

THE Welcome Visitor

"Surely I Come Quickly. Even So, Come, Lord Jesus."

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"COME, COME AWAY!"

O COME, come away! for time's career
is closing;
Let worldly care henceforth forbear:—
O come, come away!
Come, come! our heavenly joys renew.
Where love and heavenly friendship
grew;
The Spirit welcomes you!—
O come, come away!
Awake ye! awake! no time now for
reposing;
The Lord is near! breaks on the ear,—
O come, come away!
Come, come where Jesus' love will be.
Who says, I meet with two or three:
Sweet promise made to thee!
O come, come away!

—Hymn.

YES, come.

THE invitation is broad; it is urgent.

"THE Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let them that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely."

THE invitation is urgent, not only because men die daily, but because the last call is now being made. "And the Lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in."

It is said of those who were first bidden, but because of temporal interests began to make excuse, that none of them should taste the Lord's supper. But this is a symbol of our own time, when the cares or pleasures of this life and temporal gains have become the all-absorbing themes.

Now, as never before, all need to watch God's movements as manifested in his work. He speaks to us through his provi-

dences, and unless we keep in close touch with the rapid developments of the work, we shall suddenly find that we are belated. Others have advanced with the message, while we have been buying lands or oxen, or have been planning for this life.

BUT while money making and money getting is everywhere the spirit of the times; and while worldly investments allure us at every turn; let us remember that yet a little while only will the Bank of Heaven remain open for business. Now is the time to lay up treasure where moth and rust doth not corrupt, nor thieves break through and steal.

PROVIDENCE is now multiplying opportunities for safe investments. Churches, schools, and sanitariums will be planted in a day. Those already established must be freed from every incumbrance quickly, that their work be not hindered. The recent calls of this kind are not accidental. They are indications of an onward providence inviting men and women to co-operate with heavenly agencies in hastening the coming of the Lord.

To have a part in the message now, means a full consecration, a willingness to lift where and when most needed, a ready giving of the temporal things to hasten the coming of eternal things. Not to have a part in the message now, means loss—eternal loss—property, friends, life, and all.

"BUT the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand."

THE SPRINGFIELD MEETING.

OUR good district meeting is in the past. By the cordial invitation of the church at Springfield, it was held at that place.

There were delegates present from Columbus, Chillicothe and Wheelersburg. Elder E. J. Van Horn, and brethren W. W. Miller, N. S. Miller, and F. E. Wagoner were present by special invitation. These in connection with our conference president rendered valuable assistance. A programme had been arranged touching the critical points of the third angel's message. The papers which had been prepared were read and brought out many excellent points. The talks which were given were fresh and new and full of the spirit of the message of present truth. The Spirit of the Lord was present to convince and to convict. One precious soul took his stand for the truth. We believe that others will soon do the same. We shall remember these dear ones at the throne of grace.

We have reached the time when "there shall be delay no longer." The end of all things is at hand, be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer. And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves, for this is the bond of perfection. Grudge not one against another, brethren, but let charity cover the multitude of sins. As we forgive the sins of others, so shall our sins be forgiven.

We separate from this good meeting feeling that we have been fed from the bountiful store house of truth. We trust that we have been made more earnest and zealous to labor for others that may be discouraged or in-

the bondage of sin; and to bear our part in preparing a people to receive the seal of God before he comes in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. Once more will he shake not the earth only, but also heaven. May his people all be willing in the day of his power.

R. R. KENNEDY.

A REMINISCENCE.

DURING a recent visit to Middlefield, I found a collection of old tracts, and among them one concerning the Constitution and Proceedings of the Ohio Conference for the years 1863-1866. Brother Oliver Mears, who now resides in Clyde, O., was president at the conference of 1866. Elders J. N. Loughborough and R. J. Lawrence were present at that meeting.

In those days funds for the conference work were raised by what was known as Systematic Benevolence, and the financial report for the year as given at that meeting was as follows:—

Amount on hand.....	\$332.21
Received during the year.....	599.07
Total.....	931.28
Paid out.....	288.50
Cash on hand.....	642.78
Total.....	931.28

A few items of comparison of the work then and now will give some idea of the growth of the work in the State. The amount paid out for the year then closing was \$288.50. The pay roll now demands the sum of \$1400.00 monthly. Five delegates attended that meeting. There was no ordained minister residing in Ohio, but brother Loughborough gave the brethren encouragement that one would probably be located here sometime. Among the resolutions presented, I find one recommending a donation of fifty dollars to help build a meeting house in Battle Creek. There was one tent in Ohio, but no minister to run it.

D. E. LINDSAY.

FROM THE WORKERS.

MURRAY CITY, OHIO.

A FEW words for the VISITOR: I arrived here at Murray City the 29th of January, and found the company of canvassers all of good courage in the work. This is a mining region. One company alone has nine thousand acres. The miners are making good wages, and most of the mines are in good running order, so there is no reason whatever why our books should not be sold rapidly here now. This is the day of our opportunity, while the wheel of providence is turning things to our favor. The people here spend their money freely, and why not give them the warning message?

Last Friday we visited some of the neighboring towns, and found that they are all ripe for the harvest. As we had but very little time left for canvassing, I went into a few houses, where I had the best of experiences with the people. The first man I met was just coming down with malaria, so I sat down and told him what he could do for himself. This was much appreciated; and I sold him a "Marvel of Nations," the best binding.

As I went to another house I found a young man who was full of hatred toward the trust companies, so I tried to cure him of this disease, and referred him to James 5, where the Lord tells us to be patient. I showed him that if we harbored hatred in our hearts against any, this would keep us out of the kingdom of Christ. He promised me that he would read the fifth chapter of James as soon as he got his dinner.

I sold two copies of "Marvel of Nations," and brother Hubbell sold \$2.20 worth of helps. We also went into the mine one-half mile, and there had good conversations with the miners. The work is onward, and the Lord is moving upon many hearts to go out with our good books. Will there not be many more? The canvassers here are all doing real well, and this is in accordance with the promises of the Lord. Here are a few quotations:—

"Many of our larger books might have been sold if our church members had been awake to the importance of the truths these books contain, and had real-

ized their responsibility to circulate them."

Then come on, brethren, let us begin to read our good books ourselves, and thus we will wake up to what wonderful truths they really do contain. Surely our hands are not free from the blood of souls dying all around us without knowing anything of these precious truths that are lying stacked up in our offices.

"The Lord calls for many more to engage in the canvassing work in the year 1903. For Christ's sake, my brethren and sisters, make the most of the hours of the new year to place the precious light of present truth before the people."

Will we be willing to spend and be spent for Christ's sake? There are so many who tell me they will surely go; but go not. Let such read carefully Luke 9:59-62. Yours, as ever,

G. P. GAEBDE.

A LETTER.

HARVEY, ILL., Feb. 9, 1903.

DEAR WELCOME VISITOR: I can no longer do without your welcome visits; so with this letter comes also my subscription. Since leaving Ohio I have had my time fully occupied, I assure you. Four years ago I taught my first church school, and have continued in the school work ever since. Our school here in Harvey numbers twenty-three pupils. The attendance is regular, and the interest good. We have a newly organized church here of about fifty members,—very wide awake and progressive, for which we praise the Lord.

Our missionary society is distributing reading matter all over the city. Much interest is being created from this and the numerous Bible readings being held each week by different church members. Last July we organized a mother's society. Each week since, we have held regular meetings taking up studies that most concern mothers. Our society has grown until our number has increased from ten to thirty. At present we are studying and demonstrating water treatments. Many from the outside attend. The "Object Lesson" work has received earnest attention also.

We are very much encouraged to read the interesting news from the different workers in Ohio

whom we know. This seems to keep us in touch with one another, although engaged in the Lord's work in different States. Praying the Lord's blessing upon the work and workers in Ohio, I remain,

MRS. E. G. BENNETT.

East Liverpool and St. Clairsville.

AFTER visiting the churches and scattered Sabbath-keepers in Dist. No. 8, I was requested to assist Elder Shannon in Dist. No. 3. I therefore labored from December 1 to February 1, with the following churches: Conneaut, Geneva, Grand River, Greensburg, North Bloomfield, Chagrin Falls, Kirtland, and Middlefield.

After the good general meeting at Middlefield, I returned to East Liverpool, Dist. No. 8, visiting our brethren at their homes through the week, and holding quarterly meeting on Sabbath and Sunday, February 7 and 8. Two united by profession of faith, officers were elected, and the church placed in working order.

From East Liverpool, I went to St. Clairsville, visiting from house to house. The Lord greatly blessed our labor here, especially Sabbath, February 14, when the Lord came very near and by his Spirit, impressed the word spoken, and the hearts of the people were touched. An opportunity was given for any that wished, to unite with God's people. Nine responded, all of whom were taken in on profession of faith, three subject to baptism. Since then, one more has decided to unite with the church, which now numbers seventeen, with a prospect of more soon. Sunday, February 15, officers were elected, and steps taken to secure a hall for Sabbath meetings, and the general meeting on March 13 to 16.

C. C. WEBSTER.

Glouster.

It has now been some two weeks since we came to this place to hold meetings. From the very first our congregations have been large, averaging over two hundred each evening. The best of attention is given to the truths, and the Lord is giving perfect freedom in the presentation of the same.

FRED M. FAIRCHILD,
JAMES H. SMITH.

ACADEMY.

"THE secret of learning is observation and repetition."

THE two Panches sisters have been obliged to drop school work for the rest of this year.

AFTER an absence of six weeks, Mrs. Etta Cobban has returned to the school Home, meeting with a warm welcome.

MISS ALMEDA HAUGHEY, Bible worker in Cleveland, has been spending a few days with her parents and friends at Academia.

ROY COTTRELL, a former student at the Academy, and whose brother Charles is now here in attendance, has been engaged to teach in South Lancaster Academy, Mass., next year.

THE class in physics have purchased \$100 worth of much needed apparatus for that department. Among these are a static machine, an X-ray apparatus, and wireless telegraphy outfit.

THE chapel talks by Professor Loughhead during the recent past have been highly appreciated by the students, judging from the close attention given. The value of observing the common safeguards of society as regards the associations of men and women formed the basis of the talks, and was very forcibly illustrated by instances drawn from the personal knowledge of the speaker.

THE advanced Bible students are still continuing their Sunday evening meetings at the Valley Schoolhouse, about five miles from the Academy. An increasing interest, and the presence of the Holy Spirit, give a hopeful outlook. On February 15, brother Heber Votaw spoke on the "Companionship of Christ," and on February 22, brother Guy Hewitt presented "God's Power to Save."

AN interesting union meeting of the young people's Christian organizations was held in the Academy chapel Sabbath afternoon, February 21. B. F. Cook presided, and besides special music well rendered, two subjects of Bible study were presented. Miss Laura Hutchinson illustrated life by the trial trip of a

newly built vessel. Mr. Floyd Gibson emphasized the necessity of consecration and true repentance.

"THE work of the Lord needs practical godliness, a religion not alone in word, but in deed. The practical, every-day Christian is an ornament to society, a power for good in the world, and a preacher of righteousness to all with whom he comes in contact. Such an one was Jesus; so should his followers be to-day."

A CARD from Cairo, Egypt, dated Jan. 6, 1903, recently received by the VISITOR reads: "Greetings to all. I am sending you sample of our new tract in Arabic. Our work here is onward. The Lord has gone out before us and prepared the way. We are well and of good courage. Send us 'VISITOR.' Yours in the faith, W. H. WAKEHAM."

CHILD STUDY.

Religious Instruction and Religious Habits.

LIFE, like opportunities, is given to us to improve, but this can only be accomplished (in the true sense) by a co-operation with the Author of life, the Architect of character. Of ourselves, we can do nothing; such attempts are doomed to failure; but in him we have the assurance that we can do all things.

Our connection with him lies chiefly in a knowledge of his word, for he says, "The words that I speak unto you they are spirit, and they are life."

After we have experienced a degree of this knowledge, we proceed to impart to others. There is no more favorable time to impart religious instruction than in childhood, when statements are received without question and put into immediate practice. No knowledge is prized by a child like that which may be put to a practical use; and nothing is so practical as is religion, entering as it does into every sphere of life.

As our standard, which is perfection, is so high, the method of teaching necessitates accuracy and pains-taking care. We present it in two phases — by precept and example. Precept serves as a rule of faith, while example illustrates the practicability of the theory and makes it more

easy of comprehension. It serves also as an incentive to the child. Example appeals more to child nature, while precept can be best understood in later life.

Religious instruction should be imparted just as the age of the child admits; by providing him with good books and by communicating with him frequently, and especially encouraging a familiarity with the Scriptures, which is profitable for reproof, correction, and for instruction in righteousness.

As impressions and habits in childhood produce permanent character, how essential it is that the impressions that are continually forming habits should be characterized by that which is good and elevating. Habits in religious practices should be established, and care should be taken that they do not grow into formality, but be made the most interesting exercises of the day. This can be done by making the exercises simple or by having a special time for them in which the instruction will be combined with entertainment. Children should also be present in the exercises of family devotion, and although they may not always understand, they should be taught to show reverence.

If practices, such as prayers, morning and evening, or returning thanks at meals, or that of attending public religious services are continued, like all other habits, they will tend to lead to an established custom. If he should not be inclined to do so in all conditions of life he will at least know whom to approach in unfavorable circumstances. In the practice of these religious habits, we must consider the motive that governs the action. It should never be a man fearing spirit, but a fear of God's disapproval and a love to do his will. If this be the motive, the children themselves will experience pleasure and peace in doing right. They will be likely to make many mistakes even though they purpose to do right, but a continual effort on the part of the teacher to impart suitable instruction, seeking always the hearty co-operation of the student, will prove very effectual. And, as the child grows in years, we may see developing in his character fruits of the spirit, which will make his life profitable to others, and an honor to his Creator.

GLENN A SHROCK.

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(Local Time.)

Sabbath begins Feb. 27 at 5:51 P. M.
Sabbath begins Mar. 6 at 5:58 P. M.

If this item is marked with a blue pencil, it means that your subscription has expired.

THE subscription list begins to indicate an incoming tide. Good! Keep stirring the sea till the swell amounts to a veritable tidal wave.

THE thirty-fifth session of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will convene in the city of Oakland, Cal., March 27, 1903.

WE learn from the *Missionary Worker*, of January 21, published by our brethren in London, that the property so much desired for a sanitarium there has been purchased and one payment made on it. The remainder must be paid by the first of March, or all is lost. Let there be a quick response from Ohio that this institution may quickly do its part in hastening the Lord's coming.

SEND ten cents to 305 St. Charles St., New Orleans, La., for a four months' trial subscription to *The Hygienic Caterer*, and do it soon. You will receive full value for your investment, besides aiding a worthy missionary enterprise in the city of New Orleans. This journal is a regular visitor to this office, and the editor of the WELCOME VISITOR is personally acquainted with several of the workers at that place.

EGYPT calls for help. We have given one of our teachers with his family in answer to this call. Now she calls again (that these may better fulfill their mission) for money to publish Arabic literature; for a hand printing press to print it; for a good Bilhorn or Chapel organ, and both if possible; for books to use in starting a school; for a good canvasser to

work among the English, German, and French. Let any one desiring to answer any of these calls either in whole, or in part make their desires known to the WELCOME VISITOR at the earliest possible date.

DISTRICT MEETINGS.

District Number Eight.

THIS meeting will be held at St. Clairsville, Belmont Co., Mar. 13-16. It has been appointed to be held in the central part of the district, so that our brethren from East Liverpool, Unionport, Barnsville, Mt. Olivet, Waterford, Vincent, Fleming and any others in this district may attend. The St. Clairsville people have kindly offered to care for us during the meeting.

Brethren, we are admonished not to forget the assembling ourselves together, and especially as we see the day approaching. Ample and efficient help will be provided. Come, brethren, and receive the message God is sending us now.

C. C. WEBSTER, Supt.

VISITOR FUNDS.

Washington, D. C., Church.

H. C. Oberholtzer	.50
Sister Thomas	5.00
O. D. Lemasters	.50
C. C. Lemasters	.50
J. N. Talmage	1.00
Mrs. J. N. Talmage	.50
Mount Vernon church	13.39
Belleville church	1.00
Hamler church	5.25
Mary Hubbell	1.00
Hannah A. Kelsey	1.00
E. J. Van Horn	5.00
Mount Vernon church	1.00
Springfield church	1.95
Toledo church	4.87
Albert W. McCoy	1.00

Total \$43.46

C. V. HAMER, Treas.

Sanitarium in England.

Killbuck church	\$ 3.40
Mary Hubbell	1.00
Findlay church	4.05
Whealersburg church	4.85
E. J. Van Horn	5.00
Lima church	12.50
Almon Alderman	1.15
Bowling Green church	21.00
Cincinnati church	5.20
Toledo church	7.06
Farmer Sabbath-school	10.00
Russell Sabbath-school	1.78
LaGrange church	6.85
Clyde	6.00
Akron	3.50
Mount Vernon church	20.49
Chillicothe	1.00
Springfield	4.30
Alliance	3.25
Newark church	4.25

Total \$126.63

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Supplement Welcome Visitor

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SPECIAL.

TIMELY TOPICS.

War in Europe.

AN ominous report, prophesying a European war this spring, with the probable removal of the Turk from Constantinople, is being widely published both in that country and this. Now, God's servants must watch, work, pray. "Sell that ye have and give alms." Money, houses, and lands, will be of no use, when the decree goes forth that no man shall either buy or sell save he that hath the mark, or the name of the beast.

Covenant with God.

SHALL not we in Ohio, in a special sense, make a covenant with God by sacrifice? Remember, a sacrifice does not increase, but decreases until it is consumed. Shall our church and missionary organizations, and our institutions continue hampered with debt, or lack of facilities till the work closes? It must not be. Let there be an earnest inquiry, "Lord, what will thou have me to do?" Then as duty (rather privilege) is made plain, there will begin a movement of means into the Lord's work that will undo the heavy burdens, lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees.

Mt. Vernon Academy.

THE blessing of God upon the work of this institution must appeal to the interest of every loyal Sabbath-keeper in the State of Ohio. In spite of its financial burden, its dire need of equipment and appliances, its struggle against unfavorable circumstances from various sources, its patronage has increased till its capacity has been taxed to its utmost, and it has become necessary to refuse applications for entrance. As will be seen in another column, the students have felt the need of better facilities so long, that at last, they have pledged themselves to pay for some of these things from their own limited store. This of

itself shows a loyalty to the work, and a zeal for its improvement, that should encourage those who have already shared in supporting this institution. Add to this the fact, that, while these students are anxious for thorough training, they are at the same time putting forth earnest effort and expense to give the truth to people outside the school borders. Now shall we, who are able, refuse to place this institution where it can do its allotted work efficiently, quickly?

IN THIRTY DAYS.

IT is important that the WELCOME VISITOR should reach every family of Sabbath-keepers in the Ohio Conference. Our work throughout the State and the world is taking on a new impetus, and that the most good may be accomplished, and the least loss suffered, all need to keep in close touch with the progress of the workers, with the appointments, with the announcements, and last, but by no means the least, with the spirit of the work of the conference.

In order to reach every family and isolated member, the subscription list of the VISITOR should be more than doubled. And why should this not be done now at the beginning of the year, while plans and preparations are being made for the aggressive work of the summer season. We have confidence to believe that there is at least one in every company who can and will find time to place this paper during the next thirty days in the homes of our people throughout the State, where it must be to fulfil its purpose. Printed slips are being inclosed for your convenience in carrying out this plan, and sample copies to aid in this work will be sent free to any one who will write for them, stating the probable number they can use to advantage. The subscription price, twenty-five cents, is often spent for some little pleasure or luxury without a thought of sacrifice. Is it not of much more value to be identified closely with every

movement of the conference work? Make the next thirty days count for the WELCOME VISITOR.

"A SPECIAL SENTINEL."

"THE Love of Power and the Power of Love" will be the subject of a special issue of the *Sentinel of Christian Liberty* which will be published March 12, 1903. This number shows very clearly the difference between real Christianity and the Papacy. It is important that this number be widely circulated in every state. The trend of Protestants toward the Roman Catholic church is a fact too well known to discuss here. These people do not know the true character of the Papacy. This special number of *The Sentinel* will be a great factor in helping to give them the truth on this important subject.

The wholesale price, quoted below, has been placed so low that thousands of copies should be circulated in Ohio.

In quantities, the prices will be:—

5 copies.....	\$.07
10 copies.....	.14
25 copies.....	.35
50 copies.....	.70
100 copies.....	1.25
1,000 copies.....	12.00

Order supplies of Ohio Tract Society, Academia, Ohio.

CANVASSERS' REPORTS.

(Week ending February 6.)

M. J. Leavitt.—Value of orders, \$6.00; Helps, \$10.45. Total, \$16.45. Value of deliveries, \$8.50.

(Two weeks ending February 13.)

J. E. Osburn.—Value of orders, \$24.75; Helps, \$2.25. Total, \$27.00.

(Week ending February 13.)

Mary Hubbell.—Value of orders, \$2.25; Helps, \$4.00. Total, \$6.25.

Ida Hes.—Value of orders, \$20.50; Helps, \$5.75. Total, \$26.25.

B. F. Hubbell.—Value of orders, \$22.50; Helps, \$3.25. Total, \$25.75.

C. A. Gibson.—Value of orders, \$21.75; Helps, \$5.95. Total, \$27.70. Value of deliveries, \$7.00.

CHURCH AND SABBATH-SCHOOL.

CHURCH SCHOOL REPORT.

CLYDE.

MONTH ENDING JAN. 9, 1903.

Number enrolled	- - - - -	18
Number of grades	- - - - -	8
Number of classes	- - - - -	25
Per cent. of attendance	- - - - -	92.5

JAMES E. SUHLTZ, Teacher.

* CHURCH SCHOOLS, NO. 1.

Their Need.

At different periods in this world's history, when mankind has well-nigh lost sight of God, when the world has been enveloped in almost midnight darkness. God has mercifully stayed the tide of evil by raising up men to proclaim a message of reform against the existing evils of that particular period. Men whom God has thus raised up for such a work have been noble, God-fearing men—men who have walked close to God, and who have not quailed before the fiercest onslaughts of Satan and his co-workers.

In these closing days of time, when darkness covers the earth and gross darkness the people in consequence of the rejection of messages sent of God, another message of reform is being sounded that is to go to every nation, kindred, tongue and people, to gather out and prepare a company to meet a soon coming Saviour who will set up his kingdom on the earth and reign throughout eternity.

To Seventh-day Adventists has been entrusted the proclamation of this last reform message. When the truth for these last days came to the world in the proclamation of the first, second and third angel's messages, we were shown that the work of reform must extend to the work of educating and training the children, that a different order of things must be brought in, that there were evils in the educational world which must be corrected. The words of inspiration, "And they shall build the old waste places, they shall raise up the former desolations and they shall repair the waste cities;" "And thou shalt be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of paths to dwell in," present before the believer in present truth the work that

should now be done in the education of our children and youth. This work of educational reform cannot be neglected, without retarding the progress of the message.

In the system of education, as found in the world today, there are many evils which call loudly for reform. Chief among these is that which has been rightly named the "cramming system." That others are awake to this great evil, which is at variance with the laws of nature, can be readily seen by the statement of Mr. Edward Bok, editor of the *Ladies' Home Journal*, in the January issue of 1900, that "in five cities of our country alone, there were, during the last school year, over sixteen thousand school children between the ages of eight and fourteen taken out of the public schools, because their nervous systems were wrecked, and their minds were incapable of going on any farther in the infernal 'cramming system,' which exists to-day in our schools.

"It was planned by nature that between the years of seven and fifteen the child should have rest—not rest which will stop all natural and physical growth, of course, but the child's pace should be checked so as to allow him to recover from the strain which his system has just undergone. But what really happens to the child at the age of seven? Is he given this period of rest? Verily, No! He enters the school-room and becomes a victim to long hours of confinement—the first mental application, mind you, that the child has ever known. The nervous wear and tear begins, the child is fairly launched upon his enjoyment (God save the mark!) of the great educational system of America. Special systems of "marks," which amount to prizes, are started, serving only to stimulate the preternaturally bright child (who needs relaxation most of all) and to discourage the child who happens to be below the average of intelligence. It is cramming, cramming, cramming. A certain amount of "ground must be gone over," as it is called. Whether the child is physically able to work the ground does not enter into the question. And we do not stop even here. The poor children are compelled to carry home a pile of books to study, usually after supper and just before go-

ing to bed, and that is the most barbarous part of the whole system."

Thus the world recognizes the need of reform in a system of education which produces nervous wrecks, thereby ruining the intellectual, as well as the physical, life of the child, and unfitting him for the practical duties and responsibilities of life. Seventh-day Adventists in the establishment of schools among them have failed to make a radical reform in this department of the educational work. What the world wants and needs is not a mere smattering of many subjects found in textbooks, produced by the large number of subjects studied, but a knowledge of those subjects which will fit and qualify the students to successfully engage in the various avocations of life. This can be accomplished only as students are taught to put into actual practice the theories advocated.

BERTHA GATTON.

*Read at the Springfield District Meeting.

SCHOOL FOR NURSES.

THE Correspondence School for Nurses connected with the Sanitarium Medical Missionary Training-school, will begin a new class the first of April, 1903. Lessons are sent weekly to students who are unable to leave home duties in order to take a regular course at one of our Sanitariums. Studies in eleven subjects are given, among which Christian Help work, and care and treatment of the sick are prominent. The tuition fee is five dollars. The few text-books required for this work are furnished at actual cost price. We shall organize a new class in April which will continue one year. By taking double lessons some students finish in six months. A descriptive circular giving full particulars, also testimonials from those who have taken the course, will be sent free on application. Address, Correspondence Dept., Sanitarium Training-school, Battle Creek, Michigan.

LIVING Christ is the most efficient way of preaching Christ. Men care naught for theories, however beautiful those theories may be, unless their practical workings accord with their claims.