"Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest."

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#### A HYMN.

I can not think but God must know About the thing I long for so; I know he is so good, so kind, I can not think but he will find Some way to help, some way to show Me to the thing I long for so.

I stretch my hand,—it lies so near:
It looks so sweet, it looks so dear.
"Dear Lord," I pray, "oh, let me know
If it is wrong to want it so."
He only smiles,—he does not speak;
My heart grows weaker and more weak,
With looking at the thing so dear,
Which lies so far and yet so near.

Now, Lord, I leave at thy loved feet
This thing which looks so near, so sweet,
I will not seek, I will not long,—
I almost fear I have been wrong.
I'll go and work the harder, Lord,
And wait till by some loud, clear word
Thou callest me to thy loved feet,
To take this thing, so dear, so sweet.

-Saxe Holm.

#### A HIGHER STANDARD.

"When the Holy Spirit controls the minds of our church-members, there will be seen in our churches, a much higher standard in speech, in ministry, in spirituality, than is now seen. The church-members will be refreshed by the water of life, and the laborers working under one head, even Christ, will reveal their Master in spirit, in word, in deed, and will

encourage one another to go forward in the grand closing work in which we are engaged."—" Testimonies for the Church," Vol. VIII, p. 211.

God designs that the Holy Spirit shall have the control of church-members. When the Spirit does control, there will be a heavenly standard of life revealed; for the Holy Spirit descends from a holy heaven, where a holy God sits upon a righteous throne, or a throne of righteousness. The Holy Spirit and the holy word of God always agree. The man who is under the control of the Holy Spirit will search the holy Scriptures, and will follow their teaching. When he reads in God's word, "Speak not evil one of another, brethren" (James 4:11), he will not speak evil of his brethren. When he reads that God hates the man who "soweth discord among brethren" (Prov. 6:19), he will not take a course that will cause discord and division among his brethren. When he reads, "Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you with all malice" (Eph. 4:31), he will put away all these things from him, and stand clear in the sight of

A people standing on the threshhold of eternity with the greatest system of truth that has ever been revealed to any people since the world was made, ought to reveal in their lives the highest standard of righteous living that the world has ever seen. But the devil is not willing that this shall be so, hence he is working with great power and true satanic cunning to lead the people who know the truth to give the lie to their profession, by causing them to disobey the word of God. The devil does not care how long a man may pray in church, or how long his testimonies may be in the social meeting, if he can only blind the mind and make the man believe that he is a true Christian, while doing the very things which the Bible forbids. Many who think they are God's children have been and are now being deceived by the devil, and made to believe that they are on the straight road to heaven when their words and acts are far from heavenly.

Surely we need the Holy Spirit to take control of our entire being, that we may have the victory over the evil one, and may in truth correctly represent the character of our God. May the Lord pity his people, and save them from the power of the enemy.

J. W. WATT.

"ACCEPTED, perfect, and complete For God's inheritance made meet! How true, how glorious, and how sweet!"

#### The FIELD

#### NEW YORK.

THE records show that our conference has about four thousand more "Christ's Object Lessons" to sell before our quota is filled. These should have been in the homes of the people long since, and would have been if all had sold their quota. Our people know that it is the work which next The committee needs our attention. have asked Elder Ball, Sister Millington, and the writer to undertake to dispose of the balance, calling to our assistance as many as will volunteer help.

Brother Ball and the writer came to the townships of Newfane and Wilson on Monday. It was Tuesday afternoon when we reached our territory. That evening he returned without an order, and the writer, with four. On Wednesday we each returned with two On Thursday he secured seven, and the writer, four. Friday he secured six more. The writer was sick and therefore had secured but ten orders, while Elder Ball had secured fifteen. He had sold one on Monday, so our work for the week was twentysix orders and two deliveries. We have not heard from Sister Millington, who is working in Buffalo. cerely hope to have more to report. as we get more accustomed to our work.

Our present plan is to work one or two townships calling upon each family.

We have had many opportunities to tell a little story about Jesus. Often the canvass is about like a real Bible reading. This week has given the writer opportunity to persuade one individual to go to the Buffalo sanitarium, perhaps to take treatments. This work brings us face to face with the people. We hope now to finish this work for our conference.

there are those churches who desire one or more of us to assist them in completing their quota, please address us at 645 West Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

A. O. Burrill.

#### BLAINE, MAINE.

THE long, cold winter is past, and while it has been very sickly, and many have been laid away to rest, I am rejoicing in a good measure of health. I have just returned from Dyer Brook, having held services with that church April 30 and May 1, also May 7 and 8. Our meetings were good, and some new ones seemed in-One acknowledged terested. truth, and we expect she will live out her faith. We spent the time that intervened between the meetings in visiting, and sold two copies of the "Story of Daniel the Prophet."

We are earnestly praying that the cause in Maine will get a new impetus the coming summer. Let each one remember that we are saved to serve, and, beginning at our own doors, let us "Do good unto all men as we have opportunity." This message is due, and it is our privilege to work if we will. The Lord is waiting to be gracious, and when we unitedly press the battle to the gate, he will give us the victory. In union there is strength.

J. B. GOODRICH.

# BROOKLYN, N. Y.

WE are pleased to tell the GLEANER family that the Lord's work in Brooklyn is onward. Our Bible workers, Sisters Leo and Williams, are doing a good work, and have more than they

The Lord is certainly going before us, and giving us access to families in . several members of the church have begun holding Bible readings with their neighbors, and the outlook is encouraging.

bury with our Lord in baptism fifteen precious souls. We are expecting to have baptism again in a few days.

The Lord is going out before us and preparing souls for this blessed truth. Shall we not take it to them? Let us all be about the Master's work, for the field is ripe and ready to harvest.

> Yours in the blessed work, L. H. PROCTOR.

# SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE. Tent and Camp-meeting Fund.

Previously reported,	\$27.90
Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Burr,	. 2.00
Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Clark,	2.00
Mrs. Eva B. Daggett,	1.00
John Hale,	2.50
New London church,	3.35

\$38.75

D. K. ROYER, Secretary and Treasurer.

## READING, MASS.

ALTHOUGH we have kept silent so long, still we are doing something for the cause of present truth, praying and working with the help of the Lord. This church was organized on the same Sabbath as was the one at the New England Sanitarium. Though our number is small, never more than fifteen, yet there are some old and tried veterans here who are looking for the soon coming of the Prince of Peace in the clouds of heaven. have held our meetings every Sabbath all winter. As in other places our numbers are scattered in different towns, making it hard for us to get together every week, some having to walk a long distance.

The work here is onward, and we all parts of the city, to the extent that are all of good cheer. The Lord is doing a great work among us. One brother who was brought up by Sabbath-keeping parents, and was working as fireman on a locomotive, was It was my privilege last Sabbath to convinced that he was sinning against

God, came out and kept the Sabbath with us. On the second Sabbath, his dear companion came with him, and both have taken a firm stand. Thev are now living on a farm in the country. May God bless them and keep them, is our prayer.

Another dear old brother and his wife in North Reading, came out from the First-day Adventists last fall to walk in the truth. But they are unable to attend our services at Reading Center, and owing to the state of the roads all last winter, we were unable to visit them. Satan, who is ever working, sowing the seed of error, and perverting the truth, has been hard at work with them.

When the roads were in such a condition that we could travel, three of us drove seven miles to visit them, and hold a Bible reading. We found them keeping Sunday. They told us they had been convinced that they were day to observe. I asked permission to study the Bible with them. We studied the beautiful subject of the tree of life, how our first parents lost their right to eat thereof, and the conditions that must be met in order to again have right to eat of that lifegiving tree. The study made a deep impression on them, and as the Spirit snare! did its work, they rose and testified that they had been confused, but were willing to keep the commandments as the light came to them.

Our next study was upon God's call to his people to come out of Babylon. Last Sabbath they came to our meeting fully convinced that the seventh day is the Sabbath, and that with God's help they will keep it. They are now rejoicing as they come out in the full light of present truth, and it gives us all a shout of victory over the lies of the enemy.

Dear brethren and sisters of the little flock scattered abroad, pray for the work in this place, that we all may return to our first love. "By this shall all men know that ye are my

disciples, if ye have love one to another." John 13:35.

We have changed the time of our services, and they now commence at 10: A. M. We cordially invite any of the brethren and sisters who may be laboring or visiting in this vicinity to come and worship with us at 74 Haven Street.

J. A. Bills.

# SABBATH-SCHQL DEPARTMENT

SABBATH-SCHOOL:

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

CAMP-MEETING OF THE The Invitation.

"Come ye children, harken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the Lord." Ps. 34:11.

We are told that the children and wrong, and that Sunday was the right youth must be anchored to the truth soon. Those who see the coming of the Lord drawing nigh, know there is a great work to be done for the children and youth before they are prepared for that event, and what we do, must be done quickly. Satan is not idle, and if we do not make earnest efforts, many will be drawn into his

The Lord has told us to "Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly: gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children." This message belongs to those who live near the coming of the Lord. We are told that we should lose no opportunity of helping the children and youth to become interested in the understanding of the Scriptures.

Special provision is made at our camp-meeting that the children and youth may be instructed in the truths we hold dear at this time.

sion in the human heart, than the love camp-meeting with as great pleasure of parents for their children. It is

thing else this world ever sees. It is not an offense to us that God calls us his children. It is a tribute to the place we occupy in the heart of our Father in heaven. God could not say anything that would express his love for us so tenderly and truly as to declare us his children. He provides for us as children. He disciplines us, and appeals to us as sons and daughters, and he comforts us as one whom his mother comforteth. When we wander away from his house, and become prodigals in a far country, he does not forget us, but keeps the home open for us.

I wonder how many of the children WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE. . and youth are thinking of coming to the camp-meeting. We are anxious to have a good attendance of the youth, as well as the grown people. Hear the trumpet call of the Lord! Do you think the dear Lord has invited you to this meeting unless he expects to be there to meet you?

When you come home from school. do you knock at the door?-Not often. We knock at other people's doors, but we expect the door of our father's house to be ready to open, that we may walk right in. Many times when we call on the doctor, or the dentist. we find him too busy to see us at once. Many times I have seen persons watching the workmen through the big doors of a factory or mill, and they wanted so much to go in; but on the door it said, "No Admittance." People must have a permit to go inside. How often do you enter the door of your house each day? How often do you come to your parents to ask for something, or to talk to them? Do you think the heavenly Father is pleased if we do not come to him at all, or only once a day? He invites us to come often, and is always ready to hear us.

Dear young people, we feel sure There is no deeper and holier pas- that you are looking forward to the as are the older members, for there is more like the love of God than any- always something good for the children and youth. The Lord is calling upon us to-day, and especially the youth, to help spread this message in this last generation.

There is no more beautiful and helpful story than that which tells of the love of Ruth for Naomi. Ruth's choice of life with her mother-in-law, with all that it meant to a girl of an alien race, was a noble and heroic thing, and is worthy of our serious study.

The choice of Ruth was a religious one. The chief difference that separated Israel and Moab was a difference of faith. "Thy God shall be my God." It is well to make this the starting point of life's choices-Who will be our God? It is a question of what is to be the distinguishing characteristic of our lives-devotion to self and selfishness, or devotion to him who is holy, holy, holy. Put the eternal God first. In all thy choosing, choose God first, choose him now. "Seek ve first the kingdom of God and his righteousness."

Ruth chose the path of sacrifice and service. She looked forward to no life of ease and pleasure with Naomi in Israel. She must fit herself into conditions that were hard and strange to her. To human judgment she chose a hard road with a doubtful ending. But gain and pleasure were not the motives that guided her. Her purpose was to be of use. No young person of true mind and heart can look forward to a place in the world's great life without the idea of service. The fundamental question is not, What can I see, and enjoy, and gain in life? but, What can I do that will help, and bless, and save? He that chooses to take up his cross and deny himself, makes the ideal choice. Ruth chose God, and see how grandly God took care of her.

I trust that all the youth who are planning to come to the camp-meeting will stop and consider why they are coming; that is, because God has invited us to come. We are coming to learn some precious lessons. "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." No choice that is rooted in God can ever in the end be an unhappy one. We should listen to the word of God, that we may know what God would have us do. God's watchful eye guards us, and his quick ear is open to hear us.

FANNIE FONDERSMITH.

# **EDUCATIONAL**

OUR ACADEMY AND CHURCH-SCHOOLS

#### OUR BIRTHDAY PARTY.

On April 19, South Lancaster Academy celebrated the twenty-second anniversary of its birth, and, in honor of the event, invited all of its friends to attend a reunion in the assembly room at the home. Four o'clock in the afternoon found a large company of friends and students gathered. Among these were several who had spent many years of service with the institution in its early experiences, notably Sisters E. D. Robinson, S. J. Hall, S. A. Mason, Elders A. E. Place and E. E. Miles, with others. There was one present, William F. Weston, who was a student at the opening of the school and during its first years.

The presence of these who were thus connected with the Academy in its early days, and the relation of their experiences in connection with the during these early years, made the occasion a very pleasant one indeed.

The program opened with a selection by the band. This was followed by prayer by Elder M. D. Mattson.

Professor Griggs introduced the object of the gathering by making reference to the substantial character of the testimony of one who had actually passed through an experience, and gave expression to his feelings of gratitude at our having with us on this occasion one who could give the

ginning down to the present time, and called upon Mrs. S. J. Hall, who responded by reading a history of the Academy in part as follows:

"Away in New England, among the hills of central Massachusetts, may be found the old historic town of Lancaster, noted for its pleasant locality and beautiful scenery. Here is situated the South Lancaster Academy; and like other schools, it must have some kind of history, though it be, perhaps, of a different nature from many. "Tis said that in founding our great colleges, certain gentlemen brought gifts of money and others of books; but of our Academy it may be said that it was founded without books, without money, without students, and without teachers,-a mere work of faith on the part of the good people of the church.

"Only a little way down on Main Street, may be found a little wooden building, now used as a paint shop. Here thirty-one years ago, a company of Seventh-day Adventists, eight in all, met from week to week to worship God. This was the beginning of a church of this denomination in South Lancaster. For several years this building remained the meeting-place of this company, till, upon its being sold, worship was conducted in private houses. The number increasing, they felt the necessity of a building set apart for religious service.

"About this time Elder S. N. Hasopening and maintaining of the school kell, our loved president, bought a tract of land, on which stood a little building, 18 x 24 ft, used as a carriage shop. But for this building was a brighter future, for it was immediately fitted up for a church. After a year, however, this building became too small to accommodate the growing church, and the present church building was built. This, however, has been enlarged since that time.

"The denomination having become established, a school seemed necessary, in order that young people might history of the Academy from the be. be better fitted for a part in the work of life, and be prepared for usefulness in any sphere. With this in view, the people said, "We must have a school; although it may be small at first, it will grow."

"In the spring of 1882, it was fully decided to open a school, and the services of Professor G. H. Bell, and Miss Edith Sprague, both of Battle Creek College, Battle Creek, Michigan, were secured. The little building, outgrown by its congregation, was again fitted up, this time for a school. The first morning, April 19, found eighteen scholars present, and during the term twenty-four were enrolled. In the words of one of them, 'For ten weeks we met there daily, enjoying our work, and trying to make improvement in our studies as well as in our lives.

"In the fall term the number so increased that the little building was once more deserted, and the present church building was used for school purposes. This time not only were the New England States represented, but many other States, and countries from over the sea.

"Faith was now lost in sight. The school was no longer a trial but a reality. Money was raised and land purchased for the erection of suitable school buildings, and during the summer of 1884 the original academy building and students' home were put up, in connection with other buildings to be used as shops in the various departments of manual labor. Manual labor was made a regular part of the program from the first, and the results were gratifying, each year proving the wisdom of the plan. The buildings were dedicated October 17, 1884, and five days later the school year began.

"Professor Bell, finding it necessary to step out of the school work on account of his health, was succeeded by Elder D. A. Robinson as principal. The school grew very materially this year, enrolling nearly one hundred students. Elder Robinson, being

of God, be taught the grand purpose called into active service as a minister, was succeeded by Professsor C. C. Ramsay, who came to us from Healdsburg, California. During the time he was here, a primary and academic department were added, largely increasing the work. Courses of study were planned, including the following: Academic, Biblical, Normal, Grammar, and Primary. It was during the first year of Professor Ramsay that the trustees added to the curriculum the regular study of the Bible. At a meeting similar to this one, held five years' after the opening of the school, it was said that one-fourth of all the students enrolled since the beginning, have been, or are now, engaged in the great work of laboring to make others better. Professor Ramsay remained with us two or three years after this.

> "Following him as principal, came Professor G. W. Caviness. He remained with us six years, and then was called away to start a school in Mexico. During his stay, the school grew so that it became necessary to enlarge the academy building, by building the four rooms on the back, and enlarging the chapel.

> "Professor Haughey was our next principal. That brings us down to your recollection, and we have to-day our present principal, Professor Griggs, who is with us."

> After a musical selection, Sister E. D. Robinson rose and spoke in a very interesting way of the experiences of those who were most closely connected with the starting of the If space would permit, we school. should be glad to relate some of these experiences, but we shall have to pass them. However, no one could listen to the accounts related without being deeply impressed with the fact that God did most manifestly lead and direct those who so faithfully labored in connection with the starting of our school. His blessing was with them in a marked manner, and to him is due the prosperity which has at-

tended the school since its starting

Following the talk of Sister Robinson, Elders Place and Miles related some of their personal experiences in connection with the early work of the school in its various departments. From these experiences may be drawn many lessons of helpfulness and inspiration by all now in training for fields of usefulness in the Master's

A large number of the students and teachers then joined in expressing their thankfulness to God that he in his providence guided their feet toward this place, and that he had given them an opportunity of being connected with an institution so manifestly planted by God for the preparation of young people for service in his cause in the earth.

After appropriate closing remarks by Professor Griggs, our company broke up, all feeling that God's hand was over all, leading and directing all who will commit their ways unto him.

PAUL C. MASON.

## WORK IN THE HOME.

THE present school year is now closing, and many of the students express themselves as thankful for the experience gained in connection with the work in the Home kitchen.

Several have had an opportunity to prove their good stewardship in the Lord's work in various lines; and no greater opportunity has been presented than to those who have been privileged to cook for the people whom he has sent here to be educated. I say privileged because I believe there is no other place where one's loyalty can better be tested than in the preparation of the food. The tendency of the human heart to do what pleases the majority for the time being, proves a snare to some in this work. Here, in this Home, is a wonderful field to put in practice the injunction, "Deal justly with all."

We can say for all who have taken

their turn at cooking, that a good grade of work has been done. Some have shown an aptness, a willingness, and an ability to plan and execute that is very gratifying.

The position is now occupied by an energetic young man, who, by his willingness to work, and quick insight into the mysteries of cookery, is doing the work very acceptably.

A spirit of helpfulness has been one of the pleasing characteristics of the students in the Home life—the place where lessons of service for the happiness and well-being of those around us, may be almost perfected.

God's service.

I have eight is absent at properties four boys, the and the oldest age. We gath

"What you are told, as you are told, and when you are told," has been the motto of those who have made the best progress toward becoming strong, earnest workers. This principle, if carried out in their lifework, will make them indispensable to others.

The same may be said of the work and workers in former years. This spirit of helpfulness is encouraged every year, for the good of the student, as well as for the success of the work.

Mrs. M. D. Mattson,

Matron,

### WILLIMANTIC (CONN.) CHURCH SCHOOL.

Spring has indeed come. long, cold winter is past, and once again the little birds are singing, and all nature is responding to the warm rays of the sun, and the face of the earth is being renewed once again. Ps. 104:30. How our hearts rejoice when we realize that the great springtime of this old earth is so near, when the long, cold winter of sin will pass away, and the Sun of Righteousness will arise with healing in his wings, and the earth will cast out the dead (Isa. 26:19), and then God will create all things new. Isa. 55:17. Blessed springtime of eternity!

Every morning, except Sabbath and Sunday, I leave home for the school.

After walking a mile, I reach Brother Standish's place. He owns a nice little farm situated on the top of a long hill, surrounded by all the beauties of nature. He has set apart one room in his home for the church school. Here, day after day, I meet with the children to study with them and teach them the Scriptures and other studies which will fit them for God's service.

I have eight scholars (one of them is absent at present), four girls and four boys, the youngest being nine, and the oldest nearly sixteen years of age. We gather together in the morning for worship, and then we have Bible study, readings, songs, and prayer, each child taking part. would do your heart good to listen to the children's prayers as they pray for the success of God's message, and for their daily work. They are trying, with God's help, to lead Christian After the morning service, other lessons are taken up, and we try with the Lord's help to follow the true principles of Christian education.

The children are well advanced, and learn easily. The parents have cooperated with me in the work. Jesus has been in our midst, and God's blessing has rested upon us. Satan has worked hard many times to discourage us, but we placed our trust in God, and he has broken Satan's power. I feel to praise God for this winter's experience.

We expect that Sister Chamberlin will take the school the last of May, and then, with God's help, I intend to resume my Bible work in Enfield. With my school work I have also been able to do some tract and Bible work among the people of this place. My prayer is that it may bear fruit for his glory.

The missionary spirit in our church is increasing, and our courage is good. I have been asked to speak before the W. C. T. U. of Willimantic, on Sunday, May first. I can see God's hand in this invitation. I have chosen for

my subject the "Preparation Necessary for our Saviour's Return." This will give me an opportunity to present the truth of our Lord's return, and the temperate lives we must live, in order to be translated when he comes.

Pray for me, brethren and sisters; for I feel utterly insufficient without God's help.

Sincerely your brother in the blessed hope,

ARTHUR E. SANDERSON.

#### ROCK HALL CHURCH SCHOOL.

Notwithstanding the very severe winter which we have had, our church school is prospering, and is to continue its work until June 8. It is not lack of interest which has threatened us; but rather the financial problem. The people living here are entirely dependent upon the water for a living, and one can imagine the condition which we had to meet when snow and ice kept the men from working from Christmas until March 1.

Last Thursday afternoon, our school gave a public exhibition of their work in drawing, water coloring, sewing, sloyd, outline map-drawing, and papier-mache maps. The public school, numbering about three hundred and fifty students, came down to look at our work. The teachers were much pleased with it. I am glad to say that a very kindly feeling has always existed between the public school and our church school, which makes it very pleasant. They have a good library, and as we have none, we are allowed the privilege of using theirs at any time.

In the evening after the exhibition, the children of our school gave a musical and literary entertainment on birds and flowers. Our little school room was taxed to its utmost in seating the people, and then many had to stand up outside.

Our mothers' meetings, held once every month, have proved very profitable, as well as interesting. Our last one was held at the house of one of the parents. Here we conducted a cooking class, making a few healthful dishes. The fathers seemed as much interested in the meeting as the mothers, for a few came, and helped to conclude that the cooking class had been a success.

The children help a great deal in our young people's meetings. Also every week they wrap and send out more than a dozen *Signs* to a neighboring town where we know the people are interested in our literature.

There is much pleasure experienced in going to school and getting the needed preparation for work; but it is not equal to the joy and pleasure which one realizes in active work.

LULU I. TARBELL.

# MEDICAL ≈ MISSIONARY

### OUR SANITARIUMS.

TEN days at the sanitarium,—days in which, when viewed from a selfish standpoint, it almost seemed pleasant to be sick!

My broken down physical condition made it advisable for me lately to spend ten days at our excellent sanitarium, at 1809 Wallace St., Philadelphia, På.

It is not good to be sick and unable to bless others by faithful service, for "it is more blessed to give than to receive." But when our mortal powers do give way, it is certainly a privilege to be permitted to go into a Christian institution, and by rational means have the poisons of disease removed from the body, instead of putting still more poison into the system by the means of drugs. And the kind attention and skilful, faithful service of the physicians and nurses certainly makes this a desirable and profitable place for thoughtful, appreciative, afflicted people.

God bless our sanitariums!

S. S. SHROCK.

#### NEW ENGLAND SANITARIUM.

NATURE is donning her best robes. Spring in her loveliness is animate with musical sounds after the quiet, frozen winter. She is singing her many songs of love for the genial sunshine in this beautiful place.

No cruel hook of the angler mutilates the mouths of graceful silversides in the lake before our door. No fateful gun is pointed at the feathered songsters, hushing their innocent matins. All these circumstances conduce to make it a restful resort for depressed spirits, tired brains, and worn nerves

Among our guests are Mrs. H. W. Cottrell, of South Lancaster, Mass., and Mrs. G. E. Langdon, of Hartford, Conn.

The noon meetings continue to increase in interest. Last week's topics were: Monday, Account of South Lancaster Sabbath-school Convention; Tuesday, Character of Enoch; Wednesday, Mission Work; Thursday, Healthful Cookery; Friday, Music and the Blind. The present week they are as follows: Sunday, Mission News; Monday, Geography of Egypt; Tuesday, Elijah and His Time; Wednesday, How Nurses May Reach Souls; Thursday, Flesh Foods; Friday, Sabbath-school Lesson.

We believe these experiences from day to day are stepping-stones to the active part our young people are to take in the Lord's work after they leave this institution. The readiness with which each one responds, is very encouraging, both for their own strength and others' interest and information. All are of good courage in the cause.

MRS. LEE S. WHEELER.

## THE HEALTH WORK IN EVERETT.

No DOUBT the readers of the GLEANER would like to know something of the work that is being done here.

Our work is somewhat varied. We give treatments, and also go to the homes of the people at their request and serve hygienic dinners. We have prepared more than a dozen of the dinners, and there are others who desire them.

We gave one the 12th of this month which I think in many respects was the best we have had. The guests were the first ladies of the place, just the kind we are endeavoring to reach.

The dinner was arranged very prettily. The color tone was yellow, the floral decorations being jonquils. The menus, printed in gold with a four-leaf clover as heading, were tied with yellow ribbon, with the name of each guest printed in gold on the left-hand corner. Orange sherbet was served, which was also in keeping with the color decorations.

It is amusing to hear all the questions that are asked. Every one seems to be interested and very much impressed with our mode of living. We explain to them the methods of caring for the body, and how to give some of the simple treatments at home. Some of them are intending to go to the sanitarium at Melrose, as the work we are doing has created a desire to search farther.

Among those who have become acquainted with these principles, are two ministers one of whom has adopted this method of living entirely, also a representative of the legislature, and many other notable persons.

This work is an outgrowth of the school of health held in connection with the missionary work here last November, and as the interest seems to be growing, we are encouraged to press on, as we expect still greater results, and we know that the Lord's blessing will go with us.

Sadie E. Palmer, New England Sanitarium.

Do all the good you can, to as many people as you can, as often as ever you can.

# The PRINTED PAGE

"Publicly, and from HOUSE to HOUSE"

#### FORDS STORE, MD.

I HAVE had the privilege of spending the past week at the annual session of the Chesapeake Conference, at Fords Store, Md., and have been very much gratified at seeing the live interest that is taken in the canvassing work by the people assembled at this meeting.

It is true that there has been practically nothing done in this line of work in this conference for the past few years, but every one, from the president of the conference down, felt that the time had come to take a decided forward step toward a genuine revival of the book work in this field.

Probably the most important action that was taken in this direction was the decision to put a State agent into the field this summer. Owing to the financial condition of the conference, it was thought not possible to take on any additional workers, so it was decided that one of the ministers already in the employ of the conference who has had experience in the book work, should devote his time to the work of finding and training canvassers; and doing everything possible to build up this important branch of the cause.

Owing to the fact that I had to leave for Richmond, Va., before the close of this meeting, I am unable to say who was chosen to fill this important position, but that will doubtless appear in the regular report of the meeting.

Quite a number of young people present at this meeting decided to enter the canvassing work, and I had the privilege of conducting a short drill with them, but was unable to stay long enough to give them as much instruction as I desired, but am sure they will enter the work with good courage, and will make a good

record this summer. I trust that the prayers of God's people will follow the earnest efforts of the brethren in this conference to place the book work once more on a good substantial basis.

F. E. PAINTER.

# WEST PENNSYLVANIA CANVASSERS' INSTITUTE.

In connection with the West Pennsylvania camp-meeting, which will be held at Titusville, Pa., June 16 to 26, there will be held a canvassers' insti-

tute. It is the intention to have the institute follow the camp-meeting this time, that those who attend may go immediately into the field. Arrangements will be made for the entertainment of the canvassers at the smallest possible cost, and as it is the custom to refund the railroad fare to and from the institute to those who attend and go right into the field, the expense will be very light. Titusville is a prosperous town of about ten thousand inhabitants, in the northwestern part of our conference, and it is thought it

#### THE BOOK WORK.

## Eastern Pennsylvania Conference, Week Ending May 6, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
H. J. Albright, Co	atesville,	РН	4	301/2	73	18.25		18.25	4.50
Albert Sholder, V	Villiamsport,	H of M	5	36	11	15.25	16.35	$31\ 60$	2.10
A. H. Osman, W	iconisco,	H of M							24.00
H. K. High, Coal	sville,	РН	4	30	50	12.50		12.50	2.75
W. T. Hilgert, Pl	iladelphia,	Misc					5.40	5.40	5.40
Wm. K. Achenbac	ck, Lititz,	D & R	4	26	9	17.00		17.00	
David Summers,	Lititz,	D & R	4	34	8	18.75	2.75	21.50	.25
Totals,	7 Agents,		21	157	151	\$81.75	\$24.50	<b>\$106.25</b>	\$39.00

#### Western Pennsylvania Conference, Week Ending May 6, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Ivor Lawrence, Alt	oona,	D & R	4	21	6	13.50	11.00	24.50	12.25
L. B. Trowbridge,	Pittsburg,	D of A	2	4	3	11.25	3.41	14.66	45.16
W. H. Zeidler, Mc	Keesport,	P & P	5	22	2	3.50	9.50	13.00	7.75
T. O. Saxton, Punz	sutawny,	P & P	3	20	2	5.25		5.25	3.50
*J. Q. Herrington,	Oakmont,	P & P	3	15	5	13.00	10.00	23.00	
H. P. Morgan, Wa	shington,	G C	2	16	5	11.25	.50	11.75	
Mrs. T. D. Gibson,	Wilkinsb'g	, ннв							16.50
Mrs. E. A. Mitchel	tree, Pulasi	ki, BS	1		1	.75	1.65	2.40	2.40
Totals,	8 Agents	,	20	116	24	\$58.50	<b>\$</b> 35.06	<b>\$93.56</b>	\$87.56

<sup>\*</sup>Two weeks.

# Southern New England Conference, Week Ending May 6, 1904.

Name	Place   Boo	k   Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total   De	l'd
R. C. Andrews, S	Southington, Ct., G	C 4	27	3	9.50	11.50	21.00	_
Miss L. J. Warne	r, Clintonville, Sof	D	5	5	5.00	1.00	6.00	
Totals,	2 Agents,	4	32	8	\$14.50	<b>\$12.50</b>	\$27.00	

## Central New England Conference, Week Ending May 6, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
A. G. McBurnie	e, Melrose, Mass.	,D of A	ā	24	5	19.75		19.75	
"		D & R			3	7.50		7.50	
H. T. Cross, M	elrose, Mass.,	D of A	3	13			2.50	2.50	
F. A. Lodge, W	hitinsville, Mas	s., P & P	4	27	3	7.15	6.80	13.95	
Totals,	3 Agent	s,	12	64	11	<b>\$</b> 34.40	<b>\$</b> 9.30	<b>\$43.7</b> 0	

our new workers.

as usual. From eight to twelve each morning the time will be devoted to the study of principles of canvassing, of the canvass, practical instruction on how to gain a hearing, how to in-

afternoon of each day will be given The routine of the institute will be over to field work, in which the instructors will go out with the canvassers, to show them how to put into practice the methods taught in the morning lesson.

We wish every man and woman in terest the customer, and how to make the conference who feel that the Lord the sale, also how to answer many of has called them to service, to come to

### Maine Conference, Week Ending May 6, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
M. Leona Goodric	ch, Skowheg	an, L G	4	21 ½	9	13.00	4.00	17.00	
Totals,	1 Agent,		4	$21\frac{1}{2}$	9	<b>\$</b> 13.00	\$4.00	\$17.00	

# West Virginia Conference, Week Ending May 6, 1904.

Name		Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Mrs. Odell Fletche	er,	Parkersb'	rg,C O L	2	31/2	1	1.25		1.25	6.25
G. B. Mason, Fair	mo	nt,	PH	3	12	16	7.50	1.00	8.50	6.00
Mrs. G. B. Mason	, F	airmont,	ΡН	1	3					6.00
F. C. Valentine,	Μo	undsville,	CCL	5	17	4	5.00	20.50	25.50	
J. H. Jennings, S	pri	ng Hill,	H of M	4	31	3	4.00	8.85	12.85	15.06
Totals,		5 Agents,		15	661/2	24	\$17.75	\$30.35	<b>\$</b> 48.10	\$33.31

#### Vermont Conference, Week Ending May 6, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
A. W. Boardman,									60.00
G. H. Clark, Brattl	eboro,	H of M	3	24	3	4.00	.25	4.25	
Totals,	2 Agents,		3	24	3	\$4.00	.25	<b>\$4.25</b>	\$60.00

# New York Conference, Week Ending May 6, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Harold Fisher, Scriba	-,	P & P		41	11	22.00	11.50	33.50	
Jabez Deeley, Oriskar	ny,	G C		30	11	26.50	8.50	35.00	4.00
Fritz Evans, Norwich	ι,	L G		28	5	15.50	10.60	26.10	.50
A. R. Evans, Norwich	1,	H of M		24	3	4.25	8.25	12.50	
G. F. Evans, Norwich	1,	H of M		18			3.75	3.75	4.75
S. L. Delano, Syracus	e,	H of M		5	1	1.25	3.00	4.25	
Sarah Prosper, Old Fo	orge,	C O L		6	1	1.25	2.25	3.50	
Totals, 7	Agents	s,		152	32	<i>\$</i> 70.75	\$47.85	\$118.60	\$9.25

## New Jersey Conference, Week Ending May 6, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
W. H. Loose, N	lewark,	ΒR		29		14.50	4.55	19.05	15.55
J. W. Rambo, S	swedesboro,	G A		30	51	14.85	. 1.50	16.35	
Totals,	2 Agents,			59	51	<b>\$</b> 29.35	\$6.05	<b>\$</b> 35.40	15.55

U. C. Totals April 29,	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Deliver'd
37 Agents,	79	692	313	<b>\$</b> 324.00	<b>\$</b> 169.86	<b>\$</b> 493.86	<b>\$</b> 244.6 <b>7</b>
Totals for corresp. week last	t year,	0.45	000	#E10 9E	<b>41</b> 42 00	#759 OF	#051.45
29 Agents,		645	203	<b>\$</b> 510.35	<b>\$142.90</b>	<b>≱</b> 193.29	<b>\$</b> 251.45

will be a good field for practice with the objections so frequently met. The this institute, as it will give the preparation needed to make a successful start in the canvassing work. Brother F. E. Painter, the Union Conference general agent, and the writer, together with a number of our old canvassers, will be in attendance, and we will do everything in our power to fit our students for active work.

> It is necessary to know, approximately at least, how many will attend the institute, so we ask all who contemplate taking up this branch of work to write to the undersigned. We wish consecrated men and women to unite with us, and if you feel the calling of God upon you, do not hesitate, but make your plans to respond at this opportune time.

> > THOS. D. GIBSON, Wilkinsburg, Pa.

#### WHO DID HINDER YOU?

"YE did run well; who did hinder you that ye should not obey the truth?" Do these words in any sense find an illustration in our lives? and has there been a time in your life, reader, and mine, when we were in such close union with the Lord that we had the assurance in our hearts that we were running well? Most assuredly in our first love that must have been our experience.

Have we lost the first love? and have we been hindered? If so, is it not well for us to search out the cause of the hindrance, and when it is found, use every possible means to remove We know that there is nothing too hard for the Lord. Therefore, we may have the assurance that the stumbling-block is removed, and we are once more free to run with alacrity the pathway to success in our life experience.

It may be that the reader will consider these words uncalled for. Yet it seems from the weekly records of labor that have come to us these many years past, that the matter should be considered by every one. If you

think this too strong, consider the special application of the word to the seven churches in its relation to your own individual life.

For many years an effort has been made to interest and prepare canvassers to labor, and means have been used for this purpose. Many have been led by the Spirit of the Lord to accept the call, which surely could not have been a mistaken leading in the case of the majority of those who accepted the invitation.

A canvassers' institute was appointed, instruction was given, and association with those of like faith imparted inspiration to those who had left the carpenter's bench, machinist's lathe, the plow and the reaper, and various callings. All these have gone into the field with the prospectus under the arm, and the knowledge of its contents in the mind, with ability to use the knowledge, and the assurance of the Lord's blessing, which was shown in the reports that soon appeared in the weekly record. Of these it may be said, "Ye did run well."

Suddenly there came a change. The space where we had seen their names in the weekly reports was unoccupied. In some cases weeks passed, and in others years, and still the space allotted them was filled with other matter.

Were all these suddenly taken ill? Did some accident occur depriving them of the use of their limbs? Did blindness prevent the use of their eyes? or were their tongues paralyzed? If so, there should have been a report of their condition. No such report, however, has appeared. Then where are the nine? Have they returned to the carpenter's bench, the lathe, and the plow? If so, why? O why?

Let us not put our hands to the plow and look back, for the Lord has said, Lo, I am with you even unto the end. Let us be of good cheer, for the Lord is able to make all grace abound toward us.

R. C. Andrews.

# ITEMS OF INTEREST

#### MAINE.

- —Another of Sister Snow's Bible readers at Woodford's Corner, has commenced to keep the Sabbath.
- —Elder Bicknell is now in the Aroostook, looking after the interests of the coming tent effort in that county.
- —Sister J. E. Leighton is in Portland on a visit. Her husband is still in North Carolina, where he went for his health.
- —The missionary workers in Portland, although few in number, are of good courage, and are determined to "hold on and never let go" until a work is accomplished over which the angels will rejoice.
- —Do not forget to send your clean copies of Signs, Youth's Instructor, Good Health, and Little Friend to the Maine Tract Society, if you can not use them. as there are those here who will gladly see that they are placed in the reading racks.

E. H. MORTON.

#### VERMONT.

- —Brother F. M. Dana has moved his family to Randolph, where they expect to be this summer. We trust that his labor in that part of the field may be richly blessed to the salvation of souls.
- —Brother G. H. Clark has been in poor health for a time, which has prevented him from putting in full time in the canvassing work. We hope that he may soon be able to resume his work and carry it on successfully.
- —Our State agent, Brother A. W. Boardman, has sold his farm in Wolcott, and has moved to North Wolcott, which will be his address until further notice. He expects in the future to devote his time to the canvassing work more fully than ever before.

—Brother H. H. Smith, of Burlington, expects to leave this week for Washington, D. C., where he is to connect with the work of building in Takoma Park. We shall miss Brother Smith as he goes from us, but we are sure that he will prove an efficient helper in the work to which he has been called.

E. W. THURBER.

#### WEST VIRGINIA.

- —Elder J. W. Lair left Parkersburg on Sunday, the 8th inst., to connect with the work in Kansas. We trust that his labors there will be greatly blessed of the Lord.
- —Since our last report the writer has visited Mason City, Huntington, Culloden, Charleston, and Ronda. At Culloden we reorganized the Sabbath-school and elected church officers. This church now has a regular place of meeting in Brother M. E. Montgomery's photograph gallery, a very neat and pleasant place indeed.
- —Dr. D. H. Barker, of Reedy Ripple, made the office a very pleasant call last week, and also purchased a goodly supply of books. We greatly appreciate these calls from our brethren, and are always glad to see them. Call often, friends.
- —One old lady in the southern part of the State, past seventy-two years of age, who is anxious to see the conference out of debt, worked four solid weeks drawing in a rug, 3 x 4 ft., to give what it would bring when sold to help the conference. The rug is extremely beautiful, but who will dare to say that the motive which prompted such a kind act is not much more so?

This good sister told me, while visiting her a few days ago, that she also wanted to attend the camp-meeting this fall, and was very anxious to see the work move forward.

Now, dear friends, since this old lady has set such a good example of perseverance, and as she has also

suggested, Why could not other ladies, both old and young do as she has done, and thus make some nice piece of fancy work to help the cause? There are many things that might be made, needlework of all kinds, doilies, table-covers, splashers, sofa pillows, lambrequins, fancy shawls and capes, and a thousand other little things that are useful, and which women can think of, but the writer can not. These could be made at times when there was nothing else to do, and yet be a great help to the conference. Who will be the next to take hold of this plan?

S. G. Huntington.

May 13.

#### CENTRAL N. E. CONFERENCE.

THE following is a list of the amounts we have received during the month of April on the special accounts presented in our call of March 1:

Endowed Bed. Tent Fund. Conway church, \$2.25 Lowell church, .50So. Lancaster church, 5.00 Mrs. H. A. McGregor, 2.00 G. N. Collins, 25.00 Everett church, 7.16 South Amherst church, 4.25 Mrs. Ann M. Johnson, 1.00 1.00 Francis H. Tripp, 4.15

May we have a longer list for the GLEANER at the end of May? There is yet \$763.69 to be raised.

A. E. PLACE.

# OBITUARY NOTICES

ELLSWORTH.—Died at the home of her daughter in Wolcott, Vt., of catarrh of the stomach, Sister Martha L. Ellsworth, aged 67 years. The deceased leaves five children, one brother, two sisters, and many friends to mourn her loss. But they sorrow not without hope. Sister Ellsworth accepted present truth in 1882, and has lived a consistent life, faithful and true to the Lord and his work. A large audience was present at the funeral services to listen to a discourse by the writer from Rev. 14:13. As we follow our loved ones to the resting-

place in the cold and silent grave, we know that it is only a little while until the Lifegiver will come and call them forth, and if we are faithful we shall meet them never to part again.

J. W. WATT.

DAVIS.—Died in Eddington, Maine, March 31, 1904, at the home of his sister, Samuel C. Davis, aged 76 years and 10 months. Brother Davis had been an invalid for several years, and had been confined to his bed for over a year. He and his wife, who died about twelve years ago, were zealous laborers for the truth. In his last days, he was tenderly cared for by his sister, and he "sleeps in Jesus."

Е. Н. М.

Jones.—Died in Bowdoin, Maine, April 23, 1904, of heart failure, Sister Harriet Jones, in the eightieth year of her age. Sister Jones embraced the truth of the third angel's message in the summer of 1865, during a tent effort conducted in Norridgewock, Maine, by Elders J. N. Andrews and M. E. Cornell. She was converted during that tent season, and lived a consistent Christian life till the day of her death. She leaves four children, two sons and two daughters, to mourn their loss. She was sick but a short time. Remarks were made at the funeral by the writer; text, Eccl. 12:7.

ASHTON.—John Ashton fell asleep in Jesus at his home, Pittsburg, Pa., April 18, aged 52 years, 1 month, and 5 days. He was born in Venango County, Pa., March 13, 1852. He belonged to the Christian Church at the time that he accepted the third angel's message and united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church, three years ago. The truth was precious to his soul, and caused his heart to rejoice more and more each day. He was engaged in the wholesale bakery business, and many of the business men of the city had the opportunity of learning of his loyalty to the Sabbath, and admired him for his integrity to principle. Brother Ashton was a very quiet, modest man, of few words, but they were well chosen and seasoned with grace and gentleness. He lived the truth moment by moment, and so God called him without a moment's warning. He was working the dough on Sunday morning, when suddenly they saw him drop. They spoke to him, but he never replied. He was unconscious. and never gained a moment's consciousness till death came. He lived eighteen hours before he finally succumbed to the attack of cerebrospinal meningitis. He read the twenty-third Psalm for evening worship the

night before, not entertaining the least thought that before twelve hours had elapsed, he would be walking "through the valley of the shadow of death," but he could truthfully and bravely say, "I will fear no evil." He was prepared to go without a moment's warning, which can not be said of all of us. He leaves a widow, two daughters, and four sons to mourn the loss of a devoted husband and father who had not a moment's opportunity to bid them farewell. The children are all consecrated to God and his service, and five of them have been in attendance at our schools during the past two vears. The funeral services were attended by many friends and were conducted by Elder Baierle and the writer.

C. S. LONGACRE.

KLINGERMAN.—Our beloved brother, Frederick Klingerman, son of John and Alvena Klingerman, of Allentown, Pa., was born August 12, 1883, and died April 19, 1904, at the age of 20 years, 7 months, and 26 days.

He is survived by his parents, one brother, and three sisters. One of these sisters is Mrs. Minnie Klingerman Frye, head nurse in the New England Sanitarium, Melrose, Mass.

For the last three years our brother suffered from frequent hemorrhages of the lungs, which finally resulted in pulmonary consumption, from which he died.

He accepted the truth, and became a faithful member of the Allentown church four years ago. He was esteemed by all as a noble, Christian young man.

After having graduated from the Allentown high school in 1902, his ambition was to enter the ministry, for which holy calling he would in a few years have been amply qualified. Words of encouragement and admonition were spoken by the writer from Job 19:22–27.

J. H. Schilling.

BAMETCHER.—Our beloved sister, Barbara Bametcher, was born in Bavaria, in the year 1829, and died of old age and general debility on April 9, having arrived at the age of 75 years, 1 month, and 8 days.

This beloved sister accepted the blessed truth of the third angel's message under the labors of Elder Conradi about twenty years ago, at which time she became a member of the Allentown church, where she was in good and faithful standing at the time of her death. Her funeral text was 2 Tim. 4:8.

The church feels her loss in the deaths of this dear brother and sister, but are assured that at the glorious resurrection morn a happy reunion will surely be realized.

J. H. Schilling.



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THE address of Elder M. S. Babcock is 1032 Campbell Ave., Roanoke, Va.

THE present address of Brother P. L. Hoen is Ames, Story Co., Iowa, as he is on a visit to his home.

BRÖTHER W. A. WILCOX left South Lancaster on the evening of May 15 to attend the council at Berrien Springs, Michigan.

#### NOTICE.

THE division of the Pennsylvania Tract Society having been completed, all communications for the Pennsylvania Tract Society, on and after May 17, should be addressed to the new office, 1809 Wallace St., Philadelphia, Pa., and all for the West Pennsylvania Conference Association, should be addressed to Corydon, Pa.

PENNSYLVANIA TRACT SOCIETY, WEST PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE.

#### CENTRAL N. E. CONFERENCE.

WE regret that we can not yet give positive details concerning our conference and camp-meeting. We have had instructions in the Testimonies that our business meetings should be separated from our camp-meetings, and we have felt that we ought to heed the counsel. At our last meeting of the committee, as noticed in the GLEANER two weeks ago, it was thought best to hold our camp-meeting be carefully considered, are of such

at Melrose about the middle of June, and our conference session some time in the fall. Since that time we have counseled with quite a number, and there seem to be good reasons for reversing the order, and holding our conference session as early in Tune as we can arrange with the General and Union conferences for suitable help. We hope that it may not be later than June 7 or 8. The definite date will be given as soon as possible.

If this plan shall be carried out, the meeting will be held at South Lancaster, probably beginning Tuesday and holding till the following Sunday night, or longer if found necessary, and be followed by a short workers' meeting. This will be an important meeting and should have as full a delegation as possible. One of the important items of business out of the regular order, will be to consider the advisability of accepting our part of the counsel of the Atlantic Union Conference in reference to the New England Sanitarium. The action of the Union Conference was as follows:

"That we request the board of trustees of the New England Sanitarium and Benevolent Association, and the International Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association, of Battle Creek, Michigan, to transfer all real estate and other property of the New England Sanitarium, located at Melrose, Mass., to a corporation to be created by the Central New England Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, to hold sanitarium property for the aforementioned conference."

It will be the duty of our delegation to decide whether we shall form such a corporation and take the abovementioned responsibilities. readers have doubtless noticed that this work was done at the late session of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference, concerning the Philadelphia Sanitarium.

This and other items, which should

interest and of such vital importance to this New England field, that it has been thought best to urgently invite the Southern New England Conference to unite with us in this June There should be as full a meeting. delegation from all the churches in both of these conferences as possible. We most sincerely hope that the committee of the Southern Conference will unite in this matter, and that we may have one more meeting of delegates from the whole field.

A. E. PLACE.

NO PROVIDENCE preventing, I will meet with the New Haven church on Sabbath and Sunday, May 21 and 22. Let the word be circulated.

G. E. LANGDON.

# TENT WORK. Central New England Conference.

Last season it seemed impossible to arrange for more than two tent companies in the whole field embraced in Central and Southern New England, but the conference committee at their recent meeting quite carefully considered plans, which, if carried out, will put three tents in Massachusetts this season—one at Melrose, one at Gloucester, and one at Enfield. Elders F. C. Gilbert and L. S. Wheeler will have the tent at Melrose.

Brother Hartwell has an interest at Gloucester which seems to demand a tent effort there, and the writer is planning to connect with that effort, and spend as much time there as is consistent with other demands.

Elder Mattson, Bible teacher in our academy, has consented to take the work at Enfield, and will be assisted by Brother Arthur Sanderson.

We are glad to state that our workers are of good courage, and are determined by the grace of God to make the work, if possible, a greater success than we have in the past.

A. E. PLACE.