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"In due season we shall reap, if we faint not"

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THE LOWLY DUTIES

Some great and noble action,
Some brave and manly deed,
Some strong and mighty struggle,
Which all the world will heed,—
These are the aims of many,
The heights attained by few;
The summit's far above us,
The work we long to do.
And, longing for the battle,
The action, brave and true,
We ever are neglecting
The work which we might do.

Some kind and gentle whisper,
Some tender, pitying word,
Some lowly, loving message
To hearts by sorrow stirred,—
These are the seldom spoken,
We long for grander things,
And scorn the lowlier duties
Which every moment brings.
Some can be great and famous,
'Tis given to a few;
All can, however humble,
Be good and kind and true.

The world may never know it,
Or knowing, may not heed;
But life's pages are not written
For all the world to read.
The highest, noblest summits,
The heights attained by few,
Are not found in dreamy fancies,
But in the work they do.

—*Christian Advocate.*

Union Conference Council

On the morning of the second day of the council, the entire delegation attended the chapel exercise at the College. Here we listened to a very interesting talk by Elder Kuox, in the course of which he dwelt upon his experience in connection with the work in California, the importance of our young people preparing themselves for a place in the work, the demands for laborers abroad, and other kindred topics. He was followed by Elders Wight, Slade, Covert, and others. The occasion was a very interesting one, and we trust also, profitable.

At the close of the chapel service, the delegation returned in a body to the assembly room of the ladies' dormitory, where the work of the council was continued.

The subject of how to encourage our brethren in paying a faithful tithe was dwelt upon at considerable length. The fact that there are many in our churches who do not appear to sense the responsibility resting upon them in this matter, and their failure to render to the Lord His own, was deplored by all.

It appeared from the testimony of a number of the brethren present, that the number of individuals paying tithe at the present time is somewhat larger than in years gone by, and that the per cent of tithe paid is larger per capita than in past years. Yet it remained a fact that, notwithstanding the solemnity of the time in which we live, some utterly fail to recognize the claims of God upon them.

It was expressed by several that the non-tithe-paying members, and those who contribute nothing in the way of offerings for the support of missions, manifest much less interest in other phases of the work than do the faithful ones. It was the unanimous opinion that the needs of the hour are a spiritual awakening among the people, and a re-study of the Word of God on the subject relating to our duty to sustain the cause of God with our means. For this purpose church institutes were suggested at which the members of one or more churches might come together, and spend several days in study and in renewing their consecration to the Lord.

The next subject to receive the consideration of the council was city mission work. An entire day was spent in a study of this subject, and in laying plans for work in the various cities of the Union during the coming season. The result of the deliberations was that an extra effort will be made in a number of cities, by means of tent companies, and in some cases it is proposed to open city missions, with which all classes of laborers may be connected,—a minister and his wife to direct the work,—Bible workers, nurses, and those who engage in the sale of periodicals and other literature. It is proposed to utilize much of the energy of the young people who are in our schools, to do a systematic house-to-house work in the cities of our Union.

The class of literature to be used in connection with this work was the subject of much thought and consideration, and it was the unanimous opinion that time is too short to be devoted to the circulation of other than our message-filled books and periodicals.

In the course of the discussion upon the subject of city missions, reference was made to the fact that more than twenty years ago the Adventist people were urged by the Testimonies to engage in the work of systematically warning the cities of the world. And for a time more or less work was done in the cities, by means of the city missions, tent work, etc. But for some reason this work gradually ceased, and in its place sprang up a movement to work in the cities something after the order of the methods of the Salvation Army. The former plan resulted in the conversion of thousands to the truth, while it continued, but the later has been almost utterly devoid of fruit. Now the Testimonies are again speaking out in no uncertain language, saying, Warn the cities! Bring to every individual an opportunity to know the truth of these things. Some of these Testimonies were read and studied in the course of the consideration.

The brethren were deeply impressed with the fact that definite and earnest work must be entered upon at once, and continued until the desired results are achieved.

By connecting a large number of our young people with this organized city work, to engage in the sale of truth-filled magazines, they may be very helpful, both in the way of providing means to help sustain the work, and in spreading the truth among the reading public. They will at the same time be acquiring an experience that will be of great value to them during all their future labors. There is scarcely any limit to the number of young people who can be thus utilized in the work in some of our large cities.

Unusual enthusiasm was manifested by all in attendance at the council in the consideration of this question, and the proposition to enter upon it at once met with unanimous approval.

(Continued next week)

ALLEN MOON, *Chairman*,
W. H. EDWARDS, *Sec'y*.

Freedom in Christ

Before the Civil War when slavery existed in the Southern States, a lady who had owned slaves and who had educated them and treated them kindly, suddenly died. When the estate was sold, in the owner's advertisement was the following:—

"Lot 41—Julia. A beautiful young woman, aged fifteen, fairly educated, almost white, perfect in form, teeth sound, hair three feet long, and without fault."

Unknown to her, a free young colored man had begun to save money to buy her from slavery and win her to be his wife, having already saved \$100. He was almost a giant and a skillful joiner. It was a terrible blow when he read the advertisement of the sale.

He went to the auction, and when Julia was sold for \$750 to a cruel-looking man who led her away, the young giant followed and offered to take the place of the heart-broken girl. The man at first would not hear of it, though he admitted that the young joiner was worth five times as much as the girl. But finally he consented to make the exchange.

Legal papers were drawn up and placed in the hands of the astonished girl, together with his \$100. The young man who had purchased her freedom with his own slavery said gently, "Julia, for my sake, keep from all wrong. While I live, I shall always feel glad that I have taken your place, and one day we shall meet each other again before the throne of God, when we shall both be free forever more." With another farewell, spoken gently but sadly, he turned away,—a slave. Still a mighty joy filled his heart, and there was a glory in his expression which astonished his master and almost made him afraid.

On the journey up the Mississippi, the steamer came into collision with a huge raft of wood and several passengers were drowned. One of them was the newly-made slave. His owner returned to New Orleans to claim the girl as his slave, but believing that she was free through her substitute, she ran to the judge. The decision was, that, as the slave-owner had accepted the joiner in exchange for the girl, she was free, and so she left the court, saying to the master who had sought to drag her away, "The law says, I am free, for he whom I shall ever love took my place."

Christ is our Substitute, took our place and gave us His. He died, the Just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God. (1 Peter 3:18.) Jesus did not die to appease the wrath of God; He was a willing sacrifice, given by the Father, for "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son."

My brother, my sister, do you claim your freedom?

MORRIS LUKENS.

WISCONSIN Middleton

I must tell you something about my work of last week. I tried at three different times to go to my territory, but failed, so the thought came to me that the Lord desired me to work at home. Acting on this impression, I went to work in this place and succeeded in selling a book to each of three grocers. The druggist was very glad to get the book having read some of it while on a visit in the country. I sold also to one of the saloon keepers, two of our doctors, one of the lumber dealers, and the furniture man. To the other physician I shall sell some of Sister White's books. I took five subscriptions for our good *Liberty* magazine, one of which was from the Lutheran minister. I praise the Lord to-night for the privilege of being in His work, and in the very place where He wants me to be. N. O. KITTLESON.

A Letter from the State Agent

The winter work is proving more satisfactory than ever before in this conference. The canvassers' letters testify to this, and the reports show a decided gain over former years. We do not have as many canvassers in the field as we desire, or expect to have later on. Reports for three weeks of this year, show the number of hours worked, 257; the total cash, \$265, or an average of more than one dollar per hour. This is considerably more than the average per hour during the summer months.

One of our canvassers says he has learned that the Lord has no special season for the work. Another one writes that surely the winter is the best time to canvass, as the people are not so busy and have more time to look at the book; also more time to read it when it has been delivered. I shall be glad to correspond with any who are interested, and will take pleasure in assisting you in any way that I can. I know there is an interest. God's Spirit is striving. We are arranging for a canvassers' convention to begin the latter part of March. F. O. HALDERSON.

Grand Rapids, L. B. 57.

News Notes

Miss McChesney of the Bethel Academy faculty spent a brief vacation with Grand Rapids friends a few days ago.

While away from his canvassing field, Brother Scholz will devote part of his time to selling one of our ten-cent magazines.

Elder Reed made us a brief call one day last week. He and Elder P. M. Hanson held a very profitable meeting at Tomah the Sabbath previous.

Professor Shepler spent a few hours at the offices one day last week. He was on his way from Hawthorne to his field of labor in another part of the State.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Scholz were recently called to Tomah because of a serious accident to Sister Scholz' mother, who fell and suffered a severe fracture of several ribs and was otherwise injured. Many hopes are entertained for her recovery.

We are glad to note one or two new names the past week among those who have sent in orders for periodicals to sell. Let us hear from others who believe the Lord means it when He says that one hundred should be engaged in this work where now there is one.

The Grand Rapids church enjoyed a stirring talk a few evenings ago from Elder L. A. Hanson. As Brother Hanson is general field secretary of the medical missionary and sanitarium work, his message to the people is, of course, especially along these lines and is calculated to inspire individual effort to help meet the needs of the hour presented by this branch of the work. Elder Hanson recently visited our sanitarium at Madison and gave a good report of the work there. They now have about thirty patients. During the same month last year they had six or eight. He found a good spiritual condition and an excellent business policy prevailing.

INDIANA

Workers' Meeting

A workers' meeting is being planned to be held in the Twenty-third Street church of Indianapolis, March 6-13, at which time all the conference laborers are expected to be present. Matters of importance are to be taken up and plans laid for the summer. All requests for meetings should be sent to the writer and they will be given consideration at that time.

MORRIS LUKENS.

The Berrien Springs Council

In company with Elders W. A. Young, A. L. Miller U. S. Anderson, and Brother N. H. Pool, it was my privilege to attend the council of the executive committees in the Lake Union Conference held January 9-13 at Berrien Springs. Important matters were considered pertaining to the work in the large cities of the Union, such as Chicago, Detroit, and Indianapolis. The need of consecrated men and women to work these cities and the importance of training young men and women for city work; the special campaign in the sale of "Ministry of Healing" for the relief of our sanitariums; how to get all the brethren and sisters in the Union to give two per cent of their income, in addition to their tithe, for special needs; the importance of raising our quota of the \$300,000 Fund as soon as possible,—these all received careful consideration.

The Council recommended that all the conferences in the Union give a portion of their tithe to the General Conference and that, in addition to this, offerings be raised for missions equal to ten cents a week per member in each conference. It was suggested, in reference to this recommendation, that, inasmuch as some are unable to give ten cents a week, others be urged to give more than that sum so as to equal ten cents a week per member for the entire conference.

Elder W. T. Knox was present during the entire council. The Spirit of God was felt throughout and the workers who attended from Indiana returned with a greater determination to do all in their power to advance God's cause, not only in this State, but throughout the world.

After the council meeting, in company with Elder W. A. Young, I spent Sabbath with the church at Ligonier, speaking Friday night, Sabbath morning, and Saturday night. Quarterly meeting services were held Sabbath afternoon. At the meeting Saturday night there was a good interest manifested on the part of many not of our faith to hear the word spoken. Elder Young remained with the church for sometime to follow up this interest.

Sunday, January 15, I was with the church at Kokomo. There is an excellent interest to hear the truth in Kokomo. Plans should be laid to hold a series of meetings at this place in the near future. Sister Theresa Thompson has been doing Bible work in the city for some time and not only reports that several are interested in the truth but that some have accepted it.

Monday, the 16th, was spent at the sanitarium. I was glad to learn while there that the institution is enjoying good patronage. Every room was then occupied and had been for sometime. Dr. Loop and his associates are all working in harmony for the upbuilding of the institution and the outlook for the success of the sanitarium was never brighter.

MORRIS LUKENS.

Religious Liberty Offering

Sabbath, February 4, is the day set for the Annual Religious Liberty Offering. Liberty—one of the most cherished rights of man—is often the least prized. Our forefathers understood its worth when they fought the battles for the separation of church and state, and the right to worship God according to the dictates of their own consciences, in the

Colonial assemblies, and at the time of the establishing of the Constitution of the United States.

The principles of liberty were so enshrined in the hearts of the people and so guaranteed by the Constitution that, for a number of years, it looked as if oppression and religious persecution would never again visit this land. But the sure word of prophecy speaks differently. It states that the United States would speak as a dragon and become a persecuting power. We are seeing the fulfillment of this word. We need only to look at the many State Sunday laws and the many conscientious Christians who have suffered because of them.

But see the many Sunday bills introduced into both State and national legislatures. Look at the organized effort to compel Sunday rest everywhere. At this very moment endeavors are being made to close the Indianapolis post-office on Sunday.

That our liberties may still be continued to us, that we may carry on the campaigns necessary, and that we may send *Liberty* to our 150 State legislators, we speak for a large offering, Sabbath, February 4.

A. L. MILLER.

News Notes

Remember the religious liberty offering next Sabbath.

Last week Elder E. R. Lauda began a series of meetings in the Anderson church.

Recently our treasurer was pleasantly surprised to receive a check for \$141 tithe from a sister.

January 20-23 Elder A. L. Miller visited the Patricksburg church and isolated believers in that section of the State.

Sunday evening, January 22, Elder Lukens delivered an interesting discourse to a large audience in the Indianapolis 23d Street church, his subject being "The Binding of Satan."

As George Washington's birthday occurs in February, the *Watchman* and *Signs Monthly* for this month have his picture on the cover. The contents of these magazines are also attractive.

On account of an unusually large amount of work to be done in the conference office last week, we did not succeed in preparing the financial statement of tithes and offerings promised one week ago. We hope, however, to have it ready for next week's paper.

The outside attendance at the first of a series of Sunday evening services held in the 23d Street church of Indianapolis, January 15, was very encouraging. Elder A. L. Miller delivered a very interesting sermon.

During the year 1910 about three hundred copies of that fine medical missionary book, "Ministry of Healing," were sold in Indiana. How many will our members sell during the year 1911? Would one thousand copies be too many?

A series of excellent articles prepared by Brother J. H. N. Tindall on the Bible prophecies appeared on the first page of the *Hartford City Journal*. Many persons thereby received the warning for these times through a medium of general circulation.

An interesting book to read at the present time because of the trend of events in the United States is "The Peril of the Republic," by Prof. P. T. Magan. The publishers' price is \$1, but we can mail them, prepaid, while they last, at 61 cents, cash with order.

Young People's Day was observed by the Twenty-third Street church on Sabbath, January 21. An interesting program of readings and music was executed by the Missionary Volunteer Society, Brother Herbert H. Rans, the leader, presiding. A larger congregation than usual was present to enjoy the exercises.

The "Vegetarian Cook Book," which is so extensively advertised, having been written and revised by one of the most

experienced vegetarian chefs in the denomination, may have had from the conference office for ninety-five cents in stamps, post-paid. This book will be found especially helpful to any who are puzzled to know how to cook healthfully.

Beechwood Academy

Last Thursday Professor Clifton L. Taylor was in Indianapolis on business for the academy.

The school was favored by visits from Sisters Knapp and DeVillez on Sabbath, January 21.

For two weeks, Sister Castle has suffered from neuralgia, but she seems, at this writing, to be recovering.

The second carload of coal for the academy during this school year was received about the middle of January from Linton, Indiana.

Contributions from any of our brethren and sisters in the State for the Students' Aid Fund will be most gratefully received by the principal, Prof. C. L. Taylor, as some students are especially in need of help at the present time.

A pleasant evening was enjoyed by the students and faculty January 15, when Miss Elizabeth Bailey, the preceptress, was given a birthday surprise. Recitations, readings, and music made the evening enjoyable and the presentation of a library table and rocker made it one to be remembered by Miss Bailey.

NORTHERN ILLINOIS Personal Labor

I fear we do not fully realize the importance of house-to-house work. I am more and more of the belief that the most successful method of work and that which will bring the best results is *personal labor*. We may be assured that when in meekness and humility we go trusting the Lord He will give positive approval of the work.

Mrs. Harris and I have just finished distributing 1,200 of the Missions number of the *Review*. While it has taken time and hard work, there has not been a day when we have not had encouraging experiences in meeting and talking with the people. I can assure you that many of these have been precious seasons. We felt that surely the Lord had gone before and prepared the hearts of the people for our coming.

Let us not place a low estimate on our opportunities, but let us work while the day lasts, for the long, dark night will soon come when we can work no more for perishing souls. There is nearly always a dread that comes over one in starting out to do this kind of work, but I have come to think that this may come from the enemy to keep us from doing the very work that needs so much to be done—a work that the Spirit of the Lord is waiting to co-operate in. But I know from experience that if we will take hold of this work in the strength that will be given us that it will soon become harder for us to lay down the work than it was for us to take it up.

I hope that all of our people will supply themselves with Vol. 9 of the "Testimonies for the Church" and read what the Lord has said to us about this line of work. How can we pass on day after day and hope for His approval while we do not give heed to the pleadings of His Spirit that speaks to us in such unmistakable language.

Ottawa, Ill.

J. C. HARRIS.

News Notes

Miss Nellie D. Plugh is now at Streator, looking after the church-school interests there.

The cash counter sales of the tract society department during the year 1910 amounted to \$2,163.67 or an average of \$180.30 per month.

Elder C. W. Weber has rented a hall at 4927 Ashland Ave., in the midst of a large German population, where he began a series of meetings last Friday evening.

Brother Oliver Morris spent a few days last week at the canvassers' institute held at Springfield. He reports an encouraging prospect from that part of the field.

At this writing Mrs. C. R. Magoon, wife of Elder Magoon, now at the Hinsdale Sanitarium, is in a serious condition. Little hope is entertained for her recovery. Surely they need our prayers in this their hour of affliction.

Nearly all of the boys who attended the canvassers' institute at Sheridan are now in the field, determined to continue their work right through the winter months. Two new recruits have been added to the list of canvassers,—Miss Minnie Ringdahl of Chicago and Mr. J. H. Banty of Elgin.

Tithe Report For Quarter Ending Dec. 31, 1910

Aledo	\$287 86	Moline	1426 48
Aurora	755 46	Onarga	33 94
Belvidere	60 81	Ottawa	32 07
Chicago Englewood	270 28	Personal	42 53
" Erie St	208 21	Pittwood	21 05
" German	250 64	Princeton	10 00
" Humboldt Park	319 89	Pontiac	22 77
" North Side	110 51	Rock Falls	47 47
" Ravenswood	315 23	Rockford	225 68
" South Side	828 15	Sheridan	215 03
" Swedish	156 62	St. Anne	151 11
" State St	38 49	Stockton	63 99
" West Side	181 42	Streator	103 43
Elgin	1057 49	Waldron	45 51
Galesburg	213 35	Watseka	56 00
Hinsdale	378 49	Zion City	64 36
Harvey	11 60		
Kankakee	451 58		
		Total	\$8457 52
		H. E. Moon, Treas.	

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

News Notes

Sister Geo. Turner of Springfield has moved to Foosland.

Sister C. J. Rothrock is going to take up the magazine work in Urbana.

The St. Elmo school reports no absent nor tardy pupils this year.

Miss Edith Shepard visited the Decatur church-school Friday, January 27.

If you do not understand what the two-per-cent fund is, ask your church elder.

Brother J. E. Dent will take up canvassing work with Brother W. E. Bailey at Urbana.

Sister Mary Hamra was baptized by Elder E. A. Bristol, at Springfield, Sabbath, Jan. 21.

Brother Ralph Lewis will locate with Brother Hugo Mitzelfelt who is canvassing at Normal.

We were glad to have Brother J. B. Blosser and Oliver Morris with us at the canvassers' institute.

Brother E. L. Graham was unable to attend the canvassers' institute on account of the illness of his wife.

We are glad to report that all our church-school teachers are taking the Teachers' Improvement Course.

Brother Hugo Mitzelfelt, our old reliable canvasser, reports a very interesting Sabbath-school at Bloomington.

It is not too late to order Sabbath-school supplies. Are you using the maps on the travels of Paul in your study of Acts?

The meetings at Ramsey and in the vicinity of Shelbyville have been closed for a time on account of sickness and bad weather.

Elder B. F. Stureman is securing a large interest among outsiders by holding cottage meetings at different places in the city of Peoria.

Friday, January 20, Brother Phillip L. Kirkman of Peoria was called to lay away his aged father. Words of comfort were spoken by Elder B. F. Stureman.

The following named persons attended the canvassers' institute last week: J. E. Dent, W. E. Bailey, Hugo Mitzelfelt, J. C. Applegate, J. A. Applegate, W. H. Addis and wife, P. J. Wham and wife, Clarence Emerick, H. L. Applegate, Ralph Lewis, Miss Mamie Zaring, Mrs. Chasteen.

Miss Geraldine Reefman who is teaching at Peoria writes as follows: "We have organized our junior society. The children gave away sixty-nine papers, and sold \$1.10 worth. We have also started sewing, Thursday afternoons, and are going to make some holders, needle pads, aprons, dusting caps, besides quilt blocks."

Are you keeping informed in regard to such movements as the "World's Christian Citizenship Congress," "Layman's Missionary Movement," "Catholic Congress"? Excellent reports concerning these organizations have been given in the *Review*, *Watchman*, and *Signs Monthly*. All should keep informed on these current events.

We are glad to receive the following encouraging words from Farmington: "We are getting along nicely in our missionary society, Sabbath-school and church meetings." The Elder writes that some who have not been paying tithe are remembering their obligation to God, and all are planning to do what they can with "Ministry of Healing."

Let us not forget the Religious Liberty collection Sabbath, February 4. Father Paul, formerly an Episcopal clergyman, but recently converted to Catholicism has been conducting a mission for non-Catholics in Chicago, and he has been appealing to his hearers to join a monster movement to bring all Christian people within one fold. This is but one evidence of the mighty forces that are now at work.

We have on hand a few damaged Bibles which we will sell postpaid at the following prices:-

	Regular Price.	Special Price.
Oxford Bible No. 03305x	\$4.00	\$2.80
" " " 03203x	3.00	2.10
" " " 03458x	2.85	1.98
" " " 03505x	3.75	2.62
" " " 03475x	2.20	1.54

Three Years' Report of Southern Illinois Missionary Volunteers

Present No. of Societies.....	13
No. Now Taking Reading Course.....	75
Total Membership.....	236
Letters Written or Received.....	1624
Visits Made.....	2985
Papers Distributed.....	23951
Tracts Distributed.....	87510
Donations for Local Work.....	\$155 75
Peru Organ Fund.....	30 00
Fiji Student Fund.....	20 10

EDITH SHEPARD, *Secretary*.

EAST MICHIGAN Religious Liberty Collection

None of our churches should fail to take up the collection, which is to be an annual offering for the Religious Liberty work, to be taken Sabbath, February 4. A special effort should be made to have of all the absent and isolated members of our churches send in their offerings, for a liberal amount of money is needed for this work at this time. The collection taken at this time is divided between the Religious Liberty Department of the General Conference and the Religious Liberty work in our own conference. We are just now in need of funds as we are furnishing the magazine *Liberty* to all of our legislators. Let everyone keep this in mind and do his part in this effort.

E. K. SLADE.

A Very Profitable Meeting

Our elders' meeting held at Flint, January 18-22, was well attended. Forty-six churches were represented, either by the elder or some other officer. This included nearly all the

stronger churches in the conference. Several churches were represented by quite a good attendance of their members. All but two of the active conference laborers were at the meeting. Elder Moon was with us from the beginning until Sunday morning and gave excellent help throughout. A notable thing about the meeting was that nearly all that had been assigned any part on the program seemed to have studied the question and came prepared to present their part in such a way as to be interesting and helpful. I never attended a meeting of our people where greater freedom prevailed to frankly discuss the matter under consideration. A splendid spirit was manifested, while at the same time there was great freedom and frankness in calling things by the right name and entering into the handling of such questions as needed careful consideration.

To merely study church organization, methods of work, and conditions of need, did not seem to satisfy, but there came in a determination to grapple with the real problem of work that we are confronting. Notwithstanding the remarkable gain in nearly all lines of work in our conference during the past few years, the feeling prevailed that we have not attained to the ideal, as yet, and that a special effort be made in every church to do a better and a larger work in the future. Though our tithes have increased nearly a hundred per cent, it was the mind of all that a decided effort should be set on foot at once to work for a full and universal tithe in every church. It was unanimously voted by all elders present that they would take the responsibility of raising their proportion of the \$300,000 Fund in their respective churches.

Home missionary work in our local churches was a theme that called forth some enthusiastic discussion which was pleasing to hear. It was agreed that a decided effort should be made to revive this branch of work in all our churches. An expression was taken in reference to the "Ministry of Healing" work. This expression followed a hearty discussion of this plan, and the vote was that each church enter heartily upon this plan given us of God to relieve our sanitariums of their embarrassment. It was the prevailing sentiment that we should press onward with renewed energies in our efforts to greatly increase our offerings for the foreign missionary work. A good portion of time was spent in considering the importance and sacredness of the Lord's work, especially that part to be borne by our church officers and the individual members of the church. In closing I will say that all present agreed to make a special effort to have the LAKE UNION HERALD placed in the home of all our people. It is the only conference organ we have and it is growing better every week. I wish to appeal to those churches that were not favored by having a representative at this meeting to try to bring into your church some of the good spirit that prevailed by endeavoring to carry out all that those churches that were represented are pledged to carry out. It is impossible to properly report such a meeting as we have just held, but I am confident that its results will be seen in the year to come in all of our churches, and in the increase of our work in all the departments. The conference office will stand ready to assist any of our brethren in their endeavor to accomplish a better work.

E. K. SLADE.

Notes from the Field Agent

Never in the history of our book-work in East Michigan has the prospect been brighter.

A few strong men are now devoting all their time to this noble work. Others of our lay brethren and sisters are devoting what time they can to the selling of the message to their neighbors, and God is wonderfully blessing every effort.

Brother O. D. Pettit sends report of \$65.50 worth of orders for "Daniel and Revelation," taken in thirty-five hours. Attached was a letter ascribing all praise and glory to God.

O. Nolin will soon move to Macomb County, a needy field. Let us pray for marked success to attend his labors.

M. D. Day will be in the field by the time this reaches you. Look for reports from this valiant worker.

Geo. Hainer has re-enlisted with a determination to work some each week.

Edward Schaupp will take up work among the Catholics of Saginaw County.

A great work is to be done in our world by a weak people, but our God is mighty in battle. "We are able to go up and possess the land." "Who then is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the Lord?" 1 Chron. 29:5.

News Notes

The elders' meeting at Flint was a success, there being about forty-eight churches represented.

Now is the time to sow the seed, and when God pours out His Spirit in the form of the latter rain, many will be converted in one day.

Those attending the elders' meeting had the privilege of listening to three splendid sermons, preached by Elders Moon, Thuemler, and Leland.

Elder Saxby has arrived in Detroit, and the conference committee is holding a meeting there to consider his work and to plan to open up the work in this large city in a way that will meet the mind of God.

We were all blessed and encouraged by attending the elders' convention at Flint, and we are sure that there will be reports sent in for the HERALD more regularly, not only by the workers, but by the elders and others.

One of the resolutions passed at the elders' convention was that the churches co-operate with the conference officers in a decided manner by putting their shoulders to the wheel, and in every good way assist in raising quickly our share of the \$300,000 Fund.

Another good resolution passed by our elders, and one that gave a great amount of encouragement to those upon whom the responsibility rests of bringing the HERALD list up to a self-supporting basis, was the one pledging themselves to the good work of putting the HERALD in the homes of all our people.

The East Michigan Tract Society at Holly, Mich., can furnish the \$7 package of tracts that is advertised in the back of the present Lesson Quarterly, for \$5, if the purchaser will pay the transportation charges; or a package containing one hundred envelopes and a \$7.20 package of tracts, for \$5.50, with freight charges prepaid by the Tract Society. This is the way to purchase tracts in these days. Send in your order.

Brother J. W. Owens gave a short talk in which he showed that generally it is much harder to work for the colored people than for the white people. As it has been found to be quite a difficult thing to establish this work there on a respectable basis, a resolution was passed to set aside, in the near future, one Sabbath on which a collection will be taken in all the churches of East Michigan for this branch of the Lord's work. The date on which this collection is to be taken will be announced later.

The plan to relieve our sanitariums of debt by the sale of that good book "Ministry of Healing" and the magazine *Life and Health*, is still in vogue in East Michigan, even though we have not said a great deal about it. We desire that each church-member shall, as they are doing in other conferences, and as we have been asked to do by the Union and General Conferences, dispose of, or at least take and pay for, each year for three years, at least two copies of the above book and five copies of the above magazine. We are sure that our people are interested in our sanitariums and the good work they are all doing, and want to have a part in assisting them to a better and much greater work. So far, we

have learned of no one who has experienced any difficulty in turning the books into cash. Friends, there is a blessing in store for you in connection with this good work. Order the books and magazines at once of the East Michigan Tract Society, Holly, Mich., and get the blessing.

Academy Notes

Miss Jennie Kienast of Rives Junction has gone home for a few days.

Brother Fellows of Rives Junction was a visitor at the Academy the first of the week.

Several of the teachers attended the Elders' meeting which was held at Flint last week.

Miss Olga McMahon of Washington D. C., a former student, is visiting Miss Lamson.

The Christian help band, canvassers, literature, and ministerial bands, are doing encouraging work.

Mrs. Dresser, Miss Lamson, and several students went to Milford last Wednesday to attend the funeral of Brother Dean.

Floyd Rowland and Timothy Summerville, two members of the ministerial band, have been holding meetings the past two months on Sunday evenings at a neighboring school-house.

We were pleased to have with us on the sixth anniversary of the academy, Elder E. W. Farnsworth of Battle Creek. The following program was rendered at that time: Prelude, "Sailor Boy's Dream," "Consolation," Miss Mae Marsh; Anniversary Song, Chorus; Prayer, Elder E. K. Slade; Song, "Alleluia," Chorus; Anniversary Address, Elder E. W. Farnsworth; School Song, "Higher Ground," School; Benediction, Elder A. R. Sandborn.

NORTH MICHIGAN

From the Field

I went from our good meeting at Berrien Springs to Mt. Pleasant to visit Brother R. J. Gosden who is canvassing there for "Bible Footlights." I found him enjoying his work very much and putting in faithful time. One place we went we found a man repairing a schoolhouse and told him of the book we had to sell. He insisted on seeing it before he bought. The only way of getting up to the man was by climbing a plank, but Brother Gosden was equal to the emergency and went up and sold him a book. Incidentally I sold one to a man on the ground. The Lord blessed our efforts and we secured fifteen orders in the day and a half that I was with him. I left him of good courage.

H. W. JOHNSON.

News Notes

Brother A. P. Friday has begun canvassing at the Soo.

Quarterly meeting was held at the Petoskey church on the 21st with a good attendance.

The number of churches reporting through their missionary secretary for the month of December exceeds any previous month. Let the good work go on.

Has the annual report from your church been sent in to the conference secretary? Several churches have not yet been heard from, and it is getting late.

Brother Bjork is canvassing territory that he canvassed several years ago and he finds that prayer and hard work will bring results now the same as before.

From the monthly missionary reports we glean the following interesting items: Papers given away 997, missionary letters written 93, tracts given away 558, missionary visits 230, donated to missions \$87.62.

Brother W. G. Bartlett of Menominee made the office a pleasant call on his way to the elders' meeting at Mesick.

He reports that the new Sabbath-keepers at that place are firm in the message and making progress.

Several Sabbath-schools have been faithful in sending in their reports for the past quarter, but a number are still missing. Will you not try to get these in soon so that the secretary may make out her report for the conference.

Would you like to know the churches faithful in reporting missionary work done for the month of December? Here are the names: Alden, Cleon, Eastport, Hancock, Harris, Iron River, Omer, Petoskey, Riverside, and Traverse City. Is your church represented? If not, why not?

Have you read the first book of the Missionary Volunteer Reading Course—"Successful Careers"? Have you written out the test on this book from the questions given in the *Youth's Instructor*? If not, will you not do so right away so that you may be ready for the second book of the course.

In a private letter from Brother Karl Stenberg we learn that he is planning to go to Crystal Falls to take up work among the Swedish people of that place. He attended the foreign workers' meeting at Chicago and says that this meeting was one of great benefit to the work among his people.

WEST MICHIGAN

Beginning with January 1, 1911, 40 per cent of all the tithe paid into the West Michigan Conference office will be sent out of the conference; 10 per cent, as always has been the custom, to the Union Conference, 5 per cent to the General Conference Sustentation Fund, and 25 per cent to the General Conference for foreign missions. This leaves 60 per cent for our conference work, and at the present time that amount is hardly sufficient to pay our laborers. If every Seventh-day Adventist enrolled in our conference will pay tithe, and *all* the tithe into the storehouse, it will be greatly increased. The more we pay, the more can be sent to foreign missions, and the sooner this work will close. The hope of every Seventh-day Adventist should be to give all the world the message at the earliest possible moment. We have already received very encouraging letters and words of cheer from people, and we trust the result will be the healthy growth of God's work in the West Michigan Conference.

S. E. WIGHT.

Report for December, 1910

CHURCH	Mission Tithe \$300,000 Funds			CHURCH	Mission Tithes \$300,000 Fund ^s		
Agnew	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	Grand Rapids	117 22	6 00	117 88
Albion	39 80	5 00	6 00	Grandville	20 66	3 00	26 20
Allegan	142 52	10 00	109 75	Greenville	96 15	4 50	67 42
Allendale	6 50			Hastings	23 55		5 14
Bangor	43 15		7 15	Hesperia	11 96		10 74
Battle Creek	1524 80	104 44	865 20	Holton	51 14	19 00	18 92
Bauer	38 05	5 00	54 40	Homer	28 84		20 75
Bedford	85 52	10 00	9 65	Howard City			
Belding	7 00		19 00	Kalamazoo	190 76	5 00	157 64
Benton Harbor	38 00		30 64	Kent City	15 75		24 03
Berrien Springs	115 27	5 00	123 76	Kinderhook	24 63		9 00
Bloomington	19 97		3 50	Lake View	18 14	2 50	16 79
Brookfield	23 00	28 00	3 00	Lowell	1 70		22 50
Buchanan	83 12		29 68	Lyons	23 50		9 09
Burlington	3 64		7 10	Maple Grove	40 49		3 30
Bushnell	42 16	11 60	23 99	Mecosta	4 22		3 84
Byron Center	9 65		3 85	Mendon	47 77	2 10	41 43
Carlton Center	88 96		19 19	Monterey	20 00		25 58
Carson City	53 08	15 00	57 31	Morley			
Cedar Springs	4 49		3 66	Muskegon	47 85		45 20
Cedar Lake	50 00		104 44	Otsego	152 54	5 00	196 34
Charlotte	101 09	42 00	34 06	Paw Paw	85 40	20 00	25 53
Clifford Lake	4 40		9 49	Palo			
Coldwater				Portland	39 84		5 59
Covert	19 79	1 00	14 84	Pottsville	16 95	10 00	61 25
Decatur	18 00			Quincy			44 53
Denver				Rothbury	42 10	25 00	7 50
Dimondale	55 74		43 10	Sand Lake	20 68		7 55
Douglas	1 75	6 25	5 41	Shelby	66 72	20 00	24 00
Eaton Rapids			6 93	Sturgis	12 97		4 70
Edmore	140 14	28 75	17 37	Trufant	13 50		17 85
Emerald				Urbondale			
Frost	100 51		19 10	Union City	2 00		7 53
Fremont	92 92	18 00	18 15	West Leroy			
Glenwood	42 10	2 71	29 42	Wright	119 97		116 23
Gowen	4 04		2 80	Individuals	57 04		66 28
Grand Haven				Totals	4437 89	439 25	2911 49
Grand Ledge	24 69	25 00	19 22	E. L. RICHMOND, Treas.			

West Michigan Children, Attention!

How many of you will take one dollar's worth of interest in the missionary's cottage to be built on the Gold Coast of West Africa? This country is known as the "White Man's Grave."

Let us build a comfortable home for the missionary we send, and give him and his family the best possible chance to live and work. West Michigan children can build this house without the help of any other conference. Let's *do* it. The money is to be paid by the time of the next camp-meeting.

As soon as you have it, send it to the West Michigan Conference Treasurer, and tell him it is a part of the "Children's Dollar Fund." Later this paper will tell you something about the "White Man's Grave." FLORA H. WILLIAMS.

News Notes

The conference committee met at Cedar Lake last Monday. Mrs. S. E. Wight is slowly recovering from her recent illness.

Miss Mattie White spent two days at the office in Otsego last week.

Did your church raise its portion of the ten-cent-a-week offering for foreign missions for the month of January?

The funeral of the late Mrs. R. E. Taylor was conducted from the Tabernacle in Battle Creek last Sabbath afternoon, Elder S. E. Wight officiating.

The quarterly meeting of the Kalamazoo, Otsego, Allegan, and Monterey churches will be held in Otsego next Sabbath and Sunday. It is expected that Elder E. W. Farnsworth will be present on this occasion.

CANVASSERS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

JAN. 20, 1911						
North Michigan						
Canvasser	Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total
*E. C. Collard	B. F.	40	56	56 00		56 00
*K. V. Bjork	(Del) F. R.	126	19	45 00	16 45	61 45
R. J. Gosden	B. F.	41	12	12 50		12 50
		207	87	114 00	16 45	130 45
Southern Illinois						
J. A. Applegate	D. R.	14	3	9 00	3 50	12 50
E. L. Graham	D. R.	26	4	13 00	1 85	14 85
H. Mitzelfelt (Del)	G. C.	18	3	9 00		9 00
Mrs. Addis [Del]	C. K.					
Mrs. J. E. Dent	B. R.	16	3	7 00	50	7 50
		74	13	38 00	5 85	43 85
East Michigan						
A. L. VanFossen	D. R.	34	7	22 00		22 00
W. D. Moore	D. R.	33	20	60 00	3 50	63 50
W. Brainard	C. K.	25	15	13 50	1 00	14 50
O. D. Pettit	D. R.	35	21	63 00	2 50	65 50
Harrison Face	D. R.	28½	6	19 00	2 50	21 50
		155½	67	177 50	9 50	187 00
Wisconsin						
N. O. Kittleson	B. R.	27	10	37 00	3 40	40 40
Louis Scholz	B. R.	36	7	21 00	9 80	30 80
F. E. Middelsted	B. R.	4	1	3 00		3 00
O. O. Potter (Del)	G. C.	35		18 00	6 00	24 00
		102	18	79 00	19 20	98 20
Northern Illinois						
L. Clarke	B. R.	39	18	56 00		56 00
*J. H. Hicks (Del)	G. C.	50½	7	23 00	4 50	27 50
Jos. Nixon	G. C.	30	8	25 00	1 75	26 75
C. A. Andrews	G. C.	24	8	24 00	75	24 75
Minnie Ringdahl	D. R. & P. G.	34	27	85 00	3 00	88 00
D. R. Devereaux	P. G.	27	4	13 00	50	13 50
G. W. Saether	G. C.	28½	6	21 00	1 50	22 50
J. H. Banty	G. C.	30	11	36 00	4 00	40 00
		263	89	283 00	16 00	299 00
25 Agents.		801½	274	\$691 50	\$67 00	\$758 50
*Two weeks						
†Three weeks						

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MRS. LOU KIRBY-CURTIS - - - - EDITOR

Last Sabbath was a good day at the College. The Monthly Missionary Readings were given. At the close \$525 was raised on the \$300,000 Fund. The church choir gave \$144.75 of this amount. Twenty dollars had been previously sent in, making \$545 in all, which is the quota for the Berrien Springs church.

Emmanuel Missionary College

Miss Alma DuBois spent Sabbath with her sister, Miss Aimee DuBois.

Miss Catherine Roberts of Battle Creek arrived last week to attend school.

Mr. Anderson from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, entered school this past week.

Mr. Andrew Paulson's mother and sister have recently moved to Berrien Springs.

Miss Marguerite Lausen of Buchanan visited friends at the College during the past week.

Mrs. Grace Leonard of Battle Creek, Michigan, visited Mrs. Byron Spencer over the Sabbath.

Mrs. M. E. Cole arrived during the past week. She intends to make her home here with her son who is working in the printing office.

Miss Anna Jorgensen of the Wabash Valley Sanitarium made a short visit with friends at the College while on her way to her home in Cedar Lake. Miss Jorgensen was formerly a student here.

Sabbath afternoon a very interesting program was given at the young people's meeting. A model Missionary Volunteer Society was organized. The young people's band of the College had charge of the program.

Canvassers' Institute

This institute will be held at Cedar Lake, Mich., March 14-24. All who attend may have their railroad fare to and from the institute paid after they have delivered \$100 worth of subscription books. It is hoped there will be a large number of people at this meeting to receive its benefits. The prospects are good. Now is the time to lay our plans for the work. God is calling upon this people to warn the world at the earliest possible moment. It would be well for all to read the song of Deborah in the fifth chapter of Judges. There we learn that when the people were called to war, some of them listened to the bleating of flocks and some remained in the ships; and "because they came not to the help of the Lord, against the mighty," they were cursed. The call today is to the able-bodied to come up to the help of the Lord, and shall we listen to the bleating of the flock? Shall we consider the work of the farm, the shop, or our merchandise

of more value than the souls of men? I trust many will answer the call and attend the Cedar Lake canvassers' institute. S. E. WIGHT.

Information Wanted

We wish the name, address, and approximate age of every young man and woman in the West Michigan Conference; if church-members, state to what church they belong. Especially do we want the names of young people who are not located near a church. We are sending letters to those scattered ones whose addresses we already have. Young people and older ones, will you kindly help us to this information. Address such correspondence to the West Michigan Missionary Volunteer secretary, Mrs. Flora H. Williams, 467 Hamblin Ave., Battle Creek, Mich.

February Life Boat

The February *Life Boat* will be an exceedingly interesting number. It will contain the most important part of Elder Daniells' talk on prayer, given at Hinsdale during the Holiday Convention; also the story of the conversion of Harry Orchard, written by himself to Dr. Paulson. This is a remarkable experience that all should read. Dr. Taylor's inspiring missionary book is still offered, free to every new subscriber. Address Dr. David Paulson, Hinsdale, Ill.

Publications Wanted

Thos. DeMoupiéd, Central Lake, Mich., thanks those who have sent him periodicals in the past, and would like a continuous supply of our magazines, papers, and tracts suitable for a reading rack.

WANTED.—A goodly number of consecrated young men and women to enter the Nurses' Training Class beginning March 15, 1911, at the Madison Sanitarium, Madison, Wis. P. L. Larson, Manager.

WANTED.—A girl or middle-aged woman to do housework on a farm. Church privileges at Boggstown. Two miles from Beechwood Academy. For further particulars address Mrs. Eva Cushing, R. F. D. 1, Fairland, Ind.

Two good houses and six acres of land in Holly, for sale at a bargain. Both houses are on this land. One rents for \$10 and the other for \$8 per month. Price \$2,800. Half cash and balance time. Write East Michigan Tract Society, Holly, Mich.

There are two or three grades of Cooking Oil on the market, but ours is the best and at a moderate price, too; \$4.50 for five gallons. Let us ship you some. Also California Ripe Olives; five gallons for \$4.50. Very fine food—try them. Order of East Michigan Tract Society.

HONEY.—The Bible sweet, or the pure nectar of flowers. Clover, comb, fancy, 18 cts. Clover and buckwheat, comb, 15 cts. Clover, extracted, in two-can cases, 120 lbs, 10 cts. Gallon cans, any quantity, 11 cts. About three times as cheap as butter. Terms, cash with order. Address J. H. Haughey, R. F. D. 1, Berrien Springs, Mich.

"The blessing comes when we have forgotten the service rendered."

Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall.—*Confucius*.

The government of one's self is the only true freedom for the individual.—*Perthes*.