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Treasurer's Tithe Report for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1904.

RECEIPTS.	
Cash on hand Jan. 1, '04	\$ 211 87
January	2,147 37
February	1,516 33
March	824 34
April	2,603 92
May	1,271 44
June	1,847 67
July	3,294 08
August	1,548 52
September	1,228 08
October	2,668 73
November	3,798 05
December	1,641 24
Second Tithe	1 38
Tithe on Deposit	2,474 25
Tent & camp-meeting Fd.	668 20
Educational Fund	63 40
Advanced C. O. lessons campaign expenses	29 66
Loan to Medical Department returned	50 00
Audit Mich. Con.' 1902 returned	125 04
Total	\$28,013 57

DISBURSMENTS.	
Paid Laborers	\$17,222 48
Superior Mission Field	960 00

North Mich. Conference	715 00
Watson Fund	16 73
Property	76 70
Tent and camp-meeting fund	1,476 69
Tent	99 10
Tithe, Lake Union Con.	1,838 84
Southern Missionary Society	368 25
Educational Fund	77 14
Manitoba Field	30 00
General Conference	2,082 69
Emmanuel Missionary College	100 00
Expense	542 12
On Deposit	2,407 83
Total	\$28,013 57

Report of Missionary Department for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1904.

RESOURCES.	
Office property	\$ 238 63
Merchandise, inventory	177 65
Expense per	15 45
Accounts receivable	839 48
Otsego Bank Deposit	1,128 63
Cash in Safe	294 20
	\$2,693 72
LIABILITIES.	
Weekly offerings	\$ 60 00
Annual "	766 46
James White and Haskell Homes	25 37
Southern School	5 00
Acre Fund	39 83
Washington Fund	35 00
International Publishing Association	5 67
Mission Board Offerings	22 57
Southern Field	248 33
C. O. Lessons Fund	102 09
Nashville Sanitarium	9 76
Accounts Payable	413 65
Present Worth	959 99
	\$2,693 72

LOSS AND GAIN.	
Gain.	
Merchandise	324 43

Loss.	
Expense Account	164 20
Balance Net Gain	160 23
	324 43
Stock.	
Net Worth Jan. 1, 1904	799 76
Gain for 12 months	160 23
	959 99
OFFERINGS RECEIVED 1904.	
Annual Offerings	1,865 41
Sabbath-school offerings	1,019 66
Mission Board offerings	529 24
Weekly Offerings	621 49
Haskell Home	427 74
Miscellaneous offerings	1,225 50
	\$5,687 04

RECEIPTS.	
Cash on hand Jan. 1, '04	\$ 341 72
Bank Deposits	33 18
Tithe	24,339 77
Tithe on Deposit	2,474 25
Miscellaneous Offerings	2,801 97
Annual Offerings	1,865 41
Sabbath-school Offerings	1,019 66
On Account	2,108 28
Merchandise	485 75
C. O. Lessons Fund	169 18
Tent and Camp-Meeting Fund	784 12
Southern Pub. Ass'n	16 25
West Michigan Herald	169 86
Otsego Church School	62 00
Advanced Camp-Meeting Expenses returned	51 08
Advanced Christ's Object Lessons Campaign expenses returned	29 66
Loan to Medical Department returned	50 00
Audit Michigan Conference 1902 returned	125 04
	\$36,977 18

DISBURSMENTS.	
Labor	\$17,218 88
Superior Mission Field	960 00
North Michigan Conference	715 00

Educational.

Have The Officers And Teachers Done their Whole Duty When They Have Faithfully Rendered Their Services on the Sabbath?

If our whole duty could be performed in one short hour at the Sabbath-school then the attainment would be an easy one, but the officers and teachers have not done their whole duty when they have faithfully rendered their services on the Sabbath.

It should be the aim of every Sabbath-school officer and teacher to win souls to Christ, and no true Sabbath-school worker will be content with just Sabbath duties, for they must work as Christ worked, ever seeking to save that which was lost. The daily lives of Sabbath-school workers should correspond with their Sabbath TEACHING. It is an easy matter to talk on the Sabbath, but it is another thing to practice during the week. It is example that counts. As Sabbath-school workers we must have the love of God in our hearts, and pray earnestly for our scholars and then put forth every effort to help them. In order to break the spell that Satan has over our children and youth, fathers, mothers, Sabbath-school officers and teachers must keep step in this rescue work.

We need to carry upon our hearts a burden for the lambs of the flock, seeking to lead their little feet in the straight and narrow path. May the blessed Lord help us to sense the importance of this sacred work to which we are called.

MRS. J. VANDUIEN.

Grand Rapids Sabbath-School Convention.

The day for the Grand Rapids convention was a most favorable one, as the weather was perfect.

Visitors from the churches of Otsego, Bauer, Wright, Grandville, Denver, Cedar Lake, and Spring Lake were present. The attendance was 187.

The chairman, Dr. Patience S. Bourdeau, welcomed the visitors and asked that all who were members of Sabbath-schools should consider themselves as delegates to this convention and feel free to participate in the general discussions. Pencils and papers were distributed throughout the audience, with the request that those present take notes of important thoughts and points brought out through papers or discussions that might be helpful in the future.

The papers were excellent. Many valuable and helpful thoughts on Sabbath-school work were brought out. They showed evidence of careful thought and study in preparation.

Before the collection was taken during the forenoon session a short talk on Sabbath-school donations was given by Elder A. G. Haughey. Following this a song was sung by the children entitled, "Hear the Nickles Dropping," while six children passed among the audience and gathered up the collection. The donations for the day amounted to \$10.88, which goes for mission work.

Among those who took part in the discussions were Elder A. G. Haughey, Miss Margaret Haughey, Elder D. T. Bourdeau, Miss Margaret Bilz, Mrs. S. M. Butler, Mrs. W. H. McKee, Mr. B. F. Kneeland, Mr. Gilbert Iles, Mr. M. DeVries, Miss Mildred Wilson, Miss VoWyla Aiken, Mr. Myron Butterfield and Mr. Albert Nunamaker.

A pleasing feature at the close of the afternoon session was an illustrated song by the children entitled "Little Lights."

The missionary reports given by the youth and children, representing the missionary features of the Grand Rapids church, covering the Sabbath-school, young people's society, church-school, church, and workers, was interesting and instructive.

Short, spirited testimonies were given at the close of the convention by those present of the benefits

they had derived, and the wish expressed that another might be held in the near future.

ALBERT NUNAMAKER,
Secretary.

From the Field.

BERRIEN SPRINGS.

Our meeting continues here with good interest. The attendance runs from sixty to two hundred. Two prominent members of the Methodist church have taken their stand with us and are keeping the Sabbath of the Lord. They applied for letters from the Methodist church and they have been granted. They are happy in the Lord and praising him for the truth which is so precious to them.

Their departure from their former church has created quite a stir among the people and some opposition is now being experienced. There are many others deeply interested and some have said that they were going to keep the Sabbath.

Our attendance is quite regular, we have the same people every night except Sunday nights when we have many more. Our courage is good and we desire to be true and faithful in his service till the work is done.

W. E. VIDETO,
R. C. HORTON.

Obituary.

Died at Otsego, Michigan, March 17, 1905, Harriet Jones, aged 78 years, 5 months and 7 days. Sister Jones seemed to be in her usual health, assisting in the household duties, but feeling tired, she excused herself from eating dinner, and went to her room for a little rest while the family partook of their noon repast. Soon after, her daughter went to her room and found her dead with heart failure. Sister Jones' maiden name was Wrightman, and was born in the state of New York, Oct. 10, 1826. When three years old she came with her parents to Michigan, and settled where Detroit now stands. When 19 years of age she was married to

Joseph Jones. Four children was the fruit of this union—Frank Jones of Grand Rapids, Burt Jones of Petoskey, Mary Shepard and Hattie Tice of Otsego. Nine years after her marriage she heard the doctrine of the soon coming Saviour; was converted and joined the Seventh-day Adventist church at Jackson, Michigan. In 1869 she came to Otsego, united with the Otsego church, and became one of its most honored burden bearers. We laid her to rest March 19, speaking words of comfort to those who are left to mourn.

M. S. BURNHAM.

News and Notes.

Elder C. A. Hansen spent Tuesday of last week in Otsego.

This office has a supply of Holland tracts and are ready to fill orders.

Your subscription expires with this number. Please renew at once.

The Sabbath-school at South Monterey will hold a convention Sabbath April 15.

Do you want to do some missionary work? Send us a few subscriptions for the Herald.

We hope that our Sabbath-school secretaries will PLEASE send in their reports by April 15.

Brother M. N. Campbell is holding a canvassers' institute at Allegan. He reports a good interest.

Do not forget that Sabbath, April 1st, is the day for the semi-annual collection for the benefit of the Haskell Home for Orphans.

Mrs. Edna Wagner, who has been connected with the medical work in Grand Rapids for some months, expects to enter the nurses' class at the Battle Creek sanitarium, where she hopes to fit herself for a wider field of usefulness.

Brother Willis Goss, a sanitarium trained nurse, is assisting in the medical work at the West Michigan Conference treatment rooms in Grand Rapids.

A meeting will be held at Carlton Center April 21-23 for the Hastings, Odessa and Carlton Center churches. Elder A. G. Haughey and the editor will attend this meeting. We hope that all the brethren and sisters who can do so, will attend. The Sabbath-school work and Educational work will receive special attention at this time. The first meeting will be held Friday evening, April 21. Let us plan for it, work for it, pray for it and the Lord will bless us.

Battle Creek.

Dr. Kellogg has returned from his trip through the East recently.

Our church schools closed Friday for a week's vacation. The spring term will open on Monday, April 3, when the building will be dedicated. Appropriate exercises are being prepared for that time.

Brother Delmer P. Wood of the East Michigan conference was married last week to Miss Uptogrove. They are now located in W. Bay City, where Mr. Wood is conducting a series of meetings at the present time.

We quote from a recent letter from Mrs. Hattie Allee: "The Mother's National Congress convened in Washington last week. I attended two evenings. It was fine. The first evening I was present, Pres. Roosevelt addressed the Congress. His talk on the "Home and Divorces" was fine."

The services on last Sabbath, conducted by Prof. B. E. Nicola were highly interesting, the subject for the day being "Music" and the sermon delivered by Eld. G. W. Morse. He spoke of the influence of music on the human mind; of its power to elevate and lift up to a

higher plane of life. Of its great value in conducting the services of the Lord.

The choir rendered some most acceptable music to illustrate his words, and all present were pleased as well as benefited by the hour.

The series of Health Lectures given for the benefit of Battle Creek's citizens was concluded last week with two numbers of unusual interest and value. The first was on Wednesday night and the speaker was Jacob A. Riis, whom Pres. Roosevelt calls "the most useful citizen in New York City." An audience of over 2,000 gathered in the Tabernacle to hear Mr. Riis's account of "The Battle with the Slums."

The many pictures of slum life in a great city with Mr. Riis' graphic description kept the interest of the audience at a high pitch for nearly two hours.

Dr. Knopf of New York City lectured on Thursday evening on "Tuberculosis," on which subject the doctor is an acknowledged authority. He is spending some time at the Sanitarium and his lectures are of much interest and profit to the patients and students.

Notice.

Sabbath March 4, 1905 Elder A. T. Jones delivered a sermon at the Tabernacle in Battle Creek on "Religious Liberty." This sermon was stenographically reported and we have twenty-five copies at this office. The principles presented in this sermon are practical and we wish all could have the privilege of reading it.

It was an expense to prepare these copies so it seems necessary to charge 25 cents a copy in order to defray the expense. Are there not twenty-five churches in the West Michigan Conference who would like a copy of this sermon? If so make it known to your elder and have him order one.

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