

The Welcome Visitor.

"Then they that feared the Lord spake often one to another."

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LOST FOR WANT OF A WORD.

Lost for want of a word,
Fallen among thieves and dying;
Priests and Levites passing
The place where he is lying;
He is too faint to call,
Too far off to be heard.
There are those beside life's highway
Lost for want of a word.

Lost for want of a word.
All in the black night straying
Among the mazes of thought,
False light ever betraying.
Oh! that a human voice
The murky darkness has stirred.
Lost and benighted forever,
Lost for want of a word.

Lost for want of a word.
Too high, it may be, and noble,
To be ever checked in his sin,
Or led to Christ in his trouble.
No one boldly and truly
To show him where he has erred—
Poor handful of dust and ashes—
Lost for want of a word.

Lost for want of a word.
A word that YOU might have
spoken.
Who knows what eyes may be dim,
Or what hearts may be aching and
broken.
Go scatter beside all waters,
Nor sicken at hope deferred;
Let never a soul by thy dumbness
Be lost for want of a word.
—Selected.



WEEK OF PRAYER.

We are doing all we can to distribute the Conference labor among the churches during the "Week of Prayer."

There are only 40 laborers and about 80 churches so it will not be possible to get help to every church.

Where it seems practicable we are having Bible workers to visit churches, but as most of them are in the southern part of the state it will be impossible to get them north, where most of our churches are, so we hope our church elders and leaders will take hold of this work and with the blessing of God make this the best week of the year 1900. The Annual Offering from Ohio ought to be \$25,000.00.

Brethren, you may never have the privilege of another Week of Prayer. "God so loved the world that He gave." Man must so love God that he gives, if eternal life he would have. May all be blessed by giving.

A. G. HAUGHEY.



DISTRIBUTION OF LABOR.

During the week of prayer the different churches of Ohio will receive help as follows:

Elder J. G. Wood, Bowling Green.
Elder O. F. Guilford, Columbus.
Elder D. E. Lindsey, Clyde.
Elder M. S. Babcock, Toledo.
Elder Chas. A. Smith, New Antioch.
Elder E. J. Van Horn, Cleveland.
Elder H. H. Burkholder, Belleville.
Elder R. R. Kennedy, Wheelersburg.
Elder L. C. Sheafe, Newark.
Elder W. H. Wakeham, Mt. Vernon.
Elder A. C. Shannon, East Liverpool.
Elder R. A. Boardman, District No. 6.
Elder A. G. Haughey, Killbuck.
C. C. Webster, District No. 3.
W. H. Granger, Alliance.
M. C. Kirkendall, Meigs.
Edward Riesenweber, Cleveland.
Francis Fairchild, District No. 6.
Prof. J. W. Loughhead, Prof. F. W. Field and W. W. Miller, Mt. Vernon Academy.
J. O. Miller, Laura.
R. I. Francis, Newark.
Jessie B. Sweet and Katharine E. Miller, Cincinnati.

E. A. Merriam, Marion.
Mary C. Huffaker, Washington C. H.
Nellie M. Stevens, Leesburg.
Sadie Baker, Springfield.
Ella M. Talmage, Corsica.
Ida M. Walters, Findlay.
Margaret Haughey, Lima.
Cora Petithory, Dayton.
Bessie E. Russell, Beaver.
Anna E. Smith, Wengerlawn.
Cora Gibson, Akron.
Tensa Howell, Bedford.
Eva Marshall, La Grange.
May much good result from the labor bestowed.

A. G. HAUGHEY.



"BEST STORIES FROM THE BEST BOOKS."

This new book is one of the best books of its kind for children and young people. It is an illustrated Bible companion for the home, by James Edson White, with an introductory department of Easy Lessons for Children, by Ella King Sanders. The "Bible Story Department" contains 150 pages and is profusely illustrated with beautiful engravings and ornamental chapter headings. It would make a beautiful present for the little ones of any home. It comes in three styles of binding. Cloth, 75 cents; board covers, 50 cents; paper, 25 cents. Send all orders to the Tract Society.



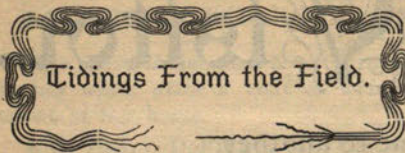
NOTICE TO CANVASSERS.

I shall be pleased to correspond with any one who desires to enter this most important line of work.

Until further notice all communications designed for the Ohio Canvassing State Agent should be sent to A. G. Haughey, Box 386, Mt. Vernon, O.



All the sophistry of Satan is bound up in the 'one word, wait.—Mrs. E. G. W.



Tidings From the Field.

TOLEDO—Good cheer and courage to all! Rejoice always in all things. Our corps of workers here on the human side is small, but in this great controversy, "they that be with us are more than they that be with them."

The different branches of the work are in better shape so far as we can see than at any time in the past. The call for "health foods" increases with a desire to know of the principles involved, and that "opening wedge" is now handled with better results. The "treatment rooms" also do a growing business by the aid of bi-weekly visits of Dr. Rand of B. C. Sanitarium. We trust light, that shall increase day by day, reaches some that would see it in no other way than through this means divinely appointed to aid the message in these last days, and at the same time help magnify the value of the "inheritance" promised Abraham and his seed.

The "mission" for two years now has held open doors, is not in debt, and supplied for winter better than ever before. The list of city contributors steadily increases as they witness the character of the place. Our own people in near churches have sent to us supplies of food, potatoes, apples, canned fruit, etc., and also bedding, greatly needed. More of these are necessary and will be thankfully received at all times.

Brother Lane and wife have joined us in that work as self-supporting helpers, and Brother Stevens expects to take a desired change for the present.

There is more stir and inquiry in general and in particular in and about the city now than heretofore along lines of "Present Truth." Some experiences in cottage meetings are particularly interesting and precious.

The little company of believers evidently are gaining as a whole in strength thro' the influence of the "spirit of His Son" on individual hearts, and we are sure where sin abounds "grace doth much more abound."


W. S. BABCOCK.

CANTON.—It will be two years

this coming January since I came to Akron to begin work, and I am glad to report that from that time the work has steadily grown. Many precious souls are today rejoicing in the truth as a result of the work done. Several of these are now actively engaged in the work of spreading the message. A grand work has been done at Barberton. Often more than a score would be in attendance at the readings, and still the interest spreads. Those who have accepted the truth there are very active and are doing a good work. We hope to see the work begun in these places continue to flourish until the harvest.

We moved to Canton about two months ago, and are glad to report a splendid interest, which we hope to see bear fruit for the Master. Brother Zeigler (a new convert from Akron), is with us and is doing faithful work as a canvasser.

We have already an organized Sabbath-school of about ten members. We ask the prayers of the brethren throughout the state for the work in this place. W. H. GRANGER.



LOOK FOR GOOD.

Christ would have us look for the good qualities of our brethren instead of trying to find all of the evil we can. Rom. 3:23 says: "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God."

So if we desire we can find evil in the nature of every one, but there is no surer way of hadening and drying up the spirituality of our hearts, than to be searching for the faults of our neighbors; and further it will have an equal evil effect on the one who is thus criticized in many cases.

Now brethren let us look for the good, the reflection of Christ's character in our fellow pilgrims, and then we will gain moral strength to ourselves and strengthen the weak among us, for criticism is one of Satan's plans to dry up the fountains of love in the heart.

Without love we cannot work for fallen humanity nor worship God in an acceptable manner.

If there ever was a time that God's people needed to be closely bound together by bands of love it is now, when the fury of the evil one is about to burst upon them in a final effort to compel them to give up their faith.


W. E. BIDWELL.

TITHE REPORT FOR NOVEMBER.

Ashland	\$ 7.25
Bellefontaine	95.00
Bowling Green.....	29.00
Camden	3.25
Chagrin Falls.....	5.86
Cincinnati	322.23
Cleveland	104.22
Glyde	12.59
Columbus	62.53
Corsica	14.47
Dayton	42.44
Delaware25
East Liverpool.....	25.00
Fairfield	7.60
Findlay	20.40
Grape Grove	6.85
Green Spring.....	6.75
Gilboa	16.28
Killbuck	14.40
Lewistown	8.68
Locust Point.....	18.70
Marion	27.46
Mt. Vernon.....	121.29
Newark	21.66
Norwalk	37.00
New Antioch.....	23.06
North Bloomfield.....	3.00
Nashville	2.30
Pemberville	15.00
Springfield	33.76
St. Clairsville	15.28
Toledo	33.83
Wadsworth	3.00
Washington C. H.....	151.04
Wheelersburg	4.00
Isolated Sabbath Keepers..	10.45


Total\$1,330.89

A. A. LAUDER, Treas




"EASY STEPS IN THE BIBLE STORY."

This is a book which is now to be had by addressing the Tract Society. It is intended, as its title indicates, for the children, and will, we feel sure, prove of great interest to them. Cloth, 50 cents; paper, 25 cents.



Whatever you may be sure of, be sure at least of this, that you are dreadfully like other people. Human nature has a much greater genius for sameness than originality.



We judge ourselves by what we feel capable of doing, while others judge us by what we have already done.

Mt. Vernon Academy.

The Ohio Conference should appreciate its situation. Every church member in Ohio should praise God in helping to lift the debt off the Mt. Vernon Academy. The Lord said we should have this school to give character to the work in Ohio. It is now in its eighth year of successful operation. It has met its operating expenses and carried a debt of nearly \$1,700.00.

There is hardly a church in Ohio that has not been benefitted by having one or more of its members receive training at the Academy. We all know of its benefit to us and none would think of doing without it.

Now that we have a school of our own and a state with over 4,000,000 people living in it, nearly 800,000 families, who would dare say we can not sell 15,000 copies of "C. O. L." as this would only mean one family out of 53.

We can sell them. We will sell them. Yes, we are selling them.

One canvasser sold 15 copies in two hours. Others can do better.

A. G. HAUGHEY.



THE MISSIONARY MAGAZINE.

How can we as a denomination do without the Missionary Magazine? It is certainly one of the most interesting papers of our denomination. There are a great many periodicals published by our people, and we would not infer that any one individual has the time to read them all. Some are published especially for missionary work among those that are not acquainted with the Third Angel's Message. But the Missionary Magazine is intended especially for our own people, although a splendid publication to interest outsiders in foreign missionary work. And while our time may be very limited, yet it does seem that we should take time to read the reports of the work of the Lord's servants in other lands, and also to become acquainted with the fields where the Message must go ere the Lord's coming.

"Unless your hearts are touched as you see the situation in foreign fields, the last message of mercy to be given to the world will be restricted, and

the work which God would have done will be left undone."

If you have not had the privilege of reading the Magazine for some time, read the "Letters From Our Foreign Missionaries, For the Week of Prayer." Gen'l Conf. Bulletin p. 187-191. These letters are intensely interesting and should cause the reader to give serious and sober thought to the needs of foreign fields; and yet these are just a drop in the bucket compared with what appears in the Magazine from time to time.

When we understand the situation of the work, how can we refrain from giving? How can we be indifferent to the calls for laborers and means? If our lives are wholly consecrated to the service of our Master we will be diligent students, both in the study of the Message and the Field. The two go hand in hand; they cannot be separated. Shall we not now make a complete surrender of ourselves and means and thus hasten His coming?

The subscription price is 50 cents a year. Sample copies of the December number can be obtained on request. We should be glad to furnish the librarians with as many copies as they could use in their respective churches.

Cor. Sec'y.



ALL UNITED.

Ohio laborers are all at work helping to "roll back the reproach."

At the S. S. Convention held at Springfield, Ohio, Dec. 1-4, over \$300 was given toward the \$50,000 book fund.

Our laborers are giving of their means, and our membership their time and in this way all share in the gift. However, we would not have any think they are not privileged to give. One sister who is not employed by the Conference gave \$100. Still much more is needed. Who will respond? The Lord has promised a blessing to all who take hold just now.

A. G. HAUGHEY.



WANTED.

We want eighty-eight regular canvassers to sell subscription books. We have eighty-eight counties in Ohio, and there ought to be at least one regular canvasser in each of them. Who will be the first to respond?

A. G. HAUGHEY.

Our Sabbath Schools.

SPRINGFIELD S. S. CONVENTION.

All who attended this Convention, held Nov. 30 to Dec. 2, returned home realizing more fully the sacredness of the Sabbath-School work, and that all who are connected with it should have the "Credentials of Heaven." The stately steppings of the Great Teacher were felt in our midst, and His voice was heard speaking through those who took a part in the Convention. Thus was fulfilled the precious promise, "They shall all be taught of God."

S. S. Officers and Their Duties—

One meeting was devoted to the consideration of the duties of the various officers of the Sabbath School. Superintendents and secretaries who were present lead out in the discussion of these topics and presented many practical thoughts.

Teaching—

Teachers present quite thoroughly took up the subject of teaching, under the following headings: Teachers and Their Duties, The Art of Questioning, Gaining and Holding the Attention, The Use of Illustrations, Object Teaching, Holding the Attention of the Kindergarten Classes.

The Great Teacher was definite, simple and practical in His teaching. Jesus taught from the natural to the spiritual. He called the attention of the people to nature and the common things of life with which they were familiar and then taught them divine truth. Every thing in nature and the incidents passing under His notice were to Him texts for impressive sermons. He thus bound up His sacred lessons with the flowers, with the recurring seasons, with the rocks, the hills and the mountains and with the every day occurrences of life. Let us teach as did the Great Teacher and every thing about us will lead us to thoughts of God.

Miscellaneous—

From other subjects, such as Devotional Exercises in the Sabbath School, How to Study the Lesson,

Review of the Lesson, Teacher's Meetings and How to Secure Order and Reference were brought out many helpful thoughts for all to carry to their home Sabbath Schools. Many excellent things were also presented at the session devoted to the Salvation of our Youth and Children from the Standpoint of Home Training, Church Schools, Christian Volunteer Work.

We believe that the influence of this Convention will greatly aid in making our Sabbath Schools more interesting and in bringing them up to the high spiritual plain that the Lord would have them occupy.

IDA M. WALTERS.



CANVASSER'S REPORT.

For week ending Nov. 10, 1900.

	Orders.	Value.
L. A. Holobaugh.....	25	\$ 33.50
Chas. Gearhardt.....	..	19.00
Mrs. A. E. Berry.....	2	6.75
B. H. Welch.....	5	6.75
Jay Raymond.....	25	30.00
L. R. Williams.....	23	34.00
Mrs. A. Williams.....	15	14.00
Jane Lawson.....	..	9.50

Total \$153.50

For week ending Nov. 17, 1900.

Jno. M. Calvert.....	13	\$ 23.25
Jay Raymond.....	26	33.00
B. H. Welch.....	49	38.25
L. R. Williams.....	10	15.00
Mrs. A. Williams.....	7	7.00
Jno. M. Calvert.....	2	5.00
R. I. Francis.....	..	12.55
L. A. Holobaugh.....	11	15.50
Chas. J. Gearhardt.....	..	5.75

Total \$155.30

For week ending Nov. 24, 1900.

S. L. Goldsbery.....	52	20.50
B. H. Welch.....	32	60.90
L. R. Williams.....	5	32.50
Mrs. A. Williams.....	7	24.90
W. E. Bidwell.....	14	14.55
Mrs. A. E. Berry.....

Total \$214.36



ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Elder Burkholder called at the Tract Society office Tuesday.

Brother W. W. Miller of Springfield is here taking the Special course.

Prof. Magan was in attendance at the Springfield convention, and spoke

Sunday night on the healing of the deadly wound.

A building has been repaired and fitted up to be used as a church by the people of Meigs.

Sister Cora Petithory again takes up the Bible work, and will be with Margaret Haughey in Dayton.

Sister Otilla Clemen, who has been in the Bible work in Dayton, is here now taking the Special course.

Elder L. C. Sheaf, who has been laboring in the South, is home for a visit with his family of this place.

Brother and Sister Hamer from Columbus are also here taking the Special course, as are several others.

An edition of 20,000 "Christ's Object Lessons" has just been completed, and paper has been ordered for another of 40,000.

A collection of over \$300 was taken up at the Springfield convention to buy material for the new book, "Christ's Object Lessons."

Brother Kirkendall has recently removed his family to Academia. He himself has gone to look after the interest of the work at Meigs.

If your paper has a blue pencil mark on it, it is an indication that your subscription has expired, and we would earnestly invite you to re-view.

Please bear in mind that cash should accompany all orders for "Christ's Object Lessons," as this book can not be trusted out, since the receipts go to the relief of the schools.

Elder A. G. Haughey will take the state agency instead of Brother Miller, as announced in last issue of the Visitor. All communications should be addressed to him at Box 386, Mt. Vernon, O.

The subscription price of the "General Conference Bulletin" has heretofore been 50 cents. This included the "Daily Bulletin," published during the session of the General Conference, and the quarterly issue for two years. Hereafter the price will be 50 cents for the "Daily Bulletin," or 75 cents including the quarterly.



There is no calm like that when storm is done;

There is no pleasure keen as pain's release;

There is no joy that lies so deep as peace;

No peace so deep as that by struggle won.

NEED OF GENUINE RELIGION IN OUR SABBATH- SCHOOLS.

Our Sabbath-schools are not what the Lord would have them to be, for there is altogether too much dependence placed upon form and machinery, while the life-giving power of God is not manifested for the conversion of souls, for whom Christ died. This order of things must be changed if our Sabbath-schools meet the purpose for which they exist. We must have consecrated teachers, who love God supremely and their neighbors as themselves. The Lord has made ample provision that teachers may have increased ability from Sabbath to Sabbath, that they may teach to some purpose, working as for time and eternity. We need in our schools young men and women who have vital godliness, not a cheap, superficial experience, but a deep inward piety that results from learning daily in the school of Christ, that they may impart to others the precious lessons which Christ has taught them.

Those who are satisfied with following a certain dry order, of going through a round, will miss the mark, and fail of the work that should be done by a Sabbath-school teacher; but if those who engage in this important branch of God's cause are Christians in the full sense of the word, doing the work given them of God in His fear, working with love for souls, for whom Christ died, they will be laborers together with God. When superintendents and teachers give themselves without reserve to God, they will not only resolve, but put their resolutions into effect. As soon as the workers in Sabbath and day schools enter upon their proper work, with a full realization of their dependence upon God, the grace of Christ will be supplied to unite with their human effort. It is important that every worker should understand that conviction and conversion of souls follow the co-operation of the human effort with the divine power. Entire consecration of soul must be maintained as much by the teachers and superintendents of our Sabbath-schools as by the ministers in our pulpits, for all alike are engaged in the work of bringing souls to Christ. Each in his place is to work, as did Christ, in the spirit of love, for the erring and impenitent. This is what

[To be Continued.]