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

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"BLESSED ARE THE PURE IN HEART."

THEY who have kept their spirit's virgin
whiteness

Undimmed by folly and unstained by sin,
And made their foreheads radiant with the
brightness

Of the pure Truth whose Spirit dwells
within,—

They shall see God.

Freed from the thrall of every sinful passion,
Around their pathway beams celestial light;
They drink with joy the waters of salvation,
And in his love whose love is infinite,
They shall see God.

Though clouds may darken into storms
around them,

The promise pours through all its steady
ray;

Nor hate can daunt, nor obloquy confound
them,

Nor earth's temptations lure them from
the way

That leads to God.

They shall see God! O glorious fruition
Of all their hopes and longings here below!

They shall see God in beatific vision,
And evermore into his likeness grow,—
Children of God.

So when the measure of their faith is meted,
Christ comes triumphant from the courts
on high,

Filled with all grace, the work divine com-
pleted,

They shall put on their immortality,
And dwell with God!

—Adapted from William H. Burleigh.

PATIENT CONTINUANCE.

"LET us not be weary in well-do-
ing; for in due season we shall reap,
if we faint not." "To them who by
patient continuance in well-doing seek
for glory and honor and immortality,"
God will give eternal life. "Ye did
run well; who did hinder you?" Gal.
6:9; Romans 2:7; Gal. 5:7.

It is certainly true of those who
shall at the last be found among those
who have the patience of the saints,
that they have patiently continued
God's work until it was completed.
In our recent article in regard to the
work of selling "Christ's Object Les-
sons," it was clearly shown that this
work was to continue until all the
schools were free of debt, and then to
advance aggressive educational work
"until the Lord shall come." From
the same testimony I quote the fol-
lowing:

"It is the duty of the managers
and teachers in our colleges and
schools to take an active part in the
continued effort to sell 'Object Les-
sons.'"

From the same letter, written Au-
gust 9, 1903, I quote more fully, that
all may see the connection in which
this sentence appears.

"Do not become weary in well-do-
ing. In carrying forward the work of

selling 'Christ's Object Lessons,' you
will receive a most precious blessing."

"When, in ordinary business, pio-
neer work is done, and preparation is
made for future development, there is
frequently a financial loss. And as
our schools introduce manual training,
they, too, may at first incur loss. But
let us remember the blessing that
physical exercise brings to the stu-
dents. Many students have died
while endeavoring to acquire an edu-
cation, because they confined them-
selves too closely to mental effort.

"We must not be narrow in our
plans. In industrial training there
are unseen advantages, which can not
be measured or estimated. Let no
one begrudge the effort necessary to
carry forward successfully the plan
that for years has been urged upon us
as of primary importance.

"I appeal to our people in behalf
of all our colleges and training-schools.
If the brethren and sisters in each un-
ion conference will labor with perse-
verance and faith, they will be able to
free their school from debt, and also
to provide the necessary facilities for
successful manual training.

"It is the duty of the managers and
teachers in our colleges and schools to
take an active part in the continued
effort to sell 'Object Lessons.' Let
them take the burden of this work

upon their hearts. Not only are they to cooperate with the conference officers in carrying the work forward; they are to lead out in it, training the students to engage successfully in it."

In a letter dated May 18, 1903, appears the following, which is just as true to-day as when written:

"Our brethren and sisters are just as surely in the service of the Lord when selling this book as when bearing testimony for him in meeting. They receive the refreshing grace of God; for they are carrying out his purpose, and he bestows on them his commendation. Their minds are freed from the malaria of selfishness and complaint and discouragement."

J. S. WASHBURN.

VIRGINIA.

THE financial report, for several reasons, has been delayed, but will appear later. In this article we call attention to some of

OUR NEEDS.

1. We need means to help purchase a lot for a church building in the city of Richmond. The church there has no place for public services at the present time. A sister has in her possession for life the sum of \$2,500 which she is willing to release and give to the cause for a church building in the city of Richmond, providing the church there or the conference will buy a suitable lot on which to build the church. It will take all of the \$2,500 to erect such a building in a good location, and that will meet the requirements of the law. A lot suitable for such a building will cost about eight hundred dollars. The Richmond church is willing to do all they can, but they are poor and can not do very much toward buying such a lot. The conference committee took the matter under advisement, and agreed to ask the people in the conference for FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS to help buy the lot. Such a lot as we have in mind would be large

enough for the church, and, if thought best in the future, we should have space for the erection of a small office for the conference. Richmond is the largest city in our conference and the capital of the State, and the work well established in this city will have influence in all parts of the conference. Therefore we believe it would be right to assist the Richmond church in securing this lot, as it will be deeded to the conference agency and the whole property made sure to the cause for all time. Only a neat, plain, but substantial and creditable building would be erected for the money in hand. It would contain perhaps a baptistry, and basement which could be used for school purposes, as the Testimonies say (Vol. VI., page 108). Who will help us? God will bless every dollar put into this lot I am sure, and will bless the givers with much more than they give in the end. Send pledges or cash at once to the undersigned at New Market, Va., payable on or before May 1, 1905.

2. We also need a tent fund. The committee agreed to call for ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS, but that is too small. We trust that much more will be raised: We need a new top for the forty-foot tent used last year at Farnham. We also need an entire new forty-foot tent for the field another season. In tent meetings we can reach large numbers of people that otherwise we can not reach. We hope to be able to run four tents the coming season. As we stand now out of debt, we believe that our people should rally to our assistance in these calls for help, confidently believing that many souls will be the result of the efforts put forth in the coming tent season. Why should we not plan for a grand movement in the proclamation of the advent message the coming season? We expect to have our conference business over in May, and nothing will then interfere with a continued

effort during the entire summer and fall. Again we ask, Who will help the cause in this time of need?

3. At Lynchburg we have a small church of about twenty-five believers. Some of these live in the country about twenty miles away from the city. Nearly all who can attend regularly are sisters. Two years ago it was thought best to purchase the church building near the city park for the use of this church. It is a fine location, a large lot, and was purchased cheap (\$840). Some money has been raised, and the interest kept up, and the debt now stands \$652. Recently the property has been repaired and painted throughout. It presents a neat appearance. It is worth at least double the money paid for it. Property in that section of the city will never depreciate in value. It was bought with the understanding that if it could not be paid for it would have to be sold after due time. We do not believe it should be sold. It will be a way-mark for the truth in that section of the State for time to come. The people in the city are favorably impressed with the message, and we believe that souls will be added to the numbers here if the work is carried on in the right way. We want to give our people in the State the opportunity to help pay for this church also. Elder H. J. Farman is now at this place, and is authorized to solicit means for the payment of the debt. If you get a letter from him, we trust that you will find something to assist this church, for in doing so we believe we are helping the work at large. This property is deeded safely to the cause, and every dollar placed in it will represent so much for the permanent establishment of the work in well-appointed houses of worship in the conference. If we can have in our larger cities such buildings as these, it will give character to the work we are carrying forward, and an invitation to a good class of people who are called to leave their own

church home, to unite with us. Shall we not arise and build? We have a great field. Many souls are waiting for the message. Will not those who know the truth come to our help in the present emergency, and as others unite with us, they in turn will assist to carry the work still forward into the new places. "For verily I say unto you, Ye shall not have gone over the cities of Israel, till the Son of man be come." Matt. 10:23.

R. D. HOTTEL.

**FORTY-THREE THOUSAND THIRTY-FOUR
DOLLARS AND FORTY-ONE CENTS.**

THE above is the amount still needed to-day, February 7, to make up the \$100,000 to be used for the building up of the work at the headquarters in Washington, D. C. In order that this sum shall be supplied by the 11th of May, when the General Conference will open in Washington, an average of \$3,238.37 must be given each week. This would mean a large increase on the donations of last week, which were \$1,368.38. At this rate the whole amount would not be supplied before the 10th of September, 1905. Will not every reader of this article help at once by liberal donations to lighten the hearts of those bearing responsibilities at the head of the work? A united, cheerful effort will quickly finish this work.

The following testimony, written January 11, will be appreciated by every reader of this paper:

"I appeal to all who have means to make a determined effort to carry out the instruction God has given regarding the establishment of a sanitarium in Takoma Park. Let our people rally to the support of this important enterprise. Let the churches in every State act their part, that the work in Washington may not come to a standstill. Let us make liberal gifts to this work, and the Lord will bless us and it. We can not see this work coming to a standstill while it is but

half done. It need not come to a standstill if all our people will come up to the help of the Lord. Let us come up to the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty powers of darkness."

J. S. WASHBURN.

**TITHING, AND WHO IT IS THAT
OBJECTS TO IT.
West Virginia.**

THE average amount of tithe paid by our people in the West Virginia Conference last year was \$6.92 per capita. That is to say that each member in the conference, if these figures represent an honest tithe, lived on the meager sum of \$69.20 for the whole year, or \$5.76 a month, or 19 cents a day. That with this they supplied themselves with food and clothing and met all other expenses incident to their existence. In all seriousness, we ask, How many did this? It is also a noteworthy fact that ten or twelve persons, and one of these not a member of our church, paid nearly one-third of all the tithe that was paid.

Now, of course, we are aware that now and then there is one who is dependent upon others not of our faith for his livelihood, and there are some children, too, who can not pay much of anything into the cause, but, making due allowance for all these, how many in the West Virginia Conference will say even then that a faithful tithe has been paid? We venture to say, Not one. Sometimes we hear it said, "Why is it the ministers talk about tithing so much?" To all such inquirers, and usually they are the ones who pay but little tithe, if any, we answer that the foregoing facts and figures explain the matter fully.

To ask, Why this? or, Why that? as in the above illustration, is virtually to object to that which is being said. Thus when our ministers enter a new field and have been there long enough to call the people's attention to the

fourth commandment, prejudiced Sunday-keepers are usually heard to say, "With those Adventists it is nothing but Sabbath, Sabbath, Sabbath, all the time." Of course this is not really so, and yet, owing to the necessity for it, we talk about the Sabbath a great deal. But why do these people object so hard, and derisively turn their ears away from hearing about the Sabbath? As we all know, it is because their conscience condemns them, and they do not want to keep it. Exactly. Now apply this principle, for it is identically the same, to those within the church and who object to hearing about and paying tithe, and the reason for their objection is at once made as clear as the noonday sun.

In my experience of more than twelve years in the ministry, I have never yet heard a faithful tithe-payer object to hearing about our obligation to God in this matter. It is the non-tithe-payer every time, and the very one above all others who ought to hear about it, that prefers to discuss other things.

Now we are not saying these things to be critical, but to emphasize a duty which, though even admitting that it is often spoken of, is sadly, so sadly, neglected. We urge, therefore, that this matter shall not be passed by lightly, but, as a requirement of God, that most serious attention be given to it. The apostle tells us that not the *hearer*, but the *doer of the word*, "shall be blessed in his deed." Jas. 1:25. Shall we not, then, all pay tithe, and be blessed?

S. G. HUNTINGTON.

BROTHER O. A. OLSEN, writing of progress in England, reports seventeen baptisms in West London, with others waiting, and a church soon to be organized; five baptized at Southampton, six at Newport, ten at Aber-tillery, Wales, with a church of twenty-four organized at East Cowes, Isle of Wight.

MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

SEARCHING THE CITY WITH THE LORD'S GREAT SEARCH-LIGHT.

THE plan upon which the young people are working in Greater New York is to take a block and call on every family in it and leave them a copy of the *Signs*. Then a week later call and leave another copy. Then take another block, until whole wards of the city have been visited. All this is done carefully, so that it can be followed up by ministerial and colportage efforts.

The *Signs*, being a natural "pioneer," opens the way as an all-round search-light for everything we have to do. People quickly notice that it has a clean face, clean paper, and clean type, and that it is free from all the loose, light literature of the day, and from paying advertisements, and that it is neither a newspaper nor a record of crimes.

They also notice that it is a first-class religious paper, and as one man put it, "It takes up almost every great subject that you wish to know something about," and this he tells me he does not find in any other religious paper that has come to his notice. The following of such work as the careful distribution of such a paper is sure to meet with success in this age of periodicals.

As a colporteur during the last six months in following the *Signs* work I have found homes for \$500 worth of our best books, such as "Patriarchs and Prophets," "Daniel and the Revelation" "Desire of Ages," "Great Controversy," "Heralds of the Morning," "Prophecies of Jesus," "Glorious Appearing," "Paradise Home," etc., as well as thousands of pages of tracts, besides nearly one hundred yearly subscriptions for the *Signs of the Times*.

As a Bible worker I have found

many openings to read and pray with the people. Scores have come to believe that the solemn things they have been reading about are the truth, and the "present truth" for our time, and they have decided to keep on reading. Many who subscribed last year, are renewing for another year. Some have bought a whole set of our books at one time.

It is only a question of time when Sabbath-keepers will rise up on every side as the result of this work with God's great search-light, for we find we are improving and becoming more skilful with it every week.

GEO. A. KING.

EMPORIUM, PA.

DEAR READERS OF THE GLEANER: I so much enjoy reading the reports from other places, that I thought you would like to hear from this place.

There is not so much to report, as we have no meetings. Once we had a church of Sabbath-keepers, but our numbers have been so reduced by death, removal, and apostasy that our meetings have been discontinued. But I have never been discouraged, and have tried to do some missionary work among my neighbors by giving them papers and tracts. I have sold fourteen copies of "Christ's Object Lessons," and taken some orders for the *Life Boat* and *Southern Missionary*.

Some time last fall two ladies called on me. One of them was a member of the Wesleyan Methodist Church. The other is not a professor of religion. The one who makes no profession asked me if I would lend her my copy of "Bible Readings." Of course I was glad to do so. She did not take it home, however, but left it at the home of the other woman, who began to study it. As a result she became interested in the Sabbath question, decided to obey God, and has kept two Sabbaths. She is still studying the Bible and searching for light,

and God is wonderfully blessing her

Dear isolated ones, let us let our light shine by lending our good books and papers to our neighbors. Some of the seed thus sown will fall on good ground and bring forth fruit an hundredfold. We may not see results now, but what joy it will be to meet some in the kingdom who are there as a result of reading a tract, paper, or book that we have lent them. Pray for me that I may be faithful in the Master's service.

Your sister in Christ,

S. M. HOUSLER.

LOWELL, MASS.

We are making a special effort with tracts, papers, etc. I have never known a time since I was connected with this truth when our people here were so eager and anxious to spread the message as they are now. Many who have always thought that they never could do this kind of work, are out every week with papers and tracts, and are meeting with many helpful experiences, and they have found a few who are ready for more light on Bible subjects.

We have three reading racks in different places, which are so well patronized that we sometimes find it difficult to keep them filled. One is in a railway station, one in a post-office, and the other in the electric transfer station. We are going to put up three more, one in a dentist's office, and the others in barber shops. Even the children are enthusiastic to help in the work. They are selling *Life and Health*, and giving away tracts. We are going to make a special effort with the religious liberty tracts, and have ordered one thousand copies of an "Open Letter." The fourteenth of February there will be a meeting here of the Free-will Baptist ministers of the State, and my husband wishes to distribute the tracts at that meeting.

Mrs. E. MITCHELL.

The FIELD

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE.

THE wheels are moving in this field. Progress is perceptible in every phase of the work. The year 1904 was a year of growth. During the last eight months of the year nearly one hundred were added to those who walk in the light of "present truth." Our conference workers and the churches have all taken hold earnestly to make more rapid progress during 1905. The demand upon us as a conference is for extended efforts this year. More workers should be added to our force. In order to do this our conference funds must be increased.

The need of the situation calls for faithfulness on the part of all in the matter of paying into the Lord's treasury "all the tithes" (Mal. 3:10), and liberality in making free-will offerings. The record of some of our churches in these matters is good. That of others shows abundant room for improvement.

It is expected that we shall have a camp-meeting from June 15 to 25. We shall endeavor to secure a central location—perhaps Pottsville—that it may be convenient for all the churches. We are very anxious that there may be a full attendance from every church. Therefore, we call attention to the matter at this early date. You have four months in which to make your plans so as to attend.

Let us all pray, work, assemble together, and rejoice in hope, while we wait for the soon-coming glory.

W. J. FITZGERALD.

WEST VIRGINIA.

We have just received a letter from Elder Purdham, who has been holding meetings with a good degree of interest at Loudenville for about two weeks. He states that they have closed the

door of the schoolhouse against him, and that he has no place to finish developing the interest that has been awakened. One has already begun to keep the Sabbath of the Lord.

Surely the time is here that the Saviour foretold when he said, "The time will come when they will put you out of the synagogues." They do not only put us out of the synagogues now, but they put us out of any other place where we undertake to preach the truth, when they have the power to do so.

Elder W. E. Frederick, who was visiting the churches, was compelled to return home a few days since on account of sickness in his family, and he also had so severe an attack of throat trouble that he was unable to preach. He will probably resume his visiting as soon as he can conveniently do so.

We are able to furnish all who want the "Open Letter" with as many copies as they may wish. So send in your orders. These tracts should be scattered like the autumn leaves.

P. W. PROVINCE, *Secretary.*

WEST PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE.

ON February 3, I was called by telegram to the city of Pittsburg. On arriving, I had the pleasure of shaking hands with the friends of the Pittsburg church. In the afternoon I accompanied Brother Painter and Brother Gibson to worship with the Allegheny City church, and while there, I had the privilege of speaking to them. It seemed good to see many faces that I had not seen for about a year.

On Sunday at 12 o'clock I began to fulfil the mission to which I had been called. Sister Rachel West, the mother of Brother George West, died very suddenly of apoplexy. She loved this cause and its people. About ten years ago she attended a tent meeting which was held in Turtle Creek by Elders I. N. Williams and E. H. Rees and the writer, and

about one year ago she was baptized by Brother C. S. Longacre.

Sister Rachel West was 79 years, 8 months, and 13 days old, and was the mother of thirteen children, eight daughters and five sons, ten of whom are still living to mourn her loss. She also had seventy-two grandchildren, and sixty-seven great grandchildren, and many friends.

A most touching scene was witnessed when her four sons carried their mother to her last resting-place. Another son, who is in the United States Navy, is now ill with diphtheria, and could not be present.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Rev. 14:13, after which she was laid to rest, awaiting the coming of our Saviour, the great Life-giver.

W. F. SCHWARTZ.

WEST VIRGINIA.

THE first week in January I was in Parkersburg at the meeting of the conference committee and auditing board. I was glad to spend a few days with the laborers in the conference, and with the brethren and sisters of the Parkersburg church.

January 11-19, I held meetings at Elk Garden, on the top of the Allegheny Mountains, and the Lord came in, and a good work was accomplished. All were encouraged to seek the Lord for his Holy Spirit, and for a deeper work of grace.

Two persons who had given up the Sabbath, once more took a firm stand to obey the truth, and I hope the Lord may sustain them and make them stronger than ever in the blessed cause of truth.

January 20 to February 5 I held meetings in a schoolhouse at Loudenville, and although the weather was very cold, and there was much ice and snow on the ground, which made it difficult climbing the steep hill to the schoolhouse, the attendance was quite good at each service. The

most of the people of the village attended and took a deep interest. One lady has accepted the Sabbath truth. Her husband and others are deeply interested, and I trust others will obey.

I am at Moundville for a few days, and find a few dear souls here who love the truth and are anxious to learn more of it.

I expect to return to Loudenville again this week, to follow up the work there as the Lord may open the way. We received word last Sunday night that we could no longer use the schoolhouse, but hope the Lord will open some way for the work at that place. I am of good courage in the work, and ask an interest in the prayers of the brethren and sisters.

B. F. PURDHAM.

MONESSEN, PA.

I LOOK for the paper each week as I should for a friend that was coming. It gives me great encouragement to see what the other workers are doing. I hope and pray that I shall be able to put in my full time this summer working for the Master in his great vineyard. O there is so much work to be done, and so few workers.

My husband is holding house-to-house meetings. We hold four meetings a week, and have much to encourage us in the work. We have had ten take their stand for the truth, and many more are much interested. There are six who desire baptism.

There can be a grand work done in house-to-house canvassing, giving Bible readings, and gathering together in homes in the evening, and giving them talks. They get interested before they realize it.

Pray for us that we may have more of his Spirit, and may be able to do more in our work. We will give the dear Lord all the praise.

MRS. R. H. WIPER.

"OUR sufficiency is of God."

MEDICAL MISSIONARY

FUND FOR THE NEW ENGLAND SANITARIUM.

OUR readers will not tire of hearing or reading about any phase of the work of God that is moving forward encouragingly. This is true of work for our sanitarium. We have made some hasty changes in our main building for a kitchen and dining-room, and the work is moving along quite smoothly considering our cramped quarters. All the patients seem remarkably cheerful, and take the situation graciously. We have every reason to believe that a divine hand is directing and holding all things here for the furtherance of the object for which we exist as a people.

Our faith grasps as fact the hope that ere the frost leaves the ground we shall have the needed funds to go ahead with our new building. Within a few days we shall begin the work of building up a portion of the burned district. Arrangements have been made with Brother James Lays, of Brockton, Mass., to take charge of the work of repairing and building.

Our boys are having a trial of their patience in pulling out and drawing away the awfully tangled mass of blackened ruins, but it already begins to look much better.

This week Dr. Nicola has furnished us with more interesting extracts from letters, which all will read with interest. Next week a letter will appear from one of our old patients whose name heads our list of donations this week with one hundred dollars.

Some of our people who we know work hard for their money, are sending some good donations.

We feel very grateful for all the evidences of goodness and fidelity to "the right arm of the message," notwithstanding that arm is crippled here at Melrose now. Possibly it is the

cries of the burnt child that are reaching the ears and touching the tender hearts of fathers, mothers, and the other children. Your tokens of fidelity are like soothing ointment.

The time must be near when the many references which the Testimonies have made to the Melrose sanitarium as a great factor in the work of warning this great eastern country with its many millions, will have their fulfilment.

Our list for this week foots up better than last week, as you will see.

Amount reported last week,	\$7,683.00
M. Louise Sturtevant,	100.00
A. H. King,	25.00
Mrs. M. L. King,	25.00
Mrs. H. M. Coffin,	15.00
Henry and Sarah Foster,	10.00
Mrs. Louisa Sprecker,	5.00
E. H. Frye,	3.87
L. E. Wilkinson,	2.00
Mrs. G. H. Hurd,	1.00

Total, \$7,869.87

Several have pledged to help in the work.

Whose name will appear next week? Let it be yours, if for only one dollar. Who will start the list next week with one hundred dollars? We will let you know if we have the opportunity.

A. E. PLACE.

NEW ENGLAND SANITARIUM.

ALL of us are glad for words of appreciation of our work, and it is an encouragement to us at the sanitarium to frequently receive letters or other expressions from our patients, telling of the good they have derived from their stay at the sanitarium. Frequently these show the highest appreciation of the simple health principles which have become so familiar to us that we are liable to forget that they are not the common property of all classes of society. I have recently received a letter from a lady of education and culture whose husband is a prominent worker in the Y. M. C. A. Notwith-

standing her general knowledge, this lady found at the sanitarium the principles of right living which by a practical demonstration she has found to be of much value. I quote from her letter as follows: "I can not tell you how thankful I am every day, for all the truths learned at your sanitarium. We endeavor to make practical use of every teaching obtained from you, by placing a higher standard of living in our home, which we believe has some influence upon those who come and go, as well as upon our immediate family. Again, we thank you for all the help received. May God bless all your work for him and his needy children."

The spirit of prophecy has told us that there are among the wealthy, educated classes, those who would accept the truth which the Lord has given us in the matter of health. It is to impart these truths that our sanitarium has been established. Sister White has emphasized repeatedly the great need of making provision for this class of patients here at Melrose, so that they may have an opportunity to come in contact with our people and our principles. An urgent appeal is being made at the present time for contributions to speedily put the sanitarium in a position to reach these people. Do not you wish some part in this important work?

Another letter was just received from a young lady who had an opportunity to observe our work from the surgical ward, where she was confined for several weeks by a critical operation. She is now rejoicing in good health, and the following extract is taken from her letter: "I feel very thankful that it was possible for me to be among you all; for it has helped me in many other ways besides restoring health. Before, I could find nothing in life that seemed to give satisfaction, and, although a church member, it was rather fear than true love for God; for I could see no difference between the Christians I

came in contact with and those outside the church. I found my mistake when among your people, *for I see that one can be happy if they use their life for God instead of their own pleasure, and it makes others happy as well.* I wish to thank you for your kind consideration, and hope I may be able to spread your cause among others who need to be with you in order to understand a good deal that one can not tell so as to make them appreciate it as it truly is."

I am sure all the readers of the GLEANER will share with us in the encouragement which comes from such evidences as these, that the Lord is blessing our efforts to the good of needy souls, and that you will feel glad to do something at once to help determine whether or not the flag of truth shall again be raised over this important fortress. You all know how anxious Sister White has been that proper facilities should be quickly provided here, and you also know the necessity for immediate action which has come as a result of the fire. Will you not help us to decide on the future of the work here? If the two thousand dollars still needed to secure the ten-thousand-dollar fund can be quickly raised, we can at once begin planning for the new building which is so greatly needed. The entire sanitarium family is praying that the Lord will quickly send us these means.

Another feature may be of interest to some in this connection. There has been a feeling of reluctance on the part of some to give to the sanitarium so long as it maintained the relation with the International Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association which was arranged at the time of the organization of our work. In order to remove every possible cause of objection, measures have been in progress for several months to bring about a complete separation. As a culmination of this effort, the International Medical Missionary and Benevolent

Association called a meeting on the second of February for the purpose of passing several motions which had been formulated by our attorneys in Boston, and which entirely separate this institution from that association. These motions were passed by the Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association, and hence every possible objection on this score has now been removed. Personally, I feel that this places a greater weight of responsibility on our people here in the East, who are now entirely responsible for the success of the institution. In the past the International Association has done much to foster the work here, and individual members of the association there have spent many hundreds of dollars in their efforts to build up the work here. Now that the work has been placed on an entirely separate footing, it must call for a greater effort on the part of our people in the East to compensate for the recent change. Remember Sister White has appealed to all our people in the East to help the New England Sanitarium at this important time. Will you not add something to the list of pledges of next week?

C. C. NICOLA.

"COMMIT the keeping of your souls to God."

You thought that bitter loss of yesterday,
That hope resigned, proved all your toil
in vain;
You did not know it was a step toward
heaven,
Though taken slowly, with a sense of
pain.

—Anna J. Granniss.

THE only works that please God, and are accepted through the mediation of Christ, are those which emanate from that new life which he imparts in regeneration by the Holy Ghost. We are *created* unto good works.—F. B. Meyer.

The PRINTED PAGE

"Publicly,
and from **HOUSE to HOUSE**"

SAND.

A STRUGGLING car on a slippery track! The wheels are revolving rapidly, and the machinery is working beautifully, but there is no progress. What is the matter? The current is on, and the connection is made, the power is being used up, but yet the car does not move. Is the machinery at fault?—No. Is it because they do not have the right kind of power furnished?—No. Is it because the track is not solid enough?—No. Is it because there is any obstruction in the way?—No. Where then is the trouble?—A slippery track and *no sand*.

With this picture in our minds, let us watch for a moment the course the conductor and motor-man of this car will take. We find that they do not begin to condemn the car, nor the track, nor the motor, nor the machinery attached thereto. Neither do they find fault with the power furnished, nor begin to criticize the idea of the possibility of carrying passengers in that manner. They do not order the passengers off the car and abandon it, giving up all hope of ever moving it any further, but what do they do?—They do the most sensible thing and the most practical thing to be done—simply secure a little *sand* and apply it to the slippery tracks, then turn on the power, and the car moves off.

I have seen the above condition many times. There are very few, possibly, that have not witnessed such a scene in reality. It always appeals to me as illustrating with a considerable degree of similarity the condition and progress of our work, especially the canvassing work.

Our work is fairly organized, and does not lack for machinery that really works beautifully. We have a solid track, for we have built on the sure

foundation,—the solid Rock Christ Jesus. Through Christ comes the power, for all the power in heaven and earth belongs to him.

Now, dear reader, do you see how it is possible to have everything nicely organized,—the machinery in the best of working order, and to even have the power turned on and the machinery working beautifully, and yet no progress? When Satan makes our track slippery, we need *sand*.

Let us consider for a moment what the *sand* did for the car. It neutralized the snow and ice on the track that prevented the wheels from taking hold of the tracks. It simply would not allow the wheels to spend their power for naught, and overcame a difficulty and condition that nothing else would ever come. It supplied a

quality that was lacking, without which no progress could be made.

The term *sand* has often been appropriately applied to that quality in the make-up of one's character which represents courage, determination, and perseverance. Those are winning qualities that more frequently mean success than failure. To adhere and stick, means to succeed and proceed. The Lord can use many more in his work who have this quality of character. Can it be cultivated?—Yes. Let us trust God that he will help us develop such characters as will be working characters. Our desires should be such that we will have a burden and a longing desire to see the work of the Lord make progress. Just as the occupants of the car with the slipping wheels had a longing de-

THE BOOK WORK.

Eastern Pennsylvania Conference, Week Ending February 3, 1905.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Harry Minier, Scranton,		D & R	5	32	4	5.25	2.00	7.25	4.25
J. R. Ebersole, Harrisburg,		D & R	3	15	8	10.00		10.00	9.25
A. H. Osman, Orwin,		C K	3	18	6	6.00	11.50	17.50	1.25
Minnie Minier, Priceburg,		C K	3	12			1.00	1.00	.50
Lillie Minier, Scranton,		C K	2	9	1	1.00		1.00	1.00
W. T. Hilgert, Philadelphia,		Misc					5.94	5.94	1.94
Totals,	6 Agents,		17	66	19	\$22.25	\$20.44	\$42.69	\$18.19

West Pennsylvania Conference, Week Ending February 3, 1905.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
T. D. Gibson, Pittsburg,		P & P	5	29	10	29.50	3.00	32.50	
J. A. Heaton, Williamsburg,		D&R, BR	3	7	6	13.75		13.75	
Totals,	2 Agents,		8	36	16	\$43.25	\$3.00	\$46.25	

Central New England Conference, Week Ending February 3, 1905.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
C. E. Mattison, Boston,		L of C	5	33	9	14.75	6.50	21.25	
G. H. Clark, Pittsfield, Mass.,		G C	4	27	2	5.25		5.25	
W. W. Rice, Stratham, N. H.,		B R	2	9	2	4.50	1.50	6.00	17.00
F. A. Walton, Stratham, Newburyport,		B R	4	18	4	10.00	6.75	16.75	
F. S. Hartwell, Shelburne Falls,		C K, H of M	3	12	1	1.00	.75	1.75	28.30
Frank Carlson, Worcester, Quinsigamond,		B R	6	30	14	27.75	6.25	34.00	
Totals,	6 Agents,		24	129	32	\$63.25	\$21.75	\$85.00	\$45.30

sire to apply the sand, so the car would move, just so we should have a longing desire to do the right thing at the right time, so the work of the Lord will move, and make some visible progress.

Now the canvassing work is at a standstill apparently. What shall be done? Shall we criticize the books, the publishers, or the territory? Shall we find fault with this method of spreading the truth? Shall we spend our powers and energy without progress? Shall we abandon the work, and say it is useless to attempt to carry the message in this way? This would be just as foolish as it would have been for the motor-man and the conductor to abandon their car. Every true and faithful Seventh-day Advent-

ist who is watching the pages of the GLEANER to see the reports of our canvassers, and sees this condition, should be seized with a longing desire to see this work move. Who are the ones that can come to its rescue and volunteer to pledge the vital energy and powers that the good Lord has given them to spread the message by the means of the printed page? Do you, dear reader, have a burden to see the canvassing work succeed? Do you have a longing desire to see thousands of our good books go out into the hands of the people? Do you think we dare expect great things of the Lord? Dare we trust him for success in this work the same as we would dare trust him for success in the work of the ministry, or the medi-

cal work, or Bible work, or the foreign mission work? No matter in what line of work we engage, if we succeed, it is the Lord that gives us success. If we do not trust him for success, our efforts are no more in the sight of God than the efforts of the worldling.

Now what is needed is not more books, or more men, or more women, or more power, but more *well-directed effort* in the canvassing work. More determination to succeed, more of the kind who are willing to work at the canvassing work, determined to overcome all difficulties, to develop that trait of character that will not allow the "wheels to slip on the track." Now, dear reader, if you never had any particular burden for this kind of work, may the Lord impress you with a desire to see the work move, and to apply the *sand* as it were, by your own personal effort.

FRANK F. FRY.

WANTED.

EVERY member of the Virginia Conference to take hold of the work we have to do. What is required is the assistance of every member to help carry a knowledge of the third angel's message to every person in Virginia just as quickly as we can consistently do it considering the importance of the message. We should go about this work in a systematic way, so that the conference officers may know where work has been done, and where workers are needed.

Our ministers will soon be going out with the tents to preach the word, and will reach many souls for whom Christ died. There will, however, be many who for various reasons will not go to the tent. How is it about these? Will our skirts be clear of their blood if we let them rest in their seeming security? Or shall each one feel a burden to go to these persons and invite them to buy the books that in themselves contain many sermons on present truth?

Southern New England Conference, Week Ending February 3, 1905.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
J. Osterbloom, New Britain,		S of D		28			4.50	4.50	
Wm. G. Wheatly, West Haven,		H of M		21½	2	3.00	3.75	6.75	
H. C. Wilcox, S. Norwalk,		D of A		34	18	61.75	3.50	65.25	
*R. C. Andrews, New Britain,		S of D		48½	23	23.00	25.00	48.00	
J. Wm. Sypher, S. Norwalk,		D of A		37	7	24.50	1.90	26.40	8.50
Beatrice Gardner, Shelton,		H H		5	7	3.50	1.00	4.50	
Totals,	6 Agents,			174	57	\$115.75	\$39.65	\$155.40	\$8.50

*Two weeks.

West Virginia Conference, Week Ending February 3, 1905.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
J. H. Jennings, Thurmond,		C K	5	42	1	1.00	3.00	4.00	36.15
James Johnson, Sr., Glen Jean,		G C	4	19	9	24.50	15.00	39.50	38.50
LeRoy Knott, Hinton,		G C	4	27	13	29.25		29.25	2.25
J. A. McCullough, Keyser,		H of M	5	27	14	21.00	8.13	29.13	
Totals,	4 Agents,		18	115	37	\$75.75	\$26.13	\$101.88	\$76.90

New York Conference, Week Ending February 3, 1905.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
E. A. Bowe,		D & R		6	4	9.50	3.50	13.00	8.50
F. A. Evans,		C K		27	11	11.00	2.30	13.30	
Totals,	2 Agents,			33	15	\$20.50	\$5.80	\$26.30	\$8.50

U. C. Totals February 3	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Deliver'd
26 Agents,	67	553	176	\$340.75	\$116.77	\$457.52	\$157.39
Totals for corresp. week last year,							
24 Agents,	91	380	199	\$249.40	\$197.02	\$446.42	\$125.97

This work has been begun and will continue till the end. The field is large, and the laborers are few. The harvest is ripe, and needs reapers. Brother, sister, come and help gather in the sheaves. We may not have long to work, but even if we start in at the eleventh hour, we shall be welcomed by the Husbandman.

A good work has begun in our hearts. This is demonstrated by the increase in tithes and offerings. Let the softening influence of God's Spirit continue its work, and roll such a burden on our hearts as will constrain us to labor for the souls around us.

If we have doubts regarding our ability to work, let us get "Christ's Object Lessons," and read on page one hundred and forty-seven. "There are many who long to help others, but they feel that they have no spiritual strength or light to impart. Let them present their petitions at the throne of grace. Plead for the Holy Spirit. God stands back of every promise." Then if we ask for wisdom, God has said he will give liberally and not upbraid.

There are also those who think they can not remember. Such have mental faculties which should be trained, and nowhere can a better training be had than in meeting with people and telling them of the good things our books contain.

We are admonished to love the Lord our God with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our mind, and *with all our strength*. How did Jesus manifest his love?—It was by teaching others the message for that time, and he did it with all his might. Should we do less? Let all, young and old, join in hastening this message to those in darkness in Virginia.

Remember our quota of "Object Lessons," and sell them all.

W. H. ZEIDLER, *State Agent*.

"It is what we do, not what we hope to do, that will stand to our account in the judgment."

ITEMS OF INTEREST

BOSTON.

—The noon meeting at the Park Street church last week was largely attended, and great interest was shown in Elder Gilbert's illustrated sermon upon the sanctuary.

—We are to begin meetings in Berkeley Hall, Boston, next Sunday, night, and hope for the prayers of our people that the Holy Spirit may be poured upon the effort.

—Elder A. E. Place met with the Boston church last Sabbath and spoke upon "Qualifications for Church Office," after which Brother Frank E. Hinkley was ordained to the office of deacon. There was a large attendance.

LEE S. WHEELER.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA.

—The time appointed to give a hearing for State Senator McNichol's bill for more liberal Sunday legislation, is February 14, in the Senate, at Harrisburg.

—The number of "Christ's Object Lessons" yet remaining to be sold and paid for, as reported last week, was, 2,274

Number reported sold and paid for:	
F. F. Fry,	100
Name not reported,	23
Total,	123

Number yet to be reported sold and paid for, 2,151

—The Reading church has gone ahead of any of the other churches in the number of "Christ's Object Lessons" which they have taken, having pledged themselves for one hundred and thirteen copies. It will not take long to make some showing in this work if all the churches will do as well as this in proportion to their numbers. A fund has been started from which to pay our regular can-

vassers a commission for selling "Christ's Object Lessons." The Reading members who did not take any books donated to this fund, and gave \$3.25. This is a start, and we expect to see it grow.

—The writer desires to make a few corrections in items that appeared in this column in several past issues. It was announced several weeks ago that Elder Fitzgerald was accompanied by his wife in his recent trip to the churches in the northern part of the State. The truth is that he made the trip alone. In a later issue it was announced that Sister Anna Bowen was a patient at the Pennsylvania Sanitarium, in Philadelphia. It was learned later that she is a patient at the Hahnemann Hospital, instead of at the sanitarium. Greater care will be taken in the future to make only such statements as will give truthful reports to our readers.

FRANK F. FRY.

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND.

—The annual offering for this conference, as reported to date, is \$546.91.

—School farm fund previously reported,	\$239.01
New London church,	1.25
Mrs. R. M. Robbins,	3.00
D. A. Bidwell,	50.00
Providence church,	2.70

Total received to date, \$295.96

—Endowed bed fund previously reported,
 \$33.67 |

D. A. Bidwell,	1.00
H. C. Wilcox,	1.00
Jessie Cummings,	1.00

Total,
 \$36.67 |

—Tent and camp-meeting fund previously reported,
 \$381.88 |

H. C. Wilcox,	1.00
Jessie Cummings,	1.00

Total,
 \$383.88 |

—Mr. and Mrs. Walter Twing are

visiting relatives in Rhode Island for a few weeks.

—Mrs. Phoebe Langdon, in company with Mrs. R. M. Robbins, of East Canaan, has been visiting her son, Elder Geo. E. Langdon, in Middletown, Conn.

—Robert Houston has been visiting friends in Hebron, and after an absence of about two weeks has returned to his home in Hartford.

—Brother J. Wm. Sypher has taken South Norwalk, Conn., for his field of labor in the canvassing work. He is meeting with better success than has attended him for the past few months, and wishes to thank the GLEANER family for their prayers in his behalf. We must not forget the canvassers' work, for we are told by the spirit of prophecy that their work in scattering our literature is as important as the work of the ministers of the gospel.

IRENE J. CADY.

OBITUARY NOTICES

COWDRY.—Died at Jamaica, Vt., Jan. 26, 1905, Mrs. Aurelia S. Cowdry, aged 85 years, 2 months, and 8 days. She was born in Hartland, Conn., Nov. 18, 1819. She accepted the third angel's message in 1853, but lived isolated from others of like faith for twenty-two years. Then she and her husband moved to Jamaica, Vt., where she enjoyed church privileges as long as she was able to attend them. She leaves a son and his wife, four grandchildren, and four great grandchildren to mourn her loss. A humble service was conducted by the writer.

L. W. WHITE.

WORTHEN.—Died at Lynden, Wash., June 10, 1904, of tuberculosis, Ethel Laura Worthen, aged 24 years, 4 months, and 21 days. She was the youngest daughter of Brother C. F. and Sister M. L. Worthen, of West Charleston, Vt., and was a twin sister of Edward Lawrence Worthen, who died a few weeks before of the same disease. Miss Worthen was formerly a student of South Lancaster Academy where three of her sisters graduated, but her health not being very good, her brothers persuaded her to join them in Washington, thinking the change would be beneficial. For a time she seemed to improve, and continuing her stud-

ies, she was graduated from Walla Walla College last spring, though not able to complete the school year. She was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church, and was eager to fit herself for her life-work, that of a teacher. Her parents, three brothers, and three sisters are left to mourn, but they look forward to a glad reunion at the coming of the Life-giver.

WELLS.—Mrs. Ida L. Wells, a member of the Hartford, Conn., church and an active Christian worker, passed peacefully away on the evening of February 3, at the St. Francis Hospital, in Hartford. She had been ill for several months, and her death was the result of an operation. Before accepting our faith, she was a member of the Methodist Church, and by her husband's wish, Rev. MacMillan, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, conducted the service. Besides her husband and her little daughter, the Hartford church will greatly mourn her loss; yet we sorrow not without hope, for we feel that Sister Wells will have a part in the first resurrection.

I. C.

TAYLOR.—Died Jan. 11, 1905, at Winthrop, Me., of a complication of diseases, Mrs. Mabel Woodward Taylor, at the age of 34 years, 11 months, and 14 days. She leaves a husband, father, and mother to mourn their loss. She also leaves a beautiful little son three years of age. The deceased was laid to rest at Bucksport, Me. The funeral service was conducted by the Congregational minister of Winthrop.

Sister Taylor was the only daughter of George and Diana Woodward, of the Boston church of Seventh-day Adventists. This will be a heavy blow upon her parents in their declining years. The fall of 1903, and the winter of 1904, she spent with her parents at their Boston home. It was during this visit that Sister Taylor embraced the third angel's message and united with the Boston church, where she remained a devoted, faithful member until her death.

It is clearly evident that this last visit was in the providence of the Lord, for it seems that she was directed by the Spirit to make this visit, in order that she might obtain a knowledge of the truth and thus be prepared to meet her God. Her sweet resignation to the will of the Lord, even through severe pain and suffering, was an impressive lesson of God's sustaining grace and power, to all who came within the reach of her influence. It was her chief delight to speak of the Christian's hope to those with whom she came in contact during her last illness. While her sweet Christian life will be missed

by those who knew her, yet her loved ones can rest in the blessed assurance that she is sweetly sleeping in Jesus for only a little while, and then the blast of the archangel's trumpet will awaken her in the morning of the first resurrection.

K. C. RUSSELL.

PEABODY.—Confident that the "Lord is gracious, righteous, and merciful," our full hearts gave utterance to the consolation voiced from heaven, "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them," as our beloved sister, Susan N. Peabody, peacefully and trustingly fell asleep in Jesus Jan. 23, 1905, at her home on Park Ave., Bradford, Mass., aged 64 years and 28 days.

Susan N. Sanborn was born in Fremont, N. H., Dec. 25, 1840. She came to Bradford in 1868, where she first met Francis Peabody, to whom she was married June 27, 1869, and who affectionately testifies to her prudence, patience, and loving fidelity during her life. Previous to her marriage, she had united with the Methodist Church. Being a seeker for truth, she read and studied much the principles and truths set forth in the third angel's message, to which she became a faithful adherent. She was baptized at Ballardvale, Mass., and united with the Seventh-day Adventist church, of Haverhill, Sept. 2, 1878, in which she has ever since been an active, interested, and earnest laborer. Here her death is deeply mourned, but not by those who have no hope, for they look forward to a glorious reunion at the first resurrection. Her husband and one sister survive her. The funeral service was conducted by E. W. Stone, who read from Job 14, and comforted us with well-chosen remarks.

The writer thanks our Father that she was privileged to attend this dear sister during the last five months of her life; for the many seasons of prayer we had together and her oft-expressed words of comfort and faith and love for all, will long be fondly cherished.

EMMA E. ORR.

"BLESSED are they that mourn."

SUNSET CALENDAR FRIDAYS. Local Mean Time.

1905.	Boston.	N. Y. and Phila.	Washington.
Feb. 3.....	5:16	5:20	5:23
Feb. 10.....	5:26	5:28	5:31
Feb. 17.....	5:34	5:37	5:40
Feb. 24.....	5:43	5:45	5:47



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OUR missionary workers will all be interested to read the report of the work that is being done in New York City with the *Signs*. If each church would order a club of the *Signs* and circulate them faithfully, the return of the message to the East with power would be hastened.

THE loss by fire that the brother in Cheswold, Del., has sustained, affords an opportunity for our missionary workers, whether Good Samaritans or Busy Bees, to do good "especially unto them who are of the household of faith," and we hope that a few barrels of bedding, clothing, provisions, and fruit may be sent to cheer the hearts of the homeless family.

THERE are some encouraging features in the reports from the field. One sister lent a copy of "Bible Readings" last fall, and now rejoices in a new Sabbath-keeper as the result. Another sister reports that she and her husband have brought ten into the truth. Still another states that she has never known the members of her church to be so interested in missionary work as they are at present. One of their methods of circulating literature is by means of reading racks, and they now have six racks. If they keep these well filled, they will indeed be scattering the publications like the leaves of autumn, for they will never know where they fall; but God's word will not return unto him void, and the harvest is sure.

THE following may be of interest to our young people who are preparing to work in other lands:

Dr. H. W. Miller, in writing to the *Welcome Visitor* says: "I wish to emphasize the importance of the students in the academy learning to draw. It will be one of the greatest helps in a foreign field, and will also teach them to be more careful observers. The only instruction I ever had was that given by Professor Lawrence during my first year in Mount Vernon Academy, and the knowledge gained from these lessons has been a great help in the work here. Everything I have wished made I have either had to make a model or drawing for it, whether chair, table, or paved walk."

WANTED

AT once testimonials for "Christ's Object Lessons,"—good, short, crisp ones that will help sell the book. The one written by William Jennings Bryan is particularly desired. Address Frank F. Fry, 1809 Wallace St., Philadelphia, Pa.

CHESWOLD, DEL.

I DESIRE to report to the readers of the *GLEANER* the serious loss that has come to Brother Leslie Munce. On the night of February 2 his house caught fire, and practically all that he had was destroyed. His house was completely destroyed, all his furniture, except one bureau, his organ, and stove, all his bedding, all the clothing of the family, leaving him, his wife and children without a suit of clothes, or a shoe to their feet. His provisions, such as potatoes, beans, and canned fruit, were swept away in the fire. There was no insurance on the building.

He also lost about ninety copies of "Christ's Object Lessons," which were to be delivered from the 6th to the 10th inst., and twenty-four "Best Stories," in all about \$125 worth of books.

If it had not been for kind friends, they would have suffered severely with the cold. If anybody should desire to give them anything, it would be gladly accepted, as their loss will be about \$600.

May the dear Lord ever guide and bless them in this their hour of trial.

F. H. SEENEY.

MELROSE SANITARIUM.

Personal.

I AM thankful to say that I am gaining in strength, though slowly, but am sorry to say that the prospects are that it will be some days before I shall be able to take hold of this strenuous life with my former vigor. I am, however, full of courage and hope. My stay at the sanitarium is a daily blessing to me, and I am not entirely idle. I am assured that many remember me daily at the throne of grace. I am learning a sad, trying lesson, but believe the end will be life, not death.

The Lord strengthened me yesterday to speak to the Boston church. It seemed good to be with them once more. Let us all try to recognize more fully the sacredness of God's work in all its departments, and our relations to it, and in the name of God, "Arise and shine."

A. E. PLACE.

WANTED.—To hire, on or before April 1, an elderly Sabbath-keeper to work on a farm. A good home with Sabbath privileges. Address

STILLMAN E. BROWN,
Athol, Mass., Station A.

"LET the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee."

BROTHER I. G. KNIGHT writes that they now have a constituency of one hundred and twenty-five in the Panama mission field. They have raised one hundred dollars towards a tent fund, and he hopes to take a tent with him when he returns to his field.