

THE Welcome Visitor

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

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"A selfish use of riches proves one unfaithful to God, and unfits the steward of means for the higher trust of heaven."

THE ART OF DOING WITHOUT.

THERE'S a beautiful art that is sadly neglected. And daily I wonder to see it rejected. By some who would be healthy and wealthy and wise. By just condescending to open their eyes, And look at things fairly, with never a pout— I refer to the fine art of doing without.

"Why, that's nothing wonderful!" maybe you'll say: "I do without things that I want every day!" Quite likely you do. But how do you do it— With good grace or a face that's as blue as a bluet?

There's a wonderful difference (just jot that down).

Between giving up things with a smile or a frown:

And that is precisely the difference between The artist and bungler—you see what I mean.

You can't do as you like? Then do as you can; I'm sure you will find it the very best plan. Can't have what you want? Take what you can get:

No better device has been patented yet

'Tis the bravest and blithest and best way by far.

Not to let little losses your happiness mar;

'Tis an art that needs practise, of that there's no doubt;

But 'tis worth it—this fine art of doing without.

Minnie L. Upton, in *New Orleans Picayune*.

THE NEW EARTH.

"FOR, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered nor come into mind . . . And they shall build houses and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them. They shall not build, and another inhabit; they shall not plant, and another eat: for as the days of a tree are the days of my people, and mine elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands." Isa. 65: 17-22.

"The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid, and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together:

a little child shall lead them. And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like an ox. . . . They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea." Isa. 11: 6-9.

At the present time it would be very unsafe for the lamb to dwell with the wolf; the kid to lie down with the leopard; the calf with the lion, or for a little child to attempt to lead them or control them. It would be equally perilous for the lamb, the kid, or the calf to dwell with many who are hoping to dwell in the earth made new; for an appetite for flesh manifests itself about the same way wherever it is found.

Dear reader, is it not a happy thought that sometime, ere long the condition here referred to will exist again, when all God's creatures will be at peace with him and with one another? But what think you, has not mankind a work to do; a part to act with the Lord in bringing about this state of things? Let us read from "Christian Temperance," p. 48: "It is not the chief end of man to gratify his appetite. There are physical wants to be supplied; but because of this is it necessary that man shall be controlled by appetite? Will the people who are seeking to become holy, pure, refined, that they may be introduced into the society of heavenly angels, continue to take the life of God's creatures, and enjoy their flesh as a luxury? From what the Lord has shown me, this order of things will be changed, and God's peculiar people will exercise temperance in all things.

"Again and again I have been shown that God is trying to lead us back step by step to his original design,—that man should subsist upon the natural products of the earth. Among those who are waiting for the coming of the Lord, meat eating will eventually be done away with; flesh will cease to form a part of their diet. We should ever keep this end in view, and endeavor to work steadily toward it. I cannot think that in the practice of flesh eating, we are in har-

mony with the light which God has been pleased to give us." *Id.*, p. 119.

"Concerning flesh meat, we should educate the people to let it alone. Its use is contrary to the best development of the physical, mental, and moral powers." "Testimonies," vol. 7, p. 134.

Thank the Lord we are not living under the shadow of the cross but under its saving light. Every ray of gospel light designed of God for this lost world is now focused upon the pathway of his remnant people. Then, brethren and sisters, let us walk in the light as he is in the light, and have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ, his Son, will cleanse us from all sin.

H. H. BURKHOLDER.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL.

DURING the past week I have visited churches and church schools at Camden and Lagrange, and find them all of excellent courage in the Lord. I was much pleased at Camden to see the cozy and convenient schoolroom, which the church has made by running a neat partition across the church room. This partition is composed of four large lifting doors which can be thrown up from view, thus leaving the building in one large room in case of a largely attended meeting.

We are encouraged with the zeal and united earnestness with which this church is taking hold of the work of training their children and youth for a right performance of life's duties. Monday morning, September 28, we were delighted to see the children gather for the first day of school, and after looking into their faces and seeing the earnest spirit manifested, and also seeing the consecration manifested by the teacher, we felt sure that the Camden church would not be disappointed in their endeavors to follow the light given us by the Lord on the school question. May the Lord bless them all, and make this year the most prosperous and encouraging of any they have ever experienced.

From Camden we went over to Lagrange where the school has been in operation for two weeks. Here we found

the teacher, children, the parents and all the church members filled with love for the work of God and for one another. This we regarded as a sign of true growth in grace, and after meeting with the brethren and sisters in two school meetings, the quarterly service, and business meeting, and saw the harmony that prevailed on every hand, we felt confident that God was abiding with this people. Since returning from this place we learn that one of the members of the school has been converted, and has consecrated his life to the service of the Master, for which we give God thanks.

We just learn that the church at Akron is planning to open its school October 5. This swells the number of schools to eight. Two more are planning to open soon. May God bless the work is our prayer.

CHAS. E. WELCH, *Ed. Sec.*

Oct. 6, 1903.

Lagrange.

DEAR VISITOR: IT was my privilege to spend Sabbath and Sunday, October 3 and 4, with the church at Lagrange. On Sabbath the ordinances of the Lord's house were celebrated, and the Lord came very near us by his Spirit. On Saturday night an open air service was held and fully 200 people were in attendance. A number of our brethren and sisters witnessed for Christ. These open air meetings are regularly conducted by the Lagrange church, and are the means of bringing the gospel before those who do not attend church.

On Sunday morning we had an interesting meeting where plans for aggressive work were discussed. In the evening a special service was held for the unsaved, and the Lord touched the hearts of those present. One young man yielded himself to God and signified his desire to be numbered among God's people. It made our hearts rejoice. Many others are under deep conviction, and some are almost persuaded now to believe.

The closing service was one long to be remembered. The brethren will continue Sunday evening services, and will make a special effort for the unsaved. The brethren and sisters are standing shoulder to shoulder, and a spirit of unity and fellowship is manifest in a marked degree. An effort is being made with the *Family Bible Teacher*, and this is not confined to Lagrange alone, but the surrounding towns are being visited with these. May the Lord's blessing be with the faithful little flock in this place, and may their earnestness and zeal be an incentive to all our brethren in Ohio.

HENRY DEFLUITER.

OHIO TRACT SOCIETY.

WHAT SHALL I DO?

"THERE are scores who have real ability, who are rusting from inaction, and yet many of these do not know how to set themselves at work for the Master." This quotation implies that many are asking the question, "What shall I do?" For an answer, read Acts 1:4, 5, 8; and James 1:5. Also read "Power for Witnessing." Every Christian should read this book. Paper binding, 25 cents; cloth, 75 cents. Order of the Ohio Tract Society.

N. S. M.

NOTICE.

PLEASE address all communications which contain orders for quarterlies, tracts, books, etc., to the Ohio Tract Society, and not to *any* individual. Also make all checks, drafts, and money orders for the same payable to the Ohio Tract Society, and not to *any* individual. Should you desire to send tithes and offerings to Ohio Conference at the same time, it will be all right to enclose the order in the Conference letter, but write it on a separate sheet of paper. One check, draft, or money order may cover the entire amount both for the Conference, and the Ohio Tract Society. N. S. M.

JOB'S PRAYER FOR THE PUBLICATION OF BOOKS.

"OH that my words were now written! Oh that they were printed in a book! That they were graven with an iron pen and lead in the rock forever! For I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth." Job 19:23-25. These are his words as he looks forward by faith to the time when he would be raised from the dead at the second coming of Christ. He had perfect faith in the second coming of Christ, and it was *this* truth that he prayed might be "written" and "printed in a book." Surely a prayer offered in such perfect faith will be answered by the One who was the comfort of Job in all his trouble. Surely, when the time shall come, when this truth is due to the world, God will answer his prayer in a wonderful manner. That will be the time when the truth of the second coming of Christ will be heralded to the world in a manner that "he that may run readeth it." When he is about to come who is to resurrect the sleeping saints and give the reward to all, then it is that this truth should be "written" and "printed in a book."

Yes, it will be printed and "scattered like the autumn leaves." This time has come. The books upon this subject are being "written," and "printed in a book," yes, in many books. God is moving upon the hearts of his people to do this very work. He too is calling for men and women to take these books and place them in the homes of the people. Soon he will come, and then the joy! oh, the endless joy! of meeting not only our Redeemer, but the faithful of all ages. Job himself will be there, and then if you have had a part under God in answering his prayer for these truths to be printed in books and placed in the hands of those whom he would save, you will have them in your "crown of rejoicing."

Time is short in which to work. Soon the awful time of trouble will come during which Job prayed to be hid. Do we not already see the tokens of its approach? Let us, too, pray the prayer of Job, and work to answer our own prayers.

Our Books Appreciated.

The following letter received at our publishing house is a sample of many of a like character, which reveal that those who prize God's word will appreciate the books we are placing in the hands of the people. It shows too that these honest souls will consecrate themselves to the good work of placing them in the homes of the people. Ought not this to stir us to greater activity in this work? The Lord has said that the call for canvassers would be responded to, and if we fail who first hear the call, others will hear and respond and take our crown.

Aug 28, 1903.

REVIEW & HERALD PUBLISHING CO.

Dear Sirs: I see you publish a book called "Bible Readings for the Home Circle." I like the book very much and would like to engage in the sale of it. Why I like it is because it preaches so much pure truth on God's word in such a short way. Send me terms to salesmen, please, by return mail. Sincerely yours,

Now is the time to place these books in the homes of the people. No doubt the agent that placed this book in the hands of this honest soul knows nothing of the results of his work, but God has a care for his truth, and he will water the seed sown, and it will not fail of bringing a harvest.

The Master calls for reapers,
And shall he call in vain?
Shall sheaves lie there ungarnered,
And waste upon the plain?

J. B. BLOSSER.

"BUT the end of all things is near at hand; be ye therefore sober and watch unto prayer."

EDUCATIONAL.

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

HOW TO AVOID TYPHOID.

TYPHOID germs may be transmitted from four sources: 1. Contagion. 2. Infection of water. 3. Infection of food. 4. Contamination of the soil.

1. Contagion.—The possibility of the direct transmission through the air from one person to another must be acknowledged. The nurses and attendants who have to do with the body linen of the patient are alone liable to direct infection. Authentic cases of this nature of infection are on record.

2. Infection of water is, without doubt, the most frequent mode of conveyance. In large cities the prevalence of typhoid fever is directly proportionate to the inefficiency of the drainage and water supply.

There is no truer index to the sanitary condition of a community than the report of the number of cases which contracted this disease. With the great improvement in drainage the mortality in many cities has been reduced one-half. It is now so well recognized that the impurities of water which are chiefly dangerous to man are of organic germ origin, that in examining water which is suspected of being the cause of a typhoid epidemic a chemical analysis of the nitrates present, unaccompanied by a satisfactory bacteriological examination, is utterly worthless. The subject is not confined to water alone, but includes ice as well, for many of the germs and organic impurities of water are not destroyed by freezing, and impure ice added to pure water contaminates it. This is particularly true of the typhoid germ.

The object of boiling the water which is to be used for drinking purposes is to free it from all organic impurities. There are no forms of germs which are not killed by a longer or shorter exposure to the temperature of boiling water. The process consists in the application of heat to water in sufficient degree to expand the air which the water naturally absorbs, and cause it to rise to the surface in bubbles. If now the water contains gasses of decomposition they are expelled and the odor is very foul immediately before the boiling point is reached. When the water is cooled and drunk, it is found to taste flat or insipid. This is due to the lessened amount of oxygen in the

water which has been expelled by the boiling. It may be freshened by pouring it through the air from one vessel to another and thereby mixing the water with the oxygen again.

3. Milk is the most frequent source of food infection. The germs undergo rapid development without changing the appearance of the milk. Milk may be contaminated by infected water used in cleansing the cans. Typhoid germs may be conveyed upon raw vegetables and fruits which have been washed in contaminated water. Oysters, as is well known, may become infected during the process of fattening. A fly which has alighted on the linen of a typhoid patient may contaminate milk or other food. These insects are admirably adapted to convey infection from their great numbers and incessant activity, as well as their numerous feet.

4. Contamination of the Soil.—Filth, bad sewers or cesspools cannot in themselves cause typhoid fever, but they furnish the conditions suitable for the preservation of the germ and ultimately for its propagation.—*The Housekeeper*.

THE FORMER DAYS.

A Lost Sheep Found.

To show the depth of the disappointment of 1844, I will relate one incident. There was a man by the name of Rhodes in the First Message who was so bitterly disappointed by the passing of the time that he went off into the woods and stayed by himself, not wishing to see any one. It was not long until some of his brethren accepted the Third Message and, knowing of his feelings and course, were anxious to rescue him. So finally several of them started into the wilderness to find him, and were successful; but he was not particularly glad to see them. They commenced telling him about the new light they had found, but he cared little for the "Third Message" or any other. But they persisted in talking and praying with him for hours.

Finally he consented to leave his hermit retreat, and go back to the haunts of men. They started to retrace their steps, but the day was so far advanced that before they could get out of the woods night was coming on. There was no path, and as darkness closed around them, farther advance was impossible. What should they do? There was only one thing they could do, and that was to earnestly plead with God to deliver them out of their difficulty. As they arose from prayer, they noticed a light at a short distance. They went toward it and it

moved; they followed, and the light advanced; and in this way they were led out of the wilderness.

This man Rhodes afterwards preached the Third Angel's Message. I saw him a number of times, and heard him preach. "For thus saith the Lord God: behold, I myself, even I, will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeketh out his flock in the day that he is among his sheep that are scattered abroad, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will deliver them out of all places whither they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day." Eze. 34: 11, 12 (R. V.)

D. HILDRETH.

WHAT PARENTS SHOULD TEACH.

SOME one has well said that "true education for boys and girls teaches what they ought to know when they become men and women." There are numberless schools and colleges at the present time, all of which claim to teach everything necessary to make cultured men and women of their pupils. But there are some things which boys and girls must be taught, if their after lives are to amount to much, which are not in the curriculum of any school or college.

First.—They must be taught to be honest and truthful and genuine. This is very essential, for a child would better have not book learning than to be versed in all the "isms," and at the same time be false, fickle and untrustworthy.

Second.—They must be taught to be pure in thought, word and deed—pure in mind and body.

Third.—They must be taught to be polite. Nice manners are invaluable; the charm of politeness cannot be overestimated. It is rarely acquired in mature life. Old men and women who try to become gentlemen and ladies have some sad lessons to learn. It is hard for some to realize the importance of good manners at home and on all occasions. Only by the automatic practice of every-day forms during the years of childhood can men and women ever hope for the unconscious ease which in maturity is the first flowers of good manners.

Fourth.—They must be taught to be self-reliant and self-helpful and industrious, if they are to grow into independent and fearless men and women, able to stand alone and to overcome obstacles.

When these truths are impressed on the plastic minds of our boys and girls they will have learned the most important lessons of life, and will have a good foundation for all other kinds knowledge.—*Sel.*

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OUR Conference president started for the General Meeting at Washington, D. C., Monday evening.

THE latest news from Elder A. G. Haughey, who is very ill with the typhoid fever, is for the better.

BROTHER JAMES SMITH and wife are now home from tent work at Excello, making rapid preparations for their journey to the Southland.

THE Mount Vernon church enjoyed a discourse by Brother W. E. Bidwell last Sabbath. Four members were admitted to church membership by letter, and two were granted letters to unite elsewhere.

THE familiar face of Brother C. T. Redfield was seen in Academia one day last week. He reports a successful tent campaign at Excello, and is planning to spend the winter there in looking after the interest started there by himself and Brother James Smith since the camp-meeting.

THE Friday evening students' social meetings, so helpful in other years, are proving not less so this year. Last Friday evening was an exceptionally good occasion. The Lord took charge, and the warm testimonies acknowledging the work of God's Spirit upon hearts and lives, spoke much for the future. We thank God and take courage.

AS the long evenings of late fall, and winter draw on, and the popular interest in politics and the coming elections increases, let our brethren in the country places prepare to do their part in this opportune time to give *present truth* to the people. The new "Marvel of Nations" is a book that teaches the message in plain, unmistakable terms. It is a book that the business men will buy and read; that

the politician will take an interest in and reap benefit from its reading. Now brethren, you who are on the farm and in the shop, the next twelve months is your opportunity to do a work that will count for the coming kingdom. Provide yourselves with copies of this most excellent book; read it through carefully; tell the men with whom you do business what the book has done for you; show them the book, and if they desire it, sell it to them, and thus preach the truth in the most approved manner. The book will almost sell on sight to this class of men. Try it. Order of the Ohio Tract Society.

WE are glad to note the willing disposition on the part of the Ohio Conference laborers to respond to the call from needy places in other parts of the Lord's vineyard. Brother James Smith expects to leave Ohio the first of next week in answer to a very urgent call from the "Sunny South." He will connect with the Oakwood Industrial School, near Huntsville, Ala., taking the work of preceptor and assistant instructor in Bible and the common branches. The VISITOR wishes him God speed, and abundant success in his new work, and congratulates the Oakwood School on their good fortune in obtaining so faithful and zealous a helper. The Oakwood School is our denominational training-school for colored workers, and is worthy the hearty support of our people everywhere. Our Ohio brethren will feel a special interest there, now that one of our workers is connected with it. And should the Lord impress any one to contribute in any way to that institution, they may be assured that they are making a safe and profitable investment, and helping where help is both needed and appreciated.

HOW TO GAIN SUCCESS.

I REPEAT: It should be the fixed purpose of every youth to aim high in all his plans for life-work. Adopt for your government in all things the standard that God's word presents. This is the Christian's positive duty, and it should be also his positive pleasure. Cultivate respect for yourself because you are Christ's purchased possession. Success in the formation of right habits, advancement in that which is noble and just, will give you an influence that all will value. Live for something besides self. If your motives are pure and unselfish, if you are ever looking for work which somebody must do, if you are always on the alert to show kindly attentions and do courteous deeds, you

are unconsciously building your own monument. This is the work that God calls upon all children and youth to do. Do good, if you would be cherished in the memory of others. Live to be a blessing to all with whom you come in contact, wherever your lot may be cast.

E. G. W.

NOTICES.

ALL custodians for "Christ's Object Lessons," please send money on hand for these books immediately to the Ohio Tract Society.

ON and after Oct. 24, 1903, the meetings of the Toledo church will be held in room No. 2, Pythian Castle, corner Jefferson and Ontario Sts. Services 9 A. M. to 12:30 P. M.

CANVASSERS' REPORTS.

F. E. Wagner, Mansfield.—Miscellaneous: value of orders and cash sales, \$33.30; deliveries, \$8.50.

Fred Trout, Mansfield.—Miscellaneous: value of orders, \$35; cash sales, \$15.87.

"THE FAMILY BIBLE TEACHER."

I COMMENCED using the *Family Bible Teacher* about fifteen weeks ago. I delivered the first nine numbers myself. Since then, my mother has been delivering them regularly, and giving out all the extras she can. I have not been in that part of the country since, but she writes me that the Lord has blessed her in the work.

I started with seventeen families. Three live in Mansfield, the others live in the country north of Mansfield. When I went around with the first lesson and told the people how the lessons would come, and also told them of the message they contained, they seemed very glad to get a chance like that. Best of all, I found them watching and ready for the next lesson when I made my next visit.

I know the Lord is in this work. He helped me, and he will help others. We will never see the value of the little work we do for Jesus till he comes, but that will be very soon.

V. S. WHISLER.

OBITUARY.

RUPLE.—Mrs. Rebecca Ruple, mother of Sister M. D. Osgood, of Cincinnati, Ohio, died August 5, aged 75 years and 5 months. Sister Ruple accepted the faith of Seventh-day Adventists in the spring of 1896, and remained a faithful witness to the truth until the day of her death. She was laid to rest at her home in Elkhart, Ind., to await the coming of the Lifegiver. Funeral services were conducted by the resident pastor of the Methodist church.

W. H. GRANGER.