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

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## Realities That Compel

The need of missions and missionaries in foreign fields is not an imaginary one. Let us look at a concrete case. During the Loma Linda Council in November, South America was organized into a Division Conference. To us in the Lake Union this is of special interest because Elder O. Montgomery, who is well known here, was elected as president of the new Division.

We all rejoice that the believers in South America are so numerous that a Division Conference becomes necessary, and we comfort and cheer ourselves with the thought that this is a long step in advance. So it is. And yet what are the real spiritual needs of the people in South America? Brazil has an area as large as all of the United States and 250,000 square miles besides. Of its 24,000,000 of people, 8,000,000 are Indians, of whom only a very few have even heard the name of Christ. Venezuela is twice the size of California and has a population of 2,755,685. Of these but 303 are Protestants. Ecuador has an area of 119,000 square miles with a population of 1,500,000 white people and 870,000 Indians. Of all these 121 are Protestants. Argentina is just about one-third as large as the United States with a population of 7,000,000, of which number 15,000 are Protestants. Bolivia is twice as large as Texas, has a population of 5,000,000 including Indians and mestizos, and of these 195 are Protestants. Some of the other countries have even a smaller Protestant population.

These figures make plain that almost at our very doors lies a whole continent in which even the Protestant religion has as yet scarcely made a beginning. And of these Protestant adherents many may be unconverted.

We speak of reaching our goals. We earnestly strive to do this and rejoice when successful. We are cheered by our mission gifts for 1915. Some individuals and a few churches have done exceedingly well, but we fear that none of us are as yet fully awake to the stern reality of foreign mission needs. What might we not have done in this Union during 1915 if every church from the very first day had been organized with definite plans for the raising of mission funds? The great needs of missions are realities which compel. We must work and sacrifice and never cease. We hope that every worker, every church and each individual member in the Lake Union Conference will begin at once to plan for mission funds. Every church ought to have its full quota raised at the close of each quarter. Some churches did that the past year, and they did it because the leaders planned and the people were willing.

L. H. CHRISTIAN

"O give thanks unto the Lord; for He is good."

## The City Elysian

Past the setting of suns stands the city Elysian,  
Unrevealed save to spirits anointed and free,  
Which the chosen behold as a glorified vision  
In splendor unveiled by the crystalline sea—  
The clear azure sea, the wide-flashing sea,  
The wonderful, odorous, music-toned sea—  
That flows round the shores of the city of God,  
Which only the feet of His freemen have trod.

Its walls stand superb in the sunshine eternal;  
Round its turrets in ether the cloud-billows curl;  
Not a fair stone is stained with a shadow diurnal;  
And each massy gate is a portal of pearl,—  
One lustrous great pearl, a bewildering pearl,  
A glorious, fathomless, mystical pearl,—  
That haunts me and taunts me with far-off delight,  
In visions of day-time and dreams of the night.

I dream of it often when sickness and sorrow  
Pass over my spirit, and scourge as a rod,  
And fill me with longing for some glad tomorrow,—  
Some glimpse of that city whose builder is God,  
Whose founder is God, whose maker is God,—  
Where the blest reign forever and ever with God:  
And then how it seems to grow nearer, so near  
That the strains of its music break low on my ear.

And then as its splendors are spread out before me,  
Enchanting my senses, alluring my soul,  
What billows of rapture roll o'er me and o'er me,  
Till earth and its troubles from under me roll,—  
Beneath me they roll, far away from me roll,  
As distant as east from the west is their roll,—  
And I seem like a child on the warm, loving breast  
Of a mother who soothes it and lulls it to rest.

Shall we see it?—Ah, yes! for us it was builded,  
For us its foundations were measured of old,  
For us were its turrets of ivory gilded,  
Its battlements burnished with silver and gold,—  
With virginal gold, with yellow bright gold,  
And metals more precious than silver and gold,—  
For us it is waiting who wearily roam  
As aliens afar from our country and home.

How often, God help us! far from it we wander,  
Our bruised feet marking the way with their blood;  
Of the joys of this life growing fonder and fonder  
As if over yonder no proud city stood,—  
No bright city stood; no light city stood;  
No royalet, comeliest, white city stood,—  
While we who are heirs to a kingship divine  
Are content with the husk and the huts of the swine.

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## North Michigan Conference

Office Address, 510 Petoskey St., Petoskey, Mich.  
President, J. J. Irwin

### The New Year

The ushering in of a new year causes a large number of resolutions to be made which, in a majority of cases, are promptly broken. This is recognized by so many that New Year's resolutions are made a matter of jest and ridicule.

While this is true we can not help seeing that the past year with us has not been all that we had desired, and we naturally are anxious that the year 1916 should be marked with more progress. The Lord has given us many precious souls during the year and we want to see many more taking their stand for the truth. How can we accomplish this? We have all around us those that do not know why we hold our peculiar views and we are apt to think if we only set a good example before them this will lead them to accept of the message. This is a mighty factor, and one that we must constantly keep in mind, but let us not forget that it is essential that people know what the foundation principles are before they dare to accept them. If we can set these things before our friends and neighbors then our right personal living will have a decided effect.

Can we not this year place much of our truth-filled literature in the homes of the people? Let us seek God earnestly that here in North Michigan we may see a larger number accept of the Lord than we did last year. Great possibilities are before us. Let us advance in the opening providences of God.

J. J. IRWIN

### News Notes

The Morning Watch Calendar for 1916 is a beautiful booklet and all our young people will appreciate this help in their spiritual devotions. They make appropriate gift books.

The regular canvassers' institute will be held at Traverse City, January 7-16. Brother Williams is arranging for the following to help in the instruction: J. B. Blosser, Elder Irwin, and J. W. Mace. We expect a large number to take the training for the colporteur work.

We are now finishing the second book of the Senior Reading Course. The next book will be the "Life of William Miller." Every one will want to read this good book. The price is only \$1. Order early.

The blanks for the usual quarterly reports have been mailed to the church clerks, missionary secretaries, and Sabbath school secretaries. It is very necessary that the blanks be completely filled and returned as soon as possible. Some are already in hand and we appreciate the prompt work of our secretaries.

Did you notice that the Review and Herald is making its annual club offers at this time? You can get nearly any periodical at a special rate. See the advertisement in the *Review* or write to the office for particulars. The club rates expire Feb. 1, 1916.

We notice that the annual teachers' institute is announced for Jan. 7-10 and will be held at Mesick. Professor Russell and Mrs. Flora Williams will be present to aid in the work.

The publishers announce that they have been compelled to increase the selling price of the new book, "The Men of the Mountains." The paper binding is now 75 cents and the cloth is \$1.50. Some 52 pages of matter and a number of new features were added to the book after the first price was set. This book is of the character building class, and will inspire a genuine missionary spirit. We heartily recommend it.

The new year is before us with its many possibilities and opportunities. We thank our church members for the many orders for literature of one kind or another which they gave us. An incalculable amount of good has been accomplished by the circulation of this truth-filled literature. The closing days of the message demand an even more energetic activity in this work. We hope and pray that every church member will arise to the call of God and work for the salvation of precious souls. Let us read again these solemn words from Vol. IX, page 117: "The work of God in this earth can never be finished until the men and women comprising our church membership rally to the work, and unite their efforts with those of ministers and church officers." May the new year bring the realization of the soul-winner's joy to each of us.

S. E. KELLMAN

### Colporteurs' Institute

The annual colporteurs' institute will be held at Traverse City, January 7-16. I believe it is God's plan that those engaged in the work should come together for prayer and study in connection with the work. Also that recruits should receive proper instruction and training.

Room and board will be furnished those attending with the idea of entering the field. Recruits desiring to enter the work will be welcomed at this meeting. I shall be glad to hear from such before the date of the meeting.

B. F. WILLIAMS, *Field Agent*

500 Petoskey St., Petoskey

### Notice to Teachers

The teachers' institute for the North Michigan Conference is to be held at Mesick, January 7-10. Traveling expenses of teachers will be paid, and entertainment during the institute is to be furnished free of charge. Every teacher must plan to be there and regular attendance at every session will be expected.

Members of school boards and all who can do so are urged to attend this institute. C. A. Russell and Mrs. Flora Williams will assist, besides other workers from our own conference. Come prepared to *get* and to *give*, and it will be a rare opportunity for self-improvement and the advancement of Christian education in this field.

AUGUSTA BLOSSER

## Indiana Conference

Office Address, 521 E. 23d St., Indianapolis.  
President, E. A. Bristol

### Colporteurs' Institute

The annual colporteurs' convention and institute will convene in Indianapolis, Ind., 1605 Sturm Ave.,

January 21-30, 1916. We have the promise of some excellent help, and expect to make this meeting the best of its kind that we have ever conducted.

At this time all of our regular colporteurs will come in from the field, and we will study methods of work together. This meeting presents an excellent opportunity for the training of the prospective worker. The trained man is the efficient man. Accommodation will be provided *free* to all who come expecting to enter the work. The railroad fare of prospective workers to the institute and field of labor will be refunded when \$150 worth of books have been sold and delivered.

If there are some who desire to join our corps of workers for the new year and wish to take advantage of this short course in Christian salesmanship, I shall be glad to correspond with them. Write if you plan to come so we may know how many to provide for.

E. E. FRANKLIN

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### East Michigan Conference

Office Address, Holly, Mich.  
President, Wm. Guthrie

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#### Lansing

"The best we have ever experienced," was the universal testimony concerning the week of prayer. Sabbath, December 11, I was with the church at Alaidon. The little company here are of good courage. The church at Leslie likewise had a good season together. I was with them one night. The remainder of the week was spent with the Lansing company. In every place the burden seems to be, personal victory over every besetment—over every sin.

At Lansing, Sabbath, the 18th, after the last reading and prayer service, baptism was administered to two dear souls who had recently accepted the Saviour. This makes a total of twenty-five baptisms for the year; others are keeping the Sabbath who will be baptized later. Our Sabbath school at Lansing in 1914 raised \$216 for missions, and we had hoped to raise \$300 for 1915. However, by the blessing of God our school has to date raised about \$350, and with our thirteenth Sabbath offering we hope to reach \$400 for the year. For these blessings we thank our Father in Heaven.

Our church school which was started after much difficulty, is going better than we at first dared hope. Miss Hicks is giving universal satisfaction, and the school is full of students. The children, with scarcely an exception, took an active part in the week of prayer services for the youth.

The past year, while marred by failures, has been one of advancement. Forgetting the past, and beginning the new year with courage and hope, my aim is to fully meet the mind of God for 1916.

B. L. POST

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### Week of Prayer Among the Churches

I was appointed to visit four churches during the week of prayer: Rapson, Sandusky, Port Huron, and Memphis. I found the brethren all of good courage and looking steadfastly toward Zion.

At Rapson the membership is widely scattered. Two lone sisters drive eight or nine miles each Sabbath to church, and seldom miss a meeting. I thought

what an example to our brethren in the city who have only a few blocks to go and yet remain away under very slight pretenses. They have recently placed a good cement wall under their church, and have the interior nicely painted and decorated.

We have only a small company at Sandusky, but they are steadfast in the truth, abounding in good works and faith toward God. They had met every evening and had kept up with the readings.

I went from there to Port Huron where I found the little company of faithful sisters as true as ever, their faces beaming with love for this blessed truth. They are earnestly praying for help and expect to receive it.

As I entered the Memphis church, a feeling of awe came over me. I thought how the old pioneers of this message, among them Brother and Sister White and Elder Joseph Bates, had stood in that same pulpit and proclaimed the same message with mighty power. I felt ashamed of my weakness and cried to God for strength.

God is still working for and through the Memphis church. Through the faithfulness of the members in scattering reading matter and giving Bible readings four took their stand to keep the Sabbath of the Lord.

What the next year will bring forth none can tell. Let us work while the day lasts for the night is at hand.

606 Catherine St., Saginaw

A. V. MORRISON

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#### Napoleon

On Sabbath, November 20, a church was organized at Napoleon, having a full corps of officers and a membership of eighteen. Ten of these joined by letter, others by confession of faith and baptism. The Sabbath school has an attendance of about thirty. Brother F. S. Porter was with me and did very acceptable work in helping to form the organization.

Some years ago there was a church at this place but for various reasons it went down. About five years ago a few meetings were held and as the result some took their stand for the truth and others were reclaimed. These united with the church at Jackson. As they were unable to meet with the home church a Sabbath school was organized having a membership of about twelve, which continued to grow. There are more to unite with them in the near future. They are conducting a church school this year for the first time and a bright future seems before them.

D. P. WOOD

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### St. Charles and Flint Conventions

The St. Charles convention is in the past. From the very first meeting on Friday evening an unusual interest was manifested by a full house. Each session saw no decrease in attendance.

We were greatly favored in having the following ministerial help: Elder O. Montgomery, Elder D. P. Wood, Elder H. H. Guilford, and Brother Newbold. Elder Montgomery who was on his way to South America where he is to take charge of the new Division Conference, gave us an interesting report of some of the council proceedings of Loma Linda and brought new courage to us in planning for the foreign fields. The discussions were most heartily entered into.

The Junior work under the direction of Miss Conor, church school teacher, is meeting with success.

The Flint convention followed close upon that of St. Charles, the attendance being the same. The practical feature of this gathering was the hour devoted to reports from leaders both Junior and Senior indicating a healthy growth in the Volunteer field. The Junior work in Flint is under the direction of Mrs. Clara Stark Hurd. These little people have been taking a club of twenty magazines a month as well as participating in other lines of missionary endeavor. The senior society has been active in the Harvest Ingathering, having reached its goal and reported that each member took some part.

A feature of both of these conventions was the demonstration of the social hour on Saturday evening at each city. Our Volunteers proved to us at each place that they may have a pleasant, profitable social time together and leave out the objectionable amusements.

We trust that these meetings together shall be an encouragement to our young people to continue the lines of work they have so nobly started.

LOTTA E. BELL

### Notification

Let all our friends remember the Saginaw Missionary Volunteer convention and general meeting held January 7 to 9 at the Saginaw church.

LOTTA E. BELL

### Northern Illinois Conference

Office Address, 3645 Ogden Ave., Chicago, Ill.  
President, Wm. A. Westworth

### Week of Prayer Visits

The writer was requested to visit Ottawa, Streator, and Sheridan school during the week of prayer. I found the company at Ottawa in a wide-awake, spiritual condition. Through Brother E. A. Dunn's treatment-rooms there many are becoming interested in the message for this time.

At Streator, Brother H. P. Waldo and wife are having good success with their treatment-rooms, and people are becoming interested in the truth through their work. It was a very bad night when I was at Streator, but several were out and it seems they are trying to seek the Lord for the needed preparation to stand in the closing scenes of earth's history.

At Fox River Academy I had a blessed experience. On one occasion nearly every student and all the teachers reconsecrated their lives to the Lord, and nine young people who had never been church members came forward and gave their lives to God and united with the church subject to baptism.

The reason God's blessing is attending this school is because of the faithfulness in spiritual lines. I never before saw so many students who were so deeply touched by the tender Spirit of God working through their teachers. What a beautiful scene it was to see the teachers with their arms around the students bringing them to decide for Christ. I shall never forget that day of victory. It appeals to me that "our schools are to become more and more like the schools of

the prophets." May the Lord hasten this condition in our schools.

T. F. HUBBARD

### Pontiac

The Pontiac church greatly appreciated the privilege of having with us Brother Adolph Johnson for three days during the week of ~~prayer~~. His talks and reports of the progress of the work were of great interest to all. We reconsecrated our lives to the work of which we are but a link in the great chain.

MRS. ANNA OSBORN

### Wisconsin Conference

Office Address, Room 305 Ruh Bldg., Fond du Lac, Wis.  
President, P. A. Hanson

### Sheboygan

The work is onward in Sheboygan. The Lord came very near to us during the week of prayer. Great victories were won. Two more precious souls took their stand for this blessed truth. The little company here gained a rich experience in the Harvest Ingathering campaign, gathering \$50. I doubled my quota.

December 23 our company of thirty-one members was organized into a church. Elder P. A. Hanson spoke in English; as the members did not understand, the writer acted as interpreter. Elder Gaede was also present for the organization. We were greatly inspired with Elder Hanson's sermon. The members are all of good cheer. We solicit your prayers for this German church, that the members may remain faithful until the coming of the Lord, when we shall all be gathered home.

LOUIS DREWS

### Appleton

This is my first report to the HERALD since coming to Wisconsin. The outlook for the work of God in this city is very encouraging. Some of the members took an active part in the Harvest Ingathering campaign and the Lord greatly blessed their efforts. Some in the churches at Green Bay and New London also did good work in gathering in funds. In fact, all who had courage to put forth an effort in this work had blessed experiences. Personally I enjoyed some precious experiences in this work, and while I was not blessed in taking in much money my courage is good to keep on trying. We are laying plans for definite work in giving the truth to the people of Appleton this winter. We earnestly solicit the prayers of our brothers and sisters for the success of the work in this city.

E. F. FERRIS

### The Institute

I know that our people in Wisconsin will be interested in Miss Nelson's report of our teachers' institute held at Bethel last week. I can truthfully say that this was one of the most inspiring meetings I have attended in a long time. All our teachers save one were present, and a letter of explanation came from her the second day. She was too ill to come.

It was a pleasure to see the institute grow from a small attendance at the opening session to overcrowded quarters at the close.

I am glad to say that there is not a discouraging

feature connected with our educational work in Wisconsin. There are perplexities and some rather grave situations to be dealt with; but I trust that the Lord's blessing will attend the work in this state, and that in the final summing up of things, it will be seen that wisdom and tact and good judgment have been used in dealing with each perplexity, and that every teacher in Wisconsin has been blessed of the Lord. I trust the brethren and sisters in this great state will pray for the boys and girls, for the teachers, and for the department, and ask the Lord earnestly for His blessing upon all of us that no mistakes may be made.

G. R. FATTIC

### Church Elders of Wisconsin, Attention

Will you not cooperate with the department in seeking to organize Young People's Missionary Volunteer Societies in your church the second Sabbath in January? Let us have a Young People's Society in every church where there are as many as seven young people. The officers for these societies should be selected by the church, then notify the department here at Fon du Lac who they are so that we may get in immediate touch with them in planning for the year's work. This will help many of our elders to solve the problem of what to do with their young people.

I am going to count on you for cooperation in this.

G. R. FATTIC

### Notice

Attention Secretaries and Leaders of M. V. Societies of Wisconsin: This is to call attention to the fact that quarterly reports from the societies are due. If you have misplaced the blank sent you, or if you have failed to receive one, notify us immediately; also please notify the department of any change in leaders or secretaries of societies for the new year, so that we can keep our records correct. Do not overlook this notice.

G. R. FATTIC

### Teachers' Institute

Twenty-nine of the thirty Wisconsin teachers met for the institute at Bethel. Three of these were mothers who teach their own children.

We had very good help. Besides G. R. Fattic and Professor Russell, we had with us Prof. F. Griggs of Washington, D. C., Miss Kellogg of Berrien Springs, Prof. M. H. Jackson and Miss McDermid from Wood County Normal, Dr. W. T. Lindsay of Madison and Miss June Hickok a trained nurse. The Bethel Academy faculty also assisted greatly with our program. Many helpful topics were discussed, such as of Responsibility, Adaptability, Sanitation, Recreation, Decorations, the relations of the school and home besides the many other problems that daily confront the teacher. Some interesting papers were read. A spirit of freedom and unity was manifested in all. Every day was full from 7:30 A. M. till after 9 P. M. with but short intermissions.

We went home with new resolutions and a stronger determination to do the very best for the children in our charge. We felt that we had in more than one way been to Bethel.

JENNIE NELSON

### News Notes

Elder W. S. Shreve is quite ill at the home of his son C. F. Shreve, of Spring Green, Wis. We earnestly hope and pray that our brother who has labored so long and earnestly in this conference may be speedily restored to health. In the meantime, we are taking this opportunity to request that all calls for Elder Shreve's services be deferred indefinitely.

J. B. Blosser, Lake Union field agent, spent a few hours at the office one day last week in conference with Brother Belding regarding the coming canvassers' institute in this state.

### Bethel News Notes

The Wisconsin teachers' institute proved a very pleasant and profitable time for all concerned. Every Wisconsin teacher was present except one who was absent on account of illness.

On Monday evening the informal reception was given at the Ladies' Dormitory to the visiting teachers and to students and patrons. A pleasant "getting acquainted" time was spent.

The two dormitories at Bethel are only a short distance apart, but there are some things which can start and develop and come to a head in one without the knowledge of the other. This is what the girls thought when they received invitations to the reception given by the boys on the evening of the eighteenth. The affair was a credit to the hosts.

Professor and Mrs. Elliott spent the last Sabbath of the week of prayer with the Marshfield and Grand Rapids churches.

### West Michigan Conference

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President, C. F. McVagh

### Decatur, Buchanan, and Galine

I began meetings at Decatur, November 26, and continued until December 12, holding meetings each evening. The attendance was not large on account of union meetings being conducted there at that time. One sister took her stand for the truth and others are interested. We have a nice Sabbath school numbering between twenty and thirty. The church building has been remodeled. A new roof was put on not long ago, and the inside has been replastered and calcimined.

Sabbath, December 18, I was at Buchanan and reorganized a Sabbath school with twelve members; officers were elected, and all were glad to have the work started there again. The brethren are planning to hold a series of meetings.

At Galine there is one sister and her four children rejoicing in the truth and others are interested.

These old fields are hard to work, but we find some honest souls who will accept this blessed message.

U. S. ANDERSON

### Week of Prayer Visits

Just a few words about my visits during the week of prayer. I started with the church here in Holland. It was the first week of prayer for many of our brethren and sisters, as we have about twenty-four new ones who came in this summer. The meetings increased in interest as the people became accustomed

to taking part, till at last they wished it might be a week of prayer all the time, and I hope it will be.

I next visited the church at Bauer where I found them wide-awake and enjoying the readings which they had each day. I spoke two evenings, and though there was not a large outside attendance, our people showed a good interest.

Allendale was my next stop. There are but very few of our people there, but all turned out and we had a good time though it was a stormy evening.

I was in Holland Friday evening and went to Douglas Sabbath morning. Here too I found the brethren of good cheer. We had Sabbath school, a sermon, the reading, prayer and testimony meeting, lunch, and another sermon. We had a good time together. I believe if we could, or would make every week a week of prayer we would see much more accomplished, and we would enjoy a better experience. Pray for the work and workers.

C. L. WHITE

### Reports from the Week of Prayer

#### Paw Paw

Together we spent six days with the church at Paw Paw. We had meetings once each day with a good attendance. Nearly all expressed a live interest in the message, and reconsecrated their lives to God. One took his stand for the first time.

We all felt a rich measure of God's blessing, and are strengthened and encouraged.

E. P. WEAVER  
S. W. SENSIBA

#### Bloomingtondale

The company at Bloomingtondale is not large, but there are a few precious souls there who are keeping aglow the light of the gospel of a soon-coming Saviour.

We arrived there Friday preceding the week of prayer, and held our first meeting Sabbath morning. Each day a meeting was held and we had the reading for the day. The Lord came precious near, and the week proved a wonderful blessing to the church. At our last meeting nearly all expressed their courage good and their faith steadfast.

We visited several outsiders who are very much interested, and we believe that God has fruit for the little company at Bloomingtondale. Let us be sure to remember them in our prayers.

CLAYTON KEISER  
WILL HARRIS

#### Bangor

During the week of prayer, I spent four days with the church at Bangor. We had some good seasons together, the Spirit of the Lord filling many hearts. I enjoyed the experience very much, and am thankful for the privilege of having a part in the Lord's work.

JNO. R. SAMPSON

#### Coldwater

It was a pleasure to Mrs. Shepard and I to again visit the church at Coldwater, for we spent one Summer canvassing there. We visited all the members of the church, and some others who have shown an interest in our message. We find several members of the church along in years, but their faith in the message is as bright as ever. The meetings were arranged so these old people could attend. Much interest was manifested as we recalled some of the

experiences told by Elders Conradi and Salisbury when visiting the College. We believe the brethren and sisters were encouraged to have us meet with them during the week of prayer. They make an earnest appeal for a Bible worker to help to reach the interested ones who are not as yet members of the church.

REID S. SHEPARD

#### Albion, Dimondale, and Eaton Rapids

During the week of prayer, I had the privilege of visiting these places. We had meetings every day and a good interest. The work seems to be going forward in all these places, and there is much activity along missionary lines. We have had the privilege of seeing some get a new and more firm hold of God. There are a number in each of these places who seem very much interested, and some, I believe, will soon take a stand.

At Eaton Rapids, we had a very good meeting the last Sabbath of the week. We received nearly \$30 in offerings for missions, and all have reconsecrated themselves for service.

CLINTON W. LEE

#### Berrien Springs

I went to Station Fourteen during the week of prayer, Sunday and Monday. Monday was spent visiting some of those who have been attending our Sunday evening services. Monday evening I met with the believers and some not of our faith. We had an excellent meeting. After the reading we had a season of prayer and social meeting, some taking part for the first time.

N. C. PETERSON

#### Covert and Hartford

It was with pleasure that I visited the churches at Covert and Hartford. We had many good meetings, some in the little church and some in cottages. Some of the most interesting meetings were those held in the church school each morning before beginning the school work. Sixteen pupils are enrolled in the school. I believe a number of them will grow into strong, earnest workers.

Brother Crary and I arrived at Covert in time for the first Sabbath meeting, but upon learning that there was no one to assist the Hartford church, Brother Crary returned. Thursday I also returned to Hartford. In Hartford we have a company of young people who have received excellent training, and as I observed the deep interest which the older brethren and sisters have in developing their young people into efficient workers, it gave me an inspiration to press forward with greater earnestness than ever before.

J. E. GROVES

#### Shelby

A Harvest Ingathering program was rendered at the Shelby church Nov. 7, 1915, in which nearly all of the members took part. The program was very interesting and full of spirit. A Bible reading was given entitled "The Harvest Time" from which we learned that God has always told His people to give to the stranger, whom we know to be the heathen. The offering amounted to over eight dollars. We are gaining many experiences and receiving many blessings.

Under the auspices of the Young People's M. V. Society another interesting missionary program was

given Dec. 18, 1915, in behalf of the ingathering of the 'barrels of money' the appropriation of which is for foreign mission work. Many willing participants made it possible for the program to be varied, songs being rendered both in the Indian and Swedish tongues. The contributions amounted to about ten dollars.

MRS. A. R. HAYTON, *Leader*

### Echoes from the Week of Prayer

Sister Jennie De Young visited the churches at Allegan and Holland. She writes: "The week of prayer has been a strength to me spiritually. It did me so much good to meet with those in Allegan who have been long in the truth, and hear their ringing testimonies, and then to come back to Holland and see the new ones rejoicing and longing for a closer walk."

Elder E. I. Beebe met with Potterville and Dimondale and says: "We had good meetings at Potterville. Brother and Sister Carmen and others of the old standbys are very feeble, and the company is very small, numbering only seventeen members." They have nearly made up a full quota of the mission funds, and the church expects to complete it before the end of the month. From Dimondale also he sends a note of courage in the Lord. This church has also shown great faithfulness in sending in mission funds. Those who sacrifice for the Lord are truly blessed.

Elder J. M. Wilbur visited Otsego and Allegan, and Elder McVagh attended at Grand Rapids and Otsego. The Otsego church met each day during the week of prayer, and enjoyed a spiritual blessing. Elder M. S. Burnham is enjoying at his advanced age exceptional activity of mind and body.

Elder J. G. Lamson spent most of the time at Grand Rapids, but also paid a much-appreciated visit to Cedar Lake. The meetings in Grand Rapids were all held in the church building, and considering the distance that many had to come the attendance was most encouraging. The reading, together with Elder Lamson's stirring talks, made a deep impression on those in attendance; and brought in a spirit of consecration and drawing together.

Sister Lillian Eyestone visited Byron Center where the company is too small to make use of the good church building, well located. They are, however, very faithful in meeting together in private homes and in holding up the light that is so dear to them.

Sister Edna Walker visited Hastings and Carlton Center and brought words of good cheer from the work there. Hastings has reached the goal for 1915 on mission funds.

Elder Reefman was with the Carlton Center church for quarterly meeting, December 25. He visited Denver, Fremont, and Holton. In Denver it was found difficult to get the people together during the week of prayer, but meetings were held at all these places and courage in the Lord prevailed. They are determined to press on and triumph with the Lord's people. Fremont has passed the 1915 goal for mission funds.

Elder R. U. Garrett gives an encouraging report from Cedar Lake and Edmore. He also visited Mecosta, but was unable to have a meeting that day on account of the scattered condition of the members. Elder R. C. Horton also visited Cedar Lake and Edmore and reported good meetings.

The February number of *The Watchman* is up to its usual high standard in both articles and illustrations. It is filled with articles from cover to cover that ring with the third angel's message.

### Canvassers' Report for Week Ending

December 25, 1915

#### Southern Illinois

Canvasser	Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del.
R. J. Watson	BR	37	14	24 00	.....	24 00	49 50
C. W. Saunders	HM	21	11	22 00	2 25	24 25	.....
H. J. Christensen	BR	23	2	6 00	1 50	7 50	56 00
A. P. Lager	BR	40	4	14 00	16 50	30 50	43 25
*G. W. Kimberlin	BR	65	8	24 00	.....	24 00	100 00
Katherine Drury	BR	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	112 00
Edwin Drury	BR	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	37 00
Grace Emerick	BF	.....	4	6 00	3 00	9 00	39 25
Lena Emerick	BF	34	3	4 50	3 75	8 75	52 00
Hugh Stearns	BR	43	7	21 00	13 50	34 50	63 00
H. R. Talbert	BR and	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
P. R. March	BR	32	22	69 00	5 50	74 50	5 75
Jerry Suda	BR	43	17	53 00	2 25	55 25	.....
Dennis Drury	BF	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	140 50
I. S. Falconer	BR	35	19	60 00	20	60 20	12 00
*W. B. Maris	BR	68	5	15 00	3 75	18 75	302 75
R. O. Dickson	BR	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	85 00
C. F. Woertz	BR	37	9	27 00	.....	27 00	.....
		568	165	345 50	52 20	397 70	1098 00

#### West Michigan

†W. P. Elmore	HM	63	23	48 00	11 55	59 55	48 85
*J. H. Mann	BR	26	6	23 00	1 20	24 20	119 20
Grover Boody	BR	8	3	10 00	2 00	12 00	.....
E. M. Phillips	HW	26	10	24 10	1 40	25 50	.....
H. Kent Nelson	PG	23	3	9 00	1 75	10 75	1 75
C. Case	HM	26	11	22 00	.....	22 00	.....
*Jno. E. Kidder	PG	42	8	26 00	3 50	29 50	46 50
Claude Roose	BR	23	6	19 00	85	19 85	85 85
		237	70	181 10	22 25	203 35	601 35

#### North Michigan

I. E. Emerson	HR	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	42 80
*John T. Worrell	DR	48	3	9 00	.....	9 00	36 00
*A. P. Friday	DR	60	3	9 00	.....	9 00	34 00
*A. L. Brown	BF	29	3	4 50	.....	4 50	4 50
		160	9	22 00	.....	22 00	117 30

#### Northern Illinois

G. F. Angell	BR	34	6	18 00	7 75	25 75	.....
L. Clark	BR	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	300 00
A. M. Tatton	BR	11	3	13 00	5 85	18 85	.....
		115	9	31 00	13 60	44 60	300 00

#### Wisconsin

Mrs. Wm. Bloom.....	GC	15	1	3 00	.....	3 00	.....
F. Passer .....	GC	36	1	3 00	2 35	5 35	193 55
G. E. Cook .....	DR	2	.....	.....	1 50	1 50	96 00
		53	2	6 00	3 85	9 85	289 55
36 Agents		1133	255	585 60	91 90	677 50	2406 20

\*Two weeks †Three weeks

### Institutes for 1916

The following institutes have already definitely been planned for and others will be announced soon.

E. Michigan, Detroit, Dec. 31-Jan. 9.

North Michigan, Traverse City, January 7-16.

Indiana, Indianapolis, January 21-30.

Southern Illinois, Springfield, Jan. 28-Feb. 6.

Reports from the field agents indicate that we are going to have a large number of recruits as well as most of the old tried colporteurs for the army of 1916. The work for 1915 has closed, and I am glad that a gain in the Union of about 30 per cent has been made over the previous year. The men in the field are setting their mark for the coming year at still greater heights. "Like the leaves of autumn" is the mark the great Leader has set for us.

Now is our opportune moment to do the work. None can tell how soon the storm of war will break over this fair land.

J. B. BLOSSER

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Lou Kirby Curtis . . . . . Editor

## New Year's Day

"O, thanks that this important day  
Came on the Sabbath of our rest!  
And as the year shall glide away,  
God bless us, and we shall be blest!  
So sacredly did it begin,  
May we ne'er darken it by sin!"

A most interesting and convincing article in the  
February *Watchman* is an editorial entitled "Is America  
in Danger of Invasion." It is an interesting study of  
the situation in which our country has been placed  
relative to the warring nations of Europe.

Elder R. W. Leach, now laboring in Texas, writes:  
"With pleasure I renew my subscription for another  
year to the LAKE UNION HERALD. I enjoy my work  
in this field, but my wife and I enjoy reading of the  
work and workers in the Lake Union."

Our readers will be pleased to know that the 1916  
Temperance *Instructor* was ready to mail January 1.  
This is by far the most practical Temperance issue  
ever published. We solicit the earnest efforts of our read-  
ers in the circulation of this new Temperance number.  
The special elections will soon be on. In many places  
there will be local option elections. Our people ought  
to do all they can in getting the Temperance *Instructor*  
in the homes of the people just before these elections.

## Our Foreign-Americans

The foreign press and advertizers of this country  
recognize that since the war began our foreign-Ameri-  
cans are reading their own literature more thoroughly  
than ever before. Leaders in our foreign department  
tell us that an increased interest in our religious  
magazines as well is very noticeable. This should  
encourage all to work earnestly to interest the  
Germans, Danes, Norwegians, Swedes, and those of  
other nationalities in the special literature presenting  
the truth in their own languages. While it is true  
that many carry on their business in English, yet the  
large proportion depend on the mother tongue in their  
worship and in their study of religious subjects.

The quarterly magazines for the first quarter  
of 1916 in the German, Danish-Norwegian, and Swed-  
ish, now ready, are beautiful in appearance, well  
illustrated, and filled with articles on the signs of  
our times, points of prophecy, Christian living, and

other general subjects of vital interest. Will you  
not use some of these in reaching those within your  
reach who read these languages? Call for the *Zeichen  
der Zeit* (German *Signs*), *Lys over Landet* (Danish-Nor-  
wegian), and *Tidens Tecken* (Swedish *Signs*). They  
cost the same as the English magazines—5 cents each  
up to 50 copies; more than that to one person, 4 cents  
each. Your Tract Society will get them quickly for  
you.

## College Notes

Mrs. Celia T. Koenig, who is a Bible worker of  
Syracuse, New York, has been visiting Miss Alma  
J. Graf for the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Teft of Flint, Mich., father and  
mother of Mrs. Piper have been the guests of Mr. and  
Mrs. Irl J. Piper for the past week.

Among the many visiting Berrien Springs during  
the past week, were Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Burgess and  
Mr. Guy Burgess who were the guests of Miss Essie  
Burgess, who is attending school at the College.

Mr. Harvey J. Haughey, who is now superintendent  
in an architect's office in Detroit, visited his parents  
Professor and Mrs. J. H. Haughey for several days  
recently.

Professor Graf, together with Messrs Rudolph and  
Oscar Meilicke, visited relatives in Chicago recently.

We are glad to report that the total amount  
raised on the Students and Teachers' Harvest In-  
gathering Goal is \$550.37. This is just thirty-seven  
cents over the goal.

Mr. Floyd Smith and Miss Florene Swartout were  
united in marriage at Washington, D. C., December  
25, Elder W. A. Spicer officiating. Mr. and Mrs.  
Smith, who are both graduates of E. M. C., are under  
appointment for India, and expect to sail from Seattle,  
February 22. Our best wishes are extended to them.

Prof. B. B. Smith of the Commercial Department  
attended a meeting of the National Federation of  
Commercial Teachers in Chicago last week.

## Business Notices

WANTED.—Housekeeper. Correspond with J. W. Smith,  
R. F. D. 1, Augusta, Mich.

WESSON OIL.—Five gal. 4.50; 10 gal. \$8.75. Only a few  
5-gallon cans left at this price. Adelphian Mercantile Co.,  
Holly, Mich.

WANTED.—A young girl or elderly woman to care for two  
children, boys, three and five years old, while I work.  
Address Mrs. Edith Hall, 4821 West End Ave., Chicago, Ill.

FOR SALE.—Eighty acres of land, adapted to hay, grain,  
and potatoes; three-fourths mile from the S. D. A. church.  
Cattle and sheep do well here. Cheese factory will start in  
spring. Write E. E. Pratt, Friday Station, Mich., Via  
Brampton.

WANTED AT ONCE.—In family of three adults, a capable  
woman for general housework and plain sewing. Sabbath-  
keeper preferred. Permanent work in a good home for the  
right person. State age and experience. Mrs. J. S. Com-  
ins, R. F. D. 6, Box 111, Battle Creek, Mich.

NUCOA BUTTER.—Made entirely of nut oils, contains abso-  
lutely no animal fats, tastes like the best creamery butter and  
can be used for every purpose butter is used for. Healthful  
and tasty, not an imitation but "A better spread for daily  
bread." Guaranteed in every respect. Prices: 5lbs. 26 cents  
per lb. 10 lbs. 24 cents per lb. Prepaid in first, second and  
third zones. L. C. Brackett, Hopkins, Mich.