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# GLEANEER

"Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest."

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## SEEDS OF KINDNESS.

THERE was never a golden sunbeam  
That fell on a desolate place,  
But left some trace of its presence  
That time could never efface.  
Not a song of ineffable sweetness  
That ravished the listening ear,  
Then slumbered in silence forgotten  
For many and many a year;

But a word or a tone might awaken  
Its magical powers anew,  
Long after the sweet-voiced singer  
Had faded from earthly view;  
Not a heart that was ever so weary,  
Or tainted with sin and despair,  
But a word of tender compassion  
Might find an abiding-place there.

Then scatter the sunbeams of kindness,  
Though your deeds may never be known,  
The harvest will ripen in glory  
If the seeds be faithfully sown;  
And life will close with a blessing,  
And fade into endless day,  
Like the golden hues of the sunbeam  
That fade in the twilight gray.

—Selected.

## PEACE, BE STILL.

From  
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Ch 35

THE sun had set, and the blackness of night had settled down upon the stormy sea. The waves lashed into fury by the howling winds, dashed fiercely over the disciples' boat, and threatened to engulf it. Those hardy fishermen had spent their lives upon the lake, and had guided their craft safely through

many a storm; but now their strength and skill availed nothing. They were helpless in the grasp of the tempest, and hope failed them as they saw that their boat was filling.

Absorbed in their efforts to save themselves, they had forgotten that Jesus was on board. Now, they remembered at whose command they had set out to cross the sea. In Jesus was their only hope. In their helplessness and despair, they cried, "Master, Master!"

Their cry aroused Jesus. They saw the peace of heaven in his face; they read in his glance self-forgetful, tender love, and their hearts, turning to him, cried, "Lord, save us; we perish."

Never did a soul utter that cry unheeded. Jesus lifted his hand, so often employed in deeds of mercy, and said to the angry sea, "Peace, be still."

The storm ceases. The billows sink to rest. The clouds roll away, and the stars shine forth. The boat rests upon a quiet sea. Then turning to his disciples, Jesus asks sorrowfully, "Why are ye so fearful? Have ye not yet faith?"

A hush fell upon the disciples. Even Peter did not attempt to express the awe that filled his heart. The boats that had set out to accompany Jesus had been in the same peril as

the disciples. Terror and despair had seized their occupants; but the command of Jesus brought quiet to the scene of tumult. The fury of the storm had driven the boats into close proximity, and all on board beheld the miracle. In the calm that followed, fear was forgotten. The people whispered among themselves, "What manner of man is this that even the winds and the sea obey him?"

When Jesus was awakened to meet the storm, he was in perfect peace. There was no trace of fear in word or look, for no fear was in his heart. But he rested not in the possession of almighty power. It was not as the "Master of earth and sea and sky" that he reposed in quiet. That power he had laid down, and he says, "I can of mine own self do nothing." He trusted in the Father's might. It was in faith—faith in God's love and care—that Jesus rested, and the power of that word which stilled the storm was the power of God.

As Jesus rested by faith in the Father's care, so we are to rest in the care of our Saviour. If the disciples had trusted in him, they would have been kept in peace. Their fear in the time of danger revealed their unbelief. In their efforts to save themselves, they forgot Jesus; and it was only when, in despair of self-depend-

ence, they turned to him, that he could give them help.

How often the disciples' experience is ours! When the tempests of temptation gather, and the fierce lightnings flash, and the waves sweep over us, we battle with the storm alone, forgetting that there is One who can help us. We trust to our own strength till our hope is lost, and we are ready to perish. Then we remember Jesus, and if we call upon him to save us, we shall not cry in vain. Though he sorrowfully reproves our unbelief and self-confidence, he never fails to give us the help we need. Whether on the land or on the sea, if we have the Saviour in our hearts there is no need of fear. Living faith in the Redeemer will smooth the sea of life, and will deliver us from the danger in the way that he knows to be best.

There is another spiritual lesson in this miracle of the stilling of the tempest. Every man's experience testifies to the truth of the words of Scripture, "The wicked are like the troubled sea, when it can not rest. . . . There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked." Sin has destroyed our peace. While self is unsubdued, we can find no rest. The masterful passions of the heart no human power can control. We are as helpless here as were the disciples to quiet the raging storm. But He who spoke peace to the billows of Galilee, has spoken the word of peace for every soul.

However fierce the tempest, those who turn to Jesus with the cry, "Lord, save us," will find deliverance. His grace, that reconciles the soul to God, quiets the strife of human passion, and in his love the heart is at rest. "He maketh the storm a calm so that the waves thereof are still. Then are they glad because they be quiet; so he bringeth them unto their desired haven." "Being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." "The work

of righteousness shall be peace, and the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance forever."

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

#### LIVING TO GOD.

O LORD of love and power,  
How joyful life might be  
If in thy service every hour  
We lived and moved with thee;  
If youth in all its bloom and might  
By thee were sanctified,  
And manhood found its chief delight  
In working at thy side!

—E. S. Armitage.

#### ARE YOU? OR NOT? WHICH?

ARE you standing idle all the day, especially now in this eleventh hour's opportunity of finishing the quota of "Christ's Object Lessons"? or are you doing all in your power to come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty, and to do *your* share in making this work a success? Paul not only did his share of the work of preaching the gospel, but he said he labored more abundantly than they all. As a result what a great amount of joy he had even in this life, to say nothing of the crown of life which awaits him at that day.

Certainly no enterprise has ever been given to us as a people that is so designed of God to show our love and devotion to him and to his cause, as well as to manifest our interest in the salvation of our fellow men as is this. If we really have the love of Christ in our souls and the love to see men and women brought to the saving knowledge of his truth, we most surely will want to have a part in this grand work. The time is short; the work must soon be done. Now is the time for you to act. To say that you can not do this, when the Lord has said you can, is not true faith, to say the least. When, in the name of the Lord, you go to perform his work, he will not only give you a blessing, but it will bring a great blessing to others.

The experience of the two spies who

went to view Jericho is a forcible illustration to the point. Joshua told them to spy out the land, and then to report to him. After they reached the city of Jericho, the king was informed that spies had come to view the land. He sent some men to the house of Rahab, where they went to lodge, and demanded the men to be delivered. God saved those spies; they viewed the country; reported their work to Joshua when their tour was completed; and Rahab and her household were all saved. They got a blessing in doing their work; she was blessed by their coming.

It has been certainly remarkable the blessings that have come to the writer as a result of engaging in this most precious work, besides the privilege of seeing many a heart made satisfied by the truths the book contained. The Lord has also opened many doors of other churches to the preaching of the gospel, thus extending the influence of the truth in other lines. A week ago I had the privilege of speaking in a church in New Hampshire morning and evening. In the evening there was a union meeting held of two churches in the place. At the close of the service, the minister made a public announcement of the book, "Christ's Object Lessons," to an almost crowded house. He encouraged the people to buy the book. He told me that if I could stay and visit the people, he would go with me from house to house. This is the third minister who has made a public announcement for the book before large congregations.

The next morning I called on two other ministers who bought and paid for the book, even though I had none to deliver them. Excellent testimonials are being given for the work. The hand of God is in this movement; the angel has surely stepped down, and is troubling the waters. Step in, brother, sister, step in; God wants you to have a part. The laborers who came in at the eleventh hour received their re-

ward. May God help each one to act his part, and do it now.

F. C. GILBERT.

#### UNSPOTTED FROM THE WORLD.

IN reading and meditating on the history of God's dealings with his children in the past, we see that selfishness is the cause of all other sins. We are all more or less selfish. We read that covetousness is idolatry, and we need to watch and pray much that the Lord may keep us, the remnant church, from falling as did the Jews.

The Lord wants his remnant people to deal justly. He says in the Old Testament, "He hath showed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?" Again, in the New Testament we find, "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction; and to keep himself unspotted from the world."

Now, my brethren and sisters, I ask you each to consider this question, What is it to keep yourself unspotted from the world? O, my dear friends, it is sad to look out upon many whose names are on the church book, and to consider the life that they lead. Stop and think of it, my dear friends, before it is too late. O let us one and all be a separate people from the world around us both in word and action.

C. HALE.

#### WHAT IS UNDERMINING THE STRENGTH OF THE RACE?

IT requires no juggling of figures to demonstrate the fact that race deterioration is increasing. When a nation expends many more millions for soul-and-body destroying substances than it does for its bread, Bibles, and education, then we should expect nothing else, unless God has revised that significant declaration, "Whatsoever a

man soweth, that shall he also reap."

According to the United States census returns, our insane population is increasing three hundred per cent faster than the increase in the general population.

The consumptive germ is now responsible for nearly one-third of all adult deaths. In other words, ten millions of the present inhabitants of this country will, either because of their parents' race-destroying habits or their own, fall victims to this disease unless the public shall become sufficiently aroused to at once begin to make earnest effort to cultivate health.

Doctor Parks, who has charge of the New York laboratory for the investigation of cancer, recently stated that if cancer continued to increase during the next ten years at so rapid a rate as it has done during the past decade, it will then be responsible for more deaths than are now caused by tuberculosis.

Neurasthenia, or nervous prostration, was an almost unknown disease a generation ago, but now it has become a household word; and the patent medicine men are becoming millionaires by selling annually two hundred million dollars' worth of nostrums, quack medicines, and harmful stimulants intended to brace up those who are on the border line of physical bankruptcy.

Thanks to the vigilant efforts of health officers and the wide diffusion of the knowledge of sanitary science in reference to the management of epidemic diseases, the great death-dealing plagues of former years have now been practically stamped out. The bubonic plague has been cornered in a small portion of the earth. Although smallpox has, during recent years broken out in a thousand different places, yet by prompt quarantine it has been successfully held at bay. By such measures the average length of human life has been lengthened, but the fact remains that there is a far less number of old people alive

to-day than ever before, and longevity is the real evidence of the physical strength and endurance of the race.

The physician who recognizes these facts is forced to conclude that the temperance question is not confined entirely to the consideration of the evils of the liquor traffic, for the liquor curse is only one of the factors contributing to this alarming race deterioration.

All stimulation is only mortgaging our nervous forces, and sooner or later, nature will foreclose the mortgage. It makes little difference whether it was secured from alcohol, opium, tobacco, tea or coffee, or a stimulating dietary. What we need is nourishment, not stimulation. Let us heed the admonition of John the Baptist and lay the ax at the root of the tree, instead of being content to pick away a few of the leaves. Inspire the rising generation with the truth that their bodies are divine temples and that it is an insult to God to wreck, mar or defile this divine dwelling-place.—*David Paulson, in Union Signal.*

"If one upon thy left should wound thy hand,  
And one upon thy right should bathe thy hand  
With sandal-oil and kiss it, bear to each  
The same mild heart! So shall the smiter love,  
Or—if not—vainly hate thee."

"FAITH without works is dead." True faith is the faith that works. Better keep our creed in our daily life than in a church manual.

A. E. PLACE.

"ONE thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I"—in my study; I, in my shop; I, in my parlor, kitchen, or nursery; I, in my studio; I, in my lecture-hall—"may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life." In our "Father's house are many mansions." The room that we spend most of our lives in, each of us at our tasks or our worktables may be in our Father's house, too; and it is only we that can secure that it shall be.—*Alexander Maclaren.*

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## The FIELD

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TO THE MAINE LIBRARIANS.

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WE would say to our librarians that time will be given this year as usual for the settlement of accounts in full to June 30, although the fiscal year was made to close March 31. It will be understood, as in previous years, that if the accounts are not settled in full June 30, no more credit will be given until they are balanced. This will be made to include "Christ's Object Lessons," as well as the regular running accounts, for it will not do to become involved in that direction.

E. H. MORTON.

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DUNEDIN, NEW ZEALAND.

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THROUGH the kindness of friends of former years, we have been regularly visited by the *New England Gleaner*, whose pages we have eagerly scanned, as each issue has come to us. Having acted a responsible part in the starting of the *Gleaner*, I have always watched its career with special interest, and on seeing the notice in its last issue that it was to be no more, I felt as though an old and beloved friend was disappearing from the field of conflict in the third angel's message.

I have now had the pleasure of receiving the first few issues of the ATLANTIC UNION GLEANER. I many times contemplated showing my appreciation of the *Gleaner* by making a remittance of a small sum toward its support, but never did it. Please find inclosed the sum of six shillings, for which you may credit my subscription for as long a time as it will pay. I suppose the new GLEANER will not object to this arrangement, and as "the dead know not anything," there will be no fear of the old *Gleaner* feeling jealous.

Many times, during the ten years and more, since we left the many

dear ones in New England whom we had learned to love in the truth, our thoughts have wandered back to those dear old associations, and we have eagerly watched the movements of former co-laborers, as far as the *Gleaner* has enabled us to do so.

I think that I wrote to the paper a few times while in South Africa. Since leaving that country, where we labored six years, we have spent two years each in the colonies of Victoria and New South Wales, and have now been in this city about seven months. We are here conducting a city mission, having a family on an average of about ten workers. Already several have taken their stand for the truth. We have just held a series of public meetings in the largest hall in the city, Elder E. W. Farnsworth being with us for several weeks. We greatly appreciated having him and his wife with us. They have now returned to their home in New South Wales.

With best wishes for all the brethren and sisters whom we used to know, throughout the Atlantic Union Conference, and for the prosperity of the work in that part of the great harvest field, I remain

Sincerely yours,

A. T. ROBINSON.

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CLIFF ISLAND, ME.

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THE missionary meetings held here continue, and recently have been especially interesting. Many letters are received. They come from Canada, Texas, Kansas, California, and other States; so although shut away from the world, this little island comes into communication with people widely separated.

Our librarian is corresponding with an interested reader in Texas, who, besides tracts and papers, has read "Steps to Christ," and is now reading "Matthew Twenty-four." Many touching cases are found. One young man, a shut-in, writes asking for a

Bible, as he has none of his own. He promises to pay for it when his health shall be restored. Some speak of the loss of friends and of the trials they are bearing. These messages from strangers remind us how all humanity is crying out for sympathy and personal interest.

A lady who is in correspondence with a number of people offers to use our papers and tracts in her work if we will furnish them free of charge.

Though the "Object Lessons" work moves slowly, a little has been done. One sister is having good success selling her quota of books to business men of Portland, with whom she is acquainted. The oldest member of the church, a sister seventy-five years old, has set a good example by going over to Great Chebeague and disposing of three of her books in a few days. Some have been sold on Long Island. The writer sold one last week to an optician in Portland. Upon being told of the purpose of the work, he immediately purchased the book without further comment. He had evidently been reading *Good Health*; for he asked many questions regarding the non-flesh diet. He inquired if I drank coffee, ate lobster or fish? And asked, "Why not?" Although apparently taking sides against our views, his interest showed that he was thinking along those lines.

The people of the world, knowing our profession, demand to see in our lives the messages of health, temperance, educational reform, and all those principles which the name, Seventh-day Adventist, implies that we believe. Can we afford to disappoint them, and say by our lives that we have a theory which will not stand the test of practical application?

The past week has been vacation in the school, but it opens again on Monday. I esteem it a privilege to be connected with this work, and hope that other churches in Maine will soon follow the example set by

Cliff Island. The time is short. How can we remain indifferent to the instruction God has given us regarding our children?

CORNELIA SNOW.

#### WILLIMANTIC, CONN., AND VICINITY.

FRIDAY, April 25, I received a telegram to attend a funeral at Uncasville, Conn., April 28, and so decided to spend Sabbath and Sunday with the Willimantic church. Our Sabbath meeting was held in the W. C. T. U. hall, on Union Street, Willimantic. The attendance was small, but we shared a good degree of the blessing which ever awaits even the "two or three."

It was arranged to have a meeting at North Windham on Sunday. After the meeting on Sabbath Dr. Marsh, elder of the church, took me to his home at Mansfield Center, where I had a very enjoyable visit. The meeting on Sunday was held at the home of Brother Hall. We had a good attendance. I was pleased to see there Brother Bowers and family who recently moved from South Lancaster to North Windham.

The meeting was devoted to a study of our work as a whole, and especially in our own conference. At the close several expressed themselves as pleased to know more in detail our plans, and the way the Lord is opening the doors before us, and that those who believe the message and trust God may go forth without fear expecting success. I was pleased to find that this church has taken and paid for its full quota of "Object Lessons," and that nearly all are sold, and also that the church took a good collection last Sabbath to help out the "endowed bed fund."

It gives me pleasure to report that peace and brotherly love prevail in the church. This ought to be present truth in all our churches.

Sunday night I shared the hospitality of Brother Colburn, 36 Pleasant

St., Willimantic. Sister Colburn has been very poorly for a long time. For several weeks she has been in the endowed bed at the New England Sanitarium. We are pleased to note that she is rapidly improving, and within a few days, unless a relapse comes, will be with her family once more.

Monday I went on to Uncasville, Conn., to attend the funeral of Brother Coates' mother, further notice of which will appear in another column.

A. E. PLACE.

#### VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

##### Report of Tithes and Offerings, First Quarter, 1902.

Church	Tithes	Offerings	Haskell Home
Hebron,	25.36	8.80	.45
Kilmarnock.	24.23		.50
Danville,	9.85		
Quicksburg,	111.60	4.54	3.10
Portsmouth,	111.10	16.65	8.05
Stanleyton,	38.37		1.80
*Alexandria,	10.34	6.76	
Newport News,	21.80		
Buenavista,	3.22	.48	
Richmond,	112.42	4.17	2.50
Arlington,	43.37	5.14	3.06
Mt. Williams,	11.70		.80
Individuals,	99.40	3.26	
	\$622.76	\$49.80	\$20.26

\* Donation to Skodsborg, \$1.00.

JAMES GARGETT, *Treas.*

#### KINGSTON, N. Y.

SINCE coming to this city in January, I have been working for my Master during the spare hours, and find a number of people who are interested in the Bible, but so far as I can learn, there has never been any work done here by us as a people. It seems to me as though the Lord would lay a burden on some one of our ministers to come here and hold a series of meetings, and raise up a church, which shall stand as a beacon amid the darkness and infidelity which I see on every hand.

Here is a good field for labor, and one which it will pay to work. It is

virgin soil, and I am sure that if some one can come here and devote his time to laboring, an abundant harvest will result. I have held several Bible readings with those who are intensely interested, and some are admitting the points of doctrine to be true. The next step, I trust, will be for them to walk in the light. I have been invited to one of the Methodist Sunday-schools, and, in class work, as well as before the whole school, the Lord has given liberty, and some have expressed themselves as never having seen things in that way before.

I am praying for a definite work to be done here *this* summer, and ask the whole GLEANER family to pray that the Lord may impress the mind of a good minister to leave some other place where work *has* been done, and come here and proclaim the third angel's message.

Brethren, move out and on; keep to the front; stand on the firing line; press the battle to the gates of the enemy. Who will say, "Here am I, Lord, send me"?

Your brother in Christ,

AMOS MITCHELL.

#### RICHMOND, VA.

WHILE the work moves slowly, we can see the Lord's hand is on the helm, and that if we, as laborers with Christ, are faithful, he will reward us in giving us much of his blessing, and souls for the kingdom.

While the church here numbers only about fifty, we have had to dis-fellowship a few who had become indifferent, and had violated the Sabbath. We trust, and believe, it will prove a blessing to the church to have its books cleared of those names which are no longer any help to it. The church is gradually coming up in attendance, and spirituality. There are four meetings held each week.

I have been doing house-to-house work, using "Christ's Object Lessons," and the *Signs of the Times*. I

find quite a number who are glad to purchase the book, and also to read the paper.

My Sunday night meetings have been growing in attendance until now we have quite a nice audience each week. Brethren, pray for us, and the work here that we may so present the Word that the Lord may be able to endue the same with his power. We are now planning to start tent meetings here about the first of June.

H. W. HERRELL.

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UNCASVILLE, CONN.

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MONDAY, April 28, I attended the funeral of Mrs. Coates, who died at the home of her son, Brother Gilbert Coates, Uncasville, Conn., aged seventy-seven years. The house was filled with relatives and friends. Some of our people were present from New London. The pastor of the M. E. church assisted in the service. On the way to and from the cemetery, I had a profitable talk with him on several lines of the present truth.

Our aged sister had been a devoted wife and mother; but till very near the close of her life, she had had no special impressions toward a Christian life, and had never united with any church.

About the middle of April, while I was working at New London, Brother Coates asked me to visit his mother. I found her on the sick bed, which proved to be the bed of death. I was deeply impressed at the time that she could not recover. She expressed herself as conscious that her life was near its end and that she was not prepared, and did not seem to know how to find the Lord. She felt that the Lord did not care for her at this late hour, etc. My soul yearned to help this aged one so near to the grave, and so near to the closing of the door of mercy. Is it too late for the Holy Spirit's power to awaken conviction and bring peace? Oh,

how dangerous the situation! I sought the Lord for power to make the great plan of salvation simple, plain and precious, and he gave help. I finally read those wonderful words from "Object Lessons," page 118, "Christ, the heavenly merchantman seeking goodly pearls, saw in lost humanity the pearl of price. In man, defiled and ruined by sin, he saw the possibilities of redemption." "He collected all the riches of the universe, and laid them down in order to buy the pearl. And Jesus, having found it, re-sets it in his own diadem."

Mother, this expresses the Saviour's love for lost humanity, and his desire to save them. Though you have remained away so long, yet, in this eleventh hour, he still wants to snatch you as a brand from the burning, to forgive you all your sins, and cleanse you from all unrighteousness, and make you a part of his crown of rejoicing. Will you not lift your eyes and hands towards heaven; and give him your heart and your past life, and take his promises by faith?

Her eyes filled with tears, and her lips quivered, and she said, "I will, yes, I will," and she raised her feeble hands and her eyes heavenward. Her lips moved—I know not the words, but I felt they came from a broken and contrite heart. It may be, and I trust it was, "Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom."

Just before she died, one of her daughters asked her how she felt? Her reply was, "He told me if I would trust in the Lord's promises that I might be saved. I am trusting in the Lord."

While it is sad that this trust did not come earlier in life, it was welcomed with joy even at this last moment by the aged husband, and the sons and daughters, and it helps to sweeten their cup of sorrow and bereavement.

On my way from Uncasville, I spent a day with the Hebron church. We had a meeting Tuesday evening,

but, owing to the rain, several did not attend. We had a profitable time, however, with those who did come, and I enjoyed visiting them once more.

A. E. PLACE.

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FORDS STORE, MD.

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SINCE my last report the work in this place has been moving forward with good results. Some are taking words and returning to the fold, and others are seeking a deeper work of grace. God is showing his willingness to help all who will turn to him.

The church has been organized on earth to be a home for his people, and when it cooperates with heavenly intelligences in saving souls, there will be a gathering into its fold. Christ requires that every one belonging to the church should become a worker. Then the Lord can bring into the church those whom he may choose, and they will be cared for by the fathers and mothers of Israel. But it is sad to say that some of our churches are in such a condition that it would not be well to trust them with new converts, and, for this reason, no great work can be done in their midst.

May the churches awake to duty and not be a stumbling-block for others, but open their doors and invite the wanderers home; at the same time helping all to see the precious truth that is making such progress in the earth. Let us as individual members see to it that we place ourselves in the right relation to the truth, so that our influence will tell on the right side.

F. W. MACE.

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ALEXANDRIA, VA.

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WITH gratitude to our Heavenly Father, I wish to make mention of my work down here in Alexandria, and at Arlington.

For several months in the past, I

have been connected with the work here, holding some meetings, working in the Bible work, and visiting from house to house, telling the people of the present truth.

My labor among these two churches has been very much appreciated by the brethren and sisters. The Lord has blessed us very much spiritually; and several new ones have decided to obey the truth.

At our last quarterly meeting, four souls were buried with their Lord in baptism. There are others who we trust will take this step soon.

At present I have a barrel of papers, magazines and other periodicals for free distribution in this city; and we earnestly trust that the labor put forth among this people will be as seed sown upon good ground, that will bring forth fruit in the coming harvest.

GEO. W. LEWIS.

#### AN INTERESTING INCIDENT.

THE following incident was related by Mr. Joseph Booth in a discourse given at the Metropolitan Lyceum on Fifty-ninth Street, New York, about two weeks ago. Mr. Booth sold out his property in Brighton, near Melbourne, Australia, ten years ago, and gave himself to benighted Africa. On his way he met with our brethren in Cape Town, but did not receive our views. He was a Baptist and was sustained by them. He has been very successful in establishing industrial missions in East Central Africa. The headquarters of these missions is near Lake Nyassa. In process of time, he returned to this country and became acquainted with the Seventh-day Baptists and embraced the Sabbath, and they have invested twenty-five thousand dollars in his work. By study and by an acquaintance with Seventh-day Adventists he has now embraced the views held by them, and returns to his field of labor accompanied by several Seventh-day Ad-

ventist missionaries to engage in the work in the field he has chosen. He first came to our mission on Fifty-seventh Street, and stated at once the object of his visit,—to learn of our views. We had several conversations with him, and then he went to Battle Creek and attended some of the conferences, and on May 7, he sails with his wife and others for his mission field. In a general meeting above referred to, he related to our brethren and sisters his experience, and we had it stenographically reported. It will appear in the *Bible Training School*, the first issue of which will be sent out next week.

The readers of the GLEANER will be interested in one incident that occurred before he embraced the Sabbath as it shows the power of the truth. He visited a tribe that he was warned against lest they should kill him. But he felt that his life was in the hands of God, and so accompanied with a few natives, and the angels of God for protection, he went to them. He was met by the chief and a company who with spears, and assagais pointed towards him, saying, "We are going to kill you." He replied, "I have a message from God to you. You can kill me to-morrow as well as to-day, for I will stay with you." But they repeated that they were going to kill him. He told them that his life was in the hands of God, and if he permitted them to kill him, then it was all right. But he had a message for them from God. The natives all believe in a God. Finally the chief told him to deliver his message. He began to talk with them about Christ and God, when he was interrupted by the chief "You said you had a message from God, and that is what we want to hear, and not man's word's." Then Mr. Booth began to think of some place where God himself spake; for they insisted upon hearing nothing but God's words. He opened to Ex. 20:1: "God spake all these words, saying,"—"That

is what we want to hear," said the chief, "God's words and not man's words." So he read and explained the first, second and third commandments. While reading the fourth, the chief interrupted him, "What day is God's day?" He read it again and again, for the chief was set on understanding it. "Now," said the chief, "which day is God's day. Make it plain so I can mark it on the ground, and we know what day it is." Then he told him it was yesterday, and then began to tell him how that Christians kept the first day of the week, etc. Suddenly the chief roused up and said, "How is this, do you know more than God? God said the seventh day, and you say the first day." Again and again he would try to explain to him; but as often the chief would charge him to give them God's message and not man's. Said Mr. Booth, "I did not come to argue with you. Keep any day you like." Then the conversation ran something like the following; "Why do you keep the first day when God says the seventh?" Then as soon as he began to reason, the chief would say, "You came to bring God's message and you bring man's message. We do not want to hear man's message but God's message."

The result was that he spent days with them, and they became warm friends, and now he is back in this country representing at least forty-eight Seventh-day Adventists in East Central Africa desirous of our coming to them and teaching them how they can tell the story to others of their tribes. Seven tribes are represented in his work. They ask for teachers. Who will go? Who is there that gives proof that he regards his life of more value than Christ's cause? and who is there who considers the cause of God of more value than his own life and comforts here? "For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that

ye through his poverty might be rich." They have come to us, we did not first go to them. Is there not here a sign of the closing work? "Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee." "And the Gentiles *shall come* to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. Lift up thine eyes round about, and see; all they gather themselves together, they *come to thee*: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side. Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged; because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee." Isa. 60 : 1, 3-5.

S. N. HASKELL.

#### TO THE GLEANER FAMILY.

DEAR BRETHREN AND SISTERS IN CHRIST: As lovers of the truth and workers in the cause, I address a few lines to you, the burden of which is a call for workers. I am alone in a little home in Hallowell, situated between Augusta and Gardiner on the electric car line; a more favorable place for the work of the message in all its branches could not be found. In Augusta are situated the jail and hospitals, and in the three cities are an intelligent, thinking class of people, though of course biased by early training, as in all places. An electric car line of ten miles is now being constructed which will connect Augusta with Winthrop, a beautiful and thriving town.

My home is a house of seven rooms with one-fourth of an acre of land finely adapted for gardening, with spring water brought into the house. I would like a man and wife, would not object to another in the family but not small children, to take the house as it is, furnished, and board me, that I might have my whole time for work in the cause.

We have a small church in Augusta but removals have reduced it greatly. We some times feel almost discouraged as one after another goes out from us.

There has been but little canvassing done here for so large a territory, and it is one of the special needs at this time, so canvassers are in order. It has been my greatest desire to see the work go forward in this section, the reason I have kept the place and remained here most of the time for the past two years. If any who read these lines feel that the Lord calls them to this part of his vineyard, let them write me at once, that the work may get well started this spring, but let none respond who are not fully consecrated to God, have a love for the truth and are willing to *work* to bring others to a knowledge of it; who are seekers of the perishing ones of earth rather than of ease and pleasure; to such full particulars and favorable terms will be given.

Should any wish to make inquiries in the matter, any of the Maine ministers could give information, or Elder E. E. Miles, of South Lancaster. References would be expected. Waiting any response actuated by Him who leads his people, I remain

Yours in the work,

MRS. NELLIE M. HASKELL,  
*Hallowell, Maine, Box 53.*

"AS THE twig is bent the tree is inclined." Every year that the soul delays the work of salvation increases the danger that it will never find it.

A. E. PLACE.

#### LOOKING TOWARD THE LIGHT.

I ASKED the roses, as they grew  
Richer and lovelier in their hue,  
What made their tints so rich and bright:  
They answered, "Looking toward the light."  
Ah, secret dear! said heart of mine.  
God meant my life to be like thine—  
Radiant with heavenly beauty bright,  
By simply looking toward the light.

—Selected.

## EDUCATIONAL

OUR ACADEMY AND  
CHURCH-SCHOOLS

FOUNDATION DAY.

(Concluded.)

MRS. HALL spoke in part as follows: "I am truly glad for this day,—glad for the remembrances of it, and for its celebration. I believe that the Lord is pleased when we rejoice in the progress of his work and of his cause, and while Sister Robinson was speaking, my mind went to the song of Miriam after God had given them the victory. This day should be a day of general rejoicing because of the marked blessings that God has given to us. Miriam took a timbrel in her hand and said, 'Sing ye to the Lord, for he hath triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea.' I feel that there is a response in my heart this morning to praise the Lord that he hath triumphed gloriously. I believe that it is through his Spirit, through his power, that this school has been what it has been, and has triumphed gloriously. We learned this morning that its influence is world-wide, that there is hardly a country on the face of the globe where it has not representatives. So we can say very fittingly that the Lord has triumphed gloriously. I believe that no event which touches human life, however small it may seem, is of *little* value. So I feel to-day that the birthday of our school, the birthday of an institution that has done the work that our school has done, is of no little value. Nineteen times it has come to us, and every time, I have felt to rejoice that the Lord has triumphed gloriously.

We might go back just a little, and notice the associations of the day. April 19, 1775,—one hundred and twenty-seven years ago to-day a struggle for liberty was begun in Massachusetts. It triumphed gloriously, and we are to-day enjoying the benefits of



the triumph of liberty. Our school might not have been in existence, had it not triumphed. Then forty-one years ago at Fort Sumpter, another struggle for liberty was begun. This time it was a struggle for the liberty of a downtrodden race. We are glad to say that that triumphed gloriously, and to-day the black race enjoy the same privileges which we enjoy for an education. I look back over the twenty years just past, I think of another struggle begun;—not a struggle for liberty of nations, but a struggle for the free cultivation of our minds, our hearts, that we might return to the image of God. I am so glad to-day that this struggle was begun, and that it, too, has triumphed gloriously.

“Professor Bell was the first principal of South Lancaster Academy, and with him was associated Miss Edith Sprague. Professor Bell was also the first teacher of Battle Creek College. He began that school with eight pupils. It was during the years he was a teacher there that he formulated his lessons in English, which, later on, he put into a series of books,—the books you are enjoying to-day. He worked very hard at this for years, and I believe that the Lord's hand was in it. The gospel will go to the world through the English language, and I feel the Lord was with Professor Bell in preparing those lessons and those books, in order that the language could be studied in a thorough manner.

“There was with the work here, when it was established, another element,—an element of *thoroughness*. It was in the school from the start, and I believe that is what the Lord wants. He wants no second-class work. Professor Bell was here two years. He then returned to Battle Creek, where he carried on his work and study until his death some three years ago. At the time of his death, he was engaged in writing a series of books on nature, but he fell in the harness. He had often expressed

the wish to die in the work, to go with the armor on. Most of you know that his death was the result of a runaway accident, he being thrown from the carriage under the feet of the horse he was driving.

“Professor Bell was not here when I first came to the school. He went away in the spring before I came in the fall. Elder Robinson was the principal then. That was the first year this building was used. I remember the morning that school opened and how, as we sat here, and looked out towards the west on that beautiful scene, our hearts went up in gratitude to God. Elder Robinson was principal for one year. He was needed in the field to labor, and he was called away to take up his work as a minister. Not long after that, he went to South Africa, then to England, and then to far-away India. You can see that the influence of our school has encircled the world. Is it not a glorious thought that you can be associated with a school whose influence is felt all over the world? The common interest that draws us here, is the common interest that will lead us to go all over the world.

“I remember the first 19th of April that I was here. Elder Haskell, Elder Robinson, and Sister Robinson were here. Elder Haskell prepared a picnic for us. Our picnic was of a different nature from any that I ever attended before or since. The great theme of talk was the work, the coming of the Lord, the building up of the school. We had a praise meeting. Everybody wanted to talk. Many told their experiences, and the benefits that they had received from the school, and how glad they were for the school. Thus the 19th of April became an important day in our school, and for many years its celebration was kept up. I am so glad to see that spirit revived. I do not want you ever to forget the 19th of April, 1882. I do not want you ever

to forget that it was a victory that has ever since been growing.

“The next year Professor Ramsey came from far-away California to be our principal four years. During his principalship our courses were started in a more definite way. At the close of the four years, Professor Caviness came with his wife from Battle Creek. She was the principal of the department of mathematics. Professor Caviness was with us six years. It was during that time that this building was enlarged. We had no room for the primary and intermediate departments. The present Home,—the ‘Old Home’ we call it now, I always feel like calling it the ‘Dear Old Home’ was getting to be too small; and the East Home, now the Sanitarium, was built. After Professor Caviness left, Professor Haughey came, and was here five years. During this time we moved into the new building.

“After Professor Haughey, came your present principal. He has been with you three years. I have now taken you through a brief history. I want to speak just a little more about the working of the school. I believe that the work has been carried on to meet the mind of God, as nearly as fallible workers could do it. The plan, from the beginning, was to carry out the work as the Lord had indicated. The Lord is not pleased with work that is not done well. There is a little from the special Testimonies that I might read on this. ‘We need a well disciplined, cultivated class of young men and women in the Sanitarium, in the medical missionary work, in the office of publication, in the conferences of different States, and in the field at large. We need young men and women who have a high intellectual culture, in order that they may do the best work for the Lord. We have done something toward reaching this standard, but still we are far behind that which the Lord has designed. As a church,

as individuals, if we would stand clear in the judgment, we must make more liberal efforts for the training of our young people, that they may be better fitted for the various branches of the great work committed to our hands. As a people who have great light we should lay wise plans, in order that the ingenious minds of those who have talent may be strengthened and disciplined and polished after the highest order, that the work of Christ may not be hindered by the lack of skilful laborers, who will do their work with earnestness and fidelity.

“The church is asleep and does not realize the magnitude of this matter of educating the children and youth. ‘Why,’ one says, ‘what is the need of being so particular thoroughly to educate our youth? It seems to me that if you take a few who have decided to follow some literary calling, or some other calling that requires a certain discipline, and give due attention to them, that is all that is necessary. It is not required that the whole mass of our youth should be so well trained. Will not this answer every essential requirement?’—No, I answer, most decidedly not.”

“Who can determine which one of a family will prove to be efficient in the work of God? There should be general education of all its members, and all our youth should be permitted to have the blessings and privileges of an education at one of our schools; that they may be inspired to become laborers together with God.’ I feel that I want to emphasize that there is a need of thoroughness, thorough work every day, not alone for the lessons of the day, but a preparation for future work.

“There is also a little in ‘Christian Education.’ ‘God wants the teachers in our schools to be efficient. If they are advanced in spiritual understanding, they will feel that it is important that they should not be deficient in the

knowledge of the sciences. But let none feel that having an earnestness in religious matters is all that is essential in order to become educators. While they need no less of piety, they also need a thorough knowledge of the sciences. This will make them, not only good practical Christians, but will enable them to educate the youth, and at the same time they will have heavenly wisdom to lead them to the fountain of living waters. He is a Christian who aims to reach the highest attainments for the purpose of doing others good.’ If you do not get anything more this morning than this sentence, I wish you to get this: ‘He is a Christian who aims to reach the *highest attainments* for the purpose of doing others good.’ That is really the key-note, the motto of our school, service to man—service to others. ‘Knowledge harmoniously blended with a Christlike character will make a person truly a light in the world. God works with human efforts. All those who give all diligence to make their calling and election sure, will feel that a superficial knowledge will not fit them for positions of usefulness. Education balanced by a solid Christian experience, fits the child of God to do his appointed work steadily, firmly, understandingly.’

“I leave these thoughts with you this morning, thoughts which in themselves are an incentive to work; and

“‘Let us, then, be up and doing;  
With a heart for any fate;  
Still achieving, still pursuing,  
Learn to labor and to wait.

“‘Trust no future, howe’er pleasant!  
Let the dead Past bury its dead!  
Act,—act in the living Present!  
Heart within, and God o’erhead!’”

Elder Mattson spoke in part as follows: “I shall speak of some things of which you are conscious. I can not go back into the past because I have not been here; but I will say this, that I have implicit faith in the future of the school. I believe that the Professor has desired me to speak

just a few moments with reference to the future of the school. I would not stand here if I did not believe in the future of the school. Why?—Because if the school is not now in line, working as it has been in the past, it is a failure. I want to illustrate. This principle has been referred to by Sister Hall in the victory of 1776—the victory for independence—and again in 1861. Did you ever think of what happened after the war of 1861 that decided the future of this nation. Satan began the work of uniting all the people in this nation in combinations. This began, as I say, right after the war. We are now coming right to the crisis of this nation. What is the future of this nation? We celebrate the Declaration of Independence on the fourth of July. What does it mean?—It means very little to-day. I can not celebrate that now as I did once, because the meaning is gone. I could not celebrate this day, no matter what the past of the school may have been, if I did not have confidence in its future.

“The future of this nation depends entirely upon its subjects. The future of this school depends upon its subjects. The same is true of the church, the family. We may have discipline; we may have sacrifice on the part of the parents, just the same as they did in the past, and I want to say to-day that there are many parents who are sacrificing as much as they did then; but whether this school will be a success, will depend upon whether you as students will realize that sacrifice, and thus maintain the principles of the school. If the subject is disloyal, government must be maintained if the school will be a success. The principles of the school are going to stand. Its success depends upon you students—the subjects.

“I will simply prophesy this in conclusion. If the subjects are loyal to the government of our school, to

the principles of Christian education which we are here to advocate, this school will be a success. If the subjects are disloyal, if they are traitors to the principles of truth, the school will be a failure. But I believe that by the help of God, by the help of the Holy Spirit, by the help of all the loyal subjects, the government will be maintained, the truth will go as it has been carried by those of the past, and this school will be a success in the future."

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### THE BOOK WORK.

#### NEW YORK CONFERENCE.

WEEK ENDING APRIL 25, 1902.

Name	Place	Ords	Val	Hlps
MARVEL OF NATIONS.				
1 Herman Green, Taylor,		6	7.75	2.25
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3 Elmer Wilbur, Kirkville,				1.25
BIBLE READINGS.				
4 Ettie Church, Syracuse,		1	1.00	3.00
LADIES' GUIDE.				
5 Isaac Deeley, Taylor,		2	7.50	
COMING KING.				
6 Fritz A. Evans, Elmira,		1	1.00	
7 M. Fryer, Middletown,		3	3.00	.25
Totals,	7 Agents,	17	\$25.75	\$10.50

Time.—No. 1, 23 hrs; 4, 16 hrs; 5, 8 hrs; 6, 2 hrs; 7, 3 hrs. Total, 52 hrs.

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WEEK ENDING APRIL 25, 1902.

Name	Place	Ords	Val	Hlps
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BIBLE READINGS.				
6 O. H. Ward, New Castle,		3	3.00	
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COMING KING.				
8 W. C. Fleischer, McKeesport,		33	33.00	25.00
9 *Christian Mahr, Sharon,		42	42.00	5.25
10 C. L. Irons, Erie,		40	40.00	
SUNBEAMS.				
11 Ivor Lawrence, Elton,		8	8.50	
Totals,	11 Agents,	149	186.25	85.25

Time.—No. 1, 12 hrs; 2, 19 hrs; 4, 35 hrs; 5, 19 hrs; 6, 2 hrs; 7, 13 hrs; 8, 40 hrs; 9, 51 hrs; 10, 35 hrs; 11, 16 hrs. Total, 242 hrs.

Deliveries.—No. 1, \$18.00; 4, \$4.50; 5, \$1.50; 6, \$30.00; 8, \$1.60; 9, \$35.00.

\*Two weeks.

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WEEK ENDING APRIL 25, 1902.

Name	Place	Ords	Val	Hlps
DESIRE OF AGES.				
1 H. L. White, Millbury,		1	3.50	4.00
STORY OF REDEMPTION.				
5 Mrs. G. Laycock, Worcester,		4	4.75	2.75
OBJECT LESSONS.				
6 G. R. Ruggles, Rye, N. H.,		13	16.25	
Totals,	3 Agents,	18	\$24.50	\$6.75

Time.—No. 1, 34 hrs; 2, 9 hrs; 3, 13 hrs.

Total, 56 hrs.

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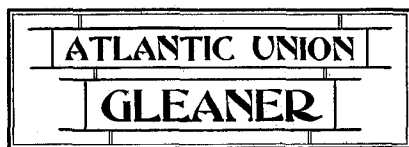
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FARMERS often sort over their apples in winter, in order to pick out all the "specked ones," as a single decayed spot in an apple will, in time, destroy an entire barrel full. A single bad trait in a boy may develop until it not only ruins him, but also spreads through a neighborhood. Just so, a diseased thought carries its blighting infection through one's whole character, and undermines life. The whiter the life, and the cleaner the character, the more conspicuous a single stain appears."—Success.



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We will send the GLEANER to any address until August 13 for ten cents.

In another column will be found a letter from Elder A. T. Robinson, a former president of the New England Conference who is now in New Zealand. His many friends in the Atlantic Union Conference will be pleased to hear from him.

THE *Pacific Union Recorder* reports that the students and teachers of the Healdsburg College had unfavorable weather for canvassing the week that they devoted to the "Object Lessons" work, and were able to canvass only three full days. There were but two among the number who failed to take one order, and the largest number of orders taken by one individual was twenty-three. The entire company averaged seven copies each, and nearly six hundred copies of the book were disposed of in one week, or three days, practically. In addition to this they sold about one thousand copies of the *Pacific Health Journal*.

SUCCESS in selling "Object Lessons" is not given to the young alone. Gray-haired veterans in the cause are also prospered in this work. The following is Elder J. N. Loughborough's report of his experience, as published in the *Recorder*:

"It was my privilege to be with the company at Santa Rosa, and to engage with them in canvassing. Not one of these students had ever canvassed be-

fore for the sale of a book. Although I had sold hundreds of dollars' worth of books in connection with preaching, I had never approached a person to solicit for the sale of a book, and, in fact, it was a matter that I dreaded, and thought I never could do.

"The first man I canvassed was the mayor of Santa Rosa. When I had shown him the book, and illustrated its contents, before I had a chance to ask him for his name, he said 'Put down my name for that book.' I made ten exhibitions of the book, and took five orders, and delivered them. I found a worthy poor widow who was so deeply interested in the book that I gave her a copy. Thus I placed the retail price of six copies in the jubilee fund. As this was only my beginning in canvassing, I said, I will place these six books to the credit of a sick brother in the Santa Rosa church who is not able to canvass."

#### A SPLENDID OPPORTUNITY.

READ and see if this does not mean you. The Correspondence School for Nurses, connected with the Sanitarium Medical Missionary Training School, will begin a new class the first of July. Lessons are sent weekly to students who are unable to leave home duties in order to take a regular course at one of our Sanitariums. This is the fourth year this work has been carried on, and hundreds are availing themselves of it. Studies on eleven subjects are given, among which missionary work and care and treatment of the sick are prominent. Our lessons have been revised and enlarged and are in every way much improved. The tuition fee is \$3.00, which barely covers the cost in sending out the lessons, correcting the replies and returning the reports to the pupil. The text-books required for this work are furnished at actual cost price. We shall organize a new class in July which will continue one

year (some finish in six months), and shall be glad to hear from all who are interested. A descriptive circular giving full particulars, will be sent free on application. Address, Correspondence Department Sanitarium Training School, Battle Creek, Mich.

DELAYS are dangerous. Especially dangerous is the delay of the soul in finding God.

A. E. PLACE.

#### AN UNPARALLELED OFFER.

THE Good Health Publishing Company have kindly offered to club *Good Health* one year with the ATLANTIC UNION GLEANER for 85 cts. The regular price of the *Good Health* is \$1.00 and of the GLEANER, 50 cts. You will readily see that this is furnishing you the papers at a trifle more than half price, but these terms are made only with a view to rapidly increasing our list.

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