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"It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God."

SUMMER SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENT CONTINUED.

Bible Course.

(DEUT. 8:3; MATT. 4:4)

THE work offered in Bible consists of two distinct and independent lines, each with a definite purpose in view.

1. *Bible History and Geography.*—Since Bible truth, like all other, takes color in the mind according to its setting, familiarity with its places and personages, together with a comprehensive grasp of its history as a whole, becomes a necessity in order to properly appreciate its teachings. "Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they were written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come." 1 Cor. 10:11.

2. *Specific Doctrines of Present Truth.*—In order to fulfil one's part according to God's plan, he must understand God's purpose for him in his time. And since every period has its *present truth*,—that which cannot be applied with equal force to any other period,—there is present truth now. Thus in order to be prepared properly to meet the demands of *our time*, we need to give careful heed to the instruction of God for the direction of his people *in this time*. "Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee." 1 Tim. 4:16. "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto unto all good works." 2 Tim. 3:16, 17.

Teacher's Course.

The object of child culture, family government, and education should be to direct and develop the natural at-

tributes of the child so that it may unfold into a strong, beautiful, harmonious character. The ideal should include a strong, healthy body, true character, vigorous energy, normal appetite, pure affections, lofty ambitions, refined tastes, pronounced convictions, a keen intellect, a decided will, a kind forgiving spirit, a deep sense of reverence, an abiding faith in God, an unfaltering zeal for truth and righteousness. Not every child can be developed to so high an ideal; but since all are capable of constant improvement, some fast, some slow, we should patiently employ the best methods available and never be discouraged. The teacher who develops even one child into a noble man or woman lives not in vain.

In order to obtain the best results a teacher must become acquainted with the best methods. He must first learn how to study the child, to discover its propensities, desires, natural tendencies, and then he must know how to stimulate or curb, as the case may demand, until the child is developed into a well rounded symmetrical youth. In order that our teachers may become better prepared for this important work a special course has been arranged, which will first take up a brief study of the History of Education, in order to become familiar with what has been done by the world's great educators: this will be followed by the subject of Child Study. In this study the aim will be to discover the best methods of ascertaining the needs of the child, and the right way to meet them. Following this will be a series of studies taking up the practical problems with which the teacher has to deal in the daily work of the school room, together with the best methods and helps for solving them. A class in School Hygiene will be offered for the consideration of practical problems in this important subject. Light, heat, ventilation, height of seats and desks, etc., will be considered. Instruction in Physical Culture will be given so that teachers may incorporate some of the simple exercises into their daily work. In every school the subject of Drawing should receive attention; and that our teachers may become familiar with the

general principles that underlie free hand drawing, and become more proficient in its practice, a class will be offered that will take up the study both of theory and of practice.

Medical Missionary Course.

Medical Missionary Work is the right arm of the Third Angel's Message, and it is of the utmost importance that every worker in the Lord's great vineyard become acquainted with both the theory and the practice of its principles. The world expects every Seventh-day Adventist to know something of simple treatment, and if we are prepared to meet this demand, we will find an opening to hearts through which seeds of truth may enter. Recognizing the importance of this subject, and feeling that each and every worker should be prepared for this work, the Medical Missionary course will be made broad enough to meet the needs of all, and at the same time special lines will be considered for special classes of workers.

It is quite important that the school teacher become familiar enough with the symptoms of the common contagious diseases to be able to detect their first appearance; also that they may be informed as to their duty when the first suspicious symptoms do occur. In order that our teachers may have an opportunity of acquiring this knowledge a course of studies will be offered in this line. About the school house many accidents occur. Burns, cuts, bruises, sprains, and breaks are most common, so that every teacher should have a knowledge of what to do first in an emergency.

A series of studies has been arranged to cover this work, and it will be followed by a course of study in the theory and practice of simple treatments for the common diseases. All workers may thus extend their field of usefulness and become better prepared to do aggressive work.

Science Course.

The work in science will be given under three heads, each with a definite and distinct purpose in view. The work in Nature Study will include brief, practical, correlated studies in physiology, zoology, botany,

and physics. The constant aim will be to give the church school teachers something that will aid them in carrying forward this line of work in their schools; that will give the Bible worker a deeper insight into the parables from nature; and that will help all to get a clearer view of the Creator through the works of his hand. The Demonstration Course will be a laboratory course illustrating many simple experiments that will greatly aid the teacher in explaining points in geography, physiology and nature study. The work in Physiological Chemistry of Digestion will be more extensive than either of the other two lines. It will include a Study of Food Stuffs, Study of Digestive Fluids, Study of Action of the Digestive Fluids on Food Stuffs, Analysis of Common Foods, Best Methods of Preparing Food Stuffs, The "Whys" of Food Combination, Food Adulteration and Its Detection.

This work will be of great value to all, as it will aid in answering many perplexing questions on foods and their combination. But to teachers of physiology, a knowledge of this subject is positively essential to good work.

History.

In history a line of work will be offered in which the subject will be presented from the prophetic standpoint. The study will begin with the most ancient kingdoms, and their history will be sketched in outline, especial prominence being given to the fact that God's plans were carried out in them all and that to each one was given the privilege of representing God in the world. Another purpose in this class will be to see the perfect harmony between the prophetic statement of what would come to pass among the nations and the historic record of what did actually transpire. The latter part of the course will be devoted to the study of the Papacy, the Reformation, Protestantism of To-day, and Current Events in the Light of their Fulfilment of Prophecy. The purpose of this class will not be simply to acquaint its members with the facts of history, but rather to place these facts beside the Bible in such a way as to establish faith in it as the inspired word of God.

GUARD within yourself that treasure, kindness. Know how to give without hesitation, how to lose without regret, how to acquire without meanness. Know how to replace to your heart, by the happiness of those you love, the happiness that may be wanting in yourself.—F. W. Faber.

OUR WORK AND WORKERS.

A PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE.

SHOW me the way, O Lord,
And make it plain;
I would obey thy word.
Speak yet again,

I would not take one step until I know
Which way it is that thou wouldst have me go.

O Lord, I can not see;
Vouchsafe me light;
The mist bewilders me,
Impedes my sight.

Hold thou my hand and lead me by thy side;
I dare not go alone, be thou my guide.

—Selected.

THE STATE MEETING.

An Echo.

ALTHOUGH most of the Ohio workers had departed to their homes when Sunday evening came to us, it found a full house, auditorium, vestry, and large gallery. The church choir, assisted by several friends from other churches, rendered "The Nazarene," a cantata.

The occasion was one long to be remembered by the Cleveland Church. Personal cards of the pastor were given to each individual as they left the house, inviting them to services, announcing the hours of the same for both Sabbath and Sunday.

We enjoyed the presence of the dear field workers among us, and trust that as a result of our communion for a few days together there, we may be the more eager for the general gathering when the trumpet sounds the home call of the saints.

D. E. LINDSEY.

Pagetown.

MEETINGS at the above place were first started by Sister Mary Hubble and Brother J. F. Olmsted, of Emmanuel Missionary College. These earnest workers accepting an invitation offered them by a dissatisfied congregation, which had been given the wine of Babylon (commandments of men) until some were really hungry for the true and living bread of life. The writer joined them at this point in waging a careful campaign against the powers of darkness. Some good soil was found, into which the good seed was cast and took root, leading some to willingly covenant to keep all of God's commandments. Others, in whom we have great faith, declared that they would do so soon.

One, a minister of the Christian Church, a man of good report who has kept the Sabbath for twenty years, having heard it at that time at Callonia, O., under Elder Mann, but has

held a license in, and labored for the above mentioned people, never having been privileged to connect with God's remnant people, now desires to do so.

Some have offered to give \$50, others \$25, and still others, one a carpenter, have promised to give a week's work on repairing a building which may be bought and turned into a church. There are two places near by, where jewels may be found, and thus a strong light created in that part of the vineyard. Oh, brethren and sisters! may God stir us up to sow while the day lasts, holding up the light of truth that it may shine out afar over the whitened harvest-fields to guide the straying and lost ones to the Father's house.

We believe the time has fully come to give a definite message to the world, and not a guess so, indefinite message in time and tone.

J. F. OLMSTED,
F. M. FAIRCHILD.

Baton Rouge, La.

WE have had a close and spirited conflict in Baton Rouge during the past month. It was our plan to have left the city, and open work in another place ere this; but it became evident that we must remain with the work here or lose all we had previously accomplished.

The Disciple minister, who entered the field a few months before us to pioneer and raise up a church of that denomination, spared no pains in removing all hindrances to his work, which a persistent private and public denouncement could move. His "way of salvation" (?) was much easier than the way we could conscientiously offer the people.

Many whom we had hoped to see follow the Lord in all his commandments have chosen the way where less sacrifice is necessary. Yet some have their faces set toward the sanctuary, where the perfect law of liberty shines the brighter after a heated controversy. Never before did I see so clearly why the commandments of God will shine in *letters of fire* in the open heavens when the Lord closes the conflict by his coming.

We have visited several other places throughout this part of the State, and will prepare at once to fill some of the openings they offer. The doors for work are fast closing in the South. Already sentiment is so strong that but little can be accomplished through public efforts in some places. New and more personal methods must be adopted. In this we see the timely advent of literature prepared for this purpose, but here again we are confronted with another difficulty. While

intelligence, education, and literary abilities are sufficiently prominent, the people of the South do not indulge much in reading. One or two small periodicals is about the extent of the appetite in this direction. Perhaps this is largely due to the fact that most journals, magazines, and books are of Northern publication. Thus we find the Southern imprint of great importance.

But of all methods, the *private heart to heart*, conversational fireside, (or perhaps in this present season the shaded gallery) Bible studies seem to be most effectual. The warm, hospitable spirit of our Southern people is always found responsive to the sociable features we have to carry with us in our Message.

We are thankful for a place as witnesses for the Lord in this generation, knowing that he so faithfully pleads our cause before God in the sanctuary. We feel like giving our life energy to plead his cause before men in this world. We are of good courage, but feel the individual weakness wherein the effectual, fervent prayers of God's people can strengthen us.

C. A. WATKINS.

Nova, Rowsburg, Red Haw.

BRETHREN AND SISTERS: It has been some time since my last report, but the Lord has been with me, and has been helping me to carry on his work.

I have visited Nova, a place where several of God's people live, but on account of need of encouragement have become somewhat discouraged and have not been meeting together for their Sabbath-school all this winter. But a few came out on the Sabbath that I was with them and all seemed to enjoy the meeting that we had together. The Lord blessed each one of us, and all went away happy in the love of Jesus. I believe that the Lord has a work for each one of his children to do, and every one that professes to be a child of God ought to be an active missionary, not sleeping, but alive, wide awake, doing all he can to hasten that glad day.

After leaving Nova I started for Rowsburg, but on account of the heavy rains, I had to remain in Ashland about two days until the water went down so that I could get to my destination. The brethren and sisters at Rowsburg were a little discouraged when I found them, but I thank the Lord that when I left they were all of good courage, rejoicing in the love of Jesus. Before leaving them, on Sabbath I gave a Bible study on the subject of faith. They all took an active part in the study,

and enjoyed the many things which we found in God's word.

After visiting the people at Rowsburg, I went to Red Haw, where there is a family which, by the help of the Lord, is living up to all the light that they know.

I am so thankful that we can go right where the people are and lend a helping hand which will be the means of saving many souls in the kingdom of God. The lives which we live before the people have much to do with the salvation of souls. O that we may all practice what we preach and live up to all the requirements of God's word is my prayer.

F. E. GIBSON.

Dayton.

SABBATH, April 30, we met with the church at Dayton. The time was utilized in the study of the Sabbath-school lesson after which Brother K. R. Haughey spoke to us on the subject of "Baptism." The meeting was well represented by an attendance of its members.

On Sunday afternoon we went to the Baptist church where four loved ones put off the old man, with his doings, and were buried with their Saviour in baptism.

We are glad to say the church is growing in numbers as well as in spirituality. Brother F. H. Henderson's work is showing for itself. And the Lord has all the praise.

Brethren Ritter and Walton, two faithful and trustworthy employees of the Computing Scales works, have lost their places by serving the Lord. Brethren, pray that the Lord may give them something better as a reward of obedience.

J. O. MILLER.

Toledo.

WELCOME VISITOR: We remained in Cleveland after the State Meeting, to hear the Nazarene Cantata, and we felt well paid for staying. The story of the love of Jesus never seemed sweeter than when it was told in song. His life and death was portrayed so beautifully that it almost seemed as if we could see each scene from his birth to his burial and resurrection. One especially interesting feature of the program was the reading of Pilate's letter to Caesar. Many were moved to tears as the cruelty and injustice of the condemnation was portrayed. We left the church with renewed determination to give ourselves unreservedly to the one who paid this great price for us.

It is with great regret that we leave our city work for the present, but we sincerely hope and fully believe that

God will soon restore our health, so that we can return with more strength and courage than ever before and then stand by the work until our Master comes. Our address after May 16 will be Kipton, Ohio.

WARREN S. HUFFAKER,
LELA L. HUFFAKER.

Dayton.

WELCOME VISITOR: Since the State Meeting I have visited Meigs. I found the brethren and sisters of good courage. Brother Redfield is now elected elder, and is awaiting ordination. I came back to Dayton, May 9. I found all my readers glad to see me.

Eight have united with the church by letter, and nine by profession of faith in the last eight months. Still there are others in the valley of decision. To God belongs all the praise. Your co-laborer,

F. H. HENDERSON.

Marion.

OUR little band is on the forward movement, and we have an *active* Sabbath-school. Since the weekly offering has been adopted, a greater interest is manifested, and more love is shown for the brethren.

Through the efforts of Brother and Sister Votaw, we hope soon to have several new members, as many are deeply interested in the truth. It certainly rejoices us to have a part in hastening our Saviour's coming.

PEARLE APT.

ENCOURAGING WORDS FOR THE CANVASSER.

"IN the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good."

"The way I learned about Seventh-day Adventists was through Mr. Isaac Hague, a book agent, on Aug. 28, 1895. I was never so well pleased in meeting a stranger as when I met him. While he was explaining his books to me, I saw that that book treated on what I believed. I was interested, and bought two. I have been reading the *Signs of the Times* and like it well, and would not be without it. Yours truly,

JOHN HUMBERT."

A TENTH of his income was required of the Jew to be set apart and sacredly devoted to God's treasury. And this was the first tenth, and not the last tenth; the first fruits, and not the dregs and leavings.—*Rev. A. J. Gordon, D. D.*

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BROTHER J. A. HAUGHEY has sold his home to Brother W. C. Moffett.

BORN to Elder and Mrs. M. C. Kirkendall, Sabbath, May 14, a daughter.

THE blue pencil mark here means that your subscription has expired. Renew at once.

MRS. J. L. SECOR has returned to Academia for the summer, much improved in health.

MOST of the students have gone. It is sad to part with these friends, but we hope to see them all next fall when school opens again.

BROTHER ISAAC HAGUE called at the office last Sunday and renewed his subscription to the WELCOME VISITOR. He continues of good courage.

THE mule and cart for use in China by our missionaries is a possibility. Brother Jas. K. White and wife of Mansfield, O., have donated \$150, for that purpose.

MR. STREET, a minister of the Christian church at Pagetown, O., who has become interested in the truth, attended services Sabbath with Brother Fred Fairchild.

MISSSES LULA PIEPER, Bertha Circle, Inez Waite, Grace Thornton, and Messrs. Ned Ashton, Floyd Gibson, and others, former students of the Academy, were present during the closing exercises of the school.

THE following friends attended services at the Mount Vernon church last Sabbath: Miss Ella Talmage and mother, Mr. Fred Iles and wife, Mr. Miles Acton and wife, Mr. and Mrs. George Cemer, Mr. Lemasters and wife, Marcellus Andre and family of Mansfield.

MRS. M. C. MORSE, of Cleveland, has been visiting her daughter Helen during the last week of school. She says the good water and fresh air which is to be had in such abundance in Academia has improved her health more during her stay than she would have thought possible anywhere in so short a time.

MARRIED.—James E. Shultz and Edith I. Rowe on May 11, 1904, at the home of the bride's parents at Clyde, Ohio. The marriage ceremony was performed by Elder W. H. Granger in the presence of a company of friends and relatives. The VISITOR joins the many friends in extending to this couple congratulations, and best wishes for a happy, useful, and successful life together.

COMMENCEMENT AT THE ACADEMY.

May 14-16.

THE work of another school year at the Mount Vernon Academy is now completed. Home breaking has come, and with it the usual joys and sorrows of such occasions. But on the whole, both teachers and students find the opportunity for relaxation a privilege, and go forth to other places and duties with good cheer.

The Commencement season proper began with the Sabbath morning service. A large company had gathered for the occasion, and the chapel room was taxed to the full of its seating capacity to accommodate all. Elder A. G. Daniells, President of the General Conference, occupied the pulpit, and spoke for an hour or more from the fourteenth chapter of Revelation, —The Three Angels' Messages. That these messages are specially important now, was shown by the fact that the Christian world is rapidly losing a knowledge of their God. These Messages call men back to God and his law, so that when he again appears, there will be one class of people who know and obey the gospel. The congregation were earnestly exhorted to let nothing come between them and the work of God for this generation.

At four P. M. the Young People's Societies met in the Chapel for their final service. Brother Carl Weaks presided, assisted by Brother Harry Benson. Elder Daniell's address on this occasion was of a decidedly missionary character: He spoke of the the work in Europe, Africa, China, Japan, etc., speaking of the opening providences of God for the past, present, and future, stating among many of the significant things that Africa will soon have a railway line from Cape Town on the South to Cairo on the north, thus opening up the whole interior. Young men and women are needed at the front, and we believe that our Academy students will be among those who will soon be at work along these outposts.

The usual Students' Missionary meeting evening after the Sabbath, was given to the presentation of

the work in Washington, D. C. Elder Daniells gave a very interesting account of the locating of the work there and of the progress of operation up to date. By means of a plat of Tacoma Park, relative locations of our building sites were made clear. But that which gave the most satisfaction perhaps of all was the manifest providence of God in every step taken thus far. May the Lord continue to guide till the end.

Sunday was given over to the general work of breaking camp, packing trunks, etc. But the evening hour found the chapel well filled with students and friends again for the last general meeting for the year. This meeting was devoted to a brief review of the past history of the school, to a consideration of future possibilities of its present students, and to a final consecration meeting. It was found that as a result of the eleven years' work of this institution, that it has to-day actually in the field at work upwards of ninety regular appointed workers. Of these, eleven are in the Ministry, thirteen in the Bible work, eighteen in Medical Missionary work, twelve in Church School work, eight in Office work, seven in foreign fields, Six teachers in our institutions, three physicians, three canvassers, two in medical college, two in our publishing houses, and three wives of workers, active in the work. Could the exact facts be obtained the numbers would be much larger in nearly every particular. The consecration meeting concluding this service was marked by a spirit of earnestness that means much for the future.

Monday morning at nine o'clock the school was called together for the last time. The regular chapel service was followed by the giving of grade cards for the term. The presentation of diplomas to the Class of 1904 was noted both for its simplicity and for its fitness. Undue expense for either decoration or attire on the part of the Class indicated loyalty to their chosen motto, "For Service Only." And who can measure the value of the fruits of such a service as six faithful young lives may bring home from the harvest?

The Class consists of the following persons in their respective courses:—

Biblical Course.—Bertha Laughlin, Mary Cobban, Emma Richardson.

Scientific Course.—Mabel Kennedy, Franke Cobban.

Classical Course.—Orvie Gibson.

The session closed with final counsels by the Principal, and the song, "God Be with You Till We Meet Again."