



"The HARVEST TRULY IS GREAT, BUT THE LABORERS ARE FEW"

REPORT OF THE SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

No new features have been introduced in this department of the work during the past year. The main effort has been to encourage and strengthen the plans already in operation. We feel especially grateful to our heavenly Father for the general spirit of courage and harmony that has seemed to prevail, and for the many blessings that have attended the work.

There has been much to encourage us in the spirit of cooperation that has been manifested throughout the conference, and also the continued faithfulness of the Sabbath school secretaries in the matter of reporting—only nine reports being missed during the entire year. The first quarter only the little Sabbath school at Luverne failed to report, for the second quarter Amboy, Rushford, St. Paul (Eng.), Senjen, and Winona were not heard from. The third quarter Erskine, Mountain Lake, and Pine Island, but the fourth quarter every school in the state, including the Home Department, was heard from.

At the time of our last camp meeting we had eighty-six organized schools, embracing a membership of 2,060. Since that time the schools at Wasioji and Bay Lake have been discontinued, the English and Scandinavian schools at Detroit have been united, and Morton, Elmdale, and Luverne have been transferred to the State Home Department. New schools have been reported at Mahtowa, Sebeka, Milaca, Park Rapids, Linnell, Riceland, and Feeley. So at the present time we have eighty-seven regular Sabbath schools on the list with a membership of 1,985.

Our State Home Department consists of eighty-one family and individual schools with a membership of 264. There has been quite a number of changes in this department during the year, yet our membership is somewhat larger than it was a year ago. The donations from this department for the year 1906 were \$230.36, all but \$3.11 of which was given to missions. This shows an increase of \$45.04 over last year in the amount given to missions from this department.

The total number of schools in the state, including the State Home Department, is 168, and the membership 2,249. The total donations for the year 1906 were \$2,182.73. Of this amount \$1,600.59 was reported for missions, which is almost \$200 more than 1905, while the average membership is fourteen less than for 1905.

It is encouraging to note the gradual increase in the amount given to missions each year. In looking over the records, we find this the largest donations to missions from Minnesota for any one year since 1893. During the last two years a little over \$3,000 has been given to missions from the Sabbath schools of Minnesota.

The State Home Department has been one of the most encouraging features of the work during the year and the Lord has blessed the efforts put forth in this line. About twenty out of the eighty-one of these little Sabbath schools consist of but one member each, and twenty more have but two or three members each, yet it would do you good to see how regularly the studies are kept up each week

and how promptly their little reports are sent in each quarter. We greatly appreciate the interest and care manifested by our laborers as they have traveled from place to place, in reporting the names of isolated families, and in encouraging them to take up the Home Department studies.

The plan of a state mission band for the children has worked very nicely. Something over 300 names were sent in of those who wished to unite in raising funds for the work in foreign lands. The amount sent to these fields as an offering from the children's work for 1906 was \$290.38, an increase of \$178.46 over the previous year. Quite a large list of names has already been sent in for 1907, and we are hoping for good results during the present season.

Several good Sabbath school conventions were held during the fall and early winter, and profitable times were reported.

At the beginning of 1906, there were 250 copies, all told, of the *Sabbath School Worker* coming into the state. Less than one-half the Sabbath schools being supplied with this valuable help. But what was our surprise in looking over the list for 1907 to find there were only 190 copies being received. May not some plan be laid at this meeting whereby the value of this little paper may be brought before our Sabbath schools, so that each teacher may in some way be supplied with it before the close of the present year?

The local Home Department is another feature that should receive special attention. Something is being done along this line, but not all that should be. There are many within reach of

our Sabbath schools, who through discouragement, or for other reasons do not attend. Perhaps many of these might be saved to the cause of God if proper efforts were put forth in their behalf.

It is gratifying to know that the aim of our Sabbath schools throughout the world for 1906—\$1,000 a week for missions—has been more than met. The report shows \$57,901.96 for missions, which is \$1,000 a week and a surplus of \$5,901.96. This affords something of an indication of the growth of the missionary spirit in our Sabbath schools, and what can be accomplished by a united effort. The aim for 1907 is \$1,000 a week for missions from the Sabbath schools in the United States and Canada. Can this also be reached?

From January 1887, when a plan for using a portion of the Sabbath school donations for missions was first adopted, to January 1907, over \$508,470 has been given by the Sabbath schools for the work in foreign lands.

In closing we feel to express once more, our appreciation of the good will and hearty responses of co-operation that have been received from our brethren and sisters throughout the state. Our courage in the work and faith in the final triumph of the message were never better than at the present time, and we trust that the blessing of God may continue to rest upon this branch of the work and guide in all the plans that may be laid for its advancement.

ELLA E. MERICKEL.

ALMOST PERSUADED

Probation is almost over. The Spirit of God is being withdrawn

from the earth. There is but little time to labor, a little space, oh so brief, in which to do the mighty work that God calls upon us to do. Have we done too much? Are we giving too much? Is \$150,000 too much for our people to raise?

In an article written by Mrs. E. G. White on the subject of cheerful giving, I find the following stirring statement:

"The judgments of God are in the earth, and, under the influence of the Holy Spirit, we must give the message of warning that he has entrusted to us. We must give this message quickly, line upon line, precept upon precept. 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, that they may take their stand intelligently upon the right side. The Lord calls upon his people to labor—labor earnestly and wisely—while probation lingers.

"Among the members of our churches, there should be more house-to-house labor, in giving Bible readings, and in distributing literature. A Christian character can be symmetrically and completely formed, only when the human agent regards it as a privilege to work interestedly in the proclamation of the truth, and to sustain the cause of God with means. The treasury must not be allowed to become empty, when there are such urgent calls for help from every part of the world."

J. S. WASHBURN.

WILL NOT BE ENFORCED IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

The following was taken from one of the leading newspapers of

the northwest, and indicates that there is a strong sentiment against the enforcement of the "Lord's Day Act" in some of the Canadian provinces.

"It has been officially announced that Canada's new Lord's Day act will not be enforced in British Columbia. This act was passed by the dominion government. It does not relate exclusively to the Sunday theater; but forbids sales or excursions on Sunday, as well as unnecessary labor. The law contains the provision that prosecutions can only be made with the consent of the attorneys general of the various provinces, thus giving each attorney general power to nullify the law within his jurisdiction.

The attorney general of British Columbia has officially announced his intention to countenance no prosecutions, and this seems that the lid will be lifted from the entire province.

With the exception of British Columbia and Quebec, the Lord's Day act will be enforced throughout Canada. In these two provinces conditions are a little unusual. The former is a comparatively new and rough country and the miners have begun the habit of working seven days each week. To deprive them of that privilege would be taking away their personal liberty, which the attorney general evidently did not want to tackle.

Quebec has a large French population, which is accustomed to a very free and easy Sunday. In that province public opinion probably would not have supported the attorney general in a rigid enforcement.

HAVE you adopted the ten-cent-per week plan for missions?

NOTES BY THE WAY

The council at Gland, Switzerland, closed Sabbath evening, May 25, with the ordination of four young men to the gospel ministry. Each was a representative of a different nationality. The council occupied much time in the study of our work in foreign lands. Some of the decisions of the council will be far reaching in results. The decision to make the college at Washington, D. C., a school where especial advantages should be given to those going into foreign fields, was one of the important moves of the council. This will mark a new epoch in our plans to push the work in distant lands. Professor Salisbury will have charge of the college at Washington. As far as consistent one should spend some time in the study of the field, and make a beginning of the study of the language of the people to whom a missionary is to be sent, before going to an unknown land. At least one should demonstrate whether they can readily learn another language. A study of ones fitness to meet the physical conditions of the field health-wise is also of great importance. When this work is more carefully done than at present the Mission Board will be able to select those best adapted to go to foreign fields. I am sure that this, as well as other plans of the council, will meet the approval of all our people.

May 26 the delegates scattered to their various fields of labor. Some to America, some to attend important meetings in Europe, and some to attend other meetings in connection with a study

of some of the needy fields of Europe.

Before the reader goes with us to other parts of Europe I wish to speak of a monument erected about two miles south of the Gland Sanitarium, on the banks of Lake Geneva. It will be remembered that the Huguenots and the Waldenses of France were driven out of France by continuous and long continued persecutions. The mountains and valleys of Switzerland became the places of their retreat. After thousands had perished by their persecutions, and after the influence of the reformation had secured to them toleration in France, a large number of the Huguenots decided to return to France. On the banks of Lake Geneva they assembled and there rededicated themselves to God and the cause for which they had suffered so much. This was in 1685 A. D. In 1885, just 200 years later, their descendants erected a monument upon the spot of their rededication with this inscription upon it:

"1685 A. D. The offspring and children of the heroes of the Reformation erect this monument in their honor. 1885."

Professors Salisbury and Griggs with Elders W. B. White, G. F. Haffner, W. J. Fitzgerald, myself and four others left Gland for Rome, making short stops at Milan and Florence in Italy. As far back as the days of Tiberius and Augustus, Florence was a city of some note. I was interested in visiting the old convent where Savonarola spent many years of his life. We entered forty-three cells or dark rooms where the monks lived. Savonarola was for many years the head monk of the convent at

Florence, and the teacher of this institution. God led this monk to see light. He preached against indulgences and some of the errors of the Romish church. This led to his imprisonment and final execution at the stake in 1498 A. D., on the streets of Florence. The ashes of Huss, Jerome, Savanarola and other martyrs of the 15th century made the soil in which Luther and Melancthon sowed the seeds of truth in the early part of the 16th century, prolific in bearing abundant fruit. Florence has been the home of some of the so-called masters of art, such names as Angelico, Raffaello, Michel Angelo are among the great masters of which Florence boasts.

Italy is a beautiful country. Its valleys are very productive. However, it seems strange to see in the 20th century, in a land that was the center of all civilization 2,000 years ago, people using an old wooden plow hitched to a cow to break up the soil. We saw only one mowing machine in all Italy. I only saw two in Switzerland, while I saw probably not less than 2,000 men in Switzerland and Italy mowing grass in the harvest fields with the old fashioned scythe. Everything in the country is done on the old plan of two centuries ago. Cows and oxen are used to plow with. Large two-wheeled carts are the principle conveyances used in the country.

All over Europe it is the custom of the people who till the soil to huddle together in small houses in villages. In some of these villages we find the farmers families packed together as closely as you find people in New York and Chicago. They often bring their cattle into their

houses. The family occupy one part of the house and the domestic animals are kept in the other part of the house the year round. I visited some of these villages, and went into the dwellings of people and cattle where the atmosphere was charged with odors which were not charged with the fragrance of the rose. It seems strange indeed that people will continue to live after such a manner. It only emphasizes the fact that man is inclined to cling to his old customs, and the power of example we have on those who follow us.

In our next article I will begin to tell you some things about Rome, which is the most interesting city of all Europe.

R. A. UNDERWOOD.

From the Field

Alberta

BLESSINGS IN CANVASSING

The following is taken from a letter written home from Edmonton by one of our canvassers, who came face to face with a license law charging \$20 per week for canvassing in that city.

"Twenty dollars per week for license looks pretty big. But if I had the money I would put it up before I would ever let his Satanic majesty defeat God's plan. I may see the way open yet some day, for the book must get to these people. It has the message for this time. (The book is Great Controversy.)"

"I hardly knew what to do, but could not rest, and on Wednesday morning started for the country. I took seven orders and came home rejoicing. I

hope some day to bring in the sheaves. God, through his dear Son, keeps my heart glad and joyful along the pathway. It may be stormy at times, but I know it is short."

The two following quotations just came from Calgary.

"I am led to praise the Lord every day for the precious experiences that come to me. People are inquiring for just the truths our book has for them, and what a blessed privilege it is for us to have it in print so that each of us can scatter it."

"I almost feel like giving up other work and directing my entire time to the work of canvassing. God has so wonderfully blessed me. I have many opportunities of speaking to the people which I would not have if I did not go to the homes."

The last quotation is from a sister. Such individual testimonies written, as they supposed, for the encouragement of but one, will prove an inspiration to every lover of souls. We can join with them in thanksgiving. When such a spirit takes hold of our people in every place how quickly will the work of warning the world be accomplished.

These are but few of the testimonies sent me by those who have taken up this line of work in this territory this spring. May God give wisdom in carrying it out to the fullness of his purpose.

W. O. JAMES.

North Dakota

NOTICE

Those living in the north-eastern part of the state will be pleased to learn that a camp meeting is appointed to be held at Devil's Lake, July 9-15. This

is during the Chatauqua season, when a large number of people are attracted to that place, both for entertainment the Chatauqua affords, and for the pleasure of camping in the beautiful groves bordering the lake.

We hope to have the camp located where the people of Devil's Lake, and also the visitors, will find it convenient to attend the meetings. Services will be held in the English and the Scandinavian languages, and efficient laborers in each of these languages will be present.

We sincerely hope that all our brethren and sisters living in the northeastern part of the state will attend this meeting. A dining tent will be on the ground, and meals will be provided at a reasonable charge. In regard to reduced rates we cannot announce them at this time, but if the Chatauqua is granted the rate, we also will receive them. So those coming should take certificates of purchase from the agent, and, if rates are granted, they will be signed by the secretary of the Chatauqua. Come and bring your family with you and invite your friends.

JOHN G. WALKER.

South Dakota

SIoux FALLS

Our people will be interested to know where our laborers will be located during the coming year, and to see that we are pushing out into new territory. The burden of each worker is to get into the front rank, and to bring into the fold the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

Some will wonder why the name of Brother Conrad Reimche

does not appear in the list of laborers. This will be explained by giving the action taken at the close of the conference by the Conference Committee bearing upon this name:—

“Voted, that Brother Conrad Reimche be released to fill the call of Elder C. A. Burman for a German laborer to work in Alberta, Canada, during the summer.”

We are sorry to lose any of our laborers, but the needs in that field seem to demand that we make another sacrifice for the good of the cause in general.

As the workers go into these new fields to raise the standard of truth, let all our brethren and sisters pray earnestly that we may see many precious souls gathered this year as a result of the work done.

We are sorry that we cannot fill all of the urgent calls for “some one to come and work in our neighborhood,” but we have done the best we could with the limited number of workers. In the meantime let no one become discouraged, but labor on, sowing the seed, and we shall move into the openings as rapidly as possible. J. W. CHRISTIAN.

LOCATION OF LABORERS

Aberdeen, Elder R. E. Harter; Gregory, Elder E. G. Hayes, Brother A. C. Christian; Chamberlain, Elder C. M. Clark, Brother L. D. Trot; Tripp, Brethren Christian Reising, Adam Schmidt, Daniel Wall, Sister Mary Wall; Volga, Elder N. P. Neilsen, Brother J. H. Schmidt, Sister Lena Jensen; Brandon, Brethren N. J. Ronlund, H. L. Stenberg, Sister Julia Peterson; Sioux Falls, Milla M.

Johnson; Lake Preston, Elder N. M. Jorgensen, Sister Bertha Jorgensen; Jave, Elder Conrad Reising.

Minnesota

RESOLUTION FOUR

Resolution four given below reads as follows, and was voted by the delegates present at our camp meeting at St. Cloud just closed:—

“Whereas, the work in St. Paul and Duluth is greatly hindered because of having no suitable place of worship, and believing this need to be a call from God, we recommend that provision be made for, and immediate steps be taken for the raising of \$3,000 for this work; the same to be equally divided between the aforesaid cities, and to be used in helping to erect suitable places of worship; and further that the money now on hand from sale of churches be applied on this fund.”

We are glad to see this work begun, for these cities have long needed places of worship, and now it seems the way is opening up in a wonderful manner.

Those of us who were at the camp meeting were brought to realize this as we listened to the reports of Brethren Detamore and Babcock relative to this feature of their work in these great cities. You will read these with interest when they appear in these columns later on.

To me this is one proof that God is going before and opening the way. Another was the willingness with which the delegates not only discussed the matter, but contributed and pledged of their means, over \$400 being

raised. We believe also that when our brethren and sisters, who were not present, understand the situation, they will respond and give as willingly as these.

The resident members of these cities have donated liberally to this work, but the expense of building and cost of a lot is so great at this time that it is impossible for them to complete the work alone, hence they have asked the conference to assist.

The three cities of Minneapolis, St. Paul, and Duluth compose a mission field of themselves. Immigrants are constantly arriving from every quarter of the globe. Many of our own youth find their way to these great commercial social centers. This, together with the crying need of the people in general, calls loudly for a memorial for God, a sanctuary to which perishing souls can be called to meet their Redeemer.

The prophecies telling of the calamities to come upon our cities are fast being fulfilled. To the city residents probation's door will soon close. Let us arouse, do the work committed to us by assisting those located here, that our "brother's blood may not be crying to God" and be found upon our garments when the Judge of all the earth shall appear. S. E. JACKSON.

CHURCH SCHOOLS

Are you planning to have a church school this year? Is there any real good reason why you should not have one when the Lord has so plainly said that where there are as many as six children there should be one? In the great judgment day what answer can we give for not co-

THE BOOK WORK

SOUTH DAKOTA—WEEK ENDING JUNE 21

Name	Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
C. D. Terwillegar	G. C.	1	1	\$2.50	\$2.85	\$5.35	\$2.50
Roy W. Betts	G. C.	45	19	55.50	1.25	56.75	
Clara Kier	H. M.	15	6	18.50	1.50	20.00	
Iver Hanson	B. R.	15	7	16.75	.50	17.25	
Totals,	4 agents	76	36	\$93.25	\$6.10	\$99.35	\$2.50

SASKATCHEWAN—APRIL 28 TO JUNE 14

J. M. Rouse	G. C.	370	141	448.75	34.75	483.50	
Walter Forshaw	G. C.	324	114	356.75	21.50	378.25	
R. P. Mooney	P. P.	160	66	159.75	12.75	172.50	
J. P. Hoffman	H. M.	264	200	358.85		358.85	
John Betz	D. R.	423	136	336.50	39.90	376.40	
Totals,	5 agents	1541	657	\$1,660.60	\$108.90	\$1,769.50	

MINNESOTA—WEEK ENDING JUNE 22

Celia Tichenor	H. H.	12	11	37.50	1.50	39.00	
Alma Larson	H. H.	7	4	13.00		13.00	
M. Ruskjer	G. C.	52	9	22.50	3.00	25.50	
A. H. Anderson	G. C.	43	9	26.50	1.25	27.75	
H. O. Olson	G. C.	52	15	38.50	8.45	46.95	2.30
C. Harvey	G. C.	50	7	17.50	8.80	26.30	
H. Belle Hahn	C. K.	3	1	1.00	3.75	4.75	9.75
Phil. Cogswell	H. M.	46	6	10.50	4.00	14.50	2.00
J. F. Johnson	H. M.	45	4	7.00	2.25	9.25	
C. J. Martinson	H. M.	31	7	12.25	1.75	14.00	
A. B. Francis	H. M.	46	12	21.00	5.50	26.50	
A. Christenson	H. M.	29	8	14.00	6.25	20.25	2.50
E. Grimstad	H. M.	40	13	22.75	4.90	27.65	
F. Stratton	H. M.	43	17	29.75	3.75	33.50	3.75
Totals,	14 agents	500	123	\$273.75	\$55.15	\$328.90	\$20.30

ALBERTA—WEEK ENDING JUNE 22

D. R. Devereaux	G. C.	35	7	25.00	5.75	30.75	
W. B. Easton	G. C.	50	18	58.50	5.00	63.50	
G. E. York	G. C.	33	2	5.50		5.50	
C. Armeneau	H. M.	43	22	43.30		43.30	
Ernest Ashton	H. M.	56	23	45.70	2.00	47.70	
W. G. McCready	H. M.	43	27	57.30	6.00	53.30	
Totals,	6 agents	260	99	\$235.30	\$18.75	\$254.05	
U. C. Totals June 22, 29 agents		2,376	815	\$2,262.90	\$188.90	\$2,451.80	22.80

operating with God for the salvation of Seventh-day Adventist children?

We profess to believe that the Lord is coming in this, our generation. This being true finances should not stand in the way of the salvation of our children, for of what benefit will farms or money be to the people of God when the end comes?

If, in the earth made new, we should miss one of our loved ones, would we not gladly exchange all for the life of that loved one? Then let us take advantage of the means God has placed in our reach for the salvation of the children, that they with us may enjoy the benefits of the new earth.

"Wherever there are a few

Sabbath-keepers, the parents should unite in providing a place for a day school where their children and youth can be instructed. They should employ a Christian teacher, who, as a consecrated missionary, shall educate the children in such a way as to lead them to become missionaries. Let teachers be employed who will give a through education in the common branches, the Bible being made the foundation and the life of all study. Parents should gird on the armor, and by their own example teach their children to be missionaries. They should work while it is day, for, "the night cometh when no man can work." Vol. 6, p. 198.

Those who wish to start such a school should begin to plan at once. I would be glad to at once hear from all churches who have thought to have a church school this year, or who plan to start one in the near future.

W. W. RUBLE,

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THE ADVANTAGE OF AN EDUCATION

"Educated people have a tremendous advantage over the uneducated. That was never so true as to-day, and it is not so true to-day as it will be tomorrow. Progress is the watchword of the age. There is no place now in the world for bunglers. The demand in every profession is for experts."

Is it any less true that the cause of God demands skilled laborers in every department? This is by far the greatest need of this world to-day. Young man, young woman, is God placing on you a burden for his work to-day? Is he asking you to seek

a more thorough preparation by attending some of the many schools established by his providence? If so do not delay. This year is the best time that you will ever have to go to school. Every year that you wait the difficulties will become greater and you will feel less inclined to go.

Begin now, to-day, to plan definitely, persistently to attend school this fall. Let no obstacles stand in your way, however real they may seem. Meet them with the determination to conquer. Plan! Work! Come!

If in Minnesota, by all means come to Maplewood Academy. Our catalog, which has been delayed, will be out soon. It will interest you. Write at once for a copy. Address at Maple Plain, Minn., Maplewood Academy, or H. J. Sheldon.

BRAINARD

After returning home from our good camp meeting we began a series of meetings in a school house about six miles north-west of Brainard. As the country is not thickly settled, and there are quite a number of Scandinavian families, our attendance has not been large, but the interest is good and on the increase. We are hopeful of good results. We desire an interest in the prayers of the REAPER family.

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The next number of *Liberty* will be a Young People's number. It will be full of live, bright, fresh, and interesting matter, especially adapted for our young

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OBITUARY

CAMPBELL—Died at Minneapolis June 27, 1907, Sister Chloe Campbell, aged 65 years, 10 months, and 26 days. According to her request to be laid beside her children, she was buried at Union Grove, Minn. She united with the Seventh-day Adventist church nearly thirty years ago. She was resigned to the will of the Lord, and fell asleep with the blessed hope of a part in the first resurrection. She was faithful and devoted to her family and home, and was loved by all who knew her. She leaves a husband, four daughters, three sons, and a large circle of friends to mourn their loss. Funeral service was conducted by the writer.

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COMMENCING with the next issue of the REAPER a most interesting series of articles will be presented to our readers. These are from the pen of Elder R. A. Underwood, and will tell what he saw in Rome which had an especial significance to him. The matter contained in these articles will be in a degree educational, and will not only be a treat, but will be of great benefit to those who have the privilege of reading them. We suggest to the missionary officers of each church in the Union Conference that they place this matter before their people and endeavor to place the REAPER in the homes of those who do not now take it. The price of the REAPER for one year is but 50 cents, and it is filled each week with matter that is helpful, keeping its readers informed on the progress of the work in the Union, contains the reports of the workers, and much other matter of general interest.

THE experience of F. B. Johnson, now canvassing for Bible Readings in Battle Creek, Mich., shows that although our books are known to be Seventh-day Adventist books, and that they have been largely sold in a territory at some former period, this will not hinder the same field from being again worked. In sixty-two hours Brother Johnson took orders for \$79.50 worth of books. This experience should be an object lesson to the canvassers in those conferences in the Northern Union which were worked in what some persons facetiously call the "good old times."

AT the South Dakota camp meeting an enthusiastic missionary meeting was held the last Sunday morning, the real missionary spirit seemingly taking possession of the people, and a handsome donation was made to the cause in far-away lands. A donation was taken up for the work in India which amounted, in cash and pledges, to over \$2,700. An offering of \$269 was received for the work in Spanish Honduras.

THE subscription price of the REAPER to the Canadian provinces is now 75 cents. This increase was made necessary by the increased postage assessed upon United States second-class matter by the Canadian government. This postage must be postpaid on each wrapper, and amounts to 50 cents a year for each subscription.

A CANVASSER who has had a successful experience says: The first thing necessary for success is to attend an institute, and

learn how the work is done. Another important thing is to pray without ceasing, and to count your success by the number of souls you can warn. The Lord will see to it that you have all you need.

THERE are fifty-three teachers in attendance at the summer normal school at Berrien Springs, Mich. A large number are taking advanced work, and all seem to be enthused with the spirit of progression. Expressions of real devotion and thorough consecration to the work of Christian education are frequently heard.

FROM a letter received from the Pacific Press Publishing Co., we notice that the circulation of the *Signs of the Times* is on the increase. The increase for the first five months of this year has been 25,682. With one exception every conference in the United States shows a gain.

"JONAH AND THE SEA MONSTER" is the title of a tract of twenty pages by W. H. Littlejohn, of Battle Creek, Mich., in which the Holy Scriptures are defended against the attacks of infidels, atheists and the higher critics. It is an able argument, worth reading.

ELDER C. A. BURMAN returned to his home field in Alberta last week after having visited the camp meetings in this Union Conference in the absence of Elder Underwood.

CARLYLE claimed that "every stroke of honest work is throwing sunlight into some dark corner, and bringing some bit of chaos into heavenly order."