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The Laymen's Lift May 8-14

The Loud Cry

In Revelation 18:1 we are told that John saw "another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory." How this enlightenment is largely brought about, we are told in Vol. VII, page 140: "And in a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power, and who lightens the earth with his glory."

The importance of distributing our literature is strongly emphasized in Vol. IV, page 390, as follows: "If there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the public, thus leading them to search the Scriptures."

Preparing the Instrumentalities

These references clearly show that our truth-filled literature, in the hands of consecrated men, women and children, is to perform a very prominent and indispensable part in the proclamation of the message of a soon coming Saviour. God is using the printing press in cutting his work short in righteousness. Rom. 9:28. He is now preparing his instrumentalities, animate and inanimate, and when both are ready, a work of enlightenment will be accomplished by the Lord's people that will astonish the world.

A Preparatory Event

One of the preparatory events for the complete fulfillment of Rev. 18:1 will be Big Week, May 8-14. The Publishing Department is undertaking to raise \$500,000 to supply the needs of the publishing work in foreign mission fields, as recommended in the Fall Council last year. The Home Missionary Department at the same time will endeavor to lift \$100,000 of this half-million dollar project through the sale of literature by our lay members throughout the United States. At the Council last fall in Indianapolis

the following recommendations, making the two departments partners in the \$500,000 movement, was presented by the Home Missionary Department:

The Home Missionary Program

Whereas, Tens of thousands of Seventh-Day Adventists in foreign lands are without missionary literature, due to lack of publishing facilities; and

Whereas, The General Conference, through the Publishing Department, is launching a movement to raise \$500,000 to supply the immediate needs in publishing facilities; therefore,

We Recommend: 1. That the Home Missionary Department launch a Field Week for the North American continent.

2. That the week selected be the second week of May, 1921, co-operating with the Publishing Department Big Week.

3. That the goal for this Field Week be \$100,000.

4. That the laity be encouraged to raise this sum through the sale of literature.

Columbians Getting Ready

The lay members of the Columbia Union will endeavor to raise \$14,002.25 as a gift to the Missions Publishing Fund. This will mean the sale of \$28,004.50 worth of our truth-filled literature. This is not a large undertaking. It means that each person's gift will be an average of only \$1.25, or the sale of \$2.50 worth of our publications. This is the individual goal set. Of course, many will want to sell more in order to help make up for those who are not able to walk about. It has been recommended that each member give the proceeds of one day's sales during Big Week to the Publishing Fund, preferably the first day's work. Of course, there will be a number of people who cannot stop their daily work who will be glad to give one day's wages to the building up of the publishing work in other countries. That will be all right.

Soul-Saving Effort

However, since this special effort of the laymen, May 8-14, will be a soul-saving work in the homeland, as all our field days should be, every lay member, as far as possible, should raise his money by selling our litera-

ture. Thus he will not only help abroad, but will also do his friends and himself much good.

Order Now

If you haven't ordered your supplies, order now of your church missionary secretary. She must have time to order from the tract society.

What to Sell

Among our numerous publications you will find it easy to make a choice. Choose now. Your elder and missionary secretary will help you.

Subscription Books

"Great Controversy," "Bible Readings," "Our Day," and "Christ's Object Lessons" are some of the large books one can sell. A single copy of any of these books sold by you will furnish your gift money.

Small Books

The lay members are doing excellent work with the thirty-five cent books. Choose eight or ten of these attractive books, sell them to your neighbors, and thus be a blessing to them.

Magazines

Sell ten copies of *Life and Health*, *Signs Magazine*, *Watchman* or *Liberty* and your gift of \$1.25 is assured. You can easily do it. Many of our brethren will find a broad field for selling our foreign publications.

Periodicals

The *Signs Weekly Special* for Big Week will be a two-color 16-page paper, giving a presentation of present-day conditions. It will sell for ten cents a copy, and may be purchased in quantities at two and one-half cents a copy. Order now.

Present Truth and tracts should be carried along for free distribution. Here are some of the tracts you will want to use:

Someone Cares for Your Soul.

Jesus Died for You.

The Way to Christ.

We Would See Jesus.

Is the End Near?

Court Week in Heaven.

How Esther Read Her Bible.

Elihu on the Sabbath.

As we shall enter into Big Week, consecrated to the Lord for service, with a desire to be a blessing to those we meet, results will follow which will cause the angels to rejoice in heaven.

E. R. CORDER.

OHIO

Box 8, Mount Vernon, Ohio.

N. S. Ashton, Pres. H. D. Holtom, Sec.

News Notes

A Home Missionary Convention was conducted at the Present Truth Mission last Sabbath and Sunday. Elder Redfield, who was in charge, tells us that the interest was very good. Brother Reichenbaugh conducted a convention in Bowling Green at the same time.

The Signs Special is receiving a large circulation throughout the country. It is being used in the different Unions by the hundred thousand. One local conference in the Lake Union plans to put it in the two hundred fifty cities and villages in its territory. It is quite probable that the number used will reach at least the million and a half mark.

Now is the time to get our religious liberty literature before the people. They are anxious to get it. One attorney in the southern part of the state writes, "I appreciate very much the literature which you have sent with reference to 'Sunday Blue Laws.' It is very interesting and I shall use quite a bit of it during the trials of cases now in court." From another attorney we received recently an order for several religious liberty books as advertised on the cover of the "Liberty" Magazine.

A new edition of "Bible Footlights" has been printed and the new prices are given below:

Cloth Binding, \$2.50.

Half Leather, \$4.00.

Full Leather, \$5.50.

Beginning March 15, the following reductions will be in effect:

Best Stories, \$1.25.

Gospel Primer No. 1, 75c.

New Testament Primer, 75c.

Christ Our Saviour, \$1.25.

HOME MISSIONARY CONVENTION
DATES FOR MARCH AND APRIL

Canton—March 24-27.

Washington C. H.—April 1-4.

Leesburg—April 5, 6.

Wilmington—April 7-10.

Cincinnati—April 21-26.

Hamilton—April 28 to May 1.

WITH SOME OF
OUR COLPORTEURS

Brother Shidler, in sending in one of his big reports, says: "It seems won-

derful to be able to do so well at times like these. A large portion of the orders I took were from people who had been out of work several weeks and didn't know when they would get to work again. In most cases, I received the dollar deposit. Surely a clearer evidence of the working of Heaven in conjunction with the human instrument could not be asked for."

Brother Marquis writes that in making a recent delivery, one lady decided that she could not take the book. He asked if he might not leave it until he came back. The next morning when Brother Marquis went back, the lady was ready to take the book, making the delivery one hundred per cent.

Brother Hannah has been out of the field the past few days because of the illness of his wife, who has just had a very serious operation at the Sanitarium in Mt. Vernon and was still quite sick when last we heard.

From Oberlin, Brother Battle writes that he is of good courage and tells us what a pleasure it is to him to be engaged in the colporteur work. He tells of a lady who, years ago, had been shown a copy of "Bible Footlights" but refused it. All these years she has been worrying for fear she would never again have the opportunity of securing such a book. It was not hard to take her order.

He also tells of a minister who not only ordered a book for himself, but went along with Brother Battle to tell others of the value of the book and to urge them to order one for themselves.

Do not forget! March 26 is "Double Dollar Day."

Mt. Vernon Academy

Professor Pulver spoke in Young People's meeting Sabbath afternoon on "Acceptable Service." He gave some very timely counsel.

The graduating class of twenty-eight students was organized Tuesday evening with Mr. Clyde Evans of Texas, president; Miss Daisy Wheeler of Ohio, vice president; Miss Audra Reichenbach of Ohio, secretary; Mr. Y. K. Chow, of Shanghai, China, treasurer.

Last Friday was "Bad English Tag Day" and from the number of pink and white slips worn on backs, shoulders and belts, and pinned to the chapel wall, one would judge that a goodly number of persons need to be more careful in their use of the "mother tongue."

One of the big events of the week was the reception given by the girls to the boys. A very excellent program had been prepared and the boys and other friends who were present expressed great appreciation for the entertainment. The decorations of white and green were very pleasing.

One of the features of the evening was the presentation by Professor Stone of a letter from the faculty to the girls who deserved special mention for the care they have taken of their rooms during the year.

While each girl had contributed a certain amount for the fund for the evening's entertainment, and a considerable sum had been accumulated, they are to be highly commended for not spending the full amount to gratify the eye and the appetite, but about \$25 was sent to the China Relief Fund.

The Woolson Company of the city very kindly gave the use of an Edison Phonograph and some excellent records for a part of the evening's program.

Mr. Brunton of Springfield visited his daughter, Miss Mabel, over the weekend.

Professor Pulver has been auditing the Academy books.

Miss Katherine Keisker is spending the week at her home in Cincinnati.

Toledo

It was with great interest we noted in the report of Elder W. T. Knox of the Fifty-cent-a-week fund for 1920 that while there was a general shortage of over \$95,000, Ohio had a surplus of \$12,850.54, the largest surplus of any conference in North America. We can but thank God for his help in raising this large amount for the great mission fund for sending the gospel of the kingdom to all the world.

It has been a great privilege to me to be connected with one of the most consecrated churches in the Ohio Conference. The church of Toledo is a living, earnest working church. When I came to Toledo in 1919, they had just paid off their last cent of debt on the church. The serious surgical operations that members of my family had to undergo at the Washington Sanitarium hindered me from being in Toledo at the time when the Harvest Ingathering Campaign was started, and for some time the outlook was very discouraging. But the church made

the very best of the situation, and the Lord blessed us beyond all our expectations. The membership of our church was one hundred thirty, and at \$10.00 per member our goal would have been \$1300.00. But the church set a goal of \$1850.00. For some time this seemed an impossible undertaking, but a few weeks before the close of the year we felt sure the Lord would help us go over the top, beyond all our hopes.

The church raised in Harvest Ingathering \$2778.05, or an average of \$21.40. One friend, a doctor, gave me a single offering of \$400.00. This was the largest single offering. In fact all other offerings were small, so the funds collected represented much earnest work and prayer. One of the most remarkable collections I have ever known in the history of the Harvest Ingathering work was that made by Mrs. Lucy Spurgeon, a sister past fifty years of age. She gathered in all \$1039.43. In this, there was no single gift above five dollars, and only one such gift. There were five gifts of \$2, about ten of \$1, and all the rest of the amounts received were under \$1, so that it must be evident to all that this sum of more than one thousand dollars was not collected without weeks of earnest, prayerful effort. There may be others who, by larger single offerings, have received a larger total, but I know of no one in the history of the Harvest Ingathering work who has collected so large a sum in small offerings. It was an inspiration to the Toledo church to raise nearly \$500.00 more than any other church in Ohio.

The quota of the church on the fifty-cent-a-week fund was \$3380, but they went over their goal \$1699.16, making a total of \$5079.16 or seventy-five cents a week per member. A few smaller churches in Ohio raised a larger per cent, but this was the largest of any large church in the conference. Toledo rejoices in the glorious opportunity of helping to save many souls from heathen darkness, and desires to stand in the firing line until the battle is over and the victory won.

(To be Continued)

Washington Missionary College

Several students went to Fort Meyer, Friday, to see the cavalry drills. Another company went to the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

Dr. C. Telford Ericson, missionary to Albania for thirteen years, and delegate from that country to the Peace Conference, gave us a very stirring chapel talk Monday, March 7, recounting the hardships, trials, and difficulties surmounted, and the wonderful impetus given to Protestant missions in that country.

Mr. James E. Lippart occupied the church hour at Laurel, Md., Sabbath. Elder Moffett spoke at the Community Hall there on Sunday night. A series of meetings is being held by Elder Nutter, and there is a lively interest at this place.

The meetings at Georgetown are about to be concluded. Nearly all the testing truths have been presented and several people are contemplating accepting the truth. Messrs. Ford, Carter, Walleker and Lippart have labored here since early October, and all feel that it has been a good experience as well as a blessing. Mr. Lippart spoke Sunday night on "Spiritualism," and nearly all expressed their belief in the Bible truths concerning this subject. Sabbath meetings have been started and are well attended.

The young ladies of Central Hall had charge of the Young People's Society meeting Sabbath afternoon, and gave a very interesting program on "Prayer."

Dr. D. H. Kress occupied the chapel hour one day, using as a basis for his remarks "Qualifications for Success."

Young people, attention! Are you contemplating a college education? Come to W. M. C. Have you never thought about it? Begin thinking now and get ready to come in the Fall. W. M. C. welcomes you.

CHESAPEAKE

1901 Rosedale St., Baltimore, Md.
A. S. Booth, Pres. C. M. Paden, Sec.

Baltimore

We are glad to be able to report reasonable advancement in the missionary activities of the Baltimore No. 1 Church the past year.

This church of 245 members paid a tithe of \$17,172.72, or a per capita tithe of \$70.00; \$4,745.70 was raised on Harvest Ingathering. The offerings to missions amounted to 67 cents a week per member. Total of all of-

ferings for the year was \$29,845.60, or \$121.41 a member.

The church membership is divided into bands for the purpose of distributing literature in the city. This made the Harvest Ingathering Campaign successful, and enabled the members to raise more than \$2,000 with other literature for home expenses.

A good church school has been conducted with two teachers. Most of the parents send their children, and fully co-operate in this department of the work.

The Young People's Society of the church does an aggressive work in home missionary lines. Papers and magazines are placed in the homes of the people. They raised \$750.96 in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign.

The church has had no pastor during the year. However, as a result of a meeting held in a large tent pavilion during the summer, conducted by the president of the conference, and Bible readings given by the church members, thirty persons were added to the church during the year.

The church is of good courage, and looks forward to the coming year with determination to do their part on the mission offering of 60 cents a week a member, and by the help of the Lord to be faithful in all other lines of missionary activities.

RUTH A. TRIPP.

DIST. OF COLUMBIA

812 Washington Loan & Trust Bldg.,
Washington, D. C.
R. E. Harter, Pres. E. L. Workman, Sec.

What Are You Doing for Jesus?

Spirituality in the church means work. No believer in this message will become slothful if he keeps his face toward the Son.

Jesus said, "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men."

It was my pleasure to visit a Bible Workers Band one evening at the home of a sister. The meeting was opened with a request for reports from the members for work done. Each member very modestly reported with money received in the sale of our magazines, amounts ranging from \$2.50 to \$5.00.

This band believed the Master and the "net was filled," for that report showed a neat sum of nearly \$25.

One dear old brother has sold over 400 *Watchman* since January 1, and the oldest sister, during 1920, paid for 40,000 tracts and they were sown as

seed to bear fruit.

This band, besides giving Bible readings, has purchased 1500 *Watchman* since the beginning of this year.

Have we all started the year 1921 with that spirit? If so, the earth will soon be lightened with the glory of God, and Jesus will come quickly.

Let each ask himself, "What am I doing for Jesus?"

JOSEPH SANGSTER.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

142 S. Negley Ave., Pittsburg, Pa.

D. A. Parsons, Pres. W. B. Mohr, Sec.

News Notes

Brethren Norris and Ritz, two of our colporteurs visited the office last week. They find conditions not as well as they would like in the field, but are filled with courage and plan to continue in their soul-saving work.

West Pennsylvania gave \$571.74 for the China Famine Relief Fund. Almost every church in the conference had a part. We are confident no one has suffered as a result of their sacrifice, and feel sure that they will be repaid in many ways. One of the greatest rewards is the joy that comes as a result of helping another.

Brother John Hughey has entered the colporteur work. His report for the first week shows good success for the short time put in. We welcome him back in the ranks; also Brother Hightower of the Pittsburgh Colored Church.

Reader, are you planning to have a part in Big Week, May 8 to 14? Cries of "Help us" come from all over the world. The results of Big Week are to answer these calls to extend our publishing work to the ends of the earth. Write to the Tract Society of office for information if you are not acquainted. All are to have a part.

Camp meeting will convene June 23 unless some change is made between now and that date, which will be announced. The location has not been decided.

Brother McWilliams of the Pittsburgh English Church has been ill at the Washington Sanitarium for over six weeks. He has now returned, and as soon as strength permits, he will enter the colporteur work. His many friends are glad to see him back.

"Freedom" is still being circulated by many of our faithful members. Some have not had part in meeting this issue of religious legislation, so we would suggest that those who have not, secure a copy for yourself, some for your neighbors and friends, and enjoy the blessings others are having in this wonderful work. The Tract Society has a new supply on hand and can fill orders promptly.

Brother Parsons is at present in Kanass City purchasing tents of the Carnie Goudie Tent Company. Prospects are that West Pennsylvania will have a fine lot of tents for their gathering this year. Among the tents purchased will be one for the young people, one for the children, about thirty-five double family tents and a fine, roomy book tent. The latter will be one of the most interesting features of the meeting this year, in view of the many special offers that will be made on our publications. Better plan now to come and look things over, and enjoy this yearly feast.

Sister Myrtle Blaine has undergone an operation at the St. Margaret's Hospital in Pittsburgh. We trust and pray her recovery will be speedy and that she will be permitted to return soon. She is greatly missed at the Tract Society office.

Sister R. F. Whitting of Oil City has returned home from the Washington Sanitarium where she passed through an operation.

NEW JERSEY

200 Columbus Ave., Trenton, N. J.

O. O. Bernstein, Pres. E. J. Stpeck, Sec.

Be a Colporteur Evangelist

Get a prospectus; go out in the by-ways and show the people one of these message-filled books. Many are waiting for light. "There are hundreds of our people who ought to be out in the field who are doing little or nothing for the advancement of the message." Vol. 9, p. 134.

"The greatest public benefactor is the man who sells good books."—Gladstone.

"The same ministry of angels attends the books that contain the truth as attend the minister."—*Colporteur Evangelist*.

"Only by our life can we prove to the world the genuineness of our solemn faith."—*Review and Herald*, 1882.

Dear reader, would you not like to

have a part in this grand and noble work? There are many souls that are hungering for the truth. Jesus gave his life for them as well as for you. If God is calling you to this work, I pray that you will not disregard his pleading. Why not go into the vineyard and work now? We need workers to go out with the large books. We need workers to sell the message-filled magazines and small books. Will you not join us, if not a full time worker, a part time worker? If God is calling you to assist in this blessed work please correspond with the New Jersey field missionary secretary, Ernest Mansell, 200 Columbus Ave., Trenton, N. J.

Colporteur Items

Remember that Big Week will be the second week in May. Plan your deliveries so that they will not conflict.

All the churches, as well as the colporteurs and conference workers throughout the denomination are planning to make it the one Big Week.

Brother Archie Bryne will start canvassing for Bible Readings this week in Somerset County.

Brother Baker plans to re-work his territory soon with Patriarchs and Prophets. "Hard times" does not seem to make much difference in the advancement of this message. More books that contain the truth are being sold than last year at this time.

While carrying on regular school work, Brother Wrigley has been able to do some canvassing and has taken orders for \$322 worth of Bible Readings in 100 hours during the month of February.

Mrs. Clarence Peacock, who has been visiting relatives in Massachusetts, has returned to New Jersey. Brother Peacock, who has been ill for several weeks, has returned to work. He has taken orders for and delivered nearly \$1,000 worth of Great Controversy since the Institute in December.

A colporteur who thinks hard times, talks hard times, and dreams hard times, is sure to have hard times most of the time.

Brother Mulverhill, one of our faithful colporteurs, is seriously ill at the Washington Sanitarium. Let us remember our fellow workers in prayer.

WEST VIRGINIA

1455 Seventh St., Parkersburg, W. Va.
J. W. McCord, Pres. C. L. Bauer, Sec.

West Virginia to Brazil

A little after four o'clock on the morning of October 20, 1920, the west-bound train started from Parkersburg with us on board en route to the Fall Council, and then on to bid farewell to our parents before leaving for Brazil.

As we crossed the Ohio river which separated us from the little mountain state, it was with mingled thoughts of joy and sorrow. In our mind's eye we could see many dear faces that we felt that we were leaving until that gathering when we will never say good-bye.

We greatly enjoyed the time spent at the Fall Council, but were compelled to leave before it closed. A few pleasant hours were spent with our sister at Emmanuel Missionary College and then we hastened on to Battle Creek, where nearly a week was spent in visiting relatives and having some medical attention. This delayed our all too short visits at the homes of our parents.

Of course the hour came in each home when the last farewell had to be given, and though our dear parents were brave to the end, there are painted two pictures on memory's wall which we could never forget, even if we so desired.

Our stay in New York, though short and busy, was made pleasant by meeting old friends we had known in Michigan.

We went aboard ship November 27, and at about 2:30 o'clock of that day we caught our last glimpse of old Liberty. During the first night we encountered a storm and the next morning we had a heavy sea, which kept up for a week. There was much seasickness on board. Of course children are not affected with such troubles, and women are often able to stand more than men, so there was only one in our family who really had much regard for the hungry fishes.

After about three days out, all began to go well, and as there were three other Seventh-Day Adventists on the boat, we had a very pleasant trip the remainder of the way.

We reached Rio the twelfth of December. This proved to be the hottest December day we had ever witnessed. We were met by Elder Meyers and taken to his home, where we spent a very pleasant week waiting for a boat for Santos. Rio is properly called the

Garden City, and its beautiful gardens and mountain scenery do much to brighten the new missionary's first days in Brazil.

We are now comfortably located in our little three-room house at the Mission headquarters in Sao Bernardo near the city of Sao Paulo, working hard at language study. We have a class every day, and with housework for Mrs. Westcott and the office work that I have, we find our hands full from early morning until late at night, but still our minds often turn to the many friends we left in West Virginia.

We are well and happy in our work here. We solicit an interest in your prayers for this needy field.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Westcott,
Estacao de Sao Bernardo,
S. P. R.,
Sao Paulo, Brazil, S. A.

Jots and Tittles from West Virginia

Elder J. W. McCord and Elder F. A. Harter are conducting a Layman's Institute at Huntington and splendid interest and attendance is reported.

The Colporteurs' Institute at Charleston is well under way and excellent meetings are reported. Elder Schultz from New York is assisting at this institute, and Brother H. F. Kirk is holding studies each day in Practical Guide, Bible Readings, and Great Controversy.

Miss Nell Mead has just returned from Weirton, W. Va., where she organized a colored Sabbath school of six adults and their children.

We learn that Mrs. Lillie Taylor of Weirton has removed to Parkersburg.

We regret to report that Brother John McHenry, who is now canvassing in Logan County, has been ill for several days.

We also regret that Sister Lula Barnes and Sister Spencer are very ill, necessitating their removal to the hospital. Both have had to undergo serious operations. Let us pray for their speedy recovery.

Sister Iona Belcher of Crown, W. Va., is in Huntington under the doctor's care, as is also her mother. May the Lord strengthen and heal these dear ones, also.

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

J. A. Leland, Pres. W. E. Fortune, Sec.
237 S. 13th St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Convention

March 4-6 half of the local elders and home missionary secretaries of the East Pennsylvania conference were called together at Stroudsburg for a convention. All but two of the invited churches were represented. The convention opened with a lecture by Elder Leland on "A Victorious Life." All day Sabbath and Sunday was given to solid convention work. Elder H. K. Christman, Brother E. R. Corder, Elder S. S. Schrock and Elder J. A. Leland gave very valuable instruction during the three days together.

The Sabbath afternoon session which began at 2 o'clock, was thrown open for questions. Some of the real problems that the officers have to meet in their churches were discussed, and the session closed at 6:30. The Sunday morning devotional hour conducted by Elder S. S. Schrock of Scranton was very much appreciated. The convention closed with a stereopticon lecture by the Home Missionary Secretary of the conference. The church was crowded to the utmost the evening of the closing session. The different elders and secretaries left the convention for their churches filled with the Spirit of God to put in practice what they received at the meetings.

The delegates were royally entertained by the brethren and sisters of the Stroudsburg Church. Sunday morning Brother Barkman and Brother Kitchen were ordained as elder and deacon respectively to act as leaders of the Stroudsburg Church.

A similar meeting as the one described above will be held at Sayre, Pa., March 18-20, for the northern part of the conference.

H. G. GAUKER,
Home Missionary Secy.

VIRGINIA

12 W. Main St., Richmond, Va.
T. B. Westbrook, Pres. W. H. Jones, Sec.

The Work in Portsmouth and Norfolk for 1920

1920 has in many ways been the best year of our work in the Tidewater section of Virginia. Our people are willing in the day of His power. Strenuous efforts have been put forth

by the churches in Portsmouth and Norfolk to advance the cause of present truth. Victory over sin has come to many and a spirit of devotion to God's service fills many hearts.

Financial prosperity has been one feature. The Portsmouth congregation has finally paid its entire indebtedness after years of struggling. This has been largely due to the unselfish devotion of Brother J. E. Thompson until recently the local elder of the church. The church most sincerely regrets the fact that Brother Thompson has found it necessary to leave Portsmouth. Then, too, this church came out ahead on its yearly mission goal. Much of this was raised in the Sabbath school, and the balance made up in the Harvest Ingathering campaign. During that campaign the city was districted and a thorough canvass made. The financial returns were very gratifying. Near the close of the year Elder Westbrook and the writer conducted a short effort in a hall near the center of the city. All the results of this effort have not yet been garnered, and there promises to be yet more fruit.

The church school work has prospered under the devoted leadership of Sister Anna Watkins. The means to operate this school has been raised largely by the sale of magazines and papers, and by self-denial.

In Norfolk the church has devoted its energies during the year largely to a campaign to pay off the indebtedness of the church. Between January 1 and December 1, 1920, \$1,125.00 was brought in and applied to the debt. This leaves only about \$700 debt still on the church. Much of this means was solicited with Present Truth, Signs, and small books.

The church did well on its Harvest Ingathering campaign, more than doubling last year's efforts. The inability to secure a full supply of papers kept them from reaching the entire goal and going over the top on the missions per capita for the year. They reached about forty cents per capita.

At the present time an intensive campaign with our papers, especially the Sabbath Signs, is being waged in Norfolk. Hundreds of these papers are being distributed each week by the combined forces of the Tidewater churches.

On Religious Liberty Day a rally and mass meeting was announced for the Norfolk Church. Both the morning and evening papers gave good, free announcements. At the hour of meeting, the chapel was well filled to hear the addresses by Elder West-

COLPORTEURS' REPORT

Name	Place	Book	Hours	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del.
Ohio, One Week Ending Mar. 11, 1921								
E. Alexander, Cincinnati		Misc.	35		66 45		66 45	41 85
Turner Battle, Willard		BF	31	31	150 00	14 50	164 50	
E. Bittner, Cleveland		BR	23	8	54 50		54 50	
G. F. Chamberlin, Perry		GC	27					221 00
M. Chamberlin, Akron		Mag.	21			19 30	19 30	
E. Cooksey, Cleveland		BR	43	8	47 00	13 00	60 00	11 95
J. Davidson, Athen Co.		GC	29	10	59 50	1 50	61 00	5 50
J. L. Gearhart, Holmes		GC	18	5	27 00		27 00	
L. Howard, Akron		BR	48	14	89 00	4 00	93 00	
C. Marquis, Summit		BR	45	9	54 00	6 00	60 00	92 50
C. McCampbell, Cleveland Freed.			87			32 90	32 90	32 90
D. McCarthy, Highland		BR	25	6	33 00	5 50	38 50	75 00
W. W. Ridgway, Morgan		BR	36	10	56 50		56 50	
R. Riegel, Amanda		Misc	28			9 45	9 45	9 45
C. Robinson, Meigs		BR	22	11	71 00		71 00	
J. Rossman, Cleveland		GC	22	4	26 50	1 10	27 60	
M. W. Shidler, Hocking Co.		BR	52	26	173 00	32 50	205 50	53 00
J. Singleton, Perry		GC	12	1	7 50		7 50	188 00
D. Stephens, Scioto		GC	28	12	71 00	6 00	77 00	
O. E. Taylor, Athens Co		BR	29	13	85 00		85 00	
F. E. Wagner, Barberton		OD	48	18	60 00	8 75	68 75	
W. E. Wagner, Middleport		BR	25	7	47 50		47 50	11 00
H. C. Wilcox, Mansfield		DA	36	7	47 50	10 50	58 00	21 50
J. Wise, Mahoning		BR	45	33	213 00		213 00	
Mrs. Zimmerman, Cleveland		BR	14	2	14 00	1 50	15 50	24 95
Total	25 Colporteurs		832	235	1452 95	166 50	1619 45	788 60
West Pennsylvania, One Week Ending Mar. 11, 1921								
E. Grapp, Center Co.		BR	23					367 45
G. Buttermore, Westmore.		OD	41	37	135 00	15 55	150 55	18 50
Mrs. H. Johnson, Westmor.		BR	29	17	102 50	8 75	111 25	2 75
J. LeRoy, Somerset		BR	51	18	106 50	4 50	111 00	
P. Raymond, Somerset		BR	51	19	109 00	70	109 70	70
Miss B. Buttermore, Westm.		OD	33	22	79 50	4 50	84 00	
J. Heaton, Huntington		OD	31	23	76 50		76 50	
J. Medlin, Washington		BR	20	10	62 50	3 75	66 25	1 50
J. Morley, McKean		OD	34	18	57 00	9 00	66 00	
C. Beard, Westmoreland		OD	32	17	60 00	3 25	63 25	
C. Ritz, Westmor.		OD	29	17	57 00		57 00	
G. McKnight, Allegheny		OD	32	12	37 50	5 50	43 00	
G. Vaught, Armstrong		BR	5	6	37 50		37 50	
Mrs. E. Park, Allegh.		BR	21	4	23 50	7 95	31 45	
Mrs. J. Wiester, Blair		OD	24	7	24 00	10 80	34 80	22 25
J. Hughey, Armstrong		OD	16	9	27 00	75	27 75	
Mrs. C. Beach, McKean		OD	42	20	66 00	21 30	86 30	2 05
Mrs. Chas. Neppach, Wash.		Mag.	12		13 90		13 90	13 90
A. Davis, Allegoeny		WCS			78 60		78 60	78 65
W. Miller, Fayette		WCS	49		36 75		36 75	36 70
Totals	20 Colporteurs		575	256	1190 25	96 30	1286 55	549 95
East Pennsylvania, One Week Ending Mar. 11, 1921								
W. Achenbach, Reading		BR	31	13	81 50	2 80	84 30	
A. Barkman, Stroudsburg		CK	32	17	35 50	2 95	38 45	
B. Bell, Phila. Co.		GC	34	16	91 00	15	91 15	
W. Frizzell, Lancaster		BR	15	10	61 00		61 00	
G. Germeyer, Dillsburg		BR	34	13	77 50		77 50	129 50
J. Handschuh & wife, Bristol		BR	29	7	38 50	1 75	40 25	1 75
W. P. Hess, Brunswick		GC	31	12	69 00		69 00	
L. Lease, Wyomissing		GC	30	8	45 50		45 50	
Mrs. Peel, Jenkintown		BR	17	7	38 50		38 50	
G. Schlierer, Phila.		BR	6	5	33 50		33 50	
O. Skidmore, Scrantou		BR	41	6	34 50	6 65	41 15	6 65
W. Smith, Reading		BR	42	8	50 00		50 00	140 00
F. Stuber, Allenfown		BR	20					11 60
S. Thomas, Phila.		OD	32	12	36 00		36 00	
M. Thomasello, Phila.		CK	26	8	18 50	70	19 20	
E. S. Tolliver, Luzerne Co. PPF			37	3	7 50	25	7 75	22 00
W. J. Valentine, Chester		OD	39	4	13 50	1 40	14 90	
J. Willet, Carlisle		BR	18	5	27 50	1 50	29 00	
Totals	19 Colporteurs		505	154	759 00	18 15	777 15	310 90

Virginia, One Week Ending Mar. 11, 1921

E.L. Williams, Halifax Co.	BR	30	29	173 00	13 00	186 00	
H. Roach, Pulaski Co.	BR	44	29	167 00		167 00	
E. Marietta, Augusta	DR	43	29	164 00	1 50	165 50	
A. L. Gary, Norfolk Co.	GC	46	17	96 50	13 00	109 50	175 00
C. Patten, Augusta	DR	24	14	77 00		77 00	
W. D. Colveyhouse, Montg.	DR	37	14	66 00	10 50	76 50	
W. D. Buft, Rockingham	DR	64	20	59 00	4 00	63 00	40 00
W. Butler, Norfolk	OD	34	12	36 00		36 00	
H. Hartless, Rockbridge Co.	OD	59	18	56 55		56 55	66 25
G. R. Pilate, Frederick	OD	46	10	49 00	2 45	51 45	
Mr. L. Kurz, Hopewell	OD	12	9	27 00		27 00	
J. Ware, Warren	OD	4	4	12 00		12 00	
C. G. Mays, Henrico	GC	4	2	11 00		11 00	
O. R. Osman, Petersburg	BR	30					478 00
J. Meister, Petersbg.	BR	24					408 60
V. Faison, Amherst Co.	WC	36					63 00
Totals	16 Colporteurs	537	207	994 05	44 45	1038 50	1230 85

New Jersey, One week Ending Mar. 11, 1921

M. W. Jacobus, Allwood	BR	33	12	77 00	11 80	88 80	
M. Single, Monmouth Jc.	BR	12	3	19 50	6 63	26 13	5 13
W. B. Plant, Dover	BR	67	7	44 50	24 00	68 50	96 00
N. R. Pond, Elizabeth		21			29 25	29 25	29 25
G. S. Hoffman, Jefferson	BR	12	3	16 50	35	16 85	25 35
C. Coleman, Newark	GC	4					9 70
J. Johnson, Laurel Sprs.	OD	11	5	15 00		15 00	
J. Baker, Jersey City	BR	37	3	16 50	3 60	20 10	17 70
I. Bryne, Hackettstown	OD	6	2	7 50	1 50	9 00	
E. G. Wrigley, Bridgeton	BR	4	3	18 00		18 00	5 50
A. Brother, Holland	BR	3					19 50
Mrs. E. Hendrix, Paterson		19			20 20	20 20	20 20
Esther Lull, Berlin		17			6 65	6 65	4 65
Carrie Toney, Orange	OD	22	2	9 00	5 50	14 50	
Mr. Jamerson, Atlantic C.	BR	16	5	30 50		30 50	12 00
P. Robinson, Atlantic	BR	42	17	123 50	25 50	149 00	
Totals	16 Colporteurs	326	63	377 00	134 98	512 48	243 98

Chesapeake, One Week Ending Mar. 11, 1920

J. E. Jones, Dorchester	OD	28	19	58 50	11 85	70 35	
A. Vantassel, Baltimore	OD	33	18	54 00		54 00	
Mrs. Vantassel, Bently S.	OD	22	6	18 00	1 35	19 35	
N. Bell, Balto.	CK	14	4	11 00	1 90	12 90	44 40
V. Nelson, Balto.		17					6 45
B. McCommans, Howard	OD	23	7	21 00	2 10	23 10	2 10
A. Thomas, Balto.	CK	30	14	32 00		32 00	5 00
Lillian Robinson, Baltimore	BF	15			12 32	12 32	20 72
F. W. Gant, Govans	CK						48 50
W. L. Gant, Govans	CK		1	2 00		2 00	54 00
Totals	10 Colporteurs	183	69	196 50	29 52	226 02	181 17

Grand total	106 Colporteurs			Value 5460 15		Deliveries 3305 54	
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brook and the writer. A report of these sermons, together with the resolution passed, appeared the next morning on a front page of the paper. Nearly a column was devoted to the discussion of the Blue Laws. And on Monday afternoon a further report appeared in the afternoon paper.

Several new Sabbath keepers both in Portsmouth and Norfolk await further instruction and baptism. We take courage from God's wonderful word and providence, and press forward, eager to step into his open doors.

R. F. FARLEY.

**Shenandoah Valley
News Notes**

Professor B. S. Smith and family have recently moved into our midst.

Professor Smith has had charge of the work in the Bahama Islands for the past seven years. He will have charge of the farm at the academy this year, as he needs mental rest.

Mr. C. E. Overstreet, who has been acting as farm manager for the past year, will, with Mrs. Overstreet, finish the school work at the academy this year, after which they expect to go into active work for the Master.

Professor John Hottel has given up his work on account of ill health. He is spending some time with his parents, Elder and Mrs. R. D. Hottel,

**An Entering Wedge Among
the Jews**

How the Jew may be successfully reached and his interest awakened in the gospel has been a perplexing question to Christians for centuries. Most of the ordinary methods of missionary endeavor utterly fail when applied to the Jews.

But all classes of people can be reached through proper medical missionary effort. With this in mind, an edition of the little book entitled "Epidemics" has been printed in the Yiddish and is now ready for circulation.

As an indication of the friendly attitude which the Jews manifest toward Seventh-Day Adventists when they become aware of our principles, we quote the following from a long, double-column article written by a well-known Jewish journalist and printed in the "Tag" of March 8, 1921, an influential Yiddish weekly: "We Jews have the greatest respect for such people . . . It would be an honor to work with such people for the high principle of keeping the church and state separate." This article was written after correspondence with one of the Yiddish editors who had furnished to this gentleman some of our religious liberty literature.

What a field of opportunity this opens to our people everywhere for effort among a class which many have never been able to reach in the past.

The one chapter on "Influenza" may well be worth the price of a hundred books to a family which this disease has entered. We confidently believe that this book, with its helpful instruction regarding prevention of disease, cleanliness, simple home treatments, and care of the sick, will prove a successful entering wedge, opening the way to the hearts of the Jews.

Yiddish "Epidemics" is uniform in appearance with the English edition, and sells at 35 cents, with a discount of 40 per cent when ordered in quantity through your tract society. A little sheet with suggestions as to how to approach the Jews and how to introduce this book will be furnished with each order. Send for a supply at once and do not neglect your Jewish neighbor any longer.

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Obituaries

Dresser—Eugene Fred Dresser was born in Lindenwood, Illinois, February 8, 1865 and after an illness of several months passed away of heart failure, February 24, 1921. His last days were passed at Wabash Valley Sanitarium, LaFayette, Indiana.

Twenty-five years of Mr. Dresser's life were spent in teaching. Three years he was employed as a clerk in the Document Room at the Capitol, Washington, D. C. He completed a college course in the Washington Missionary College in 1918. Since 1909, he has taught in the S. D. A. denominational schools. In October, 1920, he was compelled, on account of his heart trouble and high blood pressure, to seek help at the sanitarium. During his five months' stay at the sanitarium, he manifested great cheerfulness and was hopeful of recovery. His love for this truth seemed to grow brighter and he joined heartily in the song services and worship until within two days of death. His mind was clear until within a few minutes of his death. He died happy in the faith of his acceptance with God.

He leaves a wife, Nanette M. Dresser, two sisters, Kate E. Hunting, and Jessie F. Dresser, four nephews and one niece. He was buried at his birthplace, Lindenwood, near Rochelle, Illinois, February 26, 1921. His sleep will be very short, for our Lord will soon return to take his faithful children home.

G. B. Starr.

Mrs. Eva Ellen Durning of Steamburg, N. Y., fell asleep in Jesus on February 21, 1921, at the age of sixty after an illness lasting since October 1, 1920. The immediate cause of her death was apoplexy. She was born October 12, 1860, and in her childhood gave her life to Christ. For the past thirty-five years she has been a faithful member of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church at Steamburg. Far and near she was known for her godly life and good works. She was greatly loved by all and will be missed by her husband, two daughters, three sons, two brothers, and seven grandchildren, who are left to mourn, but if faithful will meet her when Jesus comes. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Prov. 30:5.

A. E. Sanderson.

Notice

The new 1921 Instructor Anti-Tobacco Annual being ready to mail, we call special attention to the following increase in prices:

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Approved advertisements will be published in the VISITOR at the rate of twenty-five cents for twenty words or less, and one cent for each additional word. A charge of twenty-five per cent of the cost, if not less than ten cents, will be made for each insertion after the first. Cash and reference must accompany copy for all advertisements.

WANTED—Nurse, graduate or under-graduate, to take charge of floor in small private Sanitarium. One who understands Hydrotherapeutics and Massage. Please send references and photograph. F. L. Hough, 233 South Second Ave., Mount Vernon, N. Y. 3t

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WANTED—By an aged brother, a good home with Seventh-Day Adventists, where there are no children. Can take care of himself but is unable to work. Can pay \$5.00 per week. Address Charles G. McVey, 640 S. Beaver St., Lancaster, Pa. 2t

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BOY—Age 14, wants home and employment with a good Adventist family on farm. Is interested in farming and especially fond of working with horses. Address Mrs. Mary E. Cline, Smithsburg, Md. R. D. 4.

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WANTED—Room and board in Adventist family in Dayton, Ohio. J. H. Carr, 40 St. Marys St., Dayton, Ohio.

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