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Hastings Camp-meeting.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22.

10:00 a. m. Dr. Miller again addressed the people on the subject of China. He showed how all improvements and political events are simply the means in God's hands for opening China to the promulgation of the gospel. Since the way is opened for the introduction of modern facilities, and the treaty between United States and China grants freedom for preaching the gospel, it is evident that the hand of God has been at work, making it possible for these heathen nations to hear the last message of mercy. God's people should be ready now to take advantage of the situation, and send men and means to carry forward the work in these needy fields. The speaker related some of his own experiences and those of - his fellow workers in China four vears ago. In answer to praver a small press was donated to start the work with our literature. Only a beginning has been made, and now this press is inadequate to meet the needs. Dr. Miller is now in America to present to our people the need of a printing press in China. After his earnest talk a donation amounting to \$265 was taken up to hasten the work in that great field.

At 7:30 p. m. Elder W. E. Videto spoke on the Third Angel's Message. The message of the third angel is the most solemn message of the whole Bible. It shows two classes of people. We have been shown during these meetings that we are in the last generation of time and this message given by the third angel is the message that is due just before Christ comes.

Do you hear much about the mark of the beast from other denominations? What is the mark of the beast? The beast is the power that sets itself up against God. The beast puts his mark in the forehead or the hand. Rev. 14:9. The Lord has a mark that he puts in the forehead. Rev. 7:1-3. In Isaiah the eighth chapter, the Lord is speaking of the last time, and in the sixteenth verse he speaks of the sealing work. John, the Revelator, tells us in the seventh chapter that the angels will hold back the winds until the servants of God are sealed.

All public documents must have a seal, and when used in connection with laws, it must show the name of the law-giver, his title and title and his territory. In the fourth commandment we are told that the seventh day is the Sabbath and we are to remember to keep it holy; for the Lord created everything in six days, and rested the seventh. We find in this commandment the seal of God, and that Jehovah is the creator and his territory is the universe.

What is the mark of the beast? A false Sabbath. What is the false Sabbath? Sunday. Why? It is founded on human authority. The beast or papacy, says, if she did not have power to institute festivals of precept she could not have substituted the observance of Sunday, the first day of the week, for Saturday, the seventh day, a change for which there is no Scriptural authority.

We must receive the mark of God and have our names enrolled in the Lamb's book of life, or receive the mark of the beast and be partakers of the wine of the wrath of God. The remnant church will be found keeping the commandments of God. They will come out and be free. They will not be popular. The conflict is on, and on which side will you stand?

(fo be continued.)

Lesson for M. V. S. for Sept. 14.

M. N. CAMPBELL.

The Word of God.

 What command is given us concerning Bible study? 2 Tim.
2:15

2. What degree of proficiency is required of us? I Pet. 3:15

3. What will a knowledge of God's Word do for us? 2 Tim. 3:15

4. How effective is the Word? Heb. 4:12, Ps. 33:6,9, I Thess. 2:13, Jas. 1:21

5. For what is the Word profitable? 2 Tim. 3:16

6. Does the Bible fully instruct us in every religious duty? 2 Tim. 3:17.

THE OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURES.

7. What does Christ say of the Old Testament Scriptures? Luke 16:29-31 If they are disbelieved no miracle can convince.

John 5:44-47 Writings of Moses and prophets equal to the words of Christ.

I Pet. I:10-II The ancient

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Bible writers were inspired by the Spirit of Christ.

8. What does the inspired Apostle Paul say of the Old Testament Scriptures?

Acts 24:14 He believed all of them.

Acts 26:22 He preached the gospel from them.

THE PROPHETIC SCRIPTURES.

9. How much of the Bible is devoted to prophecy? About one fourth.

10. Are we admonished to study prophecy? 2 Pet. 1:19

11. Will our study of this "light that shineth in a a dark place" save us from being overtaken as a thief in the night when Christ appears? I Thess. 5:1,2,4,5 12. What does God set forth as

the proof of the reliability of His Word?

Isa. 46:9-10 | His power to foretell Isa. 41:21-23 | future events.

13. What books of the Bible are commonly called "sealed books?" Daniel and Revelation.

14. Where does God foretell this fact? Isa. 29:11-12

15. Will the Lord enable some to understand? Isa. 29:18-19, 23-2416. May we understand the

writings of Daniel? Matt. 24:15

17. Is Revelation also open to our understanding? Rev. 1:1-3

18. What assurance is given concerning "things revealed?" Deut. 29:29

19. What relations do the testimonies sustain to the Bible?

"The written testimonies are not to give new light, but to impress vividly upon the heart the truths of inspiration already revealed . . . additional truth is not brought out; but God has through the Testimonies simplified the great truths already given and in his own chosen way brought them before the people to awaken and impress the mind with them, that all may be left without excuse. The Testimonies are not to belittle the Word of God, but to exalt it, and attract minds to it, that the beautiful simplicity of truth may impress all." Test. Vol. 2, p 605, 606 "The word of God is sufficient to enlighten the most beclouded mind and may be understood by those who have any desire to understand it. But notwithstanding all this some who profess to make the word of God their study, are found living in direct opposition to its plainest teachings. Then, to leave men and women without excuse, God gives plain, pointed testimonies, BRINGING THEM BACK TO THE WORD that they have neglected to follow.

Test. Vol. 2, p 445.

Holton and Shelby.

According to appointment I met with the little church at Holton, on Sabbath, August 31.

There was a good representation. I spoke on baptism, being called there by the Elder to baptize a sister who had waited for several months for the opportunity. When I was ready to examine the candidates I gave opportunity for others wishing to go forward in this ordinance to raise their hands, and two willing souls responded. In this we felt to praise God. The first sister had united with the church subject to baptism, and as Brother Marvin Husted had been baptized at the camp-meeting at Hastings, and requested to united with the Holton church, he, with the newly baptized ones were taken into full fellowship. The hearts of the parents were made glad as they saw their children moving forward in this ordinance so willingly.

At Fremont I held three meetings in the homes of the brethren, and quite an interest was manifested among their neighbors, one attending two evenings, coming three miles the first night and six the last.

I feel quite encourged with the outlook for this place as an opening for tent work in the near future.

Truly the Lord has gone out before us. May we be wise to follow up as he opens the way, is my prayer. W. C. HEBNER.

Announcement of the Cedar Lake Academy.

We take great pleasure in presenting the following announcement of Cedar Lake Academy for the school year of 1907-08.

Because of recent changes in the faculty and in the courses of study, it was found impossible to prepare a calendar this year, and hence we take this medium of reaching our people in the interests of our conference school.

In harmony with the other conferences in the Lake Union, an action was taken restricting the work to ten grades, thus making our intermediate school, with the others in the Lake Union, a feeder to the Collage at Berrien Springs.

A strong experienced faculty has been secured as follows:

W. C. Matthewson, Principal.

Fred Green, Business Manager. Edith Shepard.

VoWyla Aiken, Primary Department.

ADMITTANCE.

The school is open to worthy young people of both sexes. Any student who knowingly and willfully transgresses the rules of the school thereby places himself outside of it. If allowed to remain, it is only by the sufferance of the faculty. Students unknown to the faculty should send letters of recommendation from some minister, or their church elder. It is part of the student's contract to abide by all of the rules and regulations of the school. The faculty. reserve the right to dismiss any student from the school when in their judgement it is best for all concerned, even though there may be no overt transgression of the rules.

The course of study as outlined by the General Conference Department at the College View Convention has been adopted. This course is the same as that used in the church schools, as far as their work extends, and the student can thus

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enter the intermediate grades and continue to advance through the ninth and tenth grades.

An arrangement has been entered into with the Cedar Lake church by means of which the church school has been made a part of the Academy, so that students desiring work in any of the ten grades can be accomodated.

A diploma will be given those finishing the tenth grade creditably, which will enable them to enter the college without examination and there continue to pursue the studies laid down in the same course.

The following is the course for the 7th., 8th., 9th., and 10th. grades:

SEVENTH GRADE.

First Term—Bible (Daniel), Arithmetic, Grammar, Geography, Elementary Science.

Second Term-Bible (Revelation), Arithmetic, Grammar, Geography, Elementary Science.

Drills—Reading, Penmanship, Music, Spelling, Drawing.

EIGHTH GRADE.

First Term-Bible (Acts of the Apostles), Arithmetic, U. S. History, Physiology, Grammar.

Second Term-Bible (Doctrinal Subjects), Arithmetic, U. S. History, Physiology, Grammar.

Drills – Reading, Penmanship, Music, Orthography, Drawing.

NINTH GRADE.

First Term—Bible (Life of Christ), Mathematics (Adv. Arith.,) Advanced English, Civil Government, Agriculture.

Second Term—Bible (Life of Christ,) Mathematics (Accounting,)' Advanced English, Civil Government, Botany.

Drills—Penmanship, Drawing, Music.

TENTH GRADE.

First Term—Bible (Doctrines,) General History, Algebra, Rhetoric.

Second Term--Bible (Denominational History,) General History, Algebra, Rhetoric.

Drills-Penmanship, Drawing, Music. EXPENSES.

Tuition, room rent, light, and heat \$8.00 per month, payable in advance.

Board is furnished on the European plan; and varies from \$5.00 to \$7.00 per month.

Considerable work will be furnished to students, to be paid for by the piece as far as practicable, otherwise by the hour. Those who desire work will thus be enabled to reduce their expenses considerable.

School will open Tuesday, September 17. All students should plan to reach Cedar Lake on Monday, to be ready for matriculation Tuesday morning.

The school year will be devided into two terms of eighteen weeks each. A vacation will be given from December 21 to January 2.

For further information address the principal or business manager, Cedar Lake, Michigan.

> A. G. Haughey, Otsego, Mich. M. N. Campbell, Battle Creek, Mich. S. D. Hartwell, Charlotte, Mich. C. A. Russell, Otsego, Mich. Fred Green, Cedar Lake, Mich. W. J. McCurdy, Cedar Lake, Mich. () (To be filled.)

Board of Trustees.

Distribution of Tent Companies and Laborers.

Distribution of tent companies and laborers was made as follows: H. C. Pitton, M. B. Butterfield, Buchanan; S. D. Hartwell, M. C. Whitmarsh, Lowell; W. C. Hebner, Herbert Campbell, Sullivan; John E. Hanson, J. M. Wilbur, Wayland; J. W. Hofstra, E. F. Collier, Grand Haven; W. R. Matthews, S. S. Gray, Two Rivers; R. C. Horton, L. J. Otis, M. N. Campbell, Battle Creek; Elder Bourdeau, Union City; Elder Nicola, pastoral work

at Coldwater, Quincy, and Kinderhook; A. Smith, subject to call; Jennie DeYoung, Mabel Baker, Grand Rapids; Edna Bellows, Calista Nelson, Kalamazoo; Zona Carr, Muskegon; Edith Wilbur, Conference office; Mrs. Cleora Green, Union City.

The Next General Donation October 5.

The work in behalf of the colored people in the United States of America is one of the most interesting missionary works that we have to do in our home field. Not that these people are not intelligent and susceptible to religious influences; they are more than all this, but many of the people have no knowledge whatever of the Third Angel's Message.

We are very anxious that the colored people shall be brought in touch with the living teacher of the Third Angel's Message. This means a large outlay of money, because there are but few who can work in behalf of any class of people on a self-supporting basis.

It has been arranged by the General Conference that at the quarterly meetings the first Sabbath in each October, a donation shall be taken in behalf of carrying the Third Angel's Message to the colored people in the United States of America. This fund is distributed to the South and to the South-western territory, ten per cent going to the work in the Atiantic Union Conference in behalf of the colored people in that territory. If our people fully understood the great need of funds with which to carry forward the work in behalf of these people, I am sure there would be a very liberal donation. There is great need of more work being done, and we are encouraged by the good results that we see from the labor already bestowed. School houses and churches have been built for the people in nearly every conference in the South, and there are one or more workers giving their exclusive time

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to preaching the Third Angel's Message to the colored people in each state.

We earnestly entreat our people everywhere to make a liberal donation this year in behalf of the work in the South. Send all donations through the regular channels of your state treasury. Let us pray that the blessing of God may be with the workers who are giving their lives to the spread of the message among the colored people. I. H. EVANS.

Financial.

Receipts for West Michig		on-	
ference for July, 190	7.		
	3741	31	
Sabbath-school Offerings	360		
Weekly Offerings .	60	64	
O. H. F. T. D. Fund	341	12	
Finnish Mission .	61	89	
Annual Offerings .	15	06	
Mid-Summer Offerings	463	66	
Mission Board Offerings	44	28	
Self-Denial Fund .	I	36	
Huntsville School .	8	75	
Edgefield Mission .		53	
Conference Imp. Fund	174	85	
Birthday Offerings .	I	44	
Bills Payable .	1 5000	100	
Cedar Lake Academy Fd.	2	50	
Salary	IO	00	
Danish Mission .	3	36	
African Native Worker's F	d. 4	00	
Jamaica Conference .	I	00	
Atlanta Church .	2	00	
General Fund 🤰 .	20	72	
West. Mich. Sanitarium	10	00	
Southern Field .	2	35	
Orphans and Aged Fund		85	
Work for the Blind .	21	61	
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Total .	6858	05	
West Michigan Tract Society.			
Merchandise .	39	85	
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Expense .			25
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Agnew		\$ 9	40
Allegan		48	75

Allendale	41
Bangor .	22
Battle Creek .	857
Bauer .	75
Belding	17
Benton Harbor .	36
Berrien Springs .	127
Bloomingdale .	23
Buchanan	21
Burlington :	96
Carson City .	40
Carlton Center .	62
Cedar Lake	33
Charlotte .	136
Convis	5
Covert .	12
Decatur	55
Denver Center .	42
Dimondale	60
East Mich. Conference	18
Eaton Rapids .	17
Edmore	119
Emerald .	
Fremont	77
Glenwood .	13
Grand Ledge .	9
Grand Rapids .	142
Grandville	
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Howard City .	5
Individuals .	30
Iowa Conference . '	17
Kansas Conference	2
Kent City	27
Kinderhook .	19
Lakeview	31
Lowell	29 46
Lyons Maple Grove .	29
Mecosta	7
Monterey .	93
Mt Pleasant .	15
Muskegon .	37
Niles	9 4
Otsego .	110
Paw Paw	36
Portland .	90
Potterville	6
Quincy .	130
Rothbury	17
Sand Lake . Shelby	45
Sturgis .	22
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Trufant Union City .	10

Urbandale			60	00
West Leroy			54	56
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Wright			180	78
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Obituary.

Butler-Died at her home in Mendon, Michigan, August 28, 1907 Mrs. Caroline Elizabeth Butler, aged 62 years, 3 months, and 17 days. Sister Butler had suffered somewhat from paralysis the past two years. Desiring to see mem-bers of her family who reside in Washington State, preparations were being made for the trip. She was in good spirits when a sudden fainting sensation passed over her. From this she partially rallied, and then peacefully fell asleep in Jusus. The end was expected and she was prepared, although she had earnestly desired that she might live to see the coming Saviour. She was converted at the age of 25 years under the labors of Elder Morse at Tenhassen, Minn., and united with the Seventh Day Adventist people, with whom she had been a faithful follower of Jesus until her death. She was a kind and loving wife and mother. Her life was one of toil. At her home all found a place of welcome. She was ever ready to help the sick and needy. The Lord knows them that are His. "And, behold, I come quickly: and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be." Of her eleven children born, eight are now living, and with their father mourn their sad loss. May Heaven's comfort and aboundant reward be their consolation. Comforting and admonitory truths were spoken by the writer in the Mendon church from Rev. 22:14.

E. F. COLLIER.

Deips and **Dotes**.

Reid Shepard is connected with the conference office as bookkeeper,

The Otsego church school opened Tuesday morning with Miss Edna Ayers as teacher.

Miss Edith Wilbur of Grand Rapids has come to assist in the conference office as stenographer.

Brother Clifford Russell spent Sabbath with the Kalamazoo church in the interests of the church school work.