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## GLEASNER

“Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.”

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### THE TEST.

THE time of trial comes to all,  
That tests the soul as by a fire.  
We halt between the Spirit's call  
And our own worldly self-desire.  
'Tis then one Light will show the way,  
One rule will make our duty clear;  
To think upon the Christ and say,  
“What would He do if He were here?”  
All other rules may fail; but this  
Applies to every word and deed.  
You can not wander far amiss,  
If you its golden precept heed.  
Let him become your constant goal  
And when divergent paths appear,  
Propound this question to your soul:  
“What would He do if He were here?”  
“Do unto others as you would  
That they, in turn, should do to you.”  
'Twould make mankind a brotherhood  
If all unto that charge were true.  
When dealing with your fellow man,  
There's safety by that chart to steer.  
There's equal safety in this plan:  
“What would He do if He were here?”  
But there are actions that relate,  
Unto ourselves and us alone.  
Upon our shoulders rests the weight:  
Effects and issues are our own.  
No golden rule guides here to right;  
And while we pause in doubt and fear,  
That thought breaks like a flood of light:  
“What would He do if He were here?”  
What would He do? To be like him!  
The hope of that makes life seem sweet;  
Although our paths through life are dim,  
'Twould be a lamp before our feet;  
And as we turned to it, 'twould be  
A growing flame from year to year,  
To light us to eternity—  
“What would He do if He were here?”

—J. A. Edgerton.

### THE CHURCH OF TO-DAY.

GOD claims the whole earth as his vineyard. Though now in the hands of the usurper, it belongs to God. By redemption no less than by creation it is his. For the world Christ's sacrifice was made. “God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son.” John 3:16. It is through that one gift that every other is imparted to men. Daily the whole world receives blessing from God. Every drop of rain, every ray of light shed on our unthankful race, every leaf and flower and fruit, testifies to God's long forbearance and his great love.

And what returns are made to the great Giver? How are men treating the claims of God? To whom are the masses of mankind giving the service of their lives?—They are serving mammon. Wealth, position, pleasure in the world, is their aim.

The sin of the world to-day is the sin that brought destruction upon Israel. Ingratitude to God, the neglect of opportunities and blessings, the selfish appropriation of God's gifts,—these were comprised in the sin that brought wrath upon Israel. They are bringing ruin upon the world to-day.

The tears which Christ shed upon Olivet as he stood overlooking the chosen city, were not for Jerusalem

alone. In the fate of Jerusalem he beheld the destruction of the world.

“If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes.” Luke 19:42.

“In this thy day.” The day is nearing its close. The period of mercy and privilege is well-nigh ended. The clouds of vengeance are gathering. The rejecters of God's grace are about to be involved in swift and irretrievable ruin. Yet the world is asleep. The people know not the time of their visitation.

In this crisis where is the church to be found? Are its members meeting the claims of God? Are they fulfilling his commission, and representing his character to the world? Are they urging upon the attention of their fellow men the last merciful message of warning?

When the Israelites entered Canaan, they did not fulfil God's purpose by taking possession of the whole land. After making a partial conquest, they settled down to enjoy the fruit of their victories. In their unbelief and love of ease, they congregated in the portions already conquered, instead of pushing forward to occupy new territory. Thus they began to depart from God. By their failure to carry out his purpose, they made it impossible for him to

fulfil to them his promise of blessing.

Is not the church of to-day doing the same thing? With the whole world before them in need of the gospel, professed Christians congregate where they themselves can enjoy gospel privileges. They do not feel the necessity of occupying new territory, carrying the message of salvation into regions beyond. They refuse to fulfil Christ's commission, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." Mark 16:15. Are they less guilty than was the Jewish church?

Because they failed of fulfilling God's purpose, the children of Israel were set aside, and God's call was extended to other peoples. If these, too, prove unfaithful, will they not in like manner be rejected?

In the parable of the vineyard it was the husbandmen whom Christ pronounced guilty. It was they who had refused to return to their lord the fruit of his ground. In the Jewish nation it was the priests and teachers who, by misleading the people, had robbed God of the service which he claimed. It was they who turned the nation away from Christ.

The law of God unmixed with human tradition, was presented by Christ as the great standard of obedience. This aroused the enmity of the rabbis. They had set human teaching above God's word, and had turned the people away from his precepts. They would not give up their man-made commandments, in order to obey the requirements of the word of God. They would not, for the truth's sake, sacrifice the pride of reason and the praise of men. When Christ came, presenting to the nation the claims of God, the priests and elders denied his right to interpose between them and the people. They would not accept his rebukes and warnings, and they set themselves to turn the people against him and to compass his destruction.

For the rejection of Christ, with the results that followed, they were

responsible. A nation's sin and a nation's ruin were due to the religious leaders.

In our day are not the same influences at work? Of the husbandmen of the Lord's vineyard are not many following in the steps of the Jewish leaders? Are not religious teachers turning men away from the plain requirements of the word of God? Instead of educating them in obedience to God's law, are they not educating them in transgression? From many of the pulpits of the churches the people are taught that the law of God is not binding upon them. Human traditions, ordinances, and customs are exalted. Pride and self-satisfaction because of the gifts of God, are fostered, while the claims of God are ignored.

The glorious possibilities set before Israel could be realized only through obedience to God's commandments. The same elevation of character, the fulness of blessing,—blessing on mind and soul and body, blessing on house and field, blessing for this life and for the life to come,—is possible for us only through obedience.

In the spiritual as in the natural world, obedience to the laws of God is the condition of fruit-bearing. And when men teach the people to disregard God's commandments, they are preventing them from bearing fruit to his glory. They are guilty of withholding from God the fruits of his vineyard.

To us God's messengers come at the bidding of the Master. They come demanding, as did Christ, obedience to the word of God. They present his claim to the fruits of the vineyard,—the fruits of love, and humility, and self-sacrificing service. Like the Jewish leaders, are not many of the husbandmen of the vineyard stirred to anger? When the claim of God's law is set before the people, do not these teachers use their influence in teaching men to reject it? Such teachers God calls unfaithful servants,

The words of God to ancient Israel have a solemn warning to the church and its leaders to-day. Of Israel the Lord said, "I have written to him the great things of my law; but they were counted as a strange thing." Hosea 8:12. And to the priests and teachers he declared, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge; because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee; . . . seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children."

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

WE count the many things that are denied us here,

And not the many things that are bestowed.

Thick-set with blessings is the whole long road,

Only at intervals we doubt and fear.

—*Hattie Tyng Griswold.*

#### WHO MAKES THE HOME?\*

"WHERE wife and mother is there is home," is a saying that expresses more than a sentiment. God's ideal of home on earth is inseparable from wife and mother. The exalted position of the mother in the formation of the home is well expressed by Mrs. E. G. White as follows: "The mother occupies a position more exalted than the king upon his throne."

The purpose of God in establishing the home was that love should reign supreme toward God as the giver of all good, and toward all mankind as our equals. Such love must begin in the family and go out toward all God's created works.

For the purpose of preserving love undefiled for all mankind in an unbroken chain, God established the marriage institution. By this means and union God hath made of one blood all nations of earth.

In the marriage relation, given before the fall of man and handed down from Eden to us, God designed to pre-

\*Read at the camp-meeting at Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

serve love and happiness in the home untarnished by sin. Where love has ruled in the home, even since the fall of man, happiness and prosperity have followed, and the efforts of Satan to despoil have been marked by defeat and failure. The home and family have been the target of Satan, for they are the safeguard to purity and the community.

Had the command been heeded, "Husbands love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it. . . . Let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself, and the wife see that she reverence her husband," the shameful record of divorce, which in some States is about one to every five marriages, would not exist with its demoralizing results. In many families cruel jealousy has grown like mildew upon the walls, in the atmosphere of moral malaria, till darkness, distrust, and hate have driven the sunshine of love from the home. From such a home peace has fled, and the blights of sin and death are at work to wreck and ruin souls.

A mansion with all that money can secure will not make a home, while a humble inn, or a shelter containing but few of life's comforts, may be a home.

In gatherings like these we are reminded of those who were formerly with us, but now are at rest. The vacant chair, the hushed voice, and the absence of their form is a constant reminder of the past. The opportunities once enjoyed to lighten their burdens will never return. Flowers spread over the grave may be an empty show. However fragrant, they can do nothing to atone for the unkind words or careless neglect on our part. But God in infinite mercy can and may forgive. Let us now in life bestow flowers of kindness, and the fragrance of love will lighten the burdens of father, mother, wife, husband, and child.

Oh for blessed homes after God's

order where the sting of life is not known, and heaven has begun below!

If motherhood, with its sacred trusts, were respected, honored, and protected by the husband and father, and by the children, as it should be, we would see a long step taken toward this end. Where do we see sympathy, self-sacrifice, self-forgetfulness, and untiring labor for the family? As a rule it is seen to a greater extent in the mother, than elsewhere. The husband and father may build the house, but mother does most to make the home.

"Jesus knows the burden of every mother's heart. . . . The gates are open for every mother who would lay her burdens at the Saviour's feet. He who said, 'Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not,' still invites the mothers to lead up their little ones to be blessed by him.

"Fathers and mothers should look upon their children as younger members of the Lord's family, committed to them to educate for heaven. . . .

"It is not necessary to know the exact time when they are converted. . . .

"If you would train a pink, or rose, or lily, how would you do it? Ask the gardener by what process he makes every branch and leaf to flourish so beautifully, and to develop in symmetry and loveliness. He will tell you that it was by no rude touch, no violent effort; for this would only break the delicate stems. . . . It was by little attentions, often repeated.

"The reason why there are so many hard-hearted men and women in the world is that true affection has been regarded as weakness, and has been discouraged and repressed."

Horace Mann is quoted as saying, "Those parents do not train up their children best who love them most." Such a statement shows the false idea of love. "God is love." "As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten." "This is the love of God, that we keep his commandments." A counterfeit love is in circulation to that extent

that many know not the true article, and falsely judge love by the baneful effects of the counterfeit, as the above statement shows.

"Teach the children to see Christ in nature. . . . Do not weary them with long prayers and tedious exhortations, but through nature's object-lessons teach them obedience to the law of God. . . .

"Jesus is drawing the children, and he bids us, 'Suffer them to come;' as if he would say, They will come if you do not hinder them. . . .

"Never give them cause to feel that heaven will not be a pleasant place to them if you are there. Do not speak of religion as something that children can not understand, or act as if they were not expected to accept Christ in their childhood. Do not give them the false impression that the religion of Christ is a religion of gloom, and that in coming to the Saviour they must give up all that makes life joyful."

In the nature of things this work falls heaviest upon mothers. What a trust is that vested in the mother! A soul, as well as a body, is placed in her hands, and she is given the direction of its growth to a great extent. It is she and not another who in all the early years molds and modifies the nature, and directs the customs of thought. The mother's influence is the atmosphere in which the young soul lives. Other influences enter later, but they never undo mother's work. What she makes her child, so it remains through life, to a great extent. The children of the faithful mother "arise up and call her blessed." She is a confidant, a priest, and a teacher. She is a sculptor, bringing forth the statue from the block. She is a gardener, tending the seed to its flower and fruitage. Long before the child's first cry makes music in her ear, this influence of the mother begins, and often shapes, to a great extent, the destiny of the unborn. In view of this, the sentiment of the

"Hymn of Motherhood" should be cherished by every mother:

"O, all-creative love! thy finger touches my  
leaping pulses to diviner heat:  
What am I that thy thought of life should  
bloom  
In me, in me thy tide of life should beat!  
Beat strong within me, God-tide in high  
passion,  
With quickening spirit, earth-born essence  
greet!  
Fountain of life! flow though me pure and  
sweet!  
"O, all-sustaining love! come close beside  
me,  
Me, so unworthy of this wondrous gift.  
Purge me, refine me, try me as by fire,  
Whiten me as white as snow in glacier's rift,  
That neither spot, nor stain, nor blemish  
darken  
These elements that now to being drift.  
Inspire, sustain me, all my soul uplift!"

It is said that "the hand that rocks the cradle is the hand that rules the world." Not only so, but the hand that rocks the cradle shapes destinies for eternity, as foretold by the ancient seer, "The Lord make the woman that is come into thine house like Rachel and like Leah, which two did build the house of Israel, and do thou worthily in Ephratah, and be famous in Bethlehem." Ruth 4: 11.

Discouraged, faltering mother, look up and be joyful in God. "Children are an heritage of the Lord." No longer view your labor of love as drudgery. The mother may not be appreciated by the husband and the world while time lasts, but eternity will bring the reward of unfading glory, which will outshine that of the king of an earthly throne. His kingdom, like the burning meteor, passes with things of time, and is no more; but not so with the true mother, who builds, not for time, but for eternity also. She may shape the child for an unending life full "of joy and pleasures for evermore." Surely "strength and honor are her clothing."

R. A. UNDERWOOD.

"MEN will understand one another when they all know God."

### VICTORY OVER THE BEAST.

MUCH has been said and written about getting the victory over the beast having seven heads and ten horns, also over the image, or the two-horned beast. These represent two great powers having principles antagonistic to the work of God and against his people. But there is another power which may be called "another beast," which has worked, and still does work, havoc, not only to God's professed people, but to all mankind who serve him. This beast we will name "debt." The debt-beast has a mark which he places in the foreheads or in the hands of worshipers. His mark in the forehead is "anxiety." In the hand it comes in the shape of unpaid pledges, bills, mortgages, notes demanding interest, and the like. All who worship this beast or receive his mark in their forehead or in their hand, will be plagued day and night to the end.

It is but proper to note in passing that this debt-beast has an image, which all are warned not to worship or serve. The image is the *plan* or the planning to run into debt. No man can get the victory over the beast until he gets it over the image.

We are in the closing days of God's great work in the earth, and Seventh-day Adventists profess to be doing a thorough business preparatory to meeting the records in the judgment. It is encouraging to note that as a denomination, and a people the present truth motto is coming to be, "We are determined to gain the victory over every debt." For some time we have been looking forward anxiously to the time when we could sing the "jubilee song." The Lord has greatly blessed our efforts to cut off the educational portion. He has also blessed in the Christiania Publishing House matter. That will soon be a thing of the past. He has greatly blessed in our foreign mission matters,

and our missionaries are being more promptly paid.

With faith in God's overruling providence this people whom the Lord has called out to carry the work to its grand finish will soon see the image and the beast overcome and destroyed. When we gain the victory over these, then we shall see the mark disappear from the foreheads, and in its place the seal of that peace which "passeth all understanding." Let no one now say, "There is a lion in the way." Rather let us all say, "We are well able to go up and possess the land."  
A. E. PLACE.

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## The FIELD

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### THE MAINE CAMP-MEETING.

THIS meeting is to be held at Waterville, Me., from August 21 to September 1. We trust that preparations to attend this meeting will immediately begin. Already rich blessings are being experienced by many of our people, especially those engaged in selling "Christ's Object Lessons." The spirit of prophecy has said that "great blessings" will come to those who take hold of this work. This statement is being verified rapidly in our midst, and why could we not all expect a very "Pentecost" at our annual meeting if we would faithfully perform our trust. May all come to this meeting, bringing rich experiences from the "harvest field."

P. F. BICKNELL.

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### VIRGINIA CONFERENCE AND ANNUAL CAMP-MEETING.

THE nineteenth annual session of the Virginia Conference will convene in connection with the camp-meeting to be held at Lynchburg, Virginia, August 8-18, 1902. The first meeting of the session will be held Sunday, August 10, at 9 A. M. Each church is entitled to one delegate for the or-

ganization, and one additional delegate for each ten members.

Lynchburg is a city of about twenty or twenty-five thousand inhabitants, situated on the Southern, Norfolk and Western, and Chesapeake and Ohio Railways, leading out in, and arriving from, seven different directions. Westover Park, the place of the camp-meeting, is located in West Lynchburg, at the terminus of the street-car line, on the skirts of the best part of the city, and can be reached from all parts of the city for one fare. Those coming on the railroads will take cars near the depot and ask for transfers to Westover Park. The Street-Car Company have granted us the free use of the park, and will light our pavilion and grounds for us. It is well-shaded and there is plenty of good water near by.

#### RAILROAD RATES.

The railroads running into Lynchburg have granted us reduced rates to the meeting as follows: The Southern and Norfolk and Western, a rate of four cents per mile for the round-trip. The Chesapeake and Ohio, a rate of a fare and a third for the round-trip on card orders. All who come on the Chesapeake and Ohio must have cards to get tickets at reduced rates. These cards will be supplied free to all who will apply for them to the undersigned. Each passenger will have to have a card. Ask agents for full information before starting to the meeting. Check all baggage to Lynchburg, and hand your checks to one of our brethren, who will have charge of this part of the work, and your baggage will be taken to the grounds at reduced rates. Those sending freight should send it to, or in care of, B. F. Purdham, who is and will be on the grounds, sending him a bill of lading for the same, and it will be looked after for you and taken to the grounds.

#### TENTS, LUMBER, ETC.

Tents will rent for \$2.00, \$2.50, and \$3.00, according to size and condition.

Nearly all of the tents will have flies, except the lowest priced ones. Lumber will be extra, and will be furnished as cheap as possible. Springs and bedsteads will rent for sixty cents apiece; cots, for forty cents; chairs, for ten cents apiece, or three for twenty-five cents. The springs are double and will accommodate two persons. We can not get mattresses, unless we buy them, and so all should bring bedticks for straw, and plenty of bedding, and such other articles as are usually used at camp-meetings. All orders for tents, lumber, springs, and such things should be made at once, and these must be ordered from Elder H. W. Herrell, 501 North 25th Street, Richmond, Va., who will have charge of this part of the work. Be sure and make your order at once, so there will be no delay or trouble after you arrive.

#### DINING-HALL AND GROCERY.

A dining-hall will be run by the conference for all who may wish to board. An experienced cook will have charge of the dining-hall, and meals will be served twice a day, the prices ranging according to the order of the customer,—thus you will be paying for just what you get.

A grocery will be maintained on the grounds, where groceries, fresh vegetables, fruits, etc., can be obtained at market prices.

#### YOUTH'S AND CHILDREN'S MEETINGS.

Special meetings will be held for the youth and children each day, and Sisters B. F. Purdham and Lee S. Wheeler will have charge of the meetings. We trust that the youth and children will make special efforts to be present.

#### MINISTERIAL HELP.

We expect a large force of ministerial help to be present, besides our own ministers, who will take an active part in all the services of the camp.

More detailed information will be sent to all our churches and isolated members in the State, and we trust

that all will read the letter carefully, and that we may see many at this important meeting. We may make it the best ever held in the State.

For further information, address,  
R. D. HOTTEL,  
New Market, Va.

#### VERMONT CAMP-MEETING.

THE annual conference and camp-meeting for Vermont will be held at Barre, August 20 to 31. The importance of these annual gatherings can not be overestimated. The people of God meet to seek the Lord together, to study plans by which they may advance the cause of truth which they love, and to witness for God before those who are not acquainted with the message for to-day. Angels of God stand ready to cooperate with his people in this work of witnessing, and good results follow.

We should not go to camp-meeting all run down spiritually, expecting to take on a new supply of grace to last us to another annual meeting; and then if our feelings are wrought upon a little, think we have had a great blessing, and return home to settle back and do nothing until another year brings us to the same experience again. No, we should come to camp-meeting all aglow with the love of God, walking in the light of heaven, ready to help some soul who needs help. We read of Jesus that he "went about doing good." Wherever he went, some one was benefited by his presence. He could speak words of encouragement to those who were discouraged. He could pour in the oil of grace to heal the wounds that sin had made. If those who attend our camp-meetings would always manifest the Spirit of Christ in earnest labor for others, what a great amount of good would result from these gatherings.

A few more annual meetings, and then the faithful ones will all meet around the throne of God. "What a

gathering of the faithful that will be." May we all be there.

J. W. WATT.

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PHILADELPHIA.

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At our camp-meeting in Johnstown, it was arranged for Elder E. E. Franke and wife to connect with the force of workers in this city for the season's tent effort. In following this plan, we procured a good lot in a desirable part of the city (Forty-first Street and Parkside Avenue). Here we have pitched, and fitted up well, a seventy-foot circle tent. Four meetings have thus far been held, the opening one being on Sunday evening, July 13. The indications are promising, and we are counting on a prosperous campaign.

The church in Philadelphia extends greeting to all sister churches in the Atlantic Union Conference, and desires to join in united prayers and service for a glorious victory in the work of the summer of 1902.

W. J. FITZGERALD.

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NEWARK, N. J.

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WE pitched our tent here three weeks ago yesterday. On Sunday, June 29, we held our first meeting. There was a very small attendance, on account of the weather. Elder Keslake of Trenton, Elder Jayne of Paterson, and Elder Stevens, who is conducting the tent effort here this summer were in attendance. The subject was to have been "The Inspiration of the Bible," but this was postponed to be taken up the following evening before a larger audience. During the first week, the attendance was not all that we desired it to be; but on Sunday night, July 6, the tent, which seats about three hundred, was nearly two-thirds full. After this the audience gradually increased until Sunday night, July 13, when the tent was crowded, and many were standing on the outside, and great interest

was shown in the subject, which was the seventh chapter of Daniel. Many have grown so interested in the meetings that they have neglected their own church, and we hope and pray that they may become so interested that they will leave it altogether. Tonight, July 15, Elder Jayne preaches, his subject being "Capital and Labor."

CARL HAYNES.

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KEENE, N. H.

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GOD says to his children, "I have taught thee in the way of wisdom; I have led thee in right paths. When thou goest, thy steps shall not be straitened; and when thou runnest, thou shalt not stumble." I praise God for these golden words of promise, because we have of late been brought into testing places, and it seemed as though Satan would conquer, but we pleaded for help from God, the light came, clouds were driven away, and grateful praise arose from anxious hearts.

God leads his true people on, step by step, and the gratitude that follows an agonized struggle, is so full and complete when God gives the victory. When God leads, one needs neither trick nor cunning to effect any purpose, because his only desire is to please God. One with this spirit can never be embarrassed, his steps are not shortened, and if the tide of Providence indicates greater speed in God's work, he runs, and the promise is, "He shall not stumble." God has stood with us in our labor of love, and blessed the church in every way. There have been ten additions since the organization of the church, one year ago, and some who have been converted, have truly become such new creatures (not mended or patched up, but new creations) in Christ Jesus, that strangers have come to us to enquire about these, and to see and hear for themselves the wonderful works of God.

I especially refer to the man of whom I spoke in my last report, who had such a strong passion for drinking, smoking, and swearing, and how God had taken it all away, and to-day I can truly say that God has just as completely filled him with the fruits of the Spirit as he was before filled with the evil, and he and his family stand as a noble *testimony* for Jesus. Two weeks ago, he and his wife and his son were baptized and united with the church. May God keep them spotless till Jesus comes.

Others are interested, and we pray and expect that the Lord will add to our number here. The Lord has told us, "In the final victory, God will have no use for those persons who are nowhere to be found in times of peril and danger, when strength, courage, and influence of all, are required to make a charge upon the enemy. Those who stand like faithful soldiers to battle against wrong: and to vindicate right," will each receive the commendation from the Master, "Well done, good and faithful servant," "enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." Pray for us.

ELLA M. WILBER.

July 9, 1902.

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CAMBRIDGE SPRINGS, PA.

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WE pitched our tent in a centrally located spot of this place, Thursday, July 3, and had our first meeting Sunday afternoon, July 6. The attendance was fair, but it greatly increased for the evening service, thus offering encouragement for the future. We enter upon the work confident in its Author, and expect nothing but victory.

Cambridge Springs is undoubtedly the greatest watering place of Pennsylvania. Its famous springs are known everywhere, and thousands of people from all over the world compose its guests. These of course, are here for the restoration of health so they offer an excellent opportunity for the proc-

lamation of that precious gospel that embraces all. Already several have become interested in the message, and we look for immediate results. How full and complete the message committed to this people! Who, desirous of truth, can resist it?

Pray, brethren, that we may be what we ought to be, what we would like people to think we are. Pray that God may have his way with us, and with the people for whom we labor, that, that precious Name may be rightly presented and rightly understood and received.

Yours for triumph,  
CHAS. BAERLE.

July 11, 1902.

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#### RUTLAND, VT.

A SABBATH-SCHOOL convention was held in Rutland, Vt., July 1, the two meetings being conducted by Brother Julius G. White of Jamaica, Vermont. As the Sabbath-school had just elected officers from the "Young People's Society," the instructions given by Brother White were especially appreciated by them, while all were much interested and benefited by the convention. We hope to have another convention of longer duration before many months, as these Sabbath-school conventions are broadening in their influence and are developing a higher standard for future Sabbath-school work, among officers, teachers, and pupils.

L. C. BALL.

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#### NORFOLK, VA.

VARIOUS circumstances have made it impracticable for us to engage in tent work in Norfolk this summer; but we feel satisfied with what we accept as the leadings of Providence, and have earnestly been feeling after the way it is leading.

We are doing all we can to "sow beside all waters," as we are alone without a Sabbath-keeping church to help.

We now have nearly two hundred

subscribers for our papers, *Signs* and *Gospel Herald*, in the ward in which we live, and besides this we furnish the *Signs* to the city library, the editors, the mayor, and many of the guests at the seaside summer hotel at Ocean View.

We are giving discourses in the homes that have been opened to us through the papers, nearly every night in the week, and have begun Sunday-night meetings in a hall. We hold a Bible circle every Sunday afternoon at our home which has now continued fourteen weeks, and in it we are studying the book of the Revelation by chapters.

This is proving a success and some are coming into the truth as a result. We hope by faithfully tilling the soil, and sowing bountifully that we may at length see a cheering harvest of souls.

MR. AND MRS. LEE S. WHEELER.

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#### THE WORK IN MAINE.

WE are glad to report many encouraging things in connection with the work in the old "Pine Tree State." Elder Bicknell and wife are now on a tour among the churches in the interest of "Christ's Object Lessons," and they find responsive and willing hearts all over the State. We feel sure that the brethren and sisters will do all they can to push this work. If every one will feel that this call for service is a personal one, the work will soon be accomplished.

Elder Dexter, in company with three young men from the South Lancaster Academy, is in Brownfield with a large tent belonging to the young men. A series of meetings was opened this week, and we hope to hear good reports from that part of the State.

The camp-meeting will be held in Waterville on the same ground as last year. It will begin August 21, and last until the first of September. We hope that every one in the conference

will feel an interest to attend this meeting as it will be one of the most important ever held. The new tents will add to the appearance of the ground and the comfort of those assembled. Arrangements will be made to secure reduced rates on the various railroads.

We ask all in the State who have sold any copies of "Christ's Object Lessons" to send the addresses of those who have taken the books to this office, as we hope to make good use of them in the future. If you have sold but one book, please send that name, as it may mean the salvation of a soul.

E. H. MORTON.

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#### DANVILLE, VA.

WE are glad to write that through the mercy of the Lord our little number is growing quite fast. There were a large number in attendance at our last celebration of the ordinances, and twelve were baptized. Two united with us. Elder I. E. Kimball, of Norfolk, Va., was with us four days, also Brother H. J. Williams, of Winston, N. C. We greatly enjoyed their presence and instruction, and our communion was one long to be remembered.

Several in our company desire the prayers of the entire GLEANER family that they may be healed.

Yours in Christ,  
E. PRATT, Clerk.

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#### SOMERSWORTH, N. H.

OVER three weeks have passed since our tent was opened for meetings, and though the attendance has not been large, yet we are thankful for the interest that has been manifested. Until the last few days, the weather has been cold and damp, making it very unfavorable for out-of-door meetings, but now we are hopeful of seeing more people out to the services.

Our tents are pitched on a beauti-

ful plot of ground, and we are afforded a very pleasant view of natural scenery. On a clear day, from the rear of the ground, one can plainly see Mt. Washington, many miles distant.

Elder F. C. Gilbert has just made us a visit, and though it was somewhat brief, we were much encouraged by it.

God is with us, for we have seen his hand at work, and so we are of good courage. We know that our work is but to sow the seed, and that God will give the increase. Already two or three have manifested a disposition to walk in the light as far as it has been revealed.

We are anxious to have every reader of this cooperate with us by remembering this work at the throne of grace that God may bless our efforts.

H. C. HARTWELL,  
A. J. CLARK.

July 10, 1902.

#### FREDERICKSBURG, VA.

"WE must obey God rather than men." Acts 5: 29, R. V. Mr. C. P. Morse, of the above city, was arrested, tried and convicted for opening his place of business on Sunday. He appealed his case to the next court, employing a lawyer as counsellor. The judge after hearing the case made the following decision. Mr. Morse admitting himself that he kept the seventh day from Friday evening sunset to Saturday evening sunset, did thereby show that he kept a part of the sixth day and a part of the seventh day, and worked on the seventh day from Saturday sunset to midnight. Therefore, he did not come under the exemption clause of the laws of the State, which reads as follows: Any person who conscientiously believes that the seventh day of the week ought to be observed as a Sabbath, and actually refrains from all secular business and labor on that day, pro-

vided he does not compel an apprentice or servant not of his belief to do secular work or business on a Sunday and does not on that day disturb any other person."—*Acts 1877-78, page 304.* In another place it speaks especially of the Jews who keep the seventh day. The position taken by the judge was that the State recognized the day from midnight to midnight. The fine and costs, amounting to \$ 4.99, were paid by Mr. Morse. We can see from the above what we may expect in the Old Dominion.

H. W. HERRELL.

June 23, 1902.

#### BOSTON FIELD OUTING.

It has been decided to hold the Boston field outing on the new Sanitarium grounds, formerly known as the Langwood Hotel property, near Melrose, Mass., Tuesday, August 5. The grounds are beautiful, and all will doubtless prefer this place to any other, owing to the fact that they can visit the new Sanitarium at the same time.

Wyoming is the nearest point to the grounds that can be reached either by steam cars or trolley. Those going on the steam cars from Boston should start from the North Station, and those going on the street cars should secure an eight-cent check to avoid a ten-cent fare.

It is desired that all reach Wyoming between the hours of nine and ten in the morning, Tuesday, August 5, and there will be conveyances there to take those to the grounds who may desire to ride free of charge.

We hope that the Lynn, Beverly, Danvers, Lowell, West Newton, Brockton and Everett churches will remember the date and join us, and make it a day of rich blessing to all; for the Lord has exhorted his people to have occasions like this, and provide themselves with healthful food to enjoy a repast that heaven can bless. See "Testimonies for the Church," Vol. I, page 514.

We expect Elders Place and Mattson to meet with us, and one hour will be spent in a praise service under the large shade trees. We will try to have something special also for the children.

K. C. RUSSELL.

#### JOHNSTOWN, PA.

At the close of camp-meeting Elder Schwartz and I pitched our tent near the camp ground to follow up the interest created by the camp-meeting.

We held our opening service Friday evening, June 20.

Owing to the constant rainy weather our attendance has been small. We have had some very severe wind-storms. Twice, in the past two weeks, one side of our tent was blown in. Fortunately, no serious damage was done. We praise God for his fatherly care through it all.

We are of good courage and rejoice that the Lord is blessing our effort, notwithstanding our unfavorable beginning. Five souls have embraced the message thus far, and others, we are confident, will follow soon. We realize that God can work and none can hinder, neither Satan, wicked men, nor storms.

Sabbath and Sunday forenoon quarterly meeting was held with the Johnstown church. The Lord by his Spirit came in, and made the occasion a rich blessing to all.

God is at work in Johnstown, and our prayer is that he may give us power and tact to gather out the honest for his kingdom.

E. J. DRIVER.

#### NASHUA, N. H.

INCLOSED is my report for the week, which does not give a very good showing so far as orders are concerned. I am glad, however, that it is not the number of orders taken that will be to our credit when the book of record shall be examined but



the spirit in our hearts that prompts to the work. "She hath done what she could," is recorded as spoken to one by the Master. So with assurance that these words apply in this instance, I am content with the week's report.

I enjoyed the work very much. Some interviews I shall long remember as bright spots in the pathway, encouraging me to go forward in the work with increased hope of good success.

Tuesday, July 8, Sister Kimball invited the Nashua church to spend the day at her home, as has been her custom. We had two services, between which the sisters brought out refreshments. Every one seemed to enjoy the change, and to be glad of the privilege of a day of recreation.

The circumstances, surroundings, and the thoughts expressed, impressed all with the importance of making an application of the object-lessons before us, and of the wonderful light shining upon our pathway concerning the fourth commandment. Truly, it was good to be there.

R. C. ANDREWS.

#### A FIELD FOR TEACHERS AND NURSES.

For some time past, I have thought of reporting the needs of this field for Christian teachers and nurses.

This is an important city, having more than one hundred thousand people. There are very many children here, but the school accommodations are not nearly adequate to meet the demands. Education is not compulsory; and, therefore, many parents, for various causes, withdraw their children from the schools. One principal reason is that the schools are overcrowded, and one division of children has to be dismissed to accommodate others, and so the attention they get is unsatisfactory. As I have become acquainted with these conditions, I have felt that teachers who wish to come southward might find

this a good field to do work for the Master by building up Christian schools.

We have no church in Norfolk, but are working to produce one.

Nurses are also greatly needed in this city as the amount of sickness here seems much greater than in most cities where we have been, and is largely a result of wrong living. Properly trained nurses, I believe, are comparatively few.

We should be glad to hear from any such missionary workers who wish to enter a needy field.

LEE S. WHEELER,  
316 East Highland Ave., Norfolk, Va.

#### BOSTON FIELD.

OUR location for the tent has proved to be a most desirable one, for the attendance and interest have been good, despite the cold, rainy weather that prevailed during the first of our effort. By the time this report reaches its readers, we will be in the midst of the discussion of the Sabbath question. Two souls have already commenced the observance of the Sabbath since we began our meetings in the tent, and there has scarcely been a time when we have called for those to raise their hands who desired our prayers in their behalf, but that there were a number who responded. The Lord is certainly going out before us in a remarkable way, thus far, in bringing to the meetings those who are hungering after righteousness.

We are considering the question of enlarging our tent and increasing the seating capacity.

We held our first church service in the tent, Sabbath, the 12th inst. Elder F. C. Gilbert gave us his interesting lecture, on "Jewish Tradition and Customs." We were pleased to have with us a number of our brethren and sisters from the Sanitarium. We were also pleased to have the president of our conference, Elder A. E.

Place, with us the 14th inst., and his words of counsel were much appreciated.

Sunday, July 27, at 3 P. M., we will speak upon the "United States in Prophecy," and in the evening on the "Image of the Beast."

We are conducting a service every evening now, besides our Sunday afternoon meeting and a children's meeting Sunday, at 10:30 A. M.

I might add that the parties who own the ground upon which we are located, have requested us to move our tent; but after interviewing them, we found there were no real reasons for the request. We have concluded that prejudice was prompting them, so we have decided to remain until some other reason should present itself why we should move.

Pray for the work at this time that the enemy may not interfere with the Lord's work. It will be remembered that our tent is located at Columbia Road, Upham's Corner, Boston, Mass. Those coming over the elevated road should get off at Dudley Street station, and *take any blue car* to Upham's Corner.

K. C. RUSSELL,  
G. R. RUGGLES.

#### PATCHOGUE, L. I.

SHORTLY after school closed, I came to this place which is fifty-five miles from New York City. The dear Lord directed me here in answer to my prayers while attending school. When I came here I met a dear old lady who had never heard the message preached, but had been keeping the Sabbath during the past year. Next Sunday I will have the pleasure and privilege of taking her to New York City where she will follow the Saviour in baptism.

Except in the city of Brooklyn, we are the only two Sabbath-keepers on Long Island [?] and I beg all who pray, to pray for us and all isolated servants of the Lord who can not enjoy the privileges of God's house, the

association of God's people, and the preaching of the Word. Pray that God will fit us for his service and fill us with his Holy Spirit, as it is not by might, not by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord. God is no respecter of persons, and he will use us as well as anybody else, so long as we are right and willing to be used.

There is much work to be done on Long Island. The harvest is great, but the laborers are few. There are a number in this place who are searching for the truth, and have offered to open their houses, if I will hold meetings and start a Bible class. Although my time is pretty well taken up with the canvassing work, I am planning to begin a Bible class, and if the Lord is willing conduct it in the different homes; and my prayer is that this may result in bringing some soul to Christ to be among that number who will praise our Master eternally in the earth made new.

Pray, pray, pray, because the fervent prayer of the righteous availeth much, and one soul is worth the whole world. The angels in heaven rejoice over one sinner that repenteth. If the angels rejoice, surely if we can be instrumental in saving just one soul, it ought to be a great cause for us to rejoice and be glad.

CHAS. H. REIMERS.

#### CORNVILLE, ME.

THE meeting appointed for Cornville is in the past, but we are certain its influence will be far-reaching.

On Sabbath the "Object Lessons" work was presented, and met with a ready response; and about every church member became responsible for his quota. The resident pastor of the Friends' church was present, and immediately expressed a desire for one of the books.

A good influence went out from this meeting, and Sunday a good congregation gathered three times, and listened very attentively to the word

spoken. Many not of our faith came forward, and urged a continuance of the meetings, and it certainly looks favorable for a good work to be done here as soon as practicable.

Personally, we are enjoying this work with "Christ's Object Lessons" very much. We are now on our way to "the Aroostook." We trust that all will remember us in our labors here.

MR. AND MRS. P. F. BICKNELL.

#### THE WORK IN VERMONT.

A WORD with reference to the work in Vermont may not be out of place. Since the beginning of 1902, a few persons have accepted the truth in Barre and others are interested; some additions have been seen at Rutland and Sutton; the Johnson church has been reorganized and is now in good working order; and at Taftsville thirteen have united with the church, a new church and school building has been erected, and one term of school has been held in it with an enrolment of more than twenty students. At the present writing, Brethren Purdon and Whitford are engaged in tent labor at East Wallingford with some interest manifest among those not of our faith.

Our canvassers, although few in number, have had good success in the field. The work on "Christ's Object Lessons" does not move forward as rapidly as we should be pleased to see it; however, books are being sold all the while, and we hope to see Vermont sell her quota in due time.

The Lord has blessed us financially of late. The old conference debt, of nearly three thousand dollars three years ago, is now a thing of the past. The tithe is on the increase; we have been able to pay our laborers all they have asked for during the year, and have paid a full teacher at South Lancaster Academy, also our tithe to the Atlantic Union Conference, and at present writing we have quite a sum in the treasury.

We do not speak of these things boastfully, but with thankfulness of heart for the manifest blessing of God upon His own work in the little State of Vermont, where so many battles have been fought and victories gained, in the early history of this work. We have difficulties to meet; the devil tries hard to hinder the work; but the Lord is stronger than he, and will bless the efforts of his servants if they go forward trusting in him.

We praise the Lord daily for an humble part in his work.

J. W. WATT.

#### WORCESTER AND BOSTON.

SABBATH, July 12, I met once more with the Worcester church. Several not of our faith were present by invitation. By request I spoke from Rev. 18:4, "Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues." The history of the church was briefly studied from the time when "Babel" signified, "the gate of God," to its sad condition brought to view in the opening verses of this chapter, where it is not only "fallen" but "filled with every unclean and hateful bird." The key-note of Scripture has ever been separation from the world, from tradition, and the commandments of men. God has true, honest souls still in "Babylon," and it is the work of the closing message to call them out upon the "commandments of God and the faith of Jesus." This reaches its climax in the solemn tones of the "loud cry." Who are called out?—"My people." Those who are still in. If I have not clear evidence that I am out of Babylon, separated from her false doctrines, my safest conclusion is to decide that the call is to me, and that he means now. Some good testimonies were borne in response to the roll call, after which we celebrated the ordinances. The Lord came near to us with his blessing.

Brother Lane, the elder, has been quite poorly, but is some better, and I was pleased to find him of good courage. He is giving some Bible-readings, and doing other missionary work.

Sister Spencer's health is impaired by her hard work, but she is still at her post. She deeply regrets that her health will not permit her to put in full time in the canvassing work. The Lord has greatly blessed this sister in selling our literature what time she has been able to work. We need to pray that the Lord will greatly strengthen his servants who have given, and are still giving, their lives to the advancement of the precious cause.

Three new members were received into the church, and the church seems to be of good courage to press forward in the good work. We trust they may ever be "bold to take up, firm to sustain, the consecrated cross."

Sunday I reached Boston. I am much pleased and encouraged by the prospects for the tent work there

The tent is very favorably located. It is on Columbia Road, one of the finest streets in that part of the city, and quite near "Uplam's Corner," a well-known and popular corner, and the intersection of electric lines connecting down-town with Franklin Park and important crosstown lines.

The tent lot is barely large enough to get the tent on. The outside stakes are set as close as possible to the sidewalk, but it does not show a cramped appearance.

As I approached, I was pleased to note that the tent was up in good shape, and around it and inside I found an atmosphere of neatness and order. The seats were carefully arranged. The platform had received thoughtful attention, but my pleasure was intensified when I saw the seats filled with interested listeners and some on the outside standing for an hour to hear the truth.

A. E. PLACE.  
(Concluded next week.)

"FAITH overlooks the difficulties of the way, and bends her eyes only to the end."

## EDUCATIONAL

### OUR ACADEMY AND CHURCH-SCHOOLS

#### SUMMER SCHOOL.

THE summer institute at South Lancaster Academy has been in session now a little over two weeks, and the young people who are here gathered to take this course of training, to fit themselves to assist in carrying on our church-school work this coming year, are becoming more and more deeply interested as each day goes by. Although our numbers are few, a very earnest spirit of study has characterized the work thus far. It does us good to see this earnest endeavor on the part of these young people to prepare themselves for this important branch of the Lord's work. The principles set forth in the Bible are studied with the idea in mind of making them the foundation upon which to teach other branches. Thus in all classes, whether in science or history, the principles laid down by God in his Word are held up as the basis of study in these subjects. The Lord has told us over and over that the Bible should be used in this way. A study of his methods of teaching can not fail to give these young people, who are so soon to engage in the work of instructing our children, a fitting up for their work which will enable them to do effective work to his honor and glory in the salvation of the children. It is such a training, for just such results, that we are endeavoring to give those who are with us this summer.

I trust that our people throughout the Atlantic Union Conference are thinking seriously of the matter of establishing church schools this coming fall. If you have not already considered it, begin now, and talk it

over with your church. The Lord has said that such schools ought to be established everywhere. Are we doing our duty by our children if we fail to give them the advantages of learning of the things of God which these schools afford? What are you doing in this line?

There is a great demand for teachers to take up this work, and those who are considering the matter of establishing such schools should correspond with me at once, that we may make arrangements to supply them with the help which they need.

Are there not some young people in your church who should be in our school the coming year, taking a course of study which will prepare them to do this work? Talk with them about the matter. Encourage them to enter the work. Send their names to us, and we will correspond with them. The Lord will bless every effort which is made in behalf of this work.

FREDERICK GRIGGS.

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### THE BOOK WORK.

#### NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE.

TWO WEEKS ENDING JULY 11, 1902.

Name	Place	Ords	Val	Hips
<b>DESIRE OF AGES.</b>				
1 Lottie Wright, Natick,		4	14.75	5.75
2 Cora A. Spencer, Worcester,				
3 F.W. Johnston, New Bedford,		6	22.50	1.25
4 R. C. Andrews, Norfolk, Ct.,				4.75
<b>OBJECT LESSONS.</b>				
5 H. F. Cross, Neponset,		7	8.75	16.25
4 R. C. Andrews, Nashua, N.H.,		4	5.00	.75
6 C. E. Mattison, New Bedford,		11	13.75	
<b>GREAT CONTROVERSY.</b>				
7 M. C. A. Jacobs, Worcester,		2	5.75	.75
<b>PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS.</b>				
6 C. E. Mattison, New Bedford,		1	2.25	7.50
<b>STORY OF REDEMPTION.</b>				
8 Mrs. G. Laycock, Worcester,		6	7.25	3.00
<b>Totals,</b>	<b>8 Agents,</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>\$80.00</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>

Time.—No. 1, 24 hrs; 2, 16 hrs; 3, 20 hrs; 4, 21 hrs; 5, 27 hrs; 6, 49 hrs; 7, 28 hrs; 8, 16 hrs. Total, 201 hrs.

Deliveries.—No. 1, \$15.50; 2, 105.25; 3, 15.00; 6, \$12.50; 7, \$14.25; 8, \$20.00.

## MAINE CONFERENCE.

WEEK ENDING JULY 4, 1902.

Name	Place	Ords	Val	Hours
<b>LADIES' GUIDE.</b>				
1 M. L. Prince, Bath,		6	18.50	4.50
2 M. E. Preble, Sangerville,		14	49.25	7.25
<b>Totals,</b>	<b>2 Agents,</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>\$67.75</b>	<b>\$11.75</b>

Time.—No. 1, 10 1-2 hrs; No. 2, 19 hrs. Total 29 1-2 hrs.

Deliveries.—No. 1, \$16.50.

## PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE.

WEEK ENDING JULY 4, 1902.

Name	Place	Ords	Val	Hours
<b>PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS.</b>				
1 T. D. Gibson, Johnstown,				
2 J. Q. Herrington, Sharon,		6	14.75	2.00
3 W. H. Zeidler, Duquesne,		3	8.75	21.25
4 W. J. Hackett, Anvill,		2	5.00	1.75
<b>GREAT CONTROVERSY.</b>				
5 W. C. Fleischer, McKeesport,		7	21.50	22.25
<b>BIBLE READINGS.</b>				
6 Mrs. Trowbridge, Johnst'n,		18	39.00	4.45
<b>DESIRE OF AGES.</b>				
7 Mary P. Rice, Norristown,		5	17.50	.50
<b>HERALDS OF THE MORNING.</b>				
8 J. W. Heiser, Ringtown,		2	3.00	.50
9 Geo. Hunter, Cambria Co.,		2	3.00	3.00
10 I. Lawrence,		5	8.75	8.00
11 Chas. Peden, N. Barnesboro,		6	9.00	3.75
<b>COMING KING.</b>				
12 Chr. F. Mahr, Lancaster Co,		8	8.00	
<b>Totals,</b>	<b>12 Agents,</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>\$138.25</b>	<b>\$67.45</b>

Time.—No. 1, 6 hrs; 2, 9 hrs; 3, 19 hrs; 4, 15 hrs; 5, 38 hrs; 6, 21 hrs; 7, 37 hrs; 8, 15 hrs; 9, 12 hrs; 10, 13 hrs; 11, 11 hrs; 12, 20 hrs. Total, 216 hrs.

Deliveries.—No. 1, \$14.30; 3, \$5.00; 5, \$120.25; 6, \$5.00; 10, \$5.50; 12, \$1.50.

## NEW YORK CONFERENCE.

TWO WEEKS ENDING JULY 11, 1902.

Name	Place	Ords	Val	Hours
<b>BIBLE READINGS.</b>				
1 Ada B. Noftsgar, Utica,		9	18.50	2.50
<b>GREAT CONTROVERSY.</b>				
2 J. H. Deeley, Taylor,		7	20.00	
<b>MARVEL OF NATIONS.</b>				
3 Harold Fisher, Westerlo,		8	10.75	5.75
4 Scott Alden, Howard,				.25
5 Herman Greene, Richburg,		11	14.75	1.00
6 D. P. Evans, Wellsville,				
<b>COMING KING.</b>				
7 Chas. M. Cottrell, Lockport,		57	63.00	8.00
8 G. B. Stevens, Whippleville,		7	7.00	
9 Clara M. Coe, Gloversville,		6	6.50	.50
10 Lillian Carnahan, W. S. P. mnea,		1	1.00	2.25
11 Mrs. F. N. Johnson, Rome,				
<b>HERALDS OF THE MORNING.</b>				
12 Samuel J. Alden, Howard,		21	29.75	6.50
<b>Totals,</b>	<b>12 Agents,</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>\$171.25</b>	<b>\$26.75</b>

Time.—No. 1, 13 hrs; 2, 56 hrs; 3, 30 hrs; 5, 44 hrs; 7, 40 hrs; 8, 8 hrs; 9, 9 hrs; 10, 3 hrs; 12, 89 hrs. Total, 292 hrs.

Deliveries.—No. 2, \$82.15; 3, \$1.25; 4, \$5.25; 6, \$114.00; 9, \$3.00; 10, \$5.00; 11, \$2.50.

## ARE TIMES TOO PROSPEROUS?

WHILE in Chicago a short time since, I visited several subscription-book houses, and in one of them I asked the manager if he found it as easy to get agents as in former years. He said, "No," and gave as a reason that times are too good. He said that people take up canvassing when they have nothing else to do, and that now when there are so many good, paying positions easy to get, and money is plenty, they are not seeking to sell books.

Can we deny that this is the truth, and that it is so among our own people? God calls to the canvassing work; but no, I am doing well enough where I am, or I can not sacrifice this good position; it is not quite to my liking to canvass, and here is a chance for me to make a living and support my family, and do better by them than by selling books; I will just turn aside for a few months; I will come back to the Lord's work after a while. Thus our brethren are staying out and getting out of the field.

Oppressions, afflictions and distresses have many times brought God's people to their senses, when they were failing through prosperity; are we now where circumstances must be reversed in order to compel us to give the truth to the people? Now people have money and can buy books; but we have money, too, and will not trouble ourselves about doing that which seems to us so great a cross and which involves so much self-denial. Selfishness, love of ease, unconcern about the souls of men, are these the things that keep the ranks of our canvassers so thin? Would that I were mistaken about this, but does it not really look as though there would be many more who would canvass if it were not so easy to get other work to do? Is it a question of being out of employment, or having no other openings present themselves?

Why will we not work for God while things are favorable? Why compel God to compel us to do our allotted work in the midst of difficulties? Who among us will trouble himself to give this question a square and honest thought? E. E. MILES.

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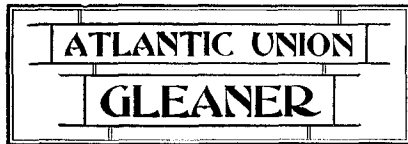
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We will send the GLEANER to any address until October 29 for ten cents.

THE permanent address of Elder R. A. Underwood is 246 West Twenty-third St., Erie, Pa.

ELDER A. E. PLACE has returned from his visit to New York, apparently quite improved in health by the change.

THE Vermont camp-meeting has been appointed for August 20 to 31. It is to be held at Barre, and will be preceded by a workers' meeting beginning August 15.

BROTHER ERWIN THURBER, of Montpelier, Vermont, is again at work in the GLEANER office. Brother W. A. Norman, of New York City, is also engaged in this office at present.

ELDER AND MRS. HASKELL have taken a brief rest at their South Lancaster home. Mrs. Luther Warren, also Brother Utchman and family, from New York City are here for a short time.

SOON after our last number went to press, we had a pleasant call from Elder and Mrs. O. E. Reinke, whose tent in New York City had just been destroyed by wind. Mrs. Reinke (*nee* Miss Bina Miller) was formerly a student of South Lancaster Academy, and her old friends were pleased to meet her.

A SISTER in Massachusetts, who is in her ninety-first year and is quite

feeble, sends five dollars to be used for the benefit of the *students* at the Oakwood Industrial School, Huntsville, Ala. She is "very much interested in the education of the colored race."

"A TWOFOLD APOSTASY," is the title of a tract of twenty-four pages, which deals with living issues. Elder A. T. Jones said of this tract "Spread it everywhere," and added that "all who would spread it, would thereby help to spread the third angel's message." Now is your opportunity to place it in the hands of your neighbors. Only a limited number are left. They are free, except postage. Only 16 cents per 100. Address the author, Elder H. F. Phelps, 118 W. Minnehaha Boulevard, Minneapolis, Minn.

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"HE that giveth unto the poor shall not lack." Again the Lord says, "That which he hath given will he pay him again." Prov. 19: 17; 28: 27. These are notes upon the bank of heaven that pass above par. I call the attention of the brethren and sisters in the Pennsylvania Conference to the quarterly collection for the poor that will be taken Sabbath, July 26.

A reading will be sent to all the

churches in the conference stating the object of the donations. As the conference voted at its last session to assist, to the amount of \$5.00 per week the Sanitarium in Philadelphia in meeting the constant demands upon it to help the worthy poor, we shall need about twice as much hereafter as formerly. Therefore, let all remember to give liberally, and may the blessing of God be upon the gifts and the givers.

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