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

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Be Kind to the Poor

We are in the midst of one of the coldest winters the country has known in years. Traffic is held up and fuel is very scarce. In our cities all factories, department stores, and offices are closed on Monday. Many men receive but five days wage a week, others are thrown out of work entirely. Prices on food and fuel are exceedingly high. In many places there is real distress and need among the poor, and the present perplexities are evidently but the beginning of hard times.

We hope that our brethren, especially those who live in the cities, will remember their poor and needy neighbor. Over and over again the Bible exhorts us to help those in need. It is easy to say, that they themselves are to blame because of their want, but this does not relieve their suffering. One of the first signs of true conversion is to be kind and helpful. We would especially urge our brethren to remember the poor members of their own church. It is not pleasing to God for Seventh-day Adventists to be cared for by the town or county. Some have suggested that we should establish an old people's home. There may be wisdom in that plan, but it is impossible to start such an enterprise this winter, and our desire for such an institution should not prevent us from taking the old, feeble, and needy into our homes or bringing them clothing, food, and other supplies. Let us remember the poor. L. H. CHRISTIAN

The Second Army Draft

The men of the next army draft will soon be pretty accurately identified. The classification of men registered but not yet mobilized has been almost completed. It is quite certain that all or nearly all of Class I will be summoned by the forthcoming call. However, it will be likely eight or ten weeks yet before these young men are drawn away from their home. It appears to us that this time offers us an unusual opportunity to help, instruct, and encourage these young men who are likely to be called.

We desire a complete list of all the young men who have been assigned to Class I. We wish that every church elder or leader, as well as our brethren, would have this in mind and would send to the Lake Union

office or to their local conference office the name and address of their sons or church members who belong in Class I. We believe that there should be special prayer offered in every church and home for these young men. We should encourage them and counsel them. Talks by our doctors on personal hygiene and the laws of health will be a great help to these young men. We hope our doctors will make the most of this opportunity. Our ministers, too, should get in touch with them and take a kindly interest in them.

We have just received a very important letter from Prof. C. S. Longacre concerning our young men in the training camps. Professor Longacre is secretary of the Religious Liberty Department of the North American Division Conference. He tells of some rather trying experiences which some of our young men have had to pass through just before they embarked for Europe. He urges very strongly that all our young men who are now in the training camps, or who are likely to be called in the very near future, insist on getting their proper exemption certificates as non-They are entitled to this certificate. If combatants. the local boards or officers are unwilling to give them this paper the young men should apply to the higher boards and if necessary get legal assistance.

L. H. CHRISTIAN

North Michigan Conference

Office Address. 510 Petoskey St., Petoskey, Mich. President, E. A. Bristol

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Institute Postponed

On account of the present fuel crisis it has been thought best to postpone our Canvassers' Institute until a later date. Announcement will be made as soon as conditions become more normal and arrangements can be made for the meeting.

HUGH STEARNS

News Notes

An interesting home missionary and volunteer convention was held in the Petoskey church, January 5. Topics of benefit and interest to all were read and discussed. Despite the severe weather the attendance was excellent. Plans were laid for an active campaign along home missionary lines.

Elder E. A. Bristol left Friday to attend the Lake Union Committee meeting in Berrien Springs, and other points south.

A series of conventions have been arranged for the different churches during the months of January and February. Miss Rasmusson and Mr. Townsend are at present holding one of these conventions at Mesick.

Brother S. C. Hannon writes encouragingly of his work among the Indians in the Upper Peninsula.

Home Missionary Conventions

On the fifth of January we held a convention with the church at Petoskey, in the interests of the general missionary work. There was a very enthusiastic interest manifested in the subjects presented in paper form. Papers were given by Elders E. A. Bristol, H. M. Kelley, E. C. Townsend, and Miss Carolyn Rasmusson.

The fundamentals of the home missionary work were covered quite in detail as the following subjects of the papers indicate.

How to Spiritulize and Vitalize our Work.

The Relation of the Missionary Volunteer Society to the Church Missionary Society.

How to Organize a Society and Set It to Work. Duties of the Leaders of the Missionary Societies. Duties of the Secretaries of the Missionary Societies. Is Reporting of Value to the Progress of Our Work?

There was an unusual response from the congregation in the general discussion which followed the reading of each paper. All agreed, at the end of the services for the day, that it was a most profitable period of study and never before had the missionary work assumed such large proportions.

Similar topics covering a two day program are to be given in several of our churches during the coming months.

We just closed a profitable meeting with the church at Cadillac on the 19th and 20th. A very severe storm was in progress and while it cut down our attendance from out of town yet an excellent spirit prevailed throughout the entire session.

Elder E. A. Bristol, Carolyn Rasmusson, and E. C. Townsend were present from out of town, and Elders J. C. and F. J. Harris of Cadillac took active part in the preaching and reading of papers in the convention. As there is no church building at Cadillac, arrangements were made with the city council for the free use of the council chamber in the city hall building.

On Sunday morning an organization meeting was held and a church missionary society was formed. The missionary committee have arranged to hold missionary meetings once each week on mid-week nights, and a regular fourth Sabbath missionary meeting following the general outlines of the program given in the *Gazette*.

One sister has committed herself to engage in selling the Signs magazine each month, and the missionary committee being supported by the entire local membership are districting the city territory and will distribute about seven hundred *Present Truth* each month.

They will use the 1918 series beginning with number 25.

We are expecting gratifying results from these conventions, because thus far the Spirit of God has been present in a marked degree. Conventions are being booked for Frankfort, Traverse City, Mt. Pleasant, Midland, and Onaway for the immediate future. We are finding a spirit of willingness to serve on the part of the people. We are coming to the days of the fulfilment of David's vision, "Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power."

E. C. TOWNSEND

Field Notes

Brethren Friday and Lamb have worked 85 hours during the first two weeks and each have received a a wonderful blessing. Brother Friday in writing of his first week's experiences says,—"My New Year's resolution is to make 1918 the best year of my history in the colporteur work." Brother Friday's sales for the two weeks mentioned above are \$168.60.

Brother Lamb's sales for the same period are \$82.05. He writes, "I am of good courage in the Lord."

Brother Coleman's weekly reports show about two dollars per hour, and he says he was in Big Rapids where the Ferris Institute is located. Brother Coleman sold books to nearly all the professors and students of the Institute, as well as to a large percentage of the city people.

Brother Goddard, one of our latest recruits, is doing well, his average being over one dollar per hour. He writes saying,—"I had some good experiences this week. Monday a man read me the first eleven verses of the twentieth chapter of Exodus and as he came to the Fourth Commandment he asked that I pay strict attention. When finished he asked me if I did not think we were keeping the wrong day. I replied that I did not think I was. He then asked if I thought Sunday was the Sabbath, and I explained to him." Hundreds are just like this man, only waiting for some of our people to help them to catch a glimmer of light that they may see their pathway into the new earth.

Brother Johnson writes,—"At one place where I visited the lady was very much interested and requested that I see her husband. When he came I spoke to him and he began to swear and said he did not believe. the Bible as there were no two Bibles the same. I tried to talk to him but it was of no use, so I told him frankly that some day not very far off he would wish he had studied the Bible. He did not say more, but insisted that I stay to dinner. As I was getting ready for dinner he said, 'Well, I guess you had better bring us one of those books.' One lady asked, as soon as I had entered the house, where the prophecies of the Bible were. I told her and showed how my book would help her and she readily gave me her order. People are anxious about the condition of the world and I am thankful to be able to help them."

Brother Simot will soon be ready to enter the field again and I am sure we will give him a hearty welcome

Brother Lowry, of Evart, has stored his photograph outfit and has started in the work of God. He writes that he has had some rich experiences the first week.

I am wondering if there are not others of this denomination who are enjoying such experiences as those mentioned above. If not, why not? The Lord has made the preparation, He has given us the message to proclaim and He has supplied us with the power. The people are calling for light on the prophecies and we have the light which shines unto the kingdom of God. Are you holding your light up so as to light the pathway of some wanderer toward the new earth? Have you had the experience of seeing someone accept this glorious truth? Dear reader, we have almost reached the end of human probation, and if you are going to answer the call of the hour and help the Master save the lost from eternal death, now is the time. while the world is stirred from end to end. Listen to the pleadings of the Hofy Spirit and make a living sacrifice of yourself to be used by the Lord of the vineyard.

The Lord has given us the printed page to take to those who know Him not, that they may have a chance for eternal life. All who want to go to the front for the Master, the greatest captain the world has ever known, come and enlist in the colporteur band and get the experience which will cause you to grow physically and spiritually. Notice the statement below.

"Many become inefficient by evading responsibilities for fear of failure. Thus they fail of gaining that education which results from experience, and which reading and study and all the advantages otherwise gained, cannot give them."

All who wish to volunteer for service may write to me at 435 W. 10th. St., Traverse City, Michigan.

. HUGH STEARNS

Indiana Conference

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An Occasion for Rejoicing

I have great occasion for rejoicing for the marked manner in which the Lord is adding His special blessing to so many of our dear workers the past week, in spite of the adverse weather. I will pass along some of the things which have come to me, and which in a very manifest way, reveal that the Lord is going before His workers this year as never before.

Brother Kaufman writes thus of his work: "Brother Keplinger and I have been having splendid success the past week. The new prices haven't affected the sale of our books at all. I have taken as many orders as at the former prices, and the orders come just as readily as in 1917. The only indication of a change affecting the colporteur, on account of the new prices, will be an increase in the sale of leather bindings, especially the half leather, and a corresponding decrease in the sale of the cloth binding. Here is a comparison of bindings in orders taken in Jasonville

for a few days in 1917 and a few days in 1918. On 50 books ordered in 1917, 45 were cloth, four half leather, and one full leather. Out of 57 orders taken thus far this year for the new prices in the same territory, only 26 were cloth, while 28 were half leather, and the other three, full leather. Fred Kaufman." Brother Kaufman put in 31 hours and secured orders amounting to \$109.00.

The same week, Brother Keplinger worked 39 hours, and secured orders amounting to \$111.00. Twenty-five orders were taken, ten of which were half leather. Brother Keplinger writes: "Don't forget to pray for me, that I may leave a good impression in every home where I shall call, and that I may have more of a burning zeal for perishing souls. Brother Colton left a book with a holiness preacher, and he said he would not do without it. I believe the Lord is at work on the hearts of the people more than ever before. J. F. Keplinger."

I take new courage from reading the reports from these two brethren who are laboring together at Jasonville. The Lord is signally blessing and demonstrating through them that rather than retrench, we should all exercise more faith than ever, that our larger books should and can be sold even amid troublous times. If the publishers of our books should be compelled to raise the prices of our books to \$10.00, the Lord would raise up men who would go out in faith and sell them, for "faith is the victory." "Our larger books must be sold."

Brother Hall writes: "I can say that the people like 'Our Day.' I took five orders from two exhibitions. Three were secured in one home and two in another." In 16 hours he secured orders amounting to \$40.00. At this rate 40 hours would have realized him just \$100.00 in sales for the week.

I have started Brother Gordon in the work and was with him 16 hours, and we secured \$39.00 worth of orders. Brother Gordon praises the Lord for the humble part he is permitted to have in this closing work.

It certainly makes me feel very grateful for the splendid way our men are progressing with their work, despite the severe cold, and deep snow. I hear a sound of "a going" in good old Indiana for 1918. A good beginning makes for a good ending. I am glad for the good beginning our faithful men are making.

E. M. FISHELL

Elwood

After reading Sister Hadley's and Sister Carson's Harvest Ingathering reports I thought I would send mine also.

I went out one forenoon to try and raise the five dollars I promised at camp meeting to raise. I presented four papers, received five dollars, and was back home before noon. This encouraged me so I thought I would try to collect five dollars for my invalid daughter. As she could not get out I told her she might canvass the people who came into the house while I would go outside, We gave out nineteen papers and received five dollars. My husband is not much of a canvasser so I thought while I was in the business I would go ahead, so with eighteen more papers I raised five dollars for him, making 41 papers used and \$15.00 collected, making an average of thirty-six cents for each paper.

While doing this for the Lord, I sold over 100 of the twenty-five cent books and *Watchman* magazines as a side line. I will soon have seen eighty winters and the Lord is blessing me every day. Several are interested in the truth which I am keeping supplied in reading matter.

MRS. A. E. PRIOR

Colporteurs' Summary for 1917

Corporteur	S Du	imimai y	101 1717	
Name	Hrs.	Orders	Total Val.	Av. per Hr.
C. C. King	1,363	386	1,448 23	1 13
W. H. Plake	1,137	200	848 50	75
H. P. Brodt	1.336	407	1,608 65	1 20
F. Possman	891	173	636 75	72
C. P. Hall	1,450	540	2.009 10	1 39
Ethel Haven	625	133	520 75	87
C. F. Colton	1,137	613	1.150 38	1 02
W. B. Ware	653	183	718 35	1 10
Wilber Moore	1,056	405	1,571 00	1 49
R. R. Brooks	986	336	1,258 00	1 25
F. Kaufman	791	350	1,256 00	1 59
O. L. Hackney	944	308	1.164 10	1 23
W. L. Dickerson	475	120	452 25	95
E. L. Young	742	218	811 75	1 09
L. E. Vance	264	118	451 00	1.70
Adam Ruf	396	129	477 50	1 46
F. Rahm	465	126	468 00	1 00
G. F. Ruf	260	129	495 00	1 90
Lydia Passer	164	34	133 75	82
Leah Misner	271	105	428 90	1 58
Bessie Harrison	388	159	688 75	1 77
J. Lecklider	412	61	223 50	54
F. P. Cady	222	143	598 75	2 69
H. J. Capman	349	213	840 75	2 41
W. H. Bergherm	346	279	1,099 95	3 18
Vivian Thomas	252	62	294 25	1 16
Edith All	274	129	521 40	1 90
Fred Wiggins	504 78	149 27	554 75 96 50	1 10 1 24
G. C. Gaevert	436	68	247 25	60
Gladys King	88	17	63 00	70
M. S. Grim	414	80	326 50	70
F. S. Thompson	303	75	299 75	99
J. Kessling	42	16	57 00	1 35
Ethel Wood	53	28	105 00	1 99
T. Stottlemyer	21	6	21 00	1 00
Glen Bish	445	143	551 50	1 24
Sallie Bird	129	88	213 00	1 65
P. Saucerman	237	5€	299 25	1 26
W. E. Peacock	168	34	134 95	80
Amanda Perkins	181	78	306 00	1 69
C. F. Mundy	137	29	119 75	88
Hila Shepard	146	31	117 75	80
Susie Fry O. G. Albert	21 209	7 98	14 75	20
A. E. Goodman	385	96 70	361 CO	. 1 72
Walter Gettys		155	374 92 592 50	98 1 32
E. Jackson	56	9	49 00	88
J. F. Keplinger	66	29	105 50	1 60
H. L. Keever	60	28	129 75	2 16
J. L. Lucas	126	36	124 75	99
F. Knight	58	30	109 50	1 89
T. McCamment	24	8	29 0)	1 20
C. P. Shepard	277	73	289 75	1 05
M. Shippy	195	35	126 50	65
J. F. Stureman	79	78	319 00	4 04
F. E. Trees	317	73	277 50	88
Misc.			2,733 00	
	23,550	7,444	31,294 68	1 32

This year's sales as compared with last year's sales represent an approximate increase of \$1,000.

E. M. FISHELL

Beechwood Academy

For the first time in years the storage battery was charged this week, and now necessary lights can be burned after the engine is shut down. This will prove a great convenience also in having all-night electric light service in the halls, instead of the kerosene lamps, decreasing just that much the hazard from coal oil lamps.

Brother Elbert Fishell, conference "bookman," paid us a pleasant visit last Monday and Tuesday. At the five o'clock study period he spoke to the home students and later organized a canvassers' band. He told us the book "Our Day," by Elder Spicer, is proving a splendid seller and that great good is being accomplished by it.

The storms of the last two weeks have been record breakers in more ways than a few. If Southern Indiana is to get this sort of thing every winter we must get some good old fashion bobsleighs, for wheeling is "right smart poor" hereabouts.

The Missionary Volunteers have formed two fine large bands for active duty. The leader of the literature band has the promise of nearly a score of helpers and the Christian help band about ten.

The piano and voice pupils under the instruction of Mr. Floyd Campbell are making fine progress, and a recital is promised, to be given in the near future.

West Michigan Conference

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You First

We are expecting the elder of each local church to enjoy the rich feast being prepared for you at Grand Rapids, February 14-18, 1918. Begin now to lay definite plans to be present from the first service at 7:30 P. M., February 14, to the last meeting, February 18. We propose to pay the transportation and give free board and lodging to each local church elder who attends this important meeting from first to last. If it is not possible for the elder to come we will extend the same courtesy to any other officer whom the church desires to have attend, providing of course that said person is present for the full four days.

We expect Elder A. G. Daniells, and Elder W. H. Anderson, also Elder L. H. Christian. Special instruction will be given to elders and workers from first to last in this meeting.

This will be the most important meeting of the year in many respects and we trust each church will be represented. Much of the results of our year's work depends upon the results of this meeting. Please bear in mind that we are very solicitious that each church shall be represented. WM. GUTHRIE, President

An Interesting Report

The churches of West Michigan have done so nobly for missions during 1917 that I feel they deserve a public commendation. All have been deeply interested in our work in the foreign lands but all have not secured equal results. A little extra effort in the early part of 1918 will enable a much larger number of our churches to reach the full goal of twenty-fivecents-a-week for this year.

The following is a list of the churches that reached the full twenty-cents-a-week, and the figures opposite indicate the amount of the twenty-cents-a-week paid by each church:—

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Carson City	6.21
Diamondale	87.93
Douglas	183.21
Elkhart	25.72
Fremont	76.24
Glenwood	131.98
Grand Haven	24.81
Grand Ledge	29.61
Greenville	6.23
Hastings	36.21
Holton	40.40
Homer	43.97
Indiana Harbor	237.46
Kalamazoo	59.01
Kent City	51.89
Kinderhook	9.55
Palo	39.21
Portland	4.66
Potterville	.38
Quincy	220.93
South Bend	249.16
Sturgis	54.71
Trufant	192.44
Union City	13.47
West LeRoy	17.13
Wright	625.35

You will notice that thirty-two churches are on the roll of honor for 1917. Why not have a place with these during 1918, and share the reward? Success belongs to those who get busy now and cease their activities only with the close of the year. Watch, Work, Pray.

WM. GUTHRIE

Northern Illinois Conference

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Aurora and Elgin

"When a special effort is put forth by laborers of experience in a community where our own people live, there rests upon the believers in that field a most solemn obligation to do all in their power to open the way for the Lord to work. They should search their hearts prayerfully putting away every sin. . . God is calling for men who will consecrate themselves to the work of soul-saving." Vol. 9, p. 125.

"Men will soon be forced to great decisions, and it is our duty to see that they are given an opportunity to understand the truth. . . . The Lord calls upon his people to labor while probation lingers. . . . As churches, you have had opportunity to work as laborers together with God." Vol. 9, pp. 126, 127.

"Carry forward your work in humility. Never rise above the simplicity of the gospel of Christ. Not in the art of display, but in lifting up Christ will you find success in winning souls. . . . Not after the order of a theatrical performance." Vol. 9, p. 142.

When the conference saw fit to change the writer from Pontiac to Aurora and Elgin it was with a heavy heart that we moved out, for the good association and harmonious action between the church in Pontiac and their leader bound us very closely together. But when we reached Aurora and found there a good company of live working young people, ready to fall in line, we felt alittle

more encouraged and began at once a series of Sunday night meetings for the general public; and a good interest is in progress, in spite of the ten to fifteen below zero weather; and by the help of the Spirit and angels of God, the meetings are a great encouragement to us all; but we believe much in prayer and desire the prayers of all who read this that those who hear this message may yield to the pleadings of the Spirit and be converted. One young man has already surrendered to Christ and has found what His power can do to free the soul from besetting sin.

We are living in Elgin, 260 Percy street, and hope to be of service to the little company of believers here, but thus far no opening has presented itself for a public effort; however, we are praying that God may open the way soon.

Now as you pray, believe that you shall receive, and you may have a part in the souls saved in this effort.

R. C. GARDNER

A Union Sabbath School

January 19 a union meeting of the churches of Chicago was held at the Douglas Park Auditorium.

Sabbath school began about 10:00 with Elder Shilling in charge. There were thirteen churches represented at this meeting. Sister Julia Moore conducted a short review for the children, and Elder St. John for the seniors.

Elder Woodman took up the lesson for the day and brought out some excellent points in regard to "Our Advocate."

Elder Evans told us of the wonderful growth of the Sabbath school work. He said the last thirteenth Sabbath offering was a record-breaker.

J. H. Schilling, Sup't.
Mrs. Cleora Webster, Sec'y.

Sabbath School Notes

The following schools reached the goal of one dollar per member on the thirteenth Sabbath: Aledo, Belvidere, Brookfield, Southside, Elgin, Galesburg, Joliet, Kankakee, Moline, Onarga, Pontiac, Rock Falls, Stockton, and Sheridan village school.

Aroma Park, Northshore, and Watseka lacked but a very little of making the goal.

The following Home Departments reached the goal: Aledo, Englewood, Galesburg, Joliet, Kewanee, Stockton, and Moline.

Aledo, Joliet, and Galesburg more than tripled the goal.

The Southside church in Chicago with a membership of 123 set their goal for \$1000 for 1917, and they more than reached it.

MRS. CLEORA WEBSTER

Southern Illinois Conference

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Elders' and Workers' Meeting

Plans have been made to hold our church elders', leaders', and conference workers' meeting at DuQuoin January 31 to February 3. The members of the DuQuoin church have prepared to entertain those attending.

Besides the elders and workers from our own conference, we expect Elder L. H. Christian, Brother J. L. McConaughey, and Elder G. B. Thompson from Washington to be with us and lead out in the meetings.

The topics with names of those asked to lead out in presenting each subject, and these who lead out in the discussions to follow are as follows:

- 1. How to deepen the spiritual life in our churches. Elder L. H. Christian. Discussion led by Elder C. W. Curtis, Dr. A. R. Satterlee.
- 2. The need of increasing tithes and 2% funds. How? Dr. W. C. Dalbey. Discussion led by Elder P. C. Hanson, R. B. Craig.
- 3. The importance of the home missionary work. J. L. McConaughey. Discussion led by Elder L. O. Drews, Geo. Tuttle.
- 4. How can elders and leaders help the home missionary work? J. L. McConaughey. Discussion led by F. C. Phipps, Mary Craig.
- 5. Our duty to raise mission funds. How? Elder G. B. Thompson. Discussion led by Geo. M. Hicks, Claude Taggart.
- 6. Conservation of our youth. Grace Evans. Discussion led by Elder E. N. Sargeant, Rika Wohlers.
- 7. Winning 200 souls this year in our conference. Elder G. B. Thompson. Discussion led by C. J. Smith, Wm. Herald.
- 8. How to help the colporteur work. A. L. Van-Fossen. Discussion led by H. E. Moon, O. A. Morse.

The first meeting will be held at 7:30 P. M., January 31. The day's program on Friday and Sunday will begin with a devotional meeting followed by convention topics and discussions. Each night there will be a preaching service held, excepting Saturday night February 2. On this evening the time will be taken up with a question box, elders and workers present having the privilege of asking any questions pertaining to their work, which always proves to be an interesting meeting.

We are anxious to make this meeting an inspiration and uplift to the leaders of the work in this conference. Our aim for this year is to win two hundred souls for Christ and secure \$24,000.00 tithe, \$2,000.00 two per cent, and twenty-five cents a week or better for missions. We are sure that the gathering of the elders and leaders together for prayer and counsel will give a strong impetus toward reaching the goal set. It is no easy matter to be a leader in our church work, and more than human wisdom is needed.

Let all the members unite in praying for, and heartily cooperating with the leaders and workers this coming year. Pray also for the success of the above meeting at DuQuoin.

E. F. PETERSON

Mission Offerings

Just as the year 1917 was closing a letter came to our office enclosing \$2.00 given to missions by a little child whose mother sent it for him. The following verse accompanied the remittance:

Dear little Tiki San, I'm sending you • All of my pennies and a few bright nickels That my papa gave to me
For I am sure that far across the sea
You need them more than I, for you don't know
About the Christ-child who was born so long ago.
So if my pennies and my nickels few
Will help to teach you (and your sister too)

About the child who came to earth you know
To teach all little boys the way to grow
Like Him; when He comes back some day
Then I am sure that you and I shall play
Together, and our mothers being near
Will smile for in their hearts shall be no fear
For we will all be in the New Jerusalem
When you and I shall play together little brother,
Tiki San.
ROBERT TAYLOR FORMAN

What a blessed thing it is that even the children can have a part in spreading the message to the ends of the earth. Yesterday we received a letter from a man living in one of the larger cities in our conference, enclosing \$63.50 as a gift to the cause of foreign missions. This man is unknown to us and is not a member of any of our churches, but somehow he felt impressed to make this gift.

Surely God is impressing men with a responsibility of helping to finish this glorious work as represented by the third angel's message. Who knows but that there are many of such persons, who are like Cornelius of old, "a devout man and one that feared God with all his house. Which gave alms to the people and prayed to God always," and to whom the angel said, "Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God." Let us pray that God will impress others to make liberal gifts to the cause, both in the home land and fields beyond during this present year.

E. F. Peterson

South Wisconsin Conference

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Sabbath School and M. V. Items

A number have completed the Sabbath School Workers' Training Course for 1917. A list will be published soon of those having received cirtificates.

The hearty cooperation which the Sabbath school and Missionary Volunteer secretaries have rendered in reporting promptly is very gratifying. The following schools belong on the honor roll because of their prompt reports before the 10th.

Victory, Tunnel City, Eland, La Crosse, Hillsboro, La-Grange, Robinson, Belmont, Spiritland, Wausau, Monroe, Stowell, Shennington, Milwaukee Italian, Milton Junction, Underhill, Raymond, Clintonville, Yuba, Oakland, Moon, Rockland, Portage, Sheboygan, Bear Creek, Albion, Milwaukee German, Osseo, Readstown, Racine, Eau Claire, Appleton, Lodi, Sturgeon Bay, Milwaukee Scandinavian, Milwaukee English, Madison, Hundred Mile Grove, Oconto, Poy Sippi, Hintz, Cataract, Kenosha, Chili, New London, Richland Center Fond du Lac, Baraboo, Fish Creek, Lena, Stevens Point, and Granton.

The following Missionary Volunteer Societies, and Confereuce Society members have also reported on time.

Junior Societies: Baraboo, DeBello, Eau Claire, Madison, Milton Junction, Milwaukee, Raymond, Waterloo, Bethel, Marshfield, Moon, Oakland, and Shennington.

Senior Societies: Fish Creek, Milwaukee, Oneida, Fond du Lac, Milton Junction, Green Bay, New London, Spiritland, and Bethel.

Conference Society Members: Mable Baker, Joy, Clark, Francis Clark, Elsie W. Marshall, Mabel Wam-

pole, Viola Blake, Mrs. Sina Cook, Robert E. Frank, Elizabeth Mayer.

Quite a number have completed reading their Bibles through. Have you? If you have report it at once. We have a nice little souvenir for all Bible Year readers who finish.

The newest course in the Missionary Volunteer Department is a Testimony Course. The following resolutions regarding this were passed at the Fall Council.

"1. That in every Union and local conference a systematic campaign be started at once to enlist our

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Obituaries

FRIEND.—Sarah Carpenter was born Dec. 11, 1842, in Brunswick, Medina county, Ohio, and died at her home in Carlton, Barry county, Mich., Dec. 6, 1917, aged seventy-five years. Sept. 26, 1858, she was united in marriage to James Friend and to this union were born eleven children. Sister Friend was a charter member of the Carlton Center church, having united with that church over thirty years ago. She lived a faithful Christian life and while she must rest from her labors her works will follow. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Ps. 116: 15.

B. F. WILLIAMS

HUNT.—Died December 6, 1917, William Henry Hunt at the age of sixty-eight years. Brother Hunt was born in Genesee county, New York. With his parents he came to Michigan in 1853, settling in Ingham county where he resided 49 years. He accepted the truth in 1874 and joined the Seventh-day Adventist church at Leslie. In 1903 he moved with his family to Ganges township, Allegan county, and united with the Douglas church. The deceased is survived by his wife and daughter and three sons. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Job 23:10. He sleeps in peace waiting the call of Him who judges righteously

WM. GUTHRIE

STARKEY -- Mary E. Raynolds was born in the state of New York in the year 1841, and died at her home in Vienna, Genessee county, Michigan, on December 9, 1917. In her youth, she moved to Michigan and in the year 1860 was married to Samuel Rone. They accepted the third angel's message in 1872. To this union were born five children, one of whom survives her. Mr. Rone died in 1892, after which she was married to Mr. H. C. Sweet. In 1913, Mr. Sweet was laid to rest, after which she was united in marriage with Thos. W. Starkey. Sister Starkey has been a faithful worker in the cause of the third angel's message. She is survived by her husband, one son, and four grand-children, besides one brother and two sisters. Her friends mourn their loss, but not as those who have no hope. Funeral services were conducted by the writer assisted by J. O. A. J. CLARK

BYERS.-Albert Milton Byers was born in the town of Dodge, Ind., April 1, 1860, and died at the Ann Arbor, Mich., State Hospital, July 6, 1917. In 1880 he was united in marriage to Estella Lee. To this union were born five sons and four daughters. His faithful companion, one son, and the four daughters remain to mourn, but not without hope. In 1885 our brother, through a personal study of the Bible, accepted the message of the third angel and united with the Seventh-day Adventist church at Bloomingdale, Mich. At the time of his death he was a member of the Mesick, Mich., church. Brother Byers was quite well known through the North Michigan conference as he spent a number of years canvassing for denominational literature throughout this territory. Funeral service was conducted by the writer at the Mesick church. Rev. 14:13 as a text seemed especially appropriate on this occasion. F. J. HARRIS

Twombly.—Margaret Adams was born in Hardin County, Kentucky, Aug. 24, 1836. At the age of eighteen years she married John Rowen Bailey. To this union were born five children one of whom is still living. Mr. Bailey died in 1865. In 1869 Mrs. Bailey was united in marriage to N. D. Twombly. To this union were born four children, three of whom are still living. Mrs. Twombly was converted in the Baptist church in 1875. Later she accepted the faith held by Seventh-day Adventists and was a charter member of the Cottage Home, Illinois, church. She remained firm in the faith until her death which occurred Dec. 1, 1917. We believe she sleeps to await the call of the Lifegiver.

E. F. PETERSON

HOLLIDAY.—Nellie Gage was born at Swanton, Ohio, Sept. 25, 1873, and died at her home in Mesick, Mich., Nov. 17, 1917. In 1890 she was united in marriage to Lee Pratt. To this union two daughters were born. Mr. Pratt died in May, 1895. In 1907, under the labors of Elder Wm. Ostrander, she was converted and baptized and united with the Seventh-day Adventist church at Saginaw, Mich. On Jan. 27, 1909 Sister Pratt was united in marriage to brother Wm. Holliday, of Mesick, Mich., and she was a member of the Mesick church at the time of her death. Funeral service was conducted by the writer at Mesick, and Col. 3: 3, 4 was used as a basis of the discourse.

F. J. Harris

McCarty.—Elizabeth Deeds was born at LaFayette, Ind., March 26,1855, and was married to Thos. B. McCarty at La-Gro, Ind., Nov. 26, 1873. To this union ten children were born, four of whom died in infancy. She is survived by the husband, six children, and one brother. She died in Peru, Ind., Dec. 19, 1917. She united with the Seventh-day Adventist church in Peru after attending the camp and tent meeting held there in 1903. She was an earnest Christian woman beloved in the community for her many virtues. Funeral services were held in her late home at which time a host of her friends and neighbors gave close attention while we studied Ps. 71:20 as a base for a Christian's hope.

W. A. Young

IRWIN.-Susan Sparks was born in Berrien county, Michigan, Aug. 1, 1832. She was married to John Irwin, July 31, 1851. To this union were born eight children, three of whom died in infancy. Five sons, and one brother survive her, her husband having died eleven years ago. At an early age, she, with her husband, united with the Christian church, at Buchanan, Michigan. In the fall of 1881, she and her husband moved to Cleon Township, Manistee Co., Mich. In the winter of 1886-7 she united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church, in Cleon, Mich., remaining a consistent member till her death, which occured October 20, 1917. Among the five sons is Elder J. J. Irwin, president of the North Wisconsin Conference. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer at the Evengelical church at Pomona, J. C. HARRIS Michigan.

ERWAY.-Albert Erway was born in the state of New York, Oct. 20, 1834, and died at Edenville, Mich., Dec. 12. 1917, having passed his eighty-third year by one month and twenty-two days. At the age of twenty-one he came to Michigan to reside, and six years later was united in marriage to Hannah Boman. To them were born eight children, five of whom with his bereaved companion survive him. At the age of thirty-one he accepted the third angel's message, and was a charter member of the Edenville church, to which he remained faithful to the day of his death. His was a life of consecration and devotion to the cause he loved so dearly. "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord. Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them," was the subject for the discourse, and the large number of friends and relatives present at the funeral bore tistimony of the high esteem he was held in his N. H. Pool community.

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Christian young people in the careful, prayerful reading of the nine volumes of the 'Testimonies for the Church.'

"2. That to those who complete the course in two years one of the following books, or some other which the Department may select, be presented as a gift: 'Gospel Worker's,' 'Mount of Blessing,' 'Steps to Christ.'

"3. That the publishers be invited to supply these gift books free."

Some have already enrolled to take this course, why not you?

The Tract Society has a supply of the Sabbath School Worker's Training Course books for 1918 in stock. This course begins in February. Order your books at once so as to be ready on time,

MAY BELL, Sec.

Victories of 1917

You will be pleased to learn of the splendid victory along all lines during 1917. We are not able to give the full report for the year in souls saved, but for the first nine months there united with the church 144 by baptism, 61 on profession of faith, and 66 by letter, total 271.

You will also rejoice that we have come "over the top" on our twenty-cent-a-week fund. The total amount required was \$19,666.40, and we received the splendid sum of \$23,907.62, leaving a surplus of \$4,341.21.

Our harvest ingathering goal was \$4,000 for the year, and the amount raised was \$4,434.40. This gives us a surplus of \$472.40 over the goal set by the General Conference. Last year the conference raised \$2,969.51, which is a gain of \$1,464.91.

Our tithe for the year does not show the gain which we naturally would expect, nor is the increase as large as in some of our sister conferences; however we are glad to know that there is some gain. The tithe for the year 1916 amounted to \$39,572.84, and for 1917 \$42,639.08, making a gain of \$3,066.24.

The book sales are also very encouraging. The actual sales and total business of the tract society amounts to \$27,517.91, a gain of 27% over last year.

This is a good showing and we have reason to rejoice for the blessings from God which made possible this liberal statement. May the victory of 1917 be an incentive to us in gaining our full quota on the twenty-five cents a week per member for missions during 1918, and also a larger increase in tithe.

C. S. Wiest

Canvassers' Report for the Week Ending January 18, 1918

January 18, 1918										
West Michigan										
Canvasser Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del				
John E. KidderHM	30	14	35 00	4 50	39 50	7 00				
H. Kent NelsonHM	33	15	42 50	6 25	48 75	8 75				
C. M. JoslinOD	24	3	6 00	3 25	9 25	12 50				
J. E. HerringtonHM	18	1	2 50	6 70	9 20	1 75				
*G. A. PotterBR	 .	9	38 00	2 50	40 50	2 25				
*Faith E. PotterBR		15	68 00	1 50	69 50	50				
Delbert CoppockOD	1					6 00				
	106	57	192 00	24 70	216 70	38 75				
*No	*North Michigan									
tA. P. FridayBR	102	41	172 00	44 90	216 90	15 75				
†L. G. LambBR	102	14	57 0 0	45 45	102 05	24 45				
F. R. JohnsonBR	13	4	14 00	2 25	16 25	2 25				
†F. A. GoddardDR	110	22	99 00	6 50	105 50	6 50				
W. I. ColemanWW	61		98 00	13 75	111 75	111 75				
Mabel Burt HCL	8		21 00		21 00					
Carrie ChubbBR	4				******	42 50				
Mrs. E. ClarkGC	23	3	10 50	4 00	14 50	34 00				
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*H. P. Brodt BR	48	7	29 00	8 25	37 25	6 75				
*M. G. BishOD BR	37	9	32 00		32 00					
Walter GettysBR	5									
Clinton P. HallOD	16	19	40 00		40 00					
*J. F. Keplinger BR	61	38	169 00	1 00	170 00					
Fred Kaufman BR	31	23	109 00	*****	109 00					
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Fred OttoOD	25	7	16 00	6 50	22 50	3 85				
Clare Botimer HM	10	4	9 50	75	10 25	75				
W. R. SpauldingOD	14	6	16 00	2 45	18 45	1 60				
Chas. BaldwinBR	12	3	13 00	1 60	14 60	75				
R. A. BenjimanBF	20	7	15 00	1 00	16 00					
Talmage TurnerBF	17	11	24 00		24 00	6 00				
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Jerry SudaBR	18	15	62 00		62 00					
R. J. WatsonBR	20	11	45 00	1 50	46 50					
A. P. LagerBR	22					128 25				
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North Wisconsin										
Claude Morris BR	41	18	79 00	2 25	81 25					
Mrs. E. E. BrewerBR	25	9	38 00	1 00	39 00	32 50				
Miscellaneous			31 00		31 00					
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South Wisconsin										
W. R. Cornwell BR *A. F. Bernitt BR	20 87	7 20	28 00	6 75	34 75	7 25				
A. P. DeliniBK			82 00	22 50	104 50					
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WANTED AT ONCE.—A man to work on the farm by month or year. When answering please state wages. Also a girl to do house work. Church privileges. Robert Haggadone, Oxford. Mich.

GOOD FARM FOR SALE.—Buildings and about half the land in city. New silo, two chicken houses, apple and pear orchards and other small fruits. Many beautiful shade trees. S. D. A. church and school in city. Mail delivery and city water. Frank Barker, Otsego, Mich.

COOKING OIL AND SHORTENING.—Mazola Oil, two five gallon cans for \$18.00 F. O. B. Chicago, Detroit, or Holly. Single cans \$9.25. F. O. B. Holly. Wesson Oil \$.75 per can higher, F. O. B. Holly. Snowdrift Shortening, No. 20 Pails (net weight, 17\frac{3}{4} lbs.), \$4.60 each, F. O. B. Holly. Adelphian Mercantile Co., Holly, Mich.