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

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"I dare not choose my lot;  
I would not if I might.  
Choose Thou for me, my God;  
So shall I walk aright.  
Choose Thou for me my friends,  
My sickness or my health;  
Choose Thou my cares for me,  
My poverty, or wealth.  
Not mine, not mine the choice,  
In either great or small;  
Be Thou my Counsellor,  
My wisdom, and my all."

## The Minister as a Pastor

From the beginning of our work, we have not assigned our ministers to churches permanently as pastors. We have recognized that we have a message to the world, and the aggressive work in this line has been placed upon our ministry. So during a portion of each year, at least, all our ministers who are in health and strength have been encouraged to go among the churches to strengthen and to build them up.

When a minister visits a church, he should have a very definite purpose in mind regarding what he will do in that church. He ought not to go there simply because he is sent. He should go there to consider the needs of that church and to strengthen the members, encourage, and instruct them.

This may be accomplished by two special lines of effort; first, by teaching them in the public services; second, by house-to-house visitation.

A minister who visits a church only once or twice a year, ought to value that time very highly, and he should study and pray most earnestly concerning what he should present to the members. It should not be his aim to prepare some pleasing essay, or talk on some subject that he has recently read about, and which is prominent in his mind, simply because it interests him. He should seek to know the needs of the church, and then he should give them meat in due season. It should be his purpose to "strengthen the things that remain, that are ready to die."

In selecting his sermons, he should study the conditions of the church, and preach the sermon that will meet those conditions, and help the members most, even though he may never have preached upon that subject before.

There are a few things which a minister may always safely present to a church. One thing is to give to the people a good report concerning the progress of the work of God in the world.

It is the duty of a minister to be well informed regarding

the progress of our work, and be prepared to tell the people about it. It is not right to continually present before them the great needs of the field, the fifteen-cent-a-week fund, etc., and not tell them what the money is accomplishing.

A minister should carry with him a missionary map of the world, and when he visits the churches, he should hang that map up, and show the people what God is doing in the world with the third angel's message. He should be able to relate incidents and give statistics. It will warm their hearts and encourage them, as they are led to see that the money they contribute to missions is not thrown away. It is due our people that they should know what is resulting from the constant shearing.

The minister should call attention to important work that has been accomplished in special fields as the result of gifts that have been sent from the home land. The people will be interested to know that we are not now sending a dollar for the work in Australia; that they have their publishing houses, and their training-school for workers, and are entirely self-supporting. The few dollars that we sent there to get the work started has served a good purpose, and they have now taken up the burden of carrying the message to others. The same is true of Germany. When we sent our first missionaries over there, every dollar required for their support was sent from North America, but now we do not send a dollar to them. They have conferences organized, with thousands of loyal believers, and are supporting their evangelical, publishing, educational, medical work, etc., the same as we are here. They have opened mission stations all through the East, and are supporting their own work.

One of the first things that a minister should do when he visits a church, is to visit the church clerk, and go over his books with him; ascertain how many members there are, and whether they are all resident members or not. He should make a record of the names, learn where to find the different members, and visit the home of every one, holding Bible readings with them and endeavoring in every way to encourage them. He should not select the most pleasant place to stay, and spend his entire time there.

When the minister has learned how many members there are in the church, he should ascertain from the elder or deacon how many young people there are who are old enough to seek God, but who are not converted and do not belong to the church. He then should plan meetings for them, and put forth most earnest efforts to win their souls to the kingdom of God. Let him work with a determination not to leave an unconverted person in that church. He should point them to our schools, and seek to impress upon their minds the importance of an education and working for God. We can fill our schools to overflowing with those young people, if we work for them in our pastoral endeavors as we should. Point them to the canvassing work; endeavor to get them to do something.

A minister should lay before a church all the plans of advances that are formulated by the General Conference, the union conference, and the local conference, and endeavor to secure their cooperation in carrying out all these endeavors. He should make an effort to increase the tithes and offerings in a church. He should compare the treasurer's book with the church clerk's book, to ascertain if all who are listed as

members in the clerk's book are also recorded in the treasurer's book.

"A preacher without a purpose is worse off than a man without a country. The frequent pondering of a purpose braces the heart and energizes the will. The man without a goal seldom gets anywhere. A man is effective in the ministry, other things being equal, in proportion to the clearness of his purpose and the definiteness of his aim. Unless a man can make the purpose of his sermon stand out broad as a barn door he ought to go into some work for which the Lord has fitted him."

A. G. DANIELLS.

### The Work of One "Herald"

How can we be without the LAKE UNION HERALD? To impress those not now taking it with its value, I wish I could tell each one about one of the wonderful things which has been the result of its weekly visits within the past three months.

By reading this paper containing the outline of the work of our laborers, souls are accepting and rejoicing in the truth. In the Southern Illinois items I found among other things that Mattoon was included in Elder Stureman's field of labor. I immediately wrote him asking that he visit Charleston, too, if only for a day or so, as I have loved ones there who are somewhat isolated. This same good paper has already borne us the news that several have accepted the truth as a result of meetings held there. To God be all the praise in blessing the work of this paper. While there are many other blessings, this alone repays us for taking the LAKE UNION HERALD.

I am looking forward to the reports of the coming conference. Truly the work is onward and we need the reports of this as well as others of our papers to help us keep apace with the message.

A. WM. WALKER.

### The Sunflower State

During the month of March and the first part of April, it was my privilege to visit Waldron, Ind., Battle Creek, Mich., Manteno, Champaign, and Decatur, in Illinois. Elder O. C. Godsmark and I held a series of meetings in Waldron some twenty-five years ago, and as a result of efforts put forth a strong church was organized and a meeting house built. Although many have moved away and a number have died, there are some faithful souls who still love the truth. The Lord blessed in the five preaching services held.

I next went to Battle Creek where I spent some of my time. I found Elder Kneeland doing a good work in Battle Creek. His discourses on the third angel's message have the old time ring, and they are doing much to encourage and establish the believers more fully in the message for today. I was kept quite busy while in Battle Creek preaching and holding Bible studies.

On my way to Kansas I gave a temperance lecture in Manteno, Ill., in the Methodist church to a large audience. The minister invited me to preach in the evening. He invited the Presbyterian minister to bring his congregation over, which he did, and I believe that good impressions were made which I hope will be lasting. I also preached one sermon in Kankakee and participated in their quarterly meeting. The Lord came near and we had a good meeting. At Champaign I gave one discourse. I was indeed glad to meet with the brethren and sisters there again. May God bless them and keep them faithful.

I next went to Decatur where I preached three times, and made many visits. I found the Decatur Church actively engaged in missionary work. They have a membership of twenty-three in the Sabbath-school, and during the first

quarter of 1912 their contributions averaged five dollars per Sabbath, and they have determined to make it six dollars each Sabbath. I am sure that the Lord will bless the hands and hearts of those who love the souls for whom He died. They are anxious for a church building in Decatur, I have faith to believe that they will have one.

I am now back in the good old State of Kansas, and am getting ready for the summer's campaign. I hope by God's help to so present the truth that many souls may be brought into the light of present truth.

How glad I am to know that the work will soon be finished when the Lord will come and take His people home. God grant that we may push forward the message with vigor and enthusiasm until it is finished, and we receive our reward. I am of good courage, and am in the work until it is completed, and we all go home.

My address is Salina, Kansas, Lock Box 42. I shall be glad to hear from any of my friends in the Lake Union.

M. G. HUFFMAN.

## Wisconsin Conference

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### Bethel

I spent a few days at Bethel recently, visiting the school and counseling with the students relative to their work for the summer. We held two meetings of the school board, looked over the farm, and planned for the ensuing year.

Prof. E. E. Gardner, our newly elected principal, came to Bethel the 4th by invitation, and met with us in counsel, remaining over Sabbath. Friday morning he gave a chapel talk, visited classes during the day, and spoke in the church Sabbath morning. He was favorably impressed with the school and with Bethel in general. He plans to move his family to Wisconsin the second week in June and enter upon his work.

Sister Gardner was elected preceptress and will have charge of the home in connection with her class work. She will look after the work in the home during the summer, while Brother Gardner is in the field.

The work is moving on well at the school and all seem happy and busy. The stock has wintered well, and they are beginning the spring's work. At this writing I am spending a few days at the office preparing for the annual meeting of the auditing committee, and the biennial Union Conference meeting.

W. H. THURSTON.

### Superior

The work in Superior is not dead although not much has been reported. I have only been home a day or two once in a while, but Esther Anderson and Mrs. Hoffman have carried the work forward. About forty dollars has been sent in from the Harvest Ingathering campaign. The Sabbath-school donations for the first quarter of 1912 amount to about thirteen dollars. Most of the Protestant denominations of this city have been supplied with a year's subscription to the *Protestant Magazine*.

For the last two weeks I have been home and we have held a number of cottage meetings. This is the best we can do as we have no meeting place to which we can invite the people. We hope and pray that the Lord will help us to get a house of our own by and by.

Sabbath, April 6, a number of us went over to Duluth and

held our Sabbath meeting with the church in that place. The Duluth brethren have two substantial church buildings in different parts of the city. They were to have baptismal service there, and as we had two who have lately decided to follow the Lord, and desired baptism, we went over there to baptize these two sisters. Thus two more are added to the little flock here. We are hoping and praying for others.

JOHN HOFFMAN.

### Oshkosh, Wausau, Tomahawk

Preliminary to quarterly meeting service at Oshkosh on March 30, I held meetings, beginning March 19 and extending to the first named date, and also on March 31. Nearly all meetings were well attended. We enjoyed the quarterly services at which a good spirit prevailed. A gentleman not of our faith who, in passing, noticed the announcement on the bulletin board outside, came in and listened attentively to the address given on the ordinance of humility, and afterward took part with us in both ordinances. He gave an earnest testimony and said among other things, "This is the best afternoon I have spent in a long time." He stated that he was identified with the Congregational denomination and his home was Chicago.

Three days were next spent in Berlin visiting the brethren there and holding two public meetings. All seemed to be of good courage. At Wausau I held quarterly service with an attendance of about sixteen of the church-members. Tomahawk was the next place visited where I held a week's meetings. These were well attended, a goodly number of outsiders were also present each evening. Four candidates at Tomahawk are ready for baptism, and I am planning to return there later to baptize them.

From Tomahawk I came to Grand Rapids to assist in the yearly audit, after which two or three days will be spent with my family at Poy Sippi before going on to Battle Creek to attend the Union Conference meeting.

P. C. HANSON.

### A Canvasser's Experience

While out canvassing last week, I came to a house where I was informed that they had no use for the Bible, but I went in and gave them a canvass. I was very much surprised at the deep interest they manifested. When I had finished, the lady said: "Where did you come from?" I told her, and then she asked me many questions which I answered. I found out that she had been studying the truth. She ordered the book and thanked me for calling on her. She said: "Are you going to carry all those books around?" I told her I would hire a horse. She told me to come there and they would supply me with a horse for my delivery, or their son would drive me around in their automobile. The Lord blesses me daily and I desire to press forward in His service.

R. SCHMELING.

### News Notes

Elder P. C. Hanson sold eleven copies of "Ministry of Healing" while spending a few days at Oshkosh recently. Brother Belding is also doing well in the sale of this relief book.

Miss Frances L. Case went to Battle Creek Monday the 15th inst., to enjoy a visit with her mother and other relatives previous to and during the Lake Union Conference session.

Brother Perham of Eau Claire spent a few hours at the office one day last week. We also enjoyed a visit from Brother Belding of Eau Claire a day or two later. These two brethren represent one of our most active churches and Sabbath-schools.

The office force, with the exception of one stenographer not yet conversant with the business, will be in attendance at the biennial session of the Lake Union Conference, which will necessitate some delays in the transaction of business. Mail will be forwarded, however, and we will do the best we can, but ask our people to be patient in this matter.

The auditing committee met in annual session at Grand Rapids last Wednesday, Elder Allen Moon and the Wisconsin Conference Committee meeting with them. The names of the auditing committee, all of whom were present, are as follows: John Cutler, Peter Hanson, Alex Paton, P. L. Larson, John Mundt, James Peterson, Gust Hoffman, and Gust Pflugradt.

### Bethel Notes

Carl Wilson made a short visit to his home in Grand Rapids, Wis.

Prof. C. L. Stone spent Thursday at the Wisconsin Tract Society office on business.

Miss Frances Perham was happily surprised by a visit for a few days from her mother.

Mr. Pflugradt and Mr. Patterson, members of the Wisconsin Conference auditing committee, made a short visit to Bethel.

Prof. E. Gardner, of South Lancaster, Mass., visited the school recently. His chapel talks were greatly enjoyed by the students, and on Sabbath he spoke in the church.

Dr. David Paulson of Hinsdale, made a short visit to Bethel. In the evening, he spoke in church on the "Power of Prayer." The chapel talk by him Thursday morning was appreciated by all the students.

Evening after Sabbath, the students gathered in the chapel to listen to stories of the Civil War told by Mr. Stickney and Mr. Pearl, who live in the neighborhood. They were very interesting and instructive, as well. Mr. Stickney is visiting his daughter, Mrs. J. C. McChesney.

### Northern Illinois Conference

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### Closing Exercises of the Chicago Medical Missionary Training-School

On April 6, the closing exercises of the Chicago Medical Missionary Training-school were conducted at the Forty-sixth Street church. Four papers were read by members of the class.

The first paper, "Home Nursing as an Entering Wedge," was ably presented by Sister Edna Collier. How true it is that the "fomentation cloth is a plow breaking up the fallow ground," preparing the hearts of the people for this blessed truth.

Sister Belle Kershaw presented the next paper, "Some Methods of Reaching the People Where They Are." Through the jail work she has been able to reach some of the best classes of people in the city. On one occasion where she followed up a case, the parents were so grateful because she had taken an interest in their boy. They were anxious to do something in return and offered her money. She promptly replied, "Oh, no." She was then asked why she did this work. She answered, "Oh because Jesus is coming soon, and I want to meet Him in peace, and help as many others as possible to prepare to meet Him too." Would that we all were as frank to tell why we are engaged in this work.

The third was presented by Sister N. H. Richmond—"Work for the Needy Classes." She emphasized very strongly that the gospel, the third angel's message, is not alone for the rich, the educated, and the fairly well-to-do; but also the poor who have fallen as low in sin as possible, and that some of these very souls would be plucked as brands from the burning, and stand "nearest His throne."

An excellent paper by Sister H. U. Stevens on "The value of Health Reform," revealed that if we would have the true soul sanctification that God requires, we must take, decidedly, an advanced step in our eating and drinking.

Doctor Wolfson told us briefly how the Lord led him to the Hinsdale Sanitarium. He felt that the work of warning the city of Chicago was so great that all must unite and each put forth every possible effort.

The following report was then given of the class work: Bible readings, 132; families visited, 767; hours study, 3,844; hours of missionary work, 4,423; magazines sold, 11,762; pages tracts given away, 33,486; pages tracts sold, 393; treatments, 573; garments given away, 105; car fare spent, \$433.60; total sales, \$1186.75.

Six of the students sold over \$950 worth of magazines. Now if there were four times six, or twenty-four students who sold at that rate, the total sales would amount to \$3,800. Just think of the good they would do and the number of sermons that would be preached through the papers. This report ought to encourage our magazine sellers. May God bless them with courage to press forward in their good work.

We were very glad to have Elder Daniels with us. He made the closing remarks. We were cheered to learn that the General Conference has decided to assist in warning this great city of its impending doom. He emphasized the thought that all should unitedly work and pray for the advancement of God's kingdom in this wicked city.

We are pleased to report that all the members of the class are planning to put their instruction into practice. No matter in what line of work we are engaged, the world needs today men whose hearts are not congealed, but are warm with the love Christ had for the sinner. M. H. SERNS.

### Dearborn Street Church, Chicago

Since my last report I am glad to be able to write that God has added to our numbers. During the past month we were favored with visits from Elders Covert, Langdon, and Bartlett, who spoke words of encouragement and cheer.

On Sabbath, the 30th of March, the Spirit of the Lord was present in a most marked manner, and the entire church received a special blessing. Four took their stand publicly for the truth. On the following Sunday evening the Young People's Society rendered an excellent program before a large and appreciative audience.

On April 6 four were baptized and united with the church. Four others are receiving instruction in preparation for this sacred rite. Our present membership is fifty-one against twenty-two, two years ago. Surely God is blessing us. We solicit the prayers of God's people.

W. DURANT FORDE.

### Report from Professor Straw

[The following interesting report is from a letter written by Professor Straw of Fox River Academy to the president of the conference, and sent by Elder Langdon to us.—ED.]

"Our school is looked upon with favor by the people of this community. The neighbors and the business men of the village are very friendly. The physician of Serena, about five or six miles from here, came to see me recently and invit-

ed me to go over and talk to their Sunday-school the next Sunday in place of their regular lesson. He is the superintendent. I was glad to comply with his request, and spoke to them on the benefit of the Bible to man; showing what it has done, and also the dangers that are now creeping in through Higher Criticism. That night their pastor, who is a student in the Evanston Theological school, in his sermon stated that he did not believe a certain text in the Bible; he thought David made a mistake in writing it. This stirred up the congregation, and they immediately wrote for me to come and occupy his pulpit the next Sunday to try to convert him and undo the harm he had done the people. He has the morning service every other Sunday. I was not able to go the next Sunday, but went the Sunday following when he was supposed to be in another place. But as he had heard that I was coming, he secured another man to take his pulpit in Wedron and he remained in Serena to hear me. I thought that he did not understand the atonement very well, so I took as my theme, 'Salvation Only through Christ.' The congregation was very attentive. The minister took notes. After the meeting while visiting with friends who are members of his church I learned that he does not believe in the atonement. Although I gave the subject as straight as I knew how, he seemed very friendly and opened and closed the meeting for me. I was told that he would reply and that they wanted me to come again and answer whatever he had to say.

"I do not know how this will come out, but it may be the Lord is opening the way for the truth to be given there. It is rather a peculiar incident, at least, for a congregation to call on a Seventh-day Adventist to straighten out their pastor."

### Broadview Institute

The institute at Broadview Swedish Seminary closed April 10. Fifteen students and three from outside were in attendance. All manifested the deepest interest in the work of the institute and took hold earnestly to prepare for service. I am sure we shall have a splendid force of workers this summer from the Seminary. An excellent spirit prevails there. They have a farm, an old homestead, of seventy-eight acres of the best Illinois land. The Lake Union Conference has endeavored to make it an inviting place and has surely succeeded. The students are making progress and enjoy their class work and home life very much.

The canvassing work in Northern Illinois is shaping for a large work this summer for which we are deeply grateful to God. A number from each school expect to be in the field.

J. A. APPLGATE.

### Aimlessness

"An aimless life is a living death."—*Volume IV, page 417.*  
 "Thousands pass through life as if they had no definite object for which to live, no standard to reach. Such will obtain a reward proportionate to their works."

"Remember that you will never reach a higher standard than you, yourself set. Then set your mark high, and step by step, even though it be by painful effort, by self-denial and sacrifice, ascend the whole length of the ladder of progress. Let *nothing* hinder you; fate has not woven its meshes about any human being so firmly that he need remain helpless and in uncertainty."—*Object Lessons.*

For the past eleven years these divinely inspired words have spurred me on. Realizing how much I have come short of following the counsel, I can only say upon reflection, What would my life have been without them? An *aimless* life is truly a living death. A purpose, and an all-consuming zeal in carrying it out, is man's greatest earthly helper.

Many Seventh-day Adventist young people are going to ruin each year because of a lack of a definite purpose. And who is to blame? Not always the youth alone. We can never give them a purpose by scolding them about not having one. Let us take hold and *inspire* them with a purpose.

Paul had a purpose—"This *one* thing I do." God is calling every Seventh-day Adventist to service for Him. Shall we delay, or shall we delay no longer? Shall we encourage our youth to canvass this summer and go to school in the fall, or shall we allow them to *aimlessly* go on with no object in life?  
J. A. APPLGATE.

**From a Canvasser**

I am truly thankful for the blessings of the past week. I hope I may do as well, or better, this week. I canvassed the wickered town of Lake Zurich Tuesday, and the Lord blessed me with \$26 worth of orders. He says, "I will send for many fishers. . . . and they shall fish them; and after will I send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain, and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks." Jer. 16:16.  
LORENZO CLARKE.

**March Receipts**

Tithe F. M. 3%				Tithe F. M. 3%			
Aledo.....	\$ 84 72	\$ 2 64	\$ 4 86	Joliet.....			
Aurora.....	21 50	22 37	1 74	Kankakee.....	61 00	1 21	
Belvidere.....		8 21	13 38	Moline.....	157 94	16 63	9 87
Broadview.....	107 19	2 00		Onarga.....	6 05	1 65	
Chicago.....				Ottawa.....		20 00	
Dearborn St.....	39 16	11 20		Personal.....	33 76		15 16
Englewood.....	167 06	33 41	6 39	Pittwood.....			
Erie St.....				Pontiac.....			
German.....	122 00		1 80	Princeton.....	7 10	5 63	
Humboldt P.....	102 31	32 43		Rock Falls.....	16 15	2 60	
North Side.....	23 68	6 80		Rockford.....	48 61	4 95	5 83
Ravenswood.....	48 05	15 85		Sheridan.....			
South Side.....	693 28	87 12	1 58	Streator.....	53 73	5 86	
Swedish.....	24 25	59 76		Stockton.....	15 80	2 50	
West Side.....	85 64	12 35	2 12	St. Anne.....			
Elgin.....	65 41	18 19	16 80	Waldron.....			
Freeport.....	5 80	75		Watseka.....	138 24	10 19	
Galesburg.....	66 11	12 49		Zion City.....	19 37	4 03	
Harvey.....	9 00	5 60		Total.....	\$2223 57	299 63	57 91
Hinsdale.....							

**News Notes**

The Aledo church-school is doing some splendid manual work. The girls enjoy sewing, especially.

Miss Shepard reports splendid visits at Rock Falls, Moline, Aledo, and with some isolated Sabbath-keepers.

The Aledo Volunteers will start a Junior Reading Course this week. Mrs. Anna Marsh was elected educational secretary.

Several neighboring children are regularly attending the Rock Falls junior missionary meetings. Their literature band is wide awake.

Many Northern Illinois children are becoming interested in the "Bible Book Fund" for the India mission school. Have you joined the C. T. N. Circle?

Sister Elmdorph has held a family Sabbath-school for seven years. Nine children are keeping the Sabbath with her. In this case a faithful mother plus constant prayer equal Christian children. Our Father is just as willing to cooperate with every mother.

That the busiest people are often the most ready to push the Lord's work, was recently demonstrated at the Moline Sanitarium, when Doctor Norman was elected educational secretary of the Missionary Volunteer Society, and many nurses decided to begin special reviews to prepare them for the Standard of Attainment examination. Their class work closes in June, and then they plan to start a Reading Course

circle, and complete the books at the appointed time. A winner is a pusher.

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**Elnora, Farmersburg, and Salem**

Since my last report, I have labored at the above places; at the first place with Elder Anderson, a report of which he gave in last week's HERALD. Several persons at Elnora subscribed for the magazines, *Liberty* and *Protestant*.

The church at Farmersburg at one time numbered nearly one hundred members, but owing to removals, deaths, and apostasies, there is but a small company left, but most of them are faithful and loyal to the truth. The ordinances of the Lord's house were celebrated while I was there. Several subscriptions were obtained for our periodicals, a liberal contribution was made to the thirteenth Sabbath offering, and to the Loma Linda school enterprise.

I am now with the Salem church. The brethren and sisters of this company are of good courage. I have obtained a number of subscriptions for our publications. Three persons are to be baptized and unite with the church at this place next Sunday, April 14. We expect to close our meetings here April 18.  
J. M. ELLIS.

**News Notes**

Last Friday afternoon Elder Miller left Indianapolis to spend the Sabbath with the company at Wabash, Ind.

Last week Brother Morris spent some time in attendance at the canvassers' institute held at Emmanuel Missionary College.

Brother Thomas Hubbard was a caller at the office April 16, on his way to join Elder Lauda in the series of meetings at Logansport.

One of the orders recently received by the conference was from the treasurer of a Sunday-school in a town in northern Indiana, for six copies of the "New Testament Primer."

Sister McMahan was in Indianapolis last Thursday, having returned from a trip to Beechwood Academy, at which place the young people's convention is appointed to be held May 10-12.

Letters regarding the new Special Series of the *Signs of the Times* are being sent this week to our churches. We hope that this matter will receive consideration at an early meeting of the church, and that we may receive orders at the conference office for a large number of the *Signs*.

The Young People's Society at Indianapolis was favored by a visit from Brother B. N. Brown on Wednesday evening, April 17. He spoke to the young people in regard to the growth of the publishing work. Brother Brown is assistant manager of the Southern Publishing Association.

If you miss reading the article entitled, "The Advance of Rome," in the May number of the *Signs*, you will miss a great revelation of the present power and working of the Catholic Church. Send ten cents for a copy or twenty-five cents for five. You will not be disappointed, for it is a number well filled with strong, timely articles.

Of all the gifts that Heaven can bestow upon men, fellowship with Christ in His suffering is the most weighty trust and the highest honor.—E. G. W.

### Wabash Valley Sanitarium Notes

T. A. Goodwin is making improvement. He says, "Everybody is so kind, and the treatments are good."

The house is still crowded. Tents are being erected, and ere long they will be occupied.

Mr. A. L. Ellis is getting the lawn furniture ready. These pleasant days lead the patients to want to make use of it.

Mrs. Downs of Chalmers, Ind., who was operated on last month, goes home this week rejoicing in her good recovery.

### Southern Illinois Conference

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President, E. A. Bristol; Secretary, Edith McClellan; Tract Society Secretary-Treasurer, Nettie Eaton; R. L. Sec'y, E. A. Bristol; Field Agent, E. M. Fishell; Medical Sec'y, R. B. Craig.

#### News Notes

Elder E. A. Bristol met with the Peoria church Sabbath, the 13th.

Brother M. Grimm of Pittsfield reports a very successful delivery of books.

The Carterville church are planning to hold a Sabbath-school convention May 12.

Brother J. E. Hanson held a short series of meetings with the First Springfield Church.

Brother H. M. Kelley writes that the interest is still good at Astoria and that some have begun keeping the Sabbath.

The Lake Union Conference begins April 24. The proceedings will be published in the HERALD and a copy will be mailed to every family in the Southern Illinois Conference.

### East Michigan Conference

Office Address, Holly, Mich.

President, H. H. Burkholder; Sec'y-Treas., Tillie E. Barr; Tract Society Sec'y, Frank Hiner; 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.

#### Take Notice

DEAR BRETHREN AND SISTERS: We expect to have from twenty to twenty-five student canvassers ready for aggressive work in the field, from about June 1 to camp-meeting time. Do you want to have the people in your neighborhood warned to prepare for the end? Do you want to share in the blessings of giving this message? Are you longing for Jesus to come? Are you one of those whom the apostle Paul speaks of in 2 Timothy 4:8? If so, write me at once and state if you can entertain one or two of our student canvassers over Sabbaths and Sundays. Many of these students are quite young, and we are anxious to place them where they will have Christian homes to which they can return after a hard week's work for the Lord. May God prompt you who read, to respond to this call. W. D. MOORE.

Holly, Mich.

### Adrian Church

Quarterly services were held at the Adrian church, Sabbath, April 6. Elder Leach conducted the service, and the Spirit of God was with us. There was a large attendance, and we rejoice to know that we are to have four unite with our church as soon as letters are obtained. Elder Leach has moved his family to Adrian, and we feel there is a work to be done here, and that God is answering our prayers. Pray for us.  
A SISTER.

NOTICE.—We sell the best grade of Vegetable Cooking Oil that is made and it gives entire satisfaction every time. We sell it in five-gallon cans only, at \$3.60 per can. Send for a can. Address East Michigan Tract Society, Holly, Mich.

### North Michigan Conference

Office Address, 510 Petoskey St., Petoskey, Mich.

President, J. J. Irwin; Secretary, -----; Treasurer, North Michigan Tract Society; Ed., S. S., and Y. P. Secretary, Miss Florence Crouch; Tract Society Secretary, S. E. Kellman.

#### News Notes

Elder J. J. Irwin left April 12 for a visit among the churches in the Upper Peninsula.

Miss Crouch left Petoskey April 17 for a visit to Traverse City, Mesick, Yuma, and Cadillac.

We want to secure agents to sell our ten-cent magazines throughout our territory. A liberal proposition will be made you, if you will write us. Write today.

In response to several requests, we are now in a position to ship our cooking oil in gallon cans at 85 cents. Several can now unite and order enough for a freight shipment.

The amount received on the Two-per-cent Fund for April will exceed all previous months. This is very gratifying and we appreciate the efforts of our church officers for the help they have given in establishing this fund.

Several orders have been received for the new Religious Liberty Signs. We are hoping that this series will be widely circulated in North Michigan. Twenty-five cents will pay for one subscription, but if five or more are ordered at one time to one address it will only cost 15 cents each; or to separate addresses 20 cents each.

The Rome and Marriage number of the *Protestant Magazine* is a very important one. It seems desirable that the subscription list for this magazine in North Michigan should be largely increased. Who will help us, by securing subscriptions to this timely magazine? One dollar and fifty cents will pay for ten subscriptions for one year.

### West Michigan Conference

Office Address, Otsego, Mich.

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

#### News Notes

Elder S. E. Wight arrived in Otsego April 8. He goes South in the near future.

Reports from Kalamazoo show the Bible workers are busy and a good work is being done. We hope for many more Bible workers in the field.

All will be made sad by the news of the death of Brother E. A. Merriam which occurred in Battle Creek, Tuesday, April 16. Details will follow in later issue of the HERALD.

A change of stenographers has been made by the West Michigan Conference committee. Miss Evelina Jamieson has taken the place made vacant by Miss Nellie Nelson. This change came about on this wise. A Southern Illinois bookman by the name of Elbert M. Fishell came to Otsego April 18 and the two were united in marriage at the home of Elder S. E. Wight in the presence of many relatives. We give to them our best wishes.

"God has made selfishness unlovable, and shaped the universal human heart to despise it, and He has made unselfishness so lovable that you cannot withhold from it your admiration."

## Comfort in Affliction

It is quite impossible to answer personally all the kind letters of sympathy from our dear brethren and sisters, so through the HERALD I wish to convey to all our appreciation of your prayers and good wishes for us, and assure you they have been a great comfort in this time of suffering and suspense. We thank the Saviour for kind friends and our sanitariums, where so many comforts and attentions can be had.

The doctors and nurses at the Wabash Valley Sanitarium have certainly shown the closest and kindest attention to Mrs. Webster. We can conscientiously commend to their care all who are in need of medical attention. This is a beautiful, well-equipped place, doing good service to the sick, and having a helpful Christian influence. It is doing a good work for the sick of the world, and our people should heartily support it financially, and should make special efforts to interest their neighbors in our health principles and get the sick to the sanitarium.

Many times the Lord has heard prayer for Mrs. Webster in her suffering and instantly relieved pain and quieted the mind. Psalms 57:1 and similar texts have been a great comfort, also "Acts of the Apostles," page 465, par. 2. We commend to all suffering souls this grace that has helped us, this Jesus that has been so near and dear to us.

E. W. WEBSTER.

## Obituaries

**STRUBLE.**—Irwin Struble, son of William Struble and Lillie Struble, of Covert, Mich., was born September 25, 1910, and died April 2, 1912, at the age of 1 year, 6 months, and 8 days. A father, mother, three brothers, and two sisters, are left to mourn, but not as those that have no hope. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Jer. 31:15-17.

W. C. HEBNER.

**PEASE.**—After a long illness, Arvesta Pease died at the home of her son, Frank Briggs, in Shirland, Ill., March 6, 1912, at the age of 81 years, 1 month, and 9 days. For over forty years Sister Pease had been a firm believer in this message, doing all she could to advance the same, and died in the bright hope of a part in the first resurrection. She leaves three sons, grandchildren, and a large circle of friends to mourn. Words of comfort were spoken by the pastor of the Methodist church.

ANNA M. WOODBURY.

**LUNGER.**—Jacob Lunger was born at Ithaca, New York, from which place he moved to Bay City, Mich., in 1867, where he died, March 6, 1912, at the age of eighty years. He was the husband of Sister Ada Lunger, who has been a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church for nineteen years. Mr. Lunger never united with the church, though he professed to believe the truth and kept the Sabbath. He was a respected and well-loved citizen. We hope to meet him at the resurrection. Words of comfort and warning were spoken by the writer from Psalms 90.

T. L. THUEMLER.

**NORRIS.**—Leuvera L. Norris was born near Seelyburg, Wis., May 3, 1879, and died March 7, 1912, aged 32 years, 10 months, and 4 days. When fourteen years of age, she was baptized and became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church at Star, Wis., of which she remained a faithful member until her death. Nov. 12, 1899, she was married to Joseph Bean. To this union were born two daughters. The husband, two little girls, one sister, two brothers, and many other relatives are left to mourn. The funeral service was conducted by the writer.

W. S. SHREVE.

**LE FOREST.**—Julia Pomerville was born near Mt. Clemens, Mich., April 26, 1863. She was united in marriage to An-

toine Le Forest in February 1884; to this union were born six children, five sons and one daughter. These, with the husband, and other relatives are left to mourn. Sister Le-Forest united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church at Bay City, Mich., April 11, 1908. From that time on she was a faithful member, ever tender to the sick, careful and conscientious in her church duties. She fell asleep March 14, 1912, at the age of forty-eight years. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Ps. 73:24.

T. L. THUEMLER.

**BUTLER.**—Brother William Henry Butler died at Clear Lake, Wisconsin, Wednesday morning April 10, 1912, aged 65 years, 8 months, and 26 days. Brother Butler was born in Canada, but when five years old moved with his parents to Michigan, later to Minnesota, and from there to Iowa when he was fourteen years old. At the age of thirty-one he became acquainted with the advent message, accepted it, and for a while preached it. He leaves a companion and several children, and brothers, and sisters. The funeral was held in the Adventist church at Clear Lake, Sabbath, April 13.

JOHN HOFFMAN.

**MADSON.**—Lars Madson was born in Shelland, Denmark, May 3, 1822, and died at the age of 89 years, 10 months, and 27 days. He was married to Mary Jensen in the fall of 1844, came to America in the spring of 1866, and settled at Brushville, Wis. Seventeen years ago, he moved to near Marion, Wis., where he resided until his death. Thirty-three years ago he joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church at Poy Sippi, Wis., of which he remained a loyal member until his death. Four sons and one daughter are left to mourn the loss of a faithful Christian father. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from 1 Thess. 4:13-18.

LOUIS DREWS.

**POSSMAN.**—John Possman was born in Benham-on-the-Rhine, Germany, September 29, 1850, and died March 11, 1912 at the age of 61 years, five months and eleven days. He emigrated to the United States with his parents at the age of thirteen years, and settled on a farm in Shelby County, Indiana. He was married to Mauerva Moore, April 12, 1877. To this union were born ten children, who with his wife and many other relatives and friends, mourn their loss. But we sorrow not as those without hope. His Christian experience began about fourteen years ago when he united with the Methodist Church. About eleven years ago he accepted the faith of Seventh-day Adventists, becoming a member of the Rocklane church, and has since endeavored to bring his life into harmony with the faith he professed. He served in the capacity of elder for a number of years. The funeral service was conducted by the writer assisted by Elder F. M. Roberts in the Boggstown church. The text used was 2 Samuel 14:14.

O. MONTGOMERY.

**SMALLEY.**—Peter S. Smalley was born in Covert, N. Y. Jan. 2, 1833, and died April 2, 1912. In 1836, he with his parents moved to Lenewee County, Mich. June 1, 1856 he was married to Miss Marie A. Grinnel and to them was born one son. In 1862 he accepted his country's call for volunteers and served twenty-seven months, being severely wounded in the last of the nineteen battles in which he took part. In 1872 he embraced the doctrines of the Seventh-day Adventists under the labors of Elders Milk and Strong. He united with what is now known as the Alden church, serving as elder for many years, also serving as district director in the upper part of lower Michigan, and was well known by most of our people in the north. In 1884 his wife died and in 1886 he was married to Miss Ida Berry and to this union one son was born. He leaves a companion, two sons and an adopted daughter. They look forward to the morning of the first resurrection when the people of God will be reunited. The funeral service was conducted by the writer, using as a text Heb. 2:14.

J. J. IRWIN.



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## Things That Other People Do

The man who does his best to make the world a better  
place,

Whose heart is pure, who dares to look his neighbor in the  
face,

Is not the one who takes delight in holding up to view  
And scoffing at the foolish things that other people do.

The man who gains the noble height where fame and  
honor wait

Wins no delight from petty spite, he gives no heed to hate;  
For he has little chance to reach the distant summit who  
Gives up his time to smudging things that other people do.

I like the honest man who tries to keep away from sin;  
I like the man who seeks to rise, but does no wrong to win;  
The world is brighter for the day spent in his presence who  
Can keep from finding fault with things that other people  
do.

- Selected.

"When you are not too anxious about happiness, but de-  
vote yourself to the strict and unsparing performance of  
duty, then happiness comes of itself."

"A habit of cheerfulness, enabling you to transmute  
apparent misfortunes into real blessings, is a fortune when  
just crossing the threshold of active life."

It is not the greatest service and the loftiest aspirations  
which receive the approval of God, but the love and conse-  
cration through which the service is performed, be it little or  
great.—E. G. W.

## The Words of Christ

There is a strange quality about the words of Christ that  
belongs to no other words that ever were spoken. They ar-  
rest the attention, they penetrate the heart, they abide in the  
memory as no other words do. They carry with them an  
authority that is indescribable, a finality that hushes argu-  
ment. They are living words. Planted in the heart, they  
constantly exercise a restraining and transforming power.  
Issuing from the lips, they seem to bear with them the balms  
of Paradise. Read in hours of sorrow or despondency, they  
revive hope and dissolve doubts and fears. What wonder  
that Mary sat at His feet to listen; and that the officers sent  
to arrest, returning empty-handed, reported, "Never man  
spoke like this man." His words are a comfort, a joy, and  
a defense to all who heed them.—Selected.

"The native African guide of Dr. Chaillu said to him, 'O  
Chally, when you go back to your far country, America, let  
them send men to our poor people to teach us from that  
which you call God's mouth (the Bible). 'God is no re-  
specter of persons.' The Bible is the truest and the best  
agent to make the soul of the vilest black man as white as  
his white brother's face, and sometimes whiter.'"

## Business Notices

WANTED.—At once, a good man to work on farm; one who  
is experienced in farm work. Single man, Seventh-day  
Adventist preferred. Address S. E. Rone, Clio, Mich.

FOR SALE.—At a great bargain, a good house in Holly,  
Michigan. House has nine rooms besides bath-room. Write  
for particulars to the East Michigan Tract Society, Holly,  
Mich.

## Canvassers' Report for Week Ending

April 12, 1912

Indiana							
Canvasser	Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del.
R. Joyce.....	D.R.	51	11	35 00	10 05	45 05	.....
H. W. Plake.....	C.K.	36	13	22 50	3 00	25 50	2 25
		87	24	57 50	13 05	70 55	2 25
Wisconsin							
F. E. Middlested.....	B.R.	41	7	23 50	1 00	24 50	.....
Otis O. Potter.....	G.C.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 00
Martin Foss.....	B.R.	41	17	53 00	75	53 75	75
		82	24	76 50	1 75	78 25	8 75
North Michigan							
*K. V. Bjork.....	F.R.	52	.....	.....	15 95	15 95	27 50
Northern Illinois.							
J. H. Banty.....	B.R.	49	9	27 00	60	27 60	.....
E. A. Rideout.....	G.C.	29	8	22 00	.....	22 00	.....
L. C. Clarke.....	B.R.	36	19	61 00	.....	61 00	.....
		114	36	110 00	60	110 60	.....
Southern Illinois							
M. S. Grim.....	G.C.	48	19	59 00	11 10	70 10	.....
Hugh Stearns.....	G.C.	30	2	6 00	2 10	8 10	.....
Wentworth Harper.....	G.C.	45	6	17 00	1 80	18 80	.....
R. J. Watson.....	G.C.	43	16	52 00	5 75	57 75	3 90
David Rodney.....	G.C.	32	4	12 00	.....	12 00	.....
Jerry Suda.....	G.C.	43	10	31 00	1 50	32 50	4 50
W. H. Addis.....	S.C.	.....	25	15 00	.....	15 00	.....
*Burl Figgins.....	C.K.	78	35	31 00	24 00	55 00	.....
*W. E. Bailey.....	B.R.	65	11	17 00	.....	17 00	7 00
		384	128	240 00	46 25	286 25	15 40
East Michigan							
Mrs. Countryman.....	C.K.	35	11	17 50	6 65	24 15	24 15
Mrs. B. Shelbe.....	C.K.	8½	2	3 00	7 00	10 00	1 75
Frank M. Catlin.....	D.R.	25½	9	29 00	3 15	32 15	65
C. J. Hartson.....	D.R.	9½	1	3 00	.....	3 00	6 00
Luella Case.....	B.F.	21	6	7 00	6 50	13 50	12 60
G. W. Hainer.....	D.R.	29½	5	15 00	2 25	17 25	.....
F. W. Brainard.....	D.R.	20	5	14 00	1 22	15 22	.....
M. D. Day.....	D.R.	34	13	44 00	6 75	50 75	.....
H. T. Martin.....	D.R.	16	3	9 00	6 60	15 60	.....
Lee M. Barnum.....	D.R.	15	6	15 00	3 00	18 00	.....
		214	61	156 50	43 12	199 62	45 15
West Michigan							
J. E. Herrington.....	G.C.	34½	10	30 00	75	30 75	.....
Orrey Waters.....	D.R.	25	2	6 00	.....	6 00	.....
J. C. Wells.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 50	13 50	.....
		60½	12	36 00	14 25	50 25	.....
31 Agents		993½	285	676 50	134 97	811 47	99 05

## PERIODICAL REPORT.

Wisconsin.				
	Paper	Hours	No.	Value
E. M. Bisbee.....	L. H.	26	217	21 79
East Michigan				
Alphonso Ford.....		49	77	7 70

\*2 Weeks.