919, aged 61 years, 8 months and 3 days. He was a faithful member of the Elgin Church. He leaves to mourn their loss an aged mother, a wife, a son, a daughter, two brothers and many friends. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from John 11:25.

JOSEPH SHELLHAAS.

ZIRKLE.—Thomas I., was born near New Market, Virginia, December 5, 1875, and fell asleep in Christ January 28, 1919, at the age of 43, a victim of diabetes. Shortly after the birth of Thomas, his mother was baptized by Elder J. O. Corliss, being the first Seventh-day Adventist baptized in Virginia. Brother Zirkle attended Battle Creek College for a short time. October 24, 1900, he was united in marriage with Miss Florence Neff. Although faithfully obeying the fourth commandment, it was not until 1915 that Brother Zirkle identified himself fully with Seventh-day Adventists, being baptized by Elder Stewart Kime. From that day he became a most liberal supporter of the cause at home and abroad, taking a special interest in foreign missions. He is survived by his faithful companion and by his only child Thomas I. Zirkle, and by one sister, the wife of Elder R. D. Hottel. We laid him to rest in the Zirkle grave yard, following services in St. Martin's Lutheran Church. W. C. MOFFETT.

WOODEL.—William, died at Clearfield, Pa., January 9, 1919, of pneumonia, aged 46 years. About fifteen years ago he joined the Clearfield S. D. A. Church, and fell asleep in the hope of having a part in the first resurrection. Funeral services were conducted by the writer.

B. F. KNEELAND.

LOOP.—Eliza, was born in Chautauqua County, New York, July 1, 1836, and died at Eldred, Pa., January 22, 1919. Sister Loop accepted the S. D. A. faith in 1852, and thus was permitted to witness the remarkable development of the message almost from its birth. Her life was full of acts of unselfish service for others, and she died in the blessed hope of a part in the first resurrection. The promise in Rev. 14:13 was the theme of the funeral service, which was conducted in the Eldred Church.

B. F. KNEELAND.

COOPER.—Emma, was born November 26, 1853, died January 29, 1919, at the age of 65 years. In August 1918 she signed the covenant to keep all the commandments of God. She was a true servant of the Lord, and was always instant in prayer for others. We laid her away to rest in full hope of having part in the first resurrection. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Rev. 14:13. FRANCISM. FAIRCHILD.

FRY.—Verna May, was born in Altoona Pa., May 4, 1885, and lived in this city her entire life. Her death occurred October 29, 1918, she having lived 33 years, five months and 25 days. She succumbed to the influenza pandemic, and, on account of the municipal restrictions throughout the city, state and nation, was buried without ceremony. A memorial service was conducted January 12, 1919, in the Altoona Seventh-day Adventist Church, of which she has been a faithful member since her baptism at the age of nine years. It is said that by her cheerful and sunny disposition, combined with a strong inclination in her character to be ever mindful of the welfare and comfort of others rather than self, she had made many friends, both in her home city and elsewhere in the state. Besides her bereaved father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Fry, she leaves to mourn two brothers, Daniel K. Fry and Chas. S. Fry of Lewistown, Pa., and two sisters, Mrs. Charlotta Burns of Altoona, Pa., and Mrs. Maud Lutz of Harrisburg, Pa.

H. A. WEAVER.

KURTZ.—Jesse, was born in York County, Pa., November 11, 1830, and died in Mansfield, Ohio, January 16, 1919, at the age of 89 years. He was the last to die of a family of twelve children. He resided in Morrow County, Ohio, for some years, but had resided in Richland County, Ohio, for more than 60 years. In 1879 he was united in marriage with Alice M. Palmer of Wau-paca, Wisconsin, to which union were born three children, one of whom died in infancy and two survive. For about ten years he was a member of the Mansfield, Ohio, Seventh-day Adventist Church. Those left to mourn are the widow, Mrs. Alice Kurtz, and two daughters, Alice C. Kurtz, and Mrs. H. O. Simmons, also three grandchildren and many friends.

H. A. WEAVER.

ISENBERG.—Susana Woolford, was born December 19, 1837, in Barre, Huntingdon County, Pa. She died January 1, 1919, in Michigan, and was buried in Altoona, Pa., January 5, 1919. Her husband, Jacob Miller Isenberg, had preceded her in death by nine years. She resided in Johnston, Pa., a number of years. She was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church for more than 35 years. Mr. Rupley Isenberg, Mr. Ralph Herbert Isenberg, Lucy Stewart Isenberg and Mrs. Anna Shoenfelt, sons and daughters, besides many friends, mourn their loss.

H. A. WEAVER.

CRAW.—J. B., was born near Bowling Green, Ohio, May 1, 1857, and spent over forty-five years at this place, on the old homestead farm. He was first married to Miss Ada Boardman, of the same place, and to this union were born two sons an

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two daughters, all of whom are living. In December 1903, Brother Craw moved his family to Battle Creek, Mich., to secure medical aid for his wife. He patiently cared for her for fourteen years, when she was finally laid to rest. On August 28, 1912, he was married to Mrs. Florence Yankee. He died December 16, 1918, at the age of 61 years, 7 months, and 15 days. There remain to mourn besides his wife and children, three brothers, one sister, and ten grandchildren.

In Memoriam

J. B. Craw

Gone? really gone? so short a time ago

We saw him in the vigor of health's glow;
 We talked with him, enjoyed his answering smile,

Gone, really gone, in such a little while?

Still shorter is the time since all our prayers
 Encircled him whose pain we could not share;

Such prayers as rose for him through each long hour!

Such prayers for heaven's all sustaining power!

With aching hearts we prayed—"God's will, be done,

For work, for friends, and this dear suffering one;

The answer came—our hearts with grief are filled;

Yet we can say—"it is as God has willed."

We know he was prepared, his hope was bright

As deeper fell the shades of coming night;
 Why should we grieve?—The God of love knew best,

And He has given His brave dear sufferer rest.

Yet can we not hold back the falling tears

Nor lightly break the fellowship of years;
 God only knows, who loved him better still
 What bitter sense of loss our souls can fill.

And how we miss him! Yet as children who
 Have learned their lessons and are sooner through,

Pass from the school room, have their well filled slate,

So he has stepped without for us to wait.

And as he waits he's sleeping, till we all
 Shall end our tasks, and at our Father's call

Go forth together to the Father's home,
 No more to parted be, no more to roam.

Good night, dear Brother Craw, whom we loved, good-night!

'Tis darkness now, but soon will morning's light

Break o'er the heavens, the gloomy shadows chase,

And in the morning we'll see thee face to face.

O glorious morn, when all earth's labors
 o'er,

In Father's house we'll meet with thee once more;

Where ne'er shall enter sorrow's withering blight,

Good-night till then dear Brother Craw,
 good-night.

Washington Missionary College

News Notes

Lincoln's birthday was observed at the chapel hour, Wednesday. Mrs. L. L. Caviness read the well known address given by Lincoln at Gettysburg, also an interesting editorial concerning Lincoln's efficiency. The program closed with the singing of "America," accompanied by the orchestra.

Several students took a very interesting trip through the X-ray department of Walter Reed Hospital Monday afternoon.

The "Sligionian" is preparing a special dedicatory issue for February 19.

The college senior class has been organized with twenty-six members. The officers elected are: President, Harold Richards; Vice President, Mary Holder; Secretary, Gladys Machlan; Treasurer, Ray Corder.

Mrs. V. Nutter has taken Mrs. E. G. Salisbury's place as preceptress of South Hall.

The young women in South Hall have been devoting their spare time the past week, in "fixing up." The vestibule has been revarnished, the parlor rug rebound,

and new curtains hung. The appearance of the first floor has been greatly improved.

The Thursday morning Seminar is one of continual interest. Mr. Leland spoke last week on "True Christianity."

Arrangements are being made to conduct a boy's physical culture class at the sanitarium gymnasium.

Mr. Pressley, from the Review and Herald, gave a very interesting and instructive talk to the Business Ethics class last Tuesday morning, on "having a purpose in life."

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WANTED.—Two rooms and garden, rent free, so that I can take orders for our Home Workers Books in Eastern Pennsylvania. Mrs. Mary M. Earl, R. No. 4, Shickshinny, Pa.