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HOLIDAY NUMBER OF "PRESENT TRUTH."

THE time is rapidly drawing near for something very definite to be done with regard to this number of the paper. We can tell you what has been done, as far as the office of publication is concerned.

- 1. An excellent artist has been engaged to prepare a special design for the cover. This design will be finished, and probably ready for printing, by the time these lines are in the hands of the readers.
- 2. Paper of a suitable tint has been selected for the cover. The cover design is a striking one, and we are confident that with the combination of paper and ink that we have selected, it will be sufficient to sell the paper wherever it is presented.
- 3. What is most essential of all for our workers and people everywhere to be thinking of is this: We are orde ing cover paper for 75 000 copies of that number of the paper, and shall proceed to print that many. With 75,000 covers printed, it follows that orders for 75,000 must be received for that number of the paper, or else the office will be left with a lot of useless material on hand; and for this we make no manner of calculation. We expect that that number, at the very least, will be ordered and sold.

Now for a few words of explanation. It is absolutely impossible to wait until all orders are in, before proceeding to print. In order to be able to handle the edition in the office, and get the papers to the agents in season, the printing must be done two or three weeks beforehand; for after the papers are printed they must be folded, put into the covers, stitched, and trimmed, and the parcels made up and sent out. And the cover itself, which is all extra work, must be out of the way at least a month before the date of that paper. It is evident, therefore, that we must fix upon some number as the minimum, without waiting for orders; and taking the past and the present into consideration, it seemed as though at least 75,000 copies of that issue ought to be disposed of. As many more may be sold as our people feel disposed to handle.

We have decided to make this issue cover two

weeks, Dec 25, 1902, and January 1, 1903. This will give the agents opportunity to serve their regular customers, and then to have a full week in which to sell several times as many more; and from this number they ought to be able to get a large addition to their regular list.

Now, brethren and sisters, we are depending on you, and we have the utmost confidence that you will not fail us. If you would decide at once the minimum number that you will take, and would let us know, it would help us materially in our calculation. You can afterwards increase your order as much as you wish, and you will doubtless want to, when you receive the samples of the cover, which we propose to send to you as soon as it is ready.

And now let us soon hear from every one whose heart stirs him up, and every one whom his spirit makes willing; and may it be as in the days of Nehemiah, that "the people had a mind to work." It will be a grand opportunity to get the paper and the truth that it carries introduced into thousands of homes where it has not hitherto been known.

E. J. W.

SALVATION A PERSONAL MATTER.

The work of the Third Angel's Message cannot be done by a few members in a conference or by the conference officers. It is the out-growth of salvation, and not something that can be put on and attached to the individual; not something that a president can do by going round and organising the churches into tract and missionary societies. It is the outgrowth of the life within—of salvation—and as salvation is a personal matter, so service must be.

What God wants above all things is the gift of His people to the world. He wants His people to present themselves, ready to do everything for Him. This call comes just as much to the leaders in our churches as to the individual members.

I have been admonished that we may become so busy with God's work that we may fail to come into heart touch with the lost, for their salvation. This brings to mind a text that Brother Daniells has used many times: "While Thy servant was busy here and there, he was gone." Is there not danger that we may be so busy going through the forms, that the vital service will be overlooked, and we shall have no other answer to make than, "Thy servant was busy." There will be many who will come up at the last day, saying, "Lord, Lord, have we not in Thy name done many wonderful works?" They will have been working hard, so hard that they have lost the knowledge of God.

The call is to this people to take hold of some work whereby they may come in touch with the lost for

their salvation. It is not an organised effort. The basis of work is from within; it must always be the expression of the life. Therefore we must put away all sin, and receive Christ into the heart, in order that we may have that within that will work itself out in service for the lost.

My attention was first specially called to this matter a few months ago by an expression in volume number 32 of the "Testimonies," to the effect that "there should be one hundred canvassers where there is now one." I always thought that was good, and wished we had as many as that, but

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failed to really comprehend what it might mean until after I returned to America from Australia. Thinking of this expression, I looked up the record in my own State, and found there were only five canvassers in that state. Then I thought there ought to be 500, and that chanced to be the membership. In Indiana there were twenty canvassers, and the membership was 2,000. I went through a number of the States with the same significant proportion between the canvassing force and the membership.

Then the thought came in such a blessed way to my mind, we have got them all. That means that the entire donomination ought to be in the canvassing work. We have books from 35/- each, down to children's papers, and tracts, that can be sold for a few pence per dozen. This statement was intended to enlist every Seventh-day Adventist, man, woman, and child in the work of carrying the Third Angel's Message to the world.

In Jeremiah xvi. 16. there is a statement in harmony with this thought: "Behold, I will send for many fishers, saith the Lord, and they shall fish

them; and after will I send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain, and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks. "Fishers of men" God wants to make of us. When we go fishing we use various means; we drop down the bait, and the fish come and look, and a few bite. We might compare this to the work of the ministers. The people come and turn their heads toward the bait, and some will be caught, while others will go away.

"And after will I send for many hunters."
When you go hunting you do not go into the forest and call the animals together to be shot. You have to go where they are, and hunt them out; in the mountains and caves and the holes of the rocks.

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An item of encouragement comes from a reader of *Present Truth*; who states that through reading it he has been led to give up the use of tobacco, to which he had been a slave for forty years.

two In delivering the November Good Health to customers, don't forget to ask them how many extra copies of the Christmas Number they would like to order for their friends.

The November number of Good Health contains a portrait of Brother J. N. Loughborough and an interesting article by him entitled "In Active Service at Seventy-one." Another prominent feature is a well-illustrated article on "The Health of our School Children," in which the mothers will be interested. It is on the whole a very attractive number and will sell easily.

BROTHER JOSEPH BRANDT writes that he is seeing excellent results of the plan he has followed now for some months of stamping the papers he sells with his name and address, and offering to furnish the paper regularly at a penny a copy. He writes: "One man bought the paper of me last week. He had walked some distance away, but came back at a trot on seeing my name on the cover, and said 'I am so glad I know where to get it now. Some time ago I walked all over the city to get Good Health, and could not find it.' Both he and his wife are much taken up with the paper. I receive several cards and letters weekly requesting me to supply papers."

On Thursday of last week Elder W. A West-worth and family arrived from America, accompanied by two young men, Brethren Shafer and Bates, who come as recruits for the canvassing work, after spending a time in the school. The arrival of their party is an indication of the new interest in the work abroad, that has been awakened in America. The Vermont Conference, from which Elder Wentworth comes, is one of the smallest in the United States, and is consequently among the weakest financially, yet it has not only given up from its small company one of the leading

ministers, but cheerfully pays his expenses here, and promises to support him in this field. Such zeal and devotion are a strong appeal to us not to be unworthy of it.

WORK AND BLESSING.

Let me but do my work from day to day:
Let me but find it in my heart to say,
"This is my work, my blessing, not my doom;
Of all who live, I am the one by whom
This work can best be done in the right way."
Then shall I see it not too great nor small.
Then shall I cheerful greet the labouring hours,
And cheerful turn, when the long shadows fall
At eventide, to play and love and rest,
Because I know for me my work is best.

-Henry Van Dyke.

"There is that scattereth and yet increaseth; there is that withholdeth more than is meet, and it tendeth to poverty." Prov. xi. 24. I have found this very true regarding periodicals of which I "pass one on" regularly. Knowing my time to be limited for reading it, I don't put it aside as I do some others until "a more convenient season"— (which not infrequently never comes) but read it at once; then "pass it on." Before doing this, these weeklies used to accumulate unread; now, however, they do good to more than one. Cannot most of us do this with Present Truth and Good Health, and thus extend our operations for the Master?

A REMINDER.

Quite a number of orders have come in for the Christmas Good Health The first form has now been on the press for several days, and we must decide without delay just how many copies to print. Will not those who have not done so yet, kindly drop us a postcard stating the number of copies they will be able to handle? Let us expect large things, and order accordingly. With its attractive array of articles, and fine illustrations, this number will have a ready sale, and will prepare the way for other publications. It is coming to be a common thing to sell a hundred to a hundred and fifty copies of Good Health on Saturday night; so even those who are handling the large books, or who are engaged in other lines of work, will be able to use three or four hundred copies of this Christmas number of Good Health. Let us have your orders at once. It is not expected that cash will accompany these preliminary orders. The price is, as usual, ½d. a copy to agents and churches.