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

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MISCELLANEOUS.

GOD CHOOSES.

He chose this path for thee;
No feeble chance, or hard, relentless
fate,
But love, his love, hath placed thy
footsteps here.
He knew the way was desolate,
Knew how thy heart would often
sink with fear;
Yet tenderly he whispered,
"Child, I see
This path is best for thee."
He chose this path for thee;
What needst thou more? This sweeter
truth to know
That all along these strange, be-
wildering ways,
O'er rocky steeps, and where dark
rivers flow,
His loving arms will bear thee all
the days."
A few steps more, and thou thy-
self shalt see
This path is best for thee.

—Selected.

THE FOUNDATION OF GOD STANDETH SURE.

SINCE reading the leaflet prepared and sent out by Elder A. T. Jones, of Battle Creek, Mich., bearing the title, "Some History, Some Experience, and Some Facts," also the answer it has called forth from the General Conference Committee, I wish to say that never before in all my life have I prized the truths held dear by Seventh-day Adventists, as I do at the present time.

Truly the dragon is wroth with the woman, and is making war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ,

In the *Review and Herald* of May 31, 1906, these words appear: "We are now passing through a crisis. This is not an ordinary period in our history. We need

now to understand the leadings of Providence."

How sad the thought that one with whom we have labored in the past, and who stood side by side with us so many years, should, at this critical time, step off the "solid, immovable platform," and declare the foundation to be wrong!

Yet at this we need not be surprised. In speaking of the shaking time through which the church in the last days is to pass, to separate the false from the true, the chaff from the wheat, Sister White has told us that shining stars that had been supposed to be firmly fixed in the firmament, and had been admired for their brilliancy, would suddenly go out in darkness.

In view of the position taken by Elder Jones in the leaflet referred to in this article, the Executive Committee of the Lake Union Conference at the recent session held at Berrien Springs, Mich., unanimously adopted the following statements:—

In view of the fact that a leaflet entitled "Some History, Some Experience, and Some Facts," prepared by Elder A. T. Jones, of Battle Creek, Mich., is being widely circulated throughout this Union Conference, and is, in our judgment, calculated to do great spiritual harm, we deem it proper to make the following statements of our position:—

1. We very deeply regret the unwise course Elder Jones has taken in thus making most serious charges against our General Conference Administration, and in attempting to establish the claim that the instruction professedly given through the Spirit of Prophecy is unreliable.

2. Our own experience with the administration of General Conference affairs leads us to disagree wholly with the charges preferred by Elder Jones. During our entire connection

with the Message we have not seen manifest the spirit of domination here alleged; but we have always had most friendly co-operation, and have experienced the fullest freedom in carrying forward our work.

3. We have the fullest confidence that Elder Jones' conclusions concerning the testimonies rest upon no sufficient basis, and we wish, while most kindly, yet most earnestly protesting against the charges preferred, to also assure our brethren and sisters in the local churches throughout the Lake Union Conference, that they need be in no way disturbed or unsettled by the groundless assertions being circulated among them by means of this leaflet.

4. That we take great pleasure in declaring our confidence in the administration of affairs of the General Conference, and to extend to it our most earnest and loyal support in carrying forward and fostering the Message in all its phases in various portions of the wide harvest field.

5. That we regard Elder Jones' assertions concerning the unreliability of the testimonies as having no weight when considered in the light of the history of this denomination, and we deem it a privilege to again express our thankfulness to our heavenly Father for the gift of the Spirit of Prophecy manifest in our midst, and renewed confidence in its integrity, and to pledge greater faithfulness in the future to the instruction which comes to us through this instrumentality.

Allen Moon,
Wm. Covert,
W. J. Stone,
A. G. Haughey,
E. K. Slade,
H. H. Burkholder,
C. McReynolds,
S. E. Wight,
W. D. Parkhurst.

At the close of the conference these statements were read to the delegates and all others who were present. Requests were heard from many asking for the privilege of voting on the same, which was granted, and the whole

congregation rose to their feet.

I hope that every Seventh-day Adventist in the Ohio Conference will carefully read the answer prepared by the General Conference Committee to Elder Jones' leaflet. If any reader of the VISITOR has not already received a copy, one will be mailed on receipt of request. Address Office of the Ohio S. D. A. Conference, Academia, Ohio.

H. H. BURKHOLDER.

SOMETHING WORTH REMEMBERING.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Ohio Conference in the spring of 1904, a resolution was passed urging the brethren contemplating building a church house, to counsel with the Executive Committee of the Conference, submitting estimates, plans, resources, etc., before proceeding to build.

This course will be found more satisfactory to all parties concerned, and by far the safer way to proceed in such matters.

H. H. BURKHOLDER.

MISSIONARY.

MID-SUMMER OFFERING FOR 1906.

THE General Conference Committee has appointed June 30, as the Sabbath when the Mid-summer Offering for Foreign Mission work shall be taken up in all of our churches.

It is true that we have just made a collection for the Pacific Coast sufferers, and yet this fund, of course, does not in any wise assist or maintain the large number of workers we have in foreign fields. Our working forces in foreign fields have been considerably increased this last year, and other workers are planning to go, or will be on their way soon.

We have already sent several workers to different fields this present spring. Brother O. E. Davis and wife recently sailed to British Guiana, opening up work

among the Indians in the Demerara District; Brother Bond and wife left a few weeks since for Spain; Brother Jewell has gone to India; Brother Benson and Brother Anderson will soon leave for Japan and China; Dr. Marsh and Sister Kurtz and Sister Whaley will sail June 2 for India; Elder Svensson left a few weeks ago for his home in Sweden, where he expects to spend sometime in the interest of the work among his native people; Brother Israel and wife will leave soon for South Africa; and others are under appointment, and will arrange to go at the earliest possible date.

The increased number of workers and the maintenance of those in the field, make increased demands upon the Mission funds, and of course, necessitates the raising of large donations for missionary work year by year.

We are anxious to see the work closed up. The reign of sin has wrought great havoc among men; sorrow and disappointment are on every hand; convulsions of nature and war and trouble seem thickening. Everything indicates that our Master soon will come.

We hope our brethren will respond liberally to the Mid-summer Offering on June 30, and make it the largest that has ever been collected for our missionary work.

We wish the blessing of God to be with our dear people everywhere, and give them liberal hearts in carrying on the Message that has been committed to our trust.

I. H. EVANS.

TO HELP THE ITALIANS.

DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS OF OHIO: We have in our large cities of America millions of Italian speaking people, yet we have practically no literature containing the Message to place in their hands. Feeling that this need should be supplied, I wrote to Brother Everson at Rome, Italy,

and sent him a set of the "Family Bible Teacher," asking if these lessons could not be printed in that language. The following is a copy of a letter I have just received from Brother Everson. He requests that I raise twenty dollars to help pay for translating these lessons, and by the consent of Elder H. H. Burkholder I take the opportunity to ask my brethren and sisters of Ohio to assist me in raising the money *at once*. Please send all contributions to C. V. Hamer, Academia, Knox Co., Ohio, and be sure to specify for what it is sent.

"Rome, Italy, May 8, 1906.

"Via D'Azeglio, 44.

"Dear Brother Granger:—

"Your welcome letter was duly received and read with much interest, as well as the Bible lessons. I am pleased to know of your interest in the millions of Italians that are in great need of this precious message.

"I am favorably struck with the Bible lessons, and think that they are well gotten up and calculated to serve the purpose for which they are intended. I am sure that they can be used to advantage here also in Italy.

"Your letter came to hand while Elder Conradi was here, and we talked the matter over about getting out the lessons. We decided that if you could raise twenty dollars to pay for the translation of the lessons, then we would print the lessons here in Italy where the work could be done more cheaply, and then we would supply you as many copies as you should wish at cost price. We thought that this arrangement would be the most satisfactory all around, as we can get out a more perfect edition, knowing the language, than in America; and then the printing is cheaper here than there. So if you can raise the twenty dollars needed to remunerate the translator, there is nothing to hinder our getting out the work immediately. "Therefore if you can send the twenty dollars, I shall immedi-

ately put things into operation to get out these good lessons in Italian.

"I hope that I may receive an early reply from you, as I am much in sympathy with this work.

"Wishing you much of God's blessings in your good work for Him, I remain,

"Yours in the Master's service,
"Chas. T. Everson."

W. H. GRANGER.

REPORTS.

Medina.

WELCOME VISITOR: After the State Meeting I packed my goods and shipped them to Cleveland, but I stopped over Sabbath, Sunday, and Monday with the brethren at Medina. This little company was glad to have one of the workers give them such a surprise.

We held three meetings in which the presence of the Lord was with us. I called on all the members of the company, and visited a number of outsiders with whom I had labored and learned to love. All the believers here are of good courage.

I have been looking over my field of labor, with the German speaking people, and will plan to begin work at once.

I sold sixty Special Numbers of the *Signs* on the train and in the depots.

G. P. GAEDE.

Charloe.

DEAR VISITOR: I have received one visit from you in my new home as I found you waiting for me.

I left Mount Vernon the night of May 30, and, after traveling all night, arrived at Haskins, where our tents were stored, about 7:30 the next morning. After loading the tents on the train for our new field of labor at Charloe, I left for that place myself at eleven o'clock, but did not reach there until in the night.

I found the brethren all well. On Sabbath we had a good meeting; also Saturday and Sunday evenings. There were nice congregations at each meeting.

The party who challenged us to debate is trying to get our consent to meeting Mr. Dillon only one or two nights on the two points they asked to debate, instead of the five nights as at first requested. What they will do remains to be seen, as we will hold to the first agreement.

Monday morning Brother Hankins drove me to Melrose where Brother Potts and his two sons helped us pitch the large tent which was up by the time Brother John Shultz arrived at ten o'clock. We have a nice location, and the prospects are good for a large attendance. We will hold our first meeting June 6. We greatly appreciate the help of the brethren in hauling and pitching the tents.

W. E. BIDWELL,

Melrose, Paulding Co., O.

THE CANVASSING WORK.

Circleville.

WELCOME VISITOR: My desire is to be a successful canvasser, therefore I am laboring to this end.

March 28 I came to Pickaway Co. to canvass, and I am here yet and have no thought of leaving very soon. It is true that I am not making any great showing; but great things have always had a small beginning,—not saying it will be true in this case, but I am working to make a success in the canvassing work.

The Ohio Tract Society said to me, "We will give you fifty per cent on all the books you sell." That is more than The Monroe Book Company offered. The Tract Society also said, "We will pay the freight on all orders weighing one hundred pounds or more." Not only have they done all this, but they have the best class of literature that can be offered by any other company or

society. While we know all this to be true, we hesitate to go into the homes of the people and place it before the people. These books and pamphlets contain the last warning message to this world. When we believe this, and tell it as we should, one of the greatest blessings mankind can receive will come to us; for "this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations," and then Jesus will come, and we will go home.

Paul longed for that day when he said, "I have fought a good fight, I have kept the faith, henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, . . . and not for me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing." Luke expected his reward in the future; "for thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just." Others have looked forward to that time with great anticipation. 2 Peter 3:12; Heb. 9:28, etc.

We may have trials, but they are to work for us a far greater reward. 2 Cor. 4:17. It is not my intention to give a reading on the Second Coming of Christ, or The Resurrection, but to show the blessedness of working to secure subjects for the kingdom of God.

B. F. COOK.

Wilmington.

I AM getting along well, and am of good courage. Of course I meet with some discouragements, but the Lord is my stay in all these.

I hope to have a better report next week.

You will probably notice that my report is worse for the last part of the week. The reason for this is that as I went farther from Wilmington I got into more unsettled country, and also among more ignorant people, some of whom can neither read nor write.

Your brother in Christ,

GEO. PERRINE.

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Sabbath begins June 12 at 7:30 P. M.

The blue pencil-mark here means
that your subscription has expired.
Please renew at once.

Camp meeting August 16 to 26.

TITLE RECEIPTS.

MAY, 1906.

Atton.....	\$ 9.20
Alliance.....	39.37
Ashland.....	.....
Barnesville.....	.....
Beaver.....	.....
Bellefontaine.....	19.25
Bellville.....	5.00
Bowling Green.....	50.00
Brokaw.....	15.14
Broughton.....	.....
Camden.....	.50
Canton.....	15.30
Chagrin Falls.....	21.46
Charloe.....	.....
Chillicothe.....	.....
Cincinnati.....	94.07
Cleveland.....	213.43
Clyde.....	11.40
Columbiana.....	.....
Columbus.....	307.19
Conneaut.....	.....
Corsica.....	.....
Coshocton.....	59.87
Cygnets.....	.....
Dayton.....	104.12
Defiance.....	.....
Delaware.....	3.50
Dowling.....	15.06
Dresden-Triway.....	23.87
Dunkirk.....	.....
East Liverpool.....	32.83
Elgin.....	16.43
Fairfield.....	.....
Findlay.....	12.06
Fostoria.....	\$ 3.00
Geneva.....	.....
Gilboa.....	.....
Grand River.....	5.00
Green Spring.....	.....
Hamilton.....	52.60
Hamlet.....	.....
Hicksville.....	.....
Home Dept.....	.....
Jackson.....	.....
Jefferson.....	.....
Kenton.....	.....
Kirtland.....	.....
Killbuck.....	1.52
Laura.....	7.00
La Grange.....	.....
Lake View.....	.....
Leesburg.....	.....
Lewistown.....	.....
Liberty Center.....	10.15
Lima.....	20.25
Locest Point.....	.....
Mansfield.....	2.95

Marion.....	64.20
Marshfield.....	2.70
Marysville.....	.....
Massillon.....	31.20
Medina.....	.....
Meigs.....	9.95
Mendon.....	.....
Middlefield.....	30.24
Morrow.....	.....
Mount Vernon.....	135.49
Nashville.....	.....
New Antioch.....	.....
Newark.....	45.72
Norwalk.....	7.91
Ohio City.....	.....
Olivet.....	.....
Pemberville.....	.....
Plqua.....	.....
Pleasant Hill.....	20.05
Powell.....	118.05
Reedsville.....	.....
Rows.....	.....
St. Clairsville.....	.....
Sherwood.....	25.00
Sidney.....	.....
Six Points.....	.....
Spencer.....	47.55
Springfield.....	128.54
Toledo.....	80.80
Troy.....	.....
Van Wert.....	.....
Wadsworth.....	.....
Walnut Grove.....	.....
Washington C. H.....	257.78
Waterford.....	.....
Wengerlawn.....	5.00
West Mansfield.....	.....
Wheetersburg.....	42.45
Spencer.....	.....
Wilmington.....	.....
Youngstown.....	25.64
Isolated Sabbath Keepers.....	41.51

Total.....\$2,191.29
C. V. HAMER, Treas.

TOTAL RECEIPTS, ALL SOURCES.

May, 1906.

Title.....	\$2,191.29
Ohio Tract Society.....	600.78
Weekly Offerings.....	61.05
Sabbath-school Donations.....	43.97
Orphan's Homes.....	81.68
Earthquake Fund.....	115.75
Y. P. Society.....	30.80
Indians.....	1.30
Southern Field.....	1.14
Cleveland Church.....	2.00

Total.....\$3,129.77
C. V. HAMER, Treas.

CANVASSERS' REPORT.

(For week ending June 1, 1906.)

E. R. Numbers, Lancaster.—Great Controversy: 30 hours; value of orders, \$36.75; helps, \$2.50; total, \$39.25.

W. E. Barr, Clinton Co.—Great Controversy: 22½ hours; value of orders, \$6.75; helps, \$2; total, \$8.75.

Ira J. Gault, Ashland Co.—Great Controversy: 27½ hours; value of orders, \$29.25; helps, \$3; total, \$32.25.

Raleigh French, Van Wert Co.—Bible Readings: value of deliveries, \$94.50

A. T. Halstead, Belmont Co.—Bible Readings: value of orders, \$26; helps, \$5; total, \$31.

Guy G. Hastings, Mercer Co.—Bible Readings: 37 hours; value of orders, \$33.50; helps, \$1; total, \$34.50.

B. F. Cook, Pickaway Co.—Coming King: 46 hours; value of orders, \$15.50; helps, \$2; total, \$17.50.

Enos M. Horst, Wayne Co.—Coming King: 17 hours; value of orders, \$9; helps, \$20; total, \$29; deliveries, \$4.50.

Chr. F. Mahr, Cleveland.—Coming King: 28 hours; value of orders, \$34; helps, \$25; total, \$59; deliveries, \$8.

George Perrine, Clinton Co.—Coming King: 22½ hours; value of orders, \$17.50; helps, \$5.25; total, \$22.75.

L. R. Williams, Miami Co.—Coming King: 15 hours; value of orders, \$8.50; helps, \$50; total, \$9.

F. E. Wagner, Tuscarawas Co.—Miscellaneous: cash sales, \$21.75.

*Since his last report.

OBITUARIES.

WEATHERBY.—Urban M. Weatherby was born January 2, 1838, in Seneca township, Lenawee Co., Michigan, and died at his residence at Oak Shade, Fulton Co., Ohio, May 26, 1906, aged 68 years, 4 months, and 24 days. He was married to Amoretha Rogers Nov. 25, 1873. To this union were born two daughters and one son. Brother Weatherby united with the Seventh-day Adventist church about 1880, of which denomination he remained an earnest member until his death. The services were held by the writer, and words of comfort were spoken from Isa. 40:1. The deceased had made many friends during his life time, and there was a good attendance of earnest listeners. The Spirit of the Lord was present. One lady has lately embraced the truth through the work of Sister Weatherby.

G. P. GADE.

PALMER.—Thomas Henry Palmer was born July 20, 1847, and died May 15, 1906, aged 59 years, 1 month, and 5 days. He was married to Miss Mary E. Taylor March 7, 1867. Soon after his marriage he was baptized and became a member of the Church of Christ. Later on he identified himself with the Seventh-day Adventist church, of which he was a faithful member until his death. June 11, 1884, he was married the second time to Miss Elizabeth Fullerton. He leaves a widow, two sons, two daughters, and many friends to mourn his death. Words of comfort were spoken from Job 14:14, by Elder M. C. Kirkendall.