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

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# THE CLERGYMAN AND THE PEDDLER

A clergyman who longed to trace Amid his flock a work of grace, And mourned because he knew not why Yon fleece kept wet while his kept dry.

While thinking what he could do more, Heard some one knocking at the door, And opening it, there met his view A dear old brother whom he knew, Who had got down by worldly blows, From wealth to peddling cast-off clothes.

"Come in, my brother," said the pastor,
"Perhaps my trouble you can master;
For since the summer you withdrew,
My converts have been very few."

"I can," the peddler said, "unroll Something perchance to ease your soul; And to cut short all useless speeches, Bring me a pair of your old breeches."

The clothes were brought, the peddler gazed,

And said, "No longer be amazed; The gloss upon the cloth is such, I think perhaps you sit too much, Building air castles, bright and gay, Which Satan loves to blow away.

And here behold, as I am born,
The nap from neither knee is worn!
He who would great revivals see,
Must wear his pants out at the knee;
For such the lever prayer supplies,
When pastors kneel, their churches
rise."—Sel.

#### THE WEEK OF PRAYER

This time for especially seeking the Lord is just before us. Overhead are bright spiritual clouds heavily loaded with showers of blessings for each one of us. All heaven is intensely interested in the spiritual welfare of every believer, but unless we are individually prepared to receive of the heavenly anointing, all will be in vain as far as we are concerned.

Surely it is high time that every one of us placed ourselves in that relation to God that he can entrust us with his Holy Spirit, thus preparing us for finishing the work of warning the world—a work that must be done before Jesus comes.

Do we not all need this heavenly anointing? Shall we let anything stand in the way of our obtaining the evidence that God, for Christ's sake, has pardoned all our transgressions, and that we have in Jesus a high priest and intercessor in the heavenly sanctuary who is in fact ministering "for us?"

It does seem that the most important thing in all the world for us is to so humble our hearts by thorough confession that the Holy Spirit may take possession of the soul temple, and shed abroad in our hearts the love of God, which will be seen in our love for the brethren, and for sinners for whom Christ died, as promised us. Read Rom. 5:1-5.

We can begin now to prepare for the coming week of prayer. The best place will be found alone with God in the closet, in the woods, on the hay mow, out by the straw stack, just anywhere where we can pour out our soul's repentance and confession to Jesus, the friend of sinners. And as we pray, let us forgive. It will not matter so much to us then even though some brother has wronged us. If the burden of the soul is to get right with God, other matters will seem trivial as compared with this, and will right themselves. Heartfelt confessions will follow: true humbling of soul is experienced alone with God.

What do we need more than this? Why not humble our own hearts before God now? Jesus did. He strove not for place nor position nor honor. He humbled himself. We do not want God to humble us. This he has left for us to do. Remember Saul's experience. God humbled him, but it was a bitter experience for Saul, with no salvation in it. Let us begin now, dear brethren and sisters, to seek the Lord for a deeper experience in heavenly things. The Lord is soon coming. Everything in our world indicates this. This is the message for this time. We are the instruments foretold by the prophets through whom God will finish his work in the earth in righteousness. Let us lose no time in doing thorough work for eternity. It will have been through much humble seeking of God in prayer that the people mentioned below have become prepared to do that written of them:—

"I heard those clothed with the armor speak forth the truth with great power. It had effect. Many had been bound; some wives by their husbands, and some children by their parents. The honest who had been prevented from hearing the truth, now eagerly laid hold upon it. All fear of their relatives was gone, and the truth alone was exalted to them. They had been hungering and thirsting for truth; it was dearer and more precious than life. I asked what had made this great change. An angel answered, 'It is the latter rain, the refreshing from the presence of the Lord, the loud cry of the third angel.' "-Early Writings, page 133.

T. E. BOWEN.

# MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER READING COURSE

A touching story is told of a young man who was rapidly losing his eyesight. His physicians told him he would be able to see for but a few months longer at most. At once, accompanied by his sister, he began to travel that he might view again the beauties of nature, before his eves should be closed forever. He desired to have stored up in memory scenes of snow-clad mountains, waterfalls, green fields, sparkling streams and beautiful forests, so that, when no longer able to see these charming sights, he might have refreshing visions to make the darkness more bearable.

Thus it is in youth. Youth is the sowing time of life, and it is our privilege to get beautiful thoughts, principles and convictions framed upon memory's walls, so that, when dark hours overtake us, or when we face the great question of our lite's work, our characters will be so established that we will not be utterly cast down.

In spite of the terrible consequences, think of the hundreds, and we dare say thousands, of our Seventh-day Adventist young people who are addicted to novel reading, and to story-paper reading, thus destroying their appetites for the word of God, and for spiritual things; sapping their minds, becoming mental and spiritual weaklings, when they might be intelligent, spiritual giants for Jesus. Instead of building on the foundation of Christ Jesus with gold, silver and precious stones, they are building on the sand with hay, wood and stubble. My young brother, my young sister, with what material are you building?

Education, page 269, says, "It is acquaintance that awakens sympathy, and sympathy is the spring of effective ministry. To awaken in the children and youth sympathy and the spirit of sacrifice for the suffering millions in the 'regions beyond,' let them become acquainted with these lands and their peoples. In this line much might be accomplished. Study the lives of such men as the Apostle Paul, and Martin Luther, as Moffat and Livingstone and Carey, and the present daily unfolding history of missionary effort."

To assist our young people to read this kind of literature, the Missionary Volunteer reading course is being carried on. "Early Writings," the first book of the course, will be completed the middle of December. The second book, "Into All the World," will be begun at once. This little book (price in paper

binding is 35 cents; cloth, 50 cents) contains 231 pages, and gives a brief but intensely interesting sketch of every country in the world, including its size, religion, languages, history; also short accounts of the leading missionaries who have spent their lives in each field.

As we study each field, we will study our own missions in that field—when they started, where, by whom, and how many missionaries and believers we have at the present time. This information will be secured from a little booklet, edited by Elder Spicer, which will be sent free to each person ordering the book, "Into All the World."

All who successfully pass the examinations on each of the three books studied will receive a reading course certificate from the General Conference young people's department. A large number will secure their certificates this year, and you can not afford to miss this opportunity to earn one, too. Do you want to become better informed as to the conditions existing in the foreign fields, and how our message is going to every nation, kindred, tongue and people? This course will give you just the information you desire.

Order at once through your state young people's and educational secretary.

C. L. BENSON.

# SOMETHING MORE TO THINK ABOUT

This paper, in its issue of November 5, contained an article under the title, "A Suggestion to Think About." The next paper contained an article from the pen of Elder Underwood, giving "An Important Testimony," in answer to some questions that had arisen. The

writer had felt a burden to call attention to this matter, but he had never seen this testimony, which now serves to intensify the burden. The instruction is much stronger than anything that had come to his notice. The light there given was at a time when a local crisis was pending. It tells us just what to do in view of an approaching crisis. crisis is now pending in all parts of the world. The very first paragraph tells us when to act. Notice: "When the people were moved by a power from beneath to enforce Sunday observance, Seventh-day Adventists were to show their wisdom by refraining from work on that day, devoting it to missionary work."

In almost every land the people are being moved to enforce Sunday observance in one form or another, from the closed "lid," to the arrest of Seventh-day Adventists. Do we need more to convince us that now is the time to show our wisdom? Of a truth the spirit "to enforce Sunday observance" dominates the people, and our Sunday labor only serves to intensify this spirit. only way in which we can put a quietus upon this spirit is to take the "whip" out of the hands of the enemies of God's truth by "devoting it [the day] to missionary work."

Paragraph three, names some of the disadvantages our people suffer under arrest, as, "placed at a great disadvantage," "humiliated," "well nigh hopeless for him to obtain a fair trial," "sent to the chain-gang, where they are forced to work on the Sabbath." Then follows most encouraging words, full of hope and cheer as follows: "Our churches should understand the methods to be used in avoiding this difficulty." It seems that the Lord does not want his people to

undergo all these things; but tells us how to avoid them, with no sacrifice of principle. Notice: "The Lord does not command them to place themselves where they are obliged to dishonor his holy rest day." But a continued ignoring of the law and civil authorities will, as in the past, do this very thing.

And now, dear brethren, inasmuch as the Lord has been so good to us in telling us just what to do, and when to do it, shall we repeat our former experiences of tardiness in obedience? Need we assert our civil and religious right to labor on Sunday? The rather, let us prove our "wisdom by refraining from work on that day, devoting it to missionary effort." Let us gain the confidence of our neighbors by seeking their spiritual welfare. Why not? Is there a reason?

H. F. PHELPS.

# From the Field &

# South Dakota

#### OUR POOR

While it is true that we are living in an age of unparalleled prosperity, and men are indulging themselves in almost all kinds of luxury, there are on every hand those who are in need. Precious souls for whom Jesus died are starving for the common necessities of life. Heirs to the kingdom of God, but strangers to the comforts of this world. To those of us who are more comfortably situated is given the blessed privilege to help these unfortunate ones. Jesus said: "The poor ye have always with you." "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren ve have done it unto me."

At a recent committee meeting, held at Elk Point, this matter was given considerable attention. It was decided to set apart Sabbath December 7, as a day upon which a collection should be taken for the poor in our midst. We know that our brethren and sisters are always glad to take part in such a work, and we feel assured that a ready response will be given to this appeal.

We have those in the conference whom we must help in the common needs of life only, while others are sick and need medical attention. We have had three patients at the sanitarium thus far this year. One, a widow, left with three small children, with nothing but her hands with which to provide a living, spent several weeks there after an operation. We are glad to report that she is now at home with her little family, and enjoys good health. Others are in need of the same attention. The old, as well as the infirm, must be cared for. With the cold winter coming on we must look after these. While we may not hear their cries and prayers for aid, I am sure the ears of him who always hears his children pray, does hear it all.

"As you open your door to Christ's needy and suffering ones, you are welcoming unseen angels. You invite the companionship of heavenly beings. They bring a sacred atmosphere of joy and peace. They come with praises upon their lips, and an answering strain is heard in heaven. Every deed of mercy makes music there. The Father from his throne numbers the unselfish workers among his most precious treasures."—Desire of Ages, page 763.

We have sent out an article to every church and isolated member, and also a Bible study from the pen of Elder Nielsen. I am sure these will be appreciated. Let us each follow the golden rule in giving to the J. W. CHRISTIAN. needy.

#### REPORT OF SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Report of the Sabbath school department of the South Dakota conference, for the quarter ending September 30, 1907

20011	
Number of schools	. 41
Present membership	.945
Average attendance	.622
Number of classes	.127
Number in Senior division,	431
" " Junior "	.204
" Intermediate division	
" " Primary division	
" Kindergarten division	
" "Home dep't of local	
schools	
Number in state home department.	
Total	
FINANCIAL REPORT	

Total contributions, including the amount reported by schools, camp meeting donations, etc. 352 62 Amount of contributions used for expenses of schools 34 46 Amount of donations to missions

from schools, including camp meeting Sabbath school donations \$318 16

#### EXPENSE

Postage 9	03
Miscellaneous expense 5	20
Traveling expenses	90
Total	13
FLORENCE MILLER.	

# BOOKMEN'S CONVENTION

Definite arrangements have been made for a Bookmen's Corvention to be held in Sioux Falls, S. D., beginning at 9 o'clock Friday morning, January 10, and continuing until the evening of January 16.

It is hoped that every general and field agent, and every tract society secretary in the Northern, Central and Canadian Union Conferences will be present. Members of the Northern Union Conference Committee will attend this meeting, so that the

bookmen will have the benefit of their counsel.

Lodging will be furnished by the South Dakota conference, providing information is sent in advance to the president, Elder J. W. Christian, Box 335, Parker, S. D.

# MANITOBA NOTICE

The fifth annual session of the Manitoba Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at the Northwestern Training School, Portage la Prairie, Manitoba, December 27-31. The first meeting will convene at seven o'clock on Friday evening.

At this session all the regular conference officers will be elected, including trustees for the legal part, and such other business will receive attention as may properly come before the delegates.

Each church is entitled to one delegate without respect to numbers, and one delegate to every seven members or fraction thereof. We hope also to see representatives from the various companies and isolated Sabbath-keepers. Let each church attend at once to the election of its delegates, and forward the credentials of the same to the conference secretary.

W. M. ADAMS, President.

## North Dakota

# WEST OF THE MISSOURI

On the morning of October 31 I started by team to visit some of the brethren and sisters west of the Missouri, and arrived at the home of Brother Joel Wings, at Hanover, on Friday evening following. It took me longer to make the trip than I expected, as I intended to cross the river at Mannhaven, but on getting to Underwood I learned that I could not cross at that point, and so I had to turn southeast to Washburn, where there is another ferry.

On Sabbath, November 2, I met with the little company in a schoolhouse midway between the four families of Sabbath-keepers there. After the meeting I went to Brother Henderson's, where I stayed till Monday morning, holding three meetings in that locality, two in Brother Henderson's and one in a neighbor's home. I found an interest to hear the message among the people there.

On Monday morning following I drove to Brother Fischer's and Brother Wiebe's, where I stayed till Tuesday morning. From Brother Fischer's I went to Glen Ullen, where I took the train for Beach. At that place there are four families of Sabbath-keepers. Brother Powers and Brother Johnstone, from Sioux Falls, S. D., now live at Beach, and Brother David Walde, from Mountain Lake, Minn, has lived near there for over three years. Brother and Sister Murray, recently from Wisconsin, are there also. I held two meeting with the little company, and enjoyed the presence of the Spirit of God at the services. This company is ready for organization, and I hope to see it effected

Friday morning, November 8, I took the train back to Glen Ullen, and drove from there to where Brother Fischer and Brother Wiebe live. The next day, which was the Sabbath, we met in the school house again and enjoyed a meeting together. The next day I spent with Brother Wing and family, and on Monday started for home. On arriving at Washburn I found that the ferry had been taken oft, and I had to drive to Mandau in order to get across the river, an extra drive of about seventyfive miles. On this trip I traveled about 280 miles by team and 240 by railroad.

I found the brethren and sisters of good courage, and while the weather was not always the most pleasant, this was offset by the kindness of those I met, and the thought that some good was being done.

J. G. WALKER.

# ANNOUNCEMENT FOR NORTH DAKOTA

The annual conference of the Seventh-day Adventists of North Dakota will be held at the Academy, Harvey, North Dakota, December 25-29, 1907.

We hope that elders of churches will see that delegates are appointed and the names of the same sent to Elder A. E. Doering, secretary of the conference. The ratio of representation is one delegate to represent the church, and one additional delegate for every ten members. The elder, by virtue of his office, is always a delegate.

We hope to see each of the churches fully represented, and all the delegates present for the first meeting at 7:30 P. M., Wednesday, December 25.

J. G. WALKER, President of Conference.

The annual meeting of the North Dakota Conference Association will be held in connection with the Seventh-day Adventist Conference at Harvey, North Dakota, December 25-29, 1907. The first meeting of the associawill be held Thursday, December 26, 1907, at 10 o'clock A. M.

All accredited delegates to the conference are members of the association and should be present at this meeting.

J. G. WALKER, Chairman of Board of Trustees.

## NOTICE

Since the present financial situation makes it impossible for our brethren and sisters to get the actual cash to send in as tithe, gifts, or in the payment of pledges, we wish to say that we will receive wheat checks and cashier's checks in payment of the same. Those who wish to pay their tithe or their pledges may send such checks to our treasurer, Mrs. A. H. Robinson, Fargo, N. D., box 285.

JOHN G. WALKER, President of Conference.

# A SPECIAL WORK

The first week in December has been appointed by the General Conference Committee as a time for all of our people in North America to devote themselves to the circulation of the World's Missions number of the Signs of the Times, and the Bible Reading series to follow it. We may not all be able to devote just that week to the work, but we can be in harmony with the effort in spirit and devote a week to it as soon as the papers that we order get to us. Without a doubt the World's Missions number will be the best special the Signs has ever gotten out, and will sell readily. The Bible Reading series that follows will be very interesting also, and we hope to see a grand work done in North Dakota this winter with this special series on the Third Angel's Message. I look for a great revival in missionary effort among us from this time onward. There is a growing conviction that we are on the eve of the time of distress, and a world is to be warned. I hope you will help in this effort and order a goodly number of the Missions special, and if you can, a club of the whole series that follows it. North Dakota has ordered a little over 1,000 copies already. It is not too much to say that we could circulate at least 10,000

copies if all would take hold willingly. The price of the Missions number is:—

Single copy, retail price\$	.10
25 to 75 copies, each	07
100 to 400 copies, each	05
500 copies and over, each	04
Five or more copies mailed direct	
to separate names and addresses,	

The club prices of the Bible Reading series, including the Missions number, is 5 copies, per wk., \$ 10; 25 weeks, \$ 2 50 10 " 20: " 5 00 .. .. 15 " 30; " 11 7 50 11 11 20 11 40; " 66 10 00 25 11 50; \*\* 12 50

The Testimonies state that "The circulation of our papers is doing even a greater work than the living preacher can do." It is true that the Signs house to house workers are meeting with remarkable success, and some are selling as many as 400 copies per week. A short time ago there were between fifty and sixty engaged in this work.

I have seen many testimonials, and in nearly all it is admitted that the special Missions number, and the Bible Reading series that follows it, presents one of the most effective means of spreading the Third Angel's Message ever yet planned. Some of the tract societies are ordering large numbers, and the schools are taking hold of it in a very energetic way. Union College has ordered 3,000 copies, and aside from this the College View church has ordered 11,000 copies. The Pacific Union College has ordered 1,750 copies.

Now I very much desire that all our brethren and sisters in North Dakota now take hold of this work and devote at least a week to the circulation of the Missions special, or better than that, take a large club of the series and circulate them weekly as they come.

I trust that you will each do your part, and may the Lord

bless you in your labor of love in your own homes, in your own neighborhood, and wherever you go. Order of Mrs. A. H. Robinson, Fargo, N. D.

J. G. WALKER.

# NOTICE

The auditing committee will meet at the Academy, Harvey, N. D., Tuesday, December 24, at 9 o'clock, A. M. All of the laborers of the North Dakota Conference are requested to have their annual reports ready before that time so that the work of the board will not be delayed. Send reports to me at Harvey, care of the academy. J. G. Walker.

# Minnesota

# MAPLEWOOD ACADEMY

We began our work September 18, with an enrolment of forty-six during the first week. Our attendance has increased until it is now eighty-seven. The seating capacity of both the chapel and dining room is being crowded to its utmost, and there are still others coming.

The grade of the school is becoming higher little by little. The number of seventh grade students in attendance is less, in proportion to the entire number, than ever before; while the number of tenth grade students is larger. A desire for study seems to pervade the entire student body.

Better facilities for work have been provided by the addition to the library of a series of books on lives of missionaries and kindred topics, and by the purchase of a globe and much-needed maps. Considerable help is expected from the line of apparatus for the work in physics.

The lecture course, which was

#### THE BOOK WORK

SOUTH DAKOTA-WEEK ENDING NOV. 23

Name	Book	Hrs	Ords	Valu	ie   Helps	Total	De	el'd
C. D. Terwillegar	G. C.	2					5	00
W. H. Twining	H. M.	44					91	35
Lusebia Nott	H. M.	29	14	24 50	8 00	32 50		
Totals, 3 agen	its	75	14	\$24 50	\$8 00	\$32 50	\$96	35
N.	MINNESOTA	- WE	EK EN	DING NO	ov. 23			
*Eddie Grimstad	Н. М.						31	40
Totals, 1 agen	t						\$31	40
U. C. Totals 4 a	agents	75	14	\$24 50	\$8 00	\$32 50	\$127	75

begun last year, is being followed up this year. Elder Alway has given two lectures on Mormonism, and one on Woman's Influence. Doctor Hawkins gave one on Health Topics, and Elder Granger one on Evolution. These have been much appreciated.

We are planning for a literary program to be given each month by the students. We have already enjoyed two. These, with an occasional social evening, will occupy most of our Sunday evenings.

Two mission bands have been organized, meeting Friday evenings; we expect much help in a spiritual way from these. The interest in our Wednesday evening prayer meetings and Sabbath services is good.

More than half the students have volunteered for work in selling the special Signs. The neighboring towns and the country in the immediate vicinity of the academy will be thoroughly canvassed. We thank the Lord that he is turning the hearts of many toward him, and inspiring us with a desire to be among those who will carry the gospel to the world in this generation.

CAROLINE HOPKINS.

## WINONA

We are very thankful to our God and to the conference that we are placed where we are. We believe the Lord will bless our German work once more. As we have gone out with the Bible Teacher to the people, we have found some souls hungrying for the truth, and some who were really in need of help.

A well-to-do gentleman asked me into his home, which is a fine, modern dwelling, and began to inquire about our religious belief. He had some knowledge of our methods of treating disease and of our sanitariums. He said that he respected our people. He invited me to come again some evening, and have a longer talk.

There are two other places open for Bible readings, and we have now about one hundred and eighty readers for the Family Bible Teacher, for which we are very thankful. Sister Graf is with us, and is very good help in this work. Our company is very harmonious, and we enjoy our work together. Several books have been sold, and quite a goodly number of papers. We sold one hundred Signs of the Times while we were working with the Bible Teacher.

Brethren and sisters, we ask that you will pray for us and for the work that is being conducted in Winona. In a week the meeting of German workers is to be held at Chicago. May this meeting be a blessing to the work among this people, and may it draw us nearer together, so that, while we work among different nationalities, we may not have the national spirit, but the spirit of the Lord in all our work.

ABRAM D. EWERT.

# DULUTH

After spending four months among the churches of Minnesota in the interest of the church building fund, I arrived at Duluth October 29. I was glad enough to get home again, although my trip this summer has been filled with many pleasant experiences, some of which will long be remembered.

It may be of interest to the readers of the REAPER to know that the money that has been raised by Elder Detamore and myself, together with what was raised at camp meeting, and what has come in from the sale of churches, amounts in cash and pledges to something over \$2,500. This looks encouraging, but we need the rest of the \$3,000 as much as we have needed the \$2,500 already raised. May we not expect that those who have not yet given to this fund, also those who when giving promised to do more later if possible, will take hold at once and make up the amount needed, that the work of establishing memorials for God in these large cities may be no longer delayed. "Intensity is taking hold of every earthly element." This condition, as pointed out by the Spirit of Prophecy, is strikingly manifest at the present time, and especially in our large cities. People are waiting with almost bated breath to know the outcome of the present financial crisis. Soon the crash will come, and suffering and distress will be seen on every hand. Do these acts not em-

phasize the importance of quick and decided action just now on the part of the people of God?

It was somewhat of a disapapointment to the brethren and sisters at Duluth when they were told that the money could not all be raised in time to build our church this fall, and that work on the building could not be started before spring. In making this statement we trust that no one will think they need now be in no hurry to send in their money, for we are anxious to get the money in as early as possible, that the work may not be hindered when spring opens. The disappointment was more keen from the fact that during the summer members of the church in this city have distributed many sets of the Family Bible Teacher in the vicinity of the church lot, thinking that by this means an interest might be created for meetings in the church this winter. But while we are disappointed we are not discouraged, and shall do the best we can to care for the present interest and continue to sow the seed.

The first thing that demanded my attention upon my return to Duluth was the care of my household goods, as I had given up my old quarters when I left here in the summer. We are now comfortably settled in our new home at 515 Eighth avenue E., only two blocks from the site of our church.

Prospects for the winter's work are encouraging, and I take up the work again with a longing for a large measure of the Spirit of God to equip me tor service. We have ordered 150 copies of the Missions special Signs, and are expecting to use a number of sets of the Bible Reading series. We desire the prayers of God's people that he will bless our ef-

forts this winter and give us souls for his eternal kingdom.

C. M. BABCOCK.

#### MINNESOTA NOTES

In the last issue of the REAPER it was stated that Brother A. V. Olson had been working in connection with the meetings at Thief River Falls. This should have read Alexandria. The remainder of the item related to Alexandria also, with the exception of that part in which Elder Christian's name was mentioned.

Sabbath school quarterlies for the first quarter of 1908 are in stock at the tract society office, and the secretary will be pleased to fill all orders sent in,

Miss Frances Kennedy has connected with the work in Minneapolis and is doing Bible work under the direction of Elder Granger.

The book, "Studies in Gospel History," by Prosessor M. E. Kern, the stock of which was destroyed in the College View fire, is being republished by the Pacific Press. The price will be \$1.00, postpaid. They will be ready to fill mail or express orders by December 15, no Providence preventing.

#### OBITUARY

Kozel—Died at Spartanburg, S. C., November 2, 1907, of diptheria, Dora, daughter of Frank and Mamie Kozel, aged 10 years, 4 months, and 24 days. Dora's sweetness of disposition, and her sincere trust and repentance, were especially manifest during her brief illness. Innocent of the breath of the grim enemy, she offered a simple, earnest prayer a few moments before she died, which strengthens and comforts those who mourn. Prayer was offered beside the grave by Wm. C. Rahn.

WANTED-Girl; a Sabbath-keeper, to do general housework, Write to Mrs. J. S. Jacobson, St. Peter, Minn.

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Sun sets Friday, Nov. 29, at 4:33.

THE week of prayer begins Sabbath, December 14. special readings provided for this period were published in the Review of November 21. A copy of this issue should be in every Seventh-day Adventist home. If extra copies are needed they may be obtained from the state tract society. All of the Adventist people should be making preparation to take part in the services of this week, and to have a part in the blessings which will surely come to those who are willing to receive them. Business should be laid aside as far as possible, and a portion of the time devoted to visiting the sick and distressed ones of the household of God. The readings should be studied in the homes, and the people should assemble for a public reading, prayer and praise service wherever it can conveniently be done. This will be a time of consecration for all of the people, as it is emphasized that our cause has never been in greater need of men and means than it

is at the present time. A good, liberal offering at this time will temporarily relieve the financial pressure. "Ask for the choicest of heaven's blessings—the forgiveness of sins and the gift of righteousness—and as evidences of appreciation give both thanks and freewill offerings."

THE winter term at Union College begins Wednesday, December 11. Classes will start in geography, civil government, elocution, public speaking, business correspondence, elementary physiology, hydrotherapy, analytical geometry, and New Testament Epistles. In bookkeeping, typewriting, and music students do individual work, beginning at one time as well as another. In addition, the entire program of regular classes running through the year is open for the selection of studies, and so many subjects are offered in so many grades that we are able to find work adapted to the needs of all who come. This fact, together with our large attendance, makes it inadvisable to attempt to hold the special course announced in the last calendar. Our school homes are full, but there are plenty of good rooms in the village nearby. The new power house is nearly finished, and we are receiving heat, light, and water from our own plant. Union College is doing excellent work in all departments, and a good spirit prevails.

THE call for the \$150,000 fund has now begun to sound like an old story, and in these rapid times old things pass out of mind very quickly. Many of those who gave to the \$100,000 fund would now have difficulty in recalling how much they gave, or what the money was given for,

If a vigorous effort were made now by the Seventh-day Adventist people of the United States the remainder of the \$150,000 fund would be raised before January 1, 1908, and then we would be ready to give our attention to other important phases of this great work.

BROTHER W. L. MANFULL, the Northern Union Conference Canvassing Agent, is working with Brother Fry, Minnesota's canvassing agent, in visiting the churches in that state, with the intent of arousing a general interest in the book work. Brother Manful and Brother Fry are arranging for a canvassers' institute to be held in Minneapolis after the first of the year, and it is hoped there will be a hearty response to the invitation to be given by these canvassing leaders to men and women to connect with this branch of the work.

THE Atlantic Union Conference at its biennial meeting, held recently, was divided. East Pennsylvania, West Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia conferences were cut off from the Atlantic Union, and, with the Ohio conference, which was taken from the Lake Union, were organized into a new union and given the name of Columbia. Elder W. J. Fitzgerald, of Philadelphia, Pa., was elected president of the new Columbia Union Conference, and Elder H. H. Burkholder, of Ohio, was chosen as vice president.

THE December Sabbath School Worker contains test questions for the junior division for the fourth quarter of 1907, and the intermediate and primary divisions from April to December, 1907.