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THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

KNOWING that our dear brethren and sisters will be anxious to hear something personal from this important gathering, I will write a few lines.

The conference opened according to appointment May 11, with a good representation of delegates from all parts of the world. At the opening of the conference, Elder Daniells made a few remarks regarding the difficulty of arranging to hold a General Conference in the wilderness as it were, and furnishing the necessary accommodations to make the delegates comfortable. It being a departure from going to Battle Creek or other places where large churches are located, and plenty of homes to accommodate those in attendance at such gatherings.

He also spoke of the providences of God in opening the work at Washington and the evidences of His directing hand and the opportunities given for the spread of the message. Also the union of sentiment regarding the matter of holding the General Conference in the vicinity of Washington. There had not been a dis-

senting voice.

Sister White followed Eld. Daniells in an earnest appeal to unity, brotherly love, and a full consecration to God that we may be prepared to finish the work and carry the message quickly to all the world.

On Friday morning the "Surprise Party" was held, and about six thousand dollars was handed in by the brethren and sisters that had been sent largely by our brethren at home. From what others reported where donations had not yet been handed in, we are sure that several thousand dollars will still come to the treasury as a result of this special effort, called "A Surprise Party." A special letter was sent out after the meeting by the Pres. Sec. and Treas. of the General Conference to many of our brethren and sisters throughout the United States, urging that this fund be completed before the close of this conference. I believe this will be done. Such an interest was taken in this special meeting that it continued right through, crowding out the 11 o'clock meeting.

Sabbath was a glorious day in the conference. After the Sabbath-school Sister White spoke to about one thousand persons who were present, with her usual freedom. Her sermon was practical and timely. In the afternoon Elder Farnsworth spoke upon the subject of "Our Message." He spoke directly upon the "Three Messages", and the importance of preaching it as it is given in the 14th chapter of Revelation. The power of God accompanied his word, and sent conviction to many hearts. A social meeting was held following the discourse, at which time many of the pioneers in the message, including Elders Haskell, Loughboro, Corliss and others expressed their gratitude that the old ring was again being heard in the message. They also testified of their strong faith that God will finish his work in

the earth in this generation.

Sunday the work of the conference was again resumed. The forenoon hour was devoted to hearing reports from the Australian Union and Atlantic Union conferences. These reports were very encouraging and showed advancement in the work.

A ministerial institute was held, in which Elders Haskell and Daniells gave some very important instruction and laid down some important principles that must be adopted by the gospel ministry that greater power and results may be seen from the efforts put forth. Elder Daniells stated that not only were our leading men desirous of seeing greater results, but the rank and file of our people were demanding it. And that for this reason there are hopes of a change and improvement along this line.

The general outlook of the conference is most encouraging, and I have never attended a General Conference that opened with brighter prospects, and that gave greater promise of great results, than the conference now in session at Takoma Park, Washington, D. C. Let all our brethren pray for the blessing of Heaven to rest upon this important gathering.

W. J. STONE.

"BROTHER HILL'S BIBLE CLASS"

THE International Pub. Association has just printed a pamphlet of seventy-two pages with cover for Elder W. B. Hill of Nebraska entitled "Brother Hill's Bible Class, A Study of Excuses, Fables, Inventions, and Dreams." This is without doubt the spiciest little booklet along its line that has been issued.

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DONATIONS TO THE WASHINGTON WORK

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TWO DOLLARS EACH

L. E. Reed, Inwood church, N. Carahoo.

ONE DOLLAR EACH

Charity Legg, Paul C. Legg, Mrs. G. W. Baugher, Dora E. Lugenbeal, Matthew Lugenbeal, Idaville church, J. Theresa Thompson, Sarah Gilbert, Nellie Rothbaust, Mrs. Rothbaust, Brother and Sister Wright, E. Carahoo, Seth Carahoo, Simon Carahoo, J. Mills, Lida Polson, John W. Johnston, Edgar Myers, Samuel Wells, T. S. Johnston, Marguret Smith.

FIFTY CENTS EACH

John W. Harrison, H. Harrison, E. Kauble, Edith Parker, G. M. Johnston, Thomas Hubbard, T. E. Johnston, Lota Applegate.

TWENTY-FIVE CENTS EACH

Steward Rogers, Mrs. Ethel Rogers, Mrs. Zora Rabey, Mrs. Harry Houston, Martha Wilkins, Wm. Hubbard, Henry Tucker, Lotty Reese, Eva M. Cushing, Maggie Johnston, Lizzie Mitchell.

"EIGHT churches and companies to care for, five church-building enterprises, besides our evangelistic work, are some of the burdens that now rest on us alone," writes one of our workers in the West Indies. "English, French, Dutch, Spanish, Danish, East Indian' and aboriginal natives are included in the population of this field." Means invested there bear quick and abundant fruit.

PARABLES OF JESUS

I WONDER how many of us have read and studied Sister White's book for the good things it contains, and I have wondered if the commercial consideration has not in many minds, taken the place of every other; and may it not be that we failed to obtain the blessing in many cases, from the sale of the book for the Relief of Schools, for the reason that we did not first obtain the blessing from a careful study of and acquaintance with the book.

As we think it over now, it seems unfortunate that there was such haste made in the matter of getting into the field to sell the book. If we had taken time to acquaint ourselves with it, and had fallen in love with it for the blessedness there is in it, we no doubt would have had such a longing for our friends and neighbors to have the same blessedness, that it would have solved the commercial question, and the schools would have been relieved. It is not too late even now to begin right and obtain a blessing to our souls. Read the chapter on the parable of talents, and we shall at once perceive the value of the book as a spiritual helper, and as we continue to read, we will experience more and more the truth that in the gift of this book for the Relief of Schools, there was the higher and nobler aim to give light and life and power to those who, by tradition, have had their minds darkened regarding the teaching of the blessed Jesus.

ALLEN MOON.

CONNERSVILLE

THE work here is taking on new life. We have re-organized the missionary society, appointed committees to see that the different depots are furnished with paper racks, besides a very important committee on finance to devise some means by which we can clear our indebtedness to the state treasurer.

Our missionary offerings have increased 300 percent within the last two months. We have had some precious seasons with the dear Lord, and he has touched the hearts of some who are now responding by giving to the Lord his own, in tithes and offerings.

Sabbath a week ago six were added to the church, two of the candidates came over from the Baptist church, but were desirous of being

re-baptized, this time in running water: so yesterday our small company repaired to the stream, and just before the setting sun in the western horizon was marking the close of another Sabbath, two precious souls were buried with Christ in baptism; married into the royal family. We are of good courage, and the church showed its appreciation of God's love by sending about \$30.00 to the Washington fund in response to the recent call, an average of about \$2.50 per member.

Brethren, pray for the work here.
JNO. H. NIEHAUS.

REPORT OF WORK AT MEDARYVILLE

WE came to this place April 4 and began meetings in a hall the 7th. A week later Brother Steele joined us in the work. The second week the Free Methodist minister advertised he would speak on the Sabbath question: "The change from the seventh to the first." We reviewed him with good success, and some decided to obey the Lord as the result. The Campbellites have challenged us for a debate, but we have paid no attention to them, but continued to give the message and the Lord is blessing our efforts. We have organized a Sabbath-school of thirty members; baptized eight precious souls into the faith; and others will follow soon. We have rented a permanent place of worship. We met last Sabbath for the first time in our new place, and it was encouraging to see so many taking part in the study of the Sabbath-school lesson. A lively testimony meeting followed, in which nearly all expressed themselves as thankful to God for the blessed truth and for a place to worship God.

The harvest is ripe and our prayer ascends daily for courage and wisdom to search out the wheat from the tares. The enemy is working with mighty power but we have a Captain that has never lost a battle and he is clothing us with his armor. Pray for us.
B. HAGLE.

ONE of the most common errors is to mistake our desires, for God's will.

No man was ever pulled down by lifting another up. And it is equally true that no man ever exalts himself by pulling others down.

HARTFORD CITY

As it has been some time since I have written of our work here, I will drop a few lines.

We have moved to our new field of labor and we have a nice place to live: plenty of fruit; near the interurban line about five miles South of Hartford City, at Stop 38, between Muncie and Hartford City. Our address is Hartford City, Indiana, R. F. D. No. 1.

I began meetings Nov. 26 at the Hartford City church, and continued till Jan. 2. During these meetings twenty six united with the church by letter and profession of faith, and the church was greatly revived and a new life and power seemed to take hold of the members: the Lord came very near to us, and we received much of his good spirit.

I then came to the Beath school-house, (in the vicinity where I have moved) and began meetings Jan. 8 with six in attendance at first; but the Lord blessed in presenting the truth, and our congregation grew from the start; there was only one Sabbath-keeper in the whole country around,—Brother H. K. Smith, formerly a United Brethren minister. At the present we have a Sabbath-school organized with a membership of over forty, and our work is growing nicely. Last night the house was crowded to its utmost capacity, several having to stand in the aisle and around the sides of the room. We are expecting to build a good church: the land has already been donated, and the people here are very anxious to have a house of worship erected; this is a rich farming country and the people are able to build a meeting-house.

I have several invitations to hold meetings at different school-houses: I am busy holding meetings every night. The Lord has helped us in many ways in removing prejudice. Oh, may the Lord greatly bless his faithful workers in bringing in many precious souls into the truth of the last great message. We earnestly ask all to pray for the success of the work in this part of the great harvest field. Your unworthy brother.

U. S. ANDERSON.

CHRIST talked about the mustard seed in one sermon; but some preachers have nothing but mustard in all their sermons.

SEARCHING THE CITY WITH THE LORD'S GREAT SEARCH- LIGHT

THE plan upon which the young people are working in Greater New York is to take a block and call on every family in it and leave them a copy of the *Signs*. Then a week later call and leave another copy. Then take another block, until whole wards of the city have been visited. All this is done carefully, so that it can be followed up by ministerial and colportage efforts.

The *Signs* being a natural "pioneer," opens the way as an all round search-light for everything we have to do. People quickly notice that it has a clean face, clean paper, and clean type, and that it is free from all the loose, light literature of the day, and that it is neither a newspaper or a record of crimes.

As a colporteur during the last six months in following the *Signs* work I have found homes for \$500 worth of our best books, such as "Patriarchs and Prophets", "Daniel and Revelation", "Desire of Ages", "Great Controversy", "Heralds of the Morning" and others, as well as thousands of pages of tracts, besides nearly one hundred yearly subscriptions for the *Signs of the Times*. As a Bible worker I have found many openings to read and pray with the people. Scores have come to believe that the solemn things they have been reading about are the truth, and the "Present Truth." Many who subscribed last year are renewing.

It is only a question of time when Sabbath-keepers will rise up on every side as the result of this work with God's great Search-Light.

GEO. A. KING.

THE good old *Review* is always a welcome visitor. It is a faithful sentinel standing in the tower lifting up its voice once a week, giving not only warnings of approaching danger, but words of cheer and comfort from all parts of the world, to those who are trying to be ready for the coming of the Lord. In my work, wherever I find the *Review*, I find life and progress in the message. The Lord is coming soon; we need all the help we can receive. The *Review* should be in every home.

W. T. MILLMAN.

FAITHFULNESS IN THE WORK

I WILL give you a bit of canvassing experience on the point of staying in the field until the end of the week. While canvassing in the country, I found myself greatly tempted toward the latter part of the week, to return to my lodging, and not to put in a full week. It would be suggested to me that I could put in the time studying and writing. Besides this, there were other suggestions and excuses offered. One Thursday afternoon while being sorely tempted along this line, I found it necessary to pass through a barbed wire fence, and in so doing tore a large triangular hole in the knee of my trousers. "There," thought I, "I must go home. Surely I cannot canvass any longer in this condition!" But by a second thought I recognized in it the work of an enemy to drive me from the field. So, finding a pin and pinning the rent as best I could, I made a straight line for a large mansion in the center of a large farm.

I was fortunate in having an interview with the lady of the house. She listened quietly to my canvass, and then ordered a copy of "Great Controversy" without hesitation. Then, rising from her chair near me, she went to a work box and securing a needle and thread, knelt down before me, saying as she did so, "I see you have had a misfortune."

After finishing it, I thanked her kindly and left the home rejoicing in the Lord, having gained a great victory over the temptation to leave the field earlier than I ought.

FROM A NEW RECRUIT

WHEN I first started in the work, Brother Ford was with me. We worked together the first week, and it seemed to me that we could not get an order for our books; but I was getting a good experience. The next week I started out by myself, and took a few orders for the small books. The third week I worked all week until Friday without any orders; but, praise the Lord, that day before 3 P. M. I took three orders for the large book, and have had good success since. Satan works hard with a new beginner to get them to leave the field, and when he cannot he leaves them alone, then the Lord rewards us for our faithfulness in giving us success. C. L. YOUNG.

NEWS and NOTES

THERE is quite a demand now for Wesson's Cooking Oil.

ELDER W. A. YOUNG visited the church at Richmond recently, and they were very much encouraged.

FIVE have recently begun to keep the Sabbath at Princeton as the result of personal efforts by Brother Hazelton.

ELDER YOUNG started for the General Conference last week. He will be present in the consideration of the book work.

NEW names will soon appear in the canvassers reports. We praise God that the prospects in that line are brightening.

SISTER McMAHAN, and Brother and Sister Niehaus are in attendance at the General Conference at Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

THE interest in the new fields is still good, and souls are yet weighing the matter. Pray God to bless the seed that has been sown.

AT last report, the work was still onward at Medaryville, and it is thought they will be ready for organization at the close of the General Conference.

WESSON COOKING OIL in 2 lb., or 10 lb., or 5 gal. cans at 10c a pound. By the barrel or half barrel, can furnish it at 6½c a pound. It is estimated that a barrel is about 400 pounds.

A FULL report of what has been donated to the Washington fund cannot be given in this issue of the paper, but we hope that a full report can be given in the next issue of the REPORTER.

WILL not all of our churches adopt the plan of weekly offerings for missions? If you have not been supplied with the envelopes for collections report to our office and you will receive a supply free.

"HOWEVER good you may be, you have faults; however dull you may be, you can find out what some of them are; and however slight they may be, you had better make some effort to get rid of them."

THE many friends of Brother and Sister Keener will be pleased to learn that several neighbors are becoming interested, and they will soon have a Sabbath-school in their house. Pray earnestly for the work there.

THE presence and counsel of Sister White at the General Conference was never more appreciated by God's loyal children, than at the conference now in session. The announcement that she will speak brings together a full attendance of all on the grounds.

OUR brethren and sisters in Indiana will be sorry to learn that Sister De-Wolf of Vincennes has moved to New Jersey, locating near New York City. She has been a devoted worker, and always liberal in assisting in the work, responding to every call. We will all miss her.

BROTHER O. R. GRANTHAM has been working the past month at New London, assisting in repairing our church building there, which had nearly gone to wreck. They have put on a new roof, and are plastering and giving it a general repair, after which meetings will be held and try to revive the work there again.

BEFORE leaving Raratonga, Bro. G. F. Jones sent fifty copies of "Christ Our Savior" by a trading vessel to Manikiki and other islands, and every one was sold. There are a few people on these islands who say they will not submit to the new law of the Cook Island government to give up the Sabbath for Sunday-keeping, in spite of the earnest entreaties of the missionary societies. They say, "If they change the Sabbath, they forsake the Bible." Thus the isles are waiting for His law.

SISTER WHITE spoke again to the conference Monday afternoon, May 15, for an hour and fifteen minutes with great freedom and power. She spoke of the providences of God in the establishment of our work at Washington: re-counting many of the special tokens of God's leading and guiding hand. She also referred to the removal of our work from Battle Creek, and stated that the message to Battle Creek still is, "Move out into needy fields and go to work for God. That many are being made infidels under the influences surrounding them in Battle Creek.

ON Monday, May 15, a resolution was introduced into the General Conference, that the General Conference sessions be held only once in four years. The principle reasons given were, that our work now is worldwide, and our general conference ses-

sions are world conferences, and to make it what its name implies, delegates ought to assemble from all parts of the world, which entails not only a very large expense, but takes these delegates from their fields of labor from three to six months; and it was thought that as our union conferences have been thoroughly organized and hold their sessions every two years, that once in four years was often enough to call a worlds conference and bring delegates together from all parts of the world. There was some opposition to this recommendation, but after careful consideration, it was adopted almost unanimously: not only by the delegates, but by all the visiting brethren.

WANTED!

BROTHER J. J. FELLOW, Greentown, Ind., R. R. No. 3, will furnish a home for a good boy 12 or 15 years old. Address him as above.

THEODORE BAKER,—a lad 14 years old desires a home with some Sabbath-keeping family. He is said to be industrious and obedient; does not chew, smoke, or use bad language. Can give good references. Here is an opportunity for some good missionary work. Address Theodore Baker, Centerton, Ind.

OBITUARIES

WHEELER: Died, March 7, 1905, at the home of her sister, Mrs. L. Huber, of Waldron, Ind., Sister Sarah J. Wheeler. She accepted the truth about two months before her death as a result of the labors of Pastor J. C. Harris. On account of feebleness she had not been baptized. Her only desire to recover her health seemed to be that she might be baptized and give her life to the Master's cause. She was sixty-six years of age. She leaves one brother, two sisters and several children. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

W. D. CURTIS.

ELDER W. A. YOUNG attended the funeral of William, son of David Myers, at Kokomo. The young man gave his heart to God last month and died resting in the blessed hope, April 18. We laid him away to await the soon coming of the Life-giver. Elder J. M. Rees assisted in the services.