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"Among all the religious persecutions with which almost every page of modern history is stained, no victim ever suffered but for the violation of what government denominated the law of God."—U. S. Senate Report, 1829.

Lake Union Conference Notes.

SUNDAY, MARCH 29.

The last day of the Conference began with a social meeting at 9 a. m.

At 10 a. m. Elder Moon made some remarks about the conference sessions as a whole, and the plans for future work. Some of the recommendations that had been referred to special committees for remodelling were brought up and passed.

The report of the Committee on Credentials and Licenses was adopted as follows:

For Credentials: Allen Moon, N. W. Kauble, J. G. Lamson.

For Ministerial License: J. B. Blosser, L. J. Otis.

For Missionary License: W. H. Edwards, Miss Myrtie Kellogg.

The business having been finished adjournment was taken at 1 p. m. The Lake Union Conference Committee held a session at 2:30 p. m. but such of the delegates as still remained in the city improved the afternoon by visiting the museums and conservatories in the various parks. It was a beautiful day, and a favorable opportunity for broadening ones education along this line.

The service at 7:30 p. m. was a sermon by Elder C. N. Sanders, on "Our Heavenly Home." Dan. 2:44,45. Each kingdom came up and was used by God until they had performed their work. Israel failed to do the work and was carried into captivity. If we fail to do our work we will also be carried into captivity, but it will be the captivity of Satan.

"In the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom." We only have one work and that is to gather out of Satan's dominion subjects for the kingdom of God. Acts 7:2-5; Heb. 11:8-10. It was faith that made Abraham great.

Heb. 11:39,40. These persons were all right but God could not fulfill the promise to them until we had an opportunity to share it with them. 2 Peter 3:12,13; Micah 4:8. Are you trusting in the Tower of the Flock? "Blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth." God wants you to draw close to Him. There isn't a flaw in the city of God, and God wants us to be perfect. Not one thread of human invention can ever be

placed in our robes of righteousness.

In the city is the river of life and the tree of life. May we get our eyes off from this world and get them on the eternal city.

(Concluded.)

Praising God.

From the time of the journeyings of the children of Israel in the wilderness, music, with voice and instrument, has had a place in the worship of God. In the time of David we find the following instruction: "Praise the Lord with harp: sing unto him with the psaltery and an instrument of ten strings. Sing unto him a new song; play skilfully with a loud noise." Ps. 33:2,3.

At the time of a yearly assembly music was particularly called for. "Take a psalm, and bring hither the timbrel, the pleasant harp with the psaltery. Blow the trumpet in the new moon, in the time appointed, on our solemn feast day." Ps. 81:2,3. "And they came to Jerusalem with psalteries and harps and trumpets unto the house of the Lord." 2 Chron. 20:28. "With trumpets and the sound of cornet make a joyful noise before the Lord, the King." Ps. 98:6.

"The history of the songs of the Bible is full of suggestions as to the uses and benefits of music and song." "It is one of the most effective means of impressing the heart with spiritual truth." "As a part of religious service, singing is as much an act of worship as is prayer."

"As our Redeemer leads us to the threshold of the Infinite, flush-

ed with the glory of God, we may catch the theme of praise and thanksgiving from the heavenly choir round about the throne; and as the echo of the angels' song is awakened in our earthly homes, hearts will be drawn closer to the heavenly singers. Heaven's communion begins on earth. We learn here the keynote of its praise."—"Education," pp. 167, 168.

"In our campmeeting services, there should be singing and instrumental music. Musical instruments were used in religious services in ancient times. The worshipers praised God upon the harp and cymbal, and music should have its place in our services. It will add to the interest. And every day a praise-meeting should be held, a simple service of thanksgiving to God." Vol. 6, p 62.

Last year at our campmeeting we had a few instruments to assist in the music and as the time approaches for the meeting this year we are anxious that even broader plans be laid than ever before. In "Testimonies" Vol. 4, p. 71, we read: "Call to your aid, if practicable, instrumental music, and let the glorious harmony ascend to God, an acceptable offering."

"But it is sometimes more difficult to discipline the singers and keep them in working order, than to improve the habits of praying and exhorting. Many want to do things after their own style; they object to consultation, and are impatient under leadership. Well-matured plans are needed in the service of God."

"We feel sure that all our people will take an interest in having everything move harmoniously, to reflect credit upon us as a denomination. This is especially desirable if the meeting is held in one of the larger cities, as may possibly be the case. We would like to correspond with those who read music readily and play by note, naming the instrument used.

Communications may be addressed to the undersigned at

Otsego, and as we plan to attend this annual gathering let us bear in mind the words of the Psalmist: "O come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us make a joyful noise unto him with psalms."

E. L. RICHMOND.

A NEW PUBLICATION

Signs of the Times Monthly Ready
July 15, 1908.

In response to repeated and earnest calls from the field, the publishers of the SIGNS OF THE TIMES have decided to issue a monthly journal, covering all phases of the message, for the use of agents and pioneer missionary workers.

It will be printed in magazine form; pages about 6x9 inches; and will contain 52 pages, including cover.

The cover will be printed in two or more colors, and the whole magazine beautifully illustrated throughout.

This new monthly magazine is in nowise intended to take the place of the regular weekly SIGNS OF THE TIMES which has been used so effectually for over a quarter of a century. That will be published the same as heretofore.

The WEEKLY paper is for home study, free distribution among friends and neighbors, in reading-racks, and in connection with missionary correspondence and Bible work.

The MONTHLY magazine is for sale from house to house and on the streets, by children, young people, old people, sisters, and others who are not sufficiently experienced, or have not had the training to sell books.

At the late meeting of the General Conference Committee held in Washington, D. C., April 14 to 26, the whole question was carefully considered and the following resolution adopted:

"WHEREAS, There is a strong demand from the field for a monthly magazine covering all phases of

the message, to be used by agents in pioneer missionary work; and,

"WHEREAS, For over a quarter of a century the SIGNS OF THE TIMES has been recognized as the pioneer missionary paper of this denomination; therefore,

RESOLVED, That we approve of the action of the Board of Directors of the Pacific Press Publishing Company in deciding to issue a monthly edition of the SIGNS OF THE TIMES in magazine form, with cover, to retail at ten cents per copy. This edition to be used especially by agents to sell on the streets, in the stores, and from house to house.

"AND WE FURTHER RECOMMEND, That the Pacific Press continue to publish the regular weekly edition of the SIGNS for general missionary work, the same as heretofore."

The first number of this new journal will be dated August, 1908, but will be issued early in July.

This journal in its monthly issues will cover every phase of the Gospel message in short, concise articles which will appeal especially to busy business men as well as others.

The various departments will embrace the following:

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Albion	\$ 5.00
Battle Creek	632.82
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Bedford	53.63
Benton Harbor	19.13
Berrien Springs	72.20
Bloomington	10.51
Buchanan	18.07
Bushnell	45.59
Byron Center	38.97
Carlton Center	17.10
Cedar Lake	29.30
Charlotte	25.70
Clifford Lake	4.71
Covert	1.27
Decatur	29.91
Denver Center	215.18
Douglas	40.85
Eaton Rapids	22.56
Frost	1.10
Glenwood	18.07
Grand Ledge	.50
Grand Rapids	103.79
Greenville	57.27
Hastings	12.60
Kalamazoo	84.92
Kent City	5.00
Kinderhook	17.00
Mendon	72.48
Morley	52.00
Otsego	34.30
Paw Paw	76.74
Pottsville	28 72
Rothbury	50.00
Sand Lake	2.00
Shelby	44.40
Stanton	62.75
Sturgis	14.60
Trufant	22.95
West Leroy	79.04
Wright	48.98
Individuals	36.06
Money Returned	4.00
East Mich. Conf.	10.83
Iowa Conf.	5.00
Ontario Conf.	5.25
Total	\$2,248.77

West Michigan Conference.

Tithe	\$2,248.77
Weekly Offerings	23.00
Sabbath School Offerings	42.27
Missionary Vol. Dept. Offering	2.38
Dr. Chas. Cave F'd.	1.00
Cedar Lake Academy	525.00
Bills Payable	100.00

Latin Training School	6.60
Missionary Vol. Education- al Fund	4.51
Conf. Improvement F'd.	11.00
Otsego Intermediate School	42.90
Self-denial Fund	.05
Religious Liberty	14.17
Southern Field	2.00
African Mission	8.00
Donations (field not given)	5.52
Colored Work	2.00
O. H. F. T. D. Fund	12.50
General Fund	56.99
Orphans and Aged Fund	35.84
Mission Board Offering	126.71
Total	\$3,271.21

West Michigan Tract Society.

On Account	321.21
West Michigan Herald	4.31
Merchandise	51.31
Total	376.83

Dollar China Children.

We publish below a second installment of "Dollar China Children." It is only about two months now until the campmeeting, and we hope that all will have their dollar by that time. We hope to have a special Childrens' Day missionary program some time during the meeting, and have our China gifts presented at that time. Are there not others who wish to join our band? Send your names to

CLIFFORD RUSSELL,
Otsego, Mich.

Faye Mann, Portland
Jay Thompson, Portland
Dula Palmiter, Portland
Vera Chamberlin, Cedar Lake
Mary Curtis, Cedar Lake
Edythe McCurdy, Cedar Lake
Faye Strickland, Cedar Lake
Walter Phillips, Cedar Lake
Cecil and Russell Bagnall, Cedar Lake
Chester Mathewson, Cedar Lake
Violet Barnhurst, Buchanan.
Dorris Davis, Bedford.

"Knowledge is proud that he has learned so much;
Wisdom is humble that he knows no more."

Obituaries.

Eli O. Ellis was born Nov. 28, 1825, in Peru township, Huron county, Ohio, and died April 30, 1908, at Shelby, Mich., of chronic bronchitis and a general breakdown from repeated attacks and old age, being 82 years, 5 months and two days old. When about twenty years old Mr. Ellis accepted his Saviour, was baptized and united with the Baptist church. Through removals and apostasies the church went down and Brother Ellis drifted into the world again. But about two years ago he began the study of his Bible which resulted in a full and complete surrender to his dear Saviour; and the Wednesday evening prayer meeting that was held at his home all winter was to him a "Bethel." His great joy was found in conversing about what God had done for him. "He sleeps, O blessed sleep, from which none ever wake to weep." He leaves a loving companion, one son, six grandchildren, and a large circle of friends and acquaintances to mourn their loss. Words of comfort were spoken from Psalms 116:15 to a large congregation of sympathizing friends and neighbors.

W. C. HEBNER.

Chauncey G. Cole was born in Moscow, State of New York, January 13, 1837, and died at his home in Mendon, Michigan, May 14, 1908, aged 71 years, 4 months, and 1 day.

At the call of his country in 1861, he enlisted in Co. I, 7th Michigan Volunteer Infantry, serving during the entire war. He was wounded at Gettysburg, and again at Hatcher's Run where he was captured and imprisoned for several months in Libby and Andersonville.

At the close of the war he was united in marriage to Catherine E. Cronenwitt, who survives him. To them were born two sons and three daughters, all of whom are

living, and were present at the funeral.

In 1879 he again enlisted, this time under the Banner of the Cross, uniting with the Parkville S. D. A. church. Later this organization was transferred to Mendon, of which he was a member at the time of his death.

Brother Cole was a great sufferer, having sustained at different times six paralytic shocks, induced by his wounds and the hardships of the army prisons. He was practically helpless during the last few years of his life, but he bore his suffering with Christian fortitude.

The funeral which was largely attended, was held at the S. D. A. church in Mendon, Sunday afternoon, May 17, and he was laid away in the beautiful cemetery just west of the village to sleep until the Lifegiver comes.

CLIFFORD A. RUSSELL.

News and Notes.

Campmeeting, August 13-23.

Don't forget to order your Sabbath School lesson books.

J. W. Hofstra was in Charlotte over Sabbath and Sunday.

A. C. Haughey has been in Battle Creek holding an institute.

Elder A. G. Haughey was called to Berrien Springs last Thursday.

Mrs. Nellie Wirt, librarian of the church at Kalamazoo, called at this office last week.

Professors Griggs and Morrison and Elder Moon were visitors at Berrien Springs last week.

Elder W. E. Videto goes to Grand Rapids this week to engage in a series of tent meetings.

A company of young ladies will begin the sale of our periodicals in Grand Rapids this week.

Miss Violet Barnhurst, of Buchanan, is the first of the Dollar

China Children to send in the money.

We are glad to know that 27 were in attendance at the canvassers' institute at Holly last week.

Miss Almeda Haughey has been visiting her sister, Mrs. S. Hilliard, and other relatives in Otsego, for a few days.

Elder Morris Lukens was in Battle Creek recently. He spoke to the Young People on Sabbath afternoon.

Clifford Russell attended the closing exercises of the Battle Creek school last Thursday. He spoke to the church in Benton Harbor Sabbath.

Do you need a new secretary's book in your Sabbath School? Record F for schools with 25 to 50 members, 50 cents; Record C for large schools, \$1.00.

The publishers of the WATCHMAN have prepared a suggestive canvass for the Temperance Number of that paper; it will be sent free on request. Address this office.

One of our new canvassers put in 30 hours the first three days, taking seven orders at a retail price of \$21.00. This means 70 cents per hour and should encourage others who have had no experience to go and do likewise.

Sabbath, July 4, has been appointed as the day for collecting our midsummer offering. A program is to be provided, giving special emphasis to religious liberty. Can we not begin to gather our funds at once? The Mission Board are in need of the money to push the work.

At the Lake Union Conference a resolution was passed recommending that each local conference place 5000 copies of the Temperance WATCHMAN in the hands of the W. C. T. U. for gratuitous dis-

tribution. This has been done in West Michigan and we are getting reports from these ladies, expressing their appreciation.

FOR SALE.—Two acres of land with good house and barn, nice orchard and berries. Near to S. D. A. church school. Address Mrs. S. J. Kellogg, R. D. No. 3, Hastings, Mich.

Miss Winifred Trunk wishes to express her appreciation to the Young People's Societies of West Michigan for the assistance they have rendered. She hopes to help other young people to enter the work of God and thus repay the kindness shown her. She will sail from Vancouver the 19th, for Australia.

When the ladies of the W. C. T. U. of the District of Columbia heard that the Johnston Sunday bill had passed the Senate they sent congratulations. They wished the District Committee of the House to act upon it, but as they failed to do this it gives us another six months in which to warn the people. Brethren and sisters, are you doing your part in circulating LIBERTY and the Religious Liberty leaflets? There is only a short time for us to work. Are we in earnest?

The Summer School at Berrien Springs was open last Wednesday. The attendance is about 50 with additions every day. Classes have been organized in all the common branches, as well as in several advanced subjects. An excellent spirit prevails and all are taking hold to make the school a success. Provision has been made for a general discussion on General Principles of Teaching, Special Methods, School Management, Manual Training, etc. The faculty include Professors Kauble, Haughey, Straw, Taylor, Russell, Boylan, Mrs. Flora Williams, Mrs. Mary C. McReynolds, Miss Florence Howell and Miss Minnie Hart.