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"Others"

"Lord, help me live from day to day In such a self-forgetful way That even when I kneel to pray My prayer shall be for others.

"Help me in all the work I do To ever be sincere and true, And know that all I'd do for you Must needs be done for others,

"Let 'Self' be crucified and slain, And buried deep; and all in vain May efforts be to rise again Unless to live for others.

"And when my work on earth is done And my new work in heaven's begun, May I forget the crown I've won, While thinking still of others,

"Others, Lord, yes, others, Let this my motto be: Help me to live for others, That I may live like thee."

UNION

The Oshawa Effort

Ever since the town of Oshawa was selected as the centre of our educational and conference work it has been our hope to hold an evangelistic effort for the benefit of the citizens of this place. The chief difficulty in the way of carrying out this plan has been the scarcity of suitable halls, all of them being located on second and third floors and occupied by lodges and associations so that it was impossible to use them for a continuous course of lectures. Elder Kirkendall held a series of meetings in a suburb called Harmony some three years ago, but up until the present no opening appeared for such an effort in Oshawa town. This fall a fine new store building became available which could be seated so as to accommodate about one hundred and fifty people, and this was lately se-

cued at a reasonable rate. Seats were placed, a piano and pulpit installed, and a series of meeting begun by the writer last Sunday night. It proved to be an exceedingly cold and stormy night and comparatively few people ventured away from the warmth of their homes. There were but forty-five present at the first meeting. The next meeting we had an attendance of seventy-five, and since then both the attendance and interest have been gradually increasing. We are reaching a very fine class of people and are hopeful that from this effort a goodly number will take a definite stand for the message and unite with the Oshawa church. The students at the Seminary have volunteered their services to scatter notices of the meetings through the town and the young people of the Oshawa church are assisting by their presence and their singing.

Let us remember these meetings in prayer that a good strong church may be built up as a result of the effort that is being put forth.

M. N. CAMBPELL.

Sacredness of Vows No. 5

I have been shown that many of our people have been robbing the Lord in tithes and offerings, and as a result his work is greatly hindered. The curse of God will rest upon those who are living upon God's bounties and yet close their hearts and do nothing or next to nothing to advance his cause. Brethren and sisters, how can the beneficent Father cantinue to make you his stewards, furnishing you with means to use for him, when you grasp it all, selfishly claiming that it is yours!

Instead of rendering to God the means he has placed in their hands, many investit in more land. This evil is growing with our brethren. They had before all they could well care for, but the love of money or a desire to be counted as well off as their neighbors, eads them to bury their manistin the world, and

withhold from God his just dues. Can we be surprised if they are not prospered? if God does not bless their crops, and they are disappointed? Could our brethren remember that God can bless twenty acres of land, and make them as productive as one hundred, they would not continue to bury themselves up in lands, but would let their means flow into God's treasury. "Take heed," said Christ, "lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting and drunkenness, and cares of this life." Satan is pleased to have you increase your farms and invest your means in worldly enterprises, for by so doing you not only hinder the cause from advancing, but by anxiety and overwork lessen your prospect for eternal life.

We ought to be heeding the injunction of our Saviour, "Sell that ye have, and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that faileth not." It is now that our brethren should be cutting down their possessions instead of increasing them. We are about to move to a better country, even a heavenly. Then let us not be dwellers upon the earth, but be getting things into as compact a compass as possible.

The time is coming when we cannot sell at any price. The decree will soon go forth prohibiting men to buy or sell of any man save he that hath the mark of the beast. We came near having this realized in California a short time since; but this was only the threatening of the blowing of the four winds. As yet they are held by the four angels. We are not just ready. There is a work yet to be done, and then the angels will be bidden to let go, that the four winds may blow upon the earth. That will be a decisive time for God's children,—a time of trouble such as never was since there was a nation. Now is our opportunity to work.

There is, among many professing the truth, a spirit of unrest. Some want to buy large lands, and carry on an extensive business; others want to go into the city. Thus little churches are left in weakness and discouragement to die, when, had the ones who left them been content to work on a smaller scale, doing their little with fidelity, they might have made their families comfortable, and been free to keep their own souls in the love of God. Many who move are disappointed. They lose what little property they had, lose health, and finally give up the truth.

The Lord is coming. Let everyone show his faith by his works. Faith in Christ's near advent is dying out of the churches, and selfishness is causing them to rob God to serve their own personal interests. When Christ is abiding in us, we shall be self-denying like him.

In times past, there has been great liberality on the part of our people. They have not been backward to respond to calls for help in the various

branches of the work. But of late a change has come-There has been, especially with our Eastern brethren, a withholding of means, while worldliness and love of possessions have been increasing. There is a growing disregard of promises made to help our various institutions and enterprises. Subscriptions to build a church, to endow a college, or to assist in the missionary work, are looked upon as promises which persons are under no obligation to fulfil if it is not convenient. These promises were made under the holy impressions of the Spirit of God. Then do not rob him by withholding what rightfully belongs to him. Brethrenand sisters, look over your past life and see if you have dealt faithfully with God. Have you any unredeemed pledges? If so, resolve that you will pay them if it is within your power.

Listen to the counsel of the Lord: "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground, neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field. And all nations shall call ye blessed; for ye shall be a delightsome land."

Are you not willing to accept the promises which the Lord here makes, and to put selfishings from you, and begin to work earnestly to advance the cause? Do not strengthen your hold on this world by taking advantage of your poorer neighbor, for God's eye is upon you; he reads every motive, and weighs you in the balance of the sanctuary.

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ONTARIO

Field Notes

Brother John Heaver of Petrolia, who has been canvassing in Lambton County for a long time, has been forced to lay down his work because of sickness. We hope he will soon recover and gain strength so that he may take up his work again.

Brother John S. Brewer of Smithville, secured five yearly subscriptions for the Watchman from his neighbors.

A member of the Hamilton church noticed some Ingathering Signs in the church literature cupboard, They brought to his mind the fact that we, as a conference, are behind on our twenty-cent-a-week fund for the carrying ou of our world-wide missionary work. He spent two hours in soliciting funds with these papers and secured three dollars and seventy-three cents. Like the canvassers, when he got started he didn't know when to stop. He went to the church

members and secured all the Ingathering Signs they ball. They were only a few in number, but with these he secured eleven dollars and six cents. Possibly there are others in the different churches, who have the "working spirit" that can do the same. Time papers should not be left lying around when they are so full of the message and the people are welling to give to help spread the gospel.

At the last home missionary meeting of the Humilton church plans were laid whereby each member can have some part in the work. Bands were formed with a leader in charge, each band to organize and execute its own work. The following were organized: prayer band, led by Brother Horton, Bible workers' band in charge of the writer, literature band led by the church missionary secretary, visiting band in alurge of Sister Henderson, and ladies' missionary sewing circle in charge of Sister Deer. These bands were organized for service, and by the zeal that is being manifested we expect to hear of great things and will look for results and souls being won for the Master. We will expect an article to appear in the MESSENGER relating the experiences by each leader.

JOSEPH CAPMAN, Miss, Sec'y.

Items of Interest

We are pleased to announce the birth of a seven pound son to Brother and Sister F. A. Spangler, Friday morning, March 3, 1916. Mother and child are both doing well.

We have also received word of the birth of a son to Brother and Sister Enoch Chapman, Florence, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, January 22.

We learn that Elder and Mrs. Barrett are safely located in their new field in Newfoundland. Elder Barrett plans to hold a series of meetings in the church at St. John's and later push out into unentered sections of the Island.

Brother Simpson, of Brantford, was a welcome caller at the office last week.

We learn with regret that Miss Alma Hill who is attending Berrien Springs College has been taken down with a severe attack of tonsilitis. It was necessary for her to go to the Hinsdale Sanitarium for treatment and to have the tonsils removed. Brother and Sister Hill joined her at Hinsdale. Latest reports indicate that she is making a good recovery.

The students of the Seminary were favored with a visit from Brother T. H. Robinson this week. He occupied the chapel hour Tuesday morning and his words were greatly appreciated.

We are pleased to welcome at the Union office Elder and Mrs. Hare and their little boy. They are spending a few days visiting at the home of Elder Campbell before starting west toward India. Elder Hare addressed the students at their prayer meeting last Friday evening; the Seminary Church, Sabbath morning; and the Oshawa church, Sabbath afternoon.

There is no better time to circulate the Temperance Instructor than just now when such a strong campaign is being carried on to close out the liquor traffic. Let old and young secure a supply of these valuable papers and sell them. People who believe in temperance are glad to get a journal that places in their hands such effective ammunition against King Alcohol.

We desire to hear from more of our people who feel they can give some of their time to the canvassing work this season. Send in your name. The "Twelfth Legion" has not filled up its quota yet.

Here is Your Chance

We are looking for someone in each town and city in Eastern Canada to take the agency for the new book "Armageddon" that will be off the press and ready for delivery the latter part of March. This book will correspond in size with the "World's Crisis" and will sell at twenty-five cents a copy. "Armageddon" contains matter that should be in every Canadian home, and the very name of the book will sell it. A special Canadian edition is being issued and it will bear the imprint of our Canadian publishing house. Each church should furnish one to three persons who can devote all or part of their time to the sale of this very important book, and we should quickly dispose of ten thousand of them in this field. Many of our isolated Sabbath keepers could sell this book among their neighbors. If two hundred copies are ordered at one time the freight will be prepaid. Two hundred copies weigh one hundred pounds and would cost \$25.00. Any who cannot send money with order can send a guarantee of payment signed by some responsible person and thirty days credit will then be allowed. Whenever possible send cash with order, All orders of ten or more will be furnished at 121 cents a copy, single copies at 25 cents. It hardly pays the customer to order in lots of ten as the carriage charges come to about as much as on forty copies. \$5,00 pays for forty copies. Most anyone could sell that number easily. Send in your orders in good season and the books will be shipped to you as soon as they are off the press.

Many of our young people and sisters could do well with this splendid book and thus place the truth for this time in the hands of the people. Is not this the opportunity you have been watching for?

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"As the shadows of the sun are larger when its beams are the lowest, so are we always least when we make ourselves the greatest."

The Bright Face

Nothing conduces more to the happiness of the home than to find a bright, sunny face looking into ours as we enter the door. The husband comes home wearied and worried with business cares; for breadwinners, the rank and file of them, have a hard struggle in these times, when there are so many competitors. If the wife has a troubled or unpleasant look on her face, his weight of care is made heavier; but if the light of love shines in her face, it lightens the load, and brightens up the outlook. The bright, sunny face in the home is a power for good that cannot be estimated. There is nothing like the cheerful, happy frame of mind which it helps to bring about.

So, dear ones of the household, wear happy, sunny faces, and see what wonders they will work when there are fretting, anxious cares and uncomfortable people to deal with. - Selected.

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