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Remarks Made at the Closing Session of the West Michigan Conference Worker's Meeting, Held at Cedar Lake, Oct. 29-31, 1906.

Doctor Otis:—As others have said, this is my first visit to your place here and the school at Cedar Lake. I can say that I am agreeably surprised at the character and arrangement of everything in connection with the school. I have spent a large part of my life in going to school; so far, most of my life has been spent in going to school,—I went to the Healdsburg college and know a great deal about our different schools. I am glad to see the improvement that has been made and put in practice by your school here at Cedar Lake. I am told that the students get enough to eat here,—a matter of no small consequence—especially in

students who are building up muscle and brain tissue at the same time. I know from the lunch which was just served across the way, that it is thoroughly cooked, another matter of no small importance; and where these things are put in practice with the good sense they seem to have here, our students receive a good, well-balanced education. And where we see the principles of hygiene and what we understand is health reform, carried out, we will see the students going out well equipped. I cannot express my appreciation of the great work done here. I am not given to flattery, but feel that this is true and consider that this school is worthy of our attention in recommending young people to come here for a preparation in the Lord's work. I trust that many will come here for a preparation of themselves to go out and give this last message to the world.

Brother Russell:—I have already expressed my sentiments quite fully with reference to my impressions of Cedar Lake this morning as I had the opportunity of speaking to the students at chapel. I will simply add that as many others have said, I had a very erroneous impression of what Cedar Lake was before coming here. I had it all pictured out in my own mind as a few old (?) buildings in front with a background of the stumps we have heard about, and then some more stumps and then the wilderness. I am heartily pleased with what I have seen since coming here. As one speaker has said, I am not given to patting people on the back, but I believe what I say. I believe you are getting here good

practical, thorough work, and that is what we need. I hope all the students here have in their minds a definite ideal of life; and I hope this ideal is to become better fitted to do the work of the Lord.

I will say further from the standpoint of a father, I have at home a son who is nearly ready to enter one of our intermediate schools. I feel well repaid for coming here when I find that this is just the place to put my boy; and if it is just the place for my boy it is also the place for others; and so as I go from place to place, I shall do my utmost to persuade young people to come to Cedar Lake to get an education.

I just want to add one more word and that is that I have never seen in any school connected with the word of God, a more spirit-filled, honest energetic and Christian set of men and women as teachers and this is in perfect harmony with the word of God. I believe also that our school ought to be just as efficient in teaching the common branches as any school in the land.

Brother Hartwell:—I do not know as I am able to express the surprise which met me when I first came to this school; this is not my first visit here. When I first came here, it was with the impression that the Conference had an "elephant" on its hands which it did not know what to do with; but when I came and saw what there was here I had an opportunity to enter the homes of the resident people of this place,—had an opportunity to visit the school, etc., I asked myself the question, "Am I mistaken that the Conference

feels that this is a burden?" And I came to the conclusion that there was a mistake somewhere.

I have been connected with the establishment of three intermediate schools in different conferences; I have heard a great deal of criticism with reference to some of these schools. All these schools are at the present time on a good basis and doing good work, but I believe that this Cedar Lake Academy stands in a better condition than any of these schools.

My idea concerning this school is that I would like to stay down here as one of the students in this school and receive instruction here. I would have been glad to have had such opportunities before it was necessary for me to take up the duties with which I am encumbered at the present time. I am sure these students should feel thankful for this opportunity. I am sure parents should come to the help of this school and be glad to have their sons and daughters in such a school. If they could have the opportunity we have had, they would surely all feel as grateful as we do.

Elder W. H. Heckman:—I can well recall the time when this school was first established. If I am not mistaken it was only about seven or eight years ago. Naturally I was interested to know what kind of a place Cedar Lake was and what kind of buildings were occupied by the school. But the more inquiries I made, the stronger grew my conviction that it was anything but a desirable place to send our young people. My impressions of Cedar Lake and the school were practically the same as those who have talked before me.

But when I came here last winter for the first time, and saw the commodious and comfortable quarters you have here, I was, to say the least, most happily surprised. And when later on, during the summer, I came here again and walked over the farm and around through the neighborhood, I actually wished I had half a dozen child-

ren of my own to send here (Brother Hofstra,—“So do I”) and I believe that most of our laborers feel the same as I do, minus, perhaps, the number of children.

Talking about children reminds me of a story related by a prominent speaker a short time since. He said he was the proud father of seven children. The youngest came to him one day and said, “Papa, who is the richest man, the one who has \$100,000 or the man who has seven children?” “Why, the man who has seven children, of course, don’t you think so too?” “Yes,” she replied, “but Papa,”—and then she asked the ever troublesome question, “why?” “Well,” he said, “I hardly knew just how best to answer her, and so I turned the question to her and asked her why she thought so. Quick as a flash she said:—‘Because the man who has \$100,000 wants more, but the man who has seven children has all he wants.’”

But laying all pleasantries aside, I am certainly very glad that as a band of workers we came to Cedar Lake for our council. I do not believe in indiscriminate “taffy,” but I know you will believe me when I say that as laborers we all feel very grateful for having been entertained so royally by the brethren and sisters of Cedar Lake. I know I am voicing the sentiments of all the workers when I say that we appreciate your kind hospitality and go away from this place with a very high regard for the Cedar Lake church.

Now the impression that we as ministers and Bible workers had of the Cedar Lake Academy is the impression held by our people who never had the privilege of seeing this place, and I wish it were so that all our people might have the same privilege that we are enjoying now. I trust that this privilege may be theirs in the near future and I actually have a premonition that this will be so,—I hope so at least.

Margaret Haughey:—When Philip was talking to Nathanael about the Master you remember Nathanael asked the question “Can any good thing come out of Nazareth?” I came to this conference about two years ago; I had not been here very long before I heard about Cedar Lake. You remember when Nathanael asked that question, Philip said, “Come and see.” And so I thought it might be well for me to come and see and this is my third visit to Cedar Lake.

It was my privilege to live one and a half years with two of the workers who are now Cedar Lake students, and I am sure that something good can come out of Cedar Lake. I believe that many more good things are coming out of Cedar Lake.

Elder M. N. Campbell:—I am very happy to say this is not my first visit to Cedar Lake; but the impression received at my first visit has been emphasized at this time, and finally crystallized into the conviction that the Cedar Lake Academy comes the nearest the standard set forth in the testimonies, of any school in the range of my knowledge.

Manuel Training.

Many of the branches of study that consume the student’s time are essential to usefulness or happiness; but it is essential for every youth to have a thorough acquaintance with every-day duties. If need be a young woman can dispense with a knowledge of French and algebra, or even of the piano; but it is indispensable that she learn to make good bread, to fashion neatly fitting garments, and to perform efficiently the many duties that pertain to home-making.

To the health and happiness of the whole family nothing is more vital than skill and intelligence on the part of the cook. By ill-prepared, unwholesome food she may hinder and even ruin both the adult’s usefulness and the child’s development. Or by providing food

adapted to the needs of the body, and at the same time inviting and palatable, she can accomplish as much in the right as otherwise she accomplishes in the wrong direction. So, in many ways, life's happiness is bound up with faithfulness in common duties.

Since both men and women have a part in homemaking, boys as well as girls should gain a knowledge of household duties. To make a bed and put a room in order, to wash dishes, to prepare a meal, to wash and repair his own clothing, is a training that need not make any boy less manly; it will make him happier and more useful. And if girls, in turn, could learn to harness and drive a horse, and to use the saw and hammer, as well as the rake and the hoe, they would be better fitted to meet the emergencies of life.

Let the children and youth learn from the Bible how God has honored the work of the every-day toiler. Let them read of the "sons of the prophets," students at school, who were building a house for themselves, and for whom a miracle was wrought to save from loss the ax that was borrowed. Let them read of Jesus the carpenter, and Paul the tent-maker, who with the toil of the craftsman linked the highest ministry, human and divine. Let them read of the lad whose five loaves were used by the Saviour in that wonderful miracle of feeding of the multitude; of Dorcas the seamstress, called back from death, that she might continue to make garments for the poor; of the wise woman described in the Proverbs, who "seeketh wool and flax, and worketh willingly with her hands;" who "giveth meat to her household, and their task to her maidens;" who "planteth a vineyard, . . . and strengtheneth her arms;" who "stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, . . . reaches forth her hands to the needy;" who "looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness."

Of such a one, God says: "She shall be praised. Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates."

For every child the first industrial school should be the home. And, so far as possible, facilities for manual training should be connected with every school. To a great degree such training would supply the place of the gymnasium, with the additional benefit of affording valuable discipline.

—Education.

From the Field.

SOUTH MONTEREY.

The fourth annual Ingathering at South Monterey was held Sunday evening November 4th. The house was well filled and all had their parts well. Brother Clifford Russell was present and made some very interesting and appropriate remarks on missionary work, especially referring to the needs of the colored people, toward whose education the collection was to go. The whole amount of donations was \$16.92. The children gave \$7.20 of this amount and it is to go toward the education of an orphan in India.

We are thankful that our children have taken such an interest and trust that the missionary spirit will stir them up to do more active work in the year to come.

STELLA McALISTER,

S. S. Supt.

Arecibo, P. R., Nov. 2nd, 1906.
West Michigan Herald:—

Last evening, after finishing our recitation, we were pleased to note, by the waiting throng before the postoffice, that another United States mail had arrived. While waiting its distribution we strolled to the plaza overlooking the ocean. Words are entirely inadequate to portray the beauty and grandeur of the scene. To the north of us rolled the broad Atlantic. Its waters, always rough and restless at Arecibo, because of many submerg-

ed boulders and the rock-bound coast, were tossing great silver-capped waves upon the sandy beach beneath us. East and northeast were rocky hills and stretches of rolling surface, with fertile valleys intersecting the elevations. On the highest promontory stood El Faro (the light house) holding aloft the warning to vessels at sea. The shore line was fringed with coconut palms, which made a beautiful and fitting frame work for such a picture. To the south and west lay a broad river valley bounded by a range of mountains. The entire scene, illuminated by a full moon, which was occasionally hid behind glory-lit clouds, made a mental impression not soon to be forgotten. And as the cool, spring-like zephyrs fanned our cheeks, we could not but wish some of our friends in the states might enjoy some of the pleasures of this pearl of islands.

At no time have we found the heat any more unpleasant than it sometimes is in Michigan. The atmosphere is exhilarating. A morning bath may be had as cool as in the summer at home, and is as manifestly tonic.

The foods have a flavor peculiar to this country, but as we become accustomed to them we enjoy them very much indeed. Oranges at 2½ and 3 cents per dozen afford a delicious germicide. Bananas range from 2¢ a dozen up. The staple foods are as high, and some are higher than in the states.

Americans are locating upon farms in different parts of the country and are doing well, financially. The island has great possibilities. We are glad we are here to represent God's kingdom.

MR. AND MRS. J. C. BROWER.

A Thanksgiving Number of the Signs.

Even though our building is in ashes, and our work is being conducted in a shed, we are going to have a Thanksgiving number of the "Signs of the Times."

Here are some of the good things it will contain:

"What we have to be thankful for."

"The Spirit of Thanksgiving."

"Thanksgiving—Ancient and Modern."

"A Thanksgiving Story,"

"Nearing Home; Signs of the End."

"United States in Prophecy."

"The Results of Forgetting God."

"The Great Salvation."

Other articles and poems of extraordinary merit.

It will have a beautiful cover design and will be well illustrated. Among others, it will show three photographs of the Valparaiso disaster which we have just received from men on the ground.

Prices will be as follows:

1 to 10 copies to one address, or mailed to single names and addresses 5¢ each

25 to 75 copies to one address 3¢ each

100 or more copies to one address 2½¢ each

Address your Tract Society or "Signs of the Times," Mountain View, Cali.

Distribution of Laborers.

At the late council of the West Michigan workers the conference was formed into parishes with a pastor in charge. The reason for this will appear in the next issue of the Herald. Below we publish a list of the distribution of laborers as it appears from the report of the council:

Elder H. Nicolo; Quincy, Coldwater, Kinderbrook, Sturgis:

Elder W. C. Hebner; Shelby, Rothbury, Holton, Denver Center, Hesperia, Fremont:

Elder I. D. VanHorn; Urbandale, Convis:

Elder R. C. Horton; Bangor, Covert, Hartford, Paw Paw, Bloomingtondale:

Elder A. C. Bourdeau; Ceresco, Marshall, Union City, Burlington, Homer, Bedford:

Elder S. M. Butler; Cedar Lake: Elder M. N. Campbell; Battle Creek:

Elder W. H. Heckman; Grand Rapids:

Elder B. F. Kneeland; Kalamazoo, Plainwell:

Elder W. E. Videto; Berrien Springs, Benton Harbor, Sodus:

Otsego Workers; Otsego, Allegan, Monterey, Douglas, Allendale, Byron Center, Grandville, Wright, Holland, Bauer, Agnew, Nunica, Ravenna, Wayland, Hastings, Vermontville, Grand Ledge, Portland:

Brother S. D. Hartwell; Charlotte, Dimondale, Potterville, Eaton Rapids, Olivet, Brookfield:

Brother E. F. Collier; Mendon, Glenwood, Decatur, Niles:

Brother James Irving; Lowell, Belding, Greenville, Bushnell, Lyons, Palo, Carson City:

Brother H. C. Pitton; Clifford Lake, Trufant, Eutrican, Gowen, Sand Lake, Howard City, Morley, Frost:

Brother S. S. Gray; Edmore, Mt. Pleasant, Mecosta, Lake View, Emerald, Horr:

Location of Bible Workers:

Grand Rapids; Miss Jennie De-Young, Miss Bertha Snyder, Miss Mabel Baker.

Kalamazoo; Miss Edna Bellows, Miss Erma Paul.

Muskegon; Brother Moses Whitmarsh and wife.

Union City; Mrs. Cleora Green.

Dr. Otis is to visit the different churches as medical director under directions of Elder Haughey.

News and Notes.

December 15-22 has been set apart as the week of prayer.

The editor spent last Sabbath with the church a Charlotte.

The West Michigan Conference has given five hundred dollars toward the support of Elder Purdham in West Virginia one year.

Wanted—A strong, active young man, who is willing to learn. Address, Michigan Sanitarium, 123-

127 East South St., Kalamazoo, Mich.

Elder and Mrs. B. F. Kneeland spent a few days last week at Edmore. On Sabbath and Sunday evenings Elder Kneeland spoke in the church to very attentive audiences. He and Mrs. Kneeland return to their home in Kalamazoo, where they will be assisted by Miss Edna Bellows and Miss Erma Paul, who have recently entered the Bible-work.

We quote the following from the Oakland Herald, (Cal.) dated Oct. 22, 1906: "Preaching the gospel with a menagerie is the remarkable experience being tried in Oakland by William Ward Simpson. With a set of four stuffed and mounted beasts, the like of which has never been seen in any circus or side show, the evangelist intends to illustrate the book of Daniel in a way absolutely new to missionary history." This is certainly a very unique way of presenting the prophecies. Elder Simpson was formerly a laborer in Michigan.

For Sale—Having been called to connect with the Southern Union Conference, I wish to sell my 80-acre farm in Pawnee county, Oklahoma; fair buildings, abundance of fruit, stocked and furnished complete, with this year's crop. One and one-half mile from nice town, two railroads, Seventh-day Adventist church and church school. In oil belt. Good place for missionary work. Very cheap for cash. Might exchange. Address, A. W. Parmele, 14 Clyde St., Battle Creek, Mich., Automatic Phone 1906.

Obituary.

Philo R. Smith died of apoplexy at his home in Wyman, Michigan, November 3, 1906, in his eightieth year. A wife, daughter and stepson are left to mourn their loss. Words of comfort were spoken to a large company of sympathizing friends by the writer.

B. F. KNEELAND.