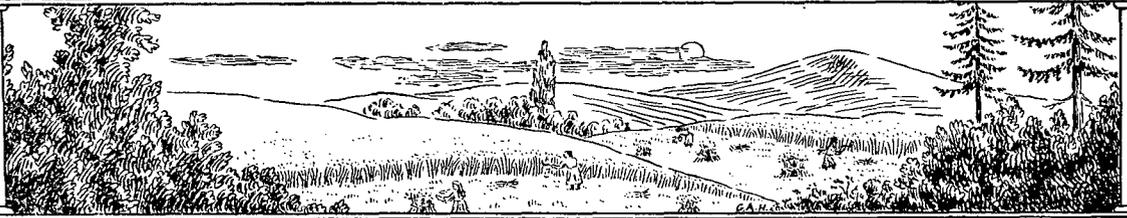


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OUR WAY TO CUBA

BALTIMORE, U. S., TO MARIANAO, CUBA
(Continued)

We saw the building (although we did not get to enter it) where the great Wall Street brokers and dealers gather, and, like mad men, drunken with business speculations, do their trafficking. They control the markets of earth's productions in the United States, if not in the world. However, we witnessed a company of smaller dealers where they gather on the street within a marked area during certain hours. The wealth of this nation is estimated at \$116,000,000,000, and seventy-six men have more than one-fourth of the money and capital in their own hands.

Brother and Sister Knott entertained us in a most loyal and royal manner, and we had the pleasure of attending two of their tent services in a German settlement of the Bronx (upper New York).

Several hours were profitably spent one afternoon in the Bronx Zoo department of New York's best park, where

we saw many families and species of animals, reptiles, and birds far too numerous too mention.

We were booked to sail on the steamship Monterey, and it was reported that we did. But that boat had to lay up for repairs, and hence we sailed on a smaller vessel instead. The former was of 9,000 tons, the latter of 4,115 tons. Our word would have been carried out but for the changed conditions. This illustrates 1 Sam. 23:10-13, where the Lord said Saul would come down, but he did not go down to Keilah.

The steamer carried a crew of seventy persons and about sixty or sixty-five passengers, nearly all speaking Spanish and many of them English. We ought to have had a supply of Spanish literature. However, I supplied to most all the passengers and crew copies of the Signs, Watchman, Instructor, and Review, obtained on the camp-ground.

Leaving New York July 9 at noon, we had a pleasant voyage, except Mrs. C. and Ina were sick a day or more out; and we arrived in Havana about ninety-eight hours later.

The table service for the first cabin passengers was after the Spanish custom,—coffee at six o'clock in the morning, breakfast at eleven o'clock a. m., lunch at three o'clock p. m., dinner at six in the evening, and lemonade, etc., about ten o'clock, or before retiring at night.

Most of Sunday afternoon we skirted close to the shore of Florida. The second day out we saw the lighthouse at the point, Cape Hatteras, and passed near a lightship. The third day we saw no land; but witnessing the working of

the wireless telegraph, it manifested more outwardly how God, at a long distance and out of sight, can communicate by his Holy Spirit with those who are in harmony with him and his law.

Upon arrival, our boat anchored near the wreck of the Maine, in the beautiful and well protected Havana harbor. In a few hours we had passed inspection by the quarantine doctor and the immigration agent, and had our baggage cleared through the custom house. Elder Snyder met us and conducted us on the electric street cars to the nice American home of Brother and Sister Moore, nurses (formerly of Iowa), here at Marianao.

Later we shall tell you something of this country, which needs the enlightenment found only in the third angel's message.

S. H. Carnahan.

WESTERN MONTANA CAMP-MEETING

This gathering was held according to appointment at Victor, Mont., August 20 to 30, and, in the opinion of all who attended, was one of the most successful camp-meetings which Montana has enjoyed for many years.

The camp was pitched at the edge of the village of Victor, in a large pasture, with some shade, and consisted of two large tents used for cooking and dining, a 30x50 tent in which services were held, a children's tent, book tent, and thirty-four family tents. At the close

of the meeting, one hundred sixty were camped on the ground, these coming from all parts of western and central Montana.

The laborers present from outside the conference were Elders G. E. Langdon, O. K. Butler, M. E. Cady, and the writer.

Among the subjects considered at this meeting, and which were strongly emphasized, were the need of complete and immediate surrender to God of all known sin, the yielding of the self-life, the need of a revival in the lines of home missionary work, the Lord's tithe, Christian education, and baptism, with sermons each evening on Christ's second coming, the signs of the times, law and Sabbath, and the true Israel of God.

Among our own people there seemed to be a hunger for the Word of God, and a good interest also was manifested from the outside; as a consequence every meeting was well attended, and the best of attention was given. A quiet, solemn influence seemed to pervade the camp, and there was a strong, steady influence exerted toward the higher and better life. The last Sabbath seemed to mark the climax of the meeting, for on this day God certainly did pour out of his Spirit upon the people. Quite a number who had never yielded to God made a start in the divine life, others who had been living a careless, backslidden life turned to God anew, while all in the camp were greatly encouraged and strengthened. It was a good day, greatly blessed of God, and in the afternoon twenty-seven followed their Lord in baptism. Two others had been baptized in the early part of the meeting, making twenty-nine in all. Quite a number of these were young boys and girls, just starting in Christian experience; but if they can have the spiritual help which the church and their parents can and should give them, they no doubt will grow and develop in Christian life, and be saved to the cause of truth. Surely when these young people take this step it brings a solemn and sacred responsibility on parents and guardians for which God will hold them responsible.

Children's meetings were conducted twice a day by Mrs. Quinn and Mrs. Gosmer, and a good interest was manifested among the little ones. Youths' meetings were held daily by Elders Gosmer and Butler, which did much toward the success of the meeting.

About \$250 was raised in cash and pledges toward the tent and camp-meeting fund, and a carload of apples was donated by the brethren to the Mt. Ellis Academy. This conference has now finished its quota of the \$150,000 fund, and has a star opposite its name in the Review.

Elder W. A. Gosmer and wife will have charge of the academy the coming year, and the prospects for the future seem to look bright. He will be assisted by Brother Seward Boynton, formerly of Union College.

Following this camp-meeting another is to be held in Great Falls in the northern part of the state, which the writer was unable to attend.

It seems to us that matters in the Montana Conference are looking up and assuming better shape, and the future looks reasonably bright. We trust that the Lord will greatly bless this conference, and its work and workers.

W. B. White.

ARE YOU COMING?

Are you coming to the institutes? If so, you should write the field agent at once. If you expect to attend at Portland, write Brother E. M. Oberg, 61 1-2 North Park Street, Portland, Ore. The one at Seattle will be in charge of C. L. Davis, 309 Second Avenue North, Seattle, Wash.; and the one at Spokane will be conducted by A. D. Guthrie. His address is College Place, Wash.

Remember the dates, and plan to be on time if possible, but do not remain away simply because you must be two or three days late.

Seattle, September 14-25.

Portland, September 14-25.

Spokane, September 28 to October 9.

Carl E. Weaks.

Is it not the grandest testimony to the magnificence of human nature that God has made us co-workers—not in the primary work of creation, but in the far grander work of redeeming the world?—R. S. Storrs.

Field Reports

WESTERN OREGON

TALENT AND PHOENIX

Our tent effort at Talent closed August 17. Some good resulted from the meetings there, but not what we would like to have seen.

Phoenix is a country settlement about three miles north of Talent. We began meetings here Saturday evening, August 22. Our attendance is not large, averaging perhaps thirty, but is a better class of hearers than at Talent,—not so many boys and girls, but more of the fathers and mothers. The prospects are more encouraging here than at the former place. The day after we began work here, the Christian minister attacked the position of Adventists on the law, and became quite personal in his remarks; so we announced a review for Monday eve. The tent was well filled, and a good impression made. But the opposition continues from house to house, and so do we. Already one member of the Christian Church has decided to keep the commandments of God, and others are seriously thinking. We are not agitating the Sabbath question publicly as yet, but are laying a good foundation. The testing points are soon to follow. The opposition may then become more pronounced.

The intention is to close up this tent effort with a local camp-meeting for the Rogue River Valley, beginning September 15.

W. C. Ward.

MARSHFIELD

About one year has passed since we located here at Marshfield. The work during this time has been mostly house-to-house work. I have given nearly every family in this place an opportunity to know the truth. Some have been glad to study with me, and desire to walk in all the light of God's Word.

Clubs of our good papers, Signs and Watchman, were given by the churches at Gravelford and Coquille. These have been used to a good advantage, and have been read with interest by many.

A few subscriptions have been taken for both papers. A good number of the Family Bible Teacher have also been used, and many tracts.

It was thought best to hold a tent-meeting here this summer, and so the tent was brought, and July 10, with the assistance of Elder F. S. Bunch and Brother Taylor Bunch, the meetings began. The attendance for some time was good, and there seemed to be quite an interest. Then the evenings became very cool, and the people said that they could not come and sit through the meetings, so our numbers dropped off until we only had two or three. Two took their stand to keep all the commandments of God. We believe that others will take the same step soon.

After the first week of the meetings, Elder Bunch had to leave us, and Elder J. M. Cole came and helped us the remainder of the time. The meetings closed August 8, and the tent was taken to Myrtle Point for the Coos County camp-meeting.

It was only a six days' meeting, but was marked by the presence of God from the beginning. Two took their stand for the truth at this meeting, and all who attended were strengthened and encouraged to press forward in the work, knowing that we are very near the end of the journey. Elder C. W. Flaiz, F. A. Detamore, and the workers from Marshfield were in attendance.

Brother Taylor Bunch was planning on returning to Fernando this winter to resume his studies, but has been asked to remain here in Marshfield and labor. I believe that he has decided to remain, and we expect him here this week to take up the work.

In answer to a call from the Foreign Mission Board, we are prepared to leave here this week to take up work in the "Hermit Kingdom" of Korea. It is with feelings of regret that we leave the dear brethren and sisters of Western Oregon. We have enjoyed your associations and the work here very much. But as we go from your midst we feel sure that your prayers go with us, asking God to enable us to learn a difficult language, and that we may be instrumental in his hands of bringing the gospel of salvation through Jesus Christ to many who now sit in darkness.

We expect to leave this coast for Japan about September 25.

C. L. Butterfield.

UPPER COLUMBIA

SPOKANE

At the close of our good camp-meeting, Mrs. Huntley and myself, by request of the conference committee, located at this place to continue the work begun by Elder Gibson and others.

Influence of the Camp-meeting.—The camp-meeting made lasting impression for good upon the minds of many. Occasionally we meet those in various localities who attended some of the meetings, and all appear to have been favorably impressed.

Our Tent Effort.—Shortly after the close of the state camp-meeting, we began a series of nightly services in a large pavilion, centrally located, with good car service, and easily reached from all parts of the city. Having our tent neatly arranged, the brethren visited their neighbors, friends, and others, extending invitations to the lectures. Also by various other ways the announcements were brought to the attention of the people. The attendance was fair, the interest good, and the regularity excellent.

Transfer to the Church.—We soon discovered that the demands were greater than could be met by the actual working force of the church, in consequence of which, after four weeks of meetings, it was decided to discontinue the tent effort and transfer the meetings to the church for Sunday evenings only, thus allowing more time for personal and house-to-house work. This plan has proven quite satisfactory, and all are doing their utmost to keep abreast with the developments, and to give an answer to all who ask the "reason why."

Present Work and Workers.—Brethren John Oster and John Luther, who have given us good help all through, are now at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Sister Posy and many of the church people, who have been on the alert for souls, are stepping into the various openings as rapidly as consistent. Aside from the church services, we now have ten regular cottage meetings and many tract and Bible-readers; in charge, for the most part, of the members of the church.

Present Interest and Results.—Quite a number are interested and studying to know the truth. About fifteen have recently taken a stand for the Sabbath.

Each Sabbath day, week by week as they pass, reveals marked progress in the message.

Final.—Our courage is good. Our trust is in the Lord.* To him we ascribe all praise for any degree of success that may appear to attend our efforts.

In the blessed hope,

E. H. Huntley.

July 9 we began a tent effort at Clarkston, Wash., which continued till August 30. The attendance was very good throughout and the interest fair. Six Sabbath-keepers have been gleaned out, two of whom are the direct results of Brother Stansbury's efforts. Three were baptized today (September 1), one of whom was a lady eighty-six years old. Her faculties are well preserved, and she has a clear understanding of the truth.

Our tent company will be divided. Elder Starr and Brother Oliver will hold a tent effort in the town of Asotin, beginning September 4, while Elder Gibson will remain in Clarkston to continue work with the interested ones who have not taken their stand.

L. A. Gibson,
F. D. Starr,
F. M. Oliver.

LAKESIDE AND CHELAN, WASH.

We began meetings at Lakeside, about a mile from Chelan, July 31. The attendance was fair for about two weeks, and a deep interest was manifested by a few. We observed that our attendants were mostly from Chelan, so moved the tent to that place. The attendance and interest continued about as at Lakeside. The Methodist minister was out three times. The last time the theme was "The Beast of Revelation 13." The following Sunday he announced for his sermon at eleven o'clock, "The First Day, the Lord's Day, the True Sabbath of God." He scored the people for allowing us in their homes with our "infidel teachings." I asked at the

close of the sermon if I could make an announcement, and was miserably refused. I reviewed him at the tent the next night before a large audience. The people generally are displeased with his sermon, and I think the enemy has overreached in his opposition. One man who heard both sermons said "the Methodist minister was snowed under so deep that he would not get out till the resurrection day." The night following the review I spoke on "The Sabbath of the Lord from Eden to Eden." A goodly number were in attendance, and at the close of the sermon five, besides our own people, raised their hands in response to the question, "How many are convinced that the seventh day is the Sabbath?" As these people have been regular at the meetings, we have hopes that they will accept the message.

In the town paper of last week there appeared, under the head of "New Books for the Library," an advertisement of S. W. Gamble's and D. M. Canright's books. The advertisement calls special attention to how Gamble's book is a "complete refutation of the Saturday-Sabbath heresy," and how Canright's book shows "the claim of Mrs. White to be false." The enemy is surely doing his utmost to keep the people in the dark, but God is light just the same. So pray for us, that we keep very close to him, so that he may be able to lift up a standard against the enemy.

A. M. Dart,
C. K. Hoover.

MONTANA

GREAT FALLS

To the friends of the Gleaner we are glad to say that we are having a blessed experience this summer. A short time ago the writer baptized five precious souls in Havre, while in Conrad there are three others waiting for baptism. In Malta, where we held our first tent effort, the Lord greatly blessed our meetings with the ears of the people. Never before had the people of Malta turned out to church in such numbers, and it was a great surprise to this little

frontier town to see the Spirit of God drawing the people to the tent night after night. There was a sad part in our experience there, however, for they turned away in a body from the testing truths, and none stood with us, save the village blacksmith. We hope to meet him in the kingdom of God.

We came to Great Falls August 6 to plan for the fall camp-meeting; and, as we had nearly a month before the camp-meeting, we decided to hold a short tent effort before pitching the camp. We secured the most desirable location in the city, a corner lot on Central Avenue, in the business part of town, where hundreds of people pass the tent every day. Here we have held ten meetings, and the attendance has been good every night, with an increasing interest as the meetings progress. One thing that pleases us is that those attending not of our faith are largely the same every night, and from time to time new faces appear. We believe that some here are being led by the Holy Spirit to unite with the people of God, and at the coming camp-meeting we hope to see great victories won. Let us pray that God's power and blessing may attend this meeting in large measure.

W. H. Holden,
C. H. Rittenhouse.

The September number of *Life and Health* is a temperance, food, and home number, dealing with the great question of temperance in drinking, eating, and working. It suggests the foods best adapted to the needs of the body, and indicates the importance of proper home conditions in maintaining health and happiness. The entire number is filled with important matter that will prove to be very practical in every home during the month of September in the general care of the health.

The circulation of this journal is in a healthy condition, as the following will show:

June <i>Life and Health</i> edition,	35,000
July edition	- - 45,000
August edition	- - 55,000
September edition	- - ?

Will you do your part in making it grow in the same proportion?

THE OCTOBER COLLECTION FOR THE COLORED WORK

You have heard about the "Black Belt," no doubt, and have wondered what it is. Well, it stretches from the Atlantic Ocean clear across the states of Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, and into Texas,—a great, wide, cotton-growing territory, inhabited almost entirely by negro tenants. White men own the plantations, live in the cities, and grow rich, while the negroes do the work.

These Africans are nearly all ignorant, superstitious, underfed, and hopelessly in debt. Only about thirty-five per cent of them can read. Their religion is a mixture of Christian mythology and primitive devil-worship. They subsist very largely on cornbread and cheap bacon, year in and year out. Always in the clutches of debt, they have nothing with which to educate their children, or even to provide books for home study.

And yet they must be warned of Jesus' coming. We in the South are struggling day and night to place our work for the whites on a self-supporting basis, that they may be able to teach the truth to the blacks also; but this is not yet possible. Therefore we look to the northern conferences for help in this work.

A most encouraging feature of this work is seen in the fact that God by his Spirit is enlightening some among the colored millions with this truth, and they are showing a heaven-born zeal to labor for their people. But many more will need to be educated to carry the message.

God so loved the world that he gave his son to die to save the colored people, as well as to save us. What will you give that his message of love may be quickly borne to them? Let your liberality on the first Sabbath in October be your answer.

E. L. Maxwell,
Pres. La. Conf.

It matters not what you do,
Make a nation or a shoe;
For he who works an honest thing,
In God's pure sight is ranked a king.
—John Parnell.

A NOBLE-HEARTED CAPTAIN

A few years ago, while traveling through Pennsylvania, says a writer in a foreign magazine, speaking of the early days of travel in this state, I was a witness of one of those scenes of genuine kind-heartedness, which, contrasting so much with the common selfishness, gladden the soul and waken up its better feelings.

At a point on this side of the mountains, where occurred the transshipment of passengers from the west, was moored a canal boat, waiting the arrival of the train before starting on its way through to the east. The captain of the boat, a tall, rough, sun-browned man, stood by the vessel, superintending the labors of his men, when the train drew up, and a few minutes after, a party of about six gentlemen came out, and deliberately walking up to the captain, addressed him something after this wise: "Sir, we wish to go to the east, but our further progress today will depend upon you. In the car we have just left a sick man whose presence is disagreeable; we have been appointed a committee by the passengers to ask that you will not give this man a passage in your boat. If he goes, we remain; what say you?"

"Gentlemen," replied the captain, "I have heard the passengers through their committee; has the sick man a representative here?" To this unexpected interrogatory there was no answer; when, without a moment's pause, the captain crossed over to the carriage, and entering, beheld in one corner a poor, emaciated, worn-out creature, whose life was nearly eaten up by consumption. The man's head was buried in his hands, and he was weeping. The captain advanced and spoke kindly to him.

"O, sir!" said the shivering invalid, looking up in his face, with trembling expectation, "are you the captain, and will you take me? God help me! The passengers look upon me as a breathing pestilence, and are so unkind. You see, sir, I am dying; but O! if am spared to reach my mother, I shall die happy. She lives in Burlington, sir, and my journey is more than half performed. I am a poor printer, and the only child of her in whose arms I wish to die."

"You shall go!" replied the captain, "if I lose every passenger."

By this time the whole crowd of pas-

sengers were about the boat, with their baggage piled upon the path. They were waiting for the decision of the captain before engaging their passage. A moment more, and that decision was made, as they beheld him coming from the railway carriage with the sick man cradled in his strong arms. Pushing through the throng with his dying burden, he ordered a mattress to be spread in the choicest part of the boat, where he laid the invalid down as gently as a father. This done, the captain directed the boat to be prepared for starting.

But a new feeling seemed to take possession of the astonished passengers, a feeling of shame and contrition at their inhumanity. With one common impulse they walked on board the boat, and in a few hours after, another committee was sent to the captain, entreating his presence among the passengers in the cabin. He went, and from their midst arose an aged, white-haired man, who, with tears in his eyes, told the captain that he had taught them all a lesson, that they felt humble before him, and that they asked his forgiveness. It was one of the most touching scenes I ever witnessed. The fountain of sympathy was broken up in the heart of nature, and its waters welled up, choking the utterance, and filling the eyes of all present. On the instant a purse was made up for the sick man, including a generous contribution from the captain; and the poor invalid printer was started with a Godspeed on his way home to die in the arms of his mother.—Selected.

CONCENTRATING AND CONCENTRATED WEALTH

The leading article in the Signs of the Times Special for October will be on the subject of Finance. Carefully prepared statistics will be given showing the rapid concentration of wealth into the hands of a few men who are able to control all the great industries and commodities of the country. This is creating a feeling of dissatisfaction and unrest among the masses, and the article will show that this state of things will naturally lead to the conditions spoken of by the apostle James, which read as follows:

"Go to now, ye rich men, weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon you. Your riches are corrupted, and your garments are moth eaten. Your gold and silver is cankered: and the rust of them shall be a witness against you, and shall eat your flesh as it were fire. Ye have heaped treasure together for the last days." James 5:1-3.

This question of finance is one of the most perplexing and difficult problems before the world to-day, and it is one in which nearly every person is interested. Just one year ago a financial crisis came upon this country like a thunderbolt out of a clear sky. It was wholly unexpected. There was no good reason for it; nevertheless it came; and some are now predicting a still greater crash in the near future. The student of prophecy knows exactly what these things mean, and it is his duty to tell it to others.

The cover design will be very attractive, showing the five great money centers of the world, namely, Wall Street, New York; Bank of England, London; La Place de la Bourse, Paris; Treasury Building, Washington, D. C.; and the Royal Exchange, London, England.

The first article in the journal, as usual, will be, "Notes on Current Topics," taking up and commenting on the most important events in the social, political, and religious world, showing the bearing they have on the fulfilment of prophecy.

This will be followed by editorial articles on practical Biblical themes to encourage honest investigation and Christian living.

The other regular departments of the journal will be unusually strong. Contributors who are specialists in their lines have been secured to write on themes of living interest and moment to all thinking people.

This October number, dealing with the question of Finance, as it does, and coming right before the presidential election, will doubtless meet with a ready sale. It will contain 64 pages, the same as previous numbers, and will be ready to mail September 15. Let the orders come in early.

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AN EXAMPLE

There is a certain church of God's people in a small city in Australia. It is a church where the Wednesday-night prayer meeting is always well attended. From that little chamber in a private house, where the meetings are held, earnest and persistent prayers ascend to God on behalf of missionary work in all the world. These meetings are a mighty undercurrent that stimulates the church and makes it a church of power and spirit. The church is a missionary church.

One Wednesday night the leader of the meeting produced a map or plan of the town, the population of which is about 60,000. He also produced a list with all the names of the church members, young and old, brethren and sisters. He spread the map on the table and began to divide up the town-plan into precisely as many districts or blocks as there were members in the church. Across each such block he wrote the name of one of the members. Then he said, "Brethren and sisters, look here! I have divided up the town into sections and allotted a district to each one of you. Now you will be held responsible for your district. Every man, woman, and child living within the boundaries of your block must have heard the third angel's message inside the year 1908. Mind, it is not enough to simply throw a tract or paper over the fence, or push it under the front door, or ring the bell and thrust it into the people's hand and flee. No, you must get an opportunity to speak face to face with all the people and tell them about the message. It may be that the door will be slammed in your face. Never mind, make a note of the people's name and address, and ask some other church member to try his or her luck. If he or she fares the same way, get someone else. In this way every member may seek to enter the house.

If you can not get in, try Health Reform. It may be that someone is sick and in need of help. Volunteer to administer some simple treatment. 'The right hand of the message' has opened many a door. Don't give up. Let us see if we can not invent some way of getting in. Pray and work! Work and pray!"

The map was hung up in the church. Every member had a continuous reminder of his and her duty. There was no possible hope of wiggling away. Everyone had to yoke up and come into line and work. Thus everybody became active missionaries. There is not a shadow of a doubt but that every soul in that town will be warned, this very year. This done, the people will take up work elsewhere.

Dear brethren and sisters, why not let us everywhere try this simple and effective scheme? Let us get right down to business. Let us once for all cease to simply talk about home missionary work. Let us do it! Don't postpone it, begin right now. There is a blessing awaiting each one of us, why then not get it?

Ivar F. Witting.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE GLEANER

Attention has been called at different times to the matter of where articles and reports intended for publication in the Gleaner should be sent.

Again we say, send everything intended for publication to the office in Walla Walla, Box 429.

Because the paper is actually printed in College Place some are inclined to send copy there. The result will be delay for all copy must pass through the office. Our mail is promptly opened every day and given proper attention. We ask all our contributors to cooperate with us in this respect.

We desire to say that nearly all are working in harmony with the above request and we appreciate this very much.

Be a blessing to others.

Financial

WESTERN OREGON CONFERENCE

RECEIPTS FOR MONTH ENDING
AUGUST 31, 1908

TITHES	
Albany	\$ 28 25
Ashland	230 00
Astoria	7 75
Blachly	21 67
Chitwood	13 51
Coquille	33 05
Friend	34 16
Hillsboro	15 51
Hubbard	5 00
Laurelwood	27 12
Medford	153 42
Monitor	5 50
Montavilla	12 00
Mt. Tabor	28 75
Portland	93 45
Salem	276 12
St. Johns	59 91
Tillamook	31 70
Yoncalla	9 70
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TRUST FUNDS

Annual Offerings	\$ 2 60
Canton Chapel	7 13
China Mission	1 36
Colored Work	1 15
Colored Mission Schools	9 00
Educational Fund	45
Endowed Scholarship	11 00
\$150,000 Fund	2 60
Intermediate Schools	368 30
Int. Pub. Assn. (Swedish)	5 00
Mid-summer Offerings	14 47
Mission Board	68 99
Orphans and Aged	5 00
Religious Liberty	9 62
Sabbath-school Offerings	76 06
Southern Field	68
Tent and Camp-meeting Fund	21 00
Walla Walla College Debt	10 00
Weekly Offerings	13 82
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	\$631 23
	Edith Starbuck, Treasurer.

"There is no time now to allow our minds to be engrossed with things of minor importance."

CENTRAL AFRICA

The following letter was written home to the father of Brother W. H. Anderson's late wife. While it was not written for publication, it so vividly pictures the experiences of the missionary out in the heart of Africa, we know it will be of deep interest to all:—

"I thought you would like to know some of the experiences that I had on my last trip to the outstations. I will give you a brief outline of the journey and the happenings by the way.

"I sent the wagon from home on Thursday, so that I might save some time in making the journey. The next Sunday I followed by train. One of the outstations is about forty miles from here, and is just off the railway, so I could reach it by train. The trains are very good out here. They will stop, and let you off anywhere.

"On Sunday noon the boys met me near the station, and we went on with the wagon in the evening. We had but a short distance to travel, but you know from experience that oxen travel slowly. It was soon dark; and, as there was nothing but open prairie, we had nothing to guide us except the stars. We lost our way, and none of us knew just where we were. From the time we had been traveling, I knew we must be near the station. Then the sky was overcast with clouds, and our guides, the stars, vanished. We camped for the night, and when morning dawned, we saw that we were only about half a mile from the mission. We soon arrived, and enjoyed a good breakfast.

"I spent the day in the school, conducting examinations and reviewing the work of the classes. The boys drew up some timber for a new house. In the afternoon I staked out a new house, and marked off the ground for forty fruit-trees. We then talked over the work for the next month together, and planned for it. In the evening I held a service, and after that we had a social meeting. We had testimonies in five languages. I was able to understand only three of them, and two of those not very well. We had a good time together.

"The next morning I started for the west, to visit the other station, thirty miles away. I was to pass through a good game district, so planned to shoot some antelope for the skins for harness for the oxen. Leather is too expensive

for us here, and the sun soon rots it. We shoot antelope, and make harness from the raw hide.

"The first night we had lions around the camp all night. We were camped in an opening, and had good fires. Many times the oxen would jump up and rush back on the wagon, dragging the yokes with them. The dogs kept up a constant barking, and because of the danger to the cattle, I had very little sleep.

"The next day at one o'clock we came out of the bush on the Kakui flats—a flat prairie without a tree for miles. I soon saw some blue wildebeests, and, saddling my riding ox, went after them. I had no difficulty in coming up with them, and firing at about four hundred yards, I downed two. It took us the remainder of the day to cure the skins.
(To be continued.)

The most important thought I ever had was that of my personal responsibility to God.—Daniel Webster.

News Items

Brother A. G. Adams attended the Roseburg, Oregon, camp-meeting.

September 9th Walla Walla College opens for another year's work.

This week a great many church-schools begin. May the Lord bless the teachers and pupils together.

Brother Adams sends in a good account of the Roseburg camp-meeting which he attended.

Elders Langdon and Butler are attending the Great Falls, Montana, camp-meeting.

Several of the teachers arrived at the College last week, and are getting settled for the year's work.

We are publishing this week some very interesting reports from our ministers' in various parts of the Union.

Elder White reports a very good camp-meeting in Western Montana; read the report in this issue of the Gleaner.

Elder White returned from Montana last week and the same day went to the Meadowglade meeting in Southern Washington.

The new Normal Building at College Place is nearing completion and will be ready for the opening of school September 9th.

Elder J. M. Cole has sent in a nice little budget of subscriptions for the Gleaner from the Roseburg camp-meeting.

Prof. Miller gave a very interesting and instructive talk before the young people's society at Walla Walla College Sabbath afternoon.

Elder F. M. Burg has responded to a very urgent call to the position of Bible teacher in Union College, College View, Nebraska, and is now in College View.

Brother A. E. Everett says they are very busy in Montana during the camp-meeting season, but the Lord is greatly blessing there and they hope for very good results.

Nearly 25 subscriptions to the Gleaner expire this month and we are sending out notification cards. The paper, however, will be continued through the month. We hope everyone will renew promptly.

The tent effort at Clarkston, Wash., has been discontinued. The result was quite gratifying as a number have taken

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their stand for the truth. The brethren
have moved the tent to Asotin, Wash.

Several have accepted the truth
through the tent effort at Sandpoint.
This tent effort has also been discontinued
and has been pitched at Newport,
Wash., where they are having a good
interest.

Brethren Oster and Luther who are
conducting tent effort at Coeur d' Alene,
have favored us with an encouraging
report which came too late for this issue,
but will be printed next week. They
are of good courage in the work.

Good reports are coming from the
tent effort which has been going on at
Heppner, Ore. A number there have
taken their stand for the truth. The
tent effort there has been discontinued
and the tent has been moved to Iona.

We have a few very interesting words
from a family who have just accepted
the truth through reading some of our
books. The following is what they
write: "We have read Daniel and Revel-
ation, the Great Controversy, and are
studying Bible Readings. We've decid-
ed to try and live right and have been
keeping the Sabbath for some time. We
have not had an opportunity to be bap-
tized but hope to soon, and ask an in-
terest in your prayers."

U. C. Tract Society.

CAMP-MEETINGS

Great Falls, Montana Sept. 4-13
Phoenix, Oregon Sept. 15-21
Chelan, Wash. Sept. 24- Oct. 4.

Bookmen's Corner

WESTERN OREGON

Week Ending Aug. 28, 1908.

Agent	Book	Hours	Orders	Value
Ada Miller	Heralds	13	4	\$ 7 00
Eliza Jensen	Heralds		4	8 75
Walter Harper	P. & P.		97	279 25
Henry Haeftt	D. & R.	45	12	28 00
Claude Oppen	D. & R.		11	34 85
William Heinrich	D. & R.	30	6	16 65
Madge Moore	H. & H.			16 00
7 agents		88	134	\$ 390 50

BRANCH HOUSE TOPICS

Brother J. F. Beatty of Nebraska, but
for some time connected with the book
department at the home office, has re-
cently come to assist in the Branch.
Just in time to give the fall work a good
boost.

Now is the time to be laying in a
supply of textbooks and helps for your
church-school. If you are in doubt as
to your needs, ask your tract society to
send you the circular, "What the School
Needs."

We have changed our location to 61
North Park Street, and are getting
pretty well settled in our new quarters,
where we have more room, more light,
and everything convenient for handling
business with dispatch.

Every minister will be pleased when
he sees the new Conference Laborers'
Record. It contains space for every
item of work done for every day in the
year, summary, cash, appointments, ad-
dresses, and general memoranda. Bound
in red leather.

Have you seen a copy of "Those
Bible Readings"? This book contains
the charming series of readings by Mrs.
L. D. Avery-Stuttle that passed through
the Signs of the Times some time ago.
This book will entertain as well as in-
struct old and young.

You ought to see a copy of the new,
illustrated edition of "Steps to Christ."
This grand little book will now please

you better than ever, and for general
circulation will prove much more at-
tractive. It comes in five bindings,—
paper, cloth, gilt, Russia, and Morocco.

Every family most certainly ought to
have a full set of the Testimonies. You
have, no doubt, seen the cloth bound
books. Possibly you have them; but
not until recently could they all be ob-
tained on thin paper and bound in red
leather. This binding surely makes a
very attractive as well as convenient set.

Two useful pamphlets recently issued
by the Pacific Press are, "How to Earn
a Scholarship," and "Fresh from the
Press." The former tells you how to
get through school without money, and
the latter tells about some of the good
things recently published. Ask your
tract society for them.

By the way, what are you planning to
do along missionary lines this fall?
Some one ought to be selling the Signs
of the Times Monthly, and Life and
Health in every town. Then there is
that attractive, illustrated line of forty
per cent books, that sell so readily
around home. And withal don't forget
about the tracts, but arm yourself for
emergencies.

Lesson quarterlies for the next quar-
ter are now ready to mail. Don't for-
get until the first Sabbath of the new
quarter, but order now and save em-
barassment.

Your state tract society secretary will
be glad to give you information regard-
ing any of our publications, and supply
you with books and other literature de-
sired. Write them today.

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