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

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## Syria

In July, 1911, Brother Beshir Abo Hasso returned to Mosul (ancient Nineveh), after graduating here in Beirut as a pharmacist, to connect with the mission that sent him to college. His name, Beshir, meaning in the Arabic language, "bearer of good news; evangelist" (from the same root as "bushaarat," meaning "gospel") is very indicative. He had been given several opportunities to present the message to the congregation of the church. Here are his words, written January 26:—

"I am not accomplishing very much here because you know that I have not got the power of speech. I try by the help of God to use every opportunity as best I can; but how I wish that some brother would come here, who is able to explain the prophecies publicly, as you do in Beirut.

"Now I should like to tell you something of my cousin Altoon. When I first accepted the message I began to pray that my family should also accept it, and I had a great confidence that Altoon would accept. When I came to Mosul he was working in an ice machine, and he used to sleep there as well. He seldom came home. One Sunday he came home and said that he was obliged to work on Sundays also. I told him that it was not a sin to work on Sundays but on Saturdays. He was surprised to hear this, for the first time, and began to oppose me. Before the end of the summer a part of the machine was broken, and he was left without work, so he came home. I could by the help of God convince him that I was right, but he lacked courage. Then he found a position in a mill, in a village ten miles from Mosul. Sometimes he returns home, and we continue our prayers and discussions together, and now he is fully established in the truth, and is willing, with all pleasure to be baptized. He is now keeping Sabbath under many trying circumstances."

This new convert has even sent his first tithe along with that of Brother Beshir, which shows his faithfulness. We hope that soon we may be able to enter that field in search for the souls prepared by the Spirit of God.

Brother Shukry Noufel from Mount Lebanon, has passed through a remarkable experience. Having accepted the truth, he was for some reasons obliged to leave the school where he has been acting as teacher for several years. He was in a hard situation; pressed by the government to serve in the army, burdened with the responsibility of his family, the father having been in America now for some nine years. He was planning to leave for South America in search of his father. Money that was to be advanced to him for traveling was lost on the way from Lebanon to Beirut. We were all absent to the conference in Germany, so he was left without counsel what to do in his perplexity; then there was severe opposition on the part of his family against the truth. Suddenly at

midnight, he received a letter while in his village on Lebanon after earnest supplication, from the head master of the school in Beirut, offering him his former position, with an increase of salary, because unexpectedly another teacher left. This was a signal help of God, and he rejoices in this experience. In his letter to me he makes these touching remarks:—

"After having passed through many great difficulties such as I have never experienced before, I can see now that the hand of Providence was at work to prepare a work for me suitable to my belief. Yes, the difficulties which I had, none can appreciate except he who has been in them; but thank God, the Almighty, who would not leave me alone in such hard circumstances. At the hour of trouble I always remembered that sweet promise of the mouth of the Lord, the promise whose letters drop with matchless mercy and unparalleled love, 'Come unto Me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest.' So with so strong a hope I always laid myself down at my Saviour's feet, washing them with an ointment of humbleness and tears of repentance. Not very long after I could feel the response of my prayer. Now I am enjoying the blessings which God has bestowed upon me. At the crisis of trouble and need, a work which I never dreamt of was provided for me."

This brother has the Sabbath and Sunday free in the school, and is a good help to us in our work. He is translating for me in our public meetings. What a blessing it is to labor with such souls, and what a blessed thought that we shall be connected throughout all eternity with them, as will Christ communicate face to face with His redeemed on the earth restored.

Also the other good brother who had joined these two in baptism last summer, Brother Haris (meaning "watchman"), has just recently gone through an experience that shows God's kind care for His children. Laboring outside the offices of the Singer Manufacturing Company here in Beirut, where he has a good position, he has been able to arrange his work so as to keep Sabbath. But of late there arose difficulties and there was danger that he would lose both the work and come into trouble concerning the truth, since he was somewhat inexperienced. After a straight talk with the director of the company here, who himself is a proselyte from the Jews and keeps Sunday, and who told me that other Jews in connection with their work are obliged to labor on Sabbath, he has given the Sabbath free to our brother; and I was very glad to hear him express himself very appreciatively of his work and character, so that without having been asked he had just recently raised his salary. We clearly saw God's help in this case.

There are other such souls here in Syria, but they must earnestly be searched for. I have come in contact with an Armenian family where I have been holding Bible studies. The family lost their property in Adana last year, and came to Beirut. They are all eager in listening to the prophecies. The father was obliged to return to Adana [near ancient Tarsus, where Paul was born, and was sent by the brethren at Jerusalem when the Jews sought to kill him] just recently to settle some business matters, and will probably stay away several months. But he has been supplied with a prophetic chart and other material, which he is eager to use in teaching the truth to the people in that region. He says he has for some time been led to study the books of Daniel and

Revelation, but he could never make out the meaning of it all. He was practically loaded with questions, and it seemed that he could not hear enough to satisfy his longing. When touching on the Sabbath he said he would seriously consider this matter. They have two bright young boys knowing the English quite well. It is a family of six persons, all appearing very promising lovers of the truth. May the Lord through the loss of their earthly-prosperity lead them to the knowledge and acceptance of that treasure which is laid up in heaven, that will never fail.

W. C. ISING.

## Why We Operate Denominational Schools

As a denomination we are conducting five hundred seventy-nine church-schools, and eighty-three intermediate schools, academies, and colleges, valued at nearly two million dollars. One thousand one hundred seventy-two teachers are employed, and eighteen thousand three hundred seventy students are in attendance. [These figures are based on the statistical report for the year 1909.]

In view of these figures the question naturally arises: Why do we in this land of splendid free schools, maintain a separate school system of our own? Why all this expenditure of means and effort? Why does the loyal Seventh-day Adventist parent sacrifice—perhaps sell a horse or one or two cows—that John or Mary may attend one of our academies or colleges, when just across the way from his home is a well-equipped high school, college, or university, where the son or daughter could be educated at much less expense? Why do our church-members unite in self-sacrifice to support a church-school when near at hand is a school where tuition is free? Is it all worth while? Does it pay?

While it is true that our schools are improving in equipment and efficiency every year, and we really have reason to be proud of the progress being made and the results obtained, we certainly would not say that we are operating denominational schools because we have larger libraries, better laboratories, finer buildings, or teachers of greater learning, as the world counts learning. We readily agree that we do not hope to surpass the public schools in these respects; so the question still remains, Why do we operate denominational schools?

The reasons are abundant and well-founded, and the results more than justify our course. Only a few of the more prominent reasons can be given here. I bring no railing accusation against the public schools; for, notwithstanding the fact that many of the most prominent educators of this country are coming to believe that the public schools are falling far short of doing the work it was hoped they would do in developing strong, upright, honest citizens,—notwithstanding this fact, I say, it may perhaps be safely said that, under the circumstances, these schools are doing as well as should be expected of secular schools, which, from the very nature of the case, are deprived of religious training, without which moral training loses its power and efficiency.

The Bible cannot consistently be taught in a state institution. Many teachers either ignore it or do not believe it; for this reason, even if there were no others, we should be justified in maintaining our own schools. In these secular institutions not only is the Bible largely ignored, but false theories or doctrines, such as evolution, are being taught in every grade from the kindergarten to the post-graduate courses in the universities. Such theories are incompatible with Bible truth. As the one is accepted, the other is rejected. So when we remember that "the Word of the eternal God is our guide" to eternal life, it helps us to realize the great danger there is in subjecting our children and youth to that training which is so diametrically opposed to the teaching of God's Word; for "what shall it profit a man

if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?"

In our own schools the teachers not only fear God and believe His Word, but their ideal is to make the Bible their guide in the teaching of every study, as far as possible to show forth in every lesson the great God, our Creator and Redeemer. The students are not trained for self, but for God; not for time, but for eternity.

The subject matter taught in the schools of the world is not the only source of danger to our youth who attend these schools; but in their association with those who do not fear God is brought to bear an influence even more subtle and effective in leading them from the truth than is the teaching of the school. The party, the dance, the secret society, and the various sports and daily associations tend powerfully to draw our most promising youth farther and farther from the straight and narrow way.

How often when son or daughter has married one not in the truth, when the love of worldly gain or position has swept him from the moorings of his faith, which once seemed so strong,—yes, how often, when the world has snatched their most precious treasures from their very hearts, when from all appearance it is too late,—do parents wake up, ready to make the sacrifice for Christian education, which, if made a few years before, might have saved a precious soul!

But we must not only save the souls of our young people; we must also train workers to give the message which God has committed to us, to every kindred, tongue, and people, and that without delay; and these workers need training for their work. Who shall train them? Surely not the world. It is no more absurd or unreasonable to send a young man to a blacksmith to learn the carpenter's trade than it is to send our young people to the schools of the world to receive their training for gospel service. No, the church, through its Christian schools, must give the needed training. Notice carefully these forcible words:—

"Our schools are the Lord's special instrumentality to fit up the children and youth for missionary work."

The revelation of God's will should leave no parent in doubt with respect to his duty toward the education of his children; it also, beyond the shadow of a doubt, not only justifies but positively demands that we operate denominational schools.

O. J. GRAF.

## Northern Illinois Conference

Office Address, 3645 Ogden Ave., Chicago, Ill.

President, G. E. Langdon; Sec'y-Treas., H. E. Moon; Y. P., S. S., and Ed. Sec'y, Edith Shepard; Field Agent, J. A. Applegate, 184 Woodlawn Ave., Aurora, Ill.

## Work during March

Sabbath, March 2, I was in Chicago and held a meeting in the forenoon with the Dearborn Street church and in the afternoon with the West Side church. Elder Langdon preached and I baptized one of Sister Hibben's readers. I went to Moline Monday, March 4, and we held a sanitarium board meeting the 5th. The 6th I went to New Windsor where Doctor Hubley took me about to solicit with the special *Signs* for Missions. We worked two and one half days and obtained \$25. On Friday, I went to Galesburg and held meetings Sabbath and Sunday. Monday I returned and continued soliciting at New Windsor and Viola until Thursday evening. At Viola Brother C. A. Park carried me in a buggy among his neighbors, two and one-half days, while I met and talked with them about our missionary work in various lands. In the two places we distributed in five days about one hundred fifty Harvest Ingathering *Signs*, and obtained \$50.25 for missions in the great wide harvest field. The roads were bad and the weather stormy, but the Lord gave great blessings as we told the people of the world-wide harvest message which is being carried to all mankind. Of the persons solicited, sixty gave twenty-five cents each, thir-

used a wooden clock as an aid in bringing up the donations.

Brother Kellman spent Sabbath and Sunday with the church at Onaway, and then went on to Alpena and held a service with that church, returning Tuesday to his duties at the office.

The Petoskey Sabbath-school has been much interested in a thermometer they have been using in connection with their donations. They succeeded in breaking it last Sabbath. This caused all to rejoice.

The Mesick church have been doing all they could in the temperance work. Elder Guild gave a lecture on the subject and the church has recently rendered a temperance program. We do not know the extent of their influence, but we are glad to learn that Wexford County is dry.

We regret to record the death of Brother P. S. Smalley of Alden, Mich. Brother Smalley was one of the first to accept the truth in that church and has been faithful in doing all he could to build up the work at that place. Elder Irwin conducted the funeral services Friday, April 5. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to the remaining relatives.

## East Michigan Conference

Office Address, Holly, Mich.

President, H. H. Burkholder; Sec'y-Treas., Tillie E. Barr; Tract Society Sec'y, Frank Miner; S. S. Sec'y, Tillie E. Barr; Ed. and M. V. Sec'y, H. A. Boylan; Field Missionary Agent, W. D. Moore; Field Missionary Sec'y, E. I. Beebe, Ovid, Mich.; Religious Liberty Secretary, H. A. Weaver, 2028 10th St., Port Huron, Mich.; Medical Missionary Sec'y, J. M. Wilbur, 911 Vaughn St., Ann Arbor, Mich.

## Work among the Colored People of Detroit

We are now entering upon the second quarter of the new year. As we look back over the ground already covered, we see our failures and mistakes, but are encouraged by the victories won.

During quarterly meeting, the Spirit of the Lord came in among us, and each received a rich blessing. It was, indeed, encouraging to us to see those who recently united with our church, joyfully celebrating the ordinances for the first time.

The blessed Lord has given us three members since the new year began, one for each month. While we are glad for this, we hope for greater results. To this end, we are endeavoring to raise means with which to purchase a gospel tent to be used for the colored work. It is our earnest prayer that God will raise up friends who will contribute to the establishment of this neglected work in Detroit. "Whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men." Col. 3:23.

The size of the tent which we hope to get, is 30x50, and will cost about one hundred twenty-five dollars, including poles, stakes, and rigging. We most prayerfully solicit the assistance of any who may be interested in this phase of the work.

The Lord is blessing our Sunday evening meetings, and the outlook is very encouraging.

347 Alexanderine St., East.

J. W. OWENS.

## Canvassers' Notes

We feel to praise God for the wonderful success of the canvassers in East Michigan. Sister McClenathan has finished a splendid delivery in Brown City. Brother Brainard is also happy over a successful delivery in Genessee County, while Brother A. V. Morrison has been making a very large delivery in Livingston County, and Brother Miner is delivering this week near Ann Arbor. One of the most encouraging features of the work in 1912 thus far has been the success all of our canvassers have had in delivering their books.

The Lord is also blessing in the taking of orders both in the city and country. Brother George McClenathan just reports his banner day. His sales for last Friday amounted to \$24. I had the pleasure of assisting Brother Garland Flint in McComb County three and a half days last week. We had

some grand experiences. The Lord gave us excellent places to stay over night and orders amounting to \$72. In the city of Detroit the work is forward. Sisters Case, Flint, Countryman, and Fowler have had excellent success selling our magazines, while Sister Countryman, besides giving one day to helping Sister Case get started, sold \$50 worth of books and magazines.

Brother Lyman Clark has moved to Howell and is expecting to go into the field and do some vigorous work this summer. Brother M. D. Day is giving the alarm up in Tuscola County with success.

There are many who are preparing to enter this branch of God's work in the near future.

"In a special sense Seventh-day Adventists have been set in the world as watchmen and light-bearers. To them has been entrusted the last warning for a perishing world. On them is shining a wonderful light from the Word of God. They have been given a work of the most solemn import,—the proclamation of the first, second, and third angels' messages. There is no other work of so great importance." Volume IX, page 19.

W. D. MOORE.

## A Canvasser's Experience

I can truthfully say I am of good courage. One man I delivered a book to said that some did not order the book because it was an Adventist publication, but he thought the Adventists had some good writers. To be sure, I agreed with him. This same family are reading "Daniel and Revelation" evenings so they can all hear it.

Another man told me he had been praying for light on the Revelation, and would not dare to let me go without buying one of our books. He is now studying "Daniel and Revelation."

I might mention other experiences but I know we all have many of them as we go from home to home. I often think of the time when, if faithful, we shall meet those in the kingdom to whom we have carried the printed page. May God help us all to be faithful.

M. D. DAY.

## Adelphian Academy Notes

Mrs. Graham called on her son, Harold, on March 27.

Several new cuts are to be used in the calendar now in preparation.

Alvin Goff enjoyed a visit from his mother and younger brothers Sabbath, March 30.

Mr. L. D. Jones, a young man from Battle Creek, has come to take up work on the farm.

The senior class for 1911-12 has been organized with Earnest Weaver as president and Celia Marsh as secretary.

At the election in Holly on the first of April, the Prohibitionists carried their vote by a small majority.

The visit of Sister Moon on March 28 to 31, during which she gave several helpful talks, was much appreciated by the school.

While the goal to be reached in our Sabbath-school donations for the past quarter, was sixty-four dollars, we rejoice that the amount reached eighty-one dollars fifty-eight cents.

Elder Burkholder is at his home in Mount Vernon, Ohio, owing to the illness of his aged mother, caused by a serious accident recently. Our sympathy is with the family in their trouble.

The interest in the canvassing work is being kept up by the canvassers' band meetings held every Tuesday and Thursday. At the close of the school we expect a good representation of young canvassers to enter the field from this school.

A very pleasant occasion was the boys' reception given on the evening of March 21 in the tastefully decorated chapel. Music, recitations, and the characteristic abundance of re-

## West Michigan Conference

Office Address, Otsego, Mich.

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### The Grand Rapids Church at Work

One of the best quarterly services ever held in Grand Rapids was held last Sabbath morning. The service was well attended and in a special way God was present by His Spirit.

Our missionary society has done faithful work this year. A club of *Signs* has been distributed, also the clean copies of church papers and monthly periodicals have been sent to interested persons in the city and other places. These names and addresses are given to the society by the pastor and and Bible workers; they then follow up the work by personal letters and visits, also written invitations to attend our Sunday evening service. These invitations are sent on a postal card. Very often the individuals respond by coming to our service, which then puts them in line to become Sabbath-keepers by hearing our pointed lectures.

Our aid society has been the means of raising several hundred dollars for our new church. This was mostly done by soliciting among business men and manufacturing concerns. The society has also distributed clothing and has done other works of kindness.

Three district prayer meetings are held each week, besides the workers' meeting. Every Sabbath evening a service is carried on at the Soldiers' Home, and we are now arranging for another place for our brethren to speak in the city in connection with mission Sunday-schools.

Thus we all manage to keep busy with our eleven services conducted every week in Grand Rapids. Many souls have been baptized thus far, and with God's blessing many more will embrace our precious message. Pray for us.

C. A. HANSEN AND WORKERS.

### Cedar Lake Institute

A very successful institute has just closed at the Cedar Lake Academy, with Brother Blosser in charge, assisted by Brother B. F. Williams, the newly chosen field agent for North Michigan, and the writer. The interest manifested all through was very encouraging, and all derived much good from the instruction given by Brother Blosser during the general instruction hour, also from his good talks during chapel hour.

Eighteen took the institute work—four of this number being North Michigan students. Eight studied "Coming King;" one, "Great Controversy;" one, "Daniel and Revelation;" one, "Practical Guide;" two, "Bible Readings;" five, "Bible Footlights." Besides these, there will be one for magazine work.

By the time this notice reaches you, we will be in the midst of another institute at Berrien Springs.

I believe there are others the Lord is speaking to along these lines. He says, "Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you." Brother, sister, shall we go? Soon it will be too late; the cry will echo from the throne, "Come ye blessed of My Father," and then will arise that awful wail, "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." Jer. 8:20.

A. L. VAN FOSSEN.

### News Notes

Elder Wight is expected home in time to attend the Lake Union Conference at Battle Creek.

Prospects are good for a number of new canvassers to enter the field in West Michigan soon.

Elder W. C. Hebner has quite fully recovered from his illness caused by a felon on his thumb.

The Otsego Sabbath-school gave \$20 for their thirteenth-Sabbath offering for the cities of India.

Brother Reefman reports two new Holland Sabbath-keepers in Grand Rapids, both heads of families.

Have you laid plans to attend camp-meeting this year? If not, commence to do so today and you will be there.

If you have any spicy news items, send them to the tract society office and they will be passed along to the *HERALD*. It takes material to make a good, live paper. Let us all help.

Our new treasurer's monthly report sheets have been put into use by nearly all of the treasurers, and they are giving satisfaction. Sample sheets sent to tract society secretaries upon request.

The Otsego church-school is closed for a time, owing to Miss Leta Rumery's illness. She has had to undergo an operation for appendicitis, but is reported to be making a speedy recovery.

All are glad to know that Mecosta County has joined the temperance ranks, and the *Instructor* helped to do it. It is not too late to handle the temperance *Instructor*. Your county may face the saloon issue next spring. Sow some good seed now.

## North Michigan Conference

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### Melita

On Sabbath, March 23, Mrs. Jonathan Bowen, one of our neighbors who was quite friendly toward our people but had never united with us, was buried from the Free-Methodist church. Elder Albert Weeks from Omer conducted the service, basing his remarks upon 1 Cor. 15. A goodly number were present to hear him and we believe a good impression was made. This is the second funeral service that our people have conducted in this locality, and I believe the Bible truths presented will influence the people to attend other of our services.

DANIEL DENNIS.

### News Notes

One paper on "Ministry of Healing" has already reached the educational department.

Mrs. Butler of Brutus attended the quarterly service at Petoskey last Sabbath, March 31.

Mrs. D. F. Miller of the Wildwood church was in town and made the office a brief visit the other day.

The Soo Sabbath-school reports one family much interested in the truth. Such reports are encouraging.

A sister from Hancock writes that the two-per-cent fund is being thoroughly agitated and several have adopted the plan there.

The tract society is receiving orders for "Miracles of Missions." The members of the Reading Course will soon be using this book.

A brother from the Omer church has just sent in his \$7.80 to be applied on his fifteen-cents-a-week. We hope to hear from many others in our conference.

Elder Irwin reached home last evening, April 3. During his absence he visited Cedar Lake in the interest of the canvassing work and the institute recently held there.

Brother De Moulpied and family have gone to take up their new abode at Cooks, Mich. They stopped off at Petoskey one evening and took the early train next morning.

The Mesick Sabbath-school reports that they exceeded their aim for last quarter by over \$3. The superintendent

ty-eight, fifty cents each; one gave seventy-five cents; eight gave one dollar each, and two gave three dollars each. I gave two Bible studies in Oswego, and seven in Aurora; and held four meetings in Elgin, including the quarterly meeting service, and took six new members into the church besides one who came in by letter. Six of those united who with the church are Sister Gertrude Merriner's readers. We will have another meeting there soon when five or six of those who united subject to baptism will go forward in that ordinance. The Elgin church was much encouraged as a result of this short series of meetings. Others are expected to unite with the church soon.

The young people in the church have stirred up quite an interest in the subject of building a meeting house. They have organized for business and are raising funds with which to purchase a lot on which to build. I wish them success.

WM. COVERT.

## Conquering Snow and Mud

The weather conditions in Northern Illinois have been very unfavorable the past two weeks, yet our faithful men have been making records. Here is one from our veteran, Brother John Hicks. In thirty-eight hours he sold \$57.50 worth of books, driving through mud that was almost impassable. Brother J. H. Banty just finished delivering \$130 worth of books in thirty-five hours. He writes that his buggy and books were turned over once in a large snow drift and that he barely escaped this experience several times. His courage is good. He begins work now in Winnebago County with "Bible Readings." Brother Carl Matteson finished delivering \$139.10 worth in thirty-two hours. Surely this is an excellent record. The other reports are not in as yet. The Lord is blessing His faithful workers abundantly.

The institute at Broadview Swedish Seminary is in progress with fifteen earnest, energetic young people studying the various books. Others are expected later.

I am satisfied there are many others whom God *longs* to see take up this good work. In every way possible He is constantly setting before us the great truth that *we* are the *light* of the world. "If the salt have lost his savor . . . it is thenceforth good for nothing."

I shall be glad to hear from any one who feels it would be a privilege to work for the Master.

J. A. APPLGATE.

## Tri-City Sanitarium News Notes

Miss Nina Carle is nursing at Cambridge, Ill.

Mrs. Blair Quick of Des Moines, Iowa, is a patient at the sanitarium for a few weeks.

Dr. F. J. Otis spent a day or two at the Wabash Valley Sanitarium last week attending to some surgical work.

Mr. H. D. Kemmann, an implement dealer of Clarence, Iowa, has been a patient at the sanitarium for the past few weeks.

Mrs. A. D. Nelson, Mrs. A. Danberg, Mr. H. H. Colby, Miss Edna Carlson, and Herman Boling are recent surgical cases at the sanitarium. All have made and are making splendid recovery.

Thursday evening, March 28, a sextet of the Olive Male Chorus gave an entertainment in the gymnasium. There was a good attendance of friends and patients all enjoying the program very much.

Cards have been received announcing the marriage of Miss Golden Covert and Mr. R. W. Williamson at Chattanooga, Tenn. Miss Covert graduated from the nurses' course here last June. Mr. Williamson is a business man of Chattanooga.

Dr. E. G. Norman, superintendent of the Prison and Jail Work for the W. C. T. U., conducted a service in the Rock

Island County jail Sunday afternoon, March 17. Several of the nurses accompanied her and assisted in the service. This service is conducted by Doctor Norman once in six weeks.

Miss Edith Morgan, who has been making her home in the East the past year, spent a few days at the sanitarium on her way to Los Angeles, Calif., to join her parents who moved to the Coast last autumn. Miss Morgan's father was a former patient at the sanitarium.

## Southern Illinois Conference

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## News Notes

Miss Lillian Hewlitt is carrying on the church-school work at Carterville.

Brother F. S. Pierce has returned to Decatur and reports that he is ready for the canvassing work.

Elder Bristol conducted quarterly meeting service at Carterville, March 30. He was at Danville one day last week.

Wentworth Harper has begun canvassing in the extreme southern part of the State. Brother Fishell assisted him last week.

Brother E. F. Ferris recently visited some of our isolated Sabbath-keepers at Flora and reports that they are of good courage.

Brother H. M. Kelley writes that he has rented a hall and begun meetings at Astoria. The house was well filled the first night.

Brother E. F. Ferris spent last Sabbath at Upper Alton. An interest has been awakened at this place through the efforts of Sister Nora Ostendorph.

Elder Woodford spoke on temperance at the opera house in Bloomington last week. He held quarterly meeting at Shelbyville week before last.

Brother W. E. Swartz recently visited Findlay and found the brethren and sisters there of good courage. Brother Swartz' address is St. Elmo for the present.

In sending a large remittance of tithe, Brother H. Balkie of Bloomington writes that they have been selling and giving away papers to their neighbors and friends and the people say they enjoy the reading.

It is indeed encouraging to know that our Sabbath-school donations for the quarter just closed are much larger than those for the previous quarter. We believe this is due to carrying out the thirteenth Sabbath plan.

Brother W. E. Bailey writes that the interest in the Wednesday night cottage meetings at Danville is still increasing. The room was crowded last week, all taking part. Four men have been in regular attendance.

Brother D. C. Ryan of Vevay Park has organized a little home Sabbath-school. Five of his neighbors meet with him to study the Sabbath-school lessons. He hopes to have a good donation for missions at the end of this quarter.

A Sabbath-school of twenty members has been organized at Charleston. Elder Stureman has been holding meetings at this place with a good interest. Although the services are held at a private home, from fifty to one hundred are in attendance and five have taken their stand for the truth. He expects to hold baptismal services there some time in May.

Those professed Christians who are constantly complaining, and who seem to think cheerfulness and happiness sin, have not genuine religion.—E. G. W.

freshments provided by the young men, combined to make an enjoyable respite from the regular routine.

On the evening of March 28, two of our former students, Mr. George Sanborn and Miss Frances Luchenbill, were united in marriage at the home of the bride in Detroit. The good wishes of their academy friends accompany them on their way to Cuba, their future home and field of labor.

At Holly, on the evening of the twenty-eighth, a number of academy teachers and students spent "An Evening in Japan"—in imagination—as two native young men intelligently lectured upon their home religions and customs. They expressed their deep gratitude for the religion of the only true God, which was taken to them by missionaries from the United States.

## Indiana Conference

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## Special Notice

Plans are being made for a State Missionary Volunteer and Sabbath-school convention at Beechwood Academy, May 10-13. We hope that every church in the conference that has young people, will begin at once to plan to send one delegate to this important convention. Later I will send a letter to our church elders, setting forth the importance of this gathering of representative young people, to pray and plan for the advancement of this part of the work in Indiana.

MRS. R. W. McMAHAN.

## News Notes

Elder U. S. Anderson expected to visit the little church at Unionville last week, and remain at that place for about ten days holding a series of meetings.

Last Sabbath, April 6, Elder and Mrs. Montgomery were with the church at Kokomo. Quarterly meeting was held at this time, and was much enjoyed by those present.

Dr. Loop from the sanitarium spent last Thursday, April 4, in Indianapolis, counseling with Elder Montgomery relative to business matters pertaining to the sanitarium.

Elder A. L. Miller went to Tipton last Wednesday to visit some persons who have become interested in the truth. From there he went to Anderson where he held quarterly meeting with the church on Sabbath, the 6th.

Brother W. L. Burgan, secretary of the Press Bureau of the General Conference, spent a few days visiting relatives in Indianapolis on his return from the West where he has been attending general meetings.

The books of the conference treasurer, when closed for the month of March, showed that \$1,508.13 tithe had been received, also \$166.47 on the Two-per-cent Fund. An itemized report will be prepared for publication in an early issue of the HERALD.

One day last week Sister McMahan visited the conference office. She speaks very highly of the new book, "Advance Guard of Missions," and recommends it to all our young people. The prices are \$1 and \$1.50. Order from the conference office.

Last Wednesday evening Elder Montgomery talked before the Indianapolis Missionary Volunteer Society in regard to his work among the Finnish people in North Michigan, or the "Copper Country." The account he gave of his experiences in that field was interesting and much appreciated by the audience.

## Wisconsin Conference

Office Address, Grand Rapids, Wis.

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

## Mauston

It was my privilege to meet with the Mauston church the last Sabbath in March. This church once had a membership of fifty-five, but some have grown old and fallen asleep, others have moved to foreign fields and elsewhere, and a few have gone out from us, leaving the membership eleven at the present time.

There are a few young people here who have never united with the church. Some of them hope to attend camp-meeting. I was informed that it had been over five years since a minister had visited the Mauston church and they felt quite neglected. However, they are still striving for the mastery, hoping to obtain an incorruptible crown.

Sister O. B. Thompson fell asleep in Jesus the seventh of February, and since then Brother Thompson and the only daughter remaining at home have removed to California. There being no other Adventists remaining in town, they now hold their Sabbath-school and meetings in Brother Wallis Thompson's house, four miles out in the country from Mauston.

Elder S. S. Smith, a former laborer in this conference, has recently returned from Tennessee where he has resided the past five years. His wife died in the South, and Brother Smith has returned to make his home with his daughter. He is growing old, but rejoices that he has kept the faith and hopes for the recompense of reward.

We had a good meeting. They are promised some help in the future. This is the third church I have visited where no minister has been for five years. If there is another church in the conference in this condition, if you will let me know I will visit you next. Acts 15: 36. W. H. THURSTON.

## Tithe Report for February

Albion.....	\$ 37 00	Hundred M. G.....	14 40	Orange.....	8 40
Almond.....	30 86	Hintz.....		New London.....	12 00
Appleton.....	8 24	Iron River.....	5 00	Oakland.....	6 60
Ashland.....		Janesville.....		N. Lake (Co.).....	
Albany.....		Knapp.....	43 00	Ogdensburg.....	
Antigo.....		Kickapoo.....		Plainfield.....	
Anson.....		LaCrosse.....		Pound.....	
Beloit (Co.).....		Lena.....	106 35	Poysippi (Eng.).....	
Bethel.....	165 00	Oshkosh.....	9 09	" (Dan).....	20 00
Baraboo.....	130 65	Linwood.....		Plum City.....	64 48
Barron.....		LaGrange.....	9 90	Prentice.....	
Beldenville.....		Ladysmith.....	1 40	Portage.....	
Bear Lake.....	47 87	Oneida.....	4 17	River Falls Co.....	
Berlin (Co.).....	32 39	Loyal.....	4 50	Racine.....	
Bloomville.....		Chippewa Falls		Raymond.....	
Biramwood.....		(Scan.).....		Rhineland.....	
Bruce.....		Lucas.....		Robinson.....	
Bone Lake.....		Madison.....		Royalton.....	12 10
Brodhead.....	5 65	Marshfield.....		Rice Lake (Co.).....	
Cl'rwater Lake.....	51 28	Maiden Rock.....	23 00	Sand Prairie.....	111 10
Chippewa Falls.....	7 09	Kenosha.....		Stanly.....	
(English).....		Mauston.....	15 70	Sextonville.....	
Clear Lake.....		Milton Junction.....	100 23	Starr.....	
Clintonville.....	17 69	Mill Creek.....	16 88	Sparta.....	24 70
Crandon.....		Merrill.....	9 75	Stevens Point.....	
Cumberland.....		Milwaukee (Eng).....	74 60	Sturgeon Bay.....	50 75
DeBello.....	3 60	" (Ger).....	70 37	Superior.....	16 63
Eau Claire.....		" (Scan).....	12 08	Spooner.....	
Elroy.....	30 78	Moon.....	53 69	Trade Lake.....	8 14
Eureka.....	3 96	Monroe.....		Victory.....	
Fish Creek.....		Mt. Hope.....	36 30	Wausau.....	1 50
Grand Rapids.....	9 92	Oxford.....	50 34	Watertown.....	
Granton.....	32 00	Mt. Sterling.....	5 00	Wautoma.....	9 40
Green Bay.....	38 61	Neenah.....	14 00	Welcome.....	
Hebron.....	152 00			Washburn.....	26 06
Hines.....	34 09			Tomahawk.....	11 40
				Individual.....	42 08

Total.....\$2012 54

JOHN C. McREYNOLDS, Treas.

## News Notes

Elder Thurston spent a few days at his office last week, and a day or two at Bethel.

A large number of students are planning to enter the field to earn their scholarship during the vacation.

Elder W. W. Stebbins made a recent trip to Monroe, and Brodhead, encouraging and strengthening the believers.

Miss Case returned from her trip to Clearwater Lake, Hawthorne, and other northern Wisconsin schools last Monday.

H. W. Johnson came over to the office last Monday, the 1st, and gave us some encouraging items of news from his field of work.

The book work is onward in this field and the month of March will show a decided gain over corresponding months in past years.

Reports from the Sabbath-schools are coming in nicely, and nearly all show increased offerings with a splendid interest in the thirteenth Sabbath plan.

A lady sends word that she has an offering for the sanitarium and desires to know how and where to send it. The Holy Spirit is impressing the people to give.

A canvassers' institute will be held at Bethel from May 9 to 19, for the benefit of the students, and we would also invite in any others who desire to have a part in the work.

Brother H. C. Kranz has sold his farm near Abrams and has purchased property near Clearwater Lake. The object in this move is to educate his children in a Christian school.

The interest in the canvassing band at Bethel is increasing. More than twenty are now in the band who are looking forward to the time when they will be actively at work in the field.

One of our ministers reports the sale of ten copies of "Ministry of Healing" last week in connection with his house-to-house work. This is missionary work of three-fold value. Let others do likewise.

Wisconsin candidates for Standard of Attainment certificates who have recently received their certificates, are E. E. Trowbridge, J. G. Mandalian, and Miss Nellie Davis. Though these rewards for their faithful work are somewhat delayed, they are none the less acceptable.

H. W. Johnston called at the Danish-Norwegian Seminary, at Hutchinson, Minn., and made arrangements with a number of the students to come to Wisconsin to engage in the work of circulating the printed truth among the Scandinavian people of the State this summer.

Brother Martin Foss has begun work in Brown County with "Bible Readings," and is having a rich experience. He said he could hardly wait until Monday morning to return to the field. Others from the Eau Claire church are laying plans to take up this branch of the work in the near future.

Brother O. O. Potter writes of the canvassing work: "The Lord is surely blessing me. Some who are too poor to give orders almost cry, and ask me to come again, saying, 'If we ever are able we will surely have one of those books.' I receive the kindest of treatment even at the homes of Catholics.

A business man in one of our cities desires to know the place and date of our annual camp-meeting this year. He is planning to attend. Others not of our faith have asked this same question and have expressed their intentions to attend the meeting. Are you planning to attend? The place is Wausau and the date is June 20-30. Heb. 10:25.

Who among our people of Wisconsin will offer a home to some of the student canvassers for the summer? Many of these will be quite young and having their first experience in the work. They will need the influence and encouragement of association over Sabbath and Sunday with our own people, and in turn will bring to you the inspiration of some of

their experiences in scattering the truth in your community. All who will do this, please write to H. W. Johnson, Field Agent, 203 Pine St., Stevens Point, Wis.

## A Plea for China

Once we prayed that God would open  
China's dark, neglected land  
For the spreading of the gospel—  
Clear the way with His own hand.  
Have we prayed in vain, dear Christian?  
No, today as ne'er before,  
China pleads for gospel workers;  
God has opened every door.

Though the masses seem indifferent,  
There are many hungry hearts;  
And His messengers will tell us,  
While the tear unbidden starts,  
How while passing through a city  
With just, perhaps, an hour to spare,  
They would tell the gospel story,  
Breathe to God an earnest prayer.

"Tell, oh, tell us more," they're pleading,  
"Of the God who loved us so;  
We'll gladly listen if you'll tell us  
Just once more before you go."  
God knows how they'd love to tarry,  
But new duties call them on,  
And ere again they meet those people,  
Oh, how many will be gone!

Do we pray for China's millions?  
Do we feel the awful need?  
Are we praying for the workers  
Who have gone to plant the seed?  
Days are passing, Christ is coming,  
Time for work will soon be gone;  
Do whate'er thou doest quickly,  
Souls are passing to their doom.

Many volunteers are called for;  
Should His sweet voice call for thee,  
Could you answer, "Yes, my Saviour,  
I am ready, send Thou me?"  
The world may make enticing offers,  
Friends may plead their love and claim,  
But my eyes are fixed on Jesus,  
What care-I for worldly fame?

"Send us workers," comes the message  
From South China's needy field.  
Shall that message go unheeded,  
Or will you respond and yield?  
Be not unconcerned or careless,  
There's a part for every one;  
You may go, or help send others,  
And will share His grand, "Well done!"

—Selected.

THOMPSON.—Calista A. Thompson (*nee* Bell) was born at North Hampton, Ohio, Aug. 2, 1848, and died at her home near Chapin, Mich., March 22, 1912, aged 63 years, 7 months, and 20 days. She with her parents moved to Michigan in 1866. She was married to David V. Bell Dec. 25, 1867. To this union eight children were born, all of whom survive her. Sister Bell with her husband accepted present truth and united with the Chapin Seventh-day Adventist Church in April, 1906, remaining a faithful member while she lived. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Matt. 5:5.

H. B. WESTCOTT.



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Mrs. Lou Kirby-Curtis - - - - Editor

The article appearing in this issue from Syria was sent in by Mrs. Flora Williams, educational secretary of the West Michigan Conference. The children of this conference are deeply interested in raising funds to buy a tent for Palestine. Our workers there asked for an old tent to be sent them to use in their work. The children say they are to have a new one, and they are going to earn the money (about \$225) to purchase it. We are sure that they and others will read with pleasure this interesting report. May God bless the efforts of these faithful little workers, and in that day when Jesus makes up His jewels many may be gathered from that land where He walked and taught.

## Emmanuel Missionary College

Mrs. Flora Williams and Miss Edith Shepard were at the College last Friday.

Miss Icyline Lawrence of Battle Creek, a former student, spent Sabbath with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Elliott.

Miss Flossie Hall was called to her home in Dowagiac last Sunday by the serious illness of her father.

Mr. Oxley and his son spent Sabbath and Sunday at the College, on their way from Battle Creek to College View.

Professor Graf has just completed a series of chapel talks on the subject of evolution, which were highly appreciated by all.

Monday night, April 8, Elder K. C. Russel gave a lecture on the subject of religious liberty to the students of Emmanuel Missionary College.

The Sabbath-school voted at the beginning of the quarter to raise \$125 for missions. The amount raised was \$141.44. On the thirteenth Sabbath \$45.26 was given for India.

## Business Notices

**WANTED.**—At once a Seventh-day Adventist young man to work on a farm by the month, for about eight months. State wages desired. Church privileges. Address J. L. Summerton, R. F. D. 1, Endeavor, Wis.

**WANTED.**—A single man to work on farm by the month. A good worker who knows how to do things; one who can milk. To commence work the 10th or 15th of April. State wages and experience in first letter. Address N. Mack, Loyal, Wis.

**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, from Holly 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.

## The "Watchman"

The May number of the Southern *Watchman* is to be devoted to a discussion of health principles, and the proceeds from this number are to be given to the Nashville Sanitarium of Nashville, Tenn. All the tract societies in the Lake Union have kindly consented to handle this paper without charge, and I earnestly entreat all our brethren and sisters throughout the Lake Union to order a good supply of the May number and sell them and give the proceeds, as the Sanitarium is in need of help and the people in all our territory are in need also of the contents of the magazine.

Make all your orders through your conference tract society, and send to them all contributions.

This paper will be ready for circulation the middle of April.  
S. E. WIGHT.

## Canvassers' Report for Week Ending

March 29, 1912

Indiana						
Canvasser	Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total
R. Joyce	D.R.	29	1	3 00	.....	3 00
Wisconsin						
N. O. Kittleson	P.P.	15	2	8 00	50	8 50
Otis O. Potter	G.C.	42	16	52 00	1 80	53 80
Rude Schmeling	C.K.	10	7	13 00	2 15	15 15
Martin Foss	B.R.	17	7	23 00	75	23 75
		84	32	96 00	5 20	101 20
Northern Illinois						
C. Matteson	P.J.	32	...	.....	.....	139 10
J. H. Hicks	P.G.	38	18	57 50	.....	57 50
J. H. Banty	G.C.	35	...	.....	.....	130 00
		105	18	57 50	.....	57 50
Southern Illinois						
M. S. Grim	G.C.	40	9	27 00	3 30	30 80
Hugo Mitzelfelt	C.K.	5	2	3 00	75	3 75
N. Twombly	D.R.	40	6	19 00	2 45	21 45
Hugh Stearns	G.C.	26	9	28 00	5 10	33 10
Jerry Suda	G.C.	37	...	.....	.....	112 00
Burl Figgins	C.K.	45	22	36 00	.....	36 00
W. E. Bailey	B.R.	10	3	5 00	.....	5 00
F. E. Orendorff	D.R.	3	7	21 00	6 00	27 00
		239	58	139 00	18 10	157 10
East Michigan						
C. S. Countryman	D.R.	7	4	12 00	4 00	16 00
Mrs. Countryman	C.K.	25 1/2	26	45 00	5 10	50 10
Mrs. B. Shelbe	C.K.	7	6	9 00	25	9 25
Frank M. Catlin	D.R.	22 1/2	7	22 00	4 60	26 60
H. T. Martin	D.R.	19	2	6 00	4 35	10 35
L. A. Clinansmith	B.F.	4	1	1 50	.....	1 50
*M. D. Day	D.R.	40	16	55 00	1 50	56 50
Garland Flint	D.R.	26	24	69 00	4 75	73 75
C. J. Hartson	D.R.	23	8	27 00	.....	27 00
A. V. Morrison	B.R.	31	...	.....	.....	130 60
Robert Gladstone	B.F.	5	3	3 00	.....	3 00
Luella Case	B.F.	14 1/2	5	5 50	12 30	17 80
E. P. Thurgood	C.K.	15	2	3 50	5 00	8 50
Frank Cox	D.R.	31	1	3 00	11 80	14 80
Mrs. Mina Fowler	B.F.	7	...	.....	.....	10 25
George McClenathan	G.C.	42	...	53 75	2 50	56 25
		316	105	315 25	56 15	371 40
West Michigan						
Tim Hallock	D.R.	5	...	.....	.....	9 50
James Lafferty	H.M.	...	1	2 00	1 00	3 00
J. C. Wells	...	...	...	3 40	3 40	3 40
John Savage	C.K.	14	1	1 50	.....	1 50
		19	2	3 50	4 40	7 90
36 Agents		88 1/2	216	614 25	83 85	698 10
*2 Weeks.						660 60

## PERIODICAL REPORT.

East Michigan			
Alphonso Ford	44	63	6 30
Luella Case	5 1/2	57	5 70
Mrs. G. L. Flint	15 1/2	207	20 70
Frank Cox	37	118	11 80
	102	445	44 50