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The Two

Two men toiled side by side from sun to sun,
And both were poor;
Both sat with children when the day was done,
About their door.

One saw the beautiful in crimson cloud
And shining moon;
The other, with his head in sadness bowed,
Made night of noon.

One loved each tree and flower and singing bird
On mount or plain;
No music in the soul of one was heard
Of leaf or rain.

One saw the good in every fellow man,
And hoped the best;
The other marveled at his Master's plan,
And doubt confessed.

One, having heaven above and heaven below,
Was satisfied;
The other, discontented, lived in woe
And hopeless died.

—Selected.

Religious Liberty

The Lord has granted liberty to all men. He does not attempt to bind the consciences of men. He points out the way of life, and warns of the way of death, and then leaves men to choose life or death.

It therefore remains for sinful men to attempt to force the conscience. In making this wicked attempt men have deprived their fellow men of all civil rights, even the right to walk at liberty, the right of home and family, the right of peace and comfort; yea, even of life itself. But they have never been able to force the conscience of men.

In our own day and time, and in this enlightened country, men have become so blinded by superstition, so misguided by false zeal in a false system of religion, so lost to all sense of their relation, as the created, to their Creator, and hence so degenerated as to indulge their vain imagination to the extent of fancying they can, by enacting religious laws, compel conscientious men to violate their convictions of right, and act according to the demand of these degenerates.

The above being true, a work of education must be carried on for the rescue of the unsuspecting. The magazine *Liberty* is published to aid in this work of education. Tracts and books are published, also, for use in the campaign. "American State Papers," a book full of valuable informa-

tion on this subject, has been revised, and is now ready to be placed in the hands of legislators.

Now some money is needed for the work of educating legislators, especially, so they will not yield to the demand of unregenerate professors of religion for religious laws. Who will respond to the call for a collection to be taken in all the churches on Sabbath, February 24, and make it a liberal one? We trust every one, old and young, will be interested to the extent of making some sacrifice for this noble work.

ALLEN MOON.

Moline Sanitarium

Some time ago Mrs. Moon and I made a short visit to the Tri-City Sanitarium, and were most pleasantly entertained by those in charge. We were pleased with all we saw during our brief stay. Elder L. D. Santee looks after the spiritual health of all about the institution; Miss Estella Norman, M. D., has especial care of the lady patients, and general supervision in the absence of Dr. F. J. Otis.

This little institution is beautifully situated on the heights of Moline, overlooking the Mississippi River, and in plain view of the city of Davenport, Iowa. The location seems a very healthful one, calculated in all respects to be favorable to the accomplishment of the purpose for which the sanitarium is instituted.

ALLEN MOON.

Standard of Attainment

A Plea to Church Elders

We have reached the time foretold in the Word of God when men's hearts fail "for fear and for looking after those things which are coming upon the earth." Thinking people in all parts of the world, even though they have no faith in the word of prophecy, realize that some great storm is about to burst upon the world.

We know what these things mean. Even our boys and girls, who have been taught in Sabbath-school, know that the end of the world is near. But are they ready to meet, and pass safely through, the storm that is coming? Unless anchored firmly upon the solid rock, they will be swept from their moorings and go down beneath the angry, surging waves.

Nothing but a personal knowledge of the truth will enable any one to detect the counterfeits which Satan is pressing into circulation even now, and which will increase more and more till the end. Each must know for himself "what saith the Scriptures." Each must be able to test every doctrine and opinion by the measuring line which God has given: "To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them."

Although our young people have a general knowledge of the facts upon which we base our faith, how many of them can give direct Bible authority for the various points of doctrine which distinguish us as a people? How many can tell when, why, and how, our denomination was organized, and the struggles experienced by the pioneers in the work? It is necessary for us to know, and such a knowledge will give us a confident assurance that God is leading.

It is to help our young people to get a good fundamental knowledge of Bible doctrines and denominational history that

the "Standard of Attainment" plan has been inaugurated. The first certificate was issued in the fall of 1908. Since that time hundreds of our young people have become members of attainment. Many others have been awakened to their need of a thorough knowledge of these things, and are preparing for the examinations, which are given the first weeks in March and September of each year.

The questions for March, 1912, are now ready. There ought to be a large number of young people in this Union Conference ready to take the examination this spring. Will not the elders of churches take an interest in this matter and encourage your young people to reach this standard? Find out how many are ready now and write at once to your conference Missionary Volunteer secretary for as many copies of questions as you wish, and also for instructions if you need any. Then encourage the young people who are not ready now, to begin at once to prepare for an examination next September, and thus be ready to give an answer to every man that asketh them a reason of the hope that is in them.

God has made the church elder a shepherd of the flock, and sometime He will ask, "Where is the flock that was given thee, thy beautiful flock? What wilt thou say when He shall punish thee?" Jer. 13:20, 21.

MRS. CARRIE R. MOON.

Southern Illinois Conference

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Shelbyville and DuQuoin

The writer visited the above named churches, and besides organizing home missionary societies and auditing their books, conducted a short series of meetings at each place.

The members of the Shelbyville church became intensely interested, and circulated notices with the result that notwithstanding revivals in both the Christian and Methodist churches, the interest grew each night. An expression of those present was taken and the entire audience testified to their belief that only truth had been spoken. The members intend to follow up the interest systematically. This church had the advantage of the DuQuoin people because their meeting place is centrally located.

At DuQuoin a good interest, however, was manifested. I expect to return to this place soon. A large number of the members have moved to California and elsewhere, but those that remain are of good courage. Dr. and Mrs. Dalbey and the DuQuoin school are active agents in keeping alive the interest here. DuQuoin has a splendid school, under the direction of Miss Edna Ayars. I enjoyed greatly two visits to this school. It would pay our friends to visit these schools more and see the progress our children are making. We do not as a people half appreciate the blessings God is bestowing upon us in this connection. Not a penny devoted to this cause is wasted. Pray earnestly, brothers and sisters, for these two churches and the undersigned.

JOHN E. HANSON.

Carterville

We began services in the school building at Carterville on the night of January 5, and continued them with the exception of three nights, until the 24th, when Elder Bristol met with us and we held the annual election of church officers. There seemed to be a general feeling of unity throughout the entire meeting, and the desire was manifested by all that every choice made should be for the best good of God's work in that place. Brother N. Twombly was chosen elder and was ordained to that office.

The first Sabbath we were in Carterville, we had the pleasure of celebrating the ordinances, and it was indeed a blessed experience; the Holy Spirit came in and prepared us to partake of these sacred emblems.

The school at this place is doing very good work. The faith of the brethren in this place in the glorious message of the third angel seems to have been greatly increased by the studies held with them, and I believe there will be some aggressive work done in this church the coming year. May God water the seed that has been sown here and may we see others take their stand for Jesus and get ready to meet Him, is my earnest prayer.

E. F. FERRIS.

Canvassers' Experiences

Jerry Suda—I spent a busy week in the field last week, and the Lord blessed me. I received more orders than I ever did in any one week before. The people were much interested in my book and I enjoyed pleasant evenings with them.

E. L. Graham—I was over at Dalton City, Wednesday, and I met a young United Brethren minister who bought "Daniel and Revelation" a few weeks ago, and he ordered a \$5 copy of "Practical Guide." He said he had read "Daniel and Revelation" through once, and that now he is going to study it through carefully. I had a talk with him on the state of the dead. I have made arrangements for him to come to my home Sabbath afternoons to take up Bible studies. Thursday I was working here in town, and stopped at three houses, securing four orders for "Daniel and Revelation." The last place I stopped there were three ladies. I was invited in, and talked to them a few moments, and then asked if they were interested in Bible study. They said they were. I found that they had been talking about the resurrection and state of the dead, and they asked me so many questions that I had to explain the subject to them in full. I then canvassed them for my book, telling them that it explained those subjects. One lady knew I was a Seventh-day Adventist, nevertheless, I secured two orders from them.

Hugo Mitselfelt—I am of good courage, and am planning to work more faithfully for the Lord this year. I took an order for "Daniel and Revelation" from a real estate man. He said he was looking for truth.

"The Lord has a place for every one in His great plan. Talents that are not needed are not bestowed. Supposing the talent is small, God has a place for it, and that one talent, if faithfully used, will do the very work God designs that it should do."

E. M. FISHELL.

News Notes

Elder E. A. Bristol visited Saint Elmo and Brownstown last week.

Let us remember the annual Religious Liberty offering to be taken Feb. 24, 1912.

Elder Woodford held a series of meetings with the Farmington church last week.

Brother David Rodney and family have returned to Carterville from Missouri. Brother Rodney will soon enter the canvassing work.

The funeral of Sister Laura Cutrell of DuQuoin was held at Carterville, Sunday, February 4, Dr. W. C. Dalbey and Brother J. E. Hanson officiating.

We are glad to report that Elder L. W. Browne is meeting with success in his work at Indianapolis, Ind., and has been able to reach the best class of people.

Brother H. M. Kelley is holding cottage meetings at Hermin. Let us pray for the work at this place that interested ones may take their stand for the truth.

Only two missionary secretaries have reported for January—Farmington and Saint Elmo. Please send your reports to

Brother J. E. Hanson, 304 W. Allen St., Springfield, Ill., at once.

The Carterville church leads in having the largest number of canvassers. Three are now engaged in the work and others will begin soon. An interest in the salvation of souls makes a live church.

Sister Mary B. Craig collected over twenty dollars in the Harvest Ingathering campaign. She will follow up this work with literature and visits and hopes to develop an interest at Decatur where she is now located.

Brother J. E. Hanson recently visited the Du Quoin church and school, holding meetings from January 27-31 inclusive. While there he audited the books of the treasurer and librarian and organized a home missionary society.

Did you notice in the *Review* of February 1, that Southern Illinois lacked only \$11.76 of paying their quota on the Ten-cent-a-week Fund for 1911? This should surely encourage us to put forth a stronger effort this year and raise our entire amount on the Fifteen-cent-a-week Fund.

Northern Illinois Conference

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Sabbath-Schools and Missions

It was in the day of small things when the penny collection was introduced into our Sabbath-schools. It was thought then that if we could equip our schools with record blanks and other essential supplies such as blackboards and maps, we would be making large improvements. But soon it was seen that great financial possibilities were wrapped up in our Sabbath-school offerings. We then decided to call them penny collections no more, but to use nickles and silver coins.

But the volume of these offerings has increased more than tenfold, so that last year more than \$136,000 was sent to the Mission Board from our Sabbath-schools alone. But the limit is not yet reached, and probably \$200,000 will pass through the Sabbath-schools into the mission treasury during the year 1912.

Why cannot \$200,000 be provided this year by our Sabbath-schools for the great world-wide harvest field? We have to raise \$600,000 from all sources. Last year one-third of the aggregate amount sent by our people to foreign missions came by way of the Sabbath-schools; and the Sabbath-schools are better organized and more alert now than ever before.

The Sabbath-school secretary comes to almost everyone of our people every week with a suggestion about mission finance, so that this channel is open before all our people constantly. Let the officers agitate this question with a kind vigilance, and note the success which will attend it.

In our little school (Aurora) one class paid more than four last Sabbath. This came about because some members, having been absent for one or two weeks, thought they should pay for the Sabbaths they had been away from the class.

In another school the superintendent has been giving lessons to the school upon the subject of donating to missions, and he uses a blackboard for the purpose. He drew a picture of a coin on the board and called it a dime but he made the picture as large as a dinner-plate because he said it looked so very large to some people when they were giving it to missions. Then he drew another picture the size of a small button and said that represented the way the dime looked to the child and some older people too when it was to be spent for candy.

But many people can easily put twenty-five or fifty cents or even a dollar in the Sabbath-school envelope each week by training a little in that way; and they would be richer and better at the end of the year for having done so. Try it!

WM. COVERT.

Echoes from the Field

During the month of January the writer enjoyed the privilege of holding three quarterly services. The first, at the North Side English church. Although only about one-half of the members were present, a spiritual feast was enjoyed. The annual election of the officers passed off harmoniously, and now plans are being laid to organize the church into bands for more aggressive work. This is in harmony with the instruction given in Volume VII, pages 18-24. All of our churches would do well to read this instruction, as well as that given in the January *Review*, numbers 3 and 4 on city work. From Volume VII, page 18 we read: "God has withheld His blessing because His people have not worked in harmony with His directions." Dear brethren, let us study His directions more fully, and great will be the blessings that will follow us.

The following Sabbath quarterly service was held at the West Side English church. All enjoyed the precious season in following their Lord's example in the ordinances.

The last Sabbath of January, I met with the company recently organized at Harvey. Sister Odell has been doing faithful work in that place. She has been the means of bringing together a nice company, with a Sabbath-school membership of twenty-four. The prospects are bright before this company, for she has several intensely interested. Sister Florer, one of our former mission training school students, is giving a dozen or more readings a week in the same place. We pray that many may be gathered in.

M. H. SERNS.

Work among the Chicago Colored People

I visited the Dearborn Street church at 4808 South Dearborn Street, Sabbath, January 20, to see how the work is progressing among this people.

Elder William Lewsadder was there also and we had a profitable meeting. I enjoyed listening to the well-learned lessons and seeing the interest manifested by each one.

The church now has forty-three members and an outside interest which receives constant attention from the workers in the church.

Brother Bloum of Kankakee has made a beautiful box for this church to serve as a bank for the reception of offerings to help pay off the debt upon the church. Birthday offerings and free will offerings are especially solicited for this purpose. We have several thousand mottoes yet unsold which have been donated to this building. Who will help to sell them?

The conference committee has asked me to look after this matter; therefore I keep the readers of the *HERALD* informed upon the subject.

WM. COVERT.

The Colored Work in Chicago

The time has come when God's remnant people should advance at a more rapid pace. We have been marching around the formidable walls of the enemy long enough; the seventh day has come when we must shout, see the walls fall, enter in and take the citadel.

During the week of prayer a remarkable revival swept through our church, not that kind of revival that is characterized by a momentary emotionalism, but a genuine soul-stirring experience effecting a deep reconsecration throughout the entire church, and resulting in the addition of two to our membership. Such were the glorious experiences that the meetings were continued a week longer. We mean by the assisting grace of God that this experience shall be permanent, not transitory. Our hope is "as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which entereth into that within the veil."

Our membership has grown during the two years of 1910-11, from twenty-two to forty-three. Eleven united with us during the past year. Our Sabbath-school has also increased in numbers and interest, making necessary the formation of two new classes. We give all of our donations to missions and have planned to greatly increase our contributions during 1912. Our motto is "Higher Ground."

The Young People's Society is an important factor in the church. The children have been organized into a junior department of the society to do work among other children with the *Little Friend* and *Youth's Instructor*. We believe the lambs should be given their share in the work.

The church has been organized into bands, or companies, for systematic, aggressive work throughout the city. There are nine companies, each having a leader and each company assigned a particular territory so that there may be order and system in the work. The literature with which they will work is also methodically arranged. Five new ones are keeping the Sabbath and awaiting baptism.

Our faith is strong, our courage good, therefore do we "attempt great things for God," expecting "great things from God." We solicit the prayers of God's people.

W. DURANT FORDE.

South Side Englewood Interest

Beginning last July, public meetings were conducted in the tent and hall on Sixty-ninth and Emerald Streets. These public meetings closed shortly before the holidays. Soon after we continued the effort by holding cottage meetings. As a result ten are keeping the Sabbath; there are six others from different families, who are apparently ready to take hold. Pray for these that Satan may not overcome them. Sister Stevens is doing a noble work for this company. My work here is mostly through the cottage meetings, occasionally I go with Sister Stevens to visit those we can meet in the day time. We are laying plans to unite the medical, health, and evangelical work. We have conducted one meeting on this basis with excellent results. I more fully see the truthfulness of Sister White's statement, that the "medical missionary work is the door through which we are to reach the people in the cities."

I pray that God may give us wisdom in our city effort.

M. H. SERNIS.

News Notes

We were glad to meet Elder A. J. Breed and wife who called at the office last week.

We recently received from California a barrel of large, ripe olives which we sell at 25 cents a quart, one gallon 80 cents. We shall be glad to provide all who may call at the office for them.

Brother Lorenzo Clarke had an exceptionally good report amounting to \$105, appearing in the canvasser's department of last issue. We hope to receive many more reports like this.

The canvassers' institute is in progress this week at the academy. Let us earnestly pray for the success of the work of this institute and especially for the new canvassers who will go out from this institute to their fields.

Elder F. J. Harris spent Sabbath and Sunday, January 27-28 with the Rock Falls church. Two meetings were held, which were largely attended by the neighboring friends. These meetings were much appreciated by the members there.

Our Danish minister, Elder P. E. Broderson, is spending a few weeks in Irene, S. D. He says, "I have held one public meeting in the town hall. Considering the size of

the town we had a good attendance, there being about one hundred persons not of our faith present.

A report just received from Brother J. W. Mace, manager of the Review and Herald Branch at South Bend, Ind., shows that their sales to us in books, pamphlets, and tracts during 1911 amounted to \$13,395.33, retail value. This shows a gain of \$3,224.55 over the sales of the previous year. We think this is encouraging.

Elder J. M. Burdick of Momence, Ill., will be glad to receive clean copies of our papers; such as, *Life and Health*, *Signs of the Times* Monthly, and *Watchman*. These he can use to good advantage in opening up work in his new territory. Such literature should be sent to him prepaid. He expresses appreciation for literature previously received in response to these calls.

We regret to report the death of Sister Wm. Hibben, which occurred at Hinsdale, Monday morning, Jan. 29. She had been afflicted with erysipelas, which developed into blood poisoning, resulting fatally. The funeral was held at the church in Sheridan on the following Thursday. Elder M. H. Sernis conducted the services. We extend to the sorrowing family and friends our sympathy in this time of bereavement.

East Michigan Conference

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Canvasser's Notes

C. S. Countryman—I have had some precious experiences the past week. What a privilege it is to work in the great vineyard of the Lord! I expect to stay in the work until the Lord comes.

Mrs. C. S. Countryman—One day as I was working on Michigan Avenue (Detroit) a lady met me who said, "I presume you do not remember me but I do you, for I bought a book from you before Christmas, and sent it to a friend of mine, out of the State, for a Christmas present. She wrote me and said that it was just what they wanted, for their pastor had advised them to get the book, 'Coming King', if they could, and read it, and they had been trying to find out where they could get one. Now they are reading it every morning for worship. I thought you would be glad to know about it." I thanked her and asked if she did not want one for herself, and she said, "Yes." I was thankful for the opportunity of placing these two books in these two homes.

A. V. Morrison—God has wonderfully blessed me the past week. I had one experience I must relate. It was nearly night, and there were but four houses on that road. The fourth, I was informed, was a half mile away, and they were poor people who had just moved in. They said I would not be able to sell a book there, and because of the lateness of the hour, I concluded not to go; but on coming out into the road, I was completely turned around and started in the wrong direction. When I discovered my mistake, the house was in sight, and as soon as I decided to go there anyway, everything flashed around right again. On reaching the house I found they had one of our books in the home, which they had read through several times. A son sixteen years old, dwarfed by disease, was studying the Bible to know the right way. I took their order for "Bible Readings." I know it was the hand of God. Oh! what a blessing there is in seeking the lost!

Dr. Jean A. Vernier, formerly in charge of treatment-rooms in Detroit, after having spent one year at the Loma Linda (Calif.) Sanitarium was called home on account of illness in her family. She has now resumed her practice at 32 Adams Avenue West, Detroit.

NOTICE.—Send your orders to the East Michigan Tract Society, Holly, Mich., if you want the best grade of vegetable cooking oil. Shipped in five-gallon cans at \$3.60 per can. If you will send cash with order for four cans or more at one shipment, will make the price \$3.45 per can, or we will ship you four cans or more at one shipment from Kentucky at \$3.30 per can. We handle nothing but the finest grade oil. California ripe olives in 5 gal. cans for \$1.50 per can.

Indiana Conference

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The Canvassers' Institute

Again we call your attention to the canvassers' institute which will be held at Boggstown, Ind., March 8-18. We are anxious for all our people to become interested in the canvassing work, and especially in our coming institute. We believe there are many men and women in this conference whom God is calling to give their lives to the spread of this message by the sale of the good books He has given us.

The blessing of God has attended the faithful efforts of our canvassers during the past year, enabling them to sell over five thousand dollars' worth of our books. It has been proved in our own territory that God's plan for circulating these books may be made a successful, self-supporting work, as well as an effective method of spreading this truth.

We have only two canvassers in the field at present, but they are faithful men who have been in the work during the entire past year. I hope that their good example and the great need of workers will cause many to step out by faith, attend this institute in March, and enter the field to do faithful work for God. The doing of this work means our own salvation as well as the salvation of them to whom we are sent.

Arrangements have been made to pay the railroad fare to and from the institute, and to provide entertainment while there, for those who enter the work.

O. MORRIS.

1722 S. E. St., Elwood, Ind.

Missionary Volunteer Work

I spent Sabbath, January 20, with the Hartford City church, in the interests of the young people. Although the Missionary Volunteer society meetings had been discontinued for a time, I found the young people only needing a little more instruction and encouragement to enable them to take hold with renewed zeal the work for which they have not lost "their first love." Many of these young people are new in the truth, and I pray that they may continue in it. We held two meetings, and reorganized the society with working committees for active service. All are using the Morning Watch Calendar.

The Indianapolis Missionary Volunteers voted to give two cents a week for one year per member to the support of five native ministers. The society, under the leadership of Brother Robert Grey, is taking steps toward the development of a strong working society. They now number twenty-six members.

On the evening of January 31, Elder F. C. Gilbert spoke especially to the Indianapolis young people, from Ps. 119:9. "Wherewith shall a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed thereto according to Thy word." The call to consecration was responded to by nearly all the young people and the older children of the church-school.

MRS. R. W. McMAHAN.

News Notes

A letter just received from Elder W. J. Stone states that the work is going along encouragingly in Virginia. Two institutes are being held in the city of Richmond this winter.

Elder Lauda and Brother Hubbard write that some excellent meetings are being held with the Wolf Lake church. It was arranged to hold a baptismal service on Sabbath, February 10.

Elder L. W. Browne, who has been working among the colored people in the city of Indianapolis, is visiting some of our churches this month. He visited the Anderson church last week.

Last week Elder Montgomery was called home from Boggs-town because of the severe illness of his daughter, Martha. She has been ill more than a week, but is improving some at this writing.

We have just received a letter from Elder Lukens, from Adelaide, South Australia, stating that he was assigned work at the Victorian camp-meeting and later will go to fill appointments in West Australia.

The conference secretary's records show that a few church clerks have failed to send in their yearly reports. If your church has not reported, please do so at once, sending the blank filled out to the conference office.

To church elders who are looking for a copy of the report of the elders' meeting recently held, we would say that we expect to have the work completed on this at an early date. We expect to mail a copy of the report to each church elder in the State.

The title report for January is being prepared this week at the treasurer's office, and will appear in the HERALD soon. The total receipts for the month are \$1,654.83, which is \$78.65 more than for January last year. We trust that each month this year may show even a better gain.

A letter recently received from Brother Robert Joyce states that he has completed his work in Clinton County. The territory has been worked thoroughly with the book, "Daniel and the Revelation." Brother Joyce sent in his order for about \$150 worth of books for delivery late in February.

The conference has renewed its order for the magazine *Liberty* to be sent to all the legislators in the Indiana State Assembly. On Sabbath, February 24, opportunity will be given for contributions to be made to the Religious Liberty Fund, part of which will be used in this State in this work.

Brother Robert Grey went to Boggstown and assisted Elder Gilbert in the meetings last week, while Elder Montgomery was at home. On Wednesday evening, February 7, Elder Montgomery spoke in the Indianapolis East Side church, taking Brother Grey's place in the series of meetings being held there.

North Michigan Conference

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News Notes

Brother Kellman spent Sabbath, February 10, with the church at Eastport.

Elder J. J. Irwin after visiting the churches at Clare, Mt. Pleasant, and Mesick, returned to the office February 1.

We have sold over two hundred copies of the morning watch. All orders are attended to the same day as received.

We still have a few copies of that excellent book by Mrs. White, "Acts of the Apostles." An investment of only \$1.50 will secure this, one of the best books from her pen.

Our grade of pure vegetable cooking oil is meeting with approval everywhere it has been shipped. We just received a fresh shipment. Price as usual, \$3.75 for five gallons, or \$7.25 for ten gallons.

A statement of the receipts during the last year of tithe and two per cent has been mailed to our elders and leaders. We plan to send one to each treasurer also, and hope that they will be carefully studied by our churches.

Miss Florence Crouch returned last Wednesday morning from attending the teachers' institute at Berrien Springs. Prior to this, she visited Cedar Lake Academy and the church-school at Omer, also the little company at West Branch. A report from her will appear in the next issue.

One of our church elders as he returned from the recent elders' meeting, immediately set to work getting his people to subscribe for the *Review*. As a result we received an order from him for six subscriptions to this paper. "More to follow," he says. We hope all our leaders will follow the example of this brother, and labor earnestly to get the *Review* in every Sabbath-keeper's home.

One of our companies who are taking up the Reading Course thought they would discontinue it, but a canvasser happened along with "Ministry of Healing," the book we are studying now, and he loaned it to them. As a result, they write enthusiastically about the help they are receiving from this excellent book. We hope all will take advantage of the Reading Course questions and get a thorough study of the splendid book. The price is only \$1.50.

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.

Baraboo

We take the following interesting notes from a letter received by Elder Thurston from the elder of the Baraboo church:—

"We had our quarterly meeting the last Sabbath in December, but the business meeting was not held until last Tuesday, the 16th. All passed off harmoniously. All the old officers were retained.

"The treasure's report showed a marked increase in tithes and offerings. In 1909 the tithe amounted to \$228 and offerings were \$430. Tithes in 1910, \$488.50, offerings \$640.32. In 1911, tithes \$728.81, and offerings \$832.29. In 1908 only about two hundred sixty dollars in all was paid in, so you see we are making a steady advance although during that time we have dropped several members. Thirty-six now pay tithe,—in 1908, about eleven. We hope the whole lump will be leavened by the close of this year.

"Now about the institute. We are preparing for it and will give a hearty welcome to all who attend. The basement of the church which Brother Johnson had planned to use as a cook-room, will not be suitable for the purpose, but the sisters have taken the matter in hand, and all who come will be supplied with good, warm, and wholesome food.

"Cottage Bible study meetings are being held in our house with a good attendance of the neighbors. Some are deeply interested. Pray for the work here."

Announcement

Owing to the fact that Elder Thurston and Brother J. B. Blosser find it impossible to be present at the canvassers' institute at Baraboo, Wis., before February 23, the date for the beginning of that meeting has been changed from February 19 to February 23. The first meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m., on Friday the 23d.

H. W. JOHNSON, *Field Agent*.

Milwaukee

Some time ago in canvassing for "Ministry of Healing," I met a woman who asked me about the state of the dead.

I gave her a reading on the subject and she was very much interested and invited me to come and spend another afternoon with her, saying she would like to study further. I did not take her order that day but was successful later. Since reading the book, she has told me that could she not get another, she would not sell it for ten dollars. I have been to her home every two weeks since and given her Bible studies, and am glad to say that we hope soon to see her one of our number. We are all of good courage. The Bible school is doing excellent work and we are only sorry that more of our young people cannot have the opportunity of attending.

BERTHA M. PHELPS.

News Notes

Some of the Bethel students were callers at the offices in Grand Rapids last week.

Please notice change of date for the Baraboo canvassers' institute, announced in another column.

The work is onward at Cassville. The Waterloo company in this place has a new church building under way, which they hope to complete in the spring.

Elder T. G. Lewis has begun a series of meetings in the vicinity of Chili, where quite an interest has been awakened through the efforts of Brother B. S. Hallock.

Brother Bossert of Cassville, Wis., last week visited his son Harry, who is attending the Bethel School, and on Wednesday they together called at the offices, purchasing over eleven dollars' worth of books from the tract society.

Elder Thurston spent two or three days at Bethel last week, attending a meeting of the Bethel Academy Board and transacting other business. He returned to the office on Wednesday, accompanied by his wife who made us a pleasant call.

Mrs. L. Flora Plummer writes that a little more effort on the part of the schools will soon raise the circulation of the *Sabbath School Worker* to the desired ten thousand mark. It is especially hoped that those schools not now taking any copies of this excellent journal will do so. Subscription price thirty-five cents single copies, or thirty cents in clubs of two or more.

Madison Sanitarium Notes

The boys are very busy now getting in a good supply of ice.

Miss Hilda Grundset was called to Mt. Horeb to nurse a case of pneumonia.

Miss Pearl Clarke, a former nurse from the sanitarium, paid us a visit recently.

Our patronage is increasing all the time. We are having good success with our patients.

Mrs. C. L. Stone, wife of Professor Stone of Bethel Academy, is a patient at the sanitarium.

The damages from the fire have been repaired, and our halls and offices look very nice at present.

Dr. Hall from the city, who has been a patient here for the last three weeks, has recovered and returned to his home.

Mrs. J. E. Greenman and daughter, Mrs. B. R. Churches, of Clearwater Lake are spending a few weeks at the sanitarium.

Mr. G. R. Fattic, one of the Bethel Academy instructors, has been a patient here for the past two weeks. He has now returned to his work feeling much better.

Miss Frances Case, educational secretary of Wisconsin, visited the church-school here at Madison and spent several days with the sanitarium family. We enjoyed her visit, and she was well pleased with our church-school.

[Brother C. C. Ward desires to make a correction in his report that was published in the issue of January 24, making "Shortly after I received the message a little over thirty-eight years ago" read "a little over thirty-six years."—ED.]

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.

Covert

Shortly after my return from the elders' meeting, I went to Covert to hold a series of meetings. The outside interest was excellent, continuing to the close in spite of the severity of the weather and heavy snowfall. Through the courtesy of the funeral director a number of folding chairs were loaned us which were placed up the aisle and about the rostrum. The testing truths of the message did not seem to turn people away, and when asked, after presenting the Sabbath, how many believed the seventh day is the Sabbath, fully three-fourths of the congregation arose. O that men might step out and obey what they acknowledge to be the truth! Three adults and two youth took their stand, and I feel sure that others who have so frankly acknowledged the truth will, after duly weighing the evidence, unite with them.

The church was very faithful in rendering every possible assistance, and seemed to appreciate the privilege of attending the studies.

CLIFFORD A. RUSSELL.

Muskegon

The dear Lord is surely working in behalf of my readers. I praise His name. Although this last week seemed so hard because of the visible working of Satan, still to me it has been the assurance of the mighty power of the Holy Spirit on the hearts of my readers.

The minister of one of my readers came to the Bible study, and although he said things that were not pleasant, God's Holy Spirit was present to help, and John 14:26 and 16:14 Jesus fulfilled to me. I am so sorry that some will take God's holy Word and spoil it for the flock. Ezekiel 34:19 was brought forcibly to my mind. But the promise, "I will deliver My flock, and search My sheep, and seek them out" is precious. A number of my readers are in the valley of decision. O will you not unite with me, my brothers and sisters, in earnest prayer? There is such a battle for some to go through. I must ask your help. Isaiah 28:5,9 will be fulfilled, for surely He will be a "strength to them that turn the battle to the gate." Hold on also in prayer for those of my readers whose husbands have forbidden me to see them. I cannot even hear from them by letter. One of them is keeping the Sabbath. These experiences make me go often to my Helper from whom alone my help must come. Let us believe; our God will do great things.

JENNIE DE YOUNG.

Canvassers' Notes

I spent thirteen and one half hours with Brother John Savage last week and the Lord blessed us with orders amounting to \$16.50, nearly \$1.25 an hour. Brother Savage writes that after I left him he took an order for "Coming King" in German from a German Lutheran whose wife is a Catholic. Brother Savage is of good courage.

This week it was my privilege to spend twenty-three hours in the field with our good brother Timothy Hallock. The Lord was with us from the first, and gave us orders amounting to \$26.50. In one home where we showed "Daniel and Revelation" the man and wife gave close attention, but after working about an hour we failed to get an order so we kindly thanked them for their time and prepared to go, when to our surprise the man said: "Say, you can put me down for one of those three dollar bindings." His explanation was, "I wanted to see if you would get mad." Our explanation was, the Spirit of God was there and the Lord performed a miracle in our sight.

Brother J. E. Herrington writes: "The Lord is with me, and it is He that does the work."

In Isaiah 6:8, the Lord says, "Whom shall I send and who will go for us?" Who among those who are not enjoying these blessed experiences do I hear saying, "Here am I; send me"?

I find the people in West Michigan very kind and hospitable, and the territory as good as any I have been privileged to work in.

Otsego, Mich.

A. L. VAN FOSSEN.

News Notes

Elder Wight attended a meeting of the academy board at Cedar Lake last Wednesday.

The total amount of foreign mission offerings for West Michigan during the year 1911 was \$12,261.22

There is to be a meeting of Holland workers in the Grand Rapids church February 16 to 18. The first meeting will be in the evening at 7:30, February 16.

The Otsego church-school has been conducted by Brother A. C. Haughey the last two weeks on account of the sickness of the teacher, Miss Leta Rumery.

A general meeting of the four churches, Monterey, Allegan, Kalamazoo, and Otsego, was held in the Otsego church last Sabbath. A report of this meeting will probably appear in the next issue.

At the time of sending these notes we have received no reports from the Bangor, Carson City, Denver Center, Edmore, Frost, Hartford, Hastings, Quincy, Urbandale, and West Leroy Sabbath-schools for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1911. Secretaries please take notice and send reports at once.

A Sabbath-school convention will be held at the Grand Rapids church, Sabbath, March 16. Two sessions are planned for—forenoon and afternoon—and the Bauer, Grandville, Sand Lake, Wright, Cedar Springs, Allendale, and any other near-by churches are cordially invited to attend and participate in the convention.

Emmanuel Missionary College

The College supply of ice has been cut and stored away.

Spring term opens February 28. Communications have been received from several who plan to take up work at that time.

On account of her health Miss Jenson has gone to the sanitarium at Madison, Wis., where she will take treatment. She expects to return for the spring term.

The students of instrumental music under the direction of of Mrs. Huffman gave an afternoon recital last Thursday. It was a success in every way, the attendance being large, and the interest shown, perfect.

The temperance meeting conducted by Brother Jeffries evening after the Sabbath in the chapel was much enjoyed by all. He was assisted by Brother Hubble, a cornetist, and by several of the College students. The program was made up almost entirely from the book, "Temperance Torchlights," after which nearly all present signed the pledge.

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MRS. LOU KIRBY-CURTIS - - - - - EDITOR

C. J. Tolf, general missionary agent of the Atlantic Union
Conference, said when renewing his subscription: "We can't
do without the HERALD."

Miss Anna Kimlin, secretary and treasurer of the Cumber-
land Conference, says of the HERALD: "We welcome its visits
and feel that we cannot be without it."

Miss Bertha Bartholomew, Sabbath-school and Missionary
Volunteer secretary of the South Carolina Conference writes:
"I appreciate the HERALD very much. When one is away
from old friends and the home State, news from there is so
welcome."

A letter was recently received from Elder Evans, Shanghai,
China. He states that all missionaries are in great danger,
and have been ordered in from the provinces by the consuls.
One of our people who, among others, had been attacked by
robbers, was able to recover all losses through the kindness
of the revolutionary government.

Spring Term in Emmanuel Missionary College

The spring term will open February 28. At this time class-
es will be organized in the following subjects: The Testi-
monies, denominational history, American history and
government, N. T. Epistles, sociology, general methods of
teaching, teachers' nature study, teachers' geography, and
commercial law. In addition to these classes which will be
organized at the opening of the spring term, excellent op-
portunity will be afforded new students to enter and do good
work in classes already organized. Among such might be
named practically all the Bible and history classes.

Many of our young people should take advantage of this
opportunity to get under training for the Lord's work. It
is not necessary to wait until next September. Begin now
and you will the more surely be here then.

For calendar or further information address the under-
signed, Berrien Springs, Mich. O. J. GRAF.

A Meeting in the Interest of the Holland Work

A meeting in the interest of the work among the Hol-
landers in this country has been appointed at Grand Rapids,
Mich., February 16-18. We shall be glad to have our Hol-
land brethren and others interested in this branch of the work
attend this meeting. It seems to us that it is time that we
should see a revival in the work among Hollanders in this
country. Let us pray that the coming meeting may be made
a blessing to the advancement of the message among this
people. O. A. OLSEN.

An Important New Book

I have just completed a careful reading of the new book,
"Acts of the Apostles," by Sister White. It has been a real
feast to my soul. The latter half of it is especially laden
with spiritual messages that will be meat in due season to all
our people.

I would earnestly urge all of our workers to read this book
at their earliest opportunity so they can intelligently recom-
mend it to others. It is a book that will prove equally ac-
ceptable to Christians of other denominations.

DAVID PAULSON.

Canvassers' Report for Week Ending February 2, 1912

Indiana						
Canvasser	Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total
Robert Joyce.....	D. R.	29	11	38 00	8 35	46 35
Wm. Sunday.....	D. R.	36½	8	23 00	3 30	26 30
		65½	19	61 00	11 65	72 65
						5 60
West Michigan						
Tim Hallock.....	D. R.	39	2	32 00	2 75	34 75
J. M. Savage.....	C. K.	3	1	1 50		1 50
J. E. Herrington.....	G. C.	22	4	12 00	1 25	13 25
		64	17	45 50	4 00	49 50
Wisconsin						
N. O. Kittleson.....	B. R.	27	4	12 00	2 00	14 00
L. Scholz.....	B. R.	33	4	14 00	4 75	18 75
H. W. Root.....	B. R.	37	3	10 00		10 00
		97	11	36 00	6 85	42 85
						3 50
East Michigan						
C. S. Countryman.....	D. R.	8	2	8 00		8 00
Mrs. Countryman.....	C. K.	27	12	19 50	3 25	22 75
Albert Nunamaker.....	B. R.	15	3	9 00	75	9 75
Bertha McClenathan.....	C. K.	34			1 50	1 50
Bert Miner.....	B. F.	31	17	18 00	1 25	19 25
A. V. Morrison.....	B. R.	33	27	74 00	60	74 60
Olive Campbell.....	C. K.	26½	11	17 00	3 95	20 95
Geo. McClenathan.....	G. C.	34	15	45 00	1 25	46 25
Frank M. Catlin.....	D. R.	25	7	25 00	6 15	31 15
Clifton Naylor.....	B. F.	34	17	18 50	2 25	20 75
M. D. Day.....	D. R.	17	5	15 00	75	15 75
Mina D. Fowler.....	B. F.	29	19	19 50		19 50
E. S. Skeels.....	B. F.	9	4	4 00	15	4 15
Mrs. W. J. Wetherbee.....	B. F.	11	9	9 50		9 50
F. W. Brainard.....	D. R.	40	20	61 00	1 50	62 50
Mrs. M. E. Dow.....	C. K.	3	2	3 50		3 50
G. W. Hainer.....	D. R.	11½	3	9 00	1 00	10 00
		357½	173	355 50	24 35	379 85
						49 80
Southern Illinois						
Hugh Stearns.....	G. C.	30	2	6 00	50	6 50
R. J. Watson.....	G. C.	44	14	42 00	2 85	44 85
W. E. Bailey.....	B. R.	11	4	11 00		11 00
H. Mitselfelt.....	D. R.	18	4	13 00		13 00
Jerry Suda.....	G. C.	48	1	3 00	5 70	8 70
S. E. Anderson.....	D. R.	26	4	12 00	60	12 60
E. J. Graham.....	D. R.	8	1	3 00	6 20	9 20
*P. J. Wham.....	D. R.	25	8	24 00	50	24 50
		210	38	114 00	16 35	130 35
						148 05
Northern Illinois						
Carl E. Matteson.....	P. J.	37	13	26 50	14 55	41 05
L. Clarke.....	B. R.	25	16	54 00		54 00
J. H. Banty.....	G. C.	40	8	26 00	9 40	35 40
E. A. Rideout.....	G. C.	27	9	25 00		25 00
		129	46	131 50	23 95	155 45
North Michigan						
E. C. Collard.....	P. G.	16	12	38 00	5 00	43 00
†K. V. Bjork.....	F. R.	27	1	3 50	7 85	11 35
		43	13	41 50	12 85	54 35
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