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

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Over and Over Again

Over and over again, no matter which way I turn, I always find in the Book of Life some lessons I have

- to learn. I must take my turn at the mill, I must grind out the golden grain,
- I must work at my task with a resolute will, over and over again.

We cannot measure the need of even the tiniest flower, Nor check the flow of the golden sands that run through a single hour:

- But the morning dew must fall, and the sun and the summer rain
- Must do their part, and perform it all over and over again.
- Over and over again the brook through the meadow flows,

Over and over again the pond'rous mill wheel goes; Once doing will not suffice, though doing be not in vain:

- And a blessing failing us once or twice may come if we try again.
- The path that has once been trod is never so rough to the feet;
- And the lesson we once have learned is never so hard to repeat.
- Though sorrowful tears may fall, and the heart to its depths be riven
- With storm and tempest, we need them all to render us meet for heaven. -Selected.

The Deacon

The office of deacon was not created for the Christian Church in the days of the apostles, but was one of long standing. Like that of the office of elder, the office of deacon had its origin in the church in the wilderness, and was made prominent on the arrival of Israel at the promised land.

The gold and silver and other precious things taken in conquest were brought into the Lord's treasury, and were consecrated to the Lord. Josh. 6:19. When they became established in Canaan, Israel built storehouses in which to store the tithes of the people for the support of the Levites. The tithe was most sacred because it was the Lord's, and He gave it to the Levites who were His ministers, engaged in a sacred work. Because of the sacred character of the tithe and the sacredness of the work it was designed to support, some of the Levites were ordained in solemn manner to act

as gatherers and distributers of this sacred fund, as well as guardians of other dedicated things. Neh. 12:44; 13:13; 2 Chron. 31:11, 12. (The word "appoint" in the Old Testament is the same as "ordain" in the New.)

The Levites after receiving the tithes of all the people paid a tithe of all to the high priest, and the tabernacle or temple, to provide for the service of the same. Some of the Levites were ordained to act as treasurers for the fund provided in this way for the sanctuary. Some of them had charge of the vessels of ministry, and prepared the fine flour and the oil and spices for the ministry. These same men also prepared the shewbread to be placed on the table every Sabbath. 1 Chron. 9:26-30. (By using your reference Bible you may readily turn to many similar passages.) The handling of the sacred funds was regarded as sacred ministry.

While the term "treasurer" is used in the Old Testament as applying to these officers, they are spoken of as "deacons" in the New. This word signifies one who ministers about temporal things.

The apostles, being Jews, simply followed the Lord's arrangement, and ordained men to minister in temporal things, while they themselves continued to minister in word and doctrine. Acts 6:3, 4. There can be no question as to the origin of this office, since the duties of the deacon, as set forth in the New Testament, are identical with those of the men who handled the tithes and offerings in Israel. The name "deacon" comes from the Greek, and has the same significance as the name given to the men who ministered to the wants of the Levites from God's storehouse, or those who served the sanctuary.

This, in brief, is the Scriptural conception of the deacon's office. Tradition and custom have so changed the work of the deacon as to leave to that office little more than that of an assistant of the elder at the communion service. If men were chosen with the same regard for their Christian character, integrity, and business ability, as in the days of the apostles, and were solemnly set apart for the work of handling the Lord's money, as of old, it would inspire confidence, and add a strength that is lacking when this work is not regarded as a part of the sacred ministry, but rather as a mere business transaction. ALLEN MOON.

Begin Now

Begin now to make your offering in behalf of the religious liberty work, which is to be taken up Sabbath, February 24, 1912, and make it the largest you have ever given:

1. Because it is the only general offering that is to be given the Department for its work during the year;

2. Because the forces which are arrayed against the cause of religious freedom are rapidly increasing;

3. Because ours is the only association that stands in defense of the true principles of religious freedom;

4. Because to us is committed the special message of warning against a union of church and state;

5. Because, by enlightening the people, their liberties may be the longer preserved and the hand of persecution stayed;

6. Because men of prominence and others may obtain a knowledge of the everlasting gospe), and through it be saved in Christ's everlasting kingdom;

7. Because funds are required to place the new, revised

edition of "American State Papers" in the hands of State legislators and other public officials and in the libraries of the country;

8. Because means are needed with which to give a wider distribution to the magazines *Liberty* and *Protestant* and other literature;

9. Because of the rapidly increasing number of special issues arising in different States throughout the country, which must be met by us by the distribution of specially prepared literature, and lectures, mass meetings, etc.;

10. Because the annual offering is now divided equally among the General, the Unicn, and the local conference Religious Liberty Departments for the purpose of effectively carrying forward the work throughout the field.

> K. C. RUSSELL, Secretary Religious Liberty Association.

Northern Illinois Conference

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Shall We Move the Chicago Office?

The conference in session voted, I am told, to move the office from Chicago sometime ago, and at the Battle Creek institute in November 1911, the Northern Illinois Conference Committee took action on the same and appointed a committee of three,—Elder Wm. Covert, H. E. Moon, and G. E. Langdon—for the purpose of looking up a location in the outskirts of the city, and with power to act.

The committee have been looking about since then as time would permit. They have found a place at 3645 Ogden Avenue that seems to be a very favorable location and pleases all who have seen it. It is over the city sub-post-office, Hawthorn station, opposite a bank, one block from express office, one-half block from Douglas Park "L" station, "Lawndale," and one block north of 22d Street car line, Millard Avenue. The Ogden Avenue car passes the door. We are thinking quite strongly of taking this location as it is convenient of access from all parts of the city.

At a meeting of the Chicago workers last Monday, January 29, all voted that it met their mind to move the office to the outskirts of the city.

It is very convenient to have the office where it is now for several reasons, but those who work in the office find it very dingy, smoky, and lacking in room. The expense in rent and in car fare will be greatly reduced by securing rooms on the outside of the congested center.

The following lines from a letter written sometime ago for the Chicago work by the servant of the Lord, will make it apparent to all that some steps should be taken.

G. E. LANGDON.

Chicago Work

At the time that I saw this representation, scenes that would soon take place in Chicago, and other large cities also passed before me. As wickedness increased, and the protecting power of God was withdrawn, there were destructive winds and tempests; buildings were destroyed by fire and shaken down by earthquakes.

When Dr. Paulson showed me the location that had been secured for sanitarium work at Hinsdale, I was thoroughly pleased, for this place answered to the representation that had been given me of places that would be obtained by our people for sanitarium work outside the large-cities. Time will show that such properties as this can be used to far greater advantage than *buildings in Chicago*; for the wickedness of Chicago is as the wickedness of Sodom and Gomorrah. It was also represented to me that there were other places near Chicago, but away from the city, which the Lord would have His people secure. There are souls to be reached. The message must be proclaimed! This is the light that has been given to me.

I have been given a representation of the preaching of the word of truth with clearness and power in many places where it has never yet been heard. The Lord would have the people warned; for a great work will be done in a short time. I have heard the Word of God proclaimed in many localities outside the city of Chicago. There were many voices proclaiming the truth with great power. That which they proclaimed was not fanciful theories but the warning message. While the solid truth of the Bible came from the lips of men who had no fanciful theories, or misleading science to present, there were others who labored with all their power to bring in false theories regarding Christ. And miracles were wrought, to deceive, if possible, the very elect.

I heard the message proclaimed in power by men who had not been educated in Battle Creek. Among those who were engaged in the work, were young men taken from the plow and from the fields, and sent forth to preach the truth as it is in Jesus. Unquestioning faith in the Lord God of heaven was imparted to those who were called and chosen. "All this," said my Instructor, "is a parable of what should be and what will be."

For the present, some will be obliged to labor in Chicago, but these should be preparing working-centers in rural districts, from which to work the city. The Lord would have His people looking about them, and securing humble, inexpensive places as centers for their work. And from time to time, larger places will come to their notice, which they will be able to secure at a surprisingly low price.

ELLEN G. WHITE.

Sanitarium, Calif., March 20, 1906.

Elders' Meeting

On account of severe weather and grippe, several of the elders were not in attendance, but those who came expressed themselves as well repaid for coming together for the study of plans and questions for the churches.

The instructions given by Elder Moon were just the studies we need as ministers and local elders. A good spiritual awakening was experienced by all. The hearty responses heard from time to time, well indicated the interest in, and appreciation of the instructions given. Elder Moon spoke Sabbath forenoon, illustrating the necessity of the church being the 'light of the world' in Christ, and not being dependent upon the ministry, but leave them to push out into new fields. I trust we shall all follow this timely advice that many new places may hear the last message, that many others may be added to the fold.

Elder E. A. Bristol could not remain with us as he was called to Peoria at the beginning of our meeting, which we regretted very much.

Sabbath-School Convention

A Sabbath-school convention was held Sabbath afternoon. Mrs. Allen Moon told us of the influence and importance of the Sabbath-school work. The duties of teachers, superintendent, and secretary were discussed by Mrs. H. A. Bollman, J. W. Cummings, and Edith Shepard. Miss Bertha Lofstad told a model story to the children. Some excellent music was kindly furnished. The question box suggested many helpful ideas. The large South Church was well filled.

The teachers' institute opened Saturday evening, and continued on Sunday. The model classes in Bible and physiology, taught by Misses May Warren, Lulu Haygood, and Edith Shepard were an interesting feature, Professor Straw and Mrs. Moon gave some helpful instruction. We trust that the elders and friends became so enthusiastic for Christian education that they will encourage its advancement in our conference.

Board Meeting

The Fox River Academy Board met at Sheridan, January 16, 17, to plan work for the coming school year. The operating department shows considerable gain, but it has been necessary to use the gain in necessary improvements. The school is doing well, and the outlook is very encouraging for a large enrollment the coming year.

The board voted improvements last year to the amount of \$1,000. The improvements have been made, but the money has not come in. If all our people in Northern Illinois would take up the offering of two per cent of their earnings, as many are doing, it would bring our school up to a high standard and free from debt. Have you been reading Elder Moon's articles in the LAKE UNION HERALD how God's people prospered in this work in olden times? It is God's plan.

Are there not some brethren or sisters, who have it in their hearts to do good with their money, who will lend a thousand dollars, or less, to the conference for the school, for a year or so, at a low rate of interest? When our possessions are confiscated, it will be a great satisfaction to know they have been placed in the Lord's work and have helped to accomplish His will in fitting young men and young women for work in His vineyard. Please write to the Northern Illinois office if you would like to help now in this noble enterprise for the education of the youth and the salvation of souls. G. E. LANGDON.

Tri-City Sanitarium News Notes

Mr. F. J. Nye of Princeton, who has been with us before, is a patient at the sanitarium.

These are busy days for the nurses in training and their instructors. Aside from caring for the patients, they are having about fifty classes a week.

Mr. R. F. Just of Good Thunder, Minn., recently spent a week visiting in Moline. Mr. Just was at one time employed as a nurse at the sanitarium.

. Dr. Estella Norman gave a health lecture before the Frances Willard W. C. T. U. January 22. It was very much appreciated by those who were in attendance.

Mrs. H. H. Colby, Mrs. August Melin, Mrs. Gny Rodgers, and Mrs. Bitter of Moline, and Miss Loretta Stone of Ottumaa, lowa, are recent surgical cases. All are improving nicely.

We are having quite a demand for nurses to attend outside cases. There are six nurses out at the present time. Miss Howland is nursing Rev. Alexander Smith in Rock Island. Rev. Smith is Superintendent of the Rock Island District of the M. E. Church.

Baby William Collier of Freeport has been a patient here for some months. He came to us when he was four months old, his weight being about six pounds, which was some less than his weight at birth. Since he began to improve in health, he has gained steadily, and at the present time is weighing nearly sixteen pounds. He has gained a favored place in the sanitarium family.

Southern Illinois Conference

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Canvassers' Experiences

(mislaid report)

E. L. Graham.—I am of good courage, and feel like pressing on. The Lord blessed me in my delivery. I lost only two orders from the farmers. I broke the rig I was using, just

as I was leaving Dalton City, Wednesday morning, and had to get another without any top, so I was out in a heavy rain unprotected. I would like to tell you of some of the good experiences I had in delivering, but cannot now.

Jerry Suda.—Last week I finished Saint Daniel and canvassed a day in another small town. I was welcome in many homes, and the people were eager to hear the message which the Lord has for them in this present generation.

R. J. Watson.—I put in three days at Brownstown this week. I did well and had some fine experiences. I called on the M. E. minister, and he gave me this recommendation: "I can conscientiously commend this book, 'Great Controversy,' as a work worthy to be placed in the library of every home." I could also see the Lord was with me in my delivery last week, although I had to drive all day in the rain. I expect to be at the institute. I am going to start the new year by canvassing. Pray that it may be a year of success in the Lord's work.

Summary of the Canvassing Work in Southern Illinois for 1911

Name	Book	Days	Hours	Orders	Value
Hugh Stearns	G. C.	148	1225	391	\$1334 40
Hugo Mitzelfelt		92	856	317	1037 75
E. L. Graham		205	1287	283	1052 80
J. A. Applegate		135	1138	274	819 80
W. E. Baily		162	979	257	771 50
J. E. Dent		119	820	228	733 00
Clarence Emerick		74	543	223	733 40
R. J. Watson	G. C.	83	646 '	133	554 10
W. H. Addis	D. R.	95	778	171	579 00
E. A. Craig		49	405	136	522 75
George M. Hicks		39	287	154	516 20
J. R. Howard		59	517	146	410 55
P. J. Wham		127		156	479 10
R. G. Lewis		58	492	96	303 50
F. S. Pearce		53	575	96	295 45
W. C. Stearns		53	517	82	258 95
Harry Summers		11	94	44	60 00
W. M. Vanderpool.		7	55	21	65 80
Allen Wollard		30	239	95	286 00
T. B. House		25	173	41	153 85
Jerry Suda	G. C.	9	65	23	85 65
Mrs. A. Reynolds		20	173		94 75
Cora Anderson		30	241	22	132 00
Mamie Zaring		40	156	120	180 45
Mrs. Mary DeWitt		44	331		197 60
Mrs. J. E. Dent		66	290	75	287 25
Hollis Nelson		34	331	68	213 00
H. C. Griffith		21	161	34	112 50
Mrs. Eva House		2	6	4	6 50
M. S. Grim	G. C.	45	290	62	251 90
Mrs. P. J. Wham		18	53	40	43 10
Marie Carle		1	8	7	10 50
H. L. Applegate		48	380	52	180 15
Deila Thompson		8	46	9	30 00
J. C. Applegate		28	190	16	51 00
Alfred Daniel		• 10	50	10	30 00
Irene Emerick	С.К.	2	8	· 11	12 50
J. O. Ferris		17	148	33	042 00
Mrs. W. H. Addis	С. К.	23	84	69	86 15
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News Notes

Elder Woodford spent a few days at Farmington last week. Elder Stureman held some meetings at Danville the past week. Elder Bristol met with the Second Springfield church Sabbath, January 27.

Elder Woodford conducted services at the First Spring-field church, Sabbath, the 27th.

Brother E. M. Fishell is assisting in the canvassers' institute now in session at the Fox River Academy.

Dr. A. R. Satterlee reports that one more lady has begun to keep the Sabbath at Danville and that they expect another to take her stand soon.

Brother Martin Grim of Peoria writes: "I am holding two Bible readings a week now. Quite a number of people were present Sunday afternoon."

Brother E. M. Fishell visited the German Seminary at Clinton, Mo., last week. He reports that several of the students will canvass in Southern Illinois next summer.

Brother E. L. Graham of Decatur writes that he is holding Bible readings with four or five persons who are almost ready to decide for or against the truth. He asks that we remember them in our prayers.

Brother J. E. Hanson audited the books of the Shelbyville church week before last. Meetings were held every night in the hall and a number of outsiders came, the attendance increasing every night. The members will follow up this work. A home missionary society was organized with Sister Bertha Smith as leader and Sister Mary Kelley as secretary.

East Michigan Conference

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Elwell

Sabbath, January 13, was a good day for the company at Elwell. Plans had been laid for Elder H. H. Burkholder and the writer to meet with them, at which time the quarterly and business meetings should be held, and the company organized into a church. Because of poor train service Elder Burkholder was compelled to cancel his appointment. The name "Elwell" was chosen by a vote of the members as the name for this church.

Sixteen precious souls entered into a covenant relationship with God, and a few others will join later by letter. These brethren plan to build a church this year. Remember this company at the throne of grace.

F. H. HOXIE.

Canvassers' Notes

W. J. Weatherbee—I was successful in delivering my books January 15; not so many but I think it was encouraging to deliver all of them.

F. W. Brainard—Every order I took last week was a direct answer to prayer. In nearly every case I lost the order, and then obtained it by prayer. I am not worthy of all God has done for me.

G. H. McClenathan-Regardless of the cold weather last week I obtained some orders. Two old bachelors I called on said, "It's no use coming in, we don't want any books," but after they looked at "Great Controversy," they ordered one in the \$4 binding.

Mrs. Bertha McClenathan—I received two orders from Catholics this week. In another case I called on a lady whose sewing machine was out of order; after repairing it for her, she gave me an order.

S. L. Kellogg—My courage is good and I am thankful to have even a small part in His work; I hope to get in more time next week.

Albert Nunamaker-My canvassing last week brought back to me the old-time spirit of my early experience. Truly God is willing to go before and prepare hearts to receive the message. I praise God that He has given me a part in the work, and my constant prayer that I may be kept humble.

A. V. Morrison—The Lord blesses me in the work, and I praise His name for it. I expect by His help to have a full report next week.

Frank M. Catlin—Because of a little act of kindness shown a man the other day, I obtained his order for "Daniel and Revelation."

H. M. Forshee—In the Adelphian Academy canvassers' band there are eighteen young men and women who are thinking seriously of canvassing during vacation. Our books are being selected and the study of the canvasses is about to begin. This will enable us to make the most of the canvassers' institute to be held at the academy, March 1 to 10 inclusive.

The writer had the privilege during the past two weeks of starting four canvassers. East Michigan has contributed a number of faithful workers to other fields. While we regret to lose such a faithful worker as Brother A. L. Van Fossen, we are glad that his talents may be multiplied as he takes up his duties as field missionary agent of the West Michigan Conference. We believe God will raise up workers for the home field and our ambition is to continue to develop workers for the cause. W. D. MOORE.

East Michigan Conference Summary of Canvassing Work for Year 1911

Name	Book	Hours	Value Orde		Value Hel		Tota Valu			e. r 8 urs
A. L. VanFossen	D.R.	1392	\$1435	00	\$102	70	\$1537	70	\$8	80
Mrs. Countryman	C.K.	569	578	50	266	30	844	80	11	92
F. W. Brainard	D.R.	911	675	00	73	35	748	35	7	36
O. D. Pettit	D.R.	680	622	00	15	50	637	50	6	96
M. D. Day	D.R.	288	498	00	32	40	530	4 0	14	72 ·
W. D. Moore	D.R.	289	424	00	31	10	455	10	12	80
Howard Wilcox	D.R.	577	385	00	27	75	412	75	5	68
Floyd E. Fish	D.R.	354	301	00	52	45	353	45	7	92
C.S.Countryman			290	50	50	35	340	85	7	20
Edwin Marietta	D.R.	330	282	00	30	85	312	85	7	52
Earnest Wonders	C.K.	563	231	75	34	30	266	05	3	76
C. J. Hartson	D.R.	241	238	00	22	00	260	00	8	56
Oscar Boismier	G.C.	268	183	00	66	45	249	45	7	44
Merrit Munger	D.R.	316	235	00	14	35	249	35	6	24
T. Summerville	D.R.	195	221	60	18	00	239	60	9	76
Clifton Day	D.R.	179	209	00	29	50	237	50	10	56
F. J. Rowland	D.R.	221	186	00	45	95	231	95	8	12
C. Lyman Clark	B.R.	300	208	00	9	85	217	85	5	76
Helen Medford	C.K.	287	177	50	5	25	182	75	5	44
B. F. Williams	G.C.	135	125	00	38	60	163	60	9	68
G. W. Hainer	D.R.	209	125	00	36	00	161	00	6	16
Olive Campbell	C.K.	349	97	50	63	25	160	75	3	68
W.S.Weatherbee	D.R.	223	141	00	17	00	158	00	5	60
A. E. McElmurry	D.R.	214	144	00	10	00	154	00	5	68
Claud Keiser	D.R.	193	131	00	18	50	149	50	6	48
Frank Pettit	D.R.	219	143	00	3	75	146	75	5	36
Mrs. B.R. Sheibe	C.K.	66	102	00	30	00	132	00	16	υ0 [`]
Mrs. M. J. Miller	H.M.	195	. 56	50	66	25	122	75	4	96
G. McClenathan	G.C.	60	85	00	5	25	90	25	12	00
Harrison Face	D.R.	187	66	00	24	00	90	00	3	60
L. A. Clinansmith	C.K.	212	66	00	16	25	82	25	3	40
A. V. Morrison	B.R.	60	72	00	2	90	74	90	9	92
Grace Martin	C.K.	15	54	50	9	60	64	10	34	16
Mrs. F. E. Fish	D.R.	92	50	00	11	50	61	50	5	38
Vina Stringer	P.G.	44	53	00			53	00	9	60
N. B. DeCamp	P.G.	123	48	00	4	50	52	50	3	36
Eva M. Russell	C.K.	209	39	50	12	00	51	50	1	92
H. G. Little	D.R.	50	44	90	3	25	47	25	7	52
Otilia Tasker	C.K.	41	21	20	6	00	27	50		36
Alden Hurd	G.C.	36	23	00	1	50	24	50	-	44
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Edward Schaupp	C.K.	35	22 00	1 00	23 00 5 28
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O. L. Britton	D.R.	86	12 00	8 75	
Philip Charlton	C.K.	23	17 50	3 00	20 50 7 12
Mrs. S. P. Utley	C.K.	56	12 75	5 25	18 00 2 40
C. L. Plague	D.R.	34	20 00	6 95	20 95 6 32
Mrs. C. Hartson	C.K.	26	10 00	3 25	13 25 4 00
Frank M. Catlin	D.R.	2 1 /2	12 00		12 00 38 40
Mrs. Weatherbee	B.F.	42	8 00	2 00	10 00 1 90
Mrs. A. S. Ford	C.K.	13	7 50	1 95	9 45 5 48
Mrs. McClenathar	n N.T.P	. 12		9 00	900 600
Margaret Dowe	C.K.	7	9 00		9 00 10 24
Mrs. M. C. Snow	B.F.	2	4 50		4 50 18 00
Mrs. S. Ironside	C.K.	8		3 25	3 25 3 25

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Average sales per day of eight hours, \$7.28.

With two or three exceptions our canvassers have had W. D. MOORE, Field Agent. splendid deliveries.

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Religious Liberty Offering

DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS:

Sabbath, February 24, is the day set for the annual religious liberty offering. Liberty is an inalienable right, given by God to all created intelligences. Until sin came into the world there was no slavery, bondage, nor curtailing of liberty. Sin and bondage are inseparable. The working of sin is to enslave, to domineer, to control both body and soul. The sinner promises liberty but is himself the servant of corruption.

The Lord has set His hand to liberate and give freedom to every believing, trusting soul. He calls upon us to aid Him in this work. This work is not done "by might, nor by power, but by the Spirit of the Lord." The adversary uses all manner of subtlety in connection with "might and power," the arm of the state.

Our petition work has served a noble purpose in holding in check national Sunday legislation. Sunday advocates say their bills have been defeated by the activity of Seventh-day Adventists. They are still very persistent in their demands and are determined that Sunday laws shall be enacted, which we know will be ere long. But in the meantime we have a great work to do:

At the General Conference Council held last November in Washington, it was recommended,-

"That local and union conferences place "American State Papers'' in all public libraries, and supply it to governors, legislators, judges, and other public officials."

The State Assembly will convene before the time for another annual offering. The Indiana Civic Union has already arranged for the introduction of two Sunday bills, into our next State legislature. This will call for a large offering to do the work in hand and carry on the strenuous campaign necessary.

Last year the offering for the State was \$134.40. The activity of the Sunday advocates certainly demands a much larger offering this year. May the Lord add His blessing and help us all to be faithful at our posts of duty.

Respectfully,

A. L. MILLER, R. L. Secretary.

Sanitarium and Soldiers' Home

I have been spending the month at the Wabash Valley Sanitarium and can say that though this pleasant place is in a world where sin abounds, yet the experience here affirms the scriptural truth that grace doth much more abound, and souls are getting a new hold on the grace of God.

January 22 to 25 the elders' meeting was held here, and though it greatly increased the burdens and made some confusion, yet many among both patients and helpers found much help in the words spoken. While others will report the meeting, I want to say that the meeting brought advancement in the life of the institution.

The work at the Soldiers' Home near here has not had the attention that it should have had in the last three or four months, yet there are some encouraging things in regard to the work. Some are almost persuaded to take their stand, and we believe will soon come in. Pray for the work in both these places that the light may shine in with clearness and W. A. YOUNG. saving power.

Canvassers' Institute

We have arranged definitely to conduct a canvassers' institute at Boggstown, March 8-18. We are planning to hold this especially in the interests of the recruits who expect to enter the field this spring. Our old canvassers may attend, however, if they wish to. We are planning to make this institute practically without expense to those who enter the field. Several have signified their intention of entering the canvassing work, but not as many as we need, I hope all those who can enter this work will let us hear from them.

O. MORRIS.

From a Canvasser

The following is taken from a letter received at the conference office from one of our canvassers:-

"Last Thursday I canvassed a man, but failed to secure his order. When nearly half a mile away I heard someone call, and on looking back I saw this man signaling me to return. He and his wife had talked the matter over after I had gone and decided to subscribe for my large book, 'Daniel and Revelation.' I praise the Lord for that order.

"ROBERT JOYCE."

News Notes

This week Elder Gilbert and Elder Montgomery are holding meetings with the Boggstown church.

Dr. F. A. Loop and Brother H. E. Sanders were visitors at the conference office on Monday, January 29.

Elder A. L. Miller and Brother Beuchel are holding some special meetings this week with the church at Muncie.

The first of this week Elder Lauda and Brother Hubbard went to Wolf Lake to hold a series of meetings in the church at that place.

On the last day of January Elder A. L. Miller was called to Dugger, Ind., to preach the funeral sermon of Brother W. J. Walters.

On Wednesday, January 31, Elder J. M. Ellis, also Brother C. E. Allen, were callers at the conference headquarters in Indianapolis.

As announced elsewhere in this paper, a canvassers' institute is to be held at Boggstown, March 8 to I8. Let all who wish to enter this branch of the work write either to the conference office or to Brother Morris, the field missionary agent. We shall be glad to hear from you.

The conference office has placed an order for a good supply of the new book by Elder F. C. Gilbert, entitled "From Judaism to Christianity." The prices are \$1 for the cloth, and \$1.25 for the gilt binding, postpaid. We expect to be able to fill orders for this excellent book in about a weak or ten down. week or ten days.

Sabbath, January 27, was a good day for the churches in Indianapolis. Elder F. C. Gilbert spoke at the 23d St. church in the afternoon, and at the conclusion of his sermon the ordination of Brother N. H. Pool took place. Elders Montgomery, Young, and Miller were present and took part in the ordination.

A good report has come regarding the meetings held by Elder Lauda and Brother Hubbard with the Ligonier church. After the meetings closed we received a remittance of \$20 from this church to apply on the Beechwood Academy fund. Let all our churches remember the needs of Beechwood Academy, especially at this time.

The special meetings held in Indianapolis beginning the evening of January 26 have been a great help to the members of the churches in that city. A good interest was manifested also on the part of the outsiders who were present. While the original plan was to close the series of meetings at the end of one week, the interest caused a change in the plans and Elder Gilbert arranged to remain in the city over the Sabbath, February 3.

West Michigan Conference

Office Address, Otsego, Mich.

President, S. E. Wight; Sec'y-Treas., H. H. Todd; S. S. Sec'y, Nellie Nelson; Ed. and Y. P. Secretary, Flora H. Williams, 467 Hamblin Ave., Battle Creek, Mich.

A Letter to the Canvassers

TO MY DEAR COWORKERS:

It was indeed with deep regret that I learned of the vacancy made by the transfer to another field of our good brother, J. H. McEachern, but God truly works in "mysterious ways His wonders to perform." Only He knows with what fear and trembling I am coming to you; however, since "Need" is one of the strongest calling voices of God, I dare not refuse the call. I firmly believe His blessing is going to rest upon the work in West Michigan. So, I enter the work, praying for, and believing I shall have your hearty cooperation that our work may be so prayerfully and faithfully done that God from heaven can look down upon it with approval and that holy angels will rejoice as they note the earnestness with which the third angel's message is being carried hither and thither in the great field already white for the harvest. O let us earnestly pray that God will raise up many consecrated men and women to fulfill Joel 2:1.

Will all who contemplate entering the work immediately, or in the near future, write me regarding your plans as I would like to talk these matters over with you.

Yours to hasten the coming of Jesus,

A. L. VAN FOSSEN.

Wisconsin Conference Office Address, Grand Rapids, Wis.

President, W. H. Thurston; Sec'y-Treas., J. C. McReynolds; S. S. Sec., Mrs. Mary Howell; Ed. and Y. P. Sec'y, Miss Frances L. Case; Field Agent, H. W. Johnson, Stevens Point, Wis.

Along the Way

On my way east from La Crosse I spent Sabbath, the 20th. with the Sparta church. I had intended to hold meetings there a week or so, but the weather was so very cold the members from the country could not well attend, and the meetings were postponed until the last of February. I saw the brethren in Portage and planned with them for public meetings to be held in a hall.

Several letters have come to me asking about the reported fire at the sanitarium. In reply would say that there have been more reports than fire. There was no fire to speak of -just a little smudge from a defective wire. Very little interruption in the work was caused by it and the damage was slight. Newspapers sometimes make mountains out of mole hills. The patronage of the sanitarium is gradually increasing since the holidays and all are of good courage. A lady patient there, who is not very sick, told me recently that it is so homelike there and such a Christian spirit pervades the institution, she believed she would spend the winters there hereafter, and take what treatment she needed.

Another lady said she came woudering how she would get along without flesh food, but after ten days stay she learned to like the sanitarium diet so well she hardly thought she would ever return to a flesh diet. She said we have the correct idea of health reform and of treating the sick. The Lord is blessing the work there both physically and spiritually.

The pledges to the sanitarium to remove the indebtedness are coming in very well. Nearly fifteen thousand dollars has been pledged, and we are looking forward to the thirty thousand mark, when that amount will be paid in. None should ask to be excused from having a part in the Lord's work. Do your part and share the blessing.

"Ask not to be excused, This answer may be given: Thou hast My love abused, Thou art excused from heaven."

W. H. THURSTON.

From the Field

I was with the company at Racine, January 11 to 15, and very much enjoyed my house-to-house visits with them. Although the weather was bitterly cold all the resident members were present on Sabbath to participate in the ordinances of the Lord's house. This was a precious occasion. This church has an exceptionally good house of worship, neatly arranged and free from debt.

I made a short call at Kenosha, visiting a few families; but as a Scandinavian worker was on his way there, I passed on to other points in my district.

At Walworth we have a few representatives of the message. Invitations were sent out and twelve or fifteen came together for a cottage meeting, among them several of our Seventhday Baptist friends who observe the Sabbath with us. The Lord blessed in presenting the Word, and prejudice was lessened.

Sickness in the Beloit church prevented meetings being held. My appointment is out for a quarterly meeting at Albion, Sabbath, February 13.

At present I am at home suffering from a severe cold which unfits me for work. I praise God for His grace and His Spirit which He gives me.

W. W. Stebbins.

Ashland, Eau Claire

I visited many families while in Ashland and found that the Spirit of God is making a change in hearts there. It is said that the Ashland church has the largest prayer meeting of any church in the city.

From Ashland I went to EauClaire. It seems good in looking over the congregation to see some who were not in the church when I was here four years ago, now rejoicing in the truth. The church is filled every night with those who are studying the Word of God.

THEODORE G. LEWIS.

Bethel Academy

It might be of interest to the brethren and sisters of Wisconsin who have contributed at different times to the building up of the school at Bethel, to know of the work that is being carried forward, and of some of the improvements and expenditures during the last six months. Thus far in the

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present school year, there are ninety-five young people enrolled, with a daily attendance, these later mouths, of about ninety. This attendance is entirely outside of the primary grades. We have an earnest class of young people from the cities and country districts of this great State, and 1 am sure it would be an inspiration to every father and mother, and in fact, to all who are interested in this great message, to see the progress that is being made by these students.

The dining-room which is situated in the ladies' dormitory, had on it a metal ceiling, and this was so satisfactory that when the kitchen and assembly room needed re-ceiling, metal was used in them also. The walls and the ceiling of the kitchen have been painted, and the walls of the assembly room and dining-room have been tinted, and the ceilings cleaned and painted. Two large kitchen tables have been covered with zinc, which make a very convenient addition to the kitchen furnishings. Our old range, which you all have heard about through letters to the churches, has been replaced with a \$160 Majestic range. This certainly fills every requirement and lightens the work materially. It has water fronts connected with a tank having hot water all the time.

The number of students in the home has been larger this year than in previous years, so that additional silver and other table furnishings have been a necessity, and in some cases, larger cooking vessels have been purchased. An additional convenience, also, is a very large stationary cupboard in one corner of the kitchen, reaching almost to the ceiling.

In the most sheltered corner of the assembly room stands our new \$325 piano. The school has never before owned a piano, and we are rejoicing that we have secured one of sweet tone and apparently of great durability. A hollow wire lighting system has been installed in the dining-room and assembly room, and some rockers, a table, and tabourettes for plants have been secured.

Not so much has been done to add conveniences and appearance to the young men's dormitory, but there has been spent \$130 in fitting it up with beds. The dormitory has been re-sided and painted, which adds greatly to its appearance. Since there are a dozen more young men than there have been here before, it has been necessary to fit up several additional rooms with stoves, chairs, and other furniture. Both the young men's and young ladies' homes have had several new window shades, and the main building has been fitted with new shades throughout. Storm fronts have been built to the young men's dormitory, and a rear porch has been added to the principal's cottage. The walls have been tinted in the chapel and recitation rooms in the main building, and about a dozen sepia pictures framed in brown have been appropriately hung. First-class blackboards have been placed in the main classrooms, and this is truly an added feature of great effectiveness. A bath tub has been installed in the principal's cottage, and several minor improvements have been made which add to the comfort of the occupants.

The school had two horses; one worn out and the other sick. Their places are now supplied by two good horses, three and seven years old. We have purchased a new seventy dollar wagon and box, complete. A beautiful Jersey cow has recently been added to our herd. A spacious poultry yard has been fenced with poultry wire, and a stone foundation for an additional poultry house has been laid. A twelve by twenty stave silo of the best quality has been placed on top of the ten by twelve stone silo erected last year. Twenty-five or thirty dollars has been invested in asbestus pipe covering for the main reaching from the heating plant to the buildings. This, we find, is an economy, as it saves much radiation where the heat is not needed. All these improvements have come within the last six months, and have cost more than a thousand dollars.

Aside from about sixty dollars on the piano, forty-five dollars on the range, the expense of the blackboards in full, and

two hundred dollars on the beds and decorating fund, all these improvements have had to be met from the current income of the school. These have seemed a necessity for the effective management of the school.

There is still considerable debt on the range, and a few other of the improvements have not been fully paid for. If there are friends of the school who still feel that they would like to help, it would be very highly appreciated. All those who are responsible feel that the Lord has greatly blessed our work, and we all feel to acknowledge Him as the giver of every good gift. C. L. STONE, *Principal*.

News Notes

Canvassers' institute Baraboo, Wis., February 19-.29 Elders' meeting for southern Wisconsin, Milton Junction, February 13-18.

Brother Johnston went to Bethel last Tuesday, spending a few hours at the office en route.

Brother A. Belding labored in and about Green Bay last week. He called at the office Tuesday.

Elder P. M. Hanson will begin labor at Lucas about the first of February, and perhaps Elder J. Hoffman will join him there.

For the benefit of new canvassers will say that reports must reach this office by Tuesday of each week in order to get in the following week's issue.

Our new canvasser, Brother Root, sends in a splendid report, and writes a letter full of gratitude for the Lord's help, and courage for the future. He fully believes that each book sold will accomplish a work for the Lord, "for it is His work."

The Gospel Herald, published in Nashville, Tenn., in the interests of our work among the colored people of the South, has been greatly improved aud is worthy in every way of the patronage of our people. Subscription price is only twenty-five cents a year and we would suggest that you have your subscriptions begin with the January number, or you will miss many good things.

Beginning this month the *Review* is to publish a series of thrilling articles by Elder W. A. Spicer, on "The Certainties of the Message." Other very special articles interesting to us all will be presented by Elder W. W. Prescott, Dr. A. B. Olsen and others. A special effort should be made in all our churches at this time to increase the circulation of this good paper among our members.

We are glad to announce to our readers another splendid Temperance number of the *Instructor*. This will bear date March 12, but will very soon be ready for mailing, so orders will be received any time. We are assured by the publishers that it will be far ahead of any previous issue both in appearance and contents. Let every member of this denomination in Wisconsin plan to have a part in distributing this paper.

Periodicals Wanted

We would like clean copies of all our magazines, Signs, Youths' Instructor, Little Friend, also tracts, to use in readingrack and for distribution among the people. As this is a Holland and English settlement, publications in both languages will be acceptable. Mrs. J. Klooster, Route 10, Holland, Mich.

WANTED.—A Seventh-day Adventist wants position on dairy or stock farm. Would like full management of farm. Will rent on shares or will work as tenant. Desires farm in Danish settlement and near church-school. Would appreciate quick reply. Julius Bartelson, care A. Bartelson, R. F. D. 3, Lake Geneva, Wis.

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Mrs. Lou Kirby-Curtis	-	-	-	-	Editor

A check mark opposite this paragraph in the margin indicates that your subscription has expired and that we hope to see your renewal come in before we are obliged to drop your name from the list. You will surely want to receive the reports from the Lake Union Conference soon to be held, all of which will appear in the HERALD. Send your order through your tract society and not direct to us.

The 1912 Temperance *Instructor*, "The Temperance Annual," will be dated March 5, and ready to mail before that date. It will eclipse any previous Temperance number both in appearance and contents. The circulation of past Temperance numbers of the *Instructor* has steadily increased as follows: 1908, 50,000 copies; 1909, 110,000; 1910, 210,000 1911, 340,000. Will it be unreasonable to expect the 1912 number will reach a circulation of 500,000 copies?

Beginning sometime in February, the *Review* will publish thirty articles written by Elder W. A. Spicer on the "Certainties of the Message." These articles will be made up of the principal facts he presented at the ministerial institutes in the recent past, and are published at the earnest request of our ministers and workers who desire all our people to hear and be benefited by these soul-inspiring truths. Church officers should consider it a part of their duty to see that every family in the church has access to the good old *Review*. It contains spiritual food which every member needs in order to grow in this message.

Emmanuel Missionary College

A car load of bright alfalfa hay has just been received. Miss Sterling of Battle Creek visited over Sabbath with Mrs. White.

Elder F. M. Wilcox on a western trip will probably make us a visit sometime in April.

The College Board and the Lake Union Conference Committee will meet at the College, February 20-23.

Mrs. White's son, Harry, spent Sabbath at the College. He is on his way to Union College, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Mr. Loyd Montgomery and family have moved to Berrien Springs to send their little boy to the training school

Mrs. J. E. Bennet of Carson City, Mich., spent last week with her sister, Mrs. A. F. Kellogg, and Miss Myrta M. Kellogg of the College.

Elders Moon and Wight spoke to the Evangelistic and Missionary Volunteer Bands which met together in the chapel Tuesday morning, January 30.

During the month of January 1912, we had the coldest weather experienced here for twelve years. As we go to press it is ten and a half below zero.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Elliott, who were on their way to visit his mother in Antigo, Wis., spent Sabbath and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Elliott of the College. Mr. James Jeffreys, assisted by Mr. Hubbel, will give a temperance lecture in the college chapel the evening after the Sabbath, February 10. All are cordially invited.

The music department of the College has grown to such an extent that it has become necessary to install two new pianos, which makes in all six good pianos for use in that department.

The fire department was called out one day last week to the home of Mrs. A. F. Kellogg. The fire was extinguished, however, before the department reached there. Slight damage was done.

We are sorry to learn of the death of the mother of Miss Hibben, who was called home on account of her sickness last week. The students and friends of the College extend their sincere sympathy to the bereaved family.

Mrs. Curtis gave a talk on Pitcairn Island during the chapel period, February 2. She, having at one time visited this little island, had many curios that she had brought back from there, which were exhibited to the teachers and students.

The teachers' institute which was held here January 26-30 was especially appreciated by the students of the normal department. Monday was spent by the visiting teachers at the training school. At the last training school faculty meeting each one present mentioned the helpful points he had received from the institute. The following members of the normal department were asked to read papers at the various sessions: Miss Beardsley, Mrs. Colburn, Miss Morey, Miss Rathbun, and Miss Wehner.

Canvassers' Report for Week Ending January 26, 1912

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