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

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GOD'S PURPOSE.

I SAW a field of rich green clover grow,
Its blossoms honey-laden for the bee;
And turning to the owner who stood by,
I asked him when the harvest time would
be.

“Twill not be gathered in.” “How then?”
I cried,
“Have you no recompense for all your
toil?”

The farmer smiled, he was more wise than I;
“I plow it under to enrich the soil.”

And all at once I seemed to see more clear
Some things that I had tried to compre-
hend.
Has not the heart like that broad field its
growths
That never seem to reach their destined
end?

Its early dreams that never are fulfilled?
Its youthful hopes that perish ere their
prime?

Its fond affections and its tender love,
Borne down before their perfect blossom
time?

I mused on these, and as I turned my feet
Back to the city with its swift turmoil,
I smiled, and said in tranquil, sweet con-
tent,
“God plows them under to enrich the
soil.”

—*New York Observer.*

“LET the word of Christ dwell in
you richly in all wisdom; teaching and
admonishing one another in psalms
and hymns and spiritual songs, sing-
ing with grace in your hearts to the
Lord.”

CHRISTIAN LIBERALITY.

“THIS I say, He which soweth
sparingly shall reap also sparingly;
and he which soweth bountifully shall
reap also bountifully. Every man
according as he purposeth in his
heart, so let him give; not grudg-
ingly, or of necessity: for God loveth
a cheerful giver. And God is able to
make all grace abound toward you;
that ye, always having all sufficiency
in all things, may abound to every
good work: (as it is written, He hath
dispersed abroad; he hath given to
the poor; his righteousness remaineth
forever. Now he that ministereth
seed to the sower both minister bread
for your food, and multiply your seed
sown, and increase the fruits of your
righteousness;) being enriched in
everything to all bountifulness, which
causeth through us thanksgiving to
God.”

God is in heaven, but he has dele-
gated his work to those on this earth.
This work is to represent Christ.
Christ gave himself, a full, complete
offering, for the life of the world: and
God calls upon all men to make a
complete surrender of all they have
and are to him, that they may be co-
laborers with Christ. This call is
just; for to whom is every member
of the human family indebted for his
possessions?—To God, who not only

gives men temporal blessings, but
freely offered up his only begotten
Son, that “whosoever believeth in
him should not perish, but have ever-
lasting life.”

God has entrusted men with his
gifts, that they may represent his
benevolence toward those who are
poor and needy. If they have the
spirit of Christ, they will reveal it
unmistakably by their helpfulness to
others, by a faithful discharge of their
duty, by acting tenderly and kindly
toward God's heritage. As God sees
that his children manifest compassion
toward those who are poor and needy,
he will bless them as faithful stewards.

“Moreover, brethren,” writes the
apostle Paul, “we do you to wit of
the grace of God bestowed on the
churches of Macedonia; how that in
a great trial of affliction the abun-
dance of their joy and their deep pov-
erty abounded unto the riches of their
liberality. For to their power, I bear
record, yea, and beyond their power,
they were willing of themselves; pray-
ing us with much entreaty that we
would receive the gift, and take upon
us the fellowship of the ministering
to the saints. And this they did, not
as we hoped, but first gave their own
selves to the Lord, and unto us by
the will of God. Insomuch that we
desired Titus, that as he had begun,
so he would also finish in you the

same grace also. Therefore, as ye abound in everything, in faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and in all diligence, and in your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also. . . . For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich."

To a youthful ruler who inquired of him, "Good Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus answered, "Sell all that thou hast, and distribute unto the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, follow me." This was not a hard requirement; for the ruler was not handling his own property. His goods had been entrusted to him by the Lord. The choice was left with him; he must decide for himself. Did he accept the eternal treasure? or did he decide to gratify his desire for earthly treasure, and in so doing, refuse the eternal riches?—When he heard Christ's words, "he went away sorrowful: for he had great possessions." He chose the earthly good, and lost the eternal weight of glory.

Individually, we are tried as was the young ruler. God tests us to see if, as stewards, we can safely be trusted with the eternal riches. Shall we do as the ruler did,—fasten our grasp upon the treasures lent us by God, choosing that which appears most agreeable to the natural heart, and refusing to use our possessions as God plainly states he expects us to? or shall we take up our cross, and follow our Saviour in the path of self-denial?

Millions of people in our world are making the choice made by the young ruler. They have intelligence, but they can not decide to be honest stewards of their Lord's goods. Many say, "I will bless and glorify myself; I will be honored as a man above his fellows." Jesus paid the price for their redemption; for their sake he became poor, that they might be rich;

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WHAT CHRIST BORE FOR US.

THE following explanatory note from the forthcoming "Practical Lessons" by F. C. Gilbert, may be of interest to our readers:

The word translated "laid" in Isa. 53:6, does not express fully the thought that is contained in the original. The margin of the text is much nearer the true meaning. We will insert the last clause of the verse, in the Hebrew, and render as near a literal translation from the Hebrew, as thought from one language to another can be expressed:

Va-yeh-o-wah lif-ge-a bow eth a-voin koo-lo-noo=וַיְהִי הַפְּנִיעַ בּוֹ אֶת עֵן כָּל־נֹוּ

"And Jehovah has focused in Him the sins of all of us."

The Hebrew word *הַפְּנִיעַ* is a rare Hebrew word. It expresses the thought of centralizing, compassing to one point, causing to meet in one place, focusing. Leeser's translation renders it "befall." The thought seems to be like this: Just as a photographer would gather all of the sun's rays and focus them, in order to secure the best results for a photograph, so the Lord gathered up all the sins of a lost world, of every sinner in the world, and caused them all to be centered in Jesus Christ. All of them were focused in Him. He allowed Himself to be thus treated, and thus took upon Himself, and in Himself, all the sins of a lost world.

In the light of these truths, the words of Peter are certainly precious; "Who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree." 1 Peter 2:24. What volumes these words express. Yes, the blessed Christ had upon Himself confessed every sin of every sinner. Then certainly it is true that where sin abounds, grace doth much more abound. Rom. 5:20. Do you, dear reader, appreciate the gift?

and yet, though wholly dependent on him for all their earthly possessions, they refuse to do his will by showing love to their fellow men. They are not willing to relieve the necessities of those around them with the means which the Lord has placed in their hands for this purpose. They refuse to appropriate the Lord's capital for the benefit of others, and hold fast to their possessions. Like the ruler, they refuse the heavenly treasure, and choose that which is agreeable to themselves. By such selfishness they prove themselves unworthy of the eternal riches. They show that they are unfit for a place in the kingdom of God; if they were allowed to enter there, they would, like the great apostate, claim everything as if they had created it, and would spoil heaven by their covetousness.

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

"PRAISE ye the Lord: for it is good to sing praises unto our God; for it is pleasant; and praise is comely."

The FIELD

REPORT OF VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

THE nineteenth annual session of the Virginia Conference convened at 9 A. M., August 10, 1902, at Westover Park, Lynchburg, Va., in connection with the camp-meeting. President, Elder R. D. Hottel, in charge. There were present thirty delegates representing twelve churches, and ten delegates-at-large. Two new churches were added to the Conference; namely, Newport News and Buena Vista.

The president was empowered to appoint the usual committees, which were as follows:

Committee on Nominations: C. V. Woods, O. F. Dart, T. H. Painter.

Committee on Plans and Recommendations: B. F. Purdham, F. L. Whitehead, S. M. Cobb.

Committee on Credentials and Licenses: A. C. Neff, H. W. Herrell, G. W. Lewis.

Committee on Auditing: R. T. Fultz, A. M. Lewis, John Fishel, Geo.

W. Roat, O. F. Dart, Henry Painter.

The report of the Secretary showed: Number of churches, 13, increase, 1; number of companies, 2, increase, 1; membership, 364, an increase of 18. Dismissed by death, 7; by apostasy, 29.

The Secretary of the Sabbath-school Department presented her report, which showed an increase of one school; membership, 232, increase, 9; donations, \$127.36, increase, \$32.18.

The officers for the coming year are as follows: President, R. D. Hottel; Secretary, A. M. Neff; Treasurer, O. F. Dart; Secretary and Treasurer of Tract and Missionary Department, A. M. Neff; Secretary of the Sabbath-school Department, Mrs. B. F. Purdham; Conference Committee, R. D. Hottel, H. W. Herrell, A. C. Neff; F. L. Whitehead, W. F. Davis.

Board of Incorporation: R. D. Hottel, H. W. Herrell, A. C. Neff, F. L. Whitehead, W. F. Davis, O. F. Dart, A. M. Neff.

Custodian of Conference property, B. F. Purdham.

Credentials were granted R. D. Hottel, B. F. Purdham, A. C. Neff, H. W. Herrell, Lee S. Wheeler, M. S. Wooding, T. H. Painter, I. E. Kimball. For Licenses: Geo. W. Lewis, J. A. Strickland. For Missionary Credentials: Mrs. I. E. Kimball, Mrs. M. S. Wooding, T. Marie Mohr, Rebecca Clayborne.

Resolutions were passed as follows:

Whereas, Death has removed from our midst our beloved brother, James Gargett, a faithful member of the Virginia Conference Committee, and also Treasurer of the Virginia Conference; therefore,

Resolved, That we express our deep sorrow in this loss to the work in our Conference, and extend to our dear Sister Gargett our sympathy in this sad affliction, which, while we feel it deeply in the work in the Conference, she realizes it in still a deeper sense and with keener sorrow.

Whereas, It is evident that the glorious appearing of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ is fast approaching, and that our opportunities for presenting the truths of the third angel's message will soon be at an end; therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Conference that the special message which God has given us for this generation should be plainly and faithfully presented to the people, trusting in God alone for the results of our labors.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Conference that Sabbath-school conventions should be held at such places as may be convenient.

Whereas, The burden of debts is resting heavily upon our Conference and Tract Society, weakening our efforts to spread the truth, tending also to personal discouragement; and,

Whereas, Our integrity as a people requires their immediate payment; therefore,

Resolved, That it is the sense of this body that there be a general rally among our churches for the liquidation of these debts; to this end we ask all our brethren and sisters, preachers and teachers, each and every one, to donate the amount of a week's earnings for this purpose the ensuing year; and,

Resolved, That we encourage our brethren, young and old, to, as far as possible, adopt the "Missionary Acre" plan, dedicating the increase of gardens and plots especially tilled for this purpose; further,

Resolved, That one man in each church be appointed to agitate this matter, and plan and work for the carrying out of this resolution.

Resolved, That we urge all our church treasurers and other officers to be prompt in reporting and remitting all funds to the proper persons.

Resolved, That we extend the thanks of this body to the Lynchburg Tract and Light Company for the free use of this beautiful park for our

camp-meeting, and for other favors shown us.

Brother S. N. Curtiss then spoke of the *Sentinel of Christian Liberty*, its field and importance.

The President of the Conference then gave the plans for future work. One tent is to remain in Lynchburg to carry on the work; Elders Purdham and Painter being in charge.

A tent is to be pitched in Norfolk, where Elder L. S. Wheeler has been laboring; Elders Hottel and Wheeler being in charge, assisted by Brother J. A. Strickland.

The other tent is to be located in Alexandria; Elder Herrell and Brother George W. Lewis being in charge.

Meeting adjourned *sine die*.

R. D. HOTTEL, *Pres.*

A. M. NEFF, *Sec.*

FAIRMOUNT, MARYLAND.

It has been some time since I have reported through your valuable paper, yet I have been much pleased to read the reports from the field. Feeling somewhat worn after my winter's work on the eastern shore, I felt it was a duty to take a rest from active labor for a time; so taking my wife, we went to Battle Creek, Mich., and there with my son in the cottage by the lake, we found rest, and a few weeks were spent with profit, and we feel much refreshed and ready to take up our work again. We find that age is telling on us somewhat, and we can not endure as we used to do; but the blessed hope helps us to press the battle to the gate.

One year has passed since we left New England to labor in this conference, and the Lord has greatly blessed our work, for which we bless his holy name.

We now take up our work again on the eastern shore, in a place called Fairmount. We have a fine location in the center of the town, where all can attend. Elder O. O. Farnsworth spoke last evening to a company of

about one hundred and fifty, with good results. He is to remain for a few days, then Elder J. F. Jones will assist me through. We ask all the GLEANER family to pray that the work may be a success.

F. W. MACE.

THE GERMAN TENT WORK IN BROOKLYN.

THROUGH the providence of God it has been our privilege to continue the lectures in our new tent, which was opened July 30, after a break up of two weeks. A heavy storm struck the old tent and ruined it. After seeking the Lord, and counseling with our leading brethren, we concluded to order a new tent. The German brethren and sisters stepped forward and pledged the amount of \$143.50, and \$25.00 were donated by Sister Psoiber, of New York City. We thank the brethren and sisters for their liberality in helping the cause of God. We have a nice forty-five-foot tent (circle), also a flag with the word "wharheit" (truth) inscribed.

Our new start was slow in the beginning, but we kept the advertising up each week, and the Lord increased the attendance, so that a fair interest is awakened. The Lord gave freedom in speaking the word, and in our short review of the previous lecture, which we occasionally had, we were astonished to hear them give such intelligent answers. The Sabbath question has been dwelt upon, and some who were very interested from the beginning have dropped out, but new ones fill their places.

We are securing the names and addresses of those who attend regularly, in order to visit them and have a heart-to-heart talk with them. Last Sunday night when we spoke of "the one hundred and forty-four thousand and how they are sealed," the Spirit of God gave special evidence of its presence; we realized that we had open hearts before us, and that deep

impressions were made. After the meeting some asked us to visit them.

Three o'clock on Sunday afternoon has been given to the English interest. At first we thought of having a children's meeting, but some have asked us if we could not give them the same truths in their language at that time; so we try to do the best we can, and some (mostly Sunday-school teachers) take quite an interest.

Remember the German work in your prayers, dear reader, that God may give victory to these dear souls.

O. E. REINKE.

*Corner Knickerbocker Avenue
and Hancock Street.*

UNION CITY, PA.

OUR tent was pitched at Cambridge Springs on Thursday, July 3, and meetings commenced the following Sunday.

During the month of July the north-western part of Pennsylvania was indeed a storm-swept country. While nothing very serious occurred at Cambridge, yet it rained twenty-seven days during the month, and this made it almost impossible to conduct meetings in a cotton tabernacle very successfully. A few, however, would venture out.

Then, too, it seemed an unfortunate time for our work. The place, being a summer resort during this season, the many hotels are crowded with guests, whose time seems fully taken up with the theatricals, dances, etc., which the hotels provide for their amusement every evening. This year, more than ever before, the hotels being overcrowded, the residents of the place accommodated many who came, so that nearly all seemed too busy to attend our services very often.

However, we are glad to state that, even under conditions so unfavorable, a few have accepted the light of the third angel's message.

We believed that Providence was opening the way for an effort at Union

City, and accordingly began meetings here August 15.

Since coming here, the weather has been beautiful indeed, and the attendance all that could be desired. The people come from the city, and from the surrounding country; many come with teams. The tent is 40x60 ft., and yet we are unable, at times, to seat all who come.

The kindness and hospitality that these dear people have shown us, has rendered our stay among them very pleasant indeed.

When this reaches the readers of the GLEANER, Elders Baierle and Lukens will be presenting the testing truths of this message, and they request that you will remember them and the work here at the throne of grace.

We are all rejoicing in the One who "blesses us exceeding abundantly above all we can ask or think."

MRS. MORRIS LUKENS.

PITTSBURG, PA.

THE work here is still onward. We are now nicely started in our second effort, and we have every reason to praise the Lord for the present outlook. Our tent site is a very desirable one, in a thickly populated part of the city. Our attendance has been good from the very first, and is still on the increase.

One very encouraging feature is the freedom of the people to express their appreciation of the truths presented. They are quick to discern the contrast between the opinions of man and the plain "Thus saith the Lord God."

One very bright, influential lady, who had just acknowledged her acceptance of the truth at the close of our first effort, was on her way to the tent at the beginning of the Sabbath, and was struck by the street-car and instantly killed. We knew nothing of the accident until the announcement of her death came out in the

papers. She was taken to Philadelphia, her former home, for burial.

Do not fail to remember the work in this great city in your daily prayers.

Yours in the work of the Master,
C. S. LONGACRE.
W. H. SMITH.
G. WEST.

August 27.

BOSTON FIELD.

THE services at the tent are being continued unabated, and souls are being added to the Lord.

There are some fifteen persons who have promised to obey the truth thus far. Sunday, August 31, seven willing souls followed their Lord in baptism in the Harvard Street Baptist church baptistry. We might add that quite a number of those who have accepted of the truth were Baptists, and hence do not desire re-baptism as yet. We expect to have another baptismal service, when a number of others will be immersed.

BOSTON TENT COMPANY.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

THE work in this city is pushing along very well. The Lord seems to be leading in the work. We have moved our tent to the corner of Thirteenth and T Streets, which is a desirable place for a tent, and our congregation keeps steadily increasing. Last night there were at least three thousand people in attendance. It is proving the scripture found in John 12:32, which says, "I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me." And if every Seventh-day Adventist in every locality would lift up Jesus and his truth from the earth, where professed Christians have trodden them down for the last quarter of a century, then indeed would Revelation 18:1 be fulfilled; the glory of God would lighten the earth as never before, and a thousand would be converted in a day. We should witness such a mighty outpouring of the Holy

Spirit as never before. The Lord is leading many precious souls to see the light of truth here. From this tent effort there have been baptized and added to the church twenty-two dear souls, and there are twenty-four more who have accepted the message and signed the following covenant:

"We, the undersigned, having accepted Jesus Christ as our personal Saviour, taking the Bible as our only rule of faith and practice, pledge by God's grace to keep holy the Sabbath of the Lord according to the commandments."

We are trusting that God will bring many more dear souls to see the light of God's truth, and step in and lift up Jesus to the world, and then God and not man will be glorified.

L. C. SHEAFE.

F. H. SEENEY.

August 25, 1902.

GREATER NEW YORK.

THINKING the readers of the GLEANER would be interested to know of our work in this great city, I will enclose a few lines for publication. We have started in the Bronx a canvassers' training school. Our object is to warn this large city by carrying the gospel to them who can not be reached by the public ministry of the Word. We have done a good work thus far, and have found a number of willing souls who are seeking the way of life. We have been co-operating with Elder Edwards, and acting as his tent master, thus reducing our expenses, so we can give our beginners a start. Our board and room have been reduced to one dollar per week each.

We are working on the co-operative plan: For example, a beginner who is selling small books or papers, keeps an account or memorandum of the interested ones whom he finds, and turns these names over to those who are handling the large books. They are visited again, and if sales

are made, the beginner shares in the profits. Thus we are enabled to encourage one another and advance the truth. These names are lastly given to the Bible worker. I will note our daily programme, as it might be of interest to some:

Rising bell, 6 A. M.

Canvassers' study and worship,
6:30 to 7:30 A. M.

Breakfast, 7:30 to 8:15 A. M.

Domestic work, 8:15 to 9 A. M.

Canvassing in city, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

Dinner and prayer, 12 to 1 P. M.

Canvassing in city, 1 to 4:30 P. M.

Bible study and prayer, 4:30 to
5:30 P. M.

Lunch, 5:45 to 6:15 P. M.

Canvassers' experience meeting,
6:15 to 6:45 P. M.

Evening worship, 6:45 to 7 P. M.

Private study, etc., 7 to 9 P. M.

Retiring, 9 to 9:30 P. M.

Each one takes his turn in doing the domestic work in the home.

What we need most of all is workers. I can not command language to frame this appeal as I would like. I wish every Seventh-day Adventist realized the needs of the hour. But this knowledge can only come by each one of us putting on the whole armor of God, working in Christ's lines, and gaining an experience by active service. A recent testimony written last month, told us, for *one worker* in Greater New York we should have one hundred. According to this we should have seven or eight hundred canvassers in this city alone. Only those who have a burden for souls and are consecrated to the work are needed. But the faithful worker will be able to do a grand work here. It is true there is an abundance of rubbish to work over, but mixed up with this refuse, there are a few precious jewels. Who will come and help us?

For further information, address

J. M. CALVERT,

958 East 165th St., New York City.

SOMERSWORTH, N. H.

ANOTHER summer is drawing to a close,—a summer remarkable for its cold, much cloudy weather, and frequent rains. We realize that it will soon be time for us to “fold up our tents;” and though we do not see as much accomplished as we would like, yet we are willing to let God conduct the weather and the work in his own good way. There are yet a few weeks left to us, and we are more determined than ever to make use of every opportunity.

Because of the unfavorable weather several have caught cold in the tent, and it has been difficult to induce them to come to the services. We have recently adopted a plan which has been quite successful in bringing out a fair attendance. First, a series of “five special sermons” was advertised on large display cards, which were placed in the store windows, and when these were over, “five special studies on the Revelation” were advertised in like manner. The names of the subjects were given in each instance, and we are encouraged by the way God has blessed us in this.

We are beginning this week a canvass of all the Protestant portion of this place, that by a special effort at the close of the season we may learn the general attitude of the people toward the truth.

Two elderly people have begun to keep the Sabbath, and we are glad of this evidence that God is working with us.

We want to earnestly request our brethren and sisters who are anxious to see the work of God go forward to remember in prayer the work in Somersworth, that we may yet see the desires of our hearts in the conversion of souls to Jesus Christ.

H. C. HARTWELL.

A. J. CLARK.

August 25, 1902.

MEDICAL 

MISSIONARY

THE GOSPEL HEALTH.

(Continued.)

I WOULD not have you think that our whole moral duty to ourselves and to God is included in proper eating and drinking. There are other ways of defiling and injuring the temple of God, which temple we are. How many Christian men are constantly defiling God's temple with the vile fumes of tobacco; not only the throat and lungs, but the blood, brain, nerves and muscles. The man who uses tobacco, not only does violence to himself, but dishonors God.

The deleterious effect of tobacco is no longer questioned by scientific men. Dr. Starr, president of the Leland Stanford University, observes that, “Boys who have formed the cigarette habit are like wormy apples. They drop long before the harvest. They rarely make failures in after-life, because they do not have any after-life. When other boys are taking hold of the world's work, they are concerned with the sexton and undertaker.” This same fact is becoming apparent to keen business men who have large numbers of employees. A number of prominent business firms and one railroad company have recently prohibited the use of tobacco by employees on account of the physical deterioration and the moral obtundity which is seen to accompany its use, and which results in loss to the employer. The “tobacco heart” is now a regular medical term. The tobacco nerves are quite as much in evidence, to which we may add the tobacco brain and tobacco liver; for every organ and tissue in the whole body of the veteran smoker becomes saturated with nicotine. The odor of it may be detected at any time in his breath and other excretions. It is carried out with the perspiration, as

we sometimes have occasion to observe in giving sweating baths. Not only does it cause a sallow skin and dull eyeballs, but the heart and brain are equally laden with this poisonous drug. Surely no man can use tobacco without defiling the temple even to the most holy place. I once asked a man if he would smoke in church. He replied that he would not. “Why?”—“Because it is a place of worship.” “But if you were entirely alone in a splendid church, would you smoke?”—“I certainly would not,” was the reply. “Why?” I asked again. “Because it is God's house.” “Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost?” If we would not defile with tobacco a building made of brick and mortar, and built with men's hands for men's convenience, how much less should we defile the body which is God's temple, which he himself has builded and which is intended for the indwelling of his own Spirit? Shall Christians, then, continue to defile their own bodies by a custom, which King James described as being “Loathsome to the eye, hateful to the nose, harmful to the brain, and the black, stinking fumes thereof nearest resemble the horrible Stygian smoke from the pit that is bottomless.”

Still another very important consideration for Christians is, that tobacco blunts the spiritual faculties. It dims our spiritual eyesight, so that we can no longer clearly behold God and his truth. It dulls our spiritual hearing, so that the still small voice is no longer audible to us. The gentler promptings of the Spirit to higher aspirations can not find entrance to the inner citadel of life. The brain nerves are the only avenues to the soul, and the only medium by which heaven can communicate with man. When these are clogged and paralyzed, man is cut off from every communication with God. We observe in giving anaesthetics for surgical purposes that the higher faculties are

deadened much earlier than the lower and commoner ones. Only a few whiffs of ether or chloroform are sufficient to deaden the higher sentiments of the mind with which spirituality is associated. Next the sense of finer propriety is lost. Next the moral sentiments are blunted, then the patient loses the ability to think connectedly, and finally he is no longer able to feel the strongest stimulation of pain, because his nerves are deadened by a narcotic drug. Tobacco is a narcotic, and is capable of deadening the higher and finer faculties of the mind as certainly as ether, chloroform, or alcohol. Is it any wonder, then, that the number of men in our churches grows fewer and fewer as this pernicious habit increases? Can Christian parents wonder that their sons drift away from home, from the church, and from morality when they have watched them with complacency yielding to the benumbing influence of the tobacco habit?

The man who injures and degrades his body through smoking, is no more blamable than a woman, who, by constriction of the waist, disarranges the vital organs, and interferes with vital processes simply to gratify the foolish ambition to obey the dictates of fashion. The man is perhaps more excusable, because he derives at least a low form of pleasure from his sin, while the woman derives only discomfort and misery. It is not within the scope of this paper, however, to discuss the many forms of physical transgression which are sapping the vitality of the human race; robbing God of his rightful service; and robbing man of the highest joy and happiness, which is health. But the aim has been rather to strike at the greater sin of living for drunkenness and sensuality. The sin is the same, whether it manifests itself in intemperance in eating, in drinking, in smoking, or in lustful indulgence. The sin consists in being willing to degrade God's

temple for amusement; in treating the body and its God-given faculties simply as a harp of pleasure on which the aim is to strike the greatest number of sensations possible.

C. C. NICOLA, M. D.

(Concluded next week.)

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"Publicly, and from HOUSE to HOUSE"

THE BOOK WORK.

PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE.

WEEK ENDING AUGUST 15, 1902.

Name	Place	Ords	Val	Hips
Patriarchs and Prophets.				
1 T. D. Gibson, Fayette Co.,		2	4.50	34.00
2 *J. Q. Herrington, All'gny Co. 13			32.75	13.75
Great Controversy.				
3 W. H. Zeidler, McKeesport,		2	5.25	17.25
4 M. B. Colcord, Potter Co.,		4	7.50	13.00
Daniel and Revelation.				
5 T. O. Saxton, Glencampbell,		6	14.25	1.25
Bible Readings.				
6 Mrs. Trowbridge, Johnst'n,		1	2.00	3.82
Ladies' Guide.				
7 Mrs. W. H. Zeidler, McKeesp't,				2.25
8 Mrs. T. D. Gibson, Uniontown,		4	12.50	12.50
Heralds of the Morning.				
9 J. W. Heiser, Bloomsburg,				1.50
10 Minnie Gibson, Uniontown,		3	3.75	1.25
11 Chas. Peden, Connellsville, 10			13.75	13.75
12 Mrs McCormick, N. Fl'rnce, 8			10.00	
Coming King.				
13 Wm. Achenbach, Reading, 16			16.00	.75
14 C. F. Mahr, Lancaster Co. 2			2.00	.50
Marvel of Nations.				
15 Ivor Lawrence, Hastings, 33			47.25	11.50
16 H. P. Morgan, Burgettstown, 3			3.75	6.75
Object Lessons.				
17 Mary M. Thomas, Johnst'n, 11			13.75	2.50
Totals, 17 Agents,		118	\$189.00	\$136.32
Time.—No. 1, 31 hrs; 2, 20 hrs; 3, 26 hrs; 4, 38 hrs; 5, 23 hrs; 6, 10 hrs; 7, 2 hrs; 8, 20 hrs; 9, 18 hrs; 10, 14 hrs; 11, 17 hrs; 12, 19 hrs; 13, 21 hrs; 14, 16 hrs; 15, 38 hrs; 16, 6 hrs. Total, 319 hrs.				
Deliveries.—No. 3, \$26.85; 7, \$3.00; 9, \$6.50; 15, \$7.75; 17, \$3.75.				
*Two weeks.				

NEW YORK CONFERENCE.

WEEK ENDING AUGUST 22, 1902.

Name	Place	Ords	Val	Hips
Bible Readings.				
1 Ada B. Noftsger, Utica,		4	10.00	.75
Great Controversy.				
2 J. H. Deeley, Taylor,		3	7.50	
Coming King.				
3 G. B. Stevens, Whippleville,		8	8.00	3.00
Heralds of the Morning.				
4 Samuel J. Alden, Horn'lsv'le,				.50
Totals, 4 Agents,		15	\$25.50	\$4.25
Time.—No. 2, 16 hrs.				
Deliveries.—No. 4, \$46.75.				

NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE.

WEEK ENDING AUGUST 22, 1902.

Name	Place	Ords	Val	Hips
Desire of Ages.				
1 Cora Spencer, Worcester,		19	71.00	10.25
Patriarchs and Prophets.				
2 H. T. Cross, Malden,		6	15.50	22.00
3 Mrs. G. Laycock, Worcester,				2.50
Object Lessons.				
4 Ellery Robinson, Rehoboth,		21	26.50	5.00
5 *C. E. Mattison, New Bedford, 16			20.00	8.75
Totals, 5 Agents,		62	\$133.00	\$48.50
Time.—No. 1, 28 hrs; 2, 36 hrs; 3, 12 hrs; 5, 55 hrs. Total, 131 hrs.				
Deliveries.—No. , \$8.25; 5, \$33.25.				
*Two weeks.				

"OUR help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth."

ITEMS OF INTEREST

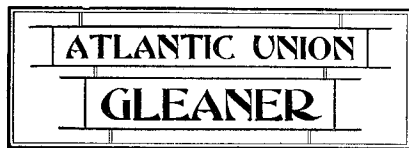
VIRGINIA.

—Sister T. Marie Mohr, a graduate nurse, has lately located in Newport News. We are glad to welcome her as a laborer among us.

—Sister Annie Marsh, a graduate nurse, is now following her profession in Lynchburg, and assisting in the tent effort there.

—Sister Mollie Price, of Millington, Md., attended our camp-meeting at Lynchburg, and then spent a week with Sister R. D. Hottel, at New Market. She returned to her home the 25th.

—We were glad to have with us at our camp-meeting at Lynchburg Brother and Sister Cottrell, of South Lancaster, Mass., but were sorry they had to leave before the meetings were out; Sister Cottrell's health was such that it became necessary. Prof. J. P. Neff, President of La Fayette College, La Fayette, Ala., was also with us, and delivered several very able discourses on different points of our faith. Prof. Frederick Griggs, Principal of South Lancaster Academy, South Lancaster, Mass., represented the educational branch of the work, and Brother S. N. Curtiss, of the New York branch of the Pacific Press, the publishing work.



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A TRIAL subscription to the GLEANER will be sent to any address until December 10 for ten cents.

AMONG the quiet ones of earth whose comings and goings are without observation, is Elder M. D. Mattson. He accompanied Elder Cottrell to the camp-meeting at Barre, Vt., but we did not learn of his departure till after the last GLEANER went to press.

THE amount of the donations for Christiania, received at the office of the New England Conference, is \$466.10. Last year it was \$715.97. The New York Conference reports \$625.27 contributed, which is nearly two hundred and seventy-five dollars more than they donated last year.

THE report of "Object Lessons" shipped by New York Branch of Pacific Press to the conferences comprising the Atlantic Union, to August 21, is as follows: Chesapeake, 1,136; Greater New York, 921; Maine, 1,357; New England, 6,997; New Jersey, 513; New York, 4,256; Pennsylvania, 4,244; Vermont, 1,731; Virginia, 344; West Virginia, 1,453. In addition to this 207 copies of the work in German, 71 in Danish, and 345 in Swedish have been taken. The foreign and cash sales have numbered 818.

"BEHOLD, the nations are as a drop of a bucket, and are counted as the small dust of the balance: behold, he taketh up the isles as a very little thing."

CLINTON, MASS.

AN impromptu prayer and praise service was held on a lawn in Clinton, Mass., on Sunday afternoon by eleven of our people residing at South Lancaster. An audience, numbering probably forty or fifty, standing on the adjacent sidewalks and in the windows of the nearby houses, plainly showed an encouraging interest in the proceedings by remaining throughout the hour. Our company felt the presence of the Lord throughout the service, true to his promise. The meeting closed by all present repeating in unison the last verse of Jude.

It is intended, no providence preventing, to hold another service at the same place next Sunday at 4:30 P.M. It is desired that the readers of the GLEANER will remember the effort at the throne of grace at that time, to the end that some waiting heart may receive the precious message of truth.

GEO. W. PALMER.

A HAPPY EVENT.

AT the home of the bride in Haverhill, Mass., Thursday, August 28, Brother Charles N. Robie, of Kensington, New Hampshire, and Sister Bernice M. Webber were united in marriage by the writer.

Those in attendance consisted mainly of the relatives of the bride and groom.

The beautiful and abundant variety of flowers that were displayed added to the beauty of the occasion; but the satisfaction of knowing that Jesus Christ, the author of the marriage institution, placed his seal upon the union, eclipsed all things else.

K. C. RUSSELL.

"YES; we grow alone through trial;
He is far from manhood's years,
Who has never felt his weakness,
Never known the power of tears.
They who come through tribulation
Are the ones around the throne;
Heaven contains no crown of glory
For the soul to grief unknown."

"FOR here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come."

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