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Shine Just Where You Are

Don't waste your time in longing
For bright, impossible things;
Don't sit supinely yearning
For the swiftness of angel wings;
Don't spurn to be a rushlight,
Because you are not a star;
But brighten some bit of darkness
By shining just where you are.

There is need of the tiniest candle
As well as the garish sun;
The humblest deed is ennobled
When it is worthily done;
You may never be called to brighten
The darkened regions afar:
So fill for the day your mission
By shining just where you are.

Just where you are, my brother,
Just where God bids you stand,
Though down in the deepest shadow,
Instead of the sunlit land;
You may carry a brightness with you
That no gloom or darkness can mar,
For the light of a Christ-like spirit
Will be shining wherever you are.

—Exchange

Early Observations—No. 10

Conducting Sabbath Meetings Without a Preacher

To conduct a good meeting and maintain the attendance without a preacher was the aim of our churches in the early years of our work. We thought the admonition in Heb. 10:23-25 applied in our case and so a perpetual blessing was experience as we met each Sabbath day to study our Bibles and to encourage each other in the way of truth and righteousness. In those times we had a few churches and companies and some isolated Sabbath keepers in Indiana. Some times we had one minister within the state, but a large share of the year he was laboring in new fields, and so we expected to get along without his personal help. We always found the Lord present, and we made good use of our Bible and the Review and Herald. This was before we had regular Sabbath school helps, so each Sabbath school was a law unto itself.

About this time Professor Bell's Sabbath school books were published, but they were only partially In our Sabbath school the seniors used Brother Smith's books on Daniel and the Revelation. We went twice through these, spending five years The reader may think we had a dry in their study. time of it, but such was not the case. We found about as much spiritual moisture as hard Bible study would afford. Indeed, God enabled us as we delved down into these books to find the living waters and to pasture where the grasses were green and flowers fragrant and fair. In truth we were interested, so deeply interested that seldom one remained away from the class. And these five years of Bible study in our Sabbath school class ripened fruit which was gathered into the gospel ministry. Yes, five young men grew up into the ministry out of that method of Sabbath school study reinforced by our old-time method of Sabbath meetings without a minister.

Of course, we studied incessantly because we had no printed lessons to prompt us and we were compelled to provide lessons that would interest ourselves and hold the interest of all in the classes. We would sometimes burn midnight oil to make sure that we had a lesson such as was needed. In those good years our ardent Sabbath school study had much to do in making an interesting Sabbath and social meeting. Not only did we enjoy the work but many were drawn into the fold and found the sweetness of salvation. Blessed be the memory of those good times when the dew of the Lord moistened our souls. I confidently expected to meet a number in the land of the blessed who found the Redeemer in our old-time Sabbath school and meetings some forty years ago. WM. COVERT

East Michigan Conference

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Retrospective and Prospective

The past year has been one filled with comforting omens and yet many startling events have taken place in the political and social world. The Titanic struggle which is now convulsing all Europe leads us to enquire "What shall be the end of these things?"

When 1914 broke upon us, so bright and prosperous, but few dreamed that it would close with such a large proportion of the professed Christian world gripping each other in a death struggle. More thousands have been sacrificed on the altar of the "god of war" than have surrendered to the God of love during the same period. Yet in the midst of this mighty conflict and the statements of the Word of God, many in America are still preaching peace while nearly every neutral nation is preparing for war. A special bill passed by

the last session of Congress provides for the raising of \$100,000,000 for war revenue.

Apparently the whole world has forgotten that safety is with our Lord and King and have turned to trust in navies, forts, and armed guards.

While this is the condition in the world about us, the work of the Lord is making steady progress though not as rapidly as we wish. Our workers have met with excellent success in the field and as a result 200 have been baptized during the year and 87 others are keeping the Sabbath and in preparation for baptism.

Our tithe was \$35,774.70. While this is less than shown on our books for 1913 yet we are grateful for this degree of prosperity. Our mission fund rose to the full amount needed from our field, \$16,759.58 having been paid in during the year. This is an increase of \$6,031.27 over 1913. In the Harvest Ingathering, a healthy increase was noticed. amount raised was \$2,243.12. But one other conference in the United States raised an equal amount. The net result is nearly three times as much as we raised during 1913. We feel to praise the Lord for these evidences of His presence with us. thank the brethren for their prayers and faithful efforts for the advancement of the work of the Lord.

Personally, the year has been a strenuous one. In my attempt to meet the needs of the field and respond to as many calls as possible, I have been from home a large part of the time and have spent many sleepless nights, but I have seen individuals and churches helped and sinners converted. This has brought a peace and joy that is abundant reward for all toil and weariness.

Through the special blessing of the Lord we have reached our goal for missions and the winning of souls, and are emboldened to ask for 250 souls for Christ during 1915 and \$336 each week for missions. To this end we solicit your continued interest and prayers.

With earnest effort let us strive to close this year with greater triumph than any previous year.

WM. GUTHRIE

Religious Liberty

For many years this people have been teaching that Rome would seek to possess herself of the arm of Civil Authority in this country that she may make America dominantly Catholic.

She is now attempting to close the mails to all matter that in any way exposes her errors and presumptions. It is true her special attack at present is against the *Menace*, but if she is successful in silencing this sheet, she will then turn her attention to other publications among which is the *Protestant* Magazine.

Now is the time to acquaint the judges and lawyers with the true principles of liberty. This requires some expense and to meet this February 27 has been set apart in which to take a special religious liberty offering. We trust special attention will be given to this by all church elders that we may receive a good offering on that day.

A new arrangement has been made whereby only one-fourth of the amount raised will go to the Union and three-fourths remain in the local conference for home work.

Let this offering be as large as possible

WM. GUTHRIE

The Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

We are all delighted that we came out at the close of the year 1914 with our full quota for missions. A few facts will be interesting.

We have two churches not listed last year. One of these averaged fourteen cents and the other twenty-one cents. Three other churches averaged the same as last year. Thirty-one churches paid a larger amount than for 1913 while the average in twenty-seven others was less than for 1913. Some churches have gained from 100 per cent to 300 per cent and one as high as 1600 per cent over 1913.

There were seventeen churches that averaged twenty cents or more per member each week for 1914. These are: Alma, Bancroft, Belleville, Detroit (Central), Detroit W. S., Durand, Edenville, Elmwood, Flushing, Holly, North Branch, Oxford, Rapson, Reese, Saginaw, White Lake, Willis.

There are ten others that averaged fifteen cents or more. They are: Alaiedon, Bay City, Detroit No. 2, Flint, Hazelton, Jackson, Leslie, Mt. Forest, Ola, Watrousville.

I am sure this list will be greatly increased for the year 1915. An early start and constant effort cannot fail to bring results. All praise to the elders and churches that have put forth their best effort. Some of these it may be, did not reach the goal. Be of good cheer, if you did your best, for your work shall be rewarded:

The needs of 1915 are as great as before and the Lord calls for continued effort.

May God bless your labors and your sacrifices of love and give you treasure in heaven.

WM. GUTHRIE

Lansing Convention

February 5-7

The last Missionary Volunteer convention of the series will be held in Lansing, February 5-7, beginning Friday evening. It is hoped that every young person who has missed the opportunity of attending one of the others will plan earnestly to be present at this one.

Both old and young from near-by churches are invited to come and spend the entire time. Ministerial and outside help have been provided for the occasion. The program which has been planned bids fair to be an inspiration to missionary endeavor.

LOTTA E. BELL

Canvassers' Notes

Our institute closed with a consecration service, each worker pledged himself to be more faithful, and all have entered the field with a spirit that spells advancement in this great work.

A few extracts from the letters will reveal this. "One family with whom I staid over night tried to prejudice people through the newspaper. I think I

shall have to thank them for their kindness in advertising our work; you see it has not hindered my sales. G. B. Graham."

"Well how does this look to you? I imagine you are smiling to think that another canvasser is in the field. There is no use to tell you that the Lord blessed and I hope He can still use me. G. W. Hainer."

"The Lord has been with me and helped in many ways. I have found some who are anxious to get the help the book gives them. V. E. Toms."

"Wednesday afternoon and Thursday I did my best, but could not take any orders. Friday I earnestly sought the Lord through prayer and supplication and He gave me three orders before noon which assured me that He was with me. I am determined to put in more time and be more faithful. G. H. McClenathan."

"I have some good news for you. There is a man here about my age who wants to enter the work and is learning the canvass now. I will let him make his home with me as he has not had any experience, if that is all right with you. F. E. Nurnberger."

"I find many who are interested in the truth. A. L. Van Alstine."

"I am enjoying my work better each week. One lady would not give me her order but after I had left she phoned to me at a neighber's and gave me her order. A. B. Fisk."

Nearly every day I learn of some one who wishes to enter the field, which shows that the Lord has put His hand to the work and it must be done.

H. W. Johnson

North Michigan Conference

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News Notes

That valuable little book, "The World's Crisis in the Light of Prophecy," is just the thing you need for home missionary work. One sister after getting a sample copy has asked us to reserve a hundred for her. She has already taken fifty and is enthusiastic about the good she is doing. The churches are ordering lots of a hundred and more. You need only to see the book to be assured of its missionary value. While it retails at twenty-five cents it will only cost you twelve and a half cents in quantities, transportation extra. How many shall we send you?

A great amount of good was accomplished by our home workers this winter. Some have requested readings as a result of the Home Workers' Books. Brother DeMoulpied, elder of the Eastport church writes, "By selling those books I found one family willing to study the truth with us. We meet with them every Saturday night for a reading on some part of the truth."

Elder Irwin conducted the funeral services at East Jordan when Mr. John Covert, the father of Mrs. Claude Wood, was laid to rest.

Friends of Sister Charlotte Judd Noble will be sorry to learn of the recent death of Mr. Noble. The deceased was not a member of our church, but he has frequently visited the Petoskey church and recently expressed his desire to unite with us, but his sudden

death prevented his carrying out his desire. The writer conducted the funeral services at Harbor Springs.

The complete report of the elders' meeting is being mailed to all our elders, treasurers, and Sabbath school superintendents. We trust that each elder will acquaint the church from time to time of the actions taken, and that each church will cooperate in carrying out the plans for the progress of the work.

Send in your orders for the new Temperance Instructor.

Reports are reaching the office of the excellent meetings Elder R. C. Horton is having with some of our churches. Not only are the individual members receiving a great benefit, but many outsiders are becoming deeply interested. As soon as his effort is closed at Grant he will visit the church at Alden.

We recently received word that two bills were introduced in the National Congress empowering the Postmaster General to exclude from the mails such literature as criticizes any form of religion practiced by citizens of the United States. This was introduced by the Roman Catholics who are working with all their power to secure its passage. We have written each elder and others, requesting everyone to do what he can to protest against the passing of these bills. We trust that no one will lay this matter aside as it is of the utmost importance. Everything that we publish could be excluded from the mails if these bills were to become law. Everyone should order and read that latest book, "United States in Prophecy," and keep informed of the progress of the powers engaged in the formation of the image to the beast.

Elder F. J. Harris and Brother E. A. Piper have been selected to fill the places on the conference committee made vacant by the resignation of Elders E. W. Webster and E. F. Peterson. Brother F. E. Fenner takes the place of Elder E. W. Webster on the Cedar Lake Academy board.

In company with Brother Williams, the writer plans to leave Petoskey January 28 for Washington, D. C., to take part in the missionary and publishing convention. We expect to be back about February 12 or 13.

S. E. KELLMAN

Indiana Conference

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President, E. A. Bristol

General Report for 1914

Truly the Lord's blessing has attended the work and workers in this conference the past year, and to Him be all the praise and glory; in the words of Moses we are led to say, "What hath God wrought."

There have been three churches organized, one reorganized, and about two hundred added to the faith. This brings joy to the believers in the conference and cause rejoicing in the heavenly family.

At the beginning of the year there were sixty-two Sabbath schools with a membership of about thirteen hundred fifty, and the last quarter there were sixty-seven schools reported with a membership of seventeen hundred seventy-seven. Through the blessing of the Lord, these were led to give during the past year

for the advancement of the work in foreign fields over seven thousand dollars.

Another encouraging feature has been the work done by the Missionary Volunteer societies, the seniors numbering one hundred thirty-five, and the juniors one hundred sixty-five. They have been faithful in their reading courses, and also in their offerings. Especially have the juniors been enthusiastic in their work, entering heartily in the distributing of literature and gathering in means with the Harvest Ingathering *Review*. This is indeed a grand training for our youth as compared with that received by the majority of the youth of this age of the world.

For the advancement of the Sabbath school and Missionary Volunteer work, conventions have been held in different places. In all these meetings the brethren and sisters heartily cooperated to make them an educational success.

The attendance at Beechwood Academy has been very encouraging, yet there is room for more of our Indiana youth who should be there receiving a training for the Master's service. Those who are there appreciate the Christian atmosphere prevading this institution.

Besides the educational work of the academy, there are seventeen faithful teachers engaged in church school work. The training which the children are receiving in these schools will fit them for the part they are to act in the closing message. In December these teachers all gathered at Indianapolis where an interesting and profitable institute was conducted.

While there were no special Sunday law measures before the people of this State during the past year, there were general topics at Washington, D. C. which called for action upon the part of the people here, and there was a hearty response from the brethren and sisters to the calls made. During the year several religious liberty institutes were held. These were for the study of the principles underlying this work.

Our sanitarium at Lafayette has been having an increasing patronage, and some of our brethren closely connected with the institution say there is a new era for the Wabash Valley Sanitarium. There certainly is a spirit of hearty cooperation prevailing there. In addition to the regular nurses' training course there is being conducted a special six months' course for the training of medical evangelistic workers.

At the recent meeting of the Lake Union Conference Committee it was voted that this conference receive fifty per-cent of the surplus of the Union on the twenty cents a week per church member to be applied on the conference indebtedness. This will mean between five and six thousand dollars. This spirit of liberality on the part of the Union Conference should be carried out by our people until the debts on our institutions are liquidated.

Our faithful colporteurs have placed nearly fourteen thousand dollars' worth of our truth-filled books in the homes of the people of this state, and the total amount of sales of our literature was about twenty thousand dollars. During the latter part of the year there were held in different parts of the state

missionary institutes for the purpose of stimulating and training our people for home missionary work.

From the tithe of the conference there has been between thirty-five and forty per cent given for the support of the laborers outside of the conference.

The mission offerings for the year were something over seventeen thousand dollars. This large sum would not have been raised had it not been for the faithfulness of our people, and the hearty response to a letter sent out after the annual and thirteenth Sabbath offerings were received. Known only to God are all the sacrifices made to answer this last call, but we mention the fact that some even sold part of their bread to make this extra offering.

This encouraging report is the result of the blessing of God and the hearty cooperation and labors of our loyal people and workers.

Yours for a greater work for 1915.

E. A. BRISTOL

Gleanings from the Field

Since our colporteurs' institute, it has been my privilege to go out with some of our canvassers, and with them enjoy some of the rich experiences which The first two days were accompany faithful service. spent with Brother Gus Ansorge, a German brother, who has given up position and all the world has to offer that he may have a part in finishing this work. The Lord gave us some rich experiences together with orders. Thursday I went to Shoals where Brother H. Larimer is located. I found him of good courage, although he is in a very hilly county. largely Catholic. He says this is a world-wide message and feels that he should leave no unworked territory. Sister Laramore and her daughter are, doing faithful work in Shoals with "Bible Footlights" and magazines.

I next visited Brother J. S. Davis of Bloomington. I found sickness in his home which prevented us from remaining in the field over night. During the time we were out the Lord fulfilled His promise by giving us some orders, together with blessed experiences. One man said he would not take one thousand dollars for his book, "Daniel and Revelation," and do without it. Another man had just lost his home and contents by fire. The only thing saved was his book, "Daniel and Revelation," which he had loaned that day to his He feels that the Lord preserved it for his neighbor. study. This is evidence that God has a care for His truth. I trust that our church members night and morning will have a prayer on their lips for our faithful canvassers. W. E. BAILEY

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News Items

The brethren will be glad to learn that our Two-percent Fund amounted to over \$700 last year. If all would pay the two-per-cent it would amount to about \$5,000. I trust that more of our brethren will adopt this systematic plan of raising expenses for which the tithe cannot be used. The Two-per-cent Fund is two per cent of one's income. It is applied to-

ward our tent and camp meeting debt; the colored church in Chicago—helping them to pay the debt still due on their church, and Fox River Academy. Surely this fund is a great blessing to the conference, and in a short time would relieve it of debt if all were faithful in its payment.

A debt of \$2,350 had accrued in our tent and camp meeting fund. This has not been made in any one year, but has been growing for ten years or more in providing for the less than absolute necessities in our camp equipments and tents for the summer campaign in evangelistic work. We are sure you will all rejoice with us when we tell you that this debt will be fully met when the present pledges are in. pledges amount to about \$350. We trust the brethren who have made them will pay at their earliest possible opportunity so that we may start in again this year without any encumbrance. We need to buy some new tents again this year for our camp meeting. When the money on the above pledges comes in our new pavilion will be paid for and the tent and camp meeting fund will be out of debt. This bill of \$2,350 paid on the tent and camp meeting fund, the tract society having recently paid its debt of \$1,500 and \$500 on the old General Conference Association debt, makes the conference committee feel like singing a song of jubilee. We imagine the brethren would like to join us. G. E. LANGDON

Chicago

On January 2 four persons were baptized and added to the Dearbon Street church. Three of these had not made a profession before; the other was raised in the Catholic Church. The mother of one of the converts, a young man, is a member of the church and has been praying for her son's conversion for years. The mother of the other young man was present at the baptism and broke into tears at the solemn scene. She promised to follow her son's example. All of these new members are now working to lead others to the light.

We are encouraged by what God is doing for us. Persons are accepting the truth all the time. Never was there such an interest as now. There are four keeping the Sabbath and receiving instruction before baptism.

We are going to try hard to raise our apportionment for missions this year.

The church school is doing well considering the circumstances under which it is being conducted. We are greatly in need of money to build a schoolroom. We solicit the help of any who desire to assist in such a needy cause.

W. D. FORDE

Gleanings from Our Annual Reports for 1914

Our literature sales at retail value for 1914 amounted to \$20,631.12, which is an increase of about \$300 over the sales of the previous year.

We have sixteen church buildings in this conference having an estimated value of \$57,725.

The total Sabbath school contributions were \$5,932.82. The total amount of tithe received was \$32,565.69, or a tithe per capita of \$21.80.

The churches reported 156 baptized during the year.

At the close of the year our conference membership was 1,490. Of this membership 760 are members of the eleven churches in Chicago and 730 are members of the churches in other parts of the conference.

Our Literature in Public Libraries

For the encouragement of our members and churches who have been subscribing for our periodicals to be sent *to public libraries, we quote a portion of a letter recently received from a gentleman in Chicago. He says, "Please find enclosed five cents in stamps for which I would like a copy of the weekly Signs of the Times dated Jan. 12, 1915. I am unable to subscribe for this paper, but for some time past I have been reading it in the public library reading rooms, where it seems some one donates it. Sometimes the paper fails to come, as happened last week, and I would rather miss a meal than to miss the Signs.

Evidently this gentleman appreciates the matter contained in the *Signs*, and through this means we have secured his name and address. We will endeavor to get in touch with him with the idea of interesting him further in the truth. We hope that he may in time fully accept the principles of present truth.

ILLINOIS TRACT SOCIETY

Canvassers' Notes

D. R. Devereaux writes, "Never in my Christian experience did the work seem so great and the time so short as now." Brother Devereaux is suffering from a fall, but hopes to be back in the work soon.

Harry Foreman is selling magazines at Onarga and Watseka. Roy Van Vuren who started in the work with "Coming King" in December is doing well. He is canvassing in his home township for the present. Gilbert Barber, who also started work in January, is having splendid success among the people of Kankakee County. He is handling "Coming King." His first entire week's work amounted to 24 orders, value \$37.25.

Lorenzo Clarke says, "I went to a lecture last night. The subject was 'After the War, What?" I see the importance of getting our books in the hands of the people as never before, so will press forward in the work with all my heart."

J. A. APPLEGATE

Southern Illinois Conference

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Peoria, Foosland, and Bloomington

December 11, 1914, I left Danville where I had labored since camp meeting with Elder R. J. Nethery in a series of tent meetings. I first visited our people in Peoria for two or three days. Sabbath morning we met in a comfortable hall and enjoyed the Sabbath school and first reading. A spirit of heartsearching pervaded the meeting, and I am sure all felt a stronger determination than ever before to be prepared to meet their God.

From Peoria I went to Foosland where Brother G. M. Hicks and our little company are striving to hold up the banner of truth. All expressed courage

and joy that they were permitted to witness the signs of the early consummation of our hope.

After leaving Foosland, I went to Bloomington, where the little company are doing much active missionary work, and I am glad to report that they are seeing results in souls taking their stand for the truth. At this place, I met Brother Luke and his wife who have recently begun to obey God. I also met Brother Boyd and his •wife. After remaining about ten days with this company, I left them of good courage to attend the workers' meeting at Springfield.

J. O. Ferris

Kingman

When I visited our members at Kingman during the week of prayer a good interest in the message for today was manifested. The brethren and sisters have been scattering the *Review* Extra, also tracts on the Eastern Question, and it has created an interest to hear the truth. I commenced holding meetings January 6, and we have met together every night. The roads have been very muddy part of the time, but the people have come out to the meetings just the same. There have been as many as one hundred twenty-five out, and that means that some have come from several miles in the country. Some have already decided to obey the Lord, and we solicit the prayers of God's people that we may witness a rich harvest of souls.

C. W. CURTIS

West Michigan Conference

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Battle Creek

The special effort which was made for the young people of the Battle Creek church just preceding the week of prayer under the guidance of Profs. M. E. Kern, C. A. Russell, and W. E. Straw was the means of awakening a desire in the hearts of a goodly number of our young people to give themselves to their Saviour. Many for the first time made this surrender and many who had lost their way were brought again to the Father's house.

Then with the week of prayer in the church and with the work that has followed we have seen a goodly number turn to God for pardon and acceptance and who have given to Him their hearts. From those of tender years to some well in the prime of life a company of thirty-eight went forward in baptism on Sabbath, the 23d. It was indeed a touching sight to see husbands and wives, parents and children, brothers and sisters together enter the water to follow their Lord in the holy rite.

During January about fifty names have been added to our church membership. For this our hearts are grateful to God.

Our services are constantly increasing in attendance. The Sabbath services are perhaps two hundred larger than a year ago, and on Sunday evenings we have several hundred besides our own membership in regular attendance. Of these there are those who are accepting the message and joining us in the service.

On Sunday, January 17, the Tabernacle was the host

of the "Flying Squadron" temperance workers and of a mass meeting of the churches of the city. Fully two thousand were in attendance. The week previous at the regular service of the church perhaps one thousand were with us. Thus we see that God is with us to turn hearts and feet towards the temple of His truth even in this place where for so long a time the sound of the third angel's message has been heard.

We thank God for the unity which prevails among us and for the universal desire in the church to press the battle to the gates and to do our part in hastening the coming of our Lord and Master.

W. A. WESTWORTH

An Excellent Report

The week of prayer at Cedar Lake proved to be one of special blessing. Early in the week and even before the meetings began earnest members of the church began to pray for the outpouring of the Spirit of God. The readings were held in the afternoon and regular services were held evenings. As a result of these meetings there was a class of fifteen formed who are awaiting baptism and ten or twelve more backsliders were reclaimed who will join the church by letter or profession of faith. The meetings were discontinued during the holidays, but were resumed Friday, January 8, and have been continuing ever since.

Monday night, January 18, was a most remarkable The convicting power of God came into the services and between twenty-five and thirty gave their hearts to the Lord and decided to identify themselves with God's people. The message given has been listened to with more than ordinary interest. Many church members are at work visiting neighbors for miles around. Several regular prayer services are held each week and the spirit of labor for friends characterizes an awakening of the church. Nearly all of those who have recently started have never been professors of religion. Some of the conversions are especially remarkable, and the end is not in sight. The meetings will be continued for several weeks and we believe there will be a rich harvest of souls. We are hoping and praying that God will continue to visit His people in this place and to convict those who will listen to the word until our resident church membership is doubled.

We have a younger class of students in the school this year than ever before, but in the hearts of some of these there has been born a sincere desire to be sober-minded and faithful. To the Lord be all the praise, for His kindness extended toward this place.

The quarterly meeting for January 1915 showed a church membership of one hundred twelve. Of these, ninety-five reported in person, by letter, or by word of mouth through friends and relatives. This is the best record that I have ever seen in this church because so large a proportion of our membership has heretofore been made up of students who were here a short time and then went away without taking their membership with them. Many times these students are forgetful of the duties they owe to the church, but this quarterly meeting proved an exception to the rule. It was certainly a pleasing sight when these young men still in their teens manfully went forward in the ordinance of humility. There were over fifty in the

men's division and fully as many if not more of the sisters took part. These occasions will grow more precious as time goes on and the perils of the last days thicken around. Pray for the work at Cedar Lake.

J. G. LAMSON

Carson City

The elders and workers' meeting at Grand Rapids was the best I ever attended. A deep interest was manifested by all. Each did his best in presenting the subject assigned. They went to their fields of labor with greater zeal and inspiration, and I trust, better fitted to labor for the master.

From there I came to Carson City where there is a church of twenty-two members. Instead of the usual reiew in Sabbath school the children gave exercises which were beautifully rendered. The church school teacher, Miss Fleming, is doing excellent work in the home of Brother F. S. Clarke. It certainly pays to give our children the advantages of a Christian education, though one has to bear the expense alone.

There is a deep interest in missions. The twenty-cent-a-week-per-member clock went around two and a half times during 1914.

From February 1-10 I shall attend the Bookmen's Convention in Washington. I hope to return laden with good things in missionary lines. E. I. BEEBE

Charlotte

Three more have been taken into the church this month and we are expecting others to follow soon. Sunday evening I spoke to a large congregation on the Sabbath question and the best of interest was shown. After the discourse I was surprised by being presented with a fine chair from the outside people. May the Lord's blessings rest upon the people of Charlotte and may many more, be brought to the light of present truth. All are very anxious that the camp meeting be held here this year. U. S. ANDERSON

News Notes

Wm. Reefman returned to his work at Kalamazoo after the meeting in Grand Rapids.

Elder N. M. Jorgensen is laboring at Edmore. The interest was such that he did not feel free to leave to attend the workers' meeting.

The minutes of the workers' meeting in Grand Rapids will be prepared for publication in the LAKE UNION HERALD in the near future.

Henry William Wilson, of the Allendale church, died very suddenly. To the bereaved family and church we extend our sympathy. Elder McVagh conducted the funeral service in the presence of a large assembly of friends and neighbors at the Congregational church, Allendale Center, Sunday, January 17.

The conference committee met in Grand Rapids January 21. It was planned to put six additional laborers in the field this summer. These will include some young men from E. M. C.

This is the time to freely distribute our literature. Prophecy is fullfiling and the influences of the papacy and papal principles are constantly growing. This month two bills have been introduced into Congress giving the Postmaster General the right to exclude from United States mail all mail deemed scurrilous or

libelous in character or a reflection on any form of religious worship practiced or held sacred by any citizen in the United States. They are after the *Menace*, but we know what else is involved in it.

The Sabbath school reports for 1914 show a steady increase in mission funds for each quarter as follows: First quarter, \$1,440.12; second quarter, \$1,829.49; third quarter, \$2,020.86; fourth quarter, \$2,514.93. This is as it should be. Let every school keep up the increase during 1915.

Wisconsin Conference

Office Address, Grand Rapids, Wis.
President, P. A. Hanson

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Publications Wanted

Mrs. Mollie Miller, Florence, Ala., desires copies of *The Bible Training School* and *The Youth's Instructor*. It does not matter how old they are. Send post paid.

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Mrs. Lou Kirby Curtis

Editor

We are deeply grieved to hear of the sudden and unexpected death of Elder O. A. Olsen. The following brief message dated January 29, comes from Elder Langdon: Elder O. A. Olsen died at 3 A.M. at the Hinsdale Sanitarium of heart failure. First stricken last Tuesday night. Grew weaker each day till he passed away."

Report for Mission Funds for 1914

We have just received a statement from Washington concerning the twenty-cent-a-week apportionment. During the year 1913 the Lake Union Conference received \$69,232 on this fund. Last year we received \$99,167, an increase of almost \$30,000. Three of our conferences came out in full and over paid on the twenty-cent-a-week, Northern Illinois with \$821, Southern Illinois with \$324, and East Michigan with \$826. This good showing is the result of plans adopted by the Union Committee at its January meeting last year, and of the faithful, earnest work done by nearly all our brethren.

The whole Union did not reach the full twenty-cents-a-week. However, we are more than \$12,000 above the fifteen cents for foreign missions. This sum will be returned to us to apply on our institutional debt and will be a great help. Our brethren have certainly done well during 1914. Let us thank God and take courage.

L. H. CHRISTIAN

Important

All matter, including news items, should reach us not later than Thursday.

Business Notices

FOR SALE:—Our complete outfit of broom machinery, comprising a good winder, scraper, and Faultless press. We also have about thirty good double school desks which can be had at a bargain Wm. A. Brace and Son, De Witt, Mich.

WHITE ORPINGTON COCKERELS AND EGGS.—Beechwood Academy, Fairland, Indiana, has several fine cockerels for sale. Two to five dollars each. Eggs from selected pen, one dollar a setting, from fancy pen, three dollars. Number limited. First come first served.

Wanted at Once.—Middle-aged woman to do plain cooking in a small private sanitarium. Address La Grange Sanitarium, La Grange, Ill. State wages expected etc. Pleasant home and permanent employment for the right person.

HYGIENIC VEGETABLE COOKING OIL.—Fresh from the

factory to your home. Not a compound. No more healthful shortening or salad dressing known. f. o. b. Louisville, Ky., 5-gal. can, \$3.90; two 5-gal. cans, \$7.80; 32-gal. bbl., \$21.44. Address Dr. O. C. Godsmark, Chattanooga. Tenn. F-3

YOGURT CHEESE.—Mother and I are making a very fine grade of yogurt cheese. It is mild in flavor, and keeps nicely. Would'nt you like to try a half-pound sample for 25 cents prepaid? Will send 3 pounds in pound or half-pound packages to one address prepaid for \$1. Grace Amadon, St. Joseph, Mich.

COOKING OIL.—We sell pure vegetable cooking oils at best prices. Brotherhood Brand Oil, 5-gallon can for \$3.75; two cans for \$7.25. Wesson Oil, 5-gallon can, \$4.25; two cans, \$8.00. Write for further information. Prices on barrels on application. Address Adelphian Merchantile Co., Holly, Mich.

WE QUOTE BEST PRICES.—Wesson Cooking Oil—1 five, gallon can, \$4.25; 2 five-gallon cans, \$8; 8 one gallon cans, \$7. Snowdrift Shortening—purely vegetable, all sizes, \$5.75 per case of three No. 20 cans, six No. 10 cans, or twelve No. 5 cans. Above price f. o. b. Chicago, or Bethel. Lots of two cases delivered within radius of 200 miles. Prices on barrel lots on application. Bethel Academy Store, Bethel, Wis.

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