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God's Way and Mine

I asked my Lord to lead me for a day, I did not know or care what He might say; So long as He would lead me, I'd agree To follow paths I could or could not see, Or try to carry loads I scarce could lift, And move as He directed, slow or swift. I would not murmur if the road was rough, Nor ask for more when He had giv'n enough To meet my simple needs, both few and small-I'd be content and thankful in it all. But when He bade me suffer and be still I then rebelled against my Master's will, And said I would not have Him for my guide, Because His will ran counter to my pride. And vet I suffered, suffered once again; I asked for joy, He gave me only pain. I asked for rose-strewn pathways, sunny morns, I chose to tread on petals, not on thorns; But through the thorns He led me up the hill. I murmured at His "suffer and be still"---I could not grasp His meaning; I was prone To ask Him for His way but keep my own. But one day, when my struggles had been sore, I asked my Lord to lead me just once more. This time I would not murmur 'gainst His will; I'd go or stay, or "suffer and be still." I would not have my own way-His was best; I'd gladly do, endure His wise behest. And then I understood why all my pain, And thorns came to me once again. It was withdrawing, by His gentle art, The thorns which pride had thrust into my heart, His oil and wine, poured on sin's open sore, The pain was just to heal, and nothing more. His thorns were lances to relieve disease. His hilly pathway led to plains of peace. He meant my life for joy, for power and bliss-Pain was remedial, work was happiness. And so my Lord has led me all these years, Sometimes He leads through smiles, sometimes through tears;

But each day shows me that His way is best, For through its cloud or sunshine I am blest. -F. Watson Hannan, D. D.

"It is the influence of your acts, more than your words, that moulds and shapes others."

A Visit from Mrs. E. G. White

The teachers and students of the Pacific Union College greatly appreciated a visit from Mrs. E. G. White a few weeks ago. She came on Friday and remained until Sunday, speaking Sabbath afternoon for an hour, with old-time clearness and power. She began by reading very impressively, from the second chapter of Daniel, the account of the loyalty to principle of Daniel and his three friends. Dwelling upon the seventeenth verse, she said with a voice tremulous with emotion, "Every time I read this verse I can hardly contain myself to think how the Lord of heaven guards His children, if they are true to Him."

She dwelt upon the lesson of temperance. "We should not in our day of necessity eat the same substances they did; but our food should be plain and simple. The effect will be placidity of temper and undisturbed condition of mind and heart. Most of our people have decided that the use of meat is not wise. I began speaking when I was fifteen years of age, and have continued to speak and write until the present time. At first my health was very poor; again and again they thought I was going to die. Physicians said, 'You must have a meat diet.' But God opened to me the importance of a simple diet, and assured me that He would sustain me if I were careful; and for sixty-five years His promise has been fulfilled.''

The speaker read from chapter two, and said, "All these chapters I desire you to read, and see how the Lord wrought." Referring to the trial of the fiery furnace, in the third chapter, she said, "I want to tell you, just as certainly serious times are before those who keep the commandments of God. For a long time I have not been able to have a good night's rest because of the scenes that are presented before me. God's people are not doing the work He would have them do for the cities. I have borne this testimony again and again until it seemed as if God's people were not going to do the work; but the cities must be entered. We must not let the people perish that do not know the binding force of God's law. We are responsible. The Lord wants us to awake. We must go forward, or the judgments of God will certainly come upon us. During the past few months the good work has begun among the great cities of the land. As soon as the cities began to be entered, the pain in my heart was relieved."

Speaking directly to the teachers, she encouraged them by saying: "You want means for the buildings. I can see the need of them in the near future. You should labor to the utmost of your ability; but do not sacrifice your health, which God will bestow upon those who will trust in Him. I have learned to trust Him in the past. Once for eleven months I never walked a step, and yet they said to me, 'We always see you smiling.' I could not move at all, except my right arm; but they made a form for my arm, and in this way I wrote 2,500 pages in Australia. I think I ought to acknowledge this here. There are some present who know how my strength began to recover. The first step I took, an attendant burst out crying. They had to carry me to the congregation and carry me home six miles. But God works for us if we do our best. I have proved the Lord, and He has been true to me.

"Two nights ago I never slept a wink. I lay awake for hours praying. The world is going to be surprised by the Lord's coming. Your work here will convince others that we are in earnest. Take hold here with all your heart. Let no evil work go from your hands. The world is going mad, stirred up by Lucifer, who is working upon the minds of men. We must hold up our banner. I could never feel free until I stood here and tested whether I had the strength to speak."

The foregoing is only a brief sketch of the speaker's remarks, but it will show the fervent spirit of the aged servant of God. Her effort was greatly appreciated, and the zeal of students and teachers was stimulated by her noble example. -C. C. Lewis, in Pacific Union Recorder.

*Faith

There are promises in the Word that will really stagger us unless we have fully determined by God's help to accept them. Turn over to the 14th chapter of John, verses 11 and 12. These are very familiar words, words that have simply gone in one ear and out of the other for years and years; they have meant practically nothing to us. The time has come when they should mean everything to us. The time has come when we should place our faith upon these promises, and upon the Solid Rock, and see God work. Christ says: "Believe Me that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me: or else believe Me for the very works' sake. (12) Verily, verily I say unto you, he that believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto My Father." Now we do not believe that, do we? Either we do not believe in Him, or else we do not believe what He says here. He says, truly, truly I say to you, the works that I do, you shall do if ye believe in Me.

Do we do the works that He did? No. Well then, do we believe in Him or do we fully grasp the real significance of the promise, "Whatsoever you shall ask in My name, that will I do?" But you have asked a thousand things in the last year that He has not done. The people say to me every few days: "I have prayed, and prayed for the Lord to help me, and He does not seem to answer my prayers at all." The Lord says: "Whatsoever ye shall ask in My name, I will do it," and we do not believe it, for if we did we would have the things we ask for; would we not?

If we just believed these three verses, it would revolutionize our whole school, and our homes, and our church, and our whole denomination. (John 14:11-13) If this denomination would live in these three verses for thirty days we would see a remarkable advance of the work in this world.

Over here in the eighth chapter of Luke it is made plain just where the trouble is. (Luke 8:22-25) Jesus said: "Where is your faith?" As though to say, why did you come and waken Me? Why did not you say "peace be still"? "And they being afraid wondered, saying one to another, What manner of man is this, for He commandeth even the winds and the water, and they obey Him?" That same company of men did not wonder a few months after that when their eyes were opened, and they realized that the power which Jesus had every believing soul can have. We read in the spirit of prophecy: "He had no power while in this world, that we cannot grasp and have access to as He did."

Again in the 17th chapter of Matthew, the fourteenth to the nineteenth verse: "And when they were come to the multitude, there came to Him a certain man, kneeling down to Him, and saying, Lord, have mercy on my son: for he is lunatic, and sore vexed: for ofttimes he falleth into the fire, and oft into the water. And I brought him to Thy disciples, and they could not cure him. Then Jesus answered and said, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? bring him hither to Me. And Jesus rebuked the devil; and he departed out of him:

*Synopsis of address given at Missionary Volunteer Institute, Berrien Springs.

and the child was cured from that very hour. Then came the disciples to Jesus apart, and said, Why could not we cast him out?"

What did he mean by that? Here was a child who had been afflicted with this fearful trouble, demon possession; and do you know that you and I have to meet that to-day just as truly as they had to in those days? We have the more subtle form of demon possession to-day, what we may perhaps term Satanic hypnotism, but it is just as hard to meet, and much more prevalent than demon possession was in those days. We read in the spirit of prophecy a most solemn statement which says that Satan will take control of every moment that is not fully surrendered to the control of the Spirit of God. The disciples had tried to cast out the devil from the child, but they did not succeed, and when Jesus heard of it, He said "Oh, faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you, how long shall I suffer you?" How long will it be before you will exercise a little faith on your own part, and say to this demon. In the name of Jesus Christ come out of him? "Then Jesus rebuked the devil and he departed out of him."

The disciples asked Him: "Why could not we cast him out?" And that is the question we ask ourselves to-day. We see what God has done in the past, and we see some things that He is doing now. Many times you have said down deep in your heart: "I wish God could give me power to heal the sick; if I could only say, 'In the name of Jesus Christ rise up and walk,' would it not be grand?" Well, what is the matter with us that we do not have the power? We say, Lord why cannot we do that? Does the Saviour say, oh, you cannot expect to do such miracles as that, I reserve that power for Myself? Jesus said, "because of your unbelief," and that is why we do not do it to-day, my friends, that is the only reason that we are not performing miracles, every one of us.

When you see a great work that needs to be done, claim the victory before you start in. Do you know of some work God wants done in your church, in your home, in your society, in your school? Get down and say, Lord I will do it, use me to do it, and then get up and do it. He will not disappoint you if you will just let Him do through you what He wants to do.

What is faith? You say faith is believing that God can do anything. Oh no, it is not that. The devils believe that He can, and tremble; but faith is believing that He will. Take the case of Jonathan and his armor bearer. Jonathan not only knew that God could deliver that army of the Philistines into his hands, but he knew He would. Other men among the Israelites knew that God could take them and go over and destroy that army single handed. Why did they not start out as Jonathan did? Well, they were afraid that He would not. MEADE MACGUIRE.

Educate Men in Business Lines

"Those who think that a man's fitness for a certain position qualifies him to fill several other positions are liable to make mistakes when planning for the advancement of the work. They are liable to place upon one the cares and burdens that should be divided among several.

"Experience is of great value. The Lord desires to have men of intelligence connected with His work, men qualified for various positions of trust in our conferences and institutions. Especially are consecrated business men needed, men who will carry the principles of truth into every business transaction. Those placed in charge of financial affairs should not assume other burdens; burdens that they are incapable of bearing; nor is the business management to be intrusted to incompetent men. Those in charge of the work have erred sometimes in permitting the appointment of men devoid of tact and ability to manage important financial interests. "Men of promise in business lines should develop and perfect their talents by most thorough study and training. They should be encouraged to place themselves where as students, they can rapidly gain a knowledge of right business principles and methods. Not one business man now connected with the cause needs to be a novice. If men in any line of work ought to improve their opportunities to become wise and efficient, it is those who are using their ability in the work of building up the kingdom of God in this world. In view of the fact that we are living so near the close of this earth's history, there should be greater thoroughness in labor, more vigilant waiting, watching, praying, and working. The human agent should strive to attain perfection, that he may be an ideal Christian, complete in Christ Jesus.

Right Principles Essential

"Those who labor in business lines should take every precaution against falling into error through wrong principles or methods. Their record may be like that of Daniel in the courts of Babylon. When all his business transactions were subjected to the closest scrutiny, not one faulty item could be found. The record of his business life, incomplete though it is, contains lessons worthy of study. It reveals the fact that a business man is not necessarily a scheming, policy man. He may be instructed of God at every step. Daniel, while prime minister of the kingdom of Babylon, was a prophet of God, receiving the light of heavenly inspiration. His life is an illustration of what every Christian business man may be." "Testimonies for the Church," Vol. VII, pages 247, 248.

It was with the above thoughts in mind that our schools have placed the commercial work in the curriculum. There are many business colleges and institutions of learning in our broad land to-day where the student may obtain a first class business education, but the Lord has something better in store for those who obtain their instruction in a Christian school. Our conference workers and institutions need no longer look to other than our Seventh-day Adventist trainingschools for thoroughly equipped young men and women to fill the places which the Lord would have filled by those who have received thorough Christian training. Emmanuel Missionary College received during the past year calls for eight more workers along these lines than we were able to fill. The outlook for the coming year promises to enable the school to be able to answer the many calls for Christian workers.

No young man or woman who has the ambition to thoroughly equip himself or herself for this branch of the Master's work need fear that a place will not be waiting. Those contemplating entering this department of Emmanuel Missionary College should correspond with the undersigned stating whether they expect to take up the business or stenographic work. They may also obtain a college calendar which will give them a complete synopsis of the courses offered.

> B. B. SMITH, Supt. Commercial Dept., Emmanuel Missionary College.

Make an Effort Don't Let Trifles Hinder Get to Meeting

I saw a brother with an amputated leg, who walked on one foot and a crutch forty miles to a camp meeting. This brother did not have money to pay railroad fare, but was so anxious to be at the meeting that he hopped forty miles rather than miss the blessing obtained at the annual gathering. Another brother, without money, but with whole limbs, walked the forty miles with the crippled brother. These brethren obtained the blessing which they sought.

But these did not excel the effort made by the treasurer of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who at one time rode in a carriage all the distance from Ethiopia to Jerusalem to worship, and then returned to his home again over the foot-worn route. But he found the pearl of great price on the homeward journey, so went on his way rejoicing. How fortunate it was for this man that he did not let the length of the journey and the care of his office deter him from attending the annual meeting. God had marked his effort, and sent Philip, the evangelist, to give him a Bible reading, and bury him with his Lord at the moment when his heart was open and his mind was free from care so he could receive the truth.

Let those who think it will require an effort for them to get to the camp-meeting make a note of these things.

WM. COVERT.

WISCONSIN Camp-Meeting

The Ladysmith camp-meeting, Aug. 22 to 27, will be an important meeting, and there are prospects of a good attendance. We purpose having tents pitched sufficient to accommodate all who come. There will also be a dining-tent and and grocery for the benefit of the campers. All should bring bedding and a good supply of wraps, as there may be some cool evenings. The meeting will continue only five days, therefore, come Tuesday in order to to be present at the first meeting. Bring your "Hymns and Tunes," and "Christ in Song." The first service will be Tuesday, the 22d, at 7:30 P. M. We will talk with you further during this meeting. W. H. THURSTON.

Field Notes

On my return from the southern part of the State, I spent one day at the office, and on the fourth inst. I went to Moon where I remained over Sabbath and Sunday. I held five public services and a meeting for counsel with the churchmembers.

It has been ten years since I visited the Moon church, and many changes have taken place during this time. The meetings were well attended, and all were encouraged by the study of the Word and the church and conference work. Some outside interest is manifested, and as the church lives the truth and engages in true missionary work, others will be added to their numbers.

"Ministry of Healing" is being sold by some, and all are encouraged and urged to have an active part in selling the book. As we put forth efforts to help others we are thereby helped ourselves and all are encouraged. "Go ye also into the vineyard and labor." W. H. THURSTON.

Washburn

As mentioned in my last report, I came to Washburn to assist Elder C. Edwardson and Brother S. Sorenson in a tent effort. The brethren were having a good attendance, but, the tent was a little to one side of the city, and the sidewalks were poor, and no city lights, so the people insisted that we move. We were offered a good place by the side of a church, with the privilege of the use of the church when the weather gets cold; so we leased the place for three months. The attendance seems to be still better here, and now while we have the people we hope and pray that the Lord may give us grace to so present the truth that souls may be saved in the kingdom of God. Pray for the work at Washburn.

JOHN HOFFMAN.

The German Work in Portage

Sabbath, July 29, five souls were baptized in Portage and received into the church. Three of them were Germans. Since last January, Sister John Armitage has been engaged

in general missionary work in this place. As a result of her faithful efforts, three have taken their stand for the truth. Two of them-a German lady and her son-were baptized, the other one will be baptized later. Others are interested. Two of the girls who were brought into the truth as a result of faithful home training were also baptized. One of the German brethren who was baptized, had heard of the truth years ago, and as a result of the German meetings conducted at the camp-meeting in Portage this year, he began to keep his first Sabbath. The German laborers at the camp-meeting were Elders Schultz, Weber, Haffner, Steuckrath, and Brother Drews. Three other Germans are keeping the Sabbath, but do not yet see the necessity of baptism. We do not have a very large attendance, but those who do attend manifest a deep interest in the subjects presented. In conclusion we say: Some have planted, others have watered, and God gives the increase. Read I Cor. 3: 6-8. Please pray for the work in Portage. MARTIN STEUCKRATH.

LOUIS DREWS.

Wisconsin Conference Proceedings

The 41st annual session of the Wisconsin Conference was held in connection with the camp⁻meeting at Portage, Wisconsin, June 8–18, 1911. Eight conference business meetings were held which were well attended.

At the first meeting, the delegates present were seated, and the conference president rendered his report. The churches of Cumberland and Beloit were received into the conference, the former having a membership of eighteen, and the latter of seventeen. It was voted that the Chair should appoint the standing committees which were as follows:—

Committee on Nominations: J. E. Patterson (chairman), L. M. Johnson, James Peterson, W. N. Perham, John Steinel.

Committee on Plans: C. L. Stone (chairman), J. W. Hopkins, H. W. Reed, L. E. Wellman, John Hoffman, Miss Mable Cutler, Mrs. Mary Howell, Frank Halderson, and A. W. Hallock.

Committee on Credentials and Licenses: W. H. Thurston (chairman), P. M. Hanson, Martin Steuckrath, Allen Moon, and W. W. Stebbins.

Committee on Finance: P. L. Larson (chairman), John Cutler, and P. M. Hanson.

The Committee on Nominations submitted their report at the fifth meeting of the conference held Wednesday, June 14. The report as adopted is as follows:—

President of Wisconsin Conference, W. H. Thurston; Secretary-Treasurer of Wisconsin Conference, John McReynolds. Executive Committee: W. H. Thurston, J. H. Hoffman, C. L. Stone, B. L. Post, W. N. Perham, P. C. Hanson, and J. E. Patterson.

Members of the Wisconsin Conference Association: W. H. Thurston, president; J. C. McReynolds, secretary and treasurer; other members,-J. H. Hoffman, James Peterson, Alex. Paton.

Secretary and Treasurer of Wisconsin Tract Society, Mable Cutler; field missionary agent, Frank Halderson; secretary of Wisconsin Sabbath-schools, Mrs. Mary Howell; superintendent of young people's work and educational secretary, Frances Case; religious liberty secretary, H. W Reed.

Medical Missionary Board: (to fill vacancies), Peter Hanson of Knapp; and Frank Elwell from Cassville.

Bethel School Board: (new members) John Cutler, J. C. McChesney, and S. M. Christianson.

Clearwater Lake School Board: F. Stebbeds, H. Peterson, S. C. Hannon, W. H. Thurston, and E. A. Tyler.

Trustees of the Milwaukee Church: G. M. Pflugradt, John Steinel, and Theodore Scharffenberg.

Camp-meeting Committee: A. Belding, Geo. Tamminga, Geo. Sutherland, C. Coberly and Jas. Peterson.

Walderly School Board: C. W. Hess, A. W. Hallock, and J. H. Hoffman, for three years; Miss Rosma Whalen and P. E. Sheppler, for two years; W. H. Thurston and P. M. Hanson, for one year.

Licenses and Credentials

Credentials: W. H Thurston, W. W. Stebbins, J. H. Hoffman, T. G. Lewis, C. Edwardson, P. M. Hanson, Byron Post, C. L. Stone, D. H. Oberholtzer, H. W. Reed, M. Stuckrath, L. E. Wellman.

Honorary Credentials: J. B. Scott, F. Stebbeds, W. S. Shreve, J. C. Nielsen.

Ministerial License: P. C. Hanson, Louis Drews, Israel Hill, E. E Trowbridge, and S. Sorenson.

Missionary Licence: J. Steinel, Sue Jones, Mable Wampole, Frank Halderson, Esther Anderson, Mrs. Flora Post, Bertha Phelps, Emelia Roberson, Mrs. Mary Howell, Mable Cutler, A. J. Olsen, Mrs. Mary Snow, J. C. McReynolds, Agathe Johnson, Mrs. T. O. Ritchie, and Miss Frances Case.

Medical Missionary License: J .W. Hopkins, M. D.; Mrs. Roxetta Runck, M. D.; Miss Grace Jennings, and Miss Kate Macey.

Plans and Resolutions

1. As God's prospering hand has been with us since our last conference at Grand Rapids, in bringing souls into the truth, strengthening our finances, and guarding the lives and health of our workers, therefore, for this we would offer to our Heavenly Father our heartfelt thanks and do gladly consecrate ourselves and all we have to the cause we so dearly love.

2. *Resolved*, That we approve of the action taken at the Marshfield workers' meeting to pay 10 per cent of our tithe to the General Conference and 5 per cent to the Sustentation Fund.

3. *Resolved*, That we approve of the action of the conference committee to establish a Bible Workers' Training-school in Milwaukee and that we express our willingness to sustain the same.

Further, that we encourage young women of mature age and Christian experience to connect with the school, especially those who are capable of laboring in other languages besides the English.

Whereas there are some churches which have not been visited for several years; therefore,—

4. We recommend, That the conference committee arrange so that the churches shall be visited at least once a year by some experienced minister.

Inasmuch as "the Sabbath-school work is one of God's greatest instrumentalities for the salvation of souls," which should be our only object in life; and,—

Whereas the demand for workers and means in the Lord's harvest-field is very great and constantly increasing; and,-

Whereas our young people need a missionary training which many of them must largely obtain in our Sabbathschools, both as students and as workers therein; therefore

5. *Resolved*, That the recommendations regarding Sabbathschool work, presented and unanimously adopted by this conference at a business session held in Grand Rapids, Wis. in September 1910, be read by the conference secretary at this meeting, and that they be again endorsed and our people further encouraged to more fully carry out the same.

In harmony with some practical counsel received by letter from Elder W. C. White,—

6. We recommend, That the conference terminate the agreement with the teachers of Walderly school, and that an equitable settlement be made with said teachers through the conference committee.

We turther recommend, That the conference at this session elect a board of seven members to take the oversight of this school; three members to serve for a term of three years; two members to serve for a term of two years; and two for the term of one year.

Whereas the District of Columbia being the seat of the National Government; and,-

Whereas for years well defined cumpaigns have been prosecuted by religious forces to secure from Congress recognition of the sanctity of Sunday, in addition to a religious amendment to the Constitution of the United States, all of which constitutes legislation affecting both the District of Columbia and the entire country; and,—

Whereas at this particular time religious legislation is pending in Congress, against which the Constitution proscribes; and,—

Whereas there is in the State of Wisconsin a constant and growing demand for Sunday laws which constitute religious legislation; therefore,—

7. *Resolved*, That in view of these things, we awaken as never before to the work of enlightening the people concerning the principles of religious liberty, and that we organize a strong, agressive campaign in all of our churches in our conference for the circulation of petitions protesting against said proposed legislation, and for the circulation of literature upon the subject in order that the people may be educated upon the principles underlying this important question.

Resolved, Further, that we use our best endeavors for a larger circulation of the journal, *Liberty*, and the leaflets which are published in the interests of maintaining liberty for all.

Resolved, Further, that as far as consistent and practicable that religious liberty programs be carried out in various parts of the conference somewhat as we now carry out temperance programs.

Whereas the Lord's blessings have been with our faithful canvassers and colporteurs during the past year; therefore,—

8. We offer to Him our sincere gratitude and renew our efforts as conference laborers, church officers and laymen, to encourage many more to enter this line of service.

We would especially recommend our young people to avail themselves of the scholarship plan of selling our subscription books and magazines in order to gain a practical Christian education for usefulness in the Lord's work.

Whereas it was voted last year to raise \$2,000 toward building a house of worship in the city of Superior; and,—

Whereas there is great need for such a building, toward which only \$300 has been raised; therefore,—be it

9. *Resolved*, That we all give toward that work until the \$2,000 is collected.

Whereas, the LAKE UNION HERALD has been launched and used as a medium to bind our Union Conference together; therefore,—

10. *Resolved*, That we all heartily support this paper by our reports and subscriptions.

11. Resolved, That we maintain a high standard of work in our primary schools, and that our teachers be urged to attend the summer schools held for their benefit.

The report of the conference treasurer and of the other departments will appear in a later issue.

JOHN C. MCREVNOLDS, Secretary.

NORTHERN ILLINOIS

Don't Miss the Aurora Camp-Meeting

Come to this meeting to seek the Lord. Come to hear the good preaching and the stirring missionary reports that are to be given by Elder Daniells and others, pertaining to the work in Turkey and Russia, and in all the great, wide, white harvest field. Come to meet with and to fellowship the dear friends who will be there. Come to unstring the business tension and give yourself a needed vacation from the daily routine of worldly affairs. Come to see the beautiful park, where for a few days we are to rest and praise the Lord.

It will do your whole nature good to see the green grass, the bright flowers, and lovely trees in our camp, for these speak to us of God. Come to welcome the new churches into the conference and the new born friends into our ranks. Come in the power of the Spirit. Come that your attending angel may bring more of heaven to our meeting. Come with your hearts full of truth and your whole nature warmed with courage in the Lord. I plead that you do not fail to come. WM. COVERT.

Progress of the Work

The interest in all five of the tent-meetings now in progress in this conference, continues good. Some are embracing the truth in these meetings.

We get word that all the members of the newly organized church in Joilet will attend the Aurora camp-meeting Four tents are wanted by them for the meeting. We wish all our older churches would be as well represented on the campground as this new one.

Brother J. M. Burdick baptized ten persons, Sabbath, Aug. 5, in the baptistry at 213 Oak Street, Chicago. These joined the Chicago North Side church. Some of them were students in the union church-school of the North Side, and others had recently embraced the truth through the agency of Bible work. The services on the occasion of the baptism were very interesting. WM. COVERT.

Freeport Tent-Meetings

[By permission we send in for publication the following report from a letter received from Elder F. J. Harris, dated July 31, 1911. TRACT SOCIETY.]

"We are exceedingly busy this week. We are having a splendid attendance and interest in our tent-meetings now. We are just beginning on the Sabbath question. We spoke last evening on the relation of the law of God to the gospel. Very close attention was given by the hearers. Much of the Spirit of the Lord was in our meeting. When we asked for all those who wanted to be commandment-keepers, ready to meet Jesus when He comes, and were going to try to do this, about twenty-five hands went up. Several of these had not been making a profession of Christianity until this time. Our hearts were all rejoicing at the close of the meeting. It looks as though we would yet see some good accomplished here."

Books! Books!! Books!!!

Were ever a people more blessed with good books than we? I believe not. If you don't believe it, hunt up the book-tent at the Aurora camp-meeting, and examine for yourself the wealth of books that will be on sale. Books for young and old, and in bindings to suit every taste and pocket-book.

Considering the life saving truths our literature contains, it seems to me that not one should leave the camp-ground without taking home a supply to distribute among his friends and neighbors. We will do all we can to make this possible by making some very liberal discounts. For example, we will allow a discount of 40 per cent on subscription books, 25 per cent on home workers' books, and 20 per cent on Bibles. We will have a good supply of tracts and pamphlets.

Come prepared to renew your subscription to any of our good periodicals, and to subscribe for any you may not be taking now. A plentiful supply of samples will be on hand.

Let me tell you some good news. We are to have a new book-tent this year. It will be much larger than the little tent we have used for the last ten years. So we are planning to make the book-tent a very attractive and interesting place. Visit us often, we will be there to serve you.

H. E. MOON, Sec'y.

Experience of a Canvasser

I was canvassing a man this week who seemed to be little interested in the book I was showing him. His wife came in and said they had so many books, and did not need any more. It almost seemed useless to hope for an order, but I asked the Lord to give me words to speak that would arouse their interest in the book. Just then I turned to the "Eastern Question," and showed them the situation as it is to-day. I told them how the Bible has foretold the outcome of this great crisis, and how God is still overruling in the affairs of men to bring about the triumph of His will. This seemed to arouse the man's attention, and after showing him further topics of interest I closed my canvass and he gave me his order without any hesitation. As I was arising to leave, the man told me to come with him, for he wanted his son to have one of the books also. In a few words I gave the boy a general idea of what the book contained. I took his order also, the boy taking one in English and the father one in German.

I thank God for having answered my prayer in this particular instance, for I know it was only the Spirit of God that gave me the right words to speak, because usually I hardly touch on the Eastern Question. The Lord certainly is good in His dealings with men and for that reason I am glad for the privilege of telling others about it.

EDWIN THIELE.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS Among the Churches

July 20, I visited Findlay where Elder Stureman and Brother Swartz have been holding tent-meetings. I found a fair interest, and some had begun the observance of the Sabbath. We hope that others will take their stand. Elder Bliss is taking Elder Stureman's place while he is attending the Indiana and North Michigan meetings.

From Findlay I went to Stewardson where we had good meetings Friday evening and Sabbath. In the afternoon we observed the ordinances of the Lord's house and were blest with His presence. Several from the Kingman church were present, and the evening after the Sabbath I accompanied Brother Russell home, and held a meeting in the Kingman church. There was a good outside attendance. I was glad to find the brethren here had interested one family in the truth, and they were observing the Sabbath. I held a Bible reading with them Sunday morning on the spirit of prophecy and the two laws; they are seeking after more truth. Another family there is interested, and intend to send their children to the Sabbath-school. In the afternoon a business meeting was held at Stewardson.

Sabbath, July 29, I met with the Second Springfield church. I was glad to find them of good courage. Their new church building is completed, and fitly represents the truth. Several expressed themselves that as they were about to enter a new house of worship they desired to have their hearts made new by reconsecration.

I visited the Decatur church, Sabbath, Aug. 5, and was glad for the privilege of baptizing three. Others are ready for the service but ci cumstances prevented their being baptized, but they will go forward in this ordinance later. One of the candidates accepted the truth as a result of reading "Daniel and Revelation."

It is but a short time until our camp-meeting. The tent orders are coming in, and the prospects are for a large meeting. I trust that each one is making preparation of heart, and earnestly seeking the Lord for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit. The Lord blesses these meetings by His presence.

E. A. BRISTOL.

WEST MICHIGAN

Notes from the Canvassing Field

The canvassers continue to report courage and progress. Several have been delivering the past week, and they found many of their customers anxiously waiting for their books. Will the canvasser see souls saved as the result of his efforts? "'He that goeth forth with weeping, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." Ps. 126:6

Miss Louise Chambers, who is canvassing in Grand Rapids, writes: "I know if I only remain humble, God has great things in store for me. The thought has come to me so forcibly the last few days,—Through all eternity we shall never again have the precious privilege that we have to-day of winning perishing souls to Christ. Since I entered this work, I begin to see in every unsaved person with whom I come in contact, a possible jewel for the Master and a star for my crown."

Miss Gladys McDill, who has earned her scholarship for Emmanuel Missionary College, writes: "The work grows more interesting each day. Instead of waiting in fear and trembling at the door, after ringing the bell, I now become eager to enter, that I may show the precious book I have learned to love so well. It is never a task, but a delightful privilege to give a canvass for "Great Controversy," and we are sometimes made to wonder at the way the Lord makes ways for us, and opens hearts so that we may speak a word in season. The task is ever new, ever full of wonderful realities."

Brother Buck, who took over \$50 worth of orders last week writes: "I am more than filled with joy, for what the Lord has done for me the past week. I now feel positive that the Lord intends to give me a scholarship, and was merely testing me for a time. I feel ashamed to think how I became discouraged. The Lord is good to give me a part in this blessed work."

"And about the eleventh hour he went out, and found others standing idle, and saith unto them. . . . Go ye also into the vineyard; and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive." Matt. 20: 6, 7.

J. H. MCEACHERN.

EAST MICHIGAN Important Notice

All desiring tents for use at the Oxford camp-meeting, Sept. 7-17, should send in orders to the conference office at as early a date as possible. The usual rate of \$2.50 will be charged. In ordering it will be well to state if a floor or part floor is desired. The conference will not take the responsibility of securing rooms. That we may know how to provide the tents that will be needed, please order at once.

E. K. SLADE.

H. A. WEAVER.

Musicians for Camp-Meeting

I shall be glad to hear from everyone who has ability the sing or play an instrument, and who expects to attend the camp-meeting at Oxford, Sept. 7-17. To all such a hearty invitation is extended to come prepared to take part in either the choir or orchestra.

The singing at camp-meeting is an important factor in making the meetings a success and blessing, and emphasis is laid on this fact by the spirit of prophecy. Only those whose hearts are in the message and who love the Lord's appearing are wanted in the choir and orchestra.

1419 Lapeer Ave., Port Huron, Mich.

When any one has offended me, I try to raise my soul so high that the offense cannot reach it.—Descartes.

[&]quot;Always act as if you believed God were present, and that you must give an account to Him."

News Notes

Just three weeks until camp-meeting. Have you ordered your tent?

Elder Slade spent last Sabbath with the tent company at Pinconning.

Elder Slade attended the workers' meeting at the Institute in Detroit, August 3.

Brethren Beebe and Hiner visited the churches at Jackson, Rives, Leslie, and Bunker Hill.

Elder Sandborn reports that people are accepting the truth at Flint as a result of the tent effort there.

Miss Mildred Helzer, who is selling the *Signs* Magazine in Saginaw, has already ordered 1,100 copies of the August number. She says: "I am having good success."

Our canvassers, without exception, write us that they are having blessed experiences in the work. After Brother Van Fossen had canvassed a lady for "Daniel and Revelation," she asked, with tears in her eyes, why he did not go to the churches and explain those things she had heard from him.

To Our Correspondents

Look through your article and see if you have not in different parts practically told the same thing twice. If you have, draw your pen through one of the statements.

Don't say, "I want to thank the Lord for His blessings." Say, "I thank the Lord." Do not waste paper, ink and time in writing such a statement as this,—"Let me tell you about," etc. Instead of that, start in at once and tell whatever you wish to say.

Do not say, "I lead five dear souls down to the wave, and buried them with their Lord in baptism." Say, "I baptized five persons." The more facts you can crowd into few words, the better the article, usually.

Do not use a big word if a small one can be readily found that will express your thought.

If you are engaged in tent work, do not write about the "mammoth pavilion." Just say tent, and everybody will know what you mean.

Lastly, do not take offense at this article but consider that it is written with the desire to help. -T. H. Jeys, in Gospel Herald.

You Have What They Need

"Ah, my friends," wrote the Rev. F. B. Meyer, "listen to the roar of the Niagara of human souls pouring moment after moment into the unseen, without God and without hope. Remember that each one is as sensitive to joy or sorrow, of hope and fear, as you are yourself; remember that *you* have that which they need as urgently as the starving need bread, and then consider if you cannot sympathize in the vehemence of the apostle's passionate desire to carry them the gospel: 'Necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel! For if I do this thing willingly, I have a reward.'"

Evil Speaking

Keep clear of personalities in conversation. Talk of things, objects, thoughts. The smallest minds occupy themselves with persons. Do not needlessly report ill of others. As far possible, dwell on the good side of human beings. There are family boards where a constant process of depreciating, assigning motives, and cutting up character goes forward. They are not pleasant places. One who is healthy does not wish to dine at a dissecting table. There is evil enough in man. But it is not the mission of every man and woman to detail and report it all. Keep the atmosphere as pure as possible, and fragrant with gentleness and charity.—*Selected*.

Obituaries

UNDERWOOD.—Mrs. Minerva Z. Underwood, of Decatur, Mich., was born October 28, 1828. At an early age she accepted of the views of Seventh-day Adventists, and ever after lived a consistent Christian life. The church at Decatur will miss her presence at their meetings, for she was always there. She died at the home of her daughter, July 25, 1911, at the ripe old age of eighty-two years. She leaves five children to mourn their loss. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer and the Methodist minister of the place.

S. E. WIGHT.

SAXTON.—Martha Ann Nichols-Saxton was born Jan. 20, 1839, at Spring Arbor, Mich., and died at her home in Mecosta, Mich., Aug. 1, 1911. At the age of seventeen she was converted under the labors of Elder J. B. Frisbie, uniting with the Seventh-day Adventist Church to which she has ever been faithful. She was married to Wm. M. Saxton, Dec. 10, 1861. She leaves to mourn, her husband, a daughter, a son, a sister, and a brother, also a large circle of friends. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from II Cor. 9: 15. We laid her to rest in Mount Hope Cemetery to await the coming of the Life-giver.

R. U. GARRETT.

"An aim takes the drudgery out of life, scatters doubts to the winds, and clears up the gloomiest creeds."

Notices

WANTED.—An Adventist man to work on the farm for four months, commencing Sept. 1. If satisfactory, will hire by the year. Good wages to the right man. Write at once if interested. E. E. Patton, Morrisonville, Wis.

NOTICE.—We can now furnish the best grade of Cooking Oil for \$4 per 5-gallon can. Send in your order before the price advances again. Order of East Michigan Tract Society, Holly, Mich.

FARM TO LET ON SHARES.—Eighty acres, good land, good buildings and water, fruit, well stocked with cows, sheep, and poultry. Seven and one-half miles north of Grand Ledge, Mich. Write to E. K. Slade, Holly, Michigan.

WINTER PEARS FOR SALE.—Keiffer, No. 1, \$2.25 per barrel; Clairgiau, No. 1, \$3 per barrel. Prices on board cars, Berrien Springs. Orders will be filled in the order received. Emmanuel Missionary College, Fruit Dept., Berrien Springs, Mich.

CANNED STRAWBERRIES.—No. 3. (full quart) lacquered cans, \$2 per dozen; No. 10, (so called gallon) lacquered cans, \$7 per dozen. Bartlett pears, No. 3, lacquered cans, \$2 per dozen; sting beans, No. 3 cans (2 dozen in case) \$1.25 per dozen. All goods guaranteed. Emmanuel Missionary College, Fruit Dept., Berrien Springs, Mich.

Wabash Valley Sanitarium Training-School

It is the plan of the Wabash Valley Sanitarium at La-Fayette, Ind., to admit a large number of ladies and gentlemen who desire to take the nurses' course, commencing this fall. Only those who have consecrated themselves to God's service and wish further preparation for usefulness need apply. Send for catalogue, application blank, and all particulars, if interested. Class starts Oct. 1. Address Wabash Valley Sanitarium Training-School for Nurses, LaFayette, Indiana.

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Mrs. Lou Kirby-Curtis	-	-	-	-	Editor

Several thousand September magazines going out to Signs agents to-day, August, 4. An extra early edition on account of August edition being entirely sold out July 31. The September magazine is a good one, especially for the cities. Our agents appreciate getting them early. Let us work fast. Things move in a hurry these days. Signs agents are getting the spirit of the day. Send in your orders to the tract society at once. This number of the Signs is certainly the "Magazine with the Message.'

The Washington Foreign Mission Seminary Announcement

A very neatly gotten up "Announcement" of the work of the Washington Foreign Mission Seminary for 1911-12 has come to our desk. It tells of a work that ought to bring joy to the heart of every Advent believer,-the thorough preparation of laborers to carry the message to the great heathen and Mohammedan lands of the world. The Seminary has launched out on some very vigorous and practical lines of work,-field training for ministers, Bible workers, and others, the thorough study of special mission fields by those who are going to those fields, and special emphasis on the training of missionaries along medical lines. The Washington Sanitarium nurses' dormitory has been converted into a hospital where our own people and others can be treated at a low rate, while all the school work at Takoma Park is now to be done under the auspices of the Seminary. An excellent postgraduate course for nurses is offered. For copies of this Announcement, and for application blanks for entrance, address M. E. Kern, President, Takoma Park Station, Washington, D. C.

"A strong purpose holds you down to your task, and shuts out a thousand temptations to wander away from your legitimate sphere."

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