



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

NOBLESSE OBLIGE

If I am weak and you are strong,
 Why then, why then
 To you the braver deeds belong;
 And so, again,
 If you have gifts and I have none,
 If I have shade, and you have sun,
 'Tis yours with freer hand to give,
 'Tis yours with truer grace to live,
 Than I, who giftless, sunless, stand
 With barren life and hand.

We do not ask the little brook
 To turn the wheel;
 Unto the larger stream we look—
 The strength of steel
 We do not ask from silken band;
 Nor heart of oak in willow wand,
 We do not ask the wren to go
 Up to heights that eagles know;
 Nor yet expect the lark's clear note
 From out the dove's dumb throat.

'Tis wisdom's law, the perfect code
 By love inspired,
 Of him on whom much is bestowed
 Is much required.—Sel.

"AS GOD HATH PROSPERED HIM"

The Lord has put the support of his work upon a systematic and just basis. It is "according to that a man hath," according "as God hath prospered him," that the Lord expects returns from his servants. The Lord has not bestowed his gifts alike. To some he distributes more than he does to others. He is not a hard Master, reaping where he has not strewn. He does not expect returns from all alike. And if all were only as faithful in returning to the Lord the tithe and offerings in proportion as we have received from the bountiful hand of God, there would be no inequality of burdens, no one overburdened because of others' failing to bear their share of the

responsibility. Each person alone knows to just what extent the Lord has prospered him.

It is not expected that our neighbor shall know the exact amount of our income. This is a matter between us and the Lord. It might also be truthfully said that many do not even know themselves to what extent the Lord has blessed them. But should they not know? It would appear from 1 Cor. 16:2 that every man should take time each week to find out this thing for himself, and when he has done so, to promptly then and there lay aside a certain portion for the cause of God, "according as God [the week before] hath prospered him." "Upon the first day of the week [Sunday] let everyone of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him."

Even the same man's amount might be more one week than another. But how *can* he give "as God hath prospered him," unless *he knows* the amount? And how can he determine the amount without giving the matter definite thought and study? We believe thousands of dollars might be added to the resources of missions, bestowed where God wants resources expended, especially just now, in strengthening the forces out in the mission fields, if our dear brethren and sisters would do this simple thing as outlined in this text, at the beginning of every new week carefully recounting the blessings and prosperity of the week just past, and laying aside the sum appropriate to the prosperity. Then a continual, steady stream of support for the cause of God throughout the great world-field would be constantly flowing into the treasury. And if all would do this, there would be no lack. Many of the strong appeals for financial help would not be needed, for the treasury would be supplied.

Please consider carefully these words sent us by the Spirit of the Lord, directly upon this point:

"God calls upon his people to awake to their responsibilities. A flood of light is shining from the word of God, and there must be an awakening to neglected obligations. When these are met, by giving back to God his own in tithes and offerings, the way will be opened for the world to hear the message the Lord designs it shall hear. If God's people had the love of Christ in the heart, if every church member were thoroughly imbued with the spirit of self-sacrifice, if all manifested thorough earnestness, there would be no lack of funds for home and foreign missions; our resources would be multiplied; a thousand doors of usefulness would be opened, and we should be invited to enter."—Special Testimony.

The doors of usefulness are opening, but really there is a lack of funds. Is it because too many have been sent on to the fields?—No one can say this is true. What then? Is it possible some have lost the spirit of self-sacrifice? Have some withheld the tithe and offerings belonging to God? Oh! may everyone truly awake to his responsibility in meeting the demands of the hour.

The Mission Board would be glad to send on thoroughly prepared young men and women who have volunteered for service anywhere God's providence shall send them. But because of a "lack of funds" they must wait. This responsibility in the judgment will be placed somewhere. It will be laid down at the feet of somebody. But that man who is now putting faithfully into the cause, in tithe and offerings, "as God hath prospered him," will be free then, because he is free now, having complied with the requirements laid down by the Lord in his word.

If in the past we have brought condemnation into the soul because of our withholding God's part, let the sin be put away at once by thorough repentance, and restoration (Luke 19:8, 9; Eze. 33:15) as far as possible, and from this time forward lay aside as "devoted" treasure as he hath prospered us, God's tithe and offering each week. Very much depends upon our faithfulness in thus honoring and obeying the Lord. T. E. BOWEN.

A CALL TO IMMEDIATE ACTION

In less than five months Congress will again be in session, at which time the Johnston Sunday bill, which passed the Senate on May 16, 1908, may be brought before the House for final action. This fact should not be lost sight of by those who comprehend what it means should the House of Representatives pass this bill. The bill would then only lack the signature of the president to make it a law. This would doubtless be quickly affixed, and then it would become a law in the District of Columbia. The next logical step for the champions of Sunday legislation would be to prevail upon Congress to enact a national Sunday law. This, all can see, would be easily secured, in view of the fact that Congress would then have committed itself fully to the question of Sunday legislation by the passing of the Sunday bill for the District of Columbia.

There should be delay no longer on the part of our conference officers and ministers in doing what they can to enlighten the people on this subject, with the hope of holding in check a little longer this proposed legislation. This can be done by securing appointments with the

United States Congressmen in each of your respective conferences, and placing before them the dangers which lie beneath this whole scheme, to which they would commit themselves in favoring the passage of the Johnston Sunday bill.

Much depends upon our activity and earnestness whether this bill will become a law or not. We are confident, however, that many of the congressmen have very little, if any true conception of what is involved in this proposed measure. But if they could be so approached upon the subject by representatives of their own constituency before Congress convenes, they might be convinced of the dangers attending it.

The forthcoming issue of *Liberty* will be specially designed for our people to use in the present campaign in enlightening the people upon the subject of religious liberty, and preventing, if possible, the passage of this bill. This number of *Liberty* will be on the subject of the United States in prophecy. The Religious Liberty leaflets, and a set of the Religious Liberty post cards, should be placed in the hands of every state, county, municipal and town official. The same should be placed in the hands of attorneys, educators and other public men, besides sold as far as possible to all classes of people.

With a vigorous campaign along this line engaged in by all of our church members throughout the United States, we can little comprehend what great good might be accomplished in enlightening thousands and thousands of people concerning the dangers of religious legislation which threaten us so seriously at the present time, and too, in this way we might be able to de-

feat the passage of the Johnston Sunday bill for the District of Columbia.

The time before Congress convenes is rapidly passing. What we do must be done quickly. We would urge that the officers of every church call a meeting at once and plan for a vigorous religious liberty campaign in their respective communities. *Liberty*, the Religious Liberty leaflets, and the Religious Liberty postal cards can be ordered through your tract societies. Begin at once to pray and work while you have the opportunity to do so.

K. C. RUSSELL.

From the Field

South Dakota

CHAMBERLAIN

From the camp meeting at Woonsocket I went to Chamberlain, arriving there the evening of June 25. During the succeeding days meetings were held with the young people, and visits were made to the homes of our brethren. Sabbath, July 27, the first young people's meeting was held in the new church building, and the following Sabbath a society of twenty members was organized, with Sister Harriet Cathan as leader.

Sunday, July 5, at a special meeting of the church, it was decided to have a church school of nine months' duration, commencing early in September. Those present pledged forty-nine dollars a month in support of the school, besides assistance in fixing up the school grounds, etc. A school board of five members was elected. Throughout all the deliberations a spirit of harmony and sincere desire to do right prevailed.

The sanitarium is enjoying an extensive patronage, having all rooms filled with patients. When the ladies' dormitory is completed, which will be soon, the institution will have more room for patients. The helpers take an active part in the work of the church, besides conducting services of their own in the sanitarium.

J. I. BEARDSLEY.

NOTICE

We are receiving a large number of applications from young people wishing to take the nurses' course who are not Seventh-day Adventists. We feel that there is a large number of our own young people who should receive special training in the medical missionary work, and we desire to have these above all others. We will be pleased to hear from all young people who desire to take the nurses' course at once, so that we may know how many to depend upon. We shall have to take in the outside nurses, in order to fill up the class, unless more of our own people express a wish to take the course. All interested in the medical missionary nurses' training course address Dr. A. B. Farnsworth, Sanitarium, Chamberlain, S. D.

SOUTH DAKOTA NOTES

By the time this issue of the REAPER reaches our homes, Prof. B. J. Clymer will have arrived at the academy ready to enter upon the year's work.

The tent company at Dallas was made glad by having Mabel Hendrickson connect with the effort to assist with the singing and Bible work.

Elders N. P. Neilsen and Ronlund, Prof. Berthelsen and Sister Lena Jensen are at Wallace engaged in a tent effort.

Friday, July 10, the tent com-

panies at Wallace, Langford and Dallas began their work for the summer.

Miss Mary Jensen, of Viborg, has connected with the tent effort at Parkston to assist in the singing.

North Dakota

FARGO

I can say that I am rejoicing in the work I am engaged in. We meet many different people as we go from house to house, and many times we are perplexed to know how to answer the questions asked in a manner to give information to the inquirer and to give God the glory. I am convinced that Satan sends his servants to meet us also, as we frequently come in contact with people who have anything but a Christian spirit. We should pray continually to God to send forth his spirit to influence the people to receive the truth he wishes to give them.

We are living in a time when the people do not waste much time on religious matters, but their minds are filled with the things of this world and the pursuit of the mighty dollar. I am very grateful that we know better than this, and that we know that we cannot pay for our salvation with dollars. Our God is a God of love, and he looks with favor upon us poor sinners in this wicked world. Let us hasten our work, and the Lord will soon come to take us home to a better world than this.

EMIL NELSON.

ENDERLIN

I will just write a few lines to let those interested in me know that I am enjoying the canvassing work very much. I have had wonderful experiences during the

the past week. It makes my heart bleed to see how hopelessly the people are in darkness, especially when I meet those who do not wish to hear of Jesus, but I hope that the printed pages that are being scattered will help to save some souls.

I sometimes find it a little hard to tell the people just what they don't want to hear; but when I think of what Paul says in Rom. 1:17, then I can go on with new courage and show what the book contains. I am of good courage, and am glad that I have a part in taking this message to the people.

PETER RICHART.

ON TO VICTORY

Let this be the motto of every worker in the Lord's vineyard. We are very sure that this is what awaits us at the end if we run faithfully the race that is set before us. Best of all is the promise of Jesus to be with us even unto the end.

We cannot thank God enough for the new recruits in the canvassing work in North Dakota. When the latter rain has come in its fullness many hearts will be impressed, and many of God's children will feel constrained to go forth into the hedges and highways and compel souls to come in that the Lord's house may be full.

W. B. PAYNE.

NORTH DAKOTA NOTES

The Sackle meeting has closed, and we are glad to say it was a success. The brethren were strengthened; they helped lift the financial burdens, and went home rejoicing. The Sabbath school donations were \$45.71. About \$400 was donated in cash and pledges for our home work. Fifteen subscriptions were taken for the REAPER, twelve for the *Gleaner (Sammler)*, and four for

the *Hausfreund*. About \$80 worth of books were sold at the meeting.

Judging from all reports, we will not have room enough in our academy next winter. What shall we do about it? We are planning to finish the shop building, which will accommodate quite a number.

Sunday, July 5, nine persons were baptized at Lincoln and two more were taken into the church. Five or six more will soon be ready for baptism.

Minnesota

MAPLEWOOD ACADEMY

The fifth annual announcement of Maplewood Academy is ready for mailing. If you have not received a copy write for it, and, having secured it, see that the application blank enclosed is filled out either by yourself or someone else.

The prospects are good for a large attendance this year, so please return your application as soon as you conveniently can so that no one will be disappointed because of having failed to secure a place. The solution of the question of providing more room this year will depend upon the number of applicants for rooms.

Some of our brethren and sisters who heard the academy report at the camp meeting, said that they did not understand how we could "stretch" the school earnings so as to cover all our needs. We do not hope to do so, but to supply the much-needed improvements as we are able. We could use all of our earnings at once for repairs and supplies really needed.

Among the needs which were not mentioned, was one which

some of the brethren said would have been met by the friends at the camp meeting if it had been presented. Their judgment shall be put to the test. We must have a chapel organ, such as was used in the large tent at camp meeting. We cannot interest our young people as we should in learning to play sacred music unless we have a good organ. Such an organ as we need will cost approximately \$100. Will you help us get it? There may be those who would gladly donate the whole amount; but surely there are ten who would be glad to give ten dollars each, or a score who would be glad to give five dollars each, or one hundred offerings of one dollar each.

Brethren, this is a real need, and the call is made with the sanction of the members of the conference committee. This is the first appeal made directly from Maplewood, and is the first in three years that has had anything to do with Maplewood. You have no debts to pay for us, because you have wisely prevented us from making any; so you will surely be willing to donate liberally to so good a cause. Should you give more than is needed for the organ, we have the nuclei of a library and a laboratory, either of which could well use much more than is asked for the organ.

Send direct to my address at the academy, or, if you prefer, send to C. M. Everest, the conference treasurer. The amount of the donation will be reported in the REAPER.

H. J. SHELDON.

MANKATO

When we are beset with discouragements and trials on every hand it is refreshing to know our efforts under the most trying circumstances are often the most

successful. Not long since two of our ministers were with us over Sabbath and Sunday, and it was decided to hold meetings Sunday afternoon and evening. When Sunday afternoon came, although it rained hard, there was a fair attendance, but the prospects for an evening meeting were very poor. When the hour arrived for the meeting to begin there were so few persons in attendance that those in charge did not open the meeting, but put in the time in singing. However in that small gathering was one who had wandered from the fold years ago, but hearing that the ministers were to be present, was filled with an intense desire to hear one of those good, old-fashioned, soul-satisfying Adventist sermons. After listening to the singing for some time she made her desire known, and one of the brethren preached just the sermon she wanted. After the meeting the other brother talked to her, and to-day this dear sister rejoices with God's chosen people, and is leading her little girls into the true path.

Though discouragements and opposition meet us on every hand let us labor on, remembering that God takes care of the results. May God bless those who are giving this last message of mercy to a dying world.

L. E. CAMP.

ST. PAUL

Last Sabbath and Sunday I spent with the Stewartville church. An all-day meeting was held, at which time there was a very good attendance, and a blessed time was enjoyed by all. Sabbath afternoon, after a discourse fitting the occasion, we all repaired to the Root river where six persons were buried with their Saviour.

We are now settled in our new home at 824 Carroll street, St. Paul, and feel much encouraged at the prospect before us. The members of the St. Paul church are full of vim, now that they have possession of their beautiful new church building, and we expect, by a combination of our efforts, to give the warning message to many persons in this city during the next year. We ask you to remember the work in this city when before the throne of grace, and to help us financially so that we may be relieved of the burden of debt now resting on the church.

J. M. COMER.

NOTICE

A three-days' meeting will be held at Duluth in connection with the dedication of the new church building. The first meeting will be held Friday evening, July 31, and the meetings will be continued until Sunday night, August 2. The dedication service will be held Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock. Elders Underwood and Jackson are expected to be present to assist with these meetings. If there are any of our brethren living near Duluth who wish to attend these meetings, we will welcome you and gladly do what we can to provide places for you to stay.

C. M. BABCOCK.

MINNESOTA NOTES

Helen Grace Kuehl, only daughter of Elder A. W. Kuehl and wife, died at the home of her parents, in Minneapolis, Sabbath, July 18, aged 11 months, 27 days. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon, Elder J. M. Comer officiating. The interment was at Lake City. The sympathies of all who know Elder Kuehl and his wife are

with them in this time of affliction and distress. The parents are comforted as they realize that the parting will be but for a short time.

The tent company at Mankato have selected a site in the north part of the city and are ready to commence meetings. There is quite a little typhoid fever in the city, and this may possibly have an influence on the attendance.

The tent company at Bemidji report a fair attendance. Three meetings have been held. The majority of the people are not reported as religiously inclined.

Rosa N. Kozel, formerly of Minnesota, is making a success of the canvassing work in South Carolina.

The tent company at Duluth commenced meetings last week, and express a hope for good results.

Sunday morning, August 2, the Seventh-day Adventist church at Duluth will be dedicated.

Brother Gust Hendrickson, of the office force, with his wife, is visiting at Rock Creek.

Elder Jackson is still working in the northern part of the state.

Iowa

THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

If all of our people would set aside a portion of time each week for some line of missionary work, and let nothing interfere with this arrangement, I am sure ways and means of work of which they little dream of would present themselves, and their opportunities would be greatly increased.

The little missionary society at Oskaloosa, Iowa, has been quite active, both in practical work and in the preparation of such exercises as will increase the in-

terest of all in missionary effort. An outline of their work may suggest plans for other societies: The sewing society meets one afternoon of each week, they solicit work from their own and also from other people; they hem sheets, make pillow slips, tie comforters, make quilts, or anything they can do satisfactorily; they solicited pieces from neighbors and friends and pieced comforts and quilt tops; purchased cotton and lining with money received for work, made the quilts, and sold them, and the money received is used in keeping up the expenses of the society, purchasing supplies, etc.

Every fourth Sabbath they have their missionary program, and study the different mission fields, noting the country, climate, geographical location, productions, political history and standing, educational systems, customs of the people, religion, and the work being done by our people. They also study the organization, location and work of our different institutions. These topics are assigned to different ones a month before the time of the meeting, and the studies create a lively interest in the fields at home and abroad. I believe other societies could take up study and work of this kind with profit.

J. W. DORCAS.

GEORGE

We assure you that the reports from other tent companies are always read with great interest by us. We can only thank the Lord for his blessings that have attended our meetings thus far. Our attendance has not been very large at any one time, but quite a number have attended very regularly. Had the weather not been so wet, the attendance would have been much better.

THE BOOK WORK

MINNESOTA—WEEK ENDING JULY 11

Name		Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Emelia A. Johnson	H. M.	48	22	\$27 50		\$27 50	\$2 70
Huldah Anderson	"	38	28	41 25		41 25	
Matilda Thori	"	19					51 50
Olive Evenson	"	13					\$15 75
Martha Anderson	"	45	19	33 25	5 00	38 25	
David Gulbrandsen	"	38	23	40 25	1 75	42 00	
Bennie Grundset	"	40	19	33 25	1 55	34 80	1 20
Carl J. Olson	"	39	6	10 50	1 75	12 25	1 40
Louis Akre	"	36	14	22 75		22 75	
Ina L. Delamater	H. H.	19	3	9 00		9 00	
Alma Larson	H. H.	22	15	48 00	2 10	50 10	
Esther Francis	H. H.	21	13	39 00	2 90	41 90	2 90
Olga Vixie	H. H.	28	7	21 00	5 00	26 00	
Ethel E. Larson	H. H.	26	4	16 00	4 50	20 50	
Andrew Wasby	G. C.	45	12	35 00	6 30	41 35	
Richard Burdick	G. C.	46			1 05	1 05	
Elmer W. Pruettt	G. C.	40	6	18 50	3 00	21 50	
Oscar M. Akre	G. C.	50	10	30 50	1 50	34 00	
Floyd Stratton	G. C.	46	4	13 00	1 50	14 50	
Stanley Swisher	G. C.	54	15	46 25	1 75	48 00	
Wm. J. Merickel	G. C.	4	1	2 75	50	3 25	
Martinus Ruskjer	"	50	10	27 50	3 25	30 75	3 25
Soren A. Ruskjer	"	52	11	30 25	2 25	32 50	2 25
Frances Dittis	"	15	2	5 50	75	6 25	
Florence Dittis	"	15	1	2 75	50	3 25	
*I. Hilde	G. C.	70	40	155 75		155 75	
A. C. Maddock	G. C.	19	6	9 00		9 00	
Totals, 27 agents		938	291	\$718 50	\$48 90	\$767 40	\$80 95

SOUTH DAKOTA—WEEK ENDING JULY 11

J. P. Glembin	G. C.	42	19	\$61 25	\$10 75	\$72 00	\$2 75
Jas. M. Johnston	G. C.	59	20	57 00	1 25	58 25	
Alfreda Mortensen	G. C.	37	6	16 50	1 00	17 50	
Agatha Johnson	G. C.	44	11	33 25	4 50	37 75	
Geneva Anderson	G. C.	35	4	11 00		11 00	
Clara Kier	G. C.	28	19	60 25	5 20	65 45	
Olive Crum	G. C.	30	15	44 25	3 50	47 75	
C. M. Christy	G. C.	38	7	22 25	60	22 85	
*C. F. Cole	G. C.	43	7	24 25	1 50	25 75	
William H. Twining	G. C.	50	7	20 25	16 40	36 65	
Chris Peterson	D. R.	42	5	13 75		13 75	
L. Peterson	D. R.	44	8	23 00	1 40	24 40	
Fred Bolton	D. R.	65	18	54 50	1 80	56 30	
Geo. W. Tucker	D. R.	60	10	28 50	1 50	30 00	
J. H. Eastman	D. R.	45	19	61 25	5 00	66 25	
Lillian Aalborg	H. M.	27	12	21 00	75	21 75	
Bess Porter	H. M.	23	6	10 50	4 35	14 85	
Totals, 17 agents		712	193	\$562 75	\$59 50	\$622 25	\$2 75

NORTH DAKOTA—WEEK ENDING JULY 11

V. W. Pallerson	G. C.	32	21	\$75 75	\$1 50	\$77 25	
O. Grundset	G. C.	46	16	46 00	5 50	51 50	
J. H. Roth	G. C.	27	9	28 50	4 75	33 25	
F. Christy	G. C.	36	28	80 25		80 25	
Peter Richert	G. C.	106	57	172 60	5 85	178 45	
H. Hullet	G. C.	40	24	45 75	1 30	47 05	
E. Nelson	H. M.	49	6	16 50	1 00	17 50	
John Lorenz	D. R.	49	26	90 50	2 25	92 75	
I. C. Schmidt	D. R.	42	23	50 75	50	51 25	
Totals, 9 agents		427	210	\$606 60	\$22 65	\$629 25	

IOWA—WEEK ENDING JULY 11

Nels H. Olsen	G. C.	21	9	\$24 75	\$ 75	\$25 50	
Ellen Svenson	G. C.	33	10	38 50		38 50	
Esther Anderson	G. C.	29	12	35 00		35 00	50
C. C. Morlan	"	44	15	44 25		44 25	
Chris Norgard	"	30	6	16 50	1 50	18 00	
Hans Hansen	G. C.	45	16	48 50	1 00	49 50	
P. Langhoff	H. M.	8	1	1 75		1 75	
Ross J. Syp	H. M.	16	10	17 50	1 50	19 00	13 00
Glen Shelton	H. M.	35	13	22 75	9 55	32 50	25
May Madison	"	16	6	10 50	50	11 00	50
Lisbon Myers	Mis.	1	1	1 25		1 25	16 25
Totals,	11 agents	278	99	\$261 25	\$15 00	\$276 25	\$30 50
U. C. Totals,	64 agents	2,355	793	\$2,149 10	\$146 05	\$2,295 15	\$114 20
*Two weeks							

When the Sabbath question was presented there was a sudden falling away, but by faithful house-to-house work, and a little encouragement, they began to come again. Last evening when the seal of God and the mark of the beast was presented we had some attentive listeners. The result, of course, remains to be seen. Several are convinced of the truth, but have not yet taken their stand. We hope and pray most earnestly that the honest ones will allow themselves to be warned and take their stand for the truth.

Our courage is good, and we are determined to give the message to the world in spite of opposition. We ask our brethren to remember the German work in their devotions.

A. A. MEYER,
HENRY NEUMAN.

In a number of union conferences the book sales during May were eighty per cent higher than for the corresponding period in 1907. Indications point to a larger sale in July this year than for any period in the history of the work in the Northern Union territory.

ATTENTION is called to Elder K. C. Russell's article, on another page of this issue, directing attention to the necessity for aggressive work just now in order,

if possible, to prevent the passage of the Johnston Sunday bill by the House of Representatives.

NOTES FROM THE FIELD

I. C. Schmidt—The Lord is with us in his work, for which we praise him. It does us so much good to read the reports of the different workers throughout the great world field. Surely we have many reasons to praise the Lord for this speedy work which he accomplishes through the children of men.

Peter Richart—I am getting along very nicely. The Lord has been very near to me and has helped me to get twenty-nine orders this week. This is my first week in the field, and I am of good courage. I am glad that the Lord has given me a part in his cause.

Frank Christy—I have had good success, for which I praise the Lord. I received an order from some one at nearly every house. When the owner would not give an order, some of the hired help would. I hope to put in more time this week.

THE PROMISED RECEIPTS

At the camp meeting the promise was made, by those in charge of the hygienic cooking demonstration, that directions for preparing the dishes shown

would be given to the people through the REAPER. A few of these will be given in each issue.

COCOANUT STICKS

One cup graham flour, one cup white flour, two cups vitos, one-half cup sugar, one-half cup oil or butter, one cup shredded cocoanut, one cup water. Mix quite hard with white or graham flour. Roll the dough under hand on board till about size of little finger, cut in desired lengths and bake to a delicate brown.

LENTIL ROAST

Two cups cooked and sifted lentils, one cup rolled toast (bread toasted slowly in oven), two tablespoonfuls browned flour, two eggs, two tablespoonfuls oil or butter, salt, sage and onion to taste. Mix thoroughly and put into cans, filling to within a couple inches of top (empty baking powder cans can be used). Steam two hours, bake one-half hour. Can be served either hot or cold, with gravy, or on garnish of lettuce or other green. When cold it makes a dainty dish by putting a dip of cranberry jelly over each slice.

UNLEAVENED GEMS

Beat one whole egg to a froth. Add one cup sweet milk, a pinch of salt, then two scant cups flour, slowly beating all the while. Have gem irons hot and bake in a quick oven.

OBITUARY

BLISS—Sister Anna M. Bliss, a member of the Minneapolis Seventh-day Adventist church, aged 45 years, 7 months, and 19 days, died from tuberculosis at her home in Blackberry, Minn., July 1, 1908, leaving a husband and eight children to mourn a companion and a dear mother. Her great ambition was to see her boys and girls reared in the Adventist faith. She wanted to live and stay with her family, but submitted to the Lord's will and died in peace. A large number of relatives and friends gathered under the poplar grove, where the writer spoke words of comfort from Rev. 14:13.

FRED JOHNSON.

WANTED—For threshing, several strong men; also several bundle teams; correspondence solicited. E. M. Strong, Hankinson, N. D.

WANTED—A man to help in harvest; one that can shock and stack; a Seventh-day Adventist preferred. Write to Walter J. Cranford, Hetland, S. D.

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AUTHORITY FOR IT

A FEW weeks ago one of our ministers received a letter in which the question was asked if there was anything in the testimonies favoring and encouraging the giving of ten cents a week for the support of foreign missions. Thinking the answer to this question would be of general interest, the following extract, taken from "Testimonies for the Church," Number 31, page 147, is submitted: "Do not wait until your imaginary wants are all satisfied. Do not trust to your feelings, and give when you feel like it. Give regularly either ten, twenty, or fifty cents a

week, as you would like to see upon the heavenly record in the day of God."

This language is plain and to the point. And how reasonable it is! It looks like divine counsel when a regular system is outlined. It is hoped God will inspire all with a desire to harmonize with this instruction and the plan adopted by the General, union and local conferences, to give an amount equalling ten cents a week for the support of the message in foreign lands.

A CERTAIN evangelist is using a card on one side of which is the question, "What must I do to be saved?" and following it are the scriptures which point out the way of salvation. On the other side of the card is the question, "What must I do to be lost?" and the answer follows, "Nothing." The reply is simple, but wonderfully impressive. Many think that in order to be lost they must run the long gamut of vices and be aggressively bad. Not so. We are all bad enough to miss the kingdom in spite of the good points we may have.—Sel.

ELDER R. A. UNDERWOOD returned on Wednesday last from the local camp meeting in North Dakota, held at Dickinson, west of the Missouri river. A good meeting is reported, and the small number of persons in attendance are rejoicing to a greater degree in a knowledge of the truth. Elders G. B. Thompson and R. A. Underwood united in giving instruction, and were supported in this by the local workers. Six persons were baptized.

ELDER I. H. EVANS, treasurer of the General Conference, wrote the treasurer of the union con-

ference recently, and while expressing his gratitude for money forwarded, stated that he had only been able to send a portion of the amount due our workers in foreign fields for June wages. The returns from the midsummer offering were awaited to supply funds to complete the amount needed.

THE *Signs of the Times* will be a weekly after all. Instead of two separate papers the first number each month will be the magazine, and the rest of the month there will be a less number of pages, but all in magazine form. Send in your subscriptions. If you desire the weekly the price is the same it has been, \$1.50 a year. Monthly alone, \$1.00 a year.

THE large missionary maps, size 56 x 87 inches, which the General Conference has offered to furnish for \$2.25, are expected to be ready for delivery by August 1. Every church should secure one of these in order to retain a comprehensive idea of the great world-wide mission field, and the work that is being done in it by our people.

It was necessary to print another edition of the July *Life and Health*, bringing the total of this number to forty-five thousand copies. A number of those selling this magazine are maintaining an average of almost one hundred copies a day. Two young women, working in Minneapolis for this journal, are having splendid success.

THE manager of the periodical department of the *Review and Herald* states that an average of fifty thousand copies of the periodicals are sent out each week. This is almost double the number sent out five years ago.