

The Welcome Visitor.

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

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'TIS THE KINDLY THOUGHT THAT COUNTS.

Oft afflictions press upon us,
 Into which no light has shown;
 Others no relief can bring us,
 We must struggle on alone;
 But a helping hand, extended
 Where the path so rugged mounts,
 Comforts, if it cannot help us:
 'Tis the kindly thought that counts.

Sometimes grief our sunshine darkens;
 Sorrows mar the pleasant day;
 Spirits droop beneath the burden,
 Tears and sighing all the way.
 When a kind word falls, like sunlight,
 On the weight our soul surmounts,
 Though it vanish not, it lightens:
 'Tis the kindly thought that counts.

Friends can't always share our burdens,
 Offered help is often vain;
 But, though forced to still refuse it,
 We are grateful just the same;
 And within the heart's recesses,
 Storing love's untold amounts,
 Cherished as a priceless treasure,
 Is the kindly thought that counts.



A CALL FROM TOLEDO.

"In every city where we have a church, there is need of a place where treatment can be given."—Test. Vol. 6, page 113. For two years Brother and Sister L. M. McAbee (Sanitarium nurses) have been located in Toledo, Ohio.

They rented suitable rooms and fitted them up for giving treatment. Dr. Rand and others from the Sanitarium have made visits to the treatment rooms and rendered medical aid. The work has grown until there is a

demand for something larger. "Make small beginnings, and enlarge as circumstances demand."—Test. Vol. 6, page 113. The circumstances now demand something larger, but it will take means to do this. "Count the cost of every undertaking, that you may be sure of being able to finish."—Test. Vol. 6, page 113. I was called to Toledo recently by the "International Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association" and there met two representatives of that board, viz., Dr. A. J. Read and Judge Arthur. We found that a suitable building can be obtained at a reasonable sum. Now we believe that the brethren in Ohio want to do all in their power to spread this "Gospel of Health," for we are told, "As we near the close of time, we must rise higher and still higher upon the question of health reform and Christian temperance, presenting it in a more positive and decided manner."—Test. Vol. 6, page 112. Believing the time has fully come for us to make a "Forward Movement" in this line and establish the work in Toledo we call for all who can, to donate to this cause. If the Ohio conference can raise \$1,500 the building can be procured and the conference not be involved. While there we "counted the cost," and we do not want to involve the conference. So brethren the matter is before you. We know what the Lord says about the importance of this work, and also the importance of counting the cost and doing business in the right way. Elder D. E. Lindsay is now located at Toledo and the work is onward. He sees the importance of this work. All who feel impressed to help raise \$1,500 to enlarge this work in Toledo can send their donations to the Ohio Conf. S. D. A., Academia, Ohio.

A. G. HAUGHEY.



A REQUEST.

We are very sorry that the health of Elders R. A. Boardman and E. J.

Van Horn is such that they are not able to be in active service. Elder Boardman is in Battle Creek, Mich., taking treatment at the Sanitarium. He writes that he is of good courage in the Lord and hopes to improve in health.

Elder Van Horn is at his home near Lake View, Ohio. He is not able to take an active part in the work at present. We kindly request the brethren in the Ohio conference to remember these faithful servants at the "throne of grace," that if it is the will of the Lord their health may be restored so they can enter the battle again to remain until the victory is gained. On account of Elder Van Horn's health failing Elder A. C. Shannon will have charge of the work in Cleveland.

A. G. HAUGHEY.



NOTICE.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Managers of the Mt. Vernon Academy has been appointed to be held at the Academy building, Tuesday, February 18, 1902, at 2 o'clock p. m., to perform the regular spring work of the Committee. CHAS. E. WELCH,
Secretary.



QUESTIONS ON "TESTIMONIES ON SABBATH-SCHOOL WORK."

February Study, pages 58-61.

Third Week.

1. What are some of the "momentous issues at stake through neglect of the Word of God?"
2. What should be our attitude toward "new light?"
3. What part does prejudice sometimes act?
4. Note carefully the instruction given which is similar to Prov. 18:13.
5. In what way may precious jewels of truth be discarded?

THE FORWARD MOVEMENT

A Revival of the Study and Practical Application of the Physical Sign of Spiritual Truth in its Relation to the Second Advent of Our Lord.

"PREPARE YE THE WAY OF THE LORD."

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Since it was first proposed to prepare a book for use in the Missionary Reading Circle study, the general scope of the work has been changed, and the original plan has been merged into the larger idea of the Forward Movement. This led to enlarged plans as to the nature of the book and the field to be covered by it, and it has been found impossible to have the book ready as early as at first proposed. The Central Committee regret this unavoidable delay in the issue of the book, but still feel that in the end it will be more satisfactory to take sufficient time for the work than to hasten its issue at the expense of that carefulness in preparation to which a treatise of such importance is entitled.

In view of this delay the Central Committee has arranged for the preparation of a series of practical studies, one of which will be printed each week. These studies will deal with the use of water in the treatment of some of the more common ailments, but it will include more than arbitrary directions for giving a few treatments. Many people have learned by experience or from observation that a hot fomentation will relieve pain in many instances, while in other cases a cold application will produce a favorable result; but there are comparatively few who can tell the nature of the disorder in the system which is the cause of the pain, or what change must be produced in order to set things right again, or why the application should be hot in one instance, and cold in the other, or when or why they should sometimes be alternated. The principles which lie at the foundation of these que tions, and the more direct causes of many common disorders, can be understood by any person of ordinary intelligence who is willing to study; and it is for the purpose of bringing some of this information within the reach of those who are willing to study that these lessons are to be printed. - They will be prepared by physicians of experience, and the information will be scientifically accurate; but a special effort will be

made to clothe the ideas in simple language, avoiding technical terms as far as possible, so that none need be deprived of the benefits of the lessons through a lack of previous medical training.

In order that the most may be made of this opportunity, and that the results may be as beneficial as possible, the Central Committee suggests that a weekly gathering be held in each church or company in which these studies may be taken up and the practical work actually done. It only demands interest and leadership to make the movement a success. In many instances some one will be found in the company whose previous experience can be used to excellent advantage in this effort.

The first study will be printed in the Review of February 18, and the studies will then follow in regular succession. In the meantime the matter should be considered, the plans laid, and all preparations made so that the studies can be begun not later than the first of March.

In behalf of the Central Committee,
 W. W. PRESCOTT,
 Chairman.



DAVIS—Mrs. Miranda Harris Davis was born in Holmes Co., Ohio, June 4, 1825; died at Columbus, O., Jan. 23, 1902, aged 77 years, 6 months and 19 days. Sister Davis united with the Methodist church when but fourteen years of age. She accepted the Advent Message about fifteen years ago under the labors of Elder Gates. Her last words were, "Praise God for His kindness, it is better than life to me." Similar words are recorded by David in Ps. 63:3, and from this remarks were made at the funeral. She leaves an aged husband and three children. She has an assurance of a glorious inheritance in the soon coming kingdom. Services conducted by the writer.

C. A. WATKINS.



"That which lies in the well of your thought will come up in the bucket of your speech."

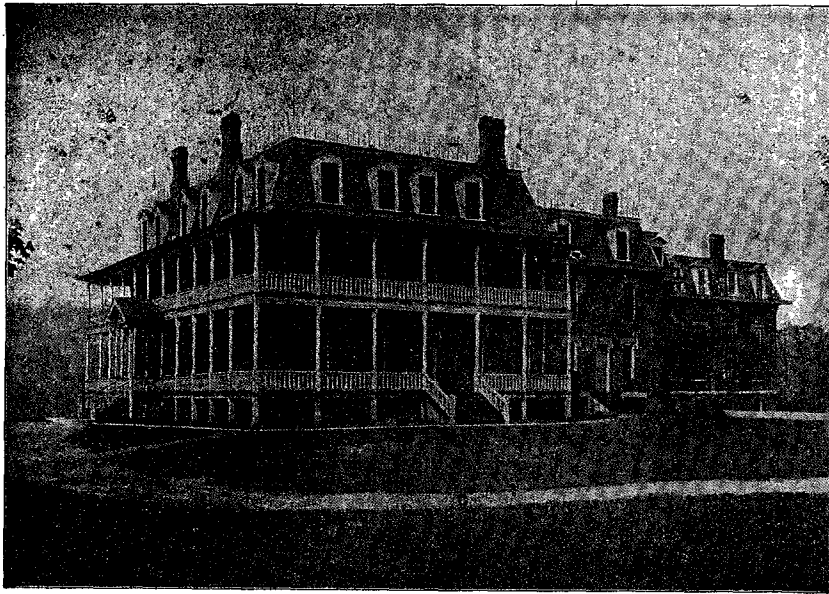
"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God."

TITHE REPORT.

Tithes received during month of January, 1902:

Alliance	\$ 3.42
Akron	135.91
Beaver	20.63
Broughton	9.40
Bloomington	5.50
Bellefontaine	31.60
Bellville	18.05
Boughtonville	7.75
Bowling Green.....	31.77
Chagrin Falls	27.88
Coshocton05
Cincinnati	3.81
Camden	18.99
Chillicothe	23.00
Clyde	33.86
Corsica	36.11
Columbus	196.77
Croton	5.00
Cleveland	383.66
Dayton	77.68
Dunkirk	7.00
Delaware20
Elgin	30.00
Geneva	27.46
Greenspring	8.85
Greensburg	4.10
Hill Grove	11.45
Hicksville	80.80
Hamler	39.55
Kirtland	43.07
Liberty Center	109.95
Lewistown	21.08
Laura	33.82
Leesburg	31.00
Lima	25.25
La Grange.....	73.43
Locust Point	10.00
Middlefield	47.35
Mendon	6.56
Mt. Vernon	139.28
North Bloomfield.....	7.30
Norwalk	32.75
Portage River	47.85
Shreve61
St. Clairsville	12.30
Sherwood	56.53
Springfield	63.39
Troy	18.45
Toledo	103.52
Van Wert	8.60
Wheelersburg	50.40
Wilmington	15.65
Wengerlawn	9.66
Walnut Grove	47.93
Washington C. H.....	155.14
Waterford	10.88
Youngstown	30.00
Isolated Sabbath-keepers ..	57.10
Total	\$2,549.10

BESSIE E. RUSSELL,
 Treasurer.



MT. VERNON ACADEMY.

We earnestly invite the hearty cooperation of all our fellow-workers in this important matter, and we desire correspondence with all who may now be in trouble along this line.

E. R. PALMER,
Secretary Gen. Con. Pub. Dept.

CANVASSERS' REPORT.

F. E. Wagner—Orders and cash sales for two weeks, \$23.55.

Geo. W. Spies—Deliveries, 7 Gospel Primer, 17 Coming King, 4 All Sorts. Value, \$21.75.

C. L. Wilson—Value of orders, \$30.55.

D. R. Gallion—In 4 days, 25 Marvel of Nations. Value, \$33.25. Brother Gallion says: "I can heartily recommend the Marvel of Nations as a good selling book."



Our Canvassers.

THE TRANSFER OF AGENTS.

We greatly desire that a uniform system be established with reference to the transfer of canvassing agents, (1) from one state to another within any Union Conference, (2) from one Union Conference to another, and (3) from one country to another.

We invite your attention to the following suggestions:

1. In transferring agents from one state to another within a Union Conference, application for help should be made by a properly authorized officer in the conference to the president and general agent of the Union Conference. These Union Conference officers will confer with the officers of the state or states from which the help is wanted, and if the transfer is considered desirable, the agents asked for will be communicated with by the officers under whom they have been working.

2. When a Union Conference desires agents from any other Union Conference, application for the same should be made by the proper officers to the General Conference president and the secretary of the publishing department, and these general officers will take steps to secure the needed help by applying to the officials of those parts of the field which are best able to furnish it.

3. Distant fields outside of the

United States should make application for agents to the general officers as directed under number two.

4. Agents who have a burden for another field, or for any reason wish to be transferred, should present their desires to the proper officers in their own State Conference, Union Conference, or to the secretary of the publishing department of the General Conference, as the circumstances may demand. In the event of publishing houses, or local conferences receiving applications for employment from agents outside their territory, such applications should be referred to the State Conference or Union Conference in which the agents reside, or to the secretary of the General Conference publishing department.

This system may seem slow, and liable to cause delay; yet while this may be the result in some instances, it will not require one-tenth of the loss of time and energy caused by the confusion and disaster resulting from a disregard of the authority and rights of local organizations. The same careful consideration should be given to the transfer of agents as to the transfer of other conference workers.

The policy of the General Conference will be to search out good, reliable agents to supply the wants of needy fields as far as possible; but vigorous efforts will be made to prevent all secret pulling of agents from one field to another; for such irregular practices can bring only evil to all concerned.



Tidings From the Field.

The general meeting at Middlefield, Jan. 30 to Feb. 12, was quite well attended by our people. The weather was unpleasant during the time on account of a very heavy snow storm that made traveling rather difficult. Elder R. A. Underwood (whose home is near Middlefield) president of the Penn. conference was present Sabbath and Sunday. His labors and presence were much appreciated. The workers from Cleveland, viz., Elder A. C. Shannon and Sisters Nellie M. Stevens and Mary C. Huffaker, were present. The blessing of the Lord was with us. The brethren at Middlefield have a modest chapel neatly arranged, that will seat about two hundred people. When completed, the lot, building and all, will cost about \$1,200. The Lord has greatly blessed the labors of Brother C. C. Webster in that part of the vineyard.

A. G. HAUGHEY.

Elgin, O., Feb. 2, 1902.

The last of December I ordered 21 more "Christ's Object Lessons." I received them the first part of January. Shortly after I received the books I went to Putnam county on a visit and I took a few books with me. I sold two on the road. I visited at five homes, presented the book three times and sold two books. I sold two

to men who bought some stock of me. I sold two one day when I went to mill. I put in another as interest on a note. I can heartily recommend to our people the plan of selling "Object Lessons" whenever they have a business transaction. I have sold "Object Lessons" to ten different men who have bought stock of me. When you go out on business, whether buying or selling, try to put in an "Object Lesson."

B. W. VAN EMAN.

("A decided work is to be done in accomplishing God's plan. Let every stroke tell for the Master in the selling of "Christ's Object Lessons." Let all who possibly can join the workers. From the success of the efforts already made, we see it is far better to obey God's requirements today than to wait for what we might think a more favorable season."—Test. Vol. 6. Now is the time to sell "Object Lessons." May the blessing of the Lord be with all who take up this work.—Ed.)

Wengerlawn, O., Feb. 2, 1902.

Dear Readers of the Welcome Visitor—It gives us all joy when we hear of souls being converted to this glorious truth, which is so precious to us. It reminds us of the time that the angel said to the shepherds, "Behold I bring you tidings of great joy."

"Till God in human flesh I see,
My thoughts no comfort find.
The holy, just and sacred tree
Are turned to my mind.
But if Emmanuel's face appears,
My hope, my joy begins.
His grace removes my slavish fears,
His blood removes my sins."

May we remember the work in all parts of the great harvest field, and not be slothful in the work and in the time of the harvest be gathered in the garner.

J. J. WILLIAMS.



A WARNING.

All of our people are warned against one L. Schmidt, a German of medium height, smooth face, slightly cross-eyed, of pleasing address, who passes as an S. D. A. missionary, selling Bibles, signs, tracts, etc. He is using religion as a garb of wickedness, and in every place he leaves a stench and reproach behind him. He was last seen in Harrisburg, Pa.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Elder L. C. Sheaf is holding meetings at the Waterford church.

The Lord is coming soon. "There shall be delay no longer." Do you believe it?

Brother N. S. Miller spent Sabbath and Sunday at the canvassers' institute in Columbus.

We trust that all who ordered the Midwinter number of "Good Health" have received it ere this.

The Indiana conference is preparing for a vigorous campaign in the sale of "Christ's Object Lessons."

Several workers and canvassers gave the office a call last week. They were on their way to the canvassers' institute.

Brother James H. Smith spoke to the brethren of the Mt. Vernon church Sabbath, Feb. 8. He is on his way to the canvassers' institute.

The February number of the Sentinel is full of interesting matter. The voice of the dragon is heard on every hand. Are we doing all we can to warn people of the "things which are coming on the earth"?

Church officers will please send word to the Ohio Conference whenever they are in need of Tithe, First Day Offering, or Sabbath-school envelopes. Be particular to give the number necessary for your use.

Sister Flora McCollister writes from Columbus, O.: "The Lord is blessing me in my work. I now hold twelve Bible readings in my own neighborhood, and each family seems very much interested. I hope to see many Sabbath keepers ere my work is finished here."

There are now 768 copies of the "Signs of the Times" coming into the Ohio conference. Of this number 555 are in clubs and the rest single. The "Signs" has one club rate for 1902, and that is 70 cents per year for copy for five or more copies. The Signs office will accept from those taking such clubs additional single subscriptions at the 83 cent rate.

A brother from the Mt. Vernon church came into the office last Sunday morning and said, "that he had just received some money for some 'Christ's Object Lessons' that he had sent away some time ago, and that he wanted to buy some more books before he spent the money for something else." He bought two more

"Object Lessons." He has sold ten or twelve books. Said he wanted to sell twenty-five. We hope that many more will do as much.

Some of the churches seem to think that their tithe is not properly reported in the Visitor. The books are closed up the last day of each month. For instance the books were closed up Jan. 31, and the tithe that has been received since that time is not in the January tithe report that is in this paper, but will be in the February tithe report. We hope this will explain the matter to all.



BRIEFS.

"Rejoice in the Lord always."

"Build on the rock, and fear no shock."

"Some very good-looking people are deformed on the inside."

"Wealth is no harm; but the inability to give it up is deadly."

"The time has come when no physical, mental, or moral power is to be wasted, or misapplied."

"The return of Christ to our world will not be long delayed. Let this be the keynote of every message."

"We are to throw aside our narrow, selfish plans, remembering that we have a work of the largest magnitude and importance."

"When the Lord sees His people restricting their imaginary wants, practicing self-denial not in a mournful, regretful spirit, as Lot's wife left Sodom, but joyfully for Christ's sake, then the work will go forward with power."



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