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

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TOO BUSY TO FREEZE

How swiftly the glittering brook runs by,
Pursuing its busy career,
Reflecting the beams of the cheerful sun,
In waters transparent and clear;
Kissing the reeds and the lowly flowers,
Refreshing the roots of the trees,
Happy all summer to ripple a song,
In winter, *too busy to freeze.*

Onward it glides, whether sunshine or rain
Await on its vigorous way,
And prattles of hope and sustaining love,
Whether cloudy or bright the day;
Chill winter around may his topor fling,
And on lazier waters seize,
But the nimble brook is too much for him,
Being far *too busy to freeze.*

May we, like the brook, in our path thro' life
As active and steady pursue
The course in which real utility lies,
Which is lovely and useful, too;
Still nourish the needy, refresh the sad,
And, despising indulgent ease,
Adorn life's current with generous work,
With love that's *too busy to freeze.*

—Selected.

What If It Were You?

Look at this picture of the conditions existing at our mission at Changsha, Hunan, China, as presented in a recent letter by Elder R. F. Cottrell. He says:—

"Changsha is not a little, insignificant village in some out-of-the-way corner; it is the proud capital of the province of Hunan; has paved streets; magnificent temples; large government schools with tens of thousands of students; has nearly as many inhabitants as Buffalo, New York; and here are to be found thirteen missionary societies carrying forward their work, the most of whom have from \$5,000 to \$50,000 invested in land, buildings, and equipment.

"And what have Seventh-day Adventists in this city? They have a rented compound about 30 x 70 feet in size. A 'compound' is an inclosure for dwelling purposes, surrounded by a high wall. Inside our compound are several small Chinese houses, very cheaply built. In the front about twenty Chinese make their home, these include our evangelist and family, canvassers, and helpers. Next comes our little chapel, which, because of its peculiar construction, is impossible to inclose on one side. It is what would be natur-

ally called a shed. As we have winter weather here, with snow storms, you can imagine our little congregation does considerable shivering during four or five months of the year. To one side of the chapel is a Chinese guest room, and on the other side is a room used as a schoolroom for the children of the believers. Both of these are very dark. We are sure no American parent would desire to have his children sent to such a place to study. Above these three rooms are three others occupied by Brother and Sister Sparks who came from Nebraska a year ago. Ten feet back of this stands a little three-roomed house that we call home.

"A part of the windows are glass, and part of them are paper. The houses are inclosed by one thickness of cheap Chinese boards which were nailed on in an upright position when the lumber was green. At present there are wide cracks between the boards. As the houses in our compound are huddled so near together, the sun has little chance to shine in and dry things, hence we find the quarters to be very damp and moldy. A physician says we run great risks in living here.

"Is it any wonder then that we are interested in the \$300,000 Fund? We had hoped ere this to have received sufficient on this fund to purchase land and begin building operations. But the word that comes to us is in no way assuring, as the money seems to be coming in very slowly. In order to purchase land, build suitably for school and chapel purposes, and erect dwellings for two families, we should have from \$3,500 to \$4,000. This is our situation, though, in common with photographs sent from China, the 'dirt and odor' are omitted."

Can we wonder our missionaries in China and in other countries are interested in the \$300,000 Fund? What would we expect them to do if *they* were living in the houses we occupy, and *we* were living in China? Think of "several houses," a "chapel," "a schoolroom," and twenty-four people living on a small city lot! Think of the narrow, crowded, rented, unsanitary quarters! Think of our missionaries being compelled to hold their meetings in "a shed" where we would not house our cattle! Think of that little congregation shivering with cold and trying to protect themselves from the drifting snows! Think of three damp, moldy, dark rooms they call "home," and then answer the question as to how you would like to exchange with them.

Brother and Sister Cottrell are young, educated, refined people. They were teachers in one of our academies, and were comfortably situated in a pleasant home. But they heard the call to China. They "forsook all" to go. They laid their lives on the altar of China's need as many others have done. What obligation rested upon them that does not rest upon us? They do without the conveniences and comforts that even the poor can enjoy in this favored land. We go on buying property, withholding our money from the Lord, hoarding treasure, buying things we could well do without and not suffer, and leave these and other missionaries to wonder if their brethren and sisters in the home land have forgotten them.

Not only the \$300,000 Fund, but the Ten-Cent-a-Week Fund is used for the support of our missions. The *Review* of February 16, shows that the Lake Union Conference, the conference in which you and I live, the richest union conference in the world, last year fell short \$21,505.18 of giving ten

cents a week per member for our missionaries. We gave only about six and a half cents per member, and in this are included our Sabbath-school, first-day, annual, and mid-summer offerings.

"Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Our affections may be centered in the work of God on earth, or they may be entwined about farms, buildings, money, dress, pleasures, and things of this life. There are many in this Union Conference who could provide all that would be necessary for the erection of necessary buildings in Changsha or some other mission, and it would warm their hearts, the bands of worldliness would be broken, and there would be a far better outlook before them spiritually than there is at present.

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me." What is our record in heaven with reference to supplying the needs of our Master in the person of His suffering servants on earth?

Read Elder Cottrell's statement once more, as quoted above, then say what you would like to have him do if he were in your place and you in his.

E. W. FARNSWORTH.

INDIANA

Canvassers' Institute, March 22 to April 2

Some years ago the servant of God sent us this message:—"I have been instructed that the canvassing work is to be revived and carried forward with increasing success. It is the Lord's work and a blessing will attend those who engage in it."

When this message came, the work was at a low ebb and many thought we could no longer sell our publications. But in response to this prediction, it has been steadily increasing so that in the year 1910 \$1,500,000 worth of our publications were sold, and I believe 1911 will show even better success for our faithful canvassers. What will Indiana do to fulfill this expectation?

Many instances could be mentioned of the sale of one book resulting in bringing in a whole company, and even churches being raised up in this way. Such books as "Great Controversy," "Bible Readings," "Daniel and the Revelation," etc., when placed in the hands of the people can not fail to impart a knowledge of the truth to those who read them.

There should be one hundred in this State who will attend the canvassers' institute at Beechwood Academy, March 22 to April 2, and receive training which will, with the Lord's blessing, insure success.

MORRIS LUKENS.

Encouraging Reports

In a letter just received from Brother Carahoo, elder of the Patricksburg church, he writes that six have accepted the truth and united with that church during 1910. He also says that there are so many calls for Bible readings and that the interest is increasing to such an extent that he will give one day each week to this work.

Largely through the efforts put forth by Brother Overman and other members of the Marion church, five are to-day members of that church who a year ago did not believe this truth. If everyone would realize the responsibility resting upon him and would seek to bring one person into the truth each year, how soon this message would go to all the world.

Brother Beasley reports several additions to the Waldron church during the year 1910. Brother Hubbard held some meetings there.

Nearly every church shows some new members added during the past year. Encouraging reports are coming from Muncie concerning some who recently began the observance of the Sabbath. One of the new members gave \$50 for the

work in foreign fields. All of these members are beginning to pay tithe.

Last Sabbath two more united with the East Side church of Indianapolis, making seven additional members in the last three Sabbaths. Some of these, however, united by letter.

Sabbath, February 11, it was my privilege to meet with the Boggstown church and the students at Beechwood Academy. A revival service was conducted at Beechwood Academy at which time six students decided to unite with the church. This means that every student in the home is now a church-member.

From Thursday until Sabbath, February 16-18, I met with the church at Anderson. Elder Lauda, assisted by others, has been holding a series of meetings there. Several are deeply interested. Sabbath was a day long to be remembered because of the spiritual refreshing enjoyed by the members of the church. It was encouraging to see everyone renew his consecration to God, some of whom had become careless about some important truths. Do not forget to remember all our ministers at the throne of grace.

MORRIS LUKENS.

An Important Experience

Some churches in our conference have already sold their quota of "Ministry of Healing" while others have not, as yet, accomplished anything in this respect. I am aware that all have promised to sell their quota, but why not begin immediately?

One man in speaking of his experience in selling "Ministry of Healing" writes to one of our exchanges as follows:—

"We first called at the grocery and sold the grocer a book for cash. Second, a hardware man, who is a Catholic, ordered the book. I canvassed the young man who works for him, but did not take his order. Fourth, visited a barber, but did not sell to him. Fifth, the banker's wife, ordered a copy. The sixth felt unable to take it. The seventh and eighth each ordered a copy. The next, a grain man, ordered. Out of these nine calls, six books were sold.

"I believe that, if our brethren would show the book to the business men with whom they trade, to the family physician, friends and relatives, they could sell their quota and many more in some cases. On my best day, I took eleven orders. One man ordered seven copies as presents for his grandchildren. Ten years ago I sold him 'Christ's Object Lessons.' I am sure that every one who will take hold of this work will be blessed. Those who get the book also receive a blessing. And last, but not least, the sanitariums that receive help from the sale of the book will be able to do better work for the sick and suffering. May the Lord help all to do their part in this blessed work, that we may soon be able to sing the jubilee song."

Will not all our brethren and sisters in Indiana visit their friends and relatives and tradespeople and try to induce them to buy this valuable book?

MORRIS LUKENS.

Carbon

We began meetings January 30 in a United Brethren church seven miles from town. They had announced a revival to begin the following Sunday, so we could have the church only a few days. But the people became so interested that one man drove fourteen miles to ask the minister to postpone his meetings. We had nothing to do with his going. The minister would not consent but began his meetings Sunday morning. The people were disappointed. February 6, we began meetings in a union church three miles away and the attendance is good. Some are coming several miles and are very much interested. Nights when the other minister had only eleven in attendance, our house was full.

The people seem glad to have us visit them in their homes and are quite free to ask questions. Nearly every day some come to our room to learn more of the truth and seem to be satisfied as they depart.

No work by our people has ever before been done in this vicinity. We do not know what the outcome will be but believe that the Lord has a people here, and our prayer is that the truth may find its way to their hearts.

H. M. KELLEY.

News Notes

Remember the canvassers' institute, March 22 to April 2.

Last week Brother N. L. Taylor assisted Brother O. H. Schuh in beginning book work southeast of Indianapolis.

The spring term at Beechwood Academy begins this week, the winter term examinations having been enjoyed (?) by the students last week.

Plans are being laid to hold a young people's convention for the Missionary Volunteers of Indiana before the summer vacation at Beechwood Academy.

The faculty and students of Beechwood Academy have contributed \$35.55 on the \$300,000 Fund to date, and pledges for a much larger sum have been made.

On Friday, the 17th ultimo, Elder Miller conducted the funeral service of Mr. Chas. A. Lewis, son of Sister Susan A. Lewis, one of the oldest members of the Indianapolis church.

The Temperance Number of the *Youth's Instructor* should receive wide circulation in the State of Indiana this year. It is now ready and orders can be filled from the Indiana Conference office.

The church-school at Middletown was closed three weeks during February on account of an epidemic of scarlet fever in the neighborhood. None of the members, however, were affected by the disease.

Any persons who wish to take up the important work of scattering our publications in book form should write at once to our field agent, Brother N. L. Taylor, and arrange to attend the canvassers' institute that begins the 22d of this month.

Last Wednesday Elder Morris Lukens went to Chicago to attend the Swedish Seminary Board meeting, after which he expected to go to the Wabash Valley Sanitarium to remain over Sabbath, being with the church there and at the Soldiers' Home that day.

Each month's issue of our ten-cent magazines seems better than that of the preceding month. The *March Watchman*, *Life and Health*, and *Signs Monthly*, as well as the first quarter's issue of *Liberty*, are excellent. We can fill orders promptly from our office in Indianapolis.

If you receive a sample copy of this number of the HERALD but are not a regular subscriber, kindly send 50 cents in stamps at once to the Indiana Conference, 521 East 23d Street, Indianapolis, for a year's subscription. Sample copies have been sent to many individuals in Indiana that they may judge of the excellence of the HERALD.

Brother F. L. Smith and wife, both of whom are totally blind, placed an order with us last month for 1,000 copies of *Life and Health*, expecting to use them in the State on their way through Indiana from the West to Ohio. We wish them abundant success in the excellent work they do in spite of their affliction. It seems that their success should inspire others more fortunate to undertake similar seed-sowing.

"The motive gives the quality to the act."

The best regulated home is always that in which the discipline is the most perfect, and yet where it is the least felt.—*Smiles.*

EAST MICHIGAN

Leslie and Prattville

I met with the Leslie church the last Sabbath and Sunday of January. We enjoyed much of the presence of God at these meetings. Although they are few in number and many of them old and feeble and not able to get out, yet God is blessing them. His Spirit came into the services. On Sunday, in company with the elder and former elder, I visited nearly all the members, especially those who were not able to get out. These are much benefited by a visit from the minister or elder. On my way to Detroit to attend the committee meeting, I stopped over night at Ann Arbor with Elder Wilber who is wrestling with perplexities in that difficult field.

The meetings commenced at Prattville February 3, and continued for twelve days with a good attendance from the first, notwithstanding the great amount of sickness. Not only was the church benefited, but some of those from the outside promised to keep the commandments. The Lord heard prayer not only in behalf of the sinner but for those who were sick and afflicted, and rejoicing was the result of God thus working.

A. R. SANDBORN.

Bay City

For the encouragement of those who feel they can do but little, I relate an experience.

One of our church-members, a consecrated sister who resolved that she would improve every opportunity of speaking of the truth to those who come to her home, interested a piano agent who called one afternoon. As she told him of the Sabbath and other important truths of the Bible, he said that he had never before heard anything that stirred him so. He wished that his wife might hear the same things and see them as plainly. The sister then suggested that they could have Bible studies in their home. They gladly improved the opportunity for studying the Bible, and as a result the agent's wife and mother are keeping the Sabbath, and he and his father are endeavoring to arrange their work so that they may do so. They have attended church and received a blessing from it.

Our work is onward and our courage is good. The Lord is our Leader.

KATHERINE M. DUNHAM.

Tuscola County

The monthly meeting for Tuscola County was held according to schedule, February 19, 1911, at Watrousville. Representatives from Fair Grove and Vassar were present. The condition of the roads prevented many from attending. A few not of our faith were present. Our Sabbath-school was one of interest. The review was conducted by Brother David Malin.

Elder Leland was present, and conducted the services. His sermon was one calculated to stir up our "minds by way of remembrance" and to cause us to be more diligent in the Master's service and thus be able to keep step with the message.

The meeting for March will be held at Reese.

W. H. WILBER.

News Notes

Elder Sandborn has closed the meetings which he has been holding at Prattville.

Brother and Sister Van Fossen of Onsted, Mich., are thinking of moving where their boys will have the privilege of a good church-school.

Elder A. R. Sandborn spent some time at his home in Holly last week entertaining his youngest daughter who arrived February 17.

Brother H. A. Weaver was a visitor at the conference offices last week. He is out working in the interest of the religious liberty work.

Elder Ostrander has ordered from the tract society 10,000 eight page tracts for his work in Saginaw, and expects to send a larger order soon. This looks like turning to the old paths, and we hope it will prove an inspiration to others.

The missionary secretary, Brother Frank Hiner, has received inquiries from a number of young ladies who wish to work in Detroit this summer in connection with the city mission, if one is started there.

It was thought for awhile that the Prattville church-school would be closed the 1st of March an account of the expense resting quite heavily on a few; but after considering the matter, they decided it would be better to lift a little harder and continue the school until the end of the term.

Now is a good time to order the *Signs of the Times Weekly* for one year and get one of the *Signs of the Times* premium books, containing more than 250 questions answered. This is a valuable book, but by adding 25 cents to the regular subscription price (\$1.75) of the *Signs Weekly*, you can receive both book and paper for \$2.

The conference treasurer and missionary secretary were at, and in the vicinity of the Jefferson church, February 11-13. While the general response to the call of the treasurer for donations and pledges to the \$300,000 Fund was somewhat below the average, there was a willingness manifested on the part of nearly all the members to enter into the sale of the book "Ministry of Healing" and the magazine *Life and Health* for the sanitarium relief fund. There were twenty-nine "Ministry of Healing" and one hundred five *Life and Health* sold.

Otter Lake Sanitarium Notes

We have a number of surgical cases in prospect for next operating day.

Prof. H. A. Boylan made the sanitarium a pleasant call one day last week.

Mrs. Dr. Marsh has just returned from a three weeks' visit with relatives in Illinois.

Mr. George Crapser of Grand Blanc is visiting his mother who has been a patient here for several months.

Mrs. George Larkin returned to her home in Flint a few days ago after some time spent in taking treatments.

Mrs. Wm. Miller returned to the sanitarium last Thursday after several months' absence, for another course of treatment.

Mr. George Ford is a late addition to our "Old Folks" department. We have several who have passed the four-score mark.

The outlook at present is favorable for a busy season at the sanitarium and we hope to see much good accomplished for the sick ones during the year 1911.

Elder J. N. Wilbur, our medical secretary, was with us from Friday until Monday, February 10 to 13, in the interests of the medical missionary work, and while here gave several appreciated discourses to the sanitarium patients and family.

WEST MICHIGAN

Work for the Little Ones

Report of work done by Master Herald Smith, 57 Grant St., Battle Creek, Michigan, the youngest missionary worker in the West Michigan Conference.

"Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not, for such is the kingdom of heaven."

Children can do much to advance the third angel's message. Have you ever stopped to think how many steps the little ones take each day in their cheerful play? Have you ever stopped to think how many of these little steps could be taken for Jesus? The work of scattering the printed page like the leaves of autumn is a pleasure to the little ones, and not a task, as it seems to many older ones.

Listen while I tell you the experience of my little boy only five years old, who says he never wants to do anything but work for Jesus. One day he asked his mamma if he could go and sell papers to help people learn about Jesus. His mamma hesitated at first, and said, "I am afraid you are too small yet," but he said, "Oh, no, mamma, for I know I can sell them." He was permitted to give it a trial. His first call was at the R. & I. depot, with the ten cent copies of *Bible Training School*. He sold 41 copies the same afternoon to the great business men of the commercial world. In two weeks, being the month of December, he sold 301 copies of the *Special Bible Training School* by working only a few hours each afternoon, as he is too young to work long at a time. In the month of January he sold 200 *Bible Training School*, 205 *Watchman*, 25 *Life and Health*. Total 430 copies. The first week in February he sold 159 copies, making in all a total of 890 copies.

May this be an inspiration to many mother's to lend a helping hand to the work of the third angel's message by encouraging their children to "go and do likewise."

E. E. S.

News Notes

Elder E. W. Webster was called to Lake Odessa, February 18, to attend the funeral of Brother Cowell.

Elder S. E. Wight attended a meeting of the church board in Battle Creek, Sunday night, February 19.

Elder E. W. Farnsworth was in Otsego to attend a meeting of the Otsego church, February 21.

Elder S. E. Wight attended a meeting of the Swedish Seminary Board, Wednesday, the 22d.

Sabbath afternoon, February 18, Elder E. W. Farnsworth organized a church of twenty-three members at Urbandale. Others will join later. A full corps of officers were selected.

Sabbath afternoon, February 18, Elder S. E. White organized a church of ten members, with a full corps of officers, at Holland, Mich. This church will be increased by eight or ten in the near future.

NORTH MICHIGAN

Offerings

I wonder how many of our people in the conference know how much money their church is paying on the different funds that as a denomination we are trying to raise. No doubt you read in the LAKE UNION HERALD every month the amount of tithe that is sent in, but the other items are not usually printed. Now it is possible for you to know just what your church is doing by asking the elder of the church or the treasurer. The elder of the church knows what is being sent out each month as he is in close touch with the financial management of the church. Sometimes a comparative statement of the amount the churches are sending in might be of interest, so we are planning to send to each church or company at the beginning of the month a statement of just what each church in the conference is doing in a financial way in carrying forward the work in foreign lands as well as in our own conference.

We were very much pleased a few days ago to receive a letter from a brother who inclosed money orders for two hundred dollars tithe. This was very much appreciated, especially at this time of year when the tithe is low. In visiting the churches we hear some interesting experiences related about the way the Lord blesses the individuals who are faithful in the payment of their tithe. Some way, I never have heard an individual who does not pay tithe tell about how the Lord is blessing him; but when one is loyal to God and returns to Him His own, that person invariably has something to say of God's goodness to him in this respect as well as in others. Some undoubtedly are not receiving the bless-

ing that would be theirs if they took hold of the matter of returning to God His own as well as of making liberal offerings to His cause. Do you know of any brother or sister, who is not faithful in returning to God that which is His? If so, why not go and tell him of the blessings you have received in doing your duty, and thus encourage him to do his. You are all aware of the fact that twenty per cent of our tithe goes outside of our conference. This may seem like a large sum of money as our conference is small, but we all want to see the work prosper in other lands as well as our own and every dollar we give to the cause is that much given toward bringing the coming of our blessed Saviour. J. J. IRWIN.

Tent and Academy Building Fund

A few days ago we sent out from the office the report of the Elders' Meeting at Mesick. I trust that all our people in the conference will give careful reading to this report and see in what way they can assist in carrying forward the plans. The plan that we have adopted for raising the money on the tent and academy building fund is meeting with favor wherever I have been. We have not received definite reports from many of the churches yet, but everywhere it has been presented the people have taken hold with earnestness. We expect to send each company a statement the first of the month showing how much they have raised on this, and other funds so that they can know just what is being done.

I do not know that I need to urge our people to help in this as it would seem the mere statement of the fact that our academy building is burned to the ground and that the tents we need for our camp-meetings have been destroyed would be sufficient to arouse them to the necessity of helping. Work on the building at Cedar Lake has already begun and we expect that by the time warm weather comes in the spring, rapid progress will be made. The tents have not been ordered as yet, but we expect soon to place the order for them and when you come to camp-meeting this fall you will be privileged to see the result of your offering. This plan of giving a certain amount each month for this purpose enables all, even the children, to have a part in it.

J. J. IRWIN.

News Notes

Elder Irwin recently visited the church-schools at Cooks and Riverside.

Brother R. J. Gosden has been sick and unable to canvass for a few days, but we hope soon to see his report again.

How many copies of *Life and Health* have the members of your company ordered to sell for the relief of our sanitariums?

Brother E. B. Munn has again taken up the canvassing work in Marquette County. He reports good success for the time he has put in.

Brother Peterson expects to have a three days' general meeting at Houghton, February 24-26. The Finnish brethren are expected to attend.

Brother Johnson informs us that the canvassers' institute for the Upper Peninsula will be held at Harris this spring. More definite announcements will be made later.

The severe storms have delayed our conference workers as they have been visiting the churches. The boat on which Brother H. W. Johnson crossed the Straits was held in the ice for ten hours. Miss Florence Crouch was delayed eighteen hours at Mancelona waiting for the train to get through a snowdrift, and on account of this was obliged to postpone her visit to Omer one week.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

Urbana

While canvassing in a small town near here this week, I met a family who had purchased a copy of "Daniel and Reve-

lation," and later "Glorious Appearing." They were well pleased with the both. These books are doing their appointed work, as they are, both loaned to neighbors and are being carefully studied. I was successful in placing a copy of "Bible Readings" in this home.

We should not be discouraged, even though we do not see immediate results of our work. Let us press forward, sowing the seeds of truth, knowing that God will give the increase.

W. E. BAILEY.

In the Canvassing Field

There are many interesting experiences I might relate, but to save time and space, I will mention only one or two. Although I find some not able to buy a book, they thank me for calling on them. They say it is a noble work, and wish me the blessing of the Lord.

At one place where I stayed over night the people gave an order for "Great Controversy" and would accept nothing for my lodging, saying they were commanded to "Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares." How true this is, for angels are with the canvassers. Sometimes I miss my dinner, and that is a blessing too, for then I can put in more hours, and do more for the One who did so much for me.

My brother, my sister, is there not a still small voice speaking to you, asking you to consecrate your life and your all to the Master's service?

RALPH LEWIS.

News Notes

Renew your subscription to the LAKE UNION HERALD.

A young people's society was organized at Foolsland recently.

Brother E. M. Fishell has been assisting Brother E. L. Graham at Decatur the past week.

Each member of the Peoria Missionary Volunteer Society is distributing from five to ten leaflets weekly.

The Southern Illinois young people are sending literature and writing letters to interested people in our conference.

The March number of the *Signs Monthly* is one of the best numbers we have yet seen. How many are you planning to sell?

One Sabbath-school superintendent writes: "The March *Worker* is simply grand. We are going to try some of the ideas suggested."

Elder E. A. Bristol has been suffering from grippe for three weeks and has been unable to meet his appointments with the churches.

We hope you are reading the special articles on the Sabbath-school lessons by Sister White which are appearing weekly in the *Review*.

The Decatur Sabbath-school has six new Home Department members. How many of our superintendents are working up this department.

Special consecration services were held in our church-schools on Valentine's Day. While many children were giving hearts of paper to their loved ones, our children were encouraged to give their hearts to Jesus.

Miss Reefman of the Peoria church-school writes: "I am encouraged by the way the children are taking hold of their work, both in school and missionary work. We have been busy with examinations during the past week and haven't had much time for missionary work, although three or four small children went out with papers, giving away twenty-six and selling \$1.55 worth, making in all ninety-five papers given away and \$2.65 taken in since we organized our junior society three weeks ago."

"Take all the Christian workers from the United States, and scatter 343 ministers over it, and you have China in miniature."

NORTHERN ILLINOIS

News Notes

The Broadview Seminary Board held its annual meeting in Chicago last Wednesday and Thursday.

Have you seen the Temperance number of the *Youth's Instructor*, just out? If not, write us for a sample copy.

One brother of Chicago gives evidence of his missionary spirit by sending us his check for over \$20, covering subscriptions to our various periodicals to be sent to his business associates. Will not others follow his good example?

It is with regret that we announce the death of Sister C. R. Magoon, wife of Elder Magoon, which occurred at the Hinsdale Sanitarium, Wednesday morning, the 22d. We convey to the bereaved family and friends our deepest sympathy in this great loss.

One isolated sister sends us one hundred thirty-seven names and addresses of people living in her home town to whom she orders sent copies of the Family Bible Teacher, pamphlet form. Thus she is placing before these people an opportunity of knowing what is truth.

While Elder Covert was in Iowa he secured a donation from the Hampton Art Co. of 4,000 scripture mottoes for the benefit of the Chicago Colored Church Building Fund. We hope our churches will co-operate with us in the sale of these. We offer a liberal commission to any one who will take up this work.

At a recent meeting of the conference committee it was decided to make another and stronger effort to get our church elders together for an institute, which was appointed to be held March 13-16 at 528 East 33d Place, Chicago. We hope all our church officers realize the importance of these meetings, and that they will do all in their power to arrange to attend.

Here is what one of our agents says in relating his experiences in handling "Practical Guide to Health": "Have had some interesting experiences in my work. These things help to cheer us up and are an encouragement to us. I met a man on the train to whom I sold a copy of 'Practical Guide,' and he stated that he is now intending to make each of his six children a present of a copy in the half morocco binding. I met another man who told me he would not take fifteen dollars for his copy if he could not replace it."

News Notes from Tri-City Sanitarium

The sanitarium is enjoying a good patronage.

Dr. C. C. Hubly of New Windsor, Ill., has had several surgical cases here the last few weeks.

Miss Olive Pearson of the sanitarium is nursing a case in Alpha. She has been there several weeks.

Mrs. May Taylor-Dunn underwent a surgical operation last week. She is making a good recovery.

Miss Ebba Helm of Rockford has been a patient at the sanitarium for several weeks. She is improving.

Miss Margaret Giles, visiting nurse of Rock Island, spent a short time at the sanitarium recently for rest and treatment.

Brother W. H. Edwards, auditor for the Lake Union Conference, visited us lately to make an audit of the sanitarium's books.

Dr. F. J. Otis was called to Princeton last week on professional business. Brother W. E. Lohman has treatment rooms there.

Dr. Lola Hays, who made a trip around the world last winter, gave a lecture to the sanitarium family and friends last Thursday evening, on the Passion Play at Oberammergau.

Sisters G. I. Douglas of Aledo, and W. R. Douglas of Seaton, Ill., have returned to their homes. Both were here for treatment and surgical work and have made splendid recovery.

Miss Harriet Smith who was here last summer for treatment and surgical work, is visiting at the sanitarium for a few days. Miss Smith accepted the truth while a patient here, and was baptized by Elder Santee last fall, joining the church at that time. She is planning to join the nurses' class in April.

The January meeting of the Tri-City Social Club was held in the sanitarium gymnasium Tuesday evening, January 31. Supper was served to about fifty people who were attending the meeting. Several excellent speeches were made by different people. The principal subject for discussion was "Greater Efficiency in the Public Schools."

The following clipping is from an Aledo paper: "The free lectures by Dr. Mabel Otis in the city last week were given to crowded houses both nights. She showed a thorough mastery of her subjects and for nearly two hours held the closest attention of the audience. She was assisted by Miss Waddell, head nurse of the Tri-City Sanitarium of Moline, Ill., in demonstrating the treatments for various ailments, all of which could be used in the home."

Elder Covert of Chicago, and Brother L. A. Hansen of Washington, D. C., spent Sabbath and Sunday, February 11 and 12, at the sanitarium. In a very appropriate talk Brother Hansen explained the "Ministry of Healing" campaign to the sanitarium family and patients. An order for 100 books has been placed with the tract society office to be sold by the sanitarium family. Orders for more will be sent in later. Brother J. C. Harris of Ottawa joined Brother Hansen evening after Sabbath, and together they were planning to visit the churches in the conference. Elder Harris has charge of the "Ministry of Healing" work for this conference.

Fox River Academy Notes

A "taffy pull" was held in the dining room last Saturday evening.

A few of the students attended the Illinois Farmers' Institute at Ottawa last Thursday.

Miss Mignon Bollman and Mr. Paul Smith of Chicago spent Sabbath and Sunday with their parents.

Owing to the condition of the roads last week, Sabbath-school and church services were held at the academy.

The fifty-barrel pressure tank which was recently purchased for our water system has been installed, and greatly increases the water supply.

The decorating of the interior of the academy building will soon be completed. Two of the classrooms have been finished and the third is well under way.

A few of the young people spent a pleasant Saturday evening, February 18, with Miss Mabel Rank at her home in the village in celebration of her birthday.

The timber consisting of twenty-two acres, just across the road from the campus, has been rented by the academy and will be used for pasture land the coming season.

Mrs. Worth of Chicago spent last Sabbath and Sunday at the academy with her son, James. All appreciated the solo which she sang at young people's meeting Sabbath afternoon.

Very encouraging progress is being made by the academy band. Regular practice hours are held twice a week, and although most of the members were beginners, all are able to play several selections.

WISCONSIN

The Marshfield Meeting

The conference workers and church elders' meeting was held in Marshfield, February 15-20. About one hundred were in attendance. We held four meetings a day, aside from the morning devotional service and the evening Bible study. The program was well arranged and systematically followed. Departmental work was carefully studied and all took a free social part in the consideration of various topics from day to day. It was apparent by the deep interest manifested that all enjoyed the meetings from first to last.

Elder Allen Moon and wife took an active part in the work and their help was appreciated. Some expressed themselves as never having attended a better meeting and hoped this would not be the last one of the kind. We regret that all of our churches were not represented.

It was agreed that for the best interests of our churches, quarterly services and a church business meeting should be held every three months. When we all realize that the business of every Sabbath-keeper is the salvation of souls, and that the success of the work depends upon our individual attitude toward the various departments, we shall see greater results.

It was recommended to accept the counsel of the Union Conference to hold our next annual camp-meeting and conference session in June, from the 8th to the 18th. The place of the meeting will be decided upon later.

The Sabbath day of our meeting was greatly enjoyed because of special blessings received. All went home with renewed strength and courage, feeling that it had been good to be there.

W. H. THURSTON.

Kenosha

Since writing my last report, I have been battling for the truth in this city and also Racine. There is a good interest and souls are coming into line with the Advent movement. Aside from the regular discourses, we have been studying with the people in their homes. As a result four have taken their stand and another has been reclaimed.

Through the efforts for "Ministry of Healing" and the workings of the Holy Spirit, one man who for sixty-five years had been a slave to tobacco, and his aged wife, a bondswoman of tea and coffee, bade farewell to the use of these body and soul-destroying agencies. The work is prospering.

Pray for Kenosha and Racine.

A. E. SERNS.

Milwaukee

A crusade for Sunday legislation is now on in Milwaukee. Those leading out in this movement claim that ninety-six per cent of South Side merchants have signed a petition for a Sunday closing bill which has been brought before the legislature by the Sunday-closing conference. But, while the enemy of all righteousness is massing his forces, the Lord is also at work, and, even in this wicked city and in spite of fierce opposition, souls are accepting the Sabbath truth.

God help us as a people to sense the times in which we are living. We have no time now to be absorbed in our own plans and ideas, but, with a united voice, speaking by our daily lives as well as word of mouth, with David we should say, "It is time for Thee, Lord, to work, for they have made void Thy law."

We are of good courage.

B. L. POST.

News Notes

Elder Lewis held a few meetings at Bethel last week.

Elder L. E. Wellman worked in the office last Wednesday.

Our canvassers were considerable hindered week before last by bad weather and bad roads.

Elder Thurston was called to Chicago last Wednesday to attend a meeting of Swedish Seminary Board.

At the close of the meeting, a number of the workers and church elders went from Marshfield to Bethel to visit the academy.

Professor Stone went to Madison last week for a few days of much needed rest and recuperation at the sanitarium. We received a call from him en route.

A. E. Serns called at the office last Wednesday. From here he went to Minocqua to relieve Elder H. W. Reed for a time in conducting the meetings in progress there. A good interest is manifested at Minocqua.

Brother L. M. Johnson of Ashland, Wis., reports the organization of a new and enthusiastic missionary society in their

church. Racks have been ordered which they purpose placing in the depots and will keep filled. They will also visit the jail and hospitals of Ashland and have made out a list of names to whom they will send literature.

The discussions at the workers' meeting were very practical and instructive. Very many lines of work of interest to all our churches were freely discussed. Interest was shown in the periodical work and quite a large number of orders given for some of these. Other orders will come in from the churches as those present returned to their homes prepared to work up more of an interest in this matter.

One of our canvassers writes that he was recently at the University of Madison and witnessed the killing of tuberculous cattle, pigs, and chickens, and was filled with wonder that people will still eat anything so subject to disease as is meat. But his greatest amazement was expressed in the following words: "The Lord has warned His people (of these things) for many years and still we can find some of our people using meat."

April 30 has been set apart in the various churches as Tuberculosis Day, at which time many sermons will be preached, or lectures given on the prevention of this dreaded disease. The March and April *Life and Health* will each contain strong articles on this question and this will prove a most opportune time in which to circulate these journals. The March number will soon be ready. Send in your orders early.

CANVASSERS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING FEB. 17, 1911

North Michigan						
Canvasser	Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total
E. C. Collard.....	B. F.	16	11	11 00	.....	11 00
K. V. Bjork.....	F. R.	56	13	32 75	15 95	48 70
A. P. Friday.....	D. R.	21	6	22 00	.....	22 00
		93	30	65 75	15 95	81 70
East Michigan						
A. L. VanFossen.....	D. R.	38	12	37 00	50	37 50
W. D. Moore.....	D. R.	38	18	60 00	2 00	62 00
F. W. Brainard.....	C. K.	19½	12	14 50	5 00	19 50
O. D. Pettit.....	D. R.	30	6	18 00	1 50	19 50
Mrs. Countryman.....	C. K.	23	11	13 00	5 95	18 95
G. W. Hainer.....	D. R.	25	5	15 00	1 25	16 25
Floyd Fish.....	D. R.	46	8	22 00	4 80	26 80
Harrison Face.....	D. R.	26½	4	12 00	5 75	17 75
Orville Nolin.....	D. R.	2	1	4 00	50	4 50
M. D. Day.....	C. K.	13	13	19 00	1 00	20 00
		261	90	214 50	28 25	242 75
Wisconsin						
N. O. Kittleson.....	B. R.	23	8	26 00	2 50	28 50
F. E. Middelsted.....	B. R.	28	2	6 00	.....	6 00
Mrs. E. M. Bisbee.....	C. K.	8	7	8 50	2 50	11 00
		59	17	40 50	5 00	45 50
Northern Illinois						
J. H. Banty.....	G. C.	33	7	28 00	2 50	30 50
L. Clarke.....	B. R.	36	6	20 00	.....	20 00
J. H. Hicks.....	G. C.	34½	27	93 00	6 00	99 00
Jos. Nixon.....	G. C.	29½	9	31 00	2 25	33 25
D. R. Devereaux.....	P. G.	37	6	23 00	50	23 50
G. W. Saether.....	G. C.	12	3	9 00	.....	9 00
C. A. Andrews.....	G. C.	12	2	6 00	75	6 75
		194	60	210 00	12 00	222 00
Southern Illinois						
W. E. Bailey.....	B. R.	36	7	23 00	.....	23 00
E. L. Graham.....	D. R.	32	7	26 00	5 75	31 75
H. Mitzelfelt.....	G. C.	29	15	45 00	.....	45 00
Ralph Lewis.....	G. C.	44	14	42 00	.....	42 00
Clarence Emerick.....	G. C.	24	17	51 00	.....	51 00
J. A. Applegate.....	D. R.	41	8	21 00	.....	21 00
H. L. Applegate.....	D. A.	20	3	9 00	.....	9 00
		226	71	217 00	5 75	222 75
Indiana						
Robert Joyce (Del).....	D. R.	25	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. A. Hardesty.....	D. R.	38	10	32 00	32 00
		63	10	32 00	32 00
32 Agents.		858	278	\$779 75	\$66 95	\$846 70

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MRS. LOU KIRBY-CURTIS - - - - EDITOR

Do not fail to read the article in this issue entitled, "What
If It Were You."

The terrible deceptions of Spiritism are rapidly getting control of the minds of men, and no time should be lost in getting the truth of the matter before the people. An unusually good and interesting article on this subject will be found in the March *Signs Monthly*, and it should have a wide circulation.

Emmanuel Missionary College

The pruning of the vineyard and fruit trees will soon be finished.

The houses across the vineyard are now being wired and electric lights will soon be installed.

Sydney White of Battle Creek Sanitarium, son of the matron, has been visiting his mother and sister this week.

The Young People's Convention held in the College chapel last Sabbath afternoon was exceptionally interesting and instructive.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Burgeson and family have arrived to make their home here. Sam, the younger son, will enter the church-school.

The College orchestra made its first appearance in public last Sabbath at young people's meeting. The music was appreciated by all present.

Mr. Lewis W. Beatty, who left here shortly after the holidays, is enjoying his work very much for the Review and Herald Publishing Association.

Mr. Edward C. Harrigan, who was a student here for several years, is now attending Pacific Union College, St. Helena, California. His plans are to return East in the spring.

Harry and Gussie Colburn write from Stuart, Iowa, where they are now teaching: "September will find us in school at E. M. C, we trust. How good it will seem to be back."

Last Wednesday, Professor Haughey occupied the chapel hour, giving an interesting sketch of the life of George Washington. He contrasted his work and ideas of liberty with those of many modern statesmen.

The College enrollment for the first two terms of this year is much larger than the entire enrollment for last year; last year at the close of school it was 148 (incorrectly stated 158 in the HERALD of February 15), this year it is already 161.

Tuberculosis Day

All the popular churches in the United States have been asked to set apart April 30, 1911, as tuberculosis day—to make "the white plague" on that day the subject of discourse. The object is to study ways by which consumption may be prevented, and the best methods of treatment. It is now estimated that on April 30 over 200,000 churches in the

United States will give special attention to the importance of all studying ways by which the "great white plague" may be checked.

This effort on the part of the churches affords us an excellent opportunity to do some good, successful work with our health literature—the "entering wedge" for the full message, especially *Life and Health*, as it is now giving special attention to "Home Cure of Consumption," and will be especially strong on this point during the month of March, April, and May. These numbers will not only be good sellers, but will be a great help to the people, and bring good returns to our special evangelical work. Who will now plan to use this favorable opportunity?

A New Course for Bible-Working Nurses

Last fall the Illinois Conference and the faculty of the Hinsdale Sanitarium conjointly organized a six-months' course for Bible-working nurses, fitting consecrated women to become Bible-working nurses in our large cities. This effort has been successful and the next course will begin April first. Tuition is free. Board and room in the institution is about three dollars a week. Students can be more than self-supporting. Write immediately for full information to either Elder M. H. Serns, 528 Thirty-third Place, Chicago, or Dr. David Paulson, Hinsdale, Illinois.

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