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

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God's Claims on His Stewards

Sabbath afternoon (October 3) I met with the church at Ashfield. The Lord gave me a message for the people assembled. I presented before them the third chapter of Malachi. I cannot see how the Lord could present His requirements in a clearer and more forcible manner than He has done in this chapter.

The Claims of God

All should remember that God's claims upon us underlie every other claim. He gives to us bountifully, and the contract which He has made with man is that he is to return to Him the tenth of His possessions. God graciously entrusts His stewards with His treasures, but He lays His hand upon the tenth, saying, This is Mine. Just in proportion as God has given His property to man, so man is to pay a faithful tithe of all His substance. This distinct arrangement was made by Jesus Himself.

This work involves solemn and eternal results, and it is too sacred to be left to human impulse. We should not feel free to deal with this matter as we may choose. In answer to the claims of God, regular reserves should be set apart as sacred to His work.

All Things Belong to God

And all the good that man enjoys comes because of the mercy of God. He is the great and bountiful Giver of all. His love is manifest to all in the abundant provision which He has made for man. He has given us probationary time in which to form characters that will fit us for the courts above. And it is not because He needs anything that He asks us to reserve part of our possessions for Him.

The Lord created every tree in Eden pleasant to the eyes and good for food, and He bade Adam and Eve freely enjoy His bounties. But He made one exception. Of the tree of knowledge of good and evil they were not to eat. This tree God reserved as a constant reminder of His ownership of all. Thus He gave them an opportunity to demonstrate their faith and trust in Him, and their perfect obedience to His requirements.

So it is with God's claims upon us. He places His treasures in the hands of humanity, but requires that one tenth shall be faithfully laid aside for His work. He teaches us the lesson that He requires this portion to be placed in His treasury. It is to be rendered to Him as His own: it is sacred, and is to be used for sacred purposes, for the support of those who carry the message of salvation to all parts of the world. He reserves this portion, that means may ever be flowing into His treasure-house, and that the light of truth may be carried to those who are nigh and those who are afar off. By faithfully obeying this requirement, we prove that we realize that all belongs to God.

Without Excuse

It in a heaven-appointed plan that men should return to the Lord His own; and this is so plainly stated that men and women have no excuse for misunderstanding or evading the duties and responsibilities God has laid upon them. Those who claim that they cannot see this to be their duty, reveal to the heavenly universe, to the church, and to the world, that they do not want to see this plainly stated requirement. They think that if they followed the Lord's plan, they would detract from their own possessions. In the covetousness of their selfish souls, they desire to have the whole capital, both principal and interest, that they may use it for their own benefit.

God lays His hand upon all man's possessions, saying, I am the owner of the universe, and these goods are Mine. The tithe you have withheld I reserved for the support of My servants in their work of opening the Scriptures to those who are in the regions of darkness, who do not understand My law. In using My reserve fund to gratify your own desires, you have robbed souls of the light which I made provision they should receive. You have had opportunity to show loyalty to Me, but you have not done so. You have robbed Me; for you have stolen My reserve fund. "Ye are cursed with a curse."

Another Chance

The Lord is long-suffering and gracious, and He gives those who have done this wickedness another chance. "Return unto Me," He says, "and I will return unto you." But they say, "Wherein shall we return?" Their means have been made to flow in channels of self-service and self-glorification, as if their goods were their own, and not lent treasures. Their perverted consciences have become so hard and unimpressible that they do not realize the great wickedness they have done in so hedging up the way that the cause of truth could not advance.

Man, finite man, though using for himself the talents which God has reserved to publish salvation, to send the glad news of a Saviour's love to perishing souls, and hedging up the way by his selfishness, inquires, "Wherein have we robbed thee?" God answers, "In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed Me, even this whole nation." The whole world is engaged in robbing God. With the money He has lent them they indulge in dissipation, in amusements, revelings, feasting, and disgraceful indulgences. But God says, "I will come near you to judgment." The whole world will have an account to settle in that great day when every one shall receive sentence according to his deeds.

The Blessing

God pledges Himself to bless those who will obey His commandments. "Bring ye all the tithe into the storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house, and prove Me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the Lord of hosts. And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightful land, saith the Lord of hosts."

With these words of light and truth before them, how dare

men neglect so plain a duty? How dare they disobey God when obedience to His requirements means prosperity in temporal and spiritual things, and disobedience means the curse of God? Satan is the destroyer. God cannot bless those who refuse to be faithful stewards. All He can do is to permit Satan to do his destroying work. We see calamities of every shape and in every degree coming upon the earth: and why?—The Lord's restraining power is not exercised. The world has disregarded the word of God. They live as though there were no God. Like the inhabitants of the Noachic world, they refuse to have any thought of God. Wickedness prevails to an alarming extent, and the earth is ripe for the harvest.

The Complainers

"Your words have been stout against Me, saith the Lord. Yet ye say, What have we spoken so much against Thee? Ye have said, It is vain to serve God: and what profit is it that we have kept His ordinance, and that we have walked mournfully before the Lord of hosts? And now we call the proud happy: yea, they that work wickedness are set up; yea, they that tempt God are even delivered." Those who withhold from God His own make these complaints. The Lord asks them to prove Him by bringing their tithe into His storehouse, and to see whether He will not pour them out a blessing. But they cherish rebellion in their hearts, and complain of God, and at the same time they rob Him, and embezzle His goods. When their sin is presented to them, they say, I have had adversity; my crops have been poor; but the wicked have prospered. It does not pay to keep the ordinance of the Lord.

But God does not want any to walk mournfully before Him. Those who thus complain of God have brought their adversity on themselves. They have robbed God, and His cause has been hindered because the money that should have flowed into His treasury was used for selfish purposes. They showed their disloyalty to God by failing to carry out His prescribed plan. When God prospered them, and they were asked to give Him his portion, they shook their heads, and could not see that it was their duty. They closed the eyes of their understanding, that they might not see it. They withheld the Lord's money, and hindered the work which He designed should be done. God was not honored by the use of His entrusted goods. Therefore He let the curse fall upon them, permitting the spoiler to destroy their fruits and to bring calamities upon them.

"They That Feared the Lord"

In Malachi 3:16 an opposite class is brought to view, a class that meet together, not to find fault with God, but to speak of His glory, and tell of His mercies. These have been faithful in their duty. They have given to the Lord His own. Testimonies are borne by them, that make the heavenly angels sing and rejoice. These have no complaints to make against God. Those who walk in the light, who are faithful and true in doing their duty, are not always complaining and finding fault. They speak words of courage, hope, and faith. It is those who serve themselves, who do not give God His own, that complain.

"They that feared the Lord spake often one to another: and the Lord hearkened, and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before Him for them that feared the Lord, and that thought upon His name. And they shall be Mine, saith the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make up My jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him. Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not."

Offerings—The First-Fruits

Besides the tithe, the Lord demands the first-fruits of our increase as His. These He has reserved, in order that His work in the earth may be amply sustained, and that His

servants may not be limited to a meager supply. The Lord's messengers should not be handicapped in their work of holding forth the word of life. As they teach the truth, they should have means which they can invest for the advancement of the work which must be done at the right time, in order to have the best and most saving influence. Deeds of mercy must be done; the poor and suffering must be aided. Gifts and offerings should be appropriated for this purpose. Especially in new fields, where the standard of truth has never yet been uplifted, this work must be done. If all, both old and young, would do their duty, there would be no dearth in the treasury. If all would pay a faithful tithe, and devote to the Lord the first-fruits of their mercies, there would be a full supply of funds for His work. But the law of God is not respected or obeyed, and this has brought a pressure of want.

Remember the Poor

Every extravagance should be cut out of our lives; for the time which we have to work is none too long. All around us we see suffering humanity. Families are in want of food; little ones are crying for bread. The houses of the poor lack proper furniture and bedding. Many live in mere hovels, which are almost destitute of all conveniences. The cry of the poor reaches to heaven. God sees; God hears. But many glorify themselves. While their fellow men are poor and hungry, suffering for want of food, they expend much on their tables, and eat far more than they require. What an account men will by and by have to render for their selfish use of God's money! Those who disregard the provision God has made for the poor, will find that they have not only robbed their fellowmen, but that in robbing them, they have robbed God, and have embezzled His goods.

And has not the Lord a right to demand this much of us? Did He not give us His only begotten Son because He loved us and desired to save us from death? And shall not our gratitude offerings flow into the Lord's treasury, to be drawn therefrom to advance His kingdom in the earth? God is the owner of all our goods, and shall not gratitude to Him prompt us to make free-will offerings and thank offerings, thus acknowledging His ownership of soul, body, spirit, and property? Had God's plan been followed, means would now be flowing into His treasury: and funds to enable ministers to enter new fields, and workers to unite with ministers to lift up the standard of truth in the dark places of the earth, would be abundant. MRS. E. G. WHITE.

Sidney, N. S. Wales, Oct. 1896.

It is very evident, from the above, that by the scripture term, "first fruits," is meant a second sum set apart out of one's income, to be used in making various offerings or tribute; as in Deut. 16:10 and Deut. 16:16, 17. The sum so set apart should be on the per cent basis, the same as the tithe. This is also clearly indicated in the instruction of Paul, in 1 Cor. 16:2. One cannot know how to lay by him in store as the Lord has prospered, except as there is a distinct plan to guide him. To this agrees the language of the spirit of prophecy, as follows:—

"I am convinced that it is not the best plan to bring a pressure upon the point of means at our camp-meetings. . . . Greater effort should be put forth by responsible men in different churches, to have all follow the plan of God's arrangement. If systematic benevolence is carried out, the urgent calls at our camp-meetings for various enterprises will not be necessary."

The only plan of God's arrangement to be found in the Scriptures, is for each individual, after separating the tithe for the Lord, to also set apart another portion to be offered to the Lord for various purposes as occasion requires; this tribute to be on the basis of a per cent of one's income.

ALLEN MOON.

This Generation

This age of declension, this evil generation in which the church has joined hands with the world to discredit the Word of God, is now witnessing the most stupendous movement, religiously, that has appeared in any generation since the world began. The exodus of God's people from Egypt; the building of that gorgeously ornamented tabernacle in the wilderness for the worship of God; the orderly journeyings of millions, and the final triumphant entrance into the land of promise,—all were accompanied by mighty manifestations of the divine presence. In a later generation, under the kingship of the divinely wise Solomon, the most magnificent temple of the world was built in honor of God, and for His worship,—a work which called for immense treasures of gold and silver and precious stones, which God's people, under the influence of the Spirit, provided. This also bore evidence of its having been accomplished under the guidance of the divine hand, although Solomon was the instrument. So the long-foretold preaching of the gospel of the kingdom in all the world by a small people, a poor people, a people gathered from all walks of life, speaking a multitude of languages but none perfectly; a people scattered from one end of the earth to the other, laboring in all climates and under all conditions, yet keeping step, never breaking rank; by faith in the God of silver and gold, this people finance this movement. Only God knows how the means for the support of the movement come. But God has spoken, the generation has come, the work is far advanced, and men now living will witness the consummation.

There were millions of people in the wilderness to provide means for building the tabernacle; but being a race of slaves, and destitute, the Lord opened His treasures to them by moving upon the Egyptians to give to His people against the day of need. There were still millions of God's people who had become owners of the land, to provide the wherewith to build the temple. All that was required was forthcoming, and God was pleased with their liberality. But this last-day generation, few in number, poor in this world's goods, rich in faith, trusting in power divine that He will now bless His servants with means for this greatest of all movements, probably contribute more annually to the cause of God than would be required to build the temple of Solomon, or the tabernacle.

God has a great storehouse from which He enables His own people to draw. Every soul who is in touch with the Divine, is made a channel through whom His treasures flow for the accomplishment of His work and purpose. God's people are not laying up treasures on earth—only earth dwellers are doing that. Every one whose heart is with God to finish the work according to His word, is investing his means in the enterprise that cannot fail, being founded on the sure promise.

ALLEN MOON.

Indiana Conference

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Required for Mission Fund, 1st 6 months, 1913	\$ 6984.90
Received by the Union	2453.36
Amount short	4531.54

Camp-Meeting

"It is important that the members of our churches should attend camp-meeting. The enemies of truth are many; and because our numbers are few, we should present as strong a front as possible. Individually you need the benefits of the meeting, and God calls upon you to number one in the ranks of truth.

"Some will say, 'It is expensive to travel, and it would be better for us to save the money, and give it for the advancement of the work where it is so much needed.' Do not reason this way; God calls upon you to take your place among the rank and file of His people.

"Brethren and sisters, it would be far better for you to let your business affairs suffer than to neglect the opportunity of hearing the message God has for you. Make no excuse that will keep you from gaining every spiritual advantage possible. You need every ray of light. You need to become qualified to give a reason for the hope that is in you with meekness and fear. You cannot afford to lose one such privilege.

"Anciently the Lord instructed His people to assemble three times a year for His worship. To these holy convocations the children of Israel came, bringing to the house of God their tithes, their sin-offerings, and their offerings of gratitude. They met to recount God's mercies and to make known His wonderful works, and to offer praise and thanksgiving to His name. And they were to unite in the sacrificial service which pointed to Christ as the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world. Thus they were to be preserved from the corrupting power of worldliness and idolatry. Faith and love and gratitude were to be kept alive in their hearts, and through their association together in this sacred service, they were to be bound close to God.

"In the days of Christ these feasts were attended by vast multitudes of people from all lands; and had they been kept as God intended, in the spirit of true worship, the light of truth might through them have been given to all the nations of the world.

"With those who lived at a distance from the tabernacle, more than a month every year must have been occupied in attendance upon these holy convocations. The Lord saw that these gatherings were necessary for the spiritual life of His people. They needed to turn away from their worldly cares, to commune with God, and to contemplate unseen realities.

"If the children of Israel needed the benefit of these holy convocations in their time, how much more do we need them in these last days of peril and conflict! And if the people of the world then needed the light which God had committed to His church, how much more do they need it now!

"This is a time for every one to come to the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty. The forces of the enemy are strengthening, and as a people we are misrepresented. We desire the people to become acquainted with our doctrines and work. We want them to know what we are and what we believe. We must find our way to their hearts. Let the army of the Lord be on the ground to represent the work and cause of God. Do not plead an excuse. The Lord has need of you. He does not do His work without the cooperation of the human agent. Go to the camp-meeting even though you have to make a sacrifice to do so. Go with a will to work. And make every effort to induce your friends to go, not in your place, but to go with you; to stand on the Lord's side, and to obey His commandments.

"Help those who are interested to attend, if necessary providing them with food and lodging. Angels who are commissioned to minister to those who are heirs of salvation will accompany you. God will do great things for His people. He will bless every effort to honor His cause and advance His work."—*Mrs. E. G. White.*

Now is the time to lay your plans to attend the camp-meeting. The first thing to do is to earnestly seek the Lord for His counsel and wisdom that we may have that spiritual preparation which will enable us to receive the blessing which God has in store for us at that time.

We should not plan to leave any member of the family behind. Anciently when the children of Israel went up to the

holy convocation they took with them the children, and we especially desire that the children and young people be present at the camp-meeting. A special work will be done for them. Good help will be in attendance and with the cooperation and prayers of the people, I am sure the "hearts of the children will be turned to the fathers, and the fathers to the children," and we will see a great work accomplished. Let us not miss this blessed opportunity of bringing them up before the Lord that He may pour out His blessing upon them, and they be fitted for his service.

You should be on the ground the first day in time for the first meeting, which will held Thursday evening, September 4.

You will need to bring plenty of bedding, and plenty of wraps, as the weather may be cool.

Another matter you should bear in mind, is, not to put off ordering your tent until you get to the ground, but send in your order at once to the Indiana Tract Society, 521 East 23d Street, Indianapolis, Indiana. It may be necessary to rent an extra tent, so you will want to get your order in early that we may have the tent ready for you when you come. The rents will be as follows: family tent with flies, \$3; lumber for the floors, \$1.25 extra; all lumber cut will be sold at retail prices. Cots, with mattress, will rent for 60 cents each as long as they last, and chairs 10 cents each. If you order your tent in time it will be floored and ready for you when you arrive.

We are expecting to have present with us: Elder I. H. Evans, president North American Division; Elder C. S. Longacre, secretary Religious Liberty Department; Elder F. H. DeVinney, of Japan; Elder S. M. Konigmacher of Africa; Prof. M. E. Kern, president Foreign Mission Seminary; Elder N. Z. Town, secretary Publishing Department; Mr. I. A. Ford, manager Book Department, Review and Herald Pub. Assn., Washington, D. C., besides the local and Union workers.

The camp-meeting will be held at Hartford City, Indiana, September 4-14. E. A. BRISTOL.

Indiana Association Meeting

Notice is hereby given that at the meeting of the Annual Conference of Seventh-day Adventists of Indiana, to be held at Hartford City, Indiana, September 4-14, 1913, a Board, consisting of seven members will be elected to serve for one year as Directors of the Indiana Association of Seventh-day Adventists.

E. A. BRISTOL, *President*;
W. A. YOUNG, *Secretary*.

Indiana Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association Meeting

Notice is hereby given that at the meeting of the Annual Conference of Seventh-day Adventists of Indiana, to be held at Hartford City, Indiana, September 4-14, 1913, three persons will be chosen to serve for two years as members of the Board of Directors of the Indiana Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association.

E. A. BRISTOL, *President*;
F. A. LOOP, *Secretary*.

News Items

All who can assist in pitching the camp will kindly notify Elder E. A. Bristol.

Mr. E. E. Franklin spent several days this week in Marion visiting his canvassers.

The office force are very busy getting ready to attend camp-meeting. Are you?

Brother E. E. Moutgomery called at the office this week on his way to join his parents at Atlanta, Georgia.

Elder E. A. Bristol visited the board meeting at the sanitarium, LaFayette, Indiana.

Elder C. N. Sanders visited Kokomo this week at which time he shipped the tents to Hartford City for camp-meeting.

All our church treasurers and clerks are invited to bring their books with them to camp-meeting, when any assistance needed will be given them.

Begin now to plan to attend the camp-meeting to be held September 4-14. Come to the first meeting and stay all through.

Elder E. A. Bristol spent Sabbath at New Harmony visiting Brotner G. W. Rader, who has several candidates ready for baptism at that place.

July 1 the price of the *Little Friend* was raised to 70 cents a year for single subscriptions. In clubs the paper comes at 60 cents a year or 30 cents for six months. Will our librarians please remember this in ordering.

Elder Young was called to Fishers, Indiana, to conduct the funeral service of Mrs. Martha J. Dexter. Sister Dexter was a member of the Twenty-third Street church and was beloved by all who knew her.

Miss Marian Bissett has returned to Indiana from the College where she has been teaching during the summer school. She visited Marion and Muncie the past week in the interests of the church-school work.

Southern Illinois Conference

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

Required for Mission Fund, 1st 6 months, 1913	\$ 2371.20
Received by the Union	1353.24
Amount short	1017.96

July

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Decatur

Though the weather has been very warm for the past two weeks, the attendance at our Sabbath and Sunday evening services has exceeded that of any previous service, excepting some special occasions. We rejoice the more because over half the audience were strangers or those who have been coming regularly to hear the truth.

Last Sunday evening, though I had made only one reference to the Sabbath, a gentleman, when passing out, made it plain that that was the subject which interested him. We inquired as to whether he would read some literature on that question. He said he would. We visited him. He has been a school principal for many years. Having had a sick spell this spring, the Bible became a daily companion. As he read the Word, the one thing that seemed to force itself upon him was that the seventh day was the Sabbath. He is now studying our literature.

Another man, who is a court officer, well-to-do himself and the son of a very wealthy man, has received, through a relative who attended our tent and church services, a hunger for the Word, and several times after our Sunday evening

services and during the week I have accompanied him to his home to answer his anxious inquiries. We earnestly request the prayers of every brother and sister who has a vital connection with the throne of grace. Pray that these, and other inquiring minds, may be convicted of and accept the truth, also that I personally may be a true representative of Christ in this city.

J. E. HANSON.

Northern Illinois Conference

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Required for Mission Fund, 1st 6 months, 1913	\$ 5327.70
Received by Union	2925.66
Amount short	2312.04

Delegates to Northern Illinois Conference

August 28 to September 8 at Ottawa, Ill.

Let every church that has not already done so, elect the delegates next Sabbath, and send names of delegates to H. E. Moon, Allen Park, Ottawa, Ill., immediately. One delegate for the organization and one for each ten members.

G. E. LANGDON.

A Little Work

In company with Brother S. D. Burgeson, I lately distributed fifty copies of the Harvest Ingathering magazines and obtained \$17.20 for the foreign mission work. We also sold \$10 worth of books to apply on the Aurora Church Building Fund. We made about sixty missionary visits. As I was in the western part of the conference, I visited Galesburg church and held three meetings. We found that the Galesburg members had been doing evangelistic work among their neighbors, and as a result a number of persons had become obedient to the faith. I baptized six of these, who became members of the church. There are also six or eight more who could not get ready for the baptismal rite when I was at Galesburg, and they made request that I return in three weeks to baptize them. I hope to comply with their request.

How good it is to see a working church, who can gather in members for the fold of Christ by holding cottage meetings and by doing Bible work even though a preacher is not located among them.

Our excellent printed matter, handled by an earnest and consecrated people, becomes mighty through God to the accomplishment of great things. Let our people take the truth in printed form and supplement the same with well-conducted Bible lessons and they will surely come with rejoicing bringing the ripened sheaves.

WM. COVERT.

News Notes

Elder Langdon spent a few days last week with the Rockford church.

Sample copies of the Harvest Ingathering *Review* will be on display at the book tent. Early orders from churches are solicited.

Brother O. J. Grundset and wife of Minnesota, under appointment as missionaries to China, paid us a visit last week while en route to their field.

The Chicago city workers' meetings are increasing in interest and attendance. They are held each Monday at 10:30 A. M. The meeting last week was held at the Swedish tent, 5252 N. Clark St.

We are sending out to all our people samples of the HERALD containing information concerning the camp-meeting. We hope many will improve the opportunity of securing the HERALD for one year at the special price of 25 cents.

We would ask that churches give prompt attention to the matter of appointing delegates to our coming annual conference to be held in connection with the camp-meeting at Ottawa. We hope to see a good delegation present at this meeting.

Of course we will have a well-stocked book tent on the camp-ground. Our literature is of untold value in placing the truths of the message before the people. Everyone should have a part in this work. Therefore, we hope many will plan to take home with them a good supply of this missionary ammunition, thus saving express and postage.

Canvassers' Notes

Last Sabbath was a special day of fasting and prayer in behalf of the deliveries.

Brother F. F. Bliss, for twenty years a Methodist minister, and eight years an Adventist, has recently come to the city and plans to take up work with "Daniel and Revelation" in Chicago. He will begin the first of next week. Let us remember him in prayer.

Reports received from Sisters Hedstrom and Hagberg at Moline state that they have sold 1,800 magazines each this summer. The Lord has surely led them. They have only three hundred more each to sell to make their scholarship, then the remainder of their sales can go to other expenses.

The reports from the field this week sound a note of courage; the Lord has signally blessed the efforts of each one. Brother Hicks has been attending to repairs on his rig the time that he has been out of the field, so that he has not really lost any time. He had an excellent delivery—not losing one order.

All will be rejoiced to know that Brother Earl Reynolds has been signally blessed in the work. Last week was his first, and the Lord blessed him with \$56 in sales. He put in 43 hours. Brothers Reynolds is from Iowa, and plans on attending the College at Berrien Springs this fall. Let us remember him in prayer.

Wisconsin Conference

Office Address, Grand Rapids, Wis.

President, W. H. Thurston; Sec'y-Treas., W. J. Walter; S. S. Sec. Mrs. Mary Howell; Ed. and Y. P. Sec'y, Miss Frances L. Case; Sec'y and Treas. of the Tract Society, W. J. Walter; Field Missionary Agent, H. W. Johnson, 227 Oak St., Stevens Point, Wis.

Required for Mission Fund, 1st 5 months, 1913	\$ 10069.80
Received by the Union	5726.05
Amount Short	4343.75

Change of Field

At a recent meeting of the Lake Union Conference Committee a request was presented from the East Michigan Conference for Elder B. L. Post to make that his field of labor. After due consideration the committee voted to ask that Elder Post be released from Wisconsin to respond to the call to Michigan. We did not care to have Elder Post leave Wisconsin, but under the circumstances, and as he was willing to go, it seemed advisable to release him for the East Michigan Conference. He left Wisconsin August 5, and will locate in Lansing to do city work.

Elder Post's labors have been profitable and appreciated in Wisconsin; and he goes to Michigan with the prayers and best wishes of the workers and churches in our conference.

Elder H. W. Reed will go to Milwaukee for the present, and some other Bible teacher will be sent to Madison to conduct the Bible classes in the nurses' training course.

W. H. THURSTON.

Portage Tent Company

A little more than two weeks has passed since we pitched the tent here in Portage, at the corner of Pleasant and Adams

Streets. During the first week it was so rainy that scarcely anything was accomplished in the way of public meetings, but since then the weather has settled, and the people have begun to gather in with a constantly increasing attendance, which we hope may continue till the tent is filled.

The attendance is also regular, and we are glad to see the same faces each evening. It is our hope that some may be led to obey the truth.

We are blessed with health, and are of good courage, knowing that God will bless our work here.

From the Portage Tent Company. P. C. HANSON.

News Notes

Mr. Elliott called at the office, on his way to Bethel Academy.

Mr. Fischer from St. Paul, who previously worked in the tract society office made his friends in Grand Rapids a pleasant call last week.

West Michigan Conference

Office Address, Otsego, Mich.

President, C. F. McVagh; Sec'y-Treas., F. R. Eastman; Ed. and Y. P. Secretary, Flora H. Williams, 467 Hamblin Ave., Battle Creek, Mich. Religious Liberty Sec'y, S. B. Horton, 564 Cass Ave., Grand Rapids, Mich.; Field Agent, A. L. Van Fossen; S. S. Secretary, C. Haysmer Thompson.

Required for Mission Fund, 1st 6 months, 1913	\$ 9266.40
Received by Union	4873.14
Amount short	4393.26

Notice

Arrangements have been made for the hauling of all camp-meeting baggage from the depots to the grounds at twenty-five cents round trip for trunks, and ten cents round trip for hand baggage. The Fair Ground is within easy walking distance from the railroad stations, but for those who desire it an auto will meet trains and carry passengers at the rate of ten cents a trip.

C. F. McVAGH.

Items from Battle Creek

Elder L. T. Nicola of New York City occupied the pulpit Sabbath. His Subject was, "Simple Faith in Jesus' Word." He gave a very interesting discourse.

Elder Beckner from Burma spoke to the Missionary Volunteer Society in the afternoon. He told of some experiences in that field, he also spoke of their customs, their worship, and their liberality.

Sunday evening, Elder Beckner gave a stereopticon lecture in the Tabernacle, which was very interesting.

Our Missionary Volunteer Society is sending out one hundred twenty-five copies of the Signs of the Times Weekly, besides sending out many tracts. Our membership is eighty, Besides paying for our literature, we are helping to support M. D. Wood in India.

D. O. BABCOCK.

News Notes

Elder McVagh visited Tekonsha and Battle Creek last week.

H. G. Bayley met with the church at Dimondale, Sabbath, the 2d, and Eaton Rapids the 9th.

Elder S. B. Horton occupied the pulpit at the Tabernacle at Battle Creek, Sabbath, August 9.

There was a meeting of the conference executive committee at Grand Rapids, Saturday evening August 2. Final arrangements for the camp-meeting were perfected.

The camp-meeting goods from the conference warehouse were shipped to Hastings, Wednesday, August 7. The pitching of the camp will begin Wednesday, the 13th, and everything will be in readiness for you when you arrive. Come the first day and stay until the close.

July

	Tithe	2%	Miss.		Tithe	2%	Miss.
Albion	\$ 35 37	4 83	23 66	Grand Rapids	443 27	2 81	48 44
Allegan	20 98	1 80	9 42	Grandville	12 83	62	20 15
Allendale	3 00		2 31	Greenville	43 05	1 27	22 50
Bangor	999 79	8 85	536 51	Hastings	49 98		25 00
Battle Creek	37 39	86	21 66	Holland	22 61		10 36
Bauer	28 75		7 48	Holton	12 75	2 66	12 05
Bedford				Homer	3 10	10	8 11
Belding				Kalamazoo	137 23	2 36	77 02
Benton Harbor	11 70		22 20	Kent City			
Berrien Springs	195 90	8 75	145 78	Kinderhook	11 18		3 64
Bloomington				Lakeview			
Brookfield				Lowell	52 35	66	20 90
Buchanan				Lyons			
Burlington				Maple Grove	1 70	23	5 25
Bushnell	104 19	25	32 10	Mecosta	20 04		23 17
Byron Center	5 00		5 99	Mendon			
Carlton Center	40 24	74	24 27	Monterey	73 22	1 11	38 07
Carson City	15 10	2 24	52 73	Muskegon	43 44	3 73	14 27
Cedar Lake	96 83	69	57 10	Otsego	236 58	13 31	79 55
Cedar Springs	1 04		79	Palo			
Charlotte	74 96		30 38	Paw Paw	8 88	92	24 38
Clifford Lake	24 72		8 93	Portland	21 87	41	3 03
Coldwater	48 47	2 09	1 09	Pottsville	10 04		26 48
Covert	19 67	1 06	4 99	Quincy	36 65	1 68	25 29
Decatur				Rothbury	8 50		10 05
Denver	26 90	42	4 48	Sand Lake	36 37	1 69	9 39
Dimondale	37 10	1 65	18 82	Shelby	45 99		17 71
Douglas	26 15	2 06	11 04	Sturgis	18 58		2 49
Eaton Rapids	10 50		7 50	Trufant			
Edmore	51 02	3 24	9 52	Urbandale			
Fremont	60 70	2 32	13 36	Union City	12 23		7 72
Frost	16 00		12 30	West Leroy	17 28		18 47
Glenwood	29 70	1 15	36 41	Wright	62 44	4 32	42 95
Gowen	4 57		3 20	Individuals	38 65	4 90	39 78
Grand Haven				Totals	\$3507 05	85 78	1755 44
Grand Ledge	50		15 20				

East Michigan Conference

Office Address, 426 Trumbull Ave., Detroit, Mich.

President, Wm. Guthrie, Office Address; Sec'y-Treas., Frank Hiner, Office Address; Tract Society Sec'y, Frank Hiner, Office Address; S. S. Sec'y, Tillie E. Barr, Office Address; Ed. and M. V. Sec'y, H. A. Boylan, Office Address; Field Missionary Agent, A. V. Morrison, Holly, Mich.; Field Missionary Sec'y, E. I. Beebe, Ovid, Mich.

Required for Mission Fund, 1st 6 months, 1913	\$ 6832.80
Received by Union	3806.56
Amount short	3026.24

July

	Tithe	2%	F. M.		Tithe	2%	F. M.
Ann Arbor	23 52	2 71	13 84	Leslie	45 77		4 25
Alaiedon	44 39		10 60	Lansing	84 36		48 54
Alma	70 88	2 37	39 41	Morrice			
Arbela				Mason			
Adrian	26 17		10 96	Memphis	55 95		17 88
Bancroft	16 06		8 91	Marine City	51 00	1 00	10 20
Bellville	23 29		8 79	Midland			
Birmingham	15 71		12 84	Mt. Forest			
Bay City	76 85		44 16	N. Branch	22 71		15 35
Bunker Hill				Ola	72 74		15 50
Chesaning	9 00		9 41	Ovid	19 96	2 53	17 71
Coleman	12 35	2 44	6 95	Owosso	5 34	98	5 66
Chapin	2 93		10 48	Oxford	14 39		32 01
Clio				Otter Lake	22 29		13 14
Detroit	447 38	2 32	159 49	Pinconning	60		5 24
Detroit No. 2				Pt. Huron	8 68		15 11
Dryden				Prattville	28 67		31 28
Durand				Rapson	17 54		19 97
Edenville	65 94	50	19 93	Reese	37 40		13 40
Exeter				Rives	15 65		12 85
Elwell				St. Charles	148 53		16 91
Elmwood				St. Johns			
Fairgrove	33 10		34 93	Saginaw	51 55	06	12 95
Flushing				Sandusky	7 50		7 15
Flint	144 53	18	44 72	Spring Arbor	32 00		10 36
Freeport			20 00	St. Louis	27 88		4 68
Greenbush	7 12	41	6 39	Sumner			
Hillsdale	11 01		27 14	Vassar	76 29		21 16
Hazelton	19 79		6 94	Watrousville	3 92		5 25
Holly	384 87	5 41	39 93	Willis	12 86		25 66
Ithaca	49 96	1 00	40 01	Westphalia			
Jackson	197 98	1 95	93 90	White Lake	28 50		25 20
Jefferson	32 50	10	15 04	Individuals	10 00		27 35
Luce							
Lapeer	12 55		9 10				

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North Michigan Conference

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

President, J. J. Irwin; Secretary, S. E. Kellman; Treasurer, North Michigan Tract Society; Tract Society Secretary-Treasurer, S. E. Kellman; Ed., Sabbath-school and Young Peoples' Secretary, Miss Florence Crouch; Field Missionary Agent, B. F. Williams.

Required for Mission Fund, 1st 6 months, 1913	\$ 3295.50
Received by Union	1004.00
Amount short	2291.50

Mt. Pleasant and Brinton

We reached our new field of labor July 14, and were heartily received by the brethren here. We have had some difficulty in getting located, but have found a very pleasant place near the business section and depots in a good neighborhood just opposite the Court House Park, 146 Court Street, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, which will be our permanent address.

We have spent two very profitable Sabbaths with the Mt. Pleasant church, and find a strong desire on the part of many to come near to God and to unite their efforts with ours to build up the church and the work in this place. They hope to have their church erected this fall in time to hold a course of meetings by, or before the holidays.

We spent four days at Brinton, where Brethren Piper and Fenner and their wives are holding meetings. We found a good interest and a good attendance with a prospect of a church being formed there this fall. On Sunday we drove over to Sherman City, six miles distant, where six earnest souls were baptized, the scene being witnessed by a large company of people who live there. Although the believers and interested ones, at and near Brinton, are widely scattered they show a commendable spirit in their attendance at the meetings, which indicates an interest that must result in much good.

E. W. WEBSTER,
CLEORA WEBSTER.

Canvassing Notes

Brother Bjork, our Finnish worker, has again taken up canvassing work. He is now working at Ironwood, Mich. The Lord has richly blessed his efforts thus far, and our earnest prayers should follow this brother in his service for the Master.

Sister Ernst, who is nearing the seventies, writes, "One lady said many times that she just knew the Lord sent me to her, and that she had thought for a long time she would get a book of me. When the walk seemed more than I could stand, I would repeat Isa. 41:10. What a wonderful help!"

Brother Harry Denton plans to earn two scholarships during the vacation. He has nearly completed the second.

Brother Worrell tells of many interesting experiences among friends whom he met while in the Union Sunday-school work. He has gained entrance to homes with the third angel's message which he could not while representing the Sunday-school work. Surely the angels of God go with us in this work.

While out with Brother Burkett, one lady followed us a long way to give us her order for "Daniel and Revelation." Her husband had heard the canvass given and requested her to follow us and give the order.

And what shall I more say? for the time would fail me to tell of Brethren Smalley, Denton, England, Carlson, and Sisters Carlson, Johnson, and Erickson, who through faith pressed onward, stopped the mouths of opponents, and obtained orders.

Sabbath, August 23, is to be a day of fasting and prayer among the canvassers of North Michigan. The burden of their prayers will be in behalf of the many deliveries following that date. Dear brethren and sisters, shall we not each

join with them in this season? And I feel confident the God of heaven will hear our cries and send a company of angels to prepare the hearts.

B. F. WILLIAMS.

News Notes

Lists of delegates to the conference should be forwarded at once.

Brother S. C. Hannon, our worker among the French, is now located at Harris, Mich., to which address his mail should be sent.

Elder Irwin returned last Monday from his trip to the Upper Peninsula. He promises us a report for the next issue of the HERALD.

The price of the *Sabbath School Worker* is fifty cents a year. Through a printer's error the price is given at thirty-five cents in the quarterly.

Only two weeks more before the camp-meeting opens. Will you be there? Remember the time, August 28 to September 7; place Gaylord, Mich.

The office will be closed from August 22 to September 9. All mail for the workers should be addressed in care of S. D. A. Camp, Gaylord, Mich.

The workers' meeting will begin Monday, August 18, at two o'clock in the afternoon. We would appreciate the help of a representative or two from each church to assist in the preparation of the grounds.

Of an interested audience of thirty-five who attend the meeting every night at Manistique, two have begun the observance of the Lord's Sabbath. Let us pray that many more will follow in the steps of the Saviour.

The brethren at Mt. Pleasant tore down their building, as it was located in the country, and are now planning to erect it in the city. They hope to have it ready this fall in time for a series of meetings before the holidays.

Every family in the Omer church has subscribed for the LAKE UNION HERALD, and all but two in the Gaylord church. To make the paper effective in building up the work of the conference, every family should take, and read it each week. All can now obtain it at the reduced price of twenty-five cents for a year. Elder Webster plans to visit the church at Clare on Sabbath, the 9th, and nothing preventing will meet with the Mesick church the 23d.

Business Notices

WANTED.—At once—a man to work on the farm by month or year. Must be used to farm work. In replying state wages expected. E. E. Patton, Morrisonville, Wis.

FOR SALE.—Good farm of 57 acres, across the street from Bethel Academy, Bethel, Wis. Forty acres cleared. Good opportunity for anyone wishing to send children to school. Good buildings and water. Write Elder J. C. Mikkelsen, Bethel, Wis.

BROOMS AND BASKETS FOR SALE.—If you need steady employment, now is your opportunity to earn \$2 or \$3 or more per day for work done in your own neighborhood, either city or country. For particulars address B. M. Butterfield, Berrien Springs, Mich.

HONEY.—The best Michigan White Clover honey. A 2-can case, 120 lb., 10 cents; 10-lb. pails, 12½ cents; 6 10-lb. pails in cases, 11 cents. No better honey made. J. H. Haughey, R. F. D. 1, Berrien Springs, Mich.

TRI-CITY SANITARIUM NURSES' COURSE.—Opportunity is offered for several young ladies to enter the nurses' training class. Enter it now. Class work begins October 1. For full information, address Tri-City Sanitarium, Moline, Ill.

FOR SALE.—GRANOIL, a superior cotton-seed product highly refined, tasteless and odorless, at the following low price, F. O. B. factory: Single can, 1 gal. each, 85 cents; 1 case five 1 gal. cans, \$4; 1 five-gal. can, \$3.75; 2 five-gal. cans, \$7.30. Special quantity prices for shipment direct from refinery made on application to Nashville Sanitarium Food Factory, Madison, Tenn.

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Mrs. Lou Kirby Curtis - - - - - Editor

The first article in the paper, "God's Claims on His Stewards," is worthy of careful study and preservation for future use. It was planned to print this in tract form, but later the Union Conference Committee decided to publish it in the HERALD.

College

Miss Graf has returned from her vacation.
Paul Smith spent Sabbath with his mother in Chicago.
Five excellent grade Gurnsey cows have been added to the College dairy.

Mrs. Piper returned Thursday after a two weeks' visit with her parents at Flint.

The blackberry crop has been harvested and the grapes will soon be ready to pick.

Elder Wakeham left last Friday for a visit at Green Bay, Wis., after which he plans to attend different camp-meetings in the Union.

Milton Hitchcock, who has been working in the painting department for a few weeks, left Friday to deliver the books he sold while canvassing near Coldwater.

Canvassers' Report for Week Ending

August 1, 1913

Southern Illinois

Canvasser	Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del.
Jerry Suda	GC	45	10	38 00	3 35	41 35	35 00
Ivan Falconer	GC	51	22	66 00	.....	66 00	.....
W. B. Maris	DR	38	19	59 00	2 00	61 00	9 00
A. P. Schwarz	GC	35	10	30 00	.....	30 00	.....
C. C. Gessele	GC	44	14	42 00	.....	42 00	.....
S. E. Teas	GC	34	5	16 00	6 00	22 00	.....
O. P. Wilson	DR	40	6	20 00	3 00	23 00	.....
D. T. Oden	PG	27	1	3 00	1 75	4 75	23 00
E. C. Wood	DR	30	11	35 00	1 50	36 50	1 50
F. E. Wall	GC	32	18	55 00	.....	55 00	.....
W. E. Bailey	BR	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	24 00
Harry Bennett	GC	54	15	46 00	1 00	47 00	1 00
Hugh Stearns	GC	54	15	46 00	1 00	47 00	.....
Jacob Wasenmiller	GC	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	24 00
*Grace Thomas	CK	45	16	24 00	.....	24 00	18 00
Mary DeWitt	BF	23	12	13 50	3 50	17 00	3 50
H. L. Branson	DR	21	.....	.....	10 00	10 00	.....
Mrs. H. L. Branson	BF	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ruth Branson	CK	8	2	3 00	.....	3 00	.....
		611	176	496 50	33 10	529 60	139 00

Wisconsin

H. C. Schmidt	PP	44	18	35 00	.....	55 00	.....
N. C. Peterson	BR	77	10	30 00	1 20	31 20	.....
Mrs. E. M. Bisbee	GC	52	11	33 00	16 50	49 50	.....
Martin Foss	BR	47	13	46 00	6 00	52 00	.....
		183	52	164 00	23 70	187 70	.....

Indiana

E. C. Lawson	HM	26 1/2	4	8 00	2 50	10 50	50
Carl Pruitt	HM	34	4	9 50	4 00	13 50	.....
R. R. Coble	GC	28	6	18 00	.....	18 00	.....
Lewis Holm	BR	29	5	15 00	3 00	30 00	18 00
J. C. Klose	DR	34	3	9 00	75	9 75	.....
L. C. Shepard	BR	39	2	7 00	3 75	10 75	2 25
Walter Berghern	GC	28	17	54 00	2 25	56 25	25
		218 1/2	41	120 50	16 25	136 75	3 00

North Michigan

Ralph Denton	ES	45	8	24 00	14 55	38 55	.....
Anna Erickson	GC	40	6	18 00	1 50	19 50	3 00
Louise Johnson	DR	40	7	24 00	2 10	26 10	16 35
Harry Denton	ES	19	5	16 00	2 25	18 25	3 50
K. V. Bjork	Rev.	42	9	24 00	2 00	26 00	5 00
Mrs. G. F. Ernst	PP	6	1	3 00	25	3 25	2 75
J. T. Worrel	DR	45	3	11 00	4 72	15 72	.....
O. A. Smalley	DR	30	3	10 00	1 50	11 50	9 00
*Harry Burkett	DR	93	10	32 00	9 30	41 30	36 15
		360	52	162 00	38 17	200 17	75 75

West Michigan

Geo. DeCamp	CK	26	.....	36 50	2 00	38 50	38 50
J. E. Herrington	GC	40	4	13 00	6 50	19 50	1 25
Oliver Kimball	GC	49 1/2	8	27 00	11 50	38 50	2 25
Otis A. Palmiter	GC	32	4	11 00	1 50	12 50	1 50
Thos. Pusey	GC	40 1/2	16	24 50	5 50	30 00	.....
		188	32	112 00	27 00	139 00	43 50

Northern Illinois

L. Clarke	B R	46	15	49 30	75	49 75	.....
E. R. Reynolds	PG	43	18	56 00	.....	56 00	.....
John Hicks	PG	64	.....	.....	.....	.....	220 75
J. C. Nixon	GC	40	6	20 00	14 85	34 85	.....
Chas. Andrews	GC	38	10	31 00	6 25	37 25	.....
H. J. Summers	DR	41	4	12 00	1 20	13 20	.....
Mrs. Vas	.....	20	.....	5 05	.....	5 05	.....
G. Vas	.....	24	.....	5 15	13 30	18 45	.....
Fred Clauson	DR	.....	19	28 00	.....	28 00	.....
		316	72	206 20	36 35	242 55	220 75

53 Agents

	1876 1/2	425	126 1/2	20	174 57	1435 77	482 00
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PERIODICAL REPORT

Wisconsin

Albert Wolf	Paper Signs	Hours	No.	Value
		9 1/2	53	5 20
D. Hedstrom			517	
Elsie Hagberg			576	
			1093	

Northern Illinois

			517	
			576	
			1093	

Indiana

Mildred Beldon	Watch	21	62	6 20
Frieda Huber	L. & H	20	300	30 00
Ada Achor	L. & H	345	34 50
		41	707	70 70

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