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"Then they that feared the Lord spake often one to another."

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ONE TENTH OF ALL.

N. P. Neilsen.

The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof;
And more could He make was it not enough.
The forests He owns with the rivers and rills;
And the cattle are His on a thousand hills;
And the sea is His, and the fowls of the air;
Yea, the silver and gold and the jewels rare.
And the teeming millions who dwell on earth
He purchased by a gift of priceless worth.
As stewards of His goods His people may be,
Enjoying the bounties of earth, so free.
But this gospel of grace to all must be sent,
And so of His own He requires one-tenth.
One-tenth of the garden, one-tenth of the field,
One-tenth of all that the orchards will yield.
One-tenth of the oats, and one-tenth of the rye
Should be given to Him who ruleth on high.
One-tenth should be given of the money we earn,
One-tenth of what is made on the lime we burn.
One-tenth of the barley, one-tenth of the wheat,
And one-tenth of the eggs that we sell or eat.
One-tenth of the increase of the herds of the stall,
Of the flocks in the fields, or the fowls, of all.

One-tenth of the honey, butter and cheese;
One-tenth should be given of all the increase.
To those who are faithful, great blessings will fall,
'Til their room to receive will be found too small;
For the windows of heaven will be open so wide
That the blessings will fall on every side.
Dear brother, dear sister, be faithful and true
In paying your tithe, and in things, too;
For unnumbered blessings will attend your way,
And the smiles of heaven will be yours each day.

—Wisconsin Reporter.



TITHE REPORT.

Tithes received during month ending December 31, 1901;

Akron	\$ 7.45
Bellville	11.50
Bowling Green	91.33
Beaver	6.55
Cincinnati	109.03
Chagrin Falls	3.91
Columbus	63.25
Cleveland	133.25
Camden	15.90
Conneaut	7.30
Coshocton	11.96
Canton	19.02
Dunkirk	5.20
Dayton	65.34
Elgin	15.00
Fairfield	9.55
Findlay	44.88
Greenspring	21.96
Grand River	25.00
Hill Grove	7.25
Hamler	121.26
Kenton	37.95
Killbuck	15.42
Lake View	74.16
Laura	7.00
Mt. Vernon	155.20
Marion	51.00
Meigs	5.68

Marshfield	60.00
Newark	120.80
Olivette	13.30
Portage River	3.00
Pemberville	51.00
Springfield	48.28
Sherwood	20.00
Toledo	13.81
Waterford	14.00
Wengerlawn	18.30
Wheelersburg	62.90
Washington C. H.	1.00
Isolated Sabbath-keepers ...	43.00

Total

\$1,605.75
BESSIE E. RUSSELL,
Treas.



A WORD OF EXPLANATION.

No doubt many of the Visitor readers wonder where Academia is located, so we thought a word of explanation would be appreciated. What is known as the Mt. Vernon Academy is located about one mile northeast of the city limits of Mt. Vernon. Several families of Sabbath keepers have located near the Academy in order to give their children the benefit of the educational advantages that can be obtained at such a school. The children who are too young to enter the Academy attend the church school, which is held in a building that was erected for that purpose. The Ohio Tract Society has erected a building (for a depository and office) near the Academy. One of our brethren has a grocery store near by, so there is quite a little village of Adventists. Some months ago a postoffice was established. It is known as Academia. All mail for the Ohio Tract Society, Ohio Conference S. D. A., and Welcome Visitor should be addressed, Academia, Knox Co., O. Academia is not a money-order office, so please make money orders payable at the Mt. Vernon office, but send them to Academia, Knox Co., O.



"Our God shall come and not keep silent."

CANVASSERS' INSTITUTE.

We trust that all the canvassers will remember the time and place of the institute. We need men and women to enter the field as true soldiers for Christ. Now is the time to canvass. Read the good reports of those who are now at work. Since the beginning of the new year all of our workers are doing well. The Lord has given to every man his work. We hope to see a goodly number at the institute. B. L. House, F. H. Henderson, W. E. Bidwell and some others of our young ministers will be present to tell their rich experience. The brethren of the Columbus church have offered their assistance toward making the institute a success. May the Lord bless in all the preparation and may all be ready to receive His help at this meeting.

We expect to make a vigorous campaign with Christ's Object Lessons from now on until next May. We hope that all of our people will sell as many copies of this as they can.

A. G. HAUGHEY.

We again call the attention of the canvassers to the institute that will be held in the Columbus church Feb. 6-16, 1902. Let all who want to enter the evangelistic canvassing work plan to attend this institute. Brother E. R. Palmer, canvassing agent for the General Conference, Brother Blosser, the L. U. C. canvassing agent and workers from Ohio will be present to give good instruction. "A great and good work may be done by evangelistic canvassing."

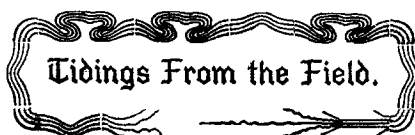
Dear Canvassers:—Please prepare to attend the institute. The Lord has great things in store for us, so let us not lose the blessings that He has for us. A great work is going to be done by the canvassers, but in order to do this work we must have a meeting and plan for it. Let us all be of good courage.

G. P. GAEDE.

A GENERAL MEETING.

A general meeting will be held in the new church at Middlefield, Geagua Co., Ohio, Jan. 30 to Feb. 2, 1902. We trust that all the churches in the northeastern part of the state will be represented at this meeting. We expect a good corps of laborers to be present. Come asking the Lord's blessing upon the meeting.

A. G. HAUGHEY.



Plainfield, O., Jan. 6, 1902.

The words and thoughts that burn upon my mind and force themselves from my lips (gathered from the week of prayer readings) are as follows: "O, church of the living God, awake! Awake, from thy slumber! Awake and put on thy strength, O, Zion!" and give the Advent Message to the world in this generation." And O, the blessed promise, "There shall be delay no longer." The work is to be "cut short in righteousness." But it is to this people that God has given the work of giving this message and bringing it to a close. We must step into our opportunities for labor, for only by working can we be partakers in the reward. We must be sharers in the sufferings and work of Christ. Time is flying by, O, so rapidly and the world is not warned. Opportunities slighted can never be improved, but the Lord calls us to learn lessons from the past and "redeem the time" by improving the present. Now is the time to work valiantly and faithfully for the Lord. But how few Calebs and Joshuas there are who are saying, "we are well able to possess the land," but there are plenty who are magnifying the giants. A new year has begun with all its privileges, opportunities and dangers. Now is the time to lay all upon the altar for Christ, with all we are or expect to be. The testimonies say, "it will require all to gain heaven." But I am glad the saints will say when finally redeemed, "heaven is cheap enough." We must be gaining victories now. We must make special efforts to keep awake for we are on the enemy's enchanted ground. We are in great danger of falling asleep, of becoming satisfied and careless; when we should have our minds filled with the importance of the message for today and be full of spiritual life and energy. When I look at the high calling to which we are called, I rejoice that I can be a co-laborer with the Majesty of heaven. The work of reorganization which has been begun with the General Conference and which has come down through the state conferences will only prove a success to this movement when we have a complete reor-

ganization of the heart and life of every soul. Then we will see a working people, living the Christ-like life. We as a people are embarrassed because of the heavy debts that hang over our institutions. We will never be able to push this work to a finish until these debts are removed. What has God given us to roll back this awful reproach from this people? The work of selling 300,000 Christ's Object Lessons. This is the work that will free us from debt and help us to "sing the jubilee song of freedom throughout our borders." Here is where we are being tested. We can either heed the invitation, "go work in my vineyard," or shrink and excuse ourselves. Satan is doing all he can to get the canvasser to give up the work and do something else. O, may the Lord help us, and roll upon us a burden to sell Object Lessons and to talk to the people in their homes and tell them of Jesus and His love. It is a blessed work and one of the most effectual means we can use to work for the people. The canvasser for Christ's Object Lessons arouses no prejudice, but wins friends everywhere for the truth. O, I do hope the Lord will help us all to see the importance of this work and roll upon us a burden for it.

I love the work and the Lord is putting a new song in my heart. We must not stay out of the work because we are timid and because of Satan's rebuffs. I need the grace and courage of heaven to start in my work every morning. Will to do His will and strength will come as you need it. We must overcome our natural dislikes in the fullness of our burden for the work.

B. L. HOUSE.

Portsmouth, O., Jan. 6, 1902.

Dear Readers of the Visitor:

According to appointment I met with the church at Beaver during the week of prayer. I arrived there on Friday, Dec. 21.

We met for Sabbath-school on Sabbath, in their cozy little meeting room, and although the weather was severe several faithful ones were present and we had an interesting and profitable study of the lesson. This was followed by other services. Our readings were held in the evening, and part of the time an afternoon meeting besides. At first there

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was a lack of interest and a small attendance. But we were gratified to find both interest and attendance increasing each day, until the room would scarcely accommodate all, even some outsiders being present. Excellent attention was given.

A few meetings were held for the children, and it was indeed encouraging to see how their bright little minds grasped the points, and applied the lessons. Some of the lambs message.

I visited nearly all the brethren and sisters at their homes, and found there are certainly being trained for the Lord to use in giving the closing them loving the truth. One sister who has much opposition in her home is very firm in the truth, and is advancing with the message even though she is permitted to attend Sabbath services but a few times during the year. Her little boy will not eat flesh meats of any kind; and the oldest boy of the elder is equally solid on that point, showing careful training in right principles. These boys are not more than eight years old, yet their example might be suggestive to many older persons of the text, "a little child shall lead them."

Discouragement and differences had existed among some of the members. These were encouraged and revived spiritually, and a letter received from the church elder since returning states that confessions and the removing of differences have been continuing, for which I praise the name of the Lord.

I trust a minister may visit them soon, as the wife of the elder is awaiting baptism.

May the good work continue, and the Lord receive all the praise.

M. HORTENSE HOWELL.

COLUMBUS—It was my privilege to be at Columbus during a part of the week of prayer, having returned from New York city the 24th of December.

Meetings were held each evening, both in the church in the East End and in the hall on the West Side of the city. The readings gave new life to those who listened to them, and all who sought the Lord earnestly found Him precious to their souls. An offering of \$86.00 was contributed toward the proclamation of the Advent Message in this generation.

The blessings of the Lord have attended the Columbus church the past year in their missionary labors and finances, and yet there is room for great work to be done in this, the capital of the state, in order to have all lines of work represented and carried forward.

The church is being blessed in its work for the youth and children. A noble work is being done in the Church School and Sabbath School and special services are held each Sabbath afternoon in training them to do service for the Master. It is better to train the children aright than to seek to reform them after they have gone astray. He who wants a flock of sheep must give attention to the lambs; likewise if special attention is given to the youth and children, the spirit of the Lord will abide with us, and a grand work will be accomplished throughout our borders in keeping our young growing up "within the fold of Christ."

IDA M. WAITERS.

Believing that the time has fully come that we as a people should arise and shine and give the Advent Message to those who are in darkness, a general meeting was held at Liberty Center, O., to consider plans for this work. The meeting commenced Jan. 2d and continued until the 6th. Eight different churches were represented. The following laborers were present: D. E. Lindsey, W. H. Wakeham, H. H. Burkholder, A. G. Haughey, F. M. Fairchild and G. P. Gaede. W. H. Wakeham represented the educational work of the state and G. P. Gaede the canvassing work. Three meetings were held each day and the spirit of union prevailed throughout. The attendance and interest was good. Three old canvassers decided to enter the work again. When the financial condition of the work was presented one party, who had been in a luke warm condition, gave \$25 and pledged \$25 more. Thus we see that the sweet, gentle influence of the Spirit will warm the cold heart and the rest will follow. The brethren thought it would be a good thing to have a local camp meeting in that part of the state, and agreed to sustain it, if such a meeting should be held. The spirit and blessing of the Lord was felt in all the meetings. On Sunday evening D. E. Lindsey occupied the hour and the Lord blessed in

the ministry of the Word. H. H. Burkholder, F. M. Fairchild and G. P. Gaede remained to look after the interest of the work. G. P. Gaede is working in the interest of the canvassing work.

I spent the week of prayer with the brethren at Hicksville. The attendance was not large, but the Lord was with us. The last Sabbath was one long to be remembered. Some came seven miles to attend the meeting. All took part in the social meetings, even the young people. The interest and attendance of those not of our faith was good. The brethren realize the need of a church building. I believe it would be pleasing to the Lord to have a plain church erected at that place as a memorial of His truth. It would be a help to the young people to take an interest, and the outsiders would feel more like attending. The brethren are anxious to have a building, but are not able to build it without help, so we are asking our neighboring churches to help us, as this is the Lord's work. The donation the last Sabbath was \$3.00. This is not much, but we did what we could. We are now having a good meeting at Liberty Center. We are visiting from house to house. I am selling books along the way. I sold "Marvel of Nations" to the Reformed minister, and had a good talk with him. The Lord is good. He gives us favor with the people. Outsiders are donating toward the Hicksville church.

G. P. GAEDE.

Liberty Center, O.

Jan. 9, 1902.

SPRINGFIELD, DAYTON and EXCELLO—In harmony with the advice given by our worthy president we moved to Springfield, Dec. 11. The following Sabbath the church was well represented. The blessing of the Lord was with us. Dec. 20-29 we spent in Dayton. Services were held each evening. On the Sabbath we held the services in the forenoon. The attendance was good. Members came early. About fifteen minutes were generally spent in earnest prayer. The readings were excellent. Often when about half through the reading, all would rise and sing one or two verses of some spiritual song. Another person would then finish the reading. The Lord came near. All

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felt that it was good to be there. We spent one day with Brother Robert Reed and family. They live on a farm near Excello. The Lord sent them the truth through Bible readings. About two years ago it was our privilege to hold Bible readings in Middletown and later on in the home of Brother Reed. They stand as it were alone amid strong opposition, and need our sympathy and prayers. They now belong to the Dayton church. They are faithful in paying their tithe. We obtained two subscriptions for the "Review" and three for the "Visitor."

J. G. WOOD.

CINCINNATI—Week of prayer services closed on Sunday, Dec. 29, with an overflow meeting. Through the week services were held in the suburbs three evenings, once on Delta Ave., College Hill and Price Hill, respectively, and at other times in the central part of the city. The attendance was good and regular and the Spirit that the Lord only gives. The annual offering was large in view of the financial ability of the church and compared with other occasions of like character. The tithe, too, that came after was greater than for some time, with church rent paid three months in advance and a cash balance in the treasury. All this must certainly prove that we are coming up higher spiritually, and we trust that it is the fact. We desire to trim our sails for the "forward movement" and pray not to be left out at the end of the race. Of course some things wanted months ago have not come to hand and for this all are sorry, but not without hope that the Head of the work at this point and all points will make the wrath of man to praise Him and the remainder of wrath will He restrain, and do that which is best for His cause and His people.

M. S. BABCOCK.


NOTICE.

Under existing circumstances it is impossible for the Ohio Tract Society to handle "HEALTH FOODS." So we suggest that our brethren in Ohio order from any of the following: Cleveland Health Food Co., 99 Central Ave., Cleveland, O.; R. W. Van Nest, 1819 Adams St., Toledo, O.; Elbert I. Secor & Co., Academia, Knox Co., O.

NO STERNER DUTY

Confronts the people of God today than the obligation to give their sons and daughters a Christian education. To fulfill this duty Church Schools must be established, and a Church School to be successful must be organized and conducted on the plans laid down by God himself.

The Union College Press has issued a neat 32-page booklet on the subject of Church Schools. Besides valuable Testimonies on this subject, and a graded course of study, it contains other matter valuable to Church School Workers. Price, per copy, 8c.; 5 copies, 30c.; 10 copies, 50c. Address Union College Press, College View, Neb.



QUESTIONS ON "TESTIMONIES ON SABBATH-SCHOOL WORK."

January Study, Pages 53-58.
Third Week—

1. In what should teachers and pupils feel a lively interest?
2. Why is it necessary for each person to study every point of truth?
3. In what spirit should the Scriptures be studied? What aid is promised?
4. What means will the Lord use to carry the truth to the world?
5. What new element must be brought into Sabbath-school work, and what should be left out?
6. Why are the words of the True Witness applicable to Sabbath-school members? (Let each one consider how he has shown "self-esteem and self-sufficiency.")



CANVASSERS' REPORTS.

W. E. Bidwell—Orders, 5 Christ's Object Lessons, 1 Steps to Christ, 1 Gospel Primer, 5 Best Stories, 1 Coming King, 1 Bible. Deliveries, 3 Steps to Christ, 2 Gospel Primer, 4 Best Stories, 2 Coming King, 1 Bible, 1 Miracles and Delusions, 564 pages of tracts. Gave away 18 papers, made 36 calls. Value of orders, \$12.75. Value of sales, \$8.47. Total, \$21.22.

Geo. W. Spies—Orders, 16 Coming King, 1 Cats and Dogs, 2 Glorious Appearing. Value, \$17.

Mrs. Geo. W. Spies—Orders, 1 Coming King, 1 Christ Our Saviour, 2 Gospel Primer. Value, \$2.25.

C. L. Wilson—Book sales, \$10.25.

Fred C. Webster—Orders, 26 Coming King, 7 Best Stories, 3 Steps to Christ, 1 Bible, 2 Sunbeams of Health and Temperance. Value, \$45.80.

Deliveries, 58 Coming King, 23 Best Stories, 11 Steps to Christ, 2 Sunbeams of Health and Temperance. Value, \$101.35.

G. P. Gaede—Cash sales, 2 Marvel of Nations, 3 Christ Our Saviour. Value, \$4.00.



NEWS AND NOTES.

Brother C. A. Smith is laboring in Hamilton.

Brother R. A. Boardman is in Battle Creek, Mich., taking treatment at the Sanitarium. It is hoped that his health will improve.

Sisters Ida M. Walters, Katharine E. Miller, Lela Gibson and Flora McOllister, who have been laboring in New York city and supported by the Ohio Conference, have returned to Ohio. Sisters Walters and McOllister will engage in the Bible work in Columbus. Sister Gibson will enter the work as soon as the health of her mother will permit her to leave home. We pray that the health of Sister Miller will improve so she can enter the work again.

Any one desiring to know the club rates of "The Signs of the Times" for 1902, will find the same in the issue bearing the date of Jan. 1, 1902.

All combination orders for periodicals should be ordered direct from the publishers.

Please do not make out checks, drafts or money orders payable to individuals, but to the Ohio Tract society or Ohio Conference, S. D. A.

The auditing committee will meet at the Ohio Tract Society office, Jan. 20, 1902. Let all the Conference laborers have their reports in by that time.

Brother B. W. Van Eman of Elgin, O., (who told us his experiences in the last issue of the Visitor) has ordered 21 more Object Lessons. This makes 100 that he has bought. We hope that many of our brethren will take up this good work.

Sister Cora Gibson, who is teaching a church school at Clarkesfield, O., says, "I never enjoyed a week of prayer season so much before. I suppose one reason for this was that the children took such an active part."