

THE Welcome Visitor

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EDUCATIONAL.

"One great object of our schools is the training of youth to engage in service in our institutions and in different lines of gospel work."

"In our schools missionary nurses should receive lessons from well-qualified physicians, and as a part of their education should learn how to battle with disease and to show the value of nature's remedies. This work is greatly needed."

MOUNT VERNON ACADEMY.

Its Part and Place in the Message.

WHEN we mention the Mount Vernon Academy, the Ohio people are interested; for this institution is peculiarly an institution of this people. It is *the one* institution that touches the interests and hearts of both old and young, worker and layman, alike.

It is indeed an institution of the people, by the people, and for the people. For eleven years, it has benefited by the fostering care of Conference, church, and people; and through the many changes and difficulties incident to the upbuilding of such a work, their loyalty and hearty support have been assured.

Perhaps this was never more marked than at the camp-meeting last year, when provision was made to decrease the institution's debt by upwards of five thousand dollars through free-will offerings. How much the institution has been able to profit by this can scarcely be realized by others than those who have been obliged to carry the responsibilities of its finances and work. But to these, a weight has been lifted, a burden lightened that bespeaks better times, and better work because of it, for the educational work of the State which this institution represents.

Its Mission.

When we remember that the whole work of the gospel is a work of education, and that the Mount Vernon Academy has no other mission but to further the work of the gospel, we see how directly we co-operated with God at our meeting last year, how every dollar raised for this institution contributes directly to the gospel work.

Even the very giving itself has returned in blessing upon the giver. Are we as a Conference, as families, as individuals less prosperous to-day because of our sacrifice last year? Could we not, with as much assurance as then, do as much this year, if we so desired, and thus free the institution from *all* its burden of debt. Could we do anything that would contribute more positively to the prosperity of our work, both at home and abroad, than to do this very thing.

But what has the Academy done to warrant this demand, and this sacrifice? Is it, like the fountain, giving as well as getting? Is the Third Angel's Message *really* being hastened by its work? Can we see the products of its work in the great field of the earth? These are pertinent questions and demand plain and positive answer. But the answer is easy to give. Were we to begin with the individuals who have shared the privileges of the Academy, and mention the many personal benefits received, physically, mentally, spiritually, we would find enough to more than pay for the outlay of energy and means thus far invested. Could their testimonies be printed in this paper and read by this people, money could not tempt us to exchange the investment for anything else. We would be led to say out of full hearts, "Praise the Lord for a part in a work like this."

Its Ministry.

This, however, is but the beginning. These trained minds, these converted and sanctified hearts, these students have in turn gone out into the world to carry light and life to the people. Our homes have shared the benefits of the Academy's work, the churches also, likewise the State, the United States, and many of the mission fields abroad are to-day sharing in the benefits of the Mount Vernon Academy. All branches of the work and lines of labor are being served by the products of this institution—the evangelical, missionary, educational, medical; ministers, teachers, Bible workers, canvassers, conference officers of all classes, doctors, nurses, home and foreign missionaries in almost every land are now at work

preaching this "gospel of the kingdom," which is to prepare the way for the coming of our Saviour. Not only students, but teachers also have been called from this institution to fill important positions of trust and responsibility in both the home and foreign fields. Japan and Egypt are now under the supervision of teachers called from the Academy. China is indebted to the same for one of its pioneer physicians. Both its former principals have been chosen by the General Conference officers to fill important positions in connection with our headquarters at Washington, D. C., one in the Treasury Department, the other to head the educational institution now being established there.

A New Provision.

We need not add more in answer to any question regarding the work and far reaching influence of our beloved Academy. The Ohio people surely have reason to take just pride in the institution the Lord has intrusted to their care, and well can they afford to do everything in their power to make it all it should be in the hands of God for good. The Board and Faculty are determined to do their best to enhance its equipment, and its work along every line. Among the things of special interest for the present year, is the addition of a strong two years' Missionary Nurses Course. Provision is being made for suitable treatment rooms where the practical work can be given, and the sick can be cared for. A building is to be prepared especially for this, and for regular sanitarium work in the near future. Instructors experienced in practical nursing are being added to our Faculty to conduct this line of study, and as soon as conditions warrant or demand, it is expected that a physician will also be added to care for the strictly sanitarium features of this work. Missionary nurses are needed everywhere, and we invite the co-operation of our readers in directing mature, faithful, consistent Christian young men and women to this institution for this line of work. It is expected, however, that a standard of excellence in all things will still be maintained; that the work of the reg-

ular Courses will be just as thorough; that the spiritual life will be as sacredly guarded; that a genuine missionary spirit, with fidelity to the cause of present truth, will be the aim in all the work. In this, the Academy appreciates, and expects, the continued support and co-operation of all our people till the work is done, and the Master of the harvest says, "It is enough."

N. W. L.

FIVE MINUTES.

AT the Commencement at Charlier Institute, Dr. S. Iranæus Prime spoke to the young men as follows:—

"I am invited to speak to you five minutes—and only five. Little may be said, and much may be done in five minutes. In five minutes you may fire a city, scuttle a ship, or ruin a soul. The error of a moment makes the sorrow of a life. Get that thought well in your hearts, and my work is done in a minute, instead of five.

"Tempted to sin, remember that in five minutes you may destroy your good name, fill your soul with undying remorse, and bring, with sorrow, your father's gray hair to the grave. But if you can do so much evil, so you may do a mighty sum of good in five minutes.

"You may decide to live for usefulness and honor. Everything hangs on that choice, and it may be made in five minutes.

"Take care of the pence, and the pounds will take care of themselves; take care of the minutes, and the hours are safe. I made a little book in this way: in the breakfast-room were pen and ink and paper; and if, when the hour for breakfast came, all was not ready, I wrote a few words or lines, as time allowed. The book was finished, and it had been published scarcely a week before I heard it had saved a soul; it has saved many since. It did not cost me one minute that would have been used for anything else.

"Five minutes in the morning, and as many in the evening, will make you the master of a new language in two or three years. Before you are of middle age, you may speak all the modern tongues, if you will but improve the spare moments of the years now flying by.

"Minutes are more than jewels; they are the stuff life is made of; they are diamond stepping-stones to wisdom, usefulness and wealth; the ladder to heaven.

"It will not take five minutes to do a good deed, and one day will make a life of honor and usefulness, with glory beyond."—*Selected.*

OUR WORK AND WORKERS.

"There is urgent demand for laborers in the gospel field. Young men are needed for this work; God calls for them. Their education is of primary importance in our colleges, and in no case should it be ignored or regarded as a secondary matter."

REPORTS.

Dayton.

A VISIT to the Dayton church reveals the fact that our brethren and sisters are actively engaged in missionary work. We had an excellent attendance last Sabbath, and at the close of the service one sister presented herself for baptism and union with the church.

On Sunday morning at 9:30 A. M., we went to Phillipps Bath House on the bank of the Miami River, where the baptismal ceremony was performed in the presence of a large audience. We were invited to come at any time free of charge. This is a lovely place and suitable for such occasions.

On Sunday evening, July 24, we held services in the church with a good sized company. One dear soul who works in the car shops in Dayton is anxious to obey, but his place must be supplied if he keeps the Sabbath. Brethren, ask the Lord to increase his faith, and move on the hearts of his employers to give him work, and thereby show an interest in those who need our help.

Many from Dayton are planning to attend the camp-meeting.

J. O. MILLER.

Meigs, Philo and Brokaw.

DEAR VISITOR: I left Dayton a few weeks ago, and came to Meigs. There I found the little company of good courage. Brother Redfield has indeed proved a real blessing to the church.

I visited Philo, Muskingum County, where Brother Kirkendall and myself held a tent meeting two years ago. There are several interested ones there yet. I conducted Bible readings and gave away literature. It does seem to me that some one ought to look after these dear souls.

My next visit was to Brokaw, Washington County. There I found the little company striving against the enemy. But they too need a shepherd. I am glad to say there are a few who are proving themselves faithful to the Lord.

I expect to join Elder J. O. Miller at Pleasant Hill, July 29, and remain with him a few days. I have enjoyed

the past year's work much more than any since I entered the Lord's work. I can look back and see that some of the seed was sown on good ground, and God has given the increase.

F. H. HENDERSON.

THE VALUE OF A SOUL.

WHO can estimate the value of a soul? It cannot be compared with gold, or silver, or precious stones. With what, then, shall we compare it? We are told that "Jesus cares for each one as if there was not another individual on the face of the earth." Just think of it! the Ruler of the universe caring for each individual as if there was but one individual in all the world. That being true, Christ would have come to this earth, and suffered and died to make an atonement for one individual.

This shows the estimate that God places upon the human soul; for "all heaven was poured out in that one gift." If one soul is of such value in the sight of God, is it not worth our most earnest efforts to save souls? And should we not think, and study, and pray to know how we can best labor for their salvation? The loss of one soul is a calamity infinitely outweighing the gains and treasures of a world."

Can all be laborers together with God in this work? What does he say about it? "For the Son of man is as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave authority to his servants, and to every man his work." Mark 13:34.

"We have a grand work to do for the Master, to open the word of God to those who are in darkness and error. . . . Well may every one feel an individual responsibility in this work. Well may he consider how he may best arrest the attention, for his manner of presenting the truth may decide the destiny of a soul. If he makes a favorable impression, his influence may be to that soul a savor of life unto life; and that one person, enlightened in regard to the truth, may enlighten many others. Therefore it is dangerous to do careless work in dealing with minds.

"The canvassing work is God's means of reaching many that would not otherwise be reached with the truth. This work is a good one, the object high and elevating."

Are there not many who read this article that would like to have a part in this "grand work"? The Lord is calling for workers. Who will answer, "Here am I, Lord, send me"?

The fields are white, ready for harvest. Who will be a reaper?—*Selected.*

OHIO TRACT SOCIETY.

CANVASSERS' REPORTS.

(For week ending July 22, 1904.)

John J. Marietta, Columbiana Co.—Coming King: 33 hours; value of orders, \$20.50; helps, \$.50; total, \$21.

Christy Fritz, Richland Co.—Coming King: 30 hours; value of orders, \$14; helps, \$9; total, \$23.

Mrs. E. Y. Smith, Toledo.—Story of Daniel: 25 hours; value of orders, \$3; helps, \$6.25; total, \$9.25.

F. E. Wagner,* Richland Co.—Miscellaneous: value of cash sales, \$11.45.

J. F. Gallion, Fairfield Co.—Value of deliveries in last report should have been \$91 instead of \$82.50.

(For week ending July 29, 1904.)

John J. Marietta, Columbiana Co.—Coming King: 29 hours; value of orders, \$15; helps, \$.75; total, \$15.75; value of deliveries, \$1.

Samuel Frost, Wyandot Co.—Coming King: 30 hours; value of orders, \$26; helps, \$2.50; total, \$28.50; value of deliveries, \$107.

E. R. Numbers, Cleveland.—Coming King: 28 hours; value of orders, \$21.50; helps, 4.50; total, \$26.

*Two weeks.

GREAT MEN WHO HAVE CANVASSED.

How many times do we hear the expression, "I would rather shovel dirt than canvass!" or, how often have we heard the foolish remark, "I would rather starve than canvass!" But among the canvassers of to-day are surely found the great men of the future. Shall I tell you of some great men who have canvassed for a living? Did you ever hear of Napoleon Bonaparte? It may surprise you to learn that, when he was but a poor lieutenant, he became a book agent, soliciting orders for a work entitled, "L'Historie de la Revolution," and should you ever visit Paris, you may have the pleasure of viewing in the Pallas du Louvre the identical canvassing outfit which the great warrior and statesman used in his work, with the long list of subscribers which we secured.

George Washington, when a youth, canvassed in the vicinity of Alexandria, Va., and sold over two hundred copies of a work entitled "Bydell's American Savage."

Mark Twain, Longfellow, Jay Gould and scores of other noted men were

first canvassers; and Daniel Webster paid his second term's tuition at Dartmouth College by canvassing for De Tocqueville's "America" in Merrimac County, N. H.

General U. S. Grant canvassed for Irving's "Columbus," with success. Rutherford B. Hayes, who afterward became president of the United States, in his younger days canvassed for the well-known book, "Baxter's Saints' Rest."

Finally we come to two of the world's greatest statesmen, Bismarck and James G. Blaine. When the former attended the University of Heidelberg, Germany, he spent an entire vacation canvassing for "Blumenbach's Hand-book." And it may be added that Mr. Blaine began life as a canvasser, taking orders for a work entitled "The Life of Henry Clay."

In the presence of such an array of the world's great men who have canvassed, dare we say that the canvassing work is degrading, or comes below the dignity of a gentleman? These men ran the gauntlet of canvassing life, and came out stronger and better able by far than before to meet the stern realities of life. Did it injure them? Let history speak for them.—*Selected.*

SOME BEST THINGS.

THE best philosophy—a contented mind.

The best law—the golden rule.

The best education—self knowledge.

The best statesmanship—self government.

The best medicine—cheerfulness and temperance.

The best art—painting a smile upon the brow of childhood.

The best science—extracting sunshine from a cloudy way.

The best war—to war against one's weakness.

The best music—the laughter of an innocent child.

The best journalism—printing the true and beautiful only, on memory's tablet.

The best telegraphing—flashing a ray of sunshine into a gloomy heart.

The best biography—the life which writes charity in the largest letters.

The best mathematics—that which doubles the most joys and divides the most sorrows.

The best navigation—steering clear of the lacerating rocks of personal contention.

The best diplomacy—effecting a treaty of peace with one's own conscience.

The best engineering—building a bridge of faith over the river of death.

VICTORY.

WHEN you are forgotten, or neglected, or purposely set at nought, and you smile inwardly, glorying in the insult or the oversight,—*that is victory.*

When your good is evil spoken of; when your wishes are crossed, your tastes offended, your advice disregarded, your opinions ridiculed, and you take it all in patient, loving silence,—*that is victory.*

When you are content with any food, any raiment, any climate, any society, any solitude, any interruption,—*that is victory.*

When you can bear with any discord, any annoyance, any irregularity or unpunctuality (of which you are not the cause),—*that is victory.*

When you can stand face to face with folly, extravagance, spiritual insensibility, contradiction of sinners, persecution, and endure it all as Jesus endured it,—*that is victory.*

When you never care to refer to yourself in conversation, nor to record your good works, nor to seek after commendation—when you can truly "love to be unknown,"—*that is victory.—Selected.*

TO PARENTS AND TEACHERS.

"OUR Little Folk's Bible Nature" is the title of a new book just issued by the Review & Herald Publishing Co. The author is Mrs. Ella King Sanders, who wrote the "Easy Lessons for Children" in the "Best Stories." Mrs. Sanders is one of the most experienced primary church school teachers in the denomination, and having had extended observation and preparation in lesson writing for children, she is thoroughly competent to produce a primary book adapted to the needs of the children in the home and school.

The plan of the book is simple graded lessons on Bible nature, taking up the subjects in the order of creation, beginning with light, the first subject introduced in the Bible. The sentence method is introduced in the first lesson in script and print, and great care has been taken in the grading of the matter throughout the entire book, and each subject is thoroughly illustrated by new drawings made especially for the book, with thirteen colored plates. It is the same size, and contains the same number of pages as "Our Paradise Home." Beautifully bound in board and cloth with an appropriately colored design cover. Retail prices, 25 and 40 cents. Forty per cent. discount allowed to agents. All orders should be sent to the Ohio Tract Society, Academia, O.

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Sabbath begins Aug. 12 at 7:01 P. M.

ONE issue of the VISITOR will be omitted during camp-meeting.

THE friends of Mrs. M. L. Maxson will be glad to know that she is well and is having some rich experiences, which are causing her to rejoice more than ever in the present truth.

"The Gazette Pocket Speller and Definer"

IS a vest pocket help that is recommended to all students and workers in literary lines, and especially to nurses and medical workers of any sort. It is bound in leather, gilt edges, and contains 216 pages, with two departments—English and medical. Modern usage in orthography and accentuation is used in the text. A new word for every line, and each word properly defined in that line, makes it at once concise, convenient, complete. Published by The Gazette Pub. Co., 35 West 42d St., New York.

Findlay.

WE held an interesting quarterly meeting, and all seemed to be encouraged to go forward and raise the standard of truth higher. I hope you will remember the Findlay church in your prayers. MRS. E. E. MACKIN.

THINGS TO REMEMBER ON GOING TO
CAMP-MEETING.

IN order to get the promised railroad reduction, you must—

1. Purchase your tickets on August 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 or 13. If bought on any other days they will not be valid.

2. Be sure to ask for a certificate certifying that you have paid full fare to Marysville to attend the Seventh-day Adventist camp-meeting and see that the ticket agent stamps it with the office stamp the same as your ticket.

3. All certificates must be signed by the Central Passenger Association's agent on the camp-ground on Thursday, August 18. Otherwise they will not be of any use.

4. It will pay you to strap, or rope, your trunks before leaving home.

This will insure them against breaking open on the way, and losing or soiling the contents.

5. Don't forget to give your baggage checks to G. C. Quillin on arriving at Marysville. He will deliver your baggage at the camp-ground.

6. Above all don't forget to come yourself; and that, too, at an early date. Your presence and help will be needed to make the meeting a success.

7. And last, but not the least, remember that it will require the patience of the saints to keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus in these last days when so much impatience is manifested on every hand.

H. H. BURKHOLDER.

Remember the camp-meeting at
Marysville, O., Aug. 11-22, 1904.

DAILY PROGRAM.

(Standard Time.)

Rising Bell.....	5:00 A. M.
Bell rings five minutes before every appointed hour and on the appointed hours.	
Youths' Meetings.....	} 5:30 A. M.
Devotional Services.....	
Breakfast.....	7:00 A. M.
District Meetings.....	} 8:00 A. M.
Children's Meetings.....	
General Meetings.....	10:00 A. M.
Conference Laborers'.....	11:30 A. M.
Dinner.....	12:30 P. M.
Preaching.....	3:00 P. M.
Children's Meetings.....	} 5:30 P. M.
Youths' Meetings.....	
Preaching.....	7:30 P. M.
Warning bell for silence.....	9:00 P. M.
Silence bells.....	} 9:25 P. M.

SABBATH SERVICES.

Sabbath-school.....	9:00 A. M.
Preaching.....	10:30 A. M., 3:00 P. M., and 7:30 P. M.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Preaching.....	10:30 A. M., 3:00 P. M., and 7:30 P. M.
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TITHE RECEIPTS.

JULY, 1904.

Akron.....	\$128.31
Alliance.....	22.90
Ashland.....
Barnesville.....
Beaver.....	6 25
Bellefontaine.....	.....
Bellville.....	14.70
Bowling Green.....	178.55
Box 55.....	.....
Brokaw.....	2.00
Broughton.....	2.48
Camden.....	.....
Canton.....	14.78
Chagrin Falls.....	11.35
Chillicothe.....	20.50
Cincinnati.....	54.60
Cleveland.....	101.91

Clyde.....	52.74
Columbus.....	105.33
Conneaut.....	10.09
Corsica.....	35.64
Coshocton.....	88.66
Cygnut.....	28.55
Dayton.....	67.03
Defiance.....	7.00
Delaware.....	.50
Dunkirk.....	7.50
East Liverpool.....	30.56
Elgin.....	17.10
Fairfield.....	.....
Findlay.....	17.10
Geneva.....	24.22
Grand River.....	2.00
Green Spring.....	22.59
Hamler.....	83.29
Hicksville.....	60.84
Jackson.....	.....
Kenilworth.....	.....
Kenton.....	3.00
Killbuck.....	30.64
Kirtland.....	63.73
Lagrange.....	142.07
Lake View.....	.....
Laura.....	52.53
Leesburg.....	19.85
Lewistown.....	4.30
Liberty Center.....	48.15
Lima.....	8.51
Locust Point.....	.....
Mansfield.....	.....
Marion.....	16.68
Marshfield.....	5.00
Melgs.....	10.00
Mendon.....	9.10
Middlefield.....	12.50
Mount Vernon.....	127.54
Nashville.....	6.00
New Antioch.....	.....
Newark.....	78.06
Norwalk.....	14.00
Pemberville.....	.....
Pleasant Hill.....	10.00
Reedsville.....	.....
Rowsburg.....	.....
St. Clairsville.....	14.00
Sherwood.....	.....
Sinking Spring.....	.....
Spencer.....	7.90
Springfield.....	30.25
Toledo.....	105.89
Troy.....	70.86
Van Wert.....	14.85
Wadsworth.....	.72
Walnut Grove.....	86.04
Washington C. H.....	.....
Waterford.....	25.17
Wengerlawn.....	.....
West Mansfield.....	.....
Wheetersburg.....	81.68
Wilmington.....	25.71
Youngstown.....	29.56
Isolated Sabbath Keepers.....	.....

Total.....\$2,412.37
C. V. HAMER, Treas.

TOTAL RECEIPTS, ALL SOURCES,
JULY, 1904.

Tithe.....	\$2,412.37
Ohio Tract Society.....	558.36
First Day Offering.....	119.74
Sabbath-school Donations.....	211.20
Haskell and James White Homes.....	16.41
Academy Debt.....	185.00
Egypt.....	1.25
China.....	22.75
Washington, D. C., work.....	27.33
Mid-Summer Offering.....	168.37
Southern Field.....	2.75
Missionary Acre Fund.....	19.80
Total.....	\$3,745.38

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