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The Burden of the Hour

God broke our years to hours and days that Hour by hour And day by day, Just going on a little way, We might be able all along To keep quite strong. Should all the weight of life Be laid across our shoulders, and the future rife With woe and struggle, meet us face to face At just one place, We could not go; Our feet would stop; and so God lays a little on us every day, And never, I believe, on all the way, Will burdens bear so deep Or pathways lie so steep But we can go, if, by God's power, We only bear the burden by the hour. —George Klingle.

Religious-Liberty Day

Attention is called to the program for Religious-Liberty Day, February 24, found in the *Review* of February 8, page 19. It would be most appropriate, indeed, for our churches all over the land to be engaged in reviewing the principles of liberty on the same day.

Our liberty will be taken away ere long; but before the time comes, we owe a duty to our neighbors and friends, as well as men in authority, to open up to them the storehouse of knowledge on this subject. God's Word is plain, and will give light to all students of it.

When we have finished the program for the day's study, let us then make a liberal offering to the religious-liberty fund to provide literature to be placed in the hands of lawmakers and prospective law-makers all over the land.

Allen Moon.

The Faith of Jesus

"Have faith in God." Mark 11:22. The marginal reading is, "Have the faith of God." The one hundred and forty-four thousand keep the faith of Jesus. Rev. 14:12. In Galatians 2:16-20, we learn that we are justified by the faith of Jesus and that we live by that faith. It is a *living* faith, a faith which works, and the motive power that works

it is *love*. "If a man is a Christian neither circumcision, nor the omission of it, is of any importance, but faith working through love is all important." Gal. 5:6. (Twentieth Century New Testament.) This is the faith of God, the faith of Jesus.

This kind of faith can remove mountains, because it is that which is in Christ Jesus. Acts 26:18. Now Jesus says, "Have the faith of God." We must have Jesus to have this faith. He says in John 15:7, "If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you," ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you." Here is the secret of the whole matter, "If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you." The Bible is called the "word of faith;" and "faith cometh by the word of God." Rom. 10;8,17. Then to have the faith of God is to abide in Christ, and be doers of the Word. Then let us have faith in God.

Ottawa, Ill.

J. C. HARRIS.

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Eternal Vigilance the Price of Liberty

Another opportunity to show our appreciation of the gift of liberty will be given to all our people on Sabbath, February 24. Let there be a hearty response from all the East Michigan churches, for the time is rapidly approaching when it will be too late to contribute to a cause so deserving as this one. Now is the time to sound the warning cry and show the people the dangers that threaten the loss of this great blessing. We must have means to provide literature to circulate among the people. A copy of the new revised edition of "American State Papers" should be placed in the hands of our State legislators and many other prominent officials. Let us so plan, and to this end shall we not make our offering this year exceed by far that of any previous year? I sincerely hope that we shall.

H. H. BURKHOLDER.

Elders' Meeting at Bay City

Illness and other reasons prevented several elders from attending this meeting, but the benefits received and the blessings enjoyed by those who were present, made it a profitable occasion.

All were glad for the help rendered by Elder Moon. His counsel was greatly appreciated. An excellent spirit characterized the services throughout. From testimonies borne, it was evident that the weight of responsibility resting upon the elders of our churches in the finishing of the message was felt more keenly than ever before. Hearty cooperation was pledged to the fifteen-cent-a-week plan, the two per cent for local expenses, and an increase in tithe.

To meet and associate with these brethren for a few days was a privilege greatly enjoyed by the writer. I shall look for good results from the influence of this meeting.

H. H. BURKHOLDER.

Jefferson Church

The church a tthis place feels that Elder Rober W. Leach has conducted a profitable series of meetings here, which have just closed. Quite an outside interest was manifested, which was due, no doubt, to Elder Leach's faithfulness in house-to-house work. Some are deeply considering the truth, but none have as yet taken a decided stand.

Many in the church determined to have a closer walk with God in the future, and be ready when Jesus comes to hear the "Well done, good and faithful servant enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

Osseo, Mich.

OMA L. BRITTON.

Canvassers' Notes

F. W. Brainard—The Lord richly blessed me last week, both in orders and experiences. Monday I canvassed the Methodist minister at Richfield Center, and received his order for "Daniel and Revelation". He wrote his name in my prospectus and said, "If the people see my name in the book in my own handwriting, it will help you in securing orders." I was pleasantly entertained at his home Monday night. I expect to stay with them again to night. He told me he would like have to me occupy his pulpit and give his people a talk on the second coming of Christ.

George McClenathan—The Lord has been with me and blessed me wonderfully. I do not expect to have a very large report next week as I am going to a Catholic neighborhood, but I am going with my trust in Him. Pray for me that I may stand true till Christ comes to gather His redeemed people.

Adelphian Academy Notes

Professors Taylor and Kelley visited Ionia and Lansing during the past month.

At a recent business meeting it was decided to place the church-school upon the tuition basis.

We all enjoyed listening to Elder Burkholder who preached to us Sabbath, the 10th, from Ps. 132: 13, 14.

Sister J. A. Reavis of Owosso made her daughter, Glenna, a pleasant visit of two days during the past week.

Arrangements have been made by which the academy home will be furnished with wholesome bread baked by Brother Freeman of Flint.

Frances Ammon was pleasantly surprised by a visit from her mother, the fourth. It being Frances' birthday, the occasion was doubly enjoyable.

While Professor Taylor was in attendance at the elders' meeting at Bay City, he learned of many new students who are planning to attend the academy next year.

On Sunday, the eleventh, the church school board was elected as follows: Elder A. V. Morrison, Chairman; other members: M. L. Kelly, Celia Marsh, Mrs. H. M. Forshee, and Mr. Frank Hiner.

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We Are Moving

When this number of the HERALD reaches our readers we will be in the midst of the work of moving furniture and books to our new location at 3645 Ogden Avenue. We hope by the close of this week to have everything moved over and then we will be able to greet our friends at our new office home.

Our office can be reached by three car lines. Those start-

ing from the down-town district should take the Douglas Park car on the Metropolitan elevated, and get off at Lawnsdale Avenue station, which will place them nearly opposite our office. We may also be reached by the Ogden Avenue and Twenty-second Street car lines. Our office is between Millard and Lawnsdale Avenues.

It may seem to some that it will be difficult and inconvenient to reach us, but we trust that our people will soon get used to the new order of things, and that they will remember that we are headquarters in Northern Illinois for all of our literature, and that we are planning to keep a full and up-to-date stock on hand at all times. Our magazine agents will be able to secure their supply of magazines at our office as heretofore. H. E. MOON.

Canvassers' Notes

God's blessings await the faithful canvasser. Last week Brother Clarke sold \$60 worth of books in twenty-three hours. The previous week his sales were \$105.

Brother Everett Rideout who has been working on a farm near Aledo has entered the canvassing work for "Great Controversy."

Brother J. S. Johnson, elder of the Englewood church, is planning to enter the canvassing work in the near future.

The work at the institute at Fox River Academy is progressing nicely. Brother John Hicks is teaching the "Great Controversy" class, while Brother E. M. Fishell of the Southern Illinois Conference is conducting the studies in "Coming King." Thirty of the students are taking the different classes, most of whom expect to be in the field this summer in Northern or Southern Illinois.

The general instruction and the question box are conducted by Brother J. B. Blosser. The faculty is doing all possible to make the institute a success, and God's Spirit is leading many to see the need and answer, "Here am I, O, Lord, send me." Who else will enter this good work?

J. A. Applegate.

News Notes

We now have in stock the 1912 Year Books, which can be had for 25 cents each.

We are glad to report that Sister Jean Phillips is slowly recovering from her recent illness.

Elder F. C. Gilbert spent a few days in Chicago this week, visiting friends and attending to some business.

Elder Santee reports that the sanitarium is so full of patients that one night the doctor had to sleep in the bath-room.

Brother J. A. Applegate, accompanied by Brother E. M. Fishell, spent last Sabbath and Sunday at the Broadview Swedish Seminary.

Sister J. A. Lauter, our Bible worker located at Zion City, recently left for Alleghany City, Pa., where she will spend some time with her brother. She expects to return to her work within a few weeks.

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Champaign and Danville

January 5, 1 went to Champaign to hold a series of meetings. A hearty interest was shown by those who attended and several whose experiences had been dark and uncertain were led again into the "old paths." The sanitarium in this place is influencing many of the better class of people for the truth.

At Danville where there are two Sabbath-keeping families,

I found a number who were interested in the truth as a result of their work and we believe there will soon be a company of believers here. B. F. STUREMAN.

Meeting Objections with "Great

Controversy"

[Extracts from a paper read at the canvassers' institute.]

The canvasser's business is not so much to know how to meet objections, as how to sell books. The canvasser who spends half his time studying how to meet objections will probably spend the other half in answering them, for we generally find what we look for. I think that it would be better to study how to avoid objections.

My experience might be of value to a beginner if not to my fellow critics. The first plan I tried to keep my customer from offering objections was to talk so fast that he could not have any chance to speak. I thought this was a very good plan until one day a lady told me I had talked her out of breath. After that I gave time formy customer to get a good breath, if it were only to breatheout some objection.

If a customer is interested in a book, he is not likely to make any serious objections. If we speak from the heart, and not as parrots, and let the customer see that we are interested in his welfare, the victory is ours. As I stated before, it is not the canvasser's business to simply answer objections, yet many so-called objections are only inquiries concerning the truth, and are a help to us in securing orders. If we use a little tact, we can discern the motive of the objection, and then answer accordingly.

Objections which show a lack of interest should be answered with few words, carefully drawing the customer back to the importance of the book. I will again state that we must have our hearts in the work, and the Spirit of God will help us to answer objections. It is not we but Christ in us that gives us success. We might have the faith of Abraham in our own ability, the patience of Job in dealing with a customer, and speak as Solomon spake, yet without the true manifestation of the Spirit of Christ, our work will avail nothing.

One of my greatest mistakes in answering objections has been in getting into a Biblical controversy and almost forgetting my business of selling books. If we stop in the middle of a canvass to visit with a customer or listen to his everyday troubles, we lose his interest and generally his order also. We must stick strictly to the book if we expect to sell books. We must recognize our customer when he speaks, but if we let him do all the talking, we are sure to fail.

If we are fully consecrated to God and to the work, we may rest assured of His help in overcoming any and all objections.

R. J. WATSON.

News Notes

Elder B. F. Stureman is holding meetings with the Noble church.

Elder Bristol spent Sabbath and Sunday, the 10th and 11th, at Farmington. Monday, the 12th, he visited the church-school at Peoria.

The funeral of Allen L. Bland, son of Dr. S. T. and Mrs. M. E. Bland, was held at Oakland, Jan. 31, 1912, Elder Woodford officiating.

While conducting meetings at Farmington last week, Elder Woodford was called to conduct the funeral services of the aged mother of Sister_Carter. She was buried at her old home in Chillicothe, Ill.

The meetings which Brother W. E. Swartz has been holding at Kingman have closed. Two have begun the observance of the Sabbath and it is hoped that others will soon obey the truth.

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Grand Rapids

Last Sabbath the churches of Carlton Center and Bauer united with us in conducting a baptismal service, Bauer having eight, Carlton Center one, and our church, four candidates. Although circumstances were against us, seemingly, we had a good service and God's presence was felt by all present. On Sunday evening we baptized two more from the city, one being the young lady that met such opposition last year from home and other sources. She has stood the storm and finishes high school this year, and will no doubt soon be in some branch of the Lord's work.

The interest is increasing in our Sunday evening services, notwithstanding the cold weather. A good audience was present the last two Sunday nights. Our lecture, "What Would a Modern Luther Do?" was well attended and apparently well received by both Catholics and Protestants.

Our Bible workers are cheerfully and successfully pursuing their labors. Sister Mapes has been ill for two weeks, but is now better. Do not forget us in your prayers.

C. A. HANSEN AND WORKERS.

Bauer

Since the week of prayer began, three new Sabbath-keepers have taken their stand and are rejoicing in the Lord. Several more are under deep conviction.

The sisters of the church began a Bible class the third week in December, and are holding it once a week at different homes. Many are attending and are deeply interested. Last week one lady walked three miles to attend this meeting.

We spent a recent Sabbath in fasting and prayer. The Lord surely came near to His people. One lady for whom we had been praying, took her stand firmly for the truth. About twenty came forward, and we sought the Lord together for a deeper experience. On Sunday evening we were happily surprised with a large outside attendance to listen to "The Seal of God and the Mark of the Beast." On Monday morning we examined eight candidates for baptism. Last Sabbath the baptism took place in Grand Rapids. One young sister who gave her heart to Jesus during the week of prayer, and who is in the last stages of consumption, not being able to speak above a whisper, was buried with her Lord in baptism. She was much stronger afterward. This will speak loudly in Bauer, for some of her friends thought it very foolish for her to think of being baptized.

Pray for the work in this part of the vineyard.

MRS. CLEORA GREEN.

Covert

I feel impressed to write in regard to the meetings which Brother Russell has been conducting here in Covert recently. We all feel to thank the Lord for the blessing which we have received.

The church was crowded from the beginning notwithstanding the severe weather. After Brother Russell had preached a few sermons, he arranged a question box and preached upon the different topics of the message leading up to the Sabbath, and then took an expression of the audience as to their belief of the binding claims of the law of God and the Sabbath. Fully three-fourths arose to signify that they believed the seventh day was as binding as ever. Brother Russell answered twenty-four questions in the evening to the satisfaction of all, I believe. A few have taken their stand for the truth, and others are interested. There are those who have said they would keep the Sabbath as soon as they could arrange their business affairs. So you see the seed is being sown, but the harvest alone will tell the results. Really I believe a few drops of the latter rain are beginning to fall.

At the closing service Sunday evening, January 28, the chapel was filled with a very courteous audience. We dislike to have the meetings close, but we know there are other places that are sounding the Macedonian call, so we will continue to pray and work. A. MCNEAL.

Muskegon

The work is advancing nicely in Muskegon. The Lord directs us to the homes where we are most needed. The people appreciate our calls, and we are praying that some may take their stand for the truth soon. It seems sometimes that we accomplish very little, and there is such a great work to be done; but we are comforted when we read in "Desire of Ages" that Christ Himself felt that same way. The Spirit of God must surely do what we can not do.

The Lord is giving me a deeper Christian experience, for which I am thankful. It only makes me hunger and thirst more after righteousness. I long to be filled with the Spirit, so I can do better service for Him.

MRS. CLEORA GREEN.

Canvassers' Notes

February 21 I had the privilege of spending a few hours in the field with Brother J. E. Herrington. Although the weather was cold and stormy, there was sunshine within our souls, and the Lord richly blessed us for our efforts.

A combination of circumstances makes it very difficult for Brother John Savage to get in much time at the present, but he is anxious to be at this blessed work. Let us remember Brother Savage in prayer, also Brother Timothy Hallock who loves the work, and whom the Lord has given many rich experiences.

The Lord has plainly demonstrated to Brother Miles Andrus that there are many precious souls in the towns waiting for this precious message. In six hours spent in seeking these souls at Middleville, the Lord gave him orders amounting to \$21.75.

O it is wonderful how many homes there are anxious to know more about present truth. God will surely lead us to these places, if we are burdened for souls and go forth with the faith, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Phil. 4:13. Let us go forth while God calls us, and before He raises up another to take our place. A. L. VAN FOSSEN.

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The Elders' Meeting

There was a fairly good attendance at the elders' meeting recently held at the sanitarium, thirty-seven in all being present. The meeting lasted three full days and was appreciated by all who attended. Many expressions of thankfulness were heard and we trust that the result will be of lasting benefit to the work throughout Indiana. Elder Moon was with us the first two days of the meeting, and his instructive Bible studies were very much appreciated by all. Elder F. C. Gilbert arrived the evening of the second day and remained until the close of the meeting, rendering valuable help. He spoke Wednesday and Thursday evenings. The Lord came near Thursday morning in the praise and consecration service, also Thursday evening in the preaching service.

It was the endeavor to make this meeting as practical and instructive as possible, that the elders might be better qualified to meet the perplexities that come to them. A special effort was put forth to lay before this body of representative men the great needs of the work and the obligations which are resting upon the local churches.

Among the Churches

Following the elders' meeting, the writer with Elder Gilbert conducted a ten-days' union meeting with the three churches of Indianapolis. The meetings were held in the Twenty-third Street church and there was a good attendance throughout. A consecration service was held each afternoon at two o'clock which was well attended by an earnest, devoted company of seekers after God, and at this time the blessing and Spirit of God was poured out in a very marked way. The Lord brought deliverance to several hearts and all felt the need of a special preparation to meet the Lord.

Sabbath, January 27, was a good day. At the close of the service, Brother N. H. Pool was set apart to the gospel ministry, Elders Gilbert, Young, Miller, and the writer taking part in the service. The next Sabbath, February 3, was another good day long to be remembered by the Indianapolis churches. The Lord by His Holy Spirit came very near and while the meeting continued until after sundown, there seemed to be no fatigue or restlessness on the part of any, not even the children. Some took their stand for the first time, giving their hearts to the Lord.

Our next visit was to the Boggstown church, where we began meetings Sunday night, the 4th. We held a meeting each forenoon with the academy students, a consecration service in the afternoon with the church, and preaching service in the evening. The meetings were well attended by many not of our faith. The house was filled every night. The Lord helped in a marked way in presenting the truth, and a deep, solemn interest was awakened in many hearts.

Sabbath, the 10th, closed our effort at this place. In the consecration service, all in the congregation, save two, gave themselves anew to the Lord.

Four dear young men and a little girl gave their hearts to the Lord for the first time. One or two others took their stand for truth.

Sunday, February 11, we went to Middletown church where we conducted a week's meeting.

Good reports are coming in from the other workers throughout the conference. We feel that this winter's campaign among the churches will be richly blessed and be a means of bringing our people nearer to the Lord.

O. MONTGOMERY.

From the Field

I worked the greater part of the month of December at Muncie and Hartford City. I have had several visits with the head physician at the Muncie hospital. He is interested in the truth, and had many questions to ask in regard to our work, especially the sanitarium work.

I have also visited the Salem church, where we had some good meetings. Later on I shall hold a series of meetings at that place. There is also an opening to hold meetings at Dugger. I have the promise of the opera house at that place, which has a seating capacity of about five hundred. There is also a call for meetings to be held near Medora. Our people at Odon are of good courage in the Lord.

The message is onward, so we must be wide awake to keep up with it. John saw the angel with the message flying in the midst of heaven, representing a quick work to be done in the world. We must not fall short of our duty now, as we are nearing the end. Let the tithe and offerings be brought into the storehouse, so there will be sufficient means with which to carry on the work. U. S. ANDERSON.

Linton

Elder U. S. Anderson began a series of meetings at Linton on the evening of February 2, and was joined by the writer a few days later. There is a quite an interest manifested by those not of our faith, as well as by our own people. It is said by our brethren that the interest among the people of the city is greater now than at any time since the dedication of the meeting house here, some eighteen years ago.

We are having some good experiences in our meetings. In connection with each of our preaching services, we have a consecration meeting, at which some not of our faith take part and ask an interest in our prayers. Surely these meetings will result in much good in bringing our people up to a higher standard of religious experience, and we trust that some will be added to the church. We are of good courage, and ask an interest in the prayers of all who read this report. J. M. ELLIS.

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Locklane, New Hope, and Ligonier

Early in January we began a series of meetings at Rocklane. The brethren here are few and scattered, and owing to this condition it seemed that the church building would soon be abandoned, but our meetings were a source of encouragement to the church. The Lord came near, and those who were discouraged were helped. Officers were elected for the coming year who are taking hold in earnest to do their duty. We sincerely trust that the help rendered will be of lasting benefit and that the Lord may keep the little flock in the love of the truth.

From this place we went to the New Hope church, where we held meetings a little over a week. Our experience at this place was very encouraging, and we have great reason to praise the Lord for victories won. The brethren are conducting weekly Bible studies with those who became interested while we were there.

We next visited the Ligonier church, reaching there the 23d of January and remaining about ten days. The Lord blessed in the meetings at this place, and a glorious victory was realized by the church. A spirit of confession came in, tears were shed and true repentance was manifested. The Ligonier papers gave room for an article setting forth the work done by this people in all the world.

We are now holding meetings at Wolf Lake, and some have been led to take their stand for the truth. God is with us. To Him be all the praise. E. R. LAUDA.

T. F. HUBBARD.

Sulphur Springs and New Castle

The people of Sulphur Springs and New Castle still manifest an interest. The meetings which I began at a country schoolhouse during the week of prayer are growing in interest. About thirty attend when the weather will permit. Pray for the work here.

G. W. RADER.

"Courtesy is the only way to deal with the courteous, and the best way to deal with the rude."

Wabash Valley Sanitarium

It may be interesting to some of our friends to know that the institution at the present time is full to overflowing with patients. Never before, at this time in the year, has the patronage been as it is at the present time. This, in view of the strenuous times that the institution has been passing through during the last year, is indeed gratifying. The results are only due to increased effort and advertising, together with the blessings of the Lord.

This institution received a communication from Michigan the other day in which it stated that we were receiving a "black eye." No doubt the impression which the person wished to carry was only to the effect that we were suffering from lack of patronage. This has been materially true ever since last fall, due to several causes, one of which was that the "River Drive" or main road leading from the city was completely blocked all summer because it was being macadamized, and another in the transferring of the city department to the rural institution, which, in a sense, has been a benefit, yet owing to the poor car service for which the institution is not accountable, the patronage has fallen off to some extent until recently.

Looking back over three years, the sanitarium has made progress. The first year and a half of this period was during Doctor Wooster's administration at which time was the largest gain that this instution till now has ever enjoyed. The last eighteen months, however, has been fraught with many changes and the results of circumstances over which the local management could have little or no power. The encouragement from the holding of the elders' meeting at this place a few weeks ago was a great source of help to us. We are also looking forward with pleasant anticipation to a few days stay of the conference president together with Elder Gilbert

It may also be of interest to some to know that the training-school of this institution will be cut down or discontinued as soon as possible. Doctor W. M. Byers, of Shirley, Ind., has connected with the sanitarium as assistant physician to Doctor Loop, medical superintendent; this change being made in event of the discontinuing of the office of business manager, which department Doctor Loop will take supervision of. This will materially reduce expenses, and with the present good patronage the outlook for a bright and prosperous future is expected. Elder W. A. Young, so well and favorably known throughout the conference is now acting as our chaplain.

Doctor F. S. Otis of Moline, Ill., was here last week and performed several quite serious operations. The patients are doing nicely.

John Crandall of Albion, Ind., is now at the sanitarium taking treatment.

Trusting that our people in the State of Indiana will do all in their power with their prayers and influence to help make the work in this place a success, I am

> Yours in the blessed hope, HARRY E. SANDERS.

Cooperation with Canvassers

From letters I have received and persons I have visited during the the last three weeks while working in the interest of our coming canvassers' institute which is to be held at Boggstown, March 8-18, I find that many have the idea that when a person enters the canvassing work, he is starting out upon an unknown sea with nothing to guide or help in time of need. I want to correct this idea if possible. I know we can do so this coming year by actual demonstration if those whom God is calling to this work only step out and give us a chance.

We are organized into churches in order to help the individual do better work for God in the world. The tract society is a branch of this body, organized to help the individual do a self-supporting work for God by the sale of our subscription books. And we who are leading out in this work believe it not only our duty to interest and urge men to canvass, but also to train and stand by them after they have given up their positions and entered the field. We know that much depends on the selection of the right men, and we are going to be very careful whom we advise to take up this line of work; then after they have entered the work we intend by God's help to do our duty by them, which means that we will do all we can to help them succeed and put them in the place where they can do good work.

We are desirous that all those who are ready to enter the canvassing work shall attend the coming institute. Is God calling you to this work? I hope to hear from many this coming week who feel it their duty to help spread this truth by the sale of our subscription books.

1722 S. "E" Street, Elwood, Ind. O. MORRIS.

North Michigan Conference

Among the Churches

On my way to and from our elders' meeting I visited the believers at Harris, Gladstone, and Ishpeming. At our Belgium and French church at Harris, nearly all are of good courage. Of course it is quite difficult to keep out of the Babylonian fog, unless our ears are constantly open to hear and obey the voice of the true Shepherd. If when we know God, we glorify Him not as God, our hearts will become darkened and we will worship the creature more than the Creator. Notwithstanding the very cold weather, we held three services, the last being at the home of Brother Routeaux, because the condition of his health prevented him from going to the church, at the last two named places, I found the believers of good courage.

We have some outside interest among the Indians at L'anse. One family we think will soon take their stand to keep all of God's commandments. The young people's Missionary Volucteer Society is in a flourishing condition. They are doing a commendable work in mailing papers, tracts, and magazines, to relatives and friends in adjacent towns. Already they are receiving the Macedonian call for help. May we all stand ready to do all we can for our Master. R. J. BELLOWS:

A Little Incident

One day last week we were surprised to see a laboring man from the city call in at the tract society enquiring after tracts. He was not quite certain of the ones he wanted and we tried our best to help him in his selection. While we were waiting on him his eyes rested on a copy of the Harvest Ingathering number of the *Signs* and immediately his face lighted up. He took the paper up and readily turning to the cover page on which our tracts were advertised, he quickly selected what he wanted.

During the previous week one of the members of our Young People's Society in Petoskey left a number of these papers in the rack at the depot, and also obtained permission from a merchant to leave some in his store for free distribution. It is evident that it must have been at one of these places that our visitor had seen the tracts advertised.

We do not know what the result will be, but we are certain that light on present truth has been brought to one more soul, through the efforts of our voung brother. Can we not all take courage and determine anew to distribute the printed page in every conceivable way, and give opportunity to seekers after truth to find it?

The Spirit of the Lord is impressing the hearts of the honest to-day. We can confidently leave the results in His hands after we have done our part. Let us discharge our responsibility in these last days. S. E. KELLMAN.

The Church-Schools

At the close of the elders' meeting, I visited the Mesick church-school. Severe storms prevented a number of the pupils from attending, but all present seemed interested in their work. Miss Bjork has been reading to the children from the Reading Course books during the opening exercises certain mornings in the week. All the children who are old enough promised to write on the questions for the first book.

January 17 and 18 I spent at Cedar Lake. This was my first visit since the new academy has been erected. I was glad to see so many in school and to become better acquainted with the students from North Michigan.

On my way from Cedar Lake to Beaverton, I stopped at Mount Pleasant. The cold weather prevented my getting to the homes of those living in the country but I visited two families near town and became acquainted with a number of our young people there. Friday afternoon I went to Beaverton, and spent Sabbath and Sunday with our little company located at that place. They meet each Sabbath at the home of some member for Sabbath-school.

Tuesday and Wednesday I visited the church-school at Omer. From Omer I went to West Branch. At one time we had quite a company at this place but many have moved away, so their numbers are now small.

I attended the West Michigan teachers' institute held at Berrien Springs. We had a profitable time.

FLORENCE CROUCH.

News Notes

The 1912 Year Book is ready. Only twenty-five cents each. Elder R. J. Bellows visited the church at Hancock Sabbath, February 17.

Morning Watch Calendars can still be obtained. Order early to avoid disappointment.

Wanted — Agents to handle our ten-cent magazines in every town and city. Liberal discounts.

Brother F. E. Fenner has commenced a series of meetings in Millersburg. Pray that success may attend his efforts.

We were glad to learn that our Indian brother, Alexander Misigan, has commenced canvassing for "Coming King." He reports success.

Missionary secretaries will please note the good things the editors of the *Review* have promised us for this year. "The *Review* in every Sabbath-keeper's home," should be our motto.

Every church should have a missionary map of the world to keep in touch with the progress being made by our workers. The message is truly going to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people. The General Conference has some missionary maps 48x90 marked with the mission stations occupied by us, which can be supplied for only \$2.75 each.

The new Temperance *Instructor* for 1912 is ready to mail. Advices in hand indicate that it will be by far the climax of all previous Temperance issues in contents and appearance. As fifteen counties in North Michigan will vote on the local option question this Spring, we are hoping that our people everywhere will circulate this number even more than they have in previous years. Let us remember that the Temperance number of the *Instructor* helped to turn the tide in favor of prohibition in Maine last year. Arrangements are being made so that orders will be filled as promptly as possible.

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Wisconsin Camp-Meeting

The next annual session of the conference and camp-meeting will be held in Wausau. This will be our first campmeeting in Wausau, and the citizens are pleased to have us pitch our camp in their city. They have a commodious ground with shade trees, water, and and some buildings which will add to the comfort and convenience of our meeting.

Wausau is a city of about eighteen thousand; its population being composed of English, Germans, and Scandinavians. It is located a little north of the center of the State on the Wisconsin River, and can be reached from any part of the State over the Northwestern and Chicago, and the Milwaukee railways.

The meeting will be held in June, the exact date to be given later. We make mention of the meeting this early that all may have ample time to make preparation.

W. H. THURSTON.

Liberty

"Proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof." Lev. 25:10. "It is an eternal law of Jehovah, that he who accepts the truth that the world needs is to make it his first work to proclaim this truth." Volume VII, page 13.

From the foregoing our duty is clear, and it should be a great privilege to every believer to proclaim the truth to this world in need. February 24 is the time for the annual religious liberty offering, for the purpose of proclaiming liberty throughout all the land. All may have part in making this truth known by making an offering February 24.

The offering in our conference last year for this departinent of the work was \$127.56. The offering this year should be more, as the demand and need are much greater. We are judiciously placing the revised edition of "American State Papers" in the hands of legislators and other prominent officials, and it is evident that this will result in great good. Some may be persuaded to become Christians.

Our magazines *Liberty* and *Protestant* are doing good work and many more should be placed in the hands of the people. Let all remember the date and bring a liberal offering, thus receiving and imparting a blessing.

W. H. THURSTON.

Annual Religious Liberty Offering

The annual religious liberty offering is to be taken Sabbath, February 24. The offering last year was about one hundred twenty-seven dollars, but only one-third of this was for our use. There are good reasons why our offering this year should be much larger than the one was last year.

Next winter the legislature will be in session and we can expect that Sunday laws will be up for enactment.

We have two United States Senators, eleven Congressmen, seven State officers, thirty-three State Senators, one hundred State Assemblymen, and seven justices of the Supreme Court of Wisconsin, making in all one hundred sixty. Each one of this number should receive a copy of the new, revised edition of "American State Papers."

During the last session of the legislature, a Saturday-lunch club was organized, at which the Governor, and some of the State officers and legislators regularly meet several of the university professors to discuss the problems of the day. Inasmuch as there are several hundred of these professors, we could not expect to give each one a copy of said book, but we might present a copy to each one of those who are the most influential in the enactment of law.

These books would have to be paid for out of the offering taken Sabbath, February 24. The retail price of the book is \$1.25. Are there not many in the State who can give the price of the book? If there are, and such ones do so, the sweet benediction of God will surely rest upon every such individual. Let all give liberally and receive God's blessing.

Yours for liberty, H. W. REED.

A Trip to North Michigan

The president of the North Michigan Conference asked me to visit the Swedish church at Iron River, Mich., as they have no Swedish minister in their conference. At our committee meeting at Bethel, January 3, I was released from Wisconsin to answer that call.

Two weeks were spent with the brethren and sisters at Iron River. They were visited in their homes and meetings were held almost every day. The weather was very cold and the roads drifted, but the schoolhouse was filled each evening. I enjoyed much of the blessing of God in presenting the wonderful way in which this message is going to every tribe and people. The brethren treated me very kindly and I enjoyed my stay among them. I am hoping and praying that the Spirit of God may help them to take hold with all their power and means to advance this cause.

On my way back I visited Clearwater Lake School and found Professor Hannon and the other teachers and the students of good courage in their work.

John Hoffman.

Fish Creek

After being detained at home for about two weeks because of sickness, I am again permitted to take up my work in this district. February 2, I joined Brother A. Belding who is soliciting funds at Green Bay, for the sanitarium, and together we visited the brethren there. We then went to Sturgeon Bay and later to Fish Creek, where we are at the present time. We are holding meetings each night in the church, and have a good attendance. I believe there are precious souls in this place who will be gathered in. May God bless the seed sown in this place, is my prayer.

P. C. HANSON.

Ashland

I wish to send a report to the HERALD of the work being done by our "Circulating Bureau and Missionary Society." Our circulating bureau is sending out a large number of our magazines to prominent business men all over the country. We send them for a year to each one. One member of our church here has donated \$25 to this work. Our missionary society meets after prayer meeting each week, and we enjoy some good meetings. Our secretary sends out, individually, one tract every day in the year, and it is very interesting to hear of the different ways in which she secures names of teachers of Bible classes and others of influence.

We take up a collection at every meeting to pay for stamps and tracts. We have a long list of names of those to whom tracts are being sent each week. L. M. JOHNSTON.

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A Suggestion

The editor sat in her easy chair, Her thoughts ran on apace;

- "How can I crowd a yard of report Into a foot of space?
- "' 'Tis three to one, you surely see, The thing canuot be done.
- Therefore the poor editorial 'we' Will have to cut it down.
- "And now my dear contributors, That nothing may go wrong, Please send ideas one yard deep, But only one foot long."

-Editor, in Michigan Union.

Emmanuel Missionary College

Mrs. Morse of Battle Creek is visiting her son, Harry.

A. L. Van Fossen, the West Michigan field agent, spent a day last week at the College.

Miss Nellie Nelson of Otsego is visiting her niece and nephew, Esther and Paul Pierce.

The normal department is very thankful for the new carpentry tools which are used by the class in wood sloyd.

Miss Ruth Huffman left Sunday for her home in Battle Creek. If her health permits, she expects to be in school next year.

Elder Gilbert will deliver a number on the lecture course Thursday evening, February 22, the subject being "Jewish Traditions and Customs."

Lincoln's birthday was celebrated by a dinner on the American plan, after which toasts were made to Lincoln as a backwoodsman, a lawyer, and a president.

Business Notices

Eggs for hatching, \$5 per 100: White Leghorns, White Rocks, White Wyandottes, Barred Rocks, Rose-comb Reds, and Indian Runner ducks. For fancy Leghorns and Light Fawn Runners see our circular. Leghorn cockerels and Runner drakes yet. Dickson's Poultry Farm, La Harp, Ill.

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 \$4.50 per can. THE EMMANUEL MISSIONARY COLLEGE PRESS manufactures stenographic note books to meet a demand for a firstclass article. These books contain 192 pages, $4\frac{1}{2} \times 9$ inches, and are made of the best quality of heavy writing paper, ruled, with red marginal line, are hand sewed and bound in heavy boards with flexible back to open flat at top, Just the thing for conference and tract society offices, or students' use. Price, 20 cents each, \$2 per doz. Order, through your tract society, of the Review and Herald, South Bend, Ind.

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