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

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"MY FATHER KNOWETH"

Precious thought, my Father knoweth,
In his love I rest;
For whate'er my Father doeth
Must be always best.
Well I know the heart that planneth
Naught but good for me;
Joy and sorrow interwoven,
Love in all I see.

Sweet to tell him all he knoweth,
Roll on him the care,
Cast upon himself the burden
That I cannot bear.
Then without a care oppressing,
Simply to lie still,
Giving thanks to him for all things,
Since it is his will.

Oh, to trust him then more fully!
Just to simply move
In the conscious, calm enjoyment
Of the Father's love.
Knowing that life's checkered pathway
Leadeth to his rest,
Satisfied the way he taketh
Must be always best. —Sel.

A NEEDEY CALL

No doubt every reader of the REAPER has been following with much interest the articles which are appearing in the *Review* concerning a recent trip that was made among the Tamil Sabbath-keepers of Tinnevely, South India, by Elders Shaw, Enoch and myself. I shall not attempt to repeat here the details of our visit.

It is impossible at this great distance to make you know how we felt as we mingled with those

people, over a thousand in number, for nearly two weeks, and learned by personal contact their needs and desires. For over fifteen years these people have been anxiously looking for some one to come from beyond the seas to help them in their struggle for the truth. Now that we have come in touch with them, they have offered us a very strong inducement to come among them, to take charge of their schools and preach our doctrines in their churches. They feel that we have the truth, and whatever of error they have been holding to in their organization of the past they are willing to give up if we teach them the truth from the Bible.

As we take up our work among these people we are confronted with a serious difficulty at the very start. We cannot do very much toward giving them instruction in the truth without some literature in their own tongue. We have no fund with which to defray expenses of translating and printing. Four tracts have been prepared in their own language up to this time, but the needs of these people call for a class of literature of a more extended nature than is generally found in the space covered in our tracts. These Tamil Sabbath-keepers are well

versed in the Bible, and are able to appreciate a class of literature that would be useless to the ordinary native Christian. When we were among them holding Bible readings on various phases of the truth, we were astonished to see how carefully and logically they followed us in all our arguments, and if at any time they thought they found a weak place in our reasoning they were quick to take it up and examine it with the carefulness of detail that would do credit to many of our workers. While they hold many points of truth in common with us, still they have much error mixed with it that will have to be eradicated by careful reading and teaching.

But I would not have you think that the needs of our Tamil literature is confined to these people. Southern India has 16,000,000 Tamil speaking people alone, to say nothing of the 20,000,000 Telugus, the 10,000,000 Kanarese and the 6,000,000 Malayalam, all of whom speak languages similar to the Tamil. This message is to go to every kindred, nation, tongue and people; but aside from the Tamil, there is not a single page of our literature translated for this vast multitude of people to read, nor is there a single worker making preparation to go among them.

Among the Tamil Sabbath-keepers are a number of young men who are anxious for an education, and who are willing to be trained to carry this truth to their own people. When we consider the question of literature for these people, we are considering their good in more ways than one. We not only teach them the truth, but we educate them to use it for the good of others, and at the same time furnish them with a means to earn a livelihood while they carry the truth to a class of people whom we will never be able to reach. Surely this is a call that demands immediate and definite action on our part.

Elder G. F. Enoch and family have recently joined us in laboring for these people, and have already begun the study of the language. Before they came our nearest colaborer was 1,300 miles away; so you may be sure we felt thankful for someone to join us. We are thinking of moving to Tinnevely soon to enter upon our work among these people. This takes us into the very hottest part of India, surrounded by many trying conditions that our brethren at home have little knowledge of. But we do not complain. We are only glad that God has led us here to labor in his cause; and while we are here the best we have shall be given to him, and he in return will bless us. We ask you to remember us in your prayers.

J. S. JAMES.

CANVASSERS' INSTITUTES

A little sketch of the work of the canvassers' institutes in the Northern Union may be of interest to the readers of the REAPER. The first one was held in Iowa January 17-February 11. There were eight students in at-

tendance. This is not a large number, but it was an earnest, bright class. Following this was the one in Minneapolis, February 17-March 3; South Dakota March 11-25, and the last one of the series is now on at Harvey, N. D. In all these gatherings we have had considerable talent. I think a good proportion of those in attendance have been men and women of mature years and of settled habits of life. We do not wish it to be inferred from this that the younger men and women are not wanted; but I believe that many of our brethren of more experience should be considering the great opportunities the canvassing work offers to them to have a part in the fast-closing message.

We will have, from each of our schools, ten to fifteen students who are planning to enter the book work this summer. Then from forty to fifty students will come from Union College to the Northern Union field. These, with those who have been unable to attend institutes of any kind, but who are still arranging to enter the field with us, will make a corps of about one hundred and twenty-five canvassing in the Northern Union field. This will be a large company, and if we go forth in the spirit of the Master, inspired with the greatness of the work and the sacredness of the cause, what will not the Lord do for us?

W. L. MANFULL.

✿ From the Field ✿

North Dakota

Since our good union conference meeting I have visited Hankinson for a few days. As the

weather was rather stormy we could hold but few meetings, and there was but a small attendance; but we trust the meetings have been a source of encouragement to the few believers.

We next went to the academy at Harvey, where we spent several days looking after some committee work and correspondence which had accumulated. Our long-looked-for cook has finally come, and is appreciated by all. Sunday, March 22, I was called to preach a funeral sermon at Brother Sulzle's, near Harvey. Brother Sulzle and wife went to South Dakota to visit their daughter, and on returning they brought their grandchild, a girl of three years, with them. Two weeks after their return the child was dead. Circumstances prevented the mother from being present at the funeral, and the child's grandparents, who live in California, but who were in North Dakota on a visit, saw the child for the first time after it was dead. May this sad event cause all of these friends to live so near to God that at his coming we may have part in that grand reunion of the saints.

From Harvey we drove over to the Lincoln church, where we stayed a few days. The Lord came very near by his spirit. On Sabbath the Lord spake to his people and they responded. We have reason to believe that during this short visit some good has been done.

On the following Sunday we drove over to a neighborhood where one lone brother and his family live. This brother has been letting his light shine and, as a result, quite an awakening has taken place. One sister gave her heart to the Lord and accepted the offered pardon. We had two meetings that day, and at each the house was crowded

to the utmost with attentive listeners. Brother C. Leer and Brother C. C. Reiswig are holding meetings, and we hope to soon hear more good news. There are at least eight calls for meetings, besides the help that our churches need, so there is plenty of work for all. I am now at Morden, Man., preparing to move my family to North Dakota.

C. J. KUNKEL.

HARVEY

According to announcement our canvassers' institute opened on Tuesday, March 17. All is going nicely. We are glad indeed to see so many studying the truth-filled books. We have three classes, numbering sixteen persons in all. It does our hearts good to rehearse and study the gospel truths which distinguish God's people among the millions of earth, and especially do we rejoice in the fact that our Father has chosen his earthly children to join him in the great work he has to do.

Our Saviour set us a good example. It is recorded in John 4 that Jesus went about doing good, and the same is the work of the God-fearing, soul-loving canvasser. Would to God that every Seventh-day Adventist in the world who does not have the canvassing fever would catch it. This is not to say that I would wish every one to go into the canvassing work. That would be unreasonable; the world would certainly call us all vagabonds then, while as it is, only a portion (a favored few) of us receive that name. Rejoice and be exceeding glad. Why? Because of this blessed hope—"Great is your reward in heaven."

Now, brethren, let us ask God to give each of us a revival of the missionary spirit, that burn-

ing, holy zeal for the advancement of present truth, and with it that true desire and longing for the advent of our dear Saviour. Duty faithfully discharged is our only safety and satisfaction. W. B. PAYNE.

South Dakota

MEDICAL MISSIONARY WORK

During the past two years the scope of the medical missionary work has been greatly enlarged in our conference. Nearly two years ago Dr. C. P. Farnsworth came to South Dakota to look up a location on which to build a sanitarium. After looking over the state, he determined that the city of Chamberlain was the best place for this purpose. Plans were formulated for the building, and the work began at once. September 11 of last year the sanitarium was dedicated and formerly opened.

From the very first a good patronage has been enjoyed, with good results in every way. While this institution is strictly private, we find the doctors in charge very anxious to co-operate with the conference in training the youth of our state, as well as others who may come to this institution for training in medical missionary work.

At the present time the president of the conference, and another member of the conference committee, chosen by the conference, are members of the managing board of the sanitarium as advisory members. Elder Clark is acting as chaplain of the sanitarium. During the eight months which have elapsed since the sanitarium opened, about three hundred persons have received medical attention.

One pleasing feature of this work is that the principles of the Third Angel's Message are thoroughly believed and taught. An excellent class of young people are receiving training in the institution, whose only aim professedly is to have a part in carrying the message of truth to all the world in this generation. Thus far six persons have taken their stand for the truth, and while they have left the sanitarium as patients, they are kept in touch with by regular correspondence, and we are glad to know that their interest in the truth is increasing.

Besides the work of the sanitarium, we have treatment rooms under the direction of Brother Jewell at Mitchell, and under the direction of Brother S. H. Logan at Aberdeen. At Sioux Falls treatment rooms have recently been opened, with Brother and Sister Babcock in charge. All of these branch institutions are doing a good work, and are sowing the seeds of truth.—*Report to Northern Union Conference.*

THE CANVASSERS' INSTITUTE

The canvassers' institute at Sioux Falls, though not as largely attended by canvassers as was desired, considering the importance of this line of work, was attended by the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit, who is no respecter of persons.

The work of the institute was heartily entered into, and the canvasses memorized. Book studies were conducted by Brother Manfull and Brother Miller, and these resulted in giving us a much better understanding of the "Controversy," and some of the cardinal points of our faith. We were joined several times at the Bible study

hour by resident members, and we had some very interesting and instructive studies together. The ringing testimonies and earnest prayers showed a deep interest on the part of each one to become more proficient, "a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

A number of persons will enter the canvassing work in South Dakota who could not be present at the institute; and yet there is room for more. May the Lord lay a heavy burden on the hearts of those who should be in his work, is the prayer of the writer.

C. W. RUBENDALL.

Minnesota

ST. PAUL AND DULUTH CHURCHES

As most of our readers are aware the brethren at Duluth purchased a lot last summer for \$850, and this winter they have been building a church. They are now about ready to plaster the building. I believe they estimate that the building will cost something over \$3,000 when completed, aside from the main part of the work.

In St. Paul it has seemed impossible to get a suitable lot for less than \$1,500. This the brethren did not feel free to pay. Just following the union conference meeting the conference committee was called to St. Paul by Elder Detamore to consider what seemed a providential opening to secure a church home for our people at that place. The committee reported favorably and, the church seeing the matter in the same light, the property was secured at \$3,600. It is nicely situated, and will do credit to the cause.

Doubtless all who attended the

camp meeting last year will remember that it was voted to assist our brethren located in the above-named cities in securing a church building. To date \$2,100 has been received on this fund, including \$350 which was on hand from the sale of churches. This leaves \$900 still unprovided for. Part of this has been pledged. Now if it is convenient for those who have pledged to remit soon, they will thereby confer a great favor on those who are wrestling with the settling of the bills. There are no doubt others who have not yet contributed to this fund who can help just a little at this time. All funds should be sent to our conference treasurer, Box 989, Minneapolis, Minn. Brother Detamore will describe the property more fully.

S. E. JACKSON.

THE ST. PAUL CHURCH

No doubt all will be glad to know what is being done in St. Paul regarding the church building. Last fall I felt anxious to secure a lot, get the excavating done and foundation put in so that we might start to build early in the spring; but in this I was disappointed. The work of raising the money took so much time that winter set in before I could get back to St. Paul to stay. I returned about January 1, and, after locating, began at once to look for a lot. It seemed impossible to find what we wanted within the reach of our limited means. Single lots ranged in price from \$1,200 to \$2,000. I continued searching until time for the union conference meeting, and became convinced that we would have to pay more than we had intended.

About this time a real estate agent, whom I was consulting,

informed me that the First Church of Christian Scientists were intending to build a large, modern church, and he thought it possible that they might sell their old one. I consulted with these people, but they said they would not build for a year or more, and would have to keep their old church until the new one was ready for use. Reluctantly we gave up hope of getting it, for it is located in the very best section of St. Paul.

A week or two passed, and then I received word from the real estate agent that the Christian Science people had decided to move from the church at once, having outgrown it, and that it was for sale. We then looked over the building, and found it in excellent repair outside and inside. About \$400 had been recently expended in repairing and decorating it. There was no foundation under it and it was not seated, the chairs having been removed. It is 33 x 72 feet inside. Folding doors are placed so that the building can be divided, cutting off a room 15 x 33 feet, leaving the main auditorium 33 x 55 feet, just the size we need. It is heated by a good furnace; gas fixtures are all in ready for lighting, and a good carpet covers the whole room.

The two lots front 120 feet on Holly avenue; a most desirable frontage, and are 80 feet deep on St. Albans street. The lots alone are valued at \$3,000. The price first asked was \$4,500, then \$4,200, then \$4,000, and then down until we closed the bargain at \$3,600. Many who know the value of the property wonder how we got it at that figure. We believe God wanted us to possess it.

We are to pay \$2,600 down inside of thirty days. Our people in St. Paul are doing their best.

We have about \$1,000 in cash now. The conference is to give one-half of the \$3,000 voted to St. Paul and Duluth, but only about \$2,100 of this has come in as yet. If the balance, \$900, can be sent in at once we shall be able to make our payments. Then we shall have to raise money here in St. Paul for seating, etc. The conference committee looked at the property and advised us to purchase it. The St. Paul church stands as a unit regarding it.

Will not those who have pledged to this worthy enterprise now come forward with the money? May we not expect others who "never pledge" to send in cash at once? Dear brethren, the needs are imperative. We beg for prompt action. We pledge ourselves to do all in our power to advance the work. Send all money to C. M. Everest, Box 989, Minneapolis, Minn.

F. A. DETAMORE.

NOKAY LAKE

No doubt you will be interested in the work I have been doing since Christmas. I received an urgent invitation from the young people of our country neighborhood to help with their Christmas program, which I did, bearing in mind the Saviour's words, "Be ye wise as serpents and harmless as doves." My effort was very gratifying, and had a very pleasing effect upon the whole neighborhood. The sequel was that at the close of the entertainment I appointed a meeting for the next Sunday evening, the subject being "Christ the Light of the World." The house was full that evening, and I have kept up the Sunday evening meetings since, with the exception of a period of three weeks, when I gave way to two

evangelists who desired the schoolhouse for revival meetings. We have a nice school and a good organ. A young lady, a member of the Methodist church, has played each evening, and four or five of the best singers have helped us with the music, the congregation all joining in. The leading man in the Methodist church has been present at each meeting, with the exception of one, and has rendered valuable assistance.

The people have come from two to five miles, filling the house each evening, and on two occasions several persons had to stand. I presented Sabbath observance strongly but kindly, without any falling off in attendance afterward. One evening I spoke on "Health and Temperance," and since then four persons told me they had not tasted tea nor coffee, after hearing me, nor did they intend to. Two of these are about sixty years old. How many others were helped I do not know, but I was told that some remarked that it was the best lecture they had ever heard on temperance. I tell you, brethren, these truths are the best there are, and for this let us give God the praise.

I commenced these meetings with trembling, realizing my insufficiency, and knowing that the minister of the church was only able to bring out ten or fifteen persons each Sunday. I have been the only Sabbath-keeper in the house from first to last, but the dear Saviour has helped, and stood by me.

A very good impression has been made among the people. We have had the best of order and attention, and the greatest respect has been manifested toward me all through the meetings. I closed the meetings last Sunday evening, being obliged

to discontinue them on account of failing health. There was a full house. What the result will be the judgment alone will reveal. But I know that while studying God's Word, and imbibing these precious truths, so as to be able to present them to others, my soul has been watered by the dew of divine grace, and a new impetus has taken hold of me to live these truths day by day, even though I have not the health to present them to others.

During these meetings I have given out thirty-eight papers, twenty-five *Life Boats* and 1,460 pages of tracts, praying and trusting that when my words have been forgotten, these silent messengers will be read, as the writers were better able to present the truth. MRS. MARIA MEAD.

ST. CLOUD

After the good conference meeting held at Minneapolis, I returned to St. Cloud to resume my work. Although it is going hard, some results are being seen. A Baptist revivalist from St. Paul is here at work and is causing quite a stir. I went to hear him twice and found that he taught many good things. He seemed to be very zealous in advocating the study of the Bible; also in living up to what it teaches. He also spoke of the binding claims of the law.

Not having a favorable opportunity to talk with him, I wrote to him calling his attention to the fourth commandment and its binding claims upon all Christians. To my surprise I received a letter from him in reply, stating that the Adventist people had kept him well supplied with reading matter on the Sabbath question. Yet he goes right on teaching the observance of the first day of the week. When the test is applied a man's colors are

soon shown. I asked him, in my letter, to give me some Bible authority for keeping Sunday, but was merely referred to the teachings of the early church fathers. He offered many reasons to support the theory that the seventh-day Sabbath is not obligatory upon Christians to-day. To this I have just written an answer, and am now waiting for further developments. I never was more thankful for the plain truths of the Bible than I am to-day. When we see people in such darkness and blinded by error, how good it is to have a "thus saith the Lord" for our position.

GEO. L. BUDD.

MINNEAPOLIS

The work among the Scandinavians in this city, where Elder Steen and the writer are working, is making some progress and we find here and there persons who are becoming interested by reading our literature or from attending the meetings. Last Sunday evening, in the baptistry of the church, baptism was administered to three adults, of whom two were man and wife. The audience, which gave close attention, was larger than could be accommodated with seats.

The new electric light is quite a pleasing feature, and is a contrast to the dim kerosene lamps formerly used. We are of good courage in the Lord's work.

FRED JOHNSON.

MINNESOTA NOTES

Brother A. R. Elsmore, deacon of the Minneapolis (English) church, died in St. Barnabas Hospital, in this city, Wednesday, April 1, aged 37 years, 5 months, 11 days. Having suffered from hernia for a long time, Brother Elsmore decided to undergo an operation in order to

THE BOOK WORK						
MINNESOTA—WEEK ENDING MAR. 28						
Name		Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total
G. E. Nelson	C. K.		16	\$24 00		
Elmer W. Pruett	G. C.	45	10	32 50	\$3 00	\$35 50
Richard Burdick	G. C.	26	1	2 75		
Totals,		71	27	\$55 25	\$3 00	\$35 50

be relieved from the continual suffering caused by his condition. When the surgeon made the incision he was surprised to find that there were complications which placed the life of the patient in great danger. Everything that lay in the power of the surgeon was done for Brother Elsmore. When it was seen that the condition was critical, the pastor and elders of the church were called to the hospital and, after anointing the afflicted one, prayer was offered for his healing. The patient was seen to be failing, became unconscious, and finally fell asleep early Wednesday morning. Brother Elsmore leaves a wife and five small children to mourn him. The funeral service was conducted by Elder A. W. Kuehl in the Minneapolis church Friday afternoon.

A Sabbath school was organized at Zumbro Falls, March 25, at the home of Brother J. W. Stull. The school is composed of the families of Brethren Stull, Boyce and Pierce.

Everyone will be interested to know that each member of the academy faculty has consented to remain with the institution another year.

A bright, intelligent baby may be had for adoption by addressing Mrs. L. J. Van Doren, 2919 Fourth avenue S., Minneapolis.

The Year Book for 1908 is in stock at the Minnesota Tract Society. Price 25 cents.

NOTICE!

In selecting delegates to the

annual conference it should be remembered that church elders are delegates ex officio. Kindly remember this and do not number the elders among those elected.

S. E. JACKSON.

SOME RESULTS OF MISSIONARY EFFORT.

Soon after the Indian massacre in 1862 in Minnesota, the government removed the Indians to Dakota, and opened up their reservation for settlement. A colony of Danish people from the State of Wisconsin occupied a part of the land that had thus been opened up to the public, and soon the surface of the broad prairies was dotted by numerous claim shanties. A woman who resided in one of these pioneer homes, by means of reading her Bible, learned that the seventh day of the week is the Sabbath of the Lord, and immediately began keeping it. The remainder of the colony, her friends and neighbors, made sport of what to them seemed strange religious views, but by this she was not disturbed. She kept the Sabbath faithfully, and after a time Elder J. G. Matteson of Wisconsin heard of this colony and also of the one who had accepted the Sabbath. He visited this community of pioneer settlers, and held a series of meetings; as a result nearly the whole colony embraced the truth. From this company and their descendants have been sent out ministers, missionaries and canvassers to various parts of the great harvest field. One young lady and her husband were sent to the dark-

ened continent of Africa as missionaries. This incident will serve to illustrate how greatly God will bless the honest searcher after truth who will conscientiously study his Word as a foundation for the Christian's faith.

A NAVY SPECIAL.

The publishers of the *Signs of the Times* will issue a special Naval number of that journal, dated May 13, one week after the great battle-ship fleet is expected to enter the harbor at San Francisco. A great demonstration is to be made on the Pacific coast on this occasion and thousands of people will be gathered into the city. This will present another grand opportunity to get the truth before the people, and this will be taken advantage of by the publishers, who will issue a beautifully illustrated special having a number of fine specially prepared half-tone engravings. The whole paper—sixteen pages and cover—will be filled with live articles on the great themes of the gospel, written with a view not only to interest the reader, but to save souls. Special articles will be presented on "God's Call to Service," "The Signs of the Times," and "The Law of God." Bible readings on important topics will be given. The Outlook Department will be especially illustrated. Statistics will be given of the navies of the world, showing their wonderful growth within the last few years and what it means to the world. The usual prices for special numbers will prevail.

INTERESTING FACTS.

Prof. Pawlow, in far-away St. Petersburg, Russia, is one of the most remarkable investigators of modern times.

He made the interesting discovery that it is the taste of the food

in the mouth that calls out the most important gastric juice in the stomach, thereby emphasizing the great importance of having food prepared in a palatable manner and masticating it so thoroughly as to taste every particle of it.

He found out that each food called out its own kind of gastric juice. This means that the fewer foods that are eaten at the same meal, the more likely they are to be properly digested.

He observed that if food which is ordinarily enjoyed is eaten when in a bad state of mind, there is practically no gastric juice poured out. This shows the physiological necessity of eating our bread with gladness of heart and to rejoice always, and at least at meal times.

He found out that when food is eaten with the mind distracted with other things, it interferes markedly with digestion. This explains why the care-worn business man who sits down and studies the market reports while he is eating has to take "drops" after dinner to stir up his stomach.

He observed that the very sight of good food tended to stimulate the production of gastric juice. This shows the physiological importance of having the food prepared in an inviting way, clean table linen, spotless dishes, not only when there is company but every day.—Life Boat.

We take pleasure in commending to our readers two new and beautiful songs entitled, "Mercy's Final Call" and "Joyful News." These songs contain a stirring exhortation to make speedy preparation for the soon coming of our blessed Lord. The publisher is an evangelical singer in feeble health; and the author of these songs have given them to the publisher, Bro. Chas. P. Whitford, to assist him in his declining years. Price, 25 cents for

the two. Address Chas. P. Whitford, Orlando, Florida.

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OBITUARY

WARD.—Died at Stanley, N. D. March 15, 1908, Juno May Ward, nee Fowler, aged 32 years, 4 months and 3 days. At the age of fifteen she became a member of the Presbyterian church, and two years later of the Seventh-day Adventist, of which church she remained a faithful member. In 1895 she was married to Frank Ward. The union was blessed with five children, who with the bereaved husband, mother, one brother and one sister mourn their loss. But they sorrow not as do others who have no hope, knowing that she died with the full assurance of having part in the first resurrection. She was fully resigned to the Lord's will during her long and painful sickness, and bore all suffering without complaint, even to the very last being mindful of others' needs. Words of comfort were spoken to quite a large audience at the Presbyterian church at Stanley by the writer from Heb. 6:18, 19 and other Scriptures.

F. G. SPECHT.

WEEKS.—Died at the hospital at Battleford, Sask., Feb. 3, 1908, Brother Ernest L. Weeks. He was born near Rochester, Minn., April 9, 1874. On March 19, 1902, he was united in marriage to Miss Jennie Vinnard, of Bradley, near which place they resided until the spring of 1906, when they removed to Canada. In the summer of 1905 Brother Weeks had a stroke of paralysis and never recovered the use of his lower limbs, though his general health seemed good until October, 1907, when it could be seen that he was failing. That dread disease, consumption, had gained a foothold and he failed rapidly. His faith in the Message remained firm through his sufferings, which he bore patiently. Besides his wife and two little boys, he leaves to mourn their loss a father, mother and brothers and sisters. He was laid to rest Feb. 9, with the hope of a part in the first resurrection. Rev. Mr. MacDonald (Church of England) conducted the funeral services.

W. B. VINNARD.

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THE April number of *Life and Health* is principally a Mothers' Number. The articles contained in the Household, Mothers' and Home Treatment Departments pertain entirely to the home. These articles discuss the privileges and responsibilities of parents, and deal with many practical questions in the relation of the mother to her child. This number contains so many good things that it would be impossible to mention them in a short announcement; but the home that does not have this number of *Life and Health* will miss much.

WRITING of the proposed consolidation of the efforts of the Catholics and Protestants for the advancement of the work in China, a prominent English statesman says: "There is among Protestants in China every desire for co-operation, if not union.

Certainly if the conquest for China demands more solidarity in the the national political movement, so the conquest of China for Christianity also demands substantial solidarity in the international religious movement."

AT the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Lawrie, in Minneapolis, on Thursday, March 26, William Joel Maxson and Ella Louise Stirman were united in marriage. After a short wedding tour Mr. and Mrs. Maxson will be at home to their friends at 336 Twenty-seventh street, E., Minneapolis. We wish these dear friends all the joy and blessing God has in store for them. Brother Maxson is in charge of the printing department of the REAPER.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT received an influential committee of Sunday law advocates on March 23, and was strongly urged by them to assist in bringing about a stricter observance of Sunday in the District of Columbia. The press report of the visit says that President Roosevelt placed himself on record as an ardent sympathizer with the movement for a more strict observance of the Sabbath (Sunday), but did not deem it desirable to return to the Puritan sabbath.

BROTHER W. L. MANFULL was called March 23 to Nevada, Mo., to counsel with Brethren Russell, Hall, Cochran, Bellah, Limerick and Surber over the canvassing situation in College View. Nearly two hundred students have expressed a desire to enter the field for the sale of our literature. To lay plans for the institute, and to make use of every facility that may contribute to the success of these students as they enter the field, this council was called.

THE new tract, "Prohibition and Sunday Legislation," should have a wide circulation in those states in which the temperance issue is now being raised. This tract places Seventh-day Adventists in the right light before the people. The price is only one cent. Order from the tract society.

THE first issue of the *South Dakota Health Journal* has come to this office. The journal is published in the interest of the work being done at the Chamberlain Sanitarium, at Chamberlain, South Dakota. This new publication contains twenty pages and cover, and is replete with information pertaining to healthful life.

ELDERS C. L. BENSON and W. W. Ruble are holding a series of meetings with the church at Dodge Center. They report a very encouraging experience, and are sanguine that their visit will result in blessings to themselves and to those with whom they are associated.

THE total sales of subscription books for 1907 reached the enormous sum of one million one hundred thousand (\$1,100,000) dollars. This is the largest amount ever sold in a single year by many thousands of dollars.

THE *Youth's Instructor* has 14,797 subscribers. The January edition of *Life and Health* was over 35,000 copies. The January edition of *Liberty* was 65,000 copies.

ELDER R. A. UNDERWOOD addressed an audience of 500 people at the Lake Union Conference meeting in Chicago Sabbath, March 28.

"DRUNKENNESS A CRIME," is the title of the latest temperance tract. Mrs. E. G. White is the author.